

13<sup>th</sup> December 1937.

Governors' Meeting.

Present: Mr. A. S. Douden Smith (in the Chair)

Mr. S. Porwick, Mr. Soper, Major M. E. Barkworth,  
Messrs. M. Cabret, M. J. Lovridge, A. J. White, A. Copp,  
M. Harris, G. T. Restorick, P. K. Heeks.

Apologies were received from Messrs. St. John Irvine, E. G. Baskille,  
H. B. Strawbridge, C. H. Cuming.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed, and the Recommendations of the Finance Committee were adopted.

Mr Dent  
&  
Mr Cabret  
appntd  
Governors.

Letters from the Education Committee were read, stating that:  
(a) Mr Dent, and Mr. M. Cabret had been appointed on the Governing Body of the School, for the period ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 1940, in the place of the late Mr. Gunn, & Major Greenshield.

Exp  
Exclusion  
from School  
on non-payment  
of fees.

(b) That it was realized that it would be possible for a parent by refusing to pay the tuition fees for one term to have his child excluded for the subsequent term, no case had been reported since the rule as to exclusion had been in operation, the Committee had therefore decided to wait and see if the difficulty arises.

Grants  
recommended  
for  
H. C. & J. J.  
Hookings

On the proposition of Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Lovridge, it was agreed to recommend that H. C. Hookings be granted a Maintenance grant of £5 p. a, and mid-day meals, and J. J. Hookings a mid-day meal allowance. Carried.

Additions  
to  
Finance  
Com.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Copp that the following Governors be added to the present Finance Committee: Major M. E. Barkworth, Messrs. M. Harris, & G. T. Restorick.

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The Visiting Committee reported the School buildings in good condition.

Howard Smith  
not granted  
permission to leave.

An application for Howard Smith, under 16 years of age, to leave at the end of the present term, was received.

The application was refused, on the proposition of Mr. G. K. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Soper.

School fees

A circular letter was read regarding the method to be adopted, at the commencement of the next financial year, for the keeping of School accounts.

School curtains  
£15 to be included  
in Estimates.

It was resolved, that the sum of £15 be included for School curtains, in the Estimates of Receipts & Expenditure for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 1939.

The Headmaster reported<sup>(a)</sup> that Phyllis Victor Anning, whose parents are leaving the neighbourhood, wished to be transferred to the Ottery School, which was agreed to, also that Joyce Anning be allowed to leave, provided she goes direct to the Ocker Training College.

(b) That Jean Seldon had secured an appointment in the Civil Service.

App't of  
Miss Stolrock  
Mr. Howard  
as Teachers,  
recommended.

(c) That he had recently interviewed several applicants, and recommended that, subject to the approval of the Education Committee, Miss Stolrock be appointed as French Mistress, and Mr. J. W. Howard as Chemistry Master at the School.

The recommendation of the Headmaster was adopted, on the motion of Mr. Weeks, seconded by Major Barkworth.

Declarations of acceptance of office were signed by  
Messrs H. Culbert & A.C. Copp.

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Governors' Meeting.

24<sup>th</sup> January 1938.

Present: Mr. A. T. Bowden Smith (Chairman)  
Mr. Soper, Messrs. H. Calvert, G. K. Weeks  
A. J. White, H. Harris, G. T. Restorick  
H. J. Lovridge, H. B. Strawbridge.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. Dent, Mayor  
Barkworth, Messrs. C. G. Bastable & A. Copp.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed,  
and the recommendations of the Finance Committee  
were approved.

Mr. S. John  
Ervine's  
resignation.  
Asked to  
reconsider same

A letter was received from Mr. S. John Ervine stating  
he had been unable to attend meetings of the Governors  
for some time because of ill health, and as he saw  
little likelihood of being able to attend for some  
time because of the arrears into which his work  
had fallen owing to these illnesses, he proposed  
to resign his Governorship.

The Governors having expressed their regret,  
it was unanimously resolved, on the motion of  
Mr. H. B. Strawbridge, and seconded by Mr. G. K. Weeks,  
that Mr. Ervine be asked to reconsider his decision,  
and to attend as often as possible.

re-  
Howard  
Smith  
leaving.

A letter was read from A. H. Smith, saying his son  
Howard would not be returning to school, as he was  
worked home on the farm.

Agreed, that the matter be referred to the  
Education Committee.

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Medical  
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Robin Bishop

Correspondence received from Mr. W. M. Bishop, stating that his son Robin would not return to the School owing to indifferent health, & the long journey to & from school, was read.

It was resolved, that Mr. Bishop be asked to forward a medical certificate regarding his son's health.

