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1876 January 4th, A Chamber Meeting
having been held this day according to
Notice, to open the Tenders, and let
the Hampton Estate, as per Advertisement

Tenders were received from Messrs T. Trott Jr.
Joseph Durian, Thomas Trott, John Mosey
L & G. Loveridge & R. Donmett -
~~Regoes, that~~ Mr Robert Donmett's tender of £ 36
per annum for the land and £ 2 for
the game be accepted for a term of
7 years on the conditions named in the ~~Advertisement~~
the Chamber agree to allow £ 2 a hundred
for Reed for the Sinking.

An Agreement to be drawn up, signed
and stamped, in lieu of a lease -
that a Committee (consisting of any Member
of the Chamber who may wish to attend)
shall visit Hampton Estate on Friday
next to inspect fences &c and report as
to enclosure of waste land &c -

The Chairman was requested to write to the
Rev'd H. J. Dodwell for information as to his
coming.

M. Gueritz. Chairman

W D Bartlett

J B Vileto

Thos Shawbridge

Thomas Trott

R H Baggs

John Mount Stephen

John Seaward

Francis Stokes, Bailiff

W H Rogers
John Maiding

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Jan 12th At a Chamber Meeting held this day pursuant to notice, To receive and decide upon Applications for assistance,

Also to engage an Auctioneer to sell Timber.

The following Grants were made of £19 and a pair of boots -

It was resolved that Mr Smith be engaged as Auctioneer on the usual terms & conditions and that the Timber Committee make all necessary arrangements for the Sale

M. J. Pueritz - Chairman

John Hardinge
W. Farmer.

W. Brook

J. S. Hawley

W. B. Dutton

J. H. Parker
J. B. Little
John Seaward
F. Stokes

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1876 January 14th A Chamber Meeting
having been held this evening pursuant
to notice, to provide gas fittings for
the Feoffee House
Also to furnish Desks & seats for School
And to consider the Extension of Pavement
to be laid in the Town.

It was resolved. That the House Committee be
authorized to provide plain & inexpensive
gas fittings for four rooms and the passage -
and desks & forms for 24 boys. Anything
beyond this to be provided by Mr. Rodwell -

That a Committee be appointed (consisting
of Messrs. Kettle, Seaward, Bartlett, J. Harding &
the Bailiff) to make arrangements for continuing
the Pavement from Mr. E. Smith's corner to
F. Copps. and thence to Luscott.

M. Gueritz. Chairman

J. W. Kettle

W. B. Bartlett

J. J. Harding

J. H. Seaward

J. Mounstephen

W. Farmer.

J. John Seaward

F. Stott

1876 January 21st A Chamber Meeting
having been held this evening, in accordance
with notice, for the purpose of Electing
six boys of the parish of Colyton as free
Scholars of the Feoffee Grammer School

William	son of George Stuart
Edward	Emma Cumming
John	Joseph Bapell
Thomas	Samuel Teller
Frank	Asa Richards
Samuel	Robert Swettland.

were elected for two years - subject to
such Rules as the Chamber shall make

M. Gueritz - Chairman -

W. Farmer.

John Harding

W. W. Hartlett

Dan. Power

John Seaward

John Mountstephen

J. B. Fettle

The Sheriff

F. Stokes

The above School was opened on Monday
January 31st 1876 at 9 o'clock, A.M.
Members present

W^r R W Higgins

W^r J B Fettle

W^r John Harding

" F Stokes, Bailiff,

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1876 Feb 18th A Chamber Meeting having
been held this evening, pursuant to notice,
To receive tenders for laying Pavement.
Also to decide upon the usual gift of Potatos
Also to consider the list of applicants for
assistance -

Resolved. That the usual quantity of potatos
be given away - and that the Bailiff be
requested to advertise in Pulman's paper for
supply -

That John & Samuel Restorick's tender
for the pavement in ~~King S^r.~~ & Church S^r be
accepted - Pavement $\frac{9}{4}$ Flbs 11¹/2

That the pavement be extended from
the corner of the Market house to Mr. Bonars.

