

# **Donegal County Archives Service**

## **POOR LAW UNIONS IN COUNTY DONEGAL: BOARDS OF GUARDIANS /workhouses & public health**

**1840 - 1923**

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## **Overall Description**

### **THE 1838 POOR LAW ACT**

Widespread poverty in Ireland led to the Poor Law Act in 1838. Under this act the country was divided into poor law unions, each with a workhouse at its centre. The unions were controlled centrally by the Poor Law Commissioners until 1872. Then the Local Government Board was established.

### **MANAGING THE WORKHOUSES**

Each union was managed by a board of poor law guardians. Their duties included the employment of staff to collect rates and the administration of the 'relief and management of the destitute poor'. They had to source land, oversee the building and maintenance of workhouses, and employ the staff of the workhouses.

### **WORKHOUSES IN DONEGAL**

In Donegal there were eight unions, and the boards of guardians set about building a workhouse for each union during the early 1840's. Workhouses were built in:

- Ballyshannon, (covering also part of Fermanagh)
- Donegal,
- Dunfanaghy,
- Glenties,
- Inishowen (Carndonagh),
- Letterkenny,
- Milford Stranorlar.

\*Also, please note, Strabane (Tyrone) Workhouse covered parts of north east Donegal such as Lifford, St. Johnston, Ballindrait and Convoy (records are based in the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland- PRONI).

## **POWERS OF THE GUARDIANS**

The Guardians were granted the power to 'relieve and set to work....the destitute poor as by reason of old age, infirmity or defect may be unable to support themselves, and destitute children...[and others] who cannot 'support themselves by their own industry, or by other lawful means'.

## **SEEKING RELIEF**

Being forced to live in the local workhouse was regarded as the ultimate humiliation. Nonetheless, many people were often driven there by desperation or following eviction.

Some people spent short periods of time there; others were born, gave birth or died there.

## **THE GREAT FAMINE**

The onset of the great famine in 1845 tested the newly introduced poor relief system to its limits as more and more people tried to gain admittance to the workhouses. Many workhouses were forced to build extra accommodation. Supply of food was a desperately slow process. In August 1846 the Glenties Board of Guardians stressed the urgency of obtaining Indian meal through local ports:

*The[re has been a].... general and total failure of the potato crop throughout the union. Seeing every field and garden quite decayed and the tops withered down to the earth and in some places the people obliged to dig fifty or sixty yards before they can get a sufficient quantity of sound potatoes for one meal for a small family.....and [they] not fit for [work].*

Relief granted to individuals was deemed to be a loan. However, in 1847 when the Famine was at its height, the right to relief of the destitute poor was recognised by law. At this time, in order to relieve some of the pressure off the workhouses, outdoor relief was sanctioned.

It was an imprisonable offence for a man to desert his wife or child, if such desertion resulted in his family becoming destitute and having to be relieved in the workhouse.

## **EDUCATION**

Children received basic education in workhouse schools. Attendance was erratic. Outside of school hours the girls did household chores while the boys worked in the garden or yards or in some form of trade.

## **CRIME AND PUNISHMENT**

It was lawful for the Boards to punish 'refractory' paupers for prescribed offences. These included absconding and abandoning family in a workhouse, 'drunkenness, insubordination to the officers of the union, disobedience of the rules prescribed or sanctioned by the

Commissioners’, and for misbehaviour such as ‘attempting to introduce spirituous or fermented liquors into any workhouse’.

### **WORKHOUSE FOOD**

Particularly in the earlier years, the diet in the workhouse was monotonous, unwholesome and wholly inadequate as a letter from the Poor Law Commissioners concerning diet in Glenties workhouse testifies.

*The Commissioners have communicated with their medical inspector Mr Phelan who is also of opinion, that the sameness of the proposed dietary is objectionable. He states that stirabout three times a week with buttermilk each time, tends to cause diarrhoea, especially if the Indian meal be not well boiled. 22 November 1849.*

Workhouse food improved over the years, with the gradual introduction for adults and children of food with more protein and vitamins including bread, meat, eggs, milk and vegetables.

### **EMIGRATION**

The poor law also made provision for assisting people to emigrate. The cost of this assisted emigration was paid for out of the poor rates.

### **OTHER DUTIES**

The Medical Charities Act passed in 1851 empowered the boards of guardians to provide dispensaries. These were the first type of medical help that was widely available to the majority of the population on a local level.

The boards of guardians oversaw the inspection of local hospitals. In 1883 they also became responsible for the building of labourers’ cottages, for the provision of decent housing for agricultural labourers.

### **POLITICS**

The Guardians supported the revolutionary government during the War of Independence. The Glenties Minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> June 1920 made a unanimous resolution:

*We demand the withdrawal of the military occupation which confronts our country and that a copy of this resolution be sent to foreign countries through the ministers of Dáil Éireann to compel England to withdraw her army of occupation and allow the elected parliament of the people of Ireland to function.*

The boards in general supported the Pro-Treaty side in the subsequent Civil War, 1922 – 1923.

## **THE END OF THE WORKHOUSES**

After independence in 1922, the Free State abolished the Poor Law system, replacing workhouses with County Homes and district hospitals.

Ballyshannon workhouse buildings are used as a home for the elderly and for County Council offices/storage. A district hospital was built on the site of Donegal workhouse. Part of Dunfanaghy workhouse has become a Famine museum. No part of Glenties workhouse remains. Carndonagh workhouse was demolished in 1958. Part of Letterkenny workhouse, once a fever hospital, has become the County Museum. Milford workhouse was demolished in the nineteen sixties. Stranorlar workhouse became St. Joseph's Home but the original building has been destroyed.

## **DONEGAL'S SURVIVING WORKHOUSE RECORDS**

Surviving records in Donegal County Archives include:

- Minutes of meetings of the Boards of Guardians
- Admission and discharge registers
- Indoor and outdoor relief registers
- Records of deaths
- Dispensary registers and medical returns
- Registers of diets of inmates
- One punishment book and one visiting committee report book (Milford)
- Some correspondence
- Financial, statistical and administrative documentation
- Some photographs

**Covering dates** 1840 - 1923

**Extent** 900 items

**Access conditions:** Generally open, though medical material dated after 1908 has restricted access only.

**BG/38/**

**Ballyshannon Union: 1840 - 1923**

**Minutes and other material relating to Ballyshannon Union, particularly the running of the workhouses by the Board of Guardians of Ballyshannon. No 19<sup>th</sup> century registers survive for Ballyshannon.**

**80 volumes.**

**BG/38/1**

**Ballyshannon Minutes: Minutes**

1840 - 1923

Minutes of the meetings of the Ballyshannon Board of Guardians.

**BG/38/1/1**

Minutes: 22 July 1840 - 11 May 1844

1 item

**BG/38/1/2**

Minutes: 18 May 1844 - 29 Aug 1846

1 item

**BG/38/1/3**

Minutes: 5 Sep 1846 - 10 Jan 1848

1 item

**BG/38/1/4**

Minutes: 15 Jan 1848 - 4 Nov 1848

Includes list of orphan girls selected from the Ballyshannon Workhouse for emigration to Australia (p.344 + 345). Resolution passed on the 29th July (p.311)

1 item

**BG/38/1/5**

Minutes: 11 Nov 1848 - 4 May 1849

1 item

**BG/38/1/6**

Minutes: 15 Sep 1849 - 4 May 1850

1 item

**BG/38/1/7**

Minutes: 11 May 1850 - 28 Dec 1850

1 item

**BG/38/1/8**

Minutes: 4 Jan 1851 - 26 July 1851

1 item

**BG/38/1/9**

Minutes: 2 Aug 1851 - 1 May 1852

1 item

**BG/38/1/10**

Minutes: 8 May 1852 - 5 Feb 1853

1 item

**BG/38/1/11**

Minutes: 12 Feb 1853 - 6 Aug 1853

1 item

**BG/38/1/12**

Minutes: 13 Aug 1853 - 4 Feb 1854

1 item

**BG/38/1/13**

Minutes: 11 Feb 1854 - 12 Aug 1854

1 item

**BG/38/1/14**

Minutes: 19 Aug 1854 - 27 Jan 1855

1 item

**BG/38/1/15**

Minutes: 3 Feb 1855 - 18 Aug 1855

1 item

**BG/38/1/16**

Minutes: 25 Aug 1855 - 8 March 1856

1 item



**BG/38/1/17**

Minutes: 15 March 1856 - 13 Sep 1856  
1 item

**BG/38/1/18**

Minutes: 20 Sep 1856 - 28 March 1857  
1 item

**BG/38/1/19**

Minutes: 4 April 1857 - 24 Oct 1857  
1 item

**BG/38/1/20**

Minutes: 31 Oct 1857- 24 April 1858  
1 item

**BG/38/1/21**

Minutes: 1 May 1858 - 27 Nov 1858  
1 item

**BG/38/1/22**

Minutes: 4 Dec 1858 - 7 Jan 1860  
1 item

**BG/38/1/23**

Minutes: 14 Jan 1860 -16 Feb 1861  
1 item

**BG/38/1/24**

Minutes: 23 Feb 1861 -15 Feb 1862  
1 item

**BG/38/1/25**

Minutes: 22 Feb 1862 - 7 March 1863  
1 item

**BG/38/1/26**

Minutes: 14 March 1863 - 5 March 1864

1 item

**BG/38/1/27**

Minutes: 12 March 1864 - 8 March 1865  
1 item

**BG/38/1/28**

Minutes: 25 March 1865 -21 April 1866  
1 item

**BG/38/1/29**

Minutes: 21 April 1866 -13 Oct 1866  
1 item

**BG/38/1/30**

Minutes: 20 Oct 1866 - 5 Oct 1867  
1 item

**BG/38/1/31**

Minutes: 12 Oct 1867 - 31 Oct 1868  
1 item

**BG/38/1/32**

Minutes: 7 Nov 1868 - 22 Jan 1870  
No Index  
1 item

**BG/38/1/33**

Minutes: 5 Feb 1870 - 28 Jan 1871  
1 item

**BG/38/1/34**

Minutes: 4 Feb 1871- 2 March 1872  
1 item

**BG/38/1/35**

Minutes: 9 March 1872 - 5 April 1873  
1 item

**BG/38/1/36**

Minutes: 12 April 1873 - 16 May 1874  
1 item

**BG/38/1/37**

Minutes: 23 May 1874 - 8 May 1875  
1 item

**BG/38/1/38**

Minutes: 15 May 1875 - 20 Nov 1875  
1 item

**BG/38/1/39**

Minutes: 27 Nov 1875 - 18 Nov 1876  
1 item

**BG/38/1/40**

Minutes: 25 Nov 1876 - 24 Nov 1877  
1 item

**BG/38/1/41**

Minutes: 1 Dec 1877 - 30 Nov 1878  
1 item

**BG/38/1/42**

Minutes: 7 Dec 1878 - 13 Dec 1879  
No Index  
1 item

**BG/38/1/43**

Minutes: 20 Dec 1879 - 11 Dec 1880  
No Index/ Cover Page  
1 item

**BG/38/1/44**

Minutes: 18 Dec 1880 - 14 Jan 1882  
No Index  
1 item

**BG/38/1/45**

Minutes: 21 Jan 1882 - 20 Jan 1883

No Index

1 item

**BG/38/1/46**

Minutes: 27 Jan 1883 - 2 July 1884

1 item

**BG/38/1/47**

Minutes: 9 July 1884 - 28 Feb 1885

1 item

**BG/38/1/48**

Minutes: 7 Mar 1885 - 27 Mar 1886

No Index/Cover Page

1 item

**BG/38/1/49**

Minutes: 3 April 1886 - 4 June 1887

No Index/Cover Page

1 item

**BG/38/1/50**

Minutes: 11 June 1887 - 22 Sep 1888

No Index/Cover Page

1 item

**BG/38/1/51**

Minutes: 29 Sep 1888 - 21 Dec 1889

1 item

**BG/38/1/52**

Minutes: 4 Jan 1890 - 7 Feb 1891

1 item

**BG/38/1/53**

Minutes: 14 Feb 1891 - 12 Mar 1892

1 item

**BG/38/1/54**

Minutes: 19 Mar 1892 - 15 April 1893  
1 item

**BG/38/1/55**

Minutes: 22 April 1893 - 19 May 1894  
1 item

**BG/38/1/56**

Minutes: 26 May 1894 - 8 June 1895  
1 item

**BG/38/1/57**

Minutes: 15 June 1895 - 20 June 1896  
1 item

**BG/38/1/58**

Minutes: 27 June 1896 - 10 July 1897  
1 item

**BG/38/1/59**

Minutes: 24 July 1897 - 6 Aug 1898  
1 item

**BG/38/1/60**

Minutes: 13 Aug 1898 - 2 Sep 1899  
1 item

**BG/38/1/61**

Minutes: 9 Sep 1899 - 15 Sep 1900  
1 item

**BG/38/1/62**

Minutes: 22 Sep 1900 - 5 Oct 1901  
1 item

**BG/38/1/63**

Minutes: 12 Oct 1901 - 1 Nov 1902  
1 item

**BG/38/1/64**

Minutes: 8 Nov 1902 - 14 Nov 1903

1 item

**BG/38/1/65**

Minutes: 21 Nov 1903 - 19 Nov 1904

1 item

**BG/38/1/66**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/38/1/67**

Minutes: 16 Dec 1905 - 15 Dec 1906

1 item

**BG/38/1/68**

Minutes: 5 Jan 1907 - 28 Dec 1907

1 item

**BG/38/1/69**

Minutes: 11 Jan 1908 - 13 Feb 1909

1 item

**BG/38/1/70**

Minutes: 20 Feb 1909 - 19 Feb 1910

1 item

**BG/38/1/71**

Minutes: 26 Feb 1910 - 25 Feb 1911

1 item

**BG/38/1/72**

Minutes: 4 Mar 1911 - 24 Feb 1912

1 item

**BG/38/1/73**

Minutes: 2 Mar 1912 - 22 Feb 1913

1 item

**BG/38/1/74**

Minutes: 1 Mar 1913 - 21 Feb 1914  
1 item

**BG/38/1/75**

Minutes: 28 Feb 1914 - 1 Aug 1914  
1 item

**BG/38/1/76**

Minutes: 8 Aug 1914 - 23 Jan 1915  
1 item

**BG/38/1/77**

Minutes: 30 Jan 1915 - 3 July 1915  
1 item

**BG/38/1/78**

Minutes: 10 July 1915 - 18 Dec 1915  
1 item

**BG/38/1/79**

Minutes: 1 Jan 1916 - 17 June 1916  
1 item

**BG/38/1/80**

Minutes: 24 June 1916 - 16 Dec 1916  
1 item

**BG/38/1/81**

Minutes: 23 Dec 1916 - 9 June 1917  
1 item

**BG/38/1/82**

Minutes: 11 June 1917 - 29 Dec 1917  
1 item

**BG/38/1/83**

Minutes: 5 Jan 1918 - 10 Aug 1918  
1 item

**BG/38/1/84**

Minutes: 14 Sep 1918 - 14 June 1919

1 item

**BG/38/1/85**

Minutes: 21 June 1919 - 7 Feb 1920

1 item

**BG/38/1/86**

Minutes: 14 Feb 1920 - 14 Aug 1920

1 item

**BG/38/1/87**

Minutes: 28 Aug 1920 - 25 June 1921

1 item

**BG/38/1/88**

Minutes: 14 May 1921 - 10 June 1922

1 item

**BG/38/2/1**

Ballyshannon Minutes: Rough Minutes

24 July 1840 - 11 July 1844

Handwritten rough Minutes of Meetings of Board of Guardians.

1 volume

**BG/38/3**

**Ballyshannon Union Finance**

1843 - 1872

Ballyshannon Union material regarding the running of Ballyshannon workhouse and dispensaries, including accounts, tenders, contracts etc.

11 items.

**BG/38/3/1**

**Abstracts of Accounts, Ballyshannon**

1843 - 1904

Abstracts of Accounts of Ballyshannon Union on Form 5A and 5B. Includes Ballyshannon Union Statistical information of running of workhouses on Form 4A and 4B. Some of these containing just Form



4A and 4B are boxed separately in BG/38/4. These are not listed individually so some may have abstract of accounts enclosed.  
46 items.

Both reference numbers are on the outside of the box, but this ref is first.

**BG/38/3/2**

**Account with Provincial Bank**

Oct 1921

Gives details of money transferred from account to Bank, including names, numbers, amount and date. Includes Notification of Transfer of Money document from Donegal County Council (19 June 1923)

**BG/38/3/3**

**Abstract of Guardians' Accounts**

30 Sep 1913

Includes the following tables: Revenue Account; Statement Explanatory of the Revenue Account; Statement of the names and salaries of officers, names and superannuation allowances of retired officers, with particulars as to the fidelity bonds of such of the officers as are required to give security (8 officers); statement of the loan accounts of the Union; statement of insurance of union property against damage by fire; clerk's half yearly statement, giving statement of cash, assets and liabilities of Guardians; cost of emigrants during half year; summary of persons relieved outdoor and indoor; general summary of persons relieved; abstract of number and classification of the persons relieved and number; additional explanatory statements; statement of balances at close of half year; names of intern officers and extern officers and retired officers.

3 items.

Loose pages.

**BG/38/3/4**

**Ballyshannon Union Account Book**

1909 - 1916

Volume gives date of payment; number of paying order, by whom paid; to whom paid; and amount.

1 volume.

No cover. No title for volume.

**BG/38/3/5**

Statement of half yearly balances

1899 - 1904

Balances at the close of each half year, giving particulars of debit and credit; particulars of district fund expenditure; return of insurance of

district property; list and particulars of separate charges in district; abstract of cottage rent collection and of rent collectors' cash account; officers required to give security. Certified (signed) by clerk of Union.  
11 items.

See other abstracts of accounts under BG/38 headings.  
BG38/3/5(1) - (11)

### **BG/38/3/6**

#### **Ballyshannon Union Ledger**

1867 - 1870; 1926

Detailed accounts of Union, by electoral district. Includes totals. The volume is in part obscured by newspaper cuttings glued into pages. Cuttings are advertisements issued by Board of Health and Public Assistance in 1926.

### **BG/38/3/7**

#### **Abstract of Accounts of Union 1886**

25 March 1886

Ballyshannon Union Statistical information of running of indoor and outdoor relief.

1 item

### **BG/38/3/8**

#### **Ballyshannon Union General Ledger**

30 Sep 1899 - 30 March 1905

Volume containing the accounts of Ballyshannon Union from the half year ended 30 September 1899 to the half year ended 30 March 1905. An index to the accounts is given at the beginning. Accounts include Unpaid Bills; Salaries; District School; District Hospital; Emigration, Law and other expenses and Registration of Births, deaths and marriages and of Vaccinations. Headings on each page include date; folio; Account of corresponding Credit and Particulars and Total.

1 volume

### **BG/38/3/9**

#### **Notice of Audit**

28 August 1874

Letter from Edward J. Browne, Auditor, Poor Law Commissioners, to [ ] McClay, Relieving Officer, Ballyshannon Union, giving notice of attendance in the Board Room, Ballyshannon Union, on 7 September for the purpose of auditing the accounts of the Union, on foot of the Poor Law Commissioners' Accounts Order, dated 8 April 1853.

1 page

**BG/38/3/10**

**Notice to contractors re: dispensary**

19 July 1901

Notice that the Board of Guardians will consider tenders for building a wall at Kinlough dispensary.

1 page

**BG/38/3/11**

**Letter from Leitrim County Council**

20 November 1920

Letter from Charles Dolan, Secretary, Secretary's Office, Leitrim County Council Chamber, Carrick-on-Shannon, to [Ballyshannon Board of Guardians], regarding payments by cheque. Includes advertising brochure from manufacturers in Manchester for 'tramp's bed' for workhouses and other institutions.

2 pp

**BG/38/4**

**Ballyshannon Union Statistics**

1844 - 1873

Abstract, showing the Number of Paupers relieved, the number and cost of emigrants, and the relief administered by way of loan. Form 4A and 4B. These would have been appended to the relevant abstract of account on Form 5A and 5B - See BG/38/3/1. 30 items. Some of these may have abstracts of accounts enclosed, therefore box has both ref numbers on it, this has BG/38/4 as main ref number.

**BG/38/5**

**Ballyshannon Union Medical material**

1840 - 1923

Material relating to the union including medical registers, 'diet books', indoor and outdoor relief registers.

**BG/38/5/1**

**Ballyshannon Workhouse Specification**

**19 Jan 1897**

Loose specification for the erection of two closets in the male and female yards of the infirmary. 1 item.

**BG/38/5/2**

**Clothing Receipt Book**

31 March 1906 [ 1924 ]

Gives details of from whom goods received; prices of bedding and house linen, including breakdowns of costs for bed tickets, blankets,

quilts etc; men's' clothing; women's' clothing; boys' and girls' clothing. Includes three Weekly Abstracts of Clothing Materials received and Converted. One is blank. One is dated 'for half year ending March 1924'. One has not date. Gives breakdown of cost and quantity of articles and total and is signed.  
4 items.

**BG/38/5/3**

**District Hospital Medical Weekly Return**

10 March 1917 - June 1918

Gives register no., patient name; disease; age; 'if received stimulants'; days of week when attended and number of diet; general directions if any of medical officer. (This column is mostly blank but there are occasional comments such as 'discharged' or 'transferred' or 'transferred to fever hospital'.)  
1 item.

**BG/38/5/4**

**Acme Sick Diet Books**

April 1916 - April 1921

Statistical registers. Give diet no. at each meal (breakfast, dinner, supper); for the infirmary- men, women, children; for the fever hospital- men, women, children. Gives totals for each week of provisions consumed, bread, butter, milk, beef, pigs' cheek; eggs, potatoes, cabbage, turnips, tea, milk-tea, veg. broth, lentil soup, Irish stew, cornflour, sweet boiled rice. Totals table gives number of patients on scale diets and on special diets.

