

Extracts from the Act

11 Geo. IV. Cap Lxxii

entitled

An Act for the Management and Direction of the
Hospital founded by Joseph Barrington and
his Sons in the City of Limerick.

(29th May 1830).

WHEREAS within the City or the County of the City of Limerick, containing a Population exceeding Ninety thousand Persons, no Hospital or Infirmary has been erected or established under Acts of Parliament in force in Ireland for erecting and establishing Infirmaries and Hospitals, nor is there any general Hospital or Infirmary for the said City or County of the City of Limerick: And whereas the same, from the great Number of infirm and diseased Poor therein, stand greatly in need of an Hospital or Infirmary maintained and supported as those of other Counties are supported: And whereas Joseph Barrington of the City of Limerick, Esquire, and his Sons Matthew Barrington, Daniel Barrington, Croker Barrington, and Samuel Barrington, have purchased Ground and erected at their sole Expence an extensive and commodious Stone Building on George's Quay in the City of Limerick, known and called by the Name of Barrington's Hospital, intending, without Remuneration or Reward, to give up the same, with all its Appurtenances to the Use of the Poor of the said City and County of the City of Limerick for ever: And whereas it is expedient that for the regulating, Management, and Direction of the said Hospital such Rules and Regulations shall be enacted as herein after mentioned: Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said Building called Barrington's Hospital, from and after the Day that the said Building shall be conveyed in Perpetuity to the Governors of Barrington's Hospital and City of Limerick Infirmary, the same, with the Appurtenances, shall, from and after the Date of such Conveyance, be and become and be deemed and considered the Hospital or Infirmary for the City and County of the City of Limerick.

iii And be it further enacted, That the Bishop of the Diocese of Limerick, the Rector or Vicar of the Parish in which the said Hospital and Infirmary is situate, the Mayor of the City of Limerick, the Representative in Parliament for the City of Limerick, the President of the Chamber of Commerce of Limerick, all for the Time being, the Right Reverend John Ryan Doctor in Divinity, and the Reverend Thomas Enright, shall be and remain and are declared to be Governors for Life of the said Hospital and Infirmary.

And be it further enacted, That the said Joseph Barrington, Matthew Barrington, Daniel Barrington, Croker Barrington, and Samuel Barrington, and William Hertigan Barrington and Croker Barrington, Grandsons of the said Joseph Barrington, shall be for their respective Lives, and that the several Heirs Male for the Time being of their respective Bodies shall be for ever, Governors of the said Hospital and Infirmary, and Members of the Committee for conducting and managing the same; and that every Donor of any Sum not less than Twenty Guineas shall from the Time of such Donation become a Member of the Body Corporate and Governor of the said Hospital for the Term of his or her natural Life; and every Person who shall subscribe and pay any Sum not less than Three Guineas annually for the Use of the said Hospital and Infirmary shall become a Member of the said Body Corporate and Governor up to the First Day of January next following the Time of paying such

Subscription; and such Donors and Subscribers as aforesaid shall be a Body Politic and Corporate in Law to all Intents and Purposes, and shall have perpetual Succession, and be called "The Governors of Barrington's Hospital and City of Limerick Infirmary," and shall be enabled to plead and be impleaded and to sue and be sued by such Names of Incorporation, and may take Securities upon Contracts to be made by them for any of the Purposes herein mentioned, and shall and may have a Common Seal, and that they and their Successors for ever shall and may take and receive any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments whatsoever, not exceeding the annual Value of Two thousand Pounds, and shall and may be capable of taking Gifts, Grants, Contributions, Legacies, and Benefactions to any Amount, in Personal Property, in Trust for the sole Use and Benefit of the said Hospital and Infirmary, and shall have Power to employ the same for the Use of the said Hospital and Infirmary, in such Manner as they shall judge proper, unless the Donor shall direct the Manner of applying such Benefactions, in which Case the Directions of the Donor shall be observed; and such Corporation or Body Politic shall and may receive all Donations and Subscriptions for the Support of the said Hospital and Infirmary, and for all other Purposes connected with the Welfare and Advancement of its Concern.

And be it further enacted, That an Annual Meeting of such Body Corporate or Governors of the said Hospital and Infirmary shall be held once in every Year, the first Meeting to be held within Six Months after the passing of this Act, and all subsequent Meetings to be held on the second Monday in the Month of January in each Year, to be convened at such Infirmary and Hospital by previous public Notice by Advertisement, Six Days previous to such Meeting, in One of the Limerick Newspapers, for the Purpose of electing from amongst the Governors of the said Hospital a standing Committee of Thirteen Persons by Ballot, in addition to the Persons herein-before mentioned, for the conducting and managing the said Hospital or Infirmary, and all the Affairs and Business thereof; and the first Thirteen Persons so to be nominated on the said Committee, who shall appear to have the greatest Number of Votes, should be declared duly elected; and in case of the Death of any One of the said Thirteen Persons during the said Year, then and in such Case a similar Election shall be had for a Member of the Committee in place of the Person so dying.

And be it further enacted, That, at such Meeting so to be convened, a State of the Accounts and Proceedings for the last Year shall be laid before the said Governors for their Inspection; and that the said Committee shall by a Majority of those present at each Meeting have the full and entire Management and Direction of the Funds and Affairs of the said Hospital and Infirmary for One Year from the day of their said Election, Three of whom shall be a Quorum for the Purpose of transacting or managing all the household Affairs of the said Hospital and Infirmary, but not less than Five of the said Committee shall be a Quorum for the electing or removing of the Servants of the said Hospital and Infirmary, and not less than Nine of the said Committee shall be a Quorum for the Election and Removal of the Physicians, Surgeons, Apothecary, Housekeeper, Registers, and other Officers of the said Institution, or for the placing out Money at Interest, making Rules and Regulations, and for all Matters respecting the said Institution; and the Committee so elected, or any Three, Five, or Nine, or more of them, in the respective Cases before mentioned shall have the exclusive and entire Direction and Management of the Funds, Property, and Affairs of the said Corporation, and shall have the Power of electing and removing of all Persons in the Service of the said Corporation for Neglect, Nonattendance, or any reasonable Cause, and the Right of Appointment to all Vacancies which may occur in the Situation of Officers and Servants of the said Infirmary, and shall have Power to lay out in the Public Funds, or upon private Security, at Interest, or in the Purchase of Land or Houses, all such overplus Income as may come into their

Hands: Provided always, that the said Committee shall not in any Manner be authorized or empowered to dispose of or let any Part of the Property in Lands or Houses of or belonging to the said Hospital and Infirmary, or which may hereafter belong to the same, without the previous consent of the Governors to be had at a General Meeting to be convened for that Purpose, and called by public Advertisement in some One of the Limerick Newspapers, and at which there shall be Nine Members at least attending.

And be it further enacted, That no Patient shall be admitted into the said Hospital and Infirmary but upon a written Recommendation from One of the Governors of the said Hospital and Infirmary, except in Cases of sudden Accidents which may require immediate Relief; and in case it shall so happen that more Patients shall be so recommended than can be conveniently or expeditiously admitted into the said Hospital and Infirmary, then the said Physician or Surgeon shall admit such Patient or Patients according to the Priority of their several Recommendations, unless otherwise regulated by the Committee; and the said Recommendations shall be carefully preserved by the resident Apothecary in the said Hospital and Infirmary as Vouchers that the said Patients were admitted in manner aforesaid: Provided also, that Persons subscribing the Sum of Two Guineas shall have a Liberty of recommending Ten Patients, and Persons subscribing One Guinea, of recommending Five Patients to the said Hospital, up to and for the First day of January next following the Payment of such Subscription, but they shall have no Control or Direction whatever in the Management of the said Hospital, or the Funds thereof, or in voting for the Election of a Committee.

XI And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others, without being specially pleaded.

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Law. Recd  
Limerick

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Telefon: 61135

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OIFIG LUACHÁLA,

VALUATION OFFICE,

6, PLAS ILÉ,  
6, ELY PLACE,

BAILE ATHA CLIATH, M.2.  
DUBLIN, C.2.

21 Márta, 1952.

BARRINGTON'S HOSPITAL.

Dear Mr. Killeen,

The map which you forwarded with your letter of the 12th instant was most interesting and provides the key piece for solving one half of the Barrington's Hospital jig-saw puzzle. I have had a copy made. I should have known that this map was made, as there was a long-drawn-out dispute for years between John O'Brien and Barrington's Hospital, which was settled in 1856 by a Deed to which O'Brien, the Hospital Governors and Lord Dunraven were parties and which provided for the surrender to the Governors of portions 1 and 2 on the attached map.

O'Brien was the successor of John Meade Thomas who became a bankrupt about 1818 and in the period 1848 to 1856 the Corporation was paying to O'Brien the rent of £65.1s in respect of plots 3 to 9 on the map together with the remainder of the site of the 1911 Guard House. O'Brien was paying a head rent to Reps., O'Shaughnessy, who are now an O'Connell family, in respect of plots 7, 8 and 9 and after 1856 he paid a reduced head rent in respect of plots 3, 4.5 and 6 to Lord Dunraven. Lord Dunraven, in turn, paid a head rent to Lords Longford and De Vesci out of Lots 1 to 6, an undivided one-fifth share of which had been forfeited after the Williamite Wars and granted, subject to quit rent to Michael O'Boyle, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of Ireland, the predecessor in title of Lords Longford and De Vesci. The Stanhope Street Sisters of Charity, I understand, are now endeavouring to buy out the O'Connell and Dunraven head rents and Lord Dunraven has, I understand, either purchased or is in the course of purchasing the Longford and De Vesci head rent.

As, I suppose, you are aware, the Barrington's Hospital Circuit Court appeal will be heard next month and, following the hearing of the appeal, I should be in a position to let you have a full account of the information I have collected to date about Barrington's Hospital.

In the meantime, of course, I should be very glad if you could dig up some more information out of the archives of the Hospital.

*Thanks very much for the map which I return herewith*  
Yours sincerely,

G. Killeen, Esq.,  
Limerick Corporation,  
City Hall,  
LIMERICK.

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CORPORATION OF LIMERICK



ARUS NA CATHRACH,  
LIMERICK.

12th March 1952.

Dear Mr. O'Brien,

Reposing on our  
telephone conversation, as it  
may be a little time  
before I can send you all  
the data I have collected,

I am sending the map  
prepared in 1848 so that

you may have it copied.

