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RULES
OF THE
BOROUGH OF SOUTH SHIELDS
VOLUNTEER LIFE BRIGADE.

1.—That this corps be called "THE SOUTH SHIELDS VOLUNTEER LIFE BRIGADE," and its object is to assist the Coast Guard in saving life in cases of shipwreck.

2.—That this corps consist of enrolled members (effective and non-effective), and honorary members; the latter contributing to the funds of the corps, but not enrolled for service.

3.—That the affairs of the corps be managed by a secretary, treasurer, and a committee of twelve effective members, to be elected annually by the enrolled members of the corps. The chief officer of the coastguard to be a member of the committee *ex officio*.

4.—The members who are passed as effective by the district commanding officer shall elect annually the company officers in the proportion of two to each fifty men.

5.—Candidates for admission to the corps must be nominated by two members, and admitted or rejected by a majority of the committee present at its next meeting.

6.—That the committee meet monthly for the transaction of business, and that five of their number be a quorum.

7.—That all officers of the corps shall be elected by a majority of votes, each member entitled to vote being supplied with a list of members, and a voting paper to be filled up and presented personally to the presiding officer.

8.—That each member shall be provided with

a distinguishing badge, as may be agreed upon by the committee, which shall be worn at drill or on active service.

9.—That the property of the corps be vested in the committee.

10.—When the corps is assembled for drill or actual service, each member shall yield implicit obedience to his superior officer, and discharge the duty assigned him as quietly as possible.

11.—That in all cases when the volunteers are called together, either for drill or actual service, the officer of Coast Guard in charge at the station shall take the command; but should their be (from any unforseen cause) no Coast Guard officer present, then the command shall be taken by the chief officer of volunteers present.

12.—That insubordination on the part of any member shall be followed by immediate dismissal from the brigade, on the offence being fully proved before the committee.

13.—That the committee shall cause an abstract of the accounts to be prepared annually for the information of the members of the corps.

14.—That any gentleman shall become an honorary member of the corps on payment of a guinea annually.

15.—That any member of the corps wishing to alter any existing rule, or propose a new one, shall give notice in writing to the secretary fourteen days previous to the annual meeting.

N.B.—The Signal to the Volunteers that a Ship is on Shore will be a gun fired twice, in quick succession, from the Spanish Battery, and as soon after as may be a Coloured Rocket fired in the direction of the Town.

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Committee Meeting held in Mechanics Institute
Monday evening February 12th 1866.

Present Messrs Pennoldson (Chairman) Maxwell,
Blair, Lynemouk, Cress, MacRay, Stevenson and
Malcolm.

1. Proposed by Mr Maxwell seconded by Mr Blair
That each Member of this Committee be requested to
use his best exertions to raise a Fund for the
benefit of the Brigade, and that Mr A Stevenson
act as Treasurer pro tem.
2. Proposed by Mr Pennoldson seconded by Mr MacRay
That the distinguishing badge of the Brigade be
a belt of white girthing with the letters T.L.B
worked in Red.
3. Proposed by Mr Stevenson seconded by Mr Blair
That the Secretary write to Mr Byrnes Coastguard
officer Lynemouk and request him to bring four
of his men to act as heads of Sections till this Corps
be efficient.

4. Proposed by Mr Stevenson seconded by Mr MacKay
1st That the Board of Trade letter be published, 2nd
That two advertisements announcing the first drill
be inserted in both the Daily Papers, and 3rd That
50 bills be posted announcing the same

Mr Stevenson resigned the office of joint Secretary
and also kindly offered to get printed 150 copies
of the rules and the same number of cards
with the Drill instructions for the use of the
Brigade

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Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
Wednesday evening April 11th 1866. Present Messrs
Stevenson (Chairman) Blair, Lynemouthe, Cay, Remouldson
MacKay & the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Cay seconded by Mr Blair.

That Lists of the Names of Members, and Ballot
papers for the Election of 44 Captains & a Committee of
12, be printed and issued at the next Drill, the
same to be given in not later than Saturday following
to Messrs Blair, Lynemouthe, MacKay & Secretary, after

which the time and place of General Meeting of
Members to be announced in the Daily Papers.

Arch^d Stevenson

Committee Meeting held in Mechanics Institute.
May 2nd 1866 Present Messrs Stevenson (Chairman)
Mr James, W. Cay, R Blair, J. Lynemouthe, J. Crisp
L. MacKay J. P. Remouldson & Secretary.

The Committee met on this occasion for the purpose
of examining the Voting Papers for the election of 44
Captains and 12 Committeemen.

The 44 Members who received the highest number
of Votes for Captains were Messrs W. Cay 68 votes.
Stephen Cotter 57 Matthew Cay 51 and Thomas
Lynemouthe 40. They were accordingly declared
elected.

The 12 members who received the highest number
of Votes to serve on the Committee were Messrs J. Crisp
54, R Blair 46, A. Stevenson 44 Joseph Smith 38
Luke MacKay 36 J. P. Remouldson 36, B. Malcolme 34
W. Wright 33. Geo. Stott 31 J. A. Alden 30 Geo. Smith
26 & Charles Pearson 26.

It was resolved to announce the above result in the papers and at the next Drill, and not at a General Meeting of Members as previously agreed on.

Archd Stevenson

Committee Meeting held in Mechanics Institute
May 12th 1866. Present Messrs A. Stevenson (Chairman)
Geo Smith, L. MacKay, J. A. Wilson, R. Blair, W. Wright
and the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Blair seconded by Mr MacKay. That Belts
should be given to those Members who have attended 3
drills and that such Members obtain the same from
Mr MacKay.

The Treasurer reported having received the following subscriptions
towards the Funds of the Brigade. Hugh Taylor Esq £5
A. H. Hunt Esq £1 R. Edwards Esq £2 2 S. Stevenson Esq £2 2

Accounts for Belts were presented amounting to £11. 9
It was resolved to pay Mr MacKay the above subscriptions
on account.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
June 12th 1866. Present Messrs J. P. Pennoldson (Chairman)
Geo. Smith, Joseph Smith, C. Pearson, L. MacKay,
J. A. Wilson, R. Blair, Dr. Stoboe and the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr J. A. Wilson seconded by Mr MacKay
That Messrs Geo Smith, Joseph Smith, R. Blair, C. Pearson
J. A. Wilson & the Secretary be a sub-committee to make
arrangements for erecting a Mast on the Sands in lieu
of the present Crane used for working the Gear.

Proposed by Dr Stoboe seconded by Mr MacKay. That
Messrs Stevenson, Pennoldson, Dr Stoboe and the Secretary
be a deputation to wait on the Lye Commissioners
respecting a Watch House required by the Brigade
and to hear what steps they would be willing to
take in the matter.

Archd Stevenson

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute.
August 4th 1866. Present Messrs R. Blair, Geo. Smith
Joseph Smith, J. A. Wilson & W. Crag. Let J. A. Wilson

Proposed by Mr J. A. Wilson seconded by Mr G. Smith
That the Secretary draw an outline with a specification
of the proposed Mast to be erected on the sands
and submit the same to Commander Bateman
and Mr Byrne for their opinion, and then advertise
for tenders for its erection.

This Meeting begs to remind the deputation
appointed to wait upon the Poor Law
Commissioners that the season is fast advancing
and that the business of the Watch
House be pushed on as quickly as
possible.

Committee Meeting held in Mechanics Institute.
Oct 14th 1866. Present Messrs Stevenson (Chairman)
J. Crag, R. Blair, W. Wright J. A. Wilson
and the Secretary.

Mr Stevenson reported to the Meeting that he had
arranged with the Tyne Commissioners respecting
the erection of a Watch House, for which they
have agreed to find the labour and to
proceed with it as soon as possible.

Mr Marshall also agrees to provide the timber
at cost price.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Blair
That a Subscription Box be placed at the
Shipping Office to receive Contributions from
the Sailors and that letters be written to the
County Members, and the Coal Exchange London
soliciting subscriptions to the Funds of the
Brigade.

Archd Stevenson

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
Wednesday December 5th 1866. Present Messrs
Stevenson (Chairman) W. Wright, J. A. Wilson,
Geo. Smith & Dr Stobbs, & the Secretary.

Proposed by Dr Stobbs seconded by Mr Wright.
That Messrs J. A. Wilson, Geo. Smith, J. Stevenson
and the Secretary be a sub-committee to carry out
the internal arrangements of the Watch House.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Smith
That the 2 Coastguard officers Liscombe and
Ellis be paid 40s each for past services, and
in future to receive pay on the same scale as
at Lynemouth Brigade.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Stevenson
That the Captain in charge be empowered to
offer the services of any Members of the Brigade
to bring the stores ashore of any stranded
vessel.

Archd. Stevenson

Committee Meeting held in Mechanics Institute
January 14th 1867. Present Messrs J. Cress (Chairman)
Byrne, J. A. Wilson, Geo. Smith, W. Wright, R. Blair
J. Lynemouth & the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Smith
That the sum of 22s be paid to the following
Coastguard for rendering service before the Captains
were appointed viz. Robt. Cliffe John Williamson,
Philip Bido, Wm. Odges & Thos. Miller.

Proposed by Geo. Smith seconded by W. Wright that the
following Bills be paid - Contam. 13 .. Daily News
2s. 6d. Seamount 7s. 6d. Repetitions 7s.

Moved by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Blair that a
number of notices be printed for announcing Drills
and calling Committee Meetings

Moved by Geo. Smith seconded by Mr Wright
that the Watch House be insured for £150 in
the Lancashire Fire Insurance.

Moved by Geo. Smith seconded by R Blair
That 3 light lights be hung on the North end of
the Watch House to shew when a ship is on the
south side of the South Pier, and 2 lights when a
ship is on the North side of the South Pier.
50 bills printed to this effect.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Smith
That Mrs Ellis wife of the Coast-guard John Ellis.
be appointed to take charge of the Watch House
at a salary of 30/- per annum.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Wright
That the Captains be added to the Committee.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics' Institute
Tuesday evening February 12th 1864. Present
Stevenson (Chairman) Blair, Stokoe, Geo Smith, Wright,
Pennington, W Cay, J. A. Wilson, Byrne and
the Secretary

Proposed by Blair seconded by Smith -
That February 24th at 7.30 P.M. be appointed
to experiment with lights, to shew on which
side of the bar a wreck occurs, and notices be sent
to those members of this Committee who are not here tonight.

Proposed by J. Melrose seconded by Mr Wilson
That J. W. Lamb Esq be appointed an Honorary
Member for his services in collecting Subscriptions.

Proposed by Wright seconded by Wilson that the
following accounts be paid, viz. £7.9 - 4/4 to 15.4.10
France & Co 4.12.6. Scotland 1/4. Gazette 12.10. Melrose 7/6. Cairns 7.9.7
Hutchinson & Co 14.10 - Robert 3.8 -

Proposed. That the Men employed at the Watch
House be presented with 10/- on its completion
Arch^d Stevenson.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics
March 13th 1864. Present. Messrs Stevenson
(Chairman) Geo. Smith, L. MacRay, Dr. Stobbe,
J. A. Wilson and the Secretary

1. Proposed by Mr Stevenson seconded by Geo. Smith
that the Secretary and the Captains have discretionary
power to order any provisions that may be
thought necessary for the men on night duty
at the Watch House or any other small
shops that may be necessary.
2. Proposed by Geo. Smith seconded by Dr. Stobbe
that the following bills be paid Maher 14/-
Jennings 12/8 Fennick 2/4
3. Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Geo. Smith "that
Mr MacRay be instructed to procure $\frac{1}{2}$ a
gross of belts of the same material as the last
but with larger buckles.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
May 8th 1864. Present Messrs MacRay, Blair,
J. A. Wilson, Dr. Stobbe & the Secretary.
Mr MacRay Chairman

1. Proposed that the following bills be paid.
Wright & Son. £1.8. MacRay & Son
Cook & Hails 18/6. J. A. Wilson 17/3.
Cannellor 1/6 Lissom 2/6.
Proposed by Dr. Stobbe seconded by J. A. Wilson
2. Proposed by Mr ~~MacRay~~ MacRay seconded by Mr
Blair "that a formal vote of thanks be presented
to Mr Fox for his present of a "Storm Indicator"
to the Brigade
3. Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Blair.
that a Plan & Specification for an additional
room to the Brigade House be prepared ^{by the} Secretary
for presentation at the next Committee Meeting.

Committee Meeting held Mechanics Institute
June 24th 1867. Present J. A. Wilson (Chairman)
M. Cap. W. Cap. Blair, Geo. Smith, Byrne
and the Secretary

Proposed by Mr Blair seconded by Mr W. Cap
that the following bills be passed. Marshall
45-17-6. Goods 3-16-6. Cancells £17.4 - Lye Commissioners
5-8-8 + 4-3-0. Cost paid for Drills 9/- bills for Watch House
15/- Rent of Committee Room 15/-

Proposed by Mr M. Cap seconded by Mr Smith
That the necessary Election papers be prepared for
the Annual Meeting viz A List of Effective Members,
and Ballot papers for the Election of Officers and
Committee. It was understood that all Members
who had not attended drill during the
year should be struck off the roll.

Committee Meeting held Mechanics Institute July 2nd
1867. Present, Remondson (Chairman) Wilson, Byrne,
MacKay, St. Rol, Wright, Blair, W. Cap, M. Cap, C
Pearson, ~~Malcolm~~

Proposed by Mr St. Rol seconded by J. A. Wilson that the
form of Voting Papers as presented by the Secretary be
printed

Proposed by Mr J. A. Wilson, Mr Remondson that the report
just read be adopted and presented to the Members
at the Annual Meeting.

Proposed by Mr Remondson seconded by Mr Wilson that
the following Bills be passed Sutherland 2/-
Leamont 2/- Malcolm 2/-

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Blair
That the Annual Meeting be held in
the Brigade House on Wednesday the 17th
July 1867 at 7.30 P.M.

Proposed by Mr. Stokoe seconded by Mr. Pennell
 That a round of beef and beer be provided
 for the Members at the Annual Meeting and
 that Messrs W. Cay, William Wright & a
 subcommittee be carrying out the arrangements.

SOUTH SHIELDS VOLUNTEER LIFE BRIGADE.

July 1st 1887

ANNUAL MEETING.
 The first annual meeting of the South Shields Volunteer Life Brigade was held in the new watch house last night. Alderman Glover was called to the chair, and there was a large attendance of members and those interested in the prosperity of the institution. Among those present were—Alderman J. F. Spence, secretary to the Borough of Tynemouth Life Brigade; Messrs John Robinson, J. W. Lamb, M. Cay, S. Malcolm (secretary); Dr Stokoe; J. Crisp; and S. Cottew and T. Tynemouth (captains), &c., &c.
 The Chairman said he had been called upon most unexpectedly to fill the chair this evening. Although unexpectedly, he had great pleasure in presiding for five minutes, or had an hour, or whatever the length of time might be, over a meeting of the members of so noble a body as the South Shields Volunteer Life Brigade. (Applause.) After stating the object of the meeting, the chairman called upon Mr Malcolm (secretary) to read the report.

