

16th June 1908

At a meeting of the Chamber held this day after the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, the following was considered,

- 1 Letter from Railway Coy.
- 2 Letter from Mr. Cann Evans.
- 3 Letter from Mr. Francis
- 4 Water Works Generally.
- 5 Payment of Aps.

1 The Bailiff reported the matter referred to in the Railway Coys letter had been attended to.

2 Mr. Cann-Evans wrote offering to sell the half plot (on behalf of the Misses Sampson) situate Swan Hill Colyford to the Feoffees, The Chairman Colyford reported that as it was important he had closed the purchase on behalf of the Feoffees, This met with the unanimous approval of the Chamber

3 Mr. Francis wrote thanking the Feoffees for accepting him as Tenant of their present share of Half Plot.

£1-5-0. per annum.

4 Mr. White made the report on behalf of the Water Committee after some discussion it was proposed by Mr. Kingdon that in the matter of seeking for a further supply of water &c. the Committee should have a free hand to do what is necessary seconded by Mr. Tollett & Carried.

5 Resolved that the following Aps be paid Matthews Bro' £5-10-4 Honiton Rates £1-10-8. Deely £1. Turb £2-8-6

Bailiff for Rates £4-1-4, Bradford 12/6, Smith 8/7 Richards 13/8

£5-16-1

over

Mr. Murley wrote complaining of the weed on the River Aze saying it was impossible to fish after having paid for Tickets, Proposed by Mr. Cuming the Bailiff get a man to clear the weed seconded by Mr. Board.

Mr. Farmer moved an Amendment that not a penny be spent on it this found no seconder.

It was resolved to adhere to the Minutes of the last Meeting with regard to applications for help.

Resolved that further information be obtained from the Art School Exeter on behalf of Strawbridge

Mr. Follett on behalf of the Vicar applied for an Hospital Recommend. This was granted, provided he would return one if the Feoffees needed it.

Little was granted an Eye Infirmary recommend but no fee.

Mr. Mortimer sent a letter referring to his interview with Mr. Clapp. after some discussion it was left for the Chairman to see Mr. Mortimer and report at the next Meeting

Members Present Mr. Kingdon, Chairman
Messrs Follett, Cuming, Searle, Zealley, Board,
L. Coveridge, White, Farmer, Baker & Smith

F W W Kingdon
Chairman

14th July 1908

At a Meeting of the Chamber held this day pursuant to Notice, after the Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed, the following was Considered viz:

- Letter from Parish Council
- 1 re Clapp, Chairmans report,
 - 2 Years A/c. as balanced
 - 3 re Strawbridge (Art School)
 - 4 Payment of Salaries, and other A/c's.
 - 5 Applications for Eye Infirmary Recommends from T. Long, and Mrs. Bright Heathcote.

2 Members Elected from Parish Council
The Parish Council wrote saying that at their meeting held on the 7th Inst. Mr. F. J. Baker and Mr. N. Sweetland were duly Elected to sit with the Chamber of Feoffees for a period of 4 years.

- 1 After some discussion it was proposed by Mr. Cuming & seconded by Mr. Baker that the Bailiff take the necessary steps to recover the rent if not paid by the time specified on his lease.
- 2 The Bailiff produced the Years A/c's as balanced. It was resolved that Mr. Murley Audit them in the usual way.
- 3 Proposed by Mr. Board seconded by Mr. Sprague that Mr. Perry of Seaton give Strawbridge a course of painting lessons for the sum of £2.2.0 the Bailiff to write to Mr. Perry to this effect.
- 4 Resolved that the following A/c's be paid Stuart £4.8.0 Mr. Mermagen £25, Taylor & Bodley £2.10.0, Edwards for Tithe £5.15.10, Salary £7.10.0, Burch £9.14.3 Tolman £5.

5 G Long was granted an bye Infirmary recommend
and 3/3 railway fare, Mrs Bright child a recommend
but no fare

A report was read from the Water Bailiff with
regard to the Water Generally. It was resolved that
Northcott have power to cut off the Water after due
notice, in any case where he finds it running to Waste.