Yours sincerely

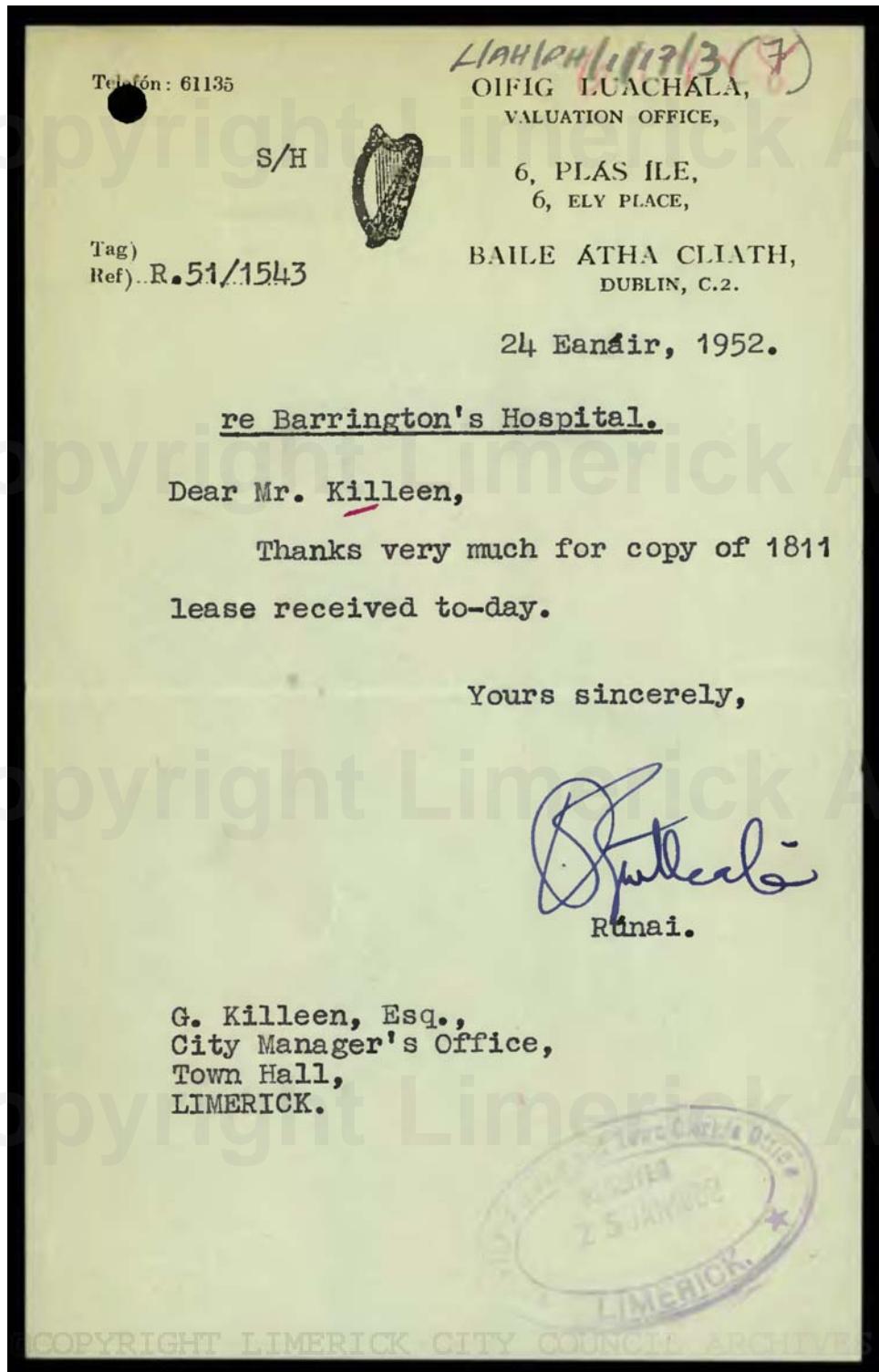
Dr. T. J. Butler

St. Patrick's Seminary  
Valentia, Co. Kerry

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23rd January, 1952.

Re: Barringtons Hospital.

Dear Mr. O'Sullivan,

As promised, I enclose copy of the 1811 Lease John Meade Thomas to the Corporation of Limerick.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr. O'Sullivan, { Sc  
Valuation Office,  
6, Ely Place,  
DUBLIN.

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DUBLIN, C.2.

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Dear Mr. Killeen,

Thank you very much for your most interesting letter of 16th instant regarding Barrington's Hospital. I await with interest the copy of the lease dated 21st September, 1811.

You have filled in half of a gap which had been left in my information about the property. The position is as follows:-

In 1793 an ancestor of the Earl of Dunraven leased to Dr. Richard Franklin and John Franklin and Nicholas Power a lot of ground running from Mary Street to Georges Quay at a rent of £34 (Irish). In 1828, the successor in title of the Franklins and Power leased the Mary Street end of the property to a Daniel Kenna who, in 1838, conveyed it to Barrington's Hospital - subject to an annual rent of £25 payable to John O'Brien. By a deed of lease in 1856 the subject of the Kenna lease was freed by John O'Brien from rent and, at the same time, Dunraven agreed to accept £5 less rent under the parent 1793 lease - leaving £26 sterling payable to him. That cleared up one part of our problem but I have no information as to what happened the Georges Quay end of the property leased in 1793. It looked from the original Valuation List, which showed a half rent of £32.11. payable by the Hospital authorities to John O'Brien, that the Hospital had cleared the Georges Quay end from O'Brien at some stage.

The information in your letter does not complete the picture as far as I am concerned. According to Dunraven's solicitors Sister Josephine Dodd pays £26 head rent annually to Dunraven, making it appear that she is the successor to John O'Brien. From your letter it appears that she obtains the rent of £65. 2. from your Corporation as the successor of John Meade Thomas through the lease dated 21.9.1811. I am now trying to find out how Meade derived his title and what was his connection with John O'Brien.

From the fact that the original Valuer in 1850 inserted in the Valuation List the half annual rent of £32.11. I took it that the Hospital authorities at that time paid the rent out of their own funds to John O'Brien - possibly because the Corporation, having transferred the land to the Barringtons for the purpose of erecting the hospital thereon, would naturally have transferred the liability attaching to the property. Would your records show how long the Corporation has been paying the rent of £65. 2? I have seen the printed annual Hospital accounts for 1892, and it is clear from them that at that date the Hospital was not paying the rent. The earlier printed reports might be of assistance in ascertaining when the Hospital ceased to pay the rent or if they even paid the rent.

Ballsbridge would appear to have been an important Limerick bridge in the old days and from my meagre information on the Barrington's Hospital area there would appear to have been a number of Military Guard or Main Guard houses built at different periods in this area. You will notice that the 1811 lease says "The New Guard House" while Lenihan's history says "The New Guard House".

The whole purpose of my enquiry is to try to map the property

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the subject of 1793 lease and, at the moment, I could not make even an approximate ~~shot~~ at it.

Yours sincerely,

  
G. Killeen.  
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G. Killeen, Esq.,  
City Manager's Office,  
Town Hall,  
Limerick.

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16th January, 1952.

Dear Mr. O'Sullivan,

With reference to the letter which you addressed to the City Manager on the 12th instant (Ref: R.51/15&4) and to our subsequent telephone conversation re half-rent on Barrington's Hospital, the following are all the particulars I have been able to trace from the records available.

By Lease dated 21st September, 1811, John Meade Thomas demised to the Mayor, Sheriff and Citizens of Limerick the premises then known as "The New Guard House" for 500 years from the 29th September, 1811, at the yearly rent of £70: 10: 6 sterling (presumably late Irish currency) payable half-yearly on the 25th March and 29th September.

As you will see from the attached extract from Lenihan's History of Limerick Barrington's Hospital was erected on the Site of the old Guard House. By 6th and 7th William 4th Cap. 116 Secs. 81, 82, 83 and 85 the Limerick Corporation makes an annual grant of £460 to the Governors of the Hospital and also continue to pay the ground rent of £65: 2: 0 per annum, after deducting the appropriate amount for rates on the half-rent. I might mention that in the old records of the Corporation it is stated that this is the rent of part only of the site of the Hospital.

For a long number of years the rent was paid to a Miss Anne Margison, then to Messrs. Maxwell, Weldon & Co., Solicitors, 15 Eden Quay, Dublin, and in recent years to Sister Josephine Dodd, Sisters of Charity, Stanhope Street, Dublin.

There is no trace of the Lease referred to above but some years ago we got a certified copy of the counterpart from Maxwell, Weldon & Co. I had hoped to send you a copy but unfortunately the City Solicitor has been unwell, and so I must leave this over until he returns to duty.

You mentioned on the 'phone that the Earl of Dunraven had an interest in the site and I should be grateful for any information which you may have and if at all possible a small map showing the premises covered by the half-rent.

Yours sincerely,

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S. O'Sullivan, Esq.,  
Secretary,  
Valuation Office,  
Ely Place,  
Dublin.

See "Schedule 1 Appendix  
for Rentments"

## FROM LENIHAN'S HISTORY OF LIMERICK.

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CORPORATION OF LIMERICK.

From THE CITY MANAGER & TOWN CLERK. | To ..... J. O'Donnell, Esq.,  
..... City Accountant.....

Date..... 3rd April, 1951.....

SUBJECT .... Application for rent due from Barringtons Hospital.

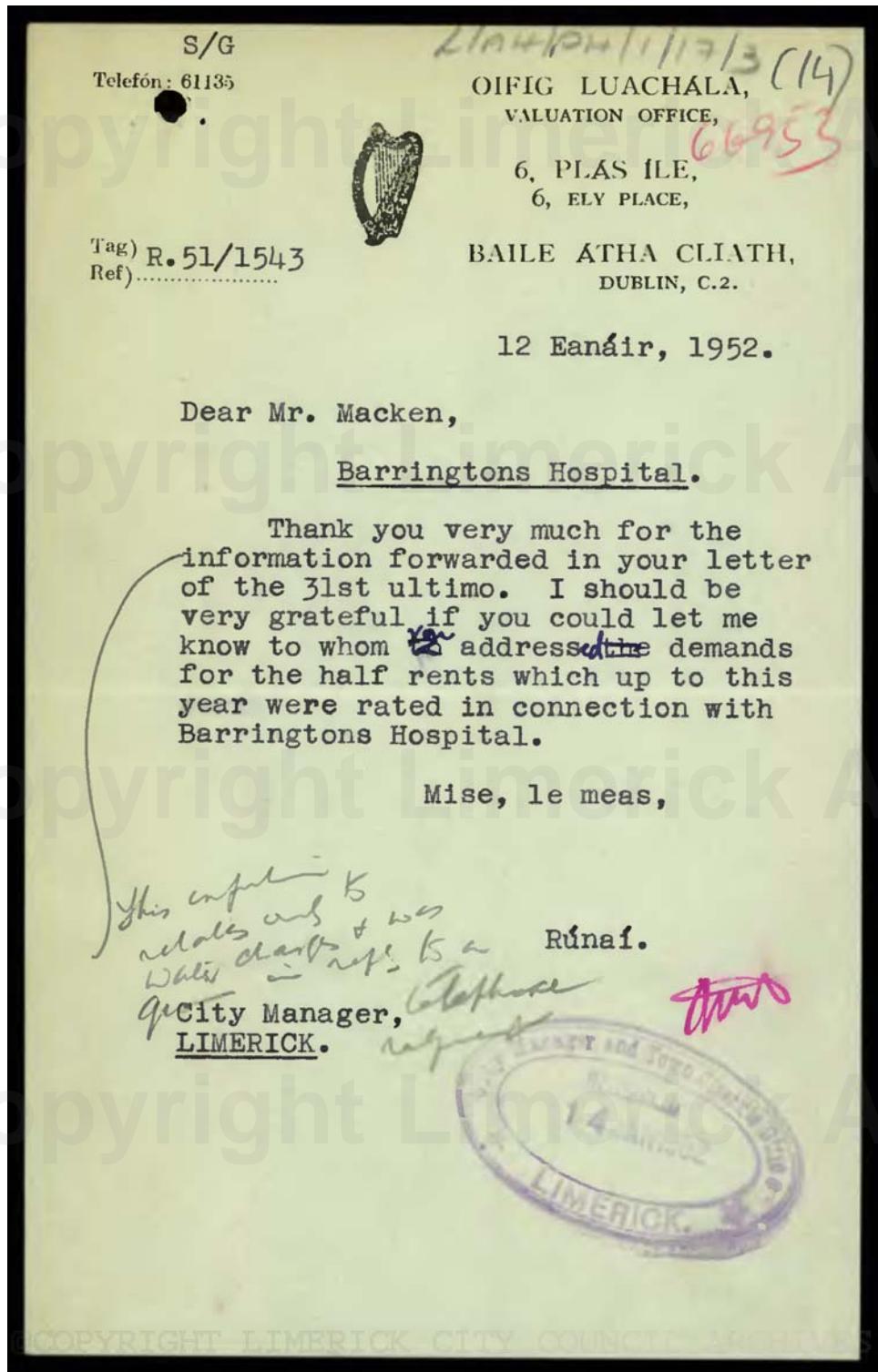
Attached find (copy of) communication, dated..... 31st Ultimo..... Ref: .....

from ..... Sister Josephine Dodd, .....

of ..... The Sisters of Charity, Stanhope Street, .....

