

Board of Directors

March 6th 1846

Present	George Pryme Esq	Chair
	Sir John Osborn Bart.	William Henry Stone Esq
	Frederick Squire Esq	J. G. Booth Esq
	Sir Henry Pynn	D. Henderson
	Thomas Hagger Esq	J. W. Beaumont Esq

The members of the late Committee attended for the purpose of discussing the various items of their Report and It was Resolved

That the recommendation of the Committee that all investments on Mortgages be made only by order of the Board of Directors at one of their usual or special meetings to be confirmed at the succeeding meeting be adopted, but that Investments in the Public Funds or sales of the Capital Stock may on account of the inconvenience which may arise from delay be made without such confirmation.

That the recommendation of the Committee respecting the safe custody of the general Mortgage Deeds and Securities belonging to the Company, be left in the hands of the Directors to be carried out by them so far as is found practicable and if the keeping of two or more Keys be attended with great inconvenience the Committee do not desire its fulfillment, reserving ^{however} to themselves however the right to inspect and examine the said Deeds at any reasonable time

That the Committee withdraw the recommendation for cancelling the Power of attorney but leave it to the discretion of the Directors to sell out as much of the stock included therein as may

be required.

That the Original Capital and Reserved Funds together never be reduced below ^{six times} the amount of Duty, and that a Bonus be declared next year and afterwards every 5 years provided the funds of the Association should appear to allow it.

With reference to the concluding paragraph in the Report It was Resolved That the Committee recommend that in case of the misconduct of any Clerk the same be reported by the Managing Director to the Board of Directors who shall examine the Clerk on the same and take such measures as in their judgment may appear necessary.

Ordered that £5000 be repaid to the Provident Life Office in diminution of the sum of £71734.17.11 owing to that Office and drew a cheque for the amount.

Ordered that Alexander Henderson Esq. and Frederick Squire Esq. be requested to act upon the Power of Attorney granted to them for the sale of £43000 3 percent Consols to the extent of £10000.)

Geo Pryme

Board of Directors

February 20th 1846

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Present Sir John Lubbock Bart Chair
 George Thorne Esq A. B. Churchill Esq
 Sir Henry Pym J. G. Booth Esq
 Dr Henderson Frederick Squire Esq
 J. A. Beaumont Esq

Read and approved the minutes of the last Board
 Examined the Bankers cash and Bill accounts as
 per their statement and the Office books which
 were found to agree and the Cash balance in
 the Bankers hands to be £ 6596.9.8

Took into consideration the following Claims

July 245445	Cabinet Makers Society of Glasgow	£ 80	Ordered to be paid
" 245445	Cabinet Makers Society of Glasgow	£ 118.7.6	Ordered to be paid
" 242736	James Richmond & Co	£ 230.2.	Ordered to be paid
" 225663	Joseph Walker	£ 263.7.0	Ordered to be paid
" 149795			
" 243020	James Miller	£ 20.3.6	Ordered to be paid
" 225236	Cabinet Makers Society of London	£ 134.17.8	Ordered to be paid
" 175422	William Strong	£ 28.10	Ordered to be paid
" 167191	J. Boddington	£ 14.7.0	Ordered to be paid
" 102856	Elizabeth Lawton	£ 4.2.0	Ordered to be paid
" 238683	Joseph Sharples & Co	£ 4.-	Ordered to be paid
" 245445	George Houston	£ 1.7.7	Ordered to be paid
" 199555	Wm. Gilbert	£ 12.6	Ordered to be paid

Received notice from Mr John Augustus Beaumont
 that he intends on the 20th day of August next
 to redeem the mortgage created by him in favor
 of the Trustees of this Institution for securing
 the several advances of £ 20000, £ 17000, £ 7000
 & £ 9000 respectively made to him from the

funds of this Society on the 11th day of August
1842, the 7th day of July 1843, the 30th day of
Dec 1844 and the 12th day of February 1846.

