

1st February. 1939

A meeting of the Board of Governors & Guardians was held this day. There were bresent:

Mr. Justice nurnaghan (in the Chan)
Dr. a.b. bonway
Dr. Denis boffey

mr. Joseph bonnolly

mr. George atlanson

mr. Josephonnoely

mr. John Burko

miss Sarah Purser

nor. ficius O'ballaghan

mr. Oliver Shebbard

and the Director

A vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Dr. W. B. years, who had been for some years a member of the Board, was wassed.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th December. 1938, were read, abbroved and signed

arising out of the minutes, the Director resorted:

- (a) That the money required for the lighting of the gallery had now been granted.
- (b) Heat certain tentative arrangements had been made, at the request of the Delsant mont of Education, in connection with the proposed removal of certain piames from the gallery for safe leeebsing in time of national Emergency. He gave an outline of these arrangements.

after a discussion of the legal position of the Board with regard to these proposals it was agreed that a letter be written to the Department of

Education conveying the Board's views. A letter, accordingly, was sent by the Chairman in the tollowing terms:

"The Board of governors and equardians at its meeting to-day considered the arrangements contemplated as emergency brecautions. I am authorised to state:

- 1. The Board is desirous in every way of conserating in the avrangements which will be arrived at for the brotection of selected prictures from the gallery.
- 2. The Board is ni doubt as to whether it has legal bower to anthorise removal of brictures from the building devoted to the gallery by act of Parliament.
- 3. He Board is of obnision that the minister for Education is the only berson who has legal authority if any such exists at the bresent time to direct the removal of the birtures entrusted to the Board.

It was decided also that details of the booksosed arrangements be circulated to the members of the Board and a Special meeting to-deal with the booksom held on the 15th February.

(c) As further matter arising out of the minutes.

the Director resorted that he had conferred with baptain Langton Douglas with reference to the pictures ofbered for muchase from him at the last meeting, but that he had been mable to effect any reduction in the price asked. He stated that he was still in correspondence with leapstain Douglas and would report to the next meeting.

read a letter from the Debartment of Education amnouncing that with the approval of the egovernment, the Minister for Education had approval of the egovernment, the Minister for Education had approved Mr Jack B. Yeats 18. Fitzurliam Janare, Dublin. to be a member of the Board of Governors and Guardians for a beriod of two years as from the 29th November 1935, and a letter from the Registrar of the Royal Dublin Society stating that the Society had appointed, as its representatives on the Board, the President, The Hors. W. E. Wylie K. C., blounded House, blousilla, be Dublin and Professor Henry H. Dixon, E. D., F.R.S., Somerset Jemple Road. 60 Dublin.

Were read from Sir alec martin and Professor Discon. Professor Dixon stated in his letter that the hour of meetings of the Board - 10 a.m. would preclude him form attendance and that he had written to the Registrar of the Royal Duben Society so to inform him.

The Directors Report for the year : 1938 was

mr. Dermod O'Brien and Lord Fongtord were re-approinted auditors of the fame Fund.

The question of loans to State apartments were considered. The Director reported that he had been mable to tried in the records of the Gallery any legal authority tox similar boars which had been made in the past, and the bhairman

make the ban to the Presidents House of certain brituses now no longer hung in the Gallery which would help suitably to complete a re-arrangement of the brictures abready on loan which the President considered desirable.

After discussion it was agreed on the brownsal of Mr Atkinson, seconded by Mr O'ballaghous, the Chairman dissenting, that the Board Sanctions the recention of the President's House at lonesent on loan to the President's House and diects that the men' loan be made.

The Director submitted for missection a brilling.
"moses Shihing the Rock by abraham Jan seen,
presented by miss Eva fort and recently restored.
The pricture and the work thereon were approved.

The Director submitted an offer for muchase from Mr Sean O'Sullivan of his wontrait of Dr Douglas Hyde, President of Treeand, at the brice of Two Hundred and fifty grineas. On the browssal of Mr. John Burke, Seconded by Dr. bothey it was agreed manimously to benchase the wicture at the brico mand.

The Director submitted an offer for muchase from RissA. booker of a pointrail of Sir win Perty at the price of \$100 The offer was declined

The Director submitted an ofber for muchase from mr Otto Seeser Of a wicture by Ganquin

The Director Submitted a request from the wasworth athereum. Hart tord boundarient,

M. S. a. for a wan of the prictive, "The Entombruent"

by Poussin to an Exhibition of Poussin's

works to be leed in January. 1940.

bousideration of the request was post inned

to the next meeting.

The Director resorted that the amount standing to the credit of the fane 7 and at this date was £ 2.387:11:7.

An offer for purchase from Mesons Leggate
Bros of a land scape by george Barret.

the elder at the price of £80 was
declined.

James A Musnaglian 5 april 1939.

## 15 th February 1939

A Special meeting of the Board of Jovernors and Juardians was held this day to consider arrangements in connection with the browned removal of certain pictures from the gaelery for safe-leeping in times of National Emergency. There were present:

mr. Joseph bomoely (in the Chair)
mr. Dermod O'Brien

mr. Jevrege atkinson

miss Sarah Purser

mr. Oliver Slephard

mr. Jucius O' ballaghan

mr. Joseph Holloway

mr. Jack B. yeats

and the Director.

Before the transaction of business the Director read a letter from mr. Jack B. years chanking the Board for its recent letter of symboathy on the death of his brother. Dr. W. B. years.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from

The Director read the following letter trom the Secretary of the Department of & ducation in answer to the letter from the Chairman of the last meeting:

Department of Education Dublin, 14th February 1939

Chairman Board of governors & quardians.

Dear Sir.

We have been in formed by the Rogistrar-chat a special meeting of the Board of Governors & functions is being held on the 15th in stant at which the question of precautions for safeguarding the bictures in the gallery in the event of an emergency will be considered. In the circumstances it may be desirable to substain that the purpose of this Delsartments letter of the 7th in stant was chiefly to discover the most convenient way of overcoming the legal difficulty to which you have directed attention.

As regards the authority of the minister for the minister for Education in the matter, we are not aware that he prosesses any statutory authority in connection with the gallery beyond that conferred by Section 9(3) of the ministers' and Secretaries' act, 1924. It you and the Board are welling to regard that Section as conferring the required authority, or to agree that the minister has the necessary power, he will have no lesitation in graving a direction that the Board should take such measures as they consider necessary for safeguarding the more valuable leitures in the event of an emergency arising.

I wish to add for your confidential information, that should an emergency occur, it is understood that the Government will seek special bowers, including authority for a minister to direct the removal of broberty

from one place to another for its safety. His authority would not be available however, until the emergency had actually arisen, and it is donisable to have avangements completed beforehand for protecting such objects as the prictures so that they can be removed when the emergency becomes imminent.

yours baithfully. Séosamh O'néill

Subject to Judge Mumaghais opinion it was
the feeling of the Broard that the Minister for
Education had the necessary power, and
it agreed to accept direction from him to
take such measures as it considered necessary
in case of emergency, and that as Judge
Murnaghan had been blairman of the
meeting at which the prosition as between
the Broard and the Department of Education
had been discussed it would ask the
Director to request him to relsly to the
Department's letter.

The Board discussed the tentative arrangements already made, details of which had been circulated as follows:

"A selection of bricture to be saved in case of amergency has been made.

It includes the most unbortant and representative brictures in the collection and those most difficult or impossible to resslace.

The list of wicuns strictly in order of

merit, but of the most important brians in each School - Italian, Flemish Dutch. French. English, Spanish and Irish.

In all 123 brituins have been selected.

after consultation with the Delsart mant

of Education, and in view of similar

arrangements which have been made

by the national Gallery, London, I

decided on the following Islam:

To back each bicture sebarately, excepting small ones which can be blaced two or more in the one case.

a sufficient number of such cases have already been breepared with batters cut to rize, backing materials, screws and labels. Each attendant has been supplied with the necessary set of tools to take down and back the britains in his charge under emergany conditions.

It is irroprosed that the britans somed so wacked in these cases be transworted to a building to be irrovided by the sporement. Such a building should have central heating.

It is the prosent unention that the pictures should not remain in their cases when removed. but he lung, as they require light and air and should be in such storage as write admit of their nispection. Removal from their packing will be particularly necessary

vi the case of the wanted britumes which wield we affected by change of atmosphere.

Of Education that at least two of our A standard Staff should accompany the sistement windsack and hang them, and to take charge of them generally during their absence from the ejaelery,

Details of transport and redsenditure which will be involved have yet to be arranged. There is no money at present available in the gaelery's hinds for this unitsose, nor does the Note for 1939-40 michade any morision for such setraordinary resenditure."

It was the feeling of the Board that the suggested transfer of the loitures in cases did not commend itself, and that, virstead, as mearly as provide, the arrangements carried out by the fondon gallery should be followed and the same breliminary arrangements made.

The Director promited out that there could be no parallel between the arrangements which had been made in the fordon fallery and those which could be undertaken here, and that, so far as the resources of the gallery at bresent berninted the breesarations which had been made were the only preparations prossible.

He Board held however, that the lowsibility of alternative arrangements should be existered,

and singgestions made were their a number of vans similar to those which head been made ready at the fonder fallery should be bressared that the fonder fallery should be bressared that the fonder fallery authorities should be asked for full boarticulars as to the cost of the transfer of their britishes, that estimates should be obtained for the transfer of the bridges listed to whatever blace of safety might eventually be selected, that the quickest methods of removal be inquired into, and that the Desartment of 8 du cation be asked to defray in full all supenses of the removal.

The Director was requested to-Dummon a special meeting of this Board as soon as he was in a position to report the result of these incurries.

In the course of the meeting the following letter was received from the Dewartment of Education and read to the Board:

Debartment of Education. Dublini

14th February 1939

Abhara,

with reference to our recent telebolione conversation relating to the removal of certain prictures from the national Gallery in the event of a European emergency, I am directed by the minister for Education to State for your in termation and for the information of the Gallery, that the Delsartment of Education will be responsible for the removal of the writings from the Gallery, their transport to a blue of greater Safety and for all other arrangements in connection with the writing, and will of course, defray the successor consequent on the transport and housing of the bictures.

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L'Onjurie (L' murray)

Dr. G. Furlong

Director.

national fallery

Dublini.

James & Murnaghen 5 april 1939 151-march.1939.

An Extraordinary meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held on this day to consider the morrosal of five members that the Periodit of Dr. Douglas Hyde, President of Ireland, recently muchased from mr. Jean O'Sullivan, R. H. A. we lent to the Royal Hibernian Academy for its annual Eschibition.

There were conesent:

Mr Justice Munnaghem (In the Chair)

Mr. Dermod O'Brien

The farl of foughood

Mr. forge atkinson

Mr. Jack B. Meats

Dr. Denis Colley

Mr. Joseble Holloway

Mr. John Burke

Mr. Olwer Shephand

and the Director.

Apologies for non attendance were recewed from Sir John favery Sir Alec Martin and mr. Joseph Connolly.

The Director stated that he had received a letter from mr. Jean O'Sullivan formally requesting the loan of the picture.

As no request had been received from the Academy authorities there was a discussion as to whether mr. O'Sullivan could be considered eligible to receive the loan in accordance with the lystlery's powers to land prictures

of Ireland Act, 1928, or whether the picture was to be lent directly to the Academy.

However, it was proposed by Mr. Shebbard, seconded by Mr. Holloway and carried, that the loan be made on condition that the loan be made held insured by the alcademy authorities for the sum of £262:12s, its recent purchase price, from the time of its leaving the Gallery until its return thereto.

The Director mentioned two twither ungent requests tor loans which had been received:

I. From the British bouncil for the boun of the pricine "the Dead Planningen". by Sri William Orlsen R.A. to an Ethibition of boniemporary British art at the New york world's Fair to be held this year.

and

2. From che gate Heatre. Dublin for a loan of certain trouts connected with the life of Dean Swift to be shown at the gate Heatre during the production of ford forgford's play." Yahoo"

It was decided that as this meeting was called for the special unitsose of considering the brokersal for the fending of un. Sean O' Sullivan's Portrait of

Dr Douglas tyde, the regnest from the British bornical could not be considered at this meeting, but it was the feeling of the Board that it would be townsally rewed to brought us at the nest.

meeting.

As the request from the Gaie Heatie was one of barticular ungenery the matter was discussed, but in view of the nature of the Surft items available for loan ford forgeover on behalf of the fair therewart.

James A llumaghan 5° april 1939 5th april. 1939

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

He How. Mr. Justico Murnaghan

Mr. Dermod D'Brien

The Rt. Hon The Earl Of fougford

Professor Henry Discon

Mr. Fucius O'ballaghan

mr. Oliver Sheppard

mr. Jack. B yeats

mr. John Burleo

mr. Joseph Holloway

and the Director.

mr. Justice Mumaghan was moved to the

Abologies for non-attendance were received from Sir Alec Martin, Dr. bottey and mr. bonnolly.

Arising out of the minutes of the meeting held on the 15t Felmany, the Director reported the prosition as to the Other for muchase of the Altar Piece belonging to Mrs Otto Kalın, which had been brought to his notice by baptain Langton Douglas. He stated that baptain Douglas now hoped to be able to bersuade mrs Kalın to accept any reasonable offer that the Board might decide to make.

It was morrosed by ford fongford, seconded by Mr O'ballaglan and agreed that an other of £4.000 to £4,500 be made, and that this other be subject to the Board's abbroval of the picture.

arising out of the minutes of the meeting held on the 15th Felmany, the Director reported that, as the brieding to which the selected pictures would be removed in case of emergency had not yet been decided on, no further arrangements in connection with their proposed removal had since been made.

The legal aspect of the position was again discussed and it was decided that, in case of emergency, the Director should have power to summon at ome such members of the Board as might be available to give the necessary directions for the removal of the pictures, and that Bye faw 2 should be amended, so that a meeting Could be called without the prescribed five days' notice.

The Director responted the re-approintment by the Minister for Education, with the approval of the Government. Of the following members of the Board for a further period of five years: Sir John Lavery and Sir Alec Martin from the 31st January, and miss Purser from the 22nd March.

The Director read a letter from the Department of Education will reference to the Obening of the Gallery on certain evenings of the week which would follow on the installation of electric lighting.

It was the feeling of the Board that the educational objects made bossible by the installation of electric lighting would best be served by opening the gallery on shree nights of the week - monday. Juesday and Wednesday, on Juesday . Wednesday and Hursday from 8 to 10 pm. It was the feeling of the Board also, in view of the Department's suggestion of an adjustment of the working conditions of the staff to these arrangements without increase of cost, that there should be no curtailment of the present owening hours to which the public had long been accustomed, and that in view of the longer working hours thus entailed, it recommended the granting of a weekly half holiday to the staff by the closing of the gallery on Saturday afternoons when the new arrangements became Operative.

The Director submitted the audited account of the fame Fund for 1938 which was escamined and approved.

The Director submitted a request from the British bouncil for the loan of the picime. "The Dead Ptarmigan", by Sir William Orben. R.a to-an Exhibition of boutemborary British art to be held in connection with the new york world's Favr, It was morrored by mr O'ballaghan, seconded by mr O'Brien and agreed that the picture be lant subject to the usual Conditions . W3: all costs of packing and transport to-be defraged by the British bouncil, and the bicture to be insured for a sum of £ 1,500, from the time of its leaving the Gallery until its return thereto.

The Director submitted an Offer for purchase from Mr. G. a. Heater Of two portraits by Walter Osborne. R. H. A., one of mrs g. w. Meater and the other of major yeater at the prices of flo and flo respectively. He offer of the portrait of Mrs yeater was accepted at the price named! The offer of the portrait of major yeater was accepted at the price named! The offer of the portrait of major yeater was declined.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from mr. 6. Marshall Strink of a pricine by Saftleven at do price of £20. The other was declined. An other tor purchase from the same vendor of a drawing by bharles Bentley, price not stated, was also declined.

He Director submitted an Offer for purchase from Mr. byril andrado of a Seascape by J. 7 Ellis at the price of £500. The offer was declined

The Director Inhuntled an Ofber for muchase from Miss margaret Saunders of her mortrait of Patrick Vincent Duffy, now on loan to the Gaelery, at the price of fifty quineas. The Offer was declined.

The Director rubnitled correspondence with reference to a bequest Of to times by the late Miss H. M. Reid, but, as the Executors had not yet sent the prictures to the Gaelery, the matter was postboard for further Consideration to the nest meeting.

The Director Fubrithed an offer as gift from Mrs Hamilton of an engraving after Turner. The offer was declined.

The Board puther considered a request

of Hetis & Peleus". by Nicolas Poussin, to an Islitition of the works of Poussin to be held at Hartford, boun., M.S.a., which had been before the Jebnuary meeting. He request was declined.

The Director submitted for inspection the following pictures recently recorditioned:

"The amunication", by Rubens frecently recorditioned.

" Man in Condlelight, attributed to Houthoust

The work on these widenes was approved.

The Director Submitted for missections a medal presented by the municipality of Forli in connection with the loan of certain pictures from the bollection to an Exhibition of works of Italian Masters held at Forli last year. The presentation was gratefully accepted

The Director Mulmitted for inspection a copy of the batalogue Raisonne of his Collection bresented to the Reference fibrary of the Gallery by Mr. Frederick Newlefold. The bresentation was gratefully accepted

Ho Director resorred the purchase under terms of By Law 17 of a

picimo, "Portrait of the artist". Ly lyiantrancosco Penni (1485-1528) trom messos bhristie. Manson and woods at the price of £252. The purchase was approved

The Director submitted a request from the Secretary to the President tora loan of the portrait of Dr. Douglas Hyde, President of Ireland to the President's House, It was motored by mr. O'Brien and agreed that the loan be granted.

The Director submitted a request from the Department of Industry and bommerce for a loan of the pricture. "He fittey Swim". by Jack B. Yeats. R. H.A. to the Irish Pavilion of The New York world's fair. 1939. The loan was granted on the brownsal of Mr. O'Brien seconded by mr. O'ballagham, the Conditions being that all costs of packing and carriage would be borne by the Department, and that the Debartment would also be responsible for any loss or damage suffered by the painting Tither in transit or while at the world's fair to the [x Zent of £250.

The Director submitted an ofber as gift from un alfred George forces

of a water colour painting of the Dublin International Exclutions of 1865, by alfred Greshen Jones. The Board agreed to accept the gift on the Conditions quen. viz: that the Bicture be hung in the Gallery, and that the cost of packing, freight and insurance for £200 from Sydney to Dublin be paid by the Gallery.

The Board sanctioned the transfer to the national fibrary of an autograph letter of Thomas moore written in connection with his pontrait by John Jackson. R.a.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fame 7 mos at this date was £ 2.403.4:6

Janes & Munaghan 7 Lune 1939.

## 25 thabril. 1939.

An Extraordinary meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day for the Involose of Considering a request from the Department of Industry and bournerco for a loan of the pontrait of Dr. Douglas Hyde, President of Jreland, by Sean O'Sullivan, R.H.A. to the Irish Paviliar of the New York world's Fair. There were present:

Hetton Mr. Justic Murraghan nor. Jack B. yeats nor. Oliver Shehvard nor. Joseph boundly nor. John Burko nor. Yearge arkinson and the Director.

On the promosal of nor, bormolly. seconded by nor Burks, nor Justice numaghan took the chair.

was received from mr. O'Brien.

It was promosed by Mr boundly, seconded by Mr. Shebbard and agreed that the portrait of Dr. Douglas Hyde. President of Ireland, by Sean O'Sullivan. R. H.a. be lent, with the approval of the President, to the Department of Industry and bounnerce for Exhibition at the World's Fair New York.

It was understood that the Delsartment would be responsible for the Cost of transporting the pricture to- and from New York and also for any loss on damage suffered by it either in transit or while at the world's fair, the present value of the picture for in surance being £262:125.

James A Murnaghan June 1439. 7th June. 1939 A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

> Hestonshur Justice murmaghan nur Dermod D'Brien Dr. Denis bottey nur Joseph bonnoely nur Joseph Holloway Lir alec martin

Ford funghord

me fucius O'ballaghan

nor Oliver Shephard

nor. Jack B. yeats

miss Sarah Purser

Proposson bonway

and the Director

On the proposal of miss Purser, seconded by Mr O' Brien. Mr Justice Ummaglian took the Chairs

The minutes of meetings held on the 5th and 25th April were read abbroved and signed

An anology for non attendance was received from un John Burke

Arising out of the minutes of the meeting held on the 5 Th abril nor. boundly raised the auestion of closing the yalery on Saturday afternoons. He did not think it a good bling to doze the

Jalley on do one afternoon when most people, including school children, were free, His objection was subhorted by Dr. bothey. The Director Explained that Saturday was the day of least attendance and that the matter had been fully discussed at the lest meeting. The bhairman pointed out that question to decide was if there was any objection to the minutes as recorded, or did anyone wish to hand in as motion to discuss the meeting. The was no objection to the minutes and meeting.

The was no objection to the minutes and mo-action, was taken.

The Board discussed the question of the Director's responsibilities in times of smergency and how best to meet the difficulty by an amendment of the Paye faws.

It was improved by mr years, seconded by mr atkinson and agreed to amend Brye faws 2 and 10, the amendments to be drafted by Judge murnageon and circulated before the rest meeting.

On the monosal of Mr O'Brien. Seconded by Mr boundly, Mr Oliver Slephard was appointed Fudge of the Taylor art Scholarships for 1940.

The Director Submitted an offer for fourthase from mrs Otto Kalın through, bestain R. Langton Douglas of a picture, "St Jerome translating the Gospels", by

Jrancis Nicholas. It was proposed by

Two. D' Brien. Seconded by miss Purser

and agreed that the winter be pruchased

at the price of £ 4.200.

An often for furnituse from Mr. Theodore

Spicer Ainson of medalions of

W.B. Yeats and General Michael bollins

at the brise of £10 each was considered

and declined

The Director submitted for vishection frictino. "Pontrait of the artist" by lyantrancesco Penni recently burchased under terms of Bye fam 17. He purchase was approved.

The Director submitted an Ofber as giftfrom Mr. Gerald Me barily of a portrait of Mrs yelverton by 5. M. Reynolds. The Offer was declined.

The Director submitted a selection of the friction's recently bequeathed to the lyallery by the hate miss H. m. Reid. The Board decided on the acceptance of certain of These pictures

The Director submitted for in Mection two Dutch Flower Aircas by Frang Peier Rout by bommander Bayliss. R. N.

The loan was approved.

The Director submitted for inspection two portraits by ejeorge blimmeny recently reconditioned. He work on these prictures was approved.

The Director submitted a request from the Musee barnavalet, Paris . For loan of pricine. "The aboileosis of Jean Jacanes Rousseau", by Hubert Robert to an Exhibition to commemorate the 150 the anniversary of the French Revolution.

It was decided to lend the bricture if the Director so wished and if salisfactory arrangements could be made with the Exhibition anthorntios.

An other for truchase from the Palser Galleries, London of two views of Dubein by James Malton at the trice of £ 75 lack could not be dealt with at this meeting

An Offer for purchase from Mr John Machen of an Oil Pictive, School of Panini, at the brice of \$50 was declined.

A request was received from the walker art Gallery fiverbook for a loan of the trorisait of Dr Kuno Mayer to an Exclibition to be held in the autumn . It was protossed by

un O'ballaghan. Seconded by ner O'Briens and agreed that the boan be granted on the usual conditions as regards the cost of packing transport and in surance.

The Director resorted that the amount standing to the credit of the fame 7 and at this date was \$2.840:19:9.

James A Muraghan 5 July 1939.

5th July 1939

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians of the Gallery was belathis day. There were present:

He Hon. mr Justice Murnaghan Mr Dermod D'Brien

Dr. Denis bothey.
Mr Joseph Hollowaig
mr Joseph bomnoely.
Mr Lucius O'ballaghan
The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Long ford
mr Jack B. Yeats
and the Director.

On the proposal of Mr. O. Brien, Deconded by Mr. Holloway. Mr Justice Mumaghan took blo Chair

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th June were read approved and signed.

An apology for non-attendance was received from his alec martin.

A letter was received from the Director of the walker art Gallery. Liverpool, thanking the Board for granting the loan of the portrait of Dr. Kuno meyer by augustus John to the autumn Exhibition in that Gallery.

Arising out of the minutes the Director ressonted that he had not

"The Assorbers is of Jean Jacques Rousseau to the Exhibition Commemorating the 150 th Anniversary of the French Revolution for the following reasons:

(a) By the time the Board's Consent for the loan had been obtained the beriod of the Eschibition had nearly focisined.

(le) His britus had already been leut to our Esdilition in Paris in recent years.

The proposal for the amendment of

By laws 2 and 10 was again before
the Board. It was protrosed by

Mr. Holloway. Seconded by ford

forgford and Confirmed that By law:

2 be amended to read as follows:

The Board shall be summoned to hold

an extraordinary meeting at any
other time on the requisition of

any five members addressed to

the Director on any energoney.

For such extraordinary meeting

not less than five clear days'

notice must be given;

Provided aluther the bin and

Provided always that in case of any national emergency likely to.

Cause danger to the pictures in the lyaeleng the Director shall have power toriliwith to number of the Board as

may be available, the quorum of the meeting to be at least two members

read as follows:

The Director shall be restrousible to-the Board for the Careful management of the Gallery in all its details and for the safe austody of the Collections Therein, including the fibrary. He shall arrange all works of art and other objects to their best advantage for Ixhibition and take all such brecautions as may be necessary for their protection, and in case of national emergency declared by the Government the Director I have bower to-ramove the bictures from the Gallery at his discretion.

The Director was instructed to have the By-laws as amended relovinted

The Director asked for the Board's direction on the annual closing of the Gallery for cleaning and re-hanging, and it was decided to close the Gallery for this purpose from monday the 2nd October to Tuesday the 3151 October.

The Board at the Director's request added to the two prictures already. Selected from the late Miss H.M. Reids begans. to the gailery namely "Still Life" by Van Aelst and "Landscape" by W" Brocas the prictures, "Decorative Piece" by Bettera and "Figures and Horses in a Landscape" bry van Bloemen on the proposal of Mr Holloway. Seconded by Mr O'ballaghan.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Wr. H. M. Sinclain Ob a british ascribed to murillo at the brice of £500. The offer was declined

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from the Palser Galleries. London, of two Dublin views by James malton at the price of £500. The offer was declined.

The Director Submitted an offer for purchase from Calstain alan Whistell of five water colours by J. H. Campobell (1757-1828) at the brice of 10 guineas. and he was requested by the Board to exercise his power to purchase them under terms of By-Law 17

The Director submitted further correspondence from Mr Theodore Spicer Simon with reference to additional medalicus which le wished to include with his offer of those of W.B. Meats and General michael bollins mamely: George Bernard Shaw, Dr. Douglas Hydo Lady Gregory. George Russell. (At)

Jonnes Joyce and James Stephens, the price for the eight medallious to be £ 16.

The Director was requested to Exercise his power to purchase the lot under terms of Bry-Law 17.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at this date was £ 143:5:5

mn Dermod D'Brien Submitted and
offer as gift from Mr Alfred M. Bender
of 7 woodcuts by Joseph Raphael.
The offer was gratefully accepted.

Jit Muningham
4 October 1939.

4 th October 1939 a meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were bresent:

The Hon Mr. Gustico Murmaglian

Mr Dermod O'Brien

Mr. fucius O'ballaglian

Mr Joseph Holloway

Mr. John Burko

Mis 5 Sarah Purser

Mr Jack B. Heats

and the Director.

On the brownsal of mr O'Brien, seconded by mr. Burko, mr Justice nurnaghan took the Chair.

Before the transaction of business the Board bassed a vote of symbathy with the Registral, Mr. Brisley MacNomara, on the death of his mother.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th July were read, abwoved and signed.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Sir Alec martin, Mr Oliver Sheunard and Mr Joseph bonnolly.

The Director announced that Dr. boffey had been re-abusined as a member of the Board of governors quardians for a further beriend 5 years fectiers were received from the walker art lyallery, fiverpool with reference to the portso sed loan of the portsait of Dr. Kuno Meyer by augustus John; and from the Royal

Institute of British Architects rhanking the Board and the Director for the ficilities afforded to its members during the beriod of their visit to Dublin.

The Director submitted for inspection the five oil bridings and two drawings which he had selected from the brictures and drawings bequeathed to the gallery by the late miss Kathleen ffrench. The receist of these works was noted.

The Director submitted for missection the fire medalions of Dr. Douglas Hyde, George W. Russell (AE) George Bermand Slaw, James Joyce and James Stewhens recently princhased, and submitted an Offer for muchase of two further medalions of Padraic bolum and mis George Bermand Shaw, by Mr Spicer Simson, at the price of fires each, and an offer as gift of one of his U.S. a. war medals.

It was decided to accelet mr Sloices Simson's Offer for lourchase of the two turther medallions at the price named, and to accelet with thanks his gift Of the medal.

The Director submided an Offer for purchase from Mr J. Levi Ob an early Italian painting on countre.

as the necessary quorum for

purchase was not in attendance it was decided to leave the matter to the discretion of the Director for the Societies of his powers under terms of Brye four 17

The Director submitted an offer for muchase from Mr J. Douglas of two wines:

Edmund Kean as "Hamlet" by
Daniel Maclise, at the price of

£35, and "Still fife", by
Rachel Ruysch, at the price of \$75. DE

It was decided to leave the Offer fix
for purchase of the pricer by maclise
to the discretion of the Director
for the exercise of his bowers under

terms of Brye fair 17, and to
decline the offer of the picture
by Rachel Ruysch.

The Director submitted for instruction the pricine of "The Dublis International Eschilition of 1865", by alfred Gresham Jones, recently mesented by Mr A.G. Jones. The receipt of this work was noted.

The Director resorted that the amount standing to the credit of the fame Find at this date was £156:19:1.

6th December, 1939

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held thus day. There were bresent:

Mr. Dermod O'Brien

Mr. George Atleinson

Miss Sarah Purser

Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan

Mr. John Burke

Mr. Oliver Shephard

Mr. Josewh Holloway

Mr. Jack B. yeats

Dr. Denis bofbey

and the Director

On the proposal of un atkinson, seconded by un. Sheward, un. O'Brien took the

The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th October were read authored and Digned

Asologies tor non-attendance were received trom vur Justice murmaglian and Sir alec martin.

arising out of the minutes the Director

(a) That he had Burchased the Early Italian Painting on Copper Offered by mr. I fam at the last meeting for £30, under terms of Paye Law 17.

(b) Heat Mr J. Donglas the wender

Of the victure, "Edmund Kean as

Hamlet" by Daniel Maclise,

Othered at the last meeting tor

£35 was now vresared to accept

£25.

It was proposed by Mr Holloway, Deconded by Mr. Burke and agreed that the victure be purchased at this price.

The Director submitted the Estimates for 1940-41 which were approved by the Board.

The Director reported that suice the last meeting he had received a requolfrom the British bouncil for an extension of the loan of the witter . "The Dead Plannigan , by Sir William Ortsen, for Eschibition in bounded with other works from the Eschelation of boutends overy British art which had been held in Connection with the new york world's Jan. 1939. He stated that on the advice of Judge numaglian and other members of the Board he had granted provisionally she British Council's request and now asked for the Board's Endonement of his action. His was given maninousey

The Director reported that although

arrangements to begin work on the installation of electric lighting in the gallery lad been completed early in September the Othico of Public works had mice decided to post home this work in view of changed Cordi times, but had decided to proceed with the flooring of the main Hall.