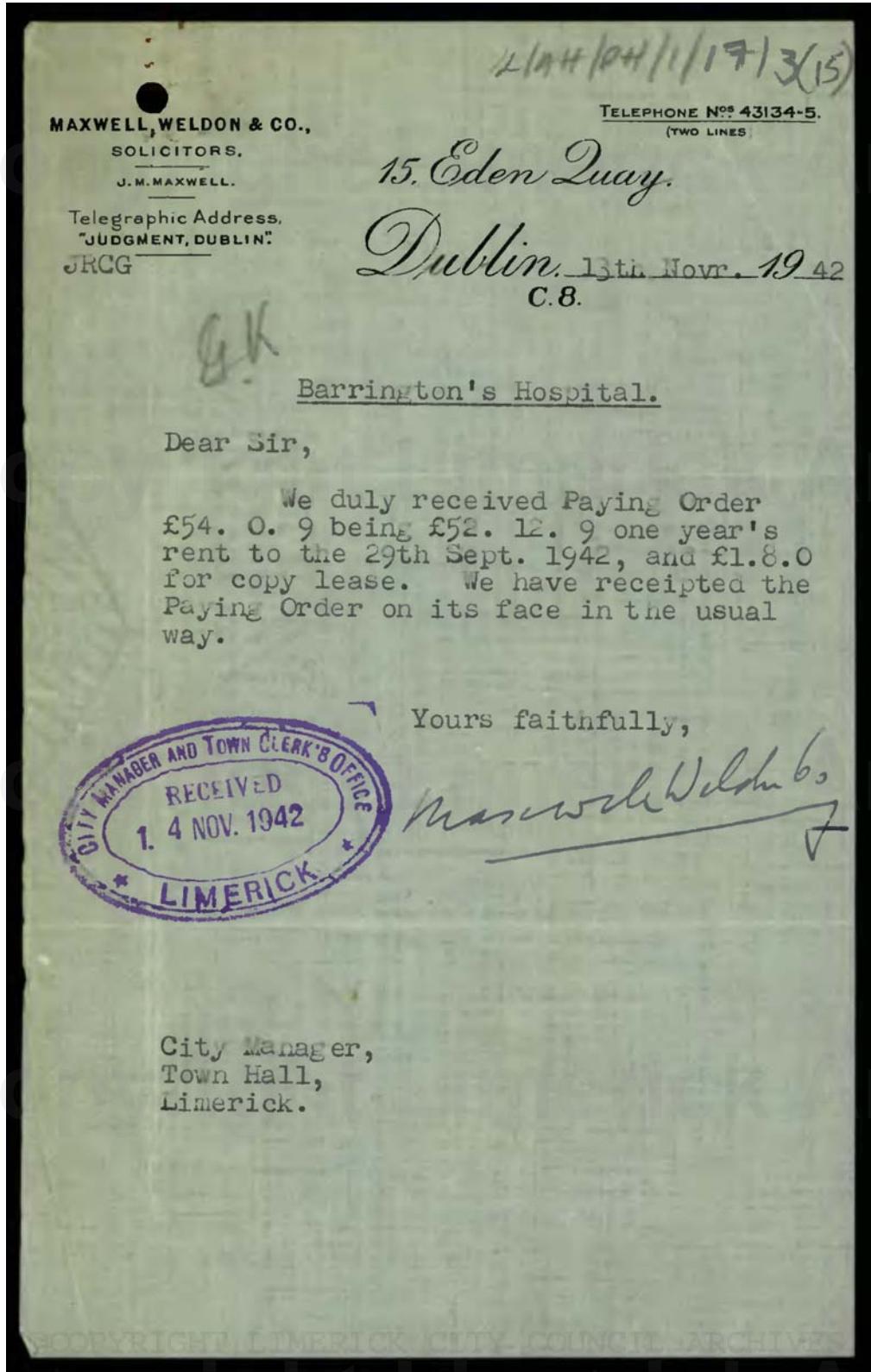
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Dear Sir,

4th November, 1942.

In connection with the rent of Barrington's Hospital site, as the Auditor may raise some question on this payment, I shall be glad if you will kindly let me have a report on the lines which we discussed the matter recently.

Yours faithfully,

## City Lawyer.

J. J. Durdon, Esq.,  
Law Agent.

L/14/104/1/17/3 (17)

14th October, 1942.

Barrington's Hospital.

Dear Sirs,

I desire to refer to your communication of the 2nd instant and previous correspondence, and to inform you that I have now instructed the City Treasurer to send you a Paying Order for rent of site at Barrington's Hospital together with the sum of £1: 8: 0 for copy of lease dated 21st September, 1811, which you were kind enough to send me.

Yours faithfully,

City Manager.

Messrs. ~~Maxwell~~ Weldon & Co.,  
Solicitors,  
15, Eden Quay,  
Dublin.

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13th October, 1942.

Dear Sir,

Will you please arrange to issue Paying Order to Messrs. Maxwell Weldon & Co., Solicitors, Dublin for rent of site at Barrington's Hospital. Please also send them the sum of £1: 8: 0 for copy of lease of site dated 21st September, 1811, which they sent me.

Yours faithfully,

City Manager.

D. Blackwell, Esq.,  
City Treasurer.

Extract from General Minutes, 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 1886  
Vol. 523

"Schedule of Presentment"

No 13. To Miss Anne Margison one year's rent of £  
Site of Barnetts Hospital ending 29<sup>th</sup>  
September, 1886 £65.2.0 and

No 14. To Colleagues, Poor's Rate or said Premium  
levies 1884, 1885 & 1886 - £17.6.8. ex  
also passed enacting the sum of £100  
admitted -

Resolved by the Committee Seconded by H. Gaffey & Resolved -  
That a Committee consisting of Mr Denyer,  
Mr Hall, Mr Powys be hereby authorized - with the  
aid of the Law Advisor - to investigate the  
position of the Committee in respect of charge  
for site of Barnetts Hospital.

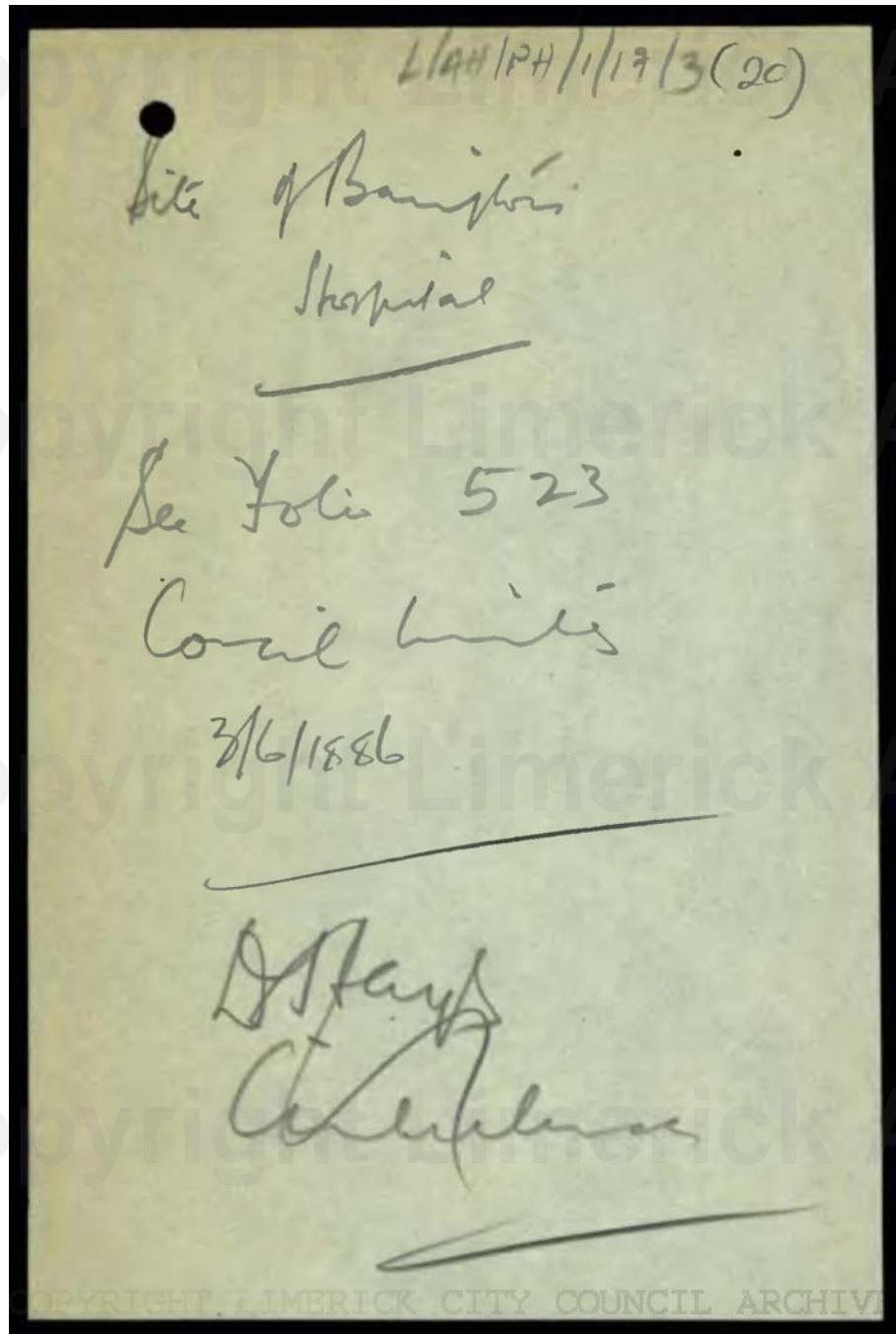
Extract from Special Committee  
Minutes No 22

The above Special Committee was  
summoned for 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> June, 1886, & again  
on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 1887, but no members  
attended, so apparently the Committee were  
not met.