A discussion took place with regard to the work
done at Ridgway with a view of finding a further
supply of Water, Proposed by Mr Follett that the
action of the Committee be supported, and they
deserve the Thanks of the Chamber for the trouble
they had taken in the matter, seconded by Mr Board

W. Anning asked permission to put a notice
board in the Market house, this was granted him
for the time being, the Bailiff to hand him a key.

Members present Mr Kingdon Chairman,
Messrs Baker, Zealley, White, Farmer, Board,
Smith, Follett, Buning, Sprague, Richards and
Sweetland.

Ans White
Chairman

11th August 1908

At a meeting of the Chamber held this day
pursuant to Notice, after the minutes of the
last meeting were read and Confirmed the
following was Considered. Viz:

- 1 Years A/c's. as audited by Mr Murley.
- 2 Letter from Mr Perry.

The death of Mr Kingdon late Chairman was
mentioned with deep regret.

Mr Follett proposed that Mr White take the Chair
at this Meeting seconded by Mr Zealley, Mr White
in taking the Chair thanked the Meeting saying
he was sorry to take the Chair under the Circumstances

It was proposed by Mr Follett, seconded by Mr
White that the Bailiff write a letter of Condolence
to Mrs Kingdon & Family a copy of the letter to be
inserted in the Minutes Carried

It was resolved under the Circumstances that this
meeting do adjourn to this day fortnight,

Members Present Mr White Chairman,
Messrs Follett, Searle, Baker, Zealley, Loveridge
Smith & Farmer.

Copy of letter sent to Mrs Kingdon, August 12th 1908
Dear Mrs Kingdon

I am desired by the Chamber of Feoffees to write a letter of
Condolence to you and your Family in this your sad bereavement,

Through the death of Mr Kingdon the Chamber has lost
one who was always ready to give his advice and assistance
with his knowledge of the Trust and ability to carry out

the duties, his loss to the Chamber will leave a gap that cannot possibly be filled for some years to come.

Assuring you of the deep sympathy of the whole of the Chamber and myself with you.

I am yours
Very faithfully
Albert Edwards
Bailiff

Mr White, Chairman.

25th August 1908

A Chamber Meeting held this day as adjourned from the 11th Inst.

The following was considered

1 & 2. as adjourned

3 Letter from Mr Phillimore,

4 Keys lately held by deceased Chairman,

1 Years A/c as audited by Mr Murley were produced Proposed by Mr Bunning seconded by Mr Board that the Bailiff get the A/c signed by the Trustees and send one copy to the Charity Commissioners, also to get copies printed in the usual way, Carried,

2 Mr Perry's letter re Spawbridges Lessons was read,

3 A letter from Mr Phillimore (Assistant Commissioner) was read with Enquiries to be answered before he could complete his report.

Proposed by Mr Baker that a small Committee be formed to go into the matter with the Bailiff and to answer the questions and lay them before the next Meeting if possible seconded by Mr Sweetland.

Committee Mr White, Mr Bunning, Mr Board, Mr Jealley, and Mr Farmer. To meet at the Bailiff's house Friday Evening at 5 o'clock.

4 Resolved that the Bailiff hold the Keys lately in the possession of the late Mr Kingdon until Trustees are appointed.

Proposed by Mr Follitt seconded by Mr Smith that Langfords A/c be paid, if he will produce a bill of particulars to the Bailiff

am^v
£6.13.8

The matter of letting Colyton Cod & Hives was mentioned

Mr. Follett proposed that Mess^{rs} Martles Bros
of Ash Farm Ottery St Mary be asked if they will
rent it at £1. per Ann^{um} from 29th Sept next.
seconded by Mr. Sweetland.

Mr. Bunning gave notice of motion that at the
next meeting the matter of the Trustees be gone
into,

Resolved that a Finance Committee meeting
be held next Meeting.