6 volumes

**BG/38/5/5**

**Diet Class Books**

2 Oct 1920 - 30 Sep 1921

Gives statistics of numbers of healthy inmates present at breakfast, dinner, and supper, broken down into able-bodied not working; able-bodied working, attendants, infirm working, aged infirm, children, and totals healthy. Similarly sick inmates- infirmary, adults (light diet, full diet, extra diet); children; special diets; total sick in infirmary. Also details on diets of those in fever hospital.

2 items.

**BG/38/5/6**

**Notice re: Dispensary at Ballintra**

26 June 1920

Notice giving days and times of attendance of Medical Officer at the Dispensary situated at Ballintra. Notice also of Vaccination district and of days and hours of attendance of Medical Officer.

5 items.

**BG/38/5/7**

**Special Stimulant and Diet Book**

1916 - 1917

Register giving statistics of food and beverages consumed by each patient.

1 volume

**BG/38/5/8**

**Acme Provisions Check Account**

1916 - 1918

Weekly statistics of provisions consumed in workhouse. Classed by 'inmates' and 'officers'. 'Inmates' are classed under able-bodied (working) men and women; able-bodied (casual) men and women; attendants, men and women; infirm (working), men and women; aged infirm, men and women; children aged 8 to 15; children aged 3 to 8; children under age of 3. Totals per week for inmates who are healthy, in infirmary or in fever hospital. Statistics of provisions for workhouse officers include for master, matron and sisters; nurses; porter; ward master; ward mistress; temporary nurses; total.

3 volumes

**BG/38/5/9**

**Medical Weekly Return Book**

June 1913 - April 1914

Medical Weekly Return Register. Gives register no., patient name; disease; age; 'if received stimulants'; days of week when attended and number of diet; general directions if any of medical officer, (This column is mostly blank but there are occasional comments such as 'discharged' or 'transferred' or 'transferred to fever hospital' or died) and weekly allowances. The name of the union is not given, however the names and number in this volume correspond to the names and number in the Indoor Relief Book for Ballyshannon.

1 volume

**BG/38/5/10**

**Medical Weekly Return and Extra Book**

Sep 1915 - March 1916

Medical Weekly Return Register Gives register no., patient name; disease; age; 'if received stimulants'; days of week when attended and

number of diet; general directions if any of medical officer, (This column is mostly blank but there are occasional comments such as 'discharged' or 'transferred' or 'transferred to fever hospital' or died) and weekly allowances. Name of the Union is not given, however the names and numbers in this volume correspond to those given in the Indoor Admission and Discharge Book for Ballyshannon Workhouse. Medical Officer signs each page - name appears to be J. C. M. Mullin, signed by the Clerk C. McGowan.  
1 volume

**BG/38/5/11**

**Medical Weekly Return, 1914**

4 April 1914 - 7 Nov 1914

Register described as Medical Weekly Return and Extra book. Gives names of patient, and their diseases, such as debility, bronchitis, idiot, ulcer, rheumatism, arthritis, infirmity, bright's disease. Details include days of week when person attended hospital; and diet, eg bread, sweet milk, eggs, butter, wine, whiskey, brandy.  
1 volume.

**BG/38/5/12**

**Medical Return & Extra book, 1918**

26 Oct 1918 - 14 Nov 1918

Register described as Medical Weekly Return and Extra book for Ballyshannon workhouse. Gives names of patient, and their diseases, such as debility, bronchitis, idiot, ulcer, rheumatism, arthritis, infirmity, bright's disease. Details include days of week when person attended hospital; and diet, eg bread, sweet milk, eggs, butter, wine, whiskey, brandy.  
part of volume.

If needed for researchers staff should do research in Kilty and not allow volume to leave repository as it is in too bad condition.

**BG/38/5/13**

**Sick diet book, 1916 - 17**

7 Oct 1916 - 24 Feb 1917

Sick diet register for Ballyshannon infirmary and fever hospital patients, men, women, children aged 0- 3, 8 -15 and 3-8. Statistics included. Food described includes milk, beef, bread, butter, pigs' cheek, eggs, cabbage, turnips, milk-tea, vegetable broth, lentil soup, Irish broth, cornflour, rice. No names of patients in this register which is statistical.  
1 volume.

**BG/38/5/14****Medical Officer Report book**

1874-1900

The signing in book for the medical officer for the Ballyshannon dispensary district for the Ballyshannon Union. Gives date, time of arrival, time of departure and report on any matter acquiring attention from the committee. The medical officer visited the dispensary around 6 times a month, spending on two to two and a half hours there. There is very few comments in the section "Report on any matter requiring attention."

1 volume

**BG/38/5/15****Medical Officers Returns**

1899-1923

Boards of Guardians were responsible for the Medical Officers Return until their abolition in 1923. These duties were taken over by the Donegal Board of Health in 1924. Initially, the Medical officer gave quarterly returns until 1905 and then there was half-yearly returns from 1906 onwards. Records related to the Ballyshannon Dispensary District. Included on the returns is statistical information, questions to be answered by the medical officer on medicines, vaccination, dispensary arrangements, midwife and other arrangements. There is also a section on public health.

BG/38/5/15 (1) Quarterly returns from 1899 to 1905. Book in okay condition BG/38/5/15 (2) 1906 returns BG/38/5/15 (3) 1907 returns - In his September report, the medical officer wrote that there is no sewerage system in Ballyshannon apart from a no. of square stone drains which constantly gets blocked. The new sewerage system in Bundoran has not been completed. There was also problems in relation to slaughter yards and the keeping of cattle in confined yards in Ballyshannon. BG/38/5/15 (4) 1908 returns - Housing is a big problem with many houses very defective and insufficient window space and there is no chimneys in the sleeping apartments. Reports of a small epidemic in Bundoran in September record. BG/38/5/15 (5) 1909 returns - Problems mentioned above persist but medical officer has noticed the district council of the housing situation according to the September record. BG/38/5/15 (6) 1910 returns - 17 or 18 people were sent to the Fever hospital after an outbreak traced to a milk supply of a retailer in Bundoran. Greater uptake of vaccination mainly due to people opposing them moving away from the area. BG/38/5/15 (7) 1911

returns - improvement in the sewerage system in Ballyshannon and the scheme in Bundoran is due to be completed soon. There has been cases of scarlet fever in Bundoran. BG/38/5/15 (8) 1912 returns - improvements in Ballyshannon in relation to the sanitation of cowsheds. BG/38/5/15 (9) 1913 returns - The Diaries cowsheds and milkshops order has been adopted in the district. Houses in the district for poorer people are in very bad shape. BG/38/5/15 (10) 1914 returns - Bundoran sewerage system is completed. BG/38/5/15 (11) 1915 returns - Labourers homes in the district are in a better shape than before. BG/38/5/15 (12) 1916 returns - An outbreak of scarlet fever occurred in the first half of the year in Bundoran is traced to Belfast and left 18 people in hospital. In March record, there is a separate public health sheet for Bundoran and Ballyshannon BG/38/5/15 (13) 1917 returns- An outbreak of Enteric fever in Bundoran at the end of 1916. BG/38/5/15 (14) 1918 returns BG/38/5/15 (15) 1919 and 1920 returns - two severe epidemics of influenza occurred in the district, one in Nov./Dec. 1918 and one in March 1919. BG/38/5/15 (16) 1922 and 1923 returns - some cases of diphtheria in Ballyshannon in March 1923 record. The Board of Guardians was abolished in 1923 and the role of medical officers returns was taken over by the Donegal Board of Health.

These records continue and are in Donegal Board of Health records BH/2/1/46.

### **BG/38/5/16**

#### **Reports**

1914 & 1918

Inspection Reports from 1914 of the dispensary districts of the Union and 1918 on conditions in the workhouse; Documentation in relation to vaccination carried out in the Union in 1914 as there was public fears of a small pox outbreak

3 items

### **BG/38/5/17**

#### **Dispensaries**

1914 & 1915

Miscellaneous documentation in relation to the different dispensaries in the Union.



**BG/38/6/1****Rate book Bundoran electoral division**

1876

Details of name or situation of property rated; description of property rated (e.g., 'land', 'house and land', 'offices' etc); name of occupier; estimated extent of land, statute measure; net annual value; persons on whom rate is made: occupier; immediate lessor of hereditaments not exceeding £4; immediate lessor hereditaments under agreement with guardians; person receiving rent in respect of hereditaments exempt from rating; amount of rate for relief of the poor; amount of rate for expenses incurred under the Sanitary acts; total amount of rate; arrears of former rates; total.

1 item.

**BG/38/6/2****Valuation for Electoral division of Mullybreen**

1880s

Loose pages detailing reference no., townlands and occupiers; immediate lessors; description of tenement; area; annual valuation and observations (blank.)

1 item; 13 pages.

County Fermanagh, barony of Lurg.

**BG/38/7****Ballyshannon Union Other material**

1906 - 1918

Material relating to Ballyshannon Union.

**BG/38/7/1****Indoor Relief Register**

21 May 1906 - 4 Oct 1910

Indoor Relief Register for Ballyshannon Union Gives, date when admitted to or born in the Workhouse; if previously relieved; name; address; sex; age; marital status and if child legitimate, illegitimate or deserted; employment e.g. Tramp; Religion; name of spouse and number of children if not in workhouse; details of condition and when discharged or died.

1 item

**BG/38/7/2****Indoor Relief Register**

4 Oct 1910 - 19 Sep 1915

Indoor Relief Register for Ballyshannon Union Gives, date when admitted to or born in the Workhouse; if previously relieved; name;

address; sex; age; marital status and if child whether legitimate, illegitimate or deserted; employment e.g. tramp; religion; name of spouse and number of children if not in workhouse; details of condition and when discharged or died. Index of names is given at the front. From 1914 onwards there are lists of soldiers who were admitted with the address of Finner Camp. Index of names is given at the front. 2 loose items removed in separate folder: (2) Removal Order of Mary Jane Daly; (3) Statistical Summary of Admissions and Discharges for half year ended 30th Sept 1914.

3 items

Some orders of removal are included from Great Britain

### **BG/38/7/3**

#### **Indoor Admission and Discharge Register**

8 Nov 1914 - 31 March 1916

Ballyshannon Union Indoor Admission and Discharge Book Details include names of and numbers for those admitted to the workhouse during the week; whether male or female, aged or infirm, or children; able-bodied or disabled; men or women. Includes dates of admission and discharge or death (in the workhouse.) Also gives statistics on numbers of those in fever hospital or infirmary during each week. Includes summary of admission, discharges etc. for the half year ended March 1916.

1 item

### **BG/38/7/4**

#### **Indoor Admission and Discharge Register**

April 1916 - June 1917

Indoor Admission and Discharge Book for Ballyshannon Union Details include names of and numbers for those admitted to the workhouse during the week; whether male or female, aged or infirm, or children; able-bodied or disabled; men or women; working or infirm. Includes dates of admission and discharge or death (in the workhouse.) Also gives statistics on numbers of those in fever hospital or infirmary during each week. Includes summary of admission, discharges etc. for the half year ended March 1917.

1 item

### **BG/38/7/5**

#### **Indoor Admission and Discharge Book**

July 1917 - Sep 1918

Indoor Admission and Discharge Book for Ballyshannon Union Details include names of and numbers for those admitted to the workhouse

during the week; whether male or female, aged or infirm, or children; able-bodied or disabled; men or women; working or infirm. Includes dates of admission and discharge or death (in the workhouse.) Also gives statistics on numbers of those in fever hospital or infirmary during each week.

1 volume

### **BG/38/7/6**

#### **Correspondence re: valuation and rates**

July 1880 - Aug 1883; Jan 1922

Includes circular letter from Local Government Board to Clerk of each Union, requesting particulars respecting rates agreed upon in the Union; note from T. J. Atkinson, 2 Rostrevor Terrace, Rathgar, Dublin, to J. B. Chism, Clerk of Union, seeking forms for 'claim to vote as a landlord in Cavangarden Division, Ballyshannon and Ballintra'; 2 letters seeking particulars of valuation; one letter seeking amount of rates collected in an area (1922).

5 pp

### **BG/38/7/7**

#### **Letter re: shipping directory**

23 June 1908

Commercial advertising letter from Alex. Thom to [Clerk of Union], advertising the 'Irish Manufacturers and Shippers Directory'.

1 page

### **BG/38/7/8**

#### **Notes of Board re: employment**

1909 - 1911

Handwritten notes referring to correspondence between Board and Local Government Board, on the employment of staff by the Ballyshannon Board, including Medical Officers and Nurses.

4 pp

Copied onto tracing paper.

### **BG/38/7/9**

#### **Letter re: grants for children**

1 March 1907

Letter from Mrs Melly, Michael Melly Fish Dealer, Bundoran, to Mr Chism, concerning a 'rise in the pay for the children and....a grant...'. Says she spoke to the Relieving Officer and was told to write to [Chism] in connection with the matter.

1 page

### **BG/38/7/10**

### **Workhouse Statistical Register**

Oct 1923 - Oct 1924

Combined workhouse record and statistical register relating to Ballyshannon area. Label on front states that it belonged to the Ballyshannon hospital under the Board of Health and Public Assistance. Page headed Indoor Relief Register. Details include date admitted to or born in the workhouse, date discharged or died, name, address, age, occupation.

1 volume

\*\* Stored with the BG/GEN on 24d\*\* \*\* Very large volume\*\*

### **BG/38/7/11**

#### **Prints of Ballyshannon workhouse, side view**

c.20th century

(1) Black and white print of the workhouse, showing side view. (2) Black and white print of the workhouse, from the back. Copyright: Buildings of Ireland photograph. Supplied by the Irish Architectural Archive.

2 items

### **BG/38/7/12**

#### **Print of Ballyshannon workhouse, frontal view**

c.20th century

Black and white print of the workhouse, showing frontal view, including low, outer walls and notices on wall, one stating 'Ballyshannon Dispensary, medical officer John Quinn, M.B.; midwife Mrs A C[ooney]', the other stating 'Office of Registrar of Births, registrar Dr J. Quinn' and opening hours. Copyright: Buildings of Ireland photograph. Supplied by the Irish Architectural Archive.

1 item.

### **BG/38/7/13**

#### **Separate Register of RIC Members in Workhouse**

31 March 1908 - 30 Sep 1924

Separate Register of Persons admitted to and discharged from the Fever Hospital or Infirmary of the Workhouse, comprising - members of the Royal Irish Constabulary Force; persons who, or on whose behalf, the persons liable by law to maintain them, have claimed to pay the cost of their maintenance therein and persons relieved by way of loan. Details include Name, Residence, Sex, Age, Marital Status, Religion, Date of Discharge or death, Particulars of claim to repay cost of Maintenance, particulars of payments. Includes list of soldiers

admitted and treated, Finner Camp is listed as some of their residences.

1 volume

**BG/38/7/14**

**Letter: re Fire Extinguishing Appliances**

20 December 1897

Letter from Shand, Mason and Co, hydraulic engineers, London, to the Clerk of the Ballyshannon union in reference to the supply of fire extinguishing appliances. Includes a quote for a combined portable fire escape and hose reel with picture attached.

3pp

**BG/38/7/15**

**Indoor Relief List Register**

1 October 1917 - 31 March 1921

Register described as Indoor Relief List. In very poor condition, not all of the volume is legible. Gives names of inmates of Ballyshannon workhouse, ages, general weeks spent in workhouse, given by half year and weeks. No addresses or townlands given.

**BG/38/7/16**

**21 July - 30 Sept 1917**

Volume described as a Provisions Receipt and Consumption Account register. Gives a detailed list of materials used in workhouse in Ballyshannon, including rice, tea, sugar, syrup, salt, arrowroot, brandy, tobacco, pepper, herbs, vegetables, eggs, pigs' cheeks, herrings, mackerel, beef, milk, bread, minerals, flake meal, bacon, plus cost and quantity.

Statistics on what inmates have for breakfast, dinner, supper and additional, for men, women and children. Plus total numbers in workhouse.

Much of volume is blank.

**BG/38/7/17**

18 July 1918

Report of Inspection by Local Government Board of Ballyshannon workhouse and fever hospital, noting defects in floors, ceilings, lights and toilets and lack of any disinfecting apparatus. Noting that one boy described as an 'imbecile' should not be left in the workhouse.

Original missing (in 2011); electronic copy available.

## **BG/75**

### **DONEGAL UNION**

**1914 - 1923**

**Records of Donegal Poor Law Union (Board of Guardians of Donegal Union).**

There is an incomplete set of minutes, as all 19<sup>th</sup> century Donegal Board of Guardian records were destroyed in a fire. Only 20th century records have survived.

## **BG/75/1**

**Donegal Minutes: Minutes**

**1914 - 1923**

Minutes of the Board of Guardians for Donegal Union. The minutes from the formation of the Union until 1914 were destroyed in a fire in the workhouse in September 1914 along with all the other records relating to the union.

13 volumes.

## **BG/75/1/1**

Minutes: Sep 1914 - Feb 1915

19 Sep 1914 - 13 Feb 1915

Includes extra meeting of BG held on 20 Sep 1914 concerning the fire at the workhouse at which all the records including minutes and accounts were destroyed.

1 item

## **BG/75/1/2**

Minutes: 20 Feb 1915 - 1 July 1915 [1 Feb - 8 Feb 1919]

1 item

## **BG/75/1/3**

Minutes: 3 July 1915 - 25 Dec 1915

1 item

## **BG/75/1/4**

Minutes: 1 Jan 1916 - 24 June 1916

1 item

## **BG/75/1/5**

Minutes: 1 July 1916 - 23 Dec 1916

1 item

**BG/75/1/6**

Minutes: 30 Dec 1916 - 16 June 1917

1 item

**BG/75/1/7**

Minutes: 23 June 1917 - 29 Dec 1917

1 item

**BG/75/1/8**

Minutes: 5 Jan 1918 - 13 July 1918

1 item

**BG/75/1/9**

Minutes: 20 July 1918 - 25 Jan 1919

1 item

**BG/75/1/10**

Minutes: 8 March 1919 - 3 Jan 1920

1 item

**BG/75/1/11**

Minutes: 17 Jan 1920 - 18 Dec 1920

Also includes Special meeting from the 29 March 1922 at which the superannuation and gratuities were fixed for the officers of the union. The Clerk also notes that after the meeting a body of men entered the boardroom and seized the records (p.291).

1 item

**BG/75/1/12**

Minutes: 15 Jan 1921 - 12 Aug 1922

Includes minutes of the District Hospital Committee after the Board of Guardians were abolished. Women are present on this committee Mrs. Bridget Bonner and Mrs P. Rodgers. Large volume

1 item

**BG/75/1/13**

Minutes: 10 Feb 1923 - 23 June 1923

District Hospital Committee Minutes. Very large volume and is almost empty.

1 item

**BG/75/1/14**

District Hospital Committee Minutes

21 Oct 1922

Loose minutes of the Donegal District Hospital Committee of a meeting held on 21 Oct 1922, after they had taken over from the Board of Guardians. 'Office copies' is written on the top and signed by the Clerk of the Committee, George Dunnion.

1 item

Not bound, loose in folder, with Donegal BG Other Material in Three Rivers.

**BG/75/2**

**Donegal Union Other Material**

1919

Material other than minutes relating to Donegal Union.

**BG/75/2/1**

**Indoor Admission & Discharge Book**

3 Oct 1914 - 31 March 1916

Details include names of and numbers for those admitted to the workhouse during the week; whether male or female, aged or infirm, or children; able-bodied or disabled; men or women; working or infirm. Includes dates of admission and discharge or death (in the workhouse.) Also gives statistics on numbers of those in fever hospital or infirmary during each week.

1 volume

**BG/75/2/2**

**Indoor Admission & Discharge Book**

1 April 1916 - 7 April 1917

Indoor Admission and Discharge Book for Donegal Union Details include names of and numbers for those admitted to the workhouse during the week; whether male or female, aged or infirm, or children; able-bodied or disabled; men or women; working or infirm. Includes dates of admission and discharge or death (in the workhouse.) Also gives statistics on numbers of those in fever hospital or infirmary during each week.

1 volume

**BG/75/2/3**



**Indoor Admission & Discharge Book**

3 Aug 1918 - 15 Nov 1919

Indoor Admission and Discharge Book for Donegal Union. Details include names of and numbers for those admitted to the workhouse during the week; whether male or female, aged or infirm, or children; able-bodied or disabled; men or women; working or infirm. Includes dates of admission and discharge or death (in the workhouse.) Also gives statistics on numbers of those in fever hospital or infirmary during each week.

1 volume

**BG/75/2/4****Indoor Admission & Discharge Book**

2 Nov 1919 -26 Feb 1921

Indoor Admission and Discharge Book for Donegal Union Details include names of and numbers for those admitted to the workhouse during the week; whether male or female, aged or infirm, or children; able-bodied or disabled; men or women; working or infirm. Includes dates of admission and discharge or death (in the workhouse.) Also gives statistics on numbers of those in fever hospital or infirmary during each week. 1 volume

**BG/75/2/5****Special Diet and Stimulant Book**

Feb 1919 - Aug 1920

Special Diet and Stimulant Book of Donegal Union workhouse. Lists the articles of food and the Stimulants received by each patient for each week. Signed by Medical Officer and the Clerk George Dunnion.

