Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Kingston Shire Council held at the Office of the Council, Kingston on the 21st August 1893. –

Present Cr. Hunter (President in the Chair) and Cr. Hall, Johns, Steel, Roy, Armstrong, Coutts and Gee. –

Messrs. Armstrong, Coutts, and Gee, made the necessary declaration as new Councillors and took their seats for the respective Ridings.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

1 From the Hon. Sec. to the Municipal Service Association with suggestions for the improvement of the position of Municipal Officers. – Receipt

2 Office of Lands & Survey refusing to sanction the sale of a road at Mt. Gatepa Reserve

3 Rutherglen Shire Council suggesting that a clause should be inserted in the new Bill empowering Councils to vote a sum annually in payment of members.

Moved by Mr President
Sec. by Cr. Steel That the letter be not received. –

Carried

4 From Roads & Bridges Office stating that the application for a grant for the Ferguson & Cocoa East Bridge will be placed on the list for consideration when distributing the appropriation for the current year. Recd.

5 East Loddon Shire Council agreeing to join in an application for a grant for Fergusons bridge. Recd.

6 Roads & Bridges Office asking for plan and estimate for Fergusons Bridge.

7 Same re Cocoa East bridge

8 Shire of Maryborough with copy of Memorial to the Legis. Assembly praying for the renewal of assisted immigration. Recd

From the Shires of Mansfield, Newham, Benalla, Darebin, Jika, Morning, and Mittiamo Road Board on the subject of the Treasurer's proposal to withdraw the endowment to Shires, and suggesting that a conference should be held in Melbourne on the 6th September for the purpose of considering the matter

Moved by Cr Hunter
Sec by Cr. Roy. That the Secretary be appointed to represent the Council at the proposed Conference

Carried

9 From the Bet Bet Shire Council calling attention to the alteration in the Survey District of Castlemaine by which a large portion of this Shire is included in the new Survey District of St. Arnaud.

The Secretary stated that he had been for some time and was still in correspondence with the Department on the subject, and read letters and copies of replies, which were approved. He was instructed to inform the Bet Bet Council that this Council will oppose the alteration.

10 Inglewood Borough Council urging the necessity of an immediate application for the reserve of a State Forest in the Shire and stating that they have applied for the reservation of an area of nine square miles between the Powlett and Loddon rivers in the Parishes of Salisbury East & Kurting

The President and other Councillors oppose the reservation of lands as State Forests under the conditions now attached to them, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Council declines to join in the application.

11 From Mr. D. Cameron, Cocoa Forest. declining to permit the Council to cut a drain through his land there

Recd.

12 Office of Lands & Agriculture stating that timber can only be cut in State Forests under Sec 53 by licensed persons and under special conditions and that as a general rule no selections will be permitted. Recd.

13 Ballarat Agricul. Society asking for the assistance of the Council in endeavouring to obtain a reduction in the rates of Railway carriage for Agricul. produce.

14 Office of Lands & Survey relative to Survey District

15 J. C. Patterson asking for the cutting of a drain near his farm on the Buninyong & St. Arnaud road.

16 S. Gibbon complaining that the drains cut by the Council near his farm throw the flood water over his land and requesting that an additional drain may be cut to carry it off.

17 Carson Hays asking for the construction of a culvert at the North end of High St. Beaufortown

18 Peter Nelson asking permission to erect a gate on a road passing along one side of his selection at Elmhurst.

19 Henry Lawrie asking similar permission on a road near his land on the Inglewood and Dunbridge road.

On the letter respecting the withdrawal of the Mine endowment it was moved by Cr. Steel

Res. by Cr. Hunter that the Secretary write to the Hon. Jas. Grant requesting him, when the matter comes before the Assembly to move that the present amount of the endowment be doubled.

Carried.

On Letter No. 11

Moved by Cr. Hall

Res. by Cr. Jones that the engineer report on the drainage at Green Point especially near Nolis farm

On letter 15 — Patterson Moved by Cr. ~~Steele~~ Gt. Res by Cr. Steel that the engineer report on the Bunin. & St. Arnaud road in the parish of Kuruarra.

