

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, December 27th, 1893.

Sir, You are hereby summoned to attend a 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 1st 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 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—And approve and seal contracts for cast iron pipes for the extension of mains from Tewkesbury. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE. TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.
4. Councillor Steel to move :—"That the rents of the old Garden Land of the Allotment Ground be reduced.
5. Notices of Motion.
6. To read the following letters and memorials, and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :

Geo. Norman re Electric Lighting and Cleeve Common.

Jas. B. Winterbotham re Pates' Grammar School.

W. H. Horsley re Smoke Nuisance in Bennington Street.

J. G. Flory re " " " "

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committee of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at a Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 1st of January, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 27th day of December, 1893—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Haddon and Thoyts ; Councillors Feeney, Steel, Parsonage, and Lawrence (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—The View—The following members attended the view meeting on Friday last The Mayor, Councillors Feeney, Lawrence, Parsonage and Steel.

2 —Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 15.98 candles. Purity, 9.52 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

3—Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read : Average hourly consumption of gas per lamp during the month, 4.260 cubic feet.

4—Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month 30 (5 metered) Burning dimly, 18 (3 metered.)

5 - Upper Park Street and Passage, Charlton Kings—Resolved, That one new lamp be placed in the above Passage, and that a re-arrangement be made of the lamps at the upper end of the street.

6—Street Projections - The Street Inspector reported that the undermentioned projections had been put up without the permission of the Council, viz :—

Mr. C. Dufour, small gas rail in front of shop window at 81, High Street.

Mr. Chas. Barnett, new gas rail, in place of old one, at 86, High Street.

Mr. F. W. Sawyer, five moveable gas rails in front of shop window at 370, High Street.

Mrs. Ewens, trio moveable gas rails at 17, Promenade Villas.

Also, that two banners had been put up in front of the Assembly Rooms in connection with the Bazaar in aid of St. Gregory's Schools from 28th November to tot December, without leave from the Authorities.

Resolved, That Mr. Dufour be given notice to remove his gas rail, no application for same having been made; that Mr. Sawyer's gas rail be allowed to remain, an application therefor having been received from Mr. Sawyer ; and, that Mrs. Ewens be informed an application must be made to the Council for leave so keep up the gas rail erected by her.

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

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Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Bayshill Road, 1,260 super yards ; St. James's Square, 423 super yards ; High Street (opposite Lance's) 667 super yards, Pittville Circus Road proceeding.

Patching—Naunton Lane, Hatherley Road, Arle Road, Sherborne Place, Lyppiatt Street, Cleeve Road, Tivoli Road, Queen's Parade, Arle Tank Road, Old Bath Road, New Street, Lansdown Parade, Douro Road, Hewlett Road, High Street, Hales Road, Winchcomb Street, Suffolk Square, St. Paul's Road, Montpellier Street, Shurdington Road, Gloucester Road, St. George's Place, Spa Buildings, Promenade, The Park, Bath Road, Malvern Road, Painswick Lawn, College Road, Croft Lane, Montpellier Parade, Montpellier Terrace, Trafalgar Square.

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Swindon Road and Granville Street (500 square yards).

Patching—Grosvenor Street, Sherborne Street, St. Paul's Street, North, Six Chimneys Lane, Thirlestaine Road, Naunton Lane, College Road, Swindon Street, Pittville Parade, Albert Road (Pittville).

Gullies Repaired—Hewlett Street, Portland Street, Winchcomb Place, St. Phillip's Street, Park Place, Moorend Park Road.

Kerbing, Crossing, and Flagging—High Street, Malvern Road, Back of Lansdown Terrace, Carlton Street, Bath Terrace, Mountpleasant, Cambray, Clarence Square, St. George's Place, Clarence Parade, St. Anne's Terrace, Tivoli Place, Prestbury Road, Pittville Parade, Townsend Street, Rutland Street, St. George's Street, St. Paul's Street (North), Queen's Street, Lansdown Terrace, Western Road, Overton Road, Montpellier Street, Parabola Road. New asphalt crossing has been put down in All Saints Road, near the Church.

Tariff Paths—Albion Street, Hewlett Road, and St. Margaret's Road have been repaired.

The new wheels required for the Roller, formerly belonging to Leckhampton Local Board, have been received, the roller put in working order, and is now in use.

In the Park, the result of the recent rains showed that the surface water drains were defective ; one drain, upwards of 100 yards in length, has been taken up, and 9-in. diameter pipes substituted for those which were stopped up, and which were too small for the duty required.

8—Accident in High Street—The Town Clerk reported that he had received notice of action hereon. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned pending further enquiries.

9 —Accident in St. Margaret's Road—The Town Clerk reported that he had received notice of action in this matter, and he was instructed to take the necessary steps for defending the action.

10—Larput Place—A letter from Mr. W. H. Barker, of 5, Winchcomb Street, asking the Committee to have the road in Larput Place repaired, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Barker be informed the matter will be attended to.

11— Crossing in London Road--A letter from Mr. George Townshend, asking that the crossing, which formerly existed in the London Road, from the corner of Oxford place to the corner of Keynsham Lawn, might be at once instated, was read, and the further consideration adjourned.

12-Roads on Libertus Estate—A letter from Mr. W. Witchell, the Hon. Secretary to the Libertus Estate, requesting leave to put down gullies on the Estate Roads, to carry off the surface water, was read. Resolved, That permission be granted, subject to the work being done, so far as any connection with the sewer is concerned, to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor.

13—Lighting of Arle Road—A memorial from Mr. Thomas Voice and others, asking the Committee to grant three extra lamps for the above road, was read. Resolved, That two additional lamps be granted.

14—College Lawn Road—Resolved, That Mr. Sadler be informed, that if the Carriage way of this road is not at once coated with

blue stone, notices will be served on him and the other abutting owners in respect thereof.

15—Harp letter from Capt. Willis, calling attention to the bad state of repair of Harp Hill Road, was read. The Surveyor reported that men were already at work upon the road, doing what was necessary.

16—Priory Place Road—A letter from Messrs. Harrison, Bayley & Adams, asking, on behalf of the owners, if the Corporation intended to take over the above road as soon as the required repairs were completed, was read. Resolved, That Messrs. Harrison, Bayley & Adams be informed that it is not the intention of the Corporation to take to the road.

17- -Footpaths at Alstone and St. Mark's—Resolved, That the attention of the Surveyor be called to the state of the footpaths from Lower Alstone to Arle, and through Rowanfield to St. Mark's and the stream crossing the road from the Schools to St. Mark's, and that he be instructed to do what is necessary to be done to the footpaths and stream.

18- New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted Notices and Plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings (such of them as involved questions of drainage having been examined by the Public Health Committee) all of which were approved, viz. :

F. J. Muir, additions to Grafton Lawn

Trustees of Delancey Fever Hospital, for additions to Hospital.

E. B. Whateley, alterations and additions to 96, High Street.

T. E. Whittaker, Stabling, &c., in St. George's Place.

The Victoria Nursing Home Committee, additions to the Home.

Also from—

C Winstone, for houses in New Road leading from Glenfall Street.

Resolved, That this plan be not approved, and that Mr. Winstone be informed the sewers must be laid under a back road, such road to be formed so as to give access to the houses for the removal of ashes.

Also from—

W. H. Fry, for additions to Park Cottage, London Road, which was approved, subject to galvanized iron being substituted for all outside wood-work.

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Also from the following :—

A. P. Little, for a house in Old Bath Road.

— Hawker, ditto

S. Weaver, ditto.

F. Coote, ditto
C. Barrett, ditto

Resolved, That these plans be approved, subject to the houses being set back a sufficient distance to allow of the future widening of the road, that is to say, at least 30 feet from the hedge.

N. B. THOYTS,
Chairman.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 13th day of December, 1893—Present :
The Mayor ; Alderman Griffith ; Councillors E. L. Davies, M. Davis, Feeney, Parsonage and Moles,
(Alderman Griffith in the chair)—

1—Dairies and Cowsheds Order—Applications from Mrs. Thirza B. Barnes, of 4, Bon Marche Place, and Mr. Arthur Herbert of 89 Tewkesbury Road, to be registered as Purveyors of Milk, were read, together with the Reports of the Medical Officer of Health thereon. Resolved, That Mrs. Barnes be registered, but that the application of Mr. Herbert be refused.

2—Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified, since the last meeting of the Committee, 27 cases of Scarlet Fever, 4 cases of Enteric Fever, and 1 case of Diphtheria. 3 cases of Puerperal Fever had also been notified.

3—Lighting of Delancey Entrance Cates—The Medical Officer of Health stated that the Ambulance Driver had reported the great want of a lamp in this position, and had asserted that it is difficult and dangerous to approach the Hospital after dark as matters stand. Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Street and Highway Committee for consideration.

4—The Ambulance—The Medical Officer of Health stated that it had been intimated to him, that at the General Hospital there existed a feeling against the Ambulance used for Scarlet Fever, being also used for the conveyance of patients to the General Hospital. He added that as the Ambulance was a plain wooden box there was no difficulty in disinfecting it, and that it had always been kept clean and disinfected. The Committee inspected the Ambulance and the matter was adjourned for further consideration.

5—Collection of Ashes and House Refuse—In view of the fact that in many instances in the poorer parts of the town, ashes and refuse are thrown upon the ground, or placed in receptacles of a very improper or imperfect kind, leading to a condition in various small yards and other places, which is highly prejudicial to health, the Medical Officer of Health advised that advantage be taken of Sec. 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to compel moveable receptacles for ashes and house refuse to be used in such places, the receptacles to be of such a pattern as the Committee shall hereafter approve. The subject was adjourned for further consideration.

6—Water Closets without Flushing Apparatus—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a List of Houses having Water Closets without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the Owners to provide the necessary Flushing

Apparatus and to the Occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such Notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

7-General Hospital—Enteric Fever—The resolutions hereon passed by this Committee last month, but referred back by the Council for further consideration, were again discussed, and it was Resolved, That a conference be proposed between a Sub-Committee of this Committee, and a Sub-Committee of the Quarterly Board, to consider the question of the admission of Typhoid patients and of the Ambulance: the Sub-Committee of this Committee to consist of the Chairman, the Mayor, and Councillor Feeney

8--Mrs. Ings' Application—A letter from Mrs. Eliza Ings, stating her inability to put in the flushing apparatus ordered to be provided at her property in Burton Street as the present time, and requesting that the matter might stand over till after Christmas when she would have the work done, was read. Resolved, That Mrs. Ings be informed that she must put in the apparatus and have it properly supplied with water immediately after Christmas.

9— Tivoli Dairy Well—A letter from J. W. Drew, Esq., on behalf of the owner of this property, who had been served with a notice to close the well as unfit for domestic use, enquiring if the Town were in a position to supply water of a purer description than that obtained from the well in question, or, in fact, to supply any water at all other than to meet the wants of the present consumers, was read, together with the reply of the Town Clerk thereto, which was approved.

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10—Sanitary Certificates—The information received by the Town Clerk, from other towns who give Official Certificates, as to the sanitary condition of houses, was laid before the Committee and considered, and the further consideration thereof adjourned.

11—Barn Farm—Repairs—Tenders for the Repairs of the Barn were considered from:—

Malvern & Sons at £160

James Wall at £225

Resolved, That Messrs. Malvern & Sons' Tender be accepted, and that the necessary Contract, to be settled by the Town Clerk, be prepared and executed, and the Common Seal affixed thereto.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 22nd day of December, 1893 Present: The Mayor; Alderman Griffith ; Councillors M. Davis, L. Davies, Feeney, Hands, Moles, Parsonage, and Dighton, (Alderman Griffith in the chair)—

12-Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified, since the last meeting, 8 cases of Scarlet Fever, 1 case of Enteric Fever, and 1 of Diptheria.

13 — Infringement of Slaughter House Bye-Laws and Public health Act—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 30th ult. Mr. Frank Waghorne, of 4, Tivoli Buildings, Tivoli Street, sent so

sheep to the Abattoir, three of which he killed there, removing the remainder from the Abattoir, in contravention of Bye-Law No. 3 ; That on the 1st inst. the slaughtering of sheep upon Mr. Waghorne's unlicensed and unregistered premises at Tivoli was witnessed by two persons in the Corporation employ. Resolved, That Mr. Waghorne be warned that a repetition of either of the foregoing offences will be followed by legal proceedings for the penalties provided by the Act and Byelaws.

14—Collection of Butchers' Refuse—The Medical Officer of Health asked whether the Committee would undertake the collection of any Butchers' Blood and Refuse that Butchers might desire to have collected, or allow the Butchers to deposit the same at the Destructor. Resolved, That the Butchers be allowed to deposit their Refuse at the Destructor, and that in cases where it is required to be collected by the Corporation the Butchers will be required to pay for such collection at the same rate as is paid by the Fishmongers.

15—Collection of Ashes and House Refuse—The Report hereon made by the Medical Officer of Health at the last meeting was further considered. Resolved, That the Town Clerk, the Borough Surveyor, and the Medical Officer of Health be instructed to draw up some Regulations for the use of moveable receptacle; for settlement by the Committee.

16—Use of Town Ambulance by Rural Sanitary Authority and Charlton Kings Board—The Medical Officer of Health pointed out that hitherto the Ambulance had been used by the above Authorities without charge, and he desired to know if that was the recognised custom and intention of the Corporation. Resolved, That a charge of 5s per case be made to the above Boards for the use of the Ambulance, in addition to the payment to the driver, which has been fixed by the Committee at 5s per case.

17— Macintosh for Assistant Inspector Jones—The Medical Officer of Health having recommended that a Macintosh be provided for the Inspector to wear whilst removing infected clothing, &c., to the Disinfecter Resolved, That Dr. Garrett be authorised to procure a suitable one.

18—Wells requiring to be Closed—The Medical Officer of Health having represented that the water in the wells, a list of which he submitted, and which is used or likely to be used for drinking or domestic purposes, is so polluted as to be injurious to health. Resolved, That the necessary notices and proceedings for an Order to close the wells under Sec. 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be given and taken.

19—Water Closets without Flushing Apparatus—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having water closets without flushing apparatus. Resolved, That notices be given under Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus, and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for penalties.

20—Notices not complied with—A list of notices served by the Town Clerk and not complied with within the time specified therein, submitted. A letter from F. Stroud, Esq., respecting notices to him to provide flushing apparatus for the w.c's on his property in Stanhope Street, was read. Resolved, That in all the cases mentioned in the list, proceedings be taken for recovery of the penalties provided by the Acts.

21—Flooding of Chelt and Sewers—The Borough Surveyor's report hereon was further considered, and it was Resolved, That the Committee are not at present prepared to recommend the Council to carry out so partial a scheme as that suggested by the Borough Surveyor's report of the 25th August last, without instructions thereon from the Council.

22—Sanitary Certificates of Houses—This matter was further considered. Resolved, That the practice of issuing certificates as to the sanitary condition of houses be adopted, the work of inspection to be performed by the Chief Sanitary Inspector, and the Fee for each inspection and certificate to be £1 1s. 0d. The Town Clerk was requested to draw up a form of certificate for adoption by the Committee.

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23—Stove for Lavatory at Delancey Hospital—A letter from Dr. E. T. Wilson, Hon. Secretary of the Delancey Hospital, asking the Committee to provide a stove for the lavatory and corridor at the Hospital, to prevent dangers arising from frost, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to provide a stove.

24— Plans of House Drainage—The plans of such new buildings, necessitating drainage, as were intended to come up for approval at the next meeting of the Street and Highway Committee, were laid before this Committee, and the same were approved, so far as regards the drainage arrangements, except one from Mr. C. Winstone for houses in an intended new road at Fairview, Plans were submitted from several parties intending to erect houses at the upper end of the Old Bath Road, and on the East side thereof, there being at present no sewer in the road in question. Resolved, That the parties be informed the Corporation will construct a sewer, provided the various owners will agree to contribute one third of the expense thereof.

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

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| J. McIlquham, Levelling, &c., at Barn Farm | £2 8 4 |
| Highways Department, Building Office at Abattoir | £ 5 04 6 |
| E. Jones, 4 weeks' wages | £5 0 0 |
| Seth Lewis, 1, month's salary | £12 00 0 |
| J. H. Long, 1, month's salary | £8 6 8 |
| W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance | £3 5 0 |
| Knight & Co., Books, &c | £4 18 0 |
| Medical Practitioners, Notification Fees | £18 5 0 |
| Dr. Garrett, Cab Hire | £2 7 2 |
| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients— | |
| October | £148 12 0 |
| November | £56 14 0 |
| December | £92 2 0 |

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 21st day of December, 1893—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffith and Thoyts: Councillors Heath, Skillicorne, and Ward Humphreys (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

1- Leckhampton Local Board Officers' Compensations—Resolved, That the Mayor, the Chairman, and Col. Thoyts be appointed a Sub-Committee to examine and report on the claims of the late officers of the late Local Board.

2 - Promenade Improvement —General Post Office —A letter from J. P. Lambert, Esq., Surveyor of the General Post Office, Informing the Committee that the Lords Commissioners of H.M. Treasury had consented to allow the forecourt of the Post Office in Cheltenham to be laid out by the Corporation as a public Garden, the ground to remain the property of the Post-master General, but the use of it would be given to the Corporation as long as it is used for the purposes proposed, and the concession being subject to the understanding that there is to be no flower bed, as shown on the plan, directly in front of the entrance to the Post Office, in order that access to the Post Office might not be impeded, was read.

The Borough Surveyor was instructed to bring up an amended plan of this Improvement, as arranged at the meeting of owners and occupiers, at the next meeting of the Committee.

3- Borough Extension—Town Clerk's Costs—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee his account of charges and disbursements in connection with the obtaining of the Provisional Order for the Borough Extension, such charges being those incurred prior to the 25th March, 1892, when the salary and duties of the Town Clerk were revised by the Council. Also the charges of his Parliamentary Agents, Messrs. Wyatt & Co. The amounts being as under, and the bills having been taxed by the Taxing Master of the House of Commons in accordance with the instructions of the Committee :—

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| The Town Clerk's charges | £191 12 4 |
| Messrs. Wyatt & Co.'s charges | £ 36 4 8 |
| Disbursements (already paid by Corporation) .. | £708 10 1 |
| Costs of Taxation | <u>£ 14 02 8</u> |
| | £950 19 9 |

Resolved, That the Bills be passed for payment.

WILLIAM HEATH, Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 19th day of December, 1893 -Present ; The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors E. L. Davies, Hands, Margrett, and King (The Mayor in the chair)-

1--Supplementary Water Supply-Cast Iron Pipes-The following Tenders for the supply of the necessary Cast Iron Pipes for the intended Main from Tewkesbury to Cheltenham were opened and considered, viz.:-

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| The Stanton Iron Works Co., Limited | £4 0 0 per ton. |
| Cochrane & Co. | £4 2 6 “ |
| Charles Jordan & Sons, Limited | £4 6 8 “ |
| The Clay Cross Co. | £4 11 8 “ |
| “ “ “ (Specials) | £8 5 0 “ |
| Thomas Spittle, Limited | £4 12 6 “ |

Resolved, That the Tenders of the Stanton Iron Works Company, Messrs. Cochrane & Co., and Messrs. Jordan & Co. be accepted for 250 tons each, subject to their entering into Contracts to be approved by the Committee.

New Filters-Tenders for the construction of two new Filters at Tewkesbury were received from :-

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| Thomas Collins | £1,087 0 0 |
| Charles Malvern & Sons | £1,345 0 0 |

Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. Collins be accepted, subject to his entering into a Contract to be approved by the Committee.

Lead-Quotations for the supply of 30 tons of Lead were received from :-

Messrs. Vivian & Sons, Swansea (less 2 per cent. discount for cash) £10 5 0 per ton.
Rowe Brothers & Co., Bristol £10 12 6 per ton.

Resolved, That Messrs. Vivian's offer be accepted.

Yarn-The following quotations for Yarn were submitted

Ireland & Co., Dundee 21s per cwt.
N. Yeo, Newton Abbott 24s per cwt.

Resolved, That Messrs. Ireland's offer be accepted.

2 - Mr. Burkill's Complaint-A letter from Mr. Burkill, stating that he had before him the resolution passed by the Committee last month, and begged now to request that the £20 offered to him as compensation be at once handed over to the Cheltenham College Principal as a donation from bins to the new College Chapel, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Burkill's request be complied with.

3-Tewkesbury Water Supply-A letter from the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury, stating that, considering the great probability that two Arbitrators should not agree as to the price of the water, and that the Umpire would be obliged either to sit with the Arbitrators and hear the whole of the evidence, or else for such evidence to be repeated before him, he thought it would be advisable for the two Corporations to try and agree upon one Arbitrator only, and so save a very considerable expense, and adding that if the Cheltenham Corporation agreed to this, and would submit to him half a dozen

names, he would lay them before the Committee of his Council, and see if they could select either of them, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Badham's proposal be agreed to, and that the Town Clerk and the Borough Surveyor do bring up some names for approval at the next meeting.

4-Ashley Manor-A letter from Sir Frederick Dixon Hartland, stating that he was quite aware that the Corporation were within their legal rights in asking him to pay the full rate for five years, but for reasons stated in his letter, he thought that, in common fairness, the Committee should reduce his rate while the house was empty and no water used, was read. Resolved, That an allowance of one-half the rate be made during the time the house is unoccupied.

5 - Mrs. Pardoe's Application-An application from Mrs. Pardoe to be supplied with water for her stables at the Priory, London Road, the house itself being supplied with pump water, was read. Resolved, That the Committee are unable to accede to the request, and supply water to the Stables alone.

6- Mr. Henry Butt-A letter from Mr. Henry Butt upon the subject of the Water Supply of Cheltenham was read.

7- C. W. Lawrence, Esq.-A letter from Mr. Lawrence, of Sandywell Park, acknowledging receipt of the vote of thanks of the Town Council in the matter of the permission granted by him to the Council to pump out the disused tunnel on his property, and stating his intention to have earth thrown into the old shaft, as in its present condition there is the risk of sheep falling into it, was read.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday the 27th day of December, 1893-Present ; The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts; Councillor E. L. Davies, Hands, and Margrett (The Mayor in the chair)-

1--Borough Surveyor's and Engineer's Report -" On the 26th instant, the Springs supplying the Hewletts Reservoirs were yielding 68 Gallons per minute ; the average for the last four years being 170 gallons per minute ; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 8,259,710 gallons.

On the 27th instant the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 13 feet 5 inches, and the contents 22,449,924 gallons, which gives a total storage of 30,709,664 gallons.

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2 —Severn Water—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee Draft of the contracts for Pipes, two of which he had received back from the Contractors, (Messrs. Cochrane and Co, and the Stanton Iron Co., approved. Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed thereto, and also to the contract with Messrs. Jordan & Co., if the draft is received from them approved before Monday next.

A letter from Mr. T. Southall, Clerk to the Severn Commission, requesting to know under what authority the Council proposed to extend the supply of Severn Water beyond the Borough of Tewkesbury, was read, together with draft reply thereto by the Town Clerk, which was approved.

A letter from the Local Government Board, of date the 20th inst., in reply to a letter from the Town Clerk, stating that on the 7th ult. the Board had sanctioned loans amounting to £77,924 to enable the Council of Worcester to carry out a scheme for dealing with the sewage of the city, was read.

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.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 20th day of December, 1893—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoys and Griffith ; Councillors Heath, Lawrence, and Parsonage, (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.: on the 13th inst., at Westal, the residence of Dr. E. T. Wilson. Premises insured in the Phoenix Fire Office, to whom the Bill of Expenses incurred by the Brigade, amounting to £5 8s. 6d., had been forwarded.

2-Fire Hydrants—The Superintendent submitted a list of Fire Hydrants re-marked on the South side of the town, 377 in number.

3—Yeomanry Drill Ground —Letters from Major Wyndham Quin, the Adjutant of the Royal Gloucestershire Hussars, to the Mayor, enquiring whether the Council would be prepared to enlarge the present drill ground at Prestbury Park, in the event of Cheltenham being the rendezvous of the Brigade, composed of the Gloucestershire and Wiltshire Regiments, and consisting of about 600 members, for their Brigade training in the year 1894, and stating that for this purpose the ground would have to be increased by quite half its present size, were read, and asking for a reply within a few days, but stating that should the Corporation not see their way to completing the drill ground in time for next year, it would suit their arrangements if the ground could be ready by the following spring, 1895, and replies from the Mayor and Town Clerk were read. The Town Clerk reported that he and the Borough Surveyor had visited the locality, and that had he instructed the Surveyor to prepare a tracing from the Ordnance Plan of the fields to shew what could be done, to send to Major Quin. Resolved, That the action of the Town Clerk be approved, and that steps be taken to ascertain whether the owner and the tenant will consent to an enlargement of the drill ground, and upon what terms, and that Major Quin be requested to explain a little more fully what was meant by his reference to the Spring of 1895.

4-Hackney Carriages—Driver's License—An application from John Berry, of 1, Beaconsfield Cottages, for a license to act as a Hackney Carriage driver, was read, and a licence granted.

5— Cab Stand and Shelter at Montpellier —A Memorial from a number of Licensed Fly Drivers, praying the Council to remove the Cab Stand from opposite Mr. Siddall's to the back of the Shelter,

was read and considered. Resolved, That the Committee regret they cannot see their way to comply with the request.

6 — Police Force—The List of the Constables employed, and their beats, was laid before the Committee and considered.

With regard to the proposed increase of the force consequent on the enlargement of the Borough. It was Resolved, That, inasmuch as it appears, from the statement received from the Clerk of the Peace, that the additional police service required is equivalent to three and a half men only, the Committee see no reason why the County should be asked for payment for more, but they are willing to pay that proportion.

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

W. A. Baker, Half-year's Salaries of Fire Brigade £37 50 0

Ditto, Half-year's Disbursements of ditto 15 8 8

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 21st day of December, 1893—Present The Mayor ; Councillors Margrett and Moles (Councillor Moles in the chair)—

1--Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman Councillor Moles was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

2-Barrett's Mill—The Committee having visited and inspected the Barrett's Mill site, Resolved, That in order to carry out the Resolution of this Committee of date the 28th June, 1892, the Surveyor be instructed to remove all buildings and walls, except the chimney and cottage, form the paths as shown on the plan, level, plant, and sow the ground ; repair the cottage so as to fit it for occupation by a caretaker ; and bring up a plan of the fence or railings to be fixed round the ground, with an estimate of the cost thereof, and report as to which part of the works (if any) he would recommend to be done by contract. Resolved, That the Fire Insurance on Barrett's Mill be reduced to £100.

J. V. MOLES,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 21st day of December, 1893—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Haddon ; Councillors Moles, Steel, Parsonage and Feeney (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Superintendent's Report— The Superintendent reported that he had been over Sections D to M inclusive, in the Established Church portion of the Cemetery, and, from unpurchased grave spaces in those sections, he had removed 63 Headstones, together with the Kerbings. The Headstones had been re-erected on the South side of the Cemetery, as near as possible to the Boundary Fence. The work had occupied two men 23 days.

Two offers had been made for the old kerbings, viz. :—Mr. H. H. Martyn, £5. Mr. Wall, £3 10s. Resolved, That Mr. Martyn's offer be accepted.

2—Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved Headstones to Violet K. C. Cooke, Charles Arthur Darby, Catherine Mary Fox, and Elisabeth Sinclair Bissel, Tomb to James Greethead Strachan.

3— Land adjoining Cemetery—Pratley--A letter from Mr. C. W. Pratley, stating that in consequence of his having had notice from the Burial Board, which expired on the 5th October last, to give up a portion of the land rented by him, the rent would have to be reduced accordingly, but as it appeared to the Committee that the additional land in question would not be needed for grave spaces for some time to come ; It was Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to Mr. Pratley withdrawing the notice above-mentioned.

4 - Burial Fees re Minett—A letter from Mr. Selim Smith stating that on the 4th inst., he buried the wife of a labouring man named Minett, of Crowther's Court, and, in the same coffin, the child of the deceased who was a few days old, and at the request of those poor people, he asked the Board to remit the fee of 5s 6d paid in respect of the child, was read. Resolved, that the request be acceded to.

5 — Ministers' Fees—A letter from the Town Clerk of Worcester, forwarding copy of a Memorial which his Corporation had presented to the Home Secretary, urging him to initiate legislation for the abolition of certain fees payable to ministers under the Burial Acts, and requesting this Authority to present a similar Memorial, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Southall be informed, that, having made an arrangement with the Rector with respect to his fees during his incumbency, the Board are not in a position to join in the Memorial at present.

6— Account—The following Account was examined and allowed :

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| Corporation Highway Department, Pipes, Nails, and Hauling | £ 1 5 11 |
| Gas Company, Coke | £ 1 7 0 |
| W. Gregory, Labourer's Wages | £17 11 0 |

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 28th day of December, 1893---Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. naps ; Councillors Ll. Davies, Heath, Parsonage and Lawrence (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-General District Rate —The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 28th inst. on the collection of this Rate, was read. Amount collected £5,595 16s. 10d., leaving outstanding £8,197 13s. 2d.

2—Water Rats The Report of the Borough Accountant, of date the 28th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts £4,024 13s. 2d., leaving outstanding £4,044 2s. 10d.

3—Bath Caretaker—Hart—Resolved, That the Committee regret they are unable to find any employment for the Bath Caretaker until the opening of the Baths, and that under the circumstances his service be terminated on the expiration of a month from this date.

4--Borough Extension Officers' Salaries—Resolved, That the Committee recommend that the General Purposes Committee do Row take into consideration the question of the increase (if any) of the Officers' Salaries consequent on the extension of the Borough Boundaries.

5—Private Improvement Works, Montpellier Grove—Swiney—A letter from General Swiney, who owes £16 2s. 5d. in respect of the above Works, asking to be allowed to pay the amount by two instalments. one at the present time and the other immediately after the 17th February next, was read. Resolved that the request be granted

6-- -Loans —Resolved, That the following sums (which have been offered by the various parties) be borrowed at 3 ¼ per cent. for twelve months certain and afterwards subject to six months notice on either side—and that the Corporate Seal be affixed to Debentures for the same.

| NAME. | AMOUNT. | PURPOSE OF LOAN. |
|---|---------|--|
| W. G. Cooley. Esq. | £2,500 | Abattoir. |
| Ditto | £2,740 | Promenade Improvement. |
| Cheltenham and Gloucestershire Building Society | £1,000 | Recreation Ground. |
| Ditto | £1,000 | Part of £7,650 Montpellier Gardens Loan. |
| Walker Memorial Trustees | £2,500 | To replace Street Improvement. Loans paid off, part of £10,000 Loan |
| Messrs Armitage and others | £600 | To replace amount repaid to Oddfellows, part of £90,000 Loan (Water) |

7—Price--Delancey Hospital Fees—Resolved, That demand be made for repayment by Mr. C. Price of the Gas Offices of the amount paid by the Corporation in respect of the Treatment of his daughter.

8—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:—

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| In hand on the 30th November | £7,218 8 10 |
| Received since that date | <u>£9,375 1 7</u> |
| | £16,593 10 5 |
| Paid since the 30th November | <u>£6,752 2 10</u> |
| In hand | £9,841 7 7 |
| Being to Credit of Current and Interest A/cs | £9,297 1 7 |
| Sinking and Loans Funds | <u>£ 544 6 0</u> |
| | £9,841 7 7 |

The Bills and Accounts for the past month having been examined. Resolved, That the same as settled, amounting to the suns of £9,976 its. ad, be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 20th day of December, 1893—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Haddon ; Councillors Parsonage, Skillicorne, E. L. Davies, and Feeney ; Messrs. C. Hall and H. Neale (Councillor Feeney 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, viz.:

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| Mrs. Fitzgerald | 2 Vols. |
| Anonymous | 60 Vols. |

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Manchester, West Bromwich, Clapham, Belfast, Whitehaven and Blackpool.

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

That the wages of E. T. Butler be advanced from 6s to 7s per week.

That the Librarian be authorised to have several local views and prints framed for hanging in the Reference Library.

That a selection of the Newspapers provided for the News Room, as per list, be offered for sale at half-price; the purchaser to subscribe for 3, 6, or 12 months, and to have the papers at 9.30 each evening, or the next day.

That the "Amateur Photographer" be taken weekly, and the " Irish Times" daily.

That suitable Fire-extinguishing Appliances be provided in the Library.

Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be agreed to, except that in regard to the Fire-extinguishing Apparatus the Borough Surveyor and the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade be requested to report to the Committee.

3--Proposed Branch Library for Leckhampton—The question of the establishment of a Branch Library or Reading Room at Leckhampton was discussed, and Councillor Davies, Mr. C. Hall, and the Librarian reported the result of a visit to Leckhampton, and an inspection of the Board Room of the late Leckhampton Local Board. The matter was adjourned for further consideration at the Special Meeting of the Committee to be held on Friday next.

4—Public Libraries' Act. 1892—The Town Clerk reported that, in consequence of an alteration made by sec. 15 of this Act, which is a Consolidation Act, in the form of sec. 21 of the Act of 1855, under which this Committee has hitherto acted, it would be necessary for the Council to delegate to the Committee, their powers under sec. 15, being the same powers as were exercised under sec. 21 of the Act of 1855, and were, ipso facto the appointment of the Committee, vested in it. Resolved, That the Council be accordingly asked to delegate to this Committee all its powers and duties under the said sec. 15 of the Act of 1892, so far as the same relate to the Library.

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

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|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Librarian, Wages Account for January | £11 5 0 |
| James Wilson, Books | £12 0 0 |
| William Glaisher, ditto | £2 19 0 |
| J. Banting & Son, ditto | £0 10 4 |
| John W. Pink, ditto | £2 7 0 |
| G. F. Poole, Printing | £2 15 0 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 22nd day of December, 1893—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Davies; Feeney, Margrett, Parsonage, and Skillicorne (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

6—Schools of Science and Art—The following Gentlemen attended as deputations from the Schools of Science and Art, viz Dr. E. T. Wilson, Dr. Cullen, Capt. J. C. Griffith, Rev. E. Cornford, Rev. J. Mugliston, Major Abbott, General Thomson, Messrs. Chas. Wilson, Chas. Marshall, Geo. Norman, T. Lyon. The subject of the proposed transfer to, and future management of the above schools by the Corporation, as Municipal Schools, was discussed between the Deputations and the Committee, and the matter was adjourned for consideration by the Committee, of the proposals and statements presented on behalf of the two schools.

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

.At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 20th day of December, 1893--Present :
The Mayor ; Alderman Haddon ; Councillors Hands, E. L. Davies, Parsonage, Wheeler, Steel and
Moles (Councillor Hands in the chair)—

1 - Local Committees—The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That summonses be issued against the parents of the following children :—
William Derrick, Arle Mill ; Henry Cooper, 67, Queen Street ; Thomas Lawrence, 28, Queen Street ;
John Webb, Newbery Cottage, Queen Street : Kate Cook, 18, Stanhope Street.

2 --East Ward Local Committee—A correspondence between the Rev. F. H. T. Curtis and the Town Clerk upon the subject of the sending in, by the Holy Apostles' School, and the Coltham Field School, of Returns of Absentees of children residing in that part of the parish recently added to the Borough, and of the representation of that part of the East Ward on the Local Committee of that Ward, a post which Mr. Curtis expressed his willingness to fill, was read, Resolved, That Mr. Curtis be placed upon the Local Committee for the East Ward, and that he be informed the Committee will be glad if he will suggest the name of some other gentleman who would also be willing to serve.

3--Duplicate Registers—The Town Clerk reported that he wrote to Mr. Davis, the Hon. Secretary of the Teachers' Association, on the 4th November last, asking to be furnished with the reply of the Teachers to the Resolution of the Committee hereon passed in September last, and he had not yet received such reply, though Mr. Davis had written to say that steps were being taken to obtain the opinions of the head Teachers. The question of the adoption of Duplicate Registers was adjourned.

4—Special Examinations—A letter from Mr. de Sausmarez, Her Majesty's Inspector, stating in reply to the Resolution of the Committee, of date the 23rd November last, that he would undertake to hold two Examinations, as suggested by the Committee, probably in March and July, and that the Annual Examinations of the Cheltenham Schools are held in October, November, and December, was read.

5—Average Attendance, &c.—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a Return he had obtained from all the Elementary Schools in the Borough, for the year ending Midsummer last, which showed that the number of children between the ages of five and fourteen on the books of the several Schools was 5,957, and the Average Attendance, notwithstanding the prevalence of Measles and Scarlet Fever, was 4,762, being 80 per cent. of the number on the Registers. The average for the whole Country, according to the last Report of the Education Department, having been 77.72.

6—Attendance Officers—The question of the appointment of an additional Attendance Officer was postponed till next meeting.

7—Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the Attendance Officers were read, from which it appeared that Absentee Returns had been received from 29 Schools, containing 1,332 names, which, added to the balance left unattended to last month, gave a total of 1,424. Of this number 1,195 had been visited, with the results shown in the Reports; in 62 cases the Teachers had given valid reasons of absence, and the remaining 167 cases had yet to be visited.

WILLIAM HANDS, Chairman.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday the 7th day of December, 1893—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Col. Thoyts, Griffith, and Rogers ; Councillors M. Davis and Feeney (Alderman Col. Rogers in the chair)—

1-School of Science—A letter from the Hon, Secretary of the School of Science, forwarding copy of a resolution passed by his Committee, asking the Corporation to apply to the County Council for a grant of £100 towards defraying the expenses incident ..on the formation of classes for instruction in Printing and Plumbing, was read. Resolved, That application be made to the County Council for a further grant to meet the requirements of the School of Science and other Schools.

2-Cheltenham Grammar School—A letter from the Secretary of the Science and Art Department, South Kensington, forwarding copy of a Representation made to the Department on behalf of the Governors of the Cheltenham Grammar School ; that the sum allotted to the School out of the money received from the County Council for purposes of Technical Education was entirely inadequate, and asking the Department to adjudicate upon the claim of the School to a due proportion of the funds granted by the County Council, and requesting that the Department might be favoured with any observations which the Town Council might desire to submit on the subject, was read and considered. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be requested to bring up Draft of a reply to the Department, and that in the meantime the further consideration of the matter be adjourned.

RICHARD ROGERS,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, January 31st, 1894.

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 5th 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 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—And Special Report re Salaries of Officers under Borough Extension. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.-Make Borough Rate, and approve Estimate for General District Rate.
PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE. TECHNICAL EDUCATION
COMMITTEE.

4. Councillor Lenthall to move :—" That the Resolution of December 11th, 1893, relative to bringing water from Tewkesbury, be rescinded."

5. Notices of Motion.

6. To read the following letters, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be : The Town Clerk of Burnley, re Rating of Ground Values. G. T. Leacey, re Lamp at 11, Winchcomb Street. T. Davis, re Lamp at 72, High Street.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, February 1st, 1894.

Sir,

At the Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 5th day of February next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, the following business is proposed to be transacted, and the business of which notice has already been given.

1. To Elect an Alderman in the place of Alderman Sir Alex. Entwistle Ramsay, Bart., disqualified.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committee of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at a Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 5th of February, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 29th day of January, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Haddon and Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, Steel, Parsonage, Heath and Feeney, (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—The View—The following Members attended the view meeting on Friday last, viz :—Alderman Col. Thoyts, Councillors Feeney, Heath, King, Lawrence, Parsonage and Steel.

2—Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 15.94 candles. Purity, 8.57 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

The Gas Examiner called attention to the low illuminating power, 15.01 candles, at 7 p.m., on the 25th inst, and stated that the candles employed in that test and those used for the test made at 8 30 the same evening, when the result was 16.00 candles, were not the same ; and further that the low illuminating power on the 3rd inst., 15.21, called for some notice.

3—Gas Inspector's Monthly Report —The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read : Average hourly consumption of gas per lamp during the month in Cheltenham 4.318 cubic feet, in Charlton Kings 4.839 cubic feet, in Leckhampton 4.762 cubic feet.

4—Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined, Lamps extinguished during the month 612 (73 metered) Burning dimly, 36 (8 metered.)

Resolved, That the attention of the Company be called to the Gas Examiner's Report and to the results shown by the Lamp Book.

5—Numbering of Lamps—A letter from the Directors of the Gas Company stating that they will have the Lamps numbered when required by the Town Council upon the understanding that the expense is borne by the Council, and suggesting for consideration the suspension of a small metal plate with open figures from the upper bar of the Lantern frame, was read. Resolved, That the Company be asked to inform the Council what amount they will do this work for.

6—Street Projections —The Street Inspector reported that the Gas Rail at Mr. Dufour's premises, No. 81, High Street, which the Committee had ordered to be taken down had not yet been removed. A letter was read from Mr. Dufour in which he stated that the Rail had been put up in ignorance of the provisions of the Bye-Laws in such matters, and asked that it might now be allowed to remain. Resolved, That the be allowed to remain up subject to the right of the Council to require its removal if at any time, they think fit to do so.

The Inspector also reported that the undermentioned projections had been fixed in contravention of the Bye-Laws viz :—

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A. Loveday, Gas Rail at 142, High Street. W. Leadbitter, Movable Gas Rail at 277, High Street. W. J. Harrison, Three Advertising Lamps at 369, High Street. J. R. Mowatt, Advertising Case at side of 109, High Street. S. J. Evans, Bracket for sign at 78, Winchcomb Street.

Resolved, That the Gas Rails of Messrs. Loveday and Leadbitter be allowed to remain subject to the right of the Council to require their removal if at any time they think fit to do so.

That Mr. Harrison's lamps be permitted, on condition that they are kept lighted till to p.m., and subject to the right of the Council to require their removal, if at any time they think fit to do so.

That Mr. Mowatt and Mr. Evans be requested to remove the projections put up by them respectively.

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

Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Pittville Circus Road, 4,266 super yards ; Montpellier Street, 5,544 super yards ; Queen's Parade, 1,226 super yards ; Tewkesbury Road, 1,093 super yards ; Western Road, 266 super yards ; Suffolk Lawn, 228 super yards; North Place, 666 super yards; St. George's Parade, 480 super yards ; Prestbury Road (proceeding), Leckhampton Road (proceeding).

Patching—High Street, Spa Buildings, New Street, Pilley Road, Grosvenor Street, Queen's Circus, Sandfield Road, Portland Street, Promenade, Millbrook Street, Lansdown Road and Place, St. Margaret's Road, Croft Lane, Tivoli Road, Tivoli Street, Henrietta Street, Mountpleasant, Badgworth Road, Cemetery Road, Winchcomb Street.

Wickwar Stone—Patching—Pittville Estate, Back of Lypiatt Terrace, Hewlett Road, Fairview Street, St. George's Street, The side of The Imperial Rooms, Naunton Lane, Back of Lansdown Place.

Kerbing, Crossing, and Flagging—Queen's Road, Bath Terrace, Malvern Road, Overton Road, Park Place, Montpellier Street, Lansdown Place, St. George's Road, Tivoli Villas, Clarence Parade, Church Street, Back of Lansdown Place, Hewlett Street, Montpellier Parade, Rodney Road.

A new sett crossing has been laid down at the High Street end of the Colonnade, and a new silver grey crossing at the end of Pittville Street.

Tariff Paths—Those in Milsom Street and St. Margaret's Road have been repaired. A surface water drain has been repaired in Hewlett Road. And a surface water drain has been renewed in the Park (358 feet run).

Works of Private Improvement in the Lane off Clare Street are in hand

Ashes Collection—683 Van Loads, and 530 Cart Loads have been collected. 1,000 tons 2 cwt. 3 qrs. have been consumed at the Destructor.

8—Private Improvement Works —Tewkesbury Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that the private improvement works ordered in above locality had been completed, at a cost of £257 0s. 6d., which sum he had apportioned amongst the various abutting owners, in the manner set forth in his Report. Resolved, That the Apportionment be approved, and that notice thereof be given to the Owners and demand made for repayment of the sums respectively due from them.

9—Seat near " Glen Isla "--Christ Church Road—A letter from Col Graham asking that this Seat might be removed from its present position against his railing, to the outer edge of the footpath, was read. Resolved, That the request be acceded to.

10—College Lawn Road—A letter from Mr. Sadler, acknowledging receipt of the Resolution passed by the Committee last month, and enquiring whether, if the intimation therein contained were complied with and the Carriage way coated with Blue Stone, the Council would be prepared to take over the Road and declare it a public highway, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further consideration.

11—Trees—A letter from the Baron de Ferrieres, stating that on planting the Lime Trees round St. Matthew's Church, it occurred to him that it would be an improvement if the small " Town Plot " opposite were also planted and offering to plant the side next the Church if the Corporation would plant the side along Manchester Street, was read. Resolved, That the Baron be thanked for his offer, but as the land in question is Building Land, for Sale as such, the Committee cannot recommend it to be planted.

12—Road at the back of Royal Parade—The Surveyor was directed to bring up a Specification for the repair of this Road by the abutting owners, the Works to be of such a character as will enable the Corporation to take to the road as a public highway, when such works have been executed and paid for.

13—Clarence Square Gate—A largely signed Memorial from the Rev. C. Wyncott and others, praying the Council to allow this gate to remain and calling the attention of the Council to a clause in the Improvement Act, 1889, stating that if the purchase of the Estate were carried out it would be subject to the restrictions due to the residents, whose rights must and would be safeguarded, was read. Resolved, that although there is no such clause in the Act, and the Corporation are empowered to declare any of the roads to be highways, no action in the matter be taken at present.

14 —Lamps in Keynsham Terrace—A letter from Mrs. Arundel, asking for an additional lamp to be placed near Mona Place, was read. Resolved, That one additional lamp be granted and the position of another lamp re-adjusted.

15—Alstone Lane—Private Improvement Works—A letter from the Local Government Board, intimating their intention to hold a Local Enquiry into this matter and the matter of the Thirlestaine Road Repairs, of which Enquiry due notice would be given, was read. The Town Clerk reported that the Summonses against Mr. La Terriere, Mr. Butt, and Mr. Cockrell came before the Magistrates on the 58th inst., when the Bench had adjourned the hearing thereof pending the issue of the Local Government Board's Enquiry in the matter. He also laid before the Committee the opinion of Mr. Jos. Walton, Q.C.,

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that there was not now any right of appeal on any ground, and that the Memorials to the Local Government Board were too late ; that it would be better to proceed by Mandamus, rather than by prohibition, and that if the Justices refused to hear the case a Mandamus should be applied for. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do take the necessary steps for obtaining a Mandamus to the Justices to hear and decide the case.

16—Crossing in London Road—A Memorial from Dr. Robinson and others, praying the Council to re-instate the Crossing that formerly existed in the London Road, from the corner of Oxford Place to the corner of Keynsham Lawn, was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret that having regard to the road being on an incline and the possible danger of a crossing there, the Committee cannot recommend that one be put there.

17—Accident in High Street--The Town Clerk reported that he had been served with County Court Summonses, actions for damages in these cases, returnable on Friday, the 2nd prox., but that plaintiff's solicitors had consented to adjournments till the 15th prox., and he was now in

communication with them with a view to settlement of the actions. Resolved, That the action of the Town Clerk be approved and that if no settlement is come to such sums of money shall be paid into Court as the Committee may direct, with denial of liability.

18—Borough Surveyor's Horse and Trap—Resolved, That the Committee be empowered to make such arrangements as they think necessary to substitute a small trap and two ponies for the present horse and trap.

19—Leckhampton Footpaths—The following Report of the Borough Surveyor, was read :—

In accordance with your resolution of the 4th December, 1893, I have to report that the footpaths in the following roads are not paved, and are without proper edging and channelling :—St. Philip's Road, Suffolk Street, Norwood Road, Grafton Road, Edward Street, Painswick Road, Ashford Road, Shurdington Road, Gratton Road, Brandon Place, Naunton Lane, Leckhampton Road, Hall Road, Moorend Grove, Charlton Lane, Trye Road, Tudor Lodge Road, Tivoli Road, Croft Street, St. Stephen's Road, Short Street, Bath Road, Fairfield Street, Moorend Street, Moorend Park Road, Park Drive, Merestones Road, Pilley Lane, Upper Norwood Street, Old Bath Road, Moorend Crescent, lane between Moorend Street and Little Norwood Street.

The cost of paving with concrete in situ and with slabs where concrete is inadmissible, will be about £4,800 ; paved entrances across paths £880 ; edging and channelling £3,500 amounting to a total cost of £9,200.

Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be further instructed to report as to which of the above mentioned roads require immediate attention.

20—Barbed Wire Act, 1893—Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a report of all cases where Barbed Wire has been placed adjoining Highways where it is a nuisance.

21—Old Bath Road—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee a Plan sheaving the Building Line thereon. Resolved, That the same be approved.

22 —New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted Notice and Plan received by him from Mr. John Bowles for additions to Cottage in Swindon Road (the same having been examined by the Public Health Committee). Resolved, That the Plan be approved.

Notices and Plans were submitted from Mr. T. Wilkins, Mr. James Page and Mr. J. E. Coombes and they were disapproved, not having been sent in in time for the Surveyor to examine them.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 8th day of January, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Griffith ; Councillors Ll. Davies, M. Davis, Feeney, Hands, Moles, and Parsonage (Alderman Capt. Griffith in the chair)—

1—Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting, 9 cases of Scarlet Fever, and 1 case of Enteric Fever. He further stated that fewer cases of Scarlet Fever and other zymotics had been lately notified, the number of cases of Scarlet Fever now in the Hospital, being reduced to 18, a lower figure than for some months past, and the Medical Officer of the Delancey Hospital had been able to give up the use of the temporary building since the accession of the very cold weather.

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2 -Medical Officer's Cab Hire—The Medical Officer of Health drew the attention of the Committee to his Cab hire book, and a criticism written in it by the Finance Committee. He suggested the allowance to him of a sum per annum—whatever the Committee liked to allow—to provide himself conveyances to get about the Borough. Resolved, That the Committee having carefully gone through the items in the account consider them to be quite correct and reasonable.

3 —Scarlet Fever—Sister Minnie's Proposal—Letters from Sister Minnie, formerly at the Delancey Hospital, stating that she had been in the habit of taking charge of private convalescent patients, discharged from the Delancey Hospital, and asking if the Corporation would assist her in taking a large detached house, when she could take public patients, were read. Resolved, that Sister Minnie be informed that the Committee are not prepared to recommend the approval of the Council to the measures she proposes to adopt.

4—Employment of Hart—The Medical Officer of Health stated that he had been desired to bring before this Committee the question of the employment of Hart, the Bath Caretaker, until the Bath is again opened. Resolved, That this Committee can find no employment for the officer in question, and that this decision be reported to the General Purposes and Watch Committee.

5-General Hospital—Typhoid Fever—The Sub-Committee appointed to confer with the Committee of the Quarterly Board of the Hospital on this subject, reported that they had had a conference with the House Committee of the Hospital, and that subject to the approval of this Committee, and the Council, and of the Quarterly Board respectively, it had been agreed, That all Typhoid cases sent in by order of the Medical Officer of Health, and those only, be paid for by the Town Council at the rate of 3s per diem, the day of admission and of discharge being counted as one day. This arrangement to be deemed to have come into force on the 1st January inst. Resolved, That the arrangements made by the Sub-Committee be approved.

6—Ambulances for Scarlet Fever and Enteric Fever Cases—Resolved, That a new ambulance be provided for Scarlet Fever cases, and that the existing ambulance for Scarlet Fever be thoroughly cleansed and disinfected and be used for Typhoid cases.

7—House unfit for Human Habitation—The Medical Officer of Health presented a certificate representing that the dwelling house known as No. 1, Evelyn Cottages is in such a state as to be dangerous and injurious to health and unfit for human habitation. Resolved, That the necessary proceedings be taken under Sec. 32 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, for an Order to close the said house.

8—Defective Drainage at Rose Cottage, Stanhope Street—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 41 of the Public Health Act, stating that the drains at the above

premises are a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That an authority be given to the Surveyor to open the ground and examine them, and act as provided by the said section.

9-W.C.'S without Flushing Apparatus—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c.'s without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus, and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for penalties.

10—Bicycle for Chief Inspector—The Medical Officer of Health having obtained several tenders, and inspected some bicycles. Resolved, That a machine be purchased from Mr. Hughes of Pittville Street, at £12 12s. 0d., the price to include all extras and a warranty for 12 months.

11—Insanitary property in Hughes's Passage and Exmouth Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported these premises to be in a very insanitary condition, and he presented a certificate of the Inspector of Nuisances stating that the premises are without sufficient w.c. accommodation, and advised that the Borough Surveyor be requested to specify as to the necessary works to be executed. Resolved, That the Surveyor do prepare a specification of the works necessary to be done in the provision of such w.c. accommodation as is necessary, and as to the other matters complained of, and that Notices be served on the owner or owners under Secs. 36 and 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875.

12 -Notices not complied with—A list of Notices served by the Town Clerk, and not complied with within the time specified therein, was submitted. Resolved, That in all the cases mentioned in the list proceedings be taken for the recovery of the penalties provided by the Acts.

13—Sanitary Certificates of Houses—The Resolution of this Committee, passed last month, having been referred back by the Council for re-consideration on the point of fees. Resolved, That the Committee recommend that the Fees to be charged be as under :—

Houses of under £40 value 5s

Houses of £40 value and under £100 10s 6d

Houses of £100 value and upwards £1 1 0

14—Naunton Park Road—Lloyd—A letter from Mr. Thomas Lloyd upon the subject of the repair of this road, stating that inasmuch as he would have to pay his share of the cost, he desired to ask the Council, under the circumstances, to exempt him from payment of the charge made for the sewer to his house, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Lloyd be informed the Committee are unable to exempt him altogether from payment in respect of the sewer, but the matter will be considered when the road repairs come to be settled for.

15-Public Abattoir—Dufour--A letter from Mr. C. Dufour stating that he could not afford to pay 6d per head for slaughtering pigs at the Abattoir, and offering to pay 3d. per head, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Dufour be informed the Committee cannot reduce the charge, but they are prepared to let Mr. Dufour a Slaughter House and Lair, with the use of gas, water, appliances, &c., for £20 per annum.

16—Bennington Street Smoke Nuisance—Several complaints having been received from the residents in Bennington Street of the nuisance caused by the emission of black smoke in such quantities as to be a nuisance, from a chimney at premises in the occupation of Messrs. Page & Co. Resolved, That proceedings be taken under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, in respect of the emission of black smoke, and the non-consumption of smoke.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday. the 24th day of January, 1894--Present; The Mayor ; Councillors Ll. Davies, Feeney, Hands, Moles, Parsonage, and Dighton (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

17—Dairies and Cowsheds Order—Applications from Walter Buckle, of Bath Road, to be registered as a Cowkeeper and Dairyman ; and from Sarah Wedgwood, of 10, Townsend Place ; and Wm. Stowell, of 13, Hamilton Place, to be registered as Purveyors of Milk, were read, together with the reports of the Medical Officer of Health thereon. Resolved, That Messrs. Wedgwood and Stowell be registered now, and that Mr. Buckle be registered as soon as the works have been done at his premises as recommended by the Medical Officer.

18—Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting, 10 cases of Scarlet Fever, 4 cases of Diphtheria, and 3 cases of Enteric Fever.

19—Disinfectors—Resolved, That a couple of Galvanized Iron Racks or Stands be provided for the Carriage of the Disinfectors, for the purpose of hanging up small clothes in the Disinfectors.

20—Returns of Births and Deaths from the added Districts—The Medical Officer of Health stated that it would be very desirable for the returns of births and deaths to be made by one Registrar on one sheet, and he advised that power be obtained from Mr. Bennett, to make the whole return, if possible, instead of getting, as at present, separate returns from the Registrar of the Leckhampton District. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be requested to communicate with the Registrar General on the subject.

21—Ambulance—Prices and illustrations from several Coach builders in the Town and in other places, were laid before the Committee and considered. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further particulars.

A letter from the Hon. Secretary of the General Hospital, stating that the Medical Committee were of opinion that in the interests of the Hospital, it is most inadvisable that cases of Typhoid should be conveyed to the Hospital in the Scarlet Fever Ambulance, even when disinfected, was read. Resolved, That Col. Blaxland be informed the Committee are making arrangements to procure another Ambulance.

22-W. VS without Flushing Apparatus—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c.'s without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec. 28, of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary Flushing Apparatus,

and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for penalties.

23—W.C. without Sewer connection—The Medical Officer of Health reported that No. 15, Suffolk Square, has a closet draining into a manure receptacle in the yard. Resolved, That notice be given to the owner under Sec. 23, of the Public Health Act, 1875, to do what is necessary for the proper drainage of the premises.

24 — Houses without a proper Water Supply—It appearing on the report of the Borough Surveyor, dated 24th January, that the premises known as No. 13, St. James's Street, 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. Resolved, That Notice be given under Sec. 62, of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners, requiring them to obtain such supply, and to do all such acts as may be necessary for that purpose.

25—Well requiring to be Closed—The Medical Officer of Health having represented that the water in the well at Albert House, Albert Street, and which is used, or likely to be used for drinking or domestic purposes, is so polluted as to be injurious to health. Resolved, That the necessary notices and proceedings for an Order to close the well under Sec. 70, of the Public Health Act, 1875, be given and taken.

26 —W.C. Insufficient—The Medical Officer of Health presented a Representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the house No. 13, St. James's Street, is not provided with a sufficient closet, there being no door to it. Resolved that the necessary notice be given under Sec. 36, of the Public Health Act, 1875.

27 — Unregistered Common Lodging House—The Medical Officer of Health reported that Mr. George Rowley keeps an unregistered Common Lodging House, at Cumberland Villa, Grove Street, in contravention of the provisions of Sec. 77, of the Public Health Act, 1875. Resolved, That Notice be given to the occupier to discontinue keeping such premises as a Common Lodging House unless, and until, they have been registered.

28—Insanitary Property at Suffolk Parade and Montpellier Retreat —The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 40, of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains at the above properties are a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Surveyor to open the ground and examine them, and act as provided by the said Section.

29— Nuisance from W.C. In Coal Yard at Alstone—The Medical Officer of Health presented a Representation of the Inspector of Nuisances, to the effect that the premises belonging to Messrs. Webb, at the coal yard at Alstone, are without sufficient and proper w.c. accommodation. Resolved, That the necessary notice be given under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875.

30—General Hospital—Typhoid Cases—A letter from the Hon. Secretary of the General Hospital stating that the Hospital Board had agreed that all cases of Typhoid Fever sent in by order of the Medical Officer of Health, and received into the Hospital, should be paid for by the Town Council at the rate of 3/- per diem, the day of admission and discharge being counted as one, was read.

31 —York Passage Urinal—A letter from Mr. Wm. Bastin, Hon. Secretary of the Council of Management of the Oddfellows Hall, calling attention to the insanitary state of the public convenience situate in York Passage, and the stench arising therefrom, praying the Committee to take steps to remedy the nuisance, and if the Committee could not see their way to have the convenience removed altogether, then, that they would cause a notice to be placed upon the interior walls, asking persons to adjust their clothes before leaving, as many of the Members' wives and children attend the Flail to pay contributions, and the passage is at times quite unfit for females to pass, was read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be requested to report as to what means can be adopted for preventing the urinal becoming a nuisance.

32—Sanitary Certificates of Houses—The Committee considered and settled the form of Certificate to be given in this matter.

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33--Regulations re Ash Receptacles--The Town Clerk laid before the Committee Draft of proposed Regulations in the above matter, and the same were considered and settled, and ordered to be printed.

34-Plans of House Drainage--The Plan of a new house in Swindon Road, for Mr. John Bowles, was laid before this Committee, the same was approved, so far as regards the drainage arrangements.

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

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| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients | £89 2 0 |
| Poor Rate on Sewage Farm and Cottages | £14 4 7 |
| Seth Lewis, one month's salary | £12 10 0 |
| J. H. Long, one month's salary | £8 6 8 |
| E. Jones, five weeks' wages | £6 5 0 |
| W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance | £1 0 0 |
| J. H. Garrett, Death Returns | £1 18 10 |
| " Sanitary Record," Annual Subscription | £0 10 0 |
| General Hospital, Treatment of Typhoid Fever Cases, October | £26 10 0 |
| “ “ “ “ “ September | £28 14 0 |
| Dr. Garrett, Cab Hire Account | £1 13 6 |
| Accounts under 10s each | £0 17 0 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 29th day of January, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts: Councillors Heath, Lawrence, Skillicorne, and Ward Humphreys (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

1—Skating at Pittville—A Deputation from the Y.M.C.A. consisting of Mr. R. Ley Wood, Chairman of the Committee of the Association, Dr. Pruen, the Hon. Treasurer, and Messrs. Wynn and Masters, members of the Committee, attended this meeting of the Committee, to present a Memorial from the members of the Association, respectfully expressing their regret that skating should have been allowed at Pittville on a Sunday, and that a charge should have been made for such skating. The Memorial and the representations of the Deputation having been considered. Resolved, That the Committee will endeavour to make arrangements on future occasions that will meet, as far as possible, all objections that can rightly be made.

2—Montpellier Gardens—A Deputation from the Ancient Order of Foresters, consisting of Mr. G. C. Pratley, Mr. E. J. Cooke, and Mr. E. Harris, attended this meeting of the Committee, to lay before it the advantages which would accrue to the town, if the High Court Meeting of the Order was held in Cheltenham in the year 1896, and that as a preliminary to obtaining the visit the Cheltenham Branch of the Order were desirous of obtaining the use of the Montpellier Gardens on Whit Monday for a Fete in furtherance of the object sought to be obtained. Resolved, That this being a special occasion, the use of the Gardens be granted on payment of £10 10s.

3—Cheltonia Reviva—A letter from Mr. E. J. Burrow, desiring to bring to the notice of the Committee, the Pictorial Handbook of Cheltenham, and asking if the Committee could see their way to assist him by purchasing a number of the copies at cost price (5s a dozen), was read. Resolved, That five pounds worth of the books be bought for free distribution.

4—Pittville Estate—Damage by Boys—The Surveyor presented a Report, stating that on Friday afternoon, the 12th inst., at 3.40, a number of boys were sent out of Pittville Gardens for damaging shrubs, and trampling on the flower beds. They had also been sent out on two previous occasions that week. On one occasion when spoken to by the gardener they withdrew for a short distance and then shot at him with a catapult. One of the missiles which hit the man was picked up and was found to be a leaden bullet.

The numbers of the party had varied from fifteen to twenty-two. The same boys were in the habit of visiting Wellington Square garden with the result that the grass and borders were indistinguishable. In consequence of the conduct of the boys referred to considerable damage had been done, and the men were afraid to remonstrate with them. Some had been identified, but not others or the boy who fired the bullet.

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The Town Clerk stated that he had forwarded a copy of the report to the Chief Constable with a request that a sufficient number of constables might be put on duty at Pittville, to prevent a recurrence of this sort of thing, and to see that persons offending against the Bye-Laws were identified for the purpose of being summoned, and that Admiral Christian had replied that Superintendent Mc Rae had been directed to take all possible means to put a stop to the nuisance. Resolved, That a copy of the Borough Surveyor's Report be sent to the parents of each of the boys whose names have been ascertained.

5 --Mineral Waters--Professor Thorpe's Report—A letter from Dr. Ward Humphreys, as Hon. Sec. of the Spa Medical Committee, enclosing copy of a Report which had been drawn up by his Committee

upon Professor Thorpe's Report on the Mineral Waters, expressing the hope of his Committee that the Town Improvement Committee would find the Report to be of some assistance to them in developing the use of the Mineral Waters, and stating that the Spa Committee thought it would be well if enquiry were made into the character of the water to be obtained from the wells situated opposite Lansdown Crescent, in front of a house occupied by a Miss Hill, and also into the character of the water contained in the well underneath the Rotunda, both of which wells have been favourably known to some individual members of the Spa Committee, further, that the Spa Committee considered it to be of the utmost importance that the essential portions of Professor Thorpe's figures be incorporated with the Report of the Spa Medical Committee, and that they be forth with forwarded to Dr. Garrod for publication in the forthcoming Report of the Medical and Chirurgical Society upon the Spas of Great Britain, and requesting to know if this might be done ; and also stating that his Committee desired to be allowed to see a proof of the Report upon the Mineral Waters of Cheltenham, which was drawn up by the Medical Officer of Health and the Borough Surveyor, which would be treated as strictly confidential, was read, together with the Report therein mentioned. Resolved, That the Spa Medical Committee be heartily thanked for their very excellent Report and for the time and trouble they have devoted to this matter, and that the Committee see no objection to their Report being forwarded to Dr. Garrod as suggested, with extracts from the Report of Professor Thorpe, also that a proof print of the joint Report of the Medical Officer of Health and the Borough Surveyor will be furnished to the Committee as desired.

6 —Borough of Cheltenham Order, 1893—Extension of the Borough Boundaries—Compensation to Officers of late Leckhampton Local Board—The Sub-Committee of the Town Improvement Committee, consisting of the Mayor, the Chairman, and Alderman Col. Thoyts, appointed to consider and report on this question, reported as follows :—

By Art XII. of the Order, the Provisions of s.s. 13, of Sec. 118, and of Secs. 119 and 120 of the Local Government Act, 1888, apply to all persons who on the 9th November last, held office as officer or servant of the Leckhampton Board, with such modifications as are necessary to make those provisions applicable to the said Officers and Servants and to the Corporation. The effect of these Secs. is that the Corporation, if they please, retain the services of the Surveyor of the late Board, his right to compensation remaining in abeyance during such service, and that he (if not employed) and all the other existing officers who suffer any direct pecuniary loss by abolition of office are entitled to compensation, regard being had to the conditions on which his appointment was made, the nature of his office or employment, the duration of service, and to all other circumstances of the case, such compensation not to exceed the amount which under the Acts and Rules relating to H.M. Civil Service, is paid to a person on abolition of office. The persons entitled to compensation have to deliver a claim supported by statutory declaration setting forth the whole amount received and expended by them in every year during a period of 5 years next before the date of the Order on account of the emoluments in respect of which he claims compensation. The Council are to assess the amount of compensation and inform the claimant of their decision. A right to appeal to the Treasury is given to any claimant who is dissatisfied, and also to one-third or more of the members of the Council.

The Treasury inform your Committee that the Pensions Commutation Act does not apply to compensations under the Local Government Act, 1888, and that commutation is only a matter of agreement between the Local Authority and the Annuitant. And the Local Government Board inform

your Committee, that in their opinion the Local Government Act, 1888, does not contemplate the commutation of corn sensation allowances.

It is the practice of the Treasury in calculating allowances, under Sec. 7 of the Superannuation Act of 1859, to award as many Goths of the Officer's emoluments as he has served complete years, with a special addition on account of abolition of office not exceeding—

10/60ths for an actual service of 20 years or upwards.

7/60ths “ “ 15 " and less than 20

5/60ths “ “ 10 " " 15

3/60ths “ “ 5 " " 10

1/60ths “ “ less than 5 years.

In the case of an Officer, who has not been required to devote his whole time to the duties of his office, their Lordships as a rule make a deduction of 25% from the compensation, which, would be awarded to him, if he had given his whole time, and they say that refusal on the part of an Officer to accept office is one of the circumstances required by Sec. 120 (11) of the Local Government Act, 1888, to be taken into account in determining the compensation to be paid. The particulars of the claims of the Officers of the late Board were set out in the minutes of the Committee of date the 29th November last, but in dealing with each case it is necessary to recapitulate them.

Mr. Mallory's Claim—The claim of Mr. D. Mallory, the Clerk to the late Board, is for 30/60ths of the average total annual amount of his salary and emoluments. His salary is stated to have been £40 per annum, and his other emoluments £120 14s. 2d. in the 5 years ; but this latter sum includes his nett costs in the matter of the opposition to the grant of the Order, amounting to £90 17s. 3d. Your Committee consider that this latter emolument is quite an exceptional one, and one which could not of course occur again, and is one of the circumstances to be taken into consideration. Mr. Mallory has not stated the amount expended by him for the outgoings of his office, and your Committee have therefore had to ascertain them from him. He has only employed one Clerk regularly, at a salary of 12s per week, or £31 4s. 0d. per annum His office rent was £20 per annum, and rates, taxes, and other outgoings amount to £5 16s. 8d. per annum. He has also paid per annum to an Accountant for keeping his books, and £2 10s. 0d. for entering up minutes, &c. He considers that 1/8th of his Clerk's

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salary, rent, and rates, and taxes, would be a fair proportion of those outgoings to charge in respect of the administration of his duties as Clerk to the late Board, and your Committee think that estimate is a reasonable one.

The date of Mr. Mallory's appointment was the 16th of April, 1873, he had therefore served upwards of 20 years, on the 8th of November last, and he claims to be entitled to an annuity equal to 30/60ths of his average annual emoluments. Applying the foregoing rules to this case, the following calculation will shew the amount your Committee consider proper to be paid.

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| Average Annual Salary . . . • • . | | £40 0 0 |
| Ditto ditto other Emoluments assuming that the costs of the opposition to the Order are excluded from computation | | <u>£4 13 3</u> £44 13 3 |
| Deductions— | | |
| Proportion of Clerks Salary, Rent and Rates and Taxes 1/8th to Accountant, &c. .. | £12 10 0 | £ 7 2 7 <u>£19 12 7</u> |
| 30/60ths of .. | | <u>£25 0 8</u> |
| Is | | £12 10 4 |
| From which must be deducted 25 per cent. Mr Mallory's whole time not being devoted to the duties of his office .. | | <u>£3 2 7</u> £9 7 11 |

Assuming that his costs above mentioned are to be included in the computation, £6 16s. 4d. would be added to the above amount making it £16 4s. 3d.

Dr. Cocks Johnston, Medical Officer of Health—The Salary of the Medical Officer of Health was £50 per annum. He received no other emoluments, and Mr. Mallory states that there were no outgoing in respect of his office. Dr. Cocks Johnston was first appointed on the 3rd of February, 1885, and it appears by the books of the Board that his appointment terminated on the 8th of November last. Under these circumstances, the Committee regret they cannot recommend any compensation to be given in this case.

Wm. Moorman, Surveyor—Mr. Moorman was Surveyor and Inspector of Nuisances to the late Board. He devoted his whole time to the duties of his offices and received a Salary of £100 per annum. He makes a claim in respect of a small sum of £1 5s. 9d. for special services, and of a payment of £21 made to him for services in connection with the opposition to the Order. Your Committee consider that the observations on Mr. Mallory's claim in this respect apply equally to the claim in this case. Mr. Moorman was appointed on the 3rd August, 1875, consequently he has served 18 years, and he claims 25/60ths of his average annual emoluments, He has been interviewed by your Committee, and states that there were no outgoing in respect of his offices, all public business connected with them which was not transacted at the offices of the Board being transacted at his own private residence, his average annual emoluments were, therefore, excluding his claim in respect to the opposition to the Order £100 5s. 2d., 25/60ths of which amounts to £41 15s. 6d. The deduction of 25 per cent. does not apply in this case. If the Council approve the recommendation contained in the resolution of the General Purposes Committee for continuing Mr. Moorman's services, his pension will be in abeyance during his employment.

Mr. W. Pearman was Collector of the late Board. He did not devote his whole time to the duties of his office. He was paid by commission, the average annual amount of such commission having been £49 12s. 6d. He also claims in respect of other emoluments amounting for the last five years to £33 3s. 0d. These consist chiefly of allowances for making out the rates and include a sum of £2 2s. 0d. for services in connection with the opposition to the Order, the average annual amount being then £6 4s. 2d. Total £55 16s. 8d. Mr. Pearman was appointed on the 2nd May, 1882, consequently he is

entitled to 16/60ths of his average annual emoluments, which in this case will amount to £14 17s. 8d., from which must be deducted 25 per cent. making the nett amount £11 3s. 3d.

Resolved, That the report of the Sub-Committee be approved, and the following amounts be assessed for compensation to the Officers named, and that the claimants be informed thereof, viz. : Mr. Daniel Mallory, an annuity of £9 7s. 11d. Mr. Pearman, an annuity of £11 3s. 3d.

7—Promenade Improvements—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee an amended plan of the proposed improvements opposite Nos. 1 to 13 inclusive, and the further consideration thereof was adjourned.

Resolved, That Tenders for the execution of Stone Plinth and other Stone Work at the Long Garden opposite Nos. 14 to 34, be advertised for.

WILLIAM HEATH,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 25th day of January 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors LI. Davies, Hands, Margrett, Woodard, and Ward-Humphreys (The Mayor in the chair)—

1—Borough Surveyor's and Engineer's Report —The usual monthly report of the Surveyor was read :—" On the 24th instant, the Springs supplying the Hewletts Reservoir were yielding 86 Gallons per minute ; the average for the last four years being 176 gallons per minute ; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 10,312,358 gallons.