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### ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

Governors or subscribers wishing to have a Patient admitted to the house should give him or her, as the case may be, the necessary order of admission to the Resident Medical Officer, Barrington's Hospital, and if there is a bed vacant, and the case is a suitable one for treatment, the patient will be received.

Orders of admission must be made on the printed form, which may be had on application to the Registrar.

Urgent cases are taken in at all hours of the day or night, without an order of admission.

The Dispensary is open all day and night for the treatment of accidents.

### GOVERNORS.

1930.

#### GOVERNORS BY ACT OF PARLIAMENT.

The Mayor of Limerick.  
Most Rev. Dr. Keane, Lord Bishop of Limerick.  
The Rector of St. Mary's Parish.  
The Representatives of the City of Limerick.

President of the Chamber of Commerce.  
Right Rev. H. Vere White, Lord Bishop of Limerick.  
The Parish Priest of St. Mary's Parish.  
The Members of the Barrington Family.

#### LIFE GOVERNORS BY PAYMENT OF £21 AND OVER.

The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Dunraven.  
Sir C. B. Barrington, Bart., D.L.  
J. F. Bannatyne & Sons, Limited.  
H. Denny & Sons, Limited.  
James Gaffney.  
W. H. Denny.  
F. Denny.  
J. N. Russell & Sons, Limited.  
Messrs. Maguire & Patterson.  
Bruce Murray.

Lady Barrington.  
W. J. Shaw & Sons.  
W. A. Fogerty, M.D.  
W. J. O'Sullivan, L.R.C.P. & S.I.  
J. Roberts, L.R.C.P. & S.I.  
J. G. Holmes, M.D.  
J. H. Roche.  
J. F. Devane, M.D.  
Wm. P. Dundon, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.

#### HON. GOVERNORS.

Lady Shaw. Mrs. C. H. Fitt, M.B.E. Mrs. Twiss. Mrs. J. B. Barrington

#### GOVERNORS REPRESENTING LIMERICK CORPORATION.

Councillors P. Moore, J. Angley, C. Gilligan.

ALL SUBSCRIBERS of £3 3s. and over are Governors for the year during which they subscribe.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1898.

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## COUNTY BOROUGH OF LIMERICK

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### SCHEDULE OF

## Applications for Presentments

Laid before the Proposals' Committee of

### THE COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

At Meetings of the Committee on the 27th February and 13th March, 1929.

And to be Adopted at a Quarterly Meeting of the Council on the 4th April, 1929.

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WM. M. NOLAN, TOWN CLERK.

C. Davis, 6 Thomas Street Limerick

In 1858 Banning of record 200 for slaves  
1864 32,117 slaves freed  
Local Government Ireland Act, 1898. 1914/1914/1173 (22)

COUNTY BOROUGH OF LIMERICK

PRESENTMENTS, MARCH AND APRIL, 1929

**Schedule of Applications for Presentments** Laid before the Proposals Committee of the County Council of 1929, and to be adopted at a Quarterly Meeting of the Council on Thurs., 4th day of April, 1929.

## SCHEDULE OF PRESENTMENTS

| Act of Parliament                             | Miscellaneous Purposes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | £   | s   | d   | Decision of Committee |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----------------------|
| Industrial Schools Act 31 & 32 Vict., cap. 23 | 12 To the Manager of St. Joseph's Industrial School for Roman Catholic Boys at Limerick, as a donation towards the reception, maintenance and keeping of 61 boys in that establishment, for half-year ended 31st Oct., 1928.                                            | 330 | 2   | 9   | Recommended           |
| same act                                      | 13 To the Manager of St. George's Industrial School for Roman Catholic Females, Clare Street, Limerick, as a donation for care and maintenance of 37 children sent there by order of the Magistrates for half-year ended 31st Oct., 1928.                               | 205 | 1   | 6   | do                    |
| The Children Act, 1908                        | 14 To the Manager of Letterfrack Industrial School, Co. Galway, as a donation for care and maintenance of one boy committed to that School, by the City Magistrates, for the period ended 2nd July, 1922.                                                               | ■■■ | ■■■ | ■■■ |                       |
| same act                                      | 15 To the Manager of Convent of Mercy, Passage West Industrial School, Co. Cork, for care and maintenance of two boys committed to that school, for period ended 31st Oct., 1928.                                                                                       | 10  | 16  | 0   | do                    |
| same act                                      | 16 To the Manager Greenmount Industrial School, Cork as donation for care and maintenance of one boy committed to that school, by the City Magistrates, half year ended                                                                                                 | ■■■ | ■■■ | ■■■ |                       |
| same act                                      | 17 To the Manager Mt. St. Vincent Industrial School, Limerick being the additional 2/6 per child per week to children in that School to 31st Dec., 1928. N.B.—The Manager's this School is only claiming the additional weekly contribution of 9/6 per head per week.   | 196 | 7   | 10  |                       |
| same act                                      | 18 To the Manager St. Joseph's Industrial School, Summerhill, Athlone, for care and maintenance of one boy committed to that school, for half year ended                                                                                                                | ■■■ | ■■■ | ■■■ |                       |
| same act                                      | 19 To the Manager of St. Columba's Industrial School, Killybegs, as a donation for care and maintenance of one boy committed to that school, by the City Magistrates, for half year ended 30th Sept., 1928.                                                             | 5   | 17  | 8   | do                    |
| same act                                      | 20 To the Paymaster General, being the proportion of the expenses for Annual Revision of Rateable Property in the Borough, due 1st April, 1929. To the Court Keeper, County Courthouse, Limerick, remuneration for services, etc., in connection with the City Revision | 20  | 0   | 0   | do                    |
| 37 & 38 Vict., cap. 70                        | 21 To Crier, usual fee for attendance at said revision by order of said Judge                                                                                                                                                                                           | 3   | 3   | 0   | do                    |
|                                               | 22 To the Minister of Finance, being the proportion of the expenses for the Annual Audit of the A/cs.                                                                                                                                                                   | 1   | 1   | 0   | do                    |
|                                               | 23                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 30  | 0   | 0   | do                    |
|                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |     |     |     | Carried forward       |
|                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |     |     |     | £1,737 10 9           |

## SCHEDULE OF PRESENTMENTS

| Act of Parliament                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Miscellaneous Purposes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Brought forward £ | £ 1737 10 9 | £ s d       | Decision of Committee |
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| 39 & 40 Vic. c. 78, sec. 9;<br>40 & 41 Vic. c. 57 sec. 21;<br>61 & 62 Vic. cap. 57 sec. 21;<br>Parl. Council Orders, 24<br>Sept., 1877, and 18th<br>Sept., 1878, and Orders<br>and Rules under the<br>Local Government (Ire-<br>land) Act, 1888.            | To the County Registrar for actual expenses<br>in carrying out the provisions of the<br>Acts relating to the General Lists of Jurors<br>for the City, for the year ended 31st Aug.<br>1929, one equal moiety of £1,12 7s. 8d.<br>To the same on behalf of the Minister of Finance<br>for profits or remuneration for duties imposed on<br>him, the remaining equal moiety of £1,12 7s. 8d.<br>To the City Treasurer to provide cost of com-<br>piling and Printing City Register 1929-'30<br>3310 11 8 Recommended                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 12 7 8            | 12 7 8      | Recommended |                       |
| 13 & 14 Vic. cap. 69; 40 &<br>41 Vic. cap. 56, sec. 21; 25<br>48 & 49 Vic. cap. 17; 61<br>Vic. cap. 2; 61 & 62 Vic.<br>c. 21, and Privy Council<br>Order, dated 21 Nov.,<br>1888, and Orders & Rules<br>under the Local Govern-<br>ment (Ireland) Act, 1888 | To the same on behalf of the Minister of Finance<br>estimated by them to be contributed by the City<br>of Limerick, for the support and maintenance of<br>the said Hospital, and for instalments of loans<br>for buildings, &c., for half-year ending 31st<br>Sept., 1929<br>Note.—The Committee will in future receive "Grant in aid" direct from the Treasury, & the same will be deducted when<br>received by the City Treasurer. Instalments of Loans<br>are now payable by the Committee.<br>N.B.—Total last year, £8,314 19s. 10d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 12 7 8            | 12 7 8      | do          | do                    |
| Public Works Loans (Ire-<br>land) Act, 1877, and 41<br>and 42 Vic. cap. 24, and<br>Local Government (Ire-<br>land) Act, 1888                                                                                                                                | 3310 11 8 Recommended                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 300 0 0           | 300 0 0     | do          | do                    |
| 41 and 42 Vic. cap. 49, 30<br>sec. 80                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | CITY COURTHOUSE and OTHER<br>EXPENSES.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 27 14 5           | 27 14 5     | do          | do                    |
| 14 and 15 Vic., cap. 85;<br>40 and 41 Vic., cap. 49,<br>sec. 1                                                                                                                                                                                              | 28 To the City Treasurer, to recoup the sums<br>advanced by the Borough Council for necessities<br>supplied and for work done at the City Court-<br>house since Summer Assizes<br>29 To the Water Works Committee, to provide for<br>two quarters Water supply to City Courthouse,<br>Cisterns, and Prisoners' Room therein, ending<br>24th Sept., 1929.<br>To the City Treasurer of Limerick, to recoup<br>sums advanced by Borough Council, to the<br>Accounting Officer, expenses incurred for Con-<br>veyance of Prisoners, for period ended 1/3/29<br>31 To the City Treasurer, to recoup him amount<br>paid for Repairs and Rates on Athlunkard Bridge<br>Toll House<br>32 To the sum of £300 os od (Bryan O'Donnell,<br>Esq., Rate Collector) exemptions by law, and<br>Ratings in error, to be presented on the Borough<br>at Large (estimated to be discharged)<br>33 To the City Treasurer, to recoup amount paid for<br>printing, etc.<br>34 To the City Treasurer, to provide amount pay-<br>able as commission on General Purposes Rate<br>(amount of this Schedule when agreed to) to<br>Collector Mr. O'Donnell.<br>35 To the City Treasurer, to recoup amount paid<br>City Rate Collector for Stamps for his office<br>36 To City Treasurer of Limerick, to recoup sums<br>advanced by Borough Council, for expenses in-<br>curred in conveyance of Weights and Measures,<br>&c., for period ended 1st March, 1929 | 0 4 0             | 1 2 5       | 300 0 0     | 300 0 0               |
| 6 and 7 Wm. IV., cap. 16                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 332                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 14 0 0            | 14 0 0      | do          | do                    |
| 5845 9 10                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Carried forward £                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                   |             |             |                       |

## SCHEDULE OF PRESENTMENTS

| Act of Parliament                                                                      | Miscellaneous Purposes                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | £  | s    | d | Decision of Committee |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|------|---|-----------------------|
| 37                                                                                     | To the City Treasurer to provide the 35th instalment of the Loan of £1,560, being the City's proportion of the cost of erection of a new bridge over the Shannon at Portumna (40 instalments)                                              | £  | 5845 | 9 | 10                    |
| 38                                                                                     | To the City Treasurer, to provide the 30th instalment of new Loan of £312 for additional expenditure and costs and expenses re the erection and completion of the Portumna Bridge                                                          | 44 | 6    | 4 | Recommended           |
|                                                                                        | NOTE—Amount authorised by Orders in Council dated 30th May and 4th July, 1910—£295,000 Proportion of City's Contribution, £1,560 Amounts authorised by Order in Council dated 3rd November, 1913—£3,500 and £1,700 City's Proportion, £312 |    |      |   |                       |
| 39                                                                                     | To the City Treasurer to provide the 27th instalment principal and interest of £2,000 amount of contribution of the Corporation towards erection of new Swivel Bridge at Sarsfield Bridge—as agreed to by the Council (50 instalments)     | 63 | 13   | 4 | do                    |
| 40                                                                                     | To the City Treasurer to provide amount as follows—<br>To John Dundon, Esq., Law Agent, costs out of pocket (proportion)                                                                                                                   | 20 | 0    | 0 | do                    |
| ADDED IN COMMITTEE.                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |    |      |   |                       |
| Increased contribution towards Lying-in Hospital for Half-Year ending 30th June, 1929. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |    |      |   |                       |
|                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 40 | 0    | 0 | do                    |
| Total £6013 9 6                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |    |      |   |                       |
| Total corresponding period last year, £6942 1 5                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |    |      |   |                       |

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The following Resolution was passed by the Proposals' Committee, in reference to the foregoing, viz—

Proposed by Councillor P. Moore.