Cheques were signed Mr. Murley £1.1.0
To Northcott Salary £2.10.0, and a/c 9/6

Members present Mr. White, Chairman,
Mess^{rs} Follett, Searle, Board, Baker, Gealley,
Sprague, Overidge, Farmer, Smith, Sweetland,
and Bunning, Mr. White Chairman

1908 Questions Asked by G. G. Phillimore Esq. for purpose of his report on the Colyton Charities dated March 2nd 1908.
Questions

- 1 Will you please correct the Enclosed list of names of the persons present at the Inquiry completing the names where necessary.
- 2 Names of the present Feoffees and date of their Appointment.
- 3 Names of the Trustees appointed by the Parish Council and date of their Appointment?
- 4 Names of the present Twenty men, and the date of their Appointment?
- 5 The Lane close ^{A R P} 3. 1. 25, does this include the piece of land acquired from the Railway Company for making the Seaton Railway 1865?

Assistant Commissioner to be answered for the Inquiry, addressed to the Bailiff Albert, Edwards

Answers.

- 1 I herewith return you your list corrected as desired.
- 2 The Rev. M. Gueritz, J. J. Seabrough Esq., and F. W. W. Kingdon Esq. 15th August 1878, F. W. W. Kingdon Esq. died 9th August 1908.
- 3 Messrs F. J. Baker, L. Coveridge, G. Warrig-Bull, W. W. Board & J. Zealley 5th July 1904
- 4 Messrs J. Searle, & J. White, 19th July 1882, Messrs W. Farmer, S. Mills, E. Smith & G. Sprague 25th Nov 1892, Messrs G. Strawbridge, & H. Cuming, J. Follett, W. Richards, 14 August 1902
On the 10th September 1904 the following nine were duly elected Trustees Messrs H. Cuming, J. White, J. Follett, G. H. Smith, F. J. Baker, J. Searle, F. Stokes, W. J. Summers, & F. Hann. No deed of Feoffment has yet been made.
- 5 Yes, former size ^{A R P} 3. 0. 33

Questions Continued

- 6 Was any Charity land exchanged for part of this, and the rest bought, or was it all additional?
- 7 How was it paid for, was it from the Compensation Money received from the Jevill & Foster Railway Company (1861) £61. 10. 0, or how was this money applied?
- 8 Hack Close acquired by the Feoffees by deed of 29th Dec^r: 1873 for £100. What represents this in the present property?
- 9 Was the money provided out of Income?
- 10 Hawkers Orchard acquired by deed of same date for £66. 15. 0, what represents this in the present property?
- 11 Was the money provided out of Income?

Answers Continued

- 6 Date of Minute Book July 25th 1865
At a Chamber Meeting held this day pursuant to Notice present Mess^{rs} Snook White, Satter, Stokes, Johnson, Parris Power Power, Murch, Seaward, & Higgings, to meet Mr Maynard surveyor of the Seaton Railway to make arrangements respecting a spot of land taken from Eye Juno Close for the use of the above named Railway viz: 11 perch. The Feoffees agree to take 11 perch on the opposite side of the bank in exchange, and to pay for the remainder of the plot about 30, or 40 perch after the rate of £100 per Acre, subject to the approval of the Charity Commissioners.
- 7 Cannot find how, or when the Railway Company was paid, but no doubt it was out of the money received from them.
Lady day Apr. 1862 shows as a receipt from the Railway Company by sale of land and Interest on ds. £68. 10. 5.
- 8 Still in the possession of the Feoffees and let with other lands at Colyford to Mrs Griffin late J. A. Sellar.
- 9 Yes.
- 10 Still in possession of the Feoffees and let with other lands at Colyford to Mrs Griffin, late J. A. Sellar.
- 11 Yes.

Questions Continued.

12 Pepper Acre, In 1874 the Acreage was Given by a Valuer as 0a 3r 35p now given as 0a 3r 20p which is right?

13 Broad Down Enclosure, particulars of the date and circumstances of the Enclosure?

14 Is all, or part Enclosed now?

15 Is Rick plot no 37. Allotment in possession of the Feoffees?

Answers Continued.