" On the 25th instant the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 15 feet, and the contents 27,162,395 gallons, which gives a total storage of 37,474,753 gallons.

" An application has been received from the Charlton Kings Local Board for an extension of the main along Ham Lane, to supply Melton Terrace and a few other houses. A portion of this was urgent, and the main has therefore been extended and several houses laid on. It will be desirable that a formal agreement be entered into, of the same nature as that for the supply of Charlton Village in 1890.

" The work of laying the mains from Tewkesbury has been commenced, 2,699 feet have been laid up to the 24th inst.

" Invoices have this morning been received for nearly 1,000 feet of piping.

On the 19th inst., I visited the Stanton Iron Works, near Nottingham, and on the 20th inst., Messrs. Cochrane's Foundry, at Dudley. I found all the work progressing in a satisfactory manner, and myself tested several of the pipes.

" For your information, I have had the discharge from the Springs at Hewletts and Northfield compared for the same date in each year since 1886 (viz. : 25th January).

| | HEWLETTS. | NORTHFIELD. |
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| 1886 | 71.46 Gallons. | 264.70 Gallons. |
| 1887 | 64.28 “ | 250.00 “ |
| 1888 | 23.80 “ | 56.96 “ |
| 1889 | 45.22 “ | 187.50 “ |
| 1890 | 32.98 “ | 135.32 “ |
| 1891 | 45.00 “ | 103.44 “ |
| 1892 | 70.31 “ | 200.00 “ |
| 1893 | 37.34 “ | 102.27 “ |
| 1894 | 13.84 “ | 54.54 “ |

2 —Tewkesbury Water Supply—Appointment of Arbitrator—The Town Clerk reported, that after conference with the Borough Surveyor, he had submitted to Mr. Badham, the names of five eminent engineers, from amongst whom an arbitrator might be selected, viz. :—Sir G. B. Bruce, Past Pres. Institute C.E. ; Mr. James Mansergh, M.I.C.E. ; Mr. Chas. Hawksley ; Mr. J. H. Hill, M.I.C.E. ; and Mr. C. F. Deacon[?], M.I.C.E. ; and that Mr. Badham had informed him that his Committee had selected Sir G. B. Bruce, subject to the concurrence of this Committee. Resolved, That the Committee concur in the appointment of Sir G. B. Bruce as sole arbitrator, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary steps for appointing him (if he is willing to act) and that the Common Seal be affixed to the appointment.

3 — Severn Water— A letter from Mr. Southall, was read, stating that the Severn Commissioners did not object to the present proposals of the Corporation, but that the Corporation must understand, that any scheme for supplying the Severn Water out of the limits legally authorised by the present Acts with reference to the Waterworks, will be opposed by the Commissioners, was read. A letter from Dr. Ewbank, forwarding report of a General Meeting of the Medical profession of the Town, held on the 26th inst., to discuss the introduction of Severn water to the Town, was read, together with the report therein referred to and from which it appeared that 11 out of 21 gentlemen present passed resolutions objecting to the introduction of the Severn water for drinking purposes, except as a last resort, and except for sanitary or manufacturing purposes, and urging the Corporation to seek the best engineering and geological advice as to the possibility of adding by the attainment of additional springs, or in any other way, to the existing supply from the Cotswold springs. Resolved, That Mr Embank be referred to the assurance of the Mayor, given at the meeting of the Council, held on the nth December, with reference to the use of the Severn water.

4—Filters —The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the contract with Mr. Collins for construction of the filters, and the same was approved.

5— Collection of Water Rate—Tewkesbury—A letter from Mr. W. H. Gray, stating that there are some few Water Rates on the Ashchurch Road, outside the Borough of Tewkesbury, which he would be glad to collect, as usual, until the whole matter is settled, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Gray be thanked for his offer, which, however, it will be unnecessary to accept.

6—Chelt Compensation Water—A letter from the Charlton Kings Local Board, calling attention to the fact that the provisions of the Cheltenham Water Act of 1878, with reference to Compensation Water taken from the Chelt were not being complied with, and stating that complaints had been

received concerning the state of the stream, and expressing the hope that an assurance that the existing state of things would be immediately remedied, might be received by the Board, was read. Resolved, That the Local Board be informed that Compensation Water is now being given.

7—Injury to Horse—Wilson—The Town Clerk having reported the result of his enquiries in this matter. Resolved, That Mr. Wilson be offered £10 without prejudice to the question of liability.

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

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

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 22nd day of January, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, and Parsonage (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)-

1-Borough Extension—Officers' Salaries--This Committee having been instructed by the Council to take into consideration the increase (if any) to be made in the salaries of the Officers consequent on the extension of the Borough Boundaries, proceeded to do so.

Town Clerk's Department—The Committee recommend that the salary of the Town Clerk's Chief Assistant be increased from £120 to £135, and that of Mr. Jenkins from 12s- to 15s a week.

Borough Surveyor's Department—The Committee recommend that the salary of the Borough Surveyor be increased to £700 being an increase of £150 per annum.

That the salary of Mr. Dunscombe, the Borough Surveyor's Chief Assistant, be increased from £130 to £4140 per annum.

That the salary of Mr. Harris be increased from £100 to £110, and that of Mr. Ponting from £80 to £90.

It was also Resolved, That Mr. Moorman, the late Surveyor and Inspector of Nuisances of the late Leckhampton Local Board, be offered a post similar to that filled by Mr. Halliwell, under the Borough Surveyor, at a salary of £100 per annum, that being the amount of Mr. Moorman's combined salaries as Surveyor and Inspector of Nuisances of the late Local Board. Mr. Halliwell having charge of one district, and Mr. Moorman that of the other, each district to be fixed by the Surveyor.

Borough Accountant's Department —The Committee recommend that the salary of Mr. Bastin be increased from 460 to 472, and that of Mr. Paynter from £25 to £30.

Health Department - The Committee recommend that Mr. Lewis's salary (with the approval of the Local Government Board) be increased from £150 to £165, and that of Mr. Jones from £65 to £75.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 24th day of January, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Heath, King, Lawrence, Parsonage, and Steel (Alderman Col Thoyts in the chair)—

2 — Fire Brigade—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to two fires during the month, viz.:—On the 4th inst. at Longworth, Queen's Road. Estimated damage, 4350. Expenses of Fire Brigade, £8 8s. 0d., a bill for which had been sent in to the " Sun " and " Phoenix " Fire Offices. On the 10th inst., at the Dye works of Mr. D. Lyne, 117, High Street. Estimated damage, £1,000. Expenses of Fire Brigade, £9 6s. 0d., a bill for which had been sent in to the " Manchester," " Queen," " Sun," and " Norwich Union," Fire Offices. The Superintendent reported that the Fire Gate fixed at the Fire Station does not throw out sufficient heat to thaw the Hose or dry the men's clothes. He recommended a common Ironing Stove fixed with Iron Pipe that could be removed when not wanted by the resident fireman.

He also reported, that owing to the frost, the Brigade had no spare hose, the hose used at Longworth not being fit to be used at Mr. Lyne's fire, owing to its frozen condition ; also that three lengths of hose were of no further use, and he asked for authority to order some more hose and some branch pipes. Resolved, That the Committee do inspect the hose, &c., with a view to providing the means of keeping it in good order and preservation and ready for use, and that a Special Meeting be called for that purpose at 9 a.m. on Tuesday next, at the Fire Station.

A Memorial from the members of the Brigade, praying the Committee to re-consider their decision with regard to the amounts to be allowed to the members for attendance in cases of false alarms, was read. Resolved, That the Committee see no reason for altering their decision in the matter.

A letter from E. J. C. Studd, Esq., to the Chairman, protesting against the existing Fire Brigade, as being inadequate for the requirements of the place, and at the miserable attempt at a Fire Engine, and complaining of delay in the attendance of the Brigade at the recent fire at Longworth, and adding that there was a strong feeling amongst residents at the very slack way the Brigade is worked, was read. The Committee having had the whole of the facts before them, and having thoroughly investigated the matter, It was Resolved, That the Committee are satisfied that there was no undue delay or inefficiency in the action of the Brigade, or foundation whatever for Mr. Studd's strictures, and that the Town Clerk do write a reply to Mr. Studd accordingly.

3—Cabmen's Shelter at Pittville—A letter from Mrs. Bannerman, stating that the intended Shelter for Pittville is nearly finished, and asking the Committee to kindly consider where they would allow it to be placed near the Gates, and enclosing a memorial.largely signed by the residents in the vicinity of the Gates, assenting to the proposal, was read. Resolved, That Mrs. Bannerman be thanked for her kind offer, which is accepted, the Shelter to be placed near the Pittville Gates, the exact position to be fixed by the Committee.

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4— Hackney Carriages—A Memorial from Chas. Cooke and others praying the Committee to alter the rule with reference to the number of persons to be carried in Pony Carriages, and permit the conveyance of five passengers in such vehicles as are large enough and drawn by a horse strong enough for that purpose, and four in the smaller ones, was read. Resolved, That the Committee see no reason for altering the Bye-Laws in this respect.

An application from C. W. Martin, for a Hackney Carriage License was read and considered. Resolved, That the applicant be informed there is at present no vacancy.

An application from E. Bullingham for leave to permanently transfer his license to another carriage was granted, subject to the new carriage being approved by the Chairman.

5—Drivers—Applications were received from the following for Licenses to act as drivers of Hackney Carriages, viz :—Arthur Gardner, Fredk. John Weaver, Arthur C. Smith, Thos. Williams, and Arthur Paul. Resolved, That Licenses be granted. An application from Geo. Cleaveland for a Driver's License was read, and a license refused.

6—Wheel Chairs—An application from Geo. H. Fletcher for a Wheel Chair License was read, and a license granted.

7—Complaint against Wheelchairman Alder— A letter from R. Ley Wood, Esq., making a complaint of alleged drunkenness and misconduct against the above Chairman, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Ley Wood be informed the matter shall be investigated.

8—Mr. Wm. Smith's Licenses—The matter of granting Mr Smith's Licenses, which was referred back by the Council to this Committee, was re-considered. Resolved, That the Licenses as held by Mr. Smith under the late Leckhampton Local Board be re-granted to him by the Corporation.

9—Petroleum Licenses—Applications were received for renewal of the following Petroleum Licenses :—

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| Edwin Beckingsale, 149, High Street .. | 50 galls. |
| Fredk. Beddard, Hermitage House .. | 50 galls. |
| T. W. Harvey, High Street.. .. | 50 galls. |
| Albert Lusty, 7, 8, and 9, Larput Place . | 50 galls. |
| A. Wilson, High Street.. .. | 50 galls. |

Resolved, That all the foregoing Licenses be granted. The grant of a License in Mr. Wilson's case being subject to his doing the works required by the Borough Surveyor in respect of his storage house.

10—Borough Surveyor's Staff—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had engaged Mr. W. A. L. Rowland at a salary of £100 per annum to fill the vacancy which had existed in his office since the resignation of Mr. Stringfellow, and that Mr. Rowland commenced his duties on the 9th inst. Resolved, That the appointment be approved.

11—Yeomanry Drill Ground—The Surveyor laid before the Committee, plan of what had been suggested should be done at Prestbury Park, in order to provide a ground sufficiently large for the purposes of Brigade Drills.

The Town Clerk reported the result of communications which had passed between the Adjutant of the Yeomanry and himself, and stated that he had finally informed Major Wyndham Quin, on the part of the Corporation, that it might be taken as a fact, that, having regard to all the circumstances, the ground could not be enlarged and prepared as a Brigade ground, sufficiently early to enable the Regiments to Brigade there in the coming May, but that the matter would be kept in motion and if satisfactory arrangements could be made with the owner and the tenant, there was little doubt that the ground would be got ready for the Brigade in 1895. Resolved, That the Committee fully concur in this.

12 —Allotments—Crab Tree Piece—Mr. Steel, by invitation, attended this meeting, and the resolution of the Council, referring it to this Committee, to consider whether or not the rents of the allotments could be re-adjusted and reduced, was considered. Resolved, That the rents be gradually approximated, and that at the end of the present terms the rents of the Old ground be reduced 1s per chain, and those of the New ground be increased by 1s per chain.

St. Mark's District—The question of the rent proposed to be charged for the allotments for St. Mark's District was carefully considered, and it appeared on going into the figures, that the allotments could not properly be let at even 18s a chain without loss, having regard to the rents and expenses of laying out, building and maintenance of ale and other expenses²⁰ absolutely necessary to be incurred.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 30th day of January, 1894—Present The Mayor : Alderman Col. Thoyts Councillors Heath and King (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

13—Fire Brigade—The Committee met at the Fire Station and made a thorough inspection of the engines, hose, and appliances, and the Borough Surveyor was requested to prepare a report of the various matters ordered by the Committee to be attended to, with an estimate of the cost in each case, for consideration by the Committee at their next meeting.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 25th day of January, 1894—Present : Councillors Margrett, Moles, and Woodard (Councillor Woodard in the chair)—

1—Chairman —In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Woodard was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

2 — Barrett's Mill—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee plans and drawings for the laying out of this property, repairs to the cottage, and of the proposed fence. Resolved, That the same be approved, and that tenders for the repairs to the cottage, and for the construction and fixing of the fence be advertised for.

3—Account—The following account was examined and allowed :,— Great Western Railway, Rent of Land adjoining Alstone Baths 10s

T. B. WOODARD,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 30th day of January, 1894—Present : The Mayor; Councillors Heath, King, Margrett, Moles, and Woodard (Councillor King in the chair)—

4—Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—The Mayor, on behalf of the joint Committee of the Gloucestershire Agricultural Society, made an application for the exclusive use of this Recreation Ground for one week, in the month of July next, for the purposes of the Show, with permission to enter on the ground in the previous week for the purposes of erecting sheds, &c. Resolved, That the required permission be given, the joint Committee holding themselves responsible for any damage done to the ground, turf, trees, and fences, and undertaking to make good any such damage.

5—Naunton Park Recreation Ground —Resolved, That tenders for erection of the fountain in this ground be advertised for.

CHAS. WM. KING,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday the 26th day of January, 1894—Present Alderman Haddon ; Councillors Feeney, King, Moles, Steel and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported that on the burial of the late John Lane, on the 30th December. the remains were brought to the Cemetery in a Hearse and the undertaker refused to pay the usual fee, on the ground that he had not ordered a Hearse, but that it had been sent to suit the convenience of the carriage proprietor who had not a Shillabeer at liberty on the occasion.

That a similar case to the above occurred at the interment of one Susan Jenkins, on the 4th January, the excuse in this case being supported by a letter from the manager of the Plough Yard, stating that the shillabeer could not be got ready in time and he had therefore sent a Hearse at the same price.

That Headstones and Kerbings had been removed from Grave spaces up to 1726, but that the work had been discontinued for a time owing to the frost.

That some of the crest Tiles on the roof of the kitchen and scullery at the Lodge, were blown off in the gale a short time since, and he thought the chimney pot was loose.

He asked that the kitchener might be examined as it had been in use 15 years and is quite worn out.

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Resolved, That the extra fee in case of the interment of Susan Jenkins be remitted, but that the full fees be demanded in the case of John Lane. That the work of removing the Headstones and Kerbings be now proceeded with, and that the Surveyor do report as to what is required to be done at the Roof and the Kitchener.

2--Designs--The following Designs were examined and approved viz Headstone to Mary B. Kempthorne ; Flatstone to Duncombe Pyrke ; Tombs to Elizabeth P. Duffield, Harriet Workman, Chas. Hawkins, and Robert C. Chapman.

3-Interment Fees—Messrs. Billings Application—A letter from Messrs. Billings stating that they had been charged the Rector's and Clerk's Fees for the funeral of a child named Wonson, on the 8th inst., the time fixed for the funeral being 3 p.m. as mentioned in the rules and not 2.30 according to the ordinary practice, and asking the Committee to kindly refund the overcharge as the parent of the child is a poor man, was read. Resolved, That the fees in this case be only charged as for a Funeral at 2.30.

Messrs. Whitbreads Application—A letter from Messrs. Whitbread and Son stating that on the 30th of November last, they buried at the Cemetery the remains of the late Mrs. Tovey, a person in receipt of Parish Relief and assisted by charity, Messrs. Whitbread themselves contributing to the expense of the funeral, and as there were no relatives who could follow her, they requested two ladies who were interested to attend and provided a fly for them as they could not ask them to ride in the shillabeer, Mr. Gregory charging them as for a better class of interment, and under the circumstances they applied to have the extra charge remitted, was read. Resolved, That the fees be charged as on an ordinary 2 30p.m. funeral.

4—Vault Space No. 1566 M—The Town Clerk stated that on the interment of Surgeon General Cannon, on the 11th October, 1892, the form for the purchase of the space had been filled up in the name of Surgeon General Corbyn and the grant of the vault space subsequently issued to him, whereas it now appeared that the purchase should have been made in the name of Mrs. Annie Lucy Cannon of so, Eaton Place, S.W., widow, and that application had now been made to have the grant altered. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be authorised to alter the entry in the Register of Purchased Graves and issue a new grant in lieu of the existing one.

6—Account—The following Account was examined and allowed :—

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| A. H. Nott, Coal | .. | .. | £5 13 0 |
| Economic Life Insurance Society, Half-year's Interest and Repayment | | | 155 19 4 |
| Prestbury Poor Rate | .. | .. | 3 5 8 |
| Prestbury Tithe Rent Charge | .. | .. | 6 3 6 |
| W, Gregory, Labourers' Wages | .. | .. | 18 1 0 |

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 30th day of January, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors E. L. Davies, Lawrence, Skillicorne, Parsonage, and Heath (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-- General District Rate —The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 30th inst. on the collection of this Rate, was read. Amount collected : £9,403 11s. 5d., leaving outstanding £4,398 18s. 7d.

2--Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, of date the 30th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts £5,851 16s. 1d., leaving outstanding £2,574 13s. 10d.

3--Delaney Hospital Fees—Resolved, That application be made to the authorities of the Training College for repayment of the sum of £3 3s. 0d., paid by the Corporation in respect of the conveyance to the Hospital, and treatment whilst there, of Frank Buckley.

4—Clocks—Resolved, That the Watch and Clock Makers, in the Town, be asked to tender for the winding, cleaning, and repairing of all the Corporation Clocks for one year.

5—Coal—Resolved, That tenders for six a months' supply of Coal be advertised for.

6—Promenade Improvement Loan—Resolved, That the date of the Loan of £2,740, sanctioned for this Improvement, be fixed as the 1st January, 1894.

7—Loans—Resolved, That the following sums (which have been offered by the parties) be borrowed at 3½% for twelve months certain, and afterwards subject to six months notice on either side, and that debentures for the same be sealed.

| Name. | Amount. | Purposes of Loan. |
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| Armitage & Clisset | £1,000 | Waterworks £20,000 Loan. |
| Samuel Cowley | £1,100 | ditto |
| Captain Welch, R.N. | £500 | ditto. |

8-- Borough Rate—An Estimate for a Borough Rate of £2,797, including the added parts of Leckhampton and Charlton Kings was gone through and settled, and it was Resolved, That a Rate be made for that amount, and that the contributions thereto of the several Parishes and parts of Parishes liable to the Rate be as follows —

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| Parish of Cheltenham .. | £2,582 12 8 |
| “ Leckhampton (part) .. | £ 569 2 2 |
| “ Charlton Kings (part) .. | £ 45 5 2 |

And that orders to the Overseers of the said Parishes be made for the above amounts.

9—General District Rate—An Estimate for a General District Rate of 5/12ths of 2s. 5d. in the £ for the added parts of Leckhampton and Charlton Kings for the period between the 9th November last and the 31st of March next, was gone through and settled. Resolved, That the same be approved, and that the Rate be made at a Special Meeting to be called for that purpose on the 9th prox.

10—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 :—

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| In hand on the 28th December last ... | £ 9,841 7 7 |
| Received since that date | <u>£13,890 15 4</u> |
| | £23,732 2 11 |
| Paid since that date | <u>£10,203 5 4</u> |
| | £13,528 17 7 |
| Being to Credit of Current and Interest A/cs | £11,517 5 0 |
| Sinking and Loans Funds | <u>£2,011 12 7</u> |
| | £13,528 17 7 |

The Bills and Accounts for the past month having been examined. Resolved, That the same as settled, amounting to the sum of £4,195 8s. 7d. be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 8th day of January, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Feeney, Ll. Davies, and Skillicorne (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

5—Schools of Science and Art—The proposals for the transfer of these Schools to the Corporation, were considered. Resolved, That unless the County Council are prepared to devote to the purposes of Technical Instruction, the whole of the share of the County in the Residue of the Excise and Probate duties and give to this Borough for the use of itself and neighbourhood a competent part of such duties, the Committee regret they are unable to recommend the Council to take over the management of the aforesaid schools, and run the risk of having to levy a rate under the Technical Instruction Acts, for the purpose of meeting any deficiency,

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 26th day of January, 1894: Present The Mayor ; Councillors Ll. Davies, Feeney, Parsonage ; The Baron de Ferrieres, Mr. H. Neale, and Mr. Chas. Hall (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

2—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, viz.:

Mr. R. V. Vassar Smith 2 vols.

Trustees of British Museum 2 “

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Brighton, Swansea, Salford, and Clerkenwell.

3—Worn-out Books—The Librarian reported, That about 100volumes, in general demand, were worn out and required renewing at a cost of about £5. Resolved, That new copies be procured.

4—Branch Reading Room at Leckhampton—The Sub-Committee appointed to consider this matter, reported, recommending that the Board Room of the late Local Board, be opened as a Branch Reading Room for one year, from 4 to 9 p.m. at an estimated cost of £30 per annum, including a supply of Newspapers, and part payment of a Caretaker. Resolved, That the recommendation of the Sub-Committee be approved, an arrangement to be made for the proper division of the costs of the Caretaker and incidental expenses between the Library and the Council, in respect of the use of the Board Room by the Corporation and other parties.

5— The late Mr. Pippett—The Committee desire to record an expression of their great regret at the loss of his services to the Library as a member of this Committee, occasioned by the decease of the late Mr. Pippett. 6-Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed :—

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| W. Jones, Wages' Account | £9 10 0 |
| Vimpany & Co., Cleaning Materials | £1 14 7 |
| W. Jones, Petty Cash Account | £5 0 0 |
| Gas Company, Coke | £13 2 5 |
| C. Westley, Newspapers and Periodicals | £12 6 7 |
| “ Magazines | £3 4 5 |
| W. H. Smith & Son, Books | £0 11 0 |
| Norman, Sawyer & Co., Printing and Binding | £12 12 4 |
| Accounts under 10s each | £0 8 0 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 23rd day of January, 1894 —Present :
Councillors Hands, Moles, Davies, Steel, and Wheeler (Councillor Hands in the chair)—

1-Local Committees—The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That summonses be issued against the parents of the following children :—
Frank Cook, of Brighton Gardens ; Herbert Cook, of Brighton Gardens.

2 —Proficiency Certificates—Resolved, That notice be put up in the School Rooms previous to the Ordinary Examinations, informing children that they must send in their names to the Head Teachers

in cases where Proficiency Certificates are required in order that they may be specially examined for such certificate.

3—Special Examinations—A letter from Mr. de Sausmarez, the Government Inspector, stating that he did not, except under exceptional circumstances, in future propose to examine children for certificates of proficiency, excepting at their own schools, or at one of the two Special Examinations he proposed to hold in March and July, and intimating his intention to hold the next Special Examination on the 3rd day of March next, was read, and the course proposed to be taken by H. M. Inspector approved. Resolved, That the Head Teachers be asked to send in to the Town Clerk, one week before the Special Examination, the names of children wishing to be examined, and that the Special Examination on the 3rd March, be held at the Parish Church Schools, Devonshire Street.

4—Duplicate Registers—This matter was further considered and adjourned.

5—Ellins' Application—An application from the parents of Jane Ellins, aged 11, for a half-time labour certificate for the child named, was considered, and a certificate refused.

6—attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the Attendance Officers were read, from which it appeared that Absentee Returns had been received from 32 Schools, containing 781 names, which, added to the balance left unattended to last month, gave a total of 948. Of this number 398 had been visited, with the results shown in the Reports; in 15 cases the absences, were satisfactory explained by the Teachers, and the remaining 535 cases had yet to be visited.

WILLIAM HANDS,

Chairman.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday the 12th day of January, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts, ; Councillors M. Davis, Skillicorne, and Feeney (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman, Col. Thoyts was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

2--Cheltenham Grammar School—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee Draft of proposed reply to the Science and Art Department to the Representation made to the Department by the Governors of the Cheltenham Grammar School in the matter of the division and allocation of the moneys voted by the County Council for the purposes of Technical Education. The Draft Letter having been considered, Resolved, That the same as now settled be approved and sent to the Department.

2 —Grant from County Council—The Town Clerk reported that the County Council had forwarded for disposal by the Corporation, a further sum of £50, which had been paid into the Treasurer's account.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, February 5th, 1894.

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 Friday, the 9th day of February 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 a General District Rate of One Shilling and one-twelfth of a penny in the £, in respect of those portions of the Parishes of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton recently added to the Borough.
2. Notices of Motion.

Yours faithfully,

E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, March 1st, 1894.

You are hereby summoned to attend a 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 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 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—And appoint Cleeve Common Conservators. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE—And Special Report re Salaries of Officers under Borough Extension. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

4. To reconstitute the Electric Lighting Committee.

5. Councillor Steel to move :—" That the Rents of the allotments of the Old Garden Land be reduced to 16s per chain." [17s 6d]

6. Councillor Lenthall to move :—" That a separate system be laid down for supplying the Severn Water for other than drinking purposes."

7. Councillor Margrett to move :—" That the Public Health Committee be instructed to report upon the present ventilation of the Sewers within the Municipal Borough."

8. Notices of Motion.

9. To read the following letters, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be : Rev. R. Coxwell Rogers re Dowdeswell Village School. F. Franks, application for two Hackney Carriage Licenses. N. W. Olive re Lamps at 4, Colonnade. B. Nation, application for an Increase of Salary. Memorial from Members of Fire Brigade re Allowances for Calls of Fire.

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 a Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 5th of March, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 26th day of February, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Haddon and Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, Feeney, Parsonage, Steel, King and Heath (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—The View—The following Members attended the view meeting on Friday last, viz :—The Mayor, Aldermen Haddon and Thoyts, Councillors Feeney, Parsonage, King, Steel and Heath.

2 —Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read: Average Illuminating Power, 16.04 candles. Purity, 7.8 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

A letter from the Gas Company, stating that the Candles used in the two Tests made by the Gas Examiner on the 25th January last were precisely of the same description and obtained from the same Firm, and were the prescribed Sperm Candles of Six to the lb., and that each of the Tests taken on that evening and on the evening of the 3rd inst., shewed the Illuminating Power of the Gas to be above the Statutory Standard, was read. Resolved, That the reply of the Company cannot be considered to be a satisfactory explanation of the circumstances to which their attention was called, in view of the fact that the Illuminating Power was only above the Standard at 7 p.m., and that the Tests showed that either the Candles supplied for testing were bad candles, or the quality of the Gas varied between 7 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. on the same evening to the extent of .99 of a candle.

3—Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read : Average hourly consumption of gas per lamp during the month : in Cheltenham 4.220 cubic feet, in Charlton Kings 4.974 cubic feet, in Leckhampton 4.889 cubic feet.

4 — Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month 39 (6 metered) Burning dimly, 9.

A letter from the Gas Company, in reference to the Report last month of the great number of Lamps extinguished and dimly burning, stating that the large number of extinguished and dimly burning lamps in January is to be attributed to the sudden and extreme changes in the weather, and that every endeavour was made to remedy the defects as they occurred, was read.

5 —Numbering of Lamps—The Town Clerk was directed to request the favour of an early reply from the Gas Company to the enquiry of the Committee as to the cost of numbering the Lamps.

6—Lighting of Added Districts—Resolved, That the Gas Company be asked if they are prepared to light the Lamps in the added parts of Leckhampton and Charlton Kings on the same terms as are charged for those in the Borough

7—Street Projections--The Street Inspector reported that of the Projections ordered by the Committee last month to be removed those belonging to Mr. Mowatt and Mr. Evans, both in Winchcomb Street, still remained up.

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A letter from Mr. Mowatt stating he had let the space at the side of his premises to an advertising contractor for three years, quite in ignorance that the case was contrary to the Bye-Laws, and that as some considerable expense had been gone to in getting it up, he should be glad if the Committee would reconsider their decision and allow it to remain for the present and he would give an undertaking to have it removed at the termination of the time for which he has let it, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Evans be required to remove his projection forthwith, and that under the circumstances the Council will not insist on the removal of Mr. Mowatt's show case until the expiration of the term for which he has let it, if it is raised so that the bottom rail is 8 feet in height at least from the Pavement, and the rectangular box at the top is removed altogether.

The Inspector also reported that Signboards or other projections had been put up by the following persons in contravention of the Bye-Laws, viz.,—C. Walton, 4, Mountpleasant, E. Granville. 2, York Place, and W. James, Hanover Street. Resolved, That Messrs. Walton and Granville be allowed to retain their Hairdresser's Poles, provided that in each case the Pole is placed at an angle of not more than 30 degrees ; and subject to the right of the Council to require their removal at any time.

Letters from Thos. Davis requesting permission to remove to No. 72, High Street the Lamp now hung in front of his premises No. 411, High Street, and from G. T. Leacey for leave to erect a Lamp outside his premises, No. 11, Winchcomb Street, were read. Resolved, That leave be given in both cases, subject to the Lamps being kept lighted till 10 p.m., and subject to the right of the Council to require their removal if at any time they think fit to do so.

An application from Miss Grant, for permission to hang a Banner across the High Street from the Assembly Rooms, on the occasion of the Bazaar for the Zenana Mission on the 6th and 7th March, was read. Resolved, That leave be granted subject to the usual conditions being observed with regard to the height, &c.

The Town Clerk was instructed to have the Bye-Laws respecting Signboards, &c., printed on a handbill so that the attention of the Public may be again called to them.

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

Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Prestbury Road, 3,715 super yards ; Leckhampton Road, 1,424 super yards ; St. Margaret's Road, 869 super yards; Swindon Road, 602 super yards ; Queen's Road, 280 ; Leamington Place, 240 super yards ; Back of Lansdown Crescent, 425 super yards; Back of Lansdown Place, 1,687 super yards ; Albert Place, 300 super yards ; Painswick Road, 642 super yards ; Shurdington Road, 45 super yards ; Total, 10,229 super yards.

Patching—Hales Road, Cleeve Road, Selkirk Street, Post Office Lane, High Street, Trafalgar Street, Malvern Street, Regent Street, Ambrose Street, Dunalley Street, Hewlett Road, Royal Well Place, Park Place.

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Christ Church Road, 333 super yards.

Patching—Larput Place, Hatherley Road, Back of Montpellier Terrace, Harp Hill, Hanover Street, Jersey Street, Brunswick Street, Hungerford Street, St. Paul's Road, Grosvenor Street, Elm Street, Cleveland Street.

Kerbing, Crossing, and Flagging—Hewlett Road, St. George's Road, Pittville Circus, Hales Road, Lansdown Road, Tivoli Villas, All Saints Road, Prestbury Road, Townsend Street, Russell Street, Gloucester Road, Swindon Road, St. Margaret's Road.

New Clee Hill sett crossing has been laid down in the Promenade, 216 super feet.

Tariff Paths—Sandford Road and Bayshill Road.

A new surface water drain is being put down in Naunton Lane, adjoining Naunton Park.

Trees Pruned in the following Roads—Lansdown Road, Lansdown Place, Montpellier Terrace, Battledown Approach, Cemetery Road, Hewlett Road.

Ashes Collection—Van Loads collected, 562 ; Cart Loads collected, 566 ; consumed at the Destructor, 941 tons to 2 cwt. 3 qrs.

Private Improvement Works in Malvern Road and the Lanes off Clare Street are completed, and the apportionments are now handed in. The paving of Grosvenor Place South is now in hand.

9 -Leckhampton Footpaths—The Surveyor reported that he had examined the footpaths in the added portions of Leckhampton, and in his opinion the works necessary to be taken in hand immediately, were :—

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| Edward Street, Edging, Channelling, Footway and Crossing | £162 3 6 |
| Leckhampton Road, (East side) Footway and Crossing | £844 19 0 |
| Croft Street, Edging, Channelling, Footway and Crossing | £184 16 0 |
| Short Street, Edging, Channelling, Footway and Crossing | £258 18 0 |
| Moorend Street, Edging, Channelling, Footway and Crossing | £441 6 3 |
| Park Drive, Footway and Crossing | £420 12 0 |
| Moorend Crescent, Edging, Channelling, Footway and Crossing .. | <u>£735 1 8</u> |
| | £3,047 16 5 |

Resolved, That this matter be adjourned for further consideration and for further inspection by the Committee ; and that in the meantime application be made to the County Council in respect of the Footpaths on the Main Roads.

10—Private Improvement Works—Malvern Road and Lanes off Clare Street—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement works ordered in the above localities had been completed at the cost respectively of £89 15s. 9d. and £12 10 1d., which sums he had apportioned amongst the various abutting owners in manner set forth in his report, and that in the case of the Lanes off Clare Street, he had had regard to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived by particular premises from such works. Resolved, That with respect to the Lanes off Clare Street, the Committee think it just that the premises, Nos. 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17, Kew Place, which do not front, adjoin, or abut on the said Lanes, but which, in their

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opinion will be benefitted by the said works, shall be included in the apportionment, and accordingly fix the sums or proportions to be charged against such premises, as in the apportionment; and, that, subject as aforesaid, both the above apportionments be approved, and notice thereof be given to the owners, and demand made for payment of the sums respectively due from them.

11— Barbed Wire Act, 1893—The Surveyor reported that Barbed Wire had been placed near the path by the Chelt, and in Charlton Lane, in such a way as to be a nuisance and dangerous to the public. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do issue the necessary notice, in each case, for removal of the wire under Section 3 of the above Act.

12-Whaddon Lane—The Surveyor was instructed to proceed with the Notices which have been ordered to be given in respect of the repair of this road.

13--Road at Back of Royal Parade—A specification from the Surveyor, of date the 26th inst., of the Works required to be done to the above Street, was read and approved. And it was 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 street, 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.

14—College Lawn Road —Resolved, That provided the edging and channelling is done and the road coated with Blue Stone according to the Surveyor's specification, the Committee will not insist on a

paved or flagged footpath on the side next the College, and that if that is done the road will be taken to as a public highway.

15—Sydenham Roads—A letter from Mr. J. F. Claridge, calling attention to the bad state of repair of the roads in the above neighbourhood, and asking the Committee to take steps to have them put in order, was read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be directed to bring up a specification for the necessary repairs.

16—Crossing in London Road—over Old Bath Road—A further letter from Mr. Geo. Townshend on the subject of this Crossing and again urging the Committee to have it re-instated, was read. Resolved, That having regard to the additional facts laid before the Committee. they recommend a crossing to be put down in the way suggested by the Surveyor.

17—Shelburne Road—A letter from Mr. Henry Butt upon the subject of throwing this road open as a public Highway, was read. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to the Head Master of Dean Close School, enquiring whether, in the event of the Corporation being willing to take over the road as a public one, the authorities of his School will be prepared to first complete the road to the satisfaction of this Committee.

18—Moorend Street and Moorend Crescent —A memorial from Mr. E. Capper and others, asking the Committee to take into consideration the bad state of the footpaths in Moorend Street and Moorend Crescent, and expressing a hope that the Committee will concrete them as soon as possible, was read. Resolved, That the Memorialists be informed the matter of the repair of these footpaths is part of a much larger question which is already receiving the consideration of the Committee.

19—Leckhampton Highways in excluded part—A letter from the Local Government Board stating that they had had under their careful consideration the questions which had been raised with regard to the maintenance of the Highways in that part of the Parish not included in the Borough, and were not empowered to give any legal decision therein, but that they were disposed to consider that the part of the Parish referred to should, for highway purposes, be regarded as forming part of the Borough ; they admitted, however, that the question was not free from doubt, and if the Council desired it they would be prepared on receiving an application from the Town Council, to consider whether a Provisional Order should not be issued for amending the Borough Extension Order, and expressly providing for the maintenance of the Highways in the part referred to, was read.

A letter from the Town Clerk, to the Board, in reply to the above, enquiring whether, in the event of the Council applying for a Provisional Order, the Board would be prepared to make such Order and get it confirmed early next session, and stating that having regard to the fact that the matter was not free from doubt, he did not think his Council would take any step to repair the Highways, was also read. Resolved, That application be made for a Provisional Order in the matter.

20-Lighting of Old Bath Road—A letter from Mr. R. Dennis, of Laracor, asking the Committee to place a Lamp on the above road opposite his house, " Laracor," as it is very difficult on a dark night for Coachmen to see the South Gate, was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret they cannot grant another Lamp at present.

21—Queen's Road—The Surveyor was directed to report as to what alterations are required in the Lighting of this road.

22-Ambrose Street—Price—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. Price had declined to sign the agreement for renting the premises occupied by him, and had expressed his inability to pay the arrears of rent due. Resolved. That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings for the recovery of the Rent.

23—Naunton Park Road—A Specification from the Surveyor, of date the 26th inst., of the Works required to be done to the above Street, was read and approved. And it was 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 Street, 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.

24—New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted notices and plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings (such of them as involved questions of drainage having been examined by the Public Health Committee) all of which were approved, viz. :—

Mr. Kilbey, New Shop Front to 19a, Winchcomb Street.

Mr. A. J. Emms, additions to Leamington Villa.

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Mr. C. H. Saunders, two semi-detached Villas in Ewlyn Road.

Mr. Wm. Caudle, Stables in Lane off Great Norwood Street.

Mr. C. A. Hacker, Additions to 20, Lansdown Crescent.

Mrs. Mary Stockum, Additions to " Somerville."

The Surveyor also submitted notices and plans from the following persons, both of which were disapproved, viz. :—

Mr. T. Wilkins, Additions to 13, Montpellier Arcade.

Mr. B. W. Corke, Additions to Rosewood Villa.

The following notices and plans were also submitted :—

Mr. G. H. Mills, Cottage in Cleveland Street—approved subject to a separate drain being provided.

Mr. James Page for additions to Windsor House, Prestbury Road —approved subject to the provision of a fresh air inlet and a disconnecting trap in drain.

Mr. J. M. Smith, two Houses and Shop in Hewlett Road, and one House in Leighton Road—approved subject to another plan being deposited, shewing thereon the Building Line.

Mr. J. E. Coombes, two Houses in Leckhampton Road—disapproved, so far as regards the drainage.

N. B. THOYTS, Chairman.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 12th day of February, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Ll. Davies, M. Davis, Feeney, Moles, and Parsonage (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Feeney was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

1—Ambulance--Mr. Alfred Miles and Mr. Win. Mills, two of the parties who had sent in Tenders for building an ambulance, attended this meeting and explained more particularly their proposals, &c., and the matter was adjourned for further consideration.

2-Dairies and Cowsheds Order—Applications from John Loud, of Sandford Mill (lately in Charlton) to be registered as a cow-keeper and dairyman, and from Elizabeth Hooper, of Wentville, Shurdington Road (lately in Leckhampton) and Albert E. Manning, of 44, Upper Norwood Street (lately in Leckhampton), to be registered as Purveyors of Milk, were read, together with the Reports of the Medical Officer of Health thereon. Resolved, That Mr. Loud be registered, but that the other two applications be adjourned to enable the parties to execute the works advised by the Medical Officer of Health.

3 —Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee 7 cases of Scarlet Fever and 1 case of Diphtheria.

4-15, Sydenham Villas—Miss Barrett—The Medical Officer of Health stated that repeated complaints had been made as to a soil pipe ventilator at this house, but the Inspector of Nuisances had reported that no nuisance appeared to be caused and that it was not a case calling for interference. The Town Clerk was directed to write accordingly to Miss Barrett.

5—Slaughter House at 278, High Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that in connection with the above Registered Slaughter House the sign " Registered Slaughter House" had been put up in three separate places in the yard and all three were being used as Slaughter Houses by three separate firms. Resolved, That Notice be given to the tenant of the Slaughter House to discontinue sub-letting any part thereof for the purposes of a Slaughter House, or otherwise evading the law.

6—Common Lodging House—An application from George Rowley to be Registered as Keeper of a Common Lodging House at Cumberland Villa, Grove Street, was read. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the house is well kept and the tenant makes the best of existing conditions, but the premises are old and dilapidated, the w.c. accommodation deficient and the ventilation of the kitchen not good. Resolved, That Mr. Rowley be registered subject to the and ventilation being improved to the satisfaction of the Medical Officer of Health

7--Houses without a proper Water Supply—It appearing on the Report of the Borough Surveyor, dated 9th February that the premises known as Nos. 8, 9, 13 and 14, Rutland Street, and Nos. 3 and 4, Alstone Croft, 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. Resolved, That Notices be given under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners, requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such acts as may be necessary for that purpose.

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8—W.C.'s. without Flushing Apparatus—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c.'s. without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the Owners to provide the necessary Flushing Apparatus, and to the Occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such Notices, proceedings be taken for penalties.

9— Notices not complied with -The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices served by the Inspector of Nuisances, and not complied with, and a list of Notices served by the Town Clerk, also unattended to. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take such further steps in these matters as may be necessary, to enforce compliance with the respective Notices.

10—W.C. without Water Supply—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the Hop Pole Inn, Gloucester Road, has a w.c. with Flushing Apparatus but no water supply. Resolved, That Notice be given to the Occupier under Sec 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to provide and maintain a proper supply of water to the Flushing Apparatus in question.

11-- Sewer in Old Bath Road—A letter from Mr. C. Barrett, stating that the offer of the Corporation to lay this sewer, on the Owners paying one-third of the expense, was one which the Owners could not accept, and asking the Committee to kindly re-consider the matter, bearing in mind the fact that on the widening of the road the Owners are to be called upon to give up the land necessary for such widening, was read. Resolved, That the applicants be required to pay £30 towards the cost of this sewer.

12 —Burrows—A claim having been made by Mr. John Burrows, Butcher, of Tivoli, for compensation in respect of alleged damage and disturbance on the laying down by the Corporation of the Sewer across a field in his occupation on the Hatherley Road. Resolved, That Mr. Burrows be offered the sum of £2, without prejudice.

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 21st day of February, 1894—Present ; The Mayor ; Councillors LI. Davies, M. Davis, Hands, Moles, Feeney, Parsonage, and Dighton (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Feeney was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

13—Dairies and Cowsheds Order—Applications from Joseph Whittle, of 36, Moorend Street, Emmeline J. Bones, 1, Angle Villas, Gratton Road, and Edwin C. Moore, of to, Moorend Crescent, to be registered as Purveyors of Milk, together with the Reports of the Medical Officer of Health thereon, were read. Resolved, That Mr. Whittle, who is about to quit the above premises, be not registered, but that Mrs. Bones and Mr. Moore, be registered when, and as soon as the improvements in their premises recommended by the Medical Officer of Health have been effected.

14 — Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting 1 case of Scarlet Fever and 1 case of Enteric Fever.

15—Ambulance—This matter was again adjourned to enable the Chairman and the Medical Officer of Health to make further enquiries therein.

16—Sanitary Inspection of Houses—The Inspector of Nuisances having reported that he found these inspections involved a great amount of dirty work and having asked to be granted, in future, the assistance of a man from the Highway Department. Resolved, That the Surveyor be requested to detail a man for this work.

17—Drainage of Houses in Hatherley—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there were a considerable number of Houses in the neighbourhood of, and including, Hatherley Brake, which had no drainage, and which could be drained into a Sewer if there were one, and he suggested that the matter be referred to the Borough Surveyor with a view to ascertaining the possibility of extending the Sewerage to that district. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be requested to report upon the matter.

18—Defective Closets in Berkeley Avenue and Attewell's Court—The Medical Officer of Health presented a Representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the premises Nos. 7 and 8, Berkeley Avenue, and 6, 7 and 8, Attewell's Court, are without proper and sufficient w.c. accommodation. Resolved, That the necessary notices be given under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875.

19—Casino Place—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the Surveyor's Specification for Sanitary Works at the above Place, had been imperfectly carried out, the yard being still in a bad state especially in wet weather, and ashes are thrown on the ground to stop up the holes in the yard. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be requested to prepare a further Specification in the matter, and that notice be given to the Owner or Owners to do what is necessary.

20-Defective Drainage at 1, Angle Villas—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drainage and Water Closets at the above premises are a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Surveyor to open the ground and examine the same, and act as provided by the said Section. Also that Notices be given under Section 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring the provision of an efficient flushing apparatus and a supply of water thereto.

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21—W.C.'s without Flushing Apparatus —The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having W.C.'s without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That Notices be given under Section 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the Owners to provide the necessary Flushing Apparatus, and to the Occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such Notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

22—Filthy Closets in Cleveland Passage—The Medical Officer of Health reported that some of the Closets at the above premises and the approaches thereto, are kept in a very filthy condition, and advised that some decided action be taken to compel the defaulters to maintain the closets and premises in decent order. Resolved, That proceedings be taken against the proper parties in one or two of the worst cases.

23—Hughes's Passage, Exmouth Street—The Medical Officer of Health presented a Certificate representing that the dwelling houses, known as Nos. 4 to 8 Hughes's Passage, Exmouth Street, and Nos. 13 to 15 Exmouth Street, are in such a state as to be dangerous and injurious to health and unfit for human habitation. Resolved, That the necessary proceedings be taken under Section 32 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, for an Order to close the said houses.

24—Plans of House Drainage—The Plans of such New Buildings necessitating Drainage as were intended to come up for approval at the next meeting of the Street and Highway Committee, were laid before this Committee, and the same were approved so far as regards the drainage arrangements, except that of Mr. James Page, for alterations and additions at Windsor House, Prestbury Road, which was disapproved in respect of the alterations.

25—Accounts—The following accounts were examined and allowed

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| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients | £95 18 0 |
| C. I. Willis, Sulphur Candles | £2 0 0 |
| S. Lewis, one month's salary | £12 10 0 |
| J. H. Long, one month's salary | £8 6 8 |
| E. Jones, four weeks' wages | £5 0 0 |
| A. Hughes, Safety Bicycle | £12 12 0 |
| Accounts under 10s each | £0 5 6 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 28th day of February, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Feeney, Ll. Davies, M. Davies, Parsonage, Hands, and Moles (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

26—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Feeney was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

27—Annual Report of Medical Officer of Health—The Medical Officer of Health presented his Annual Report for the year ending the 31st December, 1893, and the same having been read. Resolved, That 200 copies thereof be printed.

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 26th day of February, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts; Councillors Heath, Lawrence and Ward Humphreys (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

1—Cheltonia Revive—Resolved, That Mr. Westley be requested to undertake the distribution of the copies of this Book purchased from Mr. Burrow, if he will do so, as he did with the copies of "Cheltenham Illustrated," distributed by him.

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2—Band — A letter from Mr. J. P. Hatton, stating that several of the best musicians in Cheltenham had called upon him to ask if he would require their services during the ensuing summer, as they would prefer staying in the town rather than take up seaside engagements, and that as he had the pleasure of supplying the Corporation Band last season he thought the Committee might wish him to do the same again, and offering his services in the matter of securing a really representative Band, was read. Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Band Sub-Committee to deal with: and that Alderman Col. Thoyts be requested to serve on the Sub-Committee during the absence of Alderman Col. Rogers.

3— Conduct of Boys at Pittville—Letters from Mr. J. B. Winterbotham and Mr. Montagnon, in reply to the Resolution of this Committee of date the 29th January last, were read.

4—Leckhampton Local Board Officers' Compensation—Letters from Dr. Cocks Johnston and Mr. Mallory expressing their dissatisfaction at the decision of the Committee in their respective cases and intimating their intention to appeal to the Treasury, were read, and also the replies of the Town Clerk thereto, which were approved.

5—United Banks Lawn Tennis Club—A letter from Mr. A. E. Pullin asking the Committee to make a reduction in the Entrance Fees for Members of the above Club to the Montpellier Gardens, was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret they are unable to make any reduction in the charges, having regard to the expense of maintenance of the Gardens and the low rate of Subscription and Admission Fees.

6—Cleeve Common Conservators—The Town Clerk reported that the term of office of the Conservators appointed by the Corporation, A. would expire on the 13th proximo, Resolved, That the Committee recommend the re-appointment of the present Conservators.

7—Promenade Improvement—The following Tenders for construction of the stone work at the Long Garden in the Promenade, being the only ones sent in were opened :

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| Messrs. Billings .. | £560 0 0 |
| Messrs. Boulton .. | £667 9 10 |
| Mr. W. H. Fry.. .. | £860 0 0 |

Resolved, That the Tender of Messrs. Billings and Co. be accepted, and that it Contract be accordingly entered into with them.

8—Pittville Estate —Resolved, That the Annual Subscription to Pittville and Marle Hill, to include skating, for the members of the family of the subscriber residing in the house be £1 1s. 0d. The Residents on the Estate to pay 10s 6d for admission to Marle Hill, such admission to include skating for members of the family, of the subscriber, residing in the house.

9—Montpellier Gardens—Archery Club—Resolved, That permission be granted to the above Club to use the Lodge at the Garden Entrance as a Cloak Room, &c., on Bow days at a charge of 2s 6d per diem.

WILLIAM HEATH,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 2nd day of February, 1894—Present : The Mayor; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Ll. Davies, Margrett, Woodard, and Ward-Humphreys (The Mayor in the chair)—

1—Severn Water—A Deputation of Medical Men of the Town, consisting of Drs. E. T. Wilson, Rooke, Cardew, Pruen, Buckell, Ewbank and Gooding, attended this meeting of the Committee to place before it their views on the subject of the introduction of the Severn Water, and their objections to it.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 5th day of February, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Ll. Davies, King, Margrett, Woodard, and Ward Humphreys (The Mayor in the chair)—

2-Severn Water—A Deputation from a Meeting of the Medical Men in the town, consisting of Drs. Cresswell, M.O.H., Dighton, Hogarth, Inglis, Todd, M.O H., J. Wilson, and Winterbotham, attended this meeting of the Committee and presented a Memorial signed by 22 Medical Men, practising and residing in the town, expressing every confidence in the action of the Council in taking steps to introduce the Severn Water into Cheltenham and hoping the Council would unreservedly adhere to the position which it had taken up in this matter.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 22nd day of February, 1894—Present : Alderman Colonel Thoyts ; Councillors Davies, King, Margrett, Ward-Humphreys, and Woodard (The Mayor in the chair)—

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

" On the 21st instant, the Springs supplying the Hewletts Reservoirs were yielding 140 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 11,054,655 gallons.

" On the 21st instant, the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 18 feet, 2 inches and the contents 43,315,976 gallons, which gives a total of 54,370,631 gallons.

" The length of new 9 inch main laid along the Tewkesbury Road to this date is 13,582 feet.

" I submit a correspondence between the Locomotive Engineer of the Midland Railway and myself, with respect to the payment of the charges for water supplied to the Company at Ashchurch Station. The matter is still pending.

" A further quantity of 9 inch pipes will be required amounting to between 350 and 400 Tons, and this quantity the Stanton Iron Company are prepared to supply at £4 2s. 6d. per ton, which is less than the average price already accepted. The pipes they have already delivered under their existing contract are very satisfactory and suitable for the part of the work remaining to be done."

Resolved, That the necessary supply of additional Pipes be ordered from the Stanton Iron Company.

4—Chelt Compensation Water—A letter from the Clerk to the Charlton Kings Local Board stating that the provisions of the Act of 1878, are not being complied with and that his Board had directed him to say that they must insist on those provisions being strictly complied with and to express a hope that the matter would receive prompt attention, was read. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do ask the Clerk in the Board to state in what respect the provisions of the Act have not been complied with, the Borough Surveyor having reported that at least 100,000 gallons per diem was being and had, for the last three weeks past, been sent down the Stream.

5.—Tewkesbury Water Supply—The Town Clerk was authorized to engage such professional witnesses as he might consider necessary in the matter of this Arbitration.

6—Lineover Stream—The Borough Surveyor called attention to the fact that the above Stream becomes fouled with House Drainage on passing a cottage on Mrs. Holmes' property. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to Mrs. Holmes requesting that the necessary steps may be taken to prevent this.

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

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

E. WETHERED,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 21st day of February, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors King, Lawrence, Parsonage, and Ward-Humphreys (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—Fire Brigade—In accordance with the directions given by the Committee last month, the Superintendent reported that the following were particulars of the Hose, Couplings, and Stand Pipe required for the Brigade :—

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| 100 yards Hand Woven Flax Hose, 2 ½ in. at 2s. 3d. | £11 5 0 |
| 3 pair of 2iin. Patent Couplings at 12s. 6d | £1 17 6 |
| Attaching Hose to Couplings with Ferules and 3 Buckling Straps at 2s. 6d. | £0 7 6 |
| One Double Delivery Swivel Head Stand Pipe 2 ½ in | £4 0 0 |
| Altering 5 Branches to suit Patent at 5s | £1 5 0 |
| Total cost... . | £18 15 0 |

Resolved, That all the foregoing be procured.

2— Drivers' Licenses—Applications were received from and Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licenses granted to Henry Privett, of 62, Fairview Street, and Charles Hill, of 37, St. James' Street.

3—Wheelchairman Alder—Alder attended this Meeting to explain his conduct as complained of by Mr. Ley Wood, and, having expressed his regret for what he had said and promised not to offend again, the Committee consider the matter does not call for any further action on their part.

4—Hackney Carriages--An application from Frank Jeans, of 15, Albert Street, St. Peters, for the transfer to him of the two Licenses now held by Mr. W. T. Tapp, whose two horses and carriages he had purchased with the intention of carrying on the business lately held by Mr. Tapp, together with an offer on the part of Mr. Tapp to hand over his Licenses to the Committee, was read. Resolved, That on the present Licenses being sent in to the Committee for cancellation, they will be prepared to issue new Licenses to Mr. Jeans.

A letter from James C. Hearn, of the Portland Mews, asking the Committee to grant him a Pony Carriage License, was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret they cannot grant a License.

5—Wheel Chairs—Applications were received from and Wheel Chair Licenses granted to Edwin Granville, of 43, Tivoli Street, F. O. Smith, of 16, Brecon Terrace, and William Gilkes, of Oakfield Street, Tivoli.

6 — Extension of Boundaries—Mr. Moorman's Pension—A letter from Mr. Moorman expressing his willingness to accept the post offered him by the resolution of this Committee of date 22nd January last, but on .the distinct understanding that in the Vi event of a severance hereafter taking place between himself and the Council, his pension of £41 15s. 6d. per annum, would then commence to be payable, and assuming that as his pension would commence as and from the 9th November last, he would be paid the proportion thereof from that date to the date of commencement of his employment under the Corporation, was read. Resolved, That the terms of Mr. Moorman's letter be agreed to, subject to the right of the Corporation to reconsider the assessment of the pension, if and when Mr. Moorman leaves the service of the Council. The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. Moorman was now being regularly employed under his directions.

7—Corporation Clocks--A number of Tenders for Winding, Cleaning and Repairing the Clocks, 13 in number including the Town Clock, for one year, were opened and considered. Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. Holder, of No. 4, High Street, at £3 3s. 0d. that being the lowest Tender, be accepted.

8—Local Board Offices at Leckhampton—A letter from Mr. Wm. Moorman asking that the matter of the purchase by the Corporation of the Furniture, &c., belonging to the late Working Men's Institute, might be now considered with a view to settlement, was read. Resolved, That the Committee will agree to give £7 10s. 0d for the Furniture, &c., as set out in the Schedule forwarded by Mr.

Moorman

It was further Resolved, That the payment for the use of the Room by the Guardians for a Relief Pay Station once a week and for vaccination purposes, be fixed at £10 per annum.

9— Borough Extension— Officers' Salaries—The Committee's Minute hereon of date the 22nd January last, having been referred back by the Council for reconsideration, was further considered.

Borough Surveyor's Salary—The Committee find on referring to the payments for Salaries and Extras in the Borough Surveyor's and Water Departments made previously to Mr. Hall's appointment, that such payments (including the payment to the Receiver and Manager of the Pittville Estate, less the payment made to the present Collector) amounted to £1,400 per annum ; and the salaries as paid at the present time amount to £1,160, which, with the additions proposed by the Committee, would now make a total of £1,390, inclusive of Mr. Moorman's salary of £100 per annum. Since Mr. Hall's accession to office, the work and responsibility of his Departments has increased very considerably: for instance, the Pittville Gardens, Montpellier Gardens, Marle Hill, and Naunton Park Recreation Ground, have all been purchased and laid out, the Abattoir and Destructor have been built, and the Boundaries of the Borough have recently been considerably extended.

In addition to this several important Reports, Designs, and Estimates, have been prepared, and Works carried out by Mr. Hall, both in the Surveyors and in the Water Departments, at no extra cost to the Council, for which, in previous years, both Mr. Sadler and Mr. McLansborough would have been paid as extras.

Taking, therefore, into consideration the whole circumstances of the case the Committee are still of opinion that Mr. Hall would be justly entitled to the increase of his Salary previously recommended, but, in deference to the expressed wishes of the Council, they only now recommend an increase of £100 a year.

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In other respects the Committee have not considered any alteration of the recommendations in their previous report to be necessary, understanding; too, that the main objection of the Council was in respect of the proposed addition in the Borough Surveyor's Salary.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 27th day of February, 1894—Present The Mayor : Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Heath, Lawrence, and Parsonage (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

10--Police--The question of the increase in the number of Constables to be paid for by this Borough, in consequence of the extension of the Boundaries, was again discussed. Resolved, That the matter

be adjourned for further consideration at a meeting to be held on the 6th prox., and that Admiral Christian, the Chief Constable, be asked to attend such meeting.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 22nd day of February, 1894--Present : The Mayor : Councillors King, Dighton, Moles, and Woodard (Councillor King in the chair)—

1—Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—The Caretaker, Maggs, attended this Meeting of the Committee, in relation to his duties. The Committee consider it to be part of the duties of the Caretaker to superintend the conduct of the frequenters of this ground, to keep the ground and the buildings clean and tidy, with such assistance from the Highway Department as may be necessary, to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor. Resolved further, That the Surveyor be requested to have such repairs as he thinks necessary done to the house, the w.c., and the drains. Resolved, That a Waterproof Cape be obtained for the Caretaker.

2-Barrett's Mill--Repairs to Cottage—The following Tender for repairs to the Cottage, being the only ones sent in, were opened.

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| Edwin Capper & Sons | £115 0 0 |
| A. H. Stone | £200 0 0 |
| Geo. Loveday | £87 10 0 |

Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. Loveday be accepted, and that a contract to be settled by the Town Clerk be entered into.

3—Fencing—The following Tenders for the erection of a Wrought Iron Fence at Barrett's Mill, being the only ones sent in, were opened.

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| Messrs. Lane & Burroughs | £130 0 0 |
| Messrs. Letheren & Son | £95 0 0 |
| Messrs. Marshall | £100 0 0 |

Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. Letheren & Son be accepted, and that a contract, to be settled by the Town Clerk be entered into.

4—Naunton Park—Drinking Fountain—No Tenders having been sent in for this work in response to the advertisement. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to carry out the work.

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday the 23rd day of February, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Haddon ; Councillors Davis, Feeney, Moles, Steel, and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported that the Boundary Fence of the Cemetery at the West Corner, near Entrance Gates, is very much out of repair ; also that the Entrance Gates to the Cemetery require some repairs, and it is very essential they should be locked on Sunday mornings so as to prevent people coming in. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the necessary repairs done to the fence and to have the Entrance Gates adjusted. The Borough Surveyor reported that he had examined the Kitchener at the Lodge, and found that it could be repaired, and he was instructed to have it repaired.

2—Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved, viz. : Headstones to Elizabeth Maslin, Wm. N. Armstrong, Sarah Ann Sawyer, Thos. Long, Annie Lye, John W. K. Claridge, Capt. J. C. Orr, Wm. Hayward, Henry B. Farthing ; Tomb to Sarah M. Jackson.

3—Land adjoining Cemetery —Pratley—A letter from Mr. C. W. Pratley adverting to the Resolution passed by the Committee respecting this Land, and stating that he would keep on the Land on condition the Board would not require it until after the first portion of the Lease is expired, and that some allowance be made him out of last quarter's rent in respect of the time the Board had the Land in their hands under the Notice, was read. Resolved, That an allowance of 30s be made and that the terms of the agreement be adhered to in all other respects.

4—Account—The following Account was examined and allowed :—

W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages .. £11 15 0

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 23rd day of January, 1894—Present; The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, Parsonage, and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

1—Tenders for Works and Plant—Tenders from the following Firms, sent in in accordance with the Advertisement, were opened and recorded, and were referred to the Borough Surveyor to examine and report thereon, viz. :—

Laing Wharton & Down Construction Syndicate, London.

Spurr Inman & Co., Wakefield.

J. & H. Maclaren, Leeds.

Galloways, Ltd., Manchester.

Siemens Bros., & Co., Westminster

Johnson & Phillips, London.

Mather & Platt, Salford.
Electric Construction Company, Wolverhampton
The Brush Electric Light Corporation, London.
Williams and Robinson, Thames Ditton.
Fowler & Co., Leeds.
Crompton and Co., London.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 20th day of February, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Col Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, Parsonage, Ward-Humphreys, and Woodard (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)-

2-Tenders-The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee an analysis of the several tenders sent in.

Resolved, That the boilers of the Galloway Boiler Type, being the only boiler which is guaranteed to pass the specified evaporation test, and in which almost every operation is performed by machinery, be selected, and that the tender of the Galloway Co. for two of their boilers at £438 15s. each be accepted.

Resolved, That the quick running type of engine be adopted ; but before finally deciding on the particular engines and alternators, the Committee think it desirable to see and inspect the system in operation at Bristol, and that subject to such inspection being satisfactory, the tender of Messrs. Siemens & Co., of Westminster, with Willans Engines, at £4,610, less £365 for boiler, be accepted.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of February, 1894—Present Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Heath, Lawrence, and Parsonage, (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1—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 1893-4, amounting to £102 1s. 8d. Resolved, That the said amount be certified to be due to him, and be apportioned between the Parishes of Cheltenham, Leckhampton, and Charlton Kings, in the proportions of £79 15s. 5d. to Cheltenham, £9 16s. 0d. to Leckhampton, and £12 9s. 10d. to Charlton Kings.

2-Coal-The Tenders of coal sent in in response to the advertisement, being seven in number, were opened. Resolved, That the following tenders be accepted.

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| Messrs. Webb Bros. for Whately Nuts | 14s. | 3d. per ton. |
| “ Birch Coppice Large Nuts | | 15s. 6d. “ |
| “ Bretby Cobbles | | 16s. 3d. “ |
| Messrs. Nott & Voile, Slack | | 8s. 0d. “ |

3—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 27th inst., on the collection of this rate, was read. Amount collected, £12,408 11s. 5d., leaving outstanding, £2,314 0s 8½ d.

4—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 27th inst., on the collection of this rate, was read. Receipts, £7,361 14s. 8d., leaving outstanding, £1,064 15s. 3d.

5—Delancey Hospital Fees—Resolved, That application be made to the responsible parties for repayment of the sums of £5 in each case, paid by the Corporation in respect of the treatment at the Delancey Hospital of Ruth Davies, of " Chadbourn," and Annie Flory, of Bennington Street.

6—Private Improvement Works Expenses—A letter from Mr. Fredk. Cooper, asking that his sister, for whom he acts, might be allowed to repay by six quarterly instalments the suns due from her in respect of premises in Clare Street ; and an application from Mr. J. H. Holliday, to be allowed to repay at the rate of 20s per month, the sum due from him in respect of Royal Well Villa, were read. Resolved, That Mr. Holliday's application be acceded to, and that Mr. Cooper's request be granted, subject to the payment being by four quarterly instalments.

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 :—

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| In hand on the 30th January last | £13,528 17 7 |
| Received since that date | <u>£5,426 19 10</u> |
| | £18,955 17 5 |
| Paid since that date | <u>£ 4,281 11 7</u> |
| Total in hand.. | £ 14,674 5 10 |

The Bills and Accounts for the past month having been examined. Resolved, That the same as settled, amounting to the sum of £3,931 12s. 3d. be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 23rd day of February, 1894—Present: The Mayor; Alderman Haddon ; Councillors LI. Davies, Feeney, Margrett, Parsonage : Capt. Welch, R.N., The Baron de Ferrieres, Mr. Chas Hall, and Mr. Henry Neale (Councillor Feeney 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, viz.:

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| Sir Wm. Fraser .. | .. | 1 vol. |
| The Registrar, University College of Wales | | 1 vol. |
| Mr. T. M. Bear .. | .. | 1 vol |
| Mr. B. Roy .. | .. | 3 vols. |
| Secretary of State for India | .. | 3 vols |
| Baron de Ferrieres | .. | 6 vols. |
| The Registrar, Durham University | .. | 1 vol. |
| Mr. H. M. Kilgour | .. | 1 vol. |
| Agent General for Western Australia | | 1 vol. |

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Barking, Aberdeen, St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Hove, and Southampton.

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

That a selection of Technical Books to the value of £40 be purchased from the lists prepared by the Librarian. That the Librarian's revised list of Newspapers proposed for sale be approved.

That three additional Newspaper-Holders be obtained at a cost of 30s, and that the present Newspaper-Stands be altered to prevent the damage of papers.

That the News Room be closed on one day for the purpose of cleaning, and that the Newspapers be temporarily transferred to the Reference Library.

Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted, and that Messrs. Billings' Estimate of £3 12s. 0d. for fixing the additional Newspaper-Holders and altering the Newspaper-Stands, be accepted.

3—Branch Reading Room at Leckhampton—Resolved, That if the Minute of the General Purposes Committee, of date the 21st inst., is approved by the Council, the Reading Room at the late Local Board Offices be opened as soon as possible, and that the General Purposes Committee be requested to do what may be necessary for putting the Room and the Fireplace in good order. Resolved, That the Mayor and the Chairman be authorised to engage the services of a Caretaker, at a wage not exceeding 1s per diem ; and that the Council be asked to pay such proportion of this wage, and of Coal and Gas, as shall be fairly due to the general care of the room and the user thereof by other parties.

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

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| W. Jones, Wages' Account | £9 4 0 |
| J. Webb, Books .. | £1 3 0 |
| E. A. D'Argent. Books .. | £0 17 6 |
| A. C. & S. Billings, Repairs, &c. | £4 5 0 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,
Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 20th day of February, 1894 —Present The Mayor ; Councillors Hands, Moles, Steel, Parsonage, Wheeler, and Ll. Davies, (Councillor Hands in the chair)—

1---Local Committees—The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That summonses be issued against the parents of the following children, viz.:— Susan Hunt, Ewlyn Cottages ; William Sallis, 59, Sherborne Street ; Albert Brethumb, 10, Hereford Place.

2-Duplicate Registers—The Committee are of opinion that for the present the practice of weekly returns should be adhered to.

3-School Attendance Officer--The Committee are not prepared at present to recommend any increase in the number of Attendance Officers.

4-Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the Attendance Officers were read, from which it appeared that Absentee Return; had been received from 36 Schools, containing 1189 names. These, and the balance of 535, left over from last month, made a total of 1724. Of this number 1216 had been visited, with the results shown in the Reports; in 68 cases the absences were satisfactory explained by the Teachers, and 440 had yet to be visited.

WILLIAM HANDS,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, March 17th, 1894.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Special Meeting of the Council, as such, and Acting as Urban Sanitary Authority, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Thursday, the 22nd 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 approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of the following Committees, viz. :— TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

2. Notices of Motion.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES,

T own Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at a Special Meeting of the Council, to be held on Thursday, the 22nd of March, 1894.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 9th day of March, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Councillors Heath, Lawrence, Skillicorne, and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

1—Pittville Estate—The Minute No. 8 of the Proceedings of this Committee having been referred back to the Committee for further consideration, Resolved, That the Annual Subscriptions and Charges for admission to Pittville, Marle Hill Annexe, and the Montpellier Gardens, be as follows:

For Families—Subscriptions:

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| To Pittville and Marle Hill, including right of Skating | .. | 15s |
| To Residents on the Estate (entitled to admission to Pittville) to Marle Hill | | 10s |
| To Montpellier Gardens | .. | 15s |
| To all the above | .. | 20s |

The above Charges include Skating—for the members of the family residing in the house. Special arrangements to be made for large establishments.

For Individuals—Subscriptions :

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| To Pittville and Marle Hill including Skating. | 10s |
| To Montpellier Gardens | 10s |
| To all the above | 15s |

Admission of Individuals—Non-Subscribers. These charges remain as heretofore, viz. :

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| To Pittville and Marle Hill | 2d. |
| " " including the right of Skating. | 6d. |
| To Montpellier Gardens | 3d. |

2-Boats for Marle Hill—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee replies he had received to enquiries from various Boat Builders for Boats, and the prices of them, and the further consideration of the matter was adjourned to enable the Committee to inspect Boats at Halford's at Gloucester.

Resolved, That the charge for the hire of the Corporation Boats be 1s for the first hour and 6d. per hour for every hour or part of an hour after the first hour.

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Resolved, That the prices to be charged for permission to keep private Boats on the Marle Hill Lake be as follows

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| For Skiffs and Canoes—The Season | £1 10 0 | The whole year | £2 0 0 |
| For other Boats The Season | £2 0 0 | The whole year | £3 0 0 |

Fishing—Resolved, That Tickets for Fishing in the Marle Hill Lake be issued at the following Rates, viz.

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| Daily Tickets | 1s |
| Weekly do. | 4s |
| Monthly do | 15s |
| The Season | £2 2 0 |

No Fishing or Boating to be allowed on Sundays.

Resolved. That the name of the Pittville Gardens and the Marle Hill annexe and Lake be "The Pittville Park."

3—Cheltonia Reviva—Mr. C. Westley having undertaken to distribute the Numbers of this publication purchased by the Council, charging only his disbursements and expenses out of pocket. Resolved, That he be requested to do so, and be thanked for his kind offer.

WILLIAM HEATH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 14th day of March, 1894--Present : The Mayor; Alderman Col. Thoyts; Councillors Heath, Lawrence and Ward Humphreys (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

4—Boats—The Chairman having reported the result of a visit he, and several other members of the Committee, had paid to Mr. Halford's Boat-Building Yard, at Gloucester, and of an interview with Mr. Halford. Resolved, That an order be given to Mr. Halford for the following Boats, &c., viz.:

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| Two Canoes at £6 6s. each | £12 12 0 |
| One ditto | £4 10 0 |
| Two Dingys at £10 each | £20 0 0 |
| One Half-Out-Rig Dingy | £10 0 0 |
| Two Pair-Oar Gigs at £15 each | £30 0 0 |
| Two Family Boats at £17 17s. each | £35 14 0 |
| One Punt | £11 0 0 |
| Half-doz. pairs of extra Sculls at 12s. per pair | £ 3 12 0 |
| Two pairs of Oars at 17s. | <u>£ 1 14 0</u> |
| | £129 2 0 |

5—Boat House—The Chairman reported that he and several members of the Committee met on Monday last at Marle Hill to inspect situation for a Boat House. Resolved, That the situation of the Boat House be on the north side of the stream near the Entrance,, and the Borough Surveyor having explained his views with regard to the mode of construction, &c. thereof, Resolved, That he be authorised to proceed with the erection of the Boat House, including a Dressing Room, at a cost not exceeding £90.

6—Day of Opening—Resolved, That it be left to the Committee to fix the day for opening the Marle Hill Annexe and Lake. It was further Resolved, That in view of the urgency of the foregoing matters, and of those contained in the proceedings of the Committee's last Meeting, the Mayor be requested to convene a Special Meeting of the Council for consideration of them.

WILLIAM HEATH, Chairman.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 12th day of March, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Norman ; Councillors Ward-Humphreys, Woodard and Lawrence (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

1— Chairman —This Committee having been reconstructed, Mr. Councillor Ward-Humphreys was appointed Chairman of the Committee during the remainder of the year.

2- Tenders for Electric Lighting—The Resolution of this Committee, of date the 20th of February last, having been referred back to the Committee for the purpose of giving further information as to the Tenders, the Surveyor was instructed to bring up draft analysis and explanation of the Tenders.