That one pound (£1) each be given to
Joseph Foster - Emanuel Carter - John Newton
Peter Froom - John Long - John Turl
James Restorick - George Bull - John Mitchell
Mary Ann Barrett & James Willis - John Baker

M. Gueerty. Chairman.

J. H. Shawbridge

John Paddington

H. D. Wardle

H. Farmer.

John Seaward

J. W. Keate

Thomas Dady

R. H. Higgins

F. Stothard

1876 March 8th A Chamber Meeting having been held this day, pursuant to notice To receive Samples & Tenders for purchasing two hundred bags of Potatoes, it was resolved that Mr Pearce's tender be accepted for delivering 200 bags of 120 lbs each bag of quality equal to the sample produced & carried for at the Colyton Market House, within the bags from the date hereof - 4/- per bag - Dr Pearce liberty upon to the J of PLATE II Resolved that George Hooper upholsterer for Potatoes be invited to - See that the recent shipwrecked crew be granted during pleasure & John Denton - Likewise Mr Thomas of one Plaintiff be granted to George Wm Senior in consequence of his accident at sea - and finally to one bound in service to Sanders Butcher & his wife who have lost it.

Resolved that this meeting adjourn till Monday the 20th inst at 10 o'clock evening Dr Andrews presiding whether he will sign the agreement or give the Chamber 6 months notice to leave -

H D Kingdon Chairman

W D Arrott
M Gueerty
W H Rogers
B H Foggins
John Hardwick
Thomas Daley
Tho Abrahams Jr
W Farmer
H Stokes

1876 March 20th At a Meeting of the Chamber held this day pursuant to notice -

The 200 bags of potatoes sent by Mr Pearce not being equal to the sample were refused & the Bailiff was instructed to write to Mr Smith of Exeter for samples - & to receive samples from any other persons -

A letter was received from Mr Dodwell, in which he consents to sign the agreement on the understanding that he should not be disturbed

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At a Meeting held this 5th day of May 1876 it was resolved that the Rev H Dodwell be requested to resign the Office of School Master to avoid the disgrace of being ejected, ~~and so~~. The Baileiff having ^{and the following very humble hand for me to sign this meeting} asked Mr Dodwell before the Meeting he has refused to appear, I therefore trust that that when he gives his notice to him that he is to be dismissed from the Office of Schoolmaster of the Feoffee School of Colyton, to the Rev H J Dodwell, & D Kingdon ^{Chairman} Feoffee Room, Colyton 5th May 1876 Dear Sir - A Resolution has just been passed by the Chamber now sitting to request you to immediately resign the Office of Schoolmaster to avoid the unpleasantness of an ejection. The Chamber await your reply few dear

Yours very faithfully, D Kingdon, Chairman
of the Feoffees, To the Rev H J Dodwell
Church House, Colyton, May 5th 1876

In answer to your letter of May 5th 1876
Sir I respectfully beg leave to inform the Chamber of Feoffees of Colyton, that I abide by their published advertisement, and their statutes
I am Sir, Your Obedient faithful servant, Henry J Dodwell
M A oxon, Head Master of the Free School Colyton
W Stottes, Baileiff to the Feoffees of Colyton

I H Kingdon - Chairman

Alpheus R W Higgins
Thomas Potts John Hardinge
W^m J Waller W F Stottes, Baileiff
M Whateley
W B Dartlett
W Farmer
Tho Strudwick
John Scaward
John Mounstephen

1876 May 10th At a Meeting held this day
 It was resolved that Messrs Cox & Evelyn be requested,
 and they were thereby requested, to take the opinion
 of Counsel on the proceedings necessary for the
 removal of Mr. Goddwell from the office of
 Schoolmaster and from the occupation of the
 School House, and also to take such other
 steps as they may think expedient in the
 matter -

On behalf of the Chamber

W^m J. Waller

Chairman -

With regard to the repairs requested to be done by
 Mr. Godfrey of Ottery, Resolved that Mr.
 Godfrey be allowed the sum of ten shillings
 towards patterning his Shop - and that the
 Chamber will paint at their cost the windows
 and doors and shop shutters -

Also Resolved, that the sum of one pound
 be given to the wife of Solomon Barratt
 to assist her in going to the Devon & Exeter Hospital.