The Managing Director reported that the
sum of \$81734.17.11 due to the Provident Life
Office at the close of the last year had not
yet been repaid. It was Resolved That the
above sum be acknowledged to be still due and
owing to the Provident Life Office

Read and Approved. February 26th 1846

J. W. Allen

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Annual General Meeting

February 13th 1846

Present	George Payne Esq	Chair
Sir John Osborn Bart		Wm Henry Stone Esq
Sir Henry Pym		John T. Deering Esq
H. B. Churchill Esq		John G. Booth Esq
Alfred Beaumont Esq		Frederick Squire Esq
Charles de la Pyme Esq		Hon ^{ble} A. Kinnaird
L. Wootton Esq		Rev ^d W. Sherman
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It was Resolved unanimously upon the motion of the Rev Robert Harvey Knight seconded by W. Parnell that a Committee of 5 Gentlemen be appointed to investigate the affairs of this office and particularly with respect to the securities upon which its Funds are invested and that they have power to call for all Books and Vouchers or any other aid they may deem requisite and to report upon the same at an adjourned meeting of the Shareholders

That the following Gentlemen be appointed on the Committee

Mr Parnell

Mr Hagger

Mr Collins

Mr Charles de la Pyme

Mr Cornfield

That Wednesday the 18th inst be appointed at 11 o'clock for the Committee to meet

It was Resolved That a dividend is hereby declared of 20 per cent computed on the payments of the Insured who in 1845 completed their

respective terms of 7 years insurance and also
to the subscribers to the Original Capital and also
original deposit of \$400,000 with 10 per cent to the
latter out of the interest on the Original Capital
Stock with its accumulations making 30 per cent
to the Shareholders and that the same be
paid forthwith

That the Dividend or Return to the Insured
be allowed to them in their next payments
of premium duty.

Proposed by Mr. Churchill and seconded
by Mr. Stone that Mr. Dodgeon be elected an
auditor in the room of Nathaniel Trupper
Esq. who goes out by ^{recommendation of} rotation

Approved of the list of fit and proper persons
to be elected Directors

Resolved That this meeting do adjourn
to this day fortnight at 2 o'clock

Geo Pryme

A vote of thanks was unanimously given to the
Chairman for the manner in which he had
conducted the business of the meeting

Hask
Dodgeon
Adams

Board of Directors

December 26th 1845

Present George Pryme Esq Chair
 D. Henderson H. B. Churchill Esq
 Hon^{ble} Arthur Kimbaid Rev^d D. Sleath
 John G. Booth Esq John A. Beaumont Esq

Read and approved the Minutes of the last Board
 Examined the Bankers Cash and Bill Accounts
 as per their statement and the Office Books
 which were found to agree and the Cash
 balance in the Bankers hands to be £5134.11.7

Took into consideration the following Claims
 Policy 219914 W. Wright £60.12.9 Ordered to be paid
 " 238840 Best Kelsey £12.3.6 Ordered to be paid

Received a letter from Sir John Osborn Bart
 dated the 20th inst referring to the Resolution of the last Board

Ordered that £6000 Bank Stock be sold
 out and approved of the payment of £25000
 as the 5th instalment of the Wimbledon Park
 Mortgage

Approved of the transfer of 5 Shares from
 Francis Field to Thomas Michael Tubb

Read and Approved January 2nd 1846

J Osborn

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Board of Directors

December 5th 1845

Present	Sir John Osborn Bart	Chair
Sir Richard D. King Bart	Henry B. Churchill Esq	
Rev ^d Dr John Heath	John Gillyatt Esq	
Sir Henry Pynn	Dr Henderson	
Hon ^{ble} Arthur Kimdard	John A Beaumont Esq	

Read and Approved the minutes of the last Board
Examined the Bankers Cash and Bill accounts as
per their statement and the Office books which
were found to agree and the Cash balance in the
Bankers hands to be £12268. 15. 10

Took into consideration the following Claims
Policy 242687 James Kather £201. 7. 4 Ordered at £157. 7. 9
" 1034158 Thomas Brandreth £263. 1. 8 Ordered to be paid
" 402241 Marg^d of Northampton £32. 10 Ordered to be reinstated
" 103665 Thomas Sheffield £3. 17 Ordered to be paid

Approved of the transfer of 10 shares from William
Parsons Esq to William Gibson Esq
Approved of the payment of the 4th instalment
of £10000 upon the Wimbledon Park mortgage
and drew a cheque for the amount

Read and Approved December 12th 1845

J Osborn

Board of Directors

November 28th 1845.