1 item

**BG/75/2/6****Financial Statement Book Receipts**

July 1919 - 3 Oct 1922

Financial Statement Book - Receipts of Donegal Union. Gives details of Date when lodged; From whom received; Particulars of Receipt; No. of Receipt; Total Amount received; Classification of Receipts - Revenue Account and Loans Account. A monthly analysis is given at the bottom and each page is certified by the Clerk of the Union and by the Chairman of the Board of Guardians. Also included inside the front cover are (2) Paying Orders from the Treasurers of the Union (Ulster Bank, Donegal Branch) to Miss M.J.Cooke as Superannuation. Signed by George Dunnion, the Clerk. Oct 1918 - July 1920 (3) Notification of transfer of money from the County Council to Donegal Union (the last being sent to the Committee of Management of the District and Fever Hospitals, Donegal). Signed by Bernard McFadden. Jan 1920 - Nov 1922. (4) Correspondence from the Chief Secretary's Office (some copies) (5) Correspondence from the Local Government Board.

**BG/75/2/7****Indoor Relief Register**

8 March 1914 - 28 Sep 1924

Details include names of persons; former residences, if any; date; sex; religion; legitimate/illegitimate (in the case of children); age; married/single; former employment; disability, if any; date admitted and discharged or died; numbers of any children in workhouse. Donegal Union is not named anywhere but presumably from the Union as it includes an insert headed Donegal Union, Donegal Dispensary District and the majority of the residents are from Donegal Town and the surrounding area. Signed by P. McLaughlin and Patrick Gillespie among others. The medical officer appears to be Dr. Regan. (2) - (8): Loose Material removed from volume in separate folder includes note from Medical Officer of Donegal Dispensary District re: transfer of patient, handwritten lists of patients admitted, when discharged and cost of maintenance. Residences include Donegal, Mountcharles, Drumbarron.

1 volume.

**BG/75/2/8****Nursing staff in Fever Hospital**

1912 - 1919

Series of correspondence relating to one nurse, Alice Crerand, appointed following resignation of Frances Gallagher. Includes Ms Crerand's application form, letters from Nurse Crerand relating to absences taken and salaries deducted.

10 items

**BG/81****DUNFANAGHY UNION**

**1841 - 1922**

Material relating to Dunfanaghy Board of Guardians, including Minutes.

**BG/81/1****Dunfanaghy Board of Guardian Minutes**

1841 - 1922

Minutes of Dunfanaghy Board of Guardians

**BG/81/1/1**

Minutes: 31 Aug 1841 - 5 Oct 1847

1vol.

**BG/81/1/2**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/3**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/4**

Minutes: 31 Oct 1854 - 15 May 1855

**BG/81/1/5**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/6**

Minutes: 5 Oct 1858 - 1 Feb 1862

1 vol.

**BG/81/1/7**

Minutes: 8 Feb 1862 - 22 April 1865

1 vol.

**BG/81/1/8**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/9**

Minutes: 20 June 1868 - 16 Dec 1871

1 vol.

**BG/81/1/10**

Minutes: 6 Jan 1872 - 17 Oct 1874

1 vol.

**BG/81/1/11**

Minutes: 24 Oct 1874 - 17 April 1875

1 vol.

**BG/81/1/12**

Minutes: 24 April 1875 - 16 Oct 1875  
Rough Minutes also.  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/13**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/14**

Minutes: 22 April 1876 - 26 March 1881  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/15**

Minutes: 2 April 1881 - 27 Oct 1883  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/16**

Minutes: 3 Nov 1883 - 22 May 1886  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/17**

Minutes: 29 May 1886 - 20 Oct 1888  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/18**

Minutes: 27 Oct 1888 - 23 May 1891  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/19**

Minutes: 30 May 1891 - 30 Sep 1893  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/20**

Minutes: 7 Oct 1893 - 29 Sep 1894  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/21**

Minutes: 7 April 1894 - 29 Sep 1894  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/22**

Minutes: 6 Oct 1894 - 23 March 1895  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/23**

Minutes: 30 March 1895 - 21 Sep 1895  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/24**

Minutes: 28 Sep 1895 - 4 April 1896  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/25**

Minutes: 11 April 1896 - 23 July 1898  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/26**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/27**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/28**

Minutes: 5 Aug 1899 - 10 Feb 1900  
1 volume

**BG/81/1/29**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/30**

Minutes: 18 Aug 1900 - 23 Feb 1901  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/31**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/32**

Minutes: 31 Aug 1901 - 8 March 1902

**BG/81/1/33**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/34**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/35**

Minutes: 21 March 1903 - 12 Sep 1903  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/36**

Minutes: 19 Sep 1903 - 19 March 1904

**BG/81/1/37**

Minutes: 19 March 1904 - 17 Sep 1904  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/38**

Minutes: 24 Sep 1904 - 25 March 1905  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/39**

Minutes: 1 April 1905 - 27 May 1905  
Volume mostly empty.  
1 vol.

**BG/81/1/40**

Minutes: 5 June 1905 - 2 Dec 1905

**BG/81/1/41**

Minutes: 9 Dec 1905 - 2 June 1906

**BG/81/1/42**

Minutes: 5 June 1906 - 1 Dec 1906

**BG/81/1/43**

Minutes: 8 Dec 1906 - 1 June 1907

**BG/81/1/44**

Minutes: 5 June 1907 - 30 Nov 1907

**BG/81/1/45**

Minutes: 7 Dec 1907 - 3 June 1908

**BG/81/1/46**

Minutes: 3 June 1908 - 28 Nov 1908

**BG/81/1/47**

Minutes: 5 Dec 1908 - 29 May 1909

Includes the minutes from the 10 June 1911 at the end.

**BG/81/1/48**

Minutes: 3 June 1909 - 27 Nov 1909

**BG/81/1/49**

Minutes: 4 Dec 1909 - 28 May 1910

**BG/81/1/50**

Minutes: 3 June 1910 - 26 Nov 1910

**BG/81/1/51**

Minutes: 3 Dec 1910 - 3 June 1911

**BG/81/1/52**

Minutes: 6 June 1911 - 25 Nov 1911

**BG/81/1/53**

Minutes: 2 Dec 1911 - 25 May 1912

**BG/81/1/54**

Minutes: 5 June 1912 - 23 Nov 1912

**BG/81/1/55**

Minutes: 30 Nov 1912 - 24 May 1913

**BG/81/1/56**

Minutes: 5 June 1913 - 22 Nov 1913

**BG/81/1/57**

Minutes: 29 Nov 1913 - 23 May 1914

**BG/81/1/58**

Minutes: 2 June 1914 - 21 Nov 1914

**BG/81/1/59**

Minutes: 28 Nov 1914 - 22 May 1915

**BG/81/1/60**

Minutes: 29 May 1915 - 6 Nov 1915

**BG/81/1/61**

Minutes: 13 Nov 1915 - 6 May 1916

**BG/81/1/62**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/63**

Minutes: 11 Nov 1916 - 28 April 1917

**BG/81/1/64**

Minutes: 5 May 1917 - 27 Oct 1917

**BG/81/1/65**

Minutes: 3 Nov 1917 - 27 April 1918



**BG/81/1/66**

Minutes: 4 May 1918 - 9 Nov 1918  
(Fewer meetings held).

**BG/81/1/67**

Minutes: 21 Dec 1918 - 16 Oct 1920  
Includes plans for sale of workhouses to coop, July 1919.

**BG/81/1/68**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/81/1/69**

Minutes: 11 June 1921 - 9 Sep 1922  
Last volume of minutes of Board of Guardians for Dunfanaghy. Very sparse in detail. Less than half of this very large volume has been used.

**BG/81/2**

**Dunfanaghy BG Rough Minutes**

1854 - 1896

Rough Minute Book of Dunfanaghy Board of Guardians  
9 volumes

**BG/81/2/1**

Rough Minutes: 31 Oct 1854 - 15 May 1855  
Rough Minute Book of Dunfanaghy Board of Guardians  
1 volume

**BG/81/2/2**

Rough Minutes: 5 Oct 1858 - 1 July 1862  
1 volume

**BG/81/2/3**

Rough Minutes: 8 Feb 1862 - 22 April 1865  
1 volume

**BG/81/2/4**

Rough Minutes: 24 April 1875 - 16 Oct 1875  
1 volume

**BG/81/2/5**

Rough Minutes: 27 Oct 1888 - 23 May 1891  
1 volume

**BG/81/2/6**

Rough Minutes: 7 Oct 1893 - 31 March 1895  
1 volume

**BG/81/2/7**

Rough Minutes: 6 Oct 1894 - 23 March 1895  
1 volume

**BG/81/2/8**

Rough Minutes: 30 March 1895 - 21 Sep 1895  
1 volume

**BG/81/2/9**

Rough Minutes: 28 Sep 1895 - 4 April 1896  
1 volume

**BG/81/3**

**Dunfanaghy Union Other Material**

1896 - 1922

Material, other than Minutes, relating to Dunfanaghy Poor Law Union

**BG/81/3/1**

**Correspondence**

1914 - 1915

File of correspondence with Dunfanaghy Poor Law Union, including correspondence from the Local Government Board, Edenderry Union, and a letter from New Zealand requesting a copy of a birth cert. Also list of guardians as of 2nd June 1914, with their addresses (would also be rural district councillors).

6 items

**BG/81/3/2**

**Labourers Acts 1883 - 1885 Minute Book**

4 Dec 1897 - 5 June 1906

Labourers Minute Book from Dunfanaghy Union. Gives the Minutes of the proceedings of the Committee acting as the Rural Sanitary Authority under the Labourers' Acts 46 & 47 Vic. cap. 60 and 48 & 49

Vic., cap 77. Mainly deal with letters from the Local Government Board and the building of houses under the acts.

1 volume

**BG/81/3/3**

**Treasurers Receipt and Payment Book**

1 Oct 1910 - 30 June 1922

The Belfast Banking Company Ltd. in account with the Board of Guardians of the Dunfanaghy Union. Details include date, name, amount and balances.

1 volume

Includes a loose list of accounts 1913 - 1916, 3 pages.

**BG/81/3/4**

**Medical Officer's Report Book**

7 Feb 1870 - 31 July 1899

Medical Officer's Report Book for Dunfanaghy Union and Dunfanaghy Dispensary District. Details include Date; Time of Arrival at the Dispensary; Time of Departure from the Dispensary; Report on any matter requiring attention from the Committee, each comment is signed by the Medical Officer and one comment includes a request for annual leave by the Medical Officer. Dr C Brooke Wolsely was the chief medical officer attending the dispensary in Dunfanaghy from the 1870's on, there are also references to a Dr Joyce and a Dr Cary.

1 volume

**BG/81/3/5**

**Letter Book**

Nov 1904 - Sep 1933

Letter Book of Dunfanaghy Poor Law Union. Letters mainly signed by Jas. Boyle, Clerk. Some original letters remain.

1 volume

**BG/81/3/6**

**Indoor Relief Register**

[1882] 1891 - Aug 1915

Indoor Relief Register for Dunfanaghy workhouse, giving names and status of persons, whether married or single, age, previous abode (generally gives district or townland); religion, employment or calling, whether disable, date discharged from workhouse or died.

1 item.

**BG/81/3/7**

**Attendance Book of Guardians**

2 June 1902 - 2 May 1925

Attendance register with annual summary of attendances of the members of the Board of Guardians of Dunfanaghy Union. Gives signatures of members attending each meeting. Gives the date of each meeting and if its a Special or Quarterly meeting. COULD BE RDC MEMBERS ALSO.

1 item.

Stamped Dunfanaghy Union and District Council.

### **BG/81/3/8**

#### **Ticket for dispensary**

19 March 1914

Stub of ticket for attendance at dispensary in Dunfanaghy Union. States 'you are hereby directed to afford Medical Advice and any necessary medicine to' [ ], 'aged 18', from Massanass. Signed by [ ], 'Guardian, Relieving Officer, or Warden, as the case may be.'

### **BG/81/3/9**

#### **Print of Dunfanaghy workhouse**

c.1960

Undated black and white print of two dilapidated Dunfanaghy workhouse buildings, showing desolate landscape, sea, and gate between the two buildings. Photograph supplied by the Irish Architectural Archive. Copyright: Buildings of Ireland photograph.

1 item.

## **BG/92**

### **GLENTIES UNION**

**1841- 1922**

Archives relating to Glenties Board of Guardians, including Minutes.

### **BG/92/1**

#### **Glenties Board of Guardian Minutes**

1840 - 1922

Minutes of Glenties Board of Guardians: BG/92/1/1 - BG/92/1/84

**BG/92/1/1**

Minutes: 24 Sep 1841 - 28 Jan 1848  
Famine years.

**BG/92/1/2**

Minutes: 4 Feb 1848 - 20 Oct 1848

**BG/92/1/3**

Minutes: 23 Sep 1848 - 2 June 1849

**BG/92/1/4**

Minutes: 9 June 1849 - 5 April 1850

**BG/92/1/5**

Minutes: 12 April 1850 - 29 Nov 1850

**BG/92/1/6**

Minutes: 6 Dec 1850 - 27 June 1851

**BG/92/1/7**

Minutes: 4 July 1851 - 23 Jan 1852

**BG/92/1/8**

Minutes: 30 Jan 1852 - 20 Aug 1852

**BG/92/1/9**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/92/1/10**

Minutes: March 1853 - Sep 1853  
25 March 1853 - 2 Sep 1853

**BG/92/1/11**

Minutes: 9 Sep 1853 - 17 Feb 1854

**BG/92/1/12**

Minutes: 24 Feb 1854 - 4 Aug 1854

**BG/92/1/13**

Minutes: 11 Aug 1854 - 26 Jan 1855

**BG/92/1/14**

Minutes: 2 Feb 1855 - 27 July 1855

**BG/92/1/15**

Minutes: 3 Aug 1855 - 18 Jan 1856

**BG/92/1/16**

Minutes: 25 Jan 1856 - 18 July 1856

**BG/92/1/17**

Minutes: MISSING

BG/92/1/18

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/92/1/19**

Minutes: 7 Aug 1857 - 29 Jan 1858

**BG/92/1/20**

Minutes: 5 Feb 1858 - 30 July 1858

**BG/92/1/21**

Minutes: 6 Aug 1858 - 28 Jan 1859

**BG/92/1/22**

Minutes: 4 Feb 1859 - 29 July 1859

**BG/92/1/23**

Minutes: 5 Aug 1859 - 27 Jan 1860

**BG/92/1/24**

Minutes: 3 Feb 1860 - 3 Aug 1860

**BG/92/1/25**

Minutes: 10 Aug 1860 - 1 Feb 1861

**BG/92/1/26**

Minutes: 8 Feb 1861 - 2 Aug 1861

**BG/92/1/27**

Minutes: 9 Aug 1861 - 31 Jan 1862

**BG/92/1/28**

Minutes: 7 Feb 1862 - 1 Aug 1862

**BG/92/1/29**

Minutes: 8 Aug 1862 - 30 Jan 1863

**BG/92/1/30**

Minutes: 6 Feb 1863 - 31 July 1863

**BG/92/1/31**

Minutes: 7 Aug 1863 - 29 Jan 1864

**BG/92/1/32**

Minutes: 5 Feb 1864 - 29 July 1864

**BG/92/1/33**

Minutes: 5 Aug 1864 - 27 Jan 1865

**BG/92/1/34**

Minutes: 3 Feb 1865 - 28 July 1865

**BG/92/1/35**

Minutes: 4 Aug 1865 - 26 Jan 1866

**BG/92/1/36**

Minutes: 2 Feb 1866 - 27 July 1866

**BG/92/1/37**

Minutes: 3 Aug 1866 - 25 Jan 1867

**BG/92/1/38**

Minutes: 1 Feb 1867 - 26 July 1867

**BG/92/1/39**

Minutes: 2 Aug 1867 - 24 Jan 1868

**BG/92/1/40**

Minutes: 31 Jan 1868 - 22 Jan 1869

**BG/92/1/41**

Minutes: 29 Jan 1869 - 3 Dec 1869

**BG/92/1/42**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/92/1/43**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/92/1/44**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/92/1/45**

Minutes: 25 Oct 1872 - 25 July 1873

**BG/92/1/46**

Minutes: 1 Aug 1873 - 16 Oct 1874

**BG/92/1/47**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/92/1/48**

Minutes: 19 Nov 1875 - 6 Oct 1876

**BG/92/1/49**

Minutes: 13 Oct 1876 - 14 Sep 1877

**BG/92/1/50**

Minutes: 21 Sep 1877 - 13 Sep 1878

**BG/92/1/51**

Minutes: 20 Sep 1878 - 2 April 1880

**BG/92/1/52**

Minutes: 9 April 1880 - 9 Sep 1881

**BG/92/1/53**

Minutes: 16 Sep 1881 - 13 Oct 1882

**BG/92/1/54**

Minutes: 20 Oct 1882 - 28 Mar 1884

**BG/92/1/55**

Minutes: 11 April 1884 - 11 Sep 1885

**BG/92/1/56**

Minutes: 18 Sep 1885 - 3 Sep 1886

**BG/92/1/57**

Minutes: 10 Sep 1886 - 9 Sep 1887

**BG/92/1/58**

Minutes: 16 Sep 1887 - 21 Sep 1888

**BG/92/1/59**

Minutes: MISSING



**BG/92/1/60**

Minutes: 2 Aug 1889 - 4 Dec 1891

**BG/92/1/61**

Minutes: 11 Dec 1891 - 11 Nov 1892

**BG/92/1/62**

Minutes: 18 Nov 1892 - 29 Sep 1893

**BG/92/1/63**

Minutes: 6 Oct 1893 - 26 July 1895

**BG/92/1/64**

Minutes: 2 Aug 1895 - 12 June 1896

**BG/92/1/65**

Minutes: 19 June 1896 - 5 March 1897

**BG/92/1/66**

Minutes:

12 March 1897 - 9 Oct 1897

**BG/92/1/67**

Minutes: 16 Oct 1897 - 11 June 1898

**BG/92/1/68**

Minutes: 18 June 1898 - 13 May 1899

**BG/92/1/69**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/92/1/70**

Minutes: 17 Feb 1900 - 5 Jan 1901

**BG/92/1/71**

Minutes: 19 Jan 1901 - 4 Jan 1902

**BG/92/1/72**

Minutes: 18 Jan 1902 - 27 Dec 1902

**BG/92/1/73**

Minutes: 10 Jan 1903 - 5 Dec 1903

**BG/92/1/74**

Minutes: 26 Dec 1903 - 12 Nov 1904

**BG/92/1/75**

Minutes: 26 Nov 1904 - 11 Nov 1905

**BG/92/1/76**

Minutes: 25 Nov 1905 - 8 Dec 1906

**BG/92/1/77**

Minutes: 22 Dec 1906 - 23 Nov 1907

**BG/92/1/78**

Minutes: 7 Dec 1907 - 16 Jan 1909

**BG/92/1/79**

Minutes: 30 Jan 1909 - 12 Feb 1910

**BG/92/1/80**

Minutes: 26 Feb 1910 - 11 Feb 1911

**BG/92/1/81**

Minutes: 25 Feb 1911 - 26 April 1913

**BG/92/1/82**

Minutes: 10 May 1913 - 8 July 1916

**BG/92/1/83**

Minutes: 22 July 1916 - 29 May 1920

**BG/92/1/84**

Minutes: 11 June 1920 - 3 May 1922

**BG/92/2**

**Glenties BG Rough Minutes**

**1848 - 1850**

**BG/92/2/1**

Rough Minutes: 16 Sep 1848 - 26 May 1849

**BG/92/2/2**

Rough Minutes: 9 June 1849 - 30 March 1850

**BG/92/3**

**Glenties Union Other Material**

### **1851- 1923**

Material other than Minutes of the Glenties Poor Law Union.  
8 items

#### **BG/92/3/1**

##### **Register of Persons admitted & discharged**

31 Dec 1851 - 17 Sep 1866

Register of Persons admitted to and discharged from Glenties workhouse. Gives details of inmates, including name, age and sex, married, single, adult or child, with children, condition on entry to workhouse (for example, 'clean', 'ragged and dirty'), when discharged or died.

1 volume

#### **BG/92/3/2**

##### **Register of Persons admitted & discharged**

29 Nov 1884 - 23 Dec 1895

Register of persons admitted and discharged from workhouse. Gives details of inmates, including name, age and sex, married, single, adult or child, with children, condition on entry to workhouse (for example, 'clean', 'ragged and dirty'), when discharged or died.

1 volume

#### **BG/92/3/3**

##### **Indoor Relief Register**

28 March 1899 - 1 Oct 1907

Indoor Relief Register, giving names, previous residence and status of persons (for example, 'begging', 'destitute').

1 volume

#### **BG/92/3/4**

##### **Indoor Relief Register**

30 May 1914 - 10 March 1921

Indoor Relief Register, giving names and status of persons, ('casual', 'infirm'), married or single, age, previous abode; date discharged from workhouse or died. Encloses (loose) Weekly Abstract of clothing, giving quantity of clothing, contractor, price.(1)

1 item

#### **BG/92/3/5**

##### **Fever hospital: admissions & discharges**

5 April 1913 - 22 April 1922

'Separate Register' of persons admitted to and discharged from the fever hospital of Glenties Workhouse and loans issued. Gives names, addresses, religion, sex, whether male, female, child or adult, employment (e.g., 'farmer', 'knitter' etc), nature of illness, amount of loan issued, arrears due and if irrecoverable. Loose items not removed (notes).

1 volume

**BG/92/3/6**

**Treasurer's Pass Book**

30 Sep 1912 - 7 Sep 1921

Treasurer's Pass Book and General Account of Glenties Union with The Ulster Bank, Glenties. Includes date of lodgement, by whom lodged, particulars of lodgement, amount lodged, total, date of payment, name of payee, paying order; paying order number; amount paid, and total.

1 volume

**BG/92/3/7**

**Accounts**

c. 1900

(Undated)

(1) General Tenders for Workhouse Supplies, mainly Clothing and Provisions. Gives names, address and price per amount. (2) A list of sums authorised by the Treasurer for payment. Details include Paying Order No.; To whom payable; postal address; Amount; For.