12 By a map in possession of the Feoffees prepared in 1845, the size is given as 0a 3r 22p.

13 Meeting held May 1858, To receive from Mr. Hillman the Opinion of the Charity Commissioners on the matter of Enclosing Broad Down when it was resolved to do as the Commissioners advised viz: leave the matter to arbitration. Various Correspondence passed in October 1858, Dec^r 1858 and June 1859 between the Commissioners, Mr. Hillman, & Mr. Stamp, In March 1860 at a Meeting held it was resolved that Broad Down be Enclosed and the following members be appointed to assist the Bailiff in carrying out the work viz: Mr. J. White, Mr. Sam^l. White, Mr. Farris. Nothing further appears in the Minutes showing why the work was not carried out.

14 No, The wish of the present Chamber is to Enclose Broad Down according to Sir J. Pattinsons award Dated 4th March 1859. On commencing operations about two years since the Feoffees were met with opposition by W. Edmonds Esq^r who purchased Mr. G. Gordons Estate and whose land adjoins, he now claims a right over any part of Broad Down instead of keeping to the track defined by the above said Award.

15 No, See letter to the Commissioners October 1892, Action in the County Court given against the Feoffees, and no further proceedings were taken.

Questions Continued.

16 Are there any deeds of Grant, or any payments now made to owners of land for the right to take Water?

17 The cost of the New supply constructed in 1894?

18 How was it defrayed?

19 Is any part of the Cost Outstanding?

20 Gifts to Various persons £60. 12. 6, 1907. How many persons received?

21 Is this given Monthly?

2 Hampton Estate at Shute, and Colyton Cod and River Meadow.

22 How long has the right of access to these fields been disputed?

23 What steps are intended to be taken to let the latter field?

Answers Continued.

16 There is no deed of Grant, and no payments are made,

17 £1327. 16. 7. Cost of Construction

18 Out of the Income, a portion of which was laid by Year by Year for the purpose with the consent of the Commissioners

19 None whatever.

20 30 persons ranging from 2/6 to £5. Each

21 Applications are received Monthly and dealt with according to need.

22 There is really now no defined right of way to either of these small fields. The Feoffees wish to apply to the Commissioners for power to sell or exchange these two small pieces to one of the adjoining landlords viz Colyton Cod River, 2a. 1R. 14p Hampton piece across River Ake 0a. 3R. 23p.

23 At present in communication with a prospective Tenant, there has been a difficulty in letting this owing to the disputed right of way. The last Tenant rented the adjoining land and paid the Feoffees only 10/6 per Annus for their piece,

Questions Continued

24 Is there any memorandum or document in existence (dated May 13, 1850 or otherwise) relating to the course of the River Otter being diverted by another land owner and damage being done to this latter field?

Answers Continued

24 At a Meeting held 24th August 1850 the following Entry was made It is mutually proposed between the Members of the Chamber of Feoffees and Sir John Kennaway Bart. Res^d: Harry William Marker the Res^d: Thomas John Marker and Mrs Deacon. That the dyke cut in the land of the Feoffees in the Tithing of Alphington in the Parish of Ottery St Mary Devon by the said Sir John Kennaway, Harry William Marker, Thomas John Marker and Mrs Deacon shall forthwith be filled up and turfed in a workmanlike manner by the said Sir John Kennaway, Harry William Marker, Thomas John Marker and Mrs Deacon. The soil to the depth of eighteen inches from the surface of the turf to be of good meat Earth and the Water at present flowing through the said dyke to be effectually diverted at the like expense of the said Sir John Kennaway, Harry William Marker, Thomas John Marker, and Mrs Deacon.

In a letter dated August 19th 1850 Sir John Kennaway said the trespass was inadvertent there being no boundary fence between it and Mrs Deacons land both being occupied by Mr Barker, the work in the river was done under the impression that it was being carried on entirely in Mrs Deacons land.

These Questions and Answers were produced at a Chamber Meeting held Sept: 8th 1908.

Albert Edwards

Bailiff