Mayor

J. W. Nevard  
app't. Asst.  
Master.

A letter from the Education Committee stated that the appointment of Mr. J. W. Nevard, as Chemistry Master, and of Miss K. L. Stolrock, as French Mistress at the School, had been approved.

K. L. Stolrock  
app't.  
Asst. Mistress.

re-  
Senior  
School  
at Seaton

A letter received from Mr. Bastable referred to the proposed building of a Senior School near Seaton, and Rousdon Manson being acquired by the Allhallows School authorities, which might affect the attendance at this school, he suggested that possibly the present buildings might be enlarged to meet the requirements of the Authorities, & thus save the cost of building the new Senior School, etc.

It was agreed, that the matter be placed on the Agenda, for consideration at the next meeting.

The Visiting Committee reported that a few minor repairs were needed, and the Headmaster was empowered to get same repaired.

Mr. Reddaway  
allowed to  
leave.

The Headmaster reported:

(a) That E. Reddaway, of Sidford, nearly 16 years of age wished to leave School.

It was agreed that he be allowed to leave.

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The Headmaster reported:-

Miriam  
Jones  
allowed to leave.

(b) That Miriam Jones had left Seaton, & returned to her relatives in Wales.

Mr Harris proposed, & Mrs Soper seconded, that she be allowed to leave, and that the current terms fees be not charged.

Carried

Hazel Moore  
to remain  
at School.

(c) That the parents of Hazel Moore, a Special place scholar, had recently moved to Marlborough. It was agreed, that she be allowed to remain at the School.

Attest  
24<sup>th</sup> Jan. 38

24<sup>th</sup> Jan. 38

March 21<sup>st</sup> 1938

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Governors Meeting.Present: Mr. A. Bowden Smith (Chairman)Mr. Soper, Major H. E. Barkworth, Messrs. Cuming,  
A. J. White, G. K. Weeks, E. G. Bastable, Mr. Harris, A. Copp,  
G. T. Restorick, & Mr. B. Strawbridge.Apologies for non-attendance were received from Mr. Borwick,  
& Mr. St. John Irvine.The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed, and the  
recommendations of the Finance Committee adopted.

Letters from the Education Committee were read stating:-

Grants  
to Pupils

- (a) That a Maintenance Grant of £5 had been allowed to  
G. E. Hookings, 1 Beech, & 3/5<sup>ths</sup> Tuition fees  
allowance had been granted to P. J. Oball, Colyton.
- (b) That the Governors' recommendation that J. A. Smith & E. M.  
Hurreaux, of Colyton, be granted five dinners, had not  
been approved.

Mildred  
Smetland.  
agreed that  
penalty  
be written off.

- (c) That in the case of the premature withdrawal of Mildred  
Smetland, the County Solicitor is not sure that  
judgement could be obtained if the case were taken to Court,  
the Committee therefore asked, if the Governors, after perusal  
of the correspondence would agree to the penalty being  
written off.

On the motion of Mr. Bastable, seconded by Mr. Harris,  
it was agreed that the penalty should be written off.

Carried.

Senior  
School.Letter  
sent  
to B of E.The question of the proposed new Senior School was brought  
forward by Mr. Bastable, and after some consideration  
it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Cuming, seconded  
by Mr. Bastable, that a letter be sent to the Board  
of Education stating - "that the Governors are of opinion  
that the proposed building of a Senior School at Pector,

March 21<sup>st</sup> 1938

Continued :-

Senior School.

"owing to it's close proximity, would adversely affect the future attendance at this School, It is considered that parents will avail themselves of the free tuition to be provided at the Senior school, instead of paying fees for them at this school."

Visiting Committee

The Visiting Committee reported buildings etc<sup>ms</sup> in a satisfactory condition, Mr. Paper, & Major Parkworth were appointed as a Committee for ensuing term.

R. Bishop's medical certificate was received. Agreed, that the term's fees be allowed.

The Headmaster reported :-

Miss Gunn's offer.  
accepted

(a) That Miss Gunn wished to create an Endowment that would bring in £2. p. a. for prizes, in memory of the late Mrs E.M. Gunn.

On the proposition of Mr Bastable, seconded by Mr. Paper, it was agreed, that the offer be accepted, and the sincere thanks of the Governors be conveyed to Miss Gunn for her generosity.

(b) That Miss Moor had asked that the Governors might reconsider their decision, & allow her to continue the School duties, in the event of her marrying.

Agreed, she be informed the Governors cannot make any recommendation.

The Groundsman being on sick list, the Headmaster was empowered to employ another man during his absence.

In view of the recent delay in delivery of fuel, it was agreed to recommend, that when fresh tenders are being considered, a Contractor from this area may be engaged.