Resolved that a Pleton Stone floor be put
 into the Pleton at Mr. Davis house at Lovehause
 and that the stone in the Kitchen be removed -

Resolved that a recommendation be
 given to the child of Mr. Bradstock for
 admission to the Rye Infirmary -

W^m J. Waller ^{Mr} Chairman

M. Guerry

J. B. Keete

John H. Adams

W. D. Darton

P. Farmer

H. Stokes

R. H. Higgins

F. W. Hawley

Dan. Power

James Day

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At a Meeting of the Chamber held on May 26th
at 6 p.m pursuant to notice -

Mr Buls tender for painting &c at Hounds
(£7.9.0) was accepted -

Mrs: Col & Every's letter of the 25th May
enclosing Mr Davys Opinion was read.
& It was resolved to call a preliminary
Meeting to receive the charges against
Mr Bodwell - and that Mr Every be
requested to attend -

M. Guerry. Chairman

R.W. Higgins

Jno. Strawbridge

Danl. Power

W.M. Rogers.

Jno. Seaward

Jno. Baker

W.D. Bartlett

Jno. Harding

Jno. Mountstephen

W. Wm. Kirk

F. Stottes

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At a meeting held this day pursuant to
Notice the following notice viz
~~Is~~ Colyton 29th May 1876

A Meeting of the above Chamber will be held on
Wednesday the 31st day of May at 1-30 o'clock P.M.
to meet Mr Every, Solicitor of Honiton, respecting
Mr Dodwell

Also to read a letter from the Charity
Commissioners respecting Mr Dodwell

The case submitted to Mr Horace Davy 26
with his opinion of the 17th May instant
and ~~the~~ ^{fully} ~~fully~~ ^{submitted by} his opinion of the 23rd May instant
was read, and it was unanimously
resolved that Messrs Doe & Every be
instructed to act in conformity with ~~the~~
the opinions of Mr ~~Horace~~ Davy, and
to prepare such notices for convening
~~the~~ meetings of this Chamber as
they may consider advisable, which notices
shall be signed by the Bailiff and
served by him on ^{each} of the Feoffees and
Twenty four of the Parish of Colyton.

A letter from the Charity Committee ~~of~~
the 26th May instant having been read the
Bailiffs directed to acknowledge its
receipt and to state that the conduct of
her work was under the

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Consideration of the Chamber -

W^t T. Waller Chairman

M. Guerry

W. Farmer.

John Harding

W D Bentleto

John Mounstephen

J W Kettle

T. H. Skewbridge

W. Cook

Dan. Farmer

Thomas Day

R. H. Higgins

F Stokes, Bailiff.

At a meeting of the Feoffees and Twentymen of the parish of Colyton held this eighth day of June 1876 pursuant to a notice served by the Bailiff upon each of the Feoffees and Twentymen personally namely upon John Latyponer Scarbrough Esq^r William Trelawney Hallett Esq^r Harry De Spencer Kingdon Esq^r Mr Edward Manwood Elton Baile^t The Revd Mr Gurney Mr John Baker Mr William Brook Mr John Bamfylde Kettle Mr William Hamilton Rogers Mr William Ball Barkett Mr Daniel Power Mr John Harding Mr Thomas Strawbridge Mr John Mountstephen Mr Thomas Pavy Mr William Farmer Mr Robert White Higgins and Mr Francis Stokes of whom notice the following is a copy
Sir

Colyton 3rd June 1876

Now are requested to take notice that a meeting of the Feoffees and Twentymen of the parish of Colyton of the County of Devon will be held at the School House of the Feoffees and Twentymen in the town of Colyton on Thursday the 8th day of June 1876 at 6 o'clock p m to receive and consider certain charges against The Revd Henry J Dodwell the Schoolmaster

I am Sir

Your obedient Servant
Francis Stokes

Bailiff to the Feoffees and Twentymen of the parish of Colyton

the following changes were made against
 the Revd Steevy & Dadwell the
 Schoolmasters namely
 By Mr Robert Froom Moram and
 Mr John Marsh Harris that on the
<sup>19th day of January last on the
 occasion of the opening dinner
 at the Colyton Castle Hotel in Colyton
 The Revd Steevy & Dadwell was
 absent in the Dining Room of
 the said Hotel and by reason
 of his condition brought upon
 himself the contempt and ridicule
 of certain persons there present
 By Mr Ada Richards that Frank
 Richards his son a Free Scholar
 of the said School was treated cruelly
 and for a frivolous reason was sent
 home and on returning to the said
 School was not spoken to or
 instructed by the said Steevy &
 Dadwell for ten days on some
 such period by which the attendance
 of the said Frank Richards at the
 said School became absolutely
 useless
 By Mr George Stuart and William
 Stuart his son that the said William
 Stuart a Free Scholar of the said
 School was cruelly treated his
 instruction was neglected and
 for insufficient reasons namely a
 slight and unintentional breach of
 manner he was kicked by the said</sup>