Mr Malcolm read the report, as follows:—
 "The committee, in presenting the first annual report to the members of this institution will endeavour as briefly as possible to give an outline of the transactions of the Brigade since its formation. The establishing of Life Brigades in general is of recent date, and to Tynemouth will ever belong the honour of organizing the first brigade, on the model of which this and other brigades have been established. To establish one on this side of the mouth of the Tyne, a few gentlemen met together in December, 1865, and formed themselves into a provisional committee. A public meeting, convened by the Mayor, was held in the Town Hall early in January, 1866, and, on the 31st of the same month, the services of 47 volunteers who had enrolled themselves as members were accepted by the Board of Trade, from which date the South Shields Volunteer Life Brigade was officially established. The first drill took place at the south pier, February 17th, 1866, under the command of Mr. Byrne, of the coast-guard service. The movement soon became popular, and in a few weeks the roll had increased to one hundred and forty, and now reaches to two hundred men who have attended drill. The necessity for it soon became apparent, for on the night of April 2, the schooner "A. Tunderdon," of Sunderland, came ashore behind the South Pier during a heavy gale. Forty-five members were speedily on the spot, and, under the superintendence of the Coastguard, succeeded in rescuing the crew, 6 in number, and a woman and her infant, from a watery grave. Without further detail the members have attended 19 wrecks, the crews amounting to 57 all told, and of which they have been instrumental in saving 30 lives, by the lifeboats or were enabled to get ashore themselves. In the fearful gale of January 6, 1867, these two boys were drowned, one by getting washed off his vessel by a heavy sea. During the past year and severe winter the members have been very much exposed to storm and tempest while pursuing their arduous and perilous avocation. It soon became evident that something would have to be done to provide for their comfort while on duty. An appeal was made to the liberal response enabled us to erect the comfortable and commodious building we now occupy. Your committee takes this opportunity of thanking the subscribers for their sympathy, and those gentlemen who have given us the useful instru-

ments which adorn its walls. Our thanks are also especially due to P. J. Mesent, Esq., the pier engineer, for furnishing the plans, and rendering valuable assistance during the erection. While the committee have been mindful of the comfort of the members in general, they also contemplate providing before the winter sets in an additional room especially adapted for the accommodation of shipwrecked crews, and they are encouraged by the hope that their intentions have duly to be made known when the necessary facilities will be afforded for carrying out this much needed project. We have cause for congratulation that this Brigade during the first year of its existence has been enabled to distinguish itself so much, especially in being the first institution of the kind to save life from shipwreck. This we say, not from any boastful superiority in point of efficiency, because we believe had other brigades been similarly situated a like success would have attended their efforts in the noble cause for which these establishments have been instituted. In conclusion, we hope that the South Shields Volunteer Life Brigade, so successfully launched, will continue to be a permanent institution of the town, that each member will be stimulated in the future by the events of the past, and, in the words of our motto, will be "Always ready" to risk their lives to save any poor man who may be wrecked on our coast."

In the absence of the Treasurer (Mr. A. Stevenson), Mr. MALCOLM also read the financial statement, which showed that the income of the Brigade during last year was £193 17s 1d, and the expenditure £179 7s 9d, leaving a balance of £16 7s 4d. This sum, added to £25 which they had been premised from the Board of Trade, would make £41 odd, which would be applied towards defraying the expenses of the new room they intended to build before the winter set in.

Mr. WILSON moved the adoption of the report, and in doing so expressed his admiration of the way in which the Secretary for the Brigade had performed his duties during the past year.

Mr. ROBT. BELL seconded the motion.

Ald. J. F. SPENCE, North Shields, said the Chairman had asked him to say a few words, and although he did not attend the meeting with the intention of addressing them he had had very great pleasure in expressing his admiration of the report which he had just heard read. He congratulated the South Shields Volunteer Life Brigade on being the first to save any lives in the kingdom. They on the other side, being the older institution of the two, were naturally desirous to be the first to save life, but when they heard of what their friends in South Shields had done he for one—and he might speak for the whole of the members of the Tynemouth brigade—rejoiced to think that they were the first whose services were called into requisition with such important results. He considered it a great honour, and thought there was not a more laudable movement, or one more calculated to raise men in the estimation of their fellow men than that in which they were engaged. They had already saved many lives when in peril, and their success he ascribed to diligent practice, and the state of efficiency in working the apparatus to which they had attained. They all remembered the loss of the Stanley, and he could confidently assert that if Mr. Byrne had had twenty-five disciplined men to aid him on that occasion, many valuable lives might have been saved. (Hear, hear.) He did not like to see men acting who were totally unacquainted with the apparatus they were handling. When every one knew his business, the chances of sav-

ing life were much more favourable than what the force was composed of nothing better than the South Shields. He replied to think that the South Shields brigades had attained such a high standard of proficiency, and he was delighted to see so many of the members present. He hoped they would never fall short of the matter at the end of their report, as he was sure they would not, and although he did not wish to see wrecks, he hoped, when they did occur, that they would be as successful in saving lives as they had hitherto been. (Applause.)

The CHAIRMAN then put the motion approving of the report, and afterwards scrutineers were appointed to go over the votes recorded for the election of officers during the ensuing year.

Mr WILSON said he was pleased to see so many of their worthy supporters present. It had been their study as officers of the institution to give all their friends satisfaction. Their humble endeavours to save life had been very successful, and he hoped they would always be ready to do what lay in their power for their fellow-men when they required their services. He wished to propose, on most of the members of the brigades were working men, in regard to the money that the Board of Trade awarded, that it be distributed among those who were the means of saving the life of shipwrecked crews, to buy clothes and boots, and there was a great deal of wear upon them, and they could not be replaced unless some assistance was given. If the meeting approved of the proposal he was confident that the public would supply them with the necessary funds to provide the food that might be consumed. He had much pleasure in submitting the resolution to the meeting.

Mr WM. SPENCE seconded the motion, which was unanimously agreed to.

Capt. CORNWALL proposed a vote of thanks to the Secretary and Treasurer, since the institution of the Brigades they had conducted its affairs in a way which had given entire satisfaction to its members.

Mr McQUEEN seconded the motion, which was carried amid vociferous cheering.

Mr MALCOLM replied. He was very much gratified to think that his services had been so highly appreciated. For any trouble he had been caused he thought himself fully rewarded by the success of the Brigades. They were successful in their very infancy, for after the third time they had been at drill they had to put what they learned in theory into practice, and were able thereby to save a ship's crew. He hoped since they got on so well last year that they would still go on progressing. On behalf of the Treasurer, who, he had no doubt, would duly appreciate the motion just made, and himself, he begged to return thanks.

Mr MALCOLM proposed a vote of thanks to the Captains. It was necessary to have leaders or captains in an institution of this kind, and he was sure those who had experienced the storms and wrecks of last year would admit that the captains were at least well worthy of a vote of thanks. If re-elected, he had no doubt they would continue to discharge their duties in an equally satisfactory manner.

Mr WILSON seconded the motion, which was carried by acclamation.

Captain MATTHEW CAY being unavoidably absent, Captains COTTEW and TYNSMOUTH briefly replied.

Mr WILSON then moved that Dr Stokess should be elected doctor to the Brigades.

Mr BALL seconded the motion, which was agreed to.

Mr CAY said although he had not the honour of being a member of the Brigades, he would take the liberty, as a fellow townsman and an old tar, of telling them how much he admired their insti-

tution. He had always been impressed with the idea that on their iron bound coast there were places where for many miles a lifeboat was of no use. This objection had been seen by the Board of Trade, and for many years they had been thinking of the line and rocket. They had at last tried to introduce it, and he was proud to say that they had been so far successful. The benefit to be derived from such a means of saving life was incalculable, for, as Mr Spence stated, had the rocket apparatus been in use when the Stanley came ashore, a number of valuable lives might have been saved. He thought Tyne-mouth and South Shields should produce the two best Brigades on the coast. There were plenty of men competent for the work, and with the spirit of humanity which they craved, he had no doubt they would do a great amount of good in the way of saving valuable lives. He was only sorry that there was not some way of remunerating those who watched night after night, but he hoped that they would come to that by and by, as it could not be expected that people could always work for nothing. He was very unfit to say anything on the subject. He had risen merely for the purpose of introducing his friend Mr. Robinson (applause), who, he had no doubt, could say something better worth listening to than anything he could say. In conclusion he hoped that there would be no strife between the Tyne-mouth and South Shields brigades further than an honest emulation as to who should do most to promote the welfare and happiness of their fellow-men. (Applause.)

Mr ROBINSON then addressed the meeting. After stating that he had not heard the report read, which he regretted, and that he was very glad to see such an enthusiastic and numerous meeting, he spoke of the benefit of having good captains, and the necessity there was for those who were under their command being thoroughly trained. He trusted that the members of the South Shields brigade would attend to discipline and training, so that when the time for action came they might be able to perform their duties with efficiency, and credit to themselves. Mr Robinson then spoke of the moral benefit coming to the members of the brigade from the philanthropic nature of the work in which they were engaged. When they felt they were doing good to their fellow creatures, they were doing good to themselves. There was no satisfaction in a man working only for his own benefit. If they wanted to promote their own happiness they must seek to promote that of others. (Applause.) In conclusion, he trusted that the society would go on and prosper. He hoped their services would not be called too often into requisition, but storms would rise, and ships would be wrecked, and he trusted when these occurrences did take place that every member of the Brigades would be found at his post. Many people had predicted that the volunteer movement would not last, but to-day it was as vigorous as ever, and it was of great benefit to many young men. He trusted that their voluntary efforts would be the means to the end, and he hoped they would have the thanks of their townsmen for their labours. (Applause and cheers.)

Mr MALCOLM thought that it was desirable that those gentlemen who contributed to the funds of the Brigades should know how the money had been expended. He therefore moved that the report and financial statement should be distributed among the subscribers and members.

The motion was seconded by Mr SMITH, and agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN proposed a vote of thanks to Mr Wilson for the interest he had all along taken in the institution, which was enthusiastically responded to.

Mr WILSON replied.

The scrutineers not having their task finished by the time the other business of the meeting was over, an interval elapsed, during which the members of the Brigades were treated to a plentiful supply of refreshments. On the list being made up, the following were found to have the highest number of votes, and were declared duly elected officers for the ensuing year:

Captains—W. CAY, S. COTTEW, M. CAY, Jun., and Wm. WRIGHT. Secretary—S. MALCOLM. Treasurer—A. STEVENSON. Committee of management—Geo. STOKES, Robert ELLIS, George SMITH, Jos. CRISP, G. A. WILSON, Thomas TYNSMOUTH, Joseph SMITH, L. MACKAY, Charles PEARSON, Robert WELLS, T. G. MALCOLM and G. P. REMONDSON.

A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the proceedings.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
August 21st 1867. Present Messrs. Penfoldson (Chair)
Wright, Mr. Cay, W. Cay, L. Mackay, Wells,
Pileon, J. G. Mabane, Mr. Storke & the Secretary.

Proposed by Capt. Wright seconded by Mr. Wilson
that the following accounts be passed. R. Bell
for Beer 2.14.9. Sanderson Reef 1.7.9. Fairbairn
Reef 1.4.9. Jennings Groceries 9/4 Wilson Sundries
72.

Proposed by Mr. Wilson seconded by Capt. Wright
that each Member (seaman excepted) in order to
make himself effective must attend 5 drills
during the year and army members not attending
3 drills during the year will have his name
struck off the roll.

Proposed by Mr. Wilson seconded by Capt. ^{Mr.} Cay
that each Captain be requested to provide
a uniform white covering for his head as
a distinguishing badge

Proposed by Capt. Wright seconded by Mr.
Mackay that Messrs. Wilson, Stevenson,
Mr. Storke and the Secretary be a sub-
committee for carrying out the building of
the new wing to the Watch House.

The Secretary reported that after the last drill
Mr. Coulson of Mr. Shields exhibited his apparatus
for saving persons in danger of being drowned.

A meeting of the committee present was held
at which it was agreed to order it.

Committee Meeting held Oct. 15th 1867. Present Capt.
M. Cay jnr. (Chairman) Wilson, Mabane, Wells, Penfoldson
Wright, Mr. Storke & the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr. Penfoldson seconded by Mr. Wilson
that the sum of 34/4 be paid to the Lyngmouth
Brigade being their expenses in connection
with the firing of the 3rd signal guns.

Proposed by Mr. Storke seconded by Capt. Wright.

that the sum of 10/0 be paid to the Lyngmouth
Brigade being their expenses in connection
with the firing of the 3rd signal guns.

presence of the Alhambra Music Hall with the
whole of the Artists for a Benefit towards the
funds of the Brigade be accepted and that the
Committee look after the arrangements for taking
the money, printing bills &c.

Proposed by Mr Wilms seconded by Dr Stobbe
That an additional £100 be incurred on the
Watch House in the Lancashire Fire Insurance

It was also agreed that Rule 12 be
posted up in the Watch House in order to
bring it more prominently before the
Members.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
Oct. 21st 1864. Present Messrs. W. Cay (Chairman) Wilson
MacKay, Mabane, Payne, Stobbe, Wells,
Pennoldson, Lynemont. The Secretary, and Mr
Blakely of the Alhambra Hall

Messrs W. Cay, Wilson & Wright agreed to take
the money at the Gallery door

Messrs. MacKay, Dr Stobbe & J. G. Mabane the
door at the Boxes & St.

Proposed by Mr Pennoldson seconded by Mr
Mabane That the Members of the Brigade
meet at the Watch House on Thursday at
6.30 P.M. to march from thence to the
Alhambra headed by Band of the 6th
Durham Rifle Volunteers. Members to
wear their Belts

Moved by Mr Mabane seconded by Mr
MacKay That an advertisement embodying
this resolution be inserted in each of the
daily papers on Tuesday & Wednesday.

Proposed by Mr Pennoldson seconded by
Mr Lynemont That Mr Richardson be
applied to for 2 policemen to stand
at the doors.

Messrs Mabane & Malcolm were appointed
a deputation to wait on Mr Ingham to invite
his attendance on the occasion

Tickets were distributed for the Boxes to the following Members. W. Cay 12. Wilson 24. Mackay 12. Mabane 12. Ryne 12. Storke 12. Wells 12. Blakely 12. M. Cay 12. Remoldson 12. Lynemork 12.

Com. Meeting held Monday Oct. 28th 1887.
 Present Messrs (chairman) Wilson Mabane Wells, W. Cay, Crisp, Remoldson, Pearson, Geo Smith, Mackay

Committee Meeting held Monday Oct. 28th 1887
 Present Messrs Stevenson (chairman) Wilson, Mabane, Wells, W. Cay, Crisp, Remoldson, Pearson, Geo. Smith, Mackay & Secretary

Proposed by Mr. Wilson seconded by Mr. Mabane - That the Committee of the South Shields Vol. Life Brigade, on behalf of the Members, return their most sincere thanks on behalf to Messrs Bagrall and Blakely for their great kindness and generosity in handing over ^{to the funds of the Brigade} the entire proceeds of

the entertainment at the Alhambra Music Hall on Thursday Oct. 24th 1887 amounting to £28.10.6

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute Monday December 2nd 1887.
 Present: Messrs Stevenson (chairman) R. Blakely, J. A. Wilson, Lt. Mabane, R. Wells, Mr. Storke, J. P. Remoldson, J. Lynemork, Captains W. Cay, M. Cay, J. S. Cottew, and the Secretary.