The Director Submitted an offer for unrihase brown Dr. a. Scherf Of a priture. "The massacre of the Junocents"

By G. m. breshi (1665-1747) at the price of £720, reduced from £800.

It was provinced by Dr. bothey, seconded by miss Purser and agreed that the Director be embowered to brunchese the locative at this brice if when Stamination he found it worthy.

The Director Dubmitted an Offer for purchase from mro baldwell of two water Colours by Andrew Vicholl R. H. A (1804/586), one water - Colour and one oil britishe by Henry D'Neill (1798-1880) and a Pontrait of a Gerdleman (arrist Mulenown) at the inclusive price of £25. It was proposed by mr Burke and. Seconded by mr Holloway that the two water colours by Andrew Vicholl be purchased at the price of £6:155. This prosmose being with drawn the whole of the was declined.

The Director Intermittees an other of a loan from the Dublin bordsoration of two worksails: King Charles It. by Sir Peter fely and Knig eyeurge IV. by Sir Homas faureure.

It was agreed to accelst these brictures for safe keelsing, without responsibility for damage, and without any Obligation to Exhibit them.

The Director Submitted a letter from the burator of the Dublin municipal Gallery of modern art with reference to the monosed return of bieses of Sculpture and britures at mesent on loan from the National Collections. It was decided that the municipal Gallery authorities be asked to retain these loans at the Board's risk.

The Director submitted an offer for muchase from Castani Langton Douglas of a mixture. "St- John the Bashist- Day- Return from the Polio", by Giovanni Maria Butteri at the price of \$170. The Director was reasested to missect the sixture and embowered to muchase it is it met with his approval.

The Director submitted an offer for southase from the Rev D. J. fug. C.C.

Of two water-colours, "Drawing of walter Cleary" by Edward Hayos, R. H.A., at the write of £5; and "Drawing of Jlesh Bridge, Killamey", by Isaac Weld. M.R. T. A, at the vorice of 3 guineas. The Ofber was declined

The Director Submitted an offer for purchase from Mr J.W. Canavan of a wontrail , said to be that of one of the Brothers Sheares, price Not Stated. The Other was declined.

The Director submitted a reason from the attendants for the Asseming of the Gallery on Christmas Eve, one of the days on which it has been the custom to close to the mobile, and to close instead on the merious day. He mounted out that as Christmas Eve fell on Sunday this year the attendants would lose their usual Sunday prayment if the Gallery was NOI. Orened and that this would be a headship for them.

It was decided that the Gaelery be opened as usual on Simiday. December 24 th and also on Saturday 23 rd December.

Mr Demod D'Bries submitted an offer as gibt trom miss J. French through the Freids of the Irish national Collections of a tramed set of

three semil sleetches by walter Osbonne, R.H.A. The gift was gratefully accessted.

The Director resorted that the amount of tanding to the credit of the fane fund at this date was £594:14:4.

Longfam inchair 7.2.40 7th February, 1940 A Meeting of the Board of governors and equardians was held this day. There were present:

The Earl of Longford

Dr. Denis bottey

Mr. Josephi boundly

Mr. John Burke

Mr. Judius O'ballaghan

Mr. J. B. Yeats

Miss Sarah Purser

Mr. Oliver Shephard

Mr. George atkinson

and the Director.

On the proposal of mr. O'ballaghan, seconded by mr. yests, Lord fongford took the Chair

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th December were read, abbroved and signed.

an abology for non-attendance was received from Mr O'Brien

A letter was received from the Department of Finance, stating that in present financial circumstances, and is view of the grave need for economy in all State Debartments, the minister tox Finance regretted that he had found it necessary to reduce the frank-ii- Aid provision for the Purchase and Repair of Pictimes from £2,000 to

fipoo in de Estimate tor de National Gallery for the year, 1940/41.

The Board Noted the reduction and instructed the Director to boint out to the Department of Finance that, as the ambit of the egrant - in - Aid was widered as from the 156 april. 1937 to include the service of the care and maintenance of Pictures (Restoration, cleaning, training and glazing ) transferred from Sub-Head D. - Incidental Escheuses and Sub-Head D reduced by £ 125 per annum by reason of this transfer of service, The reduction of the grant-in-Aid to its tomes tigue of f1000 really represented a reduction of \$1.125 tor the Now Combined Services Of Purchase and Repair of Princes. The Director was asked therefore to but toward at the same time a request too the restoration of the tomes tigure of £325, instead of the bonesent tigue of £200, to Sub-Head D.

The Director read a letter from
The burator of the Towner art Gallery,
Eastbourne, with reference to the
desirability of special efforts to
obtain contributions Towards the
artists' General Benevolent Institution
during war time, and aslening for
The Co-Operation of this Gallery,
The Board deferred the matter

for further consideration to the nest meeting.

The Director's Report on the working of the exallery for the year 1939 was read and adopted on the motion of my bonnolly seconded by Dr. bothey.

On the promosal of Mr. Bunko,
seconded by mr Atlenison, Lord
Longford and mr. Dermod O'Brien
were re-approximated auditors of
the fane Fund.

On the morosal of rur. boundly.

Seconded by Dr. bothey, ford forglord and rur Joseph Holloway were re-appointed to represent the Board on the Selection Committee of the Fliomas Haverly Trust.

The Director submitted for hispections the following pritures recently purchased:

(a) "The massacre of the Innocents", by G. m. Crespi (1665-1747), trous

Dr a. Scharf at the price of \$670 (b) "The Return from the Palio", by G.M. Butteri (1540-1606) from Captain R. Langton Douglas at the price of \$150

In connection with those purchases mer Burko commented on the Showing of

Trish works in the exallery

The Director mentioned the Offer for Innchase from barstain R. Langton Douglas of a victure, "boucitivion, and bhrist-appearing to Saint many magdaleri, at the price of £900, and Submitted a photograph of the work.

It was agreed that the Director should see the trictine and, if he thought hit, bring it to the nest meeting.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from two J. Levi of a picture. "Portrait of a Lady with Garlands and Cherubs", attributed to fely, at the porice of £550.

The offer was declined.

The Director submitted an Other ton purchase from nor. f. Barnett of a prictine. "Portrait of sarfadyrusch exactant blanch Nathamel Kane, ford mayor of Dublin, 1734", attributed to Kneller, at the price of £ 185

As the Board considered this brice Excessive, the Director was requested to negotiate with the vendor for its reduction and to resort to the nest meeting.

The Director submitted an Offer for purchase from our John Novdell at the price of two guineas of an Engraved portsait of Thomas Reynolds. The principal informer against the United Irishmen of 1798.

The Offer was declined.

A vote of sympaily with nor years on the death of his sister was proposed by Mr. Coffey, and brassed. The years thanked the Brand.

The Director resorted that the amount standing to the credit of the fame fund at this date was: \$ 683:9:5

Durmed Frien. 3 April is -

## 3rd April. 1940

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day There were bresent

nur Dermod O'Brien
nur Jack B. yeats
nur Justice nurmaglian
nur Lucius O'ballaglian
Dr. Denis bothey
nur Josebli Holloway
nur John Burlie
nur Oliver Slebhard

Miss South Purser and the Director

On the motion of Mr Justice Murnaghous, seconded by miss Purser, Mr Demod D'Brien took the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th February were read, abbrowed and signed

Director reported:

(a) With reference to the decision of the Minister for Finance to reduce the Grant-in-Aid for the Purchase and Repair of Pictures from \$2.000 to \$1.000 in the Estimate for 1940-41 that he had received the following letter from the Department of Finance in reloly to the letter on the Endpict which the Roard had ristructed him to write;

5. 18/12/36

Debartment of Finance Dublin

24il February 1940

A Chana.

Jam directed by the minister for Juiance to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the Fili mistant on the subject of the reduction from £2,000 to £1.000 of the provision for the Purchase and Repair of pictures in the Estimate for the National Gallery for 1940-41

In reloty, I am to otate that the decision to reduce the provision for the purchase and Repair of Pictures to £ 1.000 was taken in the light of the general financial position and the amount miserted in the Stimate was NOT fixed by reference to the provision prior to the year 1937-38. The Minister regrets the recossity which has impelled him to Effect the reduction and he is mable to agree to the proposal that the provision under Sub-Head D should be picceased from £ 200 to £ 325

Jam to add That during the European War 1914-1918, the provision for the Purchase of Pictures was wholly suspended, and if the present war should be motracted, it is possible that it may be necessary to curtail the provision still builder. The uninister would regret very much it is

reduction necessary in 1941/42 or in any Jubsequent year, but he feels Confident that the Governors and Guardians of The National egallery will be prepared to accept whatever reduction may require to be made during the Course of The powered Inergency.

(Signed) J. E. Hanna

The Director

National Galvery

Merrion Equato

Dublin.

(b) With reference to the request from

The Journer Art Gallery. Eastbourne,

for the Co-obserction of the Gallery

in the matter of bollections for

the Artist's egeneral Benevolent

Justilution, he had been instructed

that the Government had the

strongest from ble objection to the

erection of collection boxes for

any object or in aid of any nistilution

in State Offices or buildings and

did Not desire any precedent of

the kind to be established.

Board decided to take no further Stelss in The matter.

The Director read a letter from the Secretary of the Debartment of External Offins stating, on behalf of the minister, That The Italian Government had bresented to the government of Ireland a bainting by The Italian painter, George de Clivico. As a mark of abbreciation of This gift and to give the boubeic an Obbortunity Of seeing it the Javiseach was anxious That, bending a decision with regard to its final destination, the sicino should be Blaced on Exhibition for a period of say, six months, The Board decided to accept the bicino or loan and to Exhibit it tona beriod of six months in accordance with the minister's request

The Director Submitted an Offer for muchase from babtain R. Langton Douglas of the soidine, "Grucifixion, and bhrist appearing to Samit many magdalen, by Giovanni Barongio at the price of £800. It was proposed by Judge Murnaghan, seconded by Dr. boffey and agreed that the pricture be purchased at the price mamed

The Director re-submitted the Offer for princhase from MR. L. Barnett of the pricture, "Portrait of Nathamel Kane; attributed to Kneller at the price of \$132 : 16 : 6 reduced from \$\frac{1}{2}85\$

It was proposed by Mr D'ballaghan, Seconded by MR. Bulle andagneed that the work be purchased at this brice or for less. if the Director could so obtain it

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Messis James Hicks & Sons of a pricture. "Interior with Figures". Dutch School at the price of £25, It was protossed by Judge Murnagham, seconded by Dr. bofbey and agreed that it be purchased at this brice.

The Director submitted for the Proard's Counderation the late Mrs Charlotte Despard's bequest to the Jackery of a marble medallian of her late husband. Maximilian barden Despard. No desire to access this bequest was Extressed and it was Therefore.

declined.

The Director submitted a requestfor the Loan of certain prictions bequeailed to the Gallery by Sir Hugh fame for an Exhibition in aid of Finland to be held at Whistler's House, bhelses.

The Board decided that it here!
no powers to lend to an Exhibition
Of This matine and the request was
accordingly refused.

The Director submitted an offer as gift.

from Miss E. M. Hogg Through the Invaids

of the Irish National bollections

of a Chareval drawing of Miss Susan

mitchell by George Russell (F)

It was proposed by Mr Yeats, seconded

by Miss Purser, and agreed that the

gift be accepted.

The Director reborted that the amount Itanding to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was £685:0:8.

The Offer for functions of Oliver It John Gogarty and It John G. Ervine at the trice of \$\ift\( 1 : 105 each was accepted \)

Dormod Brien 5. June 40

## 5th June. 1940

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Demod D'Brien

Mr. Justice Murmaghan

Dr. Denis bottey

Mr. george atkinson

Mr. Jack B. yeats

Mr. Joseph Holloway

Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan

Miss Jarah Purser

Mr. Oliver Shewhard

and the Director. Del

On the motion of Mr. Justice Murmaghan,
Seconded by Mr. Holloway, Mr D'Brien
toole the Chair. The minutes of the meeting
leld on the 3rd April were read, approved and signed.
Apologies for non-attendance were
received from Sir Alec martin and
Mr bonnolly

The Director resorted that, with the approval of the Government. the Vimister for Education had re-appointed.

We Justice murnaghan to be a member of the Board of Governors and Guardians for a further beriod of five years as from the 23rd ultimo

The Director read a letter from the Department of Education Conveying

the witness which had been selected for safeguarding in case of an emergency, and stating that this should be done as imobinished as bossible and in such a manner as to cause the minimum of dislocation to the normal routine of the gallery.

The Director read his ressly to this letter, is the Course of which he stated that although he had set about the work in the manner requested, slutting off one by one The Willtown Rooms as the selected pictures were taken down and resolating these pritures as far as possible so that each room Could be almost immediately re observed, it might not be bossible to loreserve the normal appearance of the Gallery when the Italian and Dutch rooms came to be dealt with. He suggested that a votice in Explanation be but on the doors of any rooms which Could Not in consequence of the removals be re-overed to the imbeic.

It was proposed by The Fustice murnaghan, seconded by The O'ballaghan and agreed that this wotice should read as follows:

"The Board of governors and quardians

of the National Gallery, Frice ordinarily

it meets only every second month, has

deemed it prudent to ask the Director

to withdraw from Exhibition the more

impontant pritures in the bollection.

It has taken this action in order to

facilitate certain breliminary stels?

clecided on last bets tember as

essential should it become necessary

to mut into operation at any time

in the tuine the blans then made

for their safe broservation."

The Director Stated that he had received the Annual Report and Balance Sheet of the Royal Automobile blub Princlaings Co. Ltd. in which the Board had a holding of 20 shares of fio each that had produced a Dividend of £7:5:0 in 1939. The receibt of the resont was noted.

The Board manimously re-aphointed mr Oliver Shehhard to reconsocut the egallery as Judge of the Taylor art Scholarship for 1941

The Director submitted for Sxamination the britane, "Portrait of Francis Hutchinson and his daughter. Am", by Jan barel Viertryl. Signed and dated 1721, which he had purchased mi accordance with instructions received by him from the Board at its last meeting. The purchase was approved.

The Director submitted for the Board's misspection and decision a selection from the Beanest to the Gallery by the late mr Patrick Sherlock of 47 Framed pictures, 20 unframed bictures. 16 Prints in frames. 18 prints without frames, 14 large embly picture frames and 35 small embly picture frames.

It was decided to postpone considerations of the matter until the Board Could be intormed that the will of the Deceased had been browed.

The Director submitted an other form

foundase from Mr. H. N. Bier of a

pricture. "David Playing the Harts", by

Theodore van Baburen. Mtrecht School

(working 1611-1623) at the brice of

£ 450.

It was decided to 120st 12000 Consideration of the Other to the July meeting, by which time the Director might have been able to see the brictime.

The Director submitted an Other for muchase from Alderman in Mercer, Belfast of a large water-colour by michael Angelo Hayes at the price of £30.

The offer was declined.

The Director submitted a request from the Secretary, Ducon's University Joint

Committee for Adult Education for the loan of eight water-colours one each by Sargent. Turner. bons table. Cox. girtin. Sandby, de-went and Proutone pasiel by Degas and Two oil situres by Nathamel Hone to Exhibitions in Connection with the art for the Prople " Scheme to be held micertani whom centres in Novilius Ireland It was promoted by Tra. Atleinson, Deconded by nor years and carried, Dr Coffey dissenting, that the request be granted on the usual anditions as regards packing, carriage, and nisurance, the partie by Degas and the two oil siames by Home Not to be sicheded.

The Director submitted cur offer from Mr Patrick O'bound of the loan of a prictine attributed to Rubens.

The Board while denring the Director to Convey it's thanks to mer O'bonnor for his laind offer asked huminals to 54 mens its regrets that, asked him also to 54 mens its regrets merits of the prictive. It could not in the circumstances of the time Jee its way to add to its responsibilities by accepting the board

The Birector Submitted an Offeres giftfrom miss gavan Dubby of a Deniel Shetch of the late Dr Sigerson by Jack morror The giftwas gratefully accepted.

miss Purser mentioned to the Board that she wished to present to the Gallery a prontrait of the late George Russell (AE") by herself. The Board Surressed its willingness to accept the gift and Thanked her for it.

The Director resonted that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Find at this date was: \$\frac{1659}{7:4} \frac{1}{1121} \cdot 4:8.

James A Muraghan 3 July 1940 3rd July. 1940.

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and guardians was held this day. Here were present:

Mr. Justice Murmaglian
Mr. Dermod D'Brien
Dr. Demis bothey
Mr. Joseph boundly
Mr. Jock B. Yeats
Mr. Lucius D'ballaglian
Mr. Joseph Holloway
Mr. John Burke

and the Director.

On the motion of 14. Dermod D'Brien,

Deconded by Dr. boffey, mr. Justice

Murnaghan took the chair.

The minutes of the meeting load or the 5th June were read abbroved and digned.

Arising out of the minutes:

(a, with reference to the loan of certain water-colours to the Queen's University Belfast forit Committee for Adult Education to be Falibited in connection with the "Art for the People" Schome is selected centres in Morthern Ireland, it was troposed by Mr boundly, Seconded by Mr. Burke and agreed.

"Hat in the went of the proposed series of Exhibitions in Morthern Ireland being proceeded with the Director Should

Summer an Extraordinary meeting of the Board to reconsider the marter of this learn.

A letter was received from the Department of Education with reference to the storning of pictures selected for Meetal Infegurating in Case of an Emergency. It was decided, in agreement with the view therein Extressed that the most valuable pictures on the list should be stored in the vaults of the Bank of Ireland and the remainder in the Safer bants of the Gallery buildings, the Director to make a list in order of merit of those to be sent to the Bank the Space allotted in the vaults to govern to some gy tent the Choice made.

The Director Submitted a request from the British bouncil for an Extension of the loan of "He Dead Ptarmigan", by Sir William Orber, So that it might be Exhibited in an Exhibition of British art being organised by the June arts blub of blicago.

It was proposed by Mr D'Brien and Seconded by Mr D'ballaghan that the sylension of the loan be granted.

On a show of hunds the motion was lost, and the Director was nistructed to mitorn the British bouncil that the picture could not be lant to any

turther Exhibitions in America and to request that it be stoned until such time as it could be sent home under The usual conditions regarding insurance of britimes while at sea.

The Director submitted for missection the prictine "Portrait of George Russell (Æ) by Miss Purser which had been gratefully accepted at the last meeting. The Director was mistructed to have the picture lung.

The Director asked for The Board's instruction on the annual dosing of the Gallery for cleaning and re-hanging and it was decided that the closed period should be from the 30th September to the 26th October.

The Director mentioned an offer ton purchase from the Hans Groman of a prictine. "St John the Baptist". by the Spanish Painter José Jeonardo at the price of £350. It was decided to take no action as regards muchase at the moment, but that the offer. If still available, be re-submitted at the October meeting

(1) As a mailer arising out of the minutes of the last meeting the Director stated that he had not so tar hear

able to see the prictine, "David Playing the Harls", by Theodore van Baburers.

Offered for purchase by nor. H.N Bier at the price of £450. It was decided to defer this often also, it still available to the October meeting.

The Director submitted an Offer for fructiase from Mr T. Spicer Simson of a medallion of ford Dunsamy at the price of £1:10s, as charged for the other medallions in This Series of Irish writers. Purchase at this price was ordered by the Board.

It was decided that an Extraordinary meeting of the Board he held on Inesday the filly to consider the advisability of making a change in the investments comprised in the fame June.

Mr D'Brien submided a lithograph
by Motierse. Offered as gift by the
friends of the Irish National
bollections on Condition that it be
lent to the Municipal Gallory of
Modern art, The gift was gratefully
accepted

The Director resonted that the amount standing to creait of the Lane Fund as Ilus date was £ 1.210:7:11.

## 9th July 1940

An Extraordinary meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held on this day to Consider the advisability of making a Change in the investments Conysrised in the Jane Fund. There were present:

Mr Justice Murnaghan
Mr Dermod D'Brian
Mr Lucius D'Ballaghan
Mr. Joseph Boundly
Mr Joseph Holloway
Mr John Burke
Mr Leorge atkinson
and the Director.

on the motion of mr O'Brien. seconded by Mr O'ballaghan. Mr Justice Murmaghan took the Chair.

an abology for non-attendance was received from un yeats.

It was proposed by mr bomoely, seconded by mr O'Brian and agreed:

'That the following investments. Portion of the fane Fund vr3: £24,820:17:11

32% War Stock and £89:3:3 32

bornersion Stock be sold by

mesors Bewley and manley, 829

Anglesea Street. Dublin. and the

proceeds be re-invested in the

Irish Free State 46 bornersion foan,

or feiling these in Irish Free State 4% Stelequer Bonds, 32% 4th National foam, Sire Financial agreement Loan. That the Seal of the Board be affixed to this resolution

James A Murraylian 2m October 1940. An sytraordinary meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held on this day to Complete arrangements in Connection with certain changes in the investments Comprised in the fane Jund. There were present:

Mr Justice Murnaghan

mer Dermod D'Brien

mer Jack B. yeats

mer Jucius D' ballaghan

mer Joseish bonnolly

miss Sarah Purses

Lord Jongford

Dr. Denis bofbey

mer Diver Shehard

mer Joseish Holloway

and the Directors.

on the trouval of un o'Brien. Seconded by Lord Longford, nor Justice numaghan took the chair.

It was motrosed by mr O'Brien, seconded by ford fongford and agreed:

"That the Seal of the Board be affixed to the Power of attorney in toward of mesons Bewley and manly

(Arithm manly and Henry Franklin)

to transfer £ 24.820:17:11 3½%

War Stock"

and

"That the Seal of the Board be affixed to the Power of attorney in towour of messrs Bewley and Manly (Arthur manly and Henry Franklin) to Kransker £89:3:3 bornersion Stock

The Director responted that. Since the last extraordinary meeting the fuel amounts of the Stocks had been sold, but that the sourchase of the selected stocks in Trish free State 4% bonversion Loan and Trish Free State 4% Free State 4½ Third Mational Loan had not yet been Completed.

The Director Explained to the Board.
That the Queen'S University. Belfast.
Joint Committee for adult Education
had decided to proceed with its
Scheme for a series of Exhibitions
in rural centres in Monthern Ireland
and had made application for the
drawings which the Gallery had
agreed to lend at the meeting
held on June 5 th. Owing to the
intervention of this Extraordinary
meeting there had not been time
to call the Special meeting to
Consider the matter which had
been ordered, contingent when these

circumstames, at the meeting held on July 3rd. He had however, informed the Secretary to the bommittee that the Board had reviewed its decision on the loan and had come to the Conclusion that it would be inadvisable under bresent conditions to grant it without further Consideration, and that he was therefore, unable to torward the water-colours pending the Board's frial decision

Un Holloway seconded, ital a leiter be sent redslaining the Board's inability to lend under present circumstances.

Mr. D'Brien proposed and
Mr. D'ballaghan seconded their
the drawings be lant fortwith
Mr. D'Brien with drew his
porthosal and it was agreed
that the Committee be intorned
that the Board, although very
willing to grant this locus did
not consider it desirable to make
any loan under propent Conditions,
but that when Conditions became
more normal they boked to
have the ophortmity of making
the loan as originally intended

The Director read a letter from the Secretary of the Frie arts bommittee of the British bommit regretting the decision of the Board not to land the pictine. "The Dead Ptarmigan", by Sir wreliam Orbers to the Sylibition of British art in Chicago and hopming that the Board would be able to reconsider its decision.

No action was taken

The Director mentioned an offer for Sale of certain pictures which babtani fangton Danglas was now in a position to make, making particular mention of an Italian primitive which was amongst Them.

It was the feeling of the Board that it would welcome the acquisition of This work if it (ould be acquired at a reasonable price, and that if the positions came to a lead concerning this prictive or the Offergenerally he should call a stream meeting to consider it.

James A Murraghan 2000 Mbe 1940

## 2nd October 1940

4 Meeting of the Board of Governors and guardians was held this day. There were bresent:

Mr. Justice Murnaghan
Mr. Dermod O'Brien
Mr. Joseph Holloway
Mr. Jack B. Meats
Mr. Jock B. Meats
Mr. John Burke
Miss Sarah Purser
Mr. Joseph Connolly
Mr. Lucius O'Laleaghan

and the Director.

Mr. Justice Mumaghan was moved to the blain an apology for non. attendance was received from Mr atkinson.

The Minutes of Meetings held on the 3rd. 9th and 17th July were read, approved and signed.

Orising out of the minutes the Director reported:

(a) That the following wickness had been transferred to the wants of the Bank of Ireland:

Case NO 1. Portrail of ruro. King.

Portrail of ruro Horton; both by gamisborough

- 2. Land scape, by Gain sborough.
  We and was Richardson by tellany.
- 3. View in Suffolk.

  Bottrait of John Gainsborough.

  Portrait of the Duke of northumbulard;

  alloby yain storough.

Case No. 4.	St Francisini Ecstasy, by El greco.
	Stranish Woman. by Goya.
	Fortrait of a Lady by Goya.
	Pontrail of the bonde de Jajo. by goya
" 5.	The young governess. by Chardin,

Wedding Festivities, by Watteau.

" L. The McKinnon Family by Hogarels.

The yoraliful Tonnelis by Poussin.

" 7. The Entombreat.

Theris and Peleus; both by Foussin.

" S. St Jerome Translating the Gostoels, by Francis Vicolas.

" 9. The Western Jamily, by Hogards. La ay bongreve & Children by Reinagle.

" 10. King George the Second, by Hogaril.

Caricature by Reynolds.

Hogarth.

Portrait of the Earl of Mount

Edge cumbe, by Reynolds.

Portrait of Wars Fortescue, by Reynolds.

Portrait of Benjamin Hoadley, by

Hogarth.

" 12. Portrait of Anthony Hundertphindt, by Wolfgang Huber.

13. Our Lord bidding Farewell, by David. 14. Judith with the Head of Holoternes,

by mantegna.

" 15. Pontrait of the bardinal antonio del monte Sansovino, by Sebastian del Piombo.

> Pontrail of a Venetian Gentleman, by Jintonetto.

" 16. He Virgin. Intant Christ and 51. John ina Landscape, by Ghirlandajo.

- base NO. 17. madonna and blied by Lorentino.
  - 18. The Mortyrdom of 55. bosnus and Damianus, by Fra Angelico
  - 19. Pontrait of a Musician by Cosimo Jura.
  - 20. Portrait of Baldassare bastiglione, by Titian Fontrait of a Gentleman with
  - Iwo blildren. by moroni 21. Shepherds at night by Bembraudt
  - 22. Pontrait Of a Young Woman, by Terborg Four monles by
  - 23. The young Fisherboy by Frans Hals. The Village School by Jan Steen The Riding School by Jardin
  - 24. View of Dresder, by Canaletto Companion View of Dresder, by banaletto.
- (b) That he had not yet been able to see the picture. "St John the Baptist", by the Spanish painter. José Leonardo, a spered for burchase by Mr Hand Gronau, and so was not in a position to re-submit the offer at this meeting.
- (C) That the Bicture, "David Blaying the Harps", by Theodore van Babrulu, Offered for purchase by mr H.N. Bier was no longer available as it had been sold to America
- (d) That the lithograph by mations presented to the Gallery by the Friends of the Trish national bollections had been gratefully accepted on boan by the Dublin

Municipal Gallery of Modern art

(2) That he had received a letter from
the Secretary of the Queen's University

(Belfast) Point Committee for adult

Solucation, Stating that his bommittee

realised the Board Could not,

nittle tresent conditions, have agreed

to make the boar of certain water-colours

desired in connection with the

Art for the People Scheme in Morthern

Treland, and Expressing the hope,

when happiner conditions borevail, of

peneming the request.

(f) That he was not yet in a position to submit the offer for burchase of the Italian Primitive and other bictures which bastain Langton Douglas had recently proposed to make.

He Director informed the Board that he had received a letter from the Department of Industry and bommerce with reference to the Parirait of Dr. Douglas Hyde,

President of Treland, by Sean O'Sullivan.

R. H. A. which had been on loan to the Trish Pavilion at the Mew york World's Fair.

This letter stated that the Department of Stiemal Affairs proposed to make avangements for the Safe-leeping of this pitture and desired the Board's concurrence with these arrangements

It was decided that the Debartment Ob Industry and Commerce be informed Of the Board's willingness to agree to the arrangements which the Department of External affairs browsed to make

The Director reported that the Changes in the investments of £24,820:17:11 3½% War Stock and £89:3:3 3½ bowersion Stock had now been completed by the Sale of these stocks, and their re-investment in £11.647:6:1 Trish Free State 4½% 3rd National Joan 1950770 and £12.150:0:0 Prigh Free State 4% bowersion Loan 1961.

In connection with the payment of divident on these new investments, ihr were proposed following resolutions, by Mr. Dermod D. Brien, and seconded by Mr. Joseph boundly:

(a) "That the borrsorate Seal of the Board be affixed to the Jorn of Reavest for Payment of Dividends in restrect of the amount of £11.647.6.1

Trish Free State 42% 3rd National Loan."

and:

(b) Heat the bordsorate Seal of the Board be affixed to the Form of Request for Payment of Dividends in respect of the amount of £12,150. 0.0

Trish Free State 4% bornersion Joan.
1950-1970."

The Director submitted an offer for surchase from Mrs. B. Corcoran of a

pontrait of W.B. yeats. by Augustus John at the frice of £500. It was troposed by Mr. O'Brien, Seconded by Mr. Holloway and agreed that the Other be declined

The Director Submitted an Ofber as gift from Mr P. Higgins of a Bicture of a Classical Subject by Nicolaas van Helt-Stockade.

It was troopsed by Mr. yests, seconded by miss Purser and agreed that the objer be gratefully accepted.

The Director Submitted an offer for winchase from Mr John M. bogan of two victures by J. G. Cuylo, "Pontrait of a Lady" and "Pontrait of a Jaileman at the prices of from and \$50 respectively

There was not a quorum for burchases present, but the Directon was embowered to negotiate for the burchase of these works under Terms of Bye-faw. 17.

An Ofter as gift from battain John M. Breen. M.B. B.ch. Of a picture. "Pera visiting her Father in Prison", Dutch School, was declined.

The Director resonted that the amount standing to the credit of the fame Fund at This date was £ 1.379:9:6.

James & Municipality 2 Dec 1940.

4th December, 1940.

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present;

Mr. Justice Murmaghan
Dr. Demis boffey

Mr. Joseph Holloway

Mr. Dermod D'Brien

Mr. Lucius D'ballaghan

Mr. Joseph bonnolly

Mr. Joseph bonnolly

Mr. John Burke

Mr. Oliver Shephard

and the Director.

On the motion of Mr D'ballaghan. seconded by Mr. Dermod O'Bries. Mr Justice Murmaghan took the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the and October were read, approved and signed.

arising out of the nimutes the Director

(a) Heat the two pictures, "Pontrait of a Lady and "Pontrait of a Gentleman",
by J. G. Chyp, offered for Burchase
by Mr. John M. Cogan at last
meeting at the price of f 150 for the
two and which the Board had
lubowered him to burchase under
Terms of Bye faw 17 had been
bourchased by him at the price of \$\frac{1}{25}\$.

(b.) Hat he had nothing further to resont as regards offers for muchase of certain pritures from balot ani Langton Douglas.

The Director seponted that, with the approval
of the government, the minister for Education
had appointed fond Longford to be a member
of the Board of Governors and Guardians
for a furiler period of five years as from
15 ih november.

The Director responted that he had received a circular letter from the Desartment of Finance Stating that the Government had under Consideration the question of the measures which it might be necessary to take in the Event of the Country being involved in hostilities and asking, as in the Case of of other Departments, for a respont on the activities which it would be essential for the national gallery to carry on in Such an event and the minimum Staff which would be required for such activities.