Henry I Dadwell out of the said
School
By Mr Lawrence Loveridge and by
Henry James Loveridge his son
that the said Lawrence Loveridge
being a Resident of the parish of
Colyton placed the said Henry James
Loveridge his son at the said School
agreeing to pay £4·4·0 yearly for
his said Sons education
and the said Henry James Loveridge
attending the said School and being
willing to learn and be taught
the said Henry I Dadwell neglected
^{in the first} the said Henry James Loveridge
and for a frivolous and insufficient
reason namely the inability of the
said Henry I Dadwell Loveridge
to answer to the satisfaction
of the said Henry I Dadwell
an ambiguous question sent the
said Henry I Loveridge home from
School and for a frivolous and
insufficient reason knocked him
down

By Mr Daniel Power that and
John William Carter Power his
son that the said Daniel Power
being a Resident of Colyton placed
his said Son at the said School
agreeing to pay £4·4·0 yearly
for his said Sons education
and the said J W Power attending
the said School and being in

willing to learn and be taught
the said Henry & Dadwell neglected
to teach and instructed the said J W P
Power and for a frivolous and
insufficient reason namely walking
with William Stuart in the street
disinstructed the said J W P Power
from the school

It was resolved

That a meeting of the Feoffees and
Twentymen be held on Tuesday the
16th day of June 1876 at 10 o'clock
in the morning at the School
House in Colyton (at which meeting
Notice shall be given by the Bailiff
to each of the Feoffees and
Twentymen) to investigate the foregoing
charges and such other charges as
may be there preferred against the
said Henry & Dadwell and
that the Revd H J Dadwell have
notice of the said meeting and of the
foregoing charges and be invited
to attend such meeting - he who
to the said H J Dadwell to be
prepared and signed by the
Bailiff

M Gentry Chairman

B W Higgins

W D Darrell

M Marshall

W Farmer

Thomas Pudy

John Mynstephen

Thomas Brewbaker

Dan. Power

W T. Ross.

J W Vilett

John Hartling

John Seaward

Francis Stokes, Baile

At a Meeting of the Feoffees and Twentymen of
 the parish of Colyton in the County of Devon
 held this 16th day of June 1876 at Church House
 being the School House in the town of Colyton
 pursuant to a Notice to each of the Feoffees and
 Twentymen of which Notice the following is a
 copy "Colyton 8th June 1876 Sir - At a meeting
 of the Feoffees and Twentymen of the parish of
 Colyton Devon held this day at the School House
 in the Town of Colyton I was directed to give
 you notice that pursuant to a Resolution then
 and there passed a meeting of the Feoffees and
 Twentymen will be held on Friday the 16th day
 of June 1876 at 10 o'clock in the morning at
 the School House aforesaid to investigate certain
 charges which have been made against the
 Revd Henry J Dodwell the master of the Colyton
 Feoffee Grammar School namely . . .

That on the 19th day of January last being
 the occasion of the opening dinner at the
 Colcombe Castle Hotel in Colyton he was
 drunk and brought upon himself the contempt
 and derision of persons then present
 That he immoderately and without discretion
 and at divers times flagged and otherwise
 cruelly treated certain boys elected on the
 21st day of January 1876 to be free scholars
 for two years of the said School and also
 certain other boys being sons of residents of
 the parish of Colyton aforesaid and pupils
 at the said School

That he neglected to teach and mistreated the same boys
 That he also for frivolous and insufficient
 reasons dismissed certain of the said boys from the

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said School.