Proposed by Capt W. Cay seconded by Mr. Storke that the following accounts be paid

Marshall Timber.	22.7.6
L. Wright & Son. Bread.	1.14.6
Cook & Harts	6.19.6
Mylio. Slates	7.9.9
For Brokers	5.13.-
Jennings	9.8
Malden	4.-
Comptroller	1.10.-
Milner	1.2.9 ²
Coulson	15.-
Lynemork	

Proposed by J. Lymons seconded by Mr Storke
that Wm Williams. Pilot be elected a Member.

Proposed by Capt W Cay seconded by Capt.
Cottew that for the present no more Members
are to be admitted to the Brigade

A Vote of thanks was passed to Mr
Penfold for supplying iron work for the
new room, to Mr Storke for the way
he had fitted up the Surgery in the New
room, to Mr Kennedy for supplying a
new lamp and 3 gallons of petroleum oil,
and to Mr Clarke spirit merchant
at Port Place for supplying 1 gallon
of brandy.

Mr Wigham has given 1 pair of blankets and 1
Quilt, Messrs J. Fennell 1 pair 1 pair of blankets
Messrs Kirkley and Co 1 pair of blankets
and Mr Collinson 1 Quilt. Mr Robson 1 pair of
blankets, Messrs Nelson Smith & Wadman 1 pair blankets 1 Quilt.
George Fox 1 Quilt 1 pair blankets, Henry Heslop 1 pair blankets 1 Quilt.
It was agreed that the Officers and Members
should patronise the performances at the

Alhambra Music Hall on Thursday week
in return for the kindness of the proprietors
in giving a Benefit to the Funds of the
Brigade

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
Wednesday January 29th 1868. Present
Messrs - Stevenson (Chairman) R. Blair, J. A. Wilson
J. Byrne, Charles Pearson, R. Wells, Geo Smith
& the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Blair, seconded by Mr Wilson
that the following accounts be paid
Gazette 4/8 Daily News 2/6 Evening 1/8
Mensforth 1.14.6 Walter & Emily £20.7.8

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Wells that
Messrs W. Cay, S. Cottew, R. Blair, Geo Smith
& J. A. Wilson be a sub-committee to procure
and erect a Mast for Rocket Practice

Committee Meeting held in Mechanics Institute
April 21st 1868. Present Messrs Stevenson (Chair)
W. Cay, J. A. Wilson, J. Smith, M. Cay, J. P. Remondet,
L. Wells, Geo. Smith, Dr. Stobbe, J. Ennis and
the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Remondet seconded by Mr Wilson
That a written apology be given by Mr Cay
to Mr Cay within 7 days for the improper language
used by him at the Drill on April 28th 1868
and that such be posted in the ~~Drill~~ Watch
House. Unless such apology be given Mr Cay
must be dismissed from the Brigade according
to Rule 12.

Proposed by Mr Cay seconded by Mr Remondet
That in future no advertisements be admitted
in the Watch House except for Brigade purposes
and that existing ones be removed.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr M. Cay
That Mr Ellis be paid 1/6 for making 2 fags
for the Brigade.

Proposed by Geo Smith seconded by Mr W. Cay
That the painters bill 1/6 for Meet be paid.

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House
June 23rd 1868. Present Messrs. Stevenson ^{Chair} on Cottrell
Wells, Wright, Mabane, Pearson, Geo. Smith, W. Cay
Wilson, Lynemont, Dr. Stobbe & the Secretary.

On the Minutes of the previous Meeting
being read an Amendment to the second
resolution was proposed by J. A. Wilson &
seconded by Geo Smith That any Honorary
Member shall have the right to put up an
advertisement in the Watch House not
exceeding 18 inches by 12 inches. Framed and
glazed. Only 3 voted in its favour. It was
therefore lost.

Proposed by Dr. Stobbe, seconded by Mr Mabane
That the resolution respecting Mr Cay stand
in abeyance for a month and that
Capt. Wright & Mr Wilson endeavour to persuade

him to comply with the wishes of the Committee.

Proposed by Mr Wright, seconded by Mr Wells
That Mr Crisp &c £2.3 - be paid -

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
Tuesday, July 7th 1868. Present, Mr J.P. Renoldson,
(Chairman), Messrs Geo. Smith, W. Cay, M. Cay, J.A. Wilson,
Joseph Smith, Byrne, Blair, Dr. Stobbs, Crisp, Pearson,
Wright, Wells, ~~Re~~ and the Secretary.

Proposed by Capt. Wright seconded by Mr Wilson
That the following accounts be paid, Daily News, G.
Lazette &c., Mechanics Institute for Committee Room &c -

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Blair
That all the names on the roll books be printed
and that the form of voting paper be adopted
be same as last year.

Proposed by Capt Wright seconded by Mr Blair
That the Annual Meeting be held in the
Watch House on Thursday July 30th 1868 at 2
past 7. P.M.

Proposed by Mr Pearson seconded by Dr. Stobbs
That the Secretary have discretionary power
to act in connection with the affairs of the
Brigade.

Proposed by Dr. Stobbs seconded by Capt W. Cay
That the property of the Brigade now vested
in the committee be transferred to Trustees
and that the following gentlemen be requested
to act as such. viz - Messrs J.C. Stevenson,
M. Cay sen, E. Maxwell, H. Nelson, A. Stevenson,
J.B. Dale, J.L. Hall, Hugh Taylor, Jas Young,
Joseph Smith, John Robinson King St. Joseph Wilson,
& J.W. Lamb.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
July 16th 1868 Present J. P. Pennington (Chair) Wilson,
J. Smith, McCay, Wells, Brisk, Mahoney, Pearson, Blais,
the Secretary

The Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed on the
understanding that the part referring to the Trusteeship
should stand over till the Annual Meeting.

Proposed by Mr. Brisk seconded by Mr. Blais.

That the Report and Financial Statement just
read be adopted and presented at the Annual
Meeting and that the thanks of this Meeting be
given to the Secretary for the pains he has taken.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held in the
Watch House Thursday July 30th 1868

On the motion of Capt. W. Gay seconded by Mr.
Wilson. - Ald. Glover was called upon to preside.

The Secretary read the General Report ~~and~~ its
adoption was moved by Mr. Baridge and
seconded by Mr. Hart. Carried.

The Treasurer read the financial statement.

Its adoption was moved by Capt. Wright
and seconded by Capt. Cottle. Carried.

Proposed by Mr. Wilson seconded by Mr. Bell

That each Member (Pilots and Seamen) ex-
cepted in order to make himself effectual
must attend Five drills during the
year. Pilots and Seamen to make themselves
effective must attend three drills during
the year, and any Member not attending
one drill during the year will have his
name struck off the roll book. Members
must also wear their Belts at Drill.

Proposed by Mr Birch seconded by Mr Ayer
that the Deputy Captains be chosen by the Members

Proposed by Mr Birch seconded by Mr Michelson
that the Watch House be open Summer and
Winter. It was also understood that an
Officer or member of the Committee must be
present to be responsible for the safe keeping
of the property.

Proposed by Capt Wright seconded by Mr Mabane
that the Secretary have full discretionary
power over the Watch House carried.

Proposed by Capt Wright seconded by Mr McQueen
that the Captains be ex officio members of
the Committee

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Capt Wright
and supported by Capt M. Cay - that the
Property of the Corps now vested in the Committee
be transferred to Trustees and that the
following gentlemen be requested to act as such

Messrs J. C. Stevenson, M. Cay sen. E. Maxwell
H. Nelson, A. Stevenson, J. B. Dale, J. L. Hall,
Capt Taylor, Jas Young, Joseph Smith, John Robison,
Joseph Wilson & J. W. Lamb.

Proposed by Mr Birch seconded by Mr Bell
that Messrs S. Malcolm, J. Houlaby, & A. Nelson
and M. McQueen be the Deputy Captains
for the ensuing year -

Alhambra Benefit Oct. 24th 1864

Receipts

Gallens Money	9.5.9
Boxes & Pet.	14.5.9
Tickets Sold	<u>4.19 -</u>
	28.10.6

Expenditure

Type & Lock Band	1 - -
Alhambra do	- 12 -
Robinson for Gallens	- 2.6
Bill Poster	- 15 -
Gazette	<u>2.5 -</u>
Daily News	- 4 -
2 Telegrams & Grain Ex.	- 3 -
Printing	2.18 -
W. Bonmley	- 2 -
Blakely	<u>4.6</u> 8.9 -
Nett Balance	<u><u>20.1.6</u></u>

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOUTH
SHIELDS VOLUNTEER LIFE
BRIGADE

On Thursday night, the annual meeting of the South Shields Volunteer Life Brigade was held in the White House, South Pier. Ald. Glover in the chair. There were also present Messrs. Archibald Stevenson, M. C., and S. Malcolm, W. C. C., M. C., Jun., T. G. Mabbay, J. F. Spence (secretary of the Tyne-mouth Life Brigade), Mr. J. Bourne (chief officer of coastguard), Mr. Blakie, and Mrs. C. C. C.

The Chairman, Mr. J. H. Belling, then gave a very lively and interesting account of the work of the brigade on the occasion of their annual gathering, and of the work of the brigade in the past year. He said that the brigade had been very successful in their work, and that they had been very successful in their work. He said that the brigade had been very successful in their work, and that they had been very successful in their work. He said that the brigade had been very successful in their work, and that they had been very successful in their work.

The CHAIRMAN then called upon

Mr S. MALCOLM, the secretary, to read the following annual report:—

In present the Second Annual Report of the South Shetland Volunteer Life Brigade the committee has the honor to inform you that the committee is in the possession of the following information on the favorable position of the corps at the present time. Although during the past year have not been called upon to attend shipwrecks, yet we are thankful that some of our members have been able to render assistance to the crews of dredged vessels who are now at sea. It will be remembered on Sunday afternoon, July 28, 1897, a small boat, containing eight persons, was driven against the broken water of a heavy sea at the entrance of the harbor. The boat was in a very bad way, and the occupants were in a very bad way, and the occupants were thrown among the boiling surf. A boat was speedily manned by five of our members, who, at the imminent risk of their lives, succeeded in rescuing two men who were in the boat, and one of them was picked up on a woman, but it was found, on reaching shore, she was quite dead. Had it not been for the heroic conduct of these brave men, the whole party would have perished. The unfortunate people would have been drowned.

It is also gratifying to report that during stormy weather there has been a good attendance of members at the Watch House, some remaining on duty all night when necessity seemed to require it. There have been also M-rocket drills, with an average attendance of 42.

The Brigade has been twice inspected by Capt. Robertson, R.N., Surveyor-General to the Board of Trade, and on both occasions he was pleased to compliment the members on the high standard of efficiency they had attained. Letters from the Board of Trade have also been received, conveying in complimentary terms their thanks for your efforts in furthering the object of the Life Brigades were established.

At the last annual meeting your committee expressed their intention of making an additional room to the Watch House for the better accommodation of shipwrecked crews. This addition has been made, replete with all that forethought could suggest and skill could devise for making as perfect an establishment as the funds at their disposal would allow.

A handsome mast, suitably fitted up for exercising with the rocket apparatus, has been provided; and the committee thank those kind friends who have assisted them with money and useful gifts.

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Your committee hope now that the Watch House is finished, and the mast erected, they will be able during the year to carry out to some extent the proposal at the last annual meeting, that members under certain conditions should be provided with warm clothing for doing duty in stormy weather.

In conclusion, your committee trust that each member will endeavour to do all he can to promote the interests and efficiency of the South Shields Volunteer Life Brigade.

motion of Mr DAVIDSON, seconded by Mr VINT, several members expressing their satisfaction at its contents.

Mr ARCHIBALD STEVENSON, treasurer, read the financial statement, which showed that the income of the Brigade for the past year, including a balance in hand at the commencement of the year of £16 7s 11d, was £154 5s 5½d, and the expenditure £152 2s 7½d, leaving now a balance in the treasurer's hand of £2 2s 10d.

Mr. T. W. WILSON stated that at a meeting held August 21, 1867, it had been resolved "That each member—seamen excepted—in order to make himself effective, must attend five drills during the year, and any member, not attending three drills during the year shall have his name struck off the roll." He thought this rule ought to be not in force.

Mr. LABAREE was of opinion that pilots ought to be exempted from that rule, as well as seamen. Their duties were such as to require them often when drill was being carried on; and he did not think they could expect them to give up their own and better paid calling to attend five drills a year. (Hear, hear.)

After some discussion, it was agreed that pilots be exempted from the rule as well as seamen.

It was resolved that the Watch House remain open throughout the year; and that Captains be ex-officio members of the committee.

Mr. J. E. SPENCE said it gave him great pleasure to hear the gratifying report which had been read setting forth the proceedings of the brigade. He thought they had every reason to congratulate themselves on having got their house into proper order, in order that it might be of service when required. He hoped that the brigade would go on flourishing, and he had no doubt that should the occasion arise they would be the means of saving life, although he trusted the day was far distant when a casualty would occur shipping on the coast. The work which the River Tyne Commissioners were doing would be the means of preventing wrecks; and he might say there had not been a vessel ashore at North Shields since the 53th of December, 1867. (Hear, hear.)

It was resolved that the Watch House should be increased in size.

Mr BLAIR moved a vote of thanks to the officers of the brigade for their services during the

Mr. S. M. Mason, on the other hand, acknowledged the compliment. He said he was sure it was the desire of all the officers of the brigade to make the institution the best of its kind in the kingdom. (Hear, hear.)

The following were elected the Officers for the ensuing year—Captains—Wm. Wright, Wm. Cuy, M. Gay, Jan. and Wm. Ottewill; Committee—T. C. Mahan, (G. Stoloe, T. A. Wilson, Jos. Smith, Geo. Smith, R. Wells, R. Root, T. Hough, T. Timmon, Joseph Crisp, R. Blair, and R. Bell, Treasurer—Archibald Stottson, Secretary—S. Malochin. The business of the meeting having been concluded, the members of the brigade partook of supper together, the remainder of the evening being spent in a very agreeable and harmonious manner.

The proceedings were brought to a close by a vote of thanks to Ald. Glover for presiding.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
Sept 21st 1888. Present Messrs Capt. M. Cay (chairman)
Brish, Wright, Wilson, Houlby, Wells, Blair, Geo Smith
and the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Brish, seconded by Mr Smith That
the Annual Report & Financial Statement be
printed and circulated amongst the Members & Friends

Proposed by Mr Wilson, seconded by Capt Wright
That Duncan Fraser Alma St. Nicholas Riddle
3 Woodbine Ct. & Herdman, Scripture reader
and the "Drephaltrikes" be admitted as
Members to the Brigade.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
Monday Nov 30th 1888. Present. Capt. W. Cay
(chairman) Capt M. Cay jun. J. A. Wilson, Dr. Storer
Lt. Mabane, B. Birch, R. Wells, R. Bell,
J. Houlby, J. Brish & the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Birch
That the following Bills be paid.