On Letter 16 (S. Gibbon) Cr. Gt. confirmed the statements as to necessity of the drains, and the engineer recommended the cutting of a drain along Mr. Gibbon's fence to the creek at a cost of about £5, and stated that the drains already cut have been in some measure the cause of the overflow on Mr. Gibbon's land.

Moved by Cr. Hall
Sec. by Cr. Gee That the engineer be instructed to have a drain cut at the place referred to. Cost not to exceed £8, under supervision of the Inglewood Riding members.
Cd.

The members for Huntlebum Riding were empowered to have a foot crossing made at the place referred to in Letter 17. Cd. Exp.

On Letter 18 Moved by Cr. Hall
Sec. by Cr. Johns. - That permission be given to Mr. Harris to erect a gate on the road mentioned in his application on the usual conditions for six months
Cd.

On Letter 19 Moved by Cr. Roy
Sec. by Cr. Hall That permission be given to Peter Nelson to erect a gate on the road referred to in his application on the usual conditions for twelve months
Cd.

Moved by Cr. Hunter
Sec. by Cr. Roy That Cr. Hall be appointed one of the three members empowered to sign cheques on the Shire banking acct. in the room of Cr. Griffith retired.
Cd.

A memorial was sent from ratepayers in the Inglewood Riding asking for the appointment of an additional polling place at Bridgewater

It was agreed that the members for each Riding should report to next meeting on the requirements as to polling places

The Treasurer reported receipts since last meeting £1640 Expenditure £347.3.3. He also submitted a statement of the liabilities of the Council, and the probable receipts to the end of the financial year.

Moved by Cr. Hunter
Sec. by Cr. Roy That the Treasurer's reports be received and adopted
Carried.

The Treasurer also submitted lists of unpaid rates and instructions were given to furnish lists of rates recoverable and to sue defaulters.

The engineer reported that he had called for tenders for various works referred at last meeting, and had prepared specifications for repairs of roads from Avoca to Avoca Forest. He report recommended cutting water tables and forming crossing at Johnston, two log culverts on the Inglewood & Newbridge road, additional drains on the Lexmarsh road, and some slight repairs to the East Charlton Bridge. About 40 chains of additional drains had been cut on the Bushs Flat & Molongul road near Cockrams Creek bridge. The drain cut by

Mr Brown on the Wahen & Owen Trust road merely drains the surface water after it has crossed the road and prevents it from passing on to Mr Benzie's land. The draining contract at East Charlton is satisfactorily completed. The main road works have been inspected by Mr. Turner and approved.

Cr. Steel called the attention of the engineer to the delay which has occurred in the inspection of contracts and, consequently in the payment of the contractors, and also to the manner in which Dennisy's contract on the Hedd. & Terrinnert road has been carried out.

The engineer explained that he had been prevented from inspecting some of the contracts by the delay which had occurred in the visit of the inspecting engineer, Mr. Turner; and that he had instructed Dennisy to return and complete his contract properly.

The Report was received.

The President suggested that before opening tenders for maintenance of main road contract No. 248 a sum should be fixed as the maximum amt. and that if the tenders all exceeded the amt. then that gravel or tailings be substituted for metal

on the maintenance and fresh tenders be asked.

After some discussion it was decided to open the tenders unconditionally and Cr Scull was appointed a member of the Public Works Committee in the room of Cr Griffith.—

The P. W. Committee brought up the following tenders:—

For Maintenance of Main Road Contract No. 248 Inglewood & Heddleburn Road.

Charles Rose	£5 —
Longston & Ly	106. 16. —
J. Dennisy	120. —
Rowley & Son	117. —
G. F. Steele	120. —

For cutting drains on Heddleburn & East Charlton road.

C. Rose	5/- per chn.	Crossings 14/- each
E. Hughes	5/- "	
M. O'Shannassy	4/3. "	Crossings 40/- Minimum £5
Angus Ross	4/4. "	" 10/-
J. Oblich	5/6/- "	30/-

The Committee recommended the acceptance of A. Ross' tender for drains, but left the tenders for maintenance to be dealt with by the Council.