I am also directed to inform you that Mr Dodwell has been invited to attend the meeting on the 16th instant for the purpose of answering these charges & that in case there shall appear after such investigation to be lawful occasion for dismissing Mr Dodwell from his office a resolution will be proposed that Mr Dodwell be dismissed from the Office of Head master of the Colton Feoffee Grammars School such disengagement to take effect either forthwith or from such date as may be resolved on I am Sir Your obedient Servant Francis Stokes Bailiff to the Feoffees and Twentymen of the Parish of Colton"

Present

Mr John Bampfylde Kettle Chairman
The Rev Mansfield Gentry
Mr John Hardinge
Mr John Monmouth
Mr William Farmer
Mr William Ball Bartlett
Mr John Henry Seaward
Mr Thomas Newbridge
Mr Daniel Powell
Mr John Baker
Mr Thomas Pady
Mr Robert White Higgins
Mr Maurice Shorthouse

The Bailiff Mr Francis Stokes having produced a duplicate of each notice served on the each of the four Feoffees and each of the sixteen Twentymen ^{to foregoing} the memorandum on each signed by the feoffee or twentyman served acknowledging the receipt of a duplicate & having also stated that he on the 13^d day of June instant delivered to the Revd Henry J Dodwell personally a copy of the foregoing notice accompanied with a letter of which the following is a copy " Colyton 12^d June 1876
 Sir I am directed to forward to you a copy of a notice given to each of the Feoffees and Twentymen of the parish of Colyton in the County of Devon concerning a meeting of the Feoffees and Twentymen on Friday the 16th day of June 1876 at 10 o'clock in the morning at the School House in Colyton to investigate the charges referred to in the notice which have been made against you and I am directed by the Feoffees and Twentymen to invite you to attend such meeting I am Sir Your obedient Servant Francis Stokes Bailiff to the Feoffees and Twentymen The Revd Henry J Dodwell The School House Colyton"

The Revd Henry John Dodwell attended the meeting pursuant to the foregoing notice and protested against the meeting delivered to the chairman a protest written protest of which the following is a copy

The Statements of Mr John Marsh Hawes Mr Daniel Power, Mr Lawrence Lovendge

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Mr Robert George Warham Mr Robert
Gommell, Miss Emily Howes Mrs Eliza
Leah power Mrs Julia White Mr Samuel
Sweetland Mr Robert Sweetland John
Russell Mr Joseph Russell Thomas
amusing seller Mr Samuel amusing
Seller Frank Richards Mr Ada Richard
William Stuart & Mr George Stuart
having been taken and each having
been questioned by Mr Dadwell
and the answers having been recorded
it was proposed by The Reed Mr Gentry
& seconded by Mr Mountstephan that
this meeting be adjourned to Tuesday ay
next the Roll instant at half past 11 o'clock
& that notice of the adjournment be
sent ^{by post} by the Bailiff to such of the
Feoffees and Twentyfour as were
not present at this meeting.

J.P. Vattile, Chairman

M Gentry
John Hauding
Thomas Padg
John Mountstephan
Jn Barker
W Farmer
Tho Shrubidge

W P Cartlett
R H Leggins
Fitzwillis Stokes

At a meeting of the Feoffees and Twentymen
of the parish of Colyton in the County of
Devon held at the Church House being the
School House in the town of Colyton held on the
20th day of June 1876 adjourned from the meeting
on the 16th of the same month of June
present

Mr John Bampfylde Kettle Chairman
the Rev M Gueritz
Mr John Harding
Mr Francis Stokes
Mr W H Rogers
Mr John Monro Stephen
Mr Thomas Pardy
Mr W B Bartlett
Mr R W Higgins
Mr Thomas Strawbridge
Mr J H Seaward
Mr W Snodd
Mr W Farmer, Esq Stokes

The Bailiff having produced a notice
of which the following is a copy "Chamber
of Feoffees. Colyton 17th June 1876. Sir The
Meeting of the above Chamber held on Friday the
16th day of June instant at 10 o'clock in the
morning of which you received notice was
adjourned to Tuesday next the 20th day of June
instant at half past 11 o'clock in the morning
when your attendance is particularly required
I am Sir Your obedient Servant Francis Stokes
Bailiff and having stated that he posted a
~~Mr Bartlett attended the meeting~~ duplicate
of it on the 18th June 1876 addressed to
J H Seaward Esq & Mr Halleck Esq

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At the Kingston by Sir Elton Elton
Barl Mr W Snook Mr West Rogers
Mr Dower Mr & H Seaward and
Mr John Brower Geofees and Twentyone
who were not present or did not
sign the minutes of the meeting on the
16th June.

A letter dated June 17th 1876 from Mr
Dodwell to Mr H ~~St~~ Kingston marked
copy was read.