Present Sir John Osborn Bart Chair
St. B. Churchill Esq Hon^{ble} Arthur Kimball
George Tryne Esq Rev^d Dr. Steach
John Gillyatt Booth Esq Dr. Henderson
John A. Beaumont Esq

Read and approved the Minutes of the last Board
Examined the Bankers Cash and Bill accounts as
per their statement and the Office Books which
were found to agree and the Cash balance in
the Bankers hands to be £3979. 16. 10.

Took into consideration the following Claims
Policy 216146 Joseph Belford £41. 3. 2 Ordered to be paid
" 144824 John Cook and others £122. 11. - Ordered to be paid
" 242621 J. P. Thomson £28. 13. 6. Ordered to be paid
" 188400 William Perkins £2. 4. - Ordered to be paid

Approved of taking a loan of £10000 from
the Provident Life Office and of payment of
the 3^d instalment of £10000 upon Wimbledon park
Mortgage

Read and approved December 3rd 1845

J. Osborn

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Board of Directors

August 1st 1845.

Present Sir John Osborn Bart. Chair
H. B. Churchill Esq. Hon^{ble} Arthur Rimmaud
John G. Roosh Esq. Rev^d Dr John Heath
Sir Henry Dym John A. Beaumont Esq

Read and approved the Minutes of the last Board
Examined the Bankers Cash and Bill accounts
as per their statement and the Office Books
which were found to agree and the Cash balance
in the Bankers hands to be £4033. 8. 9.

Took into consideration the following Claims
Policy 238121 S. P. A. S. Phillips £18. Ordered to be paid
" 197487 John Hopkinson £10. Ordered to be paid
" 219215 Ann Cliff £3. 6. 9. Ordered to be paid
" 225236 Cabinet Makers Socy £1. 19. 10. Ordered to be paid
" 196904 George Hunt £1. 7. - Ordered to be paid

Received the Solicitors Report that the Corporation
of Northampton had applied for the remaining in-
stalment (£6000) of the Loan of £15,000 approved
on the 14th of June 1844. Ordered the amount to be
paid and drew a cheque for the same.

The Managing Director reported that a
surrender to himself in Trust of the property at
Cheltenham had been consented to by Lord North-
wick who was anxious to obtain from this office
the further Loan of £2000 in addition to the
£6000 agreed to be advanced upon the deposit
of the Title Deeds making together £8000 which
was approved and ordered to be completed forth-
with

Approved of the investment of £90,000
Mortgage upon the Freehold property called Wimbledon
Park now in course of being purchased of Earl Spencer
by Mr Beaumont as well as upon that portion of
the Park purchased last year and ordered that
Dr Henderson and Frederick Squire Esq who hold
a Power for the sale of £43,000 Consols be requested
to act upon the power when called upon to do so
by the Mortgager.

Resolved That Messrs Good & Adams having
paid off in May 1835 their security to this office for
£800 the Executors of the late William Praed Esq
the surviving Trustee be requested to execute a
release for the same and sign a Receipt for
the Mortgage Money.