**BG/92/3/8**

Notice for supply of turf: Glenties

10 June 1919

Request by Glenties Union for Tenders for the supply of approx. 2,500 boxes of Turf at 3 shillings per box.

1 item

**BG/92/3/9**

**Annual Estimate and Demand Book**

7 Jan 1905 - 13 Dec 1922

Annual Estimate and Demand on County Council. A set of tables giving the estimated liabilities and expenditure of the union of Glenties, the estimated revenue of the Board of Guardians and the calculation of the expenses of the Board for the next financial year. Gives the projected expenditure on General Charges and on Repayment of Loans; funds to be transferred by County Council to the Union Treasurer - the Ulster Bank. Signed by Union Clerk and dated. In 1922 the Treasurer becomes the Omagh branch of the Munster and Leinster Bank and in 1923 it changes from Board of Guardians to

National Benefit Committee. Loose item: 1922 Estimate and Demand, signed, and with the seal of the Glenties RDC; draft Estimates and Demands dated January 1922.

4 items

**BG/92/3/10**

**Tenders for workhouse supplies**

1880 - c1900

Details articles requested; quantity; price; and supplier. Includes proposal by James Musgrave, Belfast, to supply potatoes to the Board.

2 items.

**BG/92/3/11**

**Letter re: dietary in workhouse**

22 Nov 1849

Letter from Secretary, Poor Law Commissioners, Dublin, to Clerk, Glenties Union, concerning proposed changes in dietary in Glenties workhouse. States that the 'Commissioners have communicated with their medical inspector Mr Phelan who is also of opinion, that the sameness of the proposed dietary is objectionable. He states that stirabout three times a week with buttermilk each time, tends to cause diarrhoea, especially if the Indian meal be not well boiled.' Suggests bread and milk be added to the diet.

4 pp

**BG/92/3/12**

**History of Water Supply**

1892

Handwritten notes on an enquiry into the history of water supply, e.g., 'specification unnecessary. Contract illegal as committee appointed did not act or approve- dug for water under church. Water not tested as guardians contracted. When tested impure unfit for drinking...'

Lists names of individuals.

2 pp

**BG/92/3/13**

**Receipt and other financial documents**

1884 - 1885

Receipt from Patrick Dunleavy, for rent due from November 1884 to March 1885. Other notes.

5 items.

**BG/92/3/14**

**Reports on drugs used in dispensaries**

7 Oct 1902 - 29 Aug 1904

Carbon copies of forms from the Government and Public Analyst's Laboratory, (Robert Barklie), 25 Fountain Street, Belfast, reporting on samples of drugs forwarded for analysis from Glenties Union, Glenties, Carrick, Dungloe No.1, Dungloe No. 2, Ardara, Doochary, Glenties workhouse and Killybegs Dispensaries, giving name of medicine and chemical details etc. Signed by officer of Laboratory.

37 pp

**BG/92/3/15**

**Medical Officer's Reports: water & sewers**

13 Sep 1882

Two brief reports by the Medical Officer of the Killybegs dispensary district. (1) Reports that the water used by the inhabitants of Sprout Street, Killybegs, is injurious to health owing to the drainage from New Row getting mixed with it' and recommends that new pipes be laid down. (2) Reports that 'a nuisance injurious to health... at front of New Row, Killybegs, from want of a proper sewer' and recommends that a new sewer be made.

2 pp

**BG/92/3/16**

**Old Age Pensions Acts: Notice**

c. 1910

Insert removed from BG/92/1/83d: form re: Old Age Pensions Act, 1908- 1911, for Glenties 'station' (torn in half). Signed Michael McNelis. Form is largely blank.

1 page

**BG/92/3/17**

**Letter re: Filthy condition of Glenties Street**

24 Aug 1881

Removed from BG/92/1/52. Letter from A. Hill, Clerk of Glenties Union on behalf of the Guardians acting as Sanitary Authority, complaining about the filthy condition of the ?? at the side of the street in Glenties.

1item

**BG/92/3/18**

### **Dietary Scale of Glenties Union Workhouse**

Undated

Gives details of the diet followed by healthy inmates, fever hospital inmates and workhouse hospital inmates. Also lists officers' weekly rations.

1 item

### **BG/92/3/19**

#### **Report of an Adoption**

20 Aug 1903

Report to the Local Government Board by the Clerk of the Union on the occurrence of a case of Adoption of an Orphan or Deserted Child under the control of the Guardians. Child is called Susan Blain. Details given include Date, Name, Sex, Age and Religion of Child adopted; the Name and Address, Sex, Age and Religion of the Foster-Parent and Motive or alleged motive for the adoption. In this case it was to give this child their property as they have no family of their own. Signed by Clerk of the Union.

1 item

### **BG/97**

#### **INISHOWEN UNION**

**1840 - 1922**

Material including minutes.

Approx 65 vols.

### **BG/97/1**

#### **Inishowen Board of Guardian Minutes**

**1840 - 1922**

61 volumes

### **BG/97/1/1**

Minutes: 9 Nov 1840 - 1 Sep 1845

Minutes of the first meeting of the Board and thereafter.

1 vol.

### **BG/97/1/2**

Minutes: 15 Sep 1845 - 17 March 1848

1 vol.

**BG/97/1/3**

Minutes: 24 March 1848 - 5 Nov 1849  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/4**

Minutes: 12 Nov 1849 - 15 Mar 1852  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/5**

Minutes: 22 March 1852 - 3 July 1854  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/6**

Minutes: 31 July 1854 - 12 Jan 1857  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/7**

Minutes: 9 Feb 1857 - 5 March 1860  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/8**

Minutes: 19 March 1860 - 10 Nov 1862  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/9**

Minutes: 17 Nov 1862 - 2 Jan 1865  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/10**

Minutes: 9 Jan 1865 - 1 April 1867  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/11**

Minutes: 8 April 1867 - 11 May 1868  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/12**

Minutes: 18 May 1868 - 31 May 1869  
1 vol.



**BG/97/1/13**

Minutes: 7 June 1869 - 23 May 1870  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/14**

Minutes: 6 June 1870 - 15 May 1871  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/15**

Minutes: 22 May 1871 - 1 July 1872  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/16**

Minutes: 8 July 1872 - 30 June 1873  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/17**

Minutes: 7 July 1873 - 27 July 1874  
1 vol.

Pasted into inside rear of volume is letter from Local Government Board to Board of Guardians, concerning Warrants of Attorney to Confess Judgment under the Debtors' Act, 1872, 14 February 1874.

**BG/97/1/18**

Minutes: 3 Aug 1874 - 19 July 1875  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/19**

Minutes: 26 July 1875 - 17 July 1876  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/20**

Minutes: 24 July 1876 - 23 July 1877  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/21**

Minutes: 30 July 1877 - 19 Aug 1878  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/22**

Minutes: 26 Aug 1878 - 18 Aug 1879  
1 vol.

**BG/97/1/23**

Minutes: 25 Aug 1879 - 9 Aug 1880

**BG/97/1/24**

Minutes: 14 Aug 1880 - 8 Aug 1881

**BG/97/1/25**

Minutes: 15 Aug 1881 - 7 Aug 1882

**BG/97/1/26**

Minutes: 14 Aug 1882 - 12 Feb 1883

**BG/97/1/27**

Minutes: 19 Feb 1883 - 27 Aug 1883

**BG/97/1/28**

Minutes: 3 Sep 1883 - 8 Sep 1884

**BG/97/1/29**

Minutes: 13 Sep 1884 - 7 Sep 1885

**BG/97/1/30**

Minutes: 14 Sep 1885 - 18 Oct 1886

**BG/97/1/31**

Minutes: 1 Nov 1886 - 19 Dec 1887

**BG/97/1/32**

Minutes: 26 Dec 1887 - 20 May 1889

**BG/97/1/33**

Minutes: 27 May 1889 - 26 January 1891

**BG/97/1/34**

Minutes: 2 Feb 1891 - 26 Sep 1892

**BG/97/1/35**

Minutes: 1 Oct 1892 - 11 June 1894

**BG/97/1/36**

Minutes: 18 June 1894 - 16 Sep 1895

**BG/97/1/37**

Minutes: 23 Sep 1895 - 15 Feb 1897

**BG/97/1/38**

Minutes: 1 March 1897 - 1 August 1898

**BG/97/1/39**

Minutes: Aug 1898 - 12 June 1899

Papers removed; re: Carndonagh water supply RDC Carndonagh.  
Second half of volume is empty.

**BG/97/1/40**

Minutes: April 1899 - July 1900

1 April 1899 - 2

July 1900

**BG/97/1/41**

Minutes: 9 July 1900 - 8 July 1901

**BG/97/1/42**

Minutes: 22 July 1901 - 30 June 1902

**BG/97/1/43**

Minutes: 7 July 1902 - 14 Sep 1903

**BG/97/1/44**

Minutes: 5 Oct 1903 - 13 Mar 1905

**BG/97/1/45**

Minutes: 3 April 1905 - 23 July 1906

**BG/97/1/46**

Minutes: 30 July 1906 - 6 Jan 1908

**BG/97/1/47**

Minutes: 13 Jan 1908 - 6 Sep 1909

**BG/97/1/48**

Minutes: 13 Sep 1909 - 12 June 1911

**BG/97/1/49**

Minutes: 26 June 1911 - 16 June 1913

**BG/97/1/50**

Minutes: 7 July 1913 - 12 Jan 1914

**BG/97/1/51**

Minutes: 26 Jan 1914 - 3 Aug 1914

**BG/97/1/52**

Minutes: 10 Aug 1914 - 25 Jan 1915

Includes endorsement of letter from Local Government Board facilitating those who want to join the British Army (First World War.) 12 September 1914. Includes report by district inspector on workhouse school, 16 November 1914. Includes motions regarding assistance to Belgian refugees, 26 October 1914. Includes presentations of the Punishment Book and warnings issued to inmates over misbehaviour.

1 volume.

**BG/97/1/53**

Minutes: 1 Feb 1915 - 23 Aug 1915

**BG/97/1/54**

Minutes: 30 Aug 1915 - 6 Mar 1916

**BG/97/1/55**

Minutes: 13 Mar 1916 - 11 Sep 1916

These minutes include a motion from the board to the government not to exclude Ulster from a Home Rule settlement; and to withdraw martial law and release deported prisoners (following 1916 Rising). (12 June 1916 and 3 July 1916). Minutes also include information on boarded out children, for example, Unity McDaid. Also Eliza Anne Friel, aged eight, from Clonmany, described as 'dumb not deaf' to be sent to Catholic Institution for Deaf and Dumb in Dublin.

1 volume.

**BG/97/1/56**

Minutes: 2 Oct 1916 - 28 May 1917

**BG/97/1/57**

Minutes: 1 June 1917 - 4 Feb 1918

**BG/97/1/58**

Minutes: 11 Feb 1918 - 6 Jan 1919

**BG/97/1/59**

Minutes: 13 January 1919 - 10 Nov 1919

**BG/97/1/60**

Minutes: Nov 1919 - Nov 1920  
24 Nov 1919 - 8  
Nov 1920

**BG/97/1/61**

Minutes: 29 Nov 1920 - 29 May 1922

**BG/97/2**

**Inishowen Board of Guardian Rough Minutes, 1850.**

**Rough minutes**

1 volume

**BG/97/2/1**

Rough Minute Book: 11 May 1850 - 28 Dec 1850

As above.

1 volume

**BG/97/3**

**Inishowen Board of Guardian Other Material**

**19th century**

Material other than minutes for Board of Guardians, Inishowen, and particularly for Carndonagh workhouse.

**BG/97/3/1**

**Register of persons admitted & discharged**

5 October 1843 - 17 September 1849

Carndonagh workhouse, Inishowen: Register of persons admitted to and discharged from Glenties workhouse, giving the names of those admitted, whether male or female; their occupation, e.g., 'beggars'; date admitted; townland from; date discharged/born or died. Dates above include only dates of admission. Does not include later dates given for when inmates left workhouse or died there.

1 volume

**BG/97/3/2**

**Register of persons admitted & discharged**

17 September 1849 - 21 February 1859

Carndonagh Workhouse: Details include names, former residence, religion, sex, single or married or child; former employment; when discharged/ died. At rear of register, lists of children hired out gives details including age of child, nature of hiring (e.g., 'looking after cattle', 'herding'), to whom hired, from May 1853 to February 1859.  
1 volume.

**BG/97/3/3**

**Indoor Relief Register 1899 - 1907**

9 June 1899 - 15 March 1907

Carndonagh workhouse: Gives names of those admitted, whether male or female; occupation, e.g., 'beggars'; date admitted; address, sex; married or single; townland from; date discharged/ died.  
1 volume.

**BG/97/3/4**

**Indoor Relief Register 1907 - 1911**

16 March 1907 - 9 September 1911

Carndonagh workhouse: Gives names of those admitted, whether male or female; occupation, e.g., 'beggars'; date admitted; address, sex; married or single; townland from; date discharged/ died.  
1 volume.

**BG/97/3/5**

**Indoor Relief Register 1911 - 1918**

11 September 1911 - 15 April 1918

Indoor Relief Register for Carndonagh workhouse: Gives names of those admitted, whether male or female; occupation, e.g., 'beggars'; date admitted; disability or illness if any (e.g., 'diphtheria', 'sickly', address, sex; married or single; townland from; whether taken to hospital; date discharged/ died. At rear of volume, is short list of patients for whom an ambulance was sent. List includes name of patient, residence and date, from 1916- 1917.  
1 volume.

**BG/97/3/6**

**Accounts, Carndonagh workhouse**

Dec 1892 - 1925

Volume of Accounts, Carndonagh workhouse, 1892 - 1925 Goods ordered from suppliers by Board of Guardians for Carndonagh Workhouse. Suppliers include bread contractor, potato contractor, straw contractor, accounts with individuals, with Londonderry Sentinel, Derry Journal, with Inishowen Rural District Council, with 'tinsmith', with 'wine and whiskey contractor', for 'conveyance of

lunatics to Letterkenny'. Enclosures, letters, removed and listed separately.

1 volume

### **BG/97/3/7**

#### **Day Book, Carndonagh workhouse**

13 July 1907 - 26 June 1909

Day Book for Carndonagh, Inishowen Workhouse, giving date of receipt of goods, name of persons or firm supplying goods, particulars ('42 qts sweetmilk', '9 lbs butter' etc); provision account, clothing account, farm account, burial account and other account, date when invoice was certified for payment; initials of officer certifying payment.

1 volume

### **BG/97/3/8**

#### **Outdoor Relief Register**

10 October 1908 - 27 May 1911

BG/97/3/8(1): Outdoor Relief Admission and Discharge Volume for Carndonagh Workhouse: listing admissions and when discharged or died. Details under admission include name, persons permanently disabled, widows with two or more legitimate children, persons temporarily disabled, persons relieved, orphaned or deserted children, value of relief ordered or allowed by Board of Guardians, type of relief-whether money or in kind and for what time allowed. Under discharged and died details as above except lists total number discharged or died and date of discharge or death, in place of type of relief. In some cases names Relief Officer.

1 volume

BG/97/3/8(2) - (11): statistics and summaries for relief supplied by workhouse.

### **BG/97/3/9**

#### **Moville Waterworks**

1880 - 1896

(1) Letter of petition, signed by 36 ratepayers of Moville, to Inishowen Board of Guardians, complaining about the engineer appointed to carry out Moville waterworks (1 July 1880). (2) Report by Clerk of Works on Moville Waterworks and relationship with engineer engaged on this project (Mr Nolan) (5 July 1882). (2) Application by Board of Guardians, acting as the Rural Sanitary authority, for sanction from Local Government Board for a loan of £2,000 to carry out waterworks in Bunrana (21 January 1884). (3) Account submitted by James Conroy, Londonderry, in connection with Bunrana Waterworks Extension (June 1896).

6 items: BG/97/3/9(1) -(6)

**BG/97/3/10****Rates Estimate**

7 Sep 1874 - 29 Sep 1875

Printed estimate of rates for year ending 29 September 1875, by electoral division. Details average number of paupers relieved in each division in previous year, numbers present in workhouse, estimated numbers for following year and estimated expenditure.

1 page

**BG/97/3/11****Transfer of patients to Ireland**

1881 - 1882

Two Orders to Glasgow City Inspector of Poor for the Parish for Removal to Ireland, to Inishowen Union, of two individuals, on 30 December 1881, John Bradley (or Broadley), aged 50, born in parish of Fahan Lower, Inishowen; and on 31 March 1882, Mary Gray Cairns, born in Fahan, aged 42. Both Orders attach Heads of Inquiry, detailing method and date of transfer, where pauper was born, how long resided in Scotland.

4 pp: BG/97/3/11(1) - (4)

**BG/97/3/12****Print of staff of Inishowen Workhouse**

c.1900

Blurred black and white photographic print of 7 members of the staff of the Inishowen Union workhouse, four men and three women, one sitting, the rest standing outside the front door of the workhouse. Date c.1900. Copyright Mrs MacCowell (?), Carndonagh. Photograph supplied by Irish Architectural Archive.

1 item

**BG/97/3/13****Print of Inishowen Board of Guardians**

c.1900

Black and white print of the board of guardians for Inishowen Union - twenty men, seated or standing, probably in front of the workhouse. Photograph supplied by the Irish Architectural Archive. Copyright: Mrs. MacCowell (?), Carndonagh.

1 item.

**BG/97/3/14****Letter to Board of Guardians**



14 September 1868

Handwritten letter from Ellen Doherty, Carndonagh, to [the Inishowen Board of Guardians], proposing to supply the workhouse with bread for twelve months. Proposes William Doherty of Ballylosky and Philip Doherty of [Magherand?], as her sureties.

1 page

**BG/97/3/15**

**Loose material**

c.1860 - 1870

Material recovered from volumes of minutes of the Board. Includes envelope addressed to Clerk of the Union with stamp attached (26 June 1875 minute); checklists; form containing printed list of elected and ex-officio officers (taken from Bg/97/1/22) and printed checklist of items relating to Board business.

7 pp

**BG/97/3/16**

**Letter from Belfast Bank (Derry) to Board**

20 December 1840

Handwritten letter removed from early volume of minutes of Board, from manager of Belfast Bank, Derry branch, to Patrick Farren, Clerk of the Union, Carndonagh, stating that 'with reference to the resolution of the Board of Guardians [of 14 December 1840] which you transmitted to me on the 15th December I have to inform you that we will not charge the union more than 5 per cent of what advances they (?) may regain above £200, with the understanding that the Guardians become accountable to the branch for the same in[ ]...' Original seal has been removed or has fallen off letter.

2 pp

**BG/97/3/17**

**Letter from Local Government Board**

23 December 1915

Typescript letter from Secretary, Local Government Board, Dublin, to Clerk, Inishowen Union, referring to minutes of Inishowen Union of 13 December, stating that the LG Board have sanctioned payment of two shillings a day to Mary Doherty as temporary seamstress, for a period of eight or ten week, and also allowances to Nurses McDermott, Rice and O'Donnell.

1 page.

**BG/97/3/18**

**Buncrana Waterworks**

30 May 1896

Letter from James Conroy, 14 Clooney Terrace, Londonderry, to R. Moore, Clerk of Inishowen Union, stating that he is sending him two certificates as the final certs for the two last extensions of the Buncrana Waterworks. States that the certificates clear the Guardians of all claims arising out of them. Discusses problems with contractor named Kavanagh who had not repaired damage done to roads during work and subsequent withdrawal of money owed to him. Another contractor, Mitchell of Buncrana, wrote to Kavanagh threatening proceedings if he did not fix the road at once.

1 item; 3 pp

**BG/97/3/19**

**Moville dispensary, rent**

7 October 1896

Letter from R. Moore, Clerk, Inishowen Union, to [ ] stating that he is enclosing cheque for one half year's rent for Moville Dispensary. Writes of the arrangements with regard to letting the house for the dispensary, with Mr McKinney. Asks that addressee speaks to Dr O'Reilly about the matter.

1 item; 2 pp.

**BG/97/3/20**

**Order for transfer of patient to workhouse**

21 November 1911

Form of Petition and Complaint of John Mitchell, Inspector of the Poor for the Parish of Govan Combination, Scotland, in relation to transfer of a man born in Carndonagh but now residing at Govan Poor house, back to Carndonagh as he has not 'acquired a settlement in any parish in Scotland. Form includes deposition of this man, stating that he is 53 years of age, that he left Ireland 20 years ago and has had no settled place of residence since; that he has resided for short periods, never longer than three months 'in almost every town in Scotland.' States that he entered Govan workhouse on 27th September 1911 and that he cannot work. States that he wants to go to Ireland. This deposition is signed by John Craigie, Subsheriff of county of Lamark. Rear of document is an Order for the Removal of above man to Carndonagh workhouse.

1 item; 4 pp.

**BG/97/3/21**

**Transfer of patient to Carndonagh workhouse**

25 April 1917

Form of Petition and Complaint of John Mitchell, Inspector of the Poor for the Parish of Govan Combination, Scotland, in relation to transfer of a man born in Carndonagh but now residing at Govan Poor house, back to Carndonagh as he has not 'acquired a settlement in any parish in Scotland. Form includes deposition of man, stating that he is 44 years of age, that he left Ireland 16 years ago and has had no settled place of residence since; that he has resided in Kintillock, Aberdeen, Kinlocleven and other places including various Glasgow Model Lodging Houses but never for longer than 9 months at a time in any one place. States that he was twice previously chargeable to Govan parish, both times.

**BG/97/3/22**

**Telegram re scarlatina patient**

c.1900

Telegram from Bunrana [dispensary] to Master of [Carndonagh] workhouse, stating that he is sending a [person with a] case of scarlatina to the workhouse. From McCormick. Undated.

1 page.