3---Board of Trade Regulations, &c.—A letter from the Board of Trade, of date the 9th inst., transmitting copy of the Regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for ensuring a proper and sufficient supply of electrical energy, which they proposed to make, together with a description of the system in the form they propose to approve it for any observation thereon which the Corporation may desire to offer, was read. The Surveyor having reported that the Regulations in question met with his approval and that the description of the system was correct. Resolved, That the Board of Trade be informed that the Corporation have no observations thereon to make.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 14th day of March, 1894—Present The Mayor; Aldermen Norman and Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, Ward-Humphreys and Parsonage (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

4 - -Tenders for Electric Lighting—In pursuance of the Resolution of the Council the Committee submit for the information of the Council the following Table of the Tenders, and Notes thereon :— The plant for which tenders were required included two complete steam Alternators each 33 K.W. output, one complete steam Alternator of 110 K.W. output, and one steam Boiler and condensing plant. Six firms tendered for the whole of the works ; two tenders for Boilers only, and four tenders for steam Alternators only, as follows :—

| Name of Firm. | The Whole. | A. | B. | C. |
|---------------------------------|------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| | | Engines and Boilers. | Alternators. | Condensing Plant. |
| Laing, Wharton & Down, (B & L.) | £4,964 0 0 | £380 0 0 | £4,002 0 0 | £682 0 0 |
| Siemens, (Belliss, D.) | £4,360 0 0 | £365 0 0 | £3,450 0 0 | £590 0 0 |
| “ (Winans, D.) | £4,610 0 0 | £365 0 0 | £3,695 0 0 | £590 0 0 |
| John Fowler & Co., (Fowler, R.) | £4,500 0 0 | £377 0 0 | £3,612 0 0 | £575 0 0 |
| Johnson & Phillips, (B & L,B) | £4,307 0 0 | £345 0 0 | £3,280 0 0 | £682 0 0 |
| Crompton, (B & L.R.) | £4,100 0 0 | £430 0 0 | £3,060 0 0 | £660 0 0 |

| [Name of Firm. | The Whole. | Boilers. | Alternators. | Plant.] |
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| " (D,P & R.) | 4,125 0 0 | £430 0 0 | £3,100 0 0 | £660 0 0 |
| " (Belliss, R.) | 4,180 0 0 | £430 0 0 | £3,165 0 0 | £660 0 0 |
| " (Belliss, D.) | 4,170 0 0 | £430 0 0 | £3,160 0 0 | £660 0 0 |
| „ (Winans, D.) | 4,470 0 0 | £430 0 0 | £3,460 0 0 | £660 0 0 |
| Brush Company (Brush, D. & R.) | £3,840 0 0 | £340 0 0 | £3,006 0 0 | £521 0 0 |
| Galloways Limited | | £438 15 0 | | |
| Spurr, Inman & Co. | | | | |
| Willans, (Willans, D.) | £3,963 0 0 | | | |
| Electric Construction Corporation (D.) | £3,400 0 0 | | | |
| McLaren, J. (McLaren, R.) | £3,322 10 0 | | | |
| Mather & Platt | £3,255 10 6 | | | |

Note.—B & L, is Browett and Lindley Engines ; D, is direct driving ; R is rope driving ; B is belt driving; and D.P. is Davy Paxman.

Taking the tenders in the above order :—

Messrs. Laing, Wharton & Down.—Is generally in accordance with the specification, though some matters are left in doubt. The boiler provided is small for the required duty.

Messrs. Siemens Bros.—The Boiler is of the ordinary Lancashire type, but will not guarantee the required efficiency. This is not material as the Committee recommend the Galloway Boiler. Since the Minute of the Committee of the 20th ult., the Committee have inspected the installation of Messrs. Siemens & Co., at Bristol, and found it to be satisfactory.

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Messrs. John Fowler & Co.—The Engines are of the Horizontal type with rope driving, involving an Engine Room 54 feet in width and adding 30 per cent. to the cost of the building, and therefore increasing the tender for comparative purposes to nearly £,5000.

Messrs. Johnson & Phillips.—The Boiler is of the ordinary Lancashire type, and rather small for the required duty. The specification is incomplete, especially in regard to the electrical portions of the work.

Messrs. Crompton & Co.—The Boiler to be made by Messrs. Danks & Co. who will not guarantee the required efficiency.— Five alternative tenders are submitted for the engines, three being rope driving and two direct driving. The Alternators are not guaranteed to be in accordance with the specification.

The Brush Electrical Engineering Company, Limited.—Offer a Boiler by either Tinker & Co. or Danks & Co. of the same size as Messrs. Crompton & Co., but without any reservation as to guarantee of duty. The large steam Alternator to be direct driving, and the two smaller ones to be rope driving. This Tender is the lowest.

Messrs. Galloway's, Limited.—Tender for a " Galloway " Boiler of the same size as many of the other tenders, but with 28 Galloway tubes in the flue. This tender is the only one which is guaranteed to

pass the specified evaporation test. The Galloway Boiler is one of the most efficient known, the construction is such that almost every operation in the manufacture of it is performed by machinery, avoiding the imperfections inseparable from hand work, and thus obtaining the greatest security against possible accident.

Messrs. Spurr, Inman & Co.—Tender for an ordinary Lancashire Boiler, and say that they are not prepared to comply with the guaranteed duty required by the specification.

Messrs. Willans & Robinson Limited.—This Tender is the same in every respect (except price) as that of Messrs. Siemens Bros.

The Electric Construction Corporation.—Tender for direct driving Engines, but do not agree to the month's trial run specified, and offer only six hours full load trial run. The connections between the Alternators and Switch boards are not included.

Messrs. J. & H. McLaren.—Tender for the same Electrical plant as the foregoing. but driven by Horizontal rope driving Engines instead of Vertical direct driving.

Messrs. Mather & Platt, Limited.—The Tender is not accompanied by a detailed description, and therefore is not in accordance with the specification.

The Tenders are remarkably near each other in amount, and all are well within the original estimate.

The Committee have on several occasions seen Willans' Engines at work and from the information which they have acquired in their visits to other stations, especially at Bristol, they have come to the conclusion that, taking all the circumstances into consideration, the efficiency required will be best secured by the selection of the Siemens' Tender, although it is not absolutely the lowest.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, March 29th, 1894.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a 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 2nd day of Aril 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. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

4. Notices of Motion.

5. To read the following letters, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :—

W. S. Clutterbuck re Chelt Compensation Water.

H. Hazell re His Wheel Chair.

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 a Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on Monday, the 2nd of April, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 28th day of March, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Feeney, King, Steel, Lawrence, Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Parsonage was elected Chairman at this Meeting.

2-The View—The following Members attended the view meeting on Wednesday last, viz :—The Mayor, Councillors Steel, Lawrence, Feeney, and Parsonage.

3 — Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 16.30 candles. Purity, 8.39 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

4 — Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read : Average hourly consumption of gas per lamp during the month in Cheltenham 4.215 cubic feet, in Charlton Kings 4.801 cubic feet, in Leckhampton 4.973 cubic feet.

5 — Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month 9 (1 metered) Burning dimly, nil. The Gas Inspector laid before the Committee a list of the lamps in those parts of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton added to the Borough, and the distances apart of each lamp. The number of lamps in Charlton Kings being 19, and in Leckhampton, 122.

6 -- Gas Testing—The Gas Examiner was requested to examine and report as to whether there is any room in the Public Library Buildings suitable for testing the gas, and generally on testing at a central station.

Street Projections—The Street Inspector reported that Mr. S. J. Evans, of Winchcomb Street, had now removed the projection at his premises, but that the position of the Show Case at Mr. Mowatt's premises had not been altered as directed by the Committee.

A letter from Messrs. Barclay & Co., the proprietors of the Advertisement Case at Mr. Mowatt's premises, stating that they are quite prepared to attend to the refixing of the case at an early date, but asking the Committee to kindly reconsider their decision, so far as regards the removal of the Clock and Barometer, was read. Resolved, That the Committee cannot dispense with the removal of the box containing the Clock and Barometer.

A letter from Mr. N. W. Olive asking for permission to place two movable lamps in front of his shop in the Colonnade, was read. Resolved, That permission be granted, subject to the lamps being fixed at a height of not less than eight feet if from the pavement, and subject to the right of the Council to order their removal if, at any time they think fit to do so.

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Surveyor's Monthly Report, Highways -The usual Monthly Report of the Surveyor as follows, was read :—The work of the Highway Department during the four weeks ending the 23rd instant is as follows :—

Roads Repaired with Clee Hill Stone.—Suffolk Square; 350 yards super ; Suffolk Road, 5458 yards super ; Hatherley Road, 4863 yards super ; Gas Lane, 1200 yards super ; Swindon Road, 2659 yards super ; Badgworth Road, 302 yards super ; Gloucester Road, 520 yards super ; Montpellier Villas, 402 yards super ; Tivoli Circus, Montpellier Street, Painswick Lawn, Trafalgar Street.

Patching—Ambrose Street, St. James's Square, Milsom Street, Rodney Road, Cemetery Road, Arle Road, Great Western Road,

Repaired with Wickwar Stone.—Thirlestaine Road, 700 yards super ; Montpellier Villas, 375 yards super ; Six Chimneys' Lane, 333 yards super ; Mill Lane, 180 yards super.

Patching.—Wellington Grove, Bloomsbury Street, Worcester Street, Waterloo Street, Naunton Lane, Union Street, St. James's Street, St. George's Street.

Kerbing, Flagging and Crossings have been repaired in Clarence Road, Swindon Road, Hamilton Place, Lower Alstone, Tewkesbury Road, Tivoli Villas, Suffolk Road, Suffolk Square, Suffolk Parade, St. George's Road, Alstone, Parabola Road. Bayshill Road, Evesham Road, Wellington Grove, Bath Terrace, Hewlett Road, Market Street and Dunalley Parade.

Tariff paths have been repaired in Whitehart Street, St. Paul's Road, Swindon Road and Malvern Road

Gullies in Bayshill Terrace, Winchcomb Street and Suffolk Road have been rebuilt. The surface water drain in Naunton Lane has been finished, the length being 86 yards.

Ashes Collection—Van Loads collected, 537 ; Cart Loads collected, 490; consumed at the Destructor, 816 ½ tons.

9--Road in front of Victoria Home —A letter from Miss Craig, asking the Committee to asphalt the road in front of the Home to lessen the noise of traffic to the new station, and enquiring also if it would be possible to have an alteration in the lighting so that there might be a street lamp which would light their path and doorway, was read. Resolved, That the consideration of the application be adjourned until the Station is more nearly approaching completion.

10—Mr. Alder's Projection, Croat Norwood Street—A letter from Mr. R. A. Palmer, calling attention to the fact that the board erection at the side of Mr. Alder's shop had not yet been removed, was read.

11 --Lighting of Old Bath Road—A letter from Mr. R. Dennis, expressing his disappointment at the refusal of the Committee to, at present, place a lamp opposite his house, and stating that considering the fact that his premises are assessed at £170 a year, he thought his request a reasonable one, and he would be glad to know how soon a lamp will be granted, was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret they can see no reason to depart from the terms of their resolution.

12-Whaddon Lane—A letter from Mr. A B. Wall, stating that he observed by the report of the Council Meeting, that the owners are to be ordered to repair this road, and that he trusted, when the proper time came, the Council would allow for the damage done to the lane by the deposit there of thousands of loads of town refuse each year, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further consideration until the apportionment of expenses is brought up.

A letter from Mr. Skillicorne, asking the Committee to view the road with the object of placing two lamps between the Kennels and the Cottages that are being built, as it would be a pity to have the road immediately broken up by the laying down of gas pipes, after being repaired, was read. Resolved, That the Committee suggest Mr. Skillicorne should ask the Gas Company to extend the Main.

13—Larput Place—A letter from Mr. W. H. Barker, calling the attention of the Committee to the manner in which their Resolution of 1st January last, had been carried out, was read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be requested to do what is necessary.

14—Shelburne Road—A letter from the Rev. Dr. Flecker, stating that his Committee do not desire to hand over the above road to the Corporation, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Butt be so informed, in reply to his letter read last month, and that the

Corporation can therefore take no step in the matter unless it is to require the abutting owners to put the road into a proper state of repair.

15—Church Road, St. Mark's--A letter from the Rev. Dr. Flecker, expressing his regret that the Council has not felt able to provide additional lighting of Church Road, and asking that if the matter has been overlooked it might be brought forward again, was read. Resolved, That Dr. Flecker be informed the matter has received attention.

16—Turner v Corporation—A letter from Mr. Joseph Turner, the plaintiff in the above action, respectfully asking the Corporation not to press him for the costs of the action, as he has been disabled for two months and the payment of this money will mean ruin to him, was read. Resolved,

That the Plaintiff be required only to pay the costs out of pocket, which are somewhat less than half the total amount of the Bill.

17-Thirlestaine Road—A correspondence between the Town Clerk and the Rev. R. G. Handcock, one of the abutting owners in the above road, in respect of the payment of the sum apportioned against him for Private Improvement Works, and in which the reverend gentleman disputed his liability to pay, in view of the recent appeals of Mr. Neville Wyatt, and Messrs. La Terriere and Butt, but intimating his intention to call and personally discuss the matter with the Town Clerk, was read, and the letters of the Town Clerk approved.

18-Leckhampton highways The Town Clerk reported that he had, as directed by the Committee, applied to the Local Government Board to issue a Provisional Order in the matter of the Highways in that part of Leckhampton excluded from the Borough, but that subsequent to the date of his application the owners and ratepayers of the district referred to had held a meeting under the provisions of Sec. 216 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and declared that part of the Parish to be a Highway Parish, in view of which action there would now be no necessity for an Order on the part of the Local Government Board

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and he stated also that he had enquired if the Board were not now enabled, under the Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876, as amended by the Acts of 1879 and 1882, to amalgamate those portions of the Parishes of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton, which are now within the Borough, with the Parish of Cheltenham, if the County Council make no Order under the Local Government Act, 1894, to which enquiry he had not yet received a reply. Resolved, That the Town Clerk's letters and his action in the matter be approved.

19—Lighting of Cloddymore Road—A memorial from Mr. G. Clements and others, calling attention to the insufficient lamp accommodation in Cloddymore Road, and asking the Committee to give the matter their consideration, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to enable the Committee to view.

20—Road at Back of Park Lawn, &c.—A memorial from Mrs. Wilson, of "Greenfields," and others, calling attention to the bad state of the Lane at the rear of Park Lawn, Greenfields, and other properties, with a view to the same being re-stoned and repaired as in its present state it is both inconvenient to foot passengers and dangerous to carriages, was read. Resolved, That the memorialists be referred to the owners of the property—this being a private road.

21—Road at Back of Park Place—A complaint from Mrs. F. E. Fuchs and others, as to the filthy condition of the above road, was read, and referred to the officials of the Health Department to deal with.

22—Road from Bayshill Inn to the Parish Church Room—The Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in the above locality had been completed, at a cost of £8 13s. 11d. which sum he had apportioned amongst the various abutting owners in manner set forth in his report, having had regard to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived by any premises from such works. Resolved, That the Surveyor's apportionment be approved, and notice thereof be given to the owners and demand made for payment of the sums respectively due from them.

23—New Buildings—The Surveyor submitted notices and plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings (such of them as involved questions of drainage having been examined by the Public Health Committee) all of which were approved, viz. :—

Mr. H. Packer, for a Cart Shed, Tewkesbury Road.

Rev. E. Gibson, for Additions to Class Rooms in Sun Street.

Mr. E. A. Eggleton, for 5 Cottages, Made Hill Road.

Mr. B. W. Corke, for Additions to Rosewood Villa.

The Surveyor also laid before the Committee the following plans :—

Mr. H. Dallimore, for Villa in Moorend Park Road, which was disapproved—the mode of drainage and access to the house not being satisfactory.

Mr. T. G. Smith. for new wing to 9, Clare Terrace, which was not approved in its present form.

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 12th day of March, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Ll. Davies, M. Davis, Dighton, Feeney, Hands, Moles, and Parsonage (Councillor Feeney in the chair)-

1- Dairies and Cowsheds Order—Applications from Chas. Ritchings, of Southville, Leckhampton, and Thos. Kimbrey, Pembroke Dairy, Bath Road, to be registered as Purveyors of Milk, were read, together with the report of the Medical Officer of Health thereon. Resolved, That Mr. Ritchings be registered, and that Mr. Kimbrey be registered when the minor sanitary improvements advised by the Medical Officer of Health have been carried out.

2—Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting 8 cases of Scarlet Fever.

3--Nuisance from Bone Grinding—The Medical Officer of Health reported that complaint had been made of a nuisance caused by the grinding of bones on the premises of Messrs. Page & Co., Bennington Street, and that on inspecting the premises he found bones undergoing grinding by patent machinery, and there was an offensive smell. He did not consider Bennington Street a suitable place for this industry. Resolved, That this being an offensive trade within the meaning of Sec. 112 of the Public Health Act, and no consent to the establishment thereof having been given, notice be given to the owners and occupiers of the premises, of the penalties incurred, and to discontinue the trade.

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4—Offences against Slaughter House Bye-laws—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the Bye-laws are being infringed in respect of the provision as to communication between the Pens and

the Slaughter Houses, by the following firms :— Messrs. Holliday & Co., 29, Bath Street. Mr. J. Hill, Adelaide Buildings. Messrs. Turner & Co., 424, High Street. Mr. C. Lewis, back of Mountpleasant.

Resolved, that the above parties be given notice of the provisions of Bye-law No. 6.

The Medical Officer of Health stated that the walls of the Slaughter Houses in several instances are gas tarred instead of being lime-washed. This is not in compliance with the Bye-laws which pros-ides that every Slaughter House shall be lime-washed once every three months. Resolved, That notice be given to the occupiers of Slaughter Houses of the provisions and requirements of No. 5 of the Bye-laws.

5— No. 13, Clarence Street, Battledown Lodge, 1, Regent Place, 2 to 4, Orchard Place, 323, High Street—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drainage of the above premises is a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to open the ground and examine the same in each case, and act as provided by the said section.

6 —W.C.'S without Flushing Apparatus—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c's without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec. 2S of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary Flushing Apparatus, and to the Occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for penalties.

7-1 to 10, Millbrook Terrace— The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises are in a very dirty condition, and that the eaves, gutters, and down spouts, and some of the roofs, are defective, and the inlets of the drains are badly trapped. He handed in a list of the sanitary requirements. The Inspector of Nuisances made written application, stating that the drainage of these premises is a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to open the ground and examine the same and act as provided by the said section, also, that notices be given to the owners under Sec. 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, in respect of the other requirements.

8—New Ambulance—The Tenders of Messrs. Alfred Miles and W. Mills & Son, were again before the Committee, with some further information thereon. Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. Alfred Miles, at Lion, be accepted.

9--Houses without a proper Water Supply— It appearing on the Report of the Borough Surveyor, dated the 12th inst., that the houses 46, George Street, and 3, Malvern Place 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. Resolved, That Notices be given under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners, requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such acts as may be necessary for that purpose.

10--Lansdown Terrace— The Medical Officer of Health and the Borough Surveyor were requested to make a joint report on the drainage and sewerage of these houses.

11 —Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground —Resolved, That the attention of the Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee be called to the necessity for proper closet and urinal accommodation and conveniences at this Recreation Ground.

12 —Burrows-- A letter from Mr. John Burrows, stating that he could not see why the Committee should have only offer him £2 as compensation, and that he felt sure if they saw the damage done to the ground they would allow his full claim, also that he found the work not yet finished and damage still being done, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Burrows be informed no further damage is being done, the footpath only being repaired, and the Committee consider the sum offered is ample.

13 —Ventilation of the Sewers—The resolution of the Committee, passed at its last meeting, was considered. The Committee beg to report that they have had under their consideration the subject of a systematic examination and investigation of the sewers in the Borough, and the Surveyor has been requested to make a report on the subject, and of which the question of the ventilation of the sewers will necessarily form part

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 20th day of March, 1894—Present: The Mayor; Councillors Ll. Davies, M. Davies, Dighton, Feeney, Hands, Moles, and Parsonage, (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

14—Dairies and Cowsheds Order—An application from Wm. Godwin, of 1, Mossleigh Terrace, Great Western Road, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk, was read, together with the Report of the Medical Officer of Health thereon. Resolved, That the Applicant be registered.

15—Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting 1 case of Scarlet Fever and 1 case of Enteric Fever.

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16—Wells requiring to be Closed—The Medical Officer of Health having represented that the water in the wells at 38, York Street, 16, Rutland Street, 27, Albert Place, and 17 and 18 Francis Terrace, and which is used or likely to be used for drinking or domestic purposes is so polluted as to be injurious to health. Resolved, That the necessary Notices and proceedings for Orders to close the respective wells under Sec. 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be given and taken.

17--Waterproof Sheet for Disinfecter Wagon—Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health be empowered to procure a Waterproof Sheet for the Wagon in which clothes are sent home from the Disinfecter, to protect the clothes on rainy days.

18 — House without Water Supply—It appearing on the Report of the Borough Surveyor, dated the 20th inst., that the house No. 26, Rutland Street, is 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. Resolved that Notice be given under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owner requiring him to obtain such supply and do all such things as may be necessary for that purpose.

19-Lansdown Terrace—The Medical Officer of Health and the Borough Surveyor presented the following Report upon the subject of the Sewerage and Drainage of the above locality

" A considerable number of these houses have had their drainage rectified within the last few years, and the improvement of the Terrace is progressing as house after house is taken up by a new purchaser or tenant. So far as the house drainage goes there is good reason to believe that ere[?] long it will have been made fairly satisfactory throughout the terrace. There is some complaint amongst the tenants as to No. 8, which is an empty house, in the ownership of Lord Clanricarde. No doubt the traps in the house are dry, but in the absence of any specific complaint of nuisance we cannot gain an entrance to the house. It is said a branch sewer passes under this house.

" The position and condition of the sewer is unsatisfactory. The sewer is a 2ft. barrel made with 4 ½ in. brickwork (where opened up) with little fall, and loose joints so that the bricks can be easily plucked out. It is no doubt leaking, and at one point is in close contiguity with one of our mineral wells. It is 4ft. 3in. from the surface. It runs for a portion of its course through the back yards of Lansdown Terrace, and afterwards probably comes into the lane The Borough Surveyor is of opinion that it should be taken up and a good pipe sewer laid in place of it in the lane.

" There has been much complaint as to smells arising at the road grating in front of Lansdown Terrace opposite No. 8."

Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be requested to report as to the length of the sewer and the cost of the necessary works &c., and that the Town Clerk do report as to whether the sewer is a private sewer.

20-Filthy Closets in Cleveland Street—This matter came up again, and the Medical Officer of Health reported that the locks on the closet doors are mostly alike. the keys fitting all ; the closets are not numbered and properly assigned to different houses ; he thought the closets should be assigned to particular houses and different keys given to the occupiers ; he stated that the filthy condition still continues. Resolved, That both the closets and the houses be numbered and that new locks be provided, with separate keys.

21-Houses with insufficient W.C. Accommodation—The Medical Officer of Health presented a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the houses Nos. 1 to 10, Limekiln Row and No. 2, Regent Place are without proper and sufficient water closet and ashpit accommodation. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the Owners under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and of the Bye-Laws and Statutory Provisions relating to Ashpits.

22-W.C.s. without Flushing Apparatus —The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c's. without flushing apparatus. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the Owners requiring them to provide the necessary flushing apparatus, and to the Occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto and that in default of compliance with such Notices, proceedings be taken for penalties.

23—Plans of House Drainage—The Plans of such New Buildings, necessitating drainage as were intended to come up for approval at the next meeting of the Street and Highway Committee, were laid before this Committee and the same were approved so far as regards the drainage

arrangements, except that of Mr. Dallimore, which was disapproved, and that of Mr. Eggleton which was approved subject to the 6in. and 4in. drains being made 9in. and 6in. respectively.

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

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| A Gallenkamp & Co., Chemical Apparatus | £3 5 4 |
| R. & J. Beck, Chemical Apparatus . | £6 15 0 |
| E. Jones, 4 weeks' wages .. | £5 0 0 |
| J. H. Long, 1 months' salary .. | £8 6 8 |
| Seth Lewis, 1 months' salary .. | £12 10 0 |
| N. Smith & Co., Sanitas Fluid and Soap | £8 11 0 |
| “ Chemicals .. | £0 12 6 |
| Knight & Co., Forms for M.O.H. | £1 4 9 |
| W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance .. | £2 10 0 |
| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients | £35 0 0 |
| Dr. Garrett, Cab Hire . | £1 14 0 |
| Accounts under 10s | £0 5 11 |

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FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 21st day of March, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Heath, Ward-Humphreys, Lawrence and Skillicorne,(Councillor Heath in the chair)—

1 -- Mineral Waters--A letter from Prof. Thorpe stating that he had just been appointed by the Treasury to a new position under Government, and as he was desirous of winding up his affairs at South Kensington, he would be glad if the Committee would authorise the payment to him of his fee (£105) in connection with the analyses of the Cheltenham Mineral Waters, was read. Resolved, That the account be now paid,

The Chairman reported that a deputation of the Town Committee had waited on him, and stated that they proposed having a meeting of the Trade, &c., of the Town on the subject of the Mineral Waters, and asking to be furnished with a copy of Prof. Thorpe's report. Resolved, That they be furnished with a copy of the Report of the Medical Spa Committee on Prof. Thorpe's report, which will probably answer their purpose as well as or better than the Report itself.

2---Fountain in Promenade---A Report from the Supt. of Police that a person (whose name the Committee had before them) had been seen to pull up one of the Shrubs near the Fountain and throw it behind Mr. Tate's house, No. 1, Promenade, and that on inspection by the Police two shrubs were discovered to have been so uprooted and thrown away at the place named was read. Resolved, That a copy of the Report be sent to the person alleged to have committed the act, and an explanation requested.

Resolved, That the Surveyor do erect a chain and posts round the Fountain to protect the stone work.

3--Horticultural Society—A letter from the Secretary of the above Society, asking the Committee to kindly grant the use of the Montpellier or Pittville Gardens for the purposes of a Flower Show and Floral Fete with Fireworks, on or about the 20th June next, was read. Resolved, That the Society be allowed the use of either of the Gardens, if for a Flower Show only, without any payment, but if accompanied with an evening display of Fireworks, the Council would make a charge of the Society in any case making good any damage done to the Gardens or property of the Corporation.

4— Borough Extension—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee draft he had prepared of the terms of adjustment between the Council and the Local Board of Charlton Kings in respect of the various matters requiring to be so dealt with under the Borough Extension Order, as agreed upon, and which, he stated, had been submitted to and approved by the Clerk of the Local Board. Resolved, That the draft be approved and the Corporate Seal affixed to the engrossment thereof.

A letter from the Clerk of the County Council, drawing attention to Section 1 of the Local Government Act, 1894, whereby each part of any parish situate partly within and partly without a Rural or Urban Sanitary District will become a separate Parish, subject to any alteration of area which may be made by the County Council under Sec. 36, and stating that as it appeared that the parishes of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton and the Districts of the Local Board of Charlton Kings and the Urban Sanitary Authority of Cheltenham might be affected by those provisions, he was directed to ask the views of the Town Council as to whether such parts should become separate parishes or whether the County Council should make an Order varying the arrangement so as to suit local requirements, was read, and also a letter from the Town Clerk in reply to Mr. Gardom Resolved, That Mr. Gardom's Letter and the Report of the Town Clerk on the Local Government Act, 1894, in the minutes of the General Purposes Committee, be referred to and considered by that Committee.

5—Montpellier Rotunda—A Letter from Mr. E. Parker, Secretary of the Montpellier Rotunda Co., stating that in view of the revival of the mineral waters in Cheltenham the Directors offered the Corporation either a short lease or annual tenancy of the Rotunda Premises, in order to fairly test whether or not the waters can be dispensed advantageously to the town as well as to the Corporation, was read, and the matter adjourned.

6—Boat House at Marle Hill Lake—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee design for a Boat House. Resolved, That the same be approved and the Boat House constructed forthwith.

WILLIAM HEATH,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 21st day of March, 1894—Present : The Mayor; Councillors Davies, King, and Hands (The Mayor in the chair)-

1--Borough Engineer's Report --The usual monthly report of the Borough Engineer, as follows, was read :—"On the 19th instant, the supply to the Hewletts Reservoirs was 120 Gallons per minute ; the average for the last four years being 208 gallons per minute; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 11,398,805 gallons.

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On the 20th instant, the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 23 feet, 6 inches and the contents 59,108,777 gallons, or a little more than half-full, which gives a total of 70,507,582 gallons.

" I have received the following letter from the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury :—

I think your Water Main extends along the Glo'ster Road as far as the turning to the late Mr. Healing's. In the event " of any person owning property between that point and the " Odessa," wishing to take the Severn Water, would it be compulsory to extend the present Main, or do you think any arrangement could be made whereby the new main, " you are laying from here to Cheltenham, could be tapped, and so save the expense of extending the present main."

The total length of the new gin. Main laid up to the present time is 33,102 feet. Notices having been served on the owners and occupiers of several fields at Tewkesbury, which it will be necessary to cross in laying down the new gin. Main.

Resolved, That Mr. Badham be informed the arrangements he suggests is one which the Corporation are prohibited from making, by the Sec. of the Corporation Water Acts, 1878, under which the supply of water in bulk to the Corporation of Tewkesbury is now afforded.

2—Dowdeswell Village Schools—A letter from the Rev. R. Coxwell Rogers, asking if the Corporation would kindly contribute towards the maintenance of Dowdeswell Village School, and stating that the Overseer of the Parish had estimated that a rate of 2 ½ d. in the £ would be sufficient, but that if a School Board were formed it would cost much more, was read. Resolved, That a Donation of £5 5s. 0d. be granted.

3—Land at the Mythe—A letter from Mr. J. G. Roberts, the tenant of the Corporation land at the Mythe, asking for an allowance off his rent in consequence of the bad season last year, and the fact that the extension of the Works deprives him of some of the land, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Roberts be informed the question of an allowance must stand over until the works are finished, and, that, in the meantime, the rent up to Christmas last must be paid.

4—Appeals—Various Appeals 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.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Commit, held on Tuesday, the 6th day of March, 1894—Present The Mayor : Alderman Col. Thoys ; Councillor King (Alderman Col. Thoys in the chair)—

1—Police—Admiral Christian, the Chief Constable, attended this meeting of the Committee. Mr. Gardom's letter of the 21st Nov. last, and a subsequent explanatory letter from him were further considered, and it appearing that the increased area and rateable value would support a claim on the part of the County for an addition to the Borough Police Force of more than four constables, and that the Chief Constable approved of an increase to that extent, at least. Resolved, That the Force the Borough be accordingly increased by 4 men.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 20th day of March, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Lawrence, Heath, Ward-Humphreys, King and Parsonage (The Mayor in the chair)—

2- Chairman-In the absence of the Chairman the Mayor was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

3— Fire Brigade—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to four fires since the last meeting, viz. :— On the 22nd ult., at No. 370, High Street, estimated damage £300 ; the bill of expenses, amounting to £4 15s. 0d., sent in to the Royal, Royal Exchange, Sun, Phoenix, Lancashire, and Commercial Union Fire Insurance Companies.

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On the 23rd ult., at No. 270, High Street, estimated damage £400, the premises insured in the Royal, and London and Lancashire Offices, to whom the bill of expenses amounting to £4 18s. 0d., had been sent in.

On the 24th ult., at Hereford House, Bath Road, estimated damage £500, premises insured in the Economic, and Sun Fire Offices, to whom the bill of expenses £7 1s. 6d. had been forwarded.

On the 15th inst., at the Berkeley Arms, Albion Street, estimated damage £200, covered by insurance in the Royal and County Fire Offices, to whom the bill of expenses 17s. od had been sent.

With reference to the Fire at Hereford House, a letter was read from Mr. E. J. White, of to, Norwood Terrace, stating that his premises had been used very considerably by the Brigade on that occasion, the hose being taken through his house and doing damage to his premises, for which he claimed £5 as compensation.

The Superintendent's Report thereon, was read.

Resolved, That Mr. White be informed the Committee do not consider this a case in which any claim should have been made at all, and that if he has any claim he should make it against the office in which his premises are insured.

The Superintendent presented a letter from the Resident Fireman, stating that the allowance of Coals this winter had not been sufficient, as there had been so much drying to do, and asking to be allowed another ton.

The Superintendent also reported, that he had a letter from Messrs. John Morris & Sons, in which they stated that three out of the five Standpipes, sent for new ends, are cracked and not worth the new connection, and he asked the Committee to sanction three new 2ft. Branch Pipes at an extra cost of £1 19s. 0d. Resolved, That the Resident Fireman be allowed another ton of Coal, and that three new 2ft. Tubes be procured as mentioned in Messrs. Morris's letter.

4—Firemen's Allowances—A memorial from the members of the Fire Brigade asking the Committee, in view of the extension of the Borough, to grant them an increase of pay of £1 per man per annum, also 6d. per hour, each extra for their services whenever called out by the Fire Bell, and further requesting the Committee to make some provision for them for any injuries they might sustain in attendance at Fires, was read and considered. Resolved, That the pay of each member of the Brigade be increased by £1 per annum, and that the Council do insure, and pay the premiums for, each man in the Imperial Union Accident Assurance Company, Ltd., for the following scale of benefits: -

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| Death or permanent total disablement | £200 0 0 |
| Permanent partial disablement | £100 0 0 |
| Weekly compensation for temporary total disablement | £1 0 0 |
| Weekly compensation for temporary partial disablement | £0 5 0 |

The annual premium for each member being 6s

5—Wheel Chairs—An application from Jno. Millington for a Wheel Chair License, was read. Resolved, That a License be granted.

6—Hackney Carriages—An application from Mr. F. Hanks, of the Royal Hotel Mews, for two Hackney Carriage Licenses, was read. Resolved, That Licenses be not granted.

An application from Mr. W. T. Smith for the transfer to him of the two licenses now held by Mr. Wm. Cresswell, whose business, and horses and carriages, he has purchased, was read ; also a letter from Mr. Cresswell handing over his licenses to the Committee. Resolved, That Cresswell's Licenses be cancelled and new Licenses issued to Mr. Smith.

An application from Mrs. Clara Fowles asking permission to change her carriage No. 5a for a new carriage ; also an application from Albert Smith to transfer his License No. 15 to a stronger carriage, and an application from Chas. Burrows for leave to transfer his License No. 86 from a Landau to an open carriage, were read. Resolved, That the applications be granted subject to the substituted vehicles being approved on inspection

7—Drivers—Applications were received from, and Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licenses, granted to—Ernest T. Cook, 20, Lower Park Street, and Wm. Hunt, 18, Promenade.

8—Mr. B. Nation's Application—An application from Mr. B. Nation of the Borough Surveyor's Department for an increase of his Salary, was read.

9—Fine Art Insurance Co.—A letter from the Fine Art Insurance Co. on the subject of insuring the Municipal Regalia, and enclosing a copy of the Company's prospectus, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further enquiry.

10-- The Ratepayers' Association—A letter from Mr. W. S. Wells, Chairman of the above Association enclosing a copy of a resolution passed by the Association as under, was read :—

" The Association of Ratepayers views with alarm the rapidly growing expenditure and indebtedness of this Borough, " the latter in round numbers being half a million, or two pounds sterling on every pound of Rateable value, and " submits that the present time of universal depression is very inopportune for increasing expenditure in any way " which can be reasonably avoided.

"The Association therefore prays the Town Council to inaugurate a less extravagant course by curtailing expenses as " far as is consistent with efficiency, by avoiding all visionary and unremunerative schemes "

Resolved, That the Association be informed that it is not and never has been the intention of the Council to embark on any "visionary " and " unremunerative " schemes.

11—Local Government Act, 1894—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the following Notes on this Act :—This Act has only a limited application to Boroughs and does not very materially affect them, but the Local Government Board are empowered on the application of the Council of any Borough to make an Order conferring on the Council certain powers hereafter mentioned.

The effect of the Act will be to change the name of the Council as an " Urban Sanitary Authority " to " Urban District Council," and " Urban Sanitary District " to " Urban District," but otherwise the style and title of the Corporation or Council will remain as at present.

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The Chairman of a District Council will be by virtue of his office a Justice of the Peace for the County in which the District is situate—Section 22.

The Act transfers to every District Council as and from the 1st November, 1894, the powers, duties and liabilities of Justices out of Session in relation to—

- (a) The licensing of Gang Masters.
- (b) The Grant of Pawnbrokers' Certificates.
- (c) The Licensing of Dealers in Game.
- (d) The Grant of Licenses for Passage Brokers and Emigrant Runners.
- (e) The abolition of Fairs and alteration of days for holding Fairs.
- (f) The execution as the Local Authority of the Acts relating to Petroleum and Infant Life-Protection.

Also the powers, duties and liabilities of Quarter Sessions in relation to the Licensing of Knackers' Yards—Section 27.

All expenses incurred by the Council of an Urban District, if a Borough, are to be defrayed out of the Borough Fund or Rate—Section 28

The Local Government Board may, on the application of the Council of any Municipal Borough, make an Order conferring on that Council or some other representative body within it all or any of the following matters, viz. :—the appointment of Overseers and Assistant-Overseers; the revocation of the appointment of Assistant-Overseers ; and any powers, duties or liabilities of a Parish Council. Any Order under this Section may provide for its operation extending either to the whole or to specified parts of the area of the Borough, and shall make such provisions as may seem necessary and just for the preservation of the existing interests of paid Officers—Section 33

Any such Order may confer on the Council the powers of the Vestry under Sections 3 and 4 of the Poor Rate Assessment and Collection Act, 1869, which provides for the rating of Owners instead of Occupiers in certain cases—Sec. 34.

Part I of the Act provides for the establishment of Parish Meetings, and Parish Councils, in Rural Parishes, and Section 1 s. 3, provides that when a Parish is at the passing of the Act, situate partly within and partly without a Rural Sanitary District, the part of the Parish which is within the District, and the part which is without, shall as from the appointed day (1st November, 1894) be separate Parishes under the Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876.

Part 11 I. of the Act deals with areas and boundaries, and Section 36 gives the County Council and Local Government Board certain powers in relation thereto and amongst other things, for the purpose of carrying the Act into effect ; in the case of (b), every Parish which is at the passing of the Act situate partly within and partly without a Sanitary District, provides, that where a Parish is at the passing of the Act situate in more than one Urban District the parts of the Parish in each such District shall from the 1st November, 1894, unless the County Council for special reasons otherwise direct and subject to any alteration of area made by or in pursuance of this or any other Act be separate Parishes, in like manner as if they had been constituted separate Parishes under the Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876, and the Acts Amending the same.

It would seem therefore that by the operation of the Sections above referred to, those portions of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton respectively, situate in the Urban District of Cheltenham, and the Urban District of Charlton Kings, and Rural District of Leckhampton will become separate Parishes.

Where a Parish is divided by the Act, each Parish so formed shall bear such name as the County Council direct—Sec. 55. s. 5

Where a Parish is divided by the Act into two or more new Parishes, then, subject to any Order made by the County Council, there shall be one Guardian for each of such new Parishes—Sec. 79, s.s. 2.

The Overseers of any Parish divided by the Act. shall until the first appointment of Overseers next after the 9th November, 1894, continue in office as if they were Overseers of each part of the said Parish.

When a Parish is divided by the Act, any Officer for the Parish so divided shall hold his office for each Parish or District, and his salary shall be borne by the respective parishes in proportion to their rateable value—Section 81, s.s. 6.

So much of any enactment as authorises the appointment of Assistant Overseers by a Board of Guardians is repealed as and from 9th November, 1894—Section 8, s.s. 6.

In connection with this question of divided Parishes, reference must be made to the Divided Parishes Acts. By the Act of 1876, every Parish constituted under it shall be a Parish for which an Overseer shall be appointed and for all other lay and civil purposes to which a Parish may be liable or entitled

The Meeting of Inhabitants shall be deemed the Vestry Meeting thereof, and the Rector, Vicar, or Perpetual Curate, having the cure of souls in the greater part thereof shall, when present, be the Chairman thereof—Section 6 ; but this provision is repealed as to Rural Parishes by the Local Government Act, 1894.

Any person deprived of Office or whose profits are diminished by any provision of the Act is entitled to compensation, to be settled by the Local Government Board. By an Amending Act, (1879) it is enacted that where part of a Parish is on one side, while the residue of the Parish is on the other side of the boundary of a Municipal Borough, the said Parish shall be deemed to be a divided Parish within the meaning of Section 1 of the Divided Parishes and Poor Law Amendment Act, 1876, and the powers of that Act shall apply accordingly in like manner as if the said Parishes were isolated."

This Section enacts that when any Parish is so divided as to have its parts "isolated " in some other Parish or otherwise detached, the Local Government Board may after Notice and Enquiry, make an Order constituting the parts separate Parishes, or for amalgamating some of the parts with the Parish in which the same may be locally included, or to which they may be annexed by Section 5 of the Act of 1879 for amalgamating any part of a divided Parish with an adjoining Parish. So that in cases under the Act of 1879 an Order of the Local Government Board is still necessary but not under the Local Government Act, 1894, which ipso facto constitutes the Parishes separate Parishes.

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The County Council have somewhat similar powers under section 57 of the Local Government Act, 1888. It appears therefore that the Local Government Board may by order amalgamate the divided Parishes of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton within the Municipal Boundary with the Parish of Cheltenham.

EDWARD WETHERED, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday. the 28th day of March, 1894—Present; The Mayor ; Councillors Lawrence, Parsonage and Heath (The Mayor in the chair)—

12—Board Room at Leckhampton -The Borough Surveyor presented a report, shewing the works required to be done at the above Room. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to have the work done forthwith.

13 - Borough Surveyor's Department—The Borough Surveyor reported that in consequence of Mr. Dunscombe having been appointed Borough Surveyor of Chesterfield, he had appointed Mr. James Benjamin Ball, A.M.I.C.E., in his place, at the same salary, viz., £140 0s. 0d.

E. WETHERED, Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 19th day of March, 1894—Present The Mayor :
Councillors King, Moles, Woodard, Dighton, and Heath (Councillor King in the chair)—

1—Barrett's Mill—The question of using part of the Iron Railing round the long garden in the Promenade, for the fence round this property, was considered. Resolved, That the existing Iron Railing of the long garden in the Promenade be used for the iron fencing round the Barrett's Mill property, and the remainder, as far as it will go, at Pittville, on the boundary of the Evesham Road next to the Marle Hill annexe, and at the entrances on the East and West approaches to the Pump Room.

2--Kyrle Society—A letter from Miss E. Wood, Hon Secretary to the Kyrie Society, asking for the renewal this year of the grant of £10 towards the maintenance and management of the Old Cemetery, and forwarding the Society's report and accounts for the year 1893, was read. Resolved, That the grant be renewed for this year.

3—Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor bring up a report on the urinals and other conveniences required for the use of the public in this ground, and statement of the probable cost thereof.

4—Alstone Swimming Bath—Resolved, That this Bath be opened to the public on Easter Monday, at noon, and that public notice be given thereof.

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 20th day of March, 1894—Present :
Councillors Ll. Davies, M. Davis, Feeney, Hands, Moles, Parsonage and Dighton (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

1--Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported that on the 12th inst. the bodies of an adult and a child were brought to the Cemetery for interment, from the Union Workhouse, but that the burials could not take place until the following day in consequence of his not having received the usual Notice of Interment, which it appeared had been posted from the Workhouse some days previously but had gone astray in the post, and enquiries had failed to trace it. He also reported that Headstones and Kerbings had been removed from 154 graves that the work had got now to Section W ; and that there were 3 more Sections to go through, and he desired to know if the stones were to be sold, as heretofore, to the highest bidder. Resolved, That the stones be not disposed of until the whole of the removals are completed.

2 —Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved, viz. : Headstones to Daniel Dawes, Mary Ann Griffin, John Marklove, Fredk. Buckland, Emily S. Rudkin, Kate Jane Gillman, Susannah Whitbread, Chas. Wm. Price, Margaret Clarke, and Mary Anne Hoxton.

3—Account—The following Account was examined and allowed :

W Gregory, Labourers' Wages .. £15 17 0

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 19th day of March, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Norman ; Councillors Lawrence, King, Woodard and Ward-Humphreys, (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

1—Loan, &c.—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the sanction of the Local Government Board to a Loan of £16000 for the purposes of Electric Lighting, repayable in 25 years ; also the consent of the Board to the use of part of the site of the Destructor for the Electric Lighting Station.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of March, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Ll. Davies, Lawrence, and Parsonage, (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)--

1--Street Improvement £9,500 Loan—The Rev. Arthur Armitage and Jas. Clisset, Esq., having offered to lend the Corporation £1,000 to replace the same amount paid off to the Executors of Mr. J. Webb, deceased, at 3 ¼ per cent. Resolved, That the same be accepted, and a debenture be issued for that amount, repayable on six months notice by either party after twelve months from the date thereof.

2—Water Loan, £20,000—Resolved, That a Loan of £10,000, part of the sum of £20,000 authorised to be borrowed for the general purposes of the Water undertaking, by Sec. 10 of the Corporation Water Act, 1881, be raised by the issue of debentures, from time to time, as occasion shall require, under the Local Loans Act, 1875, such Loan to be discharged within the time named in Sec. 11 of the said act, viz. 70 years, by a Sinking Fund. The Loan to be dated the 2nd day of April next.

The following persons having offered to lend the following sums to the Corporation as part of this Loan at 3¼ per cent. Resolved, That the same be accepted, repayable at 6 months notice on either side after the expiration of the first year, and that Debentures be issued for the respective sums :—

Whateley, Miss, Wyddrington House; Wilson, Dr. Edward Thos., Westall; Skillicorne, Wm. Nash, 9, Queen's Parade

£2000

Whateley, Miss, Wyddrington House: Newbold, Miss, Oxford Parade: Whitmore, Chas Henry,

Gresford Lodge

£400

Welch, Capt. G. A. W.

£500

Cowley, Samuel

£1,100

3—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, of date the 27th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Amount collected, £13,507 6s. 10d.; leaving outstanding, £1,215 5s. 3d.

4—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, of date the 27th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts, £7,607 3s. 9d. ; leaving outstanding, £838 19s. 5d.

5—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 :—

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| In hand on the 27th February last | £14,674 5 10 |
| Received since that date | <u>£ 2,485 5 7</u> |
| | £17,159 11 5 |
| Paid since that date | <u>£ 4,081 5 4</u> |
| Total in hand | £13,078 6 1 |
| Current and Interest Accounts | £10,917 10 6 |
| Sinking and Loan Funds | <u>£ 2,160 15 7</u> |
| | £13,078 6 |

The Bills and Accounts for the past month having been examined. Resolved. That the same as settled, amounting to the sum of £13,201 18s. 4d., be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 19th day of March, 1894---Present; The Mayor ; Councillors Feeney, Ll. Davies, Parsonage, and Skillicorne ; The Baron de Ferrieres, Mr. C. Hall, Mr. H. Neale (Councillor Feeney 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, viz.: Mr. Cossens 1 Pamphlet. Annual reports from the Libraries at Hove, Southampton, and Liverpool.

2—Prevention of Fire—The Borough Surveyor reported that the best means of providing for the extinction of fire would be to put in a 3in. pipe from the main in Chester Walk under the ground floor of the Library, to the centre near the counter of the Reference Department, with a branch therefrom to the upper floor, with a connection on each floor, and 100 feet of canvas hose at each connection which would enable every part of each floor to be reached. The cost of doing this he estimated at from £20 to £21. Resolved, That the work be done forthwith.

3—Bank Holidays—The question of opening the Reading Rooms of the Library on Bank Holidays, was discussed, and the Librarian was requested to ascertain what is the practice in other towns similarly circumstanced.

4—Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed.

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| J. Tinkler, Cleaning Materials | £ 0 12 3 |
| Gas Company, Coke | £ 6 14 1 |
| A. H. Nott, Coal 2 | £ 0 3 0 |
| W. Jones, Wages Account | £11 15 0 |
| “ Disbursements | £ 1 1 6 |
| Denison & Son, Fittings | £ 1 10 0 |
| H. Sotheran & Co., Technical Books | £13 18 6 |
| C. Westley, Newspapers, Magazines, &c | £15 16 8 |
| Norman, Sawyer & Co., Binding, &c. | £ 6 2 10 |
| C. Westley, Technical Books, &c. | £28 10 8 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 28th day of March, 1894—Present : The Mayor : Councillors Feeney and Skillicorne (Councillor Skillicorne in the chair).—

1—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman Councillor Skillicorne was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

2—School of Science and Crammer School—The Committee considered the question of the disposal of the additional grant of £50 made by the County Council for the purposes of Technical Education. Resolved, That the same be paid to the Hybrid Committee of the School of Science and Grammar School to be devoted exclusively to the purposes of Technical Education.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 19th day of March, 1894 —Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Hands, Moles, Wheeler, Steel, Parsonage, and Ll. Davies, (Councillor Hands in the chair)—

1- Local Committees—The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That summonses be issued against the parents of the following children :—

Elizabeth Loveridge, Grove Street ; Sydney Haines, Hereford Place ; Rose Gould, Upper Bath Street ; Jennie Gould, Upper Bath Street ; Wm. Derrick, Arle Mill ; John Greenhall, Rutland Street.

2—Special Examination—The Town Clerk reported that a special examination of children was held on the 3rd inst., with the following results :—

Number of Boys examined-45.

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| Number passed in the 3rd Standard | 1 |
| do. 4th Standard | 1 |
| do. 5th Standard | 19 |

Number of Girls examined-38.

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| Number passed in the 3rd Standard | 0 |
| do. 4th Standard | 5 |
| do 5th Standard | 12 |

Resolved, That, with the permission of the Managers, a notice be placed in each School Room of the time and place of the holding each Special Examination.

3—Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the Attendance Officers were read, from which it appeared that Absentee Returns had been received from 32 Schools, containing 1207 names. These, and the balance of 440, left over from last month, made a total of 1647. Of this number 1275 had been visited, with the results shown in the Reports; in 57 cases the absences were satisfactory explained by the Teachers, and 315 had yet to be visited.

WILLIAM HANDS,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, April 23rd, 1894.

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 Friday, the 27th 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—and settle estimates for Borough and General District Rates.

2. Notices of Motion.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

MINUTE of the Proceedings of the Committee of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at a Special Meeting of the Council, to be held on Friday, the 27th of April, 1894.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 20th day of April, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Ll. Davies, Lawrence, Skillicorne, and Parsonage, (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1—Estimates for Rates—The Estimates for the Borough and General District Rates were gone through and settled, and it was Resolved, That the Mayor be requested to convene a Special Meeting of the Council for Friday next the 27th inst, to consider the same.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, May 3rd, 1894.

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 Monday, the 7th day of May 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 4d in the £.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, May 3rd, 1894.

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 7th day of May instant, at Three o'clock in the afternoon (or so soon thereafter as the business to be transacted at the Special Meeting of the Council is completed) at which Meeting, the following business 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, and of the Special Meeting held on the 27th ultimo.

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. THE 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. Notices of Motion.

5. To read the following letters, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :—H. A. Thomas, re Charges for Marle Hill.

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 May, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 30th day of April, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Haddon Councillors Feeney, Heath, King, Lawrence, Parsonage, and Steel, (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1-The View—The following Members attended the view meeting on Saturday last, viz :—Alderman Col. Thoyts, Councillors Feeney, Lawrence, and Parsonage.

2- Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 16.06 candles. Purity, 8.82 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

3-Gas Inspector's Monthly Report —The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read ; Average hourly consumption of gas per lamp during the month in Cheltenham 4.235 cubic feet, in Charlton Kings 4.973 cubic feet, in Leckhampton 5.016 cubic feet.

4 — Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month 8 (3 metered) Burning dimly, 2.

5 ---Proposed Gas Testing Station—The Gas Examiner presented a report hereon, as directed at the last meeting, and it was Resolved, That the matter be postponed till the question of providing a testing station for the electric light comes up for discussion.

6—Numbering of Lamps—A letter from the Gas Company expressing their willingness to undertake the numbering of the lamps throughout the whole district in the manner indicated in their resolution

of 29th December last, viz., the suspension of a small metal plate with open figures from the upper bar of the lantern frame, at the charge of 9d, per lamp, was read. Resolved, That the Committee approve generally of the letter of the Company, but they suggest that the Borough Surveyor and the Company's Manager should confer together with regard to the price proposed to be charged.

7- Lighting of Added Districts--A letter from the Gas Company requesting that, in order to enable them to estimate the charge for public lighting upon the same terms throughout the entire Borough, as now constituted, they might be informed whether the lamps in the added districts are to be continued in their present positions, are to be adapted to consume 4f cubic feet per hour, and are to be kept lighted each night throughout the year during the same hours as the lamps in the town, was read. Resolved, That the Company be informed that the Corporation desire the lighting of the added districts to be continued during the month of May precisely as it has been during the present month, with this exception, that in Charlton Kings the lamps are not to be lighted till the same hour as in Leckhampton, viz., 8.05 ; the lamps in both districts to burn till midnight, and further, that the Committee intend to at once take the whole matter into their consideration with a view to making definite proposals for the future lighting.

8 --Gas Inspector's Salary —An application from the Gas Inspector (W. Ralph) for an increase of salary on account of additional work caused by the extension of the Borough boundaries, was read and considered. Resolved, That his salary be increased from £25 to £28.

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9--Street Projections, &c.—The Street Inspector reported that Mr. S. B. Dix of North Street, had used, from the 3rd to the 5th inst., an advertising truck in contravention of the Bye-laws.

A letter from Mr. Dix dated the 2nd inst., applying for leave to use the truck above referred to, but which leave had not been granted, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Dix having acted in direct contravention of the Act of Parliament, with full knowledge thereof, the Section having been previously pointed out to him by the Mayor, and the Town Clerk, he be informed that should an offence of a similar character be committed by him or by any other person on a future occasion, the offender will be prosecuted.

Messrs. Barclay and Co. not having altered their show case, &c., outside Mr. Mowatt's premises in Winchcomb Street, the Town Clerk was directed to write them stating that the Committee must insist upon the raising of the advertising case being done at once.

10 —Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The usual Monthly Report of the Surveyor as follows, was read :—

Roads repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Albion Street, from North Street to Pittville Street, 410 super yards ; Vittoria Walk, 1050 super yards ; Malvern Road, near Christ Church Schools, 840 super yards ; Hewlett Street, from London Road to Carlton Street, 1262 super yards ; Berkeley Street, 276 super yards ; Tivoli Circus, 1186 super yards ; Suffolk Square, 400 super yards ; Gratton Road, 1430 super yards ; Suffolk Parade, 954 super yards.

Patching—Market Street, back of Montpellier, Hales Road, High Street.

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Larput Place, Wellesley Road. New Gullies and Drains to replace defective ones have been put in in the following places :-1 in Leckhampton Road, 1 in Selkirk Street, 1 in Northfield Passage.

Kerbing, Crossing and Flagging—Market Street, Alstone, Clarence Street, Bayshill Road, (East side being relaid), Montpellier Street, Montpellier Spa Road, Christ Church Road, Dunalley Parade, Larput Place, Hewlett Road, Winchcomb Street, Douro Road, High Street, Overton Road, St. Paul's Street North, St. Paul's Street South, Bath Road, Andover Place, Tivoli Circus.

Tariff Paths—Royal Well Lane, Shurdington Road, Bath Road, Great Norwood Street, Bath Street, Commercial Street, Northfield Passage.

Gravel Paths—Evesham Road.

The following paths have been gravelled with Clee Hill screenings .—Tivoli Circus, 32 super yards ; Suffolk Square, 121 super yards ; Suffolk Parade, 131 super yards, (West side) ; Exmouth Street, 268 super yards (East side).

Works of Private Improvement- Grosvenor Place South (finished.)

Ashes Collection—No. of Van Loads collected, 771 ; Cart Loads collected, 499 ; consumed at the Destructor, 1001 tons. 1 cwt., 3qrs.

11—Surveyor's Annual Report—The following report was read and ordered to be entered on the minutes:—

STREETS AND HIGHWAYS.

During the year 1893-4, 5834 ½ tons of Clee Hill stone, 8741 tons of Wickwar stone, and 758 ½ tons of Leckhampton stone were used for repairs, and 62,000 square yards of roadway have been coated.

For repairs to footways 4,900 square feet of flags, 235 feet of silver grey crossing, and 500 square feet of Clee Hill setts have been used.

Wide channels of tarred stone have been laid in the Lansdown Road to permit the surface water to flow off quickly and pre-vent its settling into the foundations of the roadway, and it is looped that this will cause the cost of maintenance to be less in future than in the past.

The roadway in front of the Grammar School, in front of the Public Library, for a length of 270 feet in the Colonnade, and in High Street near the Assembly Rooms, have been made with tarred macadam to reduce the noise of traffic

In the Park it was found that there was no provision for carrying off the surface water ; the only drain for a large area of roadway being a small land drain, and this had been stopped up for many years ; a 9in. socket pipe drain has now been laid with 6in. branches from the gullies to the Hatherley Brook, the total length being 318 feet.

WORKS OF PRIVATE IMPROVEMENT.

In this department 200 notices have been issued, in 12 streets, 121 estimates have been made, the works have been done, and 126 apportionments of cost have been made amounting in the aggregate to £871 10s. This amount does not include Great Western Road and Priory Place, where the work was done by the owners.

ROAD MATERIAL.

The question of purchasing rough stone and having it broken in the town or purchasing stone ready broken, having been raised, the following figures are placed before you so as to enable you to decide upon some uniform system for the future.

Hitherto the practice has been to purchase Clee Hill stone in blocks, and to break all that is required of 2in. to 3in. gauge, and to purchase ready broken 1 ½ in. gauge and smaller. At Leckhampton all the stone was obtained ready broken. The railway rate is 4d. more than to Cheltenham.

Wickwar and Tytherington stone has been obtained boils rough and ready broken and up to about 2 ½ years ago gravel also was prepared at the Central Depot, but in consequence of complaint from residents the use of the "grinder" was ordered to be discontinued, and all machine made gravel has since been purchased.

The following quantities of stone have been bought ready broken during the year.

| | Cost per ton at Cheltenham | | Quarry Broken | | Broken at Depot |
|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|
| | | [by] Machine | | [by] Hand | |
| Clee Hill | 2in | 281 tons | 9s. 6d. | 10s. 0d. | 9s. 9d. |
| " | 1 ½ in | 59 ½ tons | 9s. 11d. | 10s. 8d. | 10s. 4d. |
| Tytherington | 2in | 874 ½ tons | | 5s. 10d. | 6s. 11d. |

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The stone broken at the quarries is usually of more uniform size than that broken locally, as, owing to the system of screening, only stones of the required size are sent ; those of either larger or smaller gauge being sent to those who require them.

12-Stone Breaking--A complaint having been made by a member of the Council that the occupation of the Stone Breakers had been taken away from them in consequence of the stone being obtained ready broken, the Committee, after a careful enquiry into the matter, find that the cost of breaking the stone in Cheltenham is higher than at the Quarries. The Committee have ascertained, moreover, from the Wages Books, that all the men engaged upon Stone Breaking have, for some considerable time past, been in receipt of full wages as ordinarily earned by them. The Committee are, however prepared to recommend that in future all stone shall, as a general rule, be broken in Cheltenham, provided it can be done at the same price as obtains at the Quarries.

13—Footpath in Royal Well Lane—Resolved, That this Footpath be paved and channelled by the Corporation, and the Committee suggest that the Ladies' College should be asked to pay one half of the cost.

14—Malvern Road—A memorial from Mr. John Davis and others stating that inasmuch as the greater part of the ground upon which the new pathway in the above Road is made is the private property of the owners of the houses, and that there never has been a thoroughfare on the side of Malvern Road in question, they considered the owners should only be charged with a (ere- part of the cost of the Private Improvement Works, was read. Resolved, That the cost of the channelling be allowed off the apportioned amounts, in consideration of the land given up by the various parties.

15— Footpaths in London Road—A memorial from Mr. Alfred Matthews and others, calling attention to the state of the gravelled margins of the asphalted parts of the footways of the London Road which are uneven and in many places in holes and worn down below the edges of the asphalt, and also that the asphalted part of the footpath from the Beaufort Arms to the Boundary of the Borough has got quite dilapidated and requires renewal, was read. Resolved, That the memorialists be informed that as soon as the building operations are completed and the kerbing and railings are fixed then the Committee will put the paths in order.

16 —Footpath from Hermitage Street to Exmouth Street—A letter from the Rev. G. F. Tanner enquiring, on behalf of the Managers of St. Luke's Schools, whether the Corporation could have a way opened at the top of Hermitage Street into Exmouth Street, so that infant children might more easily get to the Naunton Infant School, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor do ascertain and report to the Committee who is the owner of the wall which at present separates the two roads, and then the Committee will consider the question.

17—Accident to Borough Surveyor's Pony—The Chairman reported an accident to the Borough Surveyor's Pony and Trap through collision with a Bicyclist in the employ of Messrs. R. E. and C. Marshall, on the 20th inst., and a correspondence between the Town Clerk and Messrs. Marshall upon the subject, was read.

18—New Buildings —The Surveyor laid before the Committee notices and plans received by him from the following persons intending to erect new buildings (such of them as involved questions of drainage having been examined by the Public Health Committee) and the same were dealt with as under:-

Mrs. Eliza Smith—Additions to 46, Rosehill Street. Approved, subject to drains under house being laid in concrete.

Mrs. Devenish—Additions to Hazelwood. Approved.

Mr. Edward Pates—Coal Office, St. George's Road. Disapproved.

Mr. George Lanwarn—11 Houses, Oakfield Street. approved, subject to the road at the back and between the houses being made 6ft. wide instead of 3ft.

Mrs. Potter—New Lavatories, &c., at the Royal Hotel. Approved.

Mr. W. A. Woof—Additions to his premises in Suffolk Road. Adjourned for a month for a report from the Borough Surveyor thereon.

Mr. George Stibbs—Stables and Coach House at Sycamore House. Approved.

Committee of Ladies' College—Pavilion at back of Christ Church Road. Approved.

Mr. Alfred Matthews—Three Cottages in New Street. Approved, provided the drains are brought into one and are not taken under the houses.

W. Nash Skillicorne, Esq.—Two Houses in Whaddon Lane—Approved.

Mr. G. H. Mills—Two Houses in St. George's Road. Approved, subject to the house drains being made 6in. instead of 4in.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 12th day of April, 1894-Present : Tice Mayor ; Councillors Feeney, Ll. Davies, M. Davis, Hands, Moles, and Parsonage (Councillor Feeney in the chair)-

1-Zymotic Disease -The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee, 4 cases of Scarlet Fever, 1 case of enteric Fever, and 1 case of Diphtheria.

2 -Lane behind Park Place-The Medical Officer of Health reported that complaints had been made as to the condition of this Lane, which appeared to be used as a common tip. The lane appeared to be a private road, and he desired the instructions of the Committee in regard to keeping it clean. Many of the residents in Park Place, whose doors opened into the lane. were themselves offenders in tipping garden refuse, &c., in the lane. Resolved, That the complainants be informed that unless the condition of the lane is offensive the Council have no power to interfere in the matter.

3-Houses without sufficient w.c. accommodation-The Medical Officer of Health presented a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the houses Nos. 1 to 6, York Cottages, York Street, are without proper and sufficient w.c. accommodation. Resolved, That the necessary notice be given to the owner under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, it to provide two more closets, and under Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to provide efficient flushing apparatus for the whole of the closets.

4-Defective Drains at 16, Portland Square-The Medical Officer of Health reported that this was a bad case, which came under the notice of the Department subsequent to the last Meeting, and that action was at once taken, on the advice of the Town Clerk, the Borough Surveyor having opened the drain and prepared a specification of the needful works, of which notice had been duly served on the owner. Resolved, That the action of the officials in this matter be approved.

5- Defective Drains at Montpellier Rotunda, 1 to 8, Prospect Terrace, Duke of York Inn, 14, Sandford Street, and 2, Marle Hill Parade -The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating l-- that the drains at all the above premises are a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to open the ground in each case and examine the same, and act as provided by the said Section.

6 - Houses without a proper supply of Water-It appearing on the report of the Borough Surveyor, dated the 10th inst., that the premises known as 9, Lansdown Terrace, 1 to 6, Rosehill Terrace, 1 to 7, Coltham Fields, are without a proper supply of water, and that such supply can, in the case of No. 9, Lansdown Terrace, be readily obtained from the Corporation Mains, at a cost not exceeding the water rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts, but that a short extension of the Main will be

required in the case of the other premises. Resolved, That the Water Committee be requested to consider the question of extending the main as required. That Notices (at once in the case of 9, Lansdown Terrace, and as soon as the Main is extended in the other two cases) be given under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners, requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such things as may be necessary for that purpose.

7--Wells requiring to be Closed-The Medical Officer of Health having represented that the water in the wells at Nos. 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, and 22, Francis Street ; 21, Suffolk Parade ; 53, Marle Hill Parade ; 2, 3, and 4, Sandfield Place ; 1 to 6, Rosehill Terrace ; 1 to 7, Coltham Fields (one well), and 35, Marle Hill Road, which is used or likely to be used for drinking or domestic purposes is so polluted as to be injurious to health. Resolved, That the necessary notices and proceedings for orders to close the respective wells under Sec. 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be given and taken.

8-W.C.'s without Flushing apparatus-The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Houses having w.c's without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec, 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus, and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default rijqq4, of compliance with such notice proceedings be taken for penalties.

9-Houses without ashpits-The Medical Officer of Health presented a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the houses named therein (37 in number) are without proper and sufficient Ashpits or Ash receptacles. Resolved, That the necessary notices be given to the respective owners under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Sec. 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them, in each instance, to provide a moveable Ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction, as may be approved by the Borough Surveyor on behalf of the Corporation.

10-- Defective W.C. at 1, Segrave Place-The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that a w.c. at 1, Segrave Place, is a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That the necessary notices be given to the-owner under the above Section for an abatement of the nuisance, and for the execution of the necessary alterations.

11--No. 9, St. George's Square-The Medical Officer of Health reported that this house has been opened as a Common Lodging House, but that no application had been made by the proprietors to have it registered for such a purpose.

A letter was also read from Mr J. McFee, one of the property owners in the Square, submitting that St. George's Square is a place which ought not to be used for this purpose, as it will be a great nuisance and trouble to the owners and occupiers in the Square, and will tend to depreciate the value of their property, and appealing to the Council to use its influence to remove the institution Resolved, That the proprietors be given notice to discontinue the use of the place as a Common - Mt/Lodging House, it not being registered for such a purpose.

12--Burning of Garden Refuse--A letter from T. F. West-Ford, Esq., respectfully suggesting that for the future one day in each week should be specified on which all weed and refuse burning in gardens should take place, was read. Resolved, That Mr. West-Ford be informed the Council have no power to make such a regulation or Bye-law as he suggests.

13-Nuisance at Back of Lansdown Terrace-A letter from Capt. Chambers, stating that several residents in Lansdown Terrace had spoken to him about a very disagreeable smell emanating from a smouldering heap in a field at back of Lansdown Terrace and which had continued for three days and nights was read. Resolved, That Capt. Chambers be informed the Council have no power to interfere unless the matter becomes a nuisance injurious to health, but that the Committee will forward a

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copy of the complaint to the person responsible, in the hope that he may see his way to comply with the wishes of his neighbours.

14— Church Lane Urinal—A complaint from Mr. W. T. Cossens, of the " Noah's Ark," of the nuisance to which his premises are constantly subjected by reason of the back wall being used as a urinal, and stating that he believed the Police would be much assisted in the matter, if the public urinal in Church Lane was allowed to remain open longer than at present, was read. Resolved, That the urinal be kept open all night, and that Admiral Christian be requested to instruct the Constables to keep an eye upon it.

15—British Institute of Public Health--It was Resolved, That the Mayor, the Chairman of this Committee, and the Medical Officer, be authorised to attend the Annual Congress in London of the British Institute of Public Health from 26th to the 31st of July next.

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 25th day of April, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Councillors Feeney, Moles, Hands, Ll. Davies, M. Davis, Dighton, and Parsonage (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

16 —Dairies and Cowsheds Order—An application from Geo. Cook of 2, Providence Terrace, Great Norwood Street, to be registered as a Dairyman and Purveyor of Milk, was read, together with the report of the Medical Officer of Health thereon. Resolved, That the applicant be informed he cannot be registered until certain sanitary deficiencies pointed out by the Medical Officer of Health have been attended to, and the premises rendered suitable for the purposes of a Dairy. .

17—Zymotic Disease --The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last Meeting of the Committee, 5 cases of Scarlet Fever, and 2 cases of Enteric Fever

18—Houses without a proper Water supply—It appearing on the report of the Surveyor dated the 25th inst., that the houses No. 154 High Street, and Rodney House, 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. Resolved, That notice be given under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owner, requiring him to obtain such supply and to do all such things as may be necessary for that purpose.

19— Drainage. &c at Anchor Brewery and Vaults—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the work specified by the Borough Surveyor to be executed here, had not yet been carried out, and the

present condition constituted a serious nuisance—there being a foot of sewage in the cellar. He recommended the services of a fresh notice, to be followed by other proceedings if the work is not at once executed

20—York House—Mrs. Hailing—The Medical Officer of Health reported that Mrs. Hailing desired to use a room at the above place as a Workroom, and he stated that if the room is so used a ventilator should be put in the roof and better side ventilation made, a lavatory and w.c. provided, and the number of workers limited to six. Resolved, That Mrs. Hailing be so informed.

21—Cumberland Villa. Grove Street—Mr. Geo. Rowley applied to be registered as keeper of the above House as a Common Lodging House for 24 lodgers, but the Medical Officer of Health stated that the cubic space set apart for lodgers is sufficient for only 20, and that certain improvements as to ventilation and w.c. accommodation are necessary, and it would be well for the Borough Surveyor to specify. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do prepare a specification of what is necessary to be done, and that in the meantime Mr. Rowley be informed the number of lodgers must be reduced.

22 --Messrs, Thornton & Co.'s Workshops— Resolved, That Notice be given to Messrs. Thornton & Co. under the Factories and Work-shops Acts, to clean and whitewash their workshops at No 380 High Street.

23—No. 8, Rutland Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there is a nuisance existing on the above premises which are used as a rag and paper stores, and having an accumulation of filthy rags, jars, &c., and a horse being kept in a wash-house opening directly into the dwelling house. Resolved, That the necessary notice be served on the occupier to abate the nuisance.

24—Woodbine Cottages—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises require cleansing and limewashing. Resolved, That notice be given to the owner do this.

25--Houses unfit for Human Habitation —The Medical Officer of Health presented a certificate representing that the houses Nos. 24 and 25, Hermitage Street, are in such a state as to be dangerous and injurious to health and unfit for human habitation. 4 Resolved, That the necessary proceedings be takes under Sec. 32 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1889, for an Order to close the said houses.

26 —Berkeley Arms, Albion Street—Resolved, That notice be given to the owner to provide a new ash receptacle at the above premises.

27—Houses without Ashpits—The Medical Officer of Health presented a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the houses named therein (30 in number) are without proper and sufficient Ashpits or Ash receptacles. Resolved, That the necessary notices be given to the respective owners under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Sec. 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each instance to provide a moveable Ash receptacle, of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Borough Surveyor on behalf of the Corporation.

28--W.C.'s without Flushing Apparatus—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c's without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That notices be given under Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus, and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

29—Beaufort House, Montpellier Terrace--The Medical Officer reported that complaint had been made by residents in Suffolk Square, of the existence of a nuisance at the above house, arising from bad smells of drains or accumulations of refuse in the back premises, the house having been untenanted for a considerable time. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to the Agent for the property and require an abatement of the nuisance complained of.

30- Medical Officer's Conveyances—The Medical Officer of Health suggested that the Committee should provide him with a bicycle, which would lead to a great saving in Cab fares Resolved, That the Committee recommend that a bicycle be purchased for the Medical Officer.

31-- Water supply from Wells in the Town—The Medical Officer of Health presented the following report .—

A SPECIAL REPORT UPON THE SUPPLY OF WELL WATER TO THE NUMEROUS HOUSES IN CHELTENHAM.

TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

GENTLEMEN,

I beg leave to give you some facts in regard to the supply of water to a certain portion of the Inhabitants of Cheltenham from shallow wells. I have had a house to house inspection made of the North and Central Wards where the greatest number of wells were known to be in use, with a view of ascertaining the actual number of houses supplied by wells, and I have also made an estimate of the number of houses supplied by wells in the East and South Ward There are few wells in the other two Wards of the Town, viz., the West Ward and the Middle Ward. The approximate number of houses supplied by wells in the four Wards is as set forth below. The result of the inquiry shows that fully 3,000 houses are still supplied by wells, representing a population of 14,000, or nearly a third of the population of the Borough.

| Ward | No. of Houses supplied by wells | No. of Wells |
|--------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| North Ward | 1317 | 915 |
| Central Ward | 916 | 815 |
| South Ward | 492 | ? |
| East Ward | 370 | ? |

The major portion of the houses supplied by well water includes chiefly those of the poorer sort. It was to the interest of the old Water Company to get the houses of greater rateable value supplied first, and since the acquisition of the Waterworks by the Corporation the extension of the public supply to the poorer houses has proceeded slowly.

The wells are nearly all used by the aid of pumps, but from the 7 draw wells that were found some information has been obtained of the depth of the wells and of the present depth of water which they contain. It will be remembered that the wells are chiefly sunk in the drift sand which overlies the clay. The sand no doubt varies in depth, but generally speaking the depth of sand is nowhere very considerable. In these hollows of the clay which are filled up with sand the water collects by drainage from the surface.

The situation and depth of the 7 draw wells are indicated below. The measurement was made on April 21st.

| Locality of Well. | Depth from surface of ground to bottom of Well | Depth of Water in Well |
|----------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| 3, Elm Street | 11 ft. 9in. | 4ft. 9in, |
| 55, Worcester Street | 12ft. 2in. | 1ft. 2in. |
| 29, Russell Street | 14ft. 6in. | 1ft. 6in. |
| 4, Millbrook Street (not in use) | 11ft. | 11ft. |
| Marsh Gardens | 9ft. 5in. | 1ft 5in. |
| Crab Tree Piece | 10ft. 2in. | 5ft. 8in. |
| Brookbank Cottage | 12ft. 0in. | 6ft. 0in. |

The water in all the wells is loaded with lime salts so as to be excessively hard, and the invariable presence of large quantities of Nitrate is evidence of the large amount of organic material with which the water has been in contact. A great proportion of the well water contains solid material in quantity equivalent to upwards of 10 grains in each half pint.

With old sewers and house drains running through the sand in close proximity to the wells, and with much surface refuse within a few feet, it is impossible for the water to escape organic pollution, and the numerous analyses I have made simply afford proof of what through previous experience has become a foregone conclusion.

The quality of water in these wells is subject to peculiar and dangerous variations. On several occasions my attention has been directed to the condition of the water from a pump which has suddenly assumed a peculiar appearance, and on examination it has been found to be teeming with bacterial life and otherwise impure. It is in my experience that this water is injurious to health, causing diarrhoea and probably other illness.

There was ample evidence to show' that the outbreak of Typhoid Fever last year was connected with well water, and when Typhoid has previously occurred in the town, the proportion of cases occurring in houses supplied by wells has been by far the greater.

The Closets in the town are now all connected with the sewers and are water closets, but where the water supply is from wells the closets are very badly flushed, and as the drains in most instances have little fall, they not unfrequently become choked for want of proper flushing.

In the interest of the public health it is essential that the town water be supplied for drinking purposes, and that the house drains and w.c's of these 3,000 houses be at the same time properly flushed by flushing cisterns, as provided for in the Cheltenham Improvement Act

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Instead of dealing with the cases a few at a time, as heretofore, I advise you to deal with them in much larger numbers, so as to wipe off in as short a time as possible, what at present constitutes a great sanitary deficiency. To this end at the next and succeeding meetings I hope to lay before you some long lists of houses with wells requiring to be closed and flushing apparatus requiring to be affixed.

Yours faithfully, J. H. GARRETT,

Medical Officer of Health.

32—Lansdown Terrace Sewer—The Borough Surveyor reported upon this matter as directed at a previous meeting and presented a Plan sheaving the existing state of things and the proposed alterations. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further consideration.

33—Sewerage of Hatherley District—The Borough Surveyor presented a Report and Plan in this matter, and the same were adjourned for further consideration.

34—Surveyor's Annual Report—The following Report was read and ordered to be entered on the Minutes

ASH COLLECTION.

The whole of the Borough has been divided into 13 districts, and these are now visited regularly ; in some streets the ashes are placed outside in boxes upon the pavement, in others the men call weekly, but considerable difficulty is caused by some of the inhabitants declining to have ashes removed weekly, and then requiring an accumulation to be removed at one time, giving the man an excessive quantity and disturbing the systematic character of his work. The public holidays, especially Christmas and Easter, also do much to throw out the order and cause arrears. So far as is known the collection is fairly up to date, though there are doubtless some omissions due in many cases to the occupiers being out when the ash men call.

When the Borough was extended it was found that in some parts there were large accumulations, special carts were employed, and the whole of the District cleared and brought into the same system as the other parts of the Borough.

The Destructor has fully answered its purpose, but the disposal of the clinker promises to be a difficulty in the near future ; the Electric Works will absorb some for concrete, but this cannot be looked upon as a permanent outlet, some can be used for forming footways in the country districts, but this also only deals with a limited quantity. It was anticipated that it might be employed as a bottoming for back roads, but the quantity of nails quite prohibits its use for that purpose.

In some towns a mortar mill has been set up, and after the clinker is ground with lime the mortar is sold, it is desirable to consider whether something of the kind should not be done here.

The total quantity burned at the Destructor during the year has been 8147 loads, equal to a weight of 8,737 tons, and 12,039 loads have been collected.

The Steam Disinfector has been used by the Health Department 353 times.

By an arrangement of grids in the flue the nuisance and risk of damage from burning paper has been prevented, and it is now possible to burn the worst refuse without cremator fires, with consequent saving of fuel.

SEWERS.

Under the direction of the Health Committee notices have been served upon the occupiers of 49 houses, the drains have been opened, and specifications describing the works required have been prepared. New Sewers have been laid along Hatherley Road, Dunalley Parade, Six Chimneys' Lane, Sandfield Lane and Old Bath Road, for a total length of 3,760 feet, and plans and specifications prepared for a new sewer in Old Bath Road.

The main sewers have been opened and examined in several places, they were found to be in fairly good condition and free from deposit ; the branch sewers have been opened to remove stoppages and repair defects in 16 places ; the general impression from such examination is that they are in an unsatisfactory state, the gradients in many places too flat, the sizes larger than necessary, and the material (ordinary brick) unsuitable, there is no provision for effectual flushing, and they are not self cleansing.

Many were originally constructed by the owners as private sewers ; the description of one recently investigated may be taken as representing the condition of many others of the class, it is at the back of Lansdown Terrace, and receives the drainage of the whole of the row of 23 houses, it is 3ft. 4in. by 2ft. 0in., constructed of brickwork 4in. in thickness the lower half being without mortar in the joints, the upper half is built in ordinary lime mortar, the bricks are decayed and crumble to pieces when removed, the pressure of the earth has distorted the curved sides, and there is a deposit of five inches in the bottom.

As representative of another class, the sewer in St. Stephen's Road, which was recently found to be choked, may be described ; it is formed of stoneware pipes 15in. in diameter without fall, and crosses the Hatherley Brook by a cast-iron pipe; flushing by a large van was tried, but 3,000 gallons of water failed to make any impression, it was then found that the water was escaping at the joints of the pipes and flowing into the stream, the branches into it all meet the main at right angles and this sewer joins the Hatherley Brook sewer in the same manner, the cast-iron pipe has settled down 8 inches and broken the stoneware pipes. To place this sewer in a proper condition it will be necessary to examine and probably to relay it and its branches for a considerable distance, and to provide some means for automatically flushing it.

In many instances where pipes have been used, the joints were made with clay which has since washed out, thus allowing the sewage to escape ; whilst in other cases the subsoil water leaks into the sewers, increasing the volume of the sewage to be dealt with, and causing an unnecessary quantity to be delivered at the Farms.

Before any complete scheme, or sate estimate can be prepared, an exhaustive examination of the sewers must be made by sinking shafts and checking the levels, and by tracing the direction and levels of those sewers of which there are no reliable records, especially in the direction of Lansdown and Pittville. Some of the existing sewers, where they are too flat in gradient, but otherwise in good

condition, may be materially improved by the provision of flushing tanks near the higher ends which can be automatically operated by rain water or the house drainage, and would, when cleaned, be available for many years.

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Ventilation.—During the year the chimney shaft at Barrett's Mill has been connected to the Chelt main sewer to act as a ventilator, and several small pipes in other places, varying from 1in. to 3in. in diameter. There are a considerable number of manhole covers forming entrances to the sewers which act to some extent as ventilators, but the openings are small and are liable to be stopped with mud in wet weather. As part of the work of re-construction of sewers, ventilating shafts should be formed at each end of every section of sewer, and may be either shafts against the sides of houses, or pillars like lamp pillars in the roadway, as the particular circumstances of each case demand, in no case is it desirable that the opening be large, but only of such size, and in such position, as will prevent the air of the sewer being under pressure from any cause ; but there is no doubt that if sewers are self-cleansing and free from deposit, the offensive odours are very slight and efficient ventilation is neither difficult nor objectionable.

SEWAGE FARMS.

The alterations and repairs at the Barn Farm are now finished to the satisfaction of the tenant, who is devoting considerable attention to the Farm.

The gales this winter have damaged the roofs of the houses at Haydon Knoll and Barn Farms to some extent—the damages are now made good.

Public Conveniences have returned the sum of £12 4s. 7d.,: but it is discouraging to find a large amount of wilful damage, such as lead pipes cut through, so that a jet of water will annoy persons using the place, the bottoms of basins broken through, and in some instances the whole of the basins destroyed.

The convenience in Church Lane which was leaking through the wall has been taken down and rebuilt.

There are only two with w.c. accommodation in the whole of the Borough for men, and no place of any kind for women. In many towns this most necessary provision for the comfort of both men and women is being provided in the most substantial manner, the revenue being found to cover the interest and repayment of principal.

Plans have been deposited for 84 buildings, and 72 junctions with the sewers have been inspected, but though this ensures that the connection with the sewer has been made, it is no security that the whole of the drain is laid properly, nor under the existing Byelaws can the builder be required to give notice for the whole of the drainage to be inspected and tested before being covered in.

Under the new Byelaws this can be done, and it would be desirable that no drains should be approved until they have been tested by hydraulic test for at least one hour, and all parts which are above the level of the trap, by smoke applied under pressure ; and the alteration of existing house

drainage should be required to conform with the new regulations for new houses in respect of giving notices, tests, and general arrangements.

35 — Plans of house Drainage—The Plans of such New Buildings, necessitating drainage, as were intended to come up for approval at the next meeting of the Street and Highway Committee were laid before this Committee, and the same were approved so far as regards the drainage arrangements, which are fully set out in Minute No. 18 of the Street and Highway Committee.

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

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| W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance | £ 1 10 0 |
| G. F. Poole, Printing Report, &c. | £ 7 12 6 |
| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients | £32 18 0 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 9th day of April, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Thoyts ; Councillors Heath, Lawrence Skillicorne, and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

1—Mineral Waters—Resolved, That Professor Thorpe's report and analyses of the Mineral Waters be printed for the information of the Council.

2-Marle Hill—Letters from Mr. Halford promising to deliver 7 boats by the 21st inst., and to lend some more to make up the number of ten until the others are ready for delivery ; also recommending a man to look after the boats, were read. Resolved, That the Marle Hill Annexe be opened on the 25th inst. at 5 p.m., and that arrangements for the opening be left to the Mayor, the Chairman of the Committee, Alderman Thoyts, and Councillor Lawrence to settle.

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3—Borough Extension—Leckhampton Officers' Compensation—A letter from the Treasury, forwarding copy of an Appeal made to them by Mr. Daniel Mallory against the amount of Compensation allowed him by the Council for the loss of office, and requesting that the Lords of the Treasury might be favoured with the remarks of the Town Council thereon, was read. The Town Clerk submitted draft of a reply which the Committee approved and ordered to be forwarded to the Treasury.

WILLIAM HEATH, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 30th day of April, 1894—Present : The Mayor; Aldermen Griffith and Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, Ward Humphreys, Heath and Skillicorne (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

4— Mineral Waters and Spa—A Letter was read from Mr. Clifford Nash, forwarding a Memorial signed by upwards of 80 persons, calling attention to the meeting held at the Corn Exchange, on the 13th April inst., under the presidency of the Borough Member, whereat the consideration of a certain resolution " calling upon the Town Council to take immediate steps for " for carrying out the schemes for reviving the Cheltenham Waters, to provide a suitable Spa, for dispensing the same, and " an attractive place where visitors may congregate," was postponed to a public meeting to be summoned by the Mayor, and to the fact that instead of taking steps to carry out the wishes of that meeting a private meeting had been held by the Town Committee, when the resolution above quoted was passed, and protesting against such resolution being accepted by the Council as in any way representing the voice of the Ratepayers of Cheltenham, and further stating that before any active steps were taken they considered a public meeting, duly convened by the Mayor, should be held, and the proposed course of action fully explained and considered. Resolved, That Mr. Nash be informed that when any scheme for a Spa in Cheltenham is brought before this Committee the suggestions of the Memorialists will receive the same consideration as those emanating from the Town Committee, or any other Ratepayers. At present no definite scheme for the establishment of a Spa has been formulated, nor any proposition approved by this Committee.

A Letter from Dr. Ward Humphreys, the Hon. Sec. of the Medical Spa Society, with the following Resolution of the Society, passed on the 21st inst. " That this meeting of Medical Men, practising in Cheltenham, desire to express in the strongest " manner possible their hope that the Corporation will go steadily forward in their endeavour to revive Cheltenham as a Spa " and Health Resort ; they believe that the waters are as efficacious now as formerly, and, while leaving with confidence all " matters of arrangement and detail to the Corporate Body, they hope that provision for Bathing and Drinking the waters may be made as speedily as possible," and stating that he was also requested to ask that the Committee would be good enough to supply each Medical Man with a copy of Professor Thorpe's Report, as soon as printed, was read. Resolved, That Dr. Ward-Humphreys be informed that the resolution of the Medical Spa Society shall receive the earnest consideration of the Committee, and, further, that the Committee will have much pleasure in furnishing the Medical Men with copies of the Report of Professor Thorpe.

A Letter was also read from Mr. G. H. Williams, enclosing the following resolution of the Town Committee, passed on the 19th inst.: " That in the opinion of this Meeting it is desirable that the Town Council should proceed with as little delay " as possible to provide a Spa for dispensing the Mineral Waters, for Baths, and as a place of general resort." Resolved, That Mr. Williams be informed the expression of opinion on the part of his Committee shall receive due consideration at the hands of the Town Improvement Committee.

After a lengthy discussion of the matters referred to in the preceding Minutes, Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be re-requested to submit to the Committee his present views with regard to the erection of Baths and a Spa, as suggested by the Medical Spa Society and this Committee, at an early date, with an approximate estimate of the expense.

5- —Fishing at Marle Hill—A Letter from Mr. W. H. Davis, enclosing copy of a Resolution of the Cheltenham Angling Club, expressive of the Club's opinion that the charges for fishing at Marle Hill are prohibitive and that a larger revenue would result from a reduction of them, and suggesting that certain half-days during the year should be set apart on which the poorer class might fish free, was

read, Resolved, That Mr. Davis be informed the matter will be considered by the Committee, and that in the meantime it be pointed out to him that the Corporation make no charge whatever for fishing in Pittville Lake.

6-Montpellier Gardens—A Letter from Mr. E. B. Shenton, enquiring upon what terms the Corporation would let him these gardens for a Military Tournament and Firework Display on the 21st of May, and also for Firework Displays on two evenings in the Cricket Week, was read. Resolved, That inasmuch as all the Tennis Courts are no let for the season the Committee are unable to grant the use of the gardens for the proposed Tournament, and as regards the Cricket Week the Committee consider the present time is a little too far a-head for them to decide what shall be done during that week.

A Letter from Mr. H. H. Ellis, stating that the principal local Cycling Clubs, together with the Cotswold Harriers, had amalgamated and formed a Committee to discuss the possibility of holding an evening meeting at Montpellier Gardens, and that the 4th of July had been fixed upon for such proposed meeting and asking the Committee to allow them the use of the gardens at a moderate charge, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Ellis be informed the Committee are sorry that the only date on which they could let the gardens for such a purpose as that named in his letter would be on a Bank Holiday, and that if early application is made by the Clubs the gardens could be let to them on August Bank Holiday.

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7-Borough Extension—Officers' Compensation—A Letter from the Treasury, forwarding copy of a Petition from Dr. Cocks Johnston respecting his claim to compensation for loss of office as Medical Officer of Health to the late Leckhampton Board, and requesting that My Lords might be favoured with the observations of the Corporation thereon, was read and considered. Resolved, That the Treasury be informed that the decision arrived at by the Committee was come to after very careful consideration of, and enquiry into, the matter, and they are still of opinion that inasmuch as the term for which the late Medical Officer of Leckhampton was re-appointed under the approval of the Local Government Board, had expired when the added District came into the hands of the Corporation, that gentleman is not entitled to any compensation for loss of office ; and the Committee would also draw attention to the decision in the Leamington case, where it was held that as the appointment was for a fixed period, the compensation should be only equivalent to the present value of the net profits of the office during the remainder of the term.

8—Borough Surveyor's Annual Report—The following extract from the Borough Surveyor's Annual Report, having reference to matters under the purview of this Committee, was ordered to be printed in the minutes :

IMPROVEMENTS.

The improvements in the Promenade are in hand, the Fountain is finished, and the works in the long garden are in hand. The space in front of the Post Office block cannot at present be dealt with owing to the conditions imposed by the Post Office authorities and the opposition of the owners of the end lots,

GARDENS.

The year has seen the completion of the works at Marle Hill, but owing to the excessively dry spring and summer, the planting and sowing had to be postponed to the winter, causing the delay of nearly a year in opening the grounds.

The lake varies from 2ft. 6in. to 4ft. 6in. in depth, is about 550 yards in length, and a course for boating of 1,466 yards can be arranged. The narrowest part is 60 feet in width. and is crossed by a bridge which is constructed of large bamboos. The grounds are not laid out for formal gardening, but for the display of those plants which have luxuriant growth ; and it is hoped that those who have large specimens of sub-tropical aspect, such as hardy Palms, Yuccas, Aloes, Dracaenas, Phormium-tenax, &c., will remember that there is space for such, and that they will be welcome when too large for indoor growth.

The Boat House is built, and ten boats have been ordered from Mr. Halford of Gloucester, seven of which have been received ; the work still required to be done includes closet accommodation for ladies and gentlemen, covered seats and summer houses for refuge from showers, and a large stock of herbaceous plants, especially spring blooming.

At Pittville the dome over the Pump Room had been stripped, the woodwork, which was decayed, has been strengthened by new ribs being fixed, and the whole recovered with lead.

The sanitary arrangements have been reconstructed and are now in first rate order. Seats for about 200 persons have been provided, in addition to those already at Pittville.

During the summer 8,700 of bedding plants were raised, and planted out in the Gardens, and at Montpellier Gardens ; for this season 13,600 plants are ready, in addition to seedlings and annuals.

The new lake has been stocked with 70 two year old rainbow trout, and a quantity of carp, tench, and roach which had been stored in the old lake during the last year

A pair of black swans have been presented by Mrs. Bingham of Cowley Manor, and three pairs of variegated sheldrakes have been purchased. The present collection of water fowl consist of white and black swans, Canadian goose, black Muscovy ducks, white ducks, widgeon, black Indian duck, and several kinds of cross bred ducks, some of which are worth preserving.

There were 161 subscribers to Pittville, and 76 to Montpellier, 86 Subscribers took joint tickets. All the tennis courts at Pittville, and 54 at Montpellier Gardens were let.

WILLIAM HEATH,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 26th day of April, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Thoys ; Councillors Hands, Davies, Margrett and Woodard (The Mayor in the chair)—

1-Borough Engineer's Report —The usual monthly report of the Borough Engineer, as follows, was read :—"On the 25th instant, the supply to the Hewletts Reservoirs was 103 Gallons per minute ; the

average for the last four years being 140 gallons per minute; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 11,302,258 gallons

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On the 24th instant the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 24 feet 5 ½ inches, and the contents 63,478,615 gallons, which gives a total of 74,780,873 gallons.

The Public Health Committee having ordered a supply of water to be laid on to Coltham Fields, it will be necessary to extend the main for a distance of 208 yards.

Application has been received from Mr. Gibbons of Boddington Manor asking for a supply of water for the purposes of himself, his tenants and servants. It will probably be desirable in this case to give a supply by meter at the same rate as the Cheltenham charges and to require a dead rent of say £5 per quarter, with an allowance of 80,000 gallons.

It may be desirable in this connection to settle that all houses along the road should be accepted upon a similar basis, that is the supply should be by meter, and a dead rent of not less than the ordinary rating charge should be required. Resolved, That the necessary extension at Coltham Fields be made Also, That the supply to Mr. Gibbons be by meter, at 1s 3d per 1,000 gallons, that he be required to pay a dead rent of £5 per quarter with an allowance of 80,000 gallons.

2--Deacons' Waste Water Meter—The Water Engineer was authorised to procure another of these meters at a cost not exceeding £100

3--Chelt Compensation Water—A letter from the Clerk to the Charlton Kings Local Board, acknowledging the Town Clerk's letter March 8th (which was a letter forwarding a copy of this Committee's Resolution of February 22nd), and stating that the non-compliance with the terms of the Cheltenham Water Act, to which his previous letter referred was, the failure of the Council to maintain a flow of 100,000 gallons per diem as required by that Act ; and adding that as his Board did not consider the replies of the Corporation either courteous or satisfactory, they instructed him to state that in the event of future default being made they will institute proceedings to recover the penalties provided for by the Act, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Clutterbuck be informed the Committee have referred both to the Town Clerk's letter of the 8th March and to the Resolution, a copy of which accompanied it, and they fail to see anything in the terms of either which might be deemed discourteous ; and, with regard to the compensation water, the Committee understand an uniform supply of 100,000 gallons per diem is now being sent down the stream.

4 —Dowdeswell Village Schools—A letter from the Rev. R. Coxwell-Rogers, conveying to the Corporation the thanks of the Rate-payers of Dowdeswell for the promised donation of £5 5s. towards the maintenance of the Village Schools, was read.

5 -- Land at Sandford—Notice was received from Mr. J. G. Loud of his intention to cease renting the garden land held by him at Sandford on 25th June next, and it was left to the Borough Surveyor to re-let the land to a suitable tenant.

6 —Appeals —Various Appeals were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

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

8—Engineer's Annual Report—The following Report was read During the year 1893-4, the number of consumers has increased from 7,043 to 7624. a nett increase of 581, and the number of metered supplies from 74 to 95.

The total quantity of water supplied during the year as measured, was 262,183,000 gallons, giving an average of 718,309 gallons per day.

The rainfall between March 25th, 1893, and March 25th, 1894, was 18.85 inches, the average for the whole district being about 29.84 inches ; and when it is considered that upon the hills this average has only twice been reached since 1817 it must be apparent that the supply of underground water is seriously deficient, and that the springs cannot be relied upon to furnish any large supplies.

The following figures show the rainfall in the year-

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| 1887 | 1888 | 1889 | 1890 | 1891 | 1892 |
| 24.41 inches. | 31.91 | 26.69 | 21.98 | 33.18 | 20.09 77 |

The pumps at Sandford Mead were used between August, 1893, and January 1894, with the exception of a few weeks, and about 24,841,215 gallons of water were pumped, of which 7,895,216 gallons were stored at Hewletts, in case of need, and have not yet been used, as, owing to its extreme hardness, it is undesirable to supply it except in case of emergency.

From September 13th, 1893, to December 14th, 1893, the water was shut off between 9 p.m. and 6.30 a.m., and street watering was stopped, reducing the average daily consumption to 500,000 gallons.

The extensions have required 2,512 yards of new main and 1,843 yards of existing distribution main have been revised and defective and surplus pipes removed.

The 9in. main from Tewkesbury is complete from the Cross at Tewkesbury to Hewletts Reservoir, the length laid being 47,840 feet ; the portion remaining to be laid is 4,960 feet in length. The new filters at Tewkesbury are built, and the filtering materials are being placed in position.

Applications for supplies to houses along the line of the main and outside the Borough of Tewkesbury have been received, but no arrangements have been definitely made.

In connection with the Tewkesbury supply, meters have been fixed for measuring the whole of the water delivered, and the supply in bulk has been in operation since September 29th, 1893.

The Boiler Insurance Company having required the Boiler at Sandford Mead to be raised from its seating for examination, it was done, and then found that the shell was seriously wasted and needed extensive repairs before it could be used with safety ; and as the defects were due to the place where it had been fixed and the damp in the flues, it was refixed on an improved method in such a position that the flues are now perfectly dry, and the gain of fuel is 5 cwt. of coal per day.

Further progress has been made with the detection and prevention of waste, principally on the South side of the town, and herewith is given a diagram showing the daily consumption of water during the last seven years, the number of consumers,

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and the supply per header day. From this it will be seen that the quantities saved forms an appreciable proportion of the whole supply, and if sold at the ordinary rate is equal to upwards of £1,400 per annum. When it is remembered that this saving consists entirely of water which was flowing away, without being of any use and in most cases entirely unknown to the consumers, the importance of preventing the waste is worthy of consideration.

For example, had this waste not been discovered, and the supply been continued at the same rate per head as three years ago, the whole of the storage would have been exhausted by November, and the town would have been dependent upon a half supply from Sandford Mead until January, 1894.

The existing waste is, I believe, about 40,000 to 50,000 gallons per day, but to discover this it will be necessary to obtain another Deacon meter, involving an expenditure of about £100 for the meter and the necessary alterations of valves, &c.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 25th day of April, 1894—Present The Mayor Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Heath, Lawrence and Parsonage (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—Fire Brigade—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to one fire during the month, viz., at 19, Winchcomb Street on the 16th inst. Estimated damages about £40. The bill of expenses amounting to £3 had been sent in to the Royal Insurance Co.

2-Hackney Carriages, &c—Resolved, That the date of the Annual Inspection be the 5th of June, at 9.30 a.m., at the Central Depot, and that the Annual Licensing Meeting be held on the 12th of June, at 3 p.m.

An application from J. Phelps for leave to transfer his license No. 122 to a new carriage, was read. Resolved, That the transfer be allowed subject to the approval, by the Chairman, of the substituted carriage.

An application from Henry Hazell for leave to transfer his Wheel Chair License to another chair was read, and the application was refused.

3— Cabmens Shelter at Pittville Gates—A Memorial from Surgeon-General Thompson and others, and Letters from Mr. Wm, Barron and Messrs, A. C. and S. Billings respectfully protesting against the erection of the Cabmen's Shelter at Pittville Gates and praying the Corporation to substitute another

site, were read. Resolved, That the consideration of the matter be adjourned to enable the Street and Highway Committee to view the locality and recommend another site.

4— Hackney Carriage Drivers—Applications were received from and Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licenses granted to Charles Dudge, Horace Garner, Robert J. Mills, and Wm. Russell.

5—Visit of H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge--The Mayor stated that he had received a communication from Major Wyndham Quin to the effect that H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge had intimated his intention of inspecting the Royal Gloucestershire Hussars on the 24th of May next, and that as at present arranged H.R.H. would arrive in Cheltenham on the previous day. Resolved, That a Special Meeting of the Committee be held on Wednesday next at p.m., to make arrangements for the Duke's reception, &c.

6—Extension of Boundaries—Mr. Moorman's Compensation—A Letter from Mr. Moorman objecting to the right of the Council to reconsider the assessment of his pension, if and when he leaves the service of the Council, and expressing the hope that many years might elapse before any severance takes place between himself and the Council, was read, together with Draft of a proposed reply thereto, which was approved and ordered to be sent to Mr. Moorman.

7—Leckhampton Board Room —A Letter from the Clerk to the Guardians, stating that his Finance Committee were prepared to recommend the payment of £8 per annum for the use of the above room as a Relief Pay Station and for Vaccination purposes, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Ticehurst be informed the rent of £10 was fixed by this Committee after careful consideration, and the Committee consider that that is a reasonable sum to be charged for the use of the room as above.

A Letter from Mrs. Riddle, of Rose Cottage, Leckhampton, asking to be allowed the use of the above room for a Tea Meeting of the Bible Society some time during August or September, was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret they cannot accede to the request of Mrs. Riddle, inasmuch as the room is now daily occupied for the purposes of a Library.

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8—Local Government Act, 1894—The Town Clerk's Report hereon was discussed so far as it deals with the question of the amalgamation into one parish of the several parishes or portions of parishes which may be included in a Borough, but it was decided, in view of the absence of the Town Clerk, to take no step at present in the matter of obtaining an Order for the inclusion of the added districts into the parish of Cheltenham.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 2nd day of May, 1894—Present: The Mayor; Aldermen Griffith and Thoyts ; Councillor Heath (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)

9—Visit of H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge—The Mayor submitted a letter from the Duke's Equerry stating that H.R.H. would not be in Cheltenham on the 23rd, as had at first been stated, but would arrive on the 24th and depart immediately after the inspection of the Yeomanry. Resolved, That, subject to its approval by H.R.H. the following be the programme of arrangements so far as the

Corporation are concerned :—The Mayor and Corporation will receive H.R.H. at the Railway Station. H.R.H. will then be conducted to a carriage, which will be in readiness for him, and, accompanied by the Mayor and Members of the Corporation, will be escorted to the Queen's Hotel, where the Mayor will take leave of him.

10—Polling Districts—A suggestion having been made on the occasion of the last Municipal Elections, that it would materially aid those concerned in the conduct of elections, and avoid the confusion which has prevailed on former occasions, if the Burgess Roll were made out in separate polling districts. It was Resolved, That the following re-arrangements of the polling districts, which has been approved by the Agents of the two political parties in the Borough, be adopted, and that the Assistant Overseers of the respective parishes be directed to prepare their various lists of claims and objections accordingly.

POLLING DISTRICTS.

North Ward—Polling District No. 1.—For Electors or Burgesses whose qualifications are situate in that part of the ward which lies to the North and North West of the Gloucester Road, and to the North West of Whitehart Street, Maidenhorn Lane, and the North East of Tewkesbury Road.

Polling District No. 2—For Electors or Burgesses whose qualifications are situate in that part of the ward which lies to the South and South East of the Gloucester Road, and of Whitehart Street.

Central Ward—Polling District No. 3.—For Electors or Burgesses whose qualifications are situate in that part of the ward which lies to the North and North West of North Street and North Place, and the road running at back of Pittville Parade, and, Evesham Road.

Polling District, No. 4—For Electors or Burgesses whose qualifications are situate in that part of the ward which lies to the South East of North Street and North Place,

East Ward—Polling District No. 5—For Electors or Burgesses whose qualifications are situate in that part of the ward which lies to the North and North West and North East of the Hewlett Road.

Polling District No. 6—For Electors or Burgesses whose qualifications are situate in that part of the ward which lies to the South and South East of the Hewlett Road, including that portion of the Parish of Charlton Kings which is added to the East ward.

South Ward—Polling District No. 7—For Electors or Burgesses whose qualifications are situate in that part of the ward which lies to the north of the Suffolk and Thirlestaine Roads across the Bath Road to the Borough Boundary taking in all the properties on the east side of Old Bath Road and including the portion of the Parish of Charlton Kings which is added to the South Ward.

Polling District No. 8 —For Electors or Burgesses whose qualifications are situate in that part of the ward which lies south of the Suffolk and Thirlestaine Roads, including that portion of the Parish of Leckhampton which is added to the South Ward.

Middle Ward—Polling District No. 9—For Electors or Burgesses whose qualifications are situate in that part of the ward which lies to the north of the Andover Road and Tivoli Place.

Polling District No. 10—For Electors or Burgesses whose qualifications are situate in that part of the ward which lies to the south of the above mentioned Roads, and south and south-west of the Gloucester Road, including that portion of the Parish of Leckhampton which is added to the Middle Ward.

West Ward—Polling District No. 11—For all Electors or Burgesses in the Ward.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 26th day of April, 1894--Present : The Mayor : Councillors Moles, Dighton, Woodard, and Heath (Councillor Woodard in the chair)—

1— Alstone Swimming Bath - The Monthly report of the Borough Surveyor was read. No. of Bathers to this time, 1,289. Fees received, £12 14s. 3d.

2-Naunton Recreation Ground—The Borough Surveyor reported that Capt. St. Clair-Ford had offered to provide another Giant Stride for the above ground. Resolved, That the offer be accepted and the thanks of the Committee be tendered to Capt. St. Clair-Ford.

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

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| Nicholas & Co., Paint, &c. | £0 18 10 |
| Thos. Voile & Co., Slack Coal | £7 0 0 |
| R. E. & C. Marshall, Ironmongery | £1 8 3 |
| T. W. Harvey, Ironmongery. | £0 11 11 |
| Accounts under 10s each | £0 18 8 |

T. B. WOODARD,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 30th day of April, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Haddon ; Councillors Davis, Moles, and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported :—That Mrs. Alexander of Ardrassie, the owner of grave No. 3194 section Q, which is at present empty, desired to know if he could dispose of it for her, and he asked for instructions.

That complaint had been made by Miss Newman, of Spring Cottage adjoining Cemetery Lodge, with regard to the Oak Tree in front of the Lodge, which spreads its branches several feet over her garden.

That for the present he had ceased removing Headstones and Kerbings, and that Mr. A. B. Wall had given £5 for the Kerbings that had been removed.

That the Lawn Mower was out of repair.

And that he desired an order for the usual Bedding-out Plants.

Resolved, That the Board have no objection to grant Mrs. Alexander's request on condition that the new purchaser pays 15s 6d for the fresh grass and expenses of transfer.

That the Borough Surveyor do call upon Miss Newman respecting her complaint.

That the Lawn Mower be repaired.

And that the Borough Surveyor will supply the necessary Bedding-out Plants from the greenhouses at Pittville.

2—Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved, viz.—Headstones to Albina Price, Dorinda Marment, Mary Wakefield, Job Dyer, Geo. James Crisps, Mary James, Thos. Goodridge Minett, Emma Jane Joyner, Susan Jenkins, and John Waine.

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

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| Bourne Bros., Repairing Lead Pipe at Vestry at Cemetery | £ 0 5 6 |
| Bence and Son, Materials and Repairs | £ 0 14 4 |
| F. W. Wilkins, Ironmongery | £ 0 1 8 |
| R. E. & C. Marshall, do. | £ 3 7 6 |
| A. H. Nott, Coal | £ 3 4 6 |
| W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages | £18 17 0 |

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 24th day of April, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts and Norman ; Councillors Lawrence, Ward-Humphreys and Woodard (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

1—Appointment of Electrician—The Borough Surveyor reported that he should at once require assistance in the Electric Light Department to assist him in the superintendence of the laying of the cable and other works, and it was resolved that he be authorised to employ such assistance as he might require at a cost of not more than £20 per month ; such assistant to hold office until the appointment of a permanent Electrician,

And that an advertisement be inserted in " Electrician" Newspaper asking for applications for the post of Electrician for the Borough at a commencing salary of £200 per annum, such salary rising by annual increments of £10 to £250.

2-Electric Lighting—The Borough Surveyor submitted a specimen of Tube proposed to be used for carrying the Electric Cables and which had been approved by the Board of Trade, and he was authorised to obtain 15,000 yards thereof at 35s 5d per 100 feet from Mr. W. C. Hawtayne, of Victoria Street, S.W. The Surveyor was also directed to proceed with the laying of the Conduits as soon as the Tubes are ready. Resolved, also, That Tenders for the required Cables be advertised for in the Electric Light Papers ; and for the Buildings in the Examiner and Echo.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 1st day of May, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, Parsonage, and Heath (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

5 — 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 :—

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| In hand on the 27th March last | £13,078 6 1 | |
| Received since that date | <u>£ 9,673 1 11</u> | |
| | £22,751 8 0 | |
| Paid since that date | <u>£13,602 11 4</u> | |
| Total in hand | £ 9,048 16 8 | |
| Current and Interest Accounts | | £6,988 1 1 |
| Sinking and Loan Funds | | <u>£2,160 15 7</u> |
| | | £9,148 16 8 |

The bills and accounts for the past month having been examined. Resolved, That the same as settled, amounting to the sum of £7,692 10s. 2d., be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 27th day of April, 1894—Present; Councillors Davies, Feeney, and Parsonage ; Capt. Welch, R.N., Baron de Ferrieres, and Mr. Chas. Hall(Councillor Feeney 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, viz.:

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| Religious Tract Society .. | 1 vol. |
| Trustees of British Museum .. | 17 vols. |
| Mr. F. H. Cliffe | 1 vol. |
| Mr. H. C. Burdett | 1 vol. |
| Dr. Garrett . | 3 pamphlets. |
| Rev. W. Butt . | 1 vol. G. D. Smith 2 vols. |

Annual Report from the Library at Stratford-on-Avon.

2-Bank Holidays--The Librarian reported that he had made enquiry as to the practice adopted in other towns with regard to opening of the News Rooms on Bank Holidays, and he laid before the Committee replies he had received from about 50 places, from which it appeared that in about half the number the News Room is opened during some part of the day, but the attendance of readers is so very meagre that the Committee do not think it expedient at present to adopt the practice in Cheltenham.

3 - Proposed Gas Testing Station at Library—With reference to the proposal to use a portion of one of the rooms in the basement of the Library Buildings for the purposes of a Gas Testing Station. It was Resolved, That as the growing needs of the Library for storage purposes will shortly require all the space it is possible to retain, the Committee feel that it would be inadvisable to let off any part of the present accommodation for any other purposes.

4 -Branch Reading Room at Leckhampton—The Chairman reported that the above Reading Room would be opened on the 7th proximo, and that he had engaged the services of a Caretaker as directed by the Committee. The Librarian was instructed to make the necessary arrangements for a supply of Newspapers, &c., and to have a notice fixed at the door of the building announcing the opening.

5—J. M. Cumming's Salary—On the recommendation of the Sub-Committee, the salary of J. M. Cumming, the second Assistant, was increased from 15s. to 17s. 6d. per week.

6—Books on Art, &c.—Resolved, That occasional exhibitions of books on Art, &c., be held in the Reference Reading Room.

7—Technical Grant—Resolved, That £10 per annum out of the sum granted to this Committee for purposes of Technical Books, &c., be devoted towards payment of the salaries of the staff on account of the time spent in connection with the Technical Works.

8—Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed.

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| W. Jones, Wages Account. | £9 8 0 |
| R. E. & C. Marshall, Repairs | £2 16 8 |
| Gas Company, Coke | £2 18 0 |
| C. Boyle, Cleaning Materials | £0 10 0 |
| Eddington & Cadbury, Binding | £1 6 4 |
| Subscription to " Gloucestershire Notes & Queries " | £0 11 0 |

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| Mackie & Co., Binding | £1 13 9 |
| Norman, Sawyer & Co., Binding | £9 19 2 |
| Subscription to Archaeological Society | £0 10 6 |
| A. C. & S. Billings, Repairs | £5 11 0 |
| H Edwards, Binding | £0 17 0 |
| Cedric Chivers. Books (Replacements) | £9 12 11 |
| Accounts under 10s each | £0 6 0 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman

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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 24th day of April, 1894 — Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Haddon ; Councillors Hands, Moles, Parsonage, Steel, and Wheeler, (Councillor Hands in the chair)—

2 --Local Committees —The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That summonses be issued against the parents of the following children :— Aubrey Prothero, 19, Rosehill Street ; John Morrison, Rutland Street. That application be made to send Thos. Smith of Moorend Street, Leckhampton, to an Industrial School, and that a warrant of commitment be applied for against Wm. Sallis for non-payment of Fines.

2-Children too late to be marked—Attention was called to the large proportion of children who were alleged to have attended School, but who were returned as " too late to be marked and It was Resolved, That the Committee be furnished with information respecting these cases, shewing whether the fact of a child being too late to be marked has been so reported by the teacher, or whether they are cases of children who have been kept away from School because they could not get there in time to get marked.

3 ---Attendance Certificates—The Officers was directed not to give any child a form for Certificate of Attendances, unless a certificate of birth is produced, shewing such child to be eligible by age to receive an attendance certificate.

4-- Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the Attendance Officers were read, from which it appeared that Absentee Returns had been received from 33 Schools, containing 942 names. These, and the balance of 315, left over from last month, made a total of 1257. Of this number 746 had been visited, with the results shown in the Reports; in so cases the absences were satisfactorily explained by the Teachers, and 419 had yet to be visited.—

5-Mr. Wigley's Application—An application from Mr. Wigley for an increase of salary, was read and adjourned for further consideration.

WILLIAM HANDS,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham,

May 31st, 1894.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a 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 June 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, and of the Special Meeting held on the 7th ultimo.
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. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.
4. Councillor Parsonage to move—" That the Standing Orders of the Council be altered with a view of adding to the General Purposes and Watch Committee, the chairman for the time being of the Public Library Committee."
5. Councillor Parsonage to call attention to the proposal that the County Council should erect a bridge over the River Severn at Newnham, and move a Resolution thereon.
6. Notices of Motion.
7. To read the following letters, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :—

Miss Champion, re Flushing Boxes for her houses in Coltham Fields. G. H. Lane, re Nuisance on premises adjoining 6 and 7, Montpellier Street. W. G. Gurney, re Delancey Fees for Treatment of Geo. Stanley. Local Government Board, re Private Improvement Expenses—Thirlestaine Road and Alstone Lane. W. Moorman re Leckhampton Local Board Room.

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 June, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 8th day of May, 1894—Present : Aldermen Thoyts ; Councillors Feeney, Lawrence, Parsonage, King, Steel, and Heath, (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1-Public Gas Lighting—The Committee had under consideration the question of the public lighting in the Borough as now enlarged, and, it was Resolved, That the Clerk do write to the Gas Company stating that the Committee propose to extend to the newly added Districts the same arrangement with regard to the lighting thereof as now exists in respect of the lighting of Cheltenham proper, on condition that the schedule of hours of lighting and extinguishing the lamps, at present in force in the Borough shall be adopted in respect of the added parts, that the consideration of the matter of increasing the number of lamps in the added districts is deferred till the autumn, and that the Committee would be glad to have the reply of the Company hereon in time for discussion at their meeting on the 28th inst.

2-Building Plans—Steel--The plan of Mr. Steel for alterations and additions to Nos. 17, 18 and 19, Winchcomb Street, which had been referred back to the Committee for reconsideration was again brought up. Resolved, That the Plan be approved subject to the yard at the rear being made to a width of 10ft. 6in. in one part and 8ft. 6in. in the remainder, as altered on the plan by the Committee.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 28th day of May, 1894—Present Alderman Haddon Councillors King, Parsonage, Lawrence and Steel (Councillor Parsonage in the chair.)

3—The View —The following Members attended the view meeting on Friday last, viz :—The Mayor, Councillors Heath, Lawrence, Parsonage, and Steel.

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4 —Gas Examiners Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 15.55 candles. Purity, 7.9 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

5- Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read : Average hourly consumption of gas per lamp during the month : in Cheltenham 4.255 cubic feet, in Charlton Kings 4.934 cubic feet, in Leckhampton 4.896 cubic feet.

6 -- Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month 2. Burning dimly, 1 (metered). Resolved, That the Gas Company be requested to fix a meter to the Lamp in the London Road opposite the footway leading to Park Street.

7—Numbering of Lamps—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had not yet been able to see Mr. Paterson on the subject of the numbering of the lamps.

8-Lighting of Added Districts—A letter from the Gas Company stating that pending a new arrangement of terms of lighting throughout the Borough as now enlarged, they were willing to continue the lighting temporarily in the added districts on the condition proposed by the Committee, viz. : that the Schedule of hours of lighting and extinguishing the lamps at present in force in the Borough be adopted in respect of the added parts, but at the same extra charge for the additional quantity of gas at the rate of 5 cubic feet per hour, to be supplied to the lamps in the added districts, as in the past, was read. Resolved, That the existing arrangement be continued during the month of June, by which time the Committee hope to make the necessary arrangements for consolidating the lighting.

9 -Street Projections —The Street Inspector reported that Mr. W. J. Harrison had fixed a small sign to the window frame at 369, High Street. A letter from Mr. Harrison requesting leave to keep up this sign, was read. Resolved, That permission be given to retain the sign in its present position, subject to the right of the Council to require its removal if at any time they think fit to do so.

The Inspector also reported that the position of the show case at Mr. Mowatt's premises had not been altered as directed by the Committee. Resolved, That Messrs. Barclay & Co., be informed that if the requirement of the Council is not complied with within a week, proceedings will be taken against the parties.

A letter from Mr. T. Ody requesting leave to place an enamelled sign on the front of his shop in Tewkesbury Road, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to enable the Committee to view.

10-Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The usual Monthly Report of the Surveyor as follows, was read :—Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Gloucester Road, Gas Lane, Lansdown Road, Lansdown Place, Queen's Road, Arle Road. Patching—Market Street, Lansdown Parade, Battledown Approach (proceeding).

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Larput Place, St. James's Street, Park Street, Imperial Square, College Road (proceeding), Pittville Estate.

Gullies and Drains renewed to replace defective ones, one in the Prestbury Road, one in Winchcomb Street by Pittville Gates, one in Rosehill Street, two in Selkirk Street, one in Tewkesbury Road, one in Evesham Road, one in Pittville Circus Road.

Kerbing. Crossing and Flagging—Bayshill Road (east side), Back Lypiatt Terrace, Marsh Lane, Promenade, St. Paul's Street South, Suffolk Parade, Ambrose Street, Hanover Street, Hamilton Place. Tariff Paths—Bath Terrace.

Gravel Paths—Evesham Road, St. Paul's Road. Clinker Paths—Gloucester Road (by Cloddimore Estate).

The following paths have been repaired with Clee Hill screenings Norwood Road (120 square yards), Bath Street (48 square yards), Alley at back of St. Philip's Street (140 square yards), Commercial Street (150 square yards).

Asphalte Paths—Back of Lypiatt Terrace (100 square yards).

Private Improvements—Montpellier Exchange (proceeding).

Dead Trees have been Removed in the following Roads—One in Cemetery Road, one in Pittville Crescent, three in St. George's Road, one in Overton Road, one in Gloucester Road. three in Lansdown Road, three in Queen's Road, one in Grafton Road. Young shoots have been pruned from the trees in The Park, Moorend Park Road, Leckhampton Road, and Grafton Road.

Fifteen dead beech trees have been cut down at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground.

Ashes Collection—No. of Van Loads collected, 585 ; Cart Loads collected, 542 ; consumed at the Destructor, 791 tons. 12 cwt.

11— Grosvenor Place South—The Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in the above locality had been completed at a cost of £261 5s. 3d., which sum he had apportioned amongst the various abutting owners in manner set forth in his Report, Resolved, That the Surveyor's apportionment be approved, and notice thereof be given to the Owners and demand made for payment of the sums respectively due from them.

12—Trees in Spa Buildings—A Letter from the Misses Covey, of 7, Spa Buildings, asking if some of the very thick trees overlooking the Montpellier Gardens might not be thinned, was read. Resolved, That the Misses Covey be informed that when the proper season arrives the matter will be considered.

13 - Private Improvement Works, Alstone Lane, and Thirlestaine Road—A Letter from the Local Government Board, stating that they proposed to issue an Order in the above matters dismissing the appeals, was read.

14- Footpath in Royal Well Lane—A Letter from Mr. Brereton, stating that the Executive Committee of the Ladies' College had consented that the College should bear one half of the expense of paving and channelling the footpath in Royal Well Lane, as proposed by the Town Council, was read.

15-Hermitage Street and Exmouth Street —This matter was adjourned for further consideration.

16-Guard Posts in Streets—The Borough Surveyor brought before the Committee the question of the Guard Posts in the Streets. Resolved, That the Committee on the Views be authorised to point out such guard posts and stones as they consider to be unnecessary and to have same removed accordingly.

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17-Footpath East Side of Christ Church Road—A letter from Mr. E. Carter of St. Catherine's, Christ Church Road, asking when the paving on the East side of that road would be put down, was read. The matter was adjourned for view by the Committee.

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

J. D. Taylor—New Lavatories at Osborne House.

G. L. Owen—Additions to " Glenholme."

Samuel Adams—House in Christ Church Road.

The Surveyor also submitted the following Notices and Plans which were dealt with as stated below.—

J. C. Outhred—Stables at back of 10, Royal Crescent. Approved subject to the building and boundary wall being set back six feet.

Daniel Thompson—Two Shops and Dwelling Houses in Gloucester Road. Approved, subject to the drain being taken outside the closets, and to the level of the ground being kept 4ft. above the level of the public footpath.

Thomas Knight—Additions to 36, Fairview Street. Approved, subject to the connections with the sewers being made to the approval of the Borough Surveyor.

Edward Pates—Coal Office, St. George's Road. Approved, subject to the building being set back to the Greenhouse.

George Lanwarn—Eleven Houses in Oakfield Street, Tivoli. The plans as to the buildings approved, subject to the back road being widened 3ft., and the access to the back Road being made 6ft. in width ; but the whole matter must stand adjourned on the question of the sewerage, to enable the Town Clerk and the Borough Surveyor to report as to the state of the sewer and the ownership thereof.

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 15th day of May, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Griffith ; Councillors Feeney, Hands, Moles, M. Davis, E. L. Davies and Parsonage (Alderman Griffith in the chair)—

1-Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notices since the last meeting of the Committee, 4 cases of Scarlet Fever, 1 case of Diphtheria, and 1 case of Small Pox.

2-No. 9, St. George's Square —The Medical Officer of Health reported that although notice had been served upon the parties to discontinue the use of this house as a Common Lodging House, it not being registered, the house was still being used as heretofore. Resolved, That proceedings be at once taken to enforce compliance with the Bye-Laws in this matter.

3— 38, Upper Norwood Street—The Medical Officer of Health presented a Certificate representing that the dwelling house known as No. 38, Upper Norwood Street, was in such a state as to be dangerous and injurious to health and unfit for human habitation. Resolved, That the necessary proceedings be taken under Section 32 of the Housing of the Working Classes 1890, for an order to close the said house.

4-1 and 2, Harborne Cottages and 5, Burton Street—The Medical Officer of Health handed in a Certificate under Section 46 of the Public Health Ad, stating that these houses were in a filthy condition and required cleansing and lime-washing. Resolved, That notices be given to the respective owners requiring them to cleanse and lime-wash their premises.

5-Villa, Libertus Road—The Medical Officer of Health reported that complaint having been made as to the condition of this house an inspection had shown a leaky and badly ventilated soil pipe. He advised that the owner be required to place the soil pipe outside the house wall and to ventilate it full bore, also to make the house drain perfect. Resolved, That notice be given to the owner to do what is necessary.

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6-W.C. unconnected with Sewer—The Medical Officer of Health reported that at Deanwood House Stables there is a w.c. which has no drainage but into a receptacle for stable manure. Resolved, That notice be given to the owner to have the w.c. connected with the sewer.

7-Houses without Ashpits—The Medical Officer of Health presented a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the houses named therein (45 in number) were without proper and sufficient ashpits or ash receptacles. Resolved, That the necessary notices be given to the respective owners, under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each instance to provide a moveable ash receptacle, of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Borough Surveyor on behalf of the Corporation.

8-W.C.'s without Flushing Apparatus—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c.'s without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That notices be given under Section 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus, and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

9-Wells requiring to be Closed—The Medical Officer of Health having represented that the water in the wells at 1 to 6, St. Margaret's Cottages ; 1 and 2, Green's Passage ; 13, 14, 22 and 23, Rutland Street ; 30, Rutland Street and 1, 2 and 3, Bryant's Court ; 36, 37, 49 and 50, Rutland Street ; 51 Rutland Street and three adjoining Cottages ; 54 and 55, Rutland Street ; 56 and 57, Rutland Street and two adjoining Cottages ; 10 and 11, Rutland Street ; 42, Rutland Street and Cottage adjoining ; 52 and 53, Rutland Street ; and 66 and 67, Rutland Street, used or likely to be used for drinking or domestic purposes, was so polluted as to be injurious to health. Resolved, That the necessary notices and proceedings for orders to close the respective wells, under Section 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be given and taken.

10--House without Water Supply—It appearing on the Report of the Borough Surveyor dated the 15th inst., that the premises known as No. so, Grosvenor Terrace were without a proper supply of water, and that such supply could be furnished thereto at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Ads. Resolved, That notice be given under Section 52 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners, requiring them to obtain such supply and do all such things as may be necessary for that purpose.

11-Sewerage of Hatherley District—The Plan prepared by the Borough Surveyor for the Sewerage of the Hatherley District was again considered, and as it appeared that the proposals shewn on the plan will, if carried out, be of equal benefit to the properties in the adjoining District of the Rural Sanitary Authority, the Town Clerk was directed to forward a copy of the plan to the Rural Sanitary Authority, and request them to favour the Council with their view as to the adoption of the Town Scheme for the extension of the Sewer in their District.

Resolved, That the investigation as to the other Sewers in the Town and the question of Ventilation of Sewers in the Town be the subject of further enquiry at a future meeting.

12--Lansdown Terrace Terrace—The Town Clerk's Assistant reported that he had, as directed by the Deputy-Chairman, made some enquiry respecting the Ownership of the Lansdown Terrace Sewer. It appeared that this Sewer was one of those laid down by Mr. Pearson Thompson prior to the year 1852, and in respell of which, along with other matters, certain rent-charges were reserved, and that Mr. Jas. Winterbotham informed him that they now made no claim for and did not collect any rent-charge for the use of this Sewer. The Borough Surveyor stated that he estimated the cost at from £90 to £100. Resolved, That, under the circumstances, the work be done by the Corporation and be proceeded with at once.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 23rd day of May, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Griffith ; Councillors Feeney, Hands, Dighton, Moles, Davies, M. Davis, and Parsonage (Alderman Griffith in the chair)—

13- Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee, 2 cases of Scarlet Fever, and 1 of Enteric Fever.

14- Road Cully overflowing into Cellar—The Medical Officer of Health reported that complaint had been made of the overflowing of a road gully into the cellar of Mr. R. Burroughs, Hales Road. Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

15-Mr. Williams' Application re Delancey Fees—A letter from Mr. J. U. Williams stating that application had been made to him for £5 5s. 0d., for treatment of Ruth Davis, his domestic servant, in the Delancey Hospital, that according to the Delancey Rules the maximum sum to be paid is £4 4s. 0d. for any one sent in by order of the Sanitary Authority, also that in this case the patient was discharged before she was free from infection and, on returning to her house at Strensham, the fever was given to her sister, and Ruth Davis had to remain at home some weeks, at his expense, before it was considered safe for her to return to his house, and under the circumstances he trusted the Council would be able to reduce the fees. Resolved, That Mr. Williams be informed the sum claimed from him is the sum actually paid by the Corporation to the Delancey Hospital in respect of the treatment of his servant, and that as regards the difference between the amount and the maximum mentioned in the Rules of the Trustees, this is accounted for by the fact that the Council have a Special Agreement with the Trustees which is not affected by the Rules, and the Council are not responsible in respect of the time at which patients are discharged.

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16-Slaughter Houses-Grove Street-The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises (previously reported to the Committee as being unregistered), and as having had registration signs affixed to them, were still in use and the signs not removed. He recommended that proceedings be taken to close two out of three which are not on the register. Resolved, That the proprietors of the two unregistered slaughter houses be prosecuted

17-Drainage at 325, High Street--The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under section 41 of the Public o. V Health Act, stating that the drainage of the above premises is a nuisance and injurious to health, and that the Medical Officer of Health having reported that illness has recently occurred in the house, referred by the Medical attendant to the condition of the drains. Resolved, That authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to open the ground and examine the drainage and act as provided by the said Section.

18-- Mrs. Hailing's Workshop-The Medical Officer of Health stated that the Inspector of Factories (Miss Deane) had drawn his attention to the fact that there are about twenty girls working on the above premises, and that there is one old pan closet, unventilated, and one small wash bowl in stand without waste pipe. He advised that a wash-down pedestal closet and one or two good lavatory basins be provided, and that the closet be properly lighted and ventilated to the external air. Resolved, That Notice be served upon the owner to do the foregoing works.

19-Houses unfit for Habitation-The Medical Officer of Health presented a certificate representing that the houses known as Hereford Passage, and Nos. 16 and 17, Exmouth Street, and house at back of No. 17, were in such a state as to be a nuisance injurious to health and unfit for human habitation. Resolved, that the necessary proceedings be taken under Sec. 32 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, for an order to close the said houses.

20-- No. 6, Hereford Passage-The Medical Officer of Health presented a certificate representing that the above house is in such a filthy and unwholesome condition as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates therein. Resolved, That Notice be given to the occupier under Sec. 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to limewash, cleanse, and purify the said premises.

21- Wells requiring to be Closed-The Medical Officer of Health having represented that the water in the wells at Nos. 27, 52, 58, 1, 2, 3, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 44, 45, 46, 50, 50A, 4, 23, 53, 54, 55, and 56, Worcester Street ; Worcester Arms, Tewkesbury Road ; 1, 2, and 3, Elm Street ; 90, Tewkesbury Road, Farmer's Arms and Cottage near Farmer's Arms, used or likely to be used for drinking or domestic purposes was so polluted as to be injurious to health, Resolved, That the necessary notices and proceedings for orders to close the respective wells under section 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be given and taken.

22- W.C.'s without Flushing Apparatus-The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c's without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That notices be given under section 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act. 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

23-- Houses without Ashpits- The Medical Officer of Health presented a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the houses named therein (20 in number) are without proper and sufficient ashpits or ash receptacles. Resolved, That the necessary notices be given to the respective owners under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Sec. 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each instance to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Borough Surveyor on behalf of the Corporation.

24-Delancey Hospital-The Chairman, as one of the representatives of the Corporation on the Delancey Trust, having reported that overtures had been made to the Trustees to admit patients to the Hospital from beyond the area of the Union. Resolved, That this Committee are of opinion that such a practice is undesirable; also, that a communication to this effect be forwarded to the Delancey Trustees.

25 Plans of House Drainage-The Plans of such New Buildings, necessitating drainage, as were intended to come up for approval at the next meeting of the Street and Highway Committee were laid before this Committee, and the same were approved so far as regards the drainage arrangements, which are fully set out in Minute No. 18 of the Street and Highway Committee. 26 Accounts-The following accounts were examined and allowed :-

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| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients | £32 16 0 |
| W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance | £ 2 0 0 |
| J. H. Bennett, Returns of Deaths | £ 0 16 4 |
| C. J. Willis, Sulphur Candles | £ 1 10 0 |
| A. Hughes & Co., Bicycle for Medical Officer of Health | £14 4 9 |

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 8th day of May 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Thoyts, Griffith and Rogers ; Councillors Heath, Lawrence, Parsonage and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

Pittville Park—Boats—The Chairman reported that three more Boats would be delivered by Mr. Halford on Monday next. Resolved, That in view of the great demand for the Boats three additional Boats be procured before Whit-Monday.

Refreshments—The Borough Surveyor was authorised to make the best arrangements he could with regard to letting the right to supply refreshments in the Marle Hill Ground up to the 31st October next, excepting upon such days as the ground may be closed by the Committee against Subscribers.

Band—An application from Mr. Hatton, the Bandmaster of the Royal Gloucestershire Hussars for leave to give a Sacred Concert by the Band in Pittville or Montpellier Gardens on Whit-Sunday and

the following Sunday, was read. Resolved, That leave be given to the Band to play on Whit-Sunday at Montpellier Gardens and on the following Sunday at Pittville, but on neither occasion will any charge be allowed to be made for admission.

A similar application having been made by the Town Band, the Clerk was directed to inform them of the foregoing arrangement, as the Committee understood that the whole of the members of the Town Band were also members of the larger Band of the Yeomanry.

Advertising—The Borough Surveyor was directed to put an advertisement in the Gloucester and South Wales papers calling the attention of excursionists and others to the fact that the Marle Hill Grounds and Lake are now open, and setting forth the attractions of the place,

Charges for Admission—A memorial from Col. Forbes Robertson and other residents on the Pittville Estate, stating that they considered the charge of 10s. made upon them for entrance to the Marle Hill Extension, unfair, inasmuch as Subscribers were only charged 4s. 6d. in addition to their original payment of 10s. 6d. in respect of Pittville to which part they (the residents) had free access, and they failed to see the justice of being required to pay 5s. 6d. more than the Subscribers for the Marle Hill portion, was read. Resolved, That the charge to residents on the Estate for admission to Marle Hill be reduced to 5s.

WILLIAM HEATH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 28th day of May, 1894—Present ; The Mayor; Aldermen Griffith and Rogers ; Councillors Lawrence, Heath, and Skillicorne (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

2- Sale of Mineral Waters--A letter from Mr. G. H. Williams, the Secretary of the Montpellier Baths Company, forwarding cheque for £4 7 0 being one half of the amount received for sale of Mineral Waters at the Montpellier Baths during the past twelve months, in accordance with the arrangement made with this Committee, was read.

3-Montpellier Gardens —A letter from Col. Croker King asking for the use of these Gardens for the performance of Pastoral Plays by Mr. Ben Greet on two days during the week from 17th to 23rd of June, for the benefit of the General Hospital, was read. Resolved, That the use of the Gardens be granted to Col. Croker King for the above purpose, subject to his agreeing to make good any damage that may be done, and subject to the right of Subscribers to free entrance to the performances, and also provided no objection is raised by the Lessee of Tennis Court, No. 16.

A letter from C. A. Hacker of 15, Lansdown Crescent, expressing his approval of the opening up of the front of the above Gardens and the erection of the new railing, and the hope that the whole of the old fence might soon be removed and the new railings substituted, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Hacker be thanked for his appreciation of the efforts of the Corporation to improve and beautify' the public streets and open spaces of the town, and be informed that his suggestion as to the extension of the railing shall receive due consideration.

4-Yeomanry Band Councillor Lawrence laid before the Committee Balance Sheet of the receipts and expenditure in connection with the Sacred Concert given by the Yeomanry Band on the 20th inst. at Pittville, shewing a balance of £4 8s. 0d., which had been forwarded to the General Hospital.

5-Corporation Band—Resolved, That this Band play as follows :—

11 to 1 In the Promenade every morning.

6 45 to 8.45 p.m.—On Mondays and Wednesdays at Marle Hill.

Ditto. — Fridays at Pittville Gardens.

Ditto. --Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at Montpellier Gardens.

WILLIAM HEATH,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 17th day of May, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Hauls, Margrett, Davies, Woodard, and Ward-Humphreys (The Mayor in the chair)—

Tewkesbury Water Supply Arbitration—Mr. Mellersh attended this Meeting on behalf of the Town Clerk, who was absent through illness, and reported that, at the Arbitration relative to the above matter, a proposal had been made by the Counsel aging for Tewkesbury, that power should be given to the Arbitrator to determine that the price per 1,000 gallons to be now fixed by him should be binding on the two Corporations for a fixed period, and, further, that a minimum annual sum should be fixed to be paid by the Corporation of Tewkesbury Mr. Mellersh stated that Counsel for the Cheltenham Corporation advised the adoption of this course, and the decision of the Arbitrator had been postponed to enable the parties to obtain the consent thereto of their respective Corporations.

Resolved, That the Committee do agree to the matter being dealt with as above suggested, and that Mr. Mellersh be requested to prepare the necessary document, empowering and requesting the Arbitrator to fix the period and the minimum sum, and that such document be submitted to the Tewkesbury Corporation for their approval.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 21st day of May, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Councillors Hands, Margrett, King and Woodard (The Mayor in the chair)—

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

"On the 21st instant, the supply to the Hewletts Reservoirs was 101 Gallons per minute ; the average for the last four years being 118 gallons per minute; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 11,249,563 gallons.

On the 19th instant the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 25 feet 7 inches, and the contents 67,965,065 gallons, which gives a total of 79,214,628 gallons.

2—No. 1, Bath Street—A Letter from Mr. Cowan, of H.M. Office of Works at Bristol, stating that on a recent inspection of the office at Cheltenham, he observed that the outside presented a very dilapidated appearance, the cement and paint having left the walls in several places, and asking the Corporation to have it put in proper repair and repainted as soon as possible, was read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do procure Tenders for doing the necessary work.

3—Telephone for Tewkesbury Works--The Borough Surveyor reported that it was very desirable to have the Tewkesbury Works connected with the Telephone Exchange at Tewkesbury, so as to enable communication to be established between the Works and the Cheltenham Offices; the cost would be £7 per annum. Resolved, That this be done.

4—Appeals—Various Appeals 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.

E. WETHERED,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 21st day of May, 1894—Present : The .Mayor; Aldermen Griffith and Thoyts ; Councillors King and Parsonage (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—Hackney Carriages—The Committee met to consider such Reports and Complaints as had been made during the past Licensing Year against any of the Hackney Carriage Proprietors or Drivers, in view of the approaching Annual Licensing Meeting. and it was Resolved that the Committee do recommend to the Council as follows :—

That the Hackney Carriage Licence of John Beamish be not renewed.

That the carriages and business of Charles Stroud having been purchased by his brother, Joseph Stroud, the Licenses be renewed in the name of the latter on his making the proper application,

That Mrs. Eliza Fricker's Licence be not renewed.

That the application of George Cleveland for a Driver's Licence be not granted.

Applications from C. W. Martin for a Hackney Carriage Licence, from Newman Gibbard for a Pony Carriage Licence, and from Arthur Spreadbury for leave to transfer his Full Licence from a Landau to an Open Carriage, were read. Resolved, That the applications be not granted.

2-Storage and Indexing of Papers—Resolved, That the Town Clerk be empowered to have a proper Index prepared of the Books, Papers, &c., &c., of the Corporation now stored in the Cellars, and that the Committee do arrange for the destruction or sale, as waste paper, of such as they think may be sold or destroyed.

3--Local Government Act, 1894—The Report of the Town Clerk on this Ad was further considered, also a letter received by him from the Clerk to the County Council, informing him that the Committee appointed by the County Council to enquire into the cases of the Parishes of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton will hold the Local Enquiry on the 11th June, at the Petty Sessional Court at Cheltenham, and enquiring if the Council had any proposals to make as to the disposition of the parts of the said Parishes which are now within the Urban Sanitary District of the Borough, and which will become separate Parishes under the Act if no other disposition is ordered. Resolved, That those portions of the respective Parishes of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton which have been added to the Borough, and which will become separate Parishes under the Local Government Act, 1894, and the Divided Parishes Acts, be amalgamated with and form part of the Parish of Cheltenham for all lay and civil purposes, such amalgamated Parishes to bear the name of " The Parish of Cheltenham," and that application be made to the County Council, and to the Local Government Board, if necessary, for an order for such amalgamation Resolved, further, That application be made to the Local Government Board, under the Local Government Act, 1894, for an order conferring on the Council the power of appointment of Overseers and Assistant-Overseers and the revocation of the appointment of Assistant-Overseers in the said amalgamated Parish and Borough of Cheltenham, and the powers of the Vestry under Sections 3 and 4 of the Poor Rate Assessment and Collection Act, 1869.

Resolved, further, That Alderman Griffith and Councillors Parsonage and Feeney be appointed a Committee to attend the Enquiry to be held by the County Council on the 11th prox., and to confer with the Guardians, the Charlton Kings Local Board and the Rural Sanitary Authority with respect to the amalgamation with the Parish of Cheltenham of the added Districts.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 23rd day of May, 1894—Present : Alderman Griffith ; Councillors Lawrence and Parsonage (Alderman Griffith in the chair)—

4—Chairman—In the absence of Alderman Thoyts, Alderman Griffith was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

5—Fire Brigade—The Superintendent reported that there had been no fire during the past month A further application from Mr. E. J. White, of 10, Norwood Terrace, for some allowance in respect of the damage done to his premises through the hose being carried through them on the occasion of the fire at Hereford House, was read and considered, and, on the recommendation of the Superintendent, Resolved, That Mr. White be allowed £2 10s..

6—Mr Baker's Resignation—A Letter from Mr. W. A. Baker expressing his intention to resign his appointment as Superintendent of the Fire Brigade on the 30th of June next, was read.

Mr. Baker stated, in reply to the Committee, that he would be pleased to continue in charge of the Brigade until the Council had made arrangements for appointing a successor.

Resolved, That this Committee desires to express its high appreciation of the very admirable and satisfactory manner in which Mr. Baker has performed the duties of Superintendent of the Fire Brigade and their regret that ill health has compelled him to resign the post, and records the fact that Mr. Baker has held the office for thirteen years without having received a single complaint in respect either of conduct or efficiency. The Committee also thanks Mr. Baker for consenting to remain in office pending the appointment of the new Superintendent.

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7—Cab Stand in Cambray—A Letter from Mr. John How calling attention to the nuisance arising from the cab stand in Cambray, and trusting the Committee would give instructions for its removal forthwith, was read. Resolved, That Mr. How be informed the Council will endeavour to see if there is any more suitable spot for the cab stand.

8—Hackney Carriages—A Letter from Richard Staite asking the Committee to grant him a full license for his pony carriage, now plying for hire as No. 118, was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret they cannot grant the application, it being contrary to the rule which the Committee have laid down for their guidance.

9—Borough Surveyor's Staff—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had engaged Mr. Walter A. Anderson as Chief Assistant in his Department at the same salary as Mr. Dunscombe received on appointment, viz., £130, and that Mr. Anderson commenced his duties on the 15th inst. Resolved, That the appointment be approved.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a netting of this Committee held on Monday, the 21st day of May, 1894—Present : The Mayor Councillors King, Dighton, Margrett, Moles and Woodard (Councillor King in the chair)—

1---Alstone Bath—The Monthly Report of the Borough Surveyor was read. Number of bathers to this time 2889. Fees received, £25 5s. 8d.

2- Naunton Recreation Ground—A Letter from Capt. St. Clair Ford calling attention to the urgent necessity for a shelter in this ground, was read. Resolved, That Capt. St. Clair Ford be informed that the Committee regret their inability to put up a shelter at the present time, owing to lack of funds, but that as soon as the Committee can see their way to do so a shelter will be provided.

3-- Disused Burial Ground, Crowe Street—A Letter from Mr. Chas. Brown, stating that the Society of Friends to whom the above Burial Ground belonged desired to erect thereon a Mission Room,

according to a sketch plan annexed to his letter, and he would be glad to hear, as early as possible, whether any objection would be raised by the Corporation, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Brown's attention be drawn to Section 3 of the " Disused Burial Grounds Act, 1884," which is as follows :—" After the passing of this Ad it shall not be lawful to erect any buildings upon any disused Burial Ground, except for the purpose of enlarging a Church, Chapel, Meeting House, or other place of worship.

4—Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—A Letter from Lieut.-Col. Rogers, requesting permission for the Local Engineer Volunteers to use this ground on Wednesday evenings from 7.30 to 9, for the period from 9th May to 10th June, was read. Resolved, That leave be granted.

An application from Messrs. Sanger for the use of this ground for their Circus on the 15th of June, was read. Resolved, That the request cannot be acceded to.

The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee plans of proposed new w.c.'s, &c., to be erected in this Recreation Ground, but he stated that, in consequence of the date of this meeting having been advanced, he was not prepared with his detailed estimate of the cost. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned, a Special Meeting to be called for Thursday next

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 24th day of May, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Griffith ; Councillors King, Margrett Moles, Heath, Dighton, Wheeler and Woodard (Councillor King in the chair)—

1 -W.C.'s &c. at Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had now gone into the matter of the cost of the proposed Conveniences to be erected in the above ground, and he estimated the same at £100. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do procure tenders, and have the work proceeded with at once.

CHAS. W. KING,

Chairman.

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BURIAL, BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held the 25th day of May, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Parsonage, Moles, Davis, Steel (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)

1—Mr. Williams' Complaint--A complaint from Mr. J. H. Williams, Undertaker, of having been detained with a funeral at the Cemetery on the 8th inst., in consequence of there being no minister in attendance to perform the Service, and claiming to be paid for the extra hire of the Shillabeer, the men's time. &c., together with a report lions the Superintendent, stating that on receiving notice of the funeral he had, as usual, given notice to the Parish Clerk that a minister would be required at the time named for this interment, and finding the minister did not arrive within half an hour after the

time appointed, he dispatched a messenger to the Rev. Mr. Smelt who very kindly went over to the Cemetery and conducted the Service, were read. Resolved, That Mr. Williams be informed the Committee desire to express their regret at the delay and inconvenience caused to himself and the friends of the deceased through this unfortunate occurrence, but that it arose from circumstances entirely beyond the control of the Burial Board, who are in no way responsible for the same, the Superintendent having duly notified the Parish Clerk, on behalf of the Rector, that a minister would be required. Also Resolved, That the Committee desire to express their thanks to Mr. Smelt for his kindness in this matter.