He stated that he had sent a relsont smohasising the Special Circumstances of the Gallery and guring Bailiculars of the Gallery and guring Bailiculars of the measures that had already been taken to deal with the Safe guarding of its more valuable Contents in an Emergency; also particulars of the Stap which it would still be necessary to maintain for the Care and protection,

Of the sociumes in the went of the ejaclery having to close for a seriod.

The Director submitted the Estimates for the services to be administered by the National egallery for 1941/42 at a total of £ 4,400, which figure was approved

The Director submitted an offer as gift from the Steenlors of the late Mr william Rochfort, balin Abbay, balin, bo Timberary of a portrait of Mrs eyeonge Rochfort. by Stephen Slaughter (D.1765). On the proposal of Mr D' ballaghan. seconded by Dr. boffey the gift was gratefully accessied. The Chairman suggested that the Stack identity of the Subject thousand if possible, he discovered.

The Director asked for the Board's direction with regard to the return from new yorke of the Diriture. "The Dead Ptarmigan". by Sir william Orbers. R.a. which had been on loan to the new york world's Jair and later to an Exhibition of British art in Boston.

The arrangement which he lied made, whereby the brichme would, for the time being, be stored by the Trish Consul general, new york, on arradition that the Department of Overseas Trade. London would pack it, in sure it while in transit and way the ultimate cost of its carriage home, was approved.

The Director submitted an offer for muchase from Mr M. K. Cogan of a Flemish tribtych at the price of £475. It was trouved by mr O'Brien seconded by mr atlainsons and agreed that the work be truchased at This price.

The Director submitted an ofber for muchase from mesons aritime Jooll & Sons. Utd. Of a portrait of J. F. fawrence (Laurence of arabig) as aritimate man Shaw at the trice of \$\ift\_{600}\$. The offer was declined.

The Director submitted an ofber for princhase from Mr L. Barnett of a miniature. "Portrait of a Gentleman". by Sampson Towgood Rocks at the price of £25. The Offer was declined

The Director informed the Board that it was his intention to apply for the Britime.
"morning in the City" by Jack B. yeats from the division of pridines to be made by the Haverly Just. The proposal was approved by the Board.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at This date was £1,624:6:9.

The mailer of the present hanging of the Trish victures in the bollection was raised by mir Holloway and discussed.

It was morrosed by Dr. bofbey and seconded by Mr. Burke "that a sub-committee of the Board be appointed to confer with the Director as to the question of more. Suitable languing.

After burither discussion it was agreed that the Chairman (Thr. Justice Murnaghan), nor D'Bries and Mr Holloway confer with the Director and resont on the present bositions of the Trish witness.

June A Murnaghan & Jehney 1941.

3th Jebruary, 1941 a meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were were

> Mr. Justico murmaghan Dr. Denis bofbey mor Joseph Holloway nor Lucius O'ballaghan mor Oliver Shephard

> > and the Director

On the motion of Dr boffey, seconded by Mr Holloway, Mr Justice Murnaglian took the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th December 1940 were read abbroved and signed.

Abologies for non adendance were received from Mr O Brien. Mr bonnolly and miss Purser.

arising out of the minutes the Director resourced:

(a) That the minister for Finance,
Subject to any alteration which might
be found necessary before its
presentation to Dail Évreann by
the government, had approved at
a total of f4,400 the Estimate for
the national gallery for 1941-42.

- (b.) That he had obtained the further details required in Connection with the Exact identity of the subject of the ponisait presented by the Executors of the late mr William Rochfort.
  - (C) That he had in smed the pridine "He Dood
    "Rarmigan" by Fir william Orbsen, R.A.

    which was being stored by the Frish

    Grish Seneral, New york, until such

    time as it could be brought home.

    He was authorised to continue the

    Cinsurance until the End of the present

    priancial year.

Mr Justice numaglow made averbal report
from the Sub-Committee appointed at the last
meeting to confer with the Director on the
question of more suitable hanging for ihe
Irish pictures in the bollection. He skied
that the Sub-Committee had accepted
Mr Holloway's Angestion to hang the
loitures on Screens in the window bays
of the Portrait Gallery. He Director,
having been asked to do so, had lumg pictures
on one screen for instruction. The matter
was discussed and further ansideration postpored.

The Director's Report on the working of the Egallery for the year, 1940 was Submitted and approved.

Lord Longbord and un Dermod D' Bria. were re-appointed auditors of the Lane 7 and.

The Director submitted for in spection the picture, "A morning in the bily", by

Jack B. yeats, R. H. A. which had been allocated to the Gallery by the Thomas Havery must.

It was decided that it be offered on loan to the Dublin municipal fallery of modern art.

The Director reprorted that he had had had received a request boralist of items in the Collection which might be suitable for a proposed faster week. 1916 Exhibition to be held in the national museum

He was anihorised to land any items which might be required from the list supplied.

The Director Submitted photographs
of provincies of the late Janes Joyce,
motably a portrait by Jacanes Emile
Blanche, and the Board Expressed
the Opinion that he might purchase
whis work, which was offered by
the feicester Galleries at the price of
one Hundred and forty grineas,
under the terms of Bye Law. 17.

The Director submitted an offer for.

fourthase from the artist of a book air

of James Stephens by Sir William

Rotherstein at the vorice of £20

The offer was declined.

The Director Stated that he had received an ofter for purchase from the Secretary of the Haverty Trust of Eight prictine (ases. He was authorised to brunchase these cases at a price under £20.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the Credit of the fame Stund at this date was £1.242:14:5.

James A Munaghan 2 April 1941. and April. 1941

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. Here were present:

Mr Justice mumaghan
Dr. Denis boffey
Lord Longford
nur Dermod D'Brien
nur Jucius D'Ballaghan
nur Joseph bonnolly
nur Jacle B. years
and the Director

Mr Justice Murnaghan was moved to the Clair.

An apology for non. attendance was received from Miss Purser

Avoie of sympaily with was George Atherison on the death of her husband was wassed before the transaction of business

The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th February were read approved and Signed.

The Director submitted the Audited account of the Same Fund for 1940, which was examined and approved.

The Director submitted for consideration

the Begnost of the late Mr. Patrick Sherlock Consisting of the following:

20 Unframed Paintings

47 Framed Paintings

16 Prints in Frames

18 Prints without Frames

14 Large Suply Picture Frames

35 Small snysty Picime Framos

It was proposed by Mr Dermod D'Brien Seanded by Mr Joseph bonnolly andegreed that the Bequest be accepted.

The Director submitted for inspection the portrait of James Jorges by Jacques Finile Blanche Offered for princhase by The Seicesier Galleries at the last meeting, and which he had princhased for one hundred and forly quineas under the Terms Of Bye fant 17. The burchase was approved.

The Director reported the loan of invo pontraits, Roger Casement by Sarah Purser.

R.H.A and Rory O'Connor by Feo Whelan,

R.H.A., to the notional nuseum for an Exhibition in connection with the Twaty.

fifth Anniversary of Easter Week. 1916.

The Director submitted an offer promochase from Mr Garrett Flavin Ob a birtime, "A Painting of Bethleham", by Hendrich de black, dated 1609, at the brice of £100. The Offer was declined

As a matter arising out of the minutes of the last meeting, the Director reported that the Eight pricture cases which he had been anthorised to brunchase from the Secretary of the Hawerty Trust at a price under \$20 had been brunchased for \$10.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at This date was £ 1504: 15: 8

J. A Murraghan 4 June 1941 47h June: 1941

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were bresent:

Mr Justice Murmaghan
Mr Dermod O'Brien
Mr. Joseph bonnolly
nor John Burke
nor Jack B. yeats
mr fucius O'ballaghan
Professor magennis
and the Director.

On the imposal of Mr O'Brien, seconded by Mr O'ballaghan, Mr Justice Mumaghan took the Chair.

The nimites of the meeting held on the mad about were read, abbroved and signed.

an apology for mon-attendance was received from Mr Oliver Shebbard.

The Director resorted that, with the abbroval of the Government, the minister for Education had appointed Professor William magenis on the Board of Governors and Guardians bore period of five years as from the 2nd may, 1941.

In connection with the annual appointment

Of Inage of the Taylor art Scholarships and Prizes, the letter from Mr Oliver Shephard apologising for his inability to attend the meeting michaded on intimation that he did not desire to act as Inage for a further beriod having already done so for three years. In view of this decision Mr Dermod O'Brien was appointed to represent the Gallery as Judge for 1942.

In connection with fane Jund investments the annual Reports and Balance Sheets of the Project automobile blub Buildings bo. I to Troyal automobile blub Buildings bo. It and the Staked Plains Trust Co. It for 1940 were received. The Director reported that the Dividend from the Royal automobile blub Buildings Co. Ltd. investment had been f 6:5:0 and that the Staked Plains Trust Co. Ltd investment had not yet begun to produce a Dividend.

The Director submitted an offer for burchase from Mr William Kida Davis of a bricture. "Moonlight Scene", by van der meer at the brice of £ 150 The Offer was declined.

The Director submitted an offer for burchase from Lady Harty of a crayon drawing of the late Sir Hamilton Harty, by Harola Speed. There was no quonum for burchase, but the members bresent

were of Opinion that this Drawing should be unreliased and the Director was requested to escercise his powers under terms of Bye law 17. The price asked for this work was £30

An Offer for princhase was received from the mac Egan memorial Committee of a bittine by the Mac Egan entitled "The National Gallery" at the brice of £50. The Offer was declined.

An application was received from the Friends of the national bollections of Ireland for the use of a room in the Gallery for the lowrssore of holding a benten ary Loan Exhibition of the works of James a. O'bonnor.

It was decided that under the terms of Bye-faw 35 of the Gaelery the Board had no bower to comply with this request.

Two Forms of Request in connection with the sealing of Documents were received from the Chief Transfer Officer. Bank of Ireland. Public. The following resolutions were passed and the Seal of the Gallery affixed to each Form of Request:

"Proposed by Dermod D'Brien Seconded by fucius D'ballaglan That the borborate Seal of the Board be affixed to the Form of Request from the bluef Transfer Officer. Bank of Ireland, Dublin for: (a):

A certified unponession of the bournon Seal.

(b) A certified colony of the Rules and regulations in force regarding the use of the Seal

in respect of an investment of £12.150:0:0

Irish Free State 4% bonversion foan. 1961

"Browned by Dermod O'Brien Seconded by fucius O'Ballaghan That the borrporate Seal of the Board be affixed to the Form of Request from the bluef Transfer Officer. Bank of Treland, Dublin for:

(a) A Certified imbression of the bommon Seal

(b) A Certified course of the These and Regulations in force regarding the use of the Seal in respect of an investment of \$11.647: 6:1 Irish Tree State 4% 3rd national foan.

An offer for vanchase from Mr Jean Discon of his prortrait of the late 7. R. Higgins at the price of £25 was received The offer was declined.

The Director drew the attention of The Board to the fact that the loictures withdrawn from exchilation for special Safe-quarding in the event of an emergency had now been in cases, excluded from light and air, for almost a year.

The matter was very fully discussed and much ansciety was Frimessed at the prospect of deterioration thould these britishes continue to be beest in their cases over any considerable further beriod.

The Board was of Obsinion that the cases in the Gallery Should be observed from time to time, so that the sictions might be sylvested to light and air. it only for a brief seriod, and thought it desirable also that the cases at the Bank of Ireland should be similarly treated,

The Director was asked to communicate to the Department of Education This 5+ bression of the Board's view, so That: (a) the necessary arrangements might be made by the Department with the Bank of Irel and authorities to Bernit of the pictures in their charge being so treated; or (b) that The Debartment might now desire to suggest an alternative arrangement for the Special safe quarding of all these with drawn brictures, and one which would not be attended with this risk of deterioration. It was feet that some arrangement such as that originally intended, namely removal to a blace of safety outside Dublin where the accommodation could allow

of the victures being freely removed from their cases, would be the only satisfactory one, since the veriod of their absence from the Galley walls has of necessity to be an extended one.

The Director was requested to obtain an sylvnession of the Debardment's views on the matter, so that the situations could be more fully reviewed at the nest meeting

The Pirector resonted that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at This date was: \$\frac{1}{749}:12:4\$

Drimod Bries. 2 Julijas.

2nd July 1941 a meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Jack B. yeats
Mr. Jucius O'Callaghan
Dr. Denis bofbey
Professor W" magennis
nor Joseph Holloway
wor John Burkse

On the wroposal of mr Burke, seconded by Mr D' Callaghan, Mr. D'Brien took

The Chair.

The nimutes of the meeting held on the 4th June were read, approved and signed.

Apologies for non attendance were received from Judge Murmaglian, Sir aloc marain, un bonnolly and Mr Sheppard.

The Board directed that the Gallery be closed for the annual cleaning and rechanging from 6th October to 154 november inclusive

The Director submitted for inspection a pricine, "Richard Barwell and Son", by Sir Joshua Reynolds which mosons Battersky and Co. desired to offer for burchase, There was no

quorum for sourchases spresent, but the Board decided that This was not a sicture in which it would be interested in acquiring for the Gallery.

The Director Submitted a letter which he had received from the Debartment of Education enclosing formal analonity to remove from time to time the cases Containing certain bictures which are at bresent stoned in the Bank of Ireland, and submitted for inspection Certain foictures which he had temporarely removed. Their condition, which in the opinion of the Board was not quite salisfactory, was noted, and he was instructed to sonceed with the removal of the other wictures in rotation, so that they might be eschoosed to light and air for such beriods as their condition might domand

The Board Considered another boint raised in the Department's letter, mamely brovision of alternative accommodation during the emergency period for which the pictures have been backed. It was considered that the following houses; if safe from the military point of view, would each by of a size and condition Suitable for the proper storing of these bickness, provided that any of

of their owners would be wreting to lond one of them for ilus purpose:

Adare manor (Co. Limerick.), the browerly of Lord Dimraven.

bastle forbes (Co. Longford), the browerty of Lord Granard

Pakenham Hall (Co. Westmeath), the browerty of Lord Longford.

The Director was instructed to Submit for the Departments ausideration This Suggested list of Suitable buildings, and Mr O Brien undertook to make breluminary enquiries aucorning adare manot.

The Director submitted an offer for burchase from Dr. Scharf of Two pridings:

"Pieta", by Bernardo Buttinoni at the brice of £300, and "The Angel appearing to Hagar in the Wilderness". by Ginseli Baggani at the frice of £250.

Both Ofbers were declined.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mr John M. Cogan of a picture. "Portrait of a Lady", dated 1503, at the voice of £275

The offer was declined

The Director submitted a reavest from Mr Eoin O'Mahory on behalf

Of the James Barry Bicentenary bommittee for the loan of certain wictures by this artist to an Exhibition of his works to be held in book in October.

It was knowned by mer D' ballagham, seconded by mer years. and agreed that any wicines by Barry required for This eschibition be lent on the usual conditions as regards waching. carriage and insurance

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at this date was £ 1.839: 7:8

James A Murnaghan 1 Odober 1941

## 1st October 1941

and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr Justico Murnaghan
mr Joseph bonnolly
mr John Burko
mr Lucius O'ballaghan
mr Joseph Holloway
mr. Joseph Holloway
mr. Jack B. yeats
and the Director

On the 10,000 sal of Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. boundly, Mr. Justice murnaglan took the chair.

A vote of condolance with the relatives of the late Oliver Shehhard was passed before the transaction of any business.

The minutes of the meeting held on the ond July were read abbroved and signed.

An apology for non-attendance was received from Dr. boffey.

The Director submitted a request from Mr. Eoin D' malony on behalf of the Dublin-Wicklowmen's 1798 bommemoration bommittee for a stocial stilit of Parnell items in the Collection to Brumemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the death of Parnell during the week. Its 12th October.

The Board decided to grant the request as fully as possible. As the period for which this openial sthill was required occurred during the annual closed period of the Gallery, the Director was asked to arrange for the loan of the following Parnell items to the National museum between these dates, viz:

Portrait of Charles Stewart Farmell.

by Sydney P. Hall.

Portrait of Sir John Farmell,

arlist unknown

Mezzotint Portsait of Humas Farnell Engraver unknown.

5; 4 Frames of Sketches of the Parmell Gunnission by Sydney P. Hall

The Director submitted for miskection the Drawning of Sir Hamilton Harly, by Harold Speed recently burchased. The purchase was approved.

The Director submitted an offer of loan from Mr. J. C. Barrett of a bitture by J.F. Herring . St. The offer was declined

The Director submitted a letter from the Department of External Affairs enclosing a letter from Miss barmen Sweetman offering as gift two portraits of the Stamton family including one of Michael Stamton. Lovd Mayor of Dublin. 1845.

The Board decided that as neither of the portraits offered would be of sufficient uniportance to merit inclusion in the National Portrait (Gallery the Offer might be made alternatively to the Dublin borporation in accordance with the wishes supressed in Miss Sweet man's letter, and instructed the Director to make this suggestion in his reloly to the Department of External Affairs.

The Director Submitted a further letter from the Debartment Of Education with reference to the Special Safeguarding of certain britishes in the Collection and the matter was again discussed.

The members of the Board were imanimously of Doinion that the prosent arrangement.

i.e. The keeping of some of These britaines in the vaults of the Bank of Treland was most imsalistation and a cause of grave anxiety to them in their position as Jusiees of the Gallery. It was realised that the prictures were deteriorating and would continue further to deteriorate in the conditions under which the were stored at the Bank. The Director was instructed. Therefore, to press for their removal therefore and their return to the Gallery until a more salistatory arrangement could be made.

Failing a satisfactory resoly from the Department of Education within a reasonable time, its Director was instructed to arrange for an interview with the minister by a departation from the Board.

The Director Submitted an offer for purchase from basstain R. Langton Douglas of a brictine. "St batherine instructing 5.5. Cosmus and Damianus", by Giovanni del Biondo, at the brice of Jour thousand Dollars. The Director, was instructed to make further enquires concerning the offer.

The Director submitted an offer text purchase from Mrs Mendelssohn Bartholdy of a pastel drawing of Jonathan Swift by Rupert Barber at the brice of £225. The offer was declined.

The Director submitted a request from the National Museum for a loan of the bolours of the foyal Ballyshamon Volunteers and the foyal Killybegs Volunteers. The Proard agreed to make the bolours might be required for Sx librion in the Museum.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fane 7 and at This date was:

£2,104:11:0.

James of Murnaghan
3 Deu 1914.

3rd December. 1941

and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

M. Justice Murnaglian
Mr. Dermod D'Brien
Mr. Joseph bonnolly
Mr. Jack B. Yeats
Mr. Sean Keating
Mr. Albert Power
Mr. John Burlee
Mr. Joseph Holloway
and the Directors

On the brokosal of Tr. Yeats, seconded by Tr. boundly, Mr. Justice Turnaglian took the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 151-October were read, approved and signed

El mologies for non-attendance were received from Professor Magennis and Tr. O'ballaghan

The Estimate for the Services to be rendered by the Gallery for the year ending 315h-March. 1943 were 2xamined and approved at the total figure of £ 4,415

The Director Sumitted further correspondence with the Department of Education relative to the return of the pictures which had been sent for special Safeguarding to the Bank of Ireland and resorted that, as a result, the pictures

had now been brought back to the Gallery.

It was proposed by Mr Burke, seconded

by Mr. Keating that pending the solection

of a suitable house for the purpose

of special safeguarding the brictures should

be kept in the Gallery in their cases with

the lids removed. This motion was

subsequently withdrawn and further

discussion of the matter postponed to the

rest meeting.

The Director Submitted an offer for purchase from Miss Shephard of a marble Piece. "In Mystery the Soul abides", by the late Oliver Shephard.

It was the feeling of the meeting that the work should be burchased, but as there was not a quorum for purchase bresent Consideration of the offer was boost boned to the next meeting.

The Director Submitted an offer for purchase from Mrs Mandelssolm Bartholdy of a Triptych by Jacopo di brone. There was no decision, owning to back of a quorum for purchase, but it was the feeling of the Board that the Director should endeavour to acquire the work under terms of Bye Law 17, at a maximum porice of \$1,400

The Director Submitted an application from the national museum for the ban of certain drawings to an exclibition illustrating Treish folk like.

It was torososed by TW. boundly, seconded by TV. yeats and agreed that the following drawings be lent:

NO. 2230 - Pilgrims at blommacroise. by Petrie ... 2569 - Patrick bonnolly, a Galway Pipes,

and by Burton " 2564 - The aran Fisherman's Drowned blild.

Ly Burton

It was understood that the boan would be for a period of two months as from the 151- February. 1942.

The Director submitted a letter from

Nor Gabriel Murphy. How Secretary,

University art Society University (ollege

book with reference to a proposed

esclibition in book of pictures by James Barry.

His letter with drew the request which he

led made for an 5x hibition to be held

mader the anistrices of his Society, and

stated that another Committee had

Now taken over the organization of

this Sylubtion from his Society.

While the Brand Sylmossed its wielingness

While the Board Sylvnessed its willingness to level the Barry trictions from the Collection as arranged at the meeting held on the 2nd July there was wow wo application before it from any body undertaking to bulbil the usual and tions

as regards the costs of backing. Carriage and us surance of chese brichnes.

Mr Dermod O'Brien submitted an offer on behalf of mir and mo Jameson of a loan of a pricture by Raeburn. He offer was declined.

The Director resonted that the amount standing to the Oreait of the Lane Fund at this date was £2.349:7:8

Jomes & Munughans
4 February 1942

4th February 1942 a meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were bresent:

Mr. Joseph bonnolly

mr. Jucius O'ballaghan

mr. Jack. B. yeats

mr. Dermod O'Brien

Dr. Denis boffey

The Rt. Hon. The Farl of Jongford.

Professor Maganis

MR. Albert Power

MR. John Burke

and the Director.

Mr. Justice murnaghan presided.

He minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd December were read, approved and Signed.

Orising out of the nimutes the Director

- (1.) That the allowance for the Director's

  Travelling Expenses had been reduced
  by f 50 in the Estimate for 1942-43,
  this being an Emergency reduction and

  Not implying that the Department of

  Finance regarded the normal provision
  of f 150 as 5x cessive.
- (2) That the Tribbych Offered for purchase

been sold at a brice in 5+cess of the £1.400 which the Board was bresared to offer.

- (3) Heat be had burchased for £60, under the terms of Bye Law, 17 a Brictine,
  "St. John the Baptist", by Alessandro
  Allori, a photograph of which he had shown to the Brand at the last
  meeting.
- (4) Heat he had received no further communication from the Department of Education in Connection with the strength afternating of certain brictures in the Collection.

(a)

The Director submitted his Resont on the working of the Gallery for the year. 1941. The Report was abbroved and it was recommended that it be princed and and Cornes circulated to the Press.

ford foughord and Mr. Dermod D'Brien were abhomted anditors of the fane Fund for 1941

The Director new onted that Professor

A.W. Conway, M.A. D.S. F.R.S., having
become President of the Royce Dublin Society,
he would with Professor Henry Dixon,
Sc.D. F.R.S reposeent the Society on the
Board of the Gallery.

The Director submitted a Bitler from
the Debartment of Education in Connection
with proposed A.R.P. avrangements for
the Gallery which would necessitate
Co-obseration with the fovernment Offices
at \$8 and \$9 merrion Square, and the
admission of menters of their staffs for seeding accommodation.
The Board Ornidered that such arrangements
would be Contrary to By faw of the Gallery
and unsatisfactory, and that it back,
legally, no power to consert to them
inless and until an Emergency order was
made by the fovernment. The Director
was requested to interview Mrs Cosgrave,
the General A.R.P. Officer for Government
Offices and to resoont to the next meeting.

The Director submitted the Offer for purchase from Miss Kathlean Shehhard, posiponed from last meeting, of the marble Piece. "In mystery the Soul Abides", by the late Oliver Shehhard at the brice of £200. It was proposed by MR Dermod O'Brian, Deconded by MR. O'ballaghan and agreed that the work be purchased at this price. It was a greed also that it we last to the forth comming annual Exhibition of the Royal Hibermian Academy

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from balstain T. Sugme. M.C., of a pricture of the Italian School, "His Servant Boy", at the brice of

£150. On a show of hands the offer was rejected by 6 votes to 3.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mrs mendelssolm

Bartholdy Of a brictime, "Holy Family"

by Bugiardini at the price of

£ 1.200

Jt was broposed by The Dermod D'Brien, seconded by Lord fongford and agreed that the bricine be burchased at this figure. Or lower if the Director Guld So arrange

The question of the languing of the Irish School was again raised. A firs some discussion the bhairman pointed out that the matter was not in order, as it was not on the agenda. It was was decided that it should not again be raised inless written motice was handed in in time to have it bout on the agenda, and that before it could be discussed only alternative I cheme to the bresent one should take into account the necessary re-arrangement of the Gallery which would be involved.

The Director resonted that the amount standing to the credit of the fame Fundal this date was £ 2.442: 7:4

in chair 1.4.4.2 1St April 1942 A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Lord Songford

Mr. Justice Mumaghan

Mr. Dermod O'Brien

Mr. Joseph bonnolly

Professor magennis

Mr. Jack B. Yeats

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. Joseph Holloway

Mr. Joseph Holloway

Mr. John Burke

and the Director

On the proposal of Mr. Justice murnaghan, seconded by Mr fucius O'ballaghan, Lord Longford took the chair.

The nimutes of the meeting held on the 4th February were read, approved and signed.

The Director read a letter from the Secretary, Department of Education Stating that, with the approval of the Government, the minister for Education had re-approxited M. John Burke as a member of the Board for a further beriod of five years as from the Gil march

He Director Submitted the audited account of the Land Fund for 1941, which was examined and approved.

The Director Submitted for inspection the Isriture, "St John the Baptist" by Alessandro Allon recently wireleased.

The Director reported that he had purchosed the prictive. "The Holy Jamily obsered at the price of £1.200 by Pro. Mendelssohn Bartholdy for £1.000. The burchase was approved.

The Director submitted an offer for bunchase form 125. Jameson of an Early Italian Picture by Andrea di Bartolo at the price of £ 125.

It was brokosed by Tr. O'Brien. Seconded by Tr. Justice numaghan and agreed that it be bruchased at the price asked

The Director Submitted an offer for burchase from Nessers Stevens & Brown. Ltd Obc portrait of Thomas Moore. by G. F. Mulvany, R.H.A. at the price of £100

The was mornosed by Mr. O Brian, Seconded by Mr. Holloway and agreed. that the picture be brunchased at ihis price.

The Director Submitted a letter from the Department of Education, dated 10th March, anilhorising the removal of the prictives, which had been withdrawn for Special Safeguarding, to the Presonatory bollego, Townsaleady, bo Mayo, and requesting him to make the necessary arrangements in connection therewith. He resonted that, since the receipt of this letter be had visited the bollage

and found that the building met the Board's 116 requirements.

The Board approved of the proposed to remove the prictures thereto. The Director submitted correspondence with the Department of Education and a report from the Chief A.R.P. Officer for Government offices in connection with the question of sheeping accommodation in the Gallery for combined squads from the Staffs of the Gallery and the

The mailer was fully discussed and it was proposed approved on the proposal of Mr. boundly, Deconded by Th. O'Brien that the accommodation requested be afforded in the Gallery basement, there to be one Gallery attendant in each of the three re-lays of three men who would sleels there in case of emergency

The Director submitted an offer as
gift from Mrs. Bishop of a mumber of
Hogarth engravings which were gratefully
accepted on the brobosal of The Keating,
Seconded by the blairman

The Director mentioned an offer for Bunchase from the Rev. Sir Henry f. f. Denny, Bt. of a portrait of the Rev. Thomas fyster (died 1808) who was for many years Secretary of the Royal Dublin Society He was asked either to obtain a photograph for submission to the next meeting or look us the illustration in the book, "Memorials of an Ancient flower The Director submitted a request from

The John Wo Namee for Bernission to color the pricture, "St. Francis in Ecstapy". by El. Greco. In view of the fact that this is one of the bricines removed for Descial Safeguarding the request was refused.

The Director submitted a request from the Jenister School of Organisto for the use of a worm in the Gallery for the bourbose of giving a short music recital on the occasion of a special visit to the Gallery which the Society proposed to make.

It was decided that, in view ob

Bry-law 35, which brechides the use.

of any prortion of the Gaeley buildings for any other brubose than that brescribed and intended by the acts under which the Board is incorporated. The request could not be granted.

The Director submitted a photograph Of a british for Sale by The arcade Gallines. "The Holy Family and St John. by Salviati (circa 1530)

It was proposed by  $\Pi r$ . Justice  $\Pi$ umaglian, seconded by  $\Pi r$ . O'Brien and approved That the work be bourchosed if it can be got for f 120.

The Director resorted that the amount standing to the credit of the fame Fund at This date was: \$2708:7:7

Junes A Murray man 3 June 1942.

32d June. 1942

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Conardians was held this day. There were present:

MR. Justice Murnaghan
MR. Dermod O'Brien

MR. Joseph Boundly
MR. Joseph Holloway
MR. Lucius O'ballaghan

MR. Jock B. Yoots

MR. Sean Keating

MR. John Burke

and the Director.

On the brossosal of MR. O'Brien. Seconded by MR. O'ballaghan, MR. Justice Murnaghan took the Clair. The Minutes of the meeting held on the 1st about were read. abbroved and signed.

An apology for non-attendance was received from Dr. Coffey.

arising out of the minutes the Director

(a) That the wittenes selected for strecial safequarding were this week being removed to Tournakeady Preparatory bollege. Tournakeady, be mayo.

(b) That it would now be possible in Consequence to settle the A.R.P. arrangements for the Gallery which were linked with those of 88 and 89

merrion Square

(C.) That he had not yet been able to Conclude the Burchase Of the bricane by Salviati, but stated that he had had a letter from the vendor in which a lower price was quoted.

He was asked to brocked with the burchase.

On the moreosal of The boundly, seconded by The Burke, The Dermod O'Brien was appointed Judge of the Taylor art Scholardis, 1943.

The Director submitted the annual Resorts and Balance Sheets Of the Royal automobile blub Buildings Co. Ltd. and the Staked Plains Trust Ltd. for 1941.

He bonied out that the no dividend would be baid by the Royal automobile blub Buildings 60 ftd for this year.

and that the Stahed Planis Trust . It dimestrate had not yet begun to bay a dividend.

The Director submitted an offer as

gift from Sir alec martin of a

drawing of W. B. yests by Edmind Dulac

which was gratefully accepted.

The Director submitted an offer for burchase from the Singer Galleries of a bricture. "Sketch for an alter Piece", by Baroccio at the brice of £ 70. the

was asked to inspect the pricture and report to the next meeting.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Dr. a. Scharf of three prictures, "brucifixion", French School at the price of f600; "Portrait of a young man as SI John", by Jacopo Pantormo, at the price of f400; and Archimedes and Hiero of Syracus; by Sebastiano Ricci at the price of f350. He was asked to inspect these britises, particularly with a view to burchase of the Sebastiano Ricci.

The Director submitted an often for burnchase from Messers Stevens & Brown Ltd of three miniatures, Homas Sheridan by pir Richard Steels by Pupert Barber at the price of £25/, Charles Boit at the price of £35, and Samuel fover by lumself at the price of £6

As there was NO anorum for purchase present it was decided to hold over Consideration of this offer until meson meeting, the Director in the meantime to arrange it possible to have it made at reduced prices for each item.