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May 9<sup>th</sup> 1938

Governors' Meeting

Present: Mr. Bowden Smith (in the Chair)  
Mr. Dent, Mr. Borwick, Major M. G. Barkworth,  
Messrs M. J. Lardge, E. M. Cuming, H. Calvert,  
W. B. Strawbridge, M. Harris, E. G. Bastable,  
A. J. White. G. I. Rostock.

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Soper,  
Messrs. St. John Ervine & G. K. Meekes.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

Mr. Strawbridge proposed, & Mr. Cuming seconded, that  
the accounts, as submitted, be paid, and that the  
recommendations of the Finance Committee be adopted.

Carried.

Letters from the Education Committee were read, stating:

M. Smetland's  
penalty  
written off.

(a) That they were in agreement with the recommendation  
of the Governors - that the penalty in the case of  
Mildred Smetland should be written off.

Grants  
to scholars.

(b) That D. V. Lemon had been granted  $\frac{1}{2}$  Travelling Allowance, only,  
M. E. Adams . . . . . Mid-day meal.  
J. H. Bricknell . . . . . £3. towards Mid-day meal.

Painting.

(c) That having to curtail expenditure during the current  
year, & in view of the Clerk of Works' report that  
the paint is in a good condition, they had decided  
not to undertake any external renovations at the  
School this year.

Agreed, that any necessary renovations be considered  
by the House Committee.

Fuel  
Cartage.

(d) That the Governors' request, regarding cartage of fuel,  
would be considered when the next haulage contract  
was entered into.

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May 9<sup>th</sup> continued.Re Senior  
School

A letter was received from the Board of Education acknowledging receipt of Governors' letter, regarding the Authority's proposal to provide a senior school at Seaton, & to say that the representations contained therein will receive the consideration of the Board.

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of  
To be  
inserted  
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Repairs

The Visiting Committee <sup>reported</sup> that the boiler in Master's house needed repairs. Agreed that same be repaired.

Last Year's  
A/cs.

Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March last, was submitted by the clerk, and signed by the Chairman.

The Headmaster reported:

- (a) That Joan Parish had left the School, owing to her parents having moved to Newquay, Cornwall.
- (b) That, owing to a misunderstanding, he had accepted Harold Smith under 10 years of age as a pupil.  
It was resolved, that he be allowed to remain in the School.
- (c) That A. Kingdom having secured a situation wished to leave the School. Agreed that he be allowed to leave.
- (d) That a number of pupils would make an Educational visit to London on 24<sup>th</sup> May.

G. W. J.  
granted  
use of Hall.

On the proposition of Mr Cuming, seconded by Mr Korrige, the Colyton Women's Institute were granted use of the Hall for a demonstration by Miss Bray, on May 14<sup>th</sup>.  
A small charge to be made for use of gas.

May 9<sup>th</sup> 1938

education  
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Miss Gunn's  
gift  
of £50

A further letter was received from Miss Swan regarding the endowment of £50 she wished to make to the school.

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To be  
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War Loan

On the proposition of Major J. Darkworth, seconded by Mr. Harris, it was agreed that the sum be invested in War Loan, in the name of the Governors, the dividends therefrom to be entered into a separate account at the Bank.

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The Chairman was thanked for kindly offering to defray the costs in connection with the purchase of the loan.

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18<sup>th</sup> July 1938.

Governors' Meeting.

Present: Mr. A. Borden Smith (in the Chair). Mr. Dent,  
Mr. Soper, Messrs. H. J. Lorridge, H. Harris  
E. C. Bastable, G. I. Restorick.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Major Barkworth,  
Messrs. H. B. Strawbridge, G. Hicks, H. Calvert.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed,  
and the recommendations of the Finance Committee were  
approved.

It was resolved, on the proposition of Mr. Bastable,  
and seconded by Mr. Harris, that the accounts, as submitted,  
be paid, and that cheques be signed, for other accounts  
passed by the Finance Committee, to be paid on receipt of  
county advance.

Letters from the Education Committee were read, stating:-

Miss Bray,  
as Senior  
Mistress,  
approved.

(a) That the Committee have approved the action of the  
Governors in appointing Miss Bray, as senior mistress  
from 1<sup>st</sup> January, 1938, with an allowance of £24 p. a.  
for special responsibility.

(b) That the Board have approved an amendment submitted  
by the Committee, so that the first part of Article 24  
shall read:-

Re-age for  
admission of  
pupils.  
1<sup>st</sup> part of  
Article 24,  
amended.

"No pupil shall be admitted to the school under the age of 10 years,  
except that a pupil who attains the age of 10 years during  
the Autumn term, may be admitted to a secondary school  
at the beginning of that term."