Moved by Cr Curtis

Sec. by Cr Johns That A. Ross' tender be accepted. Carried

Considerable discussion ensued on the proposal to substitute tarring or hoppeying for metal in the maintenance contract but it being ascertained that a sufficient quantity of the former was not procurable near the work it was decided to accept the tender of Charles Rose at £95.—

Instructions to Officers.

Moved by Cr. Hall
Sec. by Cr Roy That tenders be called for constructing one culvert and approaches on the Inglewood & Heathcote road between Rechnows & Longfield Carried

Cr. Jones asked for permission to expend £2 or £3 under the supervision of the Kingowa members on the Mitchelstown road near No. 3 gully. Agreed.

Cr. Coutts complained that the new drains at Porlett cut off the entrance to a bye-road near Guilfoyles.
The engineer was instructed to have a crossing made there, and to provide in future for similar cases.
Moved by Cr. Hunter
Sec. by Cr. Armstrong That the Secretary give Mr. Guilfoyle notice to open the road closed by him at Porlett without leave, and to inform him that when permission is given to erect gates the roadway through them must be kept in good repair. Carried.

Engineer instructed to have necessary repairs done to East Charlton bridge. Cr. Armstrong to act with him.

The Secretary was instructed to apply for the reservation of a site and approach for proposed bridge at Avoca Forest, and also to write to the St. Arnaud Shire Council asking them to make a similar application with respect to the West bank of the river.

Moved by Cr. Brophy
Sec by Cr. Hall That tenders be asked for cutting drains on Sect. 8 Lemnitzer road from Bobsien's paddock to Pa— Flat, and on Redden & Kingowa roads from Inglis farm to Possum Point where required. Carried.

An application from Rowe & Son for an allowance for damage done by flood water to their contract on the Inglewood & Kingowa road was refused.

Mr. Baron applied personally for an alteration in a road running along his selection in the parish of Glenalbyn so as to carry it outside his land. The occupier of the adjacent land Mr. J. Roberts objected to any alteration, and as the public convenience did not require it

Mr. Brown's application was refused.

The following accts were passed and ordered to be paid on the motion of Co. Hunter seconded by Oxley

245	R. Ross	Labour	1-7-6
246	J. Satchell	Mustering Eqp.	2-10-0
247	E. Hughes	Labour	7. 4. 4
248	E. Hughes	Contract 237	13. — . —
249	Porter	Labour	1 —
250	Inglewood Bener. Soc.		5. —
251	Cont. 219	W. Steel	40-7-6
252	Deposit Cont. 219		3. —
253	Cont. 226	Stephenson	6. —
254	" 218	Hughes	3-16-6
255	" 220	Langston	3. —
255A	Langston	Labour	10. —
256	Cont. 231	Porter	20. —
257	H. Sellwood	Labour	3-12-0
258	G. Ward	"	2. 2
259	J. C. Paterson	"	4. —
260	Cont. 230	C. Rose	40. —
261	Cont. 208	Hughes	10-7-
262	" 206	"	6-6. —
263	Engineer		16. 13. 4
264	Cont. 234	Rowley	15. —
265	" 206	Hughes	5. —
266	H. Appleby	Labour	8. —
267	A. Frazer	"	1. —
268	Sundries		3. 10-0
269	H. Appleby	Labour	17. 8. —
270	Jas Brandrup	"	2. —
271	Wm. Gosda	"	7. 10. .
272	J. Peterson	"	8. 15-6

273	Cont. 133	Caldwell	15. —
274	Deposit Cont. 216		1 —
275	G. Ward	Labour	3. 12. 0
276	Sundries		2. 2. 2
277	J. Frank	Labour	2. —
278	H. Jones	"	5. —
279	Secretary		20. 16. 8
280	Cont. 236	Whitney	25. —
281	" 219	W. Steel	9. 8. —
282	W. S. Steel	Labour	5. —
			346. 16. 6

Co. Steel gave notice that at the next meeting he would move that a Collector be appointed for the Inglewood Riding in the room of Henry Seale on the expiry of his term of office