2--Oak Tree in Front of Cemetery Lodge—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had called upon Miss Newman respecting her complaint, and he had arranged to remove a quantity of dead wood from the tree, which he thought would meet Miss Newman's requirements.

3—Hay Rakes—The Committee granted leave to the Superintendent to purchase two Hay Rakes for the Cemetery.

4—Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved :—Headstones to Michael Wm. Gore, Emma Forty, Susan Emily Meats, Wm. Henry Leacey, and Martha Shipp.

5—Account--The following Account was examined and allowed :—

W. Gregory, Labourer's Wages .. £10 10 0

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 22nd day of May, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffith, Thoyts and Norman ; Councillors Lawrence and Parsonage (Alderman Norman in the chair)—

1—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman Alderman Norman was appointed Chairman at this Meeting. The Borough Surveyor reported that, as directed by the Resolution of this Committee at their last Meeting, the Advertisement for applicants for the post of Electrical Engineer, would appear in the Electrician of this week, and that the applications would be in by the next Meeting of the - Committee.

GEO. NORMAN,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of May, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Rogers ; Councillors Parsonage, Davies, Lawrence, and Skillicorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, of date the 29th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Amount collected, £155; leaving outstanding, £14,284 10s. 5½ d.

2-Water Rate —The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 29th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts, £375 6s. 2d. ; leaving outstanding, £7,961 6s. 3d.

3 —Water—£10,000, Loan—Resolved, That the sum of £1,000, as part of this Loan, be borrowed from Mrs. Annie Hall at 3¼ per cent., repayable at six months' notice on either side after the expiration of twelve months, and that a Debenture be issued for that sum, Mrs. Hall having offered to lend the same.

4 ---Old Cemetery—Resolved, That a Donation of £3 3s. be subscribed towards the cost of keeping the Old Cemetery in order, in consideration of its being kept up as an Open Space for the use of the public.

5-Private Improvement Works—Alstone Lane and Thirlestaine Road—The Town Clerk reported that he had received copies of the order of the Local Government Board dismissing the appeals made to them in the above matters. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do now apply to the various parties to repay at once the sums due from them, and that the Local Government Board be asked to state whether or not the appellants are to pay the costs of the Corporation in respect of the enquiry.

6—Private Improvement Works—Tewkesbury Road—An application from Mr. Joseph Russell, who owes £2 18s. 2d. in respect of the above matter, to be allowed to repay by monthly instalments of 10s., was read. Resolved, That the request be granted.

5—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 :—

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| In hand on the 27th March last | £ 9,148 16 8 |
| Received since that date | £ <u>2,340 15 7</u> |
| | £11,489 12 3 |
| Paid since that date | £ <u>7,206 14 6</u> |
| Total in hand | £ 4,282 17 9 |
| Current and Interest Accounts | £2,122 2 2 |
| Sinking and Loan Funds | £ <u>2,160 15 7</u> |
| | £4,282 17 9 |

The bills and accounts for the past month having been examined. Resolved, That the same as settled, amounting to the sum of £3,669 17s. 8d. be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 25th day of May, 1894—Present; The Mayor; Alderman Haddon; Councillors Davies ; and Baron de Ferrieres (The Mayor in the chair)—

1-Chairman—In the absence of Mr. Feeney the Mayor was elected Chairman of this Meeting.

2-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, viz..

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| Miss J. Greenow | 1 vol. |
| Mr. H. Solly | 2 vols. |
| London University .. | 1 vol. |
| Miss C. Scott .. | 6 vols. |
| Anonymous (Local) | 12 pamphlets. |

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Col. W. A. Hill, Silver Medal struck in the year 1840 to commemorate the Marriage of Queen Vittoria, mounted and framed. Annual Reports from the Libraries at Great Yarmouth, Blackburn, Stafford, Halifax, Cork and Ealing. Resolved, That the best thanks of the Committee be tendered to Col. Hill for his Gift.

3 —Miss Buchanan's Gift—A Letter from Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney stating that they were instructed by the Executors of the late Miss Grace Isabella Buchanan to inform the Committee that by Miss Buchanan's will the following legacy had been bequeathed duty free :—

" To the Cheltenham Public Library £500, to be spent in Books to be lettered on their binding, the gift of Grace Isabella Buchanan,' " and they would be glad to hear that the Committee were prepared to accept the legacy under those conditions, in which event their clients would be prepared to pay the amount immediately upon the undertaking to fulfil them being given in some definite and permanent form, was read. Resolved, That on behalf of the Town the Committee gratefully accept the late Miss Buchanan's gift upon the terms and conditions mentioned in Messrs. Winterbotham's letter, and that Messrs. Winterbotham be informed the Committee propose to extend the expenditure of the money over a period of four or five years, unless their clients see any objection to such a course.

4—Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee recommended:—That new Books be purchased to the amount of £25. That the Librarian be authorised to obtain a Portfolio Stand at a cost not exceeding £2. That the Wages of the Caretaker (W. Addis) be advanced from 18s. to 20s. per week. Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

5 —Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed.

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| R. E. & C. Marshall, Furniture and Fittings | £ 0 6 0 |
| Librarian, Wages Account for June | £12 18 6 |
| Vimpany & Co., Cleaning Materials | £ 0 6 6 |
| " Review of Reviews," Books .. | £ 0 5 4 |

Yost Typewriter Co. Ltd., Ink Aad £ 0 8 3
James Miles, Books .. £ 2 5 0

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 22nd day of May, 1894 --Present : The Mayor: Councillors Hands, Davies, Wheeler, Steel and Moles (Councillor Hands in the chair)—

1—Local Committees—The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That a Summons be issued against the parent of the following child, viz. :— Thomas Lawrence, of Carlton Place.

2----Children too Late to be Marked—This matter was again considered, and the Committee elicited the information that the 74 children returned by the Inspectors last month as " too late to be marked," were, for the most part. children whose parents had kept them at home on account of wet weather, or because they had returned from an errand too late, as the parents imagined, to reach School before the marking of the Registers, or for other reasons, and not children who had been reported by the Teachers as too late to be marked.

3--Attendance of Officers' at Municipal Offices—Resolved, That the Attendance Officers be required to be in attendance at their office on every alternate day from 9.30 a m. for an hour, and that a notice be put up on the office door stating what days they may be found at the office.

4—Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the Attendance Officers were read, from which it appeared that Absentee Returns had been received from 32 Schools, containing 1131 names. These, and the balance of 491, left over from last month, made a total of 1622. Of this number 1038 had been visited, with the results shown in the Reports; in 40 cases the absences were satisfactorily explained by the Teachers, and 544 had yet to be visited.

5—Attendance Officers' Salaries—The application made by Mr. Wigley for an increase of salary was further adjourned, as was, also, a similar application received from Mr. Turner.

WILLIAM HANDS,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, Tunc 8th, 1894.

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 Tuesday, the 12th day of

rune 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. Annual Licensing of Hackney Carriages, Wheel Chairs, &c.
2. Annual Licensing of Hackney Carriage Drivers. 3. Notices of Motion.

Yours faithfully, E. T. BRYDGES,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, June 28th, 1894.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a 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 2nd 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, and of the Special Meeting on the 12th instant.
2. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
3. To approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.— Make Street and Building Bye-Laws.
- 4, PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.—Appoint Electrician. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.
4. Mr. Councillor Lenthall to move :—" That no Resolution for closing a well shall be passed unless an analysis of the water of the well has been made by the Medical Officer."
5. Mr. Councillor Lenthall to move for a Return of the number of subscribers to Pittville Gardens (with amounts) for the months from April 1st to June 30th, 1893 ; also the number of subscribers and amounts of the same for similar period 1894, and to move a resolution for revision of subscription to Pittville Gardens.
- 6.—Mr. Councillor Margrett to move :—"That, seeing that the present rate charged for-water is more than sufficient to cover the cost of supply, the time has now arrived to supply all persons, so wishing it, by meter at a rate for the quantity supplied to be fixed by the Water Committee and approved by the Council."

7. Mr. Councillor Wheeler to move :—" That the standing Orders of the Council be altered with a view of adding to the General Purposes and Watch Committee, the Chairman for the time being of the School Attendance Committee."

8. Notices of Motion.

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

R. Ticehurst, re Leckhampton Board Room. C. W. Martin, re Hackney Carriage License. The Treasury, re Mr. Mallory's Compensation. Rev. L. S. Lewis, re Water Supply to Old Cemetery.

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 2nd of July, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 25th day of June, 1894—Present : Alderman Haddon ; Councillors Lawrence, King, Parsonage, Steel, Heath and Feeney (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman Councillor Parsonage was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

2- The View Meetings—The following members attended the three Meetings held during the month for the purposes of inspections, &c., viz. :—On the 15th June—The Mayor, Alderman Col. Thoyts, Councillors Parsonage and Steel ; on the sand-Councillors Feeney, King, Lawrence, Parsonage and Steel ; on the 23rd—Alderman Col. Thoyts, Councillors Lawrence, Parsonage and Steel.

3—Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 15.7 candles Purity, 8.8 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

4—Gas Inspector's Monthly Report—The Gas Inspector's Monthly Report was read : Average hourly consumption of gas per lamp during the month : in Cheltenham 4.215 cubic feet, in Charlton Kings 4.928 cubic feet, in Leckhampton 4.939 cubic feet.

5—Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month 6 (1 metered). Burning dimly, 2 (1 metered).

6— Lighting in the Added Areas—The Chairman reported that the Committee had inspected the lighting of these areas and recommended the rearrangement of lamps in order to equalise the lighting in several portions of the district as pointed out to the Surveyor, thereby necessitating the addition of 3 new Lamps. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved.

7—Queen's Road and Lansdown Road—The Chairman reported that the Committee had inspected the lighting of these roads and instructed the Surveyor to bring up a plan shewing the alterations and additions required. Resolved, That the action of the Committee be approved. Resolved also, That the Burners in all the Lamps be altered so as to burn the same quantity of gas per hour as those in the old part of the Borough, and that the hours of lighting, burning and extinguishing be the same, and that this arrangement commence immediately after the reading of the meters in the month of July.

8—Street Projections—The Street Inspector reported that the show case at Mr. Mowatt's premises had been raised and altered as directed by the Committee.

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

Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Lansdown Parade, 640 yards super ; Manchester Street, 375 yards super ; St. James's Square, 500 yards super ; Tewkesbury Road, 1,866 yards super ; Hatherley Road, 3,000 yards super.

Patching—Arle Road, Fiddler's Green, Gloucester Road, College Road, Sandfield Street, Clarence Street, Badgeworth Road, Royal Well Place, Evesham Road, Promenade, New Street, Suffolk Parade, Near the Gordon Lamp, Douro Road, London Road.

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—College Road, 3,277 yards super.

Repaired with Brown Stone—Well Place, 917 yards super.

Gullies and Drains—Prestbury Road, 1 ; Cleeve Road, 1 ; Rosehill Street, 2 ; High Street, 1 ; Henrietta Street, 1 ; Oxford Passage, 1 ; Grafton Road, 1 ; Brandon Terrace, 1 ; Brandon Place, 1 ; Park Place, 1 ; Leckhampton Road, 1 ; Suffolk Square, 1 ; London Road, 1 ; Back of Rotunda Terrace, 1 ; New Street, 1. These have been put in to replace defective ones.

Kerbing, Crossing and Flagging—Queen's Road, Tewkesbury Road, Gloucester Road, Park Street, Suffolk Parade, High Street, Montpellier Terrace, Promenade, Lansdown Place, Rose and Crown Passage, Clarence Street, Fairview Street, Queen's Street, Suffolk Lawn, Upper Park Street.

Concrete Footpaths—Suffolk Place (proceeding).

Gravel Footpaths—Harp Hill, 1,600 super yards ; Broad Walk at Pittville, 1,688 super yards ; Parabola Road ; Bayshill Road Overton Road.

Private Improvements—Montpellier Exchange (finished), Back of Rotunda Terrace (proceeding), Royal Well Lane by Ladies' College (proceeding),

Trees Pruned—Pittville Estate, Cemetery Road, Promenade, Montpellier Spa Road.

Ashes Collection—Number of Van Loads collected, 567 ; Cart Loads collected, 258 ; consumed at the Destructor, 718 tons. 12 cwt. 1 qr.

10—Way from Hermitage Street to Exmouth Street This matter was further adjourned to enable the owners of the land to be communicated with.

11—Private improvement Works—Clare Street—A Letter from Mr. Edwin Coome respecting a demand made upon him for payment of Private Improvement Works expenses in respect of his property in Clare Street and Clare Place, asking for a reduction of [?missing] in the amount, or to be allowed time for the payment, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Coome be informed there is no ground whatever for any reduction, and that the question of granting time for payment be referred to the Finance Committee.

12--8, Christ Church Road—Col. Graham and Others—Letters from Mr. Carter and other residents in Christ Church Road, withdrawing the application for the completion of the paving on the east side of this road, were read. Resolved, That at present the matter be not proceeded with, but the Council must reserve their right to require the work to be done by the abutting owners whenever they think it right to do so.

13— Watercourse near Barrett's Mill—A Letter from Messrs. Young & Gilling, on behalf of the Trustees of the late C. L. Harford, Esq., making proposals with a view to define the boundary of the left bank of the watercourse to the south of Barrett's Mill, was read. Resolved, That it be left with the Borough Surveyor to settle with Messrs. Young & Gilling the boundary line, with power to arrange a give and take line.

14—Sherborne Terrace Improvement—A memorial from Mr. Geo. Bence and others, respectfully calling attention to the unfinished improvement known as Sherborne Terrace Improvement, commenced ten years ago, and suggesting the completion of the improvement, was read ; also a letter from Mr. Henry Hiam expressing his willingness to have the improvement completed conditional on the Corporation doing the whole of the work to his satisfaction and paying him £30, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for further consideration.

15 Fence along Chelt by Brookbank—A Letter from the Rev. W. Nevins, of Brookbank, calling attention to the fence along the bank of the Chelt which he stated was insufficient to prevent boys crossing the stream and entering his garden, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Nevins be informed the fence maintained by the Corporation is only intended to prevent danger to passengers along the Chelt footpath, and it is not the duty of the Corporation to erect a fence to keep trespassers off private property.

16--Sydenham and Cranham Roads— A Letter from Mr. J. F. Claridge, pointing out that nothing had yet been done to improve the condition of these roads, although the Council had directed specifications to be brought up, and desiring to know the cause of the delay, was read. Resolved, That before proceeding to put in force the compulsory powers of the Corporation the attention of Mr. Armitage and Mr. Sweeting's representatives be called to the want of repair in these roads.

17—Private Improvement Works - Alstone Lane—A Letter from Mr. La Terriere stating that as his appeal to the Local Government Board had proved more costly than was anticipated he trusted the Council would be disposed to make some abatement the sums charged to him ; and a Letter from Mr. Butt, stating that he considered it unreasonable and unfair to charge him interest on the amount due from him, but he was prepared to pay the principal sum, were read. Resolved, That Messrs. La

Terriere and Butt be informed that the order of the Local Government Board requires them to pay only the amount demanded by the notice of apportionment, and that having regard to the fact that the Corporation have been, unnecessarily as the result shews, put to considerable expense in the matter, and in justice to others who have paid, the Committee cannot recommend any abatement, and that to prevent interest running from the date of the order of the Board the amount due should be now paid forthwith.

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18-Telegraph Office, Hewlett Street—An application from the Secretary of the General Post Office for leave to erect, in connection with the proposed telegraph station in Hewlett Street, a painted telegraph pole at the west corner of St. Anne's Terrace, and to carry a wire over Fairview Road at the east side of the New Inn, over St. Anne's Terrace and over the road leading to Providence Square, was read. Resolved, That the required consent be given.

19—Stone Breaking at Leckhampton—A Letter from Mr. John Fletcher, of Brenta, Leckhampton, complaining of the annoyance caused to himself and other residents in the immediate vicinity of the Corporation yard, by the employment there of stone breakers, the noise and the bad language of the men being a great nuisance to the adjoining house occupiers, was read. Resolved, That the stone breaking being of advantage to working men in the neighbourhood the Committee cannot recommend the discontinuance of it, but steps will be taken to prevent any nuisance from bad language, &c.

20-Promenade Paving, East Side—The Borough Surveyor submitted samples and prices of adamant pavements for use in the Promenade. Resolved, That the necessary material be ordered from the Croft Granite Co., at 4s 1d per square yard.

21—Whaddon Lane—A Letter from Mr. Skillicorne stating that he was willing to ask the Gas Company to extend the gas main along this road if the Corporation would undertake, as soon as the road is put in proper repair, to order one or two new lamps to be erected, was read ; also a memorial from Mr. James Page and others, calling attention to the specification for the repair of the road, asking the Corporation to allow some reduction of the expense in respect of the user of the road by the Corporation carts. Resolved, That the Committee will comply with Mr. Skillicorne's request, and when the apportionment comes up for approval an allowance will be made in respect of the Corporation traffic along the road.

A Specification from the Surveyor, of date the 25th day June, inst., of the Works required to be done to the above Street, was read and approved. And it was 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 Street, 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.

22-Marsh Lane—A Specification from the Surveyor for the repair of this road was laid before the Committee. Resolved, That the consideration thereof be adjourned and that in the meantime the

Guardians be asked to give up sufficient land to make the road 36ft. wide, the Corporation in consideration thereof relieving them from all expense of formation of the road and footpath and the paving thereof.

23-Folly Lane—Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a Specification for the repair of this road and the formation of an ash path by the abutting and other owners

24—Street and Building Bye-Laws—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the Draft of these Bye-Laws as now settled by the Local Government Board. Resolved, That the Bye-Laws as now laid before the Committee be approved, and be made at the next Meeting of the Council.

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

Mr. H. Hodgkins, two houses in Eldorado Road, Christ Church Road.

Mr. H. Dallimore, villa in Moorend Park Road.

Capt. Lousada, additions to Shelburne Hall.

W. N. Skillicorne, Esq., house in Hewlett Road.

Mr. F. Stranger, villa in Gloucester Road.

The following Notices and Plans were also submitted and examined, and were dealt with as stated below :—

The Railway Mission, Mission Hall in Millbrook Street. Approved subject to the provision of a proper W.C. connected with the sewer and water supply.

Mr. W. Thomas, additions to Ashley Villa. Approved subject to the drain being taken outside the house.

Mr. Geo. Smith, three cottages in Malvern Street. Approved subject to the drains to the w.c.'s being taken outside.

Mr. Geo. Loveday, house in Roman Road. Approved subject to the drain being laid in concrete through the passage with an intercepting trap outside, and outside gully to scullery sink.

J. Lee, Esq., additions to Elmhurst. Disapproved, there being no provision for drainage shewn.

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 11th day of June, 1894-Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Griffith; Councillors Feeney, Parsonage, Moles, L. Davies and M. Davis (Alderman Griffith in the chair)-

1- Zymotic Disease-The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting, 5 cases of Scarlet Fever, 4 cases of Enteric Fever, and 2 cases of Small Pox.

2-Compensation for Bedding Destroyed-The Medical Officer of Health reported that the Bedding at the Lodging House in Grove Street where one case of Small Pox slept, was taken and destroyed, and he recommended that 20s be paid the owner as compensation, also that 20s be paid to Mr. Harris of High Street for re-stuffing and recovering a French Mattress, the cover and stuffing of which was destroyed under similar circumstances. Resolved, That the above amounts be paid.

3-Memorandurti issued to Butchers-The Medical Officer of Health stated that in regard to Limewashing Slaughter houses, the Butchers' attention had been called to the requirements of the Bye-Laws by circular, but he thought it should be understood however, that further circulars would not be issued.

4-Cesspool at 2, Wellington Passage-Drainage at 14, St. James' Place, Drainage at 10, Short Street, Stable Drain at Elkstone House-The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875 stating that the Drainage of the above premises is a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to open the ground in each case and examine the same, and act as provided by the said Section.

5-Defective Drainage at 23, Lansdown Terrace-The Medical Officer of Health reported that written application had been made by the Inspector of Nuisances stating that the Drainage of the above premises was a nuisance and injurious to health, and that, the case being an urgent one, authority had been given to the Surveyor who had opened the ground, examined the drainage. and serval the requisite notices. Resolved, That the foregoing action be approved and confirmed.

6---Clerk for Health Department-The Medical Officer of Health called attention to the necessity for a Clerk in the Health Department, and stated that when the subject was previously discussed the Committee had expressed itself in favour of someone being engaged to assist in the clerical work filling up of notices, &c., and be in the office to receive complaints, &c. when the Inspectors were out. Resolved, That it be a recommendation to the General Purposes Committee that a Clerk be appointed for the Health Department at a salary of 12s per week.

7 --Water Supply-Sandfield Road-Attention having been called to the fact that this road, in which several wells had been ordered to be closed, had no water supply. Resolved, That the Water Committee be asked to extend the main so far as may be necessary.

8-W.C.'s without Flushing apparatus-The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c.'s without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That notices be given under section 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act. 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

9- Wells requiring to be Closed-The Medical Officer of Health having represented that the water in the wells at 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, 40, 41, 43, 44, 46, 52, 54, 55, 57, 58, 59, 61, 62, 63, 64, and 65, St. Paul's Street North, used or likely to be used for drinking or domestic purposes, was so polluted as to be injurious to health. Resolved, That the consideration of this matter be adjourned till the next meeting to enable the Medical Officer of Health to complete his analyses of the waters.

10-Houses without Ashpits-The Medical Officer of Health presented a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the houses named therein, 14 in number, were without proper and sufficient ashpits or ash receptacles. Resolved, That the necessary notices be given to the respective owners under section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each instance to provide a movable ash receptacle, of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Borough Surveyor on behalf of the Corporation.

11-House unfit for human habitation-The Medical Officer of Health presented a Certificate representing that the house known as No. 22, Commercial Street, was in such a state as to be a nuisance and injurious to health, and unfit for human habitation. Resolved, That the necessary proceedings be taken under section 32 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, for an Order to close the said house.

12- Filthy Houses-Upper Norwood Street and Commercial Street-The Medical Officer of Health handed in a Certificate under section 46 of the Public Health Act, stating that No. 28, Upper Norwood Street, and No. 20, Commercial Street were in a filthy condition and required cleansing and Limewashing, Resolved, That notices be given to the respective owners requiring them to cleanse and Limewash their premises.

13-Cottages in Coltham Fields-Letters from Miss Fanny Walker and Miss Julia Champion asking the Committee to reconsider the Orders made upon them to provide Flushing Apparatus, &c. for the w.c.'s on their properties at Coltham Fields, were read. Resolved, That Miss Walker and Miss Champion be informed the Committee cannot alter their previous order in this matter, and that the work must be done so soon as the water main has been extended to the respective properties.

14-- Nuisance from Drains in Montpellier Street-A letter from Mr. G. H. Lane, of 6, and 7, Montpellier Street, calling attention to a very serious defect in the Sewers of the property adjoining, there having recently been some slight stoppage in the lower part of the Sewer which banked up the water, thereby causing it to escape into and flood his premises, and pointing out that where the water could flow, sewer gas would undoubtedly escape, was read. Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Borough Surveyor to enquire into.

15-Public Health Congress, 1894-The Mayor reported that the Council of the above Congress had nominated him as a Vice-President of the Chemical and Climatological Section provided he would accept the office, and that he had intimated his willingness to accept the appointment, and expressed his desire to take part in the discussions upon the subjects of " Potable Water " and " the Disposal of Sewage."

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 20th day of June, 1894—Present : The Mayor; Alderman Griffith ; Councillors Hands, Davies, M. Davis, Moles, Parsonage, and Feeney, (Alderman Griffith in the chair)—

16—Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee, cases of Scarlet Fever, 1 case of Enteric Fever, and 2 cases of Diphtheria.

17—Defective Drains—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains at " Cullendale," King's Road ; 322, 322a, and 323, High Street ; 18 and 19, Regent Street, and 23 and 24, Bath Street, are a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to open the ground in each case and examine the drains and act as provided by the said section.

18—Houses without Water Supply— It appearing on the Report of the Borough Surveyor dated the 29th inst., that the houses named therein, viz. :-23, Bath Street, Cobden House, Regent Street, 2 to 6, Princes Place, Duke Street, and 47, Duke Street, were without a proper supply of water, and that such supply could be furnished thereto at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Corporation Water Acts. Resolved, That Notice be given under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners requiring them to obtain such supply and to do all such things as may be necessary for that purpose.

19 — Overcrowded Dwelling Houses—The Medical Officer of Health reported that at a house in Swindon Road, occupied by -- Ames, Chimney Sweep, there are two parents and seven children, while there are only two small sleeping rooms with far too little cubic space ; also that at No. 1, Exmouth Court, occupied by Charles Hunt, wife, and five children, with two small sleeping rooms of far too little cubic space. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act to abate the nuisances

20-W.C.'s without Flushing Apparatus—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c.'s without flushing apparatus. Resolved, That notices be given under Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

21-Alteration of date of Next Meeting—Resolved, That the next meeting be held on the 10th July instead of 9th July, in order that it may not clash with the meeting of the County Council.

22-Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health called attention to the fact that a number of notices ordered to be given by this Committee had now expired in point of time, but had not been complied with, and he advised that in each case fresh notices be served upon the respective defaulters. Resolved, That this be done.

22-Lansdown Terrace Sewer—Tenders from the Sanitary and Economic Association, John Baker, and Mark Williams for the construction of the new sewer at Lansdown Terrace, were opened and considered. Resolved, That the tender of Mr. Mark Williams at £125 5s. 7d. be accepted, that being the lowest.

23—Sewer in Old Bath Road at Pilley—Tenders from the Sanitary and Economic Association, John Baker, and Mark Williams, for the construction of the intended new sewer at Pilley, were opened and considered. Resolved, That the tender of Mr. Mark Williams at £120, being the lowest, be accepted.

24—Wells requiring to be Closed—The list of Wells requiring to be closed, presented by the Medical Officer of Health at the last meeting, was further considered. Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health be requested to examine and report upon the water in all the Wells mentioned in the said list, and, on the Medical Officer of Health being satisfied after analyses that such waters are so polluted as to be injurious to health, the necessary notices and proceedings for orders to close the respective wells under Section 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be given and taken.

25—Offensive Trade in Bennington Street—It appearing to the Committee that the offensive trade reported in March last as having been established at the premises of Messrs. Page and Co., in Bennington Street, had not been discontinued in accordance with the order of the Committee. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do take proceedings against the offenders for compliance with the notice and for recovery of penalties.

26—Plans of House Drainage—The Plans of such New Buildings, necessitating drainage, as were intended to come up for approval at the next meeting of the Street and Highway Committee, were laid before this Committee, and the same were approved so far as regards the drainage arrangements, subject in some instances to certain conditions which are fully set out in Minute No. 25 of the Street and Highway Committee.

27—Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed.

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| Knight & Co., Inspector's Journal | £ 0 16 9 |
| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients | £17 10 0 |
| Poor Rate on Heyden Farm and Cottages | £22 15 4 |
| Poor Rate on Ash Destructor | £ 6 0 6 |
| Poor Rate on Building and Land in Tewkesbury Road and Hatherley land | £ 2 4 1 |
| Poor Rate on Ambulance Driver's Cottage | £ 0 12 3 |
| " Cottages at Heydon Knoll | £ 0 17 6 |
| Boiler Insurance Co., Destructor Boiler Premium | £ 2 10 0 |
| Account under 10s | £ 0 2 9 |

J. C. GRIFFITH, Chairman

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 25th day of June, 1891—Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Heath, and Lawrence, (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

1—Montpellier Gardens—A Letter from Messrs. Letheren and Sons stating that their charge for the specimen length of Iron Railing fixed at Montpellier was 29s per yard fixed complete, but that if the Corporation wished to proceed with the whole of the front portion they would be prepared to execute the work at the rate of 25s per yard fixed complete, was read. Resolved, That the specimen length of Iron Railing erected at these Gardens be approved and be continued in the line of and

rounding off the S.W. corner as shewn on the plan laid before the Committee by the Borough Surveyor.

A memorial from Mr. Wm. King and others calling attention to the unsightly fencing round the Gardens and asking if it could not be removed and replaced by that recently erected—which had been highly approved of, was read. Resolved, That Mr. King and the other signatories be informed the memorial shall receive due and careful consideration.

A letter from Colonel Martin of Delmar enquiring if the Council would lease him for a term of 3, 5, or to years one of the Tennis Courts near the Wicket opposite Montpellier Terrace, the ground to be maintained as at present let to tenants for the season, but he would be quite willing to give up the ground on its being required for any improvement, or for exhibitions or sports, was read. Resolved, That a Court be let to Colonel Martin for 3 or 5 years at £5 per annum, subject to the space being given up if required for public purposes.

The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs. Pain and Sons had made proposals in regard to the holding of a Firework Display in the Montpellier Gardens. Resolved, That a Promenade Concert and Display of Fireworks be given on Monday and Thursday or Tuesday and Thursday in the Cricket Week, on the same terms and arrangements with Messrs Pain and Sons as last year.

A letter from Mr. Edward Shenton enquiring upon what terms the Corporation would let him the above Gardens on the 4th of July for a Promenade Concert and Display of Fireworks, also on two days in Cricket Week, was read. Resolved, That the Committee being in communication with Messrs. Pain and Sons on the subject of a Firework Display at Marle Hill about that time cannot recommend the letting of the Montpellier Gardens for that purpose.

2-- Promenade Fountain—A letter from the Secretary of Bethesda Wesleyan Band of Hope thanking the Council for their kindness and courtesy in allowing the fountain to play during the procession of the children en route for Bushley Shrubs, on the 20th Inst, was read.

3—Promenade Improvement No. 2—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee the plan of proposed mode of dealing with the Gardens in front of 1 to 14, Promenade. Resolved, That the adjourned meeting of the owners and occupiers be convened with a view to the settlement of this matter.

4—Pittville Park—Resolved, That the old Mill House building at the W. end of the Lake be roofed and a floor put in, and the basement put in order, and made suitable as a Tool House ; also Resolved, That the Committee be empowered to arrange for a Promenade Concert and display of Fireworks at Pittville Park, at the time of the Agricultural Show and to engage the Band playing on that occasion or any other similar band, as they may think fit.

Borough Extension—Officers' Compensation—A letter from the Treasury intimating that as it appeared that Dr. Cocks Johnstone's term of office by virtue of the terms of his appointment was not abridged by the abolition of the Local Board, the Lords of the Treasury could make no award of Compensation in his case, was read.

WILLIAM HEATH, Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 8th day of June, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Woodard and Davies (The Mayor in the chair)—

1—Tewkesbury Water Supply—The Town Clerk read a Correspondence he had had with the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury, in which the latter stipulated that the term to be fixed by Arbitrator should not exceed 15 years and the minimum price to be paid by his Corporation should not exceed £650, and further, more reserving the right to put an end to the supply in bulk at any time within the term fixed by the Arbitrator. Resolved, That the conditions sought to be imposed cannot be agreed to, being entirely at variance with account[crossed out] made at the sitting before the Arbitrator. That the replies of the Town Clerk to Mr. Badham's letters be approved, and that a copy of the Correspondence be sent to the Arbitrator.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 21st day of June, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Ward-Humphreys, Davies, Woodard, King, Hands and Margrett (The Mayor in the chair)—

Borough Engineer's Report —The usual monthly report of the Borough Engineer, as follows, was read:—"On the 18th instant, the supply to the Hewletts Reservoirs was 104 Gallons per minute ; the average for the last four years being 112 gallons per minute; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 10,831,808 gallons.

On the 19th instant, the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 25 feet 6 ½ inches, and the contents 67,895,165 gallons, which gives a total of 78,726,973 gallons.

Pumping has been commenced at Tewkesbury, and water delivered at the Hewletts. One or two valves and a washout drain have yet to be fixed at the Tewkesbury Works and the roof of the addition to the Engine House is being fixed. The new Filters are finished.

3 —Gloucestershire Agricultural Society—A letter from Mr. J. G. Villar the Local Secretary for the above Society's Show, asking the Corporation to grant a free supply of Water for the Show, the Society bearing the cost of laying down the Water pipes and all expenses connected therewith, was read Resolved the foregoing request be acceded to.

4 —Tewkesbury Water Arbitration—The Town Clerk called the attention of the Committee to the further correspondence which had passed between himself and the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury, and it was Resolved, That a Special Meeting of the Committee be called for Tuesday next, to consider the present position of this matter.

5—Appeals—Various Appeals 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.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of June, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Davies, Woodard, and Hands (The Mayor in the chair)—

7—Tewkesbury Water Supply—A letter from Sir George Bruce to the Town Clerk (a copy of which he had sent to the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury) suggesting that it should be left to him to decide as part of his award whether Tewkesbury is to be at liberty within the terns to be named to revert to the mode of payment, provided in section 70 of the Act, which he understood to be the sole question in dispute, was read. Resolved, That the Committee recommend that it be left to the Arbitrator to decide the question, and that the Arbitrator's attention be called to the fact that by the section of the Act all matters of difference arising under the section are to be left to Arbitration, and that by the terms of his appointment all matters of difference arising under the said section in the course of the Arbitration are to be left to him to decide, and furthermore that the Committee be authorised to consent or otherwise to any proposals with respect to matters brought before the Arbitrators before the next meeting of the Council.

EDWARD WETHERED, Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 20th day of June, 1894—Present : The Mayor; Alderman Griffith ; Councillors Feeney, Lawrence, Parsonage, and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1—Chairman—In the absence of Alderman Col. Thoyts Councillor Lawrence was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

2--Fire Brigade—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to one fire during the month, viz.: on the 27th May, at No. 255, High Street, Estimated Damage £400. The expenses of the Brigade in attending the Fire amounting to £4 9s. 0d. and had been sent in to the Alliance, Royal, Sun, County, and North British and Mercantile Insurance Companies, in which the properties damaged and at risk were insured.

3--Appointment of Superintendent of Fire Brigade—Resolved, That an advertisement, inviting applications for the post of Superintendent, be inserted in the Examiner, Mercury and Echo.

4—Hackney Carriages—The Proprietors and most of the Drivers of Hackney Carriages who failed to call or send for their Licenses on the occasion of the Annual Licensing Meeting attended this meeting, and after due explanations and apologies their Licenses were issued to them by the Committee.

An application from Chas. Cooke to be permitted to use the vehicle now licensed for a pony carriage as a full licensed carriage on the ground that his original application for the licence had been wrongly treated as an application for a pony carriage licence, was read and considered. Resolved, That Cooke's license be converted into a full licence.

Applications for fly licenses were read and considered from :—J. C. Hearn, S. Jenkins, C. Piff and R. Thornhill. Resolved, That the applicants be informed there is at present no vacancy in the number of licenses, but that their names will be entered in the register of applications for future reference.

Mr. Jno. Beamish, by his own desire, was interviewed by the Committee upon the subject of the refusal of the Council to renew his hackney carriage licence. Resolved, That the Committee regret they cannot see their way to recommend any alteration of the decision already come to by the Council upon this matter. It.

5--Numbering of Clarence Street—A letter from Mr Moody Bell respecting the irregularity in the present Numbering of premises in Clarence Street, and asking the Council to give their attention to the matter, was read. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Borough Surveyor for a Report upon the Numbering of the Street.

6-Clerk for Health Department —The Public Health Committee having recommended to this Committee the appointment of a person to assist in the clerical work of the Health Department, and to take charge of the office during the absence of the Inspectors. Resolved, That a Clerk at 10s per week be appointed.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 21st day of June, 1893—Present The Mayor : Councillors Dighton, Moles, King, Woodard and Margrett (Councillor King in the chair)—

1-Alstone Bath—The Monthly Report of the Borough Surveyor was read. Number of Bathers to this time, 3,902. Fees received, £38 5s 4d. The Chairman reported that Miss Beckwith had applied to have the use of the Bath on the 27th inst., for an aquatic entertainment. Resolved, That the use of the Bath be granted, on the same terms as last year.

2- Cheltenham Athletic Society—A Letter from Mr. F. Wilks, Hon. Sec. to the above Society, stating that in response to an hr, application from Capt. St. Clair Ford, the Society had forwarded him £2 2s towards providing Cricket requisites and Games for the South Ward Recreation Ground, and they desired him now to enclose for the acceptance of this Committee a like amount to be expended for similar purposes at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground, was read, Resolved, That the Society's gift be accepted with best thanks.

3 - Disused Burial Ground, Crone Street —A Letter from Mr. Chas. Brown, stating that although no Burial had taken place in this ground for many years, the ground did not come within the legal definition of a " Disused Burial Ground," inasmuch as no Order in Council had been made for the

discontinuance of burials therein, was read. The Town Clerk's reply thereto was also read, and approved.

4 --Naunton Park Recreation Ground—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee Plan of a Shelter and Sanitary Conveniences for the above ground. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned till next month.

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

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| J. Garnick, Swimming Drawers | £4 15 10 |
| Poor Rate on Alstone Baths | £3 19 4 |
| Poor Rate on Naunton Recreation Ground .. | £1 7 9 |
| E. Terrett, Uniform for Caretaker of Agg-Gardner Ground | £7 6 6 |
| Boiler Insurance Co., Premium on Baths Boiler .. | £2 7 6 |

CHAS. W. KING, Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 22nd day of June, 1894—Present Alderman Haddon ; Councillors Davis, Feeney, King, Moles, Steel and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1--Designs —The following Designs were examined and allowed :—Headstones to Reginald Henry Wapshare, Jno. W. Sullivan, Francis Young, Grenville Wellesley Olive, Hannah Smith, Walter B. Juggins, Amelia Davis, Fanny Williams, Anne S. Lloyd, Thomasine Wonson, Albert C. Nicholls: Tombs to C. Niel Griffiths and Thomas James. A Design was also submitted for a Tomb to Geoffrey Burton which was approved subject to the Ledger of the Tomb being 9ft. long instead of 8ft. as shewn on the Design ; also a Design for a Headstone and Railing to Albert Geo. Hooper which was approved subject to the grave being made into a fourth-class vault by bricking down to the bottom of the coffin, and to the payment of extra fees in respect of the additional height of the monument.

2— Mrs. Chapman's Application—An application from Mrs. Chapman, of Oaklands, for leave to drive into the Cemetery when visiting her husband's grave as she was frequently unable through ill health to walk up, was read. Resolved, That leave be granted as requested.

3—Inspection of Cemetery—Resolved, That a Special Meeting of this Committee be held on the 5th July next at 3 p.m. to inspect the Cemetery.

4-Orders—Resolved, That the Superintendent be allowed an Order for two Scythes and a pair of Shears.

5--Account—The following Account was examined and allowed :—

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| W. Gregory--Labourers' Wages . | £13 10 0 |
| Prestbury Poor Rate .. . | £ 6 0 4 |
| Gas Co., Coke .. | £ 3 8 10 |

E. H. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 19th day of June, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffith and Norman ; Councillors Lawrence, Woodard, Ward-Humphreys, and Parsonage (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

1-- Central Station—The Tender of Messrs. Malvern and Son at £1799, being the only one sent in, was opened and considered, and the further consideration thereof adjourned.

2 -- Cables—A number of Tenders for the supply of the necessary Cables were laid before the Committee in reply to the advertisement. Resolved, That they be opened and considered at a Special Meeting, to be held on Monday next.

3—Electrician —The applications for the post of Electrician were gone through and considered Resolved, That Mr. Hamilton Kilgour of Cheltenham ; Mr. Harold Waring of Bourton-on-Trent ; and Mr. E. H. Tyler of Bristol be invited to attend before the Committee on Monday next.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, -held on Monday, the 25th day of June, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffith and Norman ; Councillors Lawrence, Ward-Humphreys, Woodard and Parsonage (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair).

4—Electrician—Resolved, That the Electrical Department be under the direction of the Borough Surveyor, who is to be responsible to the Council until such time as the Council may otherwise direct. The Committee having interviewed Messrs. Waring, Tyler and Kilgour. Resolved, That the Committee recommend that Mr. H. M. Kilgour be appointed Electrician to the Corporation.

5--- Buildings—The Surveyor having reported that he had examined Mr. Malvern's Tender and found it reasonable. Resolved, That Mr. Malvern's Tender be accepted.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of June, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Norman ; Councillors Lawrence, Ward-Humphreys and Parsonage (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

6—Tenders for Cables—The various Tenders for Cables were opened and examined and were as follows :—

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| Siemens, Bros. & Co., Ltd. .. | .. | 1909 1 8 |
| T. Glover & Co. .. | .. | £1817 0 0 |
| Johnson & Phillips .. | .. | £1792 0 0 |
| Henley's Telegraph Works Co., Ltd. .. | .. | £1716 2 11 |

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| British Insulated Wire Co., Ltd. . . . | .. | £1603 18 4 |
| India Rubber, Gutta Percha and Telegraph Works Co., Ltd. . | .. | £1589 1 8 |
| Telegraph Manufacturing Co., Ltd. . . | .. | £1528 0 0 |
| Fowler Waring Cables Co., Ltd. .. | .. | £1245 8 4 |
| Callender's Bitumen Telegraph and Waterproof Co., Ltd. | .. | £1031 8 4 |

Resolved, That the Tender of Callender's Bitumen Co., at £1031 8s 4d, be accepted subject to the Report of the Borough Surveyor thereon.

G. H. WARD-HUMPREYS, Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 26th day of June, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Parsonage, Lawrence, and Skillicorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)-

1—Cab Hire—Resolved, That the Licensed Cab Proprietors in the Town be invited to send in offers for the supply of such Cabs as may be required by the various Committees of the Council during the coming year, the prices to be at the rate of so much per hour for each Cab supplied.

2—Private Improvement Works—Alstone Lane—Applications from Mrs. Harriett Higgs, Mr. Emmanuel Higgs and Mr. Geo. Higgs to be allowed time for the repayment of the amounts due from them in respect of the above Works, were read. Resolved, That they be allowed to repay as follows :—Mrs. Harriett Higgs 8s down and 8s on the 11th of each month ; Mr. Emmanuel Higgs, 8s down and 8s on the 11th of each month ; Mr. Geo. Higgs 8s down and 8s on the 18th of each month ; interest at the rate of 5 per cent. to be paid in each case.

3—Private Improvement Works—Clare Street —A Letter from Mr. Edwin Coome, asking to be allowed to repay by instalments the sum due from him for Private Improvements Works in Clare Street and Clare Place, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Coome be allowed to repay as follows :-4 equal quarterly payments, with interest at 5 per cent.

4—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, of date the 26th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Amount collected, £2,780 ; leaving outstanding, £11,659 10s. 5½ d.

5—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 26th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts, £1877 14s, 10d. ; leaving outstanding, £6,472 1s. 4d.

6—Land Tax on Montpellier Gardens—Resolved, That the Land Tax of 4s 6d per annum on the Montpellier Gardens be redeemed upon the usual terms.

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:—

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| In hand on the 29th May last | £4,282 17 9 |
| Received since that date | <u>£4,737 0 2</u> |
| | £9,019 17 11 |
| Paid since that date | <u>£3,767 10 0</u> |
| Total in hand | £5,252 7 11 |
| Current and Interest Accounts | £3,091 12 4 |
| Sinking and Loan Funds | <u>£2,160 15 7</u> |
| | £5,252 7 11 |

The bills and accounts for the past month having been examined. Resolved, That the same as settled, amounting to the sum of £6,868 15s. 5d., be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 6th day of June, 1894—Present; The Mayor ; Councillors Feeney, Skillicorne, Parsonage ; Captain Welch, Mr. Hall, and Mr. H. Neale (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

1-Miss Buchanan's Gift—A letter from Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney acknowledging the receipt of the Town Clerk's letter wherein they were informed of the proposals of the Committee in this matter, stating that the suggested modus operandi would be sufficient excepting the last clause relative to extending the expenditure of the money over a term of years, and upon this point they desired to say that it was distinctly the wish of Miss Buchanan that the Books purchased with the £500 should not be of an evanescent and transitory character, but a substantial addition to the Library in the form of Standard Books, and she contemplated that the gift would create something like a permanent memorial, an object not to be attained by the gradual investment of the fund, and further stating that the executors did not wish to hamper the Committee by insisting on the expenditure of the £500 immediately, but they would like the amount laid out as soon as possible and in of such Standard Works as would add to the dignity and importance of the Library, and they would be glad to hear that this met with the Committee's approval, was read. Resolved, That Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney be informed that it is the intention of the Committee to lay out the money in the purchase of Books of the nature mentioned by them for the Reference Department of the Library in as short a period as will enable the Committee to obtain the best books of the kind, and the Committee trust that this will be considered to be a satisfactory assurance on their part.

2-- School of Science—The Librarian reported that water had again found its way from the School of Science into the Reference Library, and that a table had been damaged and the ceiling and walls. It appeared that a tap had been left running and the urinal appeared to be partly chocked. Resolved, That Major Abbotts' attention be called to this.

3—Corporation Employees Outing—Resolved, That the Library, with the exception of the News Room, be closed on Saturday next, the day of the Annual Outing.

4--Sub-Committee—Resolved, That Councillor Parsonage be added to the Library Sub-Committee.

5- Bookcase in librarian's Roost—The Librarian was requested to obtain an Estimate of the cost of putting a glass door to the Bookcase in his Room.

6 Safe or Fire Proof Room—Resolved, That it be referred to the Sub-Committee to make enquiry and report upon the practicability of fitting an Iron Door at the entrance to the Store Room near the Librarian's Room, so as to render the Room in question fire proof, or otherwise as to procuring of a suitable Iron Safe. -- Caretaker's Wages—Resolved, That in future the Wages of the Caretaker be paid by the Librarian and be entered in his wages account.

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 22nd day of June, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Councillors Feeny, Ll. Davies, Parsonage ; Mr. Henry Neale (Councillor Feeny in the chair)-

8--Librarian's Report —The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been presented to the Library during the past month, viz.: Mr. A. Griffith 1 vol. Mr. W. Robson 1 vol. Irish Unionist Alliance 2 Vols. Trustees of British Museum 4 vols. Cardiff Free Library 1 vol. Norman & Sawyer 1 vol. Agent General for Tasmania 1 vol

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Barrow-in-Furness, Norwich, Leicester, Rochdale, Leek, Smethwick, Clitheroe, Battersea, Chester, Streatham, Croydon, Stoke Newington, Twickenham, Richmond, Brentford, Chelsea, Glasgow, and Tynemouth.

9-Tenders for Books and Binding—Tenders for a twelve months' supply of Books, Miscellaneous Literature, Magazines, and Periodicals, were received from Messrs. Westley, Banks, and Cossens. Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. Westley be accepted. Tenders were also received from Messrs. Norman & Sawyer and Horace Edwards, for Bookbinding, Resolved, That the Tender of Messrs. Norman & Sawyer be accepted.

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10—Safe for Librarian's Room—The Chairman reported that the Sub-Committee had considered the matter of providing a fire-proof receptacle for the Catalogues, Stock Books, &c., and in view of the expense which a fire-proof room would entail they had decided to procure an iron safe and the Librarian was making enquiries with respect thereto.

11----Leckhampton Reading Room—The attendance at this Room between the hours of 4 and 5 o'clock since its opening having been practically nil, it was Resolved, That from the present time up to the 1st October next, the Room be opened from 5 to 9 instead of from 4 to 9 as hitherto.

12—Purchase of Books—The Librarian submitted a list of the Books proposed to be purchased with the 425 voted for that purpose last month, and the same was approved.

13—Accounts—The following Accounts was examined and allowed :—

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| W. Jones, Wages' Account | £0 17 6 |
| Poor Rate on Public Library | £9 18 4 |
| A. Wakefield, Portfolio Stand | £1 18 0 |
| J. Webb, Books | £2 2 0 |
| C. Westley, Books | £2 8 11 |
| C. Chivers, Books | £0 19 0 |
| Gas Co., Gas at Library | £7 5 8 |
| Accounts under 10s each | £0 11 6 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 27th day of June, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffith and Rogers ; Councillors Davis, and Skillicorne (Alderman Rogers in the chair)—

1-Grammar School and School of Science—Major Abbott, Alderman Norman, and Mr. J. Style attended this meeting as representatives of the Hybrid Committee of the Grammar School and the School of Science. The Deputation placed before the Committee a proof copy of the New Prospectus proposed to be issued under the Scheme for the amalgamation of the two Schools, and they asked the Committee to give their support to the scheme and to approve the Prospectus, whereby some amount of permanence of character might be given to the School. Resolved, That this Committee approves the Prospectus, with some slight amendments, that they will make a grant to the Hybrid Committee, this year, of £450, and that they will also appeal to the County Council to give them some assurance as to the grant to Cheltenham for Technical Education being permanently continued.

RICHARD ROGERS.

Chairman.

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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 19th day of June, 1894 —Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Hand; Moles, Parsonage and Wheeler (Councillor Hands in the chair)—

1— Local Committees—The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That a Summons be issued against the parents of the following children, viz. :— Henry Birchley, Trinity School Lane ; Thomas Burnell, Trinity School Lane ; Thomas Kite, 1, Orchard Place ; Ann Smith, Back of 218, High Street. Children too late to marked—It was resolved that the Attendance Officers be instructed not to accept as an excuse from parents, for non-attendance, that children were too late to be marked.

3--Attendance Officers' Reports—The monthly reports of the Attendance Officers were read from which it appeared that absentee returns had been received from 38 Schools, containing 1,259 names. These and the balance of 544 left over from last month made a total of 1,803. Of this number the Teachers accounted for 92 and 1,094 had been visited, leaving a balance to visit of 617 recently sent in.

4—Additional Attendance Officer—A Letter from Mr. Robert Irving (Attendance Officer to the Charlton Kings School Board) to Councillor Hands, applying for the post of additional Attendance Officer, was read. It was Resolved to appoint Mr. Irving an assistant Attendance Officer at a salary of £20 a year, his duties to commence on the 1st of October next.

5—Attendance Officers' Salaries—The applications of the Attendance Officers for increase of salaries were further considered, and it was Resolved to grant to Mr Wigley £3 and to Mr. Turner £2 in addition to their Salaries up to the 1st October next, in consideration of the extra work which has devolved upon them since the 9th of November last.

6>Returns of Attendances from Schools—It was Resolved, That in view of the probable closing of the Highbury School, reply post cards be sent to the head teacher of each department of all the Schools receiving children residing in the Borough, requesting replies to the following questions, viz.:—

(1) The average attendance of children for the last quarter.

(2) Number of children on the books for the last week in that quarter.

(3) Number of children for whom accommodation is provided according to the Government requirements.

7-- Deaf and Dumb Children—The provisions of the Elementary Education (Deaf and Dumb Children) Act, 1893, which impose upon School Authorities the duty of enabling blind and deaf children resident in their districts, for whose elementary education efficient and suitable provision is not otherwise made, to obtain such education in some school for the time being certified by the Education Department as suitable for providing such education, and for that purpose either to establish or acquire and to maintain a school so certified or to contribute on such terms and to such extent as may be approved by the Education Department towards the establishment or enlargement, alteration and maintenance of a school so certified, or towards any of these purposes, and where necessary or expedient to make arrangements subject to regulations of the Education Department for boarding out any blind or deaf children in a home conveniently near to the certified school where the child is receiving elementary education, were read and considered ; and Mr. Turner having reported that two completely deaf and dumb children, Emily Adelaide Smith and John May Smith, children of Thomas Walter Smith and Mary Adelaide Smith, of No. 2, Gordon Terrace, Sherborne Place, who were also both deaf and dumb, were only receiving instruction in reading and writing twice a week from a lady named Dent, residing in Berkeley Villas, Pittville ; and that Charles Davis, of No. 8, All Saints' Road, has a daughter, Ireni May Davis, aged only 3 ½ years, who is said to be partially dumb but quite deaf. It was Resolved that the parents of the Smiths be requested to attend the next meeting of the Committee.

WILLIAM HANDS, Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, August 3rd, 1894.

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 Tuesday, the 7th day of August 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. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. [The Motion, No. 4, by Councillor Heath to precede the discussion of the Town Improvement Committee's Minutes.] WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.
4. Councillor Heath to move :—" That the Resolution of the Town Improvement Committee of date the 26th April, 1893, No. 7, relative to the proposed Railing round Montpellier Gardens, be rescinded."
5. Councillor Ward-Humphreys to move :—" That the Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee be empowered forthwith to proceed with the erection of a Shelter and Conveniences on the Naunton Park Recreation Ground at a cost not to exceed £120."
6. Notices of Motion. 8. To read letters, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :—

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 7th of August, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 30th day of July, 1894—Councillors Feeney, Lawrence, King, Parsonage, and Heath (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Parsonage was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

2—The View—The following members attended the View Meeting on Friday last, viz :—Councillors Feeney, Parsonage, Lawrence and Steel.

3 —Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read Average Illuminating Power, 16.72 Candles Purity 7.1 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 : in Cheltenham 4.265 cubic feet, in Charlton Kings 4.591 cubic feet, in Leckhampton 5.115 cubic feet.

5--Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month 7 (2 metered). Burning dimly, none.

6-Lighting in Added Areas-A letter from the Gas Company stating that they would comply with the requirements of the Town Council with regard to the lamps in the added Districts, and that subject to the assent of the Council the Borrodale Metallic Governor would be adopted, was read. Resolved, That the Borrodale Regulators be accepted provided the Corporation are at liberty to give notice for their removal and the substitution of Glycerine Rheometers if experience shews the result to be unsatisfactory.

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

Repaired with Clee Hill Stone— Suffolk Place, 423 square yards; Lypiatt Terrace, 2,100 square yards (proceeding) ; Gloucester Road (proceeding); Battledown Approach 650 square yards; Royal Well Lane (proceeding). Patching Malvern Street, New Street, High Street, Tewkesbury Road, Promenade, Oriol Road, Leckhampton Road, Bath Road, Painswick Road, Promenade Terrace (proceeding), Millbrook Street, Pittville Estate Roads.

New Gullies and Drains—North Place, York Street, Suffolk Place, Bath Road, Painswick Road.

Gullies and Drains Repaired—Upper Park Street, New Street, St. Paul's Road, Pittville Lawn, Evesham Road, Lansdown Crescent, Lansdown Parade.

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Kerbing, Crossing and Flagging—New Street, Tewkesbury Road, High Street, Burton Street, Promenade, Gordon Lamp, (Montpellier), Tivoli Circus, Hatherley Street, Selkirk Street, Winchcomb Street, Princes Road, Fairlight Terrace, Russell Street.

Concrete Paths—Suffolk Place (finished), 1291 super yards. Concrete Kerbing—Suffolk Place, 441 lineal yards.

Concrete Channelling—Suffolk Place, 491 lineal yards.

Private Improvements—North Place (proceeding), Royal Well Lane, 250 yards.

Tar Paving—By the side of the Long Garden, Promenade, 675 super yards.

Asphalte Crossing—One in Pittville Lawn, and one in Malvern Road.

Trees have been pruned in Prestbury Road, Pittville Circus, All Saints Road, Hewlett Road, Hales Road, London Road, Battledown Approach, Cemetery Road, Albion Street, Rodney Terrace, Oriel Road, Vittoria Walk, Montpellier Parade, Montpellier Terrace, Imperial Square, Monson Avenue, Lansdown Place, Lansdown Road, Queen's Road, Christ Church Road, Gloucester Road, Cleeve Road, The Park, Moorend Park Road, Grafton Road, Leckhampton Road, St. Philip's Terrace. Two dead trees have been cut down in St. George's Road.

Ashes Collection—Number of Van Loads collected, 722 ; Cart Loads collected, 340 ; consumed at the Destructor, 79S tons. 15 cwt. 2 qrs.

No. 16, Ambrose Street—Tenders for the execution of the necessary repairs at No. 16, Ambrose Street, were opened and considered, viz. :—

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| W. C. Channon | £59 10 0 |
| Edwin Capper | £75 0 0 |
| C. W. Macvitie | £87 0 0 |

Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. Channon be accepted.

9— Repair of Folly Lane—A letter from Mr. E. L. Baylis, requesting a Cheque for £12 0s. 10d., being the contribution of the Corporation for two years towards the expense of keeping the above road in repair, was read. Resolved, That the amount be paid.

A Specification from the Surveyor, of date the 30th day July, inst., of the Works required to be done to the above Street, was read and approved. And it was 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 Street, 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 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.

10—Advertising Case at Mr. Mowatt's Premises—A letter from Mr. C. H. Channon, stating that the proprietors of this case desired to fix the deeper part of the case at the bottom of it, the case itself not being deep enough for the Clock and Barometer, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Channon be informed the deeper portion of the case must be set into the wall and frame, so that the front thereof shall not project beyond the moulding of the frame already fixed.

11—Cranham and Sydenham Roads—A letter from Messrs. Winterbothams & Gurney, stating that the reason nothing had been done to the Sydenham Roads is that Mr. G. W. Sadler, who attends to the repairs, has been confined to his room for many weeks by illness, they understand, however, that he would soon be better, and whatever defects existed would be remedied as soon as he is able to get about again, and adding that with this exceeding dry weather they did not think any particular

inconvenience could arise to Mr. Claridge, was read. Resolved, That a copy of this Minute and the following Resolution be sent to Mr. Claridge.

Also Resolved, That the Surveyor do bring up a specification for the repairs to be done to Cranham Road by the abutting owners.

12—Private Improvement Works—Thirlestaine Road - Nevile Wyatt—A letter from Messrs. Ticehurst & Sons, in reply to the Town Clerk's letter of the 3rd July, with Mr. A. Page's estimate of £4 0s 0d. for stubbing the posts on Mr. Wyatt's fence, asking if they were to understand that the Corporation refused to entertain their claim of £8 10s., and repudiate the resolution of this Committee of the 27th November, 1893, was read. Resolved, That Messrs. Ticehurst be informed that the Council neither refuse to entertain the claim or repudiate their resolution, and are quite willing and prepared to pay the reasonable cost of stubbing the posts.

13—Paving in Grosvenor Street A Memorial from Mr. Selim Smith and others, calling attention to the dangerous state of the channelling on both sides of this street, was read. Resolved, That the Memorialists be informed the Surveyor had already received instructions as to this matter, and he will give it his early attention.

14—Way from Hermitage Street to Exmouth Street—The Surveyor reported the result of his investigations herein and interviews with the Owners concerned. Resolved, That the Surveyor be authorised to make the best arrangement he can for making a footpath from Hermitage Street to Exmouth Street and report thereon to the Committee before proceeding with the work.

15 -Sherborne Terrace -Hiam -Resolved, That the further consideration of this matter be adjourned till next month.

16—Leckhampton and Charlton Kings Footpaths—A Letter from the County Surveyor stating that the Highways Committee of the County Council had agreed to advise the contribution to Cheltenham of £80 and £45 respectively towards the cost of converting the gravelled footpaths in Leckhampton Road and London Road into paved footpaths, was read.

17—Naunton Park Road—A Memorial from Mr. Geo. Herbert and other Owners of property abutting on this road to know if it is the intention of the Council to take over the road as soon as the repairs ordered by the Council have been executed to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor, was read. Resolved, That the Memorialists be informed that it is the intention of the Council, when the repairs are executed and paid for, to take over the road as a Highway.

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

Council of Ladies' College, Extension of Sanatorium.

Mr. W. T. Pates, Additions to Tudor House.

Mr. C. M. Haward, Additions to Clarence Villa, Clarence Square.

Collins & Godfrey, Additions to 26, Promenade.

The Surveyor also submitted the following Notices and Plans as follows : which were dealt with as shown below .—

Jno. Lance & Co., Workshops and Store Houses in America Passage. Approved, subject to the soil pipe crossing the premises being laid in concrete.

H. G. Norton & Co., new shop front at 416, High Street. Approved, subject to the front being set back to such a line as will admit of the footpath being not less than 6ft. 9in. from the curb.

Mr. Chas. Brown, Mission Room in Grove Street. Disapproved, the Plan not being in accordance with the Byelaws.

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 10th day of July, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Griffith ; Councillors E. L. Davies, M. Davis, Dighton, Feeney, Hands, Moles, and Parsonage, (Alderman Griffith in the chair)—

1-Zymotic Disease—The Inspector of Nuisances in the absence of Dr. Garrett) reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee, 14 cases of Scarlet Fever, and 2 cases of Enteric Fever.

2-Smoke Nuisance, Rosehill Street—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that complaints had been received from residents in Rosehill Street of the emission of black smoke in such quantities as to be a nuisance from the chimney of No 49, Rosehill Street used as a Laundry, in the occupation of Joseph Gwilliam. Resolved, That Notice be given under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, in respect of the emission of black smoke, and the non-consumption of smoke.

3—Nuisance from Hogwash on Queen's Hotel premises —The Inspector of Nuisances reported that letters of complaint had been received from residents in Spa Buildings of a nuisance on the above premises, and that on inspection he found it to arise from the keeping of Hogwash and from an accumulation of ashes and other refuse. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do furnish a Specification for a proper ash receptacle, &c., and that notice be given to the parties to provide what is necessary and also to abate the nuisance caused by the keeping of Hogwash.

4 - Nuisance in Plough Hotel Yard—The Inspector of Nuisances reported the existence of a nuisance in the above yard caused by an accumulation of manure and the absence of a proper manure receptacle, and stated that complaints had been received from adjoining residents. Resolved, That short notice be given to the Occupier to remove the heap of manure and provide a receptacle as required by the Byelaws, and that if the Notice is not complied with the necessary proceedings for recovery of penalties be taken.

5-Nuisance from Open Ditch behind the Vineyards -The Inspector of Nuisances reported that on complaint of Messrs. Billings, he had inspected and found the condition of the above ditch to be

such as to create a nuisance injurious to health. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the proper parties to abate the nuisance.

6-Houses without a proper Water Supply—It appearing on the Report of the Borough Surveyor dated the 10th inst., that the houses mentioned therein, viz Rutland Street, 9, Portland Terrace, and 31, Columbia Street, were without a proper supply of water, and that such supply could be furnished thereto at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Cheltenham Corporation Water Acts. Resolved, That Notice be given under Section 6a of the Public Health Act, [1875, to the owners requiring them to obtain such supply and to do all such things as may be necessary for that purpose.

7-Defective Drains—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains at the Coach and Horses in Portland Terrace, 9, Portland Terrace, and 2 to 6, St. George's Avenue, are a nuisance injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to open the ground in each case, and examine the drains, and act as provided by the said Section.

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8—W.C.'s without Flushing Apparatus—The Inspector of Nuisances submitted a list of houses having w.c.'s without flushing apparatus. Resolved, That notices be given under Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

9—Nuisance on Mr. Marmon's Premises in Princes Street—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that Mr. Marmon was keeping Pigs on these premises in contravention of the Bye-Laws, that the manure receptacle for which Mr. Marmon was fined a year ago was not yet properly constructed and that when he visited the place on the 5th instant the smell emanating therefrom was abominable, and the entire condition of things was such as to constitute a serious nuisance injurious to health. Resolved, That the necessary legal proceedings against Mr. Marmon in respect of the foregoing offences be taken.

10- 4, Suffolk Road and Belmont Lodge--The Inspector of Nuisances reported that each of these houses had a w.c. usually supplied with water from a Soft Water Cistern, but that both cisterns were at present dry. Resolved, That notices be given under section 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

11--Sewer near Dean Close School—The Rev. Dr. Flecker having complained of the nuisance arising near the school in consequence of the close proximity of the storm overflow, and suggested its removal to another spot. The Borough Surveyor was instructed to bring up a plan shewing the position of the sewer and the existing overflow.

12—Water Supply to Cottages in Coltham Fields—A letter from Mrs. Walker stating that she, in conjunction with Miss Champion and Miss Steel, had had the water at the above address analysed and she enclosed the Analyst's report which pronounced the water good, on the authority of which

she respectfully declined to close the well, was read. Resolved, That the consideration of the matter be adjourned till the return of the Medical Officer of Health

J. C. GRIFFITH

Chairman

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 25th day of July, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors M. Davis, L. Davies, Dighton, Hands, Moles, and Parsonage (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

13-Dairies and Cowsheds Order—An application from Mrs. Olivia Beamish of 278, High Street, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk, was read, together with the report of the Medical Officer thereon. Resolved, That the applicant be not registered.

14- Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee, 4 cases of Scarlet Fever, 1 case of Diphtheria, and 5 cases of Enteric Fever.

15- Defective Drains, &c.— The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains at the Sydney Arms, Pittville Street, No 1, Dovedale Villas, Douglas Lodge, and No. 4 Belle Vue Place, were a nuisance injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to open the ground in each case and examine the drains, &c., and act as provided by the said Section.

16--Nuisance at 2, Ormond Terrace—The Inspector of Nuisances reported the existence of a nuisance on the above premises arising from an unventilated soil pipe and leaky roof. Resolved, That the necessary notice be served upon the owner for abatement of the nuisance.

17—Messrs. Cough & Edwards' Workrooms, and Mrs. Holman's Workrooms—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that H.M. Inspector of Nuisances had made a complaint in respect of want of proper ventilation, &c., at the workrooms of Messrs. Gough & Edwards, High Street, and the overcrowding of Mrs. Holman's workrooms, at St. Luke's Place. Resolved, That notice be given to Messrs. Gough and Edwards and to Mrs Holman, under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to do what is necessary and abate the nuisance.

18-Offensive Trade in Bennington Street—The Town Clerk reported that he had refrained from taking proceedings against Mr. Waghorne, in respect of the above matter, having received an assurance from his solicitor that both the bone crushing and the bone boiling should be discontinued altogether.

19-Nuisance on Mr. Marmon's Premises, Princes Street— - The Inspector reported that Mr. Marmon had been summoned in respect of the nuisance on his premises and non-compliance with the Byelaws, and that the Justices had inflicted a fine of £2 10s.

20—Cholera—A circular letter from the Local Government Board pointing out to Local Authorities the necessity for the adoption of precautionary measures for the prevention of Cholera, and adverting to the possibility of Cholera arising through cases of Diarrhoea where due care is not exercised, and expressing their readiness, on the applications of Local Authorities, to add Diarrhoea

to the list of notifiable diseases during the present quarter, was read. Resolved, That the Committee, acting on the advice of their Medical Officer, do not consider it necessary or advisable, under present circumstances, to apply for an Order such as that referred to by the Board.

21— Clerkship - The applications for the post of Clerk in the Health Department were gone through and considered. Resolved, That Messrs. H. J. Morgan ; F. E. Morgan ; and J. C. Castle, be requested to attend on Wednesday next, the 1st August, at 10.30, to be interviewed by the Committee.

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22- Plans of House Drainage—The Plans of such New Buildings, necessitating drainage, as were intended to come up for approval at the next Meeting of the Street and Highway Committee, were laid before this Committee, and the same were approved so far as regards the drainage arrangements, subject in some instances to certain conditions which are fully vet out in Minute No. 18 of the Street and Highway Committee

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

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| Medical Practitioners, Notification Fees | £ 5 5 0 |
| A. Hill, Sulphur Candles, &c. | £ 2 14 0 |
| N. Pearman, Death Returns | £ 0 10 10 |
| H. Edwards, Stationery and Printing | £ 3 11 0 |
| J. H. Bennett, Death Returns | £ 1 5 4 |
| W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance | £ 4 15 0 |
| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients | £25 8 0 |
| T. W. Harvey, Ironmongery | £ 3 10 10 |
| B. W. Pearce and Sons, Timber | £ 2 12 10 |
| Meats & Co., Manhole Covers, &c. | £48 2 0 |
| B. Reid & Co., Drain Rods, &c. | £ 3 3 6 |
| G. Evans, Repairs to Ambulance Van | £ 2 0 0 |
| R. E. & C. Marshall, Ironmongery | £ 0 13 4 |
| Gas Company, Coke for Abattoir | £ 1 13 11 |
| H. Pooley, & Son, Weights, &c. | £ 8 4 0 |
| W. J. Newth, Canvas for Ambulance | £ 2 8 0 |
| G. Seward, Pipes, &c. | £ 0 13 7 |
| Thornton, & Co., Washers, &c. | £ 0 11 0 |
| Burn Bros., Expanding Plugs | £ 1 10 0 |
| E. Joyner & Son, Brooms | £16 17 6 |
| J. Tallboy, Rope | £ 0 13 0 |
| W. H. Hill, Disinfectants | £ 4 17 4 |
| Chance and Bland, Advertising | £ 0 10 0 |
| Webb, Bros., Coal for Abattoir | £ 1 8 6 |
| Accounts under 10s each | £ 2 18 8 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 1st day of August, 1894—Present : Alderman Griffith ; Councillors LI. Davies, M. Davis, Hands, Moles, Parsonage, and Feeney (Alderman Griffith in the chair)—

23-Clerk in the Health Department—The following selected Candidates attended this meeting of the Committee. F. E. Morgan. H. J. Morgan. J. C. Castle.

Resolved, That the Committee recommend the appointment of Harry James Morgan.

24—Swine Fever—Resolved, That it be an instruction to the Manager of the Abattoir, that all swine brought into the Slaughter Houses must be slaughtered within 4 days, and that Notices to that effect be exhibited in the Slaughter Houses and in the Borough

25-Prestbury Sewerage—A letter from Mr. Ticehurst asking if the Corporation would be prepared to sanction an extension of the Borough Sewer from Welland Lodge, Prestbury Road, as far as the Cedars and the Limes on the same road to enable the drainage of those premises to be taken into the Cheltenham Sewer, and upon what terms the Corporation would take this sewage, was read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be requested to report upon the matter.

26 Leckhampton Sewerage—A letter from Mr. Ticehurst stating that the Rural Sanitary Authority would be glad to know the estimated amount to be paid by them for the sewage outfall in respect of the drainage of the Rural portion of Leckhampton, was read The Town Clerk laid before the Committee Draft terms of adjustment. Resolved. That the same be approved and sent to the Rural Sanitary Authority for their approval.

J. C. GRIFFITH

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 9th day of July, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffith and Rogers ; Councillors Heath, Skillicorne, Lawrence, and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

1—Pittville Park—The Committee having considered the desirability of holding a Firework Fete in the Park during the time of the Agricultural Show, and representations having been made to the Committee that it would be inadvisable to do so, on account of the close proximity of valuable horses and other animals, it was decided to hold the fete on Bank Holiday, instead of during the Show week, when it will take the form of an evening Fete with Fireworks. The charge for admission to be 6d each. That the public be admitted to the Park from the grounds of the Agricultural Show at a charge of 2d. each.

A letter from Capt. Boyton making proposals for the holding of his aquatic Fete at Pittville Park, was read. Resolved, That the proposal cannot at present be accepted.

WILLIAM HEATH, Chairman.

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 30th day of July, 1894—Present Alderman Griffith ; Councillors Lawrence, Ward-Humphreys, and Heath (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

2-- Promenade Improvement No. 1—A Letter from Mr. Henry Locke upon the subject of this Improvement, and pointing out the desirability of reducing the number of seats and having the remainder turned to face the shops, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Locke be thanked for his suggestions and informed that in the opinion of the Committee the number of seats is not too great, and it is believed that they will prove most useful while placed as they now stand. Also, Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to place 3 or 4 seats inside the band enclosure for the accommodation of visitors.

3—Extension of Borough Boundaries —A Letter from the Secretary of the Treasury stating that the Lords Commissioners had decided that £9 7s. 9d. per annum, (not £9 7s. 11d., as offered by the Town Council,) was the amount of compensation which should be paid to Mr Daniel Mallory for loss of Office as Clerk to the late Leckhampton Local Board, was read.

4-Montpellier Gardens Railings— A Memorial from Canon Hutchinson and others (220 signatories) expressing their unqualified approval of the very great improvement effected by the removal of the wooden fence and substitution of the elegant iron railing, and their opinion that it is the unanimous wish of the ratepayers that the improvement should be continued with-out delay, and they respectfully urged that orders to this effect might be given forthwith, was read.

The Minute and Resolution of this Committee of date the 25th of June last was further considered. Resolved, That if the Resolution of this Committee of date the 26th April 1893 rescinded at the next Meeting of the Council, the Committee recommend that the said Resolution of 25th June last be approved and the work carried out by Messrs. Letheren accordingly on the terms offered by them.