Shields Daily News.	2. 15. 6
— Gazette	8 8
E. Jennings	1. 15. 4
Brish & Brish	2. — —
Wright & Co.	2. 12 —

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Inst.
Tuesday February 23rd 1889 - Present Capt.
M. Cay (chair) Capt. Cottew, Capt. W. Cay
Messrs Brish, Geo Smith, Joseph Smith, J. A. Wilson
Dr. Storer, J. Houlby, B. Birch, R. Wells, J. & Mabane
& the Secretary -

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Dr. Storer

That the Fire Insurance due the Lancashire Insurance Co. from January 1887 to December 1889 amounting £2.12.3 be paid.

Proposed by Mr Bishop seconded by Dr Storoe that Messrs Cottew, Birch & Wilson be appointed to wait on Mr Oldroyd with a view to get a reduction of his etc. for setting stones for Meet.

Proposed by Mr Joseph Smith seconded by Mr Wilson - Mr Cammiller be paid 9/6 for cartage of coals & cinders & Fox Brothers 2/4 for hardware.

The Secretary reported having received £15 from the Board of Trade as the Grant for 1888. Great indignation was expressed by the Committee at smallness of the amount and on the motion of Dr Storoe seconded by Capt Cottew the Secretary was instructed to have further communication with the

Board of Trade on the matter.

Proposed by Mr Joseph Smith seconded by Capt Cottew that the Chaplain of the "Joseph Straker" Mission Ship be allowed the use of the Watch House occasionally for evening services - and that due notice of such services be given to the Secretary - Proposed by Mr Mabane seconded by Mr Houlby - That the next Drill be held on Saturday first at 6 P.M.,

Committee Meeting held in Mechanics Inst
May 19th 1869. Present Messrs. Joseph Smith
(chairman) B Birch, J. A. Wilson, L. Byrne,
R. Wells, W. Wright, J. G. Mabane, Geo
Smith, R. Bell, Dr. Stokes

The Minutes of the previous Meeting
were read and confirmed

Proposed by Capt Wright seconded by
W Birch

that the following Bills be paid -

Savings $\frac{3}{8}$

Cust & Hauls 3.8.4

Daily News $\frac{2}{16}$

Seamount $\frac{1}{8}$

Proposed by Capt M. Cay seconded by
Capt Wright that the question of the Board of
Trade Grant stand referred to next
meeting and that in the meantime the
Secretary see the Member for the Borough and
lay the matter before him.

Committee Meeting held in Mechanics Institute
July 5th 1869. Present Messrs A. Stevenson
(chairman) B Birch, J. A. Wilson, Capt
W. Cay, Capt M. Cay, Joseph Crisp, R. Bell,
J. Houlby, W. J. G. Mabane, Joseph Smith
& the Secretary.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were
read and confirmed.

The Secretary reported that in accordance
with the resolution at last Meeting
he had given the Member for the Boro
a copy of the correspondence with the
B. of Trade respecting Grants for Shipwrights
requesting him to make enquiries about
it. In consequence a letter from
Mr Bright President of the B. of T. to
Mr Stevenson M.P. promising to look into
the matter was read to the Meeting
and was considered satisfactory.

The following Bills were passed
Uggham, Draper 4/11
Briep & Hails 1.2.44

Committee Meeting held in Mechanics Institute
July 8th 1889 Present Capt Cotton (Chairman)
Joseph Smith, J. A. Wilson, R. Bell, R. Birch
and the Secretary

Lists of the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Divisions of efficient
and non-efficient ^{Members} in. It was proposed by
Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Bell that these be
^{printed} along with all other necessary papers for
the Annual Meeting

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
July 29th 1889. Present Capt W. Gay (Chairman) Capt
M. Cuy & Capt Wright. Messrs H. Mabane, J. Christ
R. Bell, Joseph Smith, Geo Smith, R. Birch, S. Houtaby
J. A. Wilson & the Secretary.

The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed

The Secretary read the General Report and Treasurers
which were approved of and ordered to be presented
to the Members at the Annual Meeting

Moved by Mr Christ seconded by Mr Birch that
it be added to the Treasurers Report "the thanks
of the Committee to the various Gentlemen who
have contributed to the Institution during the
past year"

Arrangements for Annual Meeting

Mr Clarke to have charge of the door and take
the voting papers and tickets from the Members
as they come in. The tickets to be collected after
the business part of the Meeting is over.
Capt Wright undertook to get 4 scrutineers to go
over the voting papers.

Annual Meeting held in the Watch House, South
Per July 30th 1869.

Proposed by Mr Mabane seconded by Mr Wilson
That Mr Ald. Glover take the chair

Proposed by Mr Wilson, seconded by Mr Bell
That the Secretary's & Treasurer's Reports be
adopted.

Proposed by Mr Lamb seconded by Capt W.
Lay That the Reports be printed and
circulated among the Members and friends
and that copies be sent to the local
papers and Shipping Gazette

Proposed by Capt W. Lay seconded by Mr
Stevenson That a vote of thanks be
given to Mr Wilson for the great interest he
has hitherto taken in the affairs of the
Brigade

Proposed by Mr Blaine, Collector of Customs
seconded by Mr J. L. Hall
That a vote of thanks be given to the Secretaries.

Proposed by Mr Wilson, seconded by Mr M. Lay
senior. That a vote of thanks be given to the
Treasurer

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Malcolm
That a vote of thanks be given to C. W.
Anderson Esq for his kindness in supplying
the Watch House with coals free of charge

Proposed by Mr R. Bell, seconded by Capt. W.
Lay That a vote of thanks be given to
Mr Glover as representative of the Tyne
Commissioners for supplying the Watch House
with water and to Mr J. L. Hall for providing
the paper

Proposed by Capt W Lay seconded by Mr Herdman
That a vote of thanks be given to Dr Storke
and his assistant Mr Winter for their valuable
services during the past year and that Dr Storke

he re-appointed Honorary Surgeon to the
Brigade

The following Officers were elected for the
Year ending June 30th 1840.

Captains	Deputy Captains
Mr William Wright	Mr J Horsley
" William Cay	" J A Wilson
" Matthew Cay	" George Smith
" Nicholas Riddle	" John Clarke

Treasurer
Mr A Stevenson

Secretary
Mr J. Malcolm

Committee	
Dr Storie	Mr Benjamin Birch
Mr R Bell	" Joseph Smith
" J A Wilson	" George Smith
" Joseph Crisp	" James Wood
" J G Mabane	" Mark McQueen
" J. Horsley	" Robert Wells

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics
Institute August 11th 1840.

Present Messrs Stevenson (Chairman)
W Cay, J G Mabane, J A Wilson,
J Horsley, Wood, R Bell, Joseph Smith,
W Wright, N Riddle, Mark McQueen
B Birch & the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Stevenson seconded by
W Cay that the old House Committee
be re-appointed with the addition
of Mr Birch with full powers to do
what is necessary to repair and
paint the Watch House.

The Meeting afterwards adjourned to
the Watch House where Mr Stevenson
presented George Heron sen. with a
parchment certificate received from
the Royal Humane Society for his
exertions in saving the crew of a
salmon boat capsized on the beach.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
 Oct 20th 1869. Present Messrs W Bay (Chairman)
 J. A. Wilson, R Bell, James Wood, Mark McQueen
 N. Riddle, B Birch, R Wells, A Stevenson
 & the Secretary

Proposed by Mr Wilson, seconded by Mr Wood
 That the following fees be paid

Robt Bell for New Blood	- 10.6
Wright & Son	- 19
Levinings	1.7 -
Gazette	12.6
Gorke	2.18 -
Young Paraffin Oil Co	12.1
Daily News	- 13 -
Brush & Hails	10.6.3.

Proposed by Mr McQueen seconded by Mr Bell
 That the Secretary write to the Board
 of Trade respecting the enrollment of the
 Members as special constables to preserve
 order and protect property.

Proposed by Mr Stevenson seconded by
 Mr Bell - That the Captains be instructed
 to draw up a modified draft of the
 Board of Trade instructions for the use
 of Members at Drill.

Moved by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Stevenson

That it be an understood thing that
 the Officers on duty at the Watch House
 should appoint the men who intend
 remaining during the night, to their
 various posts in order to prevent confusion
 in case of ship wreck, and also that
 during the evenings opportunity be taken
 to give the men instruction in their
 various duties

Proposed by Mr Stevenson seconded by
 Mr Bell - That Mr Wilson be authorized
 on behalf of the Committee to summon
 William Purvis, Pearson St. for unruly
 behaviour in the Watch House on the
 morning of Oct 17th 1869.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Birch
That the request of Mrs Zullock
Publican, East King St, to have a sub-
scriptions Box placed in her parlour
for the benefit of the Brigade be granted

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics
Institute Nov. 29th 1869 Present
Messrs G. Mabane (Chairman), Quirk,
Wilson, Geo Smith, J. Wood, J. Smith,
McQueen, Stevenson, Riddle, Bell,
Birch, Houlby, Wells, Quirk, M. Carg
& the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by
Mr Stevenson. That in the opinion
of this Meeting a New Rocket House
should be placed at Man haven
nearer the coast than the present
Coastguard Station. The Committee is
also of opinion that a boat would be
of very little use to the So. Shields
Brigade

Metter, ^{was read} from Dr Crease offering his
services as honorary surgeon to the
Brigade in the room of the late
Dr Stobae. On the motion of Mr
Malcolm seconded by Mr Bell
Dr Crease of So Shields was appointed
to the above vacancy until the
next Annual Meeting of Members

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics
Institute January 12th 1870
Present Capt W. Leay (Chairman) Capt
Wright, Riddle, Wilson, Joseph Smith
B. Birch, Geo. Smith, Wells, Bell,
McQueen, Mabane, Wood, Mr Quirk
& the Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by
Capt Riddle That Members who made
themselves efficient last year be pro-
vided with a Guernsey Frock and
that such become their property
on making themselves efficient

during the year ending June 30/67
Failing these conditions the Frock to
be delivered up to the Captain of
the Division the Member belongs to.

Proposed by Capt Riddle seconded by
Mr Mabane That all matters relating
to the procuring of uniforms be left
to the Secretary.

Proposed by Capt Wright seconded by
Mr McQueen That £150 additional
be insured on the Watch House.

Proposed by Mr Geo Smith seconded
by Capt. Wright That Mr Apr be
summoned before the Committee at
its next Meeting to answer for
insolent language used in the
Watch House.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
January 31st 1870.

Present. Capt M. Cay. (Chairman) Capt W.
Riddle, Joseph Smith, J. Crisp, Mr Queen.
Wood, Wells, Bell, Mabane, Geo Smith
Burch, Horsley, Wilson & the Secretary.

Moved by Mr Bell seconded by Mr Wood
That Mr Halls &c £4.5.1 be paid.

Moved by Mr Wilson seconded by Capt Riddle
That a Testimonial be presented to Capt.
W Wright by the Members of the Brigade
on the occasion of his leaving the Town
for Sulist.

Proposed by Mr Crisp seconded by Mr Burch
That Messrs Wilson, Riddle, Mabane
& the Secretary be appointed a Testimonial
Committee with power to add to the
number.

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House
Friday Feb 25th 1870. Present A Stevenson
(Chairman) Wilson, Wells, Bell, Geo Smith
Quirk, Birch, Wood, Riddle, S Houlby
M. Bay. & the Secretary

Proposed by Mr Bell seconded by Mr Wood
That summing 1 Bell £1.15 be paid.

The Committee met to receive a
report from the sub-committee appointed
to get up a testimonial to Capt Wright
who is leaving the Brigade and also
the town for Ireland

The sub-committee reported having
purchased a handsome gold Albert
which was shown and gave general
satisfaction. A General Meeting
of the Members was held the same
evening when Mr Stevenson in
suitable terms presented the testimonial
to Capt W on behalf of the subscribers

It was also arranged to have a
Supper in connection therewith on
Monday March 4th 1870 at 8 P.M.
Tickets 1/- each

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
May 2nd 1870. Present Mr Mabane (Chairman)
Capt M. Bay, Mr. Riddle, Geo Smith, R Bell,
J Wood, Mr. Queen, J Houlby, Birch, Wilson
Joseph Smith, Quirk & the Secretary

Proposed by Capt Riddle seconded by Mr Bell
That Mr W be cautioned against using
harsh expressions in the Watch House and
that he apologize to Capt M. Bay for
his insolent language - which he did
at the Meeting

Proposed by Capt M. Bay seconded by Mr Bell
That all advertisements and communications
with the daily papers be left in the hands
of the Secretary and that the advertisements
of a religious or anniversary services be

returned to the respective newspapers.

Proposed by Mr McQueen seconded by Mr Geo. Smith That the standing orders relating to the admission of Members be suspended.

Proposed by Mr Malcolm seconded by Mr Bell That Mr Liscombe late a board guard in connection with the Brigade be admitted as an ordinary Member.

Proposed by Capt Bay seconded by Mr Quick That the standing order relating to the admission of members be resumed.

A report having been brought before the Committee as to some disorderly conduct in the Watch House it was proposed by Capt Bay and seconded by Mr Mabane - That the Secretary be

requested to write to Mrs Tulloch exonerating her from all blame in the matter

The New Insurance Policy on Watch House for £100 was produced by the Secretary and the Premium 24/- ordered to be paid

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House May 16th 1840

Present Capt M. Bay, jun (Chairman)
Capt Riddle, Birch, Bell, Dr. Smith
Mr McQueen, Riddle, Wood, ~~Bay~~, Mabane
Horsley, Geo Smith & the Secretary

Proposed by Mr Mabane seconded by Mr Birch That Querny Tools be given out to those Members who made themselves efficient this year and that it becomes their property on becoming efficient next year.

Proposed by Mr Wood seconded by Joseph Smith That the Quernsey 4c 24. 173

be paid

Proposed by Mr Malcolm seconded by Mr Wood That the Quernseys be issued to the 52 Members who have attended most drills this year on condition that each Member brings his belt ^{to the Secretary} and signs a receipt complying with the resolution of the Committee

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute June 29th 1870 Present Messrs Stevenson (Chairman) Joseph Smith Wilson, Bell, Birch, Houlshy, Wood Riddley, W. Gay, M^{rs} Queen ^{Geo Smith} Smith and the Secretary.

The Secretary reported having ordered other 50 Quernseys also having received a grant of £20 from the Board of Trade which

had been sent for Mr R. Bell for his improvements in the Travelling Block.

Proposed by Mr Cottew seconded by Mr Bell that all the outstanding a/c's be paid

viz	Bush & Harb	46. 0. 9
	Wright Low	3. 2. -
	J L Hall	15. -
	Seamount	2. 10. -
	Counsellor	12. 6
	Mechanics Institute	7. -

Proposed by Mr Stevenson seconded by Capt Riddell That the Annual Meeting be held in the Watch House on Thursday July 4th at 7.30 P.M. and that all arrangements be left in the hands of the Secretary

Proposed by Mr Bell seconded by Mr Cottew That no person be allowed to take out of the Watch House any books belonging the Library

The Secretary submitted the General Report which with slight modification was approved of.