(c) That E. J. Selley's revised grant would be 2/5ths Tuition, free.  
and J. J. Clark's' . . . . . Free tuition only.

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School drains  
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A letter was received from Mr. Hague, Architect, stating the Committee has accepted an offer made by the U. R. N. Council to connect the School drains to the new sewer in road, instead of utilizing the existing septic tank.

The work has been completed, and the disused septic tank cleaned out, etc.

Repairs

Mr. Soper, on behalf of the Visiting Committee, reported certain repairs necessary at the School house, and various portions of the exterior woodwork needed painting. It was agreed that the Governors inspect same, & that Mr. Hague be notified.

Board's  
inspection  
of School,  
in Summer  
Term 1939.

The Headmaster reported that a full inspection of the School would be made by the Board of Education in the Summer term, 1939.

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Half term  
holidays

It was decided, <sup>(a)</sup> that the school be closed on Fridays & Mondays, for the half terms' holidays.

(b) That H. J. Boyland, be recommended for a Maintenance grant of £5. per annum.

"Gunn  
Trust"  
subjects,  
for award  
of prizes.

Miss Gunn, in a letter regarding the "Gunn Trust", stated she should like the prizes, which the endowment will yield yearly, to be given to one boy and one girl for special merit in English Literature or History, the exact conditions to be left to the Headmaster's discretion.

This was agreed to.

A. Webby  
allowed to  
leave.

An application for Audrey Webby to leave at the end of the present term, in order to attend the Crediton Girls' High School as a boarder, was received. Resolved, that permission be granted.

*A. W. D. D. D. D.* Chairman.

26/9/38.

26<sup>th</sup> September 1938.

Governors' Meeting.

Present: Mr. Al Bowden Smith (in the Chair.)

Mr. Borwick, Mr. Dent.

Messrs. H. B. Strawbridge, N. Calvert, S. Restorick,  
S. K. Weeks, H. Harris, A. J. White, C. Cumming.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. Cooper, Messrs  
C. G. Bastable & A. Copp.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed,  
and the recommendations of the Finance Committee approved.

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Mr. Strawbridge proposed, and Mr. Cumming  
seconded, that the accounts, as submitted, be paid.

Carried

Grants

- Letters from the Education Committee were read stating
- That the recommendations of the Governors regarding grants to D. Rouse, and B. J. Mitchell had been approved.
  - That it had been agreed to pay the medical bill of £5/- respecting the accident to S. J. Symes.
  - That a letter had been sent to Mr. Webby of Seaton stating they were unable to grant an Intermediate Scholarship consisting of a maintenance allowance in respect of V. G. Webby.

Repairs

The Visiting Committee reported the buildings in good order, the Headmaster stated that the Architect had replied to his letter, asking that the Governors should arrange for renovation of the school house, scullery & Kitchen.

Mr. Strawbridge proposed, Mr. Weeks seconded, that the work be done by Messrs. Cooper & Sons, Colyton. (Carried)

C. D. Summers' Fees unpaid.

The Clerk reported that C. D. Summers' fees for the last term were still unpaid, the pupil was still attending school.

in view of his father having promised payment.

The Governors were of opinion that non-payment was merely slackness on the parent's part, and it was decided to allow the pupil to remain at school, pending payment.

The Headmaster reported<sup>(a)</sup> on the results of the recent Oxford School certificate examination. The Governors congratulated the Headmaster and Staff on the excellent results attained.

(b) That K. Trenchard, under 16 years of age, had left the school to take a post at Mr. Kentill's office at Seaton.

Mr. Weekes proposed, & Mr. Borwick seconded, that Mr. Trenchard be informed that the Governors could not allow a breach of the contract entered into, and the Governors considered Mr. Kentill's offer useless, as he had not obtained his School certificate.

(c) That Miss Moor had made a further application regarding her employment, at the School, after marriage.

Mr. Weekes was of opinion that the matter had been discussed on two previous occasions, and as no special circumstances had arisen, the former decision of the Governors should be upheld.

Mr. Strawbridge moved, & Mr. Cuming seconded, that Miss Moor's letter be sent to Mr. Armfelt, with a recommendation that the Committee deal with same.

As an amendment, Mr. Weekes proposed, & Mr. Dent seconded, that the letter be sent to the County with no recommendation from the Governors.

On the amendment being put to the meeting,

5 voted for it, and 3 against.

The amendment was therefore declared carried.

The Chairman, who did not vote, said he was in agreement with the amendment.

26<sup>th</sup> Sep. 1938. (continued)

(Headmaster's report)

Mr. Calvert asked that his dissent be recorded in the minutes.

