

Special meeting - 17th October 1906.

A special meeting of the county council, was held in the council chamber, Courthouse Wexford, on 17th October 1906.

Present:- Mr M. A. Ennis, vice-chairman, presiding.
Other members:- Messrs C. H. Peacocke, C. Hore, J. J. Kehoe, James Codd, J. A. Doyle, M. Doyle, J. Cummins, D. Dempsey, J. Asple, and P. Cleary.

The Secretary, and Mr Henry Webster, County Surveyor, were in attendance.

— Technical Instruction Scheme —

On the motion of the chairman, the following resolution was adopted:-

"That we hereby confirm the resolution of the Co. Committee of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, agreeing to submit to the Department of Agriculture, the Technical Instruction Scheme for session 1906-7, with the provision for two technical scholarships in an institution of University standing eliminated, and with the financial provisions of the scheme altered in accordance with the figures agreed to at the meeting of the Co. Committee of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, held this date."

— Assistant Surveyor Paddle —

Under date 16th October, the following letter was read from Mr Webster, County Surveyor:-

"Mr Paddle, Assistant Surveyor, Gorey, has written to me, asking for permission to act as temporary clerk of works, during the building of the new Town Hall at Gorey. If you could see your way to grant this request, I do not think it would interfere with his duties as Assistant Co. Surveyor."

"On the motion of Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mr. Dempsey, it was decided that Mr. Paddle be allowed to act as temporary clerk of works for new Town Hall of Gorey."

— Bar at Courtown Harbour. —

Under date 16th October, the following letter was read from Mr. Stapleton, Harbour Master, Courtown:-

"I beg to inform you that the bar is badly silted between the piers, in fact it is silted nearly up to the sluice gates, and on this date there is not more than 2½ feet of water at low tide. I got it sluiced several times, but it took no effect, as the body of water inside gates was not sufficient, for want of a fresh in the river, and if there is no fresh soon, I fear nothing larger than a yawl can get to sea for the coming herring fishing."

"It was decided that the letter of the Harbour Master be referred to Mr. Webster, County Surveyor."

— Damage to Ferrycarrig Bridge —

The County Surveyor reported that on the 16th inst. at three o'clock, a steamer known as the "Enniscorthy steamer," when going up the river from Wexford to Enniscorthy, on a flood tide, and towing a barge, collided with Ferrycarrig Bridge. Instead of keeping to the south side, and getting a clear run to the Bridge, the steamer went for the bridge rather askew, running into an outside raking pile, rubbing across the line of piles for the support of the bridge, and bending them to the south side.

Mr. Webster then gave particulars of the damage. - He estimated that the total repairs which it was necessary to carry out on the bridge would cost £33, and of that amount the damage would be represented by £18."

On the motion of Mr. Peacocke, seconded by the Chairman, the following resolution was adopted:-
 "That Mr. Webster be instructed to have the necessary repairs to Ferry carrig Bridge carried out at once, and that Mr. Elger Solicitor be instructed to write to the owners of the steamer which damaged the bridge demanding from them £18. compensation for injury to the bridge caused by the steamer on the 16th October 1906."

Irrecoverable Rates.

On the motion of the Chairman, the lists of Irrecoverable Rates, of the Rate Collectors, for the half-year ended 30th September 1906 were passed.

W. Ennis

4.12.1906