Seconded by Councillor J. G. OB'rien.

Resolved—"That having considered the Schedule of Applications now before us, we wholly adopt the applications marked 'Recommended' thereon, and we do formulate proposals amounting to £6,013 9s. 6d. with regard to said Applications to the foregoing effect, and submit same to the County Borough Council, to be considered by them at their Quarterly Meeting on the 4th day of April, 1929

M. J. Keyes (Mayor), Chairman.

W. M. Nolan, Town Clerk.

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The following Resolution to be passed by the Council on the 4th April, 1929, viz. :—

Proposed by

Seconded by

Resolved—"That having considered the Schedule of Presentments and the Proposals thereon, now submitted to us by the Proposals Committee, we wholly adopt all the Applications recommended. That the amount of all the said proposals, viz., £~~10~~ 12s. 6d. be raised and levied off the County Borough of Limerick."

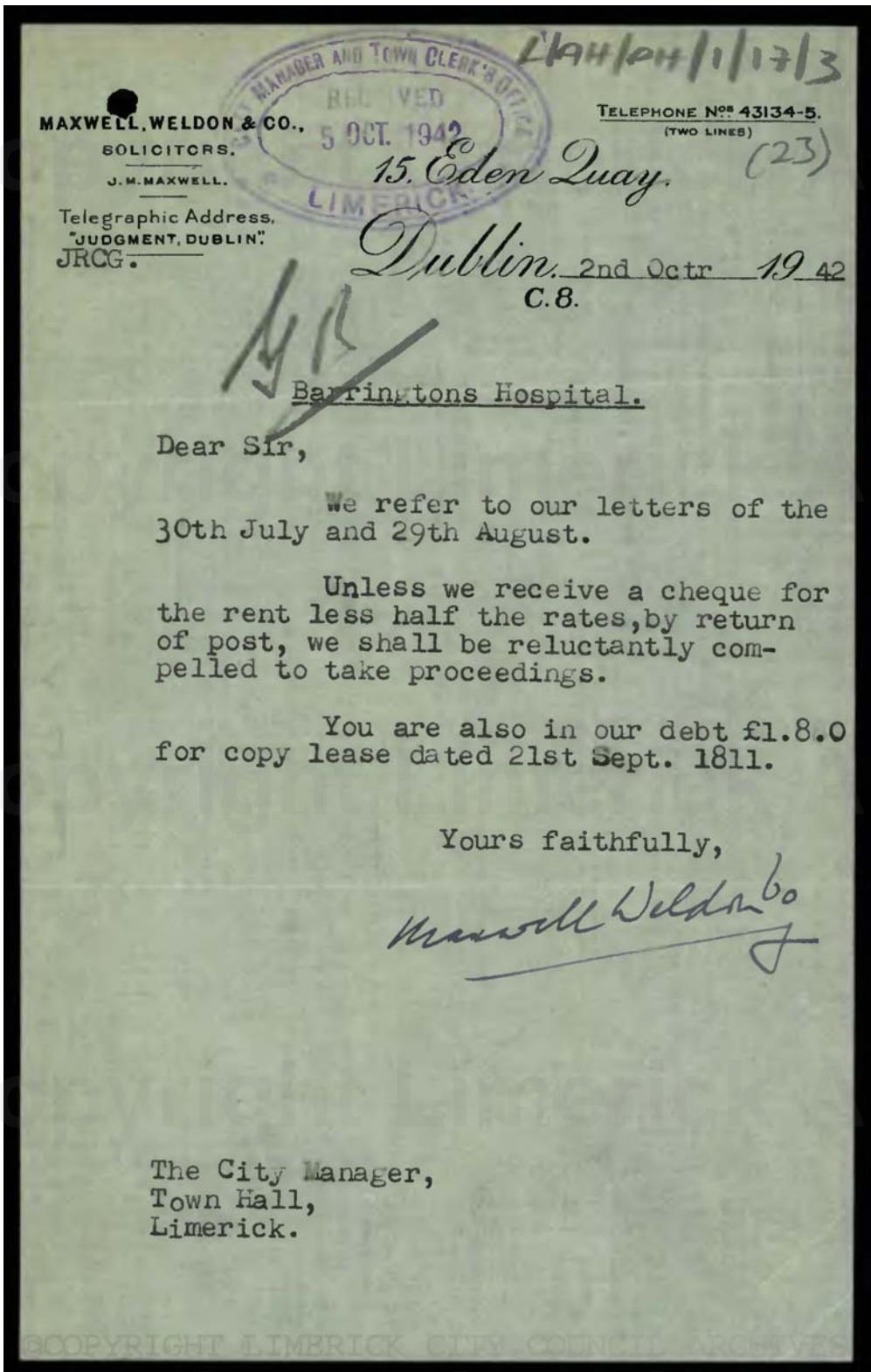
, Chairman.

W. M. NOLAN, Town Clerk.

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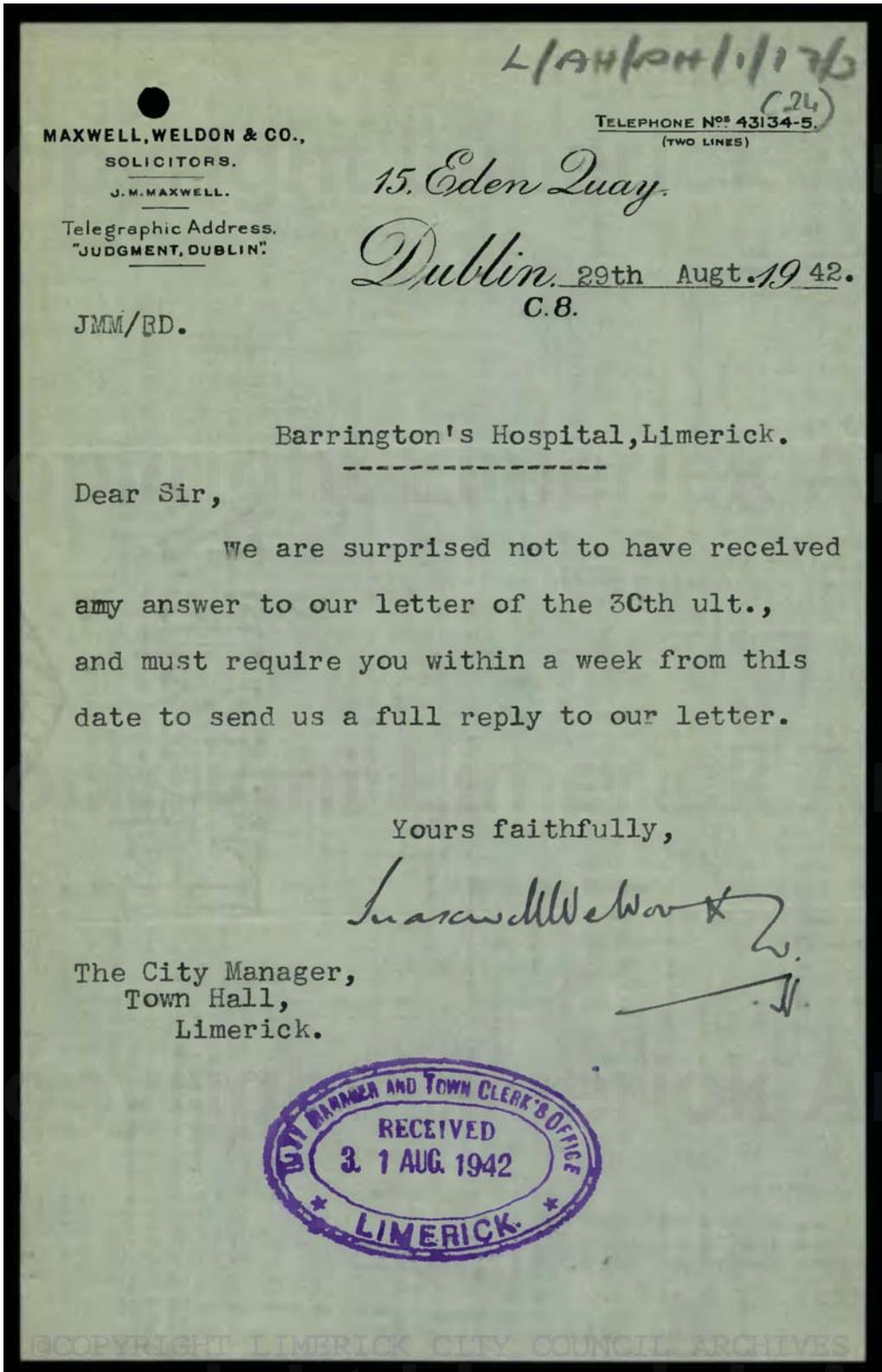
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From THE CITY MANAGER & TOWN CLERK. To ..... J. Neiland, Esq.,  
Rates Department, Limerick.

31st July, 1942

SUBJECT. Berrington's Hospital, Limerick.

Attached find (copy of) communication, dated 30th July, 1942. Ref: .....  
from Maxwell Weldon & Co., Solicitors,  
15, Eden Quay, Dublin C.8.  
of

for your attention please.

P.S. Please see me.

LIAH/PH/1/17/3 (26)

C O P Y

MAXWELL WELDON & CO.  
SOLICITORS

15, Eden Quay,  
DUBLIN. 30th July, 1942  
C.8.

Dear Sir,

Barrington's Hospital, Limerick.

We received your letter of the 29th instant. We do not understand same as each year you deducted the Rates. In 1941 you deducted £12. 3s 9d. See your Demand Note enclosed which please return to us. Similar deductions were made every year. We must ask you now to send us cheque for the rent less half the Rates, together with £1. 8s 0d for copy of the lease dated 21st September, 1811.

Yours faithfully,

Maxwell Weldon & Co.

The City Manager,  
Town Hall,  
Limerick.

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Mr. John T. Moore

G. S.

C. Neiland, Esq.,

Rates Department,

O'Connell Street,

LIMERICK.

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Yours aff

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CORPORATION OF LIMERICK.