5- Promenade improvement No. 2—The Surveyor laid before the Committee the completed plan of this improvement. Resolved, That the same be approved and laid before the meeting of Owners and Occupiers, to be held this afternoon. The Committee then adjourned to the Council Chamber where they were met by the following Owners and Occupiers:—

Mr. G. J. Cox, for Owners and Occupiers of No. 1.

Mrs. Cope, for Occupiers of No. 3.

Mr F. G. Adams, for Occupiers of No. 4.

Mr. Joseph James, Occupier of No. 5.

Mr. Walter Wilkins & Mr. Henry Wilkins Owners and Occupiers of No. 6.

Mr. J. P. Lambert for the Treasury (Post Office).

Mr. W. H. Horsley, Owner of Nos. 8 and 9, and Occupier of No. 8.

Mr. E. Merry, Occupier of No. g. Mr. J. H. Nicholson, for Owners of No. 12.

Mr. H. A. Prothero, as Occupier of No. 13.

After some discussion the meeting was adjourned to enable the Owners and Occupiers to have a meeting amongst themselves for the purpose of considering the Plan

WILLIAM HEATH,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th day of July, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Davies, Hands and Ward-Humphreys, (The Mayor in the chair)—

1 --Tewkesbury Water Supply Arbitration—A Letter from Sir G. B. Bruce, the Arbitrator in this matter, stating that while very unwilling to summon the parties interested to another sitting before him, he was satisfied that in the interests of both parties it was necessary to do so, and had therefore appointed a sitting in London for Friday, the 13th inst., was read. Resolved, That the Mayor, Mr. Mellersh, and Mr. Hall be requested to attend the Arbitration on behalf of this Corporation, with full powers to act in the matter and to consent or otherwise to any proposals that may be made upon the questions in dispute, or which may arise before the Arbitrator at the sitting on Friday next, or at any adjournment thereof.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 26th day of July, 1894—Present Councillors Hands, Davies, Woodard and King (Councillor King in the chair)—

2—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor King was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

3-Borough Engineer's Report —The usual monthly report of the Borough Engineer, was read, as follows :--

" On the 23rd instant, the supply to the Hewletts Reservoirs was 88 Gallons ; the average for the last four years being 96 gallons per minute; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 9,511,069 gallons. On the 24th instant, the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 22 feet 1 ½ inches, and the contents 53,455,942 gallons, which gives a total of 62,967,011 gallons.

On the 4th inst., the Inspector observed Mr. Payne, of Cudnall, Charlton Kings, take a pail of water from Ruby House, which is in the occupation of Mr. Christopher Lane. He was also observed to do the same thing on the 6th inst. I wrote to both these persons asking what explanation they had to give of the matter. Mr. Lane called upon me and stated that it was rain water that Mr. Payne fetched. Mr. Payne said he did not fetch any, as he had a good pump. I shall be glad to receive your instructions in this matter."

Applications have been received for water supplies from Mr. James Wood, of Arle Farm, for his house and farm buildings, also for a supply for the Knoll and Battledown House. In each case an extension will be necessary, the cost of which will be amply recovered by the rates agreed upon.

Resolved, That Mr. Lane be cautioned that if such a case as that reported above again comes under the notice of the Committee he will be prosecuted That the extensions above referred to be made.

4 -Boddington Manor Estate -The Town Clerk laid before the Committee engrossment of the Agreement proposed to be entered into between the Corporation and Mr. J. S. Gibbons for carrying into effect the provisions of Sec. 54 of the Corporation Water Act, 1878, relative to the guage for the compensation water to be passed down the Chelt at Boddington. Resolved, That the same be approved, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto

5-No. 1, Bath Street—Tenders for the necessary repairs at No. 1, Bath Street, were opened as under :—

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| S. G. Davis | £11 15 0 |
| Nicholas & Co | £17 10 0 |
| W. C. Channon | £21 0 0 |
| A. Maisey | £20 0 0 |
| W. Scamell & Co | £24 10 0 |
| H. D. Brown | £33 12 0 |
| E. Capper | £40 0 0 |

Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. Davis, be accepted, subject to the Borough Surveyor being satisfied therewith after enquiry.

6— Old Cemetery—A Letter from the Rev. L. S. Lewis, Hon. Treasurer of the Kyrie Society, asking the Committee to kindly grant a free supply of water for use at the Old Cemetery, and pointing out the desirability for the same, was read. Resolved, That if the Society will lay on the pipes and fittings the Committee will grant a free supply of water.

7 - Mrs. Raisher's Application—An application from Mrs. Raisher, of Dowdeswell, for an allowance of £5 out of the rent due from her to the 25th March last, on account of the late bad season, was read. Resolved, That an allowance of £3 be granted.

8—Appeals—Various Appeals were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

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

CHARLES W. KING,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 3rd day of August, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Hands and Ll. Davies (The Mayor in the chair)—

10--Tewkesbury Water Supply—The Chairman reported that the Arbitrator had held another meeting on Saturday last, at which he attended, but that no agreement having been come to on the question of term and minimum, the Arbitrator would make his award in due course.

11—Dowdeswell Reservoir—The Committee having inspected the sources of supply to this Reservoir the Surveyor was directed to report as to the best means of keeping out of the Reservoir the surface

water from the highway, and upon the best arrangements for preventing the cattle from fouling the stream.

EDWARD WETHERED.

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 13th day of July, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffith and Rogers ; Councillors Hands, Parsonage, and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1-Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Parsonage was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

2-Agricultural Society's Show—The Mayor stated that he had been invited to perform the ceremony of opening the above Show, in company with the Mayors of Gloucester and Tewkesbury, and he had accepted the invitation on behalf of himself and of the members of the Council. Resolved, That the Corporation do accompany the Mayor in state, that a circular be sent to each Member inviting his attendance, and that the necessary conveyances be arranged for.

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 23rd day of July, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffith and Rogers ; Councillors King, Parsonage and Hands (The Mayor in the chair)--

3-Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman, the Mayor was voted to the chair at this meeting.

4-Omnibus Co's. Application—An application from the Cheltenham Omnibus Co. for leave to transfer one of their Licenses from a Bus to a Brake as being more suitable for Summer Traffic, and also to be granted a new license in respect of a Char it Banc now being built for the Co., was read. Resolved, That the transfer be granted and a new license be issued subject to the vehicles being inspected and passed by the Committee.

5-Memorial from Fly Proprietors —A Memorial from six of the Hackney Carriage Proprietors of the Town, asking the Committee to relax the rule which prohibits the carrying of more than three persons in Pony Carriages, and to allow the number to be conveyed to be increased by an extra passenger during the three days of the Agricultural Show, was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret they are unable to comply with the request of the Memorialists, inasmuch as the Byelaws distinctly provide that no greater number than three persons, exclusive of the driver, shall be conveyed in a carriage drawn by a pony, and the Committee have no power to overrule the Byelaws.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 25th day of July, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Rogers ; Councillors Lawrence and Parsonage (The Mayor in the chair)—

6—Swine Fever—A Letter from the Clerk to the County Council, stating that the Executive Committee of the County had made an Order prohibiting the movement of swine into the County of Gloucester from any place whatsoever except swine, brought in under a license and for immediate slaughter, and that he had been instructed to include Cheltenham in the prohibition unless, before publishing the Order, he received an intimation that Cheltenham would make an Order in identical terms, was read. Resolved, That an Order be made in respect of this Borough similar to that made by the County.

7-Fire Brigade—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had not been called out to any fire during the past month.

8— Appointment of Superintendent of Fire Brigade—The applications for this post were gone through and considered. Resolved, That this Committee recommend the appointment by the Council of Mr. Samuel John Such, of Cheltenham. his duties to commence from the date of his appointment by the Council.

9--Hackney Carriages—An application from Geo. Stokes and Henry Cobb for the transfer to the latter of the two licenses now held by the former, Mr. Cobb being about to purchase Mr. Stokes' business and horses and carriages, was read. Resolved, That the Committee cannot come to any decision in the matter until they are assured that Cobb is actually the owner of the carriages.

Applications from John Beamish, Wm. Burrows, Eliza Fricker, and C. W. Martin for Hackney Carriage Licenses, were read. Resolved, That the attendance of members at this meeting being small the application of Beamish be adjourned for further consideration ; that Burrows be informed there is at present no vacancy but that his name will be put on the list of applicants ; that Mrs. Fricker's application be not granted; and that in the case of Martin the Committee regret to say there is at present no vacancy.

An application from R. P. Jones for a Full License instead of the Pony Carriage License granted to him in November last, was read. Resolved, That he be informed there is at present no vacancy for a full license but his name will be put on the list.

10--Wheel Chairs—Applications from John Walcroft, of 6, Keynsham Parade, and John Orchard, of 1, Victoria Place, for Wheel Chair Licenses, were read. Resolved, That Licenses be granted.

11-Drivers—Applications were received from, and Hackney Carriage Driver's Licenses granted to, John Hill and Henry Cobb.

12 —Annoyance to Inmates of St. Mary's Hall—A Letter from the Rev. E. Cornford, calling attention to the fact that considerable annoyance is caused to the premises of the Female Department in St. George's Place by the use made of an adjacent Hall, where, on a recent occasion, a boxing match was held and the disturbance connected with it continued till sometime after midnight, interfering with the rest and comfort of a large number of Candidates sitting for an Examination ; also stating that Dancing Classes are held from time to time which also are a source of annoyance, and that the Committee of the College trusted the Council would take some measures to prevent any recurrence

of similar annoyances and rowdyism, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for the opinion of the Town Clerk thereon.

13—Meetings in the Promenade—A letter from Mr. R. P. Woodman, complaining of the nuisance caused by the Salvation Army and Local Preachers, on Sundays, obstructing the roadway opposite No. 34, between the fountain and the garden, and stating he should be glad if it could be abated, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Woodman be informed it is a matter for the Police.

14-Inspector Young On the application of the Inspector leave of absence was granted to him for 14 days.

15-Leckhampton Board Room—A letter from the Board of Guardians refusing to pay more than £8 for the use of this Room for Relief Pay and Vaccination purposes, was read. Resolved, That £8 be accepted provided the Guardians provide their own fires when required.

E. WETHERED,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 17th day of July, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Dighton, King, Margrett, Moles (Councillor King in the chair)—

1-Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—A Letter from Mr. J. G. Villar, the Local Secretary of the Gloucestershire Agricultural Society's Show, asking if the above ground could not be closed from the night of Thursday, the 19th inst., to enable the Contractor to erect the jumping fences and fill the water jump with water, otherwise he feared great damage would be done by the youth who frequented the ground, who had already committed considerable mischief, was read. Resolved, That the ground be closed in accordance with Mr. Villar's request and that the necessary notices thereof be given.

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2—Naunton Recreation Ground--A letter from Capt. St. Clair Ford stating that Mrs. Hay, of St. Ronans, had offered to give an Arbour to be placed in the above ground and he believed it would be ready on the 28th inst., was read. Resolved, That the gift be accepted and the best thanks of the Committee be tendered to the donor for her generosity, also, That the selection of the most suitable spot for the erection of the Arbour be left in the hands of the Borough Surveyor.,

CHAS. W. KING,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee hold on Thursday, the 26th day of July, 1894—Present : Councillors King, Moles and Woodard (Councillor King in the chair)

3—Alstone Bath—The Monthly Report of the Borough Surveyor was read. No. of Bathers to this time, 8,501. Fees received, £71 8s. 3d. Attention was called to the advisability of providing Spittoons for the use of the bathers, and the Borough Surveyor was requested to look into the matter and to report to the Committee thereon.

4-- Disused Burial Ground, Grove Street--A Letter from Miss Wood, Hon. Sec of the Kyrie Society, stating that the Society had decided to re-transfer to the Society of Friends the complete control of the above ground, and a letter from Mr. Chas. Brown acknowledging the receipt of the Committee's previous resolution from which he concluded that the ground of objection raised by the Corporation was not one that could be sustained, were read.

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

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| Sanitary Steam Laundry, Washing Towels | £5 5 1 |
| A. H. Nott, Coal for Baths | £5 5 1 |
| J. & N. Nadin & Co., Coal for Baths | £6 0 0 |
| G. Loveday, balance re repairs at Barrett's Mill Cottage | £7 10 0 |
| A. Page, Timber | £1 13 0 |
| T. W. Twyford, Urinal Fittings, &c. | £9 12 3 |
| R. E. & C. Marshall, Ironmongery | ££5 11 0 |
| T. W. Harvey, Ironmongery | £2 0 1 |
| W. Goodwin & Son, Files | £3 12 0 |
| J. Hopkinson & Co., Valve | £2 10 0 |
| Accounts under 10s. each | £0 2 5 |

CHAS. W. KING, Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 5th day of July, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Haddon ; Councillors Margrett, Moles, Steel and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1--Inspection of Cemetery —The Committee visited the Cemetery. The Committee consulted with the Superintendent as to the necessity of acquiring more ground for burials, at once, instead of re-using the old spaces. It was pointed out to them by the Borough Surveyor that there were several shots at which the roadway was unnecessarily wide by reason of extended curves or otherwise, and the Surveyor was requested to arrange for such portions to be re-marked with a view to the use of the additional ground as grave spaces.

It was arranged to make use of a piece of ground marked on the plan for a road, but which had never been able to be used as a road, and the Surveyor was instructed to have it laid out for burials.

It was also decided to endeavour to come to some arrangement with Mr. Pratley for the immediate relinquishment by him of the land, the subject of the recent notice to him.

E. H. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 27th day of July, 1894—Present Councillors Feeney, Parsonage and Steel (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

2-Suporintondont's Report—The Superintendent reported that Mr. Winstone had erected a 5ft. 6in, headstone to the memory of the late A. H. G. Hooper, subject to the payment of an extra fee, and he desired to know what fee he should charge.

He submitted in accordance with the direction of the Committee, a list of pieces of spare ground adjoining certain vaults and graves, and now used by the owners of such vaults for planting flowers and shrubs. He stated that the plots of ground referred to were all 9ft. long and of varying widths.

Resolved, That the extra fee to be paid by Mr. Winstone be 10s. 6d., and That the present owners of spaces adjoining the spare plots, above referred to, be asked if they would like to purchase same, and if they do not then that the ground be marked out for interments.

3--Land adjoining Cemetery—Pratley—A letter from Mr. Pratley (in confirmation of an arrangement made with him by the Chairman) agreeing to give up on the 12th August next, for the purposes of interments, 1a. 3r. 17p. of the land rented by him from the Burial Board on being remitted the proportionate rent thereof as from the 24th June last, was read. Resolved, That this arrangement be confirmed.

Leave was also granted to Mr. Pratley to use the roads in the Cemetery by himself or his servants— but not for cattle or other animals—for the purpose of gaining access to the remainder of the land held by him under the Board ; before the hour of 9 in the morning and after 5 o'clock in the evening.

4—Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved :—Headstones to Wm. Turner, Wm. Pipe, Elizabeth Roberts, and Leonard C. Wallich.

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

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| W. Gregory, Labourer's Wages | £20 17 0 |
| Prestbury Tithe | £ 6 2 6 |

EDWARD. H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 24th day of July, 1894—Present ; Aldermen Griffith and Norman ; Councillors Parsonage and Ward-Humphreys, (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

1-Transformers -The Tenders for Transformers, sent in in answer to the advertisement, were opened and found to be as follows

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| The Brush Company .. | £394 15 0 |
| Crompton & Co. .. | £450 0 0 |
| The Electric Construction Co. | £455 10 0 |

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| Johnson & Phillips .. | £468 0 0 |
| Slade, Templeton, & Co. | £500 0 0 |
| Swinburn & Co... | £522 0 0 |
| C. A Parsons & Co. | £606 12 0 |
| Siemens Bros. & Co. | £677 0 0 |
| Jno. Fowler & Co. | £783 5 0 |

Resolved, That the Tenders be handed to the Electrician for an examination of them and a report thereon.

2-Junction Boxes, Drawing-in Boxes, &c.—Resolved, That Tenders for such Junction Boxes, Drawing-in Boxes, &c., as are required be advertised for in the " Engineer," the " Surveyor," and the " Contract Journal."

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 31st day of July, 1894—Present : Aldermen Griffith and Norman ; Councillors Parsonage and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

3 Transformers -The report of the Electrician upon the various Tenders submitted at the last meeting, was read and considered. Resolved, That the Tender of the Brush Electrical Engineering Co., at £394 15s. 0d., be accepted.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS, Chairman.

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TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 24th day of July, 1894 --Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffith and Rogers (Alderman Col. Rogers in the chair)

1—Technical Education Grant—The Town Clerk reported, that the County Treasurer had forwarded £850 on account of the above. Resolved, That having received the suns of £850, further grant of £50 being confidently expected, the Committee do apportion the amount as follows :—

School of Science and Grammar School £450 School of Art £200 School of Cookery £100 Public Library (on account) £70 Charlton Kings Art Clam £30

RICHARD ROGERS.

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 31st day of July, 1894—Present Councillors Lawrence, Heath, and Parsonage (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-Cab Hire—The Tenders from Licensed Hackney Carriage Proprietors for the supply of carriages for the use of the Corporation were opened, and it was Resolved, That the following be accepted, for a period of one year, being the lowest tenders :—Plough Hotel, 2s 3d per hour for Flys, Landaus, &c. ; W. Smith, Wagonette and Pair 4s per hour ; H. Brill, a Horses and 2 Landaus 4s per hour.

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, £8,714 ; leaving outstanding, £5,725 10s. 8½ d.

3—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 31st inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read Receipts, £5,007 6s 4d. ; leaving outstanding, £3,332 9s. 10d.

4 — 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:—

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| In hand on the 26th June last | £ 5,252 7 11 |
| Received since that date | <u>13,310 16 7</u> |
| | £18,563 4 6 |
| Paid since that date | <u>£ 7,206 7 0</u> |
| Total in hand | £11,356 17 6 |
| Current and Interest Accounts | £ 8,900 0 0 |
| Sinking and Loans Funds.... | £ <u>2,436 17 6</u> |
| | £101,336 17 6 |

The bills and accounts for the past month having been examined. Resolved, that the same as settled, amounting to the sum of £6,285 0s. 11d., be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

5- Delancey Hospital Fees—Resolved, That summonses be issued against All persons who have neglected to repay to the Corporation the sums demanded from them in respect of fees paid to the Delancey Hospital.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 27th day of July, 1894—Present; Councillors Feeney and Parsonage ; Captain Welch and Mr. H. Neale (Councillor Feeney 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 presented to the Library during the past month, viz.:

Smithsonian Institution, Washington 3 vols.

Mrs. P. F. Fitzgerald 1 vol.

Labour Department, Board of Trade 1 vol.

Mrs Redgrave 1 vol.

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Tynemouth, Whitechapel, Plymouth, Shoreditch, Dewsbury, Newcastle-on-Tyne, St. Giles, Holborn and Westminster.

2-Miss Buchanan's Gift--A Letter from Messrs. Winterbothams and Gurney stating that the undertaking proposed to be given on behalf of the Library Committee was quite satisfactory to their Clients and they had pleasure in forwarding a cheque for the £500 bequeathed by Miss Buchanan, was read.

3— Worn Out Books —The Librarian submitted a list of worn out books which required to be replaced. Resolved, That new books be purchased to replace the old ones, at a cost of £7 10s. 7d.

4- - Library Association—Resolved, That the Librarian be authorised to attend the Annual Meeting of the Library Association to be held at Belfast in September next.

5- New Book Case—The Chairman reported that he and the Librarian had inspected a second-hand mahogany book case at Messrs. Sladers', which they recommended should be purchased for the Library at £5 10s. Resolved, That the same be purchased

6 Junior Assistant—On the recommendation of the Sub-Committee, Resolved, That J. P. Askew be appointed to the post of Junior Assistant (in the place of A. Butler who is leaving) at 6s. per week.

7-- Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed.

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| W. Glaisher, Books | £ 2 18 2 |
| J. Day & Son, Books | £ 5 8 11 |
| Cawthorne & Hutt | £ 0 11 3 |
| W. H. Smith & Son, Books | £ 9 3 11 |
| Kelly & Co., Books | £ 1 10 0 |
| C. Westley, Books | £11 14 0 |
| " Newspapers (Leckhampton) | £ 1 1 2 |
| " Newspapers, &c | £10 8 6 |
| " Magazines | £ 2 16 6 |
| " Technical Magazines, &c. | £ 2 14 11 |
| Mackie & Co., Binding | £ 1 12 11 |
| Norman, Sawyer & Co., Binding, &c. | £27 16 2 |
| J. Tinkler, Brooms | £ 1 1 0 |
| A. H. Nott, Coal . | £ 5 13 0 |
| W. Jones, Wages Account . | £15 4 8 |
| Account under 10s | £ 0 7 0 |

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 24th day of July, 1894 –Present Alderman Colonel Rogers ; Councillors Ll. Davies, Hands, Moles, Parsonage and Steel (Councillor Hands in the chair)

1---Local Committees—The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That Summonses be issued against the parents of the following children, viz.:— Florence Gardner, Tinderbox Row ; Thomas Wiggall, Kew Place ; Reuben Cowles, 57, Stanhope Street ; and Thomas Lawrence, Carlton Place, and that Attendance Orders be applied for the following children, viz. :—Fred White, Chapel Lane ; Henry Jeenes, 57, Stanhope Street ; and William Sallis, 28 Queen Street.

2- Attendance Officers' Reports—The monthly reports of the Attendance Officers were read, from which it appeared that absentee returns had been received from 31 Schools, containing 861 names. These and the balance left to visit last month, 607, made a total of 1,478. Of this number the Teachers accounted for 97, and 1,364 had been visited, leaving a balance to visit of 17 recently sent in.

3- Distress Warrants—The Attendance Officers having reported that some of the parents who had been recently summoned and fined had not paid the fines imposed upon them. It was Resolved, That the Attendance Officers be authorised to apply for Distress Warrants in those cases

4-Children with Sore Heads—It was Resolved on the termination of the holidays that notices be sent to the head teachers of each school requesting them not to admit children who attend school having sore heads.

5-- Deaf and Dumb Children – Thomas Walter Smith, the father of Emily Adelaide Smith and John May Smith the two deaf and dumb children referred to at the last meeting, attended at the request of the Committee, made in accordance with the Resolution passed at the last meeting, and Miss Bolton, of No. 37, Clarence Square accompanied him to interpret, and having explained to the Committee that the maximum amount he was able to earn per week by putting up shop shutters and similar odd jobs was 10s, out of which he already contributed 2s per week towards the maintenance of two other deaf and dumb children of his who were at the Bristol District Institution for the deaf and dumb. It was Resolved, That the children be sent to some school for the time being certified by the Education Department as suitable for providing the efficient Elementary instruction required by the Blind and Deaf Children Act, 1893, but as the other two children are already at the Bristol District Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Tyndal's Park, Clifton, that they be sent to that Institution in preference to any other if they can be received there, the cost not to exceed £15 per annum for each child.

WILLIAM HANDS,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, August 30th, 1894.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a 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 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 approve, or otherwise, the proceedings of

THE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE. WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. [To read the Surveyor's Monthly Report on the working of the Bath.—To approve or other-wise the Plan of proposed shelter and conveniences at Naunton Recreation Ground. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

4. Councillor Ward-Humphreys to move :—" That the Baths an

d Recreation Grounds Committee be empowered forthwith to proceed with the erection of a Shelter and Conveniences on the Naunton Park Recreation Ground at a cost not to exceed £120."

5. Notices of Motion. 6. Councillor Steel to move :—That before application is made to the Local Government Board for their confirmation of the Building Bye-Laws, the Builders of the town be furnished with a copy of the draft laws for their consideration.

7. Councillor Parsonage to move :—That the resolution of the Technical Education Committee of 24th July last be altered by apportioning the sum of £850 as follows :—

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| School of Science and Grammar School ... | £450 0 0 |
| School of Art | £200 0 0 |
| School of Cookery (with an addition of 30 if possible) | £ 70 0 0 |
| Public Library | £100 0 0 |
| Charlton Kings Art Class ... | £ <u>30 0 0</u> |
| | £850 0 0 |

8. To read the following letters, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :—Such & Larter re Montpellier Gardens Railings. H. Chapman, Esq., re Carriage Entrance to his house. Town Clerk of West Ham, re Sewers and House Drainage.

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 September, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 9th day of August, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, Parsonage, Steel (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—Seats in the Promenade—Resolved, That the Number of Seats in the Promenade along the length of the Long Garden be reduced to six, four of which be fixed on the West of the Footpath and two on the East side facing the Carriage-way, and that there be painted on the Seats " For the use of Visitors."

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 27th day of August, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, Steel, and Parsonage (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

2—The View—The following members attended the View Meeting on Friday last, viz :—Alderman Col. Thoyts, Councillors Lawrence, Steel and Parsonage.

3 — Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read Average Illuminating Power, 15.96 Candles. Purity 7.3 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 : 4.234 cubic feet.

5--Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month 2 (metered). Burning dimly, 1 (ordinary).

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6—Street Projections—A letter from Mr. T. Ody, requesting leave to fix a Signboard outside his shop as described in his former application, was read. Resolved, That permission be given to place the sign between the two shop windows at the height of the cornice.

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

Repaired with Clee Hill Stone--Gloucester Road to the Borough Boundary, 3700 super yards ; Montpellier Street by The Ladies' College, 896 super yards ; Suffolk Lawn, 0830 super yards ; Montpellier Roads, near Gordon Lamp, 1280 super yards ; Swindon Road, 900 super yards ; Great Norwood Street (proceeding) ; Charlton Lane near the Delancey Hospital, (proceeding) with local stone.

Patching—Promenade, Clarence Street, Tivoli Circus, High Street, New Street, Portland Street, County Court Road, Lansdown Crescent, St George's Road, Montpellier Terrace, Whitehart Street, North Place, Ambrose Street, Leamington Place, Mountpleasant, London Road.

Wickwar Patching—Pittville Estate, Barrett's Mill Lane.

New Gullies-2 in Painswick Road, 0 in Arle Road, 2 in Upper Park Street.

Gullies Repaired-2 in Naunton Lane. A new surface water drain has been laid down at Arle Village for a distance of 66½ yards. New Tar Crossings have been put down as follows near the Gordon Lamp, 14 super yards ; 3 on the Pittville Estate, 40 super yards ; 1 on the Cemetery Road 9½ super yards.

Kerbing, Crossing, and Flagging--St. George's Road, Hewlett Street, Princes Road, Near Gordon Lamp, Pittville Circus, Suffolk Lawn, High Street, Arle Road, Malvern Road, Sandford Road, Suffolk Road, Lypiatt Street, York Street, Swindon Road, Christ Church Road, Painswick Road.

The footpath opposite Messrs. Barnby Bendall & Co.'s, St. James's Square, has been relaid with concrete flags.

Private Improvements—North Place (finished) Concrete Paving, 073 super yards.

Ashes Collected—Van loads, 535 ; Cart Loads, 249 ; Consumed at Destructor 649 tons, 17 cwt., 3 qrs.

8- Sherborne Terrace Improvement—Hiam—Resolved, That the consideration of this matter be further adjourned

9—Chelt Wall in Millbrook Street —Resolved, That this wall be rebuilt and the corner rounded off at the corner of Millbrook Street and Great Western Road.

10— College Lawn Road—A letter from Mr. H. T. Carrington, calling attention to the state of the road in front of his house, and stating that he had been compelled to employ a boy to remove the weeds which had grown up in the roadway, no scavenging-work having been done to the road for a long time past, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Carrington be informed that as soon as Mr. Sadler is convalescent the matter will be attended to.

11—Lighting of Road at back of Promenade Fountain—A letter from Mr. W. Herbert of the Imperial Rooms, asking if it would be convenient for the Corporation to now light the road in front of the Rooms and behind the Fountain as agreed with the former proprietor, was read. Resolved, That the lamp opposite No. 33, Promenade, be removed to the N.E. corner of the Imperial Rooms.

12-Y.M.C.A.-Meetings in Promenade— Letters from Mr. R. Ley Wood, Chairman, and Mr. Charles Masters, Secretary, of the Young Men's Christian Association, adverting to the Newspaper report with reference to the Committee's minute with regard to the use of the Road in front of the houses in the Promenade and near the Fountain, for the purposes of Open Air Meetings, and intimating the intention of the Association to continue their Meetings as hitherto until something more definite is alleged and proved than the charge of damage having been done by those attending the Meetings, were read. Resolved, That the Committee are not prepared to admit that the Young Men's Christian Association have any right whatever to obstruct the Highway by holding their Meetings at the spot referred to, which is a most unsuitable one, and must refer the Secretary and Mr. Ley Wood to the

minute of the Committee above referred to by Mr. Wood, made on the complaint of one of the residents of the houses in the Promenade of the nuisance caused there by Local Preachers on Sundays.

13—Lighting of Pilley Road—A memorial from Mr. A. P. Little and others, calling attention to the want of a gas lamp on the Pilley Road, above the Wheat Sheaf Inn, was read. Resolved, That one lamp be granted.

14- No. 16, Ambrose Street—A letter from Mr. Thomas Price the tenant of No. 016, Ambrose Street, expressing his inability either to pay the rent or to make satisfactory proposals for payment, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Price not having made any satisfactory proposal, the Resolution of the Committee of the 26th February last be given effect to.

15—Repair of Folly large—A letter from Mr. Thomas Smith, of the Plough Gardens, proposing to give up a certain quantity of his land, as far as his property extended, to make the above road a public highway, provided the Corporation would do all the necessary works and erect a fence, without putting him to any further expense, was read. Resolved, That the Committee cannot recommend the acceptance of Mr. Smith's proposal.

16—Stone Breaking at Leckhampton—A memorial from Mr. Keitley and others calling attention to the nuisance and annoyance caused in the neighbourhood of the Leckhampton Road by reason of the stone breaking at the back of the Board Room, and praying the Committee to abate the nuisance, was read. Resolved, That the stone breaking being of advantage to the working men in the neighbourhood, the Committee cannot recommend the discontinuance of it, but every effort will be made to render it as slight an annoyance as may be to the residents.

17—Trees—A letter from Col. Cooch calling attention to the trees opposite his house, No. 1, Cambridge Villas, which render the house almost uninhabitable by shutting out the light and air, and expressing the hope that the Committee would take the matter into their favourable consideration as soon as possible, was read. Resolved, That one of the trees, i.e., that marked No. 27, be cut down at the proper time. Resolved, That a Tree Sub-Committee be appointed, consisting of the Chairman and Councillors Lawrence, Parsonage, and Steel.

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18 —Footpaths in the Park—A memorial from Col. Golding and others, expressing their opinion that the time had now arrived for them to approach the Council with a view to their sanctioning the completion of the Concrete footpath round the Southern portion of the Park, and the renewing of those parts of the existing concrete which had fallen into disrepair, was read. Resolved, That the memorialists be informed that, as part of the general scheme of repairing the footpaths in the added districts which will be brought up for consideration next month, this application will be favourably considered.

19—Fairfield Place—Application having been made for this road to be declared a Public Highway. Resolved, That the Committee cannot recommend the road to be taken over unless an arrangement is made to make the same 36 feet wide throughout.

20—Great Western Railway Station—A request having been made by the Great Western Railway Co. for leave to put up Indicating Boards " Way In " and " Way Out." Resolved, That the request be granted.

21 —Destructor—Resolved, That the siding from the Midland Railway be now put in.

22—Lighting of the Queen's Road—The Surveyor laid before the Committee a Plan shewing the suggested additional lamps and alteration of positions of the existing lamps, involving the erection of two new lamps and the alteration of 18 lamps. Resolved, That the same be carried out.

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

Mr. Wm. Ferguson, Additions to Bloxted House, Sandford Terrace.

Mr. H. Chase, Conservatory at Lansdown Court, East.

Mr. W. T. Pates, additions to Tudor House.

The Council of the Ladies' College, additions to Ladies' College

The Trusty Oil Engine Co., Workshops at St. Mark's.

Weyman & Hitchcock, additions to Works at St. Mark's.

Mr. Stephen Holloway, additions to No. 3, St. Mark's Emporium.

Rev. G. P. Griffiths, addition to Schools at Up-Hatherley.

Mr. J. W. Cheshire, alterations to premises in Suffolk Parade

The Surveyor also submitted the following Notices and Plans, which were dealt with as follows :

The Council of the Ladies' College, additions to 1, Fauconberg Terrace, disapproved.

Mr. John Sims, additions to the " Five Alls Inn," disapproved.

Mr. Geo. Stibbs, additions to No. 6, Mitre Street, approved subject to the drains being made to discharge over a properly trapped gully in the open yard.

Mr. C. H. Saunders, house adjoining the Midland Inn, approved, subject to the Drains under the house being laid in concrete.

Mr. E. F. Saunders, house adjoining the Midland Inn, approved subject to the Drains under the house being laid in concrete.

Mr. Geo. Loveday, two houses in Gloucester Road, approved subject to the drain being altered as shewn on the plan and to the Drain under the house being laid in concrete.

The Borough Surveyor reported that the roof of premises erected by Mr. Pates in St. George's Road, projected over the foot-path. Resolved, That Mr. Pates be required to set back to the proper line.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 13th day of August, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Capt. Griffith ; Councillors Feeney and Parsonage, (Alderman Capt. Griffith in the chair)—

1--Dairies anti Cowsheds Order —An application from Aurelius Little, of Pilley, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk, was read, together with the report of the Medical Officer thereon. Resolved, That the applicant be registered.

2-Zymotic Disease —The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee, on the 25th ult., 3 cases of Scarlet Fever, and 2 cases of Diphtheria.

3- Houses without a proper Water Supply—It appearing on the Report of the Borough Surveyor dated the 10th inst., that the houses mentioned therein, viz :--Nos. 1 and 2, Edward Street, Nos. 3, 4, 5, and 6, Brunswick Terrace, and a Cottage at back of St. George's Avenue, were without a proper supply of water, and that such supply could be furnished thereto at a cost not exceeding the Water Rate authorised by the Cheltenham Corporation Water Acts. Resolved, That Notice be given under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners requiring them to obtain such supply and to do all such things as may be necessary for that purpose.

4—Defective Drains at No. 1, Southampton Place—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains at No. 1, Southampton Place are a nuisance injurious to health. Resolved, That Authority be given to the Surveyor to open the ground, examine the drains, and act as provided by the said Section.

5—Overcrowded Dwelling Ouse—The Medical Officer reported that at No. 7, Burton Terrace, occupied by George Stanton, there are two parents and eight children (four of the children being above 12 years of age), while there are only two bedrooms with far too little cubic space. Resolved, That Notice be given under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to abate the nuisance.

6—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Medical Officer of Health presented a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the houses named therein (14 in number) are without proper and sufficient ashpits or ash receptacles. Resolved, That the necessary notices be given to the respective owners under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Borough Surveyor on behalf of the Corporation.

7—Sanitary Inspection of Houses--The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he required some air bag drain stoppers, the stoppers now in use not meeting all requirements. Resolved, That they be obtained.

8-Delancey Hospital Fees—The Medical Officer of Health reported that Mr. Harris of High Street, objected to repay to the Corporation certain Delancey Hospital Fees incurred by them on his account. Resolved, That this Committee consider that the circumstances do not justify a remission of the amount.

9— Inspectors' Holidays—Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health be authorised to make arrangements for each Inspector to have a short holiday at such times as are most compatible with the work of his department.

10-Sewer at Hatherley—A letter from R. Ticehurst, stating that the Rural Sanitary Authority thought that the proposals for the extension of the Sewer at Hatherley were desirable and likely to be beneficial to the general health of the district, but desiring further information, was read. Resolved, That the sewer be extended from the Laundry along the Highway to the junction of the private road near Home Cottages with the Hatherley Road, and that if the Rural Sanitary Authority will pay half the cost of the extension of the sewer along the Highway to "St. Bartholomew's " and will agree to pay 2d. in the £ on the rateable value of the houses in Up-Hatherley- Parish, connected with the said sewer, the Corporation will construct such branch. That the abutting owners on the private road above-mentioned and the private road at right angles to it, which are within the Borough be required to sewer those roads. That a short branch sewer be constructed from Hatherley Brake to the Hatherley Schools, and, That a Copy of this Resolution be sent to Mr. Ticehurst in reply to his letter.

J. C. GRIFFITH

Chairman.

At is Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 22nd day of August, 1894—Present Alderman Capt. Griffith ; Councillors M. Davis, Dighton, Hands, Parsonage (Ald. Capt. Griffith in the chair)—

11 -Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Order—An application from Mrs. Olivia Beamish of No. 278, High Street, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk, was read. The Medical Officer of Health stated that such alterations and repairs had been done as enabled him to recommend registration. Resolved, That the applicant be registered.

12-Zymotic Disease—"The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee, 2 cases of Scarlet fever, both of which had been sent into the Delancey Hospital.

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13- Water Supply to Cottages in Coltham Fields—The Medical Officer of Health's report as to the water supply to these houses, stating that there is an insufficient supply and that the quality of the water is dangerous and injurious to the health of those drinking it ; also, that the w.c.'s remain unflushed, was read. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do take proceedings to ensure compliance with the notices given.

14-Water Supply to Higgs' Cottages--The Notices to provide a proper water supply to these cottages not having been complied with, Resolved, That the Surveyor do proceed, under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to lay on a supply from the Corporation Mains by means of a stand pipe, and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the said section.

15— Defective Drainage—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that Notices given under Sec. 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, as to defective drainage at No. 1, Angle Villas, Nos. 1 and 2, Suffolk Parade, and Nos. 7, 8, and 9, Montpellier Retreat, had not been complied with, there having been in each case a change of ownership since the notices were served. Resolved, That fresh notices be issued under the said section on the present owners.

16-No. 3, Rugby Cottages, St Mark's—The Medical Officer of Health reported that No. 3, Rugby Cottages, St. Mark's, was in such a condition as to be unfit for human habitation, and to be a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That the necessary proceedings be taken under Sec. 32 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, and Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, for an Order to close the said house.

17—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Medical Officer of Health presented a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the houses named therein (14 in number) were without proper and sufficient ashpits or ash receptacles. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Sec. 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each instance to provide a moveable Ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Borough Surveyor on behalf of the Corporation.

18— Nos. 47, 49, 51, and 51k Fairview Street—The Surveyor reported that Mr. A. W. Steel, desired to know whether he might erect an ash receptacle for the above houses to be used in common by the occupiers and thus comply with the notices served on him. Resolved, that permission be granted in this case, subject to the receptacle being made in accordance with the requirements of the Borough Surveyor.

19—W.C.'s without Flushing Apparatus--The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c.'s without flushing apparatus. Resolved, That notices be given under Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus and to the occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

20- Notices not complied with—A list of Notices given by the Town Clerk and not complied with within the time specified therein was submitted. Resolved, in the case of non-compliance with the notices to provide a proper water supply, the Surveyor be empowered under Sec. 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to lay on a supply from the Corporation Mains, and that the expenses be recovered as provided by the said section ; That in all the other cases mentioned in the list, proceedings be taken for the recovery of the penalties provided by the Acts.

21-Public Health Congress, 1894—A circular from the British Institute of Public Health, enclosing a copy of the resolutions passed at the recent Congress, was laid before the Committee.

22-Sewer near Dean Close School—The Surveyor reported that he would be able to obviate the difficulty in this case by an alteration in the sewer, which would cost about £30. Resolved, That he be authorised to make the alteration in the sewer as suggested by him.

23 - Prestbury Sewerage—Mr. R. Ticehurst's letter asking whether the Council would sanction an extension of the Borough sewer from Welland Lodge, Prestbury Road, as far as the " Cedars " and

the " Limes " on the same road, was further considered. Resolved, That the Council will assent to the extension of the sewer in the Prestbury Road, (which is a sewer belonging to the Rural Sanitary Authority, and not to the Corporation) to the point mentioned in Mr. Ticehurst's letter, on the same terms as in the agreement relating to the existing sewer.

24—Plans of House Drainage—The Plans of such Ness' Buildings, necessitating drainage, as were intended to come up for approval at the next Meeting of the Street and Highway Committee, were laid before this Committee, and the same were approved so far as regards the drainage arrangements, subject in some instances to certain conditions which are fully set out in Minute No. 23 of the Street and Highway Committee.

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

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| S. Harris, for articles destroyed by Order of Medical Officer of Health | £ 1 2 6 |
| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients . | £36 14 0 |
| W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance | £ 1 5 0 |
| Dr. Garrett, Expenses re. Public Health Congress | £ 9 7 0 |
| C. J. Willis, Sulphur Candles ... | £ 2 0 0 |

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 5th day of August, 1854—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Col. Thoyts and Col. Rogers ; Councillor Lawrence (Ald. Col. Thoyts in the chair)---

1-Chairman- -In the absence of the Chairman, Alderman Colonel Thoyts was appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

2—Montpellier Gardens Railings—The resolution of this Committee of date the 25th June last, as amended at the Council Meeting held on the 7th August inst., was considered. Resolved, That Messrs. Letheren be paid the sum of £96 13s. 4d., for the Railing already erected, being 66 yards 2 feet, at 29s per yard. Resolved, That Tenders for execution of the completion of the Railing along the West front of the Gardens of similar design and equal in quality to the length already erected, including Gates, be advertised for in the Examiner.

The Borough Surveyor was directed to prepare and submit to the Committee a design for railings along the North and South Sides of the Gardens. Resolved, That the Plan of the West front of the Gardens, now laid before the Committee, be approved.

3—Marle Hill—The Borough Surveyor reported that a man named Cooke had broken down a gate at Marle Hill. Resolved, That proceedings be commenced against him for wilful damage.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman

At a meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 27th day of August, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Griffith; Councillors Lawrence, Skillicorne, and Ward-Humphreys (Alderman Griffith in the chair)—

4-Chairman - In the absence of the Chairman, Alderman Griffith was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

5—Promenade Improvement No. 2—A Letter from Mr. Prothero, stating that a meeting of Owners and Occupiers had, generally, approved a Plan differing slightly from Mr. Hall's in that it left the space in front of No. 1 just as it was, and altered No. 13, only so far as to match No. 1, this having been done in the hope of meeting the objection of Mr. Sanders, who had declined to accede to Mr. Hall's Plan, and enclosing a tracing of the Plan referred to, which Mr. Cox had undertaken to forward to Mr. Sanders, also submitting a series of questions on various points for the information of the parties concerned, was read. Resolved, That the Committee consider that to leave the end gardens in their present form would spoil the whole improvement, and they hope that the owners of No. 1 will, on further consideration and reflection, yield to the wishes of the neighbours and agree to the Plan submitted by the Borough Surveyor.

6—Seats in Promenade—A Letter from Mrs. Drake, expressing surprise that the seats in the Promenade were so placed that the occupants of them faced the houses, the privacy of which was promised not to be interfered with, was read. Resolved, That a fresh arrangement of seats having been made the Committee trust it will remove all objections.

7-Pittville Park—A number of persons having been reported as having entered the Marlehill portion of Pittville Park in the evening of the fete on the 16th inst. without producing their Subscriber's Ticket or paying for admission, and it having been ascertained that they were not entitled to admission to the Marlehill portion. Resolved, That they be applied to for their subscriptions or the entrance fees.

8—Montpellier Gardens Railings—Letters from Messrs. R. E. & C. Marshall stating that as the specifications were only delivered on the 18th inst., and the drawings for the gates were yet incomplete, they applied for an extension of time to deliver their tender, and that seven days after the completion of the drawings would not, it appeared to them, be an unreasonable time to ask, was read. Resolved, That the Tenders sent in, four in number, be opened.

The Tenders were as follows :—

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| Such and Larter | £233 0 0 W. |
| Letheren & Sons | £244 0 0 |
| R. E. & C. Marshall | £245 2 6 |
| Hancock & Son | £328 13 6 |

Resolved, That having regard to the small difference between the lowest tender and. that of Messrs. Letheren & Sons and to the desirability of the work being continued of the same character in every respect as the length already erected, the Tender of Messrs. Letheren & Sons be accepted.

8—Local Government Act, 1894--The Town Clerk laid before the Committee prints of the Orders made by the County Council amalgamating the portions of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton recently added to the Borough with the Parish of Cheltenham.

j. C. GRIFFITH, Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 23rd day of August, 1894—Present :
Councillors Hands and Margrett.

There not being a sufficient number of members present to form a quorum no business was done.

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of August, 1894—Present : The
Mayor ; Councillors Hands, Ll. Davies and Ward-Humphreys (The Mayor in the chair)—

1— Borough Engineer's Report —The usual monthly report of the Borough Engineer, was read, as follows On the 22nd instant, the supply to the Hewletts and Leckhampton Reservoirs was 82 Gallons ; the average for the last four years being 98 gallons per minute; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 9,352,167 gallons

On the 21st instant, the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 19 feet 11 inches, and the contents 44,384,232 gallons, which gives a total of 53,736,399 gallons.

I have received an application from Mrs. Raisher for a reduction of the rent of her farm at Dowdeswell, as follows,—“Will you please to thank the Committee for what they allowed me out of my rent, and also ask them to make a reduction in the rent, seeing how low in price farming produce is ; and again, I do not get the crops I did before the Reservoir and Filtering Beds were made, owing to it being so cold. My Rates and Tithes are from £9 to £10 per year. Please to put it as low as you can.” Resolved, That the small field between the Farm and the Reservoir be added to Mrs. Raisher's Farm, her rent remaining at £6a per annum.

2—Tewkesbury Water Supply—A Letter from Sir G. B. Bruce, the Arbitrator, intimating that his Award was ready and could be taken up on payment of the fees amounting to £206 5s. 4d., was read. Resolved, That the Award be taken up by this Corporation and that a cheque be drawn for the amount of the fees.

3—Water Supply to New Laundry—A Letter from Mr. Geo. Brydges, the Secretary of the Laundry Co., stating that the Directors considered the price asked by the Town Council for the supply of water to their works unreasonably high considering the large amount consumed, and asking the Committee to consider whether they could not reduce the price, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned pending some readjustments contemplated by the Committee.

4—Appeals—Various Appeals 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.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 22nd day of August, 1894—Present : Aldermen Col. Rogers, Col. Thoyts, Capt. Griffith ; Councillors Hands, Lawrence, Parsonage, and Ward-Humphreys (Alderman Colonel Thoyts in the chair)—

1—Fire Brigade—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had been called out to two fires since his appointment, viz.—at Messrs. J. Bloodworth & Sons, No. 7, Albion Street, on the 7th inst. Estimated damage about £40. The expenses of the Brigade amount to £ 3, but, owing to the number of Insurance companies interested (10) and the difficulty of obtaining information, the claims had not yet been sent in. On the 18th inst. at Hyde Farm, occupied by Mrs. Hone. Expenses of the Brigade amount to £9 15s., the claim for which had been duly sent in to the Owners.

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The Superintendent also reported that there was no brake on either of the Fire Engines and advised that one should be provided and fixed to Engine No. 1 at a cost of about £4. Also, That he required a Hand Lamp at a cost of 25s. for night inspection, and that he found the uniform and boots handed over to him by the late Superintendent very much too small and there being no suitable waist belt therewith. Resolved, That a brake be procured and fixed in accordance with the Report ; that a Hand Lamp be obtained, and that a new suit of Uniform with belt and boots be ordered for the Superintendent.

2—Drivers' Licenses Applications were received from, and licenses to drive Hackney Carriages granted to, Henry Osborne and Daniel Moksey.

3—Hackney Carriages—An application from Newman Gibbard for a Pony Carriage License, was read. Resolved, That he be informed there is at present no vacancy.

An application from John Beamish for a Hackney Carriage License, was read. A list of 9 convictions for various offences recorded against him since the year 1880, four of them being within the last 3 years, and two of them being for cruelty to and ill-treatment of horses. Resolved, That under these circumstances the grant of a license be refused.

A letter from Henry Cobb, stating that he had now completed the purchase of the Fly business lately carried on by Mr. George Stokes, and trusted the Committee would transfer to him the three Hackney Carriage Licenses formerly held by Stokes, was read. Resolved, That the application be granted on the Chairman being satisfied with and passing the Carriages and Horses.

4-Local Government act, 1894 —The Town Clerk presented the following further notes on this Act :—Referring to my Notes on this Act, presented to the General Purposes and Watch Committee of the Council on the 20th day March last, you will find therein that I called the attention of the Committee to the power of the Local Government Board to make an Order for conferring on the Council the power of appointment of Overseers and Assistant Overseers and Revocation of Appointment of Assistant Overseers, and any of the powers, &c., of a Parish Council.

The County Council having now made Orders, dated the 10th inst., amalgamating the portions of the Parishes of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton added to the Municipal Borough with the Civil Parish of

Cheltenham as one Parish, the above powers should now receive the attention of the Council—to consider and decide whether it will apply to the Local Government Board for the conference on the Council of the powers in question. If the Local Government Board, on the application of the Council, make any such Order, the Council will have to appoint from two to four Overseers annually for the Parish, and the appointment should be made on the 25th of March next or within 14 days thereafter. The appointment of the Overseers must be under Seal.

The Parish Churches Gardens will continue to be Overseers unless the Order of the Local Government Board provides for their ceasing to be such. The Order should also empower the Council to fix the salary and specify the duties of the Assistant Overseer. (59 Geo. III., c. 9, S. 7).

Instead of conferring upon the Corporation the power of appointment of the Overseers and Assistant Overseer, the Local Government Board may confer upon them any of the powers, duties and liabilities of an Overseer, of which the following are the most important :—

1. To prepare the Valuation List, and Supplemental Valuation Lists, of all rateable property within the parish.
2. The power to appeal to Quarter Sessions when their parish is aggrieved by the valuation list of another parish in the same Union, by the basis or standard for the county rate, or by the County Rate itself.
3. To make and collect the Poor Rate, and to pay over to the Corporation and other Local Authorities the contributions of the parish towards the borough and other rates.
4. To prepare the Lists of Parliamentary, Municipal, County and Parish Voters.
5. To prepare the Jury List.

They also have duties relating to the relief of the poor, lunatics, disorderly houses, &c. But probably it will be found desirable to pursue the simpler plan of conferring the power of appointing the Overseers and Assistant Overseer.

The Order may also confer on the Council the powers of the Vestry under the 3rd and 4th Sections of the Poor Rate Assessment and Collection Act, 1869, that is to say, the compounding powers.

There are not many of the powers of a Parish Council which are not already possessed by the Corporation, but there is one important power the Corporation does not possess, and that is, the administration of non-ecclesiastical charities.

The following is the definition of the expression " ecclesiastical charity." It includes a charity, the endowment whereof is held for some one or more of the following purposes :—

- (a) For any spiritual purpose which is a legal purpose ; or
- (b) For the benefit of any spiritual person or ecclesiastical officer as such ; or
- (c) For use, if a building, as a church, chapel, mission room, or Sunday school, or otherwise by any particular church or denomination ; or

(d) For the maintenance, repair, or improvement of any such building as aforesaid, or for the maintenance of divine service therein ; or

(e) Otherwise for the benefit of any particular church or denomination, or of any members thereof as such.

Where the objects of a charity are of a mixed nature, ecclesiastical and non-ecclesiastical, the Charity Commissioners have power to make provision for the apportionment thereof so as to give effect to the Act.

Where the Overseers of a Parish are, either alone or jointly with any other persons, trustees of any parochial charity., the Parish council can appoint Councillors or other persons to be trustees in their place. When the charity is not an ecclesiastical one, the same power applies in the case of Churchwarden trustees.

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Where the governing body of a parochial charity does not include any persons elected by the ratepayers or appointed by the Council, the latter may appoint such additional members of that governing body as the Charity Commissioners may allow.

Where the Vestry of a Parish are entitled to appoint trustees or beneficiaries of a non-ecclesiastical charity, the appointment is to be made by the Council or in the case of beneficiaries by persons appointed by the Council.

The names of beneficiaries of dole charities are to be published annually in such form as the Council thinks fit.

The term of office of trustees appointed as above is to be four years, but of the trustees first appointed one-half are to go out of office at the end of two years from the date of their appointment, but will be eligible for re-appointment.

The above provisions with respect to the appointment of trustees, except so far as the appointment is transferred from the Vestry, will not apply to any charity until the expiration of forty years from the foundation thereof.

There are other powers, &c., of a Parish Council which can be conferred on the Council of a Borough. These will be found set out in Sections 14 to 16 of the Act., and the following are some of the powers which the Council do not already possess:-

The powers, duties and liabilities of Overseers with respect to Appeals in respect of the Poor Rate or County Rate.

The provision of Parish Books, Parish Chest.

The holding and management of Parish property.

The powers exercisable by the Board of Guardians in respect of the sale or letting of parish property To utilise any well, spring or stream within the parish but so as not to interfere with the rights of any Corporation or person. To acquire by agreement any right of way within the Parish or an adjoining Parish.

To accept and hold any gifts of Property, real or personal, for the benefit of the inhabitants.

To execute any works including works of maintenance or improvement incidental to the exercise of any of the foregoing powers or in relation to any non-ecclesiastical parish property or contribute towards the expense of such works.

Extended powers in respect of the hiring of land for Allotments.

Extended borrowing powers.

Resolved, That the foregoing report be considered at the next meeting of the Committee.

5-- Rate Collector's Salary—An application from Mr. P. B. Loveridge for an increase in his salary owing to the additional work cast upon him by the extension of the Borough Boundaries, and stating that he will be compelled to employ an additional clerk. was read. Resolved, That Mr. Loveridge's salary be increased by 435 per annum, the addition to commence from the last quarterly payment, and to be subject to any alteration in the mode of the collection of the rates that may be made in consequence of any exercise by the Council of any powers of a Parish Council which may be conferred upon it.

6-- Annoyance to inmates of St. Mary's Hall—The Rev. E. Cornford's letter was further considered. Resolved, That Mr. Cornford be informed that it is a matter for the police, whose attention have been called to his complaint.

7- Board Room of the late Leckhampton Local Board—A letter from the Clerk to the Guardians, stating that the Guardians cannot agree to provide fires, but are quite willing to pay 48, and they hope that the Council will provide necessary fires, was read. Resolved, That this Committee are not prepared to recommend any alteration in the terms of their resolution of last month.

8— Numbering of Clarence Street—The Surveyor laid before the Committee a plan and scheme for re-numbering this Street. Resolved, That the same be approved and the re-numbering be done at the end of the year.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 23rd day of August, 1894—Present :
Councillors Dighton, Margrett,

There not being a sufficient number of Members present to form a quorum, no business was transacted.

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of August, 1894—Present: The Mayor:
Councillor Dighton

There being no quorum no business was done.

E. T. BRYDGES, Town Clerk.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 24th day of August, 1894—Present : Councillors Steel, Parsonage and M. Davis (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1-Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported that he had recently had a third interment in a grave, previously un-purchased, but which the friends of the deceased had now purchased, he stated that the fees for a purchased grave and three interments therein being £4 5s. 6d. in all, he had charged in this instance fees which with the interment fees already paid would make the above sum, and he desired to know if the Committee approved of that charge. Resolved, That the charge be confirmed.

2 -Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved, viz. :—Headstones to .Minnie Ommaney, Susannah Fisher, Annie Channon, Richard Mustoe, Robert Skidmore, John Allen, Catherine Allen and Maria Maud Smith.

3-Land adjoining Cemetery—Pratley—A correspondence between the Town Clerk and Mr. Pratley relative to a complaint by the as to the insufficiency and unsuitability of the fence put up at the end of his land by the Borough Surveyor, was read. After an inspection of the Fence. Resolved, That a Larch fence be fixed along the South side of the ground which is still in Mr. Pratley's occupation, in lieu of the old hoop iron fence, and that the railing on the West side be fixed on a little higher ground and one more strand of wire be fixed in it at the bottom.

4-Account--The following Account was examined and allowed :—W. Gregory—Labourers' Wages £16 4 0

EDWARD. H. PARSONAGE.

Chairman.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 21st day of August, 1894—Present Aldermen Col. Thoyts, Capt. Griffith ; Councillors Parsonage, Norman, and Ward-Humphreys, (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

1—Overhead Traveller—It was Resolved, That Tenders for an Overhead Traveller be advertised for in the " Engineer " and in " Engineering."

2—Electric Lighting Station—The Borough Surveyor presented his certificate to the effect that Messrs. Malvern and Sons (the contractors) were entitled to £400 on account of work done, and the same was passed.

3—Regulations —The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee draft Regulations of supply. Resolved, That a sufficient number of copies be printed for the use of the Members of the Committee, and the further consideration thereof adjourned to a Meeting to be held on Wednesday, the 29th, at 4 p.m.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 29th day of August, 1894—Present The Mayor; Aldermen Thoys, Griffith and Norman ; Councillors Parsonage and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

4 -Transformers—The Town Clerk read a correspondence which had passed between the Brush Electrical Engineering Co. and himself upon the subject of the Contract for Transformers, and the Town Clerk's letters were approved, and he was directed to forward them the Draft Contract for approval.

5—Regulations—The Regulations relating to supply of Electric Energy were again discussed and approved by the Committee, as altered. Copies were ordered to be forwarded to the members of the Council for their consideration.—

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of August, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Rogers ; Councillors Ll. Davies, Lawrence, Parsonage and Skillicorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, of date the 28th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Amount collected, £12,319 17s. 6d ; leaving outstanding, £2,119 12s. 11 ½ d.

2--Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 28th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts, £6,716 15s. 3d. ; leaving outstanding, £1,762 7s. 4d.

3- 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:—

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| In hand on the 31st July last | £11,356 17 6 |
| Received since that date | <u>£ 6,113 13 6</u> |
| | £17,470 11 0 |
| Paid since that date | <u>£ 5,894 4 0</u> |
| Total in hand | 11,576 7 0 |
| Current and Interest Accounts | £ 9,019 9 6 |
| Sinking and Loans Funds.... | <u>£ 2,456 17 6</u> |
| | £11,576 7 0 |

The bills and accounts for the past month having been examined. Resolved, That the same as settled, amounting to the sum of £3,230 13s. 4d., be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

EDWIN LAWRENCE, Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 24th day of August, 1894—Present; Councillors Parsonage, Davies, and Skillicorne ; Baron de Ferrieres, Mr. H. Neale, Captain Welch and Mr. Chas. Hall (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1-Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Parsonage was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

2-Librarian's Report —The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. He also reported that the following gifts had been presented to the Library during the past month, viz.: Trustees of British Museum 3 vols. Sir Brook Kay, Bart. 1 vol. Cobden Club 3 pamphlets Mrs. Meredith 3 vols.

3- Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee recommended that the Books submitted by the Librarian, be purchased for the sum of £15 9s. 6d., for the " Buchanan Library." They also reported that the decoration of the Librarian's Room had been completed at the expense of Councillor Feeney, and that the work had been exceedingly well done. Resolved, That the purchase of Books, be approved, and That the best thanks of the Committee be tendered to Mr. Feeney for his generosity.

4 -Accounts The following Accounts were examined and allowed.

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| Librarian, for Petty Cash | £5 0 0 |
| Ditto Wages Account, September | £15 1 6 |
| Chas. Lowe, Books | £24 0 0 |
| James Wen, ditto | £ 2 7 0 |
| F. W. Mitchell, Cleaning Materials | £ 0 4 1 |

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 21st day of August, 1894—Present : Councillors Hands, Parsonage, Steel and Wheeler (Councillor Hands in the chair)—

1- Attendance Officers' Reports—The monthly reports of the Attendance Officers were read, from which it appeared that absentee returns had been received from 6 Schools, containing 77 names. These and the balance left to visit last month, 17 made a total of 94. Of this number 33 had been visited, leaving a balance to visit of 61 sent in on the 18th and 20th inst.

2- Deaf and Dumb Children--The Forms of application for admission of the deaf and dumb children, John Mayo Smith and Emily Adelaide Smith, to the Bristol District Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, having been produced duly filled in and completed with the exception of the Form of Engagement as security by the Local Authority to pay an annual sum of £15 for the Board of each child, and supply each child with clothing as often as needful. It was Resolved before entering into this Engagement

that the Managers of the Institution be communicated with to ascertain if they would contract with the Committee for the supply of Clothing.

3—Prevention of Cruelty to Children (Amendment Act, 1894)—The Town Clerk having called the attention of the Committee to Section to of this Act whereby, in cases where the Court has power to deal with the child under the Industrial Schools Acts, the Court, if it thinks fit, in lieu of ordering the child to attend an Industrial School, may make an Order under Section 5 of the Prevention of Cruelty to and Protection of Children Act, 1889, for the committal of the child to the care of a relation or person named by the Court as therein provided. It was Resolved, That the Trustees of Lumb's Trust be communicated with to ascertain if they would be able to devote the Funds of their Trust to cases coming within this Section.

4—District for Mr. Irving—The Additional Attendance Officer—It was Resolved, That the portion of the School District to be allocated to Mr. Irving, should be the South Ward, and so much of the East Ward as lies on the East side of the Hales Road.

5--Special Examination—The Town Clerk reported that a Special Examination of children, was held on the 21st of July last, with the following results :—

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| No. of boys examined | | 47 |
| No. passed in Standard III | | 0 |
| “ “ IV | | 1 |
| “ “ V | | 10 |
| | | |
| No. of Girls examined | | 13 |
| No. passed in Standard IV | | 3 |
| “ “ V | | 3 |

WILLIAM HANDS,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, September 27th, 1894.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a 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 1st 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. THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

4. Councillor Parsonage to move :—" That the resolution of the Technical Education Committee of 24th July last, be altered by apportioning the sum of £850 as follows —

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|---|-----------------|
| School of Science and Grammar School | £450 0 0 |
| School of Art ... | £200 0 0 |
| School of Cookery (with an additional of £30 if possible) | £ 70 0 0 |
| Public Library ... | £100 0 0 |
| Charlton Kings Art Class | <u>£ 30 0 0</u> |
| | £850 0 0 |

5. Notices of Motion.

6. To read the following letters, &c., and pass Resolutions thereon, if need be :—C. Mackay, re a Hansom Cab License. Secretary Ratepayers Association, re Water Supply to Local Companies. Mrs. Rowland and others, re Pavement in Albion Street. A. W. Steel, re Cattle Market.

Y ours 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 1st of October, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 24th day of September, 1894—Present : Aldermen Haddon and Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, Steel, Parsonage and Heath (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

1—The View—The following members attended the View Meeting on Friday last, viz :—The Mayor, Councillors Heath, Parsonage, Lawrence and Steel.

2-Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 16.07 Candles. Purity 7.55 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 : 4.223 cubic feet.

4 - Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month 7 (2 metered). Burning dimly, 2.

5-Proposed Improvement of the Street Lamps—Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to the Gas Co., enquiring if they would " be prepared to substitute Opal tops in the Gas Lamps, in the principal thoroughfares, and at what cost, also informing the Company that this Committee presumes that a reduction will be made in the price charged for Gas for the public lighting corresponding to the reduction in price to private consumers.

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

Repaired with Glee Hill Stone—Millbrook Street 959 yards super ; St. Luke's Road 299 super yards ; St. James's Square 333 yards super ; Rutland Street 300 yards super ; Great Norwood Street 1590 yards super ; Gloucester Road near the Gas Works 480 super yards.

Patching—Royal Well Place, Bayshill Road, High Street, Albion Street, St. George's Place.

Repaired with Wickwar Stone—Pittville, Clarence Square 2123 super yards.

The road and path in Charlton Lane has been raised with local stone after the completion of the sewer.

New Gullies-3 in Glenfall Street, 1 in St. James's Square, 1 in Upper Park Street.

Gullies Repaired—1 in Oxford Passage.

A new surface water drain 6in. in diameter has been put down in Glenfall Street for a distance of 38 yards.

New Sett Crossings-2 in Painswick Road, 1 in Grafton Terrace, 1 in Shurdington Road.

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Kerbing, Crossing, and Flagging—Rutland Street, St. James's Square, Christ Church Road, Warwick Place, Suffolk Lawn, Shurdington Road, Painswick Road, Bayshill Road, Charlton Lane, Winchcomb Street, Grafton Street, Great Norwood Street, York Passage, and Manchester Street.

The Promenade on the East side is being relaid with Croft Adamant Flags, 300 square yards having been laid, and the work is still proceeding.

New silver grey edging and channelling is being laid in Grosvenor Street.

Tariff Paths--Swindon Road.

Dead Trees have been removed as follows, all the trees being limes : 1 in Gloucester Road, 2 in St. George's Road, 5 in Leckhampton Road, 1 in Moorend Park Road.

Ashes Collected—Van loads collected 536; cart loads ditto 257 ; consumed at Destructor 696 tons 18 cwt. 3 qrs.

7—Sherborne Terrace Improvement—Hiam—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had had an interview with Mr. Hiam, who had expressed his readiness to accept the following terms :—

The Corporation to pay Mr. Hiam £30, set back the Fence, alter the Footpath, and form a new roof to the Coal Cellar ; Mr. Hiam to lower the Cellar Floor, underpin the Walls, and (if necessary) relay the Drain. Resolved, That these terms be agreed to.

8—Carriage Entrance at " The Grove "—A letter from Mr. Henry Chapman, stating that the Carriage Entrance at his front gate is very inconvenient, if not hurtful to Carriages passing over it, and asking to be allowed to reconstruct it, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor do look into the matter and report to the Committee.

9—Street and Building Byelaws —A letter from the Local Government Board, forwarding copy of a letter addressed to them by Mr. R. R. Skemp, Builder, objecting to certain of the provisions of these Byelaws, and requesting that the Board might be furnished with the observations of the Town Council thereon, was read. The Borough Surveyor's Report upon the several matters referred to in Mr. Skemp's letter was also read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor's Report be approved, and that a copy thereof be forwarded to the Local Government Board.

10—Lighting of Wellington Passage—A letter from Mr. E. B. Whatley complaining of the nuisance experienced owing to the insufficient lighting of Wellington Passage was read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be requested to report as to the addition of another Guildhall Lamp in the High Street and the removal of one of the ordinary Lamps to Wellington Passage.

11—Asphalte Pavement opposite Raymond Terrace—A letter from Mr. James Villar, the Surveyor to the Charlton Kings Local Board, stating that the above Pavement was laid down in 1888 by the Asphalte Concrete Co., of 121, Colmore Row, Birmingham, who undertook to keep it in repair for 15 years, was read. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do write to the Company, calling their attention to the present condition of the footpath, and reminding them of their obligation to keep the concrete in repair.

12 -Marsh Lane—A letter from the Clerk to the Guardians, stating that his Board would be prepared to grant the strip of land necessary for the proposed widening, provided the Corporation would make the road and footpath, and erect an unclimbable Iron Fence, similar and equal to the one erected round the Naunton Park, and that the Guardians be relieved of all future expense connected with the maintenance of the road and footpath, and the channelling thereof, was read. Resolved, That these terms be accepted and that the Town Clerk do prepare the Draft conveyance accordingly.

13-Lighting near Promenade Fountain —Letters from Admiral Philips and Mr. R. P. Woodman calling attention to the fact that the Lamp opposite No. 33 is much needed in its present position, and objecting to the proposed removal of it as ordered by the Committee last month, were read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to enable the Committee to view the locality by night.

14- Roadway in Front of St. Mary's College--A letter from the Rev. E. Cornford forwarding a request from the Lady Superintendent of the Training College, that the road in front of the College might be paved with Asphalte or some other kind of pavement, which would lessen the sound of the many vehicles passing the building, as the noises from the street had always been a serious inconvenience and interfered greatly with the work of the College, was read. Resolved, That the Committee do not consider it necessary in this case to lay down asphalte.

15-Footpaths in added District of Leckhampton— The following Report of the Borough Surveyor, was read ;—In accordance with your instructions I beg to report that the footpaths in the following streets are in such a state as to be in need of repair, and that they should be paved with permanent pavement.

St. Philip's Street—A portion of the north side is paved with blue bricks, the remainder of the street should be finished in the same manner. The edging and channel to be of the same material. A short length of the street at the east end is in the old parish of Cheltenham, and to this portion the provisions of Sec. 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act of 1852 would apply.

Suffolk Street—Both paths to be paved with granite concrete, along the north side the full width of the path, and along the south side for a width of five feet, and to pave the crossings with concrete blocks.

Grafton Road—Both paths to be paved with granite concrete five feet in width and in short lengths.

Edward Street—The path along the east side to be formed with blue brick edging concrete block channel and concrete footway laid in situ. The path along the west side to be paved with granite concrete in situ, and the channel formed with granite blocks against the existing kerb.

Gratton Road—East side, blue brick edging, concrete block channel and concrete paving in situ five feet in width.

Brandon Place—Both sides to be formed with blue brick edging and concrete block channelling and the paths paved with granite concrete in situ.

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Trye's Road- Both sides to be formed with blue brick edging and concrete block channelling and the paths paved with granite concrete in situ.

Croft Street—North side path to be formed with blue brick edging and paved with granite concrete in situ.

Short .Street.- The paths along both sides to be formed with blue brick edging, concrete block channel, and paved with le, concrete in situ.

Moorend Street—The paths along both sides to be formed with blue brick edging, concrete block channels, and paved with granite concrete in situ.

Park Drive—The footway to be paved the same width as the existing paved path to complete the path around "The Park"

Upper Norwood Street—East side. The footway to be formed with blue brick edging, concrete block channelling with granite concrete in situ.

Moorend Crescent Both paths to be formed with blue brick edging, concrete block channelling and to be paved with granite concrete in situ.

The foregoing does not include any work in the Main Roads and omits all those portions which may be left for any reason such as St. Stephen's Road (east side) where the portion of the path in the old Borough of Cheltenham adjoins unenclosed building land and has never been made up in any way. The Hall Road and some others which in my opinion would be better suited for good gravel paths than any other form of pavement.

The cost of the work proposed will be about £2,000.

Resolved, That the work be done in manner to be hereafter arranged, and that it be referred to the Finance Committee to make necessary arrangements for borrowing the amount required for the same.

16— Insurance—The Town Clerk called attention to the fact that the following Properties were not insured:— 313, High Street ; 16, Ambrose Street ; 28, Ambrose Street ; 32, Ambrose Street.

Resolved, That the above Property be valued by the Borough Surveyor and insured in the County Fire Office.

17— College Lawn Road—A letter from Mr. G. W. Sadler thanking the Committee for their kind consideration of the State of his health last month, and stating that he had just returned home much improved in health and hoped to a few days, and would endeavour to come to some satisfactory arrangement with the owners in College Lawn was read.

18-Stream in Old Bath Road—Letters from Messrs. Ticehurst & Sons calling attention to an alleged illegal divers,..

Borough Surveyor of the water from the Stream flowing along the side of the Old Bath Road, by its being caused to flow down the Manhole of the new Sewer the Corporation are constructing, and desiring to be informed whether they intend to continue such user or not, were read. Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Town Clerk to report thereon.

19—St. George's Place Improvement—Plans having been submitted by Mr. George Stibbs for alteration of buildings at Royal Crescent, Resolved, That the Corporation are prepared to pay Mr. Stibbs the sum of £35 if he will undertake to set back his premises to the new line of frontage in St. George's Place, he doing all the work.

20-- New Buildings—The Surveyor laid before the Committee notices and plans received by him from the following to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz.:—

Rev. James Foster—Additions to Countess of Huntingdon's Church.

Rev. Father Wilkinson—New Sacristy at St. Gregory's.

Mr. W. Garner—Stables and Coach House at Albuera Villa.

Council of Ladies' College—Additions to 1, Fauconberg Terrace.

Mr. Edwin Capper—Cottage in Upper Bath Street.

Mr. C. H. Saunders—Workshop at rear of No. 1, Bramley Villas.

Mrs. Mary Bubb—New Porch and w.c. to Norwood Villa.

Mr. Jno. Sims—Alterations to " Five Alls" Inn.

Mr. George Stibbs—for Dwelling House and Stabling at rear of 6, Royal Crescent.—Approved the setting back above referred to, and subject to the provision of proper intercepting traps.

The following Plans were also submitted and were disapproved :—

The Society of Friends—Mission Room in Grove Street.

Mr. Jno. Playle Additions to Julian Villa, St. George's Road.

E. Capper & Sons—Two Houses and three Cottages in Croft Street.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 10th day of September, 1894—Present:

Alderman Griffith ; Councillors E. L. Davies, M. Davis, Hands, Moles, Parsonage and Dighton

(Alderman Capt. Griffith in the chair)—

1—Zymotic Disease —The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting, 5 cases of Scarlet Fever, and 4 cases of Diphtheria.