Read and approved August 8th 1835

Richard Stang

Board of Directors

November 23rd 1849

Present Major Genl. Chas Richard Fox - Chair	The Rev Jas Sherman
Capt. Williams	Robt Wheeler Esq
Jas. Alderson Ind.	Geo. V. Nash Esq
T. P. Dickey Esq	Wm H. Stone Esq
Thos. Hagger Esq	J. A. Beaumont Esq
The Honble A. Minard	

Read and approved the Minutes of the last Board examined the Bankers' Cash and Bill accounts as per their statement and the office Books which were found to agree and the Cash Balance in the Bankers' hands to be £6061.12.6

Took into consideration the following Claims

10273463 S. Read	£87. 7. 6	Ordered to be paid
213657 E. Gernon	58. 10.	Ordered to be paid
141113 Mary Jackson	43. 10. 9	Ordered to be paid
201688 W. Cooke	32. . .	Ordered to be paid
150210 W. Cooke	21. 13.	Ordered to be paid
171267 J. Avery	24. 5.	Ordered to be paid
249622 Musical Instruments		
Traders' Society -	20. . .	Ordered to be paid
269278 G. L. & J. Blake	9. . .	Ordered to be paid
273937 N. L. Allenby	5. . .	Ordered to be paid
70222 P. Harwood	4. 4.	Ordered to be paid
245856 R. Grant	3. . .	Ordered to be paid
254230 W. Ward	2. 10.	Ordered to be paid

The Managing Director reported that he had drawn the following Cheques No 302 weekly Salaries £34. 1. 1 No 303. One year's ground rent £86. 15. 6 No 305 Policy Stamps £56. . .

to consideration the Memorial of Mr. Wells
and ordered that it be replied to

Resolved that Alexander Henderson and
Frederick Squire Esqrs who have survived their
cotrustee the late John Gillyatt Esq
be authorized and they are hereby requested
to execute the Conveyance to William Williams Esq
of lot 17 of the Sale on the 30th May last
of portions of the Wimbledon Park Estate
and that the receipt of the said Alexander
Henderson and Frederick Squire be a good
and sufficient discharge for the purchase
money -

Ordered payment of the following Bills
approved of by the Finance Committee, subject
to a deduction of £23.2. - from the amount
of Mr. Sims' three accounts

Mr. A. Beaumont	Surveys Sept ^r	£21. 1. -
	do Oct ^r	27. 8. 9
Mr. Sims	assessments. July	49. 19. 6
	do Aug ^t	69. 18. -
	do Sept ^r	63. 4. -
Mr. Tupper	Printing. Cards & Circulars	144. 16. 3
Mr. Merrill	Envelopes	16. 12. 6
Messrs Price & Co	Fire marks	25. - -
Mrs Pitkethly	Fire marks	6. 5. -
Mr. Carkeet	Travelling Expenses	20. - -
Return of Premium on Policy 252513		22. 15. -

Resolved that Mr. Charles Smith be instructed
to examine the Timber in Wimbledon Park &
at Westhill with a view to advising the
Directors what portion requires to be felled
at the present time and as to the Sale thereof
and that Mr. Smith be requested to conduct

the sale if he should be willing to undertake it at a Commission of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent and a specified amount for expenses.

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Resolved, that the following Resolutions recommended by the Finance Committee be adopted.

Resolved that the Assessor of Lanes, to in future paid at the rate of fourteen pence per mile in lieu of all professional charges whenever his services may be required by the Directors or Managing Director beyond the Metropolitan District, also that he be paid a Salary of £200 per annum for all business to be transacted by him within the said district which shall comprise a distance of Ten miles radiating from a central point the General Post Office in St Martin's Lane and the Salary also to be dependent upon the performance of certain other important duties which have hitherto not been required of him including the Surveying of Stock Furniture &c when proposed to be insured and his personal attendance upon the Board of Directors and at the Office when required.

Resolved that the Surveyor be paid at the rate of fourteen pence per mile in lieu of all professional charges whenever the Board of Directors or Managing Director may think it necessary to require his services in the Country on business connected with the Office.