From THE CITY MANAGER & TOWN CLERK.

To J. Neilland, Esq.,

Rates Department, Limerick.

21st July, 1942

SUBJECT Barrington's Hospital, Limerick.

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from Maxwell Eldon & Co., Solicitors,  
15, Eden Quay, Dublin C.3.  
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For your attention please.

P.S. Please see me.

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MAXWELL, WELDON & CO.,

SOLICITORS.

J. M. MAXWELL.

Telegraphic Address,  
"JUDGMENT, DUBLIN".

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TELEPHONE NO. 43134-5.  
(TWO LINES)

15. Eden Quay.

Dublin. 30th July 1942.  
C.8.



Dear Sir, Barrington's Hospital, Limerick.

We received your letter of the 29th instant.

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Yours faithfully,

*Maxwell, Weldon & Co.*

*M. Newell* 16  
67-25  
The City Manager,  
Town Hall,  
Limerick.

Lancaster/1/17/3(29)

29th July, 1942.

Dear Sirs,

Referring to previous correspondence and in reply to your letter of the 25th inst., On looking into this matter I find that for years past the premises demised by this Lease of 21st September, 1811, are exempt from valuation and the half annual rent paid thereout is rated under Section 63 of the Poor Relief Ireland Act 1838 and Section 10 of Poor Relief Ireland Act of 1849 and Limerick City Management Act 1934 Section 28 to 1/3rd of Municipal Rate. Heretofore through some error this rate has been paid by the Limerick Corporation when the party liable is recipient of the rent. The actual rate liability for the year to 31st March, 1942 as shown on annexed Demand Note is £12. 3s 9d and I propose to set off this sum against the £32. 11s 0d claimed as half year's rent to 25th March, 1942, unless your Client would prefer to remit the amount of the rate due direct. In future of course the Rate Demand Note will be sent direct to the party beneficially entitled to the rent whose name and address you will please let me have.

Yours faithfully,

City Manager.

Messrs. Maxwell Weldon & Co.,  
Solicitors,  
15, Eden Quay,  
DUBLIN.

JOHN J. DUNDON,  
SOLICITOR.

TELEPHONE No. 394.

SOLICITOR TO LIMERICK CORPORATION.



J. J. Berkery, Esq.  
City Manager,  
City Hall,  
Limerick.

Dear Sir,

I enclose file herein including ~~copy~~ lease dated 21st September, 1811, also correspondence with Messrs. Maxwell Weldon & Co., Solicitors, and draft of letter which I suggest you might write to them in the matter.

Re Barrington's Hospital rent.

Yours faithfully,  
John Dundon,  
City Solicitor,

Per: *[Signature]*



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2/47/64/1.17(3)(31)

Draft letter to/

27th July, '42.

Messrs. Maxwell Weldon & Co.,  
Solicitors,  
15, Eden Quay,  
Dublin.

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Yours faithfully,

Signed - - - - -

# CORPORATION OF LIMERICK.

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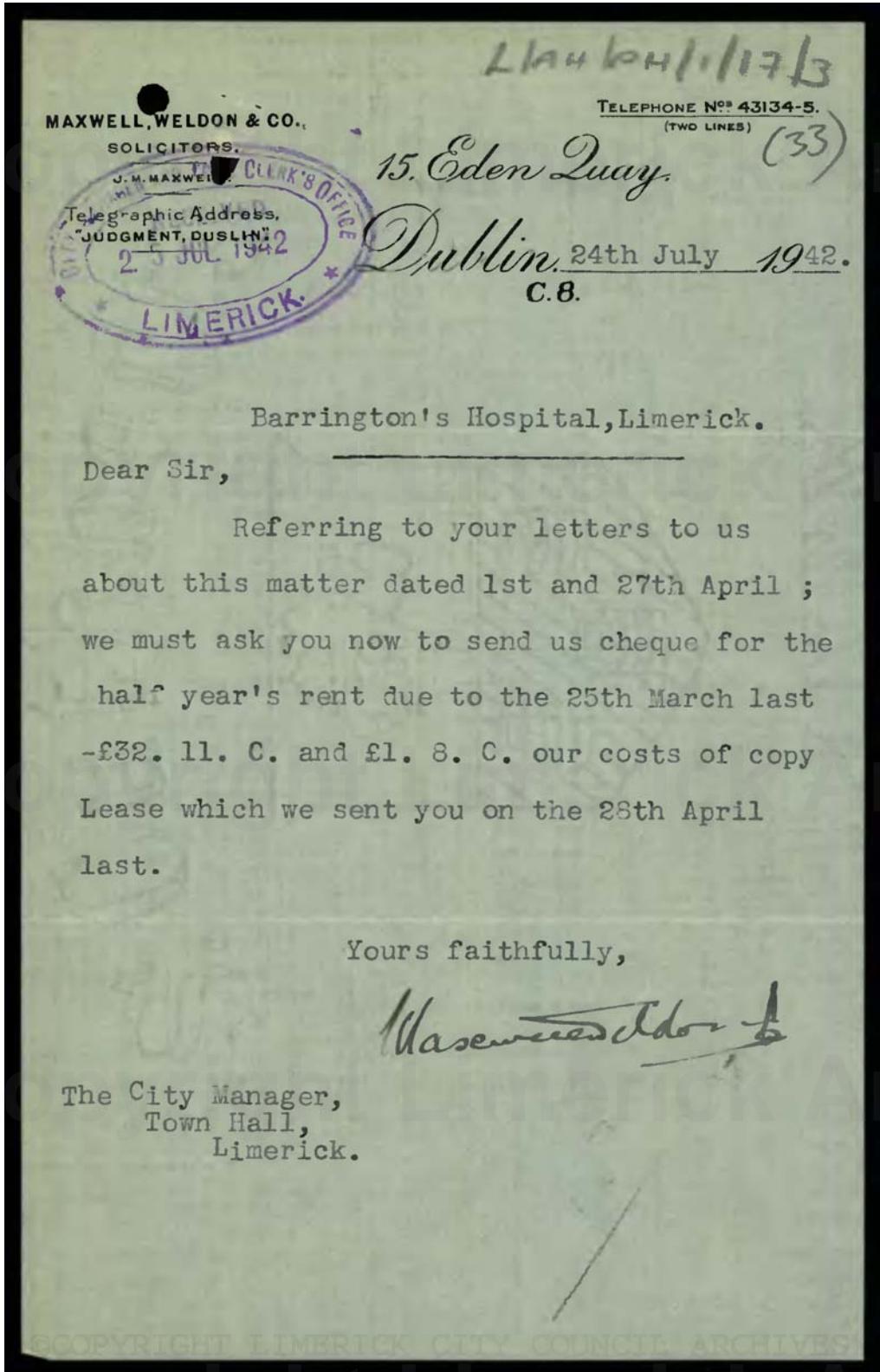
city solicitor.

Date 25th July, 1942

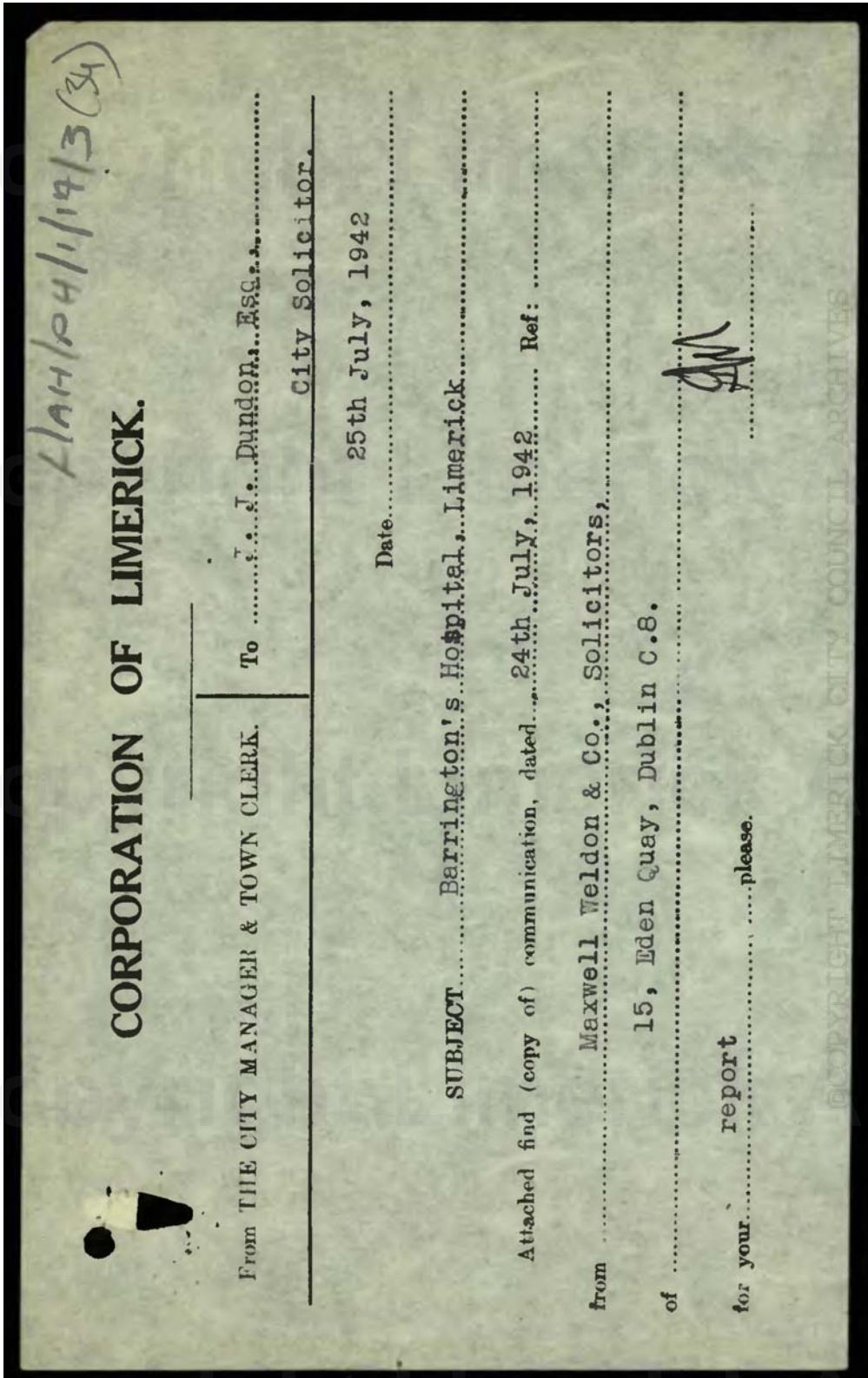
SUBJECT.....Bartinghoff's.....Constant.....Tunney

Attached find (copy of) communication, dated 24th July, 1942 Ref: ..  
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of 15, Eden Quay, Dublin C.8.  
for your report please.

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C O P Y

Maxwell Weldon & Co.,  
Solicitors.

15, Eden Quay,  
DUBLIN. C.8.

24th July, 1942.

Barrington's Hospital, Limerick

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letters to us about this matter dated 1st and 27th April, we must ask you now to send us cheque for the half year's rent due to the 25th March last - £32. 11s 0d and £1. 8s 0d our costs of copy Lease which we sent you on the 28th April last.

