you feel committed by any movement, though I think you are more free than myself, you will do more for your own interest by being passive than you could by the most active steps in favor of the other. Please speak to your colleague on the matter; and should you find it necessary to write to me on the subject again I would recommend you to seal your letter.

With sentiments of deep respect I am

Yours very faithfully

E Malone

Captain O'Shea
M.P.

Kilfinachta,
Sixmilebridge
Co. Clare Aug. 11th 81

My dear sir, In reply to a note from The O'Gorman Mahon I write by this post to him, recommending the nomination of Miss Bridget Fitzgerald as Postmistress here. I the more readily write as he stated that he wished you to get the entire credit of the appointment; and I appreciate and will endeavour to give effect to his generous wishes.

You need not stir in the matter if you would be at all ~~to~~ embarrassed by anything done in favor of the other

Candidate. If I were to consult my own private feeling I would recommend perhaps another, but not so popular. Her father I suppose was and will be your supporter: She is connected with the surrounding country and the whole of Sixmilebridge.

Ever since I received your letter I felt somewhat embarrassed. The other applicant is the daughter of a Northern Protestant Policeman without any connections. She is the nominee of the representatives of the old Orange party in Clare, as you could have seen by their names, and she is the only Protestant Catholic in the town. However I did not wish to refuse my signature as none of my parishioners had spoken to me of the situation, and as I did not know how ye wished to stand in relation to the Government. But when I received your letter I more clearly saw the lie of the ground & did not move. But on receipt of the O'Gorman Mahon's very disinterested letter yesterday and learnt that it was not yet too late I think it a pity not to do something for popular principles. I felt a little awkard at having signed the memorial though done as a mere matter of form. For all the others had signed before me. It was a mere afterthought, the asking for my signature and for a letter to you which I refused to give. If, as I said, you

Ennis Union

Copy of a Resolution adopted at the Meeting of the Board of Guardians held on Wednesday the 20th July 1881.

John Cullinan Esqr in the Chair

Resolved Unanimously

That the Local Government Board in Ireland be requested to use their influence with the Government to have one half the cost of the Seed Potatoes, Seed Oats and Barley under the Seed Supply Act, remitted and that the other half be levied in four yearly instalments instead of two years. The Small Farmers of this Union the Guardians are happy to say recovering from the effects of three bad Seasons. Landlords, Shopkeepers, and Traders of this part of the County have all been indulgent to the people and it is hoped that the Government, remembering the poverty of the people in the West and South of Ireland, will take this matter into consideration, bearing in mind that the Seed Potatoes necessarily cost about three times the Ordinary prices, and those of the Seed Oats and Barley much in excess of their ordinary market prices. in consequence of the great difficulty and expense of procuring and importing new and Superior Seed.

That our County and Borough Members be requested to use their influence with the Government in having the foregoing Resolution carried into effect.

I Do Hereby Certify that the above is a true Copy of a Resolution adopted at a Meeting of the Board of Guardians held on Wednesday the 20th July 1881.

John Cullinan Chairman

Countersigned

John Cotter

Clerk of the Union

1881

Ennis National Teachers' Association.

At a meeting of the above named Association held on Saturday July 16th 1881: 14 members present, it was unanimously passed:-

"That the best thanks of this meeting are due and hereby tendered to Col. The O'Gorman Mahon M.P. for having obtained a Retiring Gratuity for Mr Denis Scanlan

formerly Teacher of the Lissycasey National School, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Gentleman".

Signed on behalf of the meeting.

J. O'Donohue
Hon Secretary
Kilmaly N.S
Ennis

Rec'd Naughton
r r.
July 15. 81

Kilcoy East July 15th 81.

My dear Sir.