(d) That he had received a request from Miss Horton, of Seaton, for admission of a pupil, (Austrian by birth) aged 15, he had been in communication with the Board's Inspector who raised no objection to her admission. It was agreed, that the girl be accepted as a pupil.

Death of Mrs. Howson.

Mr. Harris referred to the tragic death of Miss Howson, a late teacher at the school, and it was agreed, that the sympathy of the Governors be conveyed to Mrs. Howson.

B. G. Bastable Chairman.

12/12/38.

Death of Mrs. F. Howson.

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12<sup>th</sup> December 1938.

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Governors' Meeting.

Present: Mrs Dent, Major McE. Barkworth,  
Messrs M. Calvert, G. K. Weeks, A. Copp, A. J. White,  
Lt. T. Restorick, H. J. Lovridge, H. Harris, E. P. Bastable.  
Apologies for absence were received from Mrs Soper, Messrs  
A. Borden Smith, & H. B. Strawbridge.

Death of  
Mr F. H.  
Borden Smith

The Headmaster referred to the loss sustained by the Chairman,  
by the recent death of his brother - Mr F. H. Borden-Smith,  
who was a former <sup>Chairman of the</sup> Governors of the school.

The news was received with regret, and it was agreed that  
a letter of sympathy be sent to Mrs Borden-Smith.

It was agreed that Mr Bastable should occupy the Chair.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

The recommendations of the Finance Committee were approved.

Mr Copp proposed, and Mr White seconded, that  
the Accounts as submitted be paid. Carried.

Letters from the Education Committee were read, stating:-

J. Passmore's  
D<sup>ts</sup> etc. to  
be paid.

(a) That it had been agreed to make a compassionate grant in  
respect of the accident to J. Passmore.

Miss Moor's  
application  
refused.

(b) That it had been resolved to refuse the application  
of Miss Moor, asst. mistress, for permission to retain  
her appointment on marriage.

Non-admission  
of Pupils,  
(owing tuition fees)  
deferred.

(c) That it had been decided, that the bringing into force  
of their decision, that pupils be not admitted unless  
the tuition & book fees have been paid before the  
commencement of the term, shall be deferred from  
the Spring term, 39, to the beginning of the Summer  
term 1939.

12<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> continuedScholar's grant.

- (d) That R. Johnson had been granted a Maintenance allowance of £10, in addition to other grants.

Repairs.

The Visiting Committee reported <sup>(1)</sup> small repairs were necessary to the Hall door entrance. Agreed, that same be repaired, (2) That flood water from the lane above the School house was blocking the gutter pipe by the Headmaster's entrance.

It was decided, that the R. D. Council's Surveyor's attention be called to same.

P.T. Apparatus repairs.

The Headmaster reported:

- (a) That the Physical Training Apparatus needed re-conditioning. It was agreed, to ask Mr. Armfelt to include in the School Estimates such sum, as Capt. Young may recommend, is necessary for its renovation.

Miss Scollock recommended as Temporary Senior Mistress

- (b) That Miss Bray, Senior Mistress, having resigned, owing to her impending marriage, he recommended that Miss Scollock be appointed Temporary S. M. with the ordinary emoluments. Agreed to.

Re-pupils from London being admitted, in event of a National Crisis.

- (c) That during the crisis in September last, he had arranged, subject to the County's approval, for the education and billeting of 90 pupils from London, should a state of War be declared in the future he suggested being allowed to accept the pupils, if the Governors were agreeable.

On the motion of Mr. Calvert, it was agreed:

That in the absence of other orders the Governors support the Headmaster's suggestion.

"Gunn Trust Dividend."

Mr. Weeks proposed, and Mr. White seconded, that a cheque for 14/6, dividend for the past half year on the "Gunn Trust etc," be handed to the Headmaster for the

12<sup>th</sup> December 1938.

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purchase of prizes.

Carried

It was resolved:

M<sup>r</sup>. Howard,  
£20 increment  
recommended.

(a) That M<sup>r</sup>. Howard, having obtained 1<sup>st</sup> Class Honors Degree, it be recommended to the Committee that he be granted a £20 increment.

P. Hutchings'  
Boarding  
grant.

(b) That Patricia Hutchings be recommended for a full Boarding grant of 15/6<sup>d</sup> per week, instead of the present weekly allowance of 10/6<sup>d</sup>.

(c) That a letter of thanks be sent N<sup>r</sup>. Maclean, for his gift of a Guinea towards the pupils' prize fund.

A. B. Gordon Smith Chairman. 30/12/39.

The Clerk reported that a letter of sympathy had been sent to M<sup>rs</sup>. Dent.