Minutes of 4th Annual Meeting held in the Watch House July 7th 1840

Mr Ald. Glover in the chair.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Bell that the Minutes of last Annual Meeting as read by the Secretary be confirmed

The Secretary & Treasurers Reports were read and adopted and ordered to be printed and circulated among the Members

Proposed by Mr Malcolm seconded by Mr McQueen and supported by Mr Wilson that Dr Crease be the Honorary Surgeon for the ensuing year.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Secretary & Treasurers and also to Mr. Thompson of Newcastle for his kindness in presenting 50 volumes for the Library

Officers

Captains	M. Bay	Deputies	J. Houlshy
"	M. Bay jr	"	R Birch
"	N. Riddle	"	J A Wilson
"	S. Cottew	"	R Bell

Secretary S. Malcom. Treasurer A Stevens.
 Surgeon
 Dr. Crease.

Committee

J. Houlshy	Robt Bell
J A Wilson	R Birch
J. G. Malane	J. briph
Jas Wood	M. McQueen
Joseph Smith	J. R Crease
Geo. Smith	J. J. White.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Inst.
August 30th 1870

Present Messrs J. Smith (Chairman)
Quirk, Wilson, Bell, Wood, White, Houlsey,
Riddle, Birch, Grease, Geo. Smith, M^cQueen
Mabane, M. Gay & the Secretary

Proposed by W^c G. Smith seconded by
W^c Wood That the following fees be paid

Tippett & Son for Quennoys 17.3.3

Gazette - 2 -

Daily News - 9

Mabane for Music at Ann. Mtg. 1 - 6

Proposed by W^c Riddle seconded by W^c Wood
That Messrs Wilson, Birch and Houlsey
be a sub committee to keep the Watch
House in order

Proposed by W^c Wilson, seconded by
W^c G. Smith

That private drawers be provided in
the inner room for the Captains and Secretary

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
Oct. 25th 1870 Present J. A. Wilson (Chairman) Quirk,
J. Smith, Bell, M^cQueen, Wood, Riddle, Birch,
Houlsey, White, Dr Grease, Geo. Smith & the Secretary.

It having been reported to the Committee
that the firing of the Signal Guns from H.M.S.
"Castor" had been discontinued, it was proposed
by W^c Bell seconded by W^c White That the
Secretary be empowered to ascertain the reason
why such alteration had taken place

Proposed by W^c Wilson seconded by W^c Houlsey
That 4 small moveable tables be provided
for the use of the Watch House.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
Dec. 24th 1870. Present A. Stevenson (Chairman)
Mr. Cap. M. Cap. N. Riddle, Duck, Wood
McQueen, Birch, Bell, White, Houlby, Wilson
& the Secretary.

The Secretary read the correspondence
he had had with the Capt of the "Leaster"
and the Board of Trade respecting the
discontinuance of the firing of the Signal
Guns. The result of which was that
the Guns have to be fired as usual.

Proposed by Mr Bell, seconded by Mr Wood
that the following accounts be paid

J. L. Hall	1-10-6
Smith & Hall	2-11-3
Jennings	1-4-
Richardson	15-10
Wright	1-19-
Leam	

except Harwood & Fairless &c about which Mr.
Birch & the Secretary were instructed arrange.

Harwood 8-15

It was also suggested that the Secretary
endeavour to arrange with the Lifeboat Trustees
respecting the erection of a Signal Mast for the
Signal Lamps. Also to get a grant of a chest
of clothes from the same parties to be kept
in the Watch House.
Also to get the Lighthouse Commissioners to fix
Sockets for the Signal Lamps on the Bear
Paw.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics
March 28th 1871. Present Capt Riddle (Chairman)
Messrs J. Atkinson, Jos Smith, Wood, White
Houlby, McQueen, Mabane, Stevenson
Birch, Bell, Dr Crease & the Secretary

Moved by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr.
Mabane that the minutes of the last
meeting be confirmed except that part
referring to the Mast for Signal Lamps

Moved by Mr Stevenson seconded by
Mr Mabane that the Superintendents
of the Lifeboats be requested to apply
to the Life Boat Trustees with regard
to the Mast for Signal Lamps, and the
Life Brigade Committee will, be very
glad to carry out any arrangements
they may suggest.

Moved by Mr Mabane seconded by
Mr Wood that the following accounts
be paid

Gazette 1.0²/₆

Daily News 12.8

Seamont 14.6

Wright's 1.1 - ()

Moved by Mr Bell seconded by Mr Birch
that a Concert be held on behalf of
the Funds of the Brigade and that
the following be a sub committee with
power to add to the number to make
all necessary arrangements and report
to the General Committee viz Messrs

Riddle, Bell, Birch, McQueen, White
& Wilson, Wood.

Moved by Mr Wilson seconded Mr Bell
that Messrs Thuburn & Bullock be requested
to allow subscription boxes to be placed
in their Offices at Lime Dock.

Moved by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Howley
that the outside of the Match House be
painted and that the Secretary
advertise for Tenders

Proposed by Mr Mabane seconded by
Mr Stevenson that the Secretary be
requested to write to Mrs Ayr and
ask her to return the ~~knives~~
and belt belonging to her late husband

Committee meeting held in the Mechanics
Institute April 14th 1871

Present Capt M Cuy (chairman), Messrs
Riddle, Collew, White, Birch, McQueen
Houlby, Mabane, Wood, Wilson
Bell, Cusp, W. Cuy & the Secretary

The Concert Committee reported that
the N. E. & Glee Club had promised
their services & Messrs Harris & Melles
had offered the use of the Theatre
Royal

Mr Wilson proposed & Mr Wood seconded
that the above kind offers be accepted
and that the Concert be held on
Tuesday 25th inst.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by
Mr W Cuy that Mr Nicholson have
the printing of the ~~small~~ ^{large} bills

Proposed by Mr Cusp sec by Mr Riddle
that all details in connection with
the arrangements for the Concert be left
in the hands of the sub-committee
appointed at the last meeting.

Proposed by Mr Wilson seconded by
Mr Riddle that unless Mrs Cuy
returns the Guernsey & Belt within
a week Mr Mabane be instructed
to take proceedings against her.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics May
15th 1871. Present. Dr Crease (chairman) Wilson,
Quirk, Wood, Houlby, McQueen, White, Riddle
Birch & the Secretary.

The Secretary reported that the nett proceeds
from the concert given by the North Eastern Society
Glee Club amounted to £34.11.4 and that
Mrs Cuy had given up the Guernsey & Belt
used by her late husband.

Tenders were received for painting and
varnishing the Watch House from

Alex. Birch 26.16

Garbutt & Jamieson 15.10

and from B. Birch for painting all the
joins in the woodwork inside and out
where necessary, clearing the House
and superintending the job generally
for 36/-

Proposed by W Wilson seconded by W Macdonald
that Garbutt & Jamieson & B Birch tenders
be accepted.

Proposed by W McQueen seconded by
W Wood that W Riddle be appointed to
inspect all books that require binding
and to get them bound if he thinks it
prudent.

Proposed by W Wilson seconded by W White
that a boat be provided for saving
life and that W Birch be requested

to provide an estimate.

W Wilson gave notice that at the
annual Meeting he would move
that members who stop on duty at
the Watch House from 10 o'clock at night
till 3 in the morning be entitled to a
Drill

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House July
5th 1841. Present Capt W Cay (Chairman)
Messrs Cottew, M Cay, Quirk, Wood, White
McQueen, Wilson, Bell, Birch Macdonald,
& the Secretary.

Proposed by Capt W Cay seconded by W Bell
that the question of providing a boat
be postponed until this day 6 months

It was also resolved that the minutes
of the last meeting be confirmed except
the last 2 resolutions

Proposed by W Mabane seconded by
W M. Gay That the following ^{be} be paid

Rent of Committee Room

Dixon 4- Word 19-

J. Hall 1-1-4½

Counsellor 7-6

Nicholson -5-

Wright 1 - -

Learnmont 1-1-6

Brush & Hails 1-1-4

Coulson 9-10

Proposed by W. Mabane seconded by W. M. Gay,
That the Annual Meeting be held in
the Watch House on Thursday July 13th.
1871 at 4.30. P.M

Proposed by W Mabane seconded by W.
M. Gay That the necessary printing be
done by W Nicholson Barrington St

The Secretary read a Draft of the
General Report which was adopted

on the motion of W Mabane seconded
by W Bell

The Secretary also reported that W.
A. Stevenson had promised to give
the Members a Supper after the
Annual Meeting.

Fifth Annual Meeting held in the
Watch House July 13th 1841.

Ald. Glover in the Chair

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting
were read and confirmed

Moved by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Pridley
That the Secretarys Report be adopted

Moved by Mr Mabane seconded by Mr Bell
That the Treasurers Report be adopted
Both Reports to be printed and circulated
amongst the Members.

Moved by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr Riddle
That it be suggested to the Board of
Trade that Members ^{non} who attend the
Watch House from 10^o to 3 a.m. should
have it counted as a Quill

Proposed by Mr Maledon seconded by Mr
White That Dr. Crease be appointed
Honorary Surgeon for the ensuing year

Votes of Thanks were passed to the
Scrutineers and Officers of the Institution

It was also arranged that at
next annual Meeting the Scrutineers
were to be chosen from among the
Strangers present and unconnected
with the Brigade

Officers Elected

Captains

Mr William Gay	Mr R. Riddle
" Matthew Gay	" J. G. Mabane

Deputies

Mr J. Hoxbly (1 st)	Mr R. Bell (3 rd)
" B. Birch (2 nd)	" James Wood (4 th)

Committee	
Mr J. J. White	Hon. Howley
R. Bell	M. McQueen
J. Wood	Es. Hopper
B. Birch	S. Collew
J. A. Wilson	J. Clarke
Es. Smith	J. Ross

Committee Meeting held in the
Mechanics Institute August 1st 1871

Present Capt W. Cay (Chairman)
Messrs Birch, Riddle, Dr Crease
Hopper, Clarke, Wood, White McQueen
Collew and the Secretary

Proposed by Mr Cay, seconded by
Mr Malcolm that the Old House Com-
mittee be re appointed

Moved by Mr Riddle seconded by
Mr Wood that the offer of the North and
South Shields Dramatic Club to give
a Benefit to Messrs Harris and Mellor
be under the patronage of the Life Brigade

Proposed by Mr Cay seconded by Mr Clarke
that the sub-committee of the Glee Club
concert be re appointed to carry out
the arrangements for the above Benefit.

Committee Meeting held in the
 Mechanics Institute August 29th 1871
 Present Messrs A. Stevenson (Chairman)
 Houlshy, Clark, Bell, Dr. Crease, M. Carg,
 W. Carg, Gortew, Smith, Wood, Hopper,
 Ross, McQueen, Riddle, Birch, White,
 the Secretary, Mabane, Wilson

Minutes of previous Meeting were read
 and passed.

Mr Wilson reported that at the suggestion
 of Dr. Crease the house committee had
 provided an iron bedstead for the use
 of persons having broken limbs.
 The action of the sub-committee was
 confirmed in the motion of Mr Mabane
 seconded by Mr Bell.

The following gentlemen were then
 elected Members of the Brigade

B. Heron	17 Votes	Wm Oates	12
J Pollard	17 -	W Findlay	11
P. H Moore	17 -	B. Joseph	10
W. H Price	16 -	Thos. Edmond	10
Thos. Pike	15 -	J. G. Hunter	9
Jno Marshall	13		

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Inst.
 Oct. 23rd 1871 Present W Carg (Chairman) Riddle
 Hopper, Wood, McQueen, Ross, Mabane,
 Smith, Quirk, Birch, J. A. Wilson and
 the secretary.

Moved by Mr Mabane, seconded by Mr Wilson
 That the following be passed
 Jennings $\frac{5}{4}$
 Daily News $\frac{5}{4}$

Moved by Mr McQueen seconded by Mr Hopper
 That the Board of Trade letters thanking the Members
 for their attendance during the past year be
 copied and posted up in the Watch House

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
December 4th 1871. Present A. Stevenson (Chairman)
Quirk, bottom, Riddle, Bell, Wood, Howlsby,
M^r Queen, Hopper, Birch, Nelson, W. Gay,
Dr. Brease, M. Gay, Mabane, Ross, Hopper,
and the Secretary. *Write.*

Proposed by W. Nelson, seconded by Capt. W. Gay
that the following $\frac{1}{2}$ be paid

Journal $\frac{4}{12}$

Gazette $\frac{9}{6}$

Cook's Mail 2. 10. 9

Wright's Mail 1. 1 -

Proposed by W. bottom seconded by W. Mabane
that 6 Lines with ⁵ Buoy attached be
provided

Proposed by Dr. Brease seconded by Capt. M.
Gay

that 2 canvas stretchers and 3 Lin
Foot warmers be provided

Dr. Brease stated that it was highly necessary
that some of the Members should be educated
as to the proper mode of treating apparently

drowned persons, and he would be very
glad to give the necessary instructions.
It was agreed that the Captains and their
Deputies should get the names of such
members who wish to be so instructed

Proposed by W. Stevenson seconded by W^r
bottom that the Deputy Captains wear
white son's wester.

It was also arranged that the next Drill
be held on Saturday the 9th inst at 6. p.m.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics
Institute Feb 3^d 1872. Present Capt W. Cay (Chair)
Capt M. Cay + Mahone. Messrs Wilson, Birch
White, Ross, M^cQueen, Hopper, Howdoby,
Smith, Quirk, Bell, Wood

Proposed by M^r Hopper seconded by
M^r White That the minutes of last
Meeting be confirmed

Proposed by M^r Ross seconded by M^r M^cQueen
That the following a/c be paid

Fire Insurance	26/
Nicholson	17/-
Gorke.	39/
Counsellor	46

The Secretary reported having received £25
from the Board of Trade for last year and
£5 from Messrs Lee, Son & Co Rochester.

Proposed by M^r Ross seconded by M^r Wood
That each Member who has made

himself efficient for the last 3 years be
presented with a pair of Trowsers to be worn
at Drills & Shipworks

An Amendment was proposed and carried
that the matter lie over for a short while
it being understood that any Member of the
Committee having any scheme for the
disposal of the surplus Funds must
come prepared at the next meeting
with the probable cost of carrying out his
ideas.

M^r Wilson reported that he had provided
for the Watch House a Royal Coat of Arms
and asked permission to have it placed
over the outside door.

Proposed by M^r Bell seconded by M^r Wood
That it be accepted and agreed to.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics
Institute March 6th 1872 Present Capt J. G.
Mabane (Chair) Uldom, Hopper, Wood, M^r
Lucan, Hordley, Quick, Birch, Bell
White, Smith &c. Ross & the Secretary

Proposed by Mabane seconded by Wood
that the Minutes be confirmed

Proposed by Uldom sec. by M^r Lucan
that Robins &c. 15/- for shoulder handles be
paid.

The Secretary read a letter from M^r Parry
of the Theatre Royal asking the Patronage
of the Brigade for his Benefit.

Proposed by de Bre. seconded by M^r Lucan
that the application be respectfully declined

Proposed by M^r Wood seconded by the Secretary
that each member who has made himself
efficient for the three years ending June 30th 1871
be presented with a pair of blue pilot cloth

trousers from the Funds of the Brigade, to
be worn at Drills & Shipworks

Proposed ^{as an amendment} by M^r Wood sec. by Hordley
that a full suit of pilot cloth and a pair
of light trousers be provided instead.

