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Donegal Grand Jury

Correspondence re: the Mess

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County House, Lifford,

15th June, 1898.

SIR,

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In order to give effect to this resolution, the Grand Jury requested us to take the necessary steps to invite the attendance of all Grand Jurors; and to prepare a statement concerning the property and its approximate value, to lay before the meeting.

In accordance, therefore, with this direction, we have to request that you will attend a meeting of Grand Jurors of the County Donegal, to be held in the County House, Lifford, at 12 o'clock, on Wednesday, 13th July, the day the Grand Jury will be sworn in for the discharge of fiscal business at the coming assizes.

If from any cause you are unable to attend and desire to express your views on the subject to the meeting, we will be happy to receive from you and submit to the meeting any statement you may forward.

Yours faithfully,

W. H. BOYD, BALLYMACCOOL, LETTERKENNY.

W. KNOX, CLONLEIGH, STRABANE.

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Pay a sum of £20 to

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1898

9th June

In the Chair

Major Hamilton

Present

Brooks Stubbs C Stewart, Mansfield
Baillie Sinclair ^{and} Hamilton, A Brooks
Clarke Swiny & Co. at Kinnaird
Mackay Munro Crawford & Knox
J. H. Stewart

Pictures be vested in the hands of
Kinnaird ~~at the disposal of~~ ~~the~~ ~~Committee~~
as per Mr. Brooks' resolution recorded
by C. F. Stewart -

Property earmarked ~~to be~~ ^{to be disposed}
of principal & members of joint party
by lots at valuation

Public Property

to be by Public Auction

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George Huber Soule
and Mrs S. Standen G. Soule 30

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Brownball,
Ballintra,
Co. Donegal.

20th March, 1900.

Dear Sir,

I enclose you List of the Reserved Grand Jury Property as allotted to you by the Mess Committee on March 15th, together with Statement of Value of same. On receipt of your Cheque for Amount, and directions where you wish it sent, I will forward.

I would be glad of an early reply, as the things are Warchoused, and I wish to incur no needless Expense or Risk.

Yours truly,

JOHN S. HAMILTON,
Hon. Sec. Mess Committee.

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BROWN HALL,
BALLINTRA,
CO. DONEGAL.

DEAR SIR,

Certain resolutions (of which you then received a copy) were passed by a fully summoned meeting of the existing members of the Grand Jury of the County at the Assizes in 1898; these resolutions were confirmed by the subsequent Grand Jury; and, in pursuance of them, the articles not specially reserved have been offered to the County Council, and accepted by them at Mr. Weir's (Auctioneer's) valuation.

There now remains to dispose of the reserved portion. I therefore enclose you a list of the Silver, China, and Chairs (as reserved), of which you are entitled to a share at Mr. Weir's valuation, should you so desire it.

With a view to finally carrying out these resolutions, I would ask you to mark in the margin of the list what part, if any, you wish allotted to you. Should the demand exceed the supply, you will of course only be entitled to your share, and may only be able to procure part of your order. If it is not possible to divide, lots must be drawn for the articles.

I would be glad if you would state in your application that you agree to abide by the decision of the Mess Committee, who will meet to settle any points that may arise, and to draw lots where needful. I must ask you to let me have your application on or before Feb 1st, after which date claims cannot be entertained.

Yours truly,

JOHN S. HAMILTON,
Hon. Sec. Mess Committee.

9^d July
1900

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REPLY REQUESTED.

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Londonderry,

16th June 1888

Dear Sir,

You will kindly let me know, on or before the 30th day of June, whether you propose to attend as a Grand Juror at the coming Assizes at Lifford, or not, as great inconvenience arises in making out the Panel, where the Sheriff has not received this information in due time before the Assizes.

Your obedient Servant,

JOHN S. M'CAY,

Under-Sheriff of Donegal.

To W. Sinclair