Read and approved - November 30th 1849
W. J. Williams

Board of Directors

November 30th 1849

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Present Captⁿ Wm John Williams - Chair
 The Noble A. Kinnaird
 Sir Rich^d D. King Barb
 Tho^s Edw^d Dicey Esq^r
 John Callis Esq^r
 The Rev Jas Sherman
 Med^e Esquire Esq^r
 James Alderson M.D.
 John Deering Esq^r
 Rob^t Wheeler Esq^r
 J. A. Beaumont Esq^r

Read and approved the Minutes of the last
 Board examined the Bankers' Cash and Bill
 accounts as per their Statements and the Office
 Books which were found to agree and the
 Cash Balance in the Bankers' hands to be £6313.3.3

Took into consideration the following Claims
 Vol. 150059 Richard Bullock £64.17.7 Ordered to be paid
 259491 R. Anderson 52.7.11 Ordered to be paid
 143576 G. F. Cooke 24. - - - Ordered to be paid
 272226 S. Clements 14.3.10 Ordered to be paid
 257025 h. w. Small 13.17.6 Ordered to be paid
 274213 Tho^s S. Read 12.18.9 Ordered to be paid
 277004 J & C Neal 10. - - - Ordered to be paid
 262533 Fras Cox 8.11. - Ordered to be paid
 215957 W. Selwood 5. - - - Ordered to be paid
 221765 Rob^t Howe 4.14 - - - Ordered to be paid
 229994 L. H. Moore & others 2.2. - Ordered to be paid
 230725 Anna Symes 1.10. - Ordered to be paid
 267112 George Wyatt 1.2. - Ordered to be paid
 228776 E. Kent 1. - - - Ordered to be paid
 236031 Janet Douglas - 15. - - - Ordered to be paid

Approved of the Transfer of five Shares from
 Wm Dyson Esq^r three to Wm Smith Esq^r of York Esq^r

and two to William Garwood of

85. Ordered that Messrs Drummonds be requested to purchase £4000 Exchequer Bills for the account of this Office -

86. Approved of the Insurance of £13,100, on Randall's Park House, and contents, subject to the alteration suggested by the Surveyor being made -

The Managing Director reported that he had drawn the following Cheques n^o 313. weekly Salaries £34.1.1 n^o 314. Income Tax on Profits £76.11.7 n^o 315 Income Tax on House £13.2.6 n^o 316 Income Tax on Salaries £45.12.8 n^o 317. Assessed Taxes Half year to Michaelmas £10.5.8 n^o 318. Leamington Estate, Half year's ground rent to Michaelmas £33.19.7.

87. Mr. Charles Smith attended before the Board and made certain statements and explanations relative to the proposed sale of Timber on the Westhill and Wimbledon Estates.

Resolved that upon the application of the Managing Director the names of Messrs Leitchild be substituted for that of Mr. Chas Smith in reporting upon the propriety and conducting the sale of Timber on the Westhill and Wimbledon Estates should such a felling of Timber be reported necessary.

Read and approved. December 7th 1849.

A. Kinnaird

Board of Directors

December 7th 1849.

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Present The Honble Arthur Kinnaird Chair
 The Rev Jas Sherman
 Jas. Alderson Esq.
 Geo Deering Esq.
 Tho. Dow Dacey Esq.
 Robt Wheeler Esq.

Sir Richd D. King Bart.
 Capt^m Williams
 Fred^k Squire Esq.
 Geo Callis Esq.
 J. A Beaumont Esq.

Read and approved the Minutes of the last Board, examined the Bankers' Cash and Bill accounts as per their Statement and the office books which were found to agree and the Cash Balance in the Bankers' hands to be £13,113.11.