The Director Submitted for inspection the bricture. "The Holy Family" by Bugiardini recently burchased. The purchase was abbroved.

The Director Submitted a request from

ents

Mr. Patrick feomard, Rush, 60 Dublin, that, owing to the present occarcity of such materials, old stretcher frames left by students making colores of bictures in the Gallery be disposed of.

It was decided to hold the mades over for consideration to the next meeting, the Director in the meantime to investigate as to the sowers of the Brand to disbose of such inclaimed Canvases and to find out what is the wastice regarding maders of this kind in Similar institutions.

Mr. Burko raised thequestion of the hour of Board Meetings and suggested that it be changed to some more suitable hour. No action was taken

The Director revorted that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was f2,953:4:5 fament throughout 1 hely 1942.

. 1St July 1942 A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

mr. Justice numaghan mr. Dermod O'Brien mr. Joseph Connolly mr. Jack B. yeats mr. Lucius O'Callaghan mr. Albert Power mr. Joseph Holloway

and the Director

On the powersal of Mr. O'Brien, Seconded by Mr. bonnolly, Mor. Justice Murnaglan took the Chair

The minites of the meeting held on the 3rd June were read approved and signed.

An apology for non-attendance was received from Sir alec martin.

Arising out of the minutes: the Directors
reported that in accordance with the
Board's mistructions, be had brunchased
the following works:

The Holy Family by Salvioti Los Sie

The Holy Family by Salvicki for \$60 Ministine of Samuel Loves by Himself \$6:6

The Director also reported that he head investigated the position as regards

the disposal of old Stretcher frames left by students making comes of bictures in the Gallery, and found that it was the bracice in other Galleries to dispose of articles of this kind, if left inclaimed after a period.

In view of his report the Board decided to hand over the old stretcher frames in the Gallery to the Students' Union of the bollege of Art. with a recommendation that Mr Patrickfeword, the student who had made the request for their distributed in this way be given special arisideration when they were being distributed

The Board directed rhat the Gallery be closed for the annual cleaning and re langing from monday . 5 il October to Saturday. 3156 October inclusive.

The Director submitted fraisbections the Portrait of Thomas moore. by George 7 mulvany. R. H. A. recently Burchased. The burchase was approved.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Dr. a. Scharf of an alkar Piece.

School of Duccio for £ 2.500. He offer was declined.

The Board abbroved of the burchase by the Director of the bictine, 'Archimedes and Hiero of Syracus', by Sebastiano Ricci offered by Dr. a. Scharf at the price of \$\frac{1}{2}20

The Director reported that 225 britishes selected for Heerial Safeguarding lad been Safely debosited in Journal Preparatory bollege.

The Director responted that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at this date was £3.045:5:2.

Yames of Munaghan

4 Odder 1942.

7th October 1942

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

MR Justice Nurmaghan
Mr. Dermod O'Brien
Mr. Dermod O'Brien
Mr Sean Keating
Mr Joseph bonnolly
Mr Albert Power
Mr Joseph Holloway
Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan
Professor Magennis
Mr John Burke

and the Director

On the proposal of MR. Burke, seconded by Mr. O. Brien, mr Justice murnaghan took the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 1st July were read, approved and signed.

An apology for non-attendance was received from Mr. yeats.

The Director Submitted for inspection the following brickness and other works which had been burchased or presented recently and they were approved:

Oil Picture: Archimedes and Hiero of Syraous by Sebastiano Ricci

Oil Picture: The Holy Family by Salviati

miniature: Samuel fover, by Himself

Drawing: W. B. Yeats and the

Trish Heatro, by Edmund Dulac MR. Holloway proposed that the Dulac drawing be lent to the Abbey Theaire. This proposal raised the anestion of the powers of the Gallery to lend bictures and the matter was discussed.

It was proposed by MR. Holloway, Seconded by Mr. Keating, that the pricture be lent It was ruled by the bhairman that as the mader of this proposed boan was not on the Agenda it Should be proposed postponed for consideration at the next meeting

The Director submitted a letter from the Registrar of the Royal Dublin Society forwarding a copy of a letter from the Students of the School of Scullstine, National bollege of art, and a copy of a letter from the acting. Secretary of the Student's Society, National bollege of art, which had also been sent directly to the Galley. Those letters called the Boards attention to the fact that among the Competitors for the Taylor Scholarshies. 1942, was a son of one of the Judges and a niece of another, and Expressed the dissatisfaction of both groups of students and the feeling that, in a Competition Of such importance as the Taylor Scholarship, bersons who might be Expected to have a strecial interest in any Competitor Should not be appointed Judges.

The Board in its capacity or one of the Bodies responsible for the appointment Of these Judges, bully considered the matter and it was decided to instruct The Director to unte to the Registrar Of the Toyal Dublin Society, and to the acting. Secretary of the Students' Society. College of art, pointing out that the appointment Of the Judge selected by the National Gallery had been made before their letters were received. but that in future appointments the matters dealt with would be taken mto-account

The Director submitted a request for the boar of portraits of the young TReland leaders from the organizers of an 5x lubition to be held at mallow to mark the benterary of the bublication Of the "Nation" newsbalser. It was decided to land the following bortrails on the usual conditions as regards packing . Carriage and in surance:

2032. Portrais of Thomas Osbone Davis

Jwo Parcil Sketches by Sir Frederick Burton . R. H.A. 546. Portrait of Charles Govern Duffy Oil Pictive after a daguerrotype.

547. Portrail of John Blake Dillon Oil Picture, by Henry MacManus, R.H.A.

2583. Portrait of Sir Samuel Ferguson Drawing by Sir Froderick Burton . R. H.A.

The Director reported that he had burchased a Ferrara miniature at the price of £35.
The Furchase was approved.

The Director submitted an Offer for burchase from Tresses Pairicle Brady & Go. Solicitors. Of a Water Colour drawing of O'bonnell Street. Dublin by michael Angelo Hayes. R. H. A at the price of £30. It was proposed by Tre. Holloway, Seconded by Tre. Holloway, Seconded by the work be burchased at The price named.

The Director Submitted a letter from The Gallery Attendants asking for Consideration of the Question of a weekly last holiday for the Gallery, and Storessing the Obsinion that they were legally entitled to it, as they were obliged to work Seven days a week and all Bank Holidays. It was decided to postbone the matter for further consideration to the next meeting, the Director in the meantime to inquire into the Conditions of their Employment and resont.

Professor magennis Officed to present to the Gallery the pontrait of J. P. Gill. by Sarah Purser . R. H. A., and the Offer was gratebully accepted by the Board.

MR O'Brien mentioned the likelihood Of an offer as gift of a portrait of J. W. Russell by the Same artist, and it was the feeling of the meeting that it Should be accepted if offered.

The Director resonted that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Jund at this date was £3.329:5:7.

Joseph Camsely 2. Secr. 1942 and December 1942

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

> Mr. Joseph bonnolly Lord Longford TW. Lucius Diballaghan Professor magennis Mr. Jack B. ypots Mr. Jack B. ypots Mr. Sean Keating Mr. Albert Power Mr. Joseph Holloway Mr. John Burke

and the Director

On the mossosal of Mr. O'ballaghan. seconded by Mr. Keating. Mr boundly took the Chair

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th October were read, abbroved and signed

Apologies for non-attendance were received from mr. O'Brien and Dr. Coffey,

arising out of the minutes the Directors reported that he had consulted the Department of Finance on the Question of the attendants' legal right to a half-holiday, which had been raised in their letter resisted read at the last meeting, and had been instructed that there was no legal obligation in the matter, and furthermore, that no change in their conditions of service and be made

The view of the botition thus defined, it was agreed that the Board could take No action.

The Director submitted the Estimate for The Services to be rendered by the Gallery in the Financial year. 1943-44. The Estimate, at the total figure of £4.518, was abbroved.

The Director submitted further correspondence in Connection with The approximent of the Judge of the Taylor art Scholarships, 1943.

The matter was again fully considered and the Board agreed to the contention but forward by the Royal Dublin Society that as Mr. D'Brien held the position of Professor of Painting in the Royal Hibernian Academy he was mechaded mader the rules governing the management of the Taylor Scholarship from referesenting the National Gallery as a Judge of the Scholarship.

It was therefore protossed by The Keating, seconded by The Bruke and agreed that Lord Longford be abhorited to reforesent the Gallery in 1943.

The Board requested the necessity of having to deal with this natter in Mr D'Brien's absence but felt the ihat he would agree with their decision under the circumstances.

The Director submitted an ofber for purchase from Miss Edith watters of a bricture,
"The young mother's Pastime by Richard Rothwell,
R.a. It was brokered by Mr. Keating, seconded by Professor magennis and agreed be sistencted to offer £50 for this work,
with authority to go to £60.

The Director submitted for inspection.
The portrait of J.P. Gill, by Miss Purser presented by Professor Magenis and gratefully accepted at the last meeting.

The Director outmitted our often as

gibt from the bountess de Faringy of

the protrait of her faither, the Rt. Hour.

Sir Humas wallace Russell. Bart. by

Piss Purser. On the morrosal of

Thr. O'ballagham. seconded by

Mr Holloway the gift was gratefully

accepted.

bousideration of the moposal to land
the recently-acquired Drawing of W.B. yours
my Edmund Dulac to the Abbay Heatre
was adjoinmed bending the receipt of
formal applications for the loan.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Miss E.V. Brickender of 3 pastel prontrails by John Downman. It was indoosed by The Holloway, seconded by The years and agreed

that the Director be authorised to often £30 for the three.

The Director mentioned an offer for purchase from TV. David Thislore of a montrait of Richard Woodward. Bishot of blogue. 1781-94. Consideration The Directors of the offer was deferred until, would have seen the bidine on his neach wisht to London.

Iwo engravings of brictives by offered as gift by Mr. R.M. Hilliard were gratefully accessted.

The Director rebonted that the amount standing to the credit of the fame Fund at this date was £3.254: 2:3

3° F/ 43.

3rd February. 1943

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and
Common and Common and Was held this day. There were
present:

MR. Joseph bonnolly.

MR. Fran Keating

MK. Jack B. Yeats

MK. Albert Power

MR. Lucius O'ballaghan

MR. Joseph Holloway

and the Director.

On the moloosal of MR O'ballaghan . Sounded by MK Holloway . MR O'Brien took the Chair.

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd. December were read approved and signed.

An apology for Non-attendance was received from Lord Longtond.

Arising out of the minutes of the previous meeting the Director resorted that Sanction of the Minister for Finance of the amount Estimated for the Services of the Gallery in the year 1943-44 had Not yet been received.

Het, in accordance with the instructions

Of the Board, he had purchased for £50
the picture. "The young Nother's Pastime", by

Richard Rothwell. R. A. from Niss Edith Watters

Het Miss Brickenden had accepted the authorised offer of £30 for the three pasies

portraits by John Downman.

Heat he had seen The Portrail of, Richard woodward. Bishop of bloyne (1781-94) and found that it was NOT a work which Could recommend for purchase by the Board.

Heat he had burchased, ton £45, the Small biction. "The Stigmatisation of St. Franciscus" by Frederigo Barocci Abered for burchase at the June meeting.

He Director read a letter from the Secretary of the Phomas Haverty Trust drawing attention to the fact that the term of Office of the Two representatives of the Board on the Selection Committee of the Just had sylvined and as lengthat the two representatives be wountained to ach for the Ensuing three years.

He Board re-approximated lord longbood and Mr. Holloway.

The Director's Report on the working of the Gallery was submitted. and approved on the proposal of Mr. Connolly. seconded by Mr. Keating.

On the morosal of The O'ballaghan. Seconded by MR bommolly Lord Longbord and MR Permod O'Brien were appointed Auditors of the Lane 7 and for 1942.

the Director submitted a request for the boar of a Bust of Henry Granam,

Not on Felulation in The Gallery, to an Machtarain. It was agreed that the loan be made.

The Director mentioned That a suggestion had been made for the loan of a corned qiet mirror (Milltown Giff), also to arus an Machtarain, He pointed out that it required re-conditioning, but The O' Callaghan Shosed the loan as he belt it thould Not be made males The mirror could be left imaltered.

The Director submitted a request from the Abbey Theatre for a loan of The Drawning. "W.B. years and the Trish Theatre", by Edmund Dulac, recently boresented to the Gallery by Sir Alex Martin, On the Improval of MR boundly. Seconded by MR Keating. it was agreed that the loan be made.

The Director submitted the following of there of pictures for purchase:

"The wood Chopper" by Louis Le Nain,
from MR. C. marshall Strink at the
Imice of f. 200

"Portrait", by Alfred Stevens, from
Mesons forcests forcem Alex Reid and
Le Fevre at the price of f 350

"St Gomez", by a Portuguese Master, from
The arcade Galacy at the price of
£290.

"An Allegory" by Bronzino trom TR H.M. Calmann at the trice of £225.

A Picture by James Eusor, from Messos Ernest Brown & Phillips at the brice of £114.

"Cpreonwich Pier" by James Tissot. from the Leicester Galleries at the price of £ 141: 15s.

The was the unanimous direction of the Board that as there was no quorum for brunchase bonesent. The Director should try to secure the three following pictures at the prices wanted:

"Portrait" by Alfred Stevens.

"Greenwich Pier" by James Tissoh

and

"St Jomes" by a Portuguese master.

The Director submitted an ofber as from the Harold Jacob And the Friend's of the Frish National Collections of a picture by Pieter de Gree which was gratefully accepted.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the lane June at This date was £ 3.356:11:9.

James & Murnaglas 7 april 1943.

7th april 1943

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Dermod O'Brien

Lord Longford

Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan

Dr. R. T. Best

Professor Magennis

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. Albert Power

Mr. Joseph Holloway

and the Director

Mr Justice Murmaghan presided.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 3 rd February were read abbrowed and signed.

An apology for non-attendance was received from Mr Joselsh Connolly.

A letter was received from the Secretary to the President thanking the Board for the boar of a Bust of Henry Gratian to arus an Machtaráin

A letter was received from the Secretary of the Abbey Heatre thanking the Board for the loan of the Drawnig entitled "W.B. yeats and the Irish Heatre."

The Director Submitted the audited account

of the Lane Fund for 1942 which was read and approved

The Director submitted for instruction the following briction recently burchased:

"The Stigmatisation of St Franciscus". by Frederigo Barocci

and

"Greenwich Pier" by James Tissot.

and

"Portrait of a young woman". By Alfred Stevens These burchases were approved.

The Director reported the bunchase of The Picture. "St Gomez", by a Portuguese master" which was approved.

The Director Submitted a letter from the the Solicitors for the Royal Dubling Society which had been received, enclosing a copy of the Summary Summons which had been issued by them on behalf of the Society applying for an Order of the High bourt to amend the Fristing Scheme for the management of the Jaylor Just, Copies of both Schemes, and also a copy of the Affidavit proposed to be made in Support of the Application by The Lucius O ballaghan. The matter was discussed and it was

The matter was discussed and it was decided not to ophose the proposed camendments and blat the Board take no action.

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from the Belgian Minister of a color of a recently published batalogue of Fleminsh Drawings at Windson bastlo by Professor van Purpueldo. Director of the Royal art Galleires of Belgium The Director was instructed to make brublic acknowledgement of the Gift which the Board gratefully accepted.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at this date was £ 3.081:18:6.

MR Dermod O'Brien was requested to make inquiries about the Sale of the Reynolds portrait of Primate Robinson at Beaulieu, Shortly to Come on the market, and it was directed that if the price asked did not Exceed from a Special meeting be called to Consider its purchase Dimod Brien 2. Juni 43.

md June . 1943

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were bresent:

Mr. Dermod O'Brien

Dr R. I. Best

Professor magennis

MR. Joseph bonnolly

MR. Jack B. yests

Me. Lucius O'ballaghan

MR. Sean Keating

MR. John Burke

and the Director.

On the brokosal of Dr. Best, Deconded by MR years
MK O Brien took the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th april were read. approved and signed.

Avologies for von-attendance were received from Judge Mumaghan. Dr. bobbey and Miss Purses.

Arising from the minutes. the Director reported that the matter of the Jalo of the Reynolds portrait of Primate Robinson at Beautieu was still in the hands of the Trustees of the Montgomery Estate, and had not yet come on the market. He was instructed to negotiate with Professor Bodkin, the adviser to the Trustees, as to the likelihood of agreement of the price and to find out what offer would be acaptable, f 4.000 to be the maximum. He was requested to telephone to Dr. Bodkin, So as to ascertain the position at the earliest possible woment.

In connection with the Board's approximent of a Fridge of the Jaylor art Johnbarships for 1944, blo Director ressorted that the new Scheme for the management of the Jaylor art Trust, which was sanctioned by the High bourt of the 19th april, 1943, was now now in force.

He pointed out that, as it was suggested in the amended Scheme, the Board might wish to appoint alternative Judges to act in the event of any one of the Judges originally appointed becoming mable or jumbling to act for any reason.

"The Board appointed MR James S. Sleator.

R. H. A., Secretary of the Royal Hibernian Academy,
to act as Judge for 1944, with Dr Jeorge Furlong,
Director of the Gallery as alternature Judge,
MK. Jack B. Yeats R. H. A. was appointed of act
as alternative Judge for 1943.

The Director submitted an offer for trunchase from MR Max de Beer of a picture. "A Musical Party" by Jean Baptisto Paler at the price of £ 750. There was NO quorum for purchase bonesent, but it was the feeling of the meeting that this work Should not be burchased.

The Directors submided an offer for purchase from ressess Rothschild and bo. of a brictine,
"The book", by Nicolas Bernard Lébricié at the price of £300. It was the feeling of the meeting that this work should not be bourchased.

The Director submitted an ofber for burchase

from Mosque Arillus Jooth and Sons of a prictine, "Landscape", by blands Monet, at the price of f2.200. The Board expressed interest in this offer and be was instructed to been it open, if bossible, until the next meeting,

The Director submitted an offer for muchase born Mr. Barry Egan of a british. "Pattern at Glandalough by Maria Stilsbury, at the brice of £ 75. The offer was declined.

The Director submitted an offer for brunchase from MR. Max de Been of a brictino, "Portrait of a Diplomat", by C, M. Grestei at the brice of £80. It was felt that, in this case the Director should use his discretion to brunchase under the Terms of Brye Law 17.

The Director submitted an offer for burchase from the tray de Beer of a brictime. "Venus and Endymion". by Amigoni at the brice of £145. The Offer was declined.

The Director submitted an offer for burchase from Messons Stevens and Brown of a prictive. "babane de Donanier", by blande Monet at the price of £825.

The offer was declined.

The Director submitted an ofber for purchase from Dr. H. Scherf of a pricture,

"The Advoration of the Magi", by Butinone at the price of £ 600. The often was declined.

The Director Submitted an offer for murchase from Mr. Max de Beer of a pontrait by Jacobo di Empoli at the brice of f 65. The offer was declined.

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from Messon Stevens and Brown of a sketch for G. B. Shaw's Fanny's First Play". The gift was gratefully accelsted and it was suggested that the Sketch might be lent to the National Library.

The Director submitted an often as gift to the Gallery Library from M. Dobrzynski, the Polish bousul General, of a volume "Polish Painting" by Henryk Gotlib. The gift was gratefully accepted.

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from Miss MacNamora - Living of a portrait of bolonel Francis MacNamora. M.P. He reported that he had seen the picture in London and would recommend its acceptance. The gift was accepted with thanks.

The Director resorted that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was f 3.326. 14.8.

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7. July: 43

7th July 1943 A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

MR Dermod O'Brien
Dr. R. I. Best
Professor Henry Dixon
Professor Magennis
MR Joseph bonnolly
MR Lucius O'ballaghan
MR Jack B. Yeats
MR Sean Keating
MR Albert Power
MR. Albert Power
MR. John Barke
and the Director.

Miz O'Brien took the Chair.

The Minutes of the meeting held on the and June were read approved and Signed. Applopes for non-actendance were received from Juage Mumaghan and Lovalorghod. The Director reported on Il abosition

The Director resorted on the position regarding the Sale of the Reynolds portrait of Primate Robinson, giving the substance of his telephone conversation with Professor Bodkin. who referred him to Messo Barrington & Co. The Solicitors dealing with the Montgomeny estate. He gave the Substance of his telephone Conversation with a representative of that firm to whom he stated the Board of Governors and Guardians of the

Notional Galleny were prepared to offer a sum of f 3.500 for the pricine before it went to auction. This offer having been in the meantime conveyed to the Trustees of the Estate, he was informed a few days later that a private Dale Could not be made, as the Court order was that the bricine be sold "by bublic auction in Freeland". The Director Stated he had informed the Solicitors that in that case the Offer was with drawn and would not be made as the public auction.

The Board decided to Change Their decision not to bid at the brublic auction, and it was prosposed by MR Burles. Seconded by Dr. Best and agreed that the Gallery be represented to bid at the auction was to £3,000 blus fees and Commission, MR Henry Naylor of Liftey Street to be requested to do the bidding.

The Director submitted the Offer for purchase from mosses Arthur Jooth & Sons. Lid of the picture, "Givre an Bois de Boulogne", by Claude monet, beld over from the last meeting. He was instructed to bruy the picture if the Reynolds purchase did not materialise.

The Director submitted an Offer for purchase from Mr May de Beer of a pricture. "Madonna and Child" by Jörg Bren (German School) 1521 at the price of Jee Offer was declined.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mr. James K. Bell of a picture. Icene in the Phoenisc Park ", by Walter Osbone, R.H.A. As the vendor had not fulfilled the necessary Condition of naming a price for this work, and as the picture itself had not been Submitted, the offer could not be fully considered. It was felt however. that the Board would like to see the picture at a future meeting. but only if a price had been named in the meantime. The Director was asked to request the owner to do this and to submit the protect to- the October meeting.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mrs J. Preston Of a portrait of J. G. Swift-Well, Historian, by George Joy. trice Not stated. The offer was declined.

The Board ordered that the Gallery be closed for the annual Cleaning and re-hanging from monday the 4th October to Saturday. The 30th October inclusive.

The Director Submitted an offer

as gift from Mrs. Merodith of two pictures. "St. Paul" attributed to Ribera and Portrait of a Cavalier", attributed to Soi Peter Loly, both from the Collection of the late Judge meredith the gift was gratefully accepted.

The Director submitted an ofber for purchase from Mr. C. 7. M. Loughlin of a portrait, Suphosed to be that of Patrick Sarsfield. The Ofber was declined.

The Directo+ asked for a direction with regard to an offer for purchase from the Singer Galleries of a picture, "Winter fandscape" by Jodocus de Momper out the price of £ 100. It was left to his discrection to purchase under the terms of Bye Law. 17.

The Director mentioned an ofber for purchase from Mossos Roland and Deblano of two Dictures, "Bauto Scene" by Boungiguon at the price of £85 and "St Sebastian" by Jan Lys at the price of £250. He handed in photographs of these bictures for Syamunation. He was instructed to see the pricture by Jan Lys and report.

The Director stated that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Jund at this date was £ 3.425:12:10.

James of Murnighan
6th October 1943.

6th October 1943 A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians of the national Gallery was held this day. There were present:

nor Justice murnaghan wr. Dermod O'Brien Dr. Denis bofbey Lord Longford Dr. R. I. Best mr Joseph Connolly Profession magannis MR. Lucius O'ballaghan mr. Jack B. yests mr. Lean Keating mr. Joseph Holldway mr. John Burke

and the Director.

On the proposal of Mr. Dermod D' Brien, seconded by The Lucius To ballaglan. mr Justice murnaghan took the Chair

Before proceeding with the business of the meeting the Board bassed a vote of symborthy with the relatives of the late miss Sarah Purser who had been a mamber of the Goard for many years.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th July were read. approved and signed.

Arising out of the number the Director

That the Gallery had been imable to secure the Reynolds portrait of Primate Robinson at the public auction held at Massis North's rooms on July 22nd, as the prictive reached a figure of £ 2.100 beyond the Board's limit of £ 3,000 fixed at the meeting held on the 7th July. He was requested to send a letter of thanks to Mr. Henry Naylon for having kindly amounted to bid for the Brictine on the Board's behalf.

He reported That the wictine,
"Givre an Bois de Bonfogne" by
blande monet which had been instructed
to bruy if the muchase of the Reynolds
did not materialise had been sold
before the other wicture was audioned.

He reported that he had not received any further communication from the vendor of the bricture, "Scene in the Phvenisc Park". by Walter Osborne

He reported that he had been mable to see the two prictures, "Winter land scape" by Jodicus de momber and "5: Sebastian" by Jan Lys, held over form last meeting. He recommended that, in view of the more interesting. Offers which had been submitted in the meeting, vothing further be done about those two prictures, and

## to this the Board agreed

The Director Dutmitted an Offer for purchase from Mesons Arithm Jooth & Sons. Ltd of a prictime. "Heath Scane; Sun after Storm", by John Brome at the price of £ 1.500 . It was proposed by The O'ballaghan, seconded by Mr Holloway and agreed that the purchase be made at this (mice.

The Director Dubmitted an offer for purchase born Mesons Alex Reid and Le Fevre of a portrait of George Moore by Dir William Orben. R. A at the price of £400. The was agreed that this work be purchased, on the best Terms that the Director Could obtain, out of the Whitten Fund, supplemented as far as necessary out of the General Funds of the Gallery

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mr 7.A. Drey of a prictime. "It batherine" by Turbaran at the frice of £2.000. The offer was declined.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from mr. 7. A. Drey of a pricture. "bhrist in the House of Simeon. the Phariseo "ty Tiefolo

by Giovanni Batlista Jiebolo at the price of ficio. It was agreed that the prictive be puchased at the price named.

He Director Submitted an offer for foundable from Mrs F. A. Drey of a lording.

"The balling of St Matilew" by

morious van Roymerswaels at the price of £ 1.000, and it was ordered that the offer stand over for the Directors investigation as to price with a view to reduction; on the brice with a view to reduction; on the understanding of a general reduction in the prices of other pricines burchased from Mr Drey at this meeting.

The Director Instructed further offers from Mr Dray of a pricture. "The Prophet Is anal "by Ugolino da Siena and "Four Small Medallions of Saints" in One frome by the Same Moster, at the prices of f350 and f200, restrectively. It was agreed that these bictures be purchased.

The Director submitted for inspection a marble Brist supposed to be it Pichard Brinsley Sheridan Robert to be it by Thomas Kirk . E. H. A., which he had purchased from moons Battersby. I bo at the price of fil. The purchase was approved.

The Director resorted that she

amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at this date was £ 3,690:14:11.

fames et Murnaghan 1 December 1943. 1st December. 1943

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery of Ireland was leld this day. There were present:

MR. Justice Murnaglan
Mr. Dermod O'Brien
Dr. Richard Best
Professor Magennis
Mr. Joseph Holloway
Mr. Jack B. Yests
Mr. Jean Keating
Mr. Albert Power
Mr. John Burke
Mr. John Burke
Mr. John Burke

and the Director

On the proposal of Mr. Dermod O'Brian. Seconded by Mr. Joseph Holloway, Mr. Justice Murmaghan took the chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th October were read, approved, and signed

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Dr. botten and it boundly

The Birector reported that, with the apparent, the Minister for Education had appointed Miss Evie Home to be a member of the Board of Governors and Guardians for a period of five years as from The 5th November 1943;

and that he had no -approximated M. Jack B. yests for a period of five years as from the 29th November. 1943.

The Director submitted the Estimates for the services to be randered by the Gallery in the Financial year. 1944-45. The Estimate, at the total figure of £4.694, was approved. The Board noted will regret however, that the Grant-in-Ard for the Purchase and Repair of Pictures still though at the reduced figure of £1.000. and desired thet an Experision of its beeling that this allowance was made quate under present Conditions be given to the Department of Finance.

The Director having reported on the general reduction made by it. 7. A. Drey in the prices of the prictures purchased from him at the last meeting, it was a greed, on the proposal of Dr Best, seconded by Mr. D'Brien. to burch ask the picture.

"The balling of St mailer". by marinus van Roymerswaels at the price of £1.000.

The Director submitted for nispection the following prictures recently punchased:
"Heath Scene, Sun after Storm" by
John brome.

"Christ in the House of the Phanisas;

"The Problet Joshua" by Ugolino da Siena.

and

"Four medallions of Saints". by Ugolino da Siena.

These purchases were abbrowed.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase form Messon M. Knoedler & Co. Of a portrait by Richard Sickert of the late Farl of Kenmare at the brice of £2.000. A proposal to adjourn Consideration of the offer to the next meeting was recinded and the offer rejected by six votes to three.

The Director Authinited an often as

gift from Mr. J. H. Mageo of a drawing

Of W. K. Mageo ("John Eglinton") by

J. B. yeats. R. H. A. The often was

gratefully accepted

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mesons Archier Jooil. I some of a pricture. "The Sugar Loof". by Thomas Santello Roberts at the price of £350. The offer was declined.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from The G. Dillow of a drawing in water-colour, suphosad to be a self-portrait, by Si martin Archer Shee at the Frice

the

of f25 and a miniature of Stephen Jaappe at the price of £2:2:0. It was agreed that both be purchased at a price Not to 9x cood of 15 for the two.

An offer for brunchase, made through Mr. Dermod O'Brien, of a bortrait of John bolgan, Franciscan Frian at the bollege of forwain (D. 1658), at the price of £ 3 was declined on a show of hands.

The Director responted that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Funct at this date was £ 685: 15: 1d.

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

TR Demis boffey

Professon magennis

MR Joseph bonnolly

Dr. R. I. Best

Mr. Jean Keating

Mr. Joseph Holloway

Mr. Jock B. yeats

Mr. Joseph Holloway

Miss Evil Hone

and the Directors

On the proposal of Dr. Bost, seconded by Mr. D'ballaghan, Mr. Dermod D'Brian took the Chair

He minutes of the meeting held on the 1st December were read, approved and signed.

Asologies for non-attendance were received from Mr. Justico Munnaghan and Lord Longford.

Arising out of the minutes the Directors reported that the Grant in . Aid of £1.000 remained unchanged in the Estimate for the year ending 3131- March. 1945, as Sanctioned by the Minister

for Finance. There had been an increase of £ 113 on the total figure of the Estimate outmitted to the Board at the last meeting, which was an increase in Sub- Head A., Salaries and wages by this sum, the cost of Extra Emergency Bours granted as from 151. January. 1944. The figures of the two other Sub-Heads remained unchanged, C. Travelling - £100 and D. Incidental Explenses - £200.

The Director reported also that, as instructed from the last meeting be had purchased from Pro G. Dillors the water colour drawing supposed to be a Self-portrait of Six Martin Archer Shee and the miniature of Stephen Taathe at the price of £12 for the Two.

The Director Fulmitted his report on the working of the Gallery for the year. 1943 which was approved.

On the proposal of Trp. D'ballaghan, seconded by Dr. Best, Lord Longbord and Mr. Dermod O'Brien were re-appointed auditors of the Lane Fund

The Director submitted for mishection the picture. "The balling

Of St Matthew by Marinus van Roymerswaele recently burchesed, He acquisition was aburoved.

The Pirecton submitted fruitspections the picture, "Portrait of bolomel Francis mccNamara, M. P., receively presented by miss macNamara - Iwigg, and reconditioned at the Expuesse of the Gallery. He work was approved.