**BG/97/3/23**

**Tickets for admission to workhouse**

18 - 19 December 1908

Three tickets described as Form 15 'Check book of admissions to the workhouse (to be used for Admission made on orders of the Relieving officer). Addressed to Master of Workhouse at Carndonagh. For admission of 1- Cassie McDavitt on 18 December 1908; signed W M C[], 'Relieving Officer'; 2- Ann Kelly, for admission on 19 December 1908; signed J Doherty, 'Master'; 3- Thomas Broghan, aged 27 on 19th December 1908, signed D McCormick, Relieving Officer.

3 items.

**BG/97/3/24**

**CLOSED**

2 items.

**BG/97/3/25**

**Miscellaneous material**

c.1917

Notes and annotated envelopes relating to Inishowen Poor Law Union and Carndonagh Workhouse. Names mentioned include Nurse McDermott, D Doherty; Dr McCormick, Denis Doherty; Madge Quigley.

7 pp

**BG/97/3/26****Minutes of Moville Medical Committee**

24 June 1886

Minutes of meeting at Mr A. Baird's House, Moville. Present included Ernest Cochrane, Reverend j. Bell, Rev. Mr Swanzy, R. Anderson, E. Maturin, A. Baird, James McCandless, John McClelland, James Marshall, Cabry; Isaac Elkin, Tremorne. Resolution passed that a 'list of gentlemen' be asked to form a Medical Committee for Moville Medical Relief Dispensary: Col Lyle, Sir Robert Montgomery, KCB; Colonel Dysart; Richard Cochrane, JP, Springhill; Richard Anderson; Rev J. Bell, Rev R Craig; Rev T.B. Swanzy; Rev J Irvine; Rev T Forde; Pierce Crosbie, JP; John McClelland; Isaac Elkin; James McCandless; Abram McCandless; Captain Ernest Cochrane, RN; R. Lepper, JP; Ed Maturin; Rev Canon Stack; A Baird. Other resolutions include formation of a Hospital Sunday fund; issuing of medical relief tickets in each district by the clergy of the 'Protestant denominations'. Includes copy of letter from Dr H. Sproule to the Committee, thanking them for the offer requesting him to remain in Moville at a guaranteed remuneration of £200 for one year. Minutes of sub-committee of Moville Medical Committee on 25 June 1886, held at the dispensary. Dr Newell was requested to name a Scale of Fees for publishing and distribution among members of Dispensary. Chairman of committees is Ernest Cochrane. Hon. Secretary is A. Baird.

1 item; 7 pp.

Printed document

**BG/109****LETTERKENNY UNION****1840 - 1923**

Material relating to Letterkenny Union/Board of Guardians, including minutes of meetings, registers and miscellaneous material.

**BG/109/1****Letterkenny Board of Guardian Minutes****1841 - 1923**

Minutes of the Board of Guardians of Letterkenny Union.

82 volumes

**BG/109/1/1**

Minutes: 31 July 1841 - 15 May 1846

Includes minutes relating to building of Letterkenny workhouse; famine period etc.

**BG/109/1/2**

Minutes: 22 May 1846 - 9 June 1848

**BG/109/1/3**

Minutes: 16 June 1848 - 28 June 1850

**BG/109/1/4**

Minutes: 5 July 1850 - 24 September 1852

**BG/109/1/5**

Minutes: 1 Oct 1852 - 28 July 1854

**BG/109/1/6**

Minutes: 4 Aug 1854 - 27 Feb 1857

**BG/109/1/7**

Minutes: 6 March 1857 - 30 March 1860

Includes lists of names of salaried workers employed or committee members under the auspices of the BG, including wardens and local dispensary committees. One loose page. John Storey is Clerk of Union.

**BG/109/1/8**

Minutes: 5 April 1860 - 1 Jan 1864

Includes: Detailed reports by the Relieving Officer of the consequences of the Derryveagh evictions in April, (26 April - 3 May 1861) including report on his visits to the locality and returning to the workhouse with people who were destitute, including provision of a cart, and giving the numbers of those relieved at the workhouse following eviction; and report on six men 'around the fire' who wanted to remain in order to 'box' Mr Adair. Relieved includes: Shane Bradley, Anne Burke and Susan Moore. Relief Officer revisited the locality on 21 May, found none who wanted immediate relief. Includes Board's alarm at proposal to provide outdoor relief under new legislation (May 1861).  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/9**

Minutes: 1 Jan 1864 - 6 Oct 1865

John Storey was Union Clerk.

**BG/109/1/10**

Minutes: 13 October 1865 - 7 May 1869

John Storey is Union Clerk. Chairman was James G Grove for some of this period. Members of board included: John R Boyd; Robert Gregg;

Robert Ramsey; John McAuley; John Diver; John Divine; John Rankin; William Wray; Alexander McElhinney; Robert Leckey; John Beers; Captain Patterson; James B. Marshall; Joseph Roulstone; Francis Mansfield; Henry Lucas; William King; Henry Hunter; James McConnell; James Bovaird; Finlay McClure, junior; William McCay; William Wilkin; and John V. Stewart.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/11**

Minutes: 14 May 1869 - 27 June 1873

Includes report of abolition of Poor Law Commissioners and establishment of Local Government Board, October 1872. Includes report on accidental death of an inmate, Mary McGeady, who had been in charge of the wash house in the workhouse, and who fell into the boiler while pressing clothes. Doctor called but she died in the early hours of the following morning, November 1872. Includes report of incident of striking of one inmate, Elizabeth McFadden, by another, Sarah McAuley, and decision by board to have her summoned to Petty Sessions. Includes, on inside cover, sick diet scale for each person. Includes detailed index.

**BG/109/1/12**

Minutes: 4 July 1873 - 25 March 1875

Includes index. Includes references to small pox vaccination. Includes report by Churchill Dispensary Committee of death of child treated at Churchill dispensary, 11 September 1874. Includes report by School Inspector of National Board, 19 February 1875.

**BG/109/1/13**

Minutes: 2 April 1875 - 3 Nov 1876

Indexed. Includes: List of inmates for emigration: 28 May 1875: Â£60 passage and outfit in sending emigrants to Canada. Letterkenny Railway Co., November 1875. Waterworks, September 1875. Lodging Houses, 1875. Epidemic of scarlitina. Names of contractors.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/14**

Minutes: 10 Nov 1876 - 4 Jan 1878

Indexed. Includes: References to vaccination 'defaulters', March 1877. Report on decision by Joseph Gallagher, tailor, to take Thomas Harkin, an inmate, as apprentice tailor, provided he continues to sleep and eat at the workhouse, 17 August 1877. Report on railway lands,

15 June 1877. Local Government's report exonerating the Master from alleged misconduct with a 'woman of notoriously bad character' , 11 May 1877.

1 volume.

### **BG/109/1/15**

Minutes: 11 Jan 1878 - 14 March 1879

Indexed. Includes: Report re purchase of land at Gartan by John Adair, 1 March 1878. Application from the War Office for use of back wing of workhouse: Board unhappy with this and rejected application. 25 January 1878. Donegal Protestant Orphan Society who applied to have William and Ann Jane Munn taken from the workhouse, 16 August 1878. Reports on charges made against the workhouse porter, William McDermott, and the workhouse Master, July 1878 and master's plea not to be made resign, 20 September 1878 and decision by LG Board to make him resign, 27 September. Report by William Dunlop, Medical Officer, protesting against the board's decision to withdraw tobacco from the 'unfortunate creatures spending their closing days in the workhouse', 20 December 1878. Report on Bridget [Treckleton], who was deserted by her husband, and on her child, February 1879. Report on appointment of Henry Nelson, new Master, 18 October, 1878. 1 volume.

### **BG/109/1/16**

Minutes: 21 March 1879 - 17 Sep 1880

Indexed. Includes: Report on proposals for inmates' emigration: 'passage' to America and Canada. Names include Mary Diver, aged 17, James McGroarty, Ann McLaughlin, Thomas McMunn and Catherine Coyle. Waterworks Committee formed 27 August 1880. Abatement of Nuisances. Death of Wiliam Wright and James Conaghan, inmates, 13 February 1880. Water and sewerage.

1 volume.

### **BG/109/1/17**

Minutes: 24 Sep 1880 - 31 March 1882

Indexed. Includes: 8 children of deceased Bernard Wolfe (died 12 April 1881) in workhouse, minors. Outbreak of typhus at Churchill dispensary, Dr Browne, 22 April 1881. Emigration, 8 April; also case of John Diver, Jane Kennedy, senior and junior; and Jane McClay, who master accompanied to Londonderry to send them on way to Quebec on SS Moravian, 6 May 1882; Bridget Treckleton assisted to emigrate, 31 March 1882; James Cannon application to emigrate, 24 March 1882. Sanitary and water supply matters. John Bresland, Creeslough, admitted to infirmary injured in threshing mill of McVeigh's, 4 March 1881. Consumption outbreak at militia camp. Outdoor relief to woman, McGallaghy, 19 November, Resignation of

RC Chaplain J W Gallagher, to disappointment of board, 8 October 1881; Case of eviction of James Wilson, Manorcunningham, 26 August 1881. 'Lunatic asylum' case, Robert Kildea, 33 years old from Manorcunningham who spent time in Scotland, 27 May 1881. Andrew Gailey was a guardian.

1 volume.

### **BG/109/1/18**

Minutes: 6 April 1882 - 23 Feb 1883

Indexed. Chair is John R Boyd. Includes: Supplies and suppliers; Staffing issues including collectors of rate; Condemnation of murders of the Chief Secretary, Lord Frederick Cavendish and the Under Secretary, Thomas Burke, in the Phoenix Park, Dublin (12 May 1882); Assisted emigration issues, including Margaret Hamilton, Denis Curren, Mary Gallagher, Mary Donaghy, and James Cannon; and Emigration Committee, ran by Mr Redington who attended a BG meeting on 15 December. People transferred including 'lunatic' Helen Doherty, aged 67, to the asylum, and Peter Bradly brought from Scotland to the asylum (October, 1882); Stillborn baby born to Mary Boyle on 24 December 1882; Compulsory Vaccination issues. Death of Mary Pearson.

1 volume.

### **BG/109/1/19**

Minutes: 2 March 1883 - 1 Feb 1884

Indexed. Includes many references to emigration to Canada, including 22 March 1883; two orphan children Mary Diver and Rose Oliver, on emigrant list, Churchill division, 9 March 1883; Emigration Act, involvement of OPW, 25 May 1883; Divers' desire to go to USA now, (Toronto originally) and recommendation of Guardians and awaiting of sanction of Emigration Committee, 13 July 1883; Vaccination. Suppliers. SS Officer, burning of clothes and beds in the house of Edward McGee and supply of new ones from Relieving Officer and disinfection of house, 8 June 1883. Dispensary committees.

1 volume.

### **BG/109/1/20**

Minutes: 8 Feb 1884 - 23 Jan 1885

Indexed. Issues include: Dispensary; rate collection. Warrant to apprehend John Gallagher, father of child in workhouse, from district asylum, 22 February 1884. Death of ex-Guardian, Joseph Gallagher, 29 February 1884. John R. Boyd became chairman on 4 April 1884. Warrant for removals included of Mary Dawson from parish of Barony in Glasgow, 28 March 1884; and Mary Friel aged 44 on 26 November, 1884. Suspected case on farm of Foot and Mouth disease, 11 July 1884. Overcharges on seed, 18 July 1884. Death of Daniel McLaughlin, inmate, aged 82, died 3 August, mentioned 8 August 1884.



1 volume.

**BG/109/1/21**

Minutes: 30 Jan 1885 - 22 Jan 1886

Indexed. Issues include: Rates; dispensary; SS Officer on sanitary issues; Removal of Margaret Ward of Glenkeeragh to Eye and Ear Hospital in Belfast for cataracts and inflammation; Dr Brown of Churchill Dispensary; Visiting committee reports; Exorbitant rents to tenant farmers during a time of depression: resolution of Andrew Gailey, 23 Oct and 6 Nov 1885, and vote including division (landlords against). Inspection of ships and vessels in case of cholera, 11 September. Inspection of workhouse schools; Labourers' Cottages and Land Act of 1881, 22 January 1886. Stillborn baby born to Ellen C[arne] on 10th January 1886, 15 Jan minutes.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/22**

Minutes: 29 Jan 1886 - 14 Jan 1887

Indexed. Includes issues: Inspector's report on workhouse, 29 Jan 1886. Labourers' Acts, including resolution that there was no need for an improvement scheme in the Letterkenny union, 12 March, 1886. Children out at nurse, including 26 Feb 1886 and 30 July. Irish Poor Law Officers' Association, 21 May 1886. Evictions and rent resolution from Cork, passed, 27 August, 1886. Death of Susan Conaghan, aged 80, 30 July. Visiting Committee's Report, 30 July. Resolution re appointment of trained midwife, 18 December. Explosives Act of 1875, 14 January, 1887. Tenders, supplies, Sanitary Sub Officers, Abatement of Nuisances, vaccination etc.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/23**

Minutes: 21 Jan 1887 - 13 Jan 1888

Indexed. J R Boyd is chair. Includes issues: Vaccination, labourers' cottages; rate collection; repairs to workhouse. Repair of Ray graveyard wall, 22 May. Case of Peter McDermott, of 'unsound mind' with 'symptoms of lunacy', committal to asylum; casual/night lodgers, 28 May. Removal from St Cuthbert's Combination in Edinburgh of John Ferrie, 22 July; removal of Jane Hepburn from Coalbridge, Lanarkshire, of unsound mind, 9 Sept. Examination of national school in workhouse by inspectors, 23 July; Infirmary and isolation due to possible small pox outbreak, 12 August, 2 Sept. Convoy Woollen Company, 2 Sept. Visiting Committee Report, 2 Sept. Death of Hugh McGlynn aged 60, on 28 May; of Isabella Spiers, aged 95, on 23 July; Death of Edward Gallagher, guardian for Letterkenny e.d., 12 Aug and resulting vacancy; Explosives Act, 11 Nov. Deaths of Stephen

Fullerton, aged 60 and Hugh Gallagher aged 88, 30 Dec; and of Martin Fleming, aged 87, 1 January, 1888.  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/24**

Minutes: 20 Jan 1888 - 28 Dec 1888

Indexed. John R. Boyd is chair. Includes issues on rates, visiting committee reports, national inspector of schools' reports; tenders for materials including seed potatoes; admissions, e.g., boy named Neely, aged eight years and his proposed transferral to Ulster Institution in Belfast; child named King, proposed transferral to Magherabeg district.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/25**

Minutes: 4 Jan 1889 - 3 Jan 1890

Indexed. John R. Boyd is chair.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/26**

Minutes: 10 Jan 1890 - 9 Jan 1891

Indexed. John R. Boyd is chair (misses many meetings). Issues include dispensaries, child being born in lunatic asylum, Balleighan graveyard, Mary McDevitt and Annie McFadden being sent to Ulster Eye and Ear hospital.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/27**

Minutes: 16 Jan 1891 - 8 Jan 1892

Indexed. Regret at death of John R. Boyd, chair and appointment of William H. Boyd as the new chair and Major Patterson as vice chair (3 April 1891).

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/28**

Minutes: 15 Jan 1892 - 30 Dec 1892

Indexed. William H. Boyd is chair. Issues include: Bernard Gallagher's son, Charles, aged nine, from Churchill district, being admitted to Deaf and Dumb Institution in Cabra, Dublin, 13 May. Pat Crossan, upper Lisnenan with his two sisters seeking outdoor relief and the Guardians preferring to treat them in workhouse, 15 July. Allowance

sought by Bidy Curran, nursing out of Pat Curran. Issue of provision of plank bed for overnight staying 'tramps' and decision to allow more humane straw be, 12 August. Distress in Gartan and district due to bad crops especially potato and 'stagnation in cattle', and resolution, passed by both Guardians and by Letterkenny Town Commissioners, to employ men on project of widening and deepening Swilly river from Castleway to Port Bridge at Ballyraine, passed 25 November. Desertion of child and responsibility of Guardians, 16 December.  
1 volume.

### **BG/109/1/29**

Minutes: 6 Jan 1893 - 29 Dec 1893

W H Boyd is chair. Indexed. Issues include: Veterinary reports; Possible use of wards for cholera patients in event of outbreak, 24 Feb. Aughanishin Graveyard, 3 March; Distress in the county, low price of cattle, Andrew Gailey's worries and resolutions, 10 Feb etc. Problems with rate collector, Mr Clarke, throughout. Death of Presbyterian chaplain, Oliver Leitch, 14 July. Catherine Tinney who has been receiving outdoor relief to be removed to workhouse, 25 Aug. Clerk, John Storey, celebrates 40 years as clerk, 15 Sept.

1 volume.

### **BG/109/1/30**

Minutes: 5 Jan 1894 - 28 Dec 1894

Indexed. W H Boyd is chair. Issues include: veterinary matters, including cases of swine fever; vet inspector is Mr Moore; Wife of Neal Murrary taken by ambulance to workhouse infirmary, 1 June. Charles Gallagher of Trenta and his daughter who are both ill were not visited by neighbours because they feared they had a contagious illness. A local Sergeant, Mr Morrin, visited and attended them and had them conveyed to the workhouse, 22 June, he was commended by the Board; Schoolteacher and children invited by new Presbyterian minister, Dr Kinnear, to visit his house, have tea and 'pull the fruit' in his garden, this was gratefully accepted, 6 July. W H Boyd donated pictures to the infirmary wards, 21 July' Visiting Committee reconvened after not sitting since 1891; Need to buy bath for children, 20 July; Resignation of Master, 28 Sept; Fixing of judicial rents, resolution, passed by 9 to three votes, 14 Dec.

1 volume.

### **BG/109/1/31**

Minutes: 4 Jan 1895 - 13 Dec 1895

Indexed. W H Boyd is chair. Issues include: Feast and music for inmates organised by Dr Kinnear, 11 Jan; Disease of Animals Act introduction, 1894; Re-vaccination; veterinary; sanitary and nuisance abatement; Martha Forsythe and child to be charged on union at large

instead of Kincairney division, 25 January; Death of ex-officio G. V. Hart of Kilderry, place on board filled by William Colhoun, now a Justice, resident in union, 17 May; Grievances of leaseholders at end of period of rent when rent is increased, resolution, 5 April; Pasteur System of treatment of Hydrophobia, 19 April; Condition of various rooms in workhouse examined during year, especially need for boy's dormitory to be ceilinged. James Patterson of Letterkenny wrongly sent to Letterkenny lunatic asylum when drunk and disorderly, 7 July, 'now as sane as anyone in the neighbourhood'; Registration of lodging houses, 16 August; Nursing staff, 23 August; Call for Board of Agriculture to be set up in the country as in England, 20 Sept; call for establishment of seed farms to allow for new varieties of potatoes and other seeds to be produced; Employment of wardsmen and wardswomen from inmates of workhouse, 23 August; Four pupils only on school roll, 30 August; Workhouse responsible for town pollution; Inferior milk not acceptable for workhouse, to be rejected; Ground rents resolution from Ballymena Town Commissioners, 18 Oct; Railway line to Kilmacrenan -Falcarragh, and ending in Gweedore proposed to alleviate congested districts, 29 November.

1 volume.

### **BG/109/1/32**

Minutes: 20 Dec 1895 - 27 Nov 1896

Indexed. WH Boyd is chair. Issues include: Kingstown Lifeboat disaster fund, 3 January; Death of Margaret Mailey, inmate; sumptuous tea given by Dr Kinnear; 10 January; visiting committee re-convened, 28 Feb; Union Officers' Superannuation Bill, 13 March; Re-election of W H Boyd as chair, 3 April; Vaccination defaulters; Problems with Robert Ramsay, solicitor's services to board, 19 June; Death of Henry Nelson, former master of workhouse, 19 June; Death of Sarah Peoples, Magherabuoy division, 17 July; Death of former officer of union, John Malseed, 14 August; Recommendation to send John Moore to Ulster Eye and Ear hospital, 28 August-; Election in Letterkenny due to death of George Hunter, 18 Sept; Five motherless children in the house, may be sent out to nurse, 16 Oct; Resolution from Andrew Gailey re taxation of Ireland compared to Great Britain, 27 November.

1 volume.

### **BG/109/1/33**

Minutes: 4 Dec 1896 - 19 Nov 1897

Indexed. William H. Boyd is chair. Issues include Bathing of children; rabies, suspected case; deaths of Major Thomas Patterson, guardian; and of Alexander R Montgomery, former Guardian and also a sub-commissioner in the Land Courts (more recently); typhoid; outdoor

relief; tenders to supply workhouse; pensions; water and sewerage; midwifery cases attended; dispensary committees; 1 volume.

**BG/109/1/34**

Minutes: 26 Nov 1897 - 21 Oct 1898

Indexed. William H. Boyd is chair. Issues include: Condolences on death of William Gladstone; valuation of tenements; unsound mind persons in workhouse; outbreak of rabies in last six months on decrease (p. 57); resolution re aged and infirm in Letterkenny born in Ireland; tea supper for inmates on Christmas Eve (p.27); case of Patterson V Guardians (p.51); rates; seed potatoes and other supplies. 1 volume.

**BG/109/1/35**

Minutes: 28 Oct 1898 - 9 June 1899

Empty pages near the end

1 volume

**BG/109/1/36**

Minutes: 16 June 1899 - 1 Dec 1899

Andrew Gailey is chair. Not indexed.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/37**

Minutes: 8 Dec 1899 - 1 June 1900

Andrew Gailey is chair. No index.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/38**

Minutes: 6 June 1900 - 23 Nov 1900

Not indexed. Henry Gallagher is elected chairman after election at the BG's first annual meeting on 6 June.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/39**

Minutes: 30 Nov 1900 - 24 May 1901

Not indexed.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/40**

Minutes: 31 May 1901 - 1 Nov 1901

Annual General Meeting held on 6 June. Henry Gallagher re-elected as chair. Not indexed.