Took into consideration the following Claims
 Pol. 263598 Wm Saunders £241.19 - Ordered to be paid
 70286 Edward Burrell 45.18.6 Ordered to be paid
 189055 William Fleck 13.5.4 Ordered to be paid
 265813 W. J. Hodger 12.18 - Ordered to be paid
 263581 John Harwood 4 - Ordered to be paid
 235523 William Newby 3 - Ordered to be paid
 252138 Elizabeth Brown 1.1.6 Ordered to be paid
 252162 William Townrow - 9.6 Ordered to be paid

The Managing Director reported that he had drawn the following Cheque n^o 319 weekly Salaries £34.1.1

Read the following Report received from Messrs Leifchild:
 To the Chairman and Directors of the County Fire Office
 Gentlemen,
 Agreeably to instructions received from

Mr. Beaumont I have taken a general view
of the Wimbledon Park Estate, more particularly
with the view of giving my opinion respecting
the Timber of which a considerable quantity
requires to be felled -

Many of the Trees have been long past
their growth & are consequently very defective
and many others are neither useful nor
ornamental to the property - This is especially
the case with those in that portion called
"the sixty acres".

The woods Belts and plantations require
much careful thinning in order to allow the
free growth of young Trees - as well as to open
up extensive views in front of the Mansion,
which are at present ^{entirely} lost -

The greater part of the Trees standing in that
portion of the land which possesses peculiar
advantages for Building purposes, should
be cleared off leaving only such as are
ornamental -

The Duke of Somerset is anxious to have
many of the Trees removed from his pleasure
grounds, and others require to be taken from
the westhill side of the Estate

On the whole therefore I am clearly of
opinion that a careful judicious selection
of Timber from the various points referred to
will certainly improve the general appearance
of the property -

Should the Board require further
information on the subject I shall be
happy to wait on them at any time they
may please to appoint -

89. Approved of the Transfer of three shares from the Executors of S. Middlemore to William Gibson Esq^r and two shares to B. S. Oliver Esq^r
90. Ordered that Messrs Drummonds be requested to purchase £5000 Exchequer Bills for the account of this Office.
91. Took into consideration Mr. Moxon's application and deferred the consideration thereof
92. Read letter from Messrs Adams Hens and authorized them to inform the insured that the Office would indemnify them for explosions by gas.

Read and approved 21st Dec^r 1849

Arthur Minard

Board of Directors December 21st 1849

Present The Honble Arthur Minard. Chair	
Thomas Edward Dicey Esq ^r	Sir Rich ^d D. King Bart
John Deering Esq ^r	Capt ^m William
James Alderson M.D.	Red ^{ft} Squire Esq ^r
Thomas Hagger Esq ^r	The Rev ^d Jas Sherman
Robt Wheeler Esq ^r	J. A. Beaumont Esq ^r

Read and approved the Minutes of the last Board examined the Bankers' Cash and Bill accounts as per their Statement and the Office Books which were found to agree and the Cash Balance in the Bankers' hands to be £4802. 3. 9 -

to consideration the following Claims

Pol. 145379	Lewis Fortescue	£200. 1. 3	Ordered to be paid
250668	James Kerice	107. 16. 6	Ordered at £90.-
265759	Joseph Fred. Farley	40. ---	Ordered to be paid
125300	Joseph King	23. ---	Ordered to be paid
250476	John Kitfield	1. 15. 9	Ordered to be paid
662958	Mary Badcock	1. 6. ---	Ordered to be paid
243846			
240534	W. M. Sounceby	1. 5. ---	Ordered to be paid
241837	Henry Westcott	--- 17. ---	Ordered to be paid

The Managing Director reported that he had drawn the following Cheques h^o 325 weekly Salaries £34. 1. 1 h^o 327. Policy Stamps £50.-

Mr. Leifchild attended and stated he had now made a further Survey of the Wimbeldon and Westhill Estates and confirmed his former Report of the necessity of cutting down a portion of the Timber thereon -

Read and approved - 28th December 1849
A. Munroe

Board of Directors

December 28th 1849

Present The Honble A. Munroe - Chair Mr. D. Dacey Esq. Jas. Alderson Esq. Robt. Wheeler Esq. J. A. Braumant Esq.	The Rev. Jas. Norman Fred. Squire Esq. Capt. Williams S. A. Braumant Esq.
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Read and approved the Minutes of the last Board examined the Bankers' Cash and Bill accounts as per their Statement and the Office Books which were found to agree and then