The motion was carried only 3 voting for
the amendment.

Proposed by M^r Mabane sec. by Wood
that advertisements be issued as Bids for
Tenders for supplying 60 pairs of blue pilot
cloth trousers. The Committee to meet again
on Thursday 16th inst.

Committee Meeting held in Mechanics Inst.
March 14th 1872 Present Capt. Mabane (chair)
Capt M. Gay & M. Gay, Messrs Gottlew
B. Birch, Wood, Hopper, Bell, Ross
White, Alden, Dr Crease & the Secretary

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were
read and confirmed

Proposed by Mr Bell, sec. by Mr Wood
That in future no orders be given for
any article or repairs to House unless the
same is sanctioned by a majority of the
House Committee each member having
previous notice

Proposed by Mr Ross sec by Mr Wood
That Mr Hall's 4c 13.1.9 be paid

The Sec. reported having received several
Tenders for Trowsers. On the motion of Mr Alden
see. by Capt M. Gay the following sub committee
was appointed to examine the same and
for who had to have the contract viz

Messrs Mabane, M. Gay, Birch, Crisp,
Bell & the Secretary

The Sub-committee met in Messrs Gay
Brothers office on Saturday March 16th 1872

After a most careful examination
of the Tenders and samples of cloth
it was resolved that the Contract
for Trowsers be given to Messrs Smith
& Co East King St. at 18/- per pair

It was also resolved that the Sec.
provide an Order Book be printed
and orders issued to Members entitled
to Trowsers, countersigned by Captain,
of Divisions & the Secretary.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics
Institute June 6th 1872. Present Messrs Mabane
(Chairman) M. Gay, Wilson, Ross, Wood, Hopper,
White, Bell, Birch, Houlby, Dr. Crease & the
Secretary.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed

The following A/cs were passed
Brush & Hails 1.2.4
Gazette 8.6

The Secretary read a letter from Mr Rogers
challenging the Brigade to a competition
on the Town Moor Newcastle with his
Apparatus. It was resolved that
the Sec. write declining the invitation on
the motion of Mr Mabane sec. by Mr Wood

Moved by Mr Wilson seconded by Mr White
That Mr Smith be granted the use of the
Loomerys in the Watch House to be worn by
the Pilots at the launch of the New Life Boat
on Saturday next. *Sam Perry*

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
June 28th 1872. Present Messrs Mabane (Chair)
Mr Queen, Birch, Smith, Crease, Wilson, White
Ross, Wood, Hopper, Cottew, Quirk, Bell, White
and the Secretary

Moved by Mr White sec. by Mr Wood
That the following A/c's be paid

Stall	2. 12. 3
Brush & Hails	1 - 4
Cornedellor	- 8 -
Donnings	2. 2

Moved by Mr Wilson sec. by Mr Wood
That Thursday July 11th 1872 be appointed
for the Annual Meeting at 7.30 P.M.

Resolved that the next drill be on Saturday
July 20th at 6 p.m.

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House
July 4th 1872. Present Messrs M. Coe (Chair)
Ross, Birch, Quirk, Smith, Mr. Queen, Wilson
Wood, Hopper, Bell, Mabane. Hauled by
M. Coe & the Secretary

The Minutes of last Meeting were confirmed

The Secretary read the Annual Reports which
on the motion of Mr. Wilson sec. by Mr. Bell
were adopted and appointed to be read
at the Annual Meeting

Moved by Mr. Mabane sec. by Mr. Smith
That the House committee be instructed
to get the remainder of the top ^{panels} ~~boards~~ in
the inner room made to open, and a
few more also in the large room.

Moved by Mr. Mabane sec. by Mr. M. Coe
That Dr. Crease be asked to appoint a
night to give a lecture to the members
on the best means of restoring the apparently
drowned.

The Committee then proceeded to take an
inventory of the things in the Watch House.

Annual Meeting held in the Watch House
July 11th 1872.

Alderman Glover in the Chair

Moved by Mr Bell sec. by Mr White

That the Minutes of last Annual Meeting
as read by the Secretary be confirmed

Moved by Mr Wood sec. by Mr Fraser

That the Secretary's Report be adopted

Moved by Mr Mahane sec. by Mr Bell

That the Treasurer's Report be adopted

Moved by Capt W Lang sec. by Mr W Dean

That Dr Crease be Honorary Surgeon

Votes of thanks were given to Mr Thompson
for supplying the "Chronicle" for the last 2 years
Also to Mr Anderson for Coals

A discussion arose as to the best means
of recognizing the services of those members

who attend most frequently at the Watch
House during storms. Mr Thompson
of Newcastle offered to give 6 silver
medals to those who attend the best.
Arrangements for which were left with the
Committee.

Proposed by Mr Carg sec. by Mr Crisp

That a vote of thanks be given to the
Captains & Committee for their services
during the past year.

Officers for year ending June 30th 1873

Captains

M. Carg.

M. Carg.

J. G. Mahane

S. Collier.

Deputy Captains

James Wood

J. White

Ben Bush

J. H. H. H.

Treasurer

A. Stevenson

Secretary

S. Malodun

Surgeon

Dr. Crease.

Committee

J. A. Wilson

J. Y. White

J. Houlby

J. Ross

I. Hopper

L. Wood

Lo. Smith r

W. B. B. B.

R. Bell

B. Bird,

M. M^{re} Queen

J. Potter.

M. Gray

W. L. L. L.

J. Cotton

LLM Mabane

672 Rubiaceae

A. Steinhilber

H. W. Parker

3 Wallis Is.

Per Terrace

4 Lawe Buildings

110 Perry St.

22 Franklin St.

Date Sept.

Coble Landing

Palmerston Sp.

Woodbine St.

4 Pilot St.

66 Park Rd.

River Police Station

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Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
August 19th 1872.

Capt M. Cuy in the Chair

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed.

Dr. Crease stated that it was of very great
importance that the Members should thoroughly
understand how to treat persons apparently
drowned and kindly offered to meet the
Committee at the Watch House on Tuesday
evening Aug. 27. and give them instructions
in the matter.

Moved by the Secretary sec. by W Wood
That the ~~old~~ House Committee be
re-appointed

Some discussion took place relative to the
offer of Mr. Thompson of Newcastle to
give 6 silver medals to members of the
Brigade who should attend best at the
Watch House. It was considered undesirable

to offer such an inducement to members
to attend their duties, and on the motion
of W Bell sec. by W Wilson

That the Sec. write to Mr. Thompson explaining
the feeling of the Committee, and ask
him to kindly withdraw his offer.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Inst.
Oct. 7th 1872. M. Cuy jun. in the Chair

The Minutes of the previous meeting were
read and confirmed

Proposed by W M. Cuy sec. by W. Mabane
That Mr. G. D. Stalls &c. for altering windows
&c. in Watch House be paid

Proposed by W W Cuy. sec. by W. Birch
That a vote of thanks be awarded to Dr
Crease for his instructive lecture on the
resuscitation of the apparently drowned, and with
the request that he will repeat the same at
his convenience

The Committee then proceeded to fill up the vacancies in the Brigade, and as the result of a ballot the following gentlemen were elected.

Mr. Lowe	11	Mr. Geddie	8
- Everson	10	- Capt	7
- Henderson	10	Potts	7
- Spooner	10	Macdonald	
- Strachan	9		
- Armstrong	9		

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House Dec. 27. 1872
Capt M. Cay. jun. in the Chair

Moved by Mr. Mabane sec. by Mr. Wood. That
The followings be paid

Lieut Commissioners for board rent of Watch House (4yrs)	14/-
" " Repairs to Meet	10/2
Scannings	7/4 1/2

Moved by Mr. Potts seconded by Mr. Wood

That Captains M. Cay jun. Mabane and the Secretary be a sub-committee to arrange a Notice in accordance with the Merchant Shipping Act so as to prevent the Public obstructing the operations of the Brigade at a Shipwreck.

Mr. Thompson of the Marine Hotel kindly offered to give the Members a Supper. It was moved by Mr. Wilson sec. by Mr. McQueen That Messrs Cay, Mabane & the Secretary call at Mr. Thompsons tonight to arrange with him as to the most suitable night to have it.

Moved by Mr. Mabane sec. by Mr. Wood

That Messrs White, Wood, Stopper, Birch, Potts & Holland be a sub-committee to carry out the arrangements

The Sec. reported that a 3rd Coastguard had been placed on the Station and on the motion of Mr. White sec. by Mr. Wood It was agreed that he be paid for attending the Bill the same as the other Coastguard men.

Committee Meeting held in the Mechanics Institute
Feb 27th 1873. Capt Mabane in the Chair

Proposed by Capt M Bay sec by W Wilson
That the Secretary be empowered to engage
a woman to clean the House twice a
week and that she be paid monthly
at the rate of £7.10 per annum. The
engagement to terminate at a month's
notice on either side.

Proposed by W Bay sec by W Wilson
That a new lock be put on the
outside door furnished with 12 Keys
and that the Captains and House
Committee be each furnished with
one.

Proposed by W Potter sec. by W White
That the following a/c be paid
Hall 9/- Linnings 4/- Gazette 14/6
Nicholson 1/- Coulson 9/-

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House
June 11th 1873.

W Bell in the Chair.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed.

Proposed by W Wood seconded by W McQueen
That Messrs Garbutt & Son sons Tender
(£17.10) for Painting the Mast and painting
and varnishing the Watch House be accepted.

Moved by W Wilson seconded by W White
That the clothing in the Watch House
be replaced where necessary and that
Messrs Wilson, McQueen and Birch be a
sub-committee to carry it out.

Annual Meeting held in the Watch House
July 9th 1873

The Mayor. Ald. Glover in the chair.

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting were
read and confirmed. Moved by Mr. Wood sec. by Mr. Johnson

Moved by Mr. Potts sec. by Mr. McQueen
that the Secretary's Report be adopted

Moved by Mr. Bell sec. by Mr. Wilson
that the Treasurer's Report be adopted and
that both Reports be printed and circulated

Moved by Capt. W. Leay sec. by Capt. Cottew
that a vote of thanks be given to Dr. Crease
for his services during the past year and that
he be re-appointed Honorary Surgeon

Moved by Mr. Wilson sec. by Mr. Ross
that a vote of thanks be given to Mr. C. W.
Anderson for gratuitously supplying the Watch

House with tools

Moved by Mr. Bell a vote of thanks was
also given to Mr. Thompson for supplying the
Weekly & Daily Chronicle.

Officers Elected

Captains		Deputy Captains	
Matthew Leay	57	Thos. Houlchly	49
William Leay	58	J. J. White	47
S. Cottew	56	James Wood	45
J. G. Mahone	55	Robt. Bell	29.

Treasurer
A. Stevenson

Secretary
S. Malcolm.

Committee.

J. A. Wilson	56	Joseph Stopper	40
J. J. White	47	James Ross	38
J. Houlchly	45	M. McQueen	36
Jas. Wood	44	W. A. Beville	34
Thos. Potts	43	Robt. Stobson	34
Robt. Bell	42	D. Fraser	25.

Committee

J. A. Wilson	3 Walls St.
J. F. White.	3 Ocean Terrace Ocean Road
J. Houlshy	4 Lane Benthin
Jas Wood	46 46 Alma St.
Thos. Potter	Queen's College
Robt Bell	Woodbine St.
Joseph Stopper	Franklin St
James Ross	39 Cuthbert St.
M. McQueen	6 Park St.
W. a. Baridge	5th Palmerston St
Robt. Hobson	31 Alma St
D. Frazer.	1 Vale St.

M. Cay	Winchester St.
W. Cay	Charlotte Terrace
S. Cottew	East Winchester St.
J. G. Mabane.	Winchester St.
Dr. Crease	East King St.
A. Stevenson	Wellington Terrace
J. H. Smith	Lynnmouth.
Wheaton	

July 19.
Aug. 13
Oct 10
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Feb. 20
June 19

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Committee Meeting held in the Watch House
July 19th 1873.

Capt W. Bay. in the Chair.

Proposed by W Potter sec. by W Bawdys
That Messrs Wilson, Stansby, Bell,
Stevenson & the Secretary be the House
Committee for the ensuing year.

Proposed by W Bell sec. by W Potter
That Candidates wishing to become Members
must send in a written Application to the
Secretary signed by 2 members. The
Candidate agreeing at the same time
to conform to the Rules of the Brigade
if elected, and that he see one of the
Captains before sending it in.

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House
August 13th 1873

Capt Matone in the Chair

Moved by W White seconded W Fraser
that the following Candidates be elected
Members viz

William Wood
John Heddle
Robert French
John James Kennedy
John Robertson
Alfred Richardson
John Gardiner
Henry Whitelaw
Robert J. Atkey
George Scrafton

Moved by W Wilson sec. by W Stimson
that Messrs Wells & Co of 1/6 for repairs
thereon be paid.

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
Oct 10th 1873.

Capt Mabane in the Chair.

Proposed by Mr Wood. sec. by Mr Wilson
That the following Candidates be elected
Members.

Joseph Skelton

W. M. Ede

Joseph Nixon

John Short

Robert Beck

William Burn

John Burn

William Johnson

John Barnett.

Mr Wykes etc $\frac{8}{3}$ for repairing Roof was passed

Moved by Mr Bell sec. by Mr Wood.

That a notice be posted up in the Watch
House requesting the Members to wear their

Belts, knickerbockers & Trowsers at Drill and failing
to do so their attendance not to be marked
in the Roll Book.

It was resolved that the Captain endeavour
to get in the Belts that have been used by
Members struck off the Roll

The Secretary was also requested to bring
his shooting cap to the next meeting
for the inspection of the Committee with
a view to providing some for the Brigade

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library Dec. 4th
1874. Mr Bell in the chair.

Proposed by Mr M. Cay sec. by Mr Wood
~~The Cap~~ That the style of Cap shown by
the Secretary be adopted for the Brigade

Proposed as an Amendment by Mr Wilson sec.
by Mr Houlby. That Mr Wilson's
Cap be adopted. The original motion
was carried.

Proposed by Mr Mabane sec by Mr McLucan
That the Caps be of the lightest drab
colour and the letters VLB be worked
in the front if not too expensive.

The Secretary reported having received £4.10
as the Annual Grant from the R. of Trade
On the motion of Mr Wilson sec by Mr
M. Cay. it was resolved to send
the money back, the Sec. writing
previously to Mr. Cay to enquire if there had
not been a mistake made in the amount

Moved by Mr Mabane sec by Mr Potter
That Mr Bell be empowered to alter
the Belt buckles.

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
Building Feb. 20th 1874
Capt M. Cay jun. in the chair.

Moved by Mr Mabane seconded by Mr
White. That the Sample Storm Cap, light
drab colour be adopted with the letters
VLB and Ordnance Number worked in
red on the front and that 100 be ordered
from Mr Cooke of Newcastle at 5/- each

It was also moved that the Secretary
call a meeting of the Members for next
Tuesday in the Watch House at 7 p.m.
to be measured for Storm Caps.