I feel very grateful for the trouble you have taken about poor Scanlan. He was a most deserving man but owing to the fact that he did not design he got no compensation until you took his business in hands I am certain he

make good use of the
money he got. I hope you
will get us a good land bill

I am your faithful
D Vaughan
Col. The O'Gorman Mahon
M.P.

who I am, and what
I want. Knowing you
story in its straightforward
truth. May God bless,
and strike Grace you
take the work & done,
and after take you
to take greater Honour

In the interim
most faithfully
Westcott W. W. Greene
No. 2. Woodside Terrace
Douglas, Isle of Man

Douglas,
July 14
81

My Dear Sir,

Pressing over the
formality of an apology
I just state that in
perusing the columns
of an English news-
paper I read, with
deep interest that the
name of J. O'Gorman Mahon
still exists, unblemished
under the well deserved

the home of his
Country, those most
Honours — I contracted
my own debt with.

You can remember
Edward Keene,
Magistrate of Ennis,
Both Dear I am
told Son Your name
I well remember
A household word in
my dear Irish home
I served in the Crimea
have a little pension
but have a Wife and
Six children their
education and future
prospects bitterly distress
me 5 of them are girls
Is there any situation,
my dear friend at your
disposal, that You
would remember me
for, that I might
be better able to meet
my family's wants?
I simply tell You

Post Office, Crawford St.

Marylebone July 9th 1881

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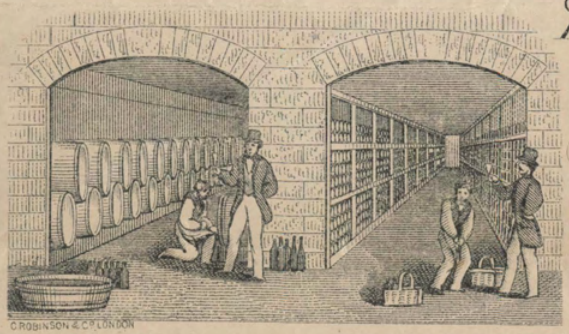

Bought of Chew & Comp.y

Family Grocers.

WINE, SPIRIT & BOTTLED BEER MERCHANTS.

Branch Stores,- BAYSWATER & ACTON.

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Paid

Same time

S. Hilly

Lundi, 4 Juillet 81

Paris

Cher Colonel,

Il est 8 heures du matin, on m'apporte de votre ancien domicile un billet pour aller toucher la somme de 265 fr 30 qui a été remis le 6 Juin dernier chez votre ancienne Concierge. Vous comme

dans la plus mortelle inquiétude, n'ayant rien entendu parler, d'autant plus que je vous avais écris ce qui il en était avant le départ des 6 jours. Je vous en prie prenez cela dans vous ; Julien est encore allé chez lui pour demander à ses parents de lui donner de l'argent, ils ne veulent rien faire avant que les récoltes soient finies. Allez ce n'est pas la mauvaise volonté de payer qui nous retient. En grâce écrivez-moi deux mots, dites-moi comment il se fait que je reçois aujourd'hui ce billet qui est daté du 6 juin, deux lignes par le retour du courrier.

En attendant, je suis plus inquiète que jamais

Toute à vous

Anna

30. Avenue des Gobelins

Paris 1er Juillet 81

Bien Cher Colonel,

Il n'y a que quelques jours que je suis mieux ; sans cesse j'ai tenu sur deux jours, un jour le lit. Depuis longtemps je veux vous écrire et toujours je me suis vue forcée de remettre, car les forces me manquaient.

Où êtes-vous, que faites-vous ! Par ces immenses chaleurs si la Chambre n'est pas close, combien devez-vous être errante ! Constamment je pense à vous, je parle de vous ! En ce moment Mme est avec nous ; elle est venue à la Pentecôte pour me soigner, car à cette

Le 5 Juillet je viens de recevoir votre aimable lettre, je vous remercie de votre souvenir et de votre sympathie.

époque j'étais très-souffrante, elle me charge de mille choses pour vous.

Maintenant écoutez : " Vous savez que je vous ai dit que j'irais au mois de Juillet vous voir, et qu'alors nous reviendrions ensemble à Paris, où vous pourriez vous reposer de toutes vos longues et pénibles veilles parlementaires. Le moment est arrivé et je viens vous demander quelle est l'époque, ou plutôt la date de ce mois qui vous conviendrait le mieux. Pour cela il faudrait naturellement que vous ne soyez plus si occupé, et que les huit jours que j'irai passer auprès de vous, soient tout à fait à nous deux.