The Director Fubruitled an ofber for muchase from Miss E. Hickie of a montrait of Edward Cagneau The Ofber was declined.

for proclase from Mr. 7. A. Dray
of two prictures, "Ho family of the
Virgin' by the master of Frankfort
(Early 16th bentury) at the price of
f1.200, and a bainting in the form
Of a reliquery, by Arcangelo di bola,
dated, 1410-20 at the price of
f1.500. He Board considered these
offers interesting, but we funds for
purchase were available at the
moment and it was available at the
moment and it was available future
credit of the fame Fund for This
purpose

The Director mentioned an offer for burchase from Mesons Knoedler & Sons of a prictine, Portrait of his Wife - "La Bello Jardiniero", by Augustus John at the Brice of £2.000. The Offer was Not Considered.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was £ 4:8:0.

James A Murnaghan 4 april 1944.

5th April. 1944

A Meeting of the Board of Governors
and Guardians washeld this day. There
were present:

mr Justice Murnaghan
nur Dermod O'Brien
Dr. Denis boffey
Dr. R. I. Best
Mr Joseph bonnolly
nur Jack B. yests
nur Sean Keating
nuiss Eine Hone
Mr John Burke
and the Driector

On the proposal of Mr Burke, seconded by Mr boundly, Mr Justice Murnaghan took the Chair.

The minutes of the Meeting held on the and February were read, abbroved and Signed.

an apology for non-attendance was received from Lord Longford.

a letter was received from Mr. J. E. Geoglogan thanking the Board for its voto of Sympathy with the family on the death of Miss Purser.

The Director submitted the audited account of the Lane 7 and for 1943, which was approved.

He Director submitted an Offer for purchase from Miss Kennedy-O'Byrne of a Portrait of a fady by John S. Sargent (Drawing) at the price of £35, and a portrait of Patrick Kennedy. Folklowst, at the price of £30. It was agreed on the proposal of M2 O'Brien, Seconded by Mr yeats, that both be purchased at the price of £50 for the two.

On the proposal Of Mr Keating, geconded by Mr. O'Brien, Mr John Burke was appointed to succeed the late Mr Holloway as the Board's representative on the selection bournittee of the Homas Haverty Trust.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mrs 5. Farrell of a portrait of batherine Hayes. Singer, at the price of £ 100. The offer was dedined.

The Director mentioned the offer for purchase of a pricture, "St batherine with 51. bosmo and St Damian", from baptain R. Langton Douglas, at the trice of £1.500. The offer was voted

The Director asked for the Board's direction for a proposal to vicroase the Registrar's Schary, and after the matter had been discussed. the Board recommended

ther the Department of Education be approached with a view to asking to have the Salary put on a scale of £400 - 15 - £450

The Director reported that the amount standing to the oredit of the Lane Fund at this date was £270:6:8

Before the transaction of any business the Board passed a vote of Sympathy with the relatives of the late The Holloway who had been a Governor of the Gallary for the twelve years before his death.

William Hagennis June o'H 7th June, 1944

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery was held this day. There were present:

Professor Wm Tagennis

Lord Longford

Mr. Fack B. yeats

Mr. Sean Keating

Dr. Denis boffey

Senator Joseph Breman

Mr. John Burko

Mr. Dermod D'Brien

Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan

and the Directors

On the proposal of Mr. O'ballagham, seconded by Dr. Coffey, Professon magenis took the Chair

The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th april were read, approved and signed

Arising out of the minutes, the Director reported that, as instructed by the Board, he had purchased from Miss Kennedy-O'Byrne the Drawing, Portrait of a Lady; by John S. Surgent and the portrait of Patrick Kennedy, Folklows hat the price of £50 for the two. Also that he had had an interview at the Department of Education in connection with the Registrar's Salary and had been asked to but forward a case on the basis of the Board's recommendation

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Mr. Justice Marraghan and Mr. Joseph Connolly.

The Director reported that, with the approval of the Government, the minister for Education had appointed Senator Joseph Brennan to be a member of the Board of Governors and Guardians for a period of five years as from the 13th May, 1944; and re-appointed Sir Alac Martin for a period of five years as from as from the 31st January, 1944.

Mr. James J. Sloctor, Secretary of the Royal Hibernian Academy was appromised to represent the Gallery as Juage of the Jaylor Art Scholarships for 1945, with Dr. George Furloug, Director of the Gallery as alternative Juage.

The Director submitted a request from
Tesses Bird and Bird, 5. Gray's From Square
London W.C.I., Solicitors for the Executors of
the Will of Sir Hugh Jane, concerning a
new question on the interpretation of the
Will which has recently arisen.

The question was what was now to happen to the sum of £ 2.000 Regs by the Jestaton to his sister, the Ruth Shime "for life use to nevert to estate if she does not re-marry", in view of the fact that she had recently re-married. If the Shime had remained a widow she would have continued to receive the interest for the rest of her life and the Fund in bourt would, when her death, have fallen into residue, and, as such, have passed to the Gallery under the general bequest of residue contained

in the Will. The letter pointed out that, although the wording of the Will was by No means clear, it seemed at one time to have been assumed that it amounted to the begrest of a life unterest in The legacy to Tres Slime, with remainder to any children of hers who might the living at her death, failing which it would pass into residue. It was bounted outplace that Mrs Sline had always been under the impression that the effect of her re-marrying would be to give her control of the money, whether on not she had issue, and would, in effect, have the result of converting the life interest into an absolute gift of the whole of the Capital Sum modved. It was the feeling of Meson Bird and Bird that the words were equally capable of this interpretation, but that it would be for the Court to decide the correct interpretation of this clause of the will. In all the circumstances, they belt very strongly that the Jestator would have wished Mrs Shine to take the legacy woon her re-marriage, or, at any rate, have the power of discosing of the Fund by her Will, her desire being to leave the money to her three wices and neisher, whom she felt sure her brother would have wished to benefit had they been alive at the date of his death. There was No possibility of this Shine herself having any children as the result of her re-marriage. As the only parties concerned

were Mrs Sline and the Gallery, the Court would attack Considerable importance to the views of the Board of Governors and if theywould voluntarily waive any claim to further interest in the Fund it would, of course, assist mrs Sline very much. In view of the benefits which the Cyallery had already received under the Will, Messis Bird and Bird did not feel that the Governors would regard it as being immeasonable on importinent that they had made this approach before launching their application to the Court, and holsed it might be possible for the Board to accept their client's proposition. They asked the Board to let them know what arrangements the Gallery would have to make to be represented on the hearing.

It was proposed by TVT O'ballaghan and seconded by Mr yests, "that if the Board is advised it is legally entitled to accede to the request of the solicitors for the Executors and waive the Gallery's claim it should do so." On a division the pelowing members voted for the resolution which was bassed: Mesors O'ballaghan, yests, O'Brien, Burke, Breman and Miss Hone. Against:

Lord Longford, Dr. Coffey and TV. Keating.

The Director was instructed to fried out the legal position from the Department of Justice. The Director the Annual Report and Balance Sheet of the Royal Autmobile blub Buildings, Co. Ltd. and in formed the Board that this company had resumed the payment of a dividend on investments therein. The Dividend for 1943 on the Lane Fund Shares - 20 of £10 each was £10, loss Fucome Tax @ 10/- = £5

The Director submitted a request from the friends of the Frish National bollections for the loan of the following witness to an Exhibition of Pictures of the modern French School to be held at the National bollege of Art from the 3rd to the 3131 August.

1 oil Painting, by Forain
2 oil Paintings by Monet
1 oil Painting by Sisley
1 oil Painting by Berthe Morisot
2 Pastels by Degas

It was proposed by Senator Brennan, seconded by Riss Hone and agreed, "Subject to whatever decision in the moties might be made by the Department of Education in whose special Charge mosh of these pictures now are, that the loan be made."

The Director was mistructed to mitorm the Department of Eductitions that it was recommendation and wish of the Board to have the loan made.

The Director reported that the amount

standing to the credit of the fane Fund at this date was: £ 520:3:4

Joseph Connolly.

5th July, 1944

A meeting of the Board of Governor and Conardians of the National Gallery was held on this day. There were present:

Mr. Joseph boundly
Mr. Justice Murnaghan
Dr. Denis boffey
Professor Mageunis
Dr. Richard Best
Mr. Sean Keating
Mr. Jack B. years
and the Director

On the proposal of Dr. Best, seconded by Mr. Keating, Mr. boundly took the chair

Applogies for Non-attendance were received from Mr O'Brien and Miss Hone.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th Time were read, approved and Signed.

arising out of the minutes, the Director reported that the Department of Education had authorised the temporary transfer from Journaleady bollege to Dublin of the five pictures requested by the Friends of the National bollections of Ireland for their Exhibition of brictures of the National Prench School to be held at the National bollege of art from the 3rd to the 315 h. August, on the understanding that no charge world be imposed on public funds in Connection with the transfer, and that the

Board would be satisfied with the arrangements made in connection therewith.

The Director read a letter from Mr. R. R. Figgis. Has Secretary of the Friends of the Irish National bollections, thanking the Governors for the loan of the sictures, and stating that Mesons Waddington had agreed to make the journey to the blace where they were stoned, to back them exclorily in their cases, to escont them to Dublin, and to undertake their return in a similar manner when the Exhibition closed. He Explained that the journeys in connection with the transfer of the pictures and their return would in all mobability be made by road and in a specially constructed van, or if this means of travel be found impossible owing to betrol restrictions Messrs Waddington were presared to escont the pictures by rail. Every procaution would be taken for their safety and a certificate of insurance would be broduced before the were removed. The Board engressed its Oatistaction will these arrangements, and while feeling that transfer by motor van would probably be more advisable than by rail agreed to the alternative method of transfer should this he found necessary.

on the interpretation of the Will of

Sir Hugh lane which had arisen, the Director reported that, as instructed , he had referred the matter to the Debartment of Justice and had been requested to apply to the Department of Finance for information as to the procedure to be adopted in dealing with it. After an interview with Officials of the Delsartment he had submitted Messons Bird and Birds letter of May 151-, with a covering letter Explaining that it was the wish of the ( jovernors of the Gallery, is view of the benefits already received by the Gallery under the Will, not to be represented at any proceedings which might ensue as a result of the situation that had now arisen, but at the Samo time it was their feeling that they would not be justified as hustees in waiving their legal rights under the Will. For reply the Debariment Stated That it was the Minister's wish to have arrangements made with the Finance solicitor to obtain the obsinion of English Counsel as to the brossects of the Governors successfully resisting the brokersed application of Mrs Shine.

It was agreed that no further actions be taken pending the receilst of bornsel's opinion.

The Director reported that he had received the amuel Report and Balance

Sheet of the Staked Plains Trust. Ltd in which the Gallery had a holding of 1.200 Shares as one of the fane. Fund investments which aid not browduce a dividend. He said he had made niquiries as to the possible future of this Company and the likelihood of a dividend from those Stares. He had been informed that the prospects of the bombany were good, and lidged to be in a position to report more fully at a later stage.

The Directo-A asked for the Board's direction on the closing of the Gallery for cleaning and re-hanging, and suggested the period as from the 28th October, inclusive as suitable. The Board anthonsed the closing of the Gallery for this period.

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from Miss Alice Digly, through Dr. bharles Dickson of five Bencil Sketches by J. B. yeats, which were gratefully accepted on the proposal of Mr. Keating, seconded by Dr. Best

The Director Submitted a suggestion from a visitor of a method whereby the Gallery's treasures might be made better known to the public. This would

be through a weam similar to that recently adolptied on the New york Subway by means of which, through the Exhibition of Coloured reproductions in the trains, the 5,638,000 bedole who travel in the way Every month had had the treasures of the Metrosolitan Museum brought before them. The transport Systems of this Country might agree to Cs. operate with the Gallery in Some Such Schame.

The Board felt that, although Scarcely amything could be done at present to lave coloured reproductions of Gallery prictives made on a similar Scale, the suggestion had something useful in it, and that the visitor, Mr. J. Whitley of 16. Eglinton Terrace. Donnybrook, should be thanked for having but it forward. The Director was asked to make inquires from the Metropolitan Museum.

New york as to the organization and general working of the Scheme in New york.

The Director mentioned the Offer for purchase from Mr. Mask Boon of two priciones by Whistler, "Portrait of a lady", at the price of £ 600, and "View of the Thames" at the price of £ 500, boil of which had been bassed as genine by his Kenneils black. He was requested to have photographs of boils priciones submitted by the vendor

The Director resorted that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was £ 604:11:11.

James & Municipal 4 Odden 1944.

4th Odober 1944

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Command of the National Gallery was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murnaghan
Mr. Dermod D'Brien
Dr. Richard Best
Lord Longford
Prospeson Maganis
Mr. Lucius D'ballaghan
Mr. Sean Keating
This Fire Home

Mr. Albert Power and the Director

On the proposal of Mr. O'Brian, seconded by Dr. Best, Mr Fuerice numaglan took the Chair.

He minutes of the meeting held on the 5th July were read, approved and signed.

An abology for won-attendance was received from Mr. boundly.

The Director read a letter from it's shill Dromgoods asking would it be possible to arrange for a series of quide loctures to be quien in the Gallery during the forthcoming writer, Say, on the first Wednesday of each of the irriter munths, are for sach school to last, approximately one hour. It was her feeling that if the Rectures could be sponeoused by the Gallery and given under its patronage

they would have a hormlar appeal and make the Gallery better known to the mobile. The matter of fees could perhaps be arranged brivately with those who attended.

heming some arrangement for lectures such as that suggested, discussed the matter fully, and it was decided that the Director be requested to see the minister for Education with reference to Miss promgode's letter, and the general question of the appointment of an Obi vially recognized lecturer in the Gallery.

He Director read a letter from Wir. G. Bemard Show Stating that some time ago the fordon bounty bouncil Contemplated the bassibility of adding a sculptured figure of lunsely to those already on the Embankment. He thought that there was nothing at all available for the brus ose comparable to the Troubetzleon statue at present in the Notional Gallery of Ireland. He asked what were the possibilities of its reproduction in case the Embankment project should materialise after his death; would permission be given by the Gallery, and, Uf 50, what would it cost, as he might Empower his trusted to acquire a reproduction of the work after his death.

The Board decided when they were welling to give the permission requested, but the anestime of consumingle would

have to be investigated. It was suggested that The Show might be in formed That the mailer of reproduction would would not be the responsibility of the Board, but that the Director would inform him, after he had made inquiries, as to where and by whom the work might best be done.

In connection with the new question on the interpretation of the Willeofe Sir High fame, the Director responted that he had work received the Obnision of English Coursel (its. H.O. Danckwerts), which he submitted for the Brand's Consideration.

He Board decided, in view of the Obinion that the Cjallery Hould be represented at any proceedings which might Ensur as a result of the situation that had wow arisen, its representation in Support of its claim to be as arranged by the Department of Finance Solicitor.

The Director A submitted an offer for prichase from Mr. James K. Bell of a picture, "Scare in the Phoenisc Park" by waller Osborno at the price of from On the proposed of Mr. D'Brian, secondad by Mr. D' ballaghan, it was agreed that the picture be priced at the price of and on andition that the vendon

supplied a suitable frame, or, alternatively, agreed to a sum of fire being doducted for framing and glagning at the Director's discretion.

The Director resonted Thes he had been informed by Mesons John R. Peart & Son. folicitors, their by her will dated 9th September, 1940 Miss Many Olivia Kannedy, deceased, had made the following bequet: "To the National Gallery, Dublin ... my Marthan Smyth "bornish Land scales, my Roger Try "Ferra Rouge", my Robert Redley "Trout on Grass and my Romans urn, black and terra cotta." He syllamed - lies two of the bricenes and the urn were in fonder and one british in Dublin; he had not yet been able to see any of them, but would do so as soon as possible. The Board decided that the bequest be accepted if approved by the Directo-1.

The Director read a letter from
IN. R. R. Figgis, Hur Secretary of the
friends of the Frish National Collections,
hanking the Board bath's foar of
pictures to the Exhibition of Modern French
Art recently held at the bollege of
Art. Dublin. The letter Explained that,
owing to petrol restrictions. he had not
yet been able to return the pictures to
Journaleady bollege. but that he had

returned them to the Gallery for the present. He Board decided that the wictimes be would retained in the Gallery

He Director read a letter from The Secretary to the President guing particulars of damage to a lercture, "Donfarles" School of Velazquez which had been on loan to the President's House, and resonted that he had obtained an Estimate for the necessary repairs at the price of £7.0.0

The Director mentioned an offer for purchase from Mr. James 5. Jolley of a any by Gerard de Lairesse of the picture, "Risaldo and armida", by Van Dyck at the price of £ 100. He Board, decided that it would not be interested in this work with a view to its purchase.

The Director reported the. the amount otanding to the Credit of the Lane Fund at this date was £869:4:0.

South Countly 6. Dect. 1944.

6th December, 1944.

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and
Grandians of the National Gallery was
leld this day. Here were present:

Mr Joseph bonnolly (in the Chair)

Mr. Justice Murnaglan

Mr. Dermod O'Brien

Dr Richard Bost

Mr. Licius O'ballaglan

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. Joseph Brennan

Mr. Joseph Brennan

Mr. Joseph Brennan

Mr. Joseph Burko

Miss Evie Hone

and the Director.

On the proposal of M. Justico Turnaglan, seconded by Mr. Keating, Mr Joseph boundly took the Chair.

The Minutes of the meeting bald on the 4th October were read, approved and Signed.

An abology for non-attendance was received from Dr. bothey.

Arising out of the minutes:

The Director responted that he had interviewed the Minister for Education in connection with Miss Ruth Drongood's application for permission to deliver a veries of Guide Rectures in the Gallery

It was his feeling, as a result of the interirens, that the Thisister would favourally consider any scheme to deal with the general question of lectures in the Gallery which the Board might but toward. He Board decided totals no action in the maries until all the soictions were again lung. For the course of the intervent the Whin ister had Signified that he would move shortly to have the pictures at Tourmahoady bollege returned to the Gallery. For this Event the Board authorised the closing of the Fallery, wholly or partially, for their re hanging. Fr the Course of a discussion on the hanging of the Gallery which arose, it was suggested that the blans brewared by Mr D' ballaghan for the improvement of the room in which the Dutch pictures have been lung for the past few years might be syammed. It was further suggested that a Sub-Committee of the Board might be abhorited to confer with the Director for do purpose of seeing how the present stoace in the Jackery could best be utilized

The Director reported in connections with Mr G. Bernard Slaw's request concerning the Statue of limiseef by Prince Paul Trouberzkory thet, laving made enquires in London, he formed that it would not be pursible, ni view of was conditions, to give Mr Slaw definite in formation for the present as to where and by whom a reproduction of the work might hest be done.

The Director reported that he had been in formed by the Department of Finance Solicitor, in connection with the new Grestion on the interpretation of the will of Sis Hugh fane, that resers J. H. Milner & Son. Solicitors, 34/35, Norfolk Street, Strand London had been appointed to act as his agents on behalf of the Gallery in this matter.

The Director reported that The J. K. Ball, the vendor of the prictive. "Scene in the Phoenisc Park", by Walter Osborns.

Proclased at the last meeting, had accepted the Conditions of the purchase at the price of £200 and had agreed to supply the original frame of the pricture.

The Director reported the he had Examined the pictures and Roman Mrn, beareated by Riss Mary Olivia Kennedy, deceased, and recommended their acceptance. He Board agreed to accept the Board agreed to

He Director Submitted a bircular Letter from the Department of the Toosigh, sent through the Department of Education, asking for suggestions as to any alteration or improvement in the arrangements made by the Galley

in connection with the present energency, which the Board would Consider desirable is view of any future emergency which might arise. He Board discussed the mailer and felt that it would be desirable if it could be given legal authority to remove the prictures from the Galley at any time, as at present its only legal obligation was to present the pricture in the Gallery. He Director was nistructed to bring this view of the matter to the votice of the Department of Education.

The Directo-A submided an offer for purchase through baptain laughon Douglas of a pricture. Burtrait of Michael Keely. Hersist and Composer, trom the Studio of Jacques Louis David (circa 1815), at the price of £250, abbroximately. He offer was declined.

The Director Submitted an offer for burdene form the Executor of the Leto Dr Joseph Boya. Bonett of a winter suphosed to be an original work by Karl Brulow at the price of £ 150. The Offer was declined.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Juna at this date was £ 1.122:6:10

James of Murnaghan 7 February 1945 7th February, 1945

A) Meeting of the Board of Governors and
Conardians of the National Gallery was held
this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murmaghan Dr. Denis boffey Dr. Richard Best Professor Seymour Mr. Joseph Connolly Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan Mr. Jack. B. yeats and the Director.

On the morosal of M. boundly, seconded by Dr. Best, Mr. Justice Murraghan took the Chair.

The trimetes of the meeting held on the 6th December were read approved and Signed.

Arising out of the minutes, the Directors reported that the Minister for Finance had abbroved at a total of £5,127 the Estimate for the National Gallery for 1945-46

Apologies for Non-attendance were received from Lord Longford, its. Keating and Miss Hone.

He Director announced the appointment by the Royal Dublin Society of Professon Henry H. Dixon, S. D. F.R.S. and Professon H. J. Seymour, B.A., B.S., F.G.S. to represent the Society on the Board of Governors and Guardians of the Gallery, Professor Jeymour was welcomed to the meeting

The Director's Report on the working of the Gallery for the year. 1944 was received and approved,

Lord fongford and Mr. Dermod O'Brien were re-appointed anditors of the Lane Fund

The Director announced that the amount standing to the credit of the forme Fund at this date was £1,212:19:0

James of Munaghan 49pul 1945. the april , 1945

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Dermod O'Brien

Professor W. Magennis

Professon H. J. Seymour

Dr. R. J. Bost

Mr. Lucius O'Callaghan

Mr. Jack . B. yeats

Mr. Joseph bonnolly

Mr. Albert Power

Mr. John Burke

Miss Evie Home

and the Director

On the proposal of Mr. D' Callaghan, seconded by Mr. Connolly, Mr. Justice Murmaghan took the chair,

Before proceeding to-business, the Board bassed a voto of Sympathy with the relatives of the late Dr. Denis boffey, former Prostdent, U.C.D. who had been for many years a member of the Board.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Lord Longford and Mr. Brennan.

The Director read a letter from Sir Aloc Hartin resorting that in accordance with the wishes of the Board, he had attended the Sale held in Sothely's or February 215t for the burysose of bidding for the bicture, "Portrait of Pannela (Lady Edward Fitzegerald) by Romney who to the brice of £ 1.000. The bicture was withdrawn

mosold as the bridding and not reach the reserve,

He said he would try to find out what the

reserve was, in case the Board still wished to

make an offer privately. He added that the

pidine was a very pour Example of Romney's

work and that in his obviring it would be

very dear at £ 1,000.

No action was taken on the resont.

The Director submitted the audited account of the Lame Fund which was abbroved.

The Director submitted an offer for burchase from the artist of a bortrait of bort Hardebeck, by Nano Reid at the brice of £50. The offer was declined

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mr. F. A. Drey of a pictine, "Portrait of a Venetian Senator", by Tintoretto at the price of £5,000

It was proposed by Mr. O'Brian, and
Seconded by Propessor Seymour, that the picture
be burchased at this price. On a show of
liends - sisc for and two against - it was
decided that the burchase be made, provided
that arrangements could be made with the
Bank of Ireland for an advance of the
required
\$\ift\_2.000\,, maddition to the Sum of \$\ift\_3.000\, at
bresent available from the fane Fund and
Grent-in-Hid, Combined, and the Director was
mistructed to request the Bank to make an
advance of \$\ift\_2.000\, this sum to be repaid out

of future Dividends on the Lone Fund investments as they come in.

The Director mentioned the offer Afor burchase, also from Mr. F. A. Drey of a bricture, "The brucifixion", French School, Risca, 1420, at the price of £ 750

Consideration of this offer was postponed to the next meeting.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was £ 1.475:0:3.

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6th June . 1945.

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Dr Richard Best

Mr. Joseph Brennan

Mr. John Burko

Mr. Joseph boundly

Miss Evil Home

Mr. Span Keating

Lord Longford

Professon magenis

Mr. Henry mangan

Mr. Justice Murnaghan

Professor Lymour

Mr. Jack B. Yeats

and the Director

On the proposal of Mr. Burke, seconded by Dr Best. Mr. Dermod O'Brien took the Chair.

The minutes of the Meeting held on the 4th April were read, approved and signed. Arising out of the minutes, the Director responted that the Bank of Ireland had agreed to advance the sum of \$2,000 required for the purchase of the briding, "Portrait of a Venetian Senator", by Jintoretto, this sum to be released out of dividends on the fame Fund investments as they came in.

The Director read a letter from the Secretary of the Department of Education announcing that the Minister, with the approval of the Jovernment, had appointed Mr. Henry Mangan to the Board of Governors and Guardians of the Gallery for a beriod of five years as from the 15th may, and re-approinted the Hon Mrs Justice Muraghan to the Board for a beriod of five years, as from the 23rd April

Mr. James S. Skeator. R. H. A. Secretary, the Royal Hibernian academy was appointed by the Board to represent the Gallery as Judge of the Jaylor art Scholarships for 1946, with Dr. George Furlong. Director of the Gallery as alternative Judge.

The Director Submitted the annual Reports.

and Balance Sheets of the Staked Plains Trust.

Ltd. and the Royal automobile blub Buildings,

Co. Ltd. for 1944, and Explained that the Lane

Jund investment in a holding of 1,400 Sheres

in the Staked Plains Trust. Ltd, although it

was of tromise, had not yet begun to bay
a dividend. The lane Fund investment in the

Royal Automobile blub Buildings Co. Ltd. 
20 Shares of £10 each had paid a dividend in

the year of £5% = £10.

The Director submitted for inspection the picture, "Portrait of a Venetian Senator" by Instoretto recently purchased. The burchase was abbroved.

The Director submitted for inspection, three pictures bequeathed by the late Miss many Olivia Kennedy, "Derra Kongo" by Roger Try,

"Iront on Grass", by Robert Medley. The acceptance of the Bequest was approved, and it was agreed that the brichne by matthew Smith be lent to the Municipal Gallery.

The Director submitted a request from the Secretary, the Jack B. yests National Loans Exhibition for a loan of the two yeats prictures. "A Morning in a City" and "The liftey Swim" for the period of the Exhibition to be held at the National bollege of art, June 12th to July 4th. It was agreed to lend the prictures on the understanding that they be unsured during the period in accordance with their size value as estimated

The Director reported that the 224 pictures, which had been removed from the Gallery is 1942 for Special Safeguarding had wow been returned from Tourmakeady bollege, and that a few has suffered minor damage, mainly through beistering. The report was voted.

The Director submitted an often for burchase from Mr. Cecil Humpshreys, The Lotos bluk,

New York of a wontrait of Lord Dunsany (1919)

by Orlando Rouland, at the trice of £250,

The was prophosed by Pr. Best, seconded by

Lord Lougford, that the often be accepted;

but, on a show of hands, it was declined

The Director Intmitted an offer from the Executor of the late The Felen bonan Anderson. Chace Dien. Waterford of the Very Revel.

Walter Blake Kirwan. By Sir Mertin Archer Shee, at mesent in the possession of the deceased's nephew, belonel William Edward Gatacre, but to bass to the Gallery after his death in accordance with the terms of her will. He offer was to the effect that belonel Gatacre would be willing to surrender his rights in the pidure wow. ib the Trustees of the Cyallery would accept the gift. The offer was accepted.

The bhairman read a letter which he had received from Thrs. Edward Magawly Bauon of Glen-a-veigh, blifton. South Jacksonville, Florida. U.S.A. in the course of which she stated that she would be brebared, under certain and the world be brebared, under certain and other articles of historical interest, this collection to be a memorial to her late husband and to be kept together as one

It was the feeling of the Board, in view of the prostrait the prostrait of some of the portrait listed that the offer should be accepted, but without the conditions stabulated; and I'm. D'Brian was requested to convey the Board's thanks for the offer to This Magaway Banon, with an expression of its willingness to accept the gift on these terms

He Director reported that the Lane Fund was now overdrawn by £1,755. 3. 1.

James A Morriaghan
4 hely 1945

4th July. 1945

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians of the Northonal Gallery was held this day. Here were present:

Dr. Richard Best. P.R. T.A.

Mr. Joseph Breunan

Mr. John Burker

Mr. Joseph Connolly

Miss Evic Hone

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. Henry mangan

Mr. Justice Murnaghan

Mr. Dermod O'Brien

Mr. Lucius (O'Gallaghan

Mr. Jack B. Yeats

and the Director

On the proposal of Mr. D' ballaghan. Deconded by Dr. Best. Mr. Justice Nurmaghan took to Chair.

He Timutes of the meeting held on the 6th June were read abbroved and signed.

Arising out of the minutes the Director responted!

(a) That the burator of the Municipal Gallery of modern Art had been informed of the Boards' of the Boards' of the Boards' by Matthew Smith from the Bequest of the late Miss Mary Olivia Kennedy, and that the picture had been sent for submission to the next meeting of the Art Advisory Committee of the Numicipal Gallery

(b) That the pictures lent to the Jack B. years Exhibition at the National College of Ant had been insured, as directed by the Board, each for the sum of £300.

(C) That he had received a letter in commections with the brotsosed gift of certain portraits, miniatures and other objects of historical from the traganly Banon; interest, about which the had already been in communication with Mr O'Brien. The condents of his letter and the Director's reply were noted.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from. Sir Alac Martin and Professon Seymons.

Mr. Henry Mangan submitted a memorandum suggesting the bretaration of a Register of paintings of Frigh historical interest in the prosession of private owners and bublic institutions throughout do country, He gave an outline of certain investigations in connections with the matter that he had already made, and, in view of the conditions he had found in certain cases, urged the immediate advisability of a survey of the various collections of bictimes in the country and the keeping of such a Register. He bomted out their, as an inducement to registration. it might be advisable to promiso beriodical instruction by an Expert, Combetent to advise on the Care of bichnes. etc; and that Such a course would convert the private and public collections into auxiliarys of the National Gallery. Dome of the bictures might be burchased, others would be available for loan Exhibitions, and literary and

listorical workers would be afforded ready reference to all our artistic treasures. The bollowing might serve as the draft heads of a browned Register of Irrish historical portraits:

- 1. Name of owner
- 2. Place of Conservation of Bictime.
- 3. Title of Portrait, if any.
- 5. Describtion of portrait.
- 6. Pimensions of picture, material or which barnted retr.
- 7. Pedigree of the picture, or tradition
- 8. Photograph of sicting.

It was the manimous wish of all the members present ther the matter should be brought to the votice of the minister for Education at the earliest possible moment and the following Resolution was bassed: "The Board considered the memorandum bresented by Mr Mangan, and they entirely agree with the views and recommendations contamed in it. They believe it is a matter of urgent National importance. While it does to not appear within the scope of the functions of the Board of the Gallery to take Such action, non lave they the funds to undertake a survey , it is the obsision of the Board that the Minister should make provision for laving a survey carried out and the sictures Catalogued on semewhat Similar lines to that carried out by the Frigh Manusoribts Commissions. The

co-operation of the Board will be given ."

The Director Submitted an offer for purchase from Miss Bride Turbing of the Pontrait of James Stephens by the late Fatrick Turbing. R.H.A., at the brice of Two Hundred Grinoas. It was proposed by Mr. Brennan. seconded by Mr. Keating and agreed that the brittine be burchosed at the brice named

The Director Submitted an applications from the Acting Director of the National Ruseum for the boar of bersonager connected with the young Fireland movement to the Davis benterary Exhibition to be held in the Museum.

It was agreed their the brictures selected by the Acting Director of the Museum and agreed to by the Director of the Gallery be lent.