A letter from Mr H Al Shingdon dated 17th
June 1876 to Mr Dodwell was also read
Mr Dodwell read a copy of a letter dated
the 20th June 1876 ^{addressed to my self & Kingston} which he stated he had
delivered at the dwellinghouse of Mr Shingdon
to a servant there - he also read a
copy of a letter he stated he had sent by
post to Mr G Hallett Esqre the letter being
dated June 19th 1876 & addressed to Mr
Hallett - these letters were written in a
Book ^{published by me myself} immediately under what purported
to be a copy of a letter of the 17th June 1876
addressed to the Lord Bishop of Exeter
The charges contained in the notice of the
meeting to be held on the 16th instant having
been investigated by the examination in the
presence of the Revd Henry J Dodwell of
the several persons referred to in the minutes
of the meeting on the 16th instant this meeting
is of opinion that the following charges
against the Revd H J Dodwell have been
proved namely

That he was drunk at a public dinner
at the Falcone Castle Hotel on the 19th January

last and by his conduct brought upon himself
the contempt and derision of persons there
present and then prejudiced the future prospects
and interests of the School

That he unmercifully flagged and cruelly
treated Samuel Sweetland Thomas among
several Frank Richards & William Stuart free
boys of the said School and also John William
Parker power and Henry Doweridge sons of
Residents and pupils of the said School
that he made at teaching ~~and was~~ ^{has been} unmercifully
to the Geoffees and Twentymen and to the parents
of the ~~pupils~~ pupils sent to him.

That he for frivolous and unscientific
reasons dismissed several of the boys
he had undertaken to instruct

That the School opened on the 31st January
last with 11 boys that he afterwards had
another pupil making altogether 12 boys and
on the 20th day of June 1876 there is only
one boy at the School

That in addition to the foregoing charges
having in the progress of this meeting been
established the conduct and demeanour of
Rev Dodwell at this meeting during which he
cast ~~expressions~~ upon several of the Geoffees
and Twentymen, on persons of high position
namely one of the majority Justices, the
Right Honorable James Rawfald M P, the
Chairman of the Brighton Board of Guardians
and other persons in no way connected
with this enquiry this meeting is of opinion
that the Revd H J Dodwell is an unfit
person to be the Head Master of the Colyton

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Grammar School and it is
Resolved

- 1 That Mr. Godwell be dismissed from
the Office of Master of the Colyton School
and that such dispensal take effect from
the 24th day of June ~~next~~ ^{instant (1816) and shall be} and be paid
£240 his Salary to that date and that Mr.
Godwell be required on that day to give
up to the Bailiff possession of the
School House and other property of the
^{Feoffees and Swinymond} ~~School~~ in his possession
- 2 That a copy of these resolutions be —
forthwith forwarded by the Bailiff to
Mr. Godwell
- 3 That if Mr. Godwell fail to give up
possession of the School House an action
be commenced against him by the Feoffees
to obtain it

J. P. Keate

Almeritz

R. H. Higgins

John Stroking

W. Hartner

Thomas Day

M. Cook

W. H. Bowes

John Seaward

W. Bartlett

John Mountstephen

Thomas Strawbridge Francis Stokes

1876 August 3rd At a meeting this day held pursuant to notice, to decide if an annual subscription of five guineas be given to the Devon & Exeter Hospital
 Proposed by W^r J^r B^r Stottes & seconded by W^r Mounstephen
 that a subscription of five guineas be given annually to the Devon & Exeter Hospital
 It was further resolved that Harriet Trull be recommended a patient to the Hospital
 Resolved that Mr^r Preston Harstake's Bill (produced) at this meeting be paid the amount being five guineas,

Thomas Pavy, Chairman
 John Seaward
J^r B^r Stottes
 John Warding
 John Mounstephen
F^r Stottes

1876, September 11th At a Chamber Meeting this day held pursuant to notice, to meet Mr^r Dawe, of Lovhayne, who wishes to give up his farm. Mr^r Palmer offers to take the farm for the residue of the term, provided the Feoffees accept him as their Tenant; Mr^r Hutchings, at Colyford wishes to erect a Lincay at his own expense, Thatch on the Dwelling House to be repaired, as it rains in. Widow Steling asks for assistance to go to London. Mr^r Robert Donnett's Lease to be signed, he refuses to pay one half the cost of lease viz. £⁵ 5⁰ If rent of cottages £⁴ 17^s at Horiton & may be lowered
 Resolved, that Mr^r Dawe be allowed to agree with either Mr^r Palmer or Mr^r Pavy to take the farm off his hands, strictly on the terms of the existing lease.
 That Mr^r Hutchings be allowed to put up the lincay.