Ecrivez-moi deux mots, il y a si longtemps que je n'ai eu le plaisir de vous lire ! En attendant croyez-moi, je serai la plus heureuse des créatures de me revoir pour huit longs jours avec vous.

Votre enfant affectionnée

Anna.

any case --

This dragging of Irishmen
to London to get paltry
Commutation is after spending
perhaps the fourth part of
them in the journey & delays
&c besides leaving their
business - does seem
to me a very stupid and
big-headed English to
centralize it so -
Can anything be done to
cure this glaring absurdity.
Ever my dear Colonel
Your very faithful
Phelps Dwyer
Send papers, & please return

Brandon Street Cottage
July 25 1881

My dear Colonel

If you want to get a
good thing in the way of
a question of the Miseries
as to stupid centralization
injuriously affecting Irish
men & Irish interests, I
can give it to you -

The following is from "The
Form" instructions to persons
who may desire to commute
Civil compensation allowances

under the Pensions-act 1871."

1 —
2 — } all reasonable
3 —

4." The Commutation Board
" will require the persons to
" give such information as to
" their health & habits as
" is usual in the case of
" persons proposing to assure
" their lives in assurance
" Companies. And he will
" be required to submit
" himself for personal Exa-
" mination at the Office
" of the Board at the
" National
" Debt-office, 19 Old Jewry
" in the City of London —

Having a miserable allowance under the Pensions Act of 1865 — the applications for which are very troublesome ones. I asked leave to Commute, and when I offered to be examined before any Medical or other Board in Limerick or Dublin — was informed officially that "The Pensions Commutation Commissioners are unable to interfere with the rules or depart from them in

GENERAL PENSIONS BOARD
DUBLIN CASTLE

Dublin Castle
18th July 1881.

10.421

Sir,

I am directed by the General Pensions Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. stating your desire to commute your pension as late Revenue Officer and in reply I am to inform you that if you comply with the instructions on the subject in the annexed form, & transmit the particulars therein required to this office, the General Pensions Board will submit your application to commute that portion of the pension payable to you out of Imperial Funds, to the Pensions Commutation Commissioners.

I am,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,

Richard Belgrave
Chief Clerk.

The Rev
Philip Dwyer
Swinford
Mayo.

Dep. reply

West Cliffe Melton malbey

July 21. 1881

To Rich Clegg Esq.re
Chief Clerk Prom.rs Board.

Dear Sir

I am to acknowledge recpt of yr letter 18th inst. and in compliance with the instructions sent therewith, I beg to submit
1st That my office has been abolished under a new organization of Promotions and an annual pension granted to me, - part of which is payable out of the Imperial fund
2nd That I wish to Commute this payment for a lump sum.
3rd That I am prepared to comply with the instructions & follow the course directed as regards
4 - That I do not think it necessary to enter into any statement of my health & habits as any Insurance Co.y might require for their protection. And I request that particulars as to this may be sent to me

But I do most respectfully submit that the Expense of my going to London to appear before the National Debt Offices will be a very heavy deduction from the small sum to be rec.d. Also that I would go (if necessary) provided an allowance for travelling Expenses was sent to me & guaranteed on my passing any Medical Examination. Further I would venture to submit that I do go to Dublin or appear before the Inland Revenue Officers in Limerick where the Medical Officers of any of the great Insurance Co.s or any Army Surgeons in either of such places - as I have already done. But that the Expenses of such a journey as from this place to London would almost preclude the possibility of my Commuting at all & thus of losing the benefit of a Contingent payment of a trifling sum -

Waiting further instructions & respectfully submitting the foregoing. I am yr obed.t Serv.t P.D.

(A.)

Form of Instructions to Persons who may desire to commute Civil Compensation Allowances, under the Pensions Commutation Act, 1871.