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The Director Submitted a request from

Fridessendent Producers. Ltd for bermission

to use certain portraits in the National

Portrait Gallery in connection with their

production of the film. "I see a Dark

Stranger. It was agreed to grant the facilities

required provided that the use of these

brothails would only be for reference

purposes and would vor entail the

identification of the National Portrait

with the fichious Gallery in the film

The Director reported that the Lane Find was now overdraws by the Sum of f 1.688:14:11

June of Uninghan
3 Odober 1945.

3rd October. 1945

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murmaghan
Mr. Dermod O'Brien
Dr. Richard Best
Nr. Joseph boundly
Professor Magennis
Mr. Henry Mangan
Mr. Joseph Brennan
Mr. Joseph Brennan
Mr. John Burke
Mr. Sean Keating

and the Director

On the proposal of Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Dr. Best, Mr. Justice Munaghan took the chair.

Before proceeding to the business of the meeting, the Board passed a vote of sympothy with the relatives of the late Albert Power . R. H. A.

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 4th July were read. approved and signed.

Arising out of the minutes, the Director reported that he had received a letter from the Secretary of the Department of Education admowledging the receipt of Mr. Henry Mangari's memorandum on the Subject of registration of Trish historical pictures and the Board's resolution of the 4th July in connection thereuse, and stating that the matter was having the Ministerio attention.

Apologies for von-attandance were received from Sir Alec Martin and Mr. O'balla ghan.

A letter was received from the Horn Secretary of the Jack B. years National Exhibition, 1945, thanking the Board for the board of the prictures that had been made from the Gallery.

The Pirector announced that the Royal Hibernian Academy of Arts, at the General Assembly held on the 18th July, had appointed Mr Sean O'Sullivan. R. H.A. to represent the Academy on the Board of the National Gallery in place of the late Mr. Albert Power. P. H.A.

The Director mentioned an offer for purchase from Mr. F. A. Drey of a picture, Madonna and bhild by bolyn de boter, early 16th bentury, at the price of £450.

For view of the bresent state of the Board's finances no action was taken.

The Director Submitted an offer for purchase from TV. Henry Naylor of a small bortrait Stated to be that of William Smith O' Brien, by batterson Smith Sr., at the price of six guineas

It was proposed by Mr. Keating. Deconded by Mr. Brennan. that the pricture be brunchased. As there was a difference of opinion on the advisability of burchasing the pricture in view of the absence of authentification of it as a portrait of who smith O'Brien, the Chairman asked for a show of hands; and upon 4 being for and 4 against, be gave his casting vote in favour of the burchase at the price named.

The O'Brien submitted an often for bunchase from the Elizabeth Studdert, the artists grand. daughter, of a small bortrait of Homas me Nevin by Patrick Joseph Haverty, R.H.A at the price of ten guinas.

It was proposed by The O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Burke and agreed that the pricture be burchased at the price named.

Re Director Submitted a first often from
Nessos D.M. Mackinnon & bo. The British Bank
Buildings. Oban, Scotland, Solicitors for
the Executors of the late Mrs Olive Louisa
Blanche Guthrie of a large bicture of a monk
breading by Sci John Leslie, bequeailed by
her to the National Gollery, Dublin, on
to the Municipal Gallery. Dublin, on failing
the acceptance of it by either Gallery, to the
Basilica on Lough Derg. Donegal.

It was proposed by Dr. Best, seconded by
The boundly and agreed, that in view of
the difficulty of a dequately languing the
picture owing to its size (9th bis wide by
6 ft high) the offer be declined; and ther
ihe Solicitors for the Executors be informed of
the Board's regrets that it could not be accepted
for this reason.

The Director submitted an offer as gift from Miss Charlotto A. Flening 16. Orchard Road

Northenden. Manchester, of three portraits by Robert Home of her great Grand parents.

The and This bodingham

It was proposed by Nr. O'Brien, seconded by Miss Home and agreed that the gift be accepted.

The Director resorted that the Lane Fund at this date was overdrawn by the sum of  $f_{1,404}:12:10$ .

James & Unemoglian 5 December 1945. 5th December 1945

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

> Mr. Justice Mumaghan Dr. R. F Best Professor Seymour Professor Magenies

M. Jack B. Yeats

Mr. Junes O'ballaglan

Mr. James S. Sloater

Mr. Sean O'Sullwan

Mr. Henry Mangan

Thiss Evil Hono

and the Director.

On the proposal of Dr. Best, seconded by nor. O'ballaghan. The Justice murnaghan took the Chair.

Before proceeding to business the Board passed a voto of Sympaily with the relatives of the late Mr. Dermod D'Brien, who in his Capacity as President of the Royal Hibermian Academy, had been for many years a valued member of the Board.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd October were read. abunoved and signed.

An apology for non-attendance was received from the Joseph boundly.

The Director submitted the draft Estimate for the services to be rendered by the Gallery in the Year 1946-47. The Board recommended that the Department of Finance be asked to make the following micreases under the different Subleads of the Vote:

in the Registrar's salary on the basis of a Scale, £400 to £450. instead of the break salary of £350. inclusive, at which boint it has stood since the 15t April. 1937.

Subhead B- Purchase and Repair of Pictures

- To be increased from its present figure of £1.000, to £3.000, the service of the care and maintenance of Pictures to remain included.

Subhead C. Travelling Expenses. To be restored to £ 150 from £ 100. its present figure, to which it was reduced as an emergency reduction

Sublead D. Incidental Expenses - To be moreased from £200 to £350, the figure at which it stood in 1936-37, as the present is NOT Considered sufficient to allow for the payment of misurance on pictures which it may be necessary to remove from the Gallery for repairs in any year.

The Director was instructed to impress upons the Department of Finance the ungent necessity of implementing these recommendations, in view of the serious difficulty of conducting the Gallery a dequately under present

financial arrangements.

The Director read a letter from

The Donal O'Sullivan. with reference

to a portrait of Turbough D' Carolan. Bard.

which he had discovered and which

might be acquired from its present owner.

Trajor Mundey of Mexico City. on condition

that a copy of the picture be burchesed

from him as well. The Director was

mistructed to Syamine the original and to

purchase up to the Sum of £100.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from the Lager Galleries. Condus of a landscape by William Ashford at the price of £ 250. He was instructed to see the pricture of possible, and report

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mrs. Brabazion Combo

of a selection of drawings by Horales Brabazion Brabazion at prices ranging from five to borty gruineas. The Board declined the offer as it was felt that, with six teas drawings already in the Glection the artist was a dequately represented.

The Director submitted an offer as

gift from Mr. L. D. Trant of a pontrait

of John Fitzgibton. 1st Forl of Clave, by

C. Haijer. The other was declined in new of

the fact ther. in the Brand's Olamison, both

Subject and artist were already well represented in the bollections

An other box purchase from the Godfrey Day of a Sketch by Percy French, at the price of £10, was declined

The Director resonted that the fand Find at this date was overdrawn by the Dum of £ 1.158:16:2

James of Mennyhay

6th Jebniary 1946

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were bresent:

Mr Justice Murnaglan
Dr. Richard Best
Mr. Joseph Connolly
Mr Jack B. yeats
Mr James S. Sleator
Professor Wm Magennis
Mr Jean Keating
Professor Seymour
Mr Henry Mangan
miss Ere Hone

and the Directo-1

On the bonoposal of miss Hone, Seconde d by Dr Best, Mr Justice Murnaghan took the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th December were read, approved and ligned

as that there had been no further development with regard to the borolan portrait; and (b) that, having seen the Landscape by W. Ashford at the Jeger Galleries he considered that the price asked for it was too high.

An apology for non-attendance was received from Lord Longford.

The Directo-A reported that he had received a letter brom the Department of Education, Stating that the minister, with the approval of the

Government had re-abbointed Lovel Longford to the Board for a buther beer od of five years as from the 18th november . 1945

The Director read a letter from Dr. Brendam O'Brien thanking the Board for its vote of sympostly with the family on the death of his father the late mr. Dermod O'Brien

The Director a letter from the secretary of the Visual Department of the British bouncil requesting permission to reproduce Reynolds' "baricaino from Raphael's 'He School of Athens" in a filmotries on Sir Joshua Raynolds, edited by E.K. Waterhouse of Magdalen bollage. Ox ford, and intended for distribution to British Tustidates overseas.

There was a difference of Dlovinium amongst the members of the Board as to whether this bermission should be granted merely on the information regarding the purpose of the filmstrib contained in the letter

Dr Best proposed, and Mr Blecton

Seconded that permission be granted, wathout

further inquiry as to the uses to which the filmstrike
would be but. The yeats proposed, as an

amendment, and Mr Mangan seconded, that

bermission should not be given until further

inquiry was made. On the amendment being

but to the meeting, sisc voted for and three

(Means Sheator. Best and Seymour) against,

The Director was instructed to make the further

inquiry which the Board desired.

The Director submitted his Report on the

working of the Gallery for the year. 1945, which was approved. It was suggested that the more important portions of it be sent to the press as matter likely to advertise the Gallery and be of service to it.

Lord Longbord and Mr. Henry mangan were appointed to audit the Lane Find for 1945.

The Director Submitted an offer for purchase from Mr. F. A. Drey Ob a bicture. "Madonna and Wild by Neri di Bicci (1419-1491) at the price of £800. As the funds available at the moment would not be sufficient to make this burchase, he submitted an alternative offer from Mr. Drey of a pricture, Isaac blessing Jacob, by Andrea Schiavone at the price of £180.

It was proposed by Dr Best and seconded by mr yeats that this brictine be burchased at the price named. On a show of hands, sisc voted or for and three against. The Motion to burchase carried.

The Director Submitted an offer for bunchase from Wr. Thomas McGreevy on belalf of the owner (Not named) of two loidures, one a corry of Titian's "Saved and Profame Love" by Northamel Home at the price of \$50, the other a life-size study of a vide figure by James Barry R.A at the price of \$100.

The offer of the Home Copy of Titian's picture was declined. A proposal from mr yests to

purchase the Barry pecture found no seconder, and it also was declined

The Director Submitted for mispection the portrait of the very Revd. Walter Blake Kirwan by Svi martin Archer Shee, bequeathed by mrs Elizabeth borow Anderson, deceased. The acquisition was abbroved

Mr Henry Mangan made a suggestion that a miniature of Sarsfield at bonesent in the prosession of Lord fucan should be writed for the Gallery, and asked for the Board's advice on how such a copy might best be made. It was suggested that for the prosent, a bhotographic copy of the portrait be made for Exhibition in the National Library

The Director resorted that the fame Fund at this date was overdrawn by the sum of £ 1.107: 7:8

James of Munichans 3 april 1946, 3rd April 1946

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were bresent

Mr Justice Murmaglian
Professor Seymour
Lord Longbord
Mr Joseph bonnolly
Mr Jack B. epsts
Mr Lucius O'ballaglian
Mr Henry Mangan
Mr John Burke

Mr Doselsh Brennan Miss Hone and the Director

On the proposal of Miss House, Se conded by Professor Saywour mr Justice nurnaglian Look the Chair

Before proceeding to business the Board passed a vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Senator wom magainis

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th February were read abbroved and signed

Arising out of the minutes: the Director reported that in the Estimate for the services to be rendered by the Gallery in 1946-47 the Board's recommendations had been met by the morease of Subhead B-Purchase and Repair of Pictures-from 1.000 to 2.000. The vicroase of Subhead C. Travelling from 100 to 150. and Subhead D. - Incidental Expenses from 200 to 350 and that the Board's recommendation with regard to Subhead A, in respect of the

the Registrar's Galary was still under considerations by the Department of Finance

That informaction with the British bouncies applications for bermission to reproduce the Galbrigs prictive "Parady of Rapshael's 'School of Athens' "as a filmstrip on Sir Joshua Raynolds, le lad received another letter from the bouncie stating that the film strike was intended to be one of a set on Braish Painters and Architects for showing at British Fristitutes abroad and that the burbose was purely an educational one.

For view of this 54 blamation the Board Granted kermission for the reproduction of the pricture.

He resorted also that arrangements had now been made to let him see the barolan brontrait when he would next be in London.

The Directo-A read a letter from the Secretary of the Royal Irish academy stating that as Dr R. I. Best's term of Office as President of the academy lad come to an end his successor in the Office was Dr. T. P. C. Kirkpatrick.

M. D. Litt D. F.R. C.P. I.

A letter was received from Dr. Kirk patrick apologisming for non-attendance at this meeting.

The Director Submitted an applications from the Director of the Museum Boymans, Rotterdam, for a loan of the bricture, "The Dilectanti", by bornelis Troost to an Exhibition of Dutch 18th bentury art to be held in Rotterdam this year.

It was proposed by no O'ballaghan, seconded by nor years and agreed, that, subject to the Director being satisfied as to the mode of transport, insurance and other details, the land be granted.

The Director Submitted the Audited Account of the lane Fund, 1945, which was authorized.

The connection with charges for interest on the overdraft shown in the Account, the Director was requested to inquire from the Bank of Theland as to the rate of interest which had been charged over the period.

The Director Submitted by his pection the Bictime. "Isaac Blessing Jacob" by Andrea Schiavone, recently purchased. The purchase was approved

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from Mr William Le Fann of the Portrait of Homas Sheridan, father of Richard Bruisley Sheridan, painted by John Lawis in 1753

The geft was gratefully accepted

The Director Submitted for mispection a Drawing of W.B. years by George Russell (Æ) which he had burchased from Mus F.R. Higgins at the price of £30. The purchase was noted.

The Director drew the Board's attentions to the Portrait of the Rt. How John Berestord, T. P. by Gilbert Stuart to be offered for sole at Christies on Friday, April 5th.

It was knowned by Lord Longbord and agreed that the bricture be acquired at a price up to \$250

The Director reported that, at this date, the Jame Jund was overdrawn by the Sum of £848:3:10.

Tack B feals

5th June. 1946

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Jack B. yeats

Mr. Jucius D. ballaghan

Mr. Justico Murmaghan

Sir Alec Martin

Professor Seymour

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. Joseph Breunan

Mr. Henry Mangan

and the Director.

On the proposal of Mr. O'ballaghan, seconded mr. Justice Murnaghan. Mr Jack B, yeats took the Chair.

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd april were read. approved and signed

Arising out of the minutes the Director reported.

1. Hat the Board's recommendation with regard to

Subhead A of the Estimates for the Gallery. 1946-46,

in restrect of the Registran's Jalary had wow been

considered by the Department of Finance, and the

Phirster had decided that, after the termination

of the Emergency, the Scale of Jalary for the boot

Should be fixed at £350-\$15-\$450 inclusive, and

finites that We MacNamara be allowed to enter

this Scale at the boint £365, inclusive

2. That when last in London he had gone to see the barolan bortrait (or portraits) stoned at Whitlay's.

He was shown only one portrait and this he did

Not consider to be of any artistic importance. Or lis report the Board decided to take no further action in the matter.

- 3. That he had interviewed the Charge d'Affaires, logation of the Netherlands in connection with the proposed loan of the pricture. The Dilettanti by bornelis Troost to the Museum Boymans.

  Rotterdam her the beried July September. 1946; and was Now Darisfied with the arrangements made by the Museum as regards packing, in surance and transport of the bicture.
- 4. Het the rate of Futerest charged by the Bank of Freeland on the fane Fund overdraft was 5% per annum.
  Abologies for non-attendance were received from miss Hone. Two bornolly and wor. Burke

On the proposal of Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Keating. Mr James S. Slacton, President. The Royal Hibernian Academy was appointed by the Board to represent the Gallery as Judge of the Jaylor Art Scholarships for 1947, with Dr George Furlong. Director of the Jallery as alternative Judge

Lane Fund - The Director submitted the Resorts of the Staked Plains Trust. It and the Royal Automobile blub Buildings 60. Ltd. for 1945; and 54 blained that the investment in a holding of 11400 shares in the Staked Plains Trust. Ltd. I had not yet begun to pay a dividend but that the investment in the Royal automobile blub Buildings 60. Ltd. - 20 shares of f 10 each had baid a divident, at 15% of f 10.

The Director read a report which he had received from the Finance Solicitor in connections with the question of the nuter metation of Si Hugh Lane's will. Stating that the Petition for the decision of the Court, with regard to the legacy of f 2.000, was heard on the 16th April, and that his lordship Came to the Conclusion that the Petitioner. As Ruth Slime (now Mrs Heaven) was absolutely entitled to the Stock in Court representing the logacy of \$0.000 bequeatled to her by the deceased. Mrs Justice Pox burgh made no ruling as to the bayment of the Costs of the National Gallery and accordingly these costs would fall to be paid by the State. He rebort was noted.

The Director Submitted for is spectron the picture, Portrait of the Rt. Hors. John Beresford, by Gilbert Stuart, recently burchased at the price of £ 249:18:0. The Purchase was approved

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mr F. A. Drey of Four Predella Prairies by Benvenuto di Giovanni, at the price of £7.000, but owing to the present state of the funds available for burchase no action could be taken

The Director responsed that the question of artificial lighting of the Gallery had again Come forward and that he had been Conferring with the Difice of Public Works on the subject of recent developments in lighting systems.

Various Syperments having been made to determine what type of lighting would be

more satisfactory and give the correct rendering of colours in the bictures, it had been concluded yellow that a system of fluorescent lighting should be adolpted.

It was proposed as the first stage, to confine the installation to the Italian Rooms on the first floor and to keep the system under observation for a period over next Winter in these rooms before proceeding with the remainder of the Gallery. It was proposed however, to have the entire installation Completed by about april 1947.

So Alec Martin informed the Board that he had been asked bry Mesons A and J. Robinson 119 St. Stephens Green Dublin, Solicitors to value to the Gratlan-Bellem Estate, the 3 brictures at present on loan to the Galley from the Gratlan. Bellem family, in view of their hossible offer for sale in the near future.

It was feet by the Broand that the Portrait of Henry Gratian by Gilbert Stuart would be a desirable bunchase for the Gallery and Si Alec was requested to fuid out from the Solicitors the price at which it might be prossible to bunchase it.

The Director reported that at this date the Lame Fund was overdrown by £597:17.2.

Henry Mangan.

3rd July. 1946

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. Here were present:

Mr. Justice Murnaglian

Rev. Jather Senan.

Mr. James Sleator

Mr. Joseph Connolly

Mr. Joseph Brennan

Mr. Henry Mangan

Mr. Lucius O'ballaglian

nor Sean Keating and the Director

On the proposal of mr. Justice murnaglian, seconded by mr. O'ballaglan, mr Henry mangan took the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th June were read, abbroved and signed.

Arising out of the minutes, the Director resorted that he had received a letter from Sis Alec Martin with reference to the Gratlan-Bellew prawes, in the course of which the result of his interview with the Solicitors for the Estate was given. He had stated that he thought the valuation of £800 already made a very fair one, and that in his opinion it would be a great pity if the pictures particularly the pontrait of Henry Gratlan by Gilbert Stuart, left Ireland. It was mentioned that a member of the family might possibly like to keep it, and he had said he thought that the Gallery might be interested in this particular bidure, and in fact in all of them, provided the

Brice was a fair one. He had mentioned that, in lis Obinion, six to eight hundred wounds would be a generous brice to bay for it, or a total of twelve to fourteen hundred bounds bor the four bictures.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Lord Largford, Professor Seymour Mr Sean O'Sullivan and miss Home.

The Director read a letter from the Secretary. Debartment of Education informing the Board that, with the approval of the Government the minister for Education had been bleased to appoint the Rev. Jather Senan, O.F.m. box on the Board of Governors and Guardians of the Gallery for a period of five years, as from the 3rd may last.

Jather Senan was welcomed to the meeting

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from the boundittee of the Jack B. yests National Joan Eybertion. 1945. Of the Biture. "Men of Desting".

On the brokesal of Mr Brennom, seconded by The boundary, the gift was gratefully accepted; and it was anilorised that the bidue be offered later as a boan to the Dublin Municipal Callery during the libetime of the artist.

He Director submitted a request from the Society of Scotlish artists for the loan of two pictures. "Portrait of W. B. yeats" by J. B. years and "Men of Destiny" by Jack B. years to the annual Exhibition of the Society to be held in the antium at the Poyal Scottish Academy Gaeleries.

It was brokosed by The D' ballaghan, seconded by me Sloator, and agreed that the loan be made on the usual conditions

The Director Submitted an offer for burchase from Wir. F. A. Drey 5h a brictino, "It grancis receiving the Stigmata" by Lo Spagna (b. 14-; d. 1530) Having Syaminad the photograph submitted and discussed the amajoring of question of purchase, the Board Syamessed a desire to see the bictine. The Director was requested to arrange with the wendown to have it sent for missection at the rest weeting.

The Director asked for the Board's directions on the annual closing of the Fallery for cleaning and re-hanging. He suggested that it might be more suitable to close this year in November mistead of October as heretofore and gave the forth to 30 th November, but syplamed at the same time that he would like the Board to Reave the dates open, as certain redecoration in contampolation might make the dates more suitable.

The Director's submitted a request from the Department of Education for the loan of Certain listorical brictures in connection with the Dair's bertenary art Explibration to be held

at the National bollege of art is August. the selection to be made in conference with the bommittee of the Exhibition.

It was proposed by Tir. Breman, Deonded by Mr Kecting, and a greed that the request be granted

The Director resorted that the Lame Fund was at this date overdrain by the sum of £621:12:4.

James & Murnaghun 20 dober 1946. 2nd October . 1946

A meeting of the Board of Jovernors and Guardians was held this day. There were present: nur. Justice numaghan

Rev. Father Senan

Land Longford

mr James Sleator

Professon H. J. Seymour

mr Jack B. yeats

no Sean O'Sullivan

mer Henry mangan

nor John Burke

miss Evie Hono

and the Directory

On the proposal of Miss How, seconded by Mr O'Sullivan, Mr Justice murnaghan toole the Chair

The minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd July were read, approved and rigned

arising out of the minutes, the Director resorted, with reference to the offer for purchase of the prawa, "St Francis receiving the Stigmata" by Lo Spagna, that the wendor, Mrs F. A. Drey, had been unable to obtain an esoport license for the work, as such licenses are not granted by the Board of Trade unless in the case of works that have been actually sold, and so he would not send the bicture for hispection. No further action was taken with regard to the offer.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Sir Alec Martin and Mr boundly.

He Director read letters of thanks for loans from the Director of the Boymans nuseum, Rotterdam and the Secretary of the Society of Scotlish artists, Edinburgh, the Director of the Boymans nuseum. for the Picture "The Diletlanti", by bornelis Troost and the Secretary of the Scotlish artists for the pictures. "Portrait of W.B. Yeats", by John B. Yeats. R. A.A. and "Men of Destiny" by Jack B. yeats. R. A.A. and "Men of Destiny"

The present position of the Hone Beauests, as ordlined by the Chairman was discussed by the Board and it was agreed that aresly to a letter in connection therewich from messos French & French, Solicitors for the Executors of the late Dermod O Brien, one of the parties to the Agreement of 1921, should be sent in the following terms: " that the Board, having considered the Agreement of 1921, consider that the Agreement should be carried out, and that the Legatees should arrange with the Executors of the Hour Estate to appoint someone in blace of mr D'Brien to complete the realisations; and that the Board are anxious that any available funds should be handed to the Gadlery."

The Director read a letter from Sir Hex Martin

with reference to certain bictures shortly to come up for sale at bliristies, in the course of which be expressed his obsision as to the desirability of some of diese works as acquisitions for the Gallery . Having discussed the desirability of the various bretimes in question, it was the feeling of the Board that an attempt should be made, within the available funds of the Tallery at the moment, to burchase the prictine, "Madouna and bhild with Samts, by Luca Signorelli to be sold on Friday. October 25th, and the Director was instructed to make in quiries from Sir Alec martin as to the price at which it might be possible to burchase it.

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from balstain Derek booker. R. N. of two portsaits, one by Robert Woodburn.

(d. 1803), who had practised as a portrait painter in Dublin and Waterford, and the other by an artist unknown.

It was agreed upon the Director's recommendation that the offer be accepted.

The Director Submitted an Offer from the Parker Gallery London of a water-colour drawing by Michael Angelo Aayes R. H. H. Oh a military Scene witho Phoenisi Park Dublin in 1852, at the price of £120. The Board while

expressing interest in the offer, is so far as the work could be judged from the coloned reproduction submitted, considered that the price asked was Excessive.

The Director resonted that the fane Jundar this date was overdrawn by the sum of £273:9:4

James A Hurnaghan 4 December 1946

## 23rd October 1946

A special meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day, to Consider the question of bridding for the prictime, "The madorna and blilled with Saints, by fuca Signorelli, to be told at bliristies' on Friday, October 25th. There were bresent:

ford Longford

mer Justice murmaghon:

mer Jack B. yeats

mer Jack B. yeats

Professor Seymour.

Dr Kerkpatrick

Mer Henry Mangan

miss tire flowe and the Pirector

On the moussal of Mr Keating, seconded by miss Home, Lord Longford took the Chair

nor Sean Keating

The Director explained that the pricture which had borned part of the bollection of the late Sir Otto Beit. Bart, was one that had been brought specially to the notice of the Board by Sir Alec Martin, as a desirable acquisition for the Jallery. It was Sir Alec's Obsinion, as given in his letter of the 25th Selstember which had been read to the Board at the October meeting, that, if it could be obtained for the money the Gallery had available, it would be a great bourchase, and that he liked it as well so the

Perugino which he had trompted the Gallery to obtain.

The Director read a further letter from Sir Alec, stating that he had heard that the Owners of the work were going to be quite reasonable as regards the price, and he, Sir Alec, thought that if it "Could be burchased for under £3,000 it would be

a good burchase."

The Director then explained that this

special meeting had been called on the

suggestion of Mr Justice Murnaghan, who

was of opinion in a letter to him. dated

17th October, that the Gallery "Should

give £ 2,500, if (Sir Alac) Martin could

arrange a purchase without going to

the hammer"; and he outlined the waition

as it had developed up to the date of

the meeting.

A letter from Sir Alec Martin, dated the 2151- October, stated that the bricture had been placed on view in bliristics (falleries, and he wished to point out that although he thought it "a beautiful design" and "a genine and accepted picture, it "was not in first-rate Condition and had been much restored. That was whay he had quoted about three thousand pounds."

In a telephone message received before this & letter arrived, Sir Alec reseated that he had discovered the picture to be much restored and that it It was not as good as it looked in the Burlington magazine bhotograph, but that he would not recommend having it cleaned or restored, not knowing what was underneath. He founded not recommend the Board to montgage its funds to get it. He suggested the price of £1,500

A later communication, as a telegram from Svi Alec, dated 22nd October, advised that as the Director was not seeing the pricture, and in view of its condition, only a moderate price should be bid - under £1.000.

A finial advice from Sir Alec mi a telegram stated the 23 2d October and received before this meeting stated that "he had noticed that the foreture was an addition to Bode's batalogue of the Beit bolloction, and therefore, not bought on Dr. Bode's advice but on that of Roger Fry, and that as the picture was not being seen by the Director he would not recommend its purchase, imless for a small price."

The Board discussed the position in view of Sir Alec's final advice, and my Justice murnaglian proposed that the pricture be burchased at a price up to £1,000. This proposal fuiding no seconder, mer beating proposal and mer yeats seconded that me action be taken, and the

4th December 1946

A meeting of the Board ob Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mor Justice Mumaghan
Lond Longbord
Rev. Father Senan
Svi Alec Martin
Professor Seymour
Mr James Sleator
Mor James Sleator
Mor Lucius O'ballaghan
Mor John Burke
Mor Henry Mangan

On the proposal of Sir Alec Martin, Seconded by Mr O'ballaghan, Mr Justice Murmaghan. Look the Chair.

and the Director

He minutes of the Statutory meeting held on the 2nd October and of the Shecial meeting held on the 23rd October were read, approved and signed

Arising out of the minutes of the Statutory meeting, the Director reported that he had seen at the Parker Gallery, London the water-colour drawing. Military Scane. Phoenise Parke. Dublin 1852, by Michael Augels Hayes, is which the Board had expressed interest. He had found the Parker Gallery univilling to make any reduction in the price of \$120 asked, as the officers of the Regiment represented were now interested in the prictine with a view to burchasing it. The Board

decided to take no further action in the mailer arising out of the minutes of the Special meeting, the Director resonted that Sin Alac martin had informed him that the price at which the bricture by Signorelli had sold at bhristie's on October the 23rd was Friethmared Guineas.

An apology bor non-attendance at this meeting was received from Miss Home.

The Director Submitted the Estimate for the services to be rendered by the Gallery in the year. 1947-48. The amount of £6.363 required represented a reduction of £37 from the previous year which, he Explained. was occasioned by the retirement of three serion Attendants and the abhointment of new entrants at lower points of the Scale. The sums asked for under Subheads A. C. and D of the Estimate for respectively, Scharies. Travelling Expenses and Incidental Expenses were abbroved, but in connection with the sum required under Sublead B-Purchase and resair of sictures - the Board felt that a sum of £4.000. mistead of £2.000, as in the previous year, should be asked for and the Director was motrusted to request the Debartment of Friance to micrease the amount of the Sibhead to the lerger. figure.

The Director submitted the question of the Hone Sequests for the Board's further Consideration. He outlined the position as it had developed since the October meeting. from a letter of Masons French & Franch. Solicitors, dated the 12th October. which he read, and subsequent Conversations with our English of their firm, the substance of which he resorted. He Trustees and Agatees did not agree with the Board's interpretation of the Well and regarded the provisor that a Special roun be set aside for the brictions as essertial, the fegatees claiming that the Brictions would revert to them if the room were work provided.

Having Considered the levition this created, the Board misturcted the Director to Convey to mesons French and French their views ore the provision of a special room in the following terms:

"That while the Broard are anscious to hong the Hone Brictures in a Special room, and will strive to do so within their powers, they do not admit that thethe is a legal obligation as a condition to their benefiting under the Will. He Board would, in the circumstances, desire to have their legal obligations defined by the bourt."

The Director explained that the offer for purchase from Mesons E & G. Stapleton, Solicitors, of a wortrait of Henry Creation by James Ramsay, which had been included with Agenda was not now before the meeting

as the vendors had not yet been fully instructed by the owner of the sicture as to the some to be asked for it,

The Director reported the burchase from the Arcade Gallery London, under terms of Byetem 17 of a birture. "The blildren of Lord Amberst, by Robert Fagen (1745-1816) at the brice of £160. The burchase was abbroved.

The Director reported that the Lane Fund at this date was overdrawn by the sum of £27: 12:8

Muny Seymond 5/2/47

5th Jebnay . 1947.

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Professon H. J. Seymon ( mr Joseph Commolly mr James Sleaton mr. Sean O'Sullivan mr. Henry Mangan mr. John Burke

and the Directo-1

On the proposal of Mr boundly seconded by mr O'Sullivan, Professor Somour took the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th December were read abbroved and signed.

Arising out of the minutes, the Director reported:

(a) That the Board's demand for an increase of

Sublicad B. - Purchase and Repair of Pictures —

from \$\int\_2.000 \to \int\_4,000, at loast, led been

submitted to the Deleartment of Finance. No

Official modification of an increase in the

Subliced had yet been received, but he

inderstood that a sum of \$\int\_3.000 was likely

to be granted

- (b) Heat in commedion with the matter of the Home Bequests he had nothing further to resont to this meeting
- (C) Hat in commedion with the offer for brunchase of a portrail of Henry Grattan by James Ramsay be had had no further communication from

messos E & G. Stapleton, the solicitor for the vendon.