2—Nuisance at back of 421, High Street—The Medical Officer reported a nuisance at these premises caused by the keeping of Fowls, and by the insanitary state of the yard—used as a fowl run; he also reported that a closet in the yard was in a filthy condition, and all the traps of drains were deficient in the yard and scullery. Resolved, That notices be given under Section 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to discontinue the keeping of Fowls and to remove the ashes and refuse from the yard, and floor it in such a way as to drain it properly ; also under Section 41 to make good the w.c. in the yard, and under Section 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to fix Flushing Apparatus thereto, and efficiently traps all drains in the yard with earthenware gully traps, and under Section 70 to discontinue the use of the water except for washing purposes

3- No. 1, Lindenville, Leckhampton Road—The Medical Officer of Health reported that written application had been made by the Inspector of Nuisances, stating that the drainage at the above premises was a nuisance and injurious to health, and that, the case being an urgent one, authority had been given to the Surveyor, who had opened the ground, examined the drains and served the requisite notices. Resolved, That the foregoing action be approved and confirmed.

4-64, St. Paul's Street, North— Fergusson—The Medical Officer of Health reported that Mr. Fergusson, the owner and occupier of the above house, having refused him admission to the premises, application had been made to the justices, who had made an order for admission of the Medical Officer

5— Insanitary Drains—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application, under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains at the stables of Southend House and the stables of Segrave House, were a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given

to the Borough Surveyor to open the ground in each case and examine the drains, and act as provided by the said Section.

6—House unfit for Human Habitation—The Medical Officer of Health presented a certificate representing that the house occupied by Payne, Broker, Charlton Place, was in such a state as to be a nuisance injurious to health and unfit for human habitation. Resolved, That the necessary proceedings be taken under Section 32 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, for an order to close the said house.

7- No. 33, Elm Street—The Medical Officer handed in a certificate under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, stating that these premises, where Scarlet Fever had recently occurred, required cleansing and limewashing. Resolved, That notice be given to the owner requiring him to cleanse and limewash the premises.

8—Drainage and w.c's behind 33, Elm Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these w.c's, which were used in common by houses in Vauxhall Place, were in a filthy and broken down state. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do examine the premises and report as to what works are necessary to be done.

9-Smoke Nuisance at 49, Rosehill Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that complaints had again been received from residents in Rosehill Street of the emission of black smoke in such quantities as to be a nuisance, from the chimney of 49 Rosehill Street, used as a Laundry, that the chimney had been slightly raised, but would have to be further heightened to prevent the recurrence of the nuisance. Resolved, That notice be given under Section 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, in respect of the emission of black smoke and the non-consumption of smoke.

10—Water for Washing Ambulances—The Medical Officer of Health reported the want of greater convenience for the washing of the Ambulances at the Delancey Hospital, he considered the water pipe should be extended to a more convenient position and a hose pipe provided. Resolved, That this be done.

11—1 to 6, York Cottages—A letter from Mr. E. A. C. Fisher, objecting, on behalf of the owner of this property, to the provision of three water closets as ordered by the Corporation, was read. Resolved, That the requirement of three closets must be adhered to.

12—Sewers and House Drainage—A letter from the Town Clerk of West Ham calling attention to the great inconvenience caused by the present state of the law with regard to house drainage, and enclosing prints of two letters addressed by him to the Local Government Board on the subject together with a memorandum by the Borough Engineer on the same question, and requesting that if the Committee agreed with the views expressed in the correspondence they would pass a resolution supporting the suggestion of West Ham to the Local Government Board, that some action should be taken with a view of altering the Law with regard to house drainage, was read. Resolved, That this Committee desire to express their entire concurrence in the application to the Local Government Board.

13- -Hayden Knoll—A letter from Mr. R. T. Smith, the tenant, requesting leave to sub-let the house to a gentleman who would maintain it in good style, was read Resolved, That the sub-letting be agreed to.

J. C. GRIFFITH, Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 19th day of September, 1894—Present : The Mayor, Alderman Griffith; Councillors Hands, M. Davis, Ll. Davies, Parsonage and Feeney (Ald. Capt. Griffith in the chair)—

14—Zymotic Disease—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee, 1 case of Diphtheria.

15—property behind 33, Duke Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were in a very bad and insanitary condition. Resolved, That Notice be given to the Owner under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act to do such works as may be necessary to abate the nuisance existing on the premises.

16—Defective Drains, &c. —The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains and w.c.'s. at 2, Hillsboro villas, King's Road, and Eldon Lodge, Hewlett Road, are a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Surveyor to open the ground, examine the drains, and act as provided by the said section.

17—Flushing Cistern without Water Supply—The Medical Officer of Health reported that a w.c. at No. 53, Marle Hill Road had been fitted with Flushing Apparatus and Cistern but that the water had not been laid on. Resolved, That Notice be given under Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the Occupier to lay on a proper supply of water thereto and that in default of compliance with such notice proceedings be taken for penalties.

18—Overcrowding at No. 9, Grove Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that at No. 9, Grove Street, in the occupation of Geo. Ballinger, there are two adults and six children with insufficient sleeping space and two small bedrooms in a dirty condition. Resolved, That Notice be given under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to abate the nuisance.

19 —Premises requiring Limewashing, &c.—The Medical Officer of Health handed in a Certificate under Sec. 46 of the Public Health Act stating that the houses No. 9, Grove Street, and a tenement in the same street occupied by Mrs. Keefe were in a filthy condition and required cleansing and limewashing. Resolved, That Notices be given to the respective Owners requiring them to cleanse and limewash their premises.

20-Houses without Ash Receptacles—The Medical Officer of Health presented a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the houses named therein were without proper and sufficient ashpits or ash receptacles. Resolved, That the necessary notices be given to the respective Owners under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Sec. 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size pattern and construction as may be approved by the Borough Surveyor on behalf of the Corporation.

21---W.C.'s. without Flushing Apparatus—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c.'s. without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the Owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus, and to the Occupiers to lay on a proper supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such Notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

22—Sewers at Hatherley—A Memorial from Mr. E. Reason and other Owners of property abutting on the private roads which join the Hatherley Road near to Home cottage and near Hatherley Church, objecting to being obliged to construct sewers in these roads, was read. Resolved, That the Chairman do at the next meeting of the Council give notice of alteration of the Resolution of this Committee of date the 13th ult by omitting therefrom for the present the requirement on the Owners of the lands abutting in the private roads mentioned in such Resolution to sewer such roads.

23—Plans of House Drainage —The Plans of such New Buildings, necessitating drainage, as were intended to come up for approval at the next Meeting of the Street and Highway Committee, were laid before this Committee, and the same were approved so far as regards the drainage arrangements, subject in some instances to certain conditions which are fully set out in Minute No. 20 of the Street and Highway Committee.

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

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| Dr. Garrett, Sundries | £ 0 3 6 |
| Harvey Bros., Binding | £ 0 6 0 |
| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients | £52 6 0 |

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 14th day of September, 1894—Present : Aldermen Griffith and Rogers; Councillors Heath, Lawrence and Skillicorne (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

1—Montpellier Gardens Railing—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee an amended plan shewing the proposed line of the Fence along the front of the Gardens, with main Entrance Gates in the centre, opposite the Broad Walk, and also a pair of smaller gates giving a so feet Entrance way in the position occupied by the present gates at the Lodge, and gave explanations and reasons for the various alterations, which the Committee deemed satisfactory, and passed the plan, subject to a further slight modification, which was then made, and which the Borough Surveyor was directed to communicate to Messrs. Letheren & Sons.

WILLIAM HEATH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 24th day of September, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffith and Thoyts ; Councillors Heath, Lawrence, Skillicorne and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

2-Town Committee—A Deputation from the above Committee, consisting of Messrs. Cooper and Westley, attended this meeting to ask for a subsidy towards the expenses of the Committee, and it appearing from the accounts that the expenses of printing and distributing the weekly Programme is

about £30, Resolved, That the sum of £30 be granted this year to the Committee, to be devoted towards defraying the expenses of the Programme in question.

3 —Town Band—An application from the Town Band to be allowed to play in Pittville Park on Sunday next, the 30th inst., and, also on the two following Sundays at the same hours and on the same conditions as before, was read. Resolved, That the application be granted; also, Resolved, That the Band be permitted, when playing in the Promenade, to play in the Corporation Stand.

4—Montpellier Gardens—Athletic Society —A letter from the Cheltenham Athletic Society, enquiring if the Montpellier Gardens would be available on Easter Monday, 1895, for their Athletic Sports, and upon what terms ; also asking the Council what steps the Council would take to enclose the Gardens from the public view, in the event of the new railings being completed by that date, and if it would be possible for that part of the Gardens used for the Sports to be slightly altered in order that the Bicycle Races could be ridden with more safety, was read. Resolved, That the Gardens be let to the Society, at the same Rent as before, viz., they making such arrangements for excluding the Sports from the sight of outsiders as they please, and making good any damage done ; and that with respect to the rounding off of the corners for the Bicycle Races the Committee will view the place.

5- Promenade Improvement, No. 2—A letter from Mr. Prothero, expressing regret that the Committee had not seen their way to accept the modified Scheme which most generally met the wishes of all concerned, especially as he feared there was little hope of the Owners of No. 1 agreeing to give up more land to the Corporation, or to consent to more than the putting up of a new balustrade round their plot, and planting it in harmony with the proposed flower beds; and expressing his opinion that the best solution of the difficulty would be for the Corporation to adopt the suggested plan B, was read, and also a letter from the Town Clerk to Mr. Prothero. Resolved, That the Town Clerk's letter be approved, and that the Committee do await a reply from Mr. Prothero.

6—Marle Hill Lake—A letter from the Rev. Percy Waller, calling attention to a foul smell from the water in Marle Hill Lake, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Waller be informed the smell is only temporary, that the weed which produced it is being cleared out, and that when this is done the cause of complaint will probably cease.

7-Pittville Pump Room -Badminton —The Borough Surveyor reported that enquiry had been made as to whether the Corporation would permit the game of Badminton to be played in the Pump Room, and upon what terms. Resolved, That the game be allowed in the Pump Room upon a payment of 5s a member, with a minimum to be fixed by the Committee.

8—Plant Houses at Pittville--Resolved, That the Surveyor be authorised to erect two more Plant Houses at Pittville.

9 -Montpellier Gardens Railings—The Surveyor reported that Messrs. Letheren & Son would agree to the Gates at the Lodge being made so feet in width without any extra charge. He also laid before the Committee a plan of Railings and Gates for the North and South sides of the Gardens; the same being unclimbable iron Fencing as shown on the plan, 5ft. 6in. in height, with three Gates of same pattern as the Railing. Resolved, That the designs be approved, and that Tenders for the construction and erection thereof be advertised for.

WILLIAM HEATH, Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 17th day of September, 1894—Present :
Councillors Ll. Davies, Margrett, Woodard, Hands and Ward-Humphreys (The Mayor in the chair)—

1—Charges for Water—The Committee had before them a statement shewing the Receipts of the Water Department from the various sources, but they were unable to proceed with the consideration of the proposals which had been made for reduction of the charges in certain respects, in consequence of the absence of fuller information, which was directed to be provided for discussion at an adjourned meeting.

EDWARD WETHERED.

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 20th day of September, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts; Councillors Hands, Margrett, Ll. Davies Woodard and Ward-Humphreys (The Mayor in the chair)—

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

" On the 12th instant, the supply to the Hewletts and Leckhampton Reservoirs was 86 Gallons ; the average for the last four years being 122 gallons per minute; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton on the 18th instant was 8,806,653 gallons.

On the 18th instant, the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 18 feet 6 inches, and the contents 39,039,126 gallons, which gives a total of 47,845,779 gallons.

During the month about 140 hours pumping has been done, delivering about 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ million gallons of water, which has fully supplied the compensation water for Dowdeswell, the cattle troughs, water pillars, and Baths. Next week I hope to lay the main to Sandford Mead, so that in case of need the quantity lifted could be increased to about 500,000 gallons per day.

Boilers at Tewkesbury —Last year one of the Boilers was thoroughly overhauled and repaired ; the other one was considered to be in such condition that it might be used for another year. I think it should now be examined with a view to repair.

Engines at Sandford Mead should be thoroughly overhauled if it is intended to work them regularly, as would be the case if a quantity exceeding 300,000 gallons per day is to be pumped. All the extensions for supplies are now completed.

Amongst the repairs this month is one at Hewletts on the 6 inch outlet main, which has been very costly owing to the depth below the surface —about 18 feet.

Dowdeswell—On the 28th August the sluices of the ponds at Dowdeswell court were opened and the water allowed to flow down the stream. As this is most offensive and quite unfit to pass into the

Reservoir, some means for passing it down without its entering the Reservoir should be provided. This could be done by cutting a ditch along the North West bank of the Reservoir. The cost would be about £100.

The whole of the surface water of the highway from the Reservoir Lodge to Sandywell Park flows into the streams which feed the Reservoir, and from so much of the road as is along the side of the Reservoirs. It flows directly into the Reservoirs. The best method of preventing this pollution is to lay pipes along the lines shewn, so that the road water may be discharged into the streams which do not enter the Reservoir.

Where the stream passes through the fields there are several places which are used for watering cattle, and at which the water becomes very foul in dry weather. These should be fenced off, and proper troughs provided with a supply from some higher source. The cost of draining the roadway, fencing the stream, providing cattle troughs, &c., will be about £500.

Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do have the Boilers at Tewkesbury examined by the Insurance Company.

That an estimate be obtained of the cost of overhauling the Engines at Sandford Mead, and

That the Committee do not recommend the outlay for a ditch at Dowdeswell to be incurred at present, but that the works for intercepting the Surface Water from the road as recommended in the Engineer's Report, be carried out at an estimated cost of about £150

3----Tewkesbury Water Supply—A letter from the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury stating that this Urban Sanitary Authority had directed him to inform this Corporation that the price to be paid for water under the Award being for supply in bulk, the supplies to the Rev. C. W. Grove, Messrs. Healing and Sons, the Abbey Churchwardens, and the Midland Railway Co., must cease on the 29th inst., unless each consumer was prepared to pay such a price as Tewkesbury might fix, and that he had therefore given each consumer notice that the supply must cease on the 29th ; also calling attention to the latter portion of Section 85 of

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the Cheltenham Water Act, 1878, in which it is stated that no mains or pipes within the Borough of Tewkesbury shall be used for the distribution of any water other than that to be supplied in bulk, and requesting this Corporation to take immediate steps to discontinue the present user for the supply out of the Borough, was read. The Town Clerk laid before the Committee draft of proposed reply, and the same was settled and approved. Resolved, That the Surveyor do make the necessary extensions of mains and alter the positions of the meters consequent on the arrangement with Tewkesbury.

4- Appeals —Various Appeals 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.

EDWARD WETHERED. Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 26th day of September, 1894—Present The Mayor, Councillors LI. Davies and Hands (The Mayor in the chair)—

6—Tewkesbury Water Supply—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a letter from the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury, stating that the gratuitous supply of water to Mr. Grove's property at The Mythe must cease as and from the 29th instant, unless in the meantime and a proper application is made for a supply of water and the usual undertaking to pay the full charges given ; that it was clear to his mind that the mains and pipes in his Borough are being used for the distribution of water other than that supplied in bulk to the Town ; and unless the Corporation are prepared to enter into an arrangement to discontinue this, he should advise his Corporation to apply for an Injunction ; and requesting an early reply was read. Resolved, That with respect to the supply to Mr. Grove the further consideration of the matter be adjourned, but that with regard to the supply to the Midland Railway and houses outside the Borough, which is presumably what Mr. Badham means, the Committee, without admitting the contention that the mains of the Corporation within the Borough, used for the distribution of water therein, cannot be used for the supply of water in the District of the Corporation outside the Borough, consider it advisable, in order to prevent any questions or difficulties arising as to measurement of the water supplied in bulk to the Corporation of Tewkesbury, to lay down an independent main in the direction of Ashchurch, and have therefore instructed the Surveyor to take the necessary steps to do so. The Town Clerk and Borough Surveyor were instructed to confer with the Engineer of the Midland Railway Co. on the subject.

7—Grove—A letter from Mr. F. J. Brown, solicitor of the Rev. C. W. Grove, informing the Town Clerk that his client had received a notice from the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury that the free supply of water to him under the arrangement with the Corporation must cease as and from the 29th inst., and wishing to know what the Corporation would do. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned, and that the Town Clerk and Borough Surveyor be requested to confer with Mr. Brown upon it.

EDWARD WETHERED, Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 19th day of September, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Griffith ; Councillors Lawrence, Hands, Parsonage, and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman Councillor Lawrence was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

2—Fire Brigade—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had not been called out to any fire during the month.

3—Hackney Carriages--A letter from Mr. H. Cobb intimating his inability to shew his carriages for inspection for three weeks or a month, as he was having a new Landau built and it could not be finished under the time mentioned, was read.

An application from Mr. J. Arter for leave to transfer his License No. 108 to another carriage in consequence of the old one having been damaged, was read Resolved, That the change be permitted.

A letter from Mr. H. Brill stating that he had sold his Fly business to Mr. James Davies, and surrendering the License No. 84 granted to him in June last ; and also an application from Mr. Davies to be granted the same license, were read. Resolved, That Mr. Brill's License be cancelled and a new license issued to Mr. Davies.

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4-Divers -Applications were received from and Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licenses granted to : C. Birch, H. Workman, A. Morgan, and W. Parke.

5-Bye-laws under Municipal Corporations Act Resolved, That Supt. McRae be appointed an Officer of the Corporation for the purposes of instituting and carrying on prosecutions for breaches of the provisions of the Byelaws made under Section 23 of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, and the Byelaws for regulating the Public Parks and Pleasure Grounds.

6-Swine Fever --A Letter from the Clerk to the County Council, stating that the Executive Committee had decided to continue the existing Order prohibiting movement of swine into the county until the 31st Oct., 1894, and that the Committee had assumed the Borough of Cheltenham would continue its prohibitory Order for the same period, was read. Resolved, That the existing Cheltenham Order be continued till 31st Oct. next and that the Town Clerk do give notice accordingly.

7-Standing Orders—Resolved, That this Committee recommend that the Standing Orders of the Council be referred to this Committee with a view to such amendments therein being brought up for approval as the Committee may think desirable.

8-Minutes of the Committee Proceedings —Resolved, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the several Committees be not delivered to anyone but the Members and Officers of the Council before the morning of the day of the meeting of the Council.

9-- Local Government Act, 1894 —The Town Clerk's further Notes hereon were considered. Resolved, That this Committee recommend the Council to make application to the Local Government Board to invest them with the following powers ;

The power of appointment and removal of Overseers and Assistant Overseers, and the fixing of the salary, and specifying the duties of the Assistant Overseer (the Churchwardens to cease to be Overseers). Also

The powers of the Vestry as to compounding under Secs. 3 and 4 of the Poor Rate Assessment and Collection Act, 1869.

The powers, duties and liabilities of Overseers with regard to Appeals in respect of the Poor Rate or County Rate.

The provision of Parish Books, Parish Chest.

The holding and management of Parish property.

The powers exercisable by the Boards of Guardians in respect of the sale or letting of Parish property.

To utilise any well, spring or stream within the parish but so as not to interfere with the rights of any Corporation or parson.

To acquire by agreement any right of way within the Parish or an adjoining Parish.

To accept and hold any gifts of Property, real or personal, for the benefit of the inhabitants.

To execute any works including works of maintenance or improvement incidental to the exercise of any of the foregoing powers or in relation to any non-ecclesiastical parish property or contribute towards the expense of such works.

Extended powers in respect of the hiring of land for Allotments.

Extended borrowing powers.

10—Leckhampton Local Board Room—The matter of letting this Board Room to the Guardians was again discussed. Resolved, That the Guardians be informed that the Corporation will accept £5 per annum for the use of the room, the Guardians providing their own firing when necessary.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 20th day of September, 1694--Present : The Mayor, Councillors Heath, Margrett, Wheeler and Woodard (Councillor Woodard in the chair)—

1—Chairman—In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Woodard was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

2 -Fountain in Naunton Park—The Mayor reported that he had paid to the account of the Borough Treasurer at the County of Gloucester Bank, in respect of the above Fountain, the sum of £87 19s. 3d.,—being £62 4s. 9d., the Balance of the Royal Wedding Fund, and £25 13s. 6d. collected by Capt. St. Clair Ford.

3—Alstone Swimming Bath —The usual Monthly Report of the Surveyor on the working of the Bath was read. Resolved, That this Bath be closed on the 6th of October.

On the application of Hart, the caretaker, Resolved, That he be granted 14 days' leave after the closing of the Bath, and the Committee will consider what (if anything) can be done to find him employment through the winter.

4 —Naunton Recreation Ground—The Surveyor laid before the Committee a Plan of Shelter and Conveniences at the Naunton Ground, the cost whereof he estimated at £120. Resolved, That the same be approved, Tenders for the work to be advertised for.

T. B. WOODARD, Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting—of this Committee, held on Friday, the 21st day of September, 18.94—Present : The Mayor; Alderman Haddon ; Councillors M. Davis, Steel and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved, viz :—Headstones to Mary Wilken Tarr, Emily Barrett, Joseph Jennings, Arthur and Jane Byard, Christina R. Perkins, and Sarah Ellis ; Tombs to Geoffrey Burton and John H. Orr.

2- Mrs. Hervey's Application—A letter from General Morton, applying on behalf of Mrs. Hervey, for leave to convert the grave recently purchased by her into a Fourth Class Vault in order to carry a Stone Slab with a cross, and also to enclose the grave with a light railing, was read. Resolved, That leave be given to convert the grave into a vault, on payment of the usual fees, but any railings erected must be placed on the stonework, not outside it.

3—Account—The following Account was examined and allowed :—W. Gregory—Labourers' Wages ..
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EDWARD H. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 19th day of September, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Capt. Griffith ; and Councillor Ward-Humphreys, (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

1—Travelling Overhead Crane—The following Tenders which had been received in response to the advertisement were opened.

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| Chatteris Engineering Works Co. | £175 0 0 |
| Such & Larter | £185 0 0 |
| Ben Johnson & Sons | £245 0 0 |
| Flavell & Churchill | £220 0 0 |
| Humpidge, Holborrow & Co., Stroud | £ 82 0 0 |
| Carrick & Ritchie | £195 0 0 |
| Marshall, Fleming & Jacks | £179 0 0 |
| Thos. Smith (Rodley) | £206 0 0 |
| J. M. Henderson | £ 78 0 0 and £68 0 0 |
| Herbert Morris & Bastert | £198 0 0 |
| Jno. Warren & Sons | £137 10 0 |
| Higginbottom & Mannock | £163 0 0 |
| Jno, Hetherington & Sons | £225 0 0 |
| Jno. Ruscoe | £198 0 0 |
| Iles Limited | £235 0 0 |
| J. Jessop & Son, Leicester | £165 0 0 |

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| Jos. Booth Bros., Rodley | £160 0 0 |
| Tangyes Limited, Birmingham | £286 0 0 |
| Jas. Spencer & Co., Manchester | £160 0 0 or £150 0 0 |
| W. Hindson & Co., Gateshead | £145 0 0 or £130 0 0 or £120 0 0 |
| Cowens, Sheldon & Co., Carlisle | £190 0 0 |

Resolved, That the further consideration of these Tenders be adjourned for a Report thereon from the Borough Surveyor.

2- Castings for Street Boxes—The following Tenders had been received and were opened, viz.

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| Dutton & Co., Limited | £ 7 10 0 per ton |
| Stavely Coal and Iron Co. | £12 10 0 |
| Albion Works | £ 8 0 0 |
| T. E. Kershaw | £ 8 0 0 |
| Stanton Iron Works | £ 7 15 0 |
| Jukes Coulorn & Co | £ 7 12 6 |
| S. Lund | £ 9 1 3 |
| Alloa Iron Co. | £ 7 10 0 |

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| R. Strang | £ 7 5 0 |
| Sharpe & Co. | £ 9 2 0 |
| Roberts & Co. | £ 6 15 0 |
| Hughes Sutton and Ibegby | £ 8 0 0 |
| Electric Construction Co. | £ 6 15 0 |
| T. Little (subject to Strike Clause) | £ 6 10 0 |
| J. Twinberrow | £12 10 0 |
| Marshall & Co. | £ 8 10 0 |
| F. Bird & Co | £ 8 10 0 |
| Thornton & Co | £12 0 0 |
| Summers & Scott | £ 7 15 0 |
| Easton Bessemer & Co. | £ 8 17 6 |
| Meats & Co | £ 9 10 0 |
| Park Lane Co. | £ 7 15 0 |

Resolved That the Tender of Messrs. Thos. Spittle & Co., be accepted and the Town Clerk was instructed to prepare the necessary Contract.

3—Transformers—The Town Clerk read a further correspondence he had had with the Brush Company upon the subject of their Contract. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do forward to the Company for their execution a Contract upon the terms of the Draft as now amended.

4--General Post Office—Letters from the Secretary of the General Post Office stating that the Postmaster-General was advised that the provisions of Sec. 10 of the Cheltenham Order, as to the service of one month's Notice, accompanied by Plans, apply to service lines as well as to other works

and that he is, therefore, under the Order, entitled to the full notice of one month, in respect of the proposed construction of any service line in, under, along, or across any street, or public bridge, he was prepared, however, as a working arrangement, and without prejudice to his right to require the full statutory notice in any case to accept as regards mere service lines previous notices of not less than 48 hours with regard to the actual commencement of such works, such Notices to be served in duplicate, one copy to the G.P.O. and the other to the "Section Engineer " Postal Telegraphs, Gloucester, were read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to give the necessary Notices.

5-Electric Lighting Station—Resolved, That the laying of the Building Stone be fixed for Wednesday, the 3rd of Oct., and that the Mayoress be asked to perform the ceremony.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 25th day of September, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Aldermen Griffith, Thoyts and Norman ; Councillors Parsonage and Ward-Humphreys (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)--

6-Travelling Overhead Crane—The Tenders for this crane were further considered. Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. J. D. Humpidge, of the Dudbridge Iron Works, Stroud, be accepted.

7- Transformers—A letter from the Brush Company approving of the Draft Agreement provided they had a letter to the effect that in the event of the rejection of their Transformers on the ground of excessive full load loss they should not be held responsible for the supply of other Transformers complying with the specifications in replacement therefor. Resolved. That under the circumstances the Town Clerk be instructed to write such letter.

8-Testing Apparatus—The Electrical Engineer laid before the Committee a List of Instruments and other Apparatus required at the Central Station, costing about £305 as provided for in the estimate Resolved, That the same be procured.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 25th day of September. 1894—Present The Mayor ; Councillors +ice, Li. Davies, Heath, Parsonage, and Skillicorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, of date the 25th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Amount collected, £13,107 3s. od ; leaving outstanding, £1,332 7s. 5½ d.

2-Water Rate ---The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 25th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts, £7,242 3s, 10d. ; leaving outstanding, £1,977 11s. 9d.

3-Tewkesbury Water Supply—Resolved, That application be made to the Tewkesbury Corporation for the amount due from them Water, £401 4s., and half the Costs of the Award.

4-Water £10,000 loan—Mr. C. H. Whitmore, of Gresford Lodge, having offered, on behalf of himself and his two sisters, to lend £1,300 at 3¼ per cent. in three sums of £500, £400 and £400, repayable in ten years. Resolved, That these sums be borrowed as part of the above Loan, at the foregoing rate and repayable on 6 months' notice on either side after the expiration of ten years, and that Debentures for the same be sealed and issued.

5-Electric Lighting Loan, £16,000 —Resolved, That the above Loan be dated the 1st October, 1894. Resolved, That £5,000, in respect of the above Loan, be borrowed at 3 per cent. from Messrs. D. Migley & Sons, Manchester, repayable after the expiration of one year, on six months' notice, and that a Debenture for the same be sealed and issued.

6-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:—

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| In hand on the 28th August last | £11,576 7 0 |
| Received since that date | <u>£ 5,270 1 3</u> |
| | £16,846 8 3 |
| Paid since that date | <u>£ 3,236 10 6</u> |
| Total in hand | £13,609 17 9 |
| Current and Interest Accounts | £ 7,634 6 8 |
| Sinking and Loans Funds.... | <u>£ 5,975 11 1</u> |
| | £13,609 17 9 |

The bills and accounts for the past month having been examined. Resolved, That the same as settled, amounting to the sum of £12,221 10s. 2d.. be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 21st day of September, 1894—Present; The Mayor ; Councillors Feeney, Davies, and Parsonage ; Baron de Ferrieres, Mr. H. Neale, (Councillor Feeney 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 presented to the Library during the past month, viz.:

Messrs. Stubbs & Co. 1 vol.

Mrs. Jackson 2 vols.

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| Mr. J. J. Nunn | 1 vol. |
| Miss Chisholme | 2 vols. |
| Mr. Cheetham | 7 vols. |
| Cobden Club | 1 pamphlet |
| Board of Trade.. | 1 pamphlet |

Annual Reports from the Libraries at:—Ayr, Westminster, St. Helens, Leeds, Hammersmith, Lewisham, Folkestone, and Hanley.

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

1. That the List of Books submitted by the Librarian, and also a selection from the Books sent on approval, be purchased for the Buchanan collection.
2. That the list of Technical Books submitted be purchased.
3. That the sample labels for the Buchanan collection be approved and attached to each volume.
4. That two new double book cases be provided for the Reference Library, and that the one side facing the " Day Library of Natural History " be set apart for the reception of the Books purchased out of the bequest of Miss Buchanan, and named the " Buchanan Collection."

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5. That all future purchases of fiction and Juvenile books, be obtained in strong bindings, and not in publisher's cases as heretofore, and

6. That the attention of the General Purposes Committee be called to the fact that there is at present no receptacle for coals at the Leckhampton Reading Room, and that the supply of gas is insufficient. Resolved, That Nos. 1, 2, 4, and 5 of the Sub-Committee's recommendations be approved and adopted.

That No. 3 be not approved.

That No. 6 be forwarded to the General Purposes Committee.

That Mr. Grant's Tender of £35 for the new Book Cases be accepted, and That a suitable Clock be provided for the Leckhampton Reading Room.

3--"The Rock "—A letter from Mr. T. E. Rickerby offering, on behalf of the Cheltenham Branch of the National Protestant

Church Union, to supply gratuitously the above newspaper for use in the Library if the Committee would accept same Resolved, That the offer be thankfully accepted.

4—Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed.

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| W. Jones, Wages Account | £18 19 3 |
| J. W. Pink, Books | £14 9 0 |
| Jas. Webb, Books | £ 0 2 6 |

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| W. Norton, Books | £22 14 6 |
| C. Westley, Books | £ 2 14 0 |
| Yost Typewriter Co., Stationery | £ 2 6 0 |
| J. Banting & Son, Books | £15 14 2 |
| W. Jones, Expenses attending Conference of Library Association. | 6 4 6 |
| J. W. Pink, Books | 0 17 6 |
| C. Lowe, Books | 15 9 6 |

FREDERICK FEENEY, Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 18th day of September, 1894 - Present : The Mayor, Councillors Hands, Parsonage, Ll. Davies, Steel and Wheeler (Councillor Hands in the chair)—

1—Local Committees—The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That summonses be issued against the parents of the following children, namely ;—Ernest Morton, Folly Lane; Kate Sheen, 11, Queen Street. Attention having been called by the Local Committee of the East Ward to the fact that a number of boys of School age were being employed in selling Newspapers during School hours, Resolved, That the attention of the Newspaper Proprietors to called to the illegality of the practice.

2—Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the Attendance Officers were read, from which it appeared that the Absentee Reports had been received from 33 Schools, containing 1,024 names. These and the balance left to visit last month, 61, made a total of 1,085. Of this number, 35 were accounted for by the teachers, 704 had been visited, leaving a balance to visit of 346 recently sent in. It was Resolved, That the returns from the teachers be laid upon the table at each meeting.

3—Deaf and Dumb Children- A letter having been read from the Education Department, dated 12th September, 1894, sanctioning the payment by the Committee of £21 per annum, including £3 for clothing, towards the expenses of any child they might send to the Bristol District Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, it was Resolved. That the two Deaf and Dumb children, John Mayo Smith and Emily Adelaide Smith, be sent as soon as possible to that Institution, and that the Town Clerk be . authorised to enter into the engagement, by the Committee, to pay the said sum of £20 required by the Institution for each child accordingly.

A notice was read from the Guardians of the Poor of the Cheltenham Union, in the County of Gloucester, dated 30th day of August, 1894, stating that four Deaf and Dumb children, named respectively, Maria Smith, Charles Walter Smith, Albert Edward Qiney and Frances Fanny Pates, were sent to the Bristol District Institution for the Deaf and Dumb from the parish of Cheltenham, and were then being maintained and relieved by the said Guardians in the said Institution, and that from and after the expiration of six months from the date of the Committee's receipt of that notice, the said Guardians desired that the responsibility for such maintenance and relief of the said children should be transferred to the Cheltenham Town Council or the School Attendance Committee thereof, in pursuance of Section 13, Sub-Section 2, of the Elementary Education (Blind and Deaf Children) Act, 1893.

4—Returns from Schools of Amount of Accommodation—A List of Returns from 50 Schools, showing the amount of Accommodation therein, was laid upon the table, from which it appeared that the total Accommodation provided for by them is 8,802, the number on the books being 7,463 and the average attendance 6,159.3 for the Quarter ending 24th June, 1894.

WILLIAM HANDS, Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, November 5th, 1894.

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 Friday, the 9th day of November inst., at Twelve o'clock at noon 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 the Mayor for the ensuing year.
2. To elect Aldermen for the South, Middle and West Wards.
3. To assign the Aldermen to be the Returning Officers at Ward Elections.
4. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
5. To appoint and fill up vacancies on Committees.
6. To receive any official communications and take measures thereon.
7. 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.—And revise Standing Orders.

THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

8. Councillor Griffith to move : " That the Resolution of the Public Health Committee, dated the 13th August last, relative to the Sewerage of Hatherley District, be altered, by omitting therefrom, for the present, the requirement on the Owners of the Lands abutting on the private roads mentioned in such Resolution to sewer such roads."

9. Notices of Motion.

10. To read the following Letters, and Memorials, and pass Resolutions thereon if need be: Mr. Field and others re Marsh Lane. Miss L. F. March-Phillips re drains of Lisle House. Charles Caines re drains in Fairview and Glenfall Streets. F. & W. Griffiths re Public Gas Lighting. J. G. Carr with Resolution of Trade and Labour Council. Mrs. Rowland and others re pavement in Albion Street.

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 Friday, the 9th, of November, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 23rd day of October, 1894—Present : The Mayor; Aldermen Haddon and Thoyts ; Councillors Feeney, Lawrence, Parsonage and Heath (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

The View--The following Members attended the View Meeting, on Friday last, viz. :--Councillors Lawrence and Parsonage.

1-Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read Average Illuminating Power, 15.77 Candles Purity 7.3 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 : 4.222 cubic feet.

3-Lamp Book—The Book kept at the Police Station was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished during the month 10 (3 metered). Burning dimly, 1.

5-Street Projections—A letter from Mr. J. H. Eva., Hon. Sec., of the Annual Show of Poultry and Pigeons, requesting leave as in former years to suspend streamers across the Promenade on the occasion of the show on the 28th and 29th November, was read. Resolved, That leave be granted, the streamers to be hung at such a height from the ground as the Borough Surveyor may approve.

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

Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Moorend Road, 1675 yards (square) ; Clarence Road, 1400 yards; Lansdown Crescent, 1140 yards ; Malvern Road, 820 yards ; Christ Church Road, 200 yards.

Patching—North Street, Portland Street, St. George's Place, Sandfield Road, Sherborne Street, Charlton Lane between the Old Bath Road and the Delancey Hospital ; the latter has been raised with local stone and clinkers (2301 super yards), and the path raised and gravelled (1176 super yards.)

Kerbing, Crossing, and Flagging—Grosvenor Street, Bath Road, Berkeley Street, Ormond Place, Promenade, Pittville Crescent, Tewkesbury Road, Burton Street, Moorend Road, Clarence Street. A new sett crossing has been put down by St. James' Schools in place of the one worn out there.

Tariff Path—One in the Swindon Road.

New Gullies—Two in Bath Road, 1 in Tewkesbury Road, 1 in St. George's Place.

Chelt—The bed of the Chelt is being cleared out to avoid the risk of flooding as far as possible.

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A new surface water drain (6 in diameter) has been put down in the Bath Road, opposite Thirlestaine House, for a distance of 89 yards. The footpath on the east side of the Promenade has been relaid a further distance of 800 square yards with Croft Flags, and the sides made good with Asphalte. The work will be completed tomorrow (Wednesday).

Ashes Collection-549 Van loads collected, and 234 Cart loads. Consumed at the Destructor 718 tons 3 cwt. 3 qrs.

7.—Carriage Entrance at "The Grove."—The letter from Mr. Chapman having been further considered, and Mr. Chapman having offered to defray the cost of an extra gulley required to carry out what he wishes. Resolved, That the Surveyor do the necessary works.

8.--Coal and Fodder.--The Contracts for Coal having expired, Resolved, That new Tenders for a twelve month's supply, and also for a twelve months' supply of Horse Fodder be advertised for in the Examiner and Mercury.

9.—Stream in Old Bath Road.—The Town Clerk having reported upon this matter. Resolved, That the user of the water in the Stream for flushing the Sewer be discontinued.

10—Sherborne Terrace Improvement—Hiam—A letter from Mr. Hiam accepting the terms contained in the Committee's last Resolution hereon, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to proceed with the work forthwith.

11-- St. George's Place Improvement—Stibbs—A letter from Mr. H. D. Humphris stating that his Client, Mr. Stibbs, would accept the £35 offered by the Council, provided the Council would agree to take down and rebuild the front wall of the building and the gate piers and to re-hang the double doors in the altered position and also exonerate Mr. Stibbs from any future expense in regard to paving, channelling, bordering of the public footpath, was read. Resolved, That the offer of £35 be increased to £50, the Council relieving Mr. Stibbs from the obligation of flagging and channelling the footpath.

12- St. Anne's Road.— A letter from Mr. Gilbert Mcllquham, on behalf of his father, the owner of the above road stating that Mr. Mcllquham made the Road and Footpaths, and constructed the Sewer at his own expense, and the purchasers of land abutting on the road agreed to certain rent charges (now amounting to a total of £5 15s. 6d. per annum) towards the repairs of the said road until it should become repairable at the public expense, that the road having for many years been thrown open to and greatly used by the public, the above sum had become inadequate for its proper repair, requesting that the road might now be taken over by the Corporation, and reminding the Committee that when constructing the Sewer above-mentioned there was an understanding that when the abutting land was fully built upon, Mr. Mcllquham should be allowed one-half of the expense, which fact he hoped the Committee would consider, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to enable the Committee to view the road.

13.—Carriage Entrance at " Delmar "—An application from Colonel Martin for leave to construct a Carriage Way from the main road in Montpellier Terrace to his doorsteps, was read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to confer with Colonel Martin upon the matter.

14.—Carriage Crossings, Bayshill Villas. —A letter from Mr. Morley Rooke calling attention to the worn out and dangerous condition of the Carriage Crossings in the footpath outside his house and stating that the flagging had also become very uneven, was read. Resolved, That Dr. Rooke be informed that the matter will be attended to by the Borough Surveyor.

15—Lighting of North Street—A letter from Mr. Geo. Stibbs, of 3, North Street, asking the Committee to grant another Lamp for this street, to be placed so as to light up the part near the Wilts and Dorset Bank, &c., was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to enable the Committee to inspect the locality in the evening.

16—Road in Front of St. Mary's Hall—A letter from the Rev. E. Cornford again making application for the asphaltting or otherwise of the road in front of St. Mary's Hall, and explaining at length the reasons entertained by his Committee for renewing their request, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Cornford be informed that there are other places where asphalte would be much more useful and where buildings stand much nearer the street than St. Mary's Hall, which must receive the earlier attention of the Corporation.

17-Lighting near Promenade Fountain— Resolved, That an additional lamp be erected here in the position indicated to the Committee by the Borough Surveyor.

18—Lighting of Wellington Passage, &c.—Resolved, That one Guildhall Lamp be erected at the corner of Cambray, and that two Ordinary Lamps be re-adjusted, one of which be fixed in Wellington Passage.

19— Report of Tree Sub-Committee—The Tree Sub-Committee presented the following Report ;—

The Tree Sub-Committee visited the Promenade, Spa Buildings, Montpellier Walk, Montpellier Parade, Montpellier Terrace, Lansdown Place, Queen's Road, Lansdown Road, Christ Church Road, Malvern Road, St. George's Road, Overton Road, Bayshill Road, and Imperial Square ; and they recommend that :—

Promenade—One chestnut and one ash near the north end of the long garden be cut down, and one tree from the inner row near the seat adjoining the roadway be cut down.

Spa Buildings—That one elm, three sycamores. and one chestnut be cut down.

Montpellier Terrace—That one sycamore opposite Beaufort House, one opposite No 30, and one elm opposite No. 27 be cut down.

Road between Vittoria Walk and Bath Road—That three elms on the north side of this road be cut down, and that lime trees be planted to replace vacancies.

Queen's Road—That one lime be cut down, and that a new one be planted.

Christ Church Road—That one lime be cut down, and that a new one be planted.

Christ Church Terrace, Malvern Road—That two elms be cut down opposite Nos. 10 and 13.

St. George's Road—That one elm opposite "Fromefield," one sycamore opposite "Kingstone Villa," and one sycamore opposite "Endcliffe," one lime near the corner of Western Road, and one lime opposite No. 2, York Villas be cut down.

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Overton Road—That the weeping ash and copper beech opposite "Abbeyholme" be removed one chestnut between "Abbeyholme" and Bayshill House, and every alternate tree, between Alt Dinas and Hendon be cut down.

Bayshill Road—That the lime between "Edginswell" and "Glenlee," the elm next to it, and one lime by "Edginswell," one elm and two limes opposite "Eamont," one in opposite "Llyfnant," one lime near the gate of "Mockerkin," and one lime opposite Fauconberg House be cut down.

Parabola Road—One lime opposite Hollym," and one lime opposite "Gabari" be cut down.

St. George's Road—That one elm opposite Royal Well Chapel be cut down.

Imperial Square—That three leaning trees along the north side of the Square be cut down.

Pittville—That two elms on the road between Saxham Villas and "Edenholme," four on the side road by "Clarefield," and one elm on the north side of the road opposite the gate of "Lake View" be cut down.

Eastern Drive— That the Balsam poplar be cut down, and the west side of the drive replanted.

Hewlett Road--That the elm at the corner of Pittville Circus Road and Hewlett Road. the chestnut at the gate of "Beaconsfield," and the elm opposite the adjoining House be cut down.

Resolved, That the Report be approved, and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

20- Montpellier Walk.—A Memorial from Mr. G. F. Bick and other owners in Montpellier Walk requesting the Corporation to cut down the dead trees in the Walk, on condition that they are hereafter replaced by young trees, was read. Resolved, That five dead trees be removed, and be replaced hereafter by young trees.

21-Road at back of 15, Royal Parade.—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in the above road had been completed at a cost of £24 2s. 5d. which sum he had apportioned amongst the various abutting owners in manner set forth in his Report. Resolved, That the Surveyor's apportionment be approved, and that notice thereof be given to the owners, and demand made for payment of the sums respectively due from them.

22-Footway at Montpellier Exchange. -- The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in the above locality had been completed at a cost of £48 18s. 2d., which sum he had apportioned amongst the various abutting owners in manner set forth in his Report. Resolved, That the apportionment as altered by the Committee, having regard to the greater or less degree of benefit derived by the respective premises from the works, be approved, and that

notice thereof be given to the owners, and demand made for payment of the sums respectively due from them

23—Footway on West Side of North Place.— The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in the above locality had been completed at a cost of £98 5s. 10d., which sum he had apportioned amongst the various abutting owners in manner set forth in his Report. Resolved, That the apportionment be approved, subject to the amounts charged in respect of the houses in St. Margaret's Terrace, (which are in the opinion of this Committee benefited by the works) being charged as follow :—i.e. A moiety of the expense incurred in respect of that part of the footway abutting on No. 6. St. Margaret's Terrace and on the hack road shall be charged to No. 6, and the remaining moiety shall be equally divided between the remaining five houses, and that notice thereof be given to the owners accordingly and demand made for payment of the sums respectively due from them.

24-New Buildings—The Surveyor laid before the Committee notices and plans received by hint from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz :—

Mrs. E. Chaplin, additions to No. 27, Ambrose Street.

Mr. Tom Boulton, additions to Nos. 24 and 25, Hermitage Street.

Mrs. Ferguson, additions to " Edenholme."

Mr. W. T. Smith, additions to Montpellier Mews.

This plan approved subject to the ventilating shaft from the soil pipe of the closet being carried up above the roof.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 8th day of October, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Griffith ; Councillors Ll. Davies, M. Davis, Hands, Moles, and Parsonage (Alderman Capt. Griffith in the chair - Dairies and Cowsheds Order An application from Geo. Cooke to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk at Suffolk Street, together with the report of the Medical Officer of Health thereon, were read Resolved, That the applicant be registered.

2-Zymotic Disease —The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee, 8 cases of Scarlet Fever, 1 case of Enteric Fever, and 2 cases of Diphtheria.

3-Smoke Nuisance at Smith's Timber Yard—The Medical Officer of Health reported that complaints had been made of emission of black smoke in such quantities as to be a nuisance, from the chimney at the above premises. Resolved, That notice be given under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, in respect of the emission of black smoke and the non-consumption of smoke.

4-- Common Lodging House, Grove Street—Application having been made for the registration of the house, No. 7, Grove Street, as a Common Lodging House, and the Medical Officer of Health having

advised that registration be deferred until the Borough Surveyor had examined the drains, and his specification had been carried out. Resolved, That the premises be not now, registered. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 45 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains at the above premises are in such a condition as to be a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Surveyor to open the ground and examine the drains, and act as provided by the said Section

5-Houses requiring to be Cleansed—The Medical Officer handed in Certificates under Sec. 46 of the Public Health Act, stating that the houses Nos. 2 and 43, Stanhope Street, were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That notices be given to the respective owners requiring them to cleanse and limewash their premises.

6-House unfit for Human Habitation—The Medical Officer of Health presented a Certificate representing that the house known as No. 34, Albert Street, St. Peter's, was in such a state as to be a nuisance and injurious to health, and unfit for human habitation. Resolved, That the necessary proceedings be taken under Sec. 32 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, for an Order to close the said house.

7-Workshop without Sanitary Convenience—The Medical Officer of Health reported that there are premises at the corner of Bath Terrace where the front part of the house is used by two tradesmen, who have to adjourn to a public house when sanitary convenience is required Resolved, That the necessary notice be given to the owner under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, to provide such accommodation as may be requisite.

8-Flooding of Basement at 3, Harwarden Parade— The Medical Officer reported that the basement of the above premises suffers from flooding, which he thought was possibly due to the public sewer. Resolved. That the Borough Surveyor do inspect and report upon the matter.

9— Nuisance from Boiling Offal—The Medical Officer of Health reported that five separate complaints had been made of a nuisance from the premises of Mr Marmon, of Princes Street. and that on visiting the premises on Saturday last, a foul nuisance was found to be existing, caused by boiling decaying offal, and the boiling being at that time in process the odour could be detected in the neighbouring street Resolved, That notice be given to Mr. Marmon under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, to forthwith abate the nuisance.

10—Houses with Defective Drainage -- The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drainage, &c., at Chelsea House, Manchester Street, 17, Wellington Square, and 66 to 74, Stanhope Street, are a nuisance and injurious to health, and also that the eaves, gutters, &c., at the last mentioned houses are in a very dilapidated condition. Resolved, That in each case authority be given to the Surveyor to open the ground, examine the drains, and act as provided by the said Section, and that with respect to the Stanhope Street houses, notice be also given to the owner to execute the necessary repairs to the eaves, gutters, &c.

11-W.C.'s. without Flushing Apparatus—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c.'s. without Flushing Apparatus. Resolved, That Notices be given under Sec 28 of the

Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the Owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus, and to the Occupiers to lay on a supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such Notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

12—premises without Manure Receptacles—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of premises in respect of which notices had been served for the provision of Manure Receptacles, and reported that such notices had not been complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do take proceedings to enforce compliance with the notices.

13— Elkstone House, Bath Road—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the notice served upon Mr. George Herbert to amend the drainage at the above premises in accordance with the specification supplied by the Borough Surveyor, had not been complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk do take legal proceedings against Mr. Herbert for non-compliance with the notice.

14— Houses without Ash Receptacles—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the houses named therein were without proper and sufficient ashpits or ash receptacles. Resolved, That the necessary notices be given to the respective owners under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Sec. 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them, in each case, to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction, as may be approved by the Borough Surveyor on behalf of the Corporation ; but that it be, however, an instruction to the Surveyor, that in cases where he considers a fixed ash receptacle for small blocks of houses having a common yard to be expedient, such an arrangement may be permitted.

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15-Drinking Water in Corporation Lavatory-The Borough Surveyor was instructed, on the advice of the Medical Officer of Health, to lay on for drinking purposes, a supply direct from the Main, instead of the present supply through a cistern.

16-Water Main in Northfield Passage-The Medical Officer of Health reported that the Owner of No. 13, had been unable to have the water laid on in consequence of there being no main at hand Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do report upon the matter to the Water Committee.

17-Sewers at Hatherley -A letter from R. Ticehurst, Esq., stating that the Rural Sanitary Authority had fully considered the question. and did not feel justified in putting the Parish of Up-Hatherley to the large expense which would result from the proposed extension of the Sewer on the terms laid down by the Town Council, was read. Resolved, That the Inspector of Nuisances be instructed to report on the pollution to the ditch or stream into which Coneygree and other houses drain.

18 - Heydon Knoll Farm-A letter from Mr. R. T. Smith, stating that the gentleman, who was at one time most anxious to take the house at Heyden Knoll, had now declined to do so, in consequence of the roofs of the house and stables not having been repaired as promised, and that he should be glad if the roofs could be repaired at once, also that he was in want of a new gate and three gate posts on the Farm, was read. Resolved, That the Surveyor be instructed to do what he considers necessary.

19 - Abattoir-The Borough Surveyor was instructed to fix one of Bray's Lamps, with midnight arrangement, at the entrance to the Abattoir.

J. C. GRIFFITH, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 17th day of October, 1894-Present The Mayor ; Alderman Griffiths ; Councillors LI. Davies, M. Davis, Hands, Moles, Parsonage, Feeney, and Dighton (Alderman Griffith in the chair)-

20- Zymotic Disease-The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last Meeting of the Committee, 3 cases of Scarlet Fever, and 1 case of Diphtheria.

21-Wells requiring to be closed- The Medical Officer of Health having represented that the water in the wells at 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 42, 43, 44, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 45, 46, 47, 48, 3, 6, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, & 74, Stanhope Street, and 1, 2, 3, & 4, St. Peter's Place, used or likely to be used for drinking or domestic purposes, was so polluted as to be injurious to health. Resolved, That the necessary notices and proceedings for Orders to close the respective wells under Sec. 70 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be given and taken.

22-House unfit for Human Habitation -The Medical Officer of Health presented a Certificate representing that the house No. 22, New Street, and owned by the Stroud Brewery Co., was in such a state as to be a nuisance injurious to health, and unfit for human habitation. Resolved, That the necessary proceedings be taken under Sec. 32 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, for an Order to close the said house.

23 -- Houses requiring Cleansing and Limewashing-The Medical Officer of Health handed in a certificate under Sec. 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the houses Nos. 18 and 19, New Street, belonging to Mr. E. J. Child, were in a filthy condition and required cleansing and limewashing. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owner, requiring him to cleanse and limewash the above premises.

24-Defective Drains at Mayville, St. James' Square-The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Sec. 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains at the above premises are a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Surveyor to open the ground, examine the drains, and act as provided by the said Section.

25 -- Stables behind 7, Lansdown Crescent--The Medical Officer of Health reported that there was no convenient place for a Manure Receptacle, excepting below ground, and a receptacle, according to the Bye-laws, could not therefore be constructed. He advised that the Owner be allowed to make a receptacle below the level of the surface, if he did so according to instructions, Resolved, That the Owner be allowed to do as suggested by the Medical Officer of Health, provided the work is done under supervision, and to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor.

26-Overcrowding of 8, Millbrook Terrace-The Medical Officer of Health reported the above house was so overcrowded as to be a nuisance, there being a man, his wife, and five children, occupying two very small bedrooms which were in a filthy condition. Resolved, That Notice be given under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to abate the nuisance.

27 --Water Course at Hatherley-The Inspector of Nuisances presented the following report as the result of his inspection of the above Water Course :-"The stream in question is polluted by the sewage of Coney Gree, by slop-water and cesspit overflows from the Hatherley Inn, Home Cottages, The Hawthorns, and Chester Cottage, from the latter only in wet weather apparently. There is a pipe drain from Coney Gree, which runs along the road in the direction of Hatherley Brake, on the

opposite side of the road from the Hatherley Inn, on reaching Robinson's Farm, it passes into an 18 inch brick culvert, which receives the overflow from

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a pond on Robinson's Farm, and which is really the head of the stream, this culvert crosses the road, receives the drainage of the Hatherley Inn, and the Home Cottages, and then passes under a fork between the two roads, it goes across the second road, and now opens out as a stagnant stream ; it is very foul in the grounds of Chester Cottage and Home Cottages, from both of which it receives pollution. The open length here is 100 yards. It next passes under the road leading to Hatherley Schools, and into the grounds of Hatherley Brake, where the pond was filled up last year owing to nuisance from the stream ; a 12 inch pipe drain passes through these grounds and opens out into a brick channel down the Railway embankment, thence into a well at the bottom." Resolved, That Notice under Sec. 91 of the Public Health Act, be given to the several parties whose premises drain into and pollute the stream to discontinue such pollution.

28—Sewage Irrigation—A letter from Mr. Henry Butt calling attention to the offensive smell caused by the distribution of liquid sewage over the Mill Meadows, adjoining the footpath at Arle, was read. Resolved, That sewage be only put upon these lands in the months of February, March, and April, and that the tenant be called upon to clean out the ditch and otherwise deal with the sewage, so as to prevent a nuisance.

29--Barn Farm—A letter from Mr. Corbett, the tenant of this Farm, calling attention to a clause in the agreement to the effect that as far as possible, the sewage should be delivered over the whole of the land, stating that 40 acres out of the 134 had not yet been treated with sewage, and that as the matter was of great importance to him, he should be obliged to ask for some compensation if the clause in the lease was not soon complied with, was read. Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Town Clerk and Borough Surveyor to report upon.

30--Heyden Knoll—Resolved, That the Cedar Tree rear the house be cut down, that one cowshed be pitched and drained, that one of the drains be lengthened, and that the tenant be allowed a supply of Clinker from the Destructor for use about the yard, &c.

31—Poulton—It was reported that Poulton, the employee at the Tanks had been ill, but was now improving, and would, it was hoped, soon be able to resume his duties. Resolved, That his services be continued, and that the Finance Committee be requested to take the matter of the payment of his wages during illness into their consideration.

32— Plans of Ouse Drainage—The Plans of such new buildings necessitating drainage, as were intended to come up for approval at the next meeting of the Street and Highway Committee, were laid before this Committee, and the same were approved so far as regards the drainage arrangements, with the exceptions mentioned in Minute No. 24 of the Street and Highway Committee.

33 —Accounts—The following Accounts were examined and allowed.

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| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients | £12 18 |
| J. H. Bennett, Death Returns | £ 1 11 0 |
| W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance | £ 2 5 0 |

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| Thornton & Co., Mackintosh for | |
| Assistant Inspector | £ 1 12 0 |
| H. Edwards. Stationery | £ 0 17 3 |
| Medical Practioners, Notification Fees. | £ 6 7 6 |
| N. Smith & Co., Disinfectants | £ 0 9 5 |

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 22nd day of October, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Heath, Lawrence, and Skillicorne (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

1 —The Town Band—Messrs. Dale and Dimmer attended this Meeting of the Committee as a Deputation from the Town Committee, and stated that their Committee had raised a sufficient sum of money to procure uniform for the Band, which they proposed to hand over to the Corporation to lend to the Band, and asking the Committee for a subsidy to meet the expenses of the Band during the winter season. Resolved, That the Committee would prefer that the Town Committee should hold the uniforms and make all arrangements. and that the Committee will recommend the payment of a subsidy of £10 a month for the next three months.

2—Montpellier Gardens—The following Tenders for the Railings on the North and South sides of these Gardens, being all that had been received, were opened.

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| Messrs. Letheren & Sons | £215 0 0 |
| Messrs. R. E. & C. Marshall | £242 0 0 |

Resolved, That the Tender of Messrs. Letheren & Sons be accepted, that a contract for erection of the Railings be entered into, and that the old fence be sold by tender.

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3 - Promenade Improvement, No. 2-A letter from Mr. Prothero, stating that he should prefer, as all the parties preferred, the plan sent in with his letter of August 3rd, but there would be no opposition on his part to the plan submitted by the Borough Surveyor, if that were decided and agreed to ; plainly, however, the whole thing would be to a great extent spoiled unless the Committee could come to terms with No. 1, and adding that if what was wanted was that his consent should be given absolutely and independently of the Committee would please take that letter as giving it was read. Resolved, That while thanking Mr. Prothero for his consent, the Committee concur with him in considering that the scheme would be incomplete without the concurrence of No. 1.

4--School of Art-A letter from Mr. Millard, the Head Master of the School of Art, asking leave to place a Notice Board of the School Classes on the right hand side of the Pittville Gates facing the drinking trough, was read. Resolved, That the Committee regret they are unable to accede to Mr. Millard's request.

5- Local Government Act-Leckhampton Order-The Town Clerk laid before the Committee, copy of an Order issued by the Local Government Board confirming the Order made by the County Council in respect of the Parish of Leckhampton, but he called the Committee's attention to the fact that the Board had made a modification :continuing the office of Collector of Poor Rate, within that part of Leckhampton now within the Parish of Cheltenham, and read a letter he had written to the Board upon the subject. Resolved, That the Town Clerk's letter be approved and that he be instructed to communicate with the Chairman of the County Council upon the subject.

6- Pittville Pump Room-Badminton--The Borough Surveyor reported that the gentlemen with whom he had been in communication with upon this matter, considered the proposed charges too high, and asked the Committee to re-consider them. Resolved, That the charges be at the rate of £5 5s. for the season for one day per week, and 1s. per hour for Gas if required.

7-Surplus Bedding Plants -A letter from the Rev. James Foster suggesting that as the time is at hand when the bedding plants will be taken up from Pittville and the Promenade Gardens, the Committee should adopt the practice, in vogue in other places, of giving the plants, after the cuttings have been taken, to the poor people, was read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do offer the surplus plants to the several Ministers and Clergy for distribution amongst the poor.

7--Pittville-The Borough Surveyor reported that a lady residing at Roseville had put a dog into the water at Marle Hill, after being warned not to for so The Town Clerk was directed to write and ask her if she had any excuse to offer why she should not be prosecuted for the penalty for the infringement of the Bye-laws.

8--Promenade Long Garden-The Surveyor was authorised to spend £20 in Shrubs and Bulbs for planting and ornamenting this Garden during the winter and spring.

WILLIAM HEATH,

Chairman

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 2nd day of October, 1894-Present The Mayor; Councillors LI. Davies and Hands (The Mayor in the chair)-

1- Tewkesbury Water Supply -Minutes Nos. 3, 6, and 7 of the proceedings of the Committee of date the 26th September, having been referred back to this Committee for further consideration, with power to deal with the matters referred' to therein ; the Minutes in question were further considered, together with a further letter from Mr. Badham, dated 28th September, in which he stated that the supply of water to Mr. Grove's premises would be cut off on Wednesday morning, unless in the meantime a proper application was made to him for a supply to each set of premises, and an undertaking given to pay the full charge for the water. A draft reply to Mr. Badham's letters prepared by the Town Clerk, and proposing a conference was considered and settled, and directed to be sent. The Town Clerk was directed to prepare and state a case for the opinion of Counsel on the question

EDWARD WETHERED. Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 10th day of October, 1894—Present : The Mayor, Councillors Ll. Davies and Hands (The Mayor in the chair)—

2- Tewkesbury Water Supply—A letter from the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury, in reply to the Town Clerk's letter directed at the last meeting of the Committee to be sent to Mr. Badham, and declining a conference, was read, together with Draft of proposed reply thereto and which was approved. The Town Clerk laid before the Committee Draft Case for the opinion of the Counsel, and the same was approved and directed to be laid before Mr. Bray.

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 18th day of October, 1894—Present The Mayor, Councillors Margrett, Ll. Davies, Ward-Humphreys, and Woodard (The Mayor in the chair)—

3---Borough Engineer's Report —The usual monthly report of the Borough Engineer, was read, as follows On the 17th instant, the supply to the Hewletts and Leckhampton Reservoirs was 88 Gallons ; the average for the last four years being 166 gallons per minute; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 10,121,376 gallons,

On the 16th instant, the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 17 feet 10 inches, and the contents 36,621,686 gallons, which gives a total of 46,743,061 gallons.

Works at Dowdeswell—I am arranging to meet Colonel Brown on the ground to obtain his consent for these works being carried out, and I hope to be able to report at the next meeting.

4—Dowdeswell--Resolved, That the Stream above the Reservoir be piped at the ford as suggested by the Borough Engineer in last month's Report.

5—Appeals—Various Appeals 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-

EDWARD WETHERED,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 12th day of October, 1894—Present Councillors Feeney, Hands, Parsonage, and Heath (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—Chairman.—In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Parsonage was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

2 - Swine Fever Order.—Resolved, That the Order made by this Local Authority on the 19th September last, be revoked, and that a fresh Order be made in the same terms, but excepting the County of Gloucester from the operation thereof.

3.--Leckhampton Board Room and the Guardians.—This matter having been again considered. It was Resolved, That the sums to be charged to the Guardians for the use of the room be £8, including firing ; also

Resolved, That the Rent be carried to the credit of the Library, in payment of the Corporation share of the expenses of the Caretaker, Lighting and Cleaning, which expenses are, subject to the approval of the Library Committee, to be borne by the Library ; also

Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do put up a small coal shed at a cost not exceeding £2.

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 17th day of October, 1894—Present : The Mayor, Aldermen Griffith, and Councillors Feeney, Hands, Lawrence, Parsonage and Ward-Humphreys, (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

4.—Chairman.—In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Parsonage was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

5--Fire Brigade.—The Superintendent reported that the Brigade had not been called out for any purpose during the past month. He stated that in view of the lack of training and organisation amongst the members of the Brigade, he had visited many of the best trained Brigades round the country and inspected them at drill &c., and as the result of his enquiries he had compiled Rules and Regulations, a copy of which he now submitted, with a suggestion that they be printed and a copy given to each member of the Brigade. Resolved, That a Sub-Committee be appointed, consisting of the Chairman, Alderman Griffith and Councillor Parsonage, to consider the Rules, &c. suggested by the Superintendent.

6.—Fire Hydrants.—The Superintendent reported that many of the plates required re-painting, and also that many were unmarked, and many could not be found. Resolved, That the Superintendent be instructed to complete the list of hydrants in the Borough, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to afford such assistance from the Water Department as he can.

7—Numbering of Clarence Street.—Mr. Charles Marshall and Mr. David Lewis attended the meeting and placed before the Committee their views respecting the re-numbering of this street A letter from Mr. J. W. Drew stating that he would be obliged if in addition to the new number of 32, Clarence Street the Committee would recommend the Council to retain the title of 2, Promenade Place as well, was read. Resolved, That the Street be numbered consecutively, commencing with Mr. Hill's shop as No. 1, to the Library, then crossing to Walters' Hotel and returning to the High street on the south east side.

8— Hackney Carriages—Applications for Hackney Carriage Licenses were received from J. C. Hearn, Newman Gibbard, and C. Mackay. Resolved, That Licenses be not granted, there being no vacancy.

9—Drivers' Licenses—Applications for Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licenses were received from John Berry, Geo. Page, and Ernest Haines. Resolved, That Licenses be granted. James Thomas and Edward Hart attended and gave reasons for not having taken up their Licenses on the Licensing Day. Resolved, That their Licenses be now issued.

10—Change of Carriage—An application from W. P. Jones for a full License in lieu of the Pony Carriage License now held by him, was read. Resolved, That the application be not granted.

11-Leckhanipton Board Room—A letter from Miss Stephens enquiring upon what terms the above Room could be had for Meetings, whether it would be available for a Primrose League Meeting on the 6th of March next, was read. Resolved, That Miss Stephens be informed the Room is in use every evening as a Reading Room, and cannot therefore be let for Meetings.

12- Standing Orders—In pursuance of the instructions of the Council the Committee went carefully through the existing Standing Orders, and it was finally Resolved, That a copy of the Standing Orders altered to shew the proposed additions and amendments be sent to each Member of the Council.

13—Cattle Market—Steel— An application from Mr. A. W. Steel to take a portion of the Cattle Market for Sales, &c., was read. Resolved, That Mr. Steel be informed the Committee cannot entertain the proposition, but they are open to receive an offer to rent the Tolls.

EDWARD HENRY PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 18th day of October, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Dighton, Margrett and Woodard (Councillor Woodard in the chair)—

1-Alstone Bath —The monthly Report of the Borough Surveyor, was read. No. of bathers to 6th instant 14,014 ; Fees received £120 19s. 2 ½ d. He also reported that the Bath had been closed on the 6th instant.

2- Naunton Park Shelter, &c. -The following Tenders for the erection of shelter. and conveniences in this Park being all that had been sent in were opened :—

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| Messrs A. C. & S. Billings | £166 10 0 |
| H. D. Brown & Son | £179 0 0 |
| W. C. Channon | £194 0 0 |
| Drew Bros., Chalford | £188 0 0 |
| Chas. Malvern & Sons | £190 0 0 |

Resolved, That if the Council mean to have the shelter, &c., executed according to the plans approved, the Committee recommend the acceptance of Messrs. Billings Tender.

T. B. WOODARD, Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 29th day of October, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Councillors Dighton and Moles (Councillor Moles in the chair)—

Bath Caretaker--A letter from Mr. Hart the Bath Caretaker stating that his holidays had expired, and he would be glad to receive instructions as to future employment, was read. Resolved, That if Hart is willing to undertake the duties, he be employed to be in attendance at the Municipal Offices from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., to give information to callers and be generally under the direction of the Town Clerk, and to assist the Street Inspector in his duties in the afternoon from 2 to 5.30 p.m., and that he be paid for so doing £1 per week, until the Bath re-opens next year.

J. V. MOLES,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 19th day of October, 1894—Present : Alderman Haddon ; Councillors M. Davis and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1- --Superintendent's Report—The Superintendent reported " That Mrs. Heslop, of 44, Keynsham Street, wished to purchase grave space 1374, Section M There were three interments in this grave, and Mrs. Heslop inquired as to the fee. I told her that if the grave had been purchased at the first interment, the fee would have been £2 15s. 6d. and the two subsequent interments 15s. each, making a total of £4 10s. 6d. As it stood 7s. 6d. was paid for each interment (total £1 2s. 6d.) and, this being deducted, made the amount to be paid now £3 3s. 0d. This she thought too much and I told her that I would bring the matter before the Burial Board for their consideration." Resolved, That this Committee cannot see their way to any reduction of the £3 3s. 0d.

2—Designs—The following Designs were examined and approved, viz :—Tomb to Isabel Marion Giller ; Headstones to Margaret Freeman, George Niblett, Mary Rustonjee, Nathaniel Steevens, E. R. G. Jervis, and Eliza Jones.

3--Account—The following Account was examined and allowed :—

W. Gregory, Labourer's Wages £12 15 6

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 16th day of October, 1894—Present : Aldermen Capt. Griffith and Norman ; Councillors Parsonage, Woodard and Ward-Humphreys, (Councillor Ward-Humphreys in the chair)—

1 —Electric Lighting Station---A Letter from the Mayoress (Mrs. Wethered) to the Chairman expressing her thanks for the handsome Silver Trowel presented to her on the occasion of her laying the Memorial Stone of the Electric Lighting Station, was read.

The Borough Surveyor's Report on the progress of the Works, was read and approved.

2 - Steam and Exhaust Pipes—Resolved, That Tenders for these be advertised for in the Engineer and Engineering and that Steam Valves be procured from Messrs. Hopkinson & Co., of Huddersfield. The Electrician, Mr. Kilgour, reported that Wiring Orders had been placed in tradesmen's hands for 450 16-candle power lamps, and that orders for another 300 would be given in the course of a few days.

3—Salem Chapel—A Letter from Mr. Thos Whittard, Hon. Sec. to the Officers of Salem Baptist Church, Clarence Parade, stating that they intended introducing the Electric Light into the Chapel, Lecture Room, &c., and had provisionally accepted specification and estimate therefor, and making certain suggestions on public and economic grounds for special arrangements for Churches, Chapels, and other large buildings, where large numbers of people periodically congregate, was read. Resolved, That Mr. Whittard's letter be referred to the Borough Surveyor to report thereon, and that Mr. Whittard be informed that his suggestions shall receive favourable consideration, and that if any advantage accrues from any General Rule or Regulation on the subject, he and his colleagues shall receive the benefit of it.

4-Public Library—Resolved, That the Public Library Committee be requested to take into consideration the question of introducing the Electric Light into the Library.

G. H. WARD-HUMPHREYS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee. held on Wednesday, the 24th day of October, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Noes: on and Thoyts ; Councillors Lawrence, Parsonage and Woodard (Alderman Norman in the chair)—

5—Chairman. -In the absence of the Chairman, Alderman Norman was appointed Chairman of this Committee

6—Borough Surveyor's Report —This Report as follows was read and approved : The Transformers having been ordered, and the sub-stations commenced, it is necessary that the order for Switchboards should be placed. The quotations are :—The Brush Company .. £210 4 6 Messrs Siemens Bros. £376 0 0

the difference being principally due to the adoption by the Brush Company of a very simple form, whereas Messrs. Siemens Bros. offer a much more elaborate one but of no greater efficiency. I therefore advise you to accept the Brush Company's offer.

For testing the Alternators, Transformers and Meters, an artificial load consisting of 100 incandescent lamps will be required, costing between £90 and £100. and I ask your authority to obtain these as soon as the testing room is ready to receive them

We shall also require to order from Messrs. Callender (who are supplying the cables) twenty sub-station joint boxes, and about twenty house service boxes at a cost of about £76.

For purposes of supply, it will be necessary to hold a small stock of meters—there are already fourteen certain customers—an order should therefore be placed for at least 20 meters at once.

During the last week Mr. Kilgour visited the Brush Company's Works for the purpose of testing the Transformers. The result was most satisfactory. The insulation resistance was very high being about to times that required by the specification. The no-load losses were 95.9 and 69.4 watts for the two sizes respectively, which is less than the maximum allowed in the specification by 24.1 and 20.6 respectively. Only the smaller transformers were tested for pressure drop ; the result being volts as against 2.5 volts allowed in the specification.

The full load losses cannot be tested until the transformers have been delivered. These tests are most satisfactory and there will be no difficulty in accepting the transformers as complying with the specification

I certify that the sum of £350 is due to the Corruganza Manufacturing Company on account of their contract for paper tubes.

Resolved, That the Tender of the Brush Co. for the Switchboards for the sub-stations be accepted and that the other apparatus referred to in the Surveyor's Report be purchased.

GEORGE NORMAN,

Chairman

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 26th day of October, 1894—Present : Aldermen Rogers, Col. Thoyts; Councillors Ll. Davies, Parsonage, Lawrence, and Heath, (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

1-Books of Borough Accounts -Resolved, That in future the charge to be made for copies of this Book be the exact cost thereof to the Corporation.

2-Municipal Elections—Resolved, That the Fee to be paid to the Presiding Officers at these Elections be £3 3s. 0d., and that the Fee to the Poll Clerks be £1 5s. 0d.

3-General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, of date the 26th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Amount collected, 476 0s od ; leaving outstanding, £14,397 9s. 9d.

4-Water Rate--The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 26th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts, £117 16s 2d. ; leaving outstanding, £9448 13s. 4d.

5-Private Improvement Works—Otter—Mr. William Otter of 83, Tewkesbury Road, who owed £5 14s. 10d. for Private Improvement Works in Tewkesbury Road, having paid £1 thereof, applied for leave to pay the remainder by monthly instalments of 10s. Resolved, That this proposal be agreed to, Mr. Otter paying Interest at 5%.