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library 29 June 1894

Capt W. Leay (Chairman)

Moved by Mr Wood sec. by Mr Bardsley

That the following accounts be paid

Smith & Co 3. 12 -

Croft & Co 2. 8. 9

H. A. York 2. 5 -

J. L. Hall 9. 1

Wright & Son 2. 4 -

R. Bell 7. 4

Free Library - 5 -

Comraditor 18 -

Daily News 2. 4

Shields Gazette 3. -

Cleaning Watch Hs. 1. 14. 6

The Secretary stated that Mr. Augustus, Photographer, wished to have portraits of the Officers of the Brigade. It was moved by Mr Stevenson sec. by Mr Bardsley that the next Drill day be appointed for the purpose

Moved by Mr Wilson sec. by Mr Bell

That the Annual Meeting be held on Thursday July 9th 1894 and that the Secretary make the necessary preparations.

Mr. A. Stevenson kindly renewed his offer to provide a Supper for the Members as usual.

Annual Meeting held in the Watch House
Thursday July 4th 1844

The Mayor. Ald. Glover in the Chair

Moved by W Jas Wood sec by W Baridge
That the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting
be confirmed

Moved by W Riddle sec by W Bell
That the Secretarys & Treasurers Reports
as read be adopted, printed, and
circulated amongst the Members

Moved by Capt M. Cay sec by W M^r E. Duce
That Dr Cruise be the Honorary Surfer
for the ensuing year

Moved by Capt Collew sec by W J. J White
That the thanks of the Members be given
to the Treasurer & Secretary for their valuable
services during the past year

Moved by W Thompson ^{Norwalk} sec by W Jas Wood
That the hearty thanks of the meeting be
given to ~~the~~ W Thompson for supplying the
Daily & Weekly Chronicle free.

Moved by Capt Mabane sec by W^r Whitelaw
That a vote of thanks be given to W^r C. W.
Anderson and the Hilda Coal Co^r for
gratuitously supplying the Watch House with
Coals

Officers Elected.

Captains

W Cay

M. Cay

S. Collew

J. G. Mabane

Deputy Captains

J. Houlshy

J. J White

R Bell

Jas Wood.

Committee

J. A Wilson

J. J White

J. Houlshy

Jas Wood

Thos Potter

R Bell

J. Hopper

Jas Wood

M. McDucca

W. A. Baridge

R. B. Hester

J. Frager.

Attendances of Committee for year

ending June 30th 1875.

Name	Address	Aug 12.	Dec. 11.	April 13 ^d	June 28	July 15
L. A. Wilson	3 Wallis St.	/	/		/	
J. L. White		/		/		/
J. Houlby		/	/	/		
Jas Wood	46 Alma St.	/	/	/	/	/
L. Potter			/	/		/
Robt Bell				/	/	/
Joseph Hopper	22 Franklin St.	/	/		/	/
James Ross			/	/	/	
M. McQueen		/		/	/	/
W. A. Bawidge		/	/	/		
Robt Hobson		/	/	/	/	/
D. Fraser		/	/	/	/	/
W. Cay		/	/	/	/	/
M. Cay				/		
S. Cottew						/
L. Mahane		/	/	/	/	
Dr. Grease			/			

Committee Meeting held in the ^{old} Free Library
August 12th 1874

Capt W. Cay (Chairman).

Moved by Mr Wood sec. by Mr Frager
That Capt Whiteclaw
Lt. Elsey

Thomas Simpson
be elected Members of the Brigade

Moved by Capt Mabane sec. by Mr Wood
That the Secretary be empowered to procure
an improved sample of buckle for the
Belts.

Moved by Mr Wood sec. by Mr Hopper
That 25 New Quernsaps be purchased
by the Secretary

Moved by Mr Wood sec. by Mr Bavidgo
That the old House Committee be
re-appointed

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House
Dec. 11th 1874

Capt Mabane in the chair

Moved by Capt M. Cay sec. by Mr Frager
That the question of the purchase of New
Belts lie over for the present

Moved by Mr Hobson sec. by Mr Wilson
That the following be paid

Supplies for Quernsaps	14. 19. 2
Scunnings	- 16. 2
Lebb	- 8. 8
Kezette	- 3. -
Free Library	- 2. 6

Moved by Mr Wilson sec. by Mr Wood.
That the following gentlemen be admitted
Members
J. C. Cay
John Dixon
William Starry.

Moved by Capt Mabane sec. by Capt Cay
That the Secretary sec Mr A. Harwin

respecting fresh signal lamps for in
connection with the lifeboats and to have
full power to do what is considered
necessary.

The attention of the Committee was drawn
to a paragraph published in the Glasgow
News relative to the conduct of the
Brigade at the wreck of the Steamer Cook
it was moved by Capt Gay see by
Mr Wood that the Sec. write to the Editor
of that paper respecting the matter.

Moved by Mr Wilson see by Mr Bawdfe
that any Member entering the House
in a state of intoxication be brought before
the Committee and dealt with.

Note. The Members were entertained at Supper in the
Watch House. by the Officers January 7. 1875.

Announcement. In Watch House (3)

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
April 13th 1875

Capt M. Gay in the chair

The following candidates were elected Members
of the Brigade

J. Walter Buckland
George Hay
Philip S. Wood
William Clarke
W. Brierley P.C.
Ernest N. Wright
H. Nelson

Proposed by Capt Mabane see by Mr White
That the Plans submitted by the Secretary
for the extension of the Watch House be approved
of, and that the Secretary be empowered to take
the necessary steps for carrying them out
before next Winter.

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library

June 28th 1875

Capt Mahane in the chair.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed

A letter was read from the Supt. Commissioner granting a site at the S. R. for extending the Watch House.

Tenders for the necessary Sowers Labour in enlarging the Watch House viz. adding 18 feet to the present room and making a Look out above from Plans prepared by the Secretary were received and opened from

George Blackburn	127.12 -
James Frazer	105 -

Moved by Mr Wilson sec. by Mr Wood

That Mr Frazer's Tender be accepted

Moved by Mr Hobson sec. by Mr Wood

The Tender of Marshall Guest & Co for supplying the wood was also accepted.

It was also agreed to engage one of the Pier Inspectors to act as Clerk of Works

Moved by Mr Hobson sec. by Mr Wood

That the Annual Meeting be held on Friday the 16th July and that the Sec. prepare the necessary voting papers &c

The Secretary reported that the Treasurer - Mr A. Stevenson had kindly renewed his offer to give the usual Dinner on that occasion.

The Secretary reported that the Rev Mr Cracknell had offered to give the Brigade a tea at the Tabernacle July 13th and on the motion of Capt W. Cay sec. by Mr Wilson

It was agreed to accept the kind offer that the Members appear in uniform and assemble at in front of Charlotte Terrace at 6 p.m. prompt.

~~Ninth Annual Meeting held in~~
Committee Meeting held in the Free Library July 15th
1875

Capt. Cottew in the chair

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed

The Secretary read a letter from Commander
Dawson R.N. thanking the Committee on behalf
of the "Mussins & Seamen" for the gratification,
use of the Watch House for Sunday evening service.

The Secretary & Treasurer's Reports for year ended
June 30. 1875 were read and adopted for
presentation at the Annual Meeting.

It was also agreed that Mr. Wilson should
procure 2 dozen ~~new~~ new tin pinnacles
and that the next Drill should take place
on Saturday July 24th at 6 p.m.

Minutes of Ninth Annual Meeting held
in the Watch House July 16th 1875

Ald. Glover in the chair.

Moved by Mr. John Johnson 1st sec. by Mr.
Hopkes. That the minutes of last Annual
Meeting be confirmed.

Moved by Mr. James Wood sec. by Mr. Bell
That the Secretary & Treasurer's Reports be
adopted, printed and circulated.

Moved by Capt. Mabane sec. by Capt. Cottew
That Dr. Crease be Honorary Surgeon

Moved by Capt. Cottew sec. by Mr. White
That a vote of thanks be given to the
Treasurer & Secretary for their valuable services
during the past year.

Moved by Mr. Jas. Wood sec. by Mr. Bell
That a vote of thanks be given to the Rev Mr.
Brookhall for his kindness in conducting the

Members at Sea in the Tabernacle July 13th 1895-

Moved by Capt Mahane sec by Mr White
That votes of thanks be given to Mr Thompson
for supplying the Newcastle Daily Chronicle,
to Mr Davison for the Journal & The Harton Coal
Co for coals during the past year

Moved by Mr Rev. T H Charles sec by Rev P H Moore
That a vote of thanks be given to the
Chairman for presiding over the meeting.

Officers elected

Captains

Mr J. G. Mahane	53 Votes
- Mr Gay	52
- Mr. Gay	52
- S. Collew	49 -

Treasurer

Mr A Stevenson	54 -
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Secretary

Mr S. Malcolm	54 -
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Deputy Captains

Mr James Wood	48 Votes
" J. L. White	47 -
" R Bell	40 -
" J Houlshy	40 -

Committee

Mr J. A Wilson	48 -
Jas Wood	48
J. L. White	46
R Hobson	45
J. Houlshy	45
J Potts	44
W. A Baridge	44
D. Frazer	44
R Bell	44
Jas Hoppes	40
Jas Ross	36
G R Potts	33 -

Attendance of Committee for Year

Name Address

J. Atwood 4
Jas Wood 4
J. L. White 3
R. Hobson 3
J. Houlby 1
J. Potts 2
W. a. Baridge 4
D. Frazee 3
R. Bell 2
Jas. Hopper 1
Jas. Ross 2
G. R. Potts 1

Lane Building

J. L. Mahone

W. Gay

M. Gay

S. Cotton

A. Stevenson

Dr. Chase

ending June 30 1846.

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Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
August 7th 1875.
Capt W. Cary in the chair

The Secretary read a letter from Mr Isdale
detailing particulars of the proposed Rocket
Contest to be held at Douglas Isle of Man
August 19th when the following resolution
was adopted on the Motion of Capt Mabane
sec. by Mr James Wood

That a General Meeting of the Members
be called for Tuesday the 10th inst in the Watch
House at 7.30 pm. to take into consideration
the proposed Rocket Contest at Douglas
Isle of Man.

A General Meeting of the Members was held
August 10th in accordance with the above resolution
when it was unanimously decided that the
Secretary write to the Isle of Man Committee
respectfully declining the invitation.

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House
Dec. 3. 1875.
Capt Mabane Chairman

The Secretary reported that the Extension to the
Watch House was completed and that the
Board of Trade had promised £200.

As a further sum of £200 will be required
to defray the cost it was resolved
on the motion of

Capt. Mabane sec. by Mr Wood
That an effort be made by the Officers
and Committee to raise by public subscription
the sum of £200 towards defraying the
cost of extending the Watch House

Moved by Capt M. Cary sec. by Mr Hobson
That the following Candidates be elected
J. W. Lawes
Thos. Chalkins
Robt. Purvis jun.

Moved by Mr Wilson sec. by Mr Hopper
That George Chandler be elected a Member

Moved by Capt. M. Cay sec. by Mr Wood
That Messrs Stevenson, Maledin, Horsley,
R Bell, Nelson & Hobson be the House Committee
for the ensuing year.

Moved by Capt Mabey. sec by Mr Wood
That the Sec. have full power to settle
with Mr Frazer the Contractor on the best terms
possible for the Brigade.

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
Dec. 17. 1875.

Capt. M. Cay in the chair

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read
and confirmed

Proposed by Capt. M. Cay sec. by Mr Potts
That Mr J. W. Lambton and Mr R. R.
Glover be elected members of the Brigade

Mr Potts reported that Mr Siddall had
offered to give the Brigade a Benefit
at the Alhambra

It was proposed by Capt Mabey sec
by Capt M. Cay

That the Secretary write to Mr Siddall
thanking him for his kind offer and
that the Brigade would gladly accept it
leaving him ~~him~~ to fix the date to
suit his own convenience

Moved by Mr Potts sec by Mr Hobson
That Tuesday Dec. 28. be fixed
for formally opening the enlarging
of the Watch House and the arrangements
be left in the hands of the Officers

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
Feb. 9. 1876.

Capt W. Cay in the chair

The Secretary reported that Mr E. B. Railton Postmaster had presented the Brigade a valuable Telescope and that he had written thanking him for his gift.

Mr Bell moved & Mr Banks seconded that the Secretary take the necessary steps to have the Telescope mounted on a mahogany Table and that a Brass Plate with the name of the Donor be fixed on it.

Moved by Mr Bell sec. by Mr Hopper

That a lock similar to the outside door be fixed on the door at the bottom of the Look-out Stairs and that it be kept locked except in stormy weather and that the door only be opened by those Officers who are in possession of Keys. Capt W. Cay was instructed to get the necessary lock so that the present door Keys would fit it.

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
June 15th 1876

Capt W. Cay (Chairman)

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed

Moved by Mr M. Cay sec by Mr W. Cay
That the Telescope be mounted on a Table and Stand and that the offer of Mr Adams to supply the Table at £4.4s. and the offer of Mr Martin for the Stand at £3 be accepted and that the Secretary provide a Brass plate with the name of the Donor of the Telescope and have it fixed on the Table

The Secretary read a letter from the Board of Trade requesting a Special Rocket Drill in the presence of Commander Pompeu of the Brazilian Imperial Navy

It was resolved that the request be acceded to. The time to be fixed to suit the convenience of Commander Pompeu.

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library July 12th
1876.

Mr G. R. Potts (Chairman)

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Moved by Mr Wood seconded by Mr Bell

That the Annual Meeting be held in the Watch House on Thursday July 27th 1876 and that the Secretary make the necessary preparation.

The Secretary reported that the Treasurer Mr A. Stevenson had promised to give the members a Supper as usual.

It was resolved that each member get 2 pint bottles of beer. One to be served out before and one after supper.

Proposed by Mr Mahone sec. by Mr Barrett
That Mr Rolt Wells be paid 7/6 for extra work done during the enlargement of Watch House.

Annual Meeting held in the Watch House on Thursday July 27th 1876.

Ald. Glover. (Chairman)

Moved by Capt. Cotton sec. by Mr Hozer
That the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting as read, be confirmed.

Moved by Mr James Wood sec. by Mr Whitelaw
That the Secretary's & Treasurer's reports be adopted, printed and circulated.

Moved by Mr Wilson sec. by Mr Potts
That Dr. Cressie be Honorary Surgeon for the ensuing year.

Moved by the Rev R. Glover. Bristol sec. by Mr J. A. Wilson
That a vote of thanks be given to the Treasurer and Secretary
Hoping and to Hon Surgeon!

Moved by Mr W H Bell sec by Mr John Robinson

Wellington Terrace

That a vote of thanks be given to the
Cardguard, Captains, Committee

Officers

Captains		Deputy Captains	
W. Cay	68	James Wood	50
M. Cay	64	J. T. White	49
L. Mahane	64	Robt Bell	45
S. Collew	66	B. Birch	22

Committee

L. R. Potts	64	L. Ross	48
J. A. Wilson	62	R. Bell	46
R. Hobson	54	W. A. Bawdfe	45
L. Wood	54	R. Fraser	44
J. T. White	54	J. Potts	34
J. Hoppers	52	H. Richardson	24

Treasurers

A. Stevenson 66

Secretaries

S. Malcolm 66

Attendances at Committee Meetings

Name	Address
L. R. Potts.	Lane Buildings
T. A. Wilson	Albert Terrace
R. Hobson	31 Eleanor St.
James Wood	31 Eleanor St 46 Abma St.
J. T. White	8 Lane Buildings
J. Hopper	22 Franklin St.
J. Ross	39 Cuthbert St.
R. Bell	61 Woodbine St.
W. A. Bawdrip	Palmerston St.
D. Frazer	1 Dale St.
T. Pottler	River Police Station
H. Richardson	25 Darnley St. (Cleveland St.)
W. Cay	
M. Cay	
J. Whabane	
S. Collew	

Year ending June 30 1877.