Ambogies for non-attendance were received from Judge Murmaghan. Reverend Juther Senan ford Longford and Mr yests

The Director read a letter from Mr Henry Mangan as bornvener of the Freigh Committee of Historical Sciences, Iconography Sub-Committee, in connection with a proposal to Compile a Register of historical paintings and engravings in Dublin mistitutions,

The mangai's letter drew attention to the fact that batchoque of the National Portrait Gallery was now out of print and ther for the informations of his 5ub-committee he would be glad to know if a new Catalogue of the N.P.J. well be ussued in the immediate future as a list is required to the First and foreign historical leaintings, engravings and sculpture in the National Portrait Gallery and the National Gallery of Ireland, nicluding any in reserve.

The presention of a Shecial Catalogue was abbroved by the Board.

Evident lack of Space for the Existing portraits and these in view of the trobability of a substantial more ase in their number. The Proard might braint out to the Minister for Education the need for more fetting accommodation for the National Book ait Gallery.

attention to the mailes of certain listorical brictimes, shortly to be sold as germanstons bastlo. and it was understood that the Director would new these prictimes.

The Director's Report on the working of of the Gallery for the year 1946 was received and approved.

On the brokosal of mer boundly, seconded by mer Burke. Lord forglord and mer Henry mangan were re-appointed auditors of the Lane Fund.

The Director submitted for inspection the bicture, "The blutdren of ford amherst;" by Robert Fagan (1745-1816). The purchase was approved.

The Director submitted for inspection the pictures, Portraits of Andrew Caldwell by Robert Woodburn, dated 1793, and Charles baldwell, artist unknown; both presented by mr Derek Cooper and gratefully accepted. The Director was instructed to convey the thanks of the Board to mr Cooper for his generous gift.

The Director resorted that the amount now standing to the oredit of the Lane Fund was £ 47:8:7.

James A Murnighan 2 april 1447.

2nd April . 1947

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr Justice Murmaghan
Mr. James Sleators
Mr. James Sleators
Mr. Sean Weating
Miss Evie Hone
Mr. Henry Mangan
and the Directors

On the brokesal of Miss Hone, seconded by Mr. Keating. Mr Justice Muraghan took the chair.

Before the transaction of any business The Westing Explained that as he did not think to continued to represent the R. H. A during the present year he had not appleasised for his absence from the last meeting.

The Minutes of the Meeting hald on the 5th Tebruary were read, approved and signed. Arising out of these minutes, the Director reported that since the last meeting he had received Objecial confirmation of the grant of \$3.000 for the fourthese and repair of pictures, instead of \$2.000 as in the former year. The increase was noted with Satisfaction by the Borard.

Apologies br won-attendance were received from Row Father Jenan. Mr. bormolly . The Breunan and Sir Alec Warten

The Director informed to Board that the

minister for Education, with the approval of the Government, had re-appointed MM. John Burke to the Board of Governors and Guardians for a further period of five years, as from the gill March.

The Director submitted the audited account of the fame Fund box 1946 which was approved.

The Director dubmitted for instruction the picture, Portrait Dh Richard (Jalbot), Duke of Jyronnell (1630-16917, after Hyacinth Rigand (1457-1537) which he had burchased from the Dowager Viscountass Jormanston for 50; and reported that in accordance with the wakes of the Roard as expressed at the last meeting he had visited (Jormanston Castle before the Sale of pictures there and found this the only picture of Jrish historical importance which was being of thered. The purchase was approved.

The Director Submitted an offer for burchase from Mrs 7. A. Drey of a bicture. "Madouna and blild iby Lovenzo di Gredi (1457-1537).

There was not a quorum for purchases present, but it was the view of the members of the Roard in attendance that the pricture thould be purchased, formal approval for the purchase to be asked for at the next meeting.

The Director Submitted on offer as gift from Thiss M. A. Halligan of two water- whom

by Sir Thomas Johns. P.R.H.A. The gift was gratefully accepted.

The offer as gift from Svi Aloc and Lady martin of a victure by Jacopo Bassano was gratefully accepted

The own bot purchase from the Downger Viscounters Gormanston of a priction by Lady Butler, "An Forish Eviction" was doclined.

The Director read a letter from Dr P. J. Hermon, City Manager and Foun blank, asleing it to bicture. "A lilley Surm, by Jack B. Yests. R. H.A., at present on boars to the Dublin Unnicipal Tallery of modern art, might be included with other pictures from the Unicipal Gallery which were being lent for a beriod of 12 months to an Exhibition of Irish prictures to be held at the Office of the High bommissioner box Ireland in London. It was imposed by Mr Keating. seconded by Miss Hove and agreed that the pricture be lant subject to the usual conditions as regards backing and transport, and insured for the sum of \$750 during the period of its absence from the Dublin Tunicipal Gallery.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the lane Fund at this date was \$309:19:10.

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## 4th June . 1947

A meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were bresent.

Lord Longford

Mr. Justice murnaghan

Professon Deymour

mr. Henry Mangan

Triss Evie Hone

and the Director

On the proposal of Mr. Justice Murnaghan, seconded by Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan, Lord Longbord took the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the and April were read, abbroved and rigned.

Anologies for non-attendance were received from Rev. Father Senan, Sir Alec Martin and Mr. Slactor.

The Director read a letter from Mr. Herbert Mackay, President of the Thomas Moore Society, thanking the Brand for the loan of bictures to the recent Thomas moore Exhibition held in the National Museum.

Mer James Sleator. President. the Toyal Hibernians Academy, was appointed by the Board to represent the Gallery as Judge of the Jaylon Art Scholarship for 1948, with Dr. George Furlong. Director of the Gallery as alternative Judge.

Hone Beauest - The Director Submitted a

letter from the finance Solicitor enclosing copies of the Summary Summons, and A ffidairt grounding same, which asked the bourt to Construe the Will of Madeleine Hone. The letter asked for definite instructions as to what attitude the Governors and Guardians wished him to adopt on their behalf in these proceedings

The Board considered the matter and the Director was instructed to inform the Finance Solicitor That, lawing stated their bosition in the letter of the 5th December last to Tresses French and French, Solicitors both Executors, they now wished bormsel to seek the Opinion of the bount as to whether they are not correct in their point of view.

He Director submitted for inspection the picture, Madorina and blild, by forenzo di bredi, which he had bruchased for £600 in accordance with the wisles of the Board as expressed at the last meeting. Again. There was no quorum box bruchase present but the seven members in attendance endorsed the bruchase and it was decided that the bricture be paid for, the purchase to be endorsed at a later meeting when a full quorum would be present.

The Director Intimited an offer as gift from the free do of the Frish National Collections of a victure by the English impressionist painter, Jeonge Boyle, signed and dodod, 1888. It was the new of the Board that, although this work would not be quite suitable for hanging in the National Gallery, as a gift of the Friends of the Frish National bollections it should be accepted and offered on loan to the Dublin Municipal Gallery of modern art

The Director Fubrutted an Offer for bounchase from messors E. blucas and bo., Manchester, of a portrait, supposed to be that of the bountess markievicz, light the artist. Rowley Smart; but in the absence of identification of the Subject it was felt that the offer could not be considered.

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from miss R. Harricks of a water-colour drawing, "Going to the fever "by Rose Barton. The gift was gratefully accepted.

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from Mr. E. M. Alexander of a coelection of Sporting prints and browses of famous horses. It was felt that although the gift was not quite suitable for acceptance by the National Gallery it might suitably form the nucleus of a bollection of Shorting Pictures. Prints, etc in this Country; and the Director was reassested to make this Juggestion to the owner, who might brough the Friends of the Trish National bollections like to offer than to some other Institution with this aim in view.

Sheets of the Staked Planis & Trust. Ltd. and the Royal Automobile blub Buildings bo. Ltd. for 1946, and explained that the investment in a holding of 1.400 Shares in the Stakes Planis Trust. Ltd had Not yet begun to begun a dividend. but that the investment of in the Toyal Automobile blub Buildings. Co. Ltd.—

20 Shares of \$10 each had ward a dividend, at \$590 of \$10

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fane 7 mid at this date was £560:6:6

Longhal 2 - July 1947 A meeting of the Board of Governors and Grandians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murnaghan

mr. Sean Keating

nor. fucius O'ballaghan

mr. James Sleatort

mr. Jack B. yeats

on the proposal of ur. Justice nurmaglian.

Deconded by ur. Keding. Lord fongford took

the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th June were read abunoved and signed

Anologies for non-attendance were received from Sis Alex Mortin, Reverend Jather Senan, Mr Joseph Connolly and Professon Seymour.

The Director Submitted a letter from the Friance Solicitor with reference to the Hone Begnest informing him the the application men before the Court had appeared in the Master's List or Wednesday the 18th June but that it had been adjourned for two weeks to enable mesors Beauchamb and Orr. Solicitors to file an affidavit.

The contents of the letter were noted.

He Director Internetted for instruction the Coloctions of Historical and Family Portraits, Miniatures, etc. the gift of hurs maganley Banon, Jacksonville

Florida, U.S.A.; together with a document outling certain conditions with regard to the Exhibition of these works. which she desired to have shown to gether as one tomplete exhibit in memory of her late husband, Edward Magawley Banon, in Some specially selected portion of the Gallery. It was decided by the Brand that the gift which had abready been accepted thould be retained but without and conditions attaching to it; and that it would be preserved to the best of the Brand's ability and acceptated exhibited at the Roard's discretion.

The Director submitted for inspection the picture, Processian to balvary, by Psassans.

presented by his Alec and Lady Mortun. The gift was received with thanks.

The Director submitted for in spectron an offer for bruchase from Mr. F. A. Drey of a british. Peasant Boy with battle by ruillo at the price of £850. The offer was deferred for lack of a quorum for burchase

The Director asked for the Board's directions on the Annual closing of the Gallery for cleaning and re-hanging and the matter was left to his discretion.

The Director submitted an offer as gift from the Sickerts Trust of an Oil Picture by was Walter Sickert and two groups

of etchings one by Walter Sickert and the other by mus walter Sickert.

The gift was accepted with chanks.

The Director submitted an offer for boundese of from this Many Plunketh of a pricine i "Lear and bordelia" by James Barry. R.A. at the price of £500. but as the pricture had not been sent in for Spanimation by the Board it was decided that the offer could not be considered at this meeting.

The Director responted that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at this date was £ 644.1.6

frames it themayhan 1 October 1947.

1st October 1947.

A meeting of the Board of Jovernors and Guardians was held this day. Here were present:

Lord Longford

The Justice mumaghan

Rev. Father Senan

Sir Alec Martin

Mr. Jack B. ypats

Mr. Jack B. ypats

Mr. James Sheatish

Professor Seymour

Mr. Lucius D'ballaghan

Mr. Henry mangan

Mr. John Barks

and the Director

On the proposal of Professor Saymon seconded by mr Burke, mr Justice murraghan to ok the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd July were read. abbroved and signed.

Arising out of the minutes; the Director reported that mrs magardey Banon had agreed to the acceptance by the Board of her gift of Historical and Family Portraits, enconditionally.

The Director submitted further correspondence from the frience Solicitor furth the flow Bequest and explained that the present position was that the bourt would probably require information as to whether the Governors of the National Gollery were prepared to provide a special room for the pictures that have been selected. He had sought the views of the Department of Friance and the Department of Friance and the Department of Education on the wratter

and had been in formed that neither Department had any objection to any docision which the Board might come to in the matter, provided that it did not entail any charge on public funds.

The Board decided on the promose of mr Burke, seconded by mr. mangain, that a letter should be written to the Finance Solicitor bounting out that the Brand of Governors were desirous of Lewing the decision of the bourt as to their obligations and would be anscious to have an ophortunity of considering their booston if they are under legal obligation to house the Hone Bequest.

The Director Submitted an offer for burchase from mr. 7. A. Drey of a pricture. "Peasant Boy with battle", by murillo at the price of £750 The offer was declined.

The Director Insmitted an offer for burchase from mrs. Many Plunkett of a bricture. "Lear and bordelia" by James Barry . R. A., at the brice of \$500. The offer was declined.

The Dur dor submitted an offeras gift from mr. Jack B. yeats, in accordance with the circles. Of the late mrs. yeats of a prictime. Portrait of Jack B. yeats as a Boy" by his father.

John Builes yeats R.H.A. The gift was graiefully accepted.

Re Director submitted for in spection a prictive,
"Circus at Bail". by Hérèse fessore (Pro walter Sickers)
and two groups of etclings by Walter Sickers

and Phérèse Jessore, presente d by the Sickerts Trust the acceptance of the gift was approved.

Arising out of a discussion on the question of having prictures of brain by fonder declars submitted on approval to the Berna, the Director was requested to obtain from the British. Board of Irado a statement of the present position will regard to the bringing of prictures from the United Kingdom to fire on approval of if any difficulties now existed in Connection with the return of such british of faced as might Not be purchased.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at this date was \$ 1909:14:5.

James & Managhan 3 Deamter 1947.

#### 3rd December. 1947

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr Justice Murnaghan He Cev. Father Senan. O.F.M. Caps.

Mr. James Sleaton

Mr. Jesels boundly

Professon H. J. Seymon

Mr. Jack B. yeats

Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan

Mr. Joseph Breman

1435 Evre Hone

Mr. Henry mangan

and the Director

On the proposal of Mr. Slector seconded by Miss Home Mr. Justice Murraghan took the Chair

The Minites of the Recting held on the 15t October were read, approved, and signed.

An apology for von-attendance was received from Mr. Sean O'Sullivan.

Orising out of the minutes, the Director reported that as instructed at the last meeting, he had written to the Finance Solicitor communicating the views of the Board on the question of the provision of a special room to house the Hone Bequest. There had not been any further developments in connection with the matter.

He resorted also that he had been in communication with the British Board of Trade and the United Wingdom Trade Commissioner at Dublin, requesting

facilities to have prictures offered for purchase by London dealers sent to the Galley on approval, and that he had been promised that applications for bemiets enabling the dealers to do so would now be favourably considered

The Priector submitted an offer as gift from
The Rev. Father Senan. O.F. M. Caps. of the pricture
"Above the Fair". by Jack B. yeats. R. H. A., on behalf
of a groups of private citizens. The gift was
gratefully accepted and it was ordered that the
pritting be offered on loan to the Dublin Municipal
Gallery of Modern art.

The Director submitted for inspection three portraits, two of their great grandfather, the bottingham, and all by Robert Home one of their great grandwother, the bottingham, which had been presented to the Gallery in October. 1945, and by Thiss H. bottingham Fleming and her noter, this bharbotte Fleming, since deceased, but which owning to difficulties of 24 work from Britain had only recently reached the Gallery. Acceptance of the gift was gratefully approved.

The Director submitted an offer as gift from The Friends of the Irish National Collections of the picture. "Grand Entry of George IV into Dubein, 17th August, 1821". by William Jurner de Lond. Which was Gratefully accepted. It was suggested that it be hung for a period in the Entrance Hall.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mr. C. Marshall Spink, One by fixed branach and the other a Primitive by a Flewish Master,

at the prices, respectively of £ 5.000 and £ 1.100

He was requested to have the sortune by the Flemish

Traster submitted on approval to the next meeting

Of the Board.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fame 7 and at this date was \$\int 1, 166:4:2

The Director submitted the Estimates for the services to be rendered by the Jallery in the year. 1948-49. The amount of f.7.934 represented a reduction of f.76 form the previous year, occasioned by the fact that the consolidation of portion of the Attendants' renumeration had not yet been effected and was a matter of further adjustment by the Department of Finance

It was agreed that the Estimates as submitted be approved, the Deleartment of Finance to be informed however, that it was the unanimous Opinion of the Board that, in view of the declinable purchasing power of the f, the Grant-in-Aid for the bundlasse of pictures, which had been increased from £ 2,000 to £ 3.000 in the £stimuste for 1947-48, should be further increased to £ 5,000

James et Munayhan 4th February 1948.

### 4th February, 1948

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held thus day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Rumaghan

Bar. Father Senan. D.F. N. Cals

He Rt. How The Farl of foughord

Professor Henry J. Seymour

Mr. Joseph boundly

Mr. Jack B. Yeats

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan

Miss Eire Hone

Mr. Henry Mangan

Mr. Joseph Brennan

and the Director

On the brokosal of Mr. Mangon, seconded by Mr. Keating, Mr. Justice Murmaghan took the Chair.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 3rd December. 1947, were read, abbroved and signed.

a further letter from the Finance Solicitor, that he hearlest a further letter from the Finance Solicitor, dated December 10th, enclosing copy a letter from Messon Beauchamb and Orr, Solicitors, in the Course of which it was asked on behalf of their clients, the Executor of Flizabeth Lucy Hone, deceased, and the Executors of Joseph B. Hone. deceased, co-defendants with the National Galley in the Suit, Jameson and Others

V. He Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery and Others, if there was any prosserility of coming to a freeidly agreement of the matter before the Case came on for bearing. At a Compromise it was asked whether the Governors would consider setting aside a wall or a substantial fection of a wall in the Gallery for the unmediate and permanent display of the Hone Pictures, retaining a suitable number of Pictures at present in their hands to illustrate the late Nathaniel How's work, hanging the pictures so retained in rotation on the wall in question and drawing attention to the Beauest by means of suitable in scription.

If the Governors would be agreeable to do this their chents would be brokered:

(1) To prego all claim to any withmes so retained by the Governors of the Gallery by the purpose of immediate and permanent exhibition

(2) To waive all claims to the legacy of £1.500, and all interest thereon and to raise No objection to the retention by the Governors of the Gallery of all sums that have been paid to them ( if any ) on account of this legacy.

On the basis of these proposals, their clients would

require the return to them by the Governors of Hone Pictures in their hands not required for Sphibition, the Governors' consent to return to their blients of all pictures now remaining in the hands of the Executor of the late Dermod O'Brien, together with consent to the bayment to their Clients of the proceeds of sale of such brictures as have been sold

In ressly to these proposals, the Friance Solicitor had been informed that the Board Could arrive at a conclusion only when the legal position was defined. Atout from legal obligation, the Board was (as he had already been informed) anscious to go as far as worsible in the direction Of a special room for the prictures, but the available Space was limited and it might be necessary to seek Government aid in Sytending the Gallery and whether this aid would be available was uncertain. The Board as Trustees Could scarcely attempt a compromise at the bresent time, The intention of the Jestator must be regarded and when this intention was defined the Board would see how the intention Could be carried

The Director stated that he had been further informed by the Finance Solicitors that the case had been put into the List for learning on the 24th February.

The Director reborted, in connection with the Estimates for 1948-49, that in view of the fact that Expenditure on all services in 1948-49 was likely to be very substantially in Excess of their of the Brevious year. The Thinister for Finance had been imable to accept in the case of the Gallery the Brand's recommendation that the amount of the Grant - in - Aid by the Purchase and Repair of Pittures should be increased from f 3,000 to \$5,000.

The Director reported that inaccordance with the Board's order from the December meeting the pricture. "Above the Jair", by Jack B. yests. R. H. A had been lent to the Dublin Minicipal Gallery of Modern Art on the usual terms.

Apologies for Non-attendance were received from Sir Alec Martin and Mr. James Sleatinh

The Director's Report on the working of the Gallery for the year 1947 was submitted and approved.

ford Longbord and The Henry Mangan were appointed auditors of the Lane Fund for 1948.

The Director Numbered an offer for burchase from Mr (Marshall Spink of a british, "The Descent of the Holy Spirit", by an Antwerps Mannerist, airca 1518 at the wrice of £ 1,100 and it was agreed that the british be purchased for this sum.

The Director mentioned an offer for burchase from Mr. f. A. Drey of two britumes:

The Birth of John the Bajotist by Girolamo di

Benvenuto at the price of £850

and

He Nativity by Membring at the British of 12.000

No action was taken with regard to the offers

of these works, but it was suggested that the

piture. It francis receiving the Stigmata, already

offered for purchase by this vendor, be

re-submitted on approval at the next meeting.

The Director also mentioned an offer for purchase from Mrs Alfred Rose at the price of £ 2.000 of a brontrait of James Gendon, supposed to be that which was begun by Jilly Kettle and finished by W. burning. R.H.A. He Board Considered the price asleed extravagant and felt that unless it could be reduced to one or two hundred pounds the Oper could not be entertained

The Director resorted that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was \$ 1,271: 12:8

James of Munighan

y april 1948.

### 31st march 1948

A Special Meeting of the Board of Governors and Juandians was held on this day "to Consider the present legal position of the Hore Beauest and to take the Board's direction by the mistruction of the Friance Solicitor ". There were present:

Mr. Justice Munaglan

Ten. Father Seran

Lovel Longbord

The Rt. How. James Notalion

Mr. Lucius O'ballaglan

Mr. Jack B. yeats

Professor Seymour

Mr. Henry mangan

Mr. Joseph Brennan

and the Director

On the proposal of the yests, seconded by the margan, Mr. Justice Murmaghan took the Chair

Anologies for won attendance were received from Sis plac Martin and Mr. Joseph boundly

The blavman orilined the present legal position of the fore Beauest as quein by Tor. I. J. Kelly. B. L. in lis report to the Finance Solicitor on the Hearing of the case of Robert John Amyad Jameson and Silvers. Plaintiffs, and the Governors and Grandians of the National Gallery of Ireland and Others. Defendants before Mr. Justice Kingsmiel Moore on the 24th and Is the February, and the Broard Leaving wood the decision of the bourt with regard to the Pictures abready accepted by the Gallery, went on to discuss

The Contraction of what action should be taken with regard to the movision of a Special room for the Ethilation of the Pictures, Sorbet the Finance Solicitor might be instructed for the further Hearing of the Case on this point, and it was agreed to the morosal of Rev. Father Senan, seconded by the Rt. How James mc Nahon their a, delautation from the Board . Consisting of Tim. Justice Murriaglan, the blavinan of this Meeting, and Mr Lucius O'ballaghan, should interview the Thisister for Education with a view to seeing whether there was any likelihood of Government assistance being both coming towards the brovision of an Extension of the Gallery on other arrangement which would enable the Board to meet the present position as fully as bossible in the interests of the Gallery.

James A Murraghan 7 april 1948.

## 7th Amil. 1948

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murnaglan

Rev. Father Senan

Lord Longford

Mr. Joseph Connolly

Mr. Lucius O'Callaghan

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. John Burke

Mr. Joseph Brennan

Mr. James Sleator

Mr. Henry Mangan

and the Director

On the proposal of the Rev. Fither Senan. seconded by Mr. boundly, Mr. Justice Murnaghan took the Chair

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 4th February and of the Special Meeting held on the 3151 March were read, approved and Signed

Arising out of the minutes of the Meeting of the 3154 march the Chairman reported the result of the interview of the deportation from the Board with the Minister by Education on Friday and Amil. He report was to the effect that having placed the feets of the case before the Minister and bearing asked him what was the likelihood of Government assistance being forth coming towards the movision of an extension of the Gallery which would enable its Board to meet the present position with regard to the provision of a

special room to knows the Hone Beauest, he had been informed that in brescht circumstances to promise of this knid could be given.

It was decided in view of this report. that the Board I having taken into consideration the matter of the Hone Bequest in all its bearings it was not in a position to devote a special room within the Galley, or outside the Galley, in connection therewith

Apologies box won attendance were received from Er Alec Martin, Mr. Mec Malon and Miss Hone.

Ho Director submitted the audited account of the Lane 7 and by 1947, which was approved by the Board

from the Welliam H. Brimage on beloef of the Gratian. Bellew family, of the three pictures on boars from the Henry Gratian bollections: Portrait of Henry Gratian by Gilbert Stuart at the price of £750, Portrait Of Trany Tighe. By Formery at the price of £750, and Portrait of Denis Daly. after Reynolds, at the price of £200, or the three to gether at the price of £1.650, the purchases to pay commission at the rate of 5%. It was proposed by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Mangan and agreed that the price asked

The Director submitted an offer by Burchase from Nr. F. A. Drey of a proting, It Francis receiving the Stigmata by Lo Spagna at

the price of £880. It was proposed by Lova Longbord and seconded by Mr. Breman that the picture be burchased, but on a show of hands only four members of the Board, the Chairman, Rev. Father benan. Love forglood and Mr Breman voted for its purchase, and the offer was therefore, declines.

The Director submitted an offer for burdesse from Th. F. H. Drey of the picture, Buth of St John the Baptist by Girslams di Benvenuto at the price of £850. Mr. Keating proposed that the work be not jurdessed and as there was no proposed of furthershed and as there was no proposed for its jurdessed the offer was declined

Thousand Dollars (£2,920: 6:0) from

Mrs Magawley Banon, Jacksonvelle, Florida,

U.S.A. hi memory of her late husband, the money

to be used, at the Director's discretion, in accordance
with her wishes. The gift was accepted with thanks,

and it was agreed that the money be sprended

at the discretion of the Director for the time

being, the Sum to be invested in 3% Etcheques Bonds.

He Director Explained that it was

The Magawley Banon's wish at the moment there the money be used towards the publication of a Catalogue illustrating the best works in the bollection.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was \$\frac{1}{2}\cdot 533:13:11.

Mun Summer 2/6/48

and June . 1948

A Mosting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Professor Seymour Mr. Justice Hurnaghan

Mr. James Sleaton

Mr. Lucius D'ballaghan

Hr. John Burles

Mr. Henry mangan

and the Director, Dr. Furling

On the proposal of Mr. Justice Murraghan, seconded by Mr. Burke, Professor Symour took the chair.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 7th April were read, approved and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes, the Director reported that he had received quotations from The Fine ant Fingravers, Ltd. 11. Groterent Place London. for an illustrated catalogue of the more important pictures in the bollodion and coloured postcards of certain pictures and Explained these quotations in relation to his Scheme for an illustrated Catalogue and postcard reporductions It was proposed by Mr Burke, seconded by Mr Secators.

Condagreed that the Scheme be proceeded with.

Anologies for von-attendance were received from Sir Alec Martin, Rev. Father Senan and Senator Brennan

The Board approinted the Director to represent the Gallery as Judge of the Taylor Art Scholardup for 1949. with This Eine Home as alternative Judge.

In Connection with an application from the bily art Gallery, Jempsle Newsam. Leeds for the loan of two bictures. "Henot Destiny" and "Above the Fair to an Exhibition of the work of Hs. Jack B. years, the Director Extraviorable has as this application had been received after the lest meeting he had writer to the Director of the heads Gallery that it could not be dealt with until the June meeting, but as the bictures had to be collected on the Doth May the Registrar at the ungent request of Mr years, arranged to send the pictures or that date, in sured by the figure of \$750 in each case and the Board's sanction for the boar was now required It was agreed that the loan was now required

The Director submitted an application from the arts bouncil of Great Britain for a loan of the picture. "Portrait of Kimo Mayer" to a comprehensive Exhibition of the work of Mr Augustus John, to be shown at the National Eistadfodd of Wales in August at one or two of the larger Galleries in England afterwards.

It was agreed that the loan be made on the usual terms, the work to be insured for £ 2.000 during the period of its absence from the Gallery

The Director suggested that incases similar to the request by The yests's pictures, where there was wrigeray, the Director or the Registrar might have authority to deal directly and immediately with such applications for loans.

The Suggestion was considered, but it was felt that the Board could not delegate

to bowers or authority in this way and that the brocedure in connection with applications for board should continue as it had obtained since 1928

The Director submitted the Annual Reports and Balance Sheets of the Stakes Plains Trust. Ltd and the Royal Automobile Buildings Co. Ltd., and bounted out that in 1947 the Stakes Plains Trust. Ltd. lad baida Dwidend but the first time -

He Royce Automobile blub Buildings Co. 4d shares had baid the usual \$5% dividend on 20% shares of \$10 each - \$10.

He Director submitted an offer for purchase from Messons Heal & Son. Itd Of a mask of W. B. yeste by Kathleen Scoth (lady Kennet of the Dene) at the brice of \$55

He Offer was declined.

He Director submitted an offer as gift from Miss K.M. Murphy of a Landscape by Gaspard Poussin.

The gift was gratefully accepted

The Director submitted an offer as gift from M. Garbaye and M. do Lêtro, Paris of krictures, drawings and brokes of the Jemercier family It was agreed that the gift be accepted and that such portions of the gift as might be acceptable to the National Library and the Dublin Municipal Gellery of Modern Aut

be offered on bour to these in Stitutions

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was £ 2.729: 15:1

Amesmannahm 7 hrz 48 7th July. 1948

A. Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Et. Hon James Nachlahou Loved Longbord Sci Aloc Martin Mr. James Gloator Mr. Lucius D'ballaghan Mr. Jack B. Yeals Mr. Sean Kaaling Senator Brennan Mr. John Burko Mr. Henry Mangan

and the Director

On the proposal of Senctor Breman . seconded by Mr. Burko. We mac mahon took the chair

The minutes of the meeting held on the med June were read, approved and signed.

Arising out of do minutes, the Director reported that he had consulted with the Department of Finance and with the Stationery Office in connection with the brokused scheme for the broduction of a batchoque of illustrations of the best bictures in the gallery and the worsible production of a series of Coloned bostcards.

He had been informed that the Thirister by Friance, would not object to the motional that the gift of \$12.000 made to the Gallery bot the reproduction of bictures be feeled in a separate account from which would be defrayed the cost of making the reproductions. It was to be understood, lowever, that the form of account to be kept should be submitted to the

Department of Frience for abbroval and that the Account should be an auted annually by the bombtroller and and that of general. In connection with the blacing of contracts by the Gallery. So that the necessary direct supervision of original and repeat orders might be carried out by the gallery. It was the wish of the Thin ister that the Stationery Othics be consulted, as the question of State Oppright was involved, and also as the choice of Outracts because if there were Insh from his a position to carry out the work they should be given an obsortionity of tendering.

A Salisfactory preliminary arrangement to cover these two wonts had been made with the Stationery Office.

Anologies for von-attendance were received from TVI. Justice Murraghan, TVI. boundly and Piss Evil Hone

The Director asked for the Board's direction on the closing of the Gallery for cleaning and re-hanging and he was instructed to act as in previous years by closing the Gallery as required for these tempores at his discretion

The Director submitted an offer for burchase from the artist of a portrait of His Eminence.

Thickase, bardinal loque by N. F. Nochachean at the brice of \$1.000.

The motorsal of The Keating that the Isrative he burchased did not find a seconder and the offer was accordingly doclined

ReDirector Submitted for in shection a bicture

(Dutch School) bresumed to represent the breading

of St. John the Bastist, beaucailed by

This Josephine Isabella Morgan-de-Groot.

Or the brokesal of Sir Alex Martin, seconded

by The Sleator it was decided that the work

be accepted.

He Director resorted that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fundat this date was \$2,821.4.7.

James A Murrayhan 6 ur October 1948.

# 6th October 1948

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Juandians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murnaghan

Rev. Father Genan

Mr. James Sloator

Mr. Jack B. yeats

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. Sean O'Sullivan

Professor Seymour

Miss Evie Hone

Mr. Henry Hangan

Mr. John Burke

and do Director.

On the proposal of Mr. Bleaton, seconded by Mr. Keating. Mr. Justice Murraglian took the Chair.

The Trintes of the meeting held on the The Tuly were read, approved and signed

An apology for Non-attendance was received from

The Director Submitted the final reteast of the Finance Solicitor in Connection with the matter of the Hore Bequest, quing a list of the agreed questions that were submitted to the bourt for decision and the repolies of the bount, the substance of the Court's ruling being that the Gallery is entitled to retain the prictures already selected by them but is not entitled to amplying else. In addition to retain the that the questions submitted the Court held that there was no general charitable intention expressed in the Will of the

testatrix, and that, accordingly, the funds would not be administered by Pres. Accordingly, xertain members of the Hore Family, as beneficiaries, become entitled thereto.