6—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:

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| In hand on the 25th September last .. | £13,609 17 9 |
| Received since that date .. | <u>£ 8,641 2 4</u> |
| | £22,251 0 1 |
| Paid since that date .. | <u>£12,274 9 2</u> |
| Total in hand .. | £ 9,976 10 11 |
| Current and Interest Accounts .. | £4,000 19 10 |
| Sinking and Loans Funds.... .. | <u>£5,975 11 1</u> |
| | £9,976 10 11 |

The bills and accounts for the past month having been examined. Resolved, That the same as settled, amounting to the sum of £7,109 10s. 9d.. be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 19th day of October, 1894—Present; The Mayor ; Councillors Feeney, Davies, and Parsonage ; Baron de Ferrieres, Mr. H. Neale, Mr. C. Hall, Capt. Welch, R.N. (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

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

Trustees of the British Museum Three Pamphlets

Borough Accountant One Volume

Miss Helen Blackburn One “

University Correspondence One Volume, One Pamphlet.

Annual Reports from the Libraries at Rotherhithe, Sheffield, Kidderminster and Watford.

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2-Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee recommended :—That the books selected by them from those sent on approval be purchased for the Buchanan Collection and Technical Library. That the Daily Telegraph be added to the newspapers already supplied to the Leckhampton Reading Room. That the application of W. H. Slade for an increase of wages be deferred. Resolved, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

3—Leckhampton Reading Room — A resolution of the General Purposes Committee, proposing that the rent to be paid by the Guardians for the use of this Room should be 48 per annum, including firing, and that such rent should be paid to the credit of the Library Account, the Library Committee undertaking the payment of the Corporation share of the expenses of the caretaker, coal, lighting and cleaning, was laid before this Committee. Resolved, That this proposal, so far as it concerns this Committee, be agreed to. The light from the present gas burners being very imperfect, Resolved, That the Council be asked to instruct the Borough Surveyor to do what is necessary to improve the same.

4—Conference of Librarians at Belfast: The Librarian read a Report and resume of the proceedings and discussions at the Conference of the Library Association held at Belfast, and which he had attended, and the same was considered highly satisfactory.

5—Library Debt.--Resolved, That unless the debt of £1,319 8s. 10d. can be raised by private effort, the Council be requested to take measures for borrowing the necessary amount.

6 —Time of Committee meeting—Resolved, That in fixing the hour for the meetings of this Committee, the General Purposes Committee be requested to fix it at 10.30 instead of 11 a.m.

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

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| W A Grant, making Bookcase | £35 10 0 |
| J Grant Books | £ 0 12 0 |
| Cawthorn and Hunt, Books | £ 0 10 10 |
| W Downing, Technical Books | £ 0 18 0 |
| J Hitchman, Books | £ 6 0 0 |
| W Norton, Books | £20 3 0 |
| J Webb, Books | £4 2 0 |
| Bryant and Co. Trousers for Caretaker | £ 1 7 0 |
| G W Bacon, Books | £ 2 1 3 |
| C Westley, Papers for Leckhampton | £ 1 10 11 |
| London Supply Co., Cleaning Material | £ 0 13 0 |
| C Chivers, Binding | £ 0 10 6 |
| Gas Company, Coke | £ 2 3 6 |
| W Jones, Wage's Account | £14 18 0 |
| Norman, Sawyer & Co, Binding etc | £ 5 12 3 |
| C Westley, Books | £54 12 3 |
| “ Magazines, Newspapers &c | £16 0 11 |
| J W Pink, Books | £ 2 4 0 |
| D Reeves, Books | £ 2 0 0 |
| H Lotheran & Co., Books | £41 12 6 |
| E Menken, Books | £ 4 9 0 |
| G Buckle, Books | £ 2 5 0 |
| W Norton, Books | £13 9 0 |
| W R Hill, Books | £ 0 15 0 |
| J Webb, Books | £ 2 9 0 |
| H Lotheran & Co. | £ 5 14 6 |
| M Maggs, Books | £13 0 0 |
| B Quaritch, Books | £ 2 0 0 |
| W Dowing, Books | £18 12 0 |
| Accounts under 10s each | £ 0 11 6 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 16th day of October, 1894 —Present The Mayor ; Councillors Hands, Parsonage, Li. Davies, and Wheeler (Councillor Hands in the chair)—

1-Local Committees—The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That summonses be issued against the parents of the following children, namely :—Julia Flynn, Carlton Place ; Charles Court, St. Ann's Terrace ; Walter Jeanes, 39, Jersey Street, and William Hopkins, Poplar Cottages, Leckhampton.

2-Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the Attendance Officers were read, from which it appeared that Absentee Reports had been received from 34 Schools, containing 763 names. These and the balance left to visit last month, 346, made a total of 1,109. Of this number, 56 were accounted for by the teachers, 770 had been visited, leaving a balance to visit of 283 recently sent in. Returns from Schools of Lists of Absentees—It was Resolved, That a circular letter be sent to the Head Teacher of each department of each School in the district, requesting that the returns from the Schools of the weekly number of absentees may in future be sent to the Municipal Offices so as to be received by the Attendance Officers not later than 12 o'clock on the Saturday morning each week.

WILLIAM HANDS,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, November 29th, 1894.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices, on Monday, the 3rd 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 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 appoint Inspector of Nuisances.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE, and pass a Resolution amending the Resolution of the Town Improvement Committee of date the 2nd April, 1894, in accordance with Minute No. 4 of the same Committee of date the 26th Nov., 1894.

WATER COMMITTEE. GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE. THE BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE. BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE. ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE. FINANCE COMMITTEE TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE. PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

4. Notices of Motion.

5. To read the following Letter, and pass Resolution thereon, if need be :—A. G. Pollock, re Gully in Painswick Road.

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 December, 1894.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 14th day of November, 1894--Present The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts; Councillors Feeney, Heath, Lawrence, Parsonage, Dimmer and Skillicorne (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)

1-Chairman—Resolved, That Alderman Col, Thoyts be appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At is Meting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 26th day of November, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman ; Councillors Feeney, Lawrence, Parsonage, and Heath (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

2-Chairman —In the absence of the Chairman Councillor Parsonage was appointed Chairman at this meeting.

3-The View—The following Members attended the View Meeting, on Friday last, viz. :—The Mayor, Councillors Feeney, Heath, Lawrence, Parsonage and Skillicorne

4-Gas Examiner's Monthly Report—The Monthly Report of the Gas Examiner was read : Average Illuminating Power, 15.51 Candles Purity 9.73 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet. The Gas Examiner called special attention to the Illuminating Power of 15.17 candles on the 21st instant, which was much below the usual quality

5 - Gas Inspector's Monthly Report -The Monthly Report of the Gas Inspector, was read : Average hourly consumption of gas per lamp during the month : 4.172 cubic feet. Resolved, That the

attention of the Gas Company be called to the pooriness of the quality and the lowness of the quantity consumed per hour per lamp.

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6-Lamp Book—This Book was produced and examined. Lamps extinguished, 6 metered, 11 unmetered. Burning dimly, 1 metered, 2 unmetered.

7 ---Improvement of the Street Lamps.--A letter from the Clerks to the Gas Company, forwarding copy of a Resolution passed by the Directors as follows, was read:-

"That the Town Council be informed that the Company will be prepared at the order of the Corporation to substitute opal tops in the gas lamps, but as the cost will be considerable it is suggested that a few lamps be altered in the first instance in order to test the effect, and with regard to the price of gas the Directors desire respectfully to point out that the reduction recently made applies to the private consumer only, it being the intention of the Company to charge an uniform price for gas for both public and private consumption throughout the Borough."

Resolved, That six lamps be altered as an experiment, three with one pattern of top, and three with a different pattern, in such part of the town as may be fixed upon by the Surveyor.

8 — Street Projections —The Street Inspector reported that the following projections had been erected in contravention of the Bye-Laws, without the sanction of the Committee, viz :—

Messrs. Pitcher and Son, a Gas Rail in front of 154, High Street.

Messrs. Godsell and Son, Lamp in front of the "Seven Stars Inn," Henrietta Street.

Mr. J. Wall, two Iron Bars in front of No. 415, High Street.

Letters were read from Messrs. Godsell and Son, stating that the lamp at the "Seven stars" replaced an old lamp

From Mr. James Wall asking leave to put up the rails already fixed at 415, High Street, and a gas rail to project twelve inches;

From Messrs. Thomas Bros. applying for permission to erect an arc lamp at Bay-shill Lodge, Montpellier, such lamp to be suspended from an iron bracket attached to the outside main wall near the roof ; and From Messrs. R. E. and C. Marshall asking permission to fix four bracket lamps outside the shop windows at 344, High Street. .

Resolved, That Messrs. Pitcher's Gas Rail be permitted to remain subject to its being kept eight feet high in the clear and to the right of the Corporation to order its removal at any time.

That Messrs. Godsell's lamp be allowed to remain provided it is kept lighted till ten o'clock at night and subject to the right of the Corporation to require its removal at any time.

That the iron bars at 415, High Street be not allowed, but that the gas rail be permitted subject to the right of the Corporation to order its removal at any time.

That Messrs. Marshall's application be granted, subject to the lamps being hung at a height of not less than eight feet, and not projecting more than eighteen inches, and subject also to the right of the Corporation to require their removal at any time; and

That permission be granted to Messrs. Thomas Bros. to put up their lamp provided it is kept at least eight feet high.

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

Repaired with Clee Hill Stone—Battledown Approach 345 super yards; Gloucester Road 870 super yards ; Old Bath Road 5,400 super yards ; Great Western Road 490 super yards ; Leckhampton Road 2711 super yards ; Swindon Road and Sandford Road are being proceeded with.

Patching—Bath Road, Bath Street, The Park, St. Stephen's Road, Naunton Lane, Park Place, Bath Terrace, Exmouth Street, Suffolk Road, Norwood Road, Tivoli Place, Painswick Road, St. George's Place, Tewkesbury Road, Barrett's Mill Lane, Clarence Street, Market Street, Keynsham Road, Alstone Lane, St. George's Street, Arle Road, Millbrook Street, Six Chimneys Lane, Promenade, Imperial Square, Regent Street, Montpellier Parade, Rodney Road, North Place.

Kerbing and Crossings—High Street, Parabola Road, Sherborne Street, Northfield Terrace, Bath Road, Market Street, Russell Street, Oxford Parade, Devonshire Street, Tivoli Road.

Granite Concrete Paving is proceeding in Montpellier Street.

A new patent paving brick crossing has been laid in the London Road at the end of the Old Bath Road.

The footpath on the east side of the Leckhampton Road has been laid with concrete flags, 2270 super feet.

One new gully has been built in Bath Road, and the surface water drain in Prestbury Road is being cleared and 82 yards of new drain have been laid.

Ashes collected--740 van loads and 287 cart loads have been collected and 931 tons have been burnt at the Destructor.

10—Cranham Road—A Specification from the Surveyor. of the date the 26th day of November inst., of the Works required to be done to the above Street, was read and approved. And it was Resolved, That the necessary Plans, Sections and Estimates be prepared, and Notices be given under Section 43 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852 and 150 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, lagged, 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 Also Resolved, That notices for the repair of Sydenham Road under the Specification already approved by the Council be now served.

11 -Lansdown Place Stables —A letter from Mr. Charles Cook asking the Committee to name and number the above stables and also to place another Lamp between 20, Lansdown Place and Lansdown Hotel was read. Resolved that Mr. Cook be informed he can put what name he pleases to his stables, and that the Committee think a lamp is unnecessary.

12-Lighting of North Street—The letter from Mr. G. Stibbs was again considered, the Committee having visited the place at night. Resolved, That the Committee consider the additional lighting asked for by Mr. Stibbs is unnecessary.

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13- Lighting of Grafton Passage—On the application of Mr. W. H. Ferguson and others, Resolved, That a lamp be placed in Grafton Passage

14 —Footpaths in Albion and Winchcomb Streets —Letters from Mr. A. Hill, Mrs. Rowland and others calling attention to the state of pavements and guttering in Albion Street and in Winchcomb Street, were read. Resolved, That new channelling be substituted for the old gutter channelling.

15— Marsh Lane—A Memorial from Mr. M. Field and others praying the Corporation to provide them with a proper footpath and roadway in Marsh Lane was read. Resolved, That as soon as the conveyance of the land for widening the road is executed this road will be attended to.

16—Ditch near Alstone Lawn—A letter from Mr. La Terriere complaining of his Drains being stopped by the silt from the Glo'ster Road choking up the ditch bounding his property, stating that on previous occasions the Corporation had repaired the damage and inconvenience, and asking the Committee to do what might be necessary, was read. Resolved, That Mr. La Terriere be informed the obstruction is not entirely due to the silt from the road, and, without admitting any liability to do anything at all, the Committee will recommend one-half the expense to be paid.

17—St. Anne's Road—Mr. McIlquham's letter was further considered, the Committee having inspected the road since the last meeting. Resolved, That the Committee are not satisfied that the road is a convenience to the public, and cannot recommend the road to be taken to.

18—Carriage Entrance to " Delmar "—Resolved that this matter be further adjourned.

19— Wooden Buildings at back of " Essex Lodge "—A letter from Mr. Henry Matthews calling attention to the existence of wooden structures used as Bicycle Sheds and Receptacles for rubbish and packing cases at the back of Nos. 395 and 396, High Il Street, and which appeared to have been erected in contravention of the Bye-laws, was read. Resolved, That notice be given by the Surveyor under Sec. 74 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, for the removal of the building complained of.

20- Trade and Labour Council—A letter from Mr. J. G. Carr forwarding copy of a Resolution of the above Council, requesting the Corporation of Cheltenham in future to employ Plasterers to lay down the Granolithic Pavement as the employment of Labourers to do this work is an infringement on the Plasterers' trade. Resolved, That Mr. Carr be informed that the work is done, as it should be, by trained and competent men, and the Committee do not consider that inexperienced men in that kind of work should do it.

21 —Coal—The Tenders for a twelve months' supply of Coal, sent in in response to the advertisement, being 11 in number, were opened. Resolved, That the following Tenders be accepted:

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| Messrs. Webb Bros., for Bretby best .. | 15s 9d per Ton. |
| “ Glascote 2nds. . | 14s per ton |
| Messrs. H. Workman & Co., for Slack .. | 7s per ton |
| Messrs. Voile & Co., do. .. | 7s per ton |

Horse Provender —The Tenders for a twelve months' supply of Horse Provender sent in in response to the advertisement, 7 in number, were opened. Resolved, That the following Tenders be accepted:—

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| F. J. Comely, for Black Oats .. | 16s 6d per Quarter. |
| “ Beans | 3s 9d per Bushel |
| “ Bran .. | 4s per 100lbs. |
| Henry Williams, for White Oats | |
| “ Straw .. | 18s per Quarter. £2 7s. 6d. per Ton. |
| “ for Meadow Hay | 18s per Quarter. £3 7s. 6d. per Ton, |

subject to a large sample being approved by the Borough Surveyor.

23—Thirlestaine Road—Nevile Wyatt—A letter from Mr. Nevile Wyatt stating that it was almost a year ago since the Street and Highway Committee decided that the sum of £8 10s., which had been paid to Mr. Moore for the support of the palings round Cotswold, which had been weakened by the laying of the new pavement should be paid to Mrs. Nevile Wyatt, and asking when it would be paid and whether interest would be paid for the twelve months, was read. Resolved, That although the Committee had never decided that £8 10s. should be paid, and consider the account excessive, as the matter has been one of long standing the amount of the claim be paid.

24 —Road at Royal Parade- A letter from Colonel Hart, calling attention to the state of the road inside the railings in front of Royal Parade, was read Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to enable the Committee to view the place.

25- Way from Hermitage Street to Exmouth Street—Resolved, That if Mr. Boulton will give up six feet of land the Corporation will do the necessary work.

26 -Whaddon Lane -The Surveyor reported that Mr Mark Williams' tender for doing the work ordered for this road amounted to £355 18s. 8d., that being the lowest sum for which he could get the work done. Resolved, That before commencing the work an undertaking be procured from the owners to pay the apportioned amounts, the Council paying as their contribution to the work the sum of £50.

27-New Buildings —The Surveyor laid before the Committee notices and plans received by loans from the following persons intending to erect new buildings, all of which were approved, viz:—

Mrs. Bailer, additions to Walworth House, Thirlestaine Road.
Mr. J. Bloodworth, additions to Wycombeville
Mr. H. J. Sheppard, additions to 23, Montpellier Terrace.

Miss Margaret Owen, additions to Nazareth House.

This last-mentioned plan approved, subject to the drains being laid outside the existing and new buildings.

E. H. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 12th day of November, 1894—Present : The Mayor; Alderman Norman ; Councillors Griffith, Ll. Davies, M. Davis, Moles, and Parsonage (Councillor Griffith in the chair)—

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Griffith be appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

2 -Dairies and Cowsheds Order —An application from Walter Adams of 18 Commercial Street to be registered as a purveyor of milk, together with the report of the Medical Officer thereon, were read. Resolved, That the applicant be not registered.

3 -Zymotic Disease —The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee, 28 cases of Scarlet Fever, 2 cases of Enteric Fever, and 3 cases of Diphtheria.

4-Closing of Baker Street School--The Medical Officer of Health stated that nearly half the cases of Scarlet Fever above mentioned had attended Baker Street School ; that under his advice the school was closed on the 31 of October, and that he had advised the thorough cleansing of the school, which would also be fumigated by the Health Department. Resolved, That the action of the Medical Officer of Health be approved.

5-Caution to Managers of Elementary Schools—The Medical Officer of Health reported that he had, at the suggestion of the Mayor, addressed a letter to the Managers and Masters, calling attention to the increase of Scarlet Fever and the necessity of not allowing scholars who appear sick or ill with sore throat to attend until they are well. Resolved, That this be approved.

6—Overcrowding and Bad Ventilation of Schools—The Medical Officer reported that he had noticed in entering some of the schools, especially shortly before four o'clock in the afternoon, that the air was very foul. He suggested the advisability of the Committee obtaining evidence as to the cubic space, number of scholars, and ventilation of the schools. Resolved, That a circular be sent to the Managers of Schools calling their attention to the urgent need of making proper and sufficient ventilation in the schools.

7 --Neglect to notify Cases of Scarlet Fever —The Medical Officer of Health reported that he had discovered that cases of Scarlet Fever had occurred in the family of Frederick Matthews of 17, Marsh Lane, and he considered that great neglect had been shewn on the part of the parents in not ascertaining the character of the illness and notifying it to the Medical Officer of Health as required ; also a case similarity neglected in the family of Mason, of Cox's Alley, Alstone, and that it would be

for the Committee to consider the advisability of prosecuting for penalties. Resolved, That the parents in the above cases be prosecuted for penalties.

8--House Unfit for Human Habitation The Medical Officer of Health presented- a- certificate representing that the house No 22, Townsend Street, owned by Mr. Richard Jones, was in such a state as to be a nuisance, injurious to health, and unfit for human habitation. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor do prepare a specification of the works necessary to be done to the house to render it fit for habitation, and that notice be given to the owner to execute such works, failing which the necessary proceedings be taken under Sec 32 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, for an Order to close the said house; also, That in all future cases of this kind the Medical Officer of Health notify the same to the Borough Surveyor, and that the latter bring up his specification at the same time that the certificate of the Medical Officer of Health is presented.

9 — Circus in Bath Road—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on these premises, there were three w.c.'s all out of repair, and that consequently there was no proper accommodation of w.c. and urinal, which was badly required. Resolved, That notice be given to the owner under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act to provide such sanitary accommodation as may be necessary.

10— Smoke Nuisances --The Medical Officer of Health reported that the Inspector had observed a Smoke Nuisance at each of the following places :—

On October 18th, The Original Brewery Co.'s Chimney.

On October 17th, The Union Workhouse Chimney.

On November 10th, Messrs. Ride and Co.'s Chimney at Alstone Mill.

On same date, Messrs. Georges' Chimney in the Colonnade. Resolved, That notices be given under Section 91 of the Public Health Act, to the several parties concerned, in respect of the emission of black smoke and the non-consumption of smoke.

11-Nuisances under Section 91 of the Public Health Act—The Medical Officer of Health reported the existence of nuisances under Section 91 of the Public Health Act at the following places, and that specifications by the Borough Surveyor would be required:—Sudeley cottage, 1, Exmouth Place, 274, High Street, Baker's Arms, tot, 204, 206, and 212, High Street. Resolved, That the Surveyor do prepare the necessary specification in each case, and that the necessary notices be given to the owners under the above Section.

12-- Defective Drains--The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains at 25, Grove Street, Montpellier Riding School, 19, 20, 20a, and 21, Promenade Villas, and Chelsea House were in such a state as to be a nuisance and injurious to health, Resolved, That authority be given to the Surveyor to open the ground, examine the drains, and act as provided by the said Section.

13—Wells requiring to be closed— The Medical Officer of Health having represented that the water in the wells at 32 and 33, Whitehart Street, and 13, Cleveland Street, used or likely to be used for drinking or domestic purposes, was so polluted as to be injurious to health. Resolved, That the necessary notices and proceedings for Orders to close the wells be given and taken.

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14—Ambulances—The Medical Officer reported that the New Ambulance was nearly finished and that the old one required to be repaired. Resolved, That the new ambulance be used for Scarlet Fever, the old one to be repaired and used for Enteric Fever and Diphtheria &c., and that the question of providing a Shed for the old Ambulance be adjourned.

15---W.C'S. without Flushing Apparatus The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of houses having w.c's. without Flushing Apparatus. That Notice', be given wider Sec. 28 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, to the Owners to provide the necessary flushing apparatus, and to the Occupiers to lay on a supply of water thereto, and that in default of compliance with such Notices proceedings be taken for penalties.

16—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles The Medical Officer of Health submitted a representation of the Inspector of Nuisances to the effect that the house', named therein were without proper and sufficient ashpits or ash receptacles. Resolved, That the necessary notices be given to the respective owners under Sec. 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Sec 27 of the Cheltenham improvement Act, 1889, requiring, then), in each case, to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction, as may be approved by the Borough Surveyor on behalf of the Corporation ; and that where a common Ashpit may be constructed, that form be permitted.

17—Notices not complied with The Medical Officer reported that the notice served upon Geo Ballinger to discontinue overcrowding at No. 9, Grove Street, had not been complied with. Resolved, That proceedings be taken against Ballinger for penalties.

18- Lisle House--A letter from Miss March-Phillips, respecting the Drainage of Lisle House, was read, but it appeared from a report of the Inspector of Nuisances that the matter therein referred to had been disposed of.

19-Delancey hospital— A letter from Dr. Cocks-Johnston asking if the Gas Stove, originally in the temporary building, but not now used, might he used for a room in the administration block, also, if the blankets and sheets that were supplied for the use of the extra caves sent into the temporary building might now be placed in the common store of the Hospital, was read. Resolved, That the use of the gas stove be granted, and that the other articles may be put into the general store; but it must be understood that the Corporation are not to be expected to supply additional articles for use in the temporary building.

20- Inspector of Nuisances The letter of the Inspector of Nuisances (Mr. Seth Lewis), resigning his appointment, read at the last meeting of the Council, was considered by the Committee. Resolved, That advertisements be inserted in " The Builder " and " Public Health " inviting applications for the vacant post, the salary and terms of appointment to be the same as those upon which Mr. Lewis was originally appointed, and that the appointment be made at the next meeting of the Council.

A letter from Mr. W. H. Worrall, one of the selected candidates on the occasion of Mr. Lewis' appointment, asking the Committee to consider his application in the present instance, was read.

Mr. Lewis having applied for a Testimonial, Resolved, That one be given to him to be settled by the Chairman, the Town Clerk, and the Medical Officer of Health

21- Barn Farm—A letter from Mr. Corbett, the tenant of the Barn Farm, asking the Committee to consider certain matters in regard to the irrigation of the portion of the land not at present under sewage treatment, and other matters about the Farm generally, was read. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be requested to report upon Mr. Corbett's requirements.

22- Coneygree - Mrs. Gretton—A letter from Mrs. Gretton, asking whether there would be any objection to her laying down drain

pipes so as to connect the drainage of her house with the sewer she understood was going to be constructed, the work being carried out under the supervision of the borough Surveyor, was read. Resolved. That if Mrs. Gretton will put in a 9in. pipe from her house to the Corporation sewer, such sewer to be considered the property of the Corporation and no charge will be made for the reception of and dealing with the sewage from her house.

J. C. GRIFFITH,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 21st day of November, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Norman ; Councillors Ll. Davies, Mr. Davis, Lenthall. Parsonage, Feeney (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

23-Zymotic Disease --The Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been notified since the last meeting of the Committee, 6 cases of Scarlet Fever, and that the closing of Baker Street Schools checked the spread of Scarlet Fever amongst the scholars in a decided manner, and fewer cases had in consequence been reported during the last ten days.

24-Baker Street School—The Medical officer of Health reported that he had visited this school since it was closed, and had addressed the managers in the letter now laid before the Committee. Resolved, That the letter be approved.

25-Infringement of Slaughter House Bye-laws-The Medical Officer of Health reported that in contravention of Bye-law No. 8, for the Regulation of Private Houses, Mr. A. E. Alder, Butcher, of Great Norwood Street, continued to put offal into a receptacle for Stable Manure: that liquid ran from the receptacle and created a foul nuisance in the neighbourhood, which had been complained of. Resolved, That proceedings be taken against Mr. Alder for penalties for infringement of the Bye-laws.

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26—Defective Drains at No. 1 and 2, Eaton Place—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application, under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains at the above premises are a nuisance and injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Surveyor to open the ground, examine the drains, and act as provided by the said Section.

27 ---The Ambulances--The Medical Officer of Health reported that the new Ambulance was now finished ; that Mr. Mills had inspected the old ambulance, and it could be rendered fit for occasional use at a cost of £3. The Medical Officer of Health recommended that the old ambulance be taken to Mr. Mills' works when the new one is fetched away, the latter being put in the shed, and he stated that it was proposed to use the old ambulance in future for Typhoid cases only, and provision would have to be made for a place in which to keep it. Resolved, That Mr. Mills' Estimate for the repair of the old ambulance be accepted, and that the work be done.

28 - Manure Receptacles—The Medical Officer of Health called attention to three cases in which Notices had been given to provide proper Manure Receptacles, and which had riot been complied with, viz.: —Rev. A. Armitage, Breckenborough ; Mr. J. A. Smith, Regent Street ; Mr. A. H. Nott, Beulah, Swindon Road, he stated that the circumstances of these receptacles were rather unusual, and the Committee must decide whether the Bye-Laws should be strictly enforced. Resolved, That Mr. Armitage's case be allowed to stand over for another visit from the Medical Officer of Health or the Inspector of Nuisances, that Mr. Smith's premises be inspected by the Committee before the next meeting, and that Mr. Nott be informed that if he continues to use the same place for the deposit of manure the Committee will require him to build a proper receptacle, but if he will remove it forty yards away no receptacle will be required.

29--Flushing Apparatus—Powell & Sumner—These matters, which had been adjourned from the last meeting were now reported upon by the Inspector. Resolved, that the Committee can see no special circumstances for withdrawing the notices the work must therefore be carried out.

30—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health handed in a list of Notices which had not been complied with although the time had expired. Resolved, That the List be handed to the Town Clerk to take legal proceedings in each case.

31 - Drains in Fairview and Glenfall Streets—A letter from Mr. C. Caines, making a claim of £2 10s. 6d. in respect of damage done to the drains at his houses in the above streets, by the action of the Corporation in connection with the clearing out of the sewer or watercourse in Glenfall Street, was read. After the Surveyor's Report upon the matter, Resolved, That £2 10s. be paid to Mr. Caines.

32-- Delancey Trust—Resolved, That Mr. Alderman Norman be appointed a Representative on the Delancey Trust, in place of Mr. Feeney resigned.

33— Plans of House Drainage--The Plans of such new buildings necessitating drainage, as were intended to come up for approval at the next meeting of the Street and Highway Committee, were laid before this Committee, and the same were approved so far as regards the drainage arrangements, with the exceptions mentioned in Minute No. 27 of the Street and Highway Committee.

34-Accounts —The following Accounts were examined and allowed.

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| Harvey Bros., Binding | £0 15 0 |
| W. Hands, Sulphur Candles | £3 0 0 |
| Griffin & Sons, Glasses, &c., for Laboratory | £1 15 1 |
| Delancey Hospital, Treatment of Patients | £26 18 0 |
| W. Ursell, Horsing Ambulance | £6 5 0 |

Accounts under 10s each
FREDERICK FEENEY,

£0 8s 6d

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 29th day of November, 1893—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Norman ; Councillors Feeny, Ll. Davies, M. Davis, Griffith and Lenthall (Councillor Griffith in the chair)—

35-Inspector of Nuisances—The Town Clerk laid before the meeting the applications received for the office of Inspector of Nuisances, 114 in number, with the accompanying testimonials, and the same were read and considered. Resolved, That

Mr. F. A. Aris, of St. George's Vestry, London,
Mr. James Dewhurst, of Guilford,
Mr. A. E. Hudson, of Halifax,
Mr. J. H. Leverton, of Hampstead, London, and
Mr. H. T. Taylor, of Birkenhead,

be selected for a personal interview with the Committee, and that they be requested to attend a Meeting of the Committee, to be held on Saturday next.

J. C. GRIFFITH,
Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 14th day of November, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Col. Thoys and Rogers ; Councillors Dimmer, Heath and Skillicorne (Councillor Heath in the chair).

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Heath be appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

WILLIAM HEATH, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 26th day of November, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Rogers ; Councillors Griffith, Heath, Waghorne and Lawrence (Councillor Heath in the chair)—

2-Parish of Cheltenham—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee orders of the Local Government Board confirming the orders made by the County Council for amalgamating the parts of Leckhampton and Charlton Kings added to the Borough with the Parish of Cheltenham, subject to a modification continuing in their offices as Rate Collectors the Collectors of Rates in Leckhampton and Charlton Kings, and read a correspondence he had had with the Local Government Board and the Chairman of the County Council thereon.

3—Montpellier Gardens—A letter from Mr. S. M. Cornelius objecting to the proposed railing on the North and South sides of these Gardens, was read. Resolved, That the desirability of the Railings having been decided on after full and long discussion, and the contract for the Railings having been entered into the question cannot now be re-opened.

4—Pittville Park—The question of skating on the Lakes on Sunday was considered. Resolved, That the Park be closed to the general public on Sundays when the water is frozen, and the Committee recommend the alteration of the Resolution of this Committee of date 2nd April, 1894 accordingly.

WILLIAM HEATH,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 14th day of November, 1894—Present the Mayor ; Alderman Rogers ; Councillors Ll. Davies, Lewis, Skillicorne, Dimmer and Wheeler (The Mayor in the chair)—

1—Chairman—Resolved, That the Mayor be appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

E. B. WETHERED,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 22nd day of November, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Rogers ; Councillors Ll. Davies, Dimmer, Lewis, Wheeler and H. Waghorne (The Mayor in the chair)

2-Borough Engineer's Report —The usual monthly report of the Borough Engineer, was read, as follows :-- On the 22nd instant, the supply to the Hewletts and Leckhampton Reservoirs was 530 Gallons ; the average for the last four years being 343 gallons per minute; and the quantity of water in store at Hewletts and Leckhampton was 32,773,588 gallons

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On the 20th instant, the depth of water in Dowdeswell Reservoir was 32 feet 1 inch, and the contents 100,023,701 gallons, which gives a total of 122,717,289 gallons.

3-Dowdeswell Reservoir--Councillor Feeney attended this Meeting of the Committee with reference to the Amendment moved by him to the Minutes of the Committee of date the 20th Sept. on the subject of the protection of the stream Root pollution, and expressed himself satisfied with the arrangements which the Committee had made for dealing with the matter.

4-Tewkesbury Water Supply—The opinion of Counsel upon the questions submitted to him having been received, Resolved, That a special meeting of the Committee be called for 3 p.m. on Monday next to consider same.

5-Orders for Fittings, &c.—Attention having been drawn to the method adopted in ordering fittings, castings, &c., it was Resolved, That the matter be considered by the Committee at an early date with a view to seeing if some of the articles may not be obtained at lower prices under contract or otherwise.

6- -Water Supply to Training College —The Borough Surveyor submitted a correspondence which had passed between himself and Major Abbott upon the subject of the charges for water for the Training College. The matter was adjourned for further consideration.

7—The Water Supply from Dowdeswell—The question of the improvement of the filtration of the Dowdeswell Water was considered, and it was finally Resolved, That a Deputation, consisting of the Mayor, Councillor Davies, Dr. Garrett, and Mr. Hall, be requested to make enquiries as to the new filtering medium known as " polarite," and to visit such places as may be necessary for obtaining the information required.

8—Horse Show—A letter from Mr. J. G. Villar, the Hon. Secretary of the Horse Show Committee, asking the Corporation to grant a free supply of water for the purposes of their Show in June or July next at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground, was read. Resolved, That a free supply be granted.

9—Appeals—Various appeals were considered and the rates settled and adjusted.

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

E. B. WETHERED, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Monday, the 26th day of November, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Rogers ; Councillors Ll. Davies and Lewis (The Mayor in the chair)—

11-Tewkesbury Water Supply -The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the case which he had been directed to lay before the Council and the opinion of Counsel (Mr. Bray) thereon. Also Draft of a letter to the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury. Resolved, That the same be approved and sent to the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury.

12-Charges for Water--The printed statement of the Income and Expenditure of the Water Departments, actual and estimated, was considered, but as the attendance of Members was small, the further consideration thereof was adjourned until the next Meeting.

E. B. WETHERED, Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 9th day of November, 1894--Present The Mayor ; Alderman Col. Thoyts ; Councillors Feeney, Parsonage and Heath (Col Thoyts in the chair)—

1- Yeomanry Drill Ground—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Committee a plan shewing the Land on the Prestbury Park Estate, available for the purpose of a Drill Ground for the combined Gloucestershire and Wiltshire Regiments next year, and the result of communications with the

owner and tenant, was reported. Resolved, That the Committee recommend that the Surveyor take the necessary steps to cover in the stream, and prepare the ground at an estimated cost not exceeding £250, and that Major Quin be informed that not less than 94 acres would be available and ready for the troops at the time and in the manner required.

N. B. THOYTS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 16th day of November, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Norman, Thoyts, and Rogers ; Councillors Feeney, Heath, Lawrence, Parsonage and Wheeler (Alderman Col. Thoyts in the chair)—

Chairman—Alderman Col. Thoyts was appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year. Committee Meetings for 1895—Resolved, That the Committee Meetings for 1895 be fixed as follows:—

Commencing on the Monday next but one before each Council Meeting :—

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| Monday | Town Improvement at 3.30 |
| Tuesday .. | Burial Board at 11.0 |
| “ | General Purposes & Watch at 3.30 |
| Wednesday .. | Public Health at 11.0 |
| “ | Baths & Recreation Grounds.... at 4.30 |
| Thursday | Water at 3.30 |
| Friday | Public Library at 10 30 |
| | Street & Highway View at 2.30 |
| | Electric Lighting at 4.30 |
| (2nd week) | |
| Monday | Street & Highway at 3.0 |
| Tuesday | Finance at 3.0 |
| Wednesday .. | School Attendance at 4.0 |

4—Fire Brigade—Resolved, That the Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman and Councillor Griffith and Parsonage, appointed on 17th October last to consider the Rules, &c drawn up by the Superintendent, be now re-appointed.

N. B. THOYTS, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee. held on Wednesday, the 21st day of November, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Norman and Rogers ; Councillors Feeney, Lawrence, Parsonage, and Wheeler (Alderman Rogers in the chair)—

5-Chairman —In the absence of the Chaim., Col. Rogers was appointed Chairman of this Meeting.

6-Fire Plug plate near Rodney House—A letter from Mr. J. T. Ireland, stating that he had recently purchased and gone to great expense in painting and improving Rodney House, the garden, &c., but was daily annoyed by the sight of the Fire Plug Plate on the Railings at the principal entrance, and

would be obliged if the Committee could have it removed to a less prominent position, was read. Resolved, That the plate be removed to the opposite side of the road.

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7—Hackney Carriages An application from Josiah Jones for two Hackney Carriage Licenses, was read. Resolved, That the request be not granted.

N. Gibbard renewed his application for a License, and attended the Meeting of the Committee. Resolved, That Gibbard's application cannot be granted, there being no vacancy.

The Committee desire to call the attention of the Council to the fact that by an old resolution of the Council, the maximum number of licenses was fixed, and to point out that the present number of Licenses exceeds the limit then decided upon.

8-Drivers--Applications for Drivers' Licenses were received from Jesse Hamblin, Josiah Jones, junr., and Geo. Sully. Resolved, That Licenses be granted.

9-Electric Light at Public Library--A letter from the Librarian, on behalf of the Public Library Sub-Committee, asking whether the Council, as owners of the Public Library Building, would be prepared to fix an installation of the Electric Light in the Library, was read. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned.

RICHARD ROGERS,

Chairman.

BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 14th day of November, 1894—Present : The Mayor; Councillors Skillicorne[crossed out], Lenthall, Wheeler, Moles and Heath (Councillor Wheeler in the chair)—

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Wheeler be appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

F. F. WHEELER, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 22nd day of November, 1894—Present The Mayor; Alderman Dr ; Councillor Dighton (Alderman Drew in the chair)—

2 —Chairman —In the absence of the Chairman, Alderman Drew was appointed Chairman of this meeting.

3--Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—The Committee met on the ground, and having made an inspection thereof, and of the shelter and conveniences, Resolved, That a larch screen be fixed in front of the entrance to the new w.c.'s That a row of conifers be planted at the east end of the ground to replace the beech trees which have died, and That the Borough Surveyor be requested to fill up and make good the ground in front of the shelter which is at present very swampy.

J. W. DREW,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Thursday, the 22nd day of November, 1894—Present: The Mayor ; Alderman Drew ; Councillors Dighton and Wheeler (Councillor Wheeler in the chair)—

4—Hart—A letter was read from Hart the Bath Caretaker accepting the terms offered by the Committee in their Resolution of date the 29th of October last, and the Town Clerk reported that he had been discharging the duties accordingly.

5-Horse Show, 1895 —A letter from Mr. J. G. Villar, Hon. Secretary of the Committee, asking the Corporation to grant the Committee the use of the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground for the purposes of the Show on either June 26th and 27th, or July 3rd and 4th, 1895, and leave to enter on the ground three weeks before the Show for the purposes of erecting the necessary temporary buildings, further that the Corporation would be good enough to grant a supply of water to the Show and allow the sole use of the Marle Hill Grounds and Lake (except for boating) for the two days of the Show, with permission to take down some few lengths of the fence between the Recreation Ground and Marle Hill and to allow the Committee to make use of the entrance to the latter grounds at the back of Saxham Villas, and undertaking to hold themselves responsible for any damages that might be done, was read. Resolved, That the use of the Recreation Ground for the two days of the Show be granted, and that the Show Committee will be permitted to enter on the ground beforehand for the purposes of putting up the sheds, &c., but that the ground must not be absolutely closed for more than one week, also that with respect to temporarily taking down some of the fencing at the end of the avenue for the purpose of gaining access to the Marle Hill Grounds and the use of such Grounds and Lake the same be referred to the Town Improvement Committee, and the request for a supply of water to the Water Committee.

F. F. WHEELER,

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

Chairman

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 14th day of November, 1894—Present the Mayor ; Councillors Lewis, Moles and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

1—chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Parsonage be appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year. E. H. PARSONAGE, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 23rd day of November, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Haddon Councillors Moles and Parsonage (Councillor Parsonage in the chair)—

2-Designs-The following designs were examined and approved:—Headstone to John Philips ; Tomb to Thomas Redfern.

3-Account —The following Account was examined and allowed :—

W. Gregory, Labourers' Wages £14 15 6

EDWARD H. PARSONAGE,

Chairman.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 14th day of November, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Col. Thoyts and Norman ; Councillors Dimmer, Skillicorne, Parsonage and Wheeler (Alderman Norman in the chair)—

1--Chairman—Resolved, That Alderman Norman be appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

GEO. NORMAN,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 20th day of November, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Norman ; Councillors Dimmer, Lawrence, Parsonage, H. Waghorne and Wheeler (Alderman Norman in the chair)—

2--Central Station—Resolved, That the Surveyor be authorised to obtain 6 Arc Lamps of different kinds for comparison, and a Ferrant Rectifier.

A report from the Electrician, Mr. H. Kilgour, on the tests of the cables made at Messrs. Callender's Works, was read.

3—Public Library—A letter from Mr. Jones, the Librarian, asking on behalf of the Library Sub-Committee, what the cost of the installation of the Electric Light at the Library and of the current supplied would be. Resolved, That Mr. Kilgour be requested to put himself into communication with Mr. Jones and the Library Sub-Committee with a view of giving them such information as they may require.

GEO. NORMAN,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of November, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Alderman Norman, Councillors Parsonage and H. Waghorne (Alderman Norman in the chair)—

4—Tenders for Steam and Exhaust Pipes—as follows, were opened :—

| | Wrought Iron. Cast Iron. | |
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| Such & Larter, Cheltenham | £73 | £31 |
| Thos. Piggott & Co., Birmingham | £35 | £60 |
| Sharpe & Co., Lancaster | no price | £47 |

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| James Pollard, Burnley | “ | £47 |
| Edwin Lewis & Sons, Wolverhampton | £25 | no price |
| The Staveley Coal & Iron Co., Chesterfield | £10 10s.. per ton. | |
| "Silvesters," Newcastle, Staffs. | £38 | £30 10s. |

Resolved, That the Tenders of Messrs. Thos. Piggott & Co., for Steam Pipes, and of Messrs. Such & Larter for Cast Iron Exhaust Pipes be accepted and contract entered into accordingly. Reports from the Borough Surveyor and the Electrical Engineer on the progress of the Works and Plant were read. Resolved, That the No. of Meters, Transformers, and length of Service Conductors specified in the Engineer's report be ordered.

GEO. NORMAN,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 14th day of November, 1894—Present The Mayor ; Aldermen Col. Thoyts and Rogers ; Councillors Skillicorne Parsonage and Ll. Davies (Alderman Thoyts in the chair)—

1-Chairman Resolved, That Councillor Lawrence be appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of November, 1894—Present : Aldermen Rogers; Councillors Heath, Ll. Davies, Lawrence, Parsonage, and Skillicorne (Councillor Lawrence in the chair)—

2-- Central District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, of date the 27th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Amount collected, £1871 4s. 1d ; leaving outstanding, £12,602 5s. 8d.

3-Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant of date the 27th inst., on the collection of this Rate, was read. Receipts, £1318 18s. 5d. ; leaving outstanding, £8247 11s. 1d.

4--Thirlestaine Road—Handcock—A letter from the Rev. R. G. Handcock forwarding £5 on account of Private Improvement Expenses in respect of Eslington House, and asking to be allowed to defer the payment of the balance of £17 7s. 10d. for one year, during which time he would pay interest on the amount, and after that period settle the matter, was read. Resolved, That time be given on the terms mentioned in the letter, the Interest being at 5 per cent.

5-Clare Street—W. Smith—A letter from Mr. Smith stating that when making the claim upon him for repairs to Clare Street, he thought the Council could not have been aware that he had already paid

£15 12s. 7d. for repairs to the Road in Kew Place, that he thought it rather hard to have to pay for front and back Roads, and he hoped the Committee would not enforce payment of the £1 16s. 0d now claimed. Resolved, That Mr. Smith must pay now £1, on account, and the terms of payment of the balance will be further considered.

6 —Alstone Lane—Higgs—Mr. Emanuel Higgs having agreed to pay his and his sister's (Miss Elizabeth Higgs) shares-£2 4s. 7d. Private Improvement Expenses in Alstone Lane by weekly instalments of 2s, the first payment to be made on the 19th of November, Resolved, That the proposal be accepted.

7—Tewkesbury Water—Resolved, That notice be given to the Tewkesbury Corporation that from the date thereof they will be charged interest on the amounts due from them for water and on the arbitration a/c.

8—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

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| In hand on the 26th October last | £ 9,976 10 11 |
| Received since that date | £ <u>5,456 14 11</u> |
| | £15,433 5 10 |
| Paid since that date | <u>£ 7,571 10 8</u> |
| Total in hand | £ 7,861 15 2 |
| Current and Interest Accounts | £1,483 12 2 |
| Sinking and Loans Funds.... | <u>£6,378 3 0</u> |
| | £7,861 15 2 |

EDWIN LAWRENCE,

Chairman.

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TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 14th day of November, 1894---Present : The Mayor ; Aldermen Norman and Rogers ; Councillors Lenthall, Skillicorne and Lewis (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

1-Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Feeney be appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year.

FREDERICK FEENEY, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of November, 1894 —Present : The Mayor ; Councillors Lenthall, Feeney and M. Davis (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

2-Technical Education Grant—The Committee considered the appropriation of the further sum of £50 received from the County Council for the purposes of Technical Education Resolved, That the £30 promised to the Library Committee be now paid and that the balance of £20 be also paid to the Library Committee for the purpose of enabling that Committee to purchase the new edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica.

3 -School of Cookery—A Letter from Miss G. Roberts, Hon. Sec. to the School of Cookery, asking that henceforth the grant of £100 to the School of Cookery be given in future for " Domestic Economy " as at Gloucester and not only for cooking, this to include Health Lectures, Laundry, Dress Cutting and Needlework, was read. Resolved, That Miss Roberts be informed that the Committee are not prepared at present to extend the grant to purposes other than Cookery.

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 14th day of November, 1894—Present : The Mayor ; Alderman Rogers ; Councillors Skillicorne, LI. Davies, Parsonage and Feeney (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

1-Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Feeney be appointed Chairman of this Committee during the ensuing year. FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 27th day of November, 1894—Present; The Mayor ; Councillors Feeney, Parsonage, LI. Davies, Mr. H. Neale, and Mr. C. Hall, (Councillor Feeney in the chair)—

1-Librarian's Report —The usual Monthly Report of the Librarian was read. Receipts £10 19s 8d. Presentations: Corporation of London 2 vols. ; Irish Unionist Alliance 1 vol.; F. H. Cliffe, 1 vol. ; E. Manbridge 1 vol. ; and Annual Reports from the various Public Libraries.

2-Sub-Committee's Report—The Report of the Sub-Committee making the following recommendations was read:—

That the list of worn-out books submitted by the Librarian be replaced at a cost of about £20.

That 200 Indicator books be obtained at a cost of about 30s.

That enquiries be made as to the cost of an installation of Electric Light into the Library.

That the Annual Report be passed and 500 copies printed.

That a further purchase for the " Buchanan Collection " be made to the amount of £50.

That the Librarian be instructed to prepare a further list of Technical Books to the value of £30.

That £20 be spent in new books for the Juvenile Section. Resolved,

That all the recommendations be agreed to except the last and that the sums to be now spent on Juvenile books do not exceed £10.

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4—Technical Education Grant—Resolved, That the Technical Education Committee be asked for payment of the £50 part of the additional sum of £50 paid by the County Council promised and of the balance of £20 for the purchase of the new edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

5— Fire Insurance—Resolved, That the Insurance of the Books and Fittings be increased by £250 and that a separate Policy of Insurance as required by the terms of the gift for £750 on the Day Library of Natural History be effected, making practically an increase of £1000.

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

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| R. Lowe, Books | £ 8 8 6 |
| “ “ | £ 3 19 6 |
| W. George's Sons, Books | £ 1 17 0 |
| W. R. Pitcher and Co., Books | £ 0 11 3 |
| J. W. Pink, Books | £ 2 3 0 |
| W. Norton " | £ 5 3 0 |
| Merryweather and Son, Supplying and Fixing Hydrants, &c., at Library | £ 7 12 4 |
| J. E. Cornish, Books | £ 0 18 0 |
| W. Jones, Wages Account | £14 18 0 |
| J. Howlett, Timepiece for Leckhampton Reading Room | £ 0 6 6 |
| H. W. Ball, Books | £ 1 17 0 |
| J. Webb, Books | £ 0 11 3 |

FREDERICK FEENEY,

Chairman.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held viz Wednesday, the 14th day of November, 1894—Present :
The Mayor ; Alderman Rogers Councillors Lenthall, Moles, Wheeler. LI. Davies and Parsonage
(Alderman Col. Rogers in the chair)—

C1-hairman —Resolved, That Alderman Rogers be appointed Chairman of this Committee during the
ensuing year.

RICHARD ROGERS, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 29th day of November, 1894 : Present: The
Mayor ; Aldermen Col. Rogers and J. W. Drew ; Councillors Parsonage, Moles, Wheeler and LI Davies
(Alderman Col. Rogers in the chair)—

1-Local Committees —The Minute Books of the several Local Committees were gone through and examined. Resolved, That summonses be issued against the parents of the following children, viz., William Morton, Folly Lane; and Mable Ballinger, Moorend Road.

2-Attendance Officers' Reports—The Monthly Reports of the Attendance Officers were read, from which it appeared that Absentee Reports had been received from 42 Schools, containing 764 names. These and the balance left to visit at the end of last month, 283, made a total of 1047. Of this number, 51 were accounted for by the teachers, 753 had been visited leaving a balance to visit of 243 recently sent in.

3-Employment of Children—The attention of the Committee was drawn to the Illegality of the employment of children of School Age not exempt from attendance, which was very prevalent within the Borough, by the parents themselves and others.

RICHARD ROGERS,

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham Applications for the Office of Inspector of Nuisances.

NOVEMBER, 1894.

Name... Address ... Age ... Qualifications ... Previous Appointments or Employment.

ADDISON, SCOTT - 31, Herrers Road, Streatham, S.W.- 32 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, First Class in Building Construction, 2 ½ years, Drain Inspector to Battersea Vestry, 1 year, Sanitary Inspector under Wandsworth Board of Works.

ALLAN, G. A. - 5, Clipstone Street, Great Portland Street, London, W. - 34 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, First Class Honours for Plumber's Work from the City and Guilds of London Institute, Plumber by Trade, now Temporary Sanitary Inspector at Martin's-in-the-Fields.

ANDREW GEORGE W - 211, Monument Road, Birmingham – 30 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Birmingham for 3 ½ years.

AMOR, DANIEL C - “ Beaulim,” The Polygon, Southampton – 34 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute , Chief Inspector of Nuisances at Southampton

ARIS, FREDERICK A - Sanitary Department, St George, Hanover Square, Vestry Hall, London, W. – 30 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute - 2 years Inspector of Nuisances at St. George, Hanover Square, and previously 3 ½ years as a District Inspector at Liverpool.

ANDERSON, TOM - 10, Edward Street, Regent's Park, London, N.W. – 38 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute - 3 years Sanitary Inspector at Islington, 7 ½ years at St. Pancras as Inspector of Nuisances

[Name... Address ... Age ... Qualifications ... Previous Appointments or Employment.]

ANDREW, WALTER - 19, Euston Road, London, N.W. – 39 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute - Carpenter by Trade.

BRADLEY, WILLIAM L. - Railway Esplanade, Guildford – 32 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute - Inspector of Nuisances at Guildford, previously an Outdoor Assistant to a Surveyor for 4 years.

BAILEY, G - 159, Parrock Street, Gravesend - 26 Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Certificate of Registered Company of Plumbers, Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Gravesend

BAKER, THOMAS - 22, Faunce Street, Kennington Park, London, S.E. - 38 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 3 years an Inspector in the employ of the Mansion House Council on the Dwellings of the Poor

BALFOUR, A. - 178, High Road, Kilburn, London, N-W. – 39 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 8 years as Builder and Sanitary Engineer

BALL, ALFRED J. - Bratton Lodge, Green Lanes, London, N. – 24 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute - 4 years as Assistant Secretary to the Mansion House Council on the Dwellings of the Poor

BARTLETT, L. R. - 2, Fontarabia Road, Lavender Hill, London, S.W. – 28 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 3 years with a Surveyor at Banbury; now and for last 8J years an Assistant in Architects' office

BROADHEAD, S. - 2, Nelson Square, Blackfriars Road, London, S.E. – 35 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 3 years Sanitary Inspector to St. Saviour's Board of Works; previously as Sanitary Inspector at Leicester for 14 months

BUCKLEY, HARRY - Hale Hill, Hollinwood, Manchester – 36 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute; 1st and 2nd Class in in Plumbing and Sanitary Engineering. 4 years as Inspector of Nuisances at Manchester

BUTTER WORTH, A. - c/o J. T. Hawkins, Esq., Vale House, Somerton, Somersetshire – 29 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, - 3 months at Birkenhead as Inspector of Nuisances; 3 years 9 months District Inspector of Nuisances at Plumstead ; now temporary Sanitary Inspector to Croydon Rural Sanitary Authority.

BLACK, ANDREW E - 1, Union Road, Inverness – 36 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute; Registered with Plumbers' Co., and, as a Teacher of Plumbers' Work with the London City and Guilds Institute, Plumber and Sanitary Engineer.

COOK, WILLIAM GEO. - Town Hall, West Ham. – 30 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 18 months Inspector of Nuisances at West Ham, 3 months as Assistant Sanitary Inspector under Lambeth Vestry ; previously Builder & Contractor

CORRIGAN, JOSEPH - 24, Keble Street, Ince, near Wigan – 36 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Inspector of Nuisances at Ince-in-Makerfield (1880- 1891) Assistant Inspector: from 1891 Chief Inspector.

[Name... Address ... Age ... Qualifications ... Previous Appointments or Employment.]

CALLIS, JOHN S. - 9, John Street, Campen, Blyth, Northumberland - 36 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Carpenter.

CAMPBELL, JOHN R. - 2, Northumberland Passage, Charing Cross, London, W. - 37 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 2 years Sanitary Inspector at Caister (Line) ; 10 years at Plomesgate (Suffolk) 2 years under St. James' Vestry, Westminster.

CLARKE, WILLIAM. H. - Spring Dale, Eagle Street, Coventry - 38 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 3 years Chief Inspector of Nuisances at Coventry.

CAWSEY THOMAS - Tongwmlais, Cardiff - 36 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Builders' Foreman.

CLARKE, ARTHUR - 5, Garden Street, Derby - 50 - 10 years Chief Sanitary Inspector at Derby, 3 years Chief Sanitary Inspector at West Bromwich ; now in a Builder's Merchants' Office

CORNER, ALFRED - 15, Erskine Road, Walthamstow, London, N.E. - 48 - 30 years at sea

COCKBURN, HENRY R. - 218, Fort Road, Bermondsey - 39 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 12 months Assistant Inspectoral Tottenham ; 3 years) Inspector at Willesden ; 12 months Inspector of Nuisances and Street Inspector at St. Giles' ; nearly 3 years Assistant Inspector at Bermondsey.

DERRETT, HENRY C. - 31, Clement Street, Gloucester - 36 - Hopes to obtain Certificate of Sanitary Institute shortly, 14 months as Assistant Inspector at Gloucester; 7 years employed on Ordnance Survey.

DUCK, ALBERT G. - 1, York Villas, Cantwell Road, Plumstead, Kent - 30 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 5 years Sanitary Inspector at Plumstead ; previously Sanitary Engineer.

DUNLOP, ANDREW - 74, Hillhampton, Stourport - 32 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Temporary Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector to Upton-on-Severn Rural Sanitary Authority; at present in the Building Trade.

DEWHURST, JAMES - Woodbine Cottage, Merrow Road, Guildford - 29 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute: twice passed Inspector of Nuisances and Surveyor at Guildford Plumbing Examination (Honors) of City and Rural Sanitary District; Assistant Inspector at Guilds of London Institute; Registered by Plymouth ; Inspector of Nuisances at Stroud. Plumbers' Company

DALTRY, JOHN - 12, King Street, Wellington, Salop - 29 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 4 ½ years Inspector of Nuisances and Rate Collector at Wellington, Salop; previously 5 years in and 5 years in Inspector's Office at Darwen

EATON, H. H. - The Green, Darlaston, South Staffordshire - stated- at Darwen. Certificate of Sanitary Institute , Schoolmaster for last 10 years.

ELLIOTT, JOHN J. - 22, Regent Street, South Shields - 32 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute ; Honors Certificate for Sanitary Plumber's Work from City and Guilds of London Institute Private Sanitary Inspector and Engineer

[Name... Address ... Age ... Qualifications ... Previous Appointments or Employment.]

FOWLES, JOSEPH H. - 18, Cromwell Road, Fitzhugh, Southampton – 25 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, certificate in Plumbing from City and Guilds of London Institute. Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Southampton; previously plumber and Sanitary Engineer.

GARNER, ALBERT - 61, Harrison Street, Bloxwich, Walsall – 28 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 4 years District Inspector of Nuisances at Walsall ; 8 years previous Clerk and Traffic Manager to Coal and Iron Company.

GLOVER, FRANK - 8, Spring Gardens Terrace, Roath, Cardiff – 34 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 3 years Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Cardiff;

GOUGH, JOSEPH - 33, St. Paul's Road, Tottenham, N. – 28 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. Since April, 1891, Sanitary Inspector at Hackney; formerly a Bricklayer

GOODERHAM F. F. - Sanitary Office, Town Hall, Great Yarmouth – 31 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. Superintendent of a Sanitary Staff at Gt Yarmouth.

GRIGG, WILLIAM H. - 2, Acfold Road, South Fulham, S.W. - 41 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 4 years Inspector of Nuisances at Fulham ; previously 1 Builder's Foreman.

GRIFFIN, THOMAS G. - Laurel Cottage, Thanet Street, Clay Cross – 39 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 2. years Sanitary Inspector and Surveyor at Clay Cross ; formerly Inspector of a Company's Cottage Property for 5 years.

HARTLEY, REGINALD.-. North Street, Carshalton, Surrey - 34

HARTNOLL, FRANCIS - 13, Manchester Street, Gray's Inn Road, London, W.C. – 28 - Sanitary Institute Certificate. 2 years 9 months Sanitary Inspector to St. Pancras Vestry; 1 year previous was Assistant Inspector at Bournemouth.

HATTERSLEY, J. E. - 32, Colehill Lane, Fulham – 30 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 5 years as Plumbing and Sanitary Contractor.

HALL, E. F. - 37, Lwer Road, Hurlingham, Fulham, S.W. – 42 - Inspector of Nuisances to Chesterfield Union Rural Sanitary Authority ; Sanitary Inspector and Surveyor to the Clay Lane Local Board.

HATTON, CHARLES - Claremont, Mexfield Road, Putney, London, S.W. – 35 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 2 years Inspector of Nuisances at Wandsworth; previous, temporary Inspector at Marylebone.

HILL, FRANCIS - Bath Street, Chard, Somerset

HUDSON, A. E - Health Office, Town Hall, Halifax - 31 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute ; 1st Honors from City and Guilds of London Institute; also Certificate of Plumber's Company by examination (practical and theoretical). 7 ½ years as District Sanitary and Fitting Inspector at Halifax; 17 years' experience as plumber and 1 Inspector.

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HULSE, J. H - 171, Railton Road, Herne Hill, London, S.E. – 38 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. - 12 ½ years Artizan attendant at Kent County Asylum ; 13 years Chief Attendant and Superintendent of Work at Norfolk County Asylum—now Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Whitechapel (1 year 9 months).

HALLER, W. V. - 44, Mornington Street, Keighley, Yorks - 27 ½ - If appointed undertakes to obtain Sanitary Institute Certificate within stated time or will forfeit the appointment. 7 years Assistant Surveyor and Inspector to the Swinton (Yorks) Local Board ; 3 years Chief Inspector of Nuisances at Keighley.

HILL, JAMES - Bicester Road, Aylesbury, Bucks – 46 - 2 years Inspector of Nuisances and Building Surveyor to Aylesbury Rural Sanitary Authority; 5 years previous. Surveyor and Inspector of Nuisances at Blaenavon ; 13 years Inspector of Nuisances to Newent Rural Sanitary Authority.

HILLYARD, HENRY - 12, Boxworth Grove, Richmond Road, London, N – 29 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Certificate of Carpenters' Company. Inspector of Nuisances at Islington ; previously, 9 months Temporary Inspectoral Hackney; 13 years Practical Experience of Building Construction.

HUNTER, A. H. - 1 Stanley View, Douglas, Isle of Man – 33 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. Surveyor and Civil Engineer; 4 years Assistant to Borough Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector at Wrexham ; Assistant to County Surveyor of Cheshire; 5 years Inspector of Nuisances to Oswestry Rural Sanitary Authority.

JENKIN, C. H - 13, St. Michael's Terrace, Plymouth - 29 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 2 years Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Plymouth; Previously, Builder's Clerk.

JOHNSON, J. E. - Health Department, Town Hall, Hull – 36 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute , 4 years Sanitary Inspector at Hull; 7 years' experience of Municipal Sanitary Work.

JOHNSON, ROBERT - 80, St. John Street, Hanley – 29 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute ; Registered as a Qualified Plumber. 10 months a District Inspector of Nuisances at Birkenhead ; since March, 1891, Sanitary Inspector and Inspector under Food and Drugs Acts at Hanley.

JONES, JOSEPH - 104, Killinghall Road, Eccleshill – 43 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Sanitary Inspector at Eccleshill (Yorks.) ; formerly Inspector of Nuisances and Surveyor to Pottersbury Union Rural Sanitary Authority (Bucks.); Mason and Bricklayer by Trade. .

JACKSON, W. S. - M. O. H.'s Department, North Church Street, Sheffield – 29 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute , 2 years District Inspector of Nuisances at Sheffield ; previously, Inspector at Ramsbottom and in a Surveyor's Office.

KEMP, H - Sanitary Department, Wood Green, N. – 43 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Wood Green, N.

KNAPPETT, B. A - East View, New Road, Weybridge, Surrey – 29 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute ; Registered by Plumbers' Co., 14 years' experience as a Sanitary Engineer and Plumber.

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LAYLAND, W. T - Grimstone, King's Lynn. – 36 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 7 years Inspector of Nuisances to Freebridge Lynn Rural Sanitary Authority.

LEVERTON, JOHN H - 45, Lisburne Road, Hampstead, London, N.W. – 30 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute; Surveyor's Certificate of Sanitary Institute also, 2½ years Inspector of Nuisances at Hampstead ; previous. Inspector at Bromley 6 months, and 5 years to Islington Vestry.

LIGHTFOOT, W. C - 37, Fernshaw Road, Chelsea, London, S.W. – 28 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Nearly 2 years Inspector of Nuisances at Chelsea; 13 months Assistant Inspector at Battersea.

LITTLE, WILLIAM - M. O. H.'s Department, 4, North Church Street, Sheffield. – 34 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 3 years Inspector of Nuisances at Sheffield, by trade a Builder.

LORD, RALPH - 38, Alexandra Road, Ashton-under-Lyne. – 31 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Nearly 4 years District Sanitary Inspector at Manchester; 15 years previous experience in Building 1 Trade.

LOVELOCK, HERBERT J - The Town Hall, Portsmouth – 30 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 8 years Inspector of Nuisances and under Sale of Food and Drugs Act at Portsmouth ; 5 ½ years previous as Inspector and Conductor of Tramways.

LARKE, JAMES - Manor Lane, Borstal, Rochester - 48 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 17 months Sanitary Inspector at Bromley ; 2 years for War Office over Sanitary Works in Chatham and Thames District; now private Sanitary Inspector in Chatham and Rochester

LAWRENCE, CHARLES - 38, Prah Road, Finsbury Park, London, N. – 27 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute; Certificates for Brickwork and Masonry and Plumbing of City and Guilds of London Institute, Nearly 2 years District Inspector of Nuisances at Islington; 2 months Temporary Sanitary Inspector at St. Pancras,

MARCH, G. S. J. - 5, Harcourt Road, Wimbledon, London, S.W. – 31 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Builder's General Foreman ; 17 years' experience in in Building Trade.

MARTIN, A. W - 3, Plumstead Road, Woolwich – 29 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 14 months at Manchester as Inspector of Nuisances; for last 9 months at Plumstead as Inspector of Nuisances.

MORGAN, WILLIAM - 11, Bute Crescent, Cowbridge Road, Pontyclun (Glam.) – 30 - Carpenter and Joiner.

MORRIS, FRANK J - 48, Courthope Road, Gospel Oak, London, N.W. – 29 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Builder's Foreman ; 13 years in Building Trade.

McCULLOCK, R. J. - 221, Litherland Road, Bootle, Liverpool – 27 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 2½ years as District Inspector of Nuisances at Liverpool: 18 months Assistant Inspector at Bootle; 14 years experience of Building Trade.

MILLS, HERBERT - 15, Overstone Road, Hammersmith – 30 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 10 years as Bricklayer.

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NESFIELD, WILLIAM - 28, Leeds Road, Idle, near Bradford – 30 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute; Certificate of Plumbers' Company. 2½ years Inspector of Nuisances and Waterworks Manager at Idle. By trade a Plumber. 15 years' experience of Sanitary Work.

NUTTALL, ELLIS - Nuisance Inspector's Office, Town Hall, Middleton – 34 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Nearly 3 years Inspector of Nuisances at Middleton ; 8 years at Bury as Inspector of Water Fittings.

OWNER, JOSEPH - 49, Beatrice Road, Bermondsey, London, S.E. – 25 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, In H.M. Patent Office; 4 years' experience at Gloucester ; years' training at Bermondsey.

PATERSON, JAMES - Home Building, Hurler – 38 - Certificate of Sanitary Association of Scotland, 3 years District Inspector of Nuisances at Glasgow; 12 years Outside Foreman to a Timber Merchant: Joiner by trade.

PALMER, JAMES - 1, Tanner's Hill, Broadway, Deptford, London, S.E. – 40 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 12 years in Stores and Buildings Department, Woolwich Arsenal.

PECK, A. D - 9, Croydon Road, Elmer's End, Beckenham – 38 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute; Certificates from City and Guilds of London Institute for Plumbers' Work. 8 years in business as Plumber and Sanitary Engineer.

PADY, H. G. - 21, Hawthorne Street, Totterdown, Bristol – 25 - 5 years Builder.

PARSONS, W. H. W - Inspector of Nuisances Offices, Rugby - not stated - 8 ½ years Inspector of Nuisances at Rugby.

PHELPS, WILLIAM - 32, St. Stephen's Avenue, Shepherd's Bush, London, W. – 31 - Member of the Sanitary Institute (Surveyors' Examination) Surveyor, Assistant Surveyor, and Inspector of Nuisances at Frome.

POWELL, W. G - 7, Essex Villas, Melbourne Road, Wallington, Surrey - 32 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 6 months Inspector of Nuisances to Croydon Rural Sanitary Authority; nearly 2 years Assistant Inspector at Southampton; 12 years with a builder.

POYTRESS, HENRY - Victoria Place, Fairview, Cheltenham - 50 - Farmer and Butcher at Ledbury.

PRATT, RICHARD - Forest Road, Burfield, Berks – 34 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. Clerk of Works.

PRESTON, A. P - 34, Glenroy Street, Cardiff – 36 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 3 years Inspector of Nuisances at Cardiff.

RANSOM, WILLIAM - 2, Brittainia Square, Worcester – 24 - Architect and Surveyor's Assistant.

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RIDLER, WALTER - 10, Upper Dorington Terrace, Stroud, (Glos.) [not stated], Certificate of Sanitary Institute; competency certificates in Building Construction, Plumbing and Ventilation. 3 years Inspector of Nuisances at Manchester; Inspector of Nuisances at Walton, Liverpool, for a short time; now Inspector of Nuisances. &c., at Stroud.

RIGGS, J. W - 3, Linden Terrace, Newton Abbott – 31 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 10 years' experience in Building Trade; now Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Newton Abbot

ROBERTS, W. H - Crossbrook Street, Waltham Cross, Herts - 27½ - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 14 years Carpenter and Joiner.

ROYLE, CHARLES - 51, Wormgate, Boston, (Linc.) – 38 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, certificate of Plumbers' Company. 3 years instructor in Sanitary Science and Practical Plumbing at Lincoln Science and Art Institution; Sanitary Plumber.

SHARRATT, JAMES B - 148, Church Street, Newton Heath, Manchester - 35- Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 3½ years in Sanitary Department at Manchester.

SHILL, ALBERT E - 108, College Place, Sc. Pancras, London – 36 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 2½ years Sanitary Inspector and Acting Surveyor of Insanitary Areas at St. Pancras.

SIDDALL, J. - 3, Shaw Street, Ashton-under-Lyne – 36- Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 3 ½ years Assistant Sanitary Inspector at Ashton-under-Lyne.

SIDWELL, H.T - Surrey Villa, Sea Street, Herne Bay – 38 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 4 ½ years Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector at Blean[?]

SIMMS, Frederick 29, Adelaide Street, Oxford – 28 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. Builder, Plumber &c.

SPENCER, JULIUS - 6, Lord Street, Keighley., - 38 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. Inspector of Nuisances and Surveyor of Buildings to Joint Local Boards of Oakworth, Haworth and Oxenhope for last 7 years: previously. Carpenter

STANLEY, WALTER - Sanitary Department, Sheffield – 31 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute 3 years Inspector of Nuisances at Sheffield, 2 years of which time Superintendent of works for refuse disposal, also 2 years with an Architect; 12 years with a Builder and Sanitary Engineer.

STOLLERY, WILLIAM - Dust Depot, Culvert Road, Battersea, S.W. – 46 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Nearly 4 years Manager of Dust Department at Battersea ; formerly Clerk of Works.

SMART, JOSEPH - 4, Thornhill Grove, Thornhill Road, Handsworth – 35 - Purposes passing the Sanitary Institute Examination early next year. 1 year 10 months Sub-Inspector at Handsworth.

SMITH, JAMES P - Blue Coat Hospital, Liverpool - 30 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. Assistant Duty Master and Sanitary Organizer at Blue Coat Hospital, Liverpool, 3 ½ years; formerly House Decorator.

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SMITH, J. C - Municipal Offices, Leeds. – 41 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute ; Certificates from City and Guilds of London Institute. 12 years Carpenter and Joiner; last 10 years an Inspector of Nuisances at Leeds.

TAYLOR, H. T. - 7, Wilton Road, Rock Lane, Birkenhead - 32 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute; Certificates from City and Guilds of London Institute and Carpenters' Company; Preliminary Medical Examination at Glasgow. 4 years District Inspector of Nuisances at Berkenhead.

TEMPLE, WILLIAM H - Health Department, 42, Queen Street, Scarborough – 32 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute. 4 years Assistant Inspector of Nuisances as Scarborough; 13 years in Building Trade.

TROWSDALE, T. J - 12, Hind Street, Stockton-on-Tees - 33 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Nearly 4 years Assistant Inspector of Nuisance at Stockton-on-Tees ; formerly a Carpenter.

WALDEN, R. H - “ Chandos,” Drummond Road, Bournemouth – 40 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 4 years Chief Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Bournemouth.

WARREN, WILLIAM - Vestry Hall, Chiswick, London, W – 32 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 18 months Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Chiswick, previously, a Builder's Foreman.

WATSON HARRY J - 39, Cumberland Street, Caledonian Road, London, N. - 29 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 3 years Sanitary Inspector at Islington; formerly Foreman in Surveyor's Department at St. James', Westminster.

WELLS, THOMAS - 9, East Bond Street, Leicester – 30 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, Nearly 3 years Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Leicester; 12 years previous in Building Trade.

WHITE, J. J - Sanitary Inspector's Department, Plymouth - 26 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 2 ½ years Junior Surveyor at Plymouth; for past 15 months Assistant Inspector of Nuisances at Plymouth.

WHITELEY, T- Sanitary Office, Huddersfield – 36 - Certificate of Sanitary Institute, District Inspector of Nuisances at Huddersfield for 3 ½ years.

WILLIS, EDWARD - 40, Spring Street, Hyde Park, London, W. - not stated Certificates of Sanitary Institute, (Inspector's and Local Surveyor's); Certificate of Surveyor's Institute, Sanitary Surveyor; Lecturer on Sanitary Engineering under Brighton Town Council.

WORRALL, ERNEST - Sanitary Department, Liverpool – 26 - Certificates of Sanitary Institute, (Inspector's and Local Surveyor's), Examiner to Liverpool Ladies Sanitary Association; 3 years Sanitary Inspector at Liverpool; prior thereto in Building Trade, and a Clerk in Local Board Office.

WORRALL, W. H. - “ Bron Eyri,” Upper Bangor, North Wales - 41 -Certificate of Sanitary Institute, 14 years Inspector of Nuisances, &c., to late Harborne Local Board; now and for past 11 months Inspector of Nuisances at Bangor.