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1	1	1	1	1	6	1
	1	1	1	1	5	1
1	1	1	1	1	5	1
1	1	1	1	1	5	1
1	1	1	1	1	5	1
		1	1	1	4	1
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Committee Meeting held in the Free Library.
Sept 29. 1876

Capt. Malane, Chairman

Moved by W Wilson, sec by Capt Cay
That Messrs Wilson, Bell, Hobson, Wood & Potts
be the House Committee for the ensuing year.

Mr J.W. Shat of the 1st Regt was elected a
Member of the Brigade

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
Dec. 7th 1876
Capt W Cay in the chair

Moved by W White sec by W Hobson
That W W A Smith be elected a Member

Moved by W Hopper sec by W White
That Mr R S. Buckland be elected a member

Moved by W Wilson sec by M Potts
That the Rev. S. Stedden be elected a member

Moved by W Hobson sec by W Bell
That Mr F. E. Smith be elected a member

Moved by Mr. Malane, sec by Wilson
That in consequence of the conduct of Mr
Mildern at the Oct. drill, he be reprimanded
and told that a repetition would lead to
his ~~own~~ expulsion from the Brigade

Moved by W Malane sec by W Wilson
That Messrs W. Cay & S. Malcolme be a
deputation to wait upon the Peers Committee
of the Lye Commission to urge the necessity
of a hand rail being fixed on the S. Pier
as a protection to the Members in stormy
weather.

Committee meeting held in the Free Library Dec. 29
1876.

Capt W. Cary (Chairman)

The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed.

The Secretary read a report of the recent woods
which was adopted for transmission to the
Board of Trade.

Several applications for membership were read.
On the motion of Mr Mabane it was decided
that the question of selecting members should
stand adjourned.

Moved by Capt. Mabane sec. by Capt Cotton
That a board be fixed outside the Watch
House respectfully requesting the Public to keep
outside during stormy weather.

Moved by Capt. Mabane sec. by Mr Potts
That a notice be fixed ~~forward~~ informing the Public
of the liabilities incurred by any one interfering with

The members of the Brigade in the performance of their duties.

Moved by Capt Cothurn sec. by Dr. Cress
That the Secretary be requested to write to the
Tropic Commissioners asking for gates to be
erected so as to prevent people crowding on
to the Pier during stormy weather.

Moved by the Sec. sec. by Mr Baridge
That 12 small lifebuoys be provided with lines
attached and that the matter be left in the
hands of Capt W. Cay

Moved by Capt. Mabane sec. by Capt Cothurn
That the Captains & Sec. be a deputation
to confer with Mr. Merriam with respect
to the proposed Handrail on the S.O. Pier, recommending
that the same should be placed 18 inches from the
North Edge.

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
Feb 16th 1877.

Capt W. Cay in the chair

Various applications for Membership were
considered and the motion of Mr. Hoppet
sec. by Mr Richardson the following were
unanimously elected.

Mr John Wilson Mr J.W. Woolner
Mr Thomas Coulson Mr W. Moffett.

The Sec. reported the receipt of "The Life
of Thomas Edward" as a present from
Mr R.R. Glover of London to the Brigade
Library

Moved by Mr Wilson sec. by Mr Richardson
That R.R. Glover Esq of London be elected
an Honorary Member of the Brigade

The following a/c's were passed

Shelton Gazette	13.8	Free Library	10
Wright & Son	2.15.6	Hall & Son	4.8
Cush & Hails	6.14	Frazier	11.6

Smith & Bawick 4.
 Guthrie 1. 16 -
 Daily News 3. 10 -
 Daily News 3.

Moved by Mr Bell sec. by Mr Potts
 That all the members who were in the
 Brigade previous to June 1873 be entitled
 to a Guernsey and that six years must
 elapse before any of the above receive another

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
 June 14- 1877
 Capt W. Cay in the chair

Moved by Mr Wilson sec. by Mr Wood that the
 Secretary write a letter of condolence to Mr Arch
 Stevenson expressing the sympathy of the
 Brigade on account of the lamentable death
 of the Treasurer Mr Arch. Stevenson.

Moved by Mr Wilson sec. by Mr Richardson
 That Mr Mabane be instructed to take proceedings
 against Mr Fraser for the recovery of the
 Secretary's Plans of the Brigade House

Moved by Mr Bawdy sec. by Mr Fraser
 That the Plan submitted by the Secretary for
 an additional drying room and
 enclosing the Watch House with a railing be
 adopted and that the same be sent to
 the Fire Commissioners for their approval
 and that the Sec. ~~not~~ have power to make
 any alterations that the ~~Secretary~~ Commission
 may suggest.

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
July 10th 1877.

Capt Mabaue in the chair.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed

The following a/c's were passed

Free Library - 2-6

Smith & Sewell 6-6 -

Lump 1-11 -

Moved by ^{Mr Wilson} Dr. Crease. sec. by ^{Mr Bell} Mr Wood
That the Annual Meeting be held on Thursday
July 26th.

Moved by Dr. Crease sec. by Mr Wood
That the question of a Supper at the
Annual Meeting be left in the hands of
the Officers

Moved by Dr. Crease sec by Capt Botter.

That the Office of Treasurer having become vacant,
and the duties having been performed by the
Secretary since the establishment of the Brigade
in 1866, the Committee unanimously recommend
to the Members at the Annual Meeting, that
both Offices be combined

The following notice in accordance with Rule 15
was given by Capt W. Cary of the following
alteration to Rule 3 -

After the word "Corps" and that the duties of
Treasurer and Secretary be combined"

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
July 18. 1877.

Capt. Cotton in the Chair

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed

The Secretary presented the Annual Reports
which were approved of

Moved by Mr Wood sec. by Mr Richardson
That the corner of the Wald House outside
the stairs case be temporarily boarded up.

Attendances at Committee Meetings

Year ending June 30. 1878

Name	Address.	Aug 15	Nov 19	Jan 2	Feb 8	June 20	July 4
L. R. Potts	Lane Buildings	1	1		1	1	6
J. A. Wilson	Albert Lane	1	1		1	1	5
R. Hobson	31 Elmore St.	1	1	1			3
J. Hopper	22 Franklin St.	1	1	1	1		5
J. Ross	39 Cuthbert St.	1	1	1	1	1	6
R. Bell	61 Woodbourn St.	1	1	1		1	5
W. A. Baridge	Palmerston St.	0	1	1			2
D. Frazer	1 Dale St.	1	1	1			6
J. Pottes	Princes Street Station	1	1	1	1	1	5
H. Richardson	Cleveland St.	1	1	1	1		6
A. Whitelaw	Charlotte St.	1	1	1	1	1	6
J. Watkins	Chalmers Lane	1	1	1	1	1	6
W. Cay				1			
M. Cay				1			
S. Collier				1	1		
J. G. Mabane		1	1	1	1		
Dr. Crease		1	1	1	1		
Hart.		1	1	1	1		

Annual Meeting held in the Watch House July
26th 1877

Ald. Glover in the Chair.

Moved by Capt. Cottle sec. by Mr. Hopper
That the Minutes of last Annual Meeting as read
be confirmed.

Moved by the Mayor. (Mr. Stainton Esq) sec. by Mr. J.
L. Hall, & supported by Rev. Mr. Herdman
That the Secretary's & Treasurer's Reports be
adopted, printed, and circulated amongst
the Members

Moved by Capt. W. Gay. sec. by Mr. Wilson
That Rule 3 be altered so that the duties
of Secretary and Treasurer be combined.

Moved by Capt. Mabane sec. by Capt. Cottle
That Dr. Breese be re-appointed Honorary
Surgeon.

Moved by Mr. Wilson sec. by Capt. Mabane
That a vote of thanks be given to the Harston
local Co. & Mr. Chas. Anderson for supplying
the Watch House with coals during the year

Moved by Mr. Jno Edgar sec. by Capt. Johnson R.N.
That votes of thanks be given to the
Secretaries, Officers and Committees for their
services during the past year.

Moved by Mr. Bell sec. by Mr. Jno. Johnson
That a vote of thanks be given to Messrs
Thompson, Davidson & Lambton for
supplying the Watch House with Daily
Newspapers.

Moved by Capt. Cottle sec. by Capt. Mabane
That a vote of thanks be given to the Lime
Commissioners for firing the Railing along
the Pier

Moved by Mr. Gray sec. by Mr. Birch
That a vote of thanks be given to the
Boatguard.

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
Aug. 15th 1877.

Mr Potts in the Chair

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Moved by Mr Richardson sec by Mr. Potts
that Messrs, Whitelaw, Wilson, Hobson, Potts and Bell be the House Committee for the ensuing year

Moved by Mr Hopper sec. by Mr Wilson
That the Secretary provide 12 Keys for the Watch House and that ^{one be given to} each member of the committee.

Moved by Mr Wilson sec by Mr Mabane

That Mr Charles etc of 24 for a photograph of the wrecks at the So. Pier, be paid

Officers for the Year ending June 30. 1878.

Captains

Mr W. Kay.
M. Cay.

Mr Cooteau
" Mabane

Deputy Captains

Mr Bell
Jas Wood.

Mr Whitelaw
~~Mr~~ James Birch.

Secretary & Treasurer
Mr S. Malcolm

Surgeon
Mr J. R. Grease.

Committee.

Mr Potts
" Wilson
" Hobson
" Hopper
" Ross
" Bell

Mr Bawidge
" Fraser
" Potts.
" Richardson
" Whitelaw
" Wat Kins

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library
November 29th 1877.

Mr Whitelaw in the chair

Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Moved by Mr Potts sec. by Mr Bavidge
That the resolution respecting the issue of Greenmap
be adhered to.

Moved by Mr Wilson sec. by Mr Potts
That the thanks of the Committee be given to
Capt Mabane for his offer to have the names
of the 12 ~~paraphed~~ ^{most} important ships
wrecked, carved on boards for fixing in the
Watch House.

Moved by Mr Bavidge sec. by Mr Richardson
That the following ^{af's} be paid

Harwood 2. 19. 10

Daily News 3

Gazette 7. 4

Moved by Mr Bell sec. by Mr Wilson
That the old beer ^{af's} for the beerwain's supper
of July 1876. be paid. £ 3. 6

Moved by the Sec. sec. by Mr Potts
That Messrs Whitelaw, Walker, & Hart be a
sub-committee to provide Snatch blocks for
the new Railings at the Pier

Committee Meeting held in the Free Library on Monday
Jan^y 7th 1878.

Capt Mabane (chairman)

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and
confirmed.

Moved by Capt M. Gay sec. by Mr Potts
That the following ^{af's} be paid
H. A. York £ 2. 6 Free Library 7/6
Smith & Bensole 10/- Lippotts £ 7. 9. 9

A letter was read from the Naval Type Commission granting permission to enclose the Watch House with an Iron Railing, and also to build an additional room subject to the usual conditions.

The Secretary reported that he had received a letter from the Board of Trade appointing him an Honorary Deputy Receiver of Wreck and requesting that the Committee would nominate another Officer as his colleague for the purpose of suppressing disorders at Shipwrecks.

It was moved by Capt M. Cay, sec. by Capt W. Cay that Capt T. G. Mabane be so nominated which was carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr Potter sec. by Mr Bell

That a special meeting be called at an early date to fill up the vacancies in the Brigade and that the Candidates be summoned to be present.

Committee Meeting held in the ~~Hotel~~ Free Library Feb 8th 1878

Dr. Crease. (Chairman)

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed

This was a special Meeting for the election of Members to fill the vacancies in the Brigade

The following candidates were elected

Wm Wood 16	James Thompson 14
J. Wrightman 15	Geo. Stephensons 14
M. Thompson 15	Henry Birch 14
W. Thompson 14	Jos Nichol 10

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House
June 20 1878

^{Capt}
Mr Whitlaw (Chairman)

The following ^{15.4} ~~12.6~~ were passed

Dr Hall - 12.6

Fire Insurance 2.5.6

Lennings 3.8

Freelibrary 2.6

Coastguard 10.6

Smith & Bewick 18-

The Secretary reported having received from Mr A
Stevenson a portrait of the late Mr Stevenson
which had been hung up in the Watch House

Moved by Mr Wilson sec by Mr Richardson
That this meeting be adjourned to Thursday
July 4th

Committee Meeting held in the Watch House July 4
1878.

Capt M. Cay (Chairman)

Moved by Capt Cottle sec by Mr Bell

That the following ^{15.4} ~~12.6~~ be paid

Croft & Wicks 3.0.8

Cornwall 12-

Wright & Son 11.6

Moved by Mr Bell sec by Mr Watkins

That the Annual Meeting be held in the
Watch House on Thursday July 18th at 7.30pm.

Moved by Capt Cottle sec by Mr Potts

That the General Report & Financial Statement
as read by the Secretary be approved and
adopted for presentation to the Members at
the Annual Meeting

Moved by Capt Cottle sec by Mr Potts

That the Plan for New Drying Room as prepared
by the Secretary be approved.

Moved by Mr. Whitlaw sec. by Mr. Potts
That the Drying Closet in new Room be heated
with Hot water

Moved by Mr. Potts sec. by Mr. Bell
That the Tender of Messrs Dunning & Coole
to remove present Bath & Stove. Provide & fix
clothes horses, Washbasins &c as specified in their
offer, be accepted.

Moved by Mr. Wilson sec. by Mr. Potts
That the dwarf wall round the Watch House
be of concrete and the iron railing similar
to those in front of the Coastguard Houses

Moved by Capt. Botterw sec. by Mr. Whitlaw
That the Secretary write to the Tyne
Commissioners asking them to continue
the railing along the edge of the Pier,
further seaward

The Committee also sanctioned a Memorial
to be signed in the Watch House, asking the

Tyne Commissioners to provide a Landing Stage
at the S.O. Pier.

12th Annual Meeting held in the Watch House
July 18th 1878.

Ald. Glover a. chair

Moved by Mr. James Wood sec. by Mr. Bell

That the minutes of the last Annual Meeting
as read be confirmed.

Moved by Mr. Jas. Wood sec. by Mr. Coulson
That the Secretary & Treasurers Report be
adopted, printed and circulated.

Moved by Capt. M. Cay. sec. by Mr. Potts
That Dr. Crease be re-elected Honorary Surgeon
of the Brigade

Moved by Capt. Mabane sec. by Mr. Whitlaw

That a vote of thanks be given to those gentlemen
who supply the Watch House with Daily Papers

Moved by Capt. Cottew sec. by Mr. Watkins

That a vote of thanks be given to the
Harton Coals Co^{rs} for supplying the Watch H^{se}
with coals gratis.

Moved by Mr. Condon sec. by Mr. Potter

That the best thanks of the meeting be given
to Mr. Mabane for his present of the