The Judge also ordered that all parties be allowed their costs out of the funds

The report was woted.

The Director submitted for instruction the seventeen pictures, eight oils, two postels, a water colour, and members of six crayon drawings, of and by the Lemencier, O'Hagan and O'Hagan Osborne families, which had been offered as gift and accepted at the Jimo meeting of the Board. He was misturded to convey the best, thanks of the Board to the downs, M. de Lêtre and M. Garbaye. Paris.

The Pirector Submitted for inspections a gouade, "Interior". by Viilland. Offered as gift by the Friends Of the frish National bollections

The gift was gratefully accepted and the Director instructed to convey the bed thanks of the Board to the donors.

Belove Consideration of the offers for burchase on the agenda. Mr. Burke called the Board's attention to the auction by Mesons James H. North & Co. Ltd Ib the Late Dr. W. bremin's bollection to be sold on Wednesday. 13th attaber and bollowing day.

It was proposed by Mr. Burke. Seconded by
Mr. Mangan and agreed: Heat a sum of £ 2.000
be put at the dishosal of the Director for the purchase
of a picture or picture to be sold at the auction of
the late Dr. Fremin's effects, such british or
pictures to be agreed between the Director,

Mr. Justico rumaghan and Mr Lucius O'ballaghan. on any two.

He Director Submitted offers of three prictures from Mr. F. A. Drey of three prictures: Madowna and blied with St. Dorothea, by Jitian - £ 15,000 (abbrofinately); Portrait of Anne do bandalo, French School 16th Century - £ 2.000. with a commission of 10% added, and Peter denying blist, attributed to baravaggio -£ 350 fe was instructed to request the vendor to submit the pricture attributed to baravaggio on abbroval.

The Director submitted an offer bu burchese from Miss Pamela Hinkson ob a bountait of her mother, Mrs Katherine Tynan Hinkson by J. B. yests, R. H. A. and a drawing, Head of a Boy, by W. B. yests - £75.

The offer of the bortrail of Nors Katherine Typan Hinkson was declined. It was agreed that the drawing by W. B. yeats be purchased at the price named.

The Director submitted a request from the Tusée des Arts Décoratifs, Paris. for a boan of the picture. June confiding To to the care of. Argus, by blands to an or hubition of masterpress of Alsace and Lorraine,

It was agreed that the wither be lent on the Board's usual terms as regards packing. Carriage and insurance

The Director reported that the amount standing to the Great of the fame Fund at this date was \$3570.11.2

J. A Munnighan

1 Deamher 1948.

15t December. 1948.

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murnaghan
Mr. James Pleaton
Mr. Jean Keating
Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan
Professon J. J. Seymour
Mr. Toseph Councely
Mr. Toseph Councely
Mr. Toseph Bornely
Mr. Tolan Burks
Mr. Tolan Burks
Mr. Henry Mangan
and the Directon

On the instrosal of Mr. Berke, Deconded by Professor Seymour, Mr Justice Murinaglan took the Chair

He Minutes of the Meeting held on the 6th October were read, approved and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes, the Director reported that the loan of the friction, Timo Confiding To to the care of Argus, by blande, requested by the Committee of the Musée des Arts Decoratifs. Paris for an Exhibition of Masterbieces of Alsace and Lorraine, whom further Consideration by the Committee, had not been required.

Apologies for von-attendance were received from Rev. Father Senan and Senator Breman.

The Director reported that the Timister for Education, with the approval of the Government. head re-appointed both This Evic House and TVT. Tack B. years to the Board for a further period of five years, Miss Hone's appointment to date from the 5th November and that of Mr. years from the 29th November.

The Director Submitted the Estimate for the services to be rendered by the Gallery in the year. 1949-50, which was approved at the figure of £ 8.643.

Ho Director submitted for inspection the following works, burchased in accordance with the Board's order from the last meeting, at the sale of the late D1. William bremin's effects by Messos J. H. North and G. CHA Or October 13th.:

bircular Panel, Judith unth the Head of Holofernes by Meldior Fesela - Price, including autioneers' fees, £ 236. 5. 0.

Futerion, with Figures, Utensils and frimals, by van Hemessen - Price, including auctioneer's fees, \$\fointer{115.10.0.}

Drawing of Powerscourt House Dublin , by James Malton - Price willuding auctioneer's fees, £ 63.

Hese purchases were approved.

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from the Friends of the Irish National Collections. Of a picture, Ferme, by Daubigny. He gift was gratefully accepted.

The Director Aubmitted an Offer for bourchase from Mr. F.A. Drey of a pricture, St. Peter Danying Christ attributed to Caravaggio, at the brice of £350.

On the proposal of Mr. Keating, seconded by Miss Hour, the offer was accepted at this price.

The Director Submitted an offer for Burchase from Mr. H. Morton Lee of two pictures by Tonathan Fisher, (both mices violusino of 10% commission) The offer of both prictures was declined.

The Director mentioned a picture, The Garden Of a Palace, by M. d'Hondecoeter, to be sold at blusties on December. 10th. He submitted a blots graph of the bicture for in Spection, but the Board did not Exbress any interest in the work with a view to its burchase.

The Director Submitted an offer for burchase from Mr. C. Narshall Spirit of Sketch by bonstable for the british of the leaping Horse at the price of \$2.500.

The Board Expressed a wish to see the work and requested the Director to arrange, if possible, to have it submitted on approval.

On the proposal of Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Keating the offer was deferred therefore, for further ousideration at the February meeting.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fame Fund at This date was \$\frac{1}{3.815}:7:10.

James of Murriaghan 2 February 1948. A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Grandians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murnaghan

Mr. James Pleaton

Senction Joseph Brennan

Professon H. J. Seymour

Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan

Mr. Jack B. yeats

Mr. Joseph Boundly

Mr. Joseph Boundly

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. Jehn Burke

and the Director

On the bondsosal of Miss How. seconded by Mr. Keating. M. Justice Runaghan took the chair.
The Minutes of the Meeting beld on the 15t December were read approved and signed

An apology for non-attendance was received from Rev. Fr. Senan.

He Director reported that, with the approval of the Government, the Minister for Education had re-appointed by Alec Martin as a Member of the Board for a further period of fine years as from the 3154 January

The Director read a Better from the Director of Art, Arts bound of Great Britain Thanking the Board for the ban of the pictures. "Men of Destiny" and "Above the Fair" to Exhibitions of the work of Mr. Jack B. Yeals, R. H. A which were held at The Jato Gallery London, His art Gallery and Judustrial Museum Aberdeen and the Museum and Ant Gallery. Derby. He read a letter from the Assistant Director for Wales, Arts Council of Great Britain, thentening the Board for board of the priture, Portrait of Kuno rayer. to an "Felichtor of Paritings and Drawings by Augustus John" at the Bridgend Eistedd fod, National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth, National Museum of Wales, bardiff, the art Gallery and Museum Brighton. the fastle Museum, Norwich and the art Gallery. Phymorits.

The Director's Report on the working of the Gallery for the year 1948 was submitted and approved

Lord Longbord and Mr Henry Mangan were abhorinted and tors of the lane Fund for 1948

An offer for purchase from Mr. 6. Marshall Skinke of picture, "View on the Stour" by John boustable. T. A. was de clined.

An offer for purchase from Miss Eileen van Honnigh of a portrait of Jonathan Swift, Artist unknowny, at the brice of £300 was declined.

The Director submitted for instruction three Pasiel Portraits from the Leister Sale and two miniatures by bosway, bequeathed by the late Tiss Meta frace. The Bequest was gratefully accepted.

The Director mentioned the possible offer as gift ibrough from Mr. R. M. Loughlin in the near future of a bust by Jacob flostein. It was agreed that the gift would be acceptable if offered

The Director submitted an offer the for burchase from Mr. Alfred M. Little of a portrait by blacks grey at the price of & sixty Guinoas. The offer was declined, as was also an offer from The Little of a Landscape by Alfred Grey at the price of Sixteen Guineas.

The Director submitted an offer for burchase from Mr. D. Burke of a meggotint portrait of the Rev. John Whigfield D.D., after boustable at the price of 12 which was accepted on the praposal of Mr. Sleator, seconded by This House

He Director revorted that the amount standing to the credit of the forme Fund at this date was \$\f3.915.7.2

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James A lluenægher, 6 april 1949. 6th april . 1949

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murmaglian
Mr. James Sleator

Mr. James Sleator

Mr. Sean Keating

Senator Joseph Breunan

Lord Longford

brofesson Seymour

Mr. Jack B. yeats

Mr. Jucius O'ballaglian

Mrss Evie Hone

Mr. Henry Mangan

and the Director

On the proposal of His Hone, seconded by Mr. Sleaton, Mr. Justice Mumaghan took the Chair.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the and February were read, approved and signed.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Rev. Fr. Senan. Sis Alec Martin
Mr. Joseph Connolly and Mr. John Barke.

The Director submitted the audited account of the Jane Fund for 1948 which was approved.

Senator Breman and Miss Hone were appointed to represent the Gallery on the Selection bommittee of the Romas Howerty Irust for a period of five years, as from the 6th April. 1949.

The Director Districted a request from the City of Florence Municipal anthonties for the loan of two loictures, "Portrait of a Musician; by bosino Jura and "The Story of Juresia by Jacopo del Sellato to an Exhibition to mark the 5th bentenary of the brith of Jovenzo the Magnificent. May to November 1949.

It was agreed on the probosal of Mr. Kaating, seconded by Senator Brennan, that the loan be made on the usual terms as regards packing, carriage and insurance. The picture by bosimo Iura to be misured for £20,000 and the picture by Jacobo del Sellaio for £2.000,

The Director submitted an offer for burchase from Mr. F.A. Drey of bicture. "Landscale with mythological figures by Lovenzo Lotto at the price of £2.100.

It was proposed by Lord Longford and seconded by Mr. Justice Murnaghan that the work be purchased at this price. On a show of hands, 4 voted for the burchase and 5 against. The offer therefore was dedined.

Ho Director Submitted an offer for purchase from Mr. C.P. Burran of a portrail bust of W.B. yeats. by Albert Power. R. H.A. at the price of £ 250.

The offer was declined.

arising out of a discussion on this offer.

it was proposed by Senator Brennan, seconded by Mr. Keating and agreed that the Department of Education be asked for permission to exhibit the portrait bust of W. B. Yeats by Albert Power. R. H. A. at present stored in the Gallery for the Department.

The Director mentioned the offer for purchase from Messro Arthur Tooth & Son of a portrait of Oliver St. John Gogarty at the price of £450.

No action was taken with regard to this offer.

The Directore reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at This date was \$\frac{1}{4,182}:40.

James of Uneraghan

1St June. 1949.

A meeting of the Board of Governors

and Guardians was held this day. There
were Isresent:

Mr. James Sloaton

Sir Alex Hartin

Senator Joseph Brennan

Mr. Joseph boundly

Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. John Burks

and He Director.

Ou the proposal of Senator Brennan, seconded by M. Burke, M. Justice Murnaghan took the Chair.

The Minutes Of the Meeting held on the Fil. April were read. Abbroved and Signed.

Apologies for won-attendance were received from Per. Father benan, He Rt. Hon Jams NacMahon.
Mr Jack B. Yeats and Mr. Henry Mangan.

The Director reported that the Minister for Education, with the approval of the Government, had re-approinted Senator Joseph Breman to the Board for a further specied of five years, the appointment to date from 13th May April 1949.

The Board appointed Miss Evil Home to represent the Gallery as Judge of the Jaylor Art Scholarships for 1950, with Mr. Tames Sleator as alternative Judge.

The Director submitted an Offer for purchase from Mr. Henry Naylor of a picture.

"Lhrist Disputing with the Doctors". by

G. van den Eechout, at the price of £ 400.

The Offer was declined.

The Director Submitted a request for the ban of two prictures. "Our ford Bidding Farewell to His Mother" and "The Virgin and blild "to an Exhibition of the Works of Gerard David at the Municipal Museum, Bruges, 18th June to 21st August, 1949. The bean was requested on the usual terms.

Ho Director Sylvained that the present condition of one of those loidines was such that it could not with safety be lent, and he was requested to make this syplamation to the Bruges Museum authorities when informing that the loan could not be made.

The Director Submitted an offer for purchase from Miss Rosalie Franks of the of the versions of the bricture, "The Misers', by Quentin Matsys at the price of £200.

The Offer was declined.

The Director submitted an ofberas gift from the Triends of the Irish National bolloctions of two of the three portraits bequeathed to the Society by the late Hiss Lily yeats, namely "Portrait in vies of her mother" and Portrait of herself with Corel nocklaw. both the work of her father. John Butler yeats. The gift was gratefully accepted.

He Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was £ 4,182. 1. 4

Longford - chair 6.7.49 6th July 1949

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Lord for Joseph Connolly
Mr. Foselsh Connolly
Mr Lucius O'ballaglan
Mr. Fack B. Yeats
Mr. Sean Keating
Mr. Henry Mangan
Rt. Hon. James MacHahon
Mr. Famos Sloator
Professor Seymour
and the Director

On the proposal of Mr. Keating seconded by Mr. O'ballaghan, Lord Longford took the chair.

An apology be wer-aitendance was received from Nr. Fustice Hurnaglan

The Director announced that, consequent upon his election to the Presidency of the Royal Friel Academy, Professor J. J. Nolar, M. A., D. Sc. had become, ex. officio, a member of the Board.

The Director asked for the Board's direction on the closing of the Gallery for cleaning and re-hanging, and he was instructed to act as in previous years by closing the Gallery, as required for these purposes at his discretion.

An offer as gift from Fis Shano Leslie of a booth out of himself was declined with thanks. The Director revorted her the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was \$4,535. 4.11.

James A Murnaghan 6 October 1949. 5th October. 1949

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians
was held This day. Here were present:

Mr. Justice Hurnaghan
Rev. Filher Senan
Professor Nolan
Professor Seymour
Hr Joseph boundly
Mr. Fames Sloctor
Mr. Henry Mangan

On the proposal of Mr. Skeator, seconded by Mr. Mangan, Mr. Justice Murraghan took the chair.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 6th July were read. abbrowed and signed

Avologies for Non-attendance were received from Sir Alec Martin, Senator Brennan. Mr Tolm Burko and Mr. Jack B. Mests.

The Director submitted for mishection the two water. Colour drawings by Sir Hiomas Jones P.R.HA which were presented to the Gaelery by
Tiss M.A. Halligan and accepted at the April
Meeting. 1947, but which did Not reach the
Gaelery until Selstember of This year. Their
receibt was noted.

The Director submitted for inspection two

pictures of "Dorunghook Fair" by Francis Wheatley, R.A. bequeathed to the Gallery by the late ford Harmsworth. He receitst of the Bequest was Noted

The Director submitted an offer for lourchese from the Ancado Gallery of two boances by the Magdalen Master (circa 1250) at the price of £750

It was the feeling of the Board That, if agreeable to the vendor These works might be sent over for in spection.

The Director submitted an offer for functions of three land scales by William Ashford P.R. H.A., at the price of £250 each. He offer was Noted.

He Director submitted an offer as gibt from
His Francis E. Rodriguez of two family pontrails
one by S. batterson Smith and one by
A. Borzaghi, and an larly drawing by
Sir William Orben. He offer was declined

The Director mentioned offers for burchese of the following bictures:

Juo land scales by John O'bonnon. A.R.H.A from
Mr. John T. Dorfo, at the price of £200 each, which offer
was deferred to the next meeting, awing to lack of quorum.

Pictures by-Bonnordo bavallina at £350 - by Mailia Preti
at £300 and by T. Rombouts at £500, in regard to
which no action was taken. Those latter all offered by
Dr. A. School and photographs submitted.

The Director reported that the amount Standing to the credit of the law Fund at This date was: £4.800.17.2

Lonford in Lair 7.12.69

7th December. 1949.

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and
Guardians was held this day. There were
present:

Ford Longlord.

Rev. Father Fenan

Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan

Mr. Fames Sleator

Mr. Foseph boundly

Professor Seymour

Miss Erie Hone

Mr. Henry Mangan

Mr. John Burko

and the Director.

On the proposal of The Burke, seconded by Miss Hone, Lord foughour took the Chair.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 5th. October were read abhroved and signed.

Arising out of do Minutes, the Director re- Submitted the offer from Mr. John J. Doylo of two fandscapes by John O'bonnor, A.R. HA. The Offer was declined.

Apologies for von-attendance at this meeting were received from Sir Aloc Martin and Professor J. J. Nolan

Arising out of correspondence, the Director reported that he had received a request for observations on a draft of the Department of State Bill, 1949. in so

far as the mossored reseal of Section 13 of Acts 17 & 18 Vic. Cals. 99 might affect the powers of the Board of Governors and Guardians in Connection with the posts of Director and Registrar of the Gallery. He eschlamed that he had had an interview with the Secretary of the Department of Education who felt that the bosition with regard to these posts needed clarification and that the views of the Board on the matter were now required. The Director Julmiaed to the Board a draft in the following terms of a resolution in two bants, which he believed would satisfy the requirements of the Department whose desire it was to leave the powers of the Board unin baired by any provisions of the Bill:

- (1) Hat the posts of Director and Registrar of the National Gallery be wou regularised by making the present holders of these offices established biril Servants.
- (2) That the Board wish to retain the bresent procedure with regard to appointments to the stable of the National Gallery, manuely that when a vacancy for the post of Director or Registrar occurs it should be duly advertised and the candidates interviewed by the Board, and that their choice be submitted for the danction and approval of

the Minister for Educations.

The Director read a letter from

Mr. Justice Murnaghen guring his views as the question, and having discussed the terms of the draft resolution, the Board postpored the matter for further Consideration, and appointed

Mr. James Sheaton to represent them at any discussions of the position which might be required in the meantime between the Department of Education.

The Department of Jurance, and the Board.

The Director submitted a letter from Sir flec Martin Ofbering as gibt a selection from a number of Sargent drawings which he had acquired. The Ofber was gratefully accepted, on the proposal of Mr. Burke. Seconded by Miss Hone.

The Director submitted the Estimate by the Services to be rendered by the Gallery in the year. 1950-51 at the figure of £8,550, which was approved.

He Bequest of the late Dr. Douglas Hyde of a Portrait of Himself, by Jara Purser. R. H.A. was gratefully accepted

The offer for burchase from The Kathleen Fox Pyns of a piece of sculpture, Connemara Trout,

Locusino, at la price of £200 was accepted, on the proposal of Mr. Burke, seconded by The Mangan

The Director submitted an often for bruchase from Mr. C. Marshall Spink of a bicture, The Penitent St. Peter, by Georges la Tour at the brice of 15,000. Miss from morbosed the bruchase Of this work, but as the brice asked coula not be met out of the funds of the Gallery at the mormant the offer was declined.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mesers Thomas Agnew & Sons. Itd. of a bitue, The Pool of Bethesda, by Murillo at the price of \$8.000. It was felt the the price asked, but this work also rather beyond the resources of the Gallery, but it was mohosed by Lord Longbord and seconded by Mr Mangan That it be purchased if the vendors reduced the price to . say £ 6000. The Board being about evenly divided for and against the burchase, it was agreed after a full discussion of the matter, on the suggestion of Mr O'Callaghan who felt that there Should be greater unanimity of the members in the case of an important purchase of this kind, that further Consideration of the offer be deferred to the next meeting. The Director was instructed to unto to Sir Aloc Mortes

and ask if he would knidly approach the wendows in the meantime, will a view to a reduction of the price.

An offer for Brunchase from Thr. W. Katz of two Brictures, one by Adriaen Bronwer at the price of £2.100. and one by Joadim Patemer at the price of £1.800 was postponed for further Consideration.

An offer for muchase from Mr. Peter blaas of a pricture by Liager Tom Ring at the price of £400 was also prostponed for further Consideration.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the face Fund at this date was £ 4.054, 6.2

Lufferd in chair 1,2,50

1st February. 1950

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were Isresent:

Lord Longford
Mr. Justice Murmaglian
Res Jather Senan
Professor Seymour
Mr. Diarmuid O'Hegarty
Mr. Jucius O'Rallaghan
Mr. Sean Kasting
Phiss Fire Hone
Mr. Henry Mangan
Mr. John Burke
Mr. Sean O'Sullivan

On the proposal of Mr. Justice Mumagham, seconded by Mr. O'ballagham, Lord foughers took the chair.

Before the transaction of any business, the Board bened a vote of Sympathy with the relatives of the late James Sheater.

The minutes of the Meeting of 7th December were read, approved and Signed.
Arising out of the minutes, in Connection with the request of the Department of Education for the Board's Observations on a draft of the Department of State Bill, 1949. in so far as the proposed respect of Section 13 of Acts 17 and 18.

Vic Cals 99 might affect the sources of the Board over approximents to the powers of the Board Registrar of the Gallery, the Director and Registrar of the Gallery, the Director amounced that Mr. Breathnach, Secretary, and

Mr. O Raifoartaigly were prosent to Exislain the Department's attitude in the matter.

Having heard the Itslanation, which was to
the effect that the Board need have no fears
that in future the Director or the Registrar
would be selected by the buril Service bournies ion
wistead of by the Governors and Guardians
of the Gollenj. The Board thanked Messrs
Breathnach and O Raifeartaigh by Their
Cointesy in attending the meeting. No
further was taken in Connection with the
matter.

Arising out of the Thinutes, the Director read a letter from Sir Alex Martin in connection with the Board's request to lim to approach the wendors, Mesons Russ. Agreem and Sons. Ltd with a view to a reduction in the price of the pricine. "The Pool of Bethesda", by Thirills offered at \$8,000. The letter stated that he had not been successful in negotiating a lower price, and the Board decided to take no further action with regard to the offer.

Apologies for von-attendance at Ilis meeting were received from Senator Brennan and Professor Nolan,

The Director resorted, for sursones of yembership of the Board, That Mr Joseph boundly would cease to hold office as blairman of the Commissioners of

Public works on the 19th January. 1950, and would be succeeded as Chairman on the 20th January. 1950 by
The Diarmuid D'Hegarty.

The Director read a letter from the Secretary. Department of External Affairs, requesting the loan of Patrick Tuolity's portrait of James Stephens for an Exhibition of Paintings organized by the bultiral Relations bommittee which was being sent to North America.

The loan was granted subject to the usual Conditions as to Insurance, washing and Carriage

He Director submitted his report on the working of the Gallery during the year. 1949, which was approved.

Mr. O'ballaglan and Mr. Keating were appointed to andit the Lane Fund for 1949.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mr. G.F. J. Cumberlege of bicture, "He Artist's Wife" by Robert Jagam (1745-1816) at the price of £250 and Showed a photograph of the work to the Board. He was instructed to have the picture sent over for Consideration at the next meeting.

The Chairman read a letter from

Dr. Furlong, Stating that, for private reasons, le had decided to resign from do post of Director as from the 315th March. 1950. The announcement was received with surprise and 74 pressions of regret.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fane Fund at this date was £7.647. 7. 1.

Arising under the heading of "Other Business". the Director submitted the belowing offers for purchase:

Portrait of Archibald Hamilton Rowan

United Prishman, from Mr. Hans Rowan Hamilton at the price of £25. The offer was declined and

Pastel of a lady by Martin bregan, from Mr. Joseph O'Brien at the price of £20.

The offer was declined

It was arranged to have a Special Meeting of the Board Callod for Wednesday 15 the February to Consider the position arising from the resignation of the Director.

James of Murrayhour 5 April 1950

15th February, 1950
A Special Meating of the Board of Governors
and Guardians was held this day, There
were present:

ford fongford
Rev. Father Senan
Mr. Lucius O'Callaghan
Mr. Jack B. yeats
Mr. Sean Keating
Mr. Sean O'Sullivan
Mr. Sean O'Sullivan
Mrss Evie Hono
Professor Seymour
Mr. John Burko
Mr. Henry Mangan
and the Director

On the morosal of The O'ballaghan, seconded by The years, Lord Longford took the Chair

Apologies for Non-attendance at this meeting were received from Mr. Justice Murnaghan and TV. Diarmid O'Hegarty.

Ho Board Then proceeded to the Special business of the Meeting which was "To take steps to file the boost of Director".

He Registrar outlined the procedure that had been adopted on the last occasion that a new Director was appointed - which was in 1935 - and laid before the meeting Copies of: (a) the advertisement that had been issued, inviting applications for the vacant post, (b) the terms and Conditions

Of the appointment referred to us the advertisement, and (c) Extracts from the Bry-Laws of the Gallery, giving the Rules governing the appointment and the duties of the Director.

After a general discussion as to whether the bost should be regarded as a whole, or want, time one, and what the salary should be relatively, it was proposed by The Burke, and seconded by This Home, that the salary be ascertained from the proper authority and the post advertised.

As an amendment, it was proposed by Mr. D' ballaghan, and seconded by Professor Seymour ther the salary be ascertained and that the Board proceed to Consider the approintment is all its aspects.

On a show of hands, the amendment was declared lost and the resolution taken as carried.

the Registrar was then instructed to advertise the vacant (post as on the previous occasion. On the question of salary, he gave the renumeration of the present Director as £500. plus an additional £100 for advising the Government when required on works of art, and 24 planied that, as a result of certain increases in obseration since 1947, the Consolidated renumeration for the port was now £824. He was instructed to issue the advertisement giving the Salary

at this figure, and to supply applicants for the information with the terms and conditions of the appointment as as the bravious occasion, the closing date for applications for the post to be given as 15 th April 1950. Jumes of Muenaghan 5 april 1960 5th April 1950

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held This day. There were present;

Lord Longford

Mr. Justice Murnaghan

Rt. Hon James Mac Mahon

The Hon. W.E. Wylie K.C.

Professor Nolan

Mr. Sean Keating

Mr. Jean Keating

Mr. Jack B. Meato

Mr. Jean O' Sullivan

Mr. Lucius D' Callaghan

Mr. John Burke

The Henry Mangan

and the Registras

On the proposal of Mr. yeats, seconded by Mr. O'Callaghan. Mr. Justice Murnaghan took the Chair.

The Minutes of the Meetings held on the 1st Jehnay and 15 th February were read, approved and signed.

Re Director road a letter from Tiss E Stator

- Chanking the Governors and Guardians by

Their vote of sympathy on the death of

be brother the late James Stator.

He Registra read a letter from Mr. Henry Mangan, stating that he had been directed by The Francy rapply Sub-Committee of the Frizle Committee of Historical Sciences again to bring before the Board the Question of a National Register of Historical Portraits, as Juggested by him in his letter of the 3rd July 1945.

The letter quoted the terms of the resolution pursed unanimously by the Board on the 4th July 1945, and forwarded to the Minister by Education, but without any result in action of the part of the Deleartment of Education

A letter sant to the Director on the 27th January. 1947. in Connections with the foreboardion of a Combined Catalogue of the National Gallery and the National Pontrait Gallery, and stated that the required list of Irial and freign historical baintings, engravings and Sculpture mithe National Gallery, victorial Gallery and the National Gallery, victorial ding any in reserve, as promised by the Director had Not yet been furnished to the Foregraphy Sub-Committee.

In conclusion. The letter bointed out that an Exceptional Ophoniumity has war arisen not only for again bringing before the Prinister the need for a National Register of Historical Portraits, but the question of no organizing the administration of the National Portrait

Gallery 80 as to facilitate that project, and that as an historical background was considered essential. a University graduate in history should be abhointed to prepare a National Register of Historical Portraits

It was decided by the Broard that The Mangan's letter should be brought browns for Consideration in Connection with the both coming abhointment of a new Director of the Gallery.

He Registrar read correspondence between the Director and Mr Benard Than in connection with the life- size Than Status by Prince Paul Troubetzkoy. while had arisen out of certain references to this work in the priess. Although the most of The Slaw's remarks on the subject were pleased in his. usual light-hearted manner. he baid a tribute to the yeallery for a priceless part of his Education, in recognition of which he had left to it a third part of his residual estate, He made No suggestion Wer the Status Should be exacted on Jenister Lawn in front Of the Gallery.

The anestron of whether the status should be Exhibited you, or not until after The Shawing as had been originally intended, was discussed, and it was the feeling of the Reeting that it be salutited know and in such a way as inight best meet Mr. Show's wesles in the matter

It was proposed by The Keating . Seconded by Mr. O'Sullivan that the statue be Sylubted by erection or the Cours. On an amendment, proposed by The yeats and seconded by The O'Callaglan, it was agreed that the statue be Sylubted, but that a Sub-Committee of the Board be abhorited to report as to the proper site. Mosess Keating. Busho and O'Callaglan. Consented to act as thus Sub-Committee.

The Registrar submitted a request from the borcovan Gallery Of art; washington. D.C. bor a loan of the Bicture. Bishop Berkeley and this Biturage, by John Smilest for an 54 hibitor tracing the history of the United States, to be held in Connection with Washington's Sesquicentennial belebrations. June.

The was proposed by Mr. D'Escaphan Kaating That the loan be granted on the usual Grations regarding resposibility by The Cat of packing. Carriage and wishance:

Ho Rogistias Sub-mared a reasest from

The Jate Gallery. Jonder for a boar of the Drawing, George Moore by Sir William Pollienstein to the Remorial Edulation of the Paintings and Drawings of the late Sir William Rotherstein It was proposed by TV D'Callaghan. Deursdes by TV. Yeats and agreed that the boar be granted on the usual conditions regarding responsibility by the costs of packing. Carriage and insurance.

He Registrar submitted the offer by purchase from Mr. G. F. J. Cumberlege of the prictine, Portrait of the artists wife by Robert Fagan, at The mice of £ 250, portpored from the last meeting.

The offer was declined.

He Registras submitted an offer for bruchese from the artist, through the Department of Etlernal affairs. Of a Drawing of the late Robert Lynd. Essayist and Critic. by Henrydamb. A.R.A at the price of 25 to 30 grimsas.

It was agreed to accept the offer of this work at the brice of 25 grimes.

Report and Balance Sheet of the Staked Planis Trust Ltd. for the year ended 31st December. 1949. Horreported that as a result of an initial distribution Docember. 19th, 1949, a repayment of \$5 per Share on 1.400 Shares — £ 2.495 — had been waid to the Gallery from this fame 7 and investment, and that it was the present plan of the Trustoes to make a Second and final distribution after see assets had been turned into Cash and after the Trusto licitally for Pederal income tapes, wichning the years. 1949 and 1950, had been finally determined.

The Registrar submitted the audited Account of the Same Fund by 1949. Mr Mangan raised a question on the form in which it had bear submitted and broduced an alternative from for the Consideration of the Board. The Registrar Sylvained that in setting out the account by audit he had followed the procedure which had bear accepted without question since the inception of the Fund in 1918 and which wone of the auditors from the time on had seen fil to change ; and furthermore that the Director has had no order from the Board at any time to change the so form in which the account was presented.

It was the feeling of the meeting that we change was now necessary. but the Chairman suggested that Mr Mangan might like to raise the marter a fair when the auditors of the Fund for

Under the heading of Such further and other brusiness. the Registrar mentioned:

(1) That Mr. William bound. R.H. A. probased to other by brunchase his portrait of the late Robert Lyna at the close of the Royal Hibernian Academy's Ethelitim, but that a definite other of the pricture has not yet been made. The matter was noted for further Consideration.

(2) Het Major Desmond Chapman - Huston had made an older as gift of his portrait of lawrence of Anabia by Herbert Guerchenes. He offer was gratefully accepted by The Board.

The Registrar reported that the amount Standing to the Credit of the Land Fund at this date was: f7.930.5.0 and he bounted out that in view of the desirability