

At a meeting of the Women's Suff & P. L. G. Comtee
October 4th 1898 -

J. J. Hallam in the chair -

present - Mr. Doekrell, Mr. Duceau, Mr. & Mrs.
Hallam, Miss Hillis, Mrs. Hoff, Mrs. Malon,
Miss Smithson, Miss C. A. White, Miss Du Pre Wilton
& Mrs. Susan Nicolson

The minutes of last meeting were read & signed -
Hon Sec reported £10-18-0 in hand - Lodged in
P. O. Savings Bank £10-0-0 - Several subscriptions ^{still} due.
The Hon Sec reported that the Local Govt Board still
refuse to sanction the appointment of A. Magill -
& have also refused to receive the proposed deputa-
tion from the Guardians of the Clapham Union & other
Gentlemen - an interesting letter was read from
Miss Magill - also extracts from papers -

The Hon Sec also reported that she had attended
several of the Revision Courts, & found the experience
a most educative one - a very large number
of women have been registered in Dublin & suburbs
including over 1500 in the Rathmines Township -
The proposed League entitled "The Local Govt
Act" was again discussed & it was decided to

In consideration of the very large increase of local work
imposed on the Society by the passing of the R. G. Act,
print 1000 copies in the first instance of the following
Resolution was proposed by Mr. Duceau - seconded
by Miss C. White & carried unanimously -
"That the name of the Society should be henceforth
changed to 'The Dublin W. Suff. & Local Govt
Association' -"

Great much regret was expressed at the Report that the
Corporation have decided not to appoint a Lady Sani-
tary Inspector in Dublin, Mr. Hon Sec was directed
to address a letter to the Corporation remonstrating
with them on the subject - The question of
Women being appointed Dispenfary Drs in the
Country Districts was also discussed - but it
was decided to take no public action at
present -

It was decided that as an experiment the
next meeting of the Committee should be held at
Twelve o'clock -

Thomas J. Hallam
8th Nov 98

At a meeting of the Committee of the W. Saff
& Local Gov. Association Nov 8th 98 -

Mr. J. J. Haslam in the chair -

Present - Dr. W. Dickson, Mr. Dockrell, Mr. Drucan
Mrs. Harpore, Miss J. Harper, Mr. & Mrs. Haslam, Miss Hill,
Mr. Ladd, Dr. H. Maguire, Mr. J. W. Ruskell
Miss Smithson, Miss White, Miss Wilson, Miss Wolfe
Visitors Mademoiselle Beigle - Mrs. Heenan ^{the latter} who after
wards joined the association & at the end Miss Lov -
The minutes of each meeting were read & signed
Hon Sec reported £10-8-6 - several subscriptions
still due - some handed in at close of meeting -
The Hon Sec reports that nearly 10,000 women
had been registered in the city & South Co-Suburbs
& much satisfaction was expressed at the result
of licence. 2,000 copies of the leaflet - L. G.
Act had been printed, & 500 copies received from
Miss Polackbaron of reprint from the E. W. Review
on Irishwomen & the L. G. Act - several hundred
copies of these leaflets have already been sent out
Some doubt having been expressed as to the
meaning of the Residential clause of the
L. G. Act - the Hon Sec had written to the L. G. Sec

requesting an explanation - their reply
was most satisfactory & had been sent to the
5 Dublin daily papers - & appeared in 3 of them.
Copy of letter to the Public Health Committee
relative to the appointment of women as
Sanitary Inspectors was read & approved.
A Draft of proposed letter to about 60 of our
leading Irish newspapers, explaining the
Residential clause was read & approved
& directed to be sent forward -
Several interesting letters were read
from Belfast - London &c -
It was suggested by Mrs. Heenan that a
meeting of women should be held in
Kingsdown at which Mrs. Haslam should
read an address on the public duties of
Irishwomen - Mrs. Heenan undertakes to
make further arrangements -
The Committee then adjourned.

Thomas J. Haslam
6/12/98

At a meeting of the Committee of the W.S.
& Local Govt. Association Dec 6th 1898

Mr. J. J. Hallam in chair -

Present Mrs M. Doonell - Dr. W. E. Dickson Mrs J.
Dunnean, Mrs Hankley, Mr & Mrs Hallam, Miss Hillier
Mrs Haff, Mrs Ladd, Miss McDowell, Miss McNeill
Mrs Richardson, Mrs J. J. Shaw, Mr & Mrs Shackleton
Mrs Swain, Miss C. White, Miss DuPre Wilson
Misses, Mrs G. Coffey, Miss J. Garry, Miss L'Ettrange
Mrs Orr, Mrs L. G. Dickell ^{Miss Woodside} Here ladies all

joined the Association at close of meeting -

The minutes of last meeting were read & signed -
Don See reported £ 13 - 8 - 2 in hand -

Letter was read from Sir C. Cameron. P. H. Committee
advising that they had appointed Mrs Smith as Sani-
tary Inspector on trial for 3 months, & they hoped
another lady Sanitary officer would also be appointed -

Much disappointment was expressed at the decision
of the 3 Judges in the Court of Appeal against Mrs Curry's
name being retained on the list of electors in Derry -
on the other hand great satisfaction was expressed at
the election of Miss Rathbourne as Guardian
of the North Dublin Union.

Report received from Kingstown good reason to expect
that an efficient Local Association will be formed there
Nearly 20 letters were read or reported from various
towns throughout Ireland, many of them expressing
a strong wish for the formation of a local association
The following resolution was proposed by Dr. W. E. Dickson
seconded by Mrs Dunnean & carried unanimously -
That Mr Hallam be authorized by the Committee to go
to the following places: Belfast - Dungannon &c
& that he be authorized to spend from £ 5. to £ 10 - on
travelling expenses - expenses of meeting to be de-
frayed by the Local Association -

It was decided to send the Calendar of 3rd & subscribers
of 5/- & upwards, as well as the Local Committee -
It was also decided that a subscription of 1/- or upwards
should entitle to membership -

The Hon Secs were instructed to have draft of Annual
Report ready for next meeting of Committee
The accounts to be audited as heretofore by
Miss Isabel W. Harper -

Thomas J. Hallam
10 Dec^r 1899

At a meeting of the Committee of the Womens
Suff & Local Govt. Association July 10th 1899
5 Rutace St. T. J. Harlan in the Chair
Present - Mrs. Maudie Dockrell - Mrs. J. Drucan
Mrs. Egan - Miss J. W. Harper - Miss Harrey - Mr. & Mrs. Harlan
Miss Hilles - Mrs. Ladd - Miss Mc'Donnell - Mrs. J. J. Shaw
Mrs. J. Loran - Mrs. Ethel Tickell - Miss C. E. White - Miss
Du Rue Wilson - Miss Wolfe - Visitors.
Miss Charles. Stannell - & Miss H. Waneu - who afterwards
joined the Committee -

The minutes of last meeting were read & signed -
£16-8-4 balance from 1898 in hand -

The Report & statement of account was read -
It was prepared by Mrs. Dockrell - seconded by
Miss C. E. White & carried unanimously
That 1000 copies be printed & circulated amongst
the subscribers & friends of the Association -
The list of proposed Committee for 99 was read,
approved & further names added to be printed
with Report -

It was proposed by Miss C. E. White seconded by Miss
Du Rue Wilson & carried unanimously that
£3-0-0 be sent to the London ^{Womens} Local Govt. Socy -

as a contribution towards their expenses in pre-
paring a statement of A. Magills case & be sent
to each member of the House of Commons -
The usual subscriptions to London viz 2/- to
the Central W. Suff - 5/- to Poor Law Guardians,
& 5/- to Womens Workings Association were directed to
be sent forward -

The Hon Sec was em-
powered to sign the Memorial to the Clapham Guardians
prepared by the London W. S. A. & already signed by a
large number of the Secs of English Societies -
The committee heard with pleasure of the formation of local
Committees in Kungstown & Coleraine - & that some
others are in process of formation -

The Hon Sec read a number of letters from various parts
of Ireland - enquiring as to qualifications & also with refer-
ence thereto prepared near the North -

Great satisfaction was expressed at the nomination of Mrs. M.
Dockrell for the Black Urban D.C. - some members of the
Committee volunteered to promote her return -

The Hon Sec was appointed delegate to the W. W. Council to be
held in London in June - Notice was given by the Secretary of the
Temperance Association, that they would be unable much longer to
allow the use of their room - The Hon Sec & members of the Com. were
instructed to enquire for suitable room elsewhere. Thomas J. Harlan
14/2/99

At a meeting of the Committee of the Women's
Suffrage & Local Govt Association -

July 14th 1899 - Mr J. J. Haslam in chair

Present - Mrs Maurice Dockrell, Mrs J. Duncan
Mrs Egan, Mrs Hasgrave, Miss J. Harper, Mr & Mrs Haslam
Miss Stiles, Mrs Hoff, Mrs Laird, Miss L'Estrange
Mrs Nelson, Miss De Dorell, Miss L. Smithson
Mrs Hill, Miss Fickell - Miss De B. Todd, Miss C. Esthete
Miss Du Pre Wilson, Miss Walpe -

visitors Mrs Henry, Mrs Hennessy. Mrs Beamish -
The two former joined the association at close of meeting
The minutes of last meeting were read & signed
Cash in hand £10-1-9 -

Mrs Haslam gave an account of her recent visit
to the north - Enthusiastic meetings were held in
Belfast, Derry, & Londonderry - Comagetic working
Committees were started in the two latter places -

Travelling expenses amounted £3-7-0 -

It was moved by Miss Harper, seconded by Miss Du Pre Wilson & carried
unanimously - That the Committee of the W.S.S.G.A. desire to convey
their sense of obligation & their best thanks, to the ladies who so
kindly entertained their Honble. under recent tour, & also their
unanimous good wishes for the success of the movement in the north
of Ireland. -

It was proposed by Mrs Duncan, seconded by Miss C. Esthete,
& carried unanimously, That the W.S.S.G.A. wish to tender
their best thanks to Mr. F. Peff - for his kindness in taking
charge of the W.S. Bill this Session, & for his continued
enthusiasm in the cause of W. Suff -

It was proposed by Miss Tod. & seconded by
& carried - That the following letter be sent to Miss L. Browne
in reply when criticised upon our Annual Report -
"Dear Madam - I read your letter to my Committee, & beg to
say in reply that the opinion of the Members was unanimous
one of regret that there should be any misunderstanding
between your Society & ours. Our aims are identical, & we
have no wish to detract in any way from a due acknowlege-
ment of all you have done; & we shall be glad to be assured
that the same spirit prevails on both sides" -

A letter having been recd from the Staupfeld Trust - It was de-
cided to send 2/- for the scrutineers reports for 1899 -
It was decided to further in every possible way the return
of the various women proposed as P.L. Guardians -
Mrs Moriarty having informed us that our continued meeting in
St. Eustace St. was inconvenient to his association - a note of thanks
was passed for their many years kindness & 10/- subscription was
directed to be paid - It was decided that in future the Committee meet
at Miss Gardiner's - 2 Lower Street - payment 5/- for each meeting -
Thomas J. Henry
25/2/99

At a meeting of the Committee of the
W. Suffrage & Local Govt Association
held at 2 Leinster Street Feb 28th 1899 -

at 11-30 on ^{Mr J. J. Hallam in the chair -}
Present ^{Mr Coffey} - Mr M. Dockrell, Mr J. Duncan -
Mr Egan - Miss Gardner, Mrs Harron - Mr Haully,
Mr Wm Hallam - Mr Kennelly - Miss Miller -
Mr Ladd - Miss Mc Donnell - Mr Shaw - Miss L.
Smithson, Mr Swain, Mr Will Dickell -
Miss Todd - Miss Warren, Miss Wilson Miss Wolfe
Misson Mr Beamish, Mr Browne - Mr Chandler - Mr
Fitzgibbon -

Minutes of last meeting were read & signed -
Cash in hand £5-3-4 -

A letter was read from Mr F. Begg, acknowledging
thanks from the Committee on his kind taking
charge of our Bill which however owing to the
ill fortune of the Ballot is never likely to reach its
2nd Reading during the present Session -
The Hon Sec reported that Sir Charles Dilke had
obtained an early date for his Bill conferring
all the Franchises upon all women & throwing
open seats in both Houses of Parliament to them &c

The Committee wish to place on record their strong
disapproval of such a measure -
In view of the approaching election of P.R. Guardians
several present volunteered to assist in canvassing
for Mr Colgrave - Mr Egan - Mr Dockrell, Mr
Laurendon, Mr Fitzgibbon & Miss Raskbourn -
It was decided to postpone holding any public
meeting to promote the objects of the Association
in Dublin at present -

The day & hour for holding Committee
meetings in future were discussed - &
11-30 - on the 2nd Thursday in the month
was finally approved for trial as an
experiment -

Thomas J. Sturbum
9/3 99

At a meeting of the Committee of the Women's
Suffrage & Local Govt. Assn. March 9th 1899 at
2 Leinster St. - Mr. T. J. Hallam in chair -
Present Mrs. Beaumish, Mrs. F. Coffey, Dr. W. E.
Dickson, Mrs. Dockrell, Mrs. Drucan, Mrs. Egan,
Mrs. Hangrave, Mrs. Harkly, Mr. & Mrs. Hallam, Miss Hedges,
Mrs. Ladd, Miss M^cDonnell, Dr. McMaquair, Miss Smithson,
Mrs. Swan, Mrs. Hill Dickell, Miss M. Warren,
Miss C. White, Miss DuPae Wilson, Miss Wolfe -
Visitors Miss Billiland, Miss Rathbone, Miss Stevens -
The minutes of last meeting were read & signed -
Cash in hand - £ 5 - 3 ⁶/₄ - Subscriptions handed in at
close of meeting Mrs. Hangrave 10/- Mrs. Swan 2/6 Miss Wolfe 4/-
Letters were read from Mrs. F. Begg & Miss Polackton
& the Circular from the Joint Committee in England
relative to the Resolutions, wh. Mrs. Begg & Mrs.
Fairbank are to propose on March 28th Drafts
of letters to Irish Members favourable to them
copies of which had been sent to the Hon. Sec. to the County Committees
were read & the following Resolution
was moved by Dr. W. Dickson - seconded by Mrs.
Harkly & carried unanimously. That the letter
be adopted, & sent to all the Irish Members &
that the ladies present be requested to write to as

many M. P.'s as they think advisable -
The prospects of the lady candidate in Dublin
& suburbs was discussed - Mrs. Beaumish gave in
formation regarding the work of her Committee
in Kingstown, Dalry etc - Several ladies
present volunteered to assist in every way in
their power - the return of Mrs. Dockrell - Mrs. Egan
Mrs. M^cDonnell Cochrane - Mrs. Laurenton - Miss Rath-
borne - & Miss Bourton - Much satisfaction
was expressed at the return of Lady Gilbert
unopposed for Blackrock Division: Rathdown
Union - The Committee wait with feverish
anxiety - the return of April 6th -

Thomas J. Hallam
13/4/99

At a meeting of the Women's Suffrage S. G.
Association - Committee April 13 - 1899
at 2 Leinster Street - Mr J. J. Haslam in the chair
Present, Miss Bennett, Mrs M. Dockrell, Mrs Egan
Mr & Mrs Haslam, Mr Ladd, Miss Mc Dowell
Miss H. Bullon, Miss Smithson, Mrs Stanwell -
Miss M. B. Todd, Miss A. Warden, Miss C. White -
Miss Dupre Wilson -

The Minutes of last meeting were read & signed -
Cash in hand £ ~~17/11/6~~ ^{19/11/6} - recd at close of meeting
Miss White 2/- Miss Wilson 2/- Miss Bennett 2/6 Lady Gilbert ^{2/6}
Lady Gilbert was unanimously co-opted a member of the Committee
The Hon Sec reported that letters were sent to all the Irish
M.P.'s 105 - soliciting their presence vote on March 28th
Similar letters were also sent from the Committee at
Belfast, Dungannon, & Kibberdeen - & from several
individual members of the Association. Much
disappointment was expressed, at the loss of the day, but
it was confidently hoped, that these letters, would have
some influence, in manifesting the increased
interest in the subject taken by Irish women.
The Hon Sec reported that a Memorial is about to be
issued by the W. S. Association in England - protesting

against the unsatisfactory manner in which our Bill
is being dealt with by the Govt & others authorized to
send out copies of same for signature to all practical
workers in Ireland. The Hon Sec reported
that 62 women had been elected as P. L. Gs - 12 of
them Rural D. Cs - It was decided to print 4,000
copies of a leaflet containing the names of the
Urban - Rural D. Cs & P. L. Gs - & also to prepare a fresh
leaflet of suggestions for intending workers under
the L. G. Act, & submit ^{it} at the next meeting of Committee
Interesting letters were read from numerous ladies
in all parts of ^{the} Ireland country - also a letter
enclosing subscription from the Very Rev. Father
Peter O. M. J. joining the Association & Great
satisfaction was felt at the triumphant re-
election of Mrs Macdonell Colgrave; on the other
hand much grief was expressed at the non-election
of Mrs Laurendon, Miss Bourton, Mrs H. Thompson
Miss Murphy & Miss Rowan Tralee in their respec-
tive unions.

Margaret S. Dockrell
11. May 1899

At a meeting of the Committee of the Women's
S. & Local G. Association May 11th 99 - 2 Leinster Street

Mrs M. Dockrell R. D. C. - in chair -

Present Dr. W. E. Dickson - Mrs Dockrell, Mrs J. Dunne
Mrs Egan, Mrs Hartley - Mr & Mrs Haslam, Miss Hillis
Mrs Ladd, Miss L'Ettrange, Miss McKelvie, Mrs J. Shan
Miss Smithson, Mrs W. Tickell - Miss C. White, Miss Dr. Wilson

Minutes of last meeting were read & signed -

Cash in hand £14-9-8. Several subscriptions having
been received since last meeting. At the close of Mrs Dockrell's
report she reported that she had received several ^{2/6} ^{to Miss} ^{Dr. Wilson} ^{& setting} ^{up} ^{the} ^{Memorial};
the Memorial; & ladies present signed & were urged
to collect in more names of workers -

The leaflet, which had been prepared by Mr. Haslam & which
the Hon Sec reported had been submitted to some
legal gentlemen & a few suggestions made by them,
was considered - much discussion ensued on the
various important clauses & after some verbal alterations
was unanimously passed. A vote of thanks
to Mr. Haslam was proposed by
Dr. W. E. Dickson - seconded by Miss C. E. White
was warmly carried - 1000 copies were directed
to be printed & circulated - it was suggested that

6 per doz should be charged to non-members -
* The Committee adjourned sine die -
to be called together any time the Hon Sec
felt there was a necessity -
* Letters were read & others reported from
a number of ladies verifying their election
as P. L. Gs - & enclosing subscriptions -
also letters relative to the International
Congress to be held in London in June -

M. S. Dockrell
31. May 1899.

At a meeting of the Committee of the W.
Suffrage & Local G. Association June 1st 99
at 2 Leinster Street - Mr M. Dockrell in chair
Present - ^{Mr G. Coffey} Mr Dockrell - Mr J. Duncan, Mr Harrgrave
Mr & Mrs Haslam, Mrs Skilles, Mr Ladd, Mrs L'Ettrange
Mrs Mc Dowell, Mrs Smithson, Mrs M. Lickell, Mrs Todd.
Mrs Co. & White - Mrs Duff & Wilton -
Minutes of last meeting were read & signed -
Cash on hand £17-16 -

Letter was read from Mrs Blackburn relative to
the Memorial which has not yet been finally completed -
about 200 signatures had been forwarded from Ireland.
Letters were read from the London Women's Local Govt
association, soliciting our help in inducing our
Irish members, to vote for the inclusion of women
as Councillors & Aldermen in the London Govt Bill
when it comes before the House on the Report
stage next week - Draft of letter to the
M. P.'s & also to the County Committee was
read, & approved & copies of same directed to
be forwarded at once - Several ladies also under-
took to write to members.

The Sec reports that 250 copies of the Suggestions

had been printed & distributed - Some few further
emendations were considered, & finally it
was decided to print 750 copies of the revised
form - A letter was read from
Mrs Leigh Browne asking for further help
in obtaining legal opinion, on the new order
of the L. G. Board - prohibiting the Co. Councils
in Ireland from appointing women as Rate
Collectors. The committee decided to
do nothing further at present in the matter.
Some subscriptions were handed in at
close of meeting -

& the committee adjourned sine die -

M. S. Dockrell
14th Sept. 1899

At a meeting of the Committee of the W. Suff. & Local Govt. Association Sept 14 - 99
at 2 Leinster Street. Mrs M. Doerrill in chair.
Present, Miss Banett, Mrs Doerrill, Mrs J. Drinan
Mrs Egan, Mrs & Mrs Haslam, Mrs Keenan,
Miss Hilles, Miss Mc Donnell, Miss Oultore,
Mrs J. J. Shan, Miss L. Smithson, Mrs E. H. Tickell,
Miss Burton. Visitor -

The minutes of last meeting were read & signed -
Cash in hand £. 14-18-1 - many subscriptions
still due - Mrs Haslam reported that
she had attended the International Congress
in London June & July & that it was a great success.
Over 260 papers were contributed & most interesting
discussions took place in all the sections.
^{Six other} Five members of the Committee were also present.
The W. Suff. meeting in the Queens Hall was one
of the most distinguished ever held in the United
Kingdom -

A letter was read from Miss Jones, stating that we are
now entitled to elect a Representative on the Council of
the N. U. W. W. & it was proposed by Miss Banett -
seconded by Mrs Keenan & passed by acclamation

That Mrs Haslam be appointed, Representative of the
Dublin, W. S. & G. Association on the N. U. W. W.
It was decided in close of meeting to order the Reports of the ^{13/6} Comtee.
The Hon Sec reported that several members had persuaded a
large number of women qualified to become voters, to send
in their claims to registration in July, & all present were
earnestly entreated to use their best efforts to induce
those objected to - to substantiate their claims before the Re-
vising Panels in their respective districts.

Several letters were read from country members relative
to a proposed conference of W. P. & G. & after much discussion
the Comtee unanimously decided to postpone the Conference to the
Spring, when women Guardians would have had more experience
in the discharge of their duties. In the meantime it was
decided that Mrs J. W. Russell's kind offer of a D. R. meeting in Nov
for the Women members of our Committee & local P. & G. be heartily
accepted - & that Mrs Osborne should be warmly thanked for her
kind offer to the same effect.

The Hon Sec reported that
there is to be another exam for Sanitary Inspectors end of month & that
Mrs Lucas & some other women are intending to compete - also
that the local members of Women Clerks are to be employed by
the Registrar General during the Census of 1901. Miss Gardiner
having disposed of No 2 Leinster St. to Miss Fin - the latter will ~~continue~~
continue to give us use of room on same terms - Mrs S. Doerrill
10. Nov 1899

At a meeting of the Committee of the Women's
Suffrage & Local Govt Association Nov-10-99
at 2 Leinster Street. Mrs M. Dockrell in chair
Present. Mrs Beamish. Mrs Dockrell. Mrs Bean
Mrs Haynare. Miss J Harper. Mr & Mrs ^{John Heenan} Kallan
Miss Hillier. Miss Mc Kerlie. Miss Smitheon
Mrs Samuel. Mrs H. Tickell. Miss H. Wanan. Miss C. L.
White. Miss Dupre Wilson - visitors Mrs Orr &
Miss Sullivan -

The minutes of last meeting were read & signed
Cash in hand. £12-19-11 - several subscriptions
still due - 2 new subscribers since last meeting -

The Hon Sec reported that about 90 cards of invitation
had been sent out for Mr. Russell's Drawing Room
meeting on the 17th acceptances ^{are} coming in daily -
Letter was read from Dr. W. E. Dickson - announcing
her intended marriage, & resignation of her membership on
the Committee, the Hon Sec was instructed to convey warm
congratulations & to express the hope that she will see
her way to rejoin the Committee at a future time -
various interesting letters were read from Miss James -
Miss Adams, Mrs Stanbury, Miss Gilliland, Mrs Robinson
Miss Blackburn &c -

The Hon Sec reported, that Miss Byrne, had been
appointed by the Public Health Committee of the
Corporation. Sub Sanitary Inspector to assist
Mrs Lynch - Some dissatisfaction was ex-
pressed that the appointment had not been con-
ferred on Mrs Lucas, or Miss Sullivan, -
but it was finally decided that it would not
be advisable to take any action in
the matter -

M. S. Dockrell 11 Dec 99

At a meeting of the Dublin Women's Suffrage
& Local Govt Association Dec 11th 1899 - at 2 Leinster Street
Mrs Maurice Dockrell in chair - Present -
Mrs M. Dockrell - Mrs J. O'Connell, Mrs Haynare, Mr & Mrs Kallan
Miss Hillier. Miss Mc Donnell, Mrs E. H. Tickell, Miss C. E.
White, Miss Dupre Wilson. The minutes of last
meeting were read & signed. Cash in hand £14-16-5 -
Several new members joined since last Committee.
The ^{D. R.} meeting at Mr. J. W. Russell's R. D. was considered
most satisfactory, & the Committee felt much

encouraged in their intention of holding a larger meeting in the Spring.

Miss Blackburn having very kindly presented 50 copies of her valuable almanacs, the Hon Sec, was instructed to send her a grateful acknowledgment for same. Letters were read from Dr. W. S. Dickson, thanking the Committee for their kind congratulations - also from Miss Palliser, relative to the proposed amalgamation of the East & West Central Societies, of which the Committee expressed their warm approval.

The Draft of Report for 1899 was read, approved, & directed to be put in type for next meeting.

It was unanimously decided by the present, to hold the Committee in future on the 2nd Monday in the month 11-30. a.m. Miss J. W. Harper was requested to audit the accounts as usual -

It was decided to ask Miss Welphly R. D.C. if she would kindly join the Committee which adjourned till Jan'y 8th 1900 -

Thomas J. Galbraith
8th Jan'y 1900

At a meeting of the Women's Suffrage & Local Govt. association - held at 2 Leinster St - Jan'y 8th 1900 Mr. J. J. Halloran in chair - Present Miss J. W. Harper, Mr & Mrs Halloran, Miss Hillier, Miss Nel Donnell, Miss Kibbaltan, Mr & Mrs. Lickell, Miss Godwin, Miss H. Wauver, Miss Welphly, Miss Co. White, Miss Dupon Wilson, Miss Wolfe -

The Minutes of last meeting were read & signed - The Report with statement of accounts was read, passed & 1000⁺ ordered to be printed -

The Committee for 1900 was considered. Regret was expressed that Mrs. Hagg requested that her name should be withdrawn. The Hon Sec was instructed to invite Miss Rathbone to join the Committee; & with the proposed addition of her name the list was unanimously approved.

It was decided that in future a printed reminder should be sent to members advising them when their subscriptions are due -

The following subscriptions were ordered to be forwarded to London - W. Suff 2/- P. S. G. 5/- Standard tract 2/- Women Workers for 1/- to 2/- as required for affiliation.

Letters were read from Hon Horace Plunkett M.P.

Miss Palleer - Belfast - Londonderry - Coleraine
L. Kibberdeen & Milltown Malkey &c -

M. S. Doehrell
12. July 1900

At a meeting of the ^{Committee of the} Women's Suffrage & Local
Govt. association held at 2 Leinster St. July 12th
Mrs Maurice Doehrell in the chair -
Present - Mrs Doehrell - Miss J. W. Houper, Mr. &
Mrs Haslam, Mrs Heenan, Miss Dulton, Miss
Smithson, Mrs Swan, Mrs Hill, Miss Bell, Miss Todd,
Miss H. Waneu, Miss Welfly R.D.C. Miss White, Miss Deane
The minutes of last meeting were read & signed -
Cash in hand £13-1-11. & £1-19-⁰⁰ handed in at close of meetg
Over 400 Reports were sent out to path & present
members &c. & to about 40 Irish & Home papers -
Letters were read from London relative to Mr. W. J. Fox
Stones Resolution & Mr. F. Deeggs Bill April 4th
It was decided that a whip be prepared to send to all
the Irish M.P.'s & a letter to the various Branches
asking them also to write their local members

in case the Govt. do not appropriate March 6th
Mr. Hou Bee reported - that two more women had
been appointed sub-sanitary inspectors in the City -
2. ^{women} School attendance inspectors in Rathfriland
& one in Tallaght - Miss Welfly, chairman of the ^{Board}
Dr. Slight Beatty, was unanimously elected member
of the Committee - Miss Rathbone declined in conse-
quence of her many other engagements -

There was considerable discussion on the proposed
Spring meeting - Mr. Hou Bee was instructed to consult
~~with~~ our leading Branches & Lady guardians as whether
the week of the Catole Show in April, ^{22nd} would be a suita-
-ble time for the proposed Conference - & also to
ascertain what ladies would contribute papers on either
of the following subjects - viz Classification -
Boarding out - Employment - & Out Door Relief -
The Leinster Hall, Molesworth St. was appointed
of for the meetings if it can be obtained for
the required day - Cost 30/- or about that amount -

Thomas J. Haslam
12/3/00

At a meeting of the Committee of the W. S.
& L. G. Association - held at 2 Leinster Street
March 12th 1900 - J. F. Hallam in the Chair
Present - Mr. Elyot Beatty, Mr. G. Coffey, Mrs. J. Duncan
Mrs. Egan, Mrs. Hanrahan, Mrs. & Mrs. Hallam, Miss Hallett,
Mrs. Ladd, Miss M. Dowell, Miss McKeelie, Miss Smithson
Mrs. St. Leger, Miss Welphly, Miss C. White, Miss Dupre Wilson
Visitors - Mr. Miles Hamilton P. L. G. - Made De Broux
Mrs. Towerhead - Miss S. Chapman
Several new subscribers joined since last Committee
Cash in hand £ 17-8-11 & £ 2-14-0 handed at close
of meeting
The Hon Sec reported that the Belfast Committee
had affiliated with us & had sent 20/- as subscription
& 5/- for the Mansfield Scouters Reports -
The Govt. having appropriated Mr. W. Whiston's Sunday
for the W. S. Resolution & there being no pro-
bability of Mr. F. Peffer's Bill coming on for
discussion, the Committee decided not to
take any Parliamentary action for the present.
A letter was read from Mr. Archdale member
for North Fermanagh expressing his warm approval
of our Bill -
A number of letters were read from ladies in

the County, respecting our proposed Conference
in April, thoroughly approving of it - also
from Mr. Lord Mayo's Secretary & Chaplain, con-
veying his consent to allow a room in the
Manoir House for the meeting - It was ac-
cordingly decided by the Committee that the
meeting should take place on the 19th April
at 11 o'clock - a. m. Mr. M. Dockrell U. D. C.
Deciding - women only to be admitted -
The Reporters excepted - that advertisements
should be inserted in our five morning papers -
The proposed cards & leaflets were approved of -
Mrs. Brown D. L. G. - Messrs. G. - has kindly
invited (conditionally) ladies from the County
& others to a friendly afternoon tea - 3.30. P. M.
This was cordially accepted by the Committee -

M. S. Dockrell
9. Apr. 1900

At a meeting of the Committee of the Women's
Suffrage & Local Govt. Association April 9th 1900 -

Mrs M. Doehrell U. D. C. in chair

Present - Dr. E. Beatty, Mr. J. Duncan, Mrs. Egan,
Mrs. Hargrave, Mr. & Mrs. Haslam, Miss Hiles, Mr. J. P.
Sloan, Miss M. B. Todd, Miss Walpley -

Visitors, Miss Harrington, Miss Chapman, Miss Symes -

Several subscriptions recd. during month

Cash in hand - £23.6-11 -

The Hon Sec reported that the day having been
pre-occupied by other business, Mr. F. Duff's ^{W.S.} Bill
did not come on for discussion on 4th April &
has therefore been shelved for the rest of Session.

Letter was read from Miss La Touche, requesting that
her name be taken off the Committee, owing to ill health
it was moved by Miss Walpley, seconded by Dr. E. Beatty,
& carried unanimously, that she be earnestly re-
quested to allow her name to remain on -

A letter was read from Mrs. G. A. Wright Mahley,
presenting the Committee with some valuable
books - J. S. Mill, Miss Cobbe &c. - The Sec was requested
to convey their hearty thanks for the gift -

The proposed programme for the conference

was considered & approved & 100 copies ordered to be
printed - Mrs Brown's kind invitation was
renewed, & cordially accepted -

Several members of the Committee agreed
to meet at the Marlborough House at 10-30 - to
assist in taking names, showing the seats &c. &c.
Miss Todd kindly promised to prepare about
a doz green & white badges -

Mrs Duncan & Miss Todd kindly undertook
to send paragraphs to the five morning papers

M. S. Doehrell
30. Apr 1900.

At a meeting of the Committee of the Women's
Suffrage & Local Govt. Association April 30th 1900

Mrs M. Doehrell U. D. C. in chair

Present Mrs M. Doehrell, Mr. J. Duncan, Mrs. Egan & J. P. -
Mrs. Hargrave, Mr. & Mrs. J. P. Haslam, Miss McDowell, Miss Mc
Kerlie, Miss Smithson, Mrs. E. H. Tickle, Miss Dupont
Wilson, Miss C. White - Mrs Chapman & Mrs. Thompson

Belfast visitors - Minutes of last meeting were
read & signed - Several new subscriptions were received -

Cash in hand £19⁶-9-

Much satisfaction was expressed at the success of the Conference in the Marlborough House, also of the "at home" at Mrs Brown's P. G. & menion of, and it was decided that 1000 Copies of the papers read, when revised for the press, if consented to by their respective writers should be printed, ~~should be~~ as a permanent record of the first meeting of the kind ever held in Ireland. A resolution passed at Mrs Brown's meeting strongly urging the appointment of a lady Inspector of the L. G. Board was considered & with some modification adopted & directed to be forwarded to the Sec of the Local Govt Board - Some interesting letters were read from Mr Wright - Debby, ^{with a packet of some valuable books} recommending the formation of a Library of Reference & Mr Est. Lee Kell kindly consented to take charge of the books & lend them out to members -

The Committee adjourned on the 14th or 21st May -

Thomas J Harlam
15 May 1900

At a meeting of the Committee of the Women's Suffrage & Local Govt Association held at 2 Leinster St - May 15th 1900 - Present - Mr Hallam in chair - Mr M. Doelwell, Mr J. Duncanson - Mrs Egan, Mrs & Mrs Hallam - Miss Hillier, Miss Kelly, Miss Mc Donnell, Miss Le Compton, Miss Ladd, Miss H. Wancee, Miss C. G. White, Miss Dupre Wilson, Miss Wolfe -

The minutes of last meeting were read & signed - Several new subscribers have joined - Cash in hand £21-18-2 - Several subscriptions were lauded in Mr Chapman's estimate being considered dear - The Hardee was instructed to get further estimates for printing the Conference Papers - Several letters were read from ladies who had attended the Conference - expressing their satisfaction & a letter was read from Mr. Strabury, Women's L. G. Committee requesting us to help them with their London Borough Council Bill on May 23rd. The draft of a whip to our Irish M. P's was approved - Directed to be type written & forwarded - It also that Belfast Committee should be requested to adopt a similar course -

Committee adjourned for the summer - sine die -

Thomas J Harlam
18/9/90

At a meeting of the Committee of the Women's
Suffrage Association held at 2 Leinster St -
18th Sept 1900 - Mr. J. J. Hallam in the chair
& absent - Mr. Beamish, Mr. M. Dockrell, Mr. C. -
Mr. & Mrs. Hallam, Mr. Keenan, Mr. A. Stackelton
Miss Smithson, Miss C. White & Miss E. Chapman visitor
The minutes of last meeting were read & signed -
Carl in hand of 24-7-4 - Mr. Chapman's Bill for
printing the report of Conference 29-12-6 - was passed -
About 500 copies of Report have been sent out - to subscribers
Women P. S. G's - Clerks of the Courts, leading news papers
throughout Ireland - Members of the L. G. Board & many
friends & others - Notices have already appeared in
The Express - Irish Times - Nation & Independent - Belfast
News Letter - Kerry Evening Post & Leinster Times &
several others are promised -
The Hon Sec reported that letters had been sent to all
the Irish members - requesting their support for the
London Borough Council Bill which passed the 2nd
Reading by a majority of 119 - but had failed to reach the Committee
40 Irish M. P's voted in favor & one against -
Draft of a letter was read & approved to the L. G. B -
relative to the appointment of a woman Inspector

of boarded out children -

Information was given respecting the Revision Courts
now sitting, & the necessity for being not duly qualified
women, who have been wrongfully objected to, should be
registered on the list of voters for the coming year -
The subject of the approaching Parliamentary Election
was considered, & it was unanimously agreed, that as
an association, we could take no part in Party
Politics - but that individually we retained full liberty
of action; but it was generally considered that in the
present circumstances of Ireland - very much cannot
be done to promote Women's Suff. at Parliamentary
elections - a number of interesting letters
were read - also two appeals from The Personal
Rights & The Male Elector's League respecting
the help which women can give at elections -
and Mr. Hallam will be unable to attend the
W. W. Conference in Brighton this year - Mr. M. Dockrell
consented if practicable to act as our Delegate -

Thomas J. Hallam
23rd Oct 1900

At a meeting of the Committee of the W. S. & C. held at 2 Leinster St - 23rd Dec 1900 - Mr Hallam ^{in the chair}
Present - Mrs Beamish, Mrs G. Coffey - Mrs Doehrelle
Mrs Duncan, Miss J. Harry - Mr & Mrs Hallam
Mrs Heenan - Miss L'Ettrange, Mr Malou, Mr J. J. Shan - Miss Smithson, Mrs Linn, Miss Todd.
Miss Wolfe - Miss Lamont & Miss Chapman visitors -
The minutes of last meeting were read & signed -
Cathin hand L 17-8-10 - some subscribers still due.
A letter was read from the S. G. Board, declining to appoint at present a woman Inspector to Board out children - The result of the recent elections was discussed - & members were urged to try & ascertain the views of any of the newly elected members, with whom they are acquainted, as it was again decided, not to approach them officially at present. Several interesting letters were read from Mrs Blaney, Mr Ashworth Hallett, Miss Blackburne - Miss Fallis.
The draft of a paragraph setting forth the aims & objects of our association, for insertion in the proposed Handbook of Dublin Charities &c was approved. The holding of a drawing room meeting was discussed, but nothing was finally decided - after much discussion.

It was decided, to hold the next meeting of the Committee on Thursday at eleven o'clock -

M. S. Doehrelle
13. Dec. 1900

At a meeting of the Committee of the W. S. & C. association held at 2 Leinster St 13th Dec 1900 -
Mrs M. Doehrelle. U.D.C. in chair
Present - Miss R. Barrett, Miss E. Chapman, Mrs Doehrelle
Miss J. Harry - Mr & Mrs Hallam, Miss Mc Dowell
Mrs J. J. Shan, Miss Smithson, Miss Welfly R.D.C. -
Miss Co. White, Miss Dupre Willson -
The minutes were read & signed - Cathin hand L 21-5-6
some few subscribers still due - 23 new members joined since last Committee - It was decided to take the 2 copies of ^{the reports of the} Thankful Truck as last year -
to purchase the Dublin Directory for 1901 - to spend 5/- on the report of Mr Fawcett's speech 1870 & also that £2-5-0 should be paid to Miss Finn for use of room of meetings 25/- & to request Mrs S.H. Tickle (or failing her Mrs Mason) to audit the accounts for 1900.

Some interesting

Letters were read, & also a Communication from the Dist. W. A. inviting our Committee to join with them in a Deputation to the Chief Sec - re - the appointment of an Inspector of B.O. Children - & other necessary workhouse reforms - Several names were suggested - the matter was left in the hands of the sub-committee -

The holding of a Public Meeting in the Spring was fully discussed - suggested subject - "The Public Duties of Irishwomen" - the proposal was approved - the hon sec instructed to write to Dr. S. Brygans in the first instance - further arrangements were left to the sub-committee -

Committee to meet in future on Tuesday at 11-0'clock -

M. J. Shaw

Feb. 22, 1901

At a meeting of the Committee of the W. S. & L. G. B. Association at 2 Leinster St. Feb. 22nd 1901 - Mrs J. J. Shaw in the Chair - Present: Dr. E. Beatty, Miss E. Chapman, Mrs J. Mason, Mrs Mrs Hallam, Miss Hillas, Mrs Malon, Mrs Shaw, Miss L. Smithton, Miss Welfley, Miss C. E. White, Miss DuPre Wilson - Miss Gyles visitor -

The Minutes of last meeting were read & signed - cash in hand £21-13-5 - several new members have already joined this year - Mrs Hallam reports that the sub-committee had met twice & decided to recommend to the Committee that she (Mrs H) should obtain for the present any temporary help that she may find necessary. They also considered arrangements for Dr. Brygans meeting. After considerable discussion it was decided that the meeting should be open to both men & women as audience & speakers - Mrs M. Dooley U.D.C. to preside - the hour 3 P.M. in the parlour of the Mansions house - the proposed Resolutions were approved - Mrs H was authorized to obtain the necessary speakers - the usual cards & leaflets were printed - numerous interesting letters were read - those from London reported that the ballot for the W. S. Bill had proved a failure & the Committee here had decided to proceed by Resolutions on April 19th if possible - the Committee were much concerned when that the number of women registered as electors in some of the city wards had considerably decreased during last year - they decided that more active efforts must be made to induce all qualified women to register - Committee adjourned to March. M. S. Rootwell
15th March 1901