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and that the thatch be repaired -
that the Cottage, No 7 at Houlton be let at 8/-
a month and also 38^{os} 4^d 5^c -

M. Gueritz Chairman -

J. B. Kettle

John Banding

John Mountstephen

Thomas Padd

Dan Power

W D Bartlett

W H D. Boys

J. Strawbridge

W. Farmer.

F Stokes

1876 September 29th At a Chamber Meeting this day held, pursuant to Notice, To decide what sum should be given towards Lighting the Public Lamps. Also to receive Applications for Assistance, from David Pile & Eli Long

It was resolved to give £ 25 towards lighting the Town on condition that a sufficient sum be subscribed from other quarters to make up the whole amount required and that satisfactory arrangements be made -

That the Rev M. Gueritz Mr W. Bartlett T. Strawbridge & J. Seward be appointed as a Committee to carry out the above resolution - with power to add to their number -

It was resolved to give Eli Long £ 2. 10. 0

and David Pile £ 1. 10. 0

J. Seward M. Gueritz - Chairman

W D Bartlett J. Seward F. Stokes,
John Banding

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1876 Nov^r 14^t At Chamber Meeting having been held this day, pursuant to Notice,
 To read two Letters from Messrs Cox & Every
 Also to decide if requisite for Mr Every to attend in London, on Monday the 20^t instant,
 that being the day fixed for hearing Mr Dodwells case
 It was resolved, unanimously that Mr Every
 be requested to attend, ^{on behalf of the chamber} at the hearing of
 Mr Dodwells case on the 20^t Inst.

Al querity - Chairman.

R.W. Higgin	W. Farmer
John Hardinge	J. Shawbridge
W. Ward	W. B. Bartlett
John Seaward	W. M. Netter
Thomas Poley	John Mounstephen
	F. Stokes

1876 Nov^r 24^t At a Chamber Meeting this day held pursuant to Notice, for the purpose of reading two letters from Messrs Cox & Every, respecting Mr Dodwells removal. It was resolved that the short hand notes made in this case be retained, and that the last to be read no less than every subject - also that the last may be referred to other persons with power & payment of the last in the treasury more or less -

H. Bright - Chairman

W. M. Netter
R.W. Higgin
Thomas Poley
W. B. Bartlett
John Hardinge

W. Farmer
W. B. Bartlett
J. Shawbridge
W. Ward
F. Stokes

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1876 Novst 30th At a Chamber Meeting this day held pursuant to notice, for the purpose of Auditing the Accounts to Michaelmas To Revise the list for the gift on Christmas Eve & Receive Applications for Assistance from several persons.

The accounts were audited and found correct. The list of poor was revised. The sum of two pounds ^{each} was ordered to be given to the following persons viz: William Clarke, Frances Clode, Widow Abrahams, John Amelia Richards, daughter of John Richards, John Strawbridge, and a further sum of 10/- to Stanley Hancock
W B Netter

W B Bartlett

W Farmer

Dankhausen

John Hading

The Strawbridge

A Stokes

1876 December 11th At a Chamber Meeting this day held pursuant to notice, To take into consideration the extension of the shilling per head given by the Chamber on Christmas Eve to those deserving persons who have hitherto been excluded from such benefit by reason of their not having gained a legal settlement in the parish Also to consider a communication from the Charity Commission relative to Mr Dodwell and the answer to be given

Also the course to be taken in enforcing the order of his Lordship the Master of the Rolls in the suit instituted by the Chamber to recover possession of the Schoolhouse

Aftr a discussion as to the admission of non parishioners to the benefit of the Christmas gift, the motion ~~was~~ by Mr Farmer was not seconded.

That Messrs Cox and Every be requested to frame such answer to the Charity Commissioners as they deem advisable and also ~~to~~ to put the judgment of the Rolls Court against H. J. Dodwell ^{in force} as speedily as possible.

The Bailiff was instructed not to pay a demand made by Sir W. Pole for Head Rent

J P Mette, Chairman

R W Leggins

Thomas Day

John Bauding

John Mountstephen

Tho Chamberl

Dav Powers

W. H. Rogers

W. Bartlett

W. Farmer.

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