Yours faithfully,

Maxwell Weldon & Co.

The City Manager,  
Town Hall,  
Limerick.

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**CORPORATION OF LIMERICK (36)**  
**YEAR 1942-1943.**  
**DEMAND NOTE.**

**N.** 9022 **RATE No.** 1026

**WARD** *Castle*

**Total Valuation of the Holding** £ 32 - 10 -

**Total Valuation after reduction for assessment purposes (if any)** £ 10 - 16 - 8

DEMAND NOTE for Municipal Rate made on the 20th day of April, 1942, for the service of the year ending 31st March, 1943, leviable in Two Half-yearly Moieties, together with arrears.

To Mr. *the Owner*  
of *Georges Guay*

I hereby demand payment of the undermentioned Rate, the first Moiety of the Rate made as above-mentioned and arrears being PAYABLE FORTHWITH, and the Second Moiety on the 1st October, 1942.

Details of the Rate in the pound of the Municipal Rate made as above-mentioned and an explanation of any reduction made in the above-mentioned valuation for assessment purposes are set out on the back of this Demand.

| <b>DEMAND FOR MUNICIPAL RATE.</b>                                                                                                                                                       |     | <b>£</b> | <b>s.</b> | <b>d.</b> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Amount of current rate on holding (at rate in the pound shown on the back of this Demand on the total valuation of the holding or on the valuation as reduced for assessment purposes). | ... | 12       | 14        | 7         |
| Arrears of previous rates (payable forthwith)                                                                                                                                           | ..  |          |           |           |
| First Moiety of current rate (payable forthwith)                                                                                                                                        | ... | 6        | 7         | 4         |
| Second Moiety of current rate (payable on 1st October, 1942)                                                                                                                            | ... | 6        | 7         | 3         |
| <b>GROSS TOTAL DEMANDED</b>                                                                                                                                                             | ... | 12       | 14        | 7         |

Dated this *23rd* day of *June* 1942.

Signed *J. W. MacCormac*  
Collector.

Address, 100 O'Connell Street,  
Limerick.

NO RECEIPT WILL BE RECOGNISED EXCEPT THE OFFICIAL RECEIPT.

McKern's, Limerick.

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## Particulars.

### DETAILS OF THE RATE IN THE £ FOR THE CURRENT MUNICIPAL RATE FOR THE YEAR.

| Service.                              | £.     |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Construction and Maintenance of Roads | 23.00  |
| Public Assistance                     | 80.15  |
| Mental Hospital Joint Committee       | 32.27  |
| Unemployment Assistance Act, 1933/38  | 19.42  |
| Public Health                         | 80.38  |
| Housing                               | 12.12  |
| Libraries                             | 3.53   |
| Vocational Education Committee        | 6.72   |
| All Other Purposes                    | 24.41  |
| Total Rate in the £ of Current Rate   | 282.00 |

✓ The valuation of the holding has been reduced for assessment purposes *by 1/3 of £32.15 - 0 Half Annual Rent derived from Hospital*  
(here insert a short explanation of any reduction)

MAXWELL, WELDON & CO.,

SOLICITORS.

J. M. MAXWELL.

Telegraphic Address,  
"JUDGMENT, DUBLIN."

21/4/1942/1/17/3 (37)  
TELEPHONE NO. 43134-5.  
(TWO LINES)

15. Eden Quay.

Dublin. 28th April 1942.  
C.8.

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Dear Sir, Barrington's Hospital, Limerick.

We received your letter of the 27th instant and send you herewith copy of the Lease of these premises dated 21st September 1811 - John Meade Thomas to Francis Lloyd & Others - which we have certified. Would you please let us have cheque for £1. 3. 0. our costs of the copy Lease made out as follows :-

16 folios @ 6d ... 8. 0.

Attendances ... £1. 0. 0.

£1. 3. 0.

Yours faithfully,

*Maxwell, Weldon & Co.*

The City Manager,  
Town Hall,  
Limerick.

9/4/42

*W. W. W.*

L/44/124/1/17/3(38)

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27th April, 1942.

Barrington's Hospital, Limerick.

Dear Sirs,

I am very much obliged for your letter of the 24th instant and thank you for the trouble you have taken to supply the information contained therein.

Would it be possible for you to send me a copy of the least, as the original cannot be traced locally.

Yours faithfully,

City Manager.

Messrs. Maxwell, Weldon & Co.,  
Solicitors,  
15, Eden Quay,  
DUBLIN.

MAXWELL, WELDON & CO.,  
SOLICITORS.  
J. M. MAXWELL.

Telegraphic Address,  
"JUDGMENT, DUBLIN".



21441041/1/7/3(39)  
TELEPHONE NO. 43134-5.  
(TWO LINES)

15. Eden Quay,  
Dublin. 24th April 1942.  
C.8.

Dear Sir, Barrington's Hospital, Limerick.

We received your letter of the 1st instant and find that by Lease dated 21st September 1811 John Meade Thomas demised to the Mayor, Sheriff and Citizens of Limerick the premises then known as The New Guard House for 500 years from the 29th September 1811 at the yearly rent of £70. 10. 6. sterling payable half yearly on the 25th March and 29th September. This Lease contains a covenant by the Corporation to pay the rent during the term and to keep the premises in repair.

We hold the counterpart of the Lease.

Yours faithfully,

The City Manager,  
Town Hall,  
Limerick.

*Maxwell, D. C. 8.*

LIAH/PH/1/1713 (4c)

1st April, 1942.

Dear Sirs,

I find that the Limerick Corporation has been paying a rent of 265: 2: 0 for a building which was used as a Watch House. This building has been demolished for a considerable number of years and cannot understand why the Corporation are being called upon to continue to pay the rent. Will you kindly let me know how this rent is being paid and refer me to the lease or document issuing this rent.

Yours faithfully,

City Manager.

Messrs. Maxwell Weldon & Co.,  
Solicitors,  
15 Eden Quay,  
Dublin.

24th May, 1935.

re Barrington's Hospital, Limerick.

Income Tax - Schedule "A" - 1934-35.

Dear Sirs,

I desire to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of 23rd instant herein, and in reply to inform you that the City Treasurer has reported to me that the only application he had received from Messrs. Maxwell Weldon & Co., was that dated 17th instant. The rent payable will be passed at the next Finance Meeting to be held on 4th proximo.

I am writing to Messrs. Maxwell Weldon & Co., explaining how the matter stands.

Yours faithfully,

City Manager & Town Clerk.

Messrs. C. W. Metcalfe & Co.,  
46, O'Connell Street,  
Limerick.

2/44/PH/1.1.7/3  
(42)

24th May, 1935.

re Barrington's Hospital.

Dear Sirs,

Messrs. C. W. Metcalf & Co., 46 O'Connell Street, Limerick, has forwarded me a copy of your letter dated 2nd instant regarding the half years rent due 25th March last. I note that you state that numerous applications for payment of the amount due were made to the Corporation, and I am advised by the City Treasurer that the only application he received was on 17th instant. In order to clear up the matter, I should be glad to have a note of the dates of the applications you sent.

A Paying Order for the half years rent due will be passed at the next Meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on 4th proximo.

Yours faithfully,

City Manager & Town Clerk.

Messrs. Maxwell Weldon & Co.,  
Solicitors,  
15 Eden Quay,  
Dublin C.8.

11a/104/1/17/3

(43)

TELEPHONE 418. (PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE)  
TELEGRAMS, METCALFE, AUDITORS, LIMERICK.

C.W. METCALFE & Co.

HUGH LILBURN.  
FELLOW, FEDERAL INSTITUTE OF ACCOUNTANTS,  
(INCORPORATED) AUSTL.

THOMAS H. WILLIAMS, M.A.  
FELLOW, INSTITUTE OF  
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS.

46, O'CONNELL STREET,  
LIMERICK.

23rd. May 1935.



J. P. Geraghty, Esq.,  
City Manager,  
Town Hall,  
Limerick.

re Barrington's Hospital, Limerick.

Income Tax - Schedule "A" - 1934-35

Dear Sir,

We are acting on behalf of Barrington's Hospital as Auditors. The Hospital has received an Income Tax Demand Notice for Schedule "A" tax amounting to £14. 12. 6. This tax is usually paid by Messrs. Maxwell Weldon & Co., Solicitors, 15 Eden Quay, Dublin. We wrote to them regarding the matter and we are enclosing herewith a copy of their reply and shall be obliged if you will please let us have your observations.

Yours faithfully,

*H. Metcalfe*

S/C

17th May 1935  
on behalf of  
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COPY.

15, Eden Quay,

DUBLIN, C.8.

22nd. May 1935.

re Barringtons Hospital

Dear Sirs,

We received your letter of the 21st. instant.

We have no money in hands to pay the Income tax.

The half year's rent due 25th. March last remains unpaid despite numerous applications to the Limerick Corporation for same. The head landlord is also pressing us for his rent.

Perhaps you could induce the Corporation to pay the rent.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) Maxwell, Weldon & Co.

Messrs. Metcalfe & Co.,  
46 O'Connell Street,  
Limerick.

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JOHN J. DUNDON,  
SOLICITOR.

TELEPHONE NO. 394.

SOLICITOR TO LIMERICK CORPORATION.

101 O'CONNELL STREET.

LIMERICK, 21st October, 1932.

W. M. Nolan Esq.,  
Town Clerk,  
Town Clerk's Office,  
Town Hall,  
Limerick.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 19th inst., I have not now and have never seen the Deed or Document under which the Corporation pays this rent to the Repres of Anne Margison. You may find some reference to the matter in your Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Corporate Property prior to 1840. You should also see from Valuation lists if the recipient of this rent is rated to Poor Rate on the half annual rent. Presumably the Corporation of the day or City Grand Jury prior to 1853 held the site of Barrington's Hospital from Anne Margison and granted the site to the founders and returned the obligation to pay the rent of the site. It is also possible that the Governors of Barrington's might hold the Deed in the matter and you could inquire of them

Yours faithfully,



TELEPHONE NO. 46.



Liam M. Ua Nualáin,  
(W. M. Nolan).

Cléiríeadh na Cathrach,

agus

Rúnaíodh na 5 Comhuis,  
[Town Clerk and Secretary  
of Committees]

1932/11/17/3  
Oifis Cléiríeadh na Cathrach, (Club)

halla na cathrach,  
[Town Hall].

Limerick, 19th October, 1932.

[LIMERICK]

Ref. No. ....

Dear Sir,

In the half-yearly Schedule of Presentments an item appears for rent of site of Barrington's Hospital payable to the reps. of Miss Anne Margison £32.11. 0. I have been asked by the Council to enquire how the Corporation became liable for this payment. Have you any documents in the matter ?.

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk.

J. J. Dundon, Esq.,

Law Agent.

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Dated the 21st day of September, 1811.

JOHN MEADE THOMAS, ESQUIRE

-To-

THE CORPORATION OF LIMERICK.

Copy/

LEASE

of the new Guard House on  
Georges Quay Limerick.

Yearly Rent £70. 10. 6.  
for 500 years.

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G. Alps,  
Copied by -  
Maxwell, Weldon & Co.,  
Solicitors,  
15, Eden Quay,  
Dublin.

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Cpd.