1. Any person who has retired or has been removed from a public civil office * *in consequence of the abolition of his office, or for the purpose of facilitating improvements in the organisation of the Department to which he belonged,* to whom an annual pension has been granted by way of compensation for such retirement or removal, and who may be desirous of commuting such pension under the Pensions Commutation Act of 1871, must make application in writing to the head or heads of the Department to which he belonged, stating his desire so to commute, and furnishing information as to his age, the office which he held, and the amount of his compensation allowance.

2. If the head of the Department to which he belonged shall think proper to recommend the commutation under the fourth clause of the 4th section of the Act, the person will be so informed by the head of the Department, and his application will be forwarded to the Commutation Board for consideration.

3. The person will then receive further instructions from that Board.

4. The Commutation Board will require the person to give such information as to his health and habits as is usual in the case of persons proposing to assure their lives in assurance companies, and he will be required to submit himself for personal examination at the office of the Board at the National Debt Office, 19, Old Jewry, in the City of London.

5. The basis of the commutation will be the following Table, subject to an addition of years of age in the case of impaired lives.

Age next Birthday.	Number of Years' Purchase.	Present Value of the Annuity of £100.	Age next Birthday.	Number of Years' Purchase.	Present Value of the Annuity of £100.
		£ s. d.			£ s. d.
21	15·00258	1,500 5 2	51	11·21356	1,121 7 1
22	14·96111	1,496 2 3	52	10·98145	1,098 2 11
23	14·92519	1,492 10 5	53	10·75133	1,075 2 8
24	14·88969	1,488 19 5	54	10·52560	1,052 11 3
25	14·85191	1,485 3 10	55	10·30351	1,030 7 0
26	14·80890	1,480 17 10	56	10·08363	1,008 7 3
27	14·74746	1,474 14 11	57	9·86670	986 13 5
28	14·67951	1,467 19 0	58	9·64896	964 17 11
29	14·60551	1,460 11 0	59	9·42649	942 13 0
30	14·52581	1,452 11 8	60	9·19800	919 16 0
31	14·44054	1,444 1 1	61	8·95666	895 13 4
32	14·35005	1,435 0 1	62	8·70132	870 2 8
33	14·25257	1,425 5 2	63	8·43435	843 8 8
34	14·14731	1,414 14 8	64	8·16571	816 11 5
35	14·03442	1,403 8 10	65	7·89583	789 11 8
36	13·91478	1,391 9 7	66	7·62437	762 8 9
37	13·79016	1,379 0 4	67	7·37082	737 1 8
38	13·66060	1,366 1 2	68	7·11881	711 17 8
39	13·52738	1,352 14 9	69	6·86850	686 17 0
40	13·38854	1,338 17 1	70	6·62170	662 3 5
41	13·24313	1,324 6 3	71	6·38068	638 1 4
42	13·08568	1,308 11 4	72	6·14448	614 8 11
43	12·92050	1,292 1 0	73	5·90561	590 11 3
44	12·74483	1,274 9 8	74	5·65540	565 10 10
45	12·55834	1,255 16 8	75	5·39538	539 10 9
46	12·36096	1,236 1 11	76	5·12566	512 11 4
47	12·14690	1,214 13 10	77	4·81532	481 10 8
48	11·92339	1,192 6 9	78	4·50565	450 11 3
49	11·69128	1,169 2 7	79	4·20762	420 15 3
50	11·45362	1,145 7 3	80	3·91477	391 9 6

* N.B.—By the 2nd section of the Act "the term 'public civil office' means any "office other than that of an officer in Her Majesty's Naval or Land Forces, the holder of "which is paid his remuneration out of the moneys provided by Parliament for supply "services."

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6. The amount of money to be paid in commutation of the pension will be fixed by the Treasury on the recommendation of the Commutation Board. The applicant will then be informed of the amount, and he will have the option of withdrawing his application on the payment of a fee of 3*l.* 3*s.* within 30 days after receiving that notice.

7. If the applicant shall not withdraw his application and pay the above fee within that period the decision will be considered final, and the commutation of pension will take place absolutely.

GENERAL PRISONS BOARD
DUBLIN CASTLE

Dublin Castle
22nd July 1881.

10,825.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 21st inst. I am directed by the General Prisons Board to inform you that they have no power to exempt you from proceeding to London for medical Examination should you proceed in your application to commute that portion of the pension payable to you as late Prison Officer, out of Imperial Funds, as they are unable to interfere with the rules in this respect laid down by the Pensions Commutation Commissioners, which they have informed this Board they are unable to depart from in any case.

I am Sir,
Your obedient Servant.
Richard Leyne
Chief Clerk.

The Rev
P. Dwyer
Bunratty
Ennis.

Strathleven House
Ryde Park. I. W

22nd July/81

My dear Sir

I need hardly assure you that there is no one whose appointment as a Commissioner I would more desire than yours — & I will do all I can.

You should however bring every other influence to bear that you can & get the other M. P.s to speak to Forster, the

more this letter.
I do not think
any thing like 20 will
be appointed. The
Government want to
cut them down as
much as possible
Yours very Truly
Mitchell Henry

The tenants are all happy and contented under him and he holds numerous letters expressing the deepest gratitude for past favours. Papa believes his appointment would be most acceptable to all parties especially to the tenantry of Galway and Mayo. I know he is a great favorite with the people all about our side of Galway they would do anything for him so as he has set his heart on this appointment He

4 Aylesbury Road
July 23rd/81.

My dear Colonel.

Papa wrote to ask your valuable assistance in getting him appointed Asst. Land Commissioner under these new rules however he directed his letter wrongly to the Grosvenor Club and only found out his mistake this morning so as he was obliged

to go out on business he deputed me to write in his stead. He got an answer from Mr Henry M.P. to his letter this morning, a copy of which I enclose.. Pray read & forward you will as usual do every thing in your power for him. He desires me say he had considerable experience over some 400 Tenants as Receiver and Agent & as a Tillage and grazing farmer over 1,000 acres of land. He was unanimously elected Vice chairman of the Portumna Union in place of the late Lord Westmeath and supported by the late Lord's Clanricarde and Westmeath (who resigned) Sir Thomas Burke and all the gentry in the Union. He had the almost sole control of the Union for many years While acting as Vice Chairman

may succeed. I think he finds time hang rather heavily on his hands in Town after spending all his life in the country. - Rose and her husband are in Derry with her sister in law. They start on the 12th of September for Switzerland.

Hoping I have not tired you with this long letter and joined by each in best love for you.

Believe me Dr Colonel

Yr very affectly Florence Fremantle

a left so badly. & The appointment would "make a man of me". I am sorry to say that poor C. Leo is in a very poor way. But he is dying and it is out of his power to deprive himself of his life Estate. I did that much good for him at all events. Trusted by all here in affectionate regards ever my dear Colonel.

Yours Truly
J. Redmond

Answ'd July 26. 81

4 Aylesbury Road
Dublin 21st July 81

My dear Olg. Mathew

I perceive that 20 assistant Land Commissioners are to be appointed by the Govt. and I have written to my kind kind good friend Mr. Winthrop Bury to use his influence to procure me one of the places. I told him that I am aged 28 & have over 400 tenants and that I have a pension as a retired and wounded

Farmer of 1000 acres.
That I was more
popular with the
tenantry of Mayo and
Galway than any other
man in either County.
& that I could submit
letters expressing the
greatest possible gratitude
for kindnesses bestowed.
That I have not interfered
in politics & that therefore
my name would be well
received by the Country of the
Country - in other words that
my appointment would be
a popular one. & well
received - May I hope
that you will do all you
can for me Dear Sir as
your hands are in a
great measure tied in
consequence of your
political opposition. but
if otherwise I know you
will do the best you can
for me. & bring not only
your own influence but
all the influence you
can procure in my
favour. I never wanted

4 Ashbourne Road
Dublin 27th July 81

My dear Mr.

I received your letter & called on Mr Downing & explained to him that I was a candidate myself & that I had written to you to that effect. That you must have made some mistake in the names. It was for fear you had interfered already with the Forsters about

a County Court Judgeship. Discovering that Jones a candidate. Downing of course did not expect that I would interfere for him. I wrote you a note last week in a hurry. Directed my letter "Grosvenor Square Club." But Polly wrote to you "Hanover Square Club." But it would appear you did not receive either of our letters. Now address this to the House of Commons. Mother & Emma unite in affectionate love

Yrs as ever

Jno. Bonner

Colonel The Honble Jno. Bonner
M. C.

SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE
POUR FAVORISER LE DÉVELOPPEMENT DU COMMERCE
ET DE L'INDUSTRIE EN FRANCE

CAPITAL : 120 MILLIONS DE FRANCS

SIÈGE SOCIAL :
56, Rue de Provence, 56

Paris, le 21 Juillet 1881

Messieurs Dupanloup Choquet et Julien Happe,
101, avenue de Choisy,
Paris.

Messieurs,

M.M. Ranson Bouverie de Londres nous chargent de vous faire savoir qu'ils acceptent le règlement de la traite protestée de £ 30. 8 dans les conditions suivantes.

10 £. comptant plus les frais et intérêts et le reste soit £ 20. 8, en un effet à deux mois aux mêmes noms et conçu dans les mêmes termes que le précédent.

Veuillez pour ce règlement avoir l'obligeance de passer à notre Service du Contentieux, 56, rue de Provence.

Veuillez agréer, Messieurs, l'assurance de notre considération distinguée.

Le Sous-Directeur

30. Avenue des Gobelins

Paris 25 Juillet 81

Cher Colonel,

Sous la dictée de Julien J'ai écrit à ces Mrs Ranson & Burdeau. Il leur a dit franchement le motif qui nous a forcés à ne point les rembourser, et leur demande de le faire, au lieu de toute

en une fois, à des intervalles moins rapprochés. De cette façon les L 30 se trouveront payées sans que la Chose soit aussi lourde que si nous étions obligés de les donner d'un seul coup. Vous devez bien penser que si nous n'avions à subir les exigeances de Parents qui nous en réduisent là, il y a longtemps que la Chose serait faite. Il fait moins chaud depuis quelques jours, aujourd'hui nous avons de la pluie autant que nous pouvons en désirer. J'aime à croire qu'il en est de même à Londres, car c'est bien pénible d'être forcé, comme vous le êtes, à siéger des nuits si longues par des chaleurs aussi torrides.

Mon Mari se joint à moi et vous dit mille choses aimables.

Toujours à vous

Anna.

30 Avenue des Gobelins

30 Juillet 81

Cher Colonel

Ci-joint la lettre que ces messieurs nous ont fait écrire et qui nous met dans le plus grand embarras. Comment voulez-vous que nous puissions répondre à un parcil engagement ? Ce mois-ci nous avons

dû payer votre loyer,
le mois prochain vous
avons deux traites, par
quels moyens pourrons-
nous arriver à leur
donner £10 aujourd'hui ?

Depuis mardi je
suis dans mon lit,
le médecin vient deux
fois par jour, et en
ce moment je vous
griffonne ces deux
lignes de mon lit

En demandant du
temps à ces messieurs
nous voudrions dire de
les payer en différentes
fois, mais non pas en
paiements éloignés
et rapprochés

Enfin voyez je vous
en prie, pour nous
nous savons de quel
côté nous tourner

Je vous quitte, je
n'en puis plus, et
ce pauvre Julien est
à moi dans qui travaille
comme un mercenaire

Votre affectionné

Roxton
Boro Fyi
30 July
1881

Dear Mahon,

The Office of Postmaster of Boro Fyi is vacant and in my opinion the only fit person, for reasons which I shall mention when next I see you, is

Thomas Mullins,
Land Surveyor
& Emigration agent
Will you be so
kind as write
a note to the
C. Forman Mahon
with whom as
Senior Member
the Communication
rests asking him

to name Mullins
who is highly
respectable
in every respect
suitable - Pray
lose no time - &
oblige.

Yours truly
L. D. Wilson