1 volume

**BG/109/1/41**

Minutes: 8 Nov 1901 - 4 April 1902

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/42**

Minutes: 11 April 1902 - 3 Oct 1902

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/43**

Minutes: 10 Oct 1902 - 11 April 1903

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/44**

Minutes: 17 April 1903 - 2 Oct 1903

Includes discussions held about bringing Gas to the workhouse for light. Also includes details of the argument between Letterkenny Urban District Council and the Board of Guardians about the town water supply, the tank of which appears to have been located in the workhouse grounds.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/45**

Minutes: 9 Oct 1903 - 8 April 1904

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/46**

Minutes: 8 April 1904 - 30 Sep 1904

Contains the decision of Bishop O'Donnell who acted as arbitrator in a row between the Board of Guardians and the Urban District Council in regard to control and rent of the water supply for the town.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/47**

Minutes: 7 Oct 1904 - 31 March 1905

Minutes include references to an unruly member of the board, Francis Ward, who kept obstructing the business of the guardians. The guardians asked the Local Government Board what to do about him, the reply stated that he could be removed but did not tell them who should remove him. As a result they felt they could not take action against him. A member of the RDC stated that they can have unruly member removed by the Constabulary. Another minute describes Francis Ward as always obstructing the business of the meeting and when the board threatened to have him removed he always put forward the excuse of having a weak heart and "that if death occurred the party removing him will be responsible for his death".  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/48**

Minutes: 7 April 1905 - 9 June 1905  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/49**

Minutes: 16 June 1905 - 22 Dec 1905  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/50**

Minutes: 29 Dec 1905 - 29 June 1906  
Minutes include references to books being given to the inmates of the workhouse by Bishop O'Donnell and also a Mrs McFadden. A football was given to the boys of the workhouse by Fr. McCaul.  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/51**

Minutes: 6 July 1906 - 4 Jan 1907  
Includes Vote of Appreciation passed to Francis Ward (the obstructive guardian) on his leaving the board. Also includes a resolution about American Residents of the Workhouse.  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/52**

Minutes: 11 Jan 1907 - 12 July 1907  
Includes: Account of 2 boys who repeatedly went over the workhouse wall. On one occasion they were caught stealing matches and were sentenced to three years in a reformatory by the Petty Sessions. Account of a man from the Old Town area who was ordered by the guardians to take his wife and children out of the workhouse. He wrote back saying that his wife refused to go with him at which point she was discharged. Account of conditions in the workhouse from

Poor Law Inspector 1907, damning account referring to the workhouse as 'dreary, dismal and depressing'. Account from Medical Officer in Dec 1907 about conditions in Churchill Dispensary District and the likelihood of an epidemic and how much medicine needs to be bought for area.

**BG/109/1/53**

Minutes: 19 July 1907 - 24 Jan 1908  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/54**

Minutes: 31 Jan 1908 - 12 June 1908  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/55**

Minutes: 19 June 1908 - 8 Jan 1909  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/56**

Minutes: 15 Jan 1909 - 30 July 1909  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/57**

Minutes: 6 Aug 1909 - 25 Feb 1910  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/58**

Minutes: 4 March 1910 - 16 Sep 1910  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/59**

Minutes: 23 Sep 1910 - 15 April 1911  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/60**

Minutes: 21 April 1911 - 30 June 1911  
1 volume.



**BG/109/1/61**

Minutes: 7 July 1911 - 26 Jan 1912  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/62**

Minutes: 2 Feb 1912 - 16 Aug 1912  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/63**

Minutes: 23 Aug 1912 - 14 March 1913  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/64**

Minutes: 21 March 1913 - 26 Sep 1913  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/65**

Minutes: 3 Oct 1913 - 3 April 1914  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/66**

Minutes: 17 April 1914 - 10 July 1914; [5 -19 Mar 1920]  
1 volume.

Minutes of 5 - 19 March 1920 are from p. 301 on. They are also in the correct minute book BG/109/1/77.

**BG/109/1/67**

Minutes: 17 July 1914 - 29 Jan 1915  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/68**

Minutes: 5 Feb 1915 - 20 Aug 1915  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/69**

Minutes: 27 Aug 1915 -10 March 1916  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/70**

Minutes: 17 March 1916 - 15 Sep 1916

Minutes of Letterkenny Board of Guardians. First meeting is dated Friday the 17th or Saturday the 18th March. Resolutions include vote of sympathy passed on death of John Storey, former Clerk of Union, on the 24th March 1916. Annual Meeting was held on 1st June. Minutes from late August and September include details of a row between Dr. Walker (ex Medical Officer) and Dr. McGinley who had just been appointed as Medical Officer. Advice of McFadden Solicitors, Letterkenny was sought on the matter.  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/71**

Minutes: 22 Sep 1916 - 20 April 1917  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/72**

Minutes: 27 April 1917 - 9 Nov 1917  
Minutes of Letterkenny Board of Guardians. 6 July 1917: Minutes discuss Miss O'Donnell, Midwife of Letterkenny Dispensary District who has been on leave with the Military Authorities for two periods of 6 months each in the Military Hospital Belfast. Minutes include political resolutions including one on 27 July requesting the release of Barry and other Irish Political Prisoners. 1 volume

**BG/109/1/73**

Minutes: 16 Nov 1917 - 31 May 1918  
Minutes of Letterkenny Board of Guardians. 1st March 1918 there was a huge row over the time the meeting started at, several of the guardians including the chairmen turning up 2/3 minutes late to discover the meeting started and somebody else in chair. Clocks and watches were compared and the boardroom clock was taking to the post office to be compared with the clock there.  
1 volume

**BG/109/1/74**

Minutes: 1 June 1918 - 3 Jan 1919  
1st June is Annual Meeting of the Board.  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/75**

Minutes: 10 Jan 1919 - 25 July 1919  
Minutes of Letterkenny Board of Guardians. Letter from LGB read at meeting of 11th July 1919 stating that a day of Celebration of Peace had been called for Saturday the 19th July. It was to be a public celebration of the declaration of peace marking the termination of the war. As a result it was to be observed in the workhouse as a public

holiday and the inmates were to be allowed a special dietary. Every case of relief including orphans were allowed and extra 5s for the week.

1 volume

**BG/109/1/76**

Minutes: 1 Aug 1919 - 27 Feb 1920

Minutes of Letterkenny Board of Guardians. Includes minutes of special meeting held on 24th August 1919 to discuss purchase of land and erection of discarded military huts as temporary residence for the Medical Officer of Health, Churchill Dispensary.

1 volume

**BG/109/1/77**

Minutes: 5 Mar 1920 - 3 Sep 1920

This volume was returned by the military on 22 February 1921 after having been seized by them.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/78**

Minutes: 10 Sep 1920 - 31 Dec 1920

Minutes of Letterkenny Board of Guardians. First page of each set of minutes marked 'Copies sent to Local Government Department of Dail Éireann'. A lot of correspondence from provisional government, also letter from Dáil Éireann asking why copies of minutes were still being sent to LGB despite an order forbidding the sending of this information to them.

1 volume

**BG/109/1/79**

Minutes: 7 Jan 1921 - 27 May 1921

Volume was seized by military, was returned but without the correspondence. Goes as far as 18 Feb 1921, stops and then begins again on 1 April 1921

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/80**

Minutes: 25 Feb 1921- 29 July 1921

Some overlap with above volume from 1 April on, caused by military seizing previous minute book.

1 volume.

**BG/109/1/81**

Minutes: 5 Aug 1921 - 11 Aug 1922  
1 volume.

**BG/109/1/82**

Minutes: 8 Sep 1922 - 9 Feb 1923  
1 volume.

**BG/109/2**

**Letterkenny BG Rough Minutes**  
**1841 - 1869**

Rough minutes of the BG.  
9 volumes.

**BG/109/2/1**

**Relief Committee & Rough Minute Book**

25 Mar 1847 - 10 Aug 1847, 2 Jan 1857 - 6 Aug 1858

Volume containing minutes of the meetings of the Letterkenny Relief Committee for the period covering March - August 1847 and also rough minutes of the proceedings of the Letterkenny Board of Guardians from 2 Jan 1857 - 6 August 1858. (1) Attached is Notice of the marriage of James McElchar, Sallaghagrange, Conwal and Martha Meehan, Letterkenny. States that their marriage is intended to be had within 3 calendar months of the 28th Jan 1858.

1 volume.

**BG/109/2/2**

**Rough Minute Book: Oct 1841 - Jan 1847**

23 Oct 1841 - 1 Jan 1847

1 volume

**BG/109/2/3**

Rough Minute Book, Jan 1847 - 9 Feb 1849

1 volume

**BG/109/2/4**

Rough Minute Book: 18 March 1847 - 24 August 1847;  
13 August 1858 - 24 Feb 1860

Relief (or Finance Committee) Committee Book for 1847- during the Famine, and Rough Minute book from 1858.. Includes 3 loose items, removed and listed elsewhere. Includes, pasted into inside cover, Irish Relief Act General Order, 4 March 1847, annotated and signed.

1 volume

**BG/109/2/5**

Rough Minute Book: 16 Feb 1849 - 30 Jan 1852

1 volume

**BG/109/2/6**

Rough Minute Book: 6 Feb 1852 - 31 March 1854

1 volume

**BG/109/2/7**

Rough Minute Book: 7 April 1854 - 26 Dec 1856

1 volume

**BG/109/2/8**

Rough Minute Book: 3 March 1860 - 11 March 1864

Contains envelope with HMS seal- removed, listed elsewhere.

1 volume

**BG/109/2/9**

Rough Minute Book: 18 March 1864 - 6 Oct 1865

Rough minute book. Includes copy letter from Clerk of the Union to unidentified employee, concerning his employment as rate collector; 31 May 1865; also includes letters of request for leave from staff and inmates of the workhouse (6 items) 31 May - 12 Sep 1865.

1 volume

**BG/109/2/10**

Rough Minute Book: 13 Oct 1865 - 8 Oct 1869

Rough Minute Book. Enclosed copy petition by Longford Union to House of Lords re: disestablishment of Church of Ireland (undated): removed and listed elsewhere.

1 volume

**BG/109/3****Letterkenny Union Other Material**

**1841 - 1923**

**Other material.**

6 items.

**BG/109/3/1**

**Guardians' Treasurer's Book**

30 March 1917 - 25 April 1923

The Belfast Banking Company's Branch, Letterkenny, in account with the Poor Law Union of the Letterkenny Union. Details include date of lodgement or payment; Name; Amount and Total

1 volume.

**BG/109/3/2**

**Abstract of Accounts of Letterkenny Union**

25 September 1874 - 25 March 1875

1 volume.

**BG/109/3/3**

**Register of persons admitted & discharged**

15 Oct 1864 - 5 Feb 1878

With alphabetical index. Gives names, former residence; sex; religion; legitimate or illegitimate if child; former employment; state of health; date admitted to and discharged from workhouse or date of death.

1 volume.

**BG/109/3/4**

**Indoor Relief Register**

18 June 1855 - 12 Oct 1864; 1869 - 1899

Register of persons admitted to and discharged from the workhouse. Gives number; name and surname; sex; age; employment; married or single; name of wife/ husband; number of children; date of application for relief; electoral division in which resident at time of beginning to receive relief; townland. Includes alphabetical index. Daily register finishes in October 1864. But the last page has approximately one entry per year from 1869 - 1899.

1 volume.

**BG/109/3/5**

**Supplies for workhouse**

4 August 1858 - 2 Sep 1881

Items relating to provision of supplies in the workhouse. (1) Notice stating that the Board of Guardians desire to contract for a supply of

articles such as bread, beef, sugar, tea, oatmeal, whisky, ox heads, eggs, pepper, sherry, soap, candle, brushes, flannel, calico, corduroy, linen, caps, thread; drugget, woollen yarn, shoes, thimbles, bed tick, rugs and blankets, shroudings, portlaw, tape, needles, combs, fine and coarse, studs; and coffins (held in Map Cabinet 1, Three Rivers). (2) Letter from C. Neill [?], to Clerk of Union, Letterkenny, 12 September, 1865, concerning clothing and bedding he wishes to sell to the Board. (3) Handwritten scrap, torn, of list of items, including nails, brush and screws. (4) 1858 Note re: Receipt to be signed by Mr. Storey.

6 items

NOTICE (1) IS LOCATED IN MAP CABINET 1, DRAWER 3 THREE RIVERS

### **BG/109/3/6**

#### **Record of Deaths**

9 October 1910 - 16 January 1922

Record of Deaths from Letterkenny Workhouse. Headings include No. in indoor register; date of death and registry of death; cause of death; name; sex; age; date of last admission to workhouse; If not buried at 'sole cost of Friends state whether supplied with Shroud, Coffin and/or grave'. Signed by R.S. Watters, Clerk of Letterkenny Union.

1 item.

### **BG/109/3/7**

#### **Estimate and Demand Book**

31 March 1899 - 31 March 1905

Letterkenny Estimate and Demand book from the Union to the County Council, with three tables for each year: (a) estimate of liabilities and expenditure of the Board in the financial year, (b), estimate of probable revenue of the Board, and (c), calculation of the sum required by the Guardians for the service of the ensuing financial year. Signed by R. S. Watters, Clerk. Much of the volume is blank.

1 volume.

### **BG/109/3/8**

#### **Indoor Relief Register**

29 Nov 1910 - 6 July 1915

Indoor Relief register for Letterkenny Poor Law Union. Details include names of persons; former residences, if any; date; sex; religion; legitimate/illegitimate (in the case of children); age; married/ single; former employment; disability, if any; date admitted and discharged or died; numbers of any children in workhouse.

1 volume.

Signed by RSW presumably (R. S. Watters, Clerk of Letterkenny Union) and most cases are from Letterkenny or the surrounding area.

Contains a large number of people from other areas including Dublin, Waterford, Roscommon and even York.

**BG/109/3/9**

**Contract for Supplies**

26 March 1858

Memorandum of Agreement between Letterkenny Board of Guardians and Mary Alice Murray of Letterkenny for supply of wheaten meal bread. Not signed or sealed.

3 pp

**BG/109/3/10**

**Letter to rate collector**

31 May 1865

Copy letter from John Storey, Clerk of the Union, to rate collector [name unknown], stating that his collection is unsatisfactory and requesting that he successfully complete his collection by a certain date. 1 page.

**BG/109/3/11**

**Notes requesting leave from workhouse**

1865

Three notes, one from William Buchanan, Relieving Officer (25 August 1865); one from Michael Friel, asking to leave to see his brother (undated); and one from Giley McGrath 'desirous of leaving the workhouse to try to earn a living for herself and child' (undated).

3 items.

**BG/109/3/12**

**Print of Letterkenny workhouse**

c.20th century

Black and white photographic print of the workhouse, showing frontal view. Includes low pillars, front outer walls and overhanging bush.

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1 item.

**BG/109/3/13**

**Contracts to Supply Bread**

23 September 1881

Notice issued by the Letterkenny Board of Guardians tendering for contracts to supply brown and white bread to the workhouse. Tenders are invited to supply bread for a twelve month period. Signed by John Storey, Clerk of the Union.

1 item- Printed document.



**BG/109/3/14****Letterkenny Dispensary register**

23 October 1843 - 17 November 1858

Register from Letterkenny dispensary, Letterkenny Union. Includes details of patients' names, parish and townland; date relieved; ailment. All patients appear to be from the parishes of Conwal and Gartan.

1 volume. Original document is in County Museum.

**BG/109/3/15****Invoice of requisites**

24 November 1856

Invoice of requisites sent to the Clerk, Letterkenny Union, for the District Inspector, Letterkenny from the Education Office, Dublin. Requisites are 'sold at reduced prices' for Letterkenny workhouse National School and delivered to 'the messenger presenting the order'. Included are books of lessons, slates, pencils, maps, Arithmetic books, English dictionaries etc; and prices marked per item/set of items. Stamped on front. Marked 'On Her Majesty's Service'.

2pp.

**BG/109/3/16****Letters of request to Guardians**

[1865]

Three handwritten letters of request for clothes to the Chairman of the Letterkenny Board of Guardians as follows: 28 April 186[5]: request from Peter Gallagher, stating that he is leaving the workhouse on Monday next to look for work and asks that he can wear the shoes given to him while in the workhouse. [Undated]: request from Peter Crosley, stating that he has 'nothing to cover him at night', and asking the board to give him something 'of little value'. Written over the letter seem to be the word 'Disallowed' and signed by [ ]. [Undated] request by Stephen McNaught, stating that he 'is much encouraged to go to Scotland, there being much demand and high wages for men of his trade' and asking the guardians if he can take with him the coat and trousers he has worn in the workhouse.

3 pp.

**BG/109/3/17****Valuation of union**

16 Feb 1865 - 27 Jan 1888

Items relating to valuation of Letterkenny Union. (1) Letter from J. Ballgreeve[? ], Superintendent, General Survey and Valuation of Ireland Office, 6 Ely Place, Dublin, to the Clerk of Letterkenny Union, stating that the Commissioners of Valuation have appointed John

Thomson of the Department to make the annual revision of the Valuation of the union. (2) Note regarding valuation of townlands in Letterkenny union, 27 Jan 1888.

1 letter.

**BG/109/3/18**

**Letter from Poor Law Commissioners**

2 October 1865

Letter from Poor Law Commissioners to The Clerk of each Union, stating that the Commissioners request each union to fill out forms particulars regarding rates made and any new rates agreed upon in the union and to forward it by post to the office.

1 letter

**BG/109/3/19**

**Vaccination letters**

28 October 1863

Letter from B. Banks, Chief Clerk, Poor Law Commission, to the Clerk of each Union, asking them to adopt the use of 'Dr Husband's Capillary Tubes as a means of supplying the union with vaccine lymph from eligible cases within their own practice as Public Vaccinators and preserving the Lymph in a fluid state', to be used by the Medical Officers. Cost of each tube is approx one shilling per hundred, to be a legal charge upon the Poor Rates. Encloses circular letter from Poor Law Commission Office to each Dispensary Medical Officer, dated same date as above, making the above request and giving details as to how to fill the capillary tubes and use them for vaccination.

1 letter.

**BG/109/3/20**

**Letter from Poor Law Commissioners re: salary**

23 April 1864

Handwritten letter from B. Banks, Chief Clerk, Poor Law Commission Office, Dublin, to the Clerk, Letterkenny Union, concerning the salary of the medical officer of the Churchill dispensary district, pointing out the instructions contained in a circular of 12 January 1854 with regard to medical officers' salary, and asking that these instructions be adhered to from now on. 2 pp. Enclosed is envelope addressed to the Clerk, Letterkenny Union, from the Poor Law Commission Office, stamped 23 April 1864.

2 items.

**BG/109/3/21****Petitions from other unions**

1864 - 1869

Circular petitions: From Kilkenny Union, 3 March 1864, requesting the boards to lobby their representatives in parliament in relation to the paying of the salaries of teachers and medical officers from the Poor Rates, when in England such salaries are paid from a Consolidated Fund. From Cork Union, 23 March 1865, proposed by William D'Esterre Parker, with a similar request to Kilkenny's and asking that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to Sir Robert Peel and to all the unions in Ireland. From North Dublin Union, 6 Feb 1860, proposed that given that 95 percent of paupers in Irish workhouses are Roman Catholics, that at least one of the Poor Law Commissioners for Ireland should be of the same religious persuasion. Taken from the Londonderry Standard, 1 April 1858, note regarding petition for the establishment of reformatory schools in union workhouses, stating that it has already received 400 signatures in the city of Derry. From Dungarvan Union, 26 January 1869: letter from John F. Boyle, clerk of Union to each Union clerk, stating that he is forwarding a copy of a petition adopted by Dungarvan Union and seeking each union's approval.

2 items.

**BG/109/3/22****Notice of Marriage**

28 January 1858

Official Notice of Marriage to the Registrar of the District of Letterkenny, signed James McElhane (?), 'bachelor', 'carpenter', Sallaghagrane, Conwal, who is to be married to Martha Mehan, 'spinster', Letterkenny, at registrar's office. Signed 28 January, 1858.

1 small page.

**BG/109/3/23****List of Elected Guardians**

25 March 1869

Printed list of Guardians elected for Letterkenny Union for the year March 1869 - March 1870, divided into electoral divisions. From 25 March 1869 elected members of board were: Robert Gregg; Robert Ramsey; John McAuley; John Diver; John Divine; John Rankin; Alexander McElhinney; Robert Leckey; James B. Marshall; Joseph Roulstone; Francis Mansfield; Henry Lucas; William King; Henry Hunter; James McConnell; James Bovaird; Finlay McClure, junior; William McCay; and William Wilkin..

1 page.

**BG/109/3/24****Insurance document**

24 June 1879

Notice from West of England Fire and Life Insurance Company Office to the Board of Guardians, Letterkenny, stating that their insurance policy expires on the twenty-fifth of the month. The premium is £4.15. MISSING? 4 pp.

**BG/109/3/25****Letters from Suppliers**

16 February 1860

Proposal from [J] O'Connell to supply the workhouse with potatoes. Marked accepted by J Boyd. Also short note from James Gallagher, stating that Charles Stewart would supply rock 'potatoes of the best quality and free of any bad taste'. 2 notes.

**BG/109/3/26****Letter from PLC re election of guardians**

15 February 1864

Letter from B. Banks, Philip Clark, staff of the Poor Law Commissioners, stating that one hundred copies of the Notice of Election of Letterkenny Guardians will be forwarded to them in the next post.

1 letter.

**BG/109/3/27****Dispensary Notices for Union**

May 1884

Three Notices for Letterkenny Union, for the Dispensary Districts of Manorcunningham, Letterkenny and Churchill, giving the times of attendance of the Medical Officer of the dispensary, and stating that tickets for medical relief must be presented at the dispensary during these times. Also states that visiting tickets, for the attendance of the medical officer at the patient's home, may be presented to him at the dispensary or left for him at his residence. Gives the names of each committee of management and wardens Relieving officer is William Buchanan. Notice includes information on vaccination.

3 items.

**BG/109/3/28**

**Cavan Union memorandum**

23 September 1887

Memorandum from Joseph D. Grier, Clerk of the Cavan Union, to the Clerk of each Union, [addressed to Clerk of Letterkenny Union and stamped], stating that a Philip Macgovernm of Legnagrow, near Glengevlin in Cavan possesses a specific against hydrophobia, and giving information on the route to the above town.

1 item.

**BG/109/3/29**

Notice: Rate Collector Wanted

2 September 1881

Notice posted by the Letterkenny Board of Guardians, in regards to a meeting to be held on the 23rd of September for the purpose of electing a rate collector for the no. 2 district. Applications to be sent to the Clerk of the union John Storey.

1 item; \*\*IN MAP CABINET 1, DRAWER 3.

**BG/109/3/30**

**Notifications of Transfer of Money**

21 July 1902 - 10 July 1907

Notifications of Transfer of Money from Donegal County Council to Letterkenny Union, 21 July 1902 - 10 July 1907.

22 items.

**BG/109/3/31**

**Special meetings**

6 Jan 1906 and 28 Dec 1907

Letter of Notification of Special meetings, a separate one sent to the Board of Guardians and one to the Rural District Council.

**BG/109/3/32**

**Rough notes, agenda**

c.1900

General material including: Blank Annual Estimate and Demand by Board of Guardians on County Council; Handwritten agenda 'business before the Board', undated; Rough handwritten notes re: accounts. Envelope headed 'On Her Majesty's Service' addressed to the Clerk of Letterkenny Union, stamped 'Dublin'. Handwritten notes include: 'Applicants for Admission into the Workhouse', and 'Mr Stewart W. Ramble[?]

4 items.

**BG/119**  
**MILFORD UNION**  
**1840 - 1923**  
**Records of the Board of Guardians of Milford**

**BG/119/1**  
**Milford Board of Guardian Minutes**  
**1840 - 1923**  
**Minutes of Milford.**

**BG/119/1/1**

Minutes: 30 Aug 1841 - 22 June 1846

Minutes of first meetings of Milford Board of Guardians. Meetings of 15th and 22nd June 1846 were cancelled due to no attendance by guardians. Includes pasted in printed copy of minutes from March 1845, at rear of volume.

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/2**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/119/1/3**

Minutes: 19 Jan 1848 - 27 Aug 1849

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/4**

Minutes: 3 Sep 1849 - 3 Nov 1851

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/5**

Minutes: 24 Nov 1851 - 9 Jan 1854

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/6**

Minutes: 16 Jan 1854 - 13 Oct 1856

Includes Dietary Sheet for Healthy inmates, pasted into inside cover (undated.)

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/7**

Minutes: 27 Oct 1856 - 16 May 1859

Cover is missing. Top of first few pages a bit eaten, otherwise good.

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/8**

Minutes: 23 May 1859 - 12 May 1862  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/9**

Minutes: 19 May 1862 - 21 Nov 1864  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/10**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/119/1/11**

Minutes: 18 March 1867 - 28 Oct 1867  
Some information relating to Nov 1867 included.  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/12**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/119/1/13**

Minutes: 27 April 1868 - 15 Nov 1869  
Included is attached copy with List of poundage rates made on property situated in the undermentioned electoral divisions with dates when made', glued into copybook. Return of Dispensary districts in Milford Union 1868 at rear of volume.  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/14**

Minutes: 22 Nov 1869 - 24 March 1873  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/15**

Minutes: 7 April 1873 - 19 October 1874  
Half of volume empty.  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/16**

Minutes: 26 October 1874 - 19 April 1875  
1 volume

**BG/119/1/17**

Minutes: 24 April 1875 - 8 Nov 1875  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/18**

Minutes: 29 Nov 1875 - 15 May 1876  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/19**

Minutes: 22 May 1876 - 13 Nov 1876  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/20**

Minutes: 20 Nov 1876 - 14 May 1877  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/21**

Minutes: 21 May 1877 - 12 Nov 1877  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/22**

Minutes: 19 Nov 1877 - 30 Sep 1878  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/23**

Minutes: 7 Oct 1878 - 29 Sep 1879  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/24**

Minutes: 6 Oct 1879 - 27 Sep 1880  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/25**

Minutes: 4 Oct 1880 - 4 April 1881  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/26**

Minutes: 11 April 1881 - 3 Oct 1881



1 volume.

**BG/119/1/27**

Minutes: 10 Oct 1881 - 3 April 1882  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/28**

Minutes: 10 April 1882 - 30 Oct 1882  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/29**

Minutes: 13 Nov 1882 - 5 Nov 1883  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/30**

Minutes: 12 Nov 1883 - 12 May 1884  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/31**

Minutes: 19 May 1884 - 30 March 1885  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/32**

Minutes: 13 April 1885 - 1 March 1886  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/33**

Minutes: 22 March 1886 - 20 Dec 1886  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/34**

Minutes: 17 Jan 1887 - 14 Nov 1887  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/35**

Minutes: 28 Nov 1887 - 3 Sep 1888  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/36**

Minutes: 17 Sep 1888- 24 June 1889  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/37**

Minutes: 1 July 1889 - 19 May 1890  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/38**

Minutes: 23 June 1890 - 30 Mar 1891  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/39**

Minutes: 6 April 1891 - 7 March 1892  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/40**

Minutes: 28 March 1892 - 9 Jan 1893  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/41**

Minutes: 23 Jan 1893 - 6 Nov 1893  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/42**

Minutes: 11 Dec 1893 - 29 Oct 1894  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/43**

Minutes: 19 Nov 1894 - 11 Nov 1895  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/44**

Minutes: 25 Nov 1895 - 14 June 1897  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/45**

Minutes: 21 June 1897 - 13 June 1898  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/46**

Minutes: 27 June 1898 - 23 March 1899

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/47**

Minutes: 25 Mar 1899 - 3 June 1899  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/48**

Minutes: 10 June 1899 - 11 August 1900  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/49**

Minutes: 18 Aug 1900 - 13 April 1901  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/50**

Minutes: 27 April 1901 - 9 Nov 1901  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/51**

Minutes: 30 Nov 1901 - 2 June 1902  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/52**

Minutes: 7 June 1902 - 20 Dec 1902  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/53**

Minutes: 27 Dec 1902 - 4 July 1903  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/54**

Minutes: 11 July 1903 - 16 Jan 1904  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/55**

Minutes: 23 Jan 1904 - 23 July 1904  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/56**

Minutes: 30 July 1904 - 28 Jan 1905

No meeting held on 28 January as no quorum, only two members attended.  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/57**

Minutes: 4 Feb 1905 - 22 July 1905  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/58**

Minutes: 12 Aug 1905 - 28 July 1906  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/59**

Minutes: 4 Aug 1906 - 2 Feb 1907  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/60**

Minutes: 16 Feb 1907 - 3 Aug 1907  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/61**

Minutes: 10 Aug 1907 - 1 Feb 1908  
1 volume

**BG/119/1/62**

Minutes: 8 Feb 1908 - 8 Aug 1908  
1 volume

**BG/119/1/63**

Minutes: 15 Aug 1908 - 6 Feb 1909  
1 volume

**BG/119/1/64**

Minutes: 13 Feb 1909 - 24 July 1909  
1 volume

**BG/119/1/65**

Minutes: 14 Aug 1909 - 12 March 1910  
Blank index attached. 1 volume.

**BG/119/1/66**

Minutes: 2 April 1910 - 10 Sep 1910

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/67**

Minutes: 17 Sep 1910 - 4 March 1911

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/68**

Minutes: 11 Mar 1911 - 6 June 1911; [25  
April 1914 - 27 June 1914]

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/69**

Minutes: June 1911 - Nov 1911

10 June 1911 - 18 Nov 1911

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/70**

Minutes: 25 Nov 1911 - 11 May 1912

1 volume.

**BG/119/1/71**

Minutes: 25 May 1912 - 2 Nov 1912

1 volume

**BG/119/1/72**

Minutes: 9 Nov 1912 - 26 April 1913

1 volume

**BG/119/1/73**

Minutes: 3 May 1913 - 11 Oct 1913

1 volume

**BG/119/1/74**

Minutes: 18 Oct 1913 - 11 April 1914

1 volume

**BG/119/1/75**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/119/1/76**

Minutes: 11 July 1914 - 2 Jan 1915  
1 volume

**BG/119/1/77**

Minutes: 9 Jan 1915 - 26 June 1915  
1 volume

**BG/119/1/78**

Minutes: 3 July 1915 - 18 Dec 1915  
1 volume

**BG/119/1/79**

Minutes: 8 Jan 1916 - 1 July 1916  
1 volume

**BG/119/1/80**

Minutes: 8 July 1916 - 25 Nov 1916  
1 volume

**BG/119/1/81**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/119/1/82**

Minutes: 21 April 1917 - 13 Oct 1917  
1 volume

**BG/119/1/83**

Minutes: 10 Nov 1917 - 24 Aug 1918  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/84**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/119/1/85**

Minutes: 21 Dec 1918 - 18 Oct 1919  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/86**  
Minutes: MISSING

**BG/119/1/87**  
Minutes: 10 Jan 1920 - 14 May 1921  
1 volume.

**BG/119/1/88**  
Minutes: MISSING

**BG/119/1/89**  
Minutes: 13 Jan 1923 - 14 July 1923  
Volume only partly used, includes minutes of the National Benefit Committee.  
1 volume.

**BG/119/2**  
**Milford Union Rough Minutes**  
**Rough Minutes**

**BG/119/2/1**  
Rough Minutes: 5 Oct 1846 - 28 Aug 1848  
1 volume

**BG/119/2/2**  
Rough Minutes: 3 Jan - 8 Aug 1859; 13 Aug 1866  
Rough Minutes from 1859 and one meeting from 13 August 1866.  
1 volume

**BG/119/2/3**  
Rough Minutes: 5 Oct 1863 - 15 Feb 1864  
Rough Minutes of Milford Board of Guardians  
1 volume

**BG/119/2/4**  
Rough Minutes: 7 Oct 1905 - 31 March 1906  
Rough Minutes of Milford Board of Guardians.  
1 volume

**BG/119/3**  
**Milford Union Other Material**  
**1846 - 1897**  
**Material other than minutes.**

5 items.

**BG/119/3/1**

**Report of Visiting Committee**

18 May 1846 - 25 May 1912

Report of Visiting Committee for Milford Workhouse. General Observations by Visiting Committee. Mainly includes answers by committee members to detailed questions concerning the inmates of the workhouse and conditions in the workhouse.

1 volume.

**BG/119/3/2**

**Register of persons admitted & discharged**

16 January 1855 - 27 Oct 1874

Register of persons admitted and discharged from Milford workhouse, giving names of persons, if single or married, adult or child, gender, date admitted, date discharged or died, religion, occupation, age, and disability or illness if any. Districts include Ramelton.

1 volume.

**BG/119/3/3**

**Outdoor Relief Register**

23 Dec 1847 - 2 Sep 1899

Outdoor Relief Register for Milford Union. Details include name, electoral division and townland of applicant; calling or employment, e.g., 'mendicant', 'labourer', 'weaver', 'rag man'; sex, age, religion, date of relief. Volume two thirds empty.

1 volume.

**BG/119/3/4**

**Register of persons admitted & discharged**

16 August 1880 - 23 Feb 1897

Register of persons admitted and discharged from Milford workhouse.

1 volume



**BG/119/3/5****Punishment Book**

16 June 1879 - 17 August 1896

Register detailing name of person who has been or who is to be punished; offence; date of offence; punishment of master or other officer; opinion of Guardians thereon; punishment ordered by Board of Guardians; date of punishment; and initials of clerk. Offences are committed by adults and by children; and punishments are for adults and children. Offences include fighting, insubordination, using abusive language, refusing to work, going to Milford without permission. Punishments for adults inflicted by Master of Workhouse include being sent to the refractory ward for a number of hours, mainly; punishments inflicted by Board include being summoned before the Petty Sessions and in some cases jailed. Children's punishments include being beaten with a rod; or sent to refractory ward.

Volume includes list of Poor Law Commissioners' rules governing punishments for adults, the infirm, 'idiots', and boys and girls.

1 volume.

**BG/119/3/6****Record of Deaths**

4 May 1899 - 27 March 1918

Record of deaths for those who died in Milford workhouse or infirmary. Includes date of death; cause of death name of person who died; male or female; age; date of last admission to workhouse. Statistics for each half year on number of deaths included. Includes record of coffins and shrouds purchased by the workhouse.

1 small volume.

**BG/119/3/7****Register of Mortgages**

2 August 1880 - 8 November 1918

Register includes date of deed; parties to deed, e.g., Commissioners of Public Works, Boards of Guardians, Irish Land Commission); purpose for which mortgage was given, e.g., 'Ramelton water supply', amount secured by mortgage; dates when instalments received; amount of each instalment received; within what period, e.g., '50 years'; rate of interest per cent; whether by annuity or otherwise; date when mortgage finally discharged; observations. Most of volume empty.

1 vol; 3pp.

Board only one of the authorities involved.

**BG/119/3/8**

### **Outdoor Relief Register**

1 October 1899 - 17 March 1923

Outdoor Relief Register for Milford Workhouse. Details include name, electoral division and townland of applicant; calling or employment, e.g., 'mendicant', 'labourer', 'weaver', 'rag man'; sex, age, religion, date of relief. Two-thirds of volume is empty.

1 volume

### **BG/119/3/9**

Treasurer's Cash Book 1869 - 1879

4 Nov 1869 - 4 Jan 1879

The Northern Banking Company's Branch, Ramelton in account with Milford Board of Guardians. Gives date of lodgement; name of division and collector; total lodged during each week; date of payment; cheque; initials of chairman; number of cheque; amount; total paid each week.

1 volume.

Held with other Milford BG records in Three Rivers.

### **BG/119/3/10**

#### **Treasurer's Book**

28 Feb 1918 - 28 Feb 1923

The Northern Banking Company's Branch, Ramelton in account with Milford Board of Guardians. Gives date of lodgement; name; amount lodged and total; date of payment; name; number of paying order; amount; total paid. Includes short letter from Samuel O'Flaherty, Board of Health, to Manager, Northern Banking Co., Ramelton, regarding accounts (3 December 1924). Not Removed from volume.

1 volume.

### **BG/119/3/11**

#### **Record of Sickness and Mortality**

12 October 1853 - 22 March 1893

Register of Sickness and Mortality for Milford Union. Details include number in register; name of patient; age; disease; day of commencement; treatment; day of termination (of treatment); event, e.g., 'died', 'relieved', 'cured'; and observations. At the back of the volume is a list of statistics of the 'Lunatics' in the Workhouse at the end of each year. The Union is not named but the names and numbers in the volume relate to the names and numbers in the Register of Persons admitted and discharged from Milford Workhouse. At end of volume is Return of 'Idiots' for a number of years.

1 volume.

**BG/119/3/12**

**Print of Milford Infirmary**

c.1960

Black and white print of Milford workhouse infirmary, later demolished. Photograph supplied by The Irish Architectural Archive. Copyright: Buildings of Ireland.

1 item

**BG/119/3/13**

**Letter from Auditor to Clerk of Union**

2 July 1848

Standard letter from Auditor, Poor Law Commissioners, to Clerk, Milford Union, informing him that he will attend in the board room of the Milford Union, on the 12th March next, to audit the accounts of the union. Asks that the clerk have all books and accounts ready.

2 pp

**BG/119/3/14**

**Indoor Relief Register**

2 August 1919 - 21 September 1922

Indoor Relief book for Milford Workhouse, giving details of names of persons receiving relief; former residences, if any; date; sex; religion; legitimate/illegitimate (in the case of children); age; married/ single; former employment; disability, if any; date admitted and discharged or died; numbers of any children in workhouse. Half of volume is empty. Almost certainly Milford Union though this is not written anywhere in the volume. Carrowkeel, Ramelton, Rathmullan, Aughinish and Tamney appear to be where most residents are from.

1 large volume.

**BG/119/3/15**

**Rates receipt**

27 September 1897

Receipt for two shillings received from John Doherty, Oughterlin, of the poor rate for the Killygarvan Electoral Division, Milford Union.

1 small doc.

**BG/119/3/16**

**Letter**

13 December 1908

Letter from [J Watters] to Dr J Patterson, stating that he has received a letter today from the Local Government Board calling for a written explanation why invoices and summary of drugs have not been sent sooner. [Watters] states that 'I am unable to send these returns without your particulars cols 1, 2 and 3 of Form L for half year ended 30th September. As this is the third application I have made to you for this return I hope you will send it to me immediately.'

1 page. Taken from BG/119/1/64.

## **BG/147**

### **STRANORLAR UNION**

**1845 - 1921**

**Material, including minutes of meetings and medical matters, relating to Stranorlar Union. Approx 60 vols.**

#### **BG/147/1**

##### **Stranorlar Board of Guardian Minutes**

**1845 - 1921**

Minutes of meetings of the Board of Guardians for Stranorlar Union. Robert G. Montgomery was chairman of the first board of Guardians for Stranorlar Union. NOTE: Records from BG/147/3/5 to BG/147/3/32 are inserts taken from the minutes of Stranorlar Board of Guardians. They are dated where known. Some of these items are draft resolutions moved prior to or during minutes of the Board. 40 volumes. At least 9 volumes missing.

#### **BG/147/1/1**

Minutes: 24 March 1845 - 3 May 1847

Robert G. Montgomery elected chair of the first Board.

1 volume.

#### **BG/147/1/2**

Minutes: MISSING

#### **BG/147/1/3**

Minutes: MISSING

#### **BG/147/1/4**

Minutes: MISSING

#### **BG/147/1/5**

Minutes: 5 May 1851 - 15 Dec 1851

1 volume

**BG/147/1/6**

Minutes: 22 Dec 1851 - 26 July 1852  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/7**

Minutes: 2 Aug 1852 - 4 April 1853  
1 volume.

**BG/147/1/8**

Minutes: 11 April 1853 - 20 Mar 1854  
1 volume.

**BG/147/1/9**

Minutes: 27 Mar 1854 - 2 July 1855  
1 volume.

**BG/147/1/10**

Minutes: 9 July 1855 - 24 Mar 1856  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/11**

Minutes: 31 Mar 1856 - 14 Feb 1859  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/12**

Minutes: 21 Feb 1859 - 31 Oct 1859  
Short volume.

**BG/147/1/13**

Minutes: 14 Nov 1859 - 4 Nov 1861  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/14**

Minutes: 11 Nov 1861 - 22 Dec 1862  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/15**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/147/1/16**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/147/1/17**

Minutes: 13 April 1868 - 6 Mar 1871

A detailed and descriptive volume. Examples: Viscount/Lord Lifford is chair during this period. Major Montgomery also a member of the board. In this volume there is discussion over attendance at chapel by the R.C. paupers and dispute over the attendance of RC priests to the bedside of dying paupers at the workhouse. Also detailed complaints about non attendance of workhouse appointed doctors. Descriptions of punishments carried out. June 1870: Report re transfer of Margaret Cronan and family of Raphoe from Paisley, Scotland, to Strabane Union instead of Stranorlar, because the family is from Raphoe which is not in Stranorlar Union. (See also BG/147/5 for letter to Clerk of Union, 20 July, 1870 re the above minutes.)

1 volume.

**BG/147/1/18**

Minutes: 20 Mar 1871 - 28 April 1873

6 loose papers removed, includes letter from Chaplain to Stranorlar workhouse, expressing his intention of resigning from his post, 15 Feb 1872, 3 pp; note from James Love to Clerk of Union, requesting a new medical relief register (16 Feb 1872; 1 p).

1 volume.

**BG/147/1/19**

Minutes: 5 May 1873 - 6 April 1874

Viscount Lifford still chair. June 1873: Matron and Master announce they are getting married.

1 volume.

**BG/147/1/20**

Minutes: 13 April 1874 - 3 July 1876

1 volume.

**BG/147/1/21**

Minutes: 10 July 1876 - 23 Sep 1878

I item loose removed; note from Patrick Kelly to Andrew Millar, stating that he has made arrangements to attend at his house on 6 September (1p; 29 Aug 1877).  
1 volume.

**BG/147/1/22**

Minutes: 30 Sep 1878 - 21 June 1880  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/23**

Minutes: 28 June 1880 - 22 May 1882  
Notice announcing that rate books are open for Inspection of Rate Payers, dated 21 August 1882 removed. Provisions of Seed Supply Act were in operation in the district.  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/24**

Minutes: 29 May 1882 - 14 July 1884  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/25**

Minutes: 21 July 1884 - 7 June 1886  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/26**

Minutes: 14 June 1886 - 13 Feb 1888  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/27**

Minutes: 20 Feb 1888 - 30 Dec 1889  
Marked on front cover as a rough minute book, but minutes appear to be correct and are signed by the Chairman of the board.  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/28**

Minutes: 6 Jan 1890 - 28 Sep 1891  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/29**

Minutes: 5 Oct 1891 - 20 Mar 1893  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/30**

Minutes: 27 Mar 1893 - 4 Feb 1895

1 volume

**BG/147/1/31**

Minutes: 11 Feb 1895 - 28 Sep 1896

1 volume

**BG/147/1/32**

Minutes: 5 Oct 1896 - 1 Aug 1898

1 volume

**BG/147/1/33**

Minutes: 8 Aug 1898 - 19 June 1899

1 volume

**BG/147/1/34**

Minutes: 26 June 1899 - 23 July 1900

1 volume

**BG/147/1/35**

Minutes: 30 July 1900 - 2 Sep 1901

Note, an entry was started for 16 September and crossed out.

1 volume

**BG/147/1/36**

Minutes: 16 Sep 1901 - 6 Oct 1902

1 volume

**BG/147/1/37**

Minutes: 13 Oct 1902 - 13 June 1904

Includes loose letter, from J.E. Devlin, Local Government Board, to the Clerk of Stranorlar Union, regarding a query over payment of a fee to the Board's Medical Officer for examination of a 'dangerous lunatic' (18 Nov 1902 , 1 p.)

1 volume



**BG/147/1/38**

Minutes: 4 July 1904 - 18 Dec 1905  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/39**

Minutes: Jan 1906  
1 Jan 1906- one entry. Nearly all volume is blank.  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/40**

Minutes: MISSING

**BG/147/1/41**

Minutes: 17 February 1908 - 30 Aug 1909  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/42**

Minutes: 6 Sep 1909 - 14 Aug 1911  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/43**

Minutes: 4 Sep 1911 - 15 Sep 1913  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/44**

Minutes: 6 October 1913 - 10 May 1915  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/45**

Minutes: 14 June 1915 - 12 February 1917  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/46**

Minutes: 26 Feb 1917 - 20 Jan 1919  
1 volume

**BG/147/1/47**

Minutes: 1919 - 1921 MISSING

**BG/147/1/48**

Minutes: 4 April 1921 - 11 June 1921  
Most of this volume is empty.  
1 volume.

**BG/147/1/49**

Minutes: MISSING  
1921 - 1922

**BG/147/1/50**

Minutes: 3 April 1922 - 17 July 1922  
Cover of volume says Central Home, Stranorlar. But volume seems to refer to workhouse. Most of volume is empty.  
1 volume.

**BG/147/2**

**Stranorlar Minutes: Rough Minutes**

**1861 - 1901**

Rough Minutes of Stranorlar Board of Guardians. Not all have survived. There are gaps in this series.  
11 volumes.

**BG/147/2/1**

Rough Minutes: 6 Sept 1852 - 25 April 1853  
1 volume

**BG/147/2/2**

Rough Minutes: 18 Nov 1861 - 22 Dec 1862  
1 volume

**BG/147/2/3**

Rough Minutes: 16 March 1868 - 28 Nov 1870  
1 volume

**BG/147/2/4**

Rough Minutes: 16 Dec 1872 - 10 Nov 1873  
1 volume

**BG/147/2/5**

Rough Minutes: 17 Nov 1873 - 29 Nov 1875  
1 volume

**BG/147/2/6**

Rough Minutes: 6 Dec 1875 - 28 Jan 1878

Rough Minutes, Encloses note from Patrick Kelly to Andrew Millar, making arrangements for a meeting, 29 Aug 1877.

1 volume

**BG/147/2/7**

Rough Minutes: 4 Feb 1878 - 23 Feb 1880

1 volume

**BG/147/2/8**

Rough Minutes: 1 March 1880 - 7 Nov 1881

1 volume

**BG/147/2/9**

Rough Minutes: 8 Aug 1887 - 1 July 1889

1 volume

**BG/147/2/10**

Rough Minutes: 20 Jan 1896 - 20 Sep 1897

1 volume

**BG/147/2/11**

Rough Minutes: 6 Aug 1900 - 23 Sep 1901

1 volume

**BG/147/2/12**

Rough Minutes: 30 Sep 1901 - 3 Nov 1902

1 volume

**BG/147/3**

**Stranorlar Other Material**

**1872 - 1921**

Material other than minutes. Records from BG/147/3/5 to BG/147/3/32 are inserts taken from the minutes of Stranorlar Board of Guardians. They are dated where known. It should be noted that some of these items are draft resolutions moved during minutes of the Board.

**BG/147/3/1**

**Stranorlar Union Letter Book**

15 Jan 1921 - 12 July 1921

Letter book of Stranorlar Union, mainly signed by Charles Callaghan, Clerk or the Acting Clerk. Some original letters remain.

1 volume

**BG/147/3/2**

**Labourers Minute Book**

13 Feb 1895 - 1 June 1899

Labourers Minute Book from Stranorlar Union. Gives the Minutes of the proceedings of the Committee acting as the Rural Sanitary Authority under the Labourers' Acts 46 & 47 Vic. cap. 60 and 48 & 49 Vic., cap 77.

1 volume

**BG/147/3/3**

**Receipt and Payment Book**

30 Sep 1916 - 30 Aug 1924

Receipt and Payment Book for Stranorlar Union. Northern Banking Company Ltd., Ballybofey in account with Stranorlar Board of Guardians. Details given include Date, Details, Number - possibly folio number and amount in £ s d for Debit and Credit sides. Also includes: (2)5 letters re: the board of guardian accounts from 1923/1924 and (3)a Copy Mortgage dated 23 May 1921: Parties: Guardians of the Poor of the Union of Stranorlar to the Northern Banking Company Ltd. for the sum of £6000 to be repaid by the 31 March 1922.

3 items

**BG/147/3/4**

**Letter Book**

13 April 1886 - 12 Aug 1921

Letter book of Stranorlar Board of Guardians.

1 item

**BG/147/3/5**

**Letter from chaplain**

15 February 1872

Letter from Chaplain to Stranorlar Workhouse to Board of Guardians, submitting his resignation as chaplain.  
1 page

**BG/147/3/6**

**Letter from James Love**

16 February 1872

Note [to Board], seeking new medical relief register for the dispensary.

1 page

**BG/147/3/7**

**Note to Lord Lifford**

23 December 1872

Incomplete note stating that [writer] will not be attending next meeting of Board.

1 page.

**BG/147/3/8**

**Accounts**

25 March - 31 May 1873

Items include statement of account to Joseph Ferron for five weeks outdoor relief to Bidy Bradley; three months wages for nursing two deserted children; coffin; salary of relieving officer. Signed by Andrew Miller, Clerk of Union.

3 pp

**BG/147/3/9**

**Draft resolutions**

1874

Two draft resolutions, concerning supply of fresh water to Ballybofey.

2 pp

**BG/147/3/10**

**Report of the Clothing Committee**

1874

Committee consists of Andrew Magee and Peter McGlinchy, who state that they have examined the clothing in the different wards and find that the master's report on same is correct.

1 page

**BG/147/3/11**

**Account for clothes**

1874

List of clothing provided for Board, by William Doherty, Tailor.

1 page

**BG/147/3/12**

**Proposal for work**

23 Feb 1874

Proposal to Master of Workhouse, for work by John [ ] on drain [?].

1 page

**BG/147/3/13**

**Certification of work**

25 Sep 1874

Note from Robert Ewing, stating that he has measured a field where 'the oats grew at workhouse and find in it 2 acres, three roods and 19 perches.'

1 page

**BG/147/3/14**

**Note of meeting of Guardians**

28 - 30 Sep 1874

Note to Board members of meeting, stating that the issue of granting superannuation allowance to Dr Wallace (?), late medical officer, Stranorlar Dispensary. Pencilled resolution granting Dr Wallace 'whatever relieving allowances the Board may think right', 28 September.

2 pp

**BG/147/3/15**

**Letter re rate**

30 Dec 1874

Letter from John Crary, Killygordan, to [Board], seeking note of rate for the electoral division of Stranorlar.

1 page

**BG/147/3/16**

**Personnel correspondence**

9 Nov 1874

Two letters, one from Wallace to Mr Miller, Clerk of the Union, giving his age as sixty, and one from [ ] Gallagher to the Chairman, offering two people as his secretaries.

2 pp

BG/147/3/16(1) - (2)

**BG/147/3/17**

**Letter from Clerk of Peace**

12 June 1875

Letter from John Cochrane, Clerk of the Peace, Donegal, to Clerk, Stranorlar Union, concerning list of jurors.

1 page

**BG/147/3/18**

**Goods ordered for workhouse**

28 June 1875

Letter from Letitia Sproule to Mr Miller, Clerk of Union, sending goods as ordered.

1 page

**BG/147/3/19**

**Proposals to supply workhouse**

1875 - 1880

Includes proposal from Samuel Sweeney, Cavan, to give at the rate of £6 per acre for the corn growing on the workhouse farm; proposals from Charles Kane and others to supply workhouse with oatmeal; proposal by Thomas James, Killygordan, to whitewash the Union, for three pounds.

6 pp

BG/147/3/19(1) - (6)

**BG/147/3/20**

**Draft Resolutions**

1878 - 1879

Draft Resolutions of the Board. Includes resolution on admission of persons into the workhouse on Sundays; resolution seeking assistance in alleviating distress 'which prevails in many districts in this union', perhaps through employment on the West Donegal Railway; resolution concerning pure water supply to Ballybofey; resolutions concerning salaries of sanitary officers.

BG/147/3/20(1) - (7)

**BG/147/3/21****Medical correspondence and resolutions**

18 May 1878 - 12 April 1889

(1) Report from James Love, Medical Officer, to Board, on condition of James Dobson of Stranorlar, who has eye problems (18 May 1878) (2) Note from Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital to Clerk of Union, agreeing to admit a patient, for a fee (19 June 1881) (3) Pencilled draft resolution, 21 February 1881, proposing Dr Johnston and Dr Fenwick be elected Medical Officer, and stating that Dr Johnston was chosen, following a vote. (4) Letter from H. W. Johnston, Medical Officer, seeking professional and financial assistance to treat a pregnant patient, Mrs Joseph Doherty, Bally-na-Glack (18 March 1889). (5) Draft minutes of meeting of Killygordan Dispensary Committee, 12 April 1889, appointing John S. Johnston, J.P. as chairman.

5 pp

BG/147/3/21(1) - (5)

**BG/147/3/22****Supply of goods**

24 Feb 1879 - 23 Feb 1880

Includes proposal by Allan Tynan to supply workhouse with potatoes ('five tons brown rock'); letter from Letitia Sproule, stating that she is sending samples; letter from Scotch & English Steam Packet Office, Londonderry, concerning delivery of potatoes. Includes accounts and invoices from William Collins, Victoria Drug hall, Belfast (1881); William Armstrong, Woollen & Linen Draper (1881); Alex Thom (1890); and Hely's Limited, Printers (1919).

11 pp

BG/147/3/22(1) - (8)

**BG/147/3/23****General List of Jurors**

30 July 1879

List of Jurors for Poor Law Union of Stranorlar and for the barony of Raphoe (South-half), prepared by Clerk of the Union. Also includes printed undated note from Alexander Thom to Clerk of Union, concerning printing of list of Jurors.

3 pp

**BG/147/3/24****List of books, forms**

September 1879

Printed list of Poor Law Union and Sanitary Books, forms, printed and published by Alexander Thom, Dublin. Includes lists of Notices,



Treasury Books, Workhouse registers.

4 pp

**BG/147/3/25**

**Petition and notes re: waterworks**

15 December 1879

(1) Petition is addressed to the Chairman of the Board, the petition is from cesspayers of Stranorlar Division who 'solemnly protest against having to pay for the Ballybofey and Stranorlar Water Works.' Signed by William Walsh, Patrick Bonar, William McDermott, William McGowan and others. (2) - (3) Also includes notes concerning quality of water in well in Ballybofey.

3 pp

BG/147/3/25(1) - (3)

**BG/147/3/26**

**Personnel Correspondence**

2 Feb 1880 - 1 July 1889

(1) Letter from James Love, Medical Officer, stating that he is suffering from rheumatism and is unable to work at present. Suggests Dr Johnston or Dr Wallace as his replacement for a week (2 February 1880). (2) Letter from C. Rogan to Lord Lifford, Chairman of the Board, seeking payment for work (13 June 1881). (3) Letter from A. W. Johnston, Medical Officer, seeking a month's leave of absence and nominating George Johnston of England, to deputise for him (1 July 1889).

3 pp

BG/147/3/26(1) - (3)

**BG/147/3/27**

**Poor Rates**

26 June 1880

Letter from Daniel McInchy, Meenboy, to A. Miller, enclosing a list of individuals and poor rates for Altnapaste Division, and stating that he made several unsuccessful attempts to 'distrain from each of these parties'.

1 page

**BG/147/3/28**

**Administrative documents**

1880

Includes notes to Clerk of Union from officers, concerning registers, receipt books and other administrative matters in the Union.

6 pp

**BG/147/3/29**

**Reports of Sanitary/Medical Officer**

Dec 1887 - July 1889

(1) Report of Sanitary (also Medical ) Officer, Dr Johnston, concerning condition of fountain at Stranorlar, 1 July (?) 1889. (2) Report of Sanitary (also Medical ) Officer, Dr Johnston, concerning a public well in Convooy, 19 December, 1887.

2 items

**BG/147/3/30**

**Loan for public housing**

1895

Application for sanction of Local Government Board to a loan of £50 for executing an improvement scheme, Convooy electoral division. Application is for the building of three cottages in Aughagault townland. Includes circular letter (20 March 1896) from Local Government Board, concerning general conditions for granting loans for housing.

4 pp

**BG/147/3/31**

**Report of work by masons on workhouse**

3 September 1900

Report of Committee appointed to examine work done by masons in the workhouse premises; and costs involved. Includes Statement of actual works carried out by masons and time spent on each job.

5 pp

**BG/147/3/32**

**Letter re: 'dangerous lunatic'**

18 November 1902

Letter from Local Government Board to Clerk, Stranorlar Union, referring to fees to which the Medical Officer believes he is entitled, for an examination of a workhouse patient 'alleged to be a dangerous lunatic'.

1 page

**BG/147/3/33**

**Notice to Cowkeepers**

7 April 1879

Notice from Andrew Miller, 'Clerk to the Local Authority', to cowkeepers, dairymen, and purveyors of milk, 'pursuant to The

Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops (Ireland) Order, 1879, stating that after 12 April, a register will be opened at the workhouse in Stranorlar, on all days except Sundays, for registration as prescribed under the Order, of all persons working in the trades of cowkeepers, dairymen, and purveyors of milk; and stating that all owners of cowsheds, dairies and milkshops are required to register within six weeks from 12 April.

1 item.

NOTE: Located in map cabinet 1, drawer 3

**BG/147/3/34**

**Report of Medical/Sanitary Officer**

8th June 1889

Medical/Sanitary Officer of Stranorlar Dispensary District - Johnston, reports to the board of guardians that the manure in Robert McElhinneys yard in Convoy has been removed and the Privy abolished. The yard is still lying in water and he suggests that steps be taken to drain it.

1 item

**BG/147/3/35**

**Resolution regarding Rates**

27 December 1920

Letter from Stranorlar Board of Guardians to each Rural District Council and Secretary, County Council, forwarding copy of resolution passed unanimously by the Board on 27 December 1920, stating that the board condemns the action of the Council in refusing a grant of £50,000 in relief of the rates; and asking the RDC's to join with the board in protesting against the decision.

**BG/147/3/36**

**Supply of goods- correspondence**

March 1860 - 12 August 1873

Memos and tenders sent to workhouse from various firms and companies and individual traders in relation to various workhouse projects. Material all removed from minutes. 1-Proposal to put up the partition in school room and flood the room in the hospital, from John Diver, c. 1852. 2- Georg[e] [ ]: proposal to plough the workhouse land; 12 March 1860. 3- Patrick [ ]gillary to Board, 28 Jan 1861: proposal to plough the land at the workhouse for price. 4-Cath[ ] Spencer [?] and Saul James, proposal to plough land. Undated. 5- From R. Wilson, Cavan, price given, no proposal. Undated. 6- Order for goods from BG to William Brown.c. 1860- 1. 7- Proposal to execute different

work at the workhouse for price, from Neal Doherty, Builders Ballybofey, 9 Dec 1861. 8. Proposal from John Sweeney, Cavan, for oats accepted, August 1862. 9- Proposal from A. Magee for best Irish flannel, c.1869. 10-From [ ] Boyd, Wholesale Druggists, Bride Street, Dublin, memo re goods, 12 August 1873. 11- From McGowan & Lane, Londonderry, memo re delay in delivery of goods due to wind and vessels unavailable to sail, 12 August 1873. 12- From McGowan & Lane, Londonderry, memo regarding cheque for goods supplied, 23 August 1873. 13- 15- Three undated (late 1890's) notes regarding monies owed, one for John Black. 16 Scrap of paper found in BG/147/3/35 with headings as follows 'paying order no.'; To whom payable' and 'postal address'. 1900 - 1901. The following is detailed: 125-John Duffy-Raphoe- 126-James Coyle- Stranorlar- 127 Thomas Deery- 128 Joseph McGinty- - 129 John Ruitt- -. 15 items.

**BG/147/3/37**

**Rates of produce**

2 February 1862

Return of the average rates of produce of crops (wheat, barley, oats, bere, rye, beans, pease, potatoes, turnips, mange wurzel, carrots, cabbage, gree vetches, flax, rape seed, rape, hay in tons) for the electoral division of Killygordan. With amounts filled in per acre in manuscript. Agricultural Statistics Office, Ireland, 1861.

2 items.

**BG/147/3/38**

**Belfast Banking Co**

14 January 1861

Receipt from Belfast Banking Company's Branch in Strabane for The Guardians of Stranorlar Union, for the sum of £28 five shillings and eight pence, placed to credit of their account. Signed the accountant and manager.

1 item.

**BG/147/3/39**

**Note of meeting**

14 April 1873

Note of ordinary meeting of Guardians to be held on 21st April, the subject will be the appointment of sewer committees. From Andrew Millar, clerk of union.

1 page.

**BG/147/3/40**

Notice re rate books

21 August 1882

A3 notice that rate books are open for inspection of rate payers, at the workhouse, for 14 days in the electoral divisions of Altnapaste, Cloghan, Convoy, Dooish, Gleneely, Golland, Killygordon, Knock, Lettermore, Meencargagh, Stranorlar. Gives the rate in the pound in shillings and pence. By Andrew Millar, Clerk of Union. Maddock, Printer, Letterkenny.

1 A3 document.

**BG/147/3/41**

**Medical report, Cloghan**

5 January 1889

Short handwritten report from James S. Matthews, sanitary officer, and medical officer of the Cloghan dispensary, that a heap of manure was found at a short distance - six foot- from the house of Mrs John Boyle, widow, and eight foot from the house of John Boyle, of Garvan, a house 'only occasionally inhabited by him.' Officer states there is a private legal dispute between the two persons above and feels 'I should not be called in to private quarrels of this nature.' States that 'the manure is recent and in this cold weather not injurious to health.'

1 small document.

**BG/147/3/42**

**Potato disease prevention**

1893 - 1895

Typescript report/advertisement from Thomas McKenzie and Sons Lmted, 212 Brunswick Street, Dublin, Wholesale Irish Agents for Strawson products. Headed 'Potato disease prevention', the note states that it is important that the small farmer should have a knowledge of facts relating to the spraying of 'strawsonite' on his potato crop and states that if in a congested district the farmer needs not purchase bags of material as the Government supply one free if they apply through the Constabulary (RIC). Found in the pages of BG/147/1/30. 2 pieces, 1 page.

**BG/147/4**

**Stranorlar Union Medical Material**

1852 - 1899

Medical material, including dispensary minute books under Committees of Management under the overall authority of the Board of Guardians.

2 vols at least.

**BG/147/4/1**

Killygordan Dispensary Minute Book

27 Feb 1852 - 6 Sep 1898

Minutes of the Committee of Management for the Dispensary District of Killygordan, Stranorlar Union. Generally monthly minutes of each meeting, discussions include dispensing of medicines and organisation of premises for the dispensary, employment of medical officer. BG/147/4/1 (1) - (4): Loose material not removed. Includes report of one committee meeting.

1 volume.

**BG/147/4/2****Stranorlar Dispensary Minute Book**

1 March 1852 - 6 Feb 1899

Minutes of the Committee of Management of Stranorlar Dispensary.

1 volume

BG/147/4/2(10 - (10): 10 loose papers, including letters from the Medical Officer to the Chairman of the Committee. Papers have not been removed.

**BG/GEN/****Unidentified and general BG records**

1900 - 1924

Material regarding the running of workhouses which cannot be identified in the records themselves. Also material relating to the Unions or Boards as a whole.

**BG/GEN/1****Provision Check Account**

1915 - 1916

Weekly statistics of provisions consumed in workhouse. Classed by 'inmates' and 'officers'. 'Inmates' are classed under able-bodied (working) men and women; able-bodied (casual) men and women; attendants, men and women; infirm (working), men and women; aged infirm, men and women; children aged 8 to 15; children aged 3 to 8; children under age of 3. Statistics include of totals for individual foods consumed, such as bread, milk, meat etc. Statistic also of provisions for workhouse officers include for master, matron and sisters; nurses; porter; ward master; ward mistress; temporary nurses; total.

**BG/GEN/2**

**No record**

**BG/GEN/3**

**Petition: disestablishment of Church of Ireland**

[1869]

Copy 'humble petition of Guardians and ratepayers of Longford Union', to House of Lords, requesting co-operation of all the Guardians of each Union in Ireland, protesting against a motion brought by Mr Henry Gregory, to adopt a petition to the House of Lords in favour of Gladstone's Disestablishment of the Church of Ireland bill. States that 'such a course would be attended by the worst possible consequence to Ireland'. Signed among others by L.H. King Harman, JP (printed signature only.)

1 page.

**BG/GEN/4**

**Clothing received at workhouse**

October 1899 - September 1903

[1908]

Volume detailing items received by unidentified [hospital/workhouse]. Includes items received, such as boys' suits, trousers, children's dresses, flannelette, linen, calico, petticoats, children's chemises, drawers, also repairs to clothes. Includes inserts of lists of clothes 'men's' hospital, Oct 1904'; Clothes List Women's' Hospital, Oct 1905'- both loose pages; and invoice from Michael Flanagan, General Woollen Draper and Fancy Warehouse, Ballyshannon (1908).

1 volume; 3 loose sheets.

Possibly Ballyshannon workhouse. BG/GEN/4 (1) - (4)