The next meeting was ordered to be held at Rockhampton on Thursday 18th Sept. when the meeting then closed

Confirmed Henry Seale
18th Sept 1873

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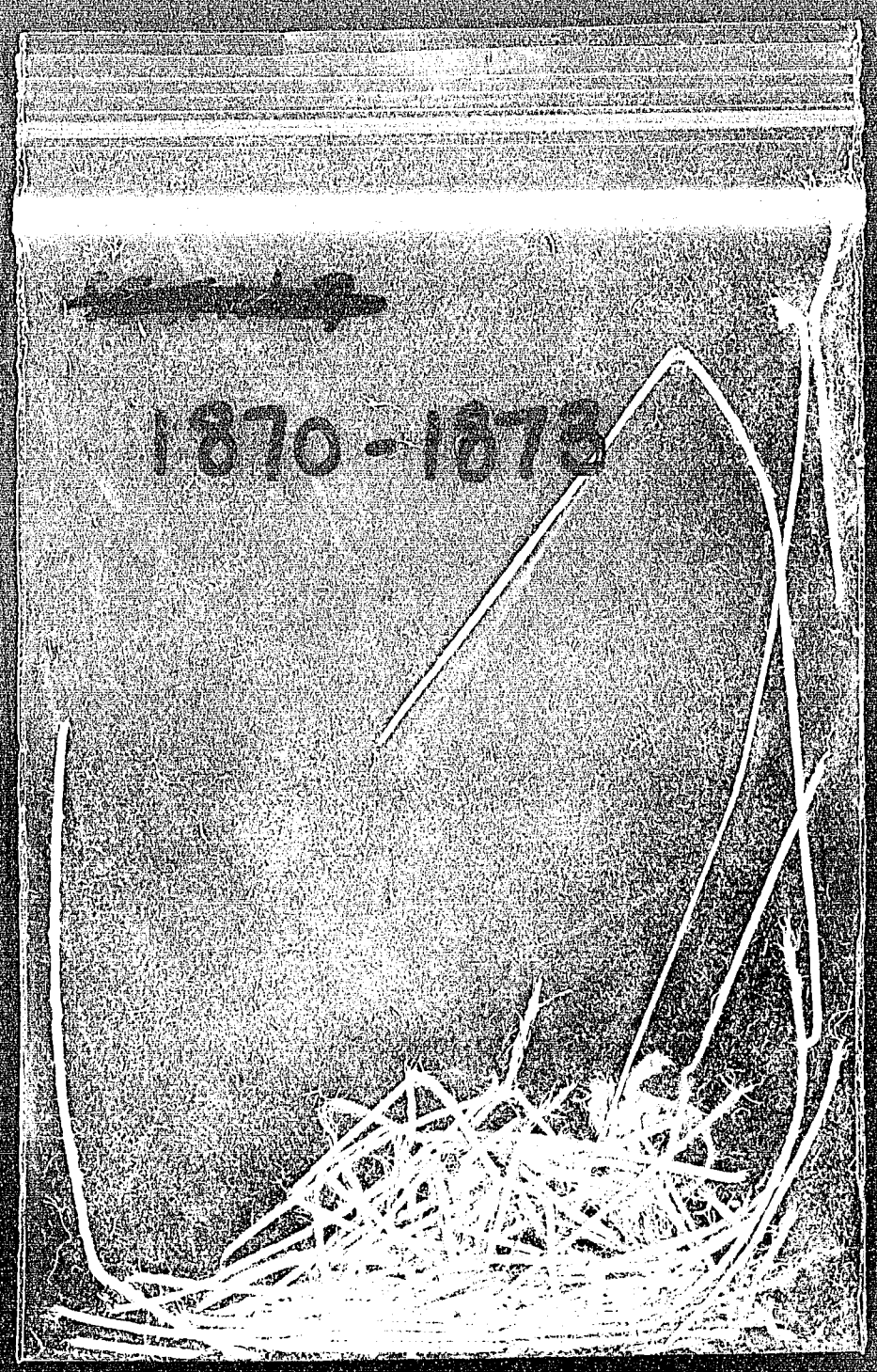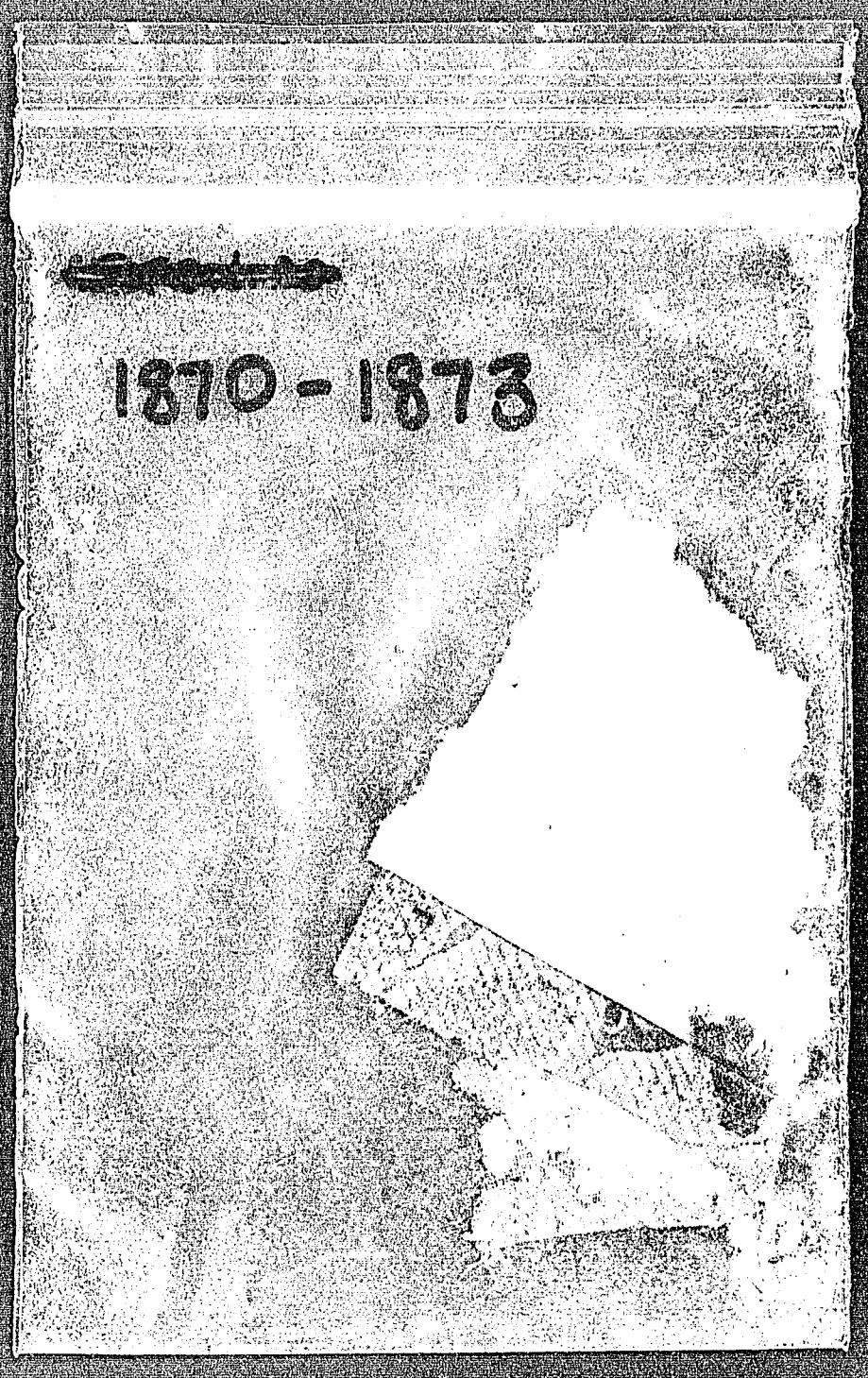
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