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JCHN MEADE THCS. (SEAL)

FRANCIS ( S E A L ) LLCYD

Mayor.

SIGNED SEALED and DELIVERED :  
in presence of - :  
Dennis Lenagan :  
George Alps. :

assigns covenant promise and agree to and with the said John Meade Thomas his executors administrators and assigns that they the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens their successors or assigns shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter during the continuance of the term hereby granted pay the said reserved yearly rent at the days and times hereinbefore appointed for the payment thereof without any deduction or abatement whatsoever unto the said John Meade Thomas his executors administrators or assigns AND the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens do further for them their successors and assigns covenant promise and agree to and with the said John Meade Thomas his executors administrators and assigns that they the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens their successors or assigns for and during the continuance of the term hereby granted shall and will support and uphold the said demised prēmes. with the appurtenances in good staunch and tenantable order repair and condition and the same in such good staunch and tenantable order repair and condition shall and will at the end expiration or sooner determination of this demise leave and deliver up to the said John Meade Thomas his executors, admors. or assigns (inevitable accidents excepted) AND the said John Meade Thomas doth hereby for himself his executors administrators and assigns covenant promise and agree to and with the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens their successors and assigns that they the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens their successors or assigns paying the said reserved yearly rent and performing all other the covenants and agreements hereinbefore reserved and expressed which on their parts are or ought to be paid done or performed shall and may peaceably and quietly have hold occupy possess and enjoy the said demised premises with the appurtenances for and during the term for years hereby granted without the let hindrance molestation eviction interruption or disturbance of him the said John Meade Thomas

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during and until the full end and term of Five hundred years  
from thence next ensuing and fully to be compleat and ended  
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Thomas his heirs executors administrators or assigns in the  
said granted and demised premises shall so long continue or  
subsist they the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens their  
successors or assigns YIELDING AND PAYING therefore and  
thereout yearly and every year during the said term hereby  
granted unto the said John Meade Thomas his executors admini-  
strators or assigns the yearly rent or sum of Seventy pounds  
ten shillings and six pence sterling the said rent to be paid  
by two equal half yearly payments that is to say on every 25th  
day of March and 29th day of September in every year during  
the said term clear over and above all taxes charges and  
impositions whatsoever the first payment thereof to begin  
and to be made on the 25th day of March next AND if the said  
reserved yearly rent or any part thereof shall happen to be  
behind or unpaid by the space of twentyone days next after  
any of the said days of payment whereon the same ought to be  
paid as aforesaid then and so often as it shall so happen it  
shall and may be lawful to and for the said John Meade  
Thomas his executors administrators or assigns into the said  
demised premises or any part thereof to enter and distrain  
and the distress or distresses then and there found to take  
lead drive carry away and dispose of according to law AND  
if no sufficient distress or distresses shall or may be  
found on the said demised premises to satisfy the said rent  
and all arrears thereof then it shall and may be lawful to  
and for the said John Meade Thomas his executors administrs.  
or assigns into the said demised premises or any part there-  
of in the name of the whole to re-enter and the same to have  
again repossess and enjoy as in his or their former estate  
anything in these presents contained to the contrary thereof  
in anywise notwithstanding AND the said Mayor Sheriffs and  
Citizens do by these presents for them their successors and

Stamp £2. C.C.

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2 sh  
6 pen.

THIS INDENTURE made the 21st day of September in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eleven BETWEEN JOHN MEADE THOMAS of the City of Limerick Esquire of the one part and FRANCIS LLCYD MAYOR EDMUND MORCNEY and THOMAS WESTROP Sheriffs on behalf of themselves and the other Citizens of the City of Limerick of the other part WITNESSETH that the said John Meade Thomas for and in consideration of the sum of Forty Pounds sterling by the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens to him the said John Meade Thomas in hand paid the receipt whereof the said John Meade Thomas Doth hereby acknowledge and thereof and of and from every part thereof doth hereby acquit release and for ever discharge the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens their successors and assigns for ever by these presents and also for and in consideration of the yearly rent covenants and agreements hereinafter mentioned reserved and expressed hath demised granted set and to farm let and by these presents doth demise grant set and to farm let unto the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens their successors and assigns ALL THAT AND THOSE the new Guard House lately built by the said John Meade Thomas situate lying and being on Georges Quay in the City of Limerick which said premises are now and for some time past have been in the possession of the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens in as full large ample and beneficial a manner and to and with the same mears bounds descriptions and dimensions as the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens at any time heretofore held or enjoyed or as they now hold and enjoy the same TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said granted and demised premises with the rights members and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining unto the said Mayor Sheriffs and Citizens their successors and assigns from the 29th day of September instant for and

We Certify that this has been compared with  
and is a true copy of the counterpart Lease.

*James T. S. Oldham*  
Solicitors,  
15, Eden Quay, Dublin.

Extract from Munies' Wexford  
Council book on the 11/3/1845 - This is 372

Passed:- That a sum of £34. 18. 0 be  
paid generally towards the support of  
Dunlop's Hospital for the sum of £65. 2. 0  
being already annually contributed  
in the sum of £10 in half yearly  
sums which forms part of the sum  
in the above-named Hospital.

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bank bill - 21/8/1873

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That is be referred to  
a Committee to ascertain &  
report 15th April wh  
the amount of  
(which is his) &  
the most de Réché &  
the Cobelli is available  
for the sum due there

bank bill 5/1/1876

That that a charge for £32-11  
half pence on Old Guard  
the be agreed and not  
connected with the  
Ladys be ordered

Valuation Office,

6, Ely Place,

Dublin.

21 Marta, 1952.

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BARRINGTON'S HOSPITAL.

Dear Mr. Killeen,

The map which you forwarded with your letter of the 12th instant was most interesting and provides the key piece for solving one half of the Barrington's Hospital jig-saw puzzle. I have had a copy made. I should have known that this map was made, as there was a long-drawn-out dispute for years between John O'Brien and Barrington's Hospital, which was settled in 1856 by a Deed to which O'Brien, the Hospital Governors and Lord Dunraven were parties and which provided for the surrender to the Governors of portions 1 and 2 on the attached map.

O'Brien was the successor of John Meade Thomas who became a bankrupt about 1818 and in the period 1848 to 1856 the Corporation was paying to O'Brien the rent of £65. 2s, in respect of plots 3 to 9 on the map together with the remainder of the site of the 1811 Guard House. O'Brien was paying a head rent to Reps. O'Shaughnessy, who are now an O'Connell family, in respect of plots 7, 8 and 9 and after 1856 he paid a reduced head rent in respect of plots 3, 4, 5, and 6 to Lord Dunraven. Lord Dunraven, in turn, paid a head rent to Lords Longford and De Vesci out of Lots 1 to 6, an undivided one-fifth share of which had been forfeited after the Williamite War and granted, subject to quit rent, to Michael O'Boyle, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of Ireland, the predecessor in title of Lords Longford and De Vesci. The Stanhope Street Sisters of Charity, I understand, are now endeavouring to buy out the O'Connell and Dunraven head rents and Lord Dunraven has, I understand, either purchased or is in the course of purchasing the Longford and De Vesci head rent.

As, I suppose, you are aware, the Barrington's Hospital Circuit Court Appeal will be heard next month and, following the hearing of the appeal, I should be in a position to let you have a full account of the information I have collected to date about Barrington's Hospital.

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Yours sincerely,

R. Ó SUILLEABHÁIN.

G. Killeen, Esq.,  
Limerick Corporation,  
City Hall,  
LIMERICK.

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Limerick May 17th 1809.

At a Common Council then held in the Council Chamber of said City.

Present....

....A Plan for a Main Guard House to be built by John Meade Thos. Esq., together with the Agreement for the execution thereof, being laid before this Committee, by John Prendergast Smyth Esq., Ord. Chamberlain - Resolved that it is recommended to the Council to accede to the same, and to direct our Chamberlain to sign said Agreement on behalf of the Mayor, Sheriffs and Common Council of the City of Limerick.

Limerick June 29th 1812.

Proceedings of the Committee of Accounts 7th Oct. 1811.

Ord. To Mr. Geo. Alps Atty. his accts. for Drawing Deeds from Mr Meadē to the Corporation for the Guardhouse Georges Quay. £11. 14. 3.

Proceedings Committee of accts. 29th June 1812.

Ord. To T(?) Fitzgerald Architect for his Plans Estimates, Specification & overseeing the Expenditure to complete the Guard Room at Georges Quay. £56. 17. 0.

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From the fact that the original Valuer in 1850 inserted in the Valuation List the half annual rent of £32.11., I took it that the Hospital authorities at that time paid the rent out of their own funds to John O'Brien - possibly because the Corporation, having transferred the land to the Barringtons for the purpose of erecting the hospital thereon, would naturally have transferred the liability attaching to the property. Would your records show how long the Corporation has been paying the rent of £65. 2. ? I have seen the printed annual Hospital accounts for 1892, and it is clear from them that at that date the Hospital was not paying the rent. The earlier printed reports might be of assistance in ascertaining when the Hospital ceased to pay the rent or if they even paid the rent.

Ballsbridge would appear to have been an important Limerick bridge in the old days and from my meagre information on the Barrington's Hospital area there would appear to have been a number of Military Guard or Main Guard houses built at different periods in this area. You will notice that the 1811 lease says "The New Guard House" while Lenihan's History says "The old Main Guard House".

The whole purpose of my enquiry is to try to map the property the subject of 1793 lease and, at the moment, I could not make even an approximate shot at it.

Yours sincerely,  
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Dear Mr. O'Sullivan,

With reference to the letter which you addressed to the City Manager on the 12th instant (Ref:R.51/1543) and to our subsequent telephone conversation re half-rent on Barrington's Hospital, the following are all the particulars I have been able to trace from the records available.

By lease dated 21st September, 1811, John Meade Thomas demised to the Mayor, Sheriffs and Citizens of Limerick the premises then known as "The New Guard House" for 500 years from the 29th September, 1811, at the yearly rent of £70: 10: 6 sterling (presumably late Irish currency) payable half-yearly on the 25th March and 29th September.

As you will see from the attached extract from Lenihan's History of Limerick, Barrington's Hospital was erected on the Site of the old Guard House. By 6th and 7th William 4th Cap. 116 Secs. 81, 82, 83 and 85 the Limerick Corporation makes an annual grant of £400 to the Governors of the Hospital and also continue to pay the ground rent of £65: 2: 0 per annum, after deducting the appropriate amount for rates on the half-rent. I might mention that in the old records of the Corporation, it is stated that this is the rent of part only of the site of the Hospital.

For a long number of years the rent was paid to a Miss Anne Margison, then to Messrs. Maxwell, Weldon & Co., Solicitors, 15 Eden Quay, Dublin, and in recent years to Sister Josephine Dodd, Sisters of Charity, Stanhope Street, Dublin.

There is no trace of the Lease referred to above but some years ago, we got a certified copy of the counterpart from Maxwell, Weldon & Co. I had hoped to send you a copy but unfortunately the City Solicitor has been unwell, and so I must leave this over until he returns to duty.

You mentioned on the phone that the Earl of Dunraven had an interest in the site and I should be grateful for any information which you may have and if at all possible, a small map showing the premises covered by the half-rent.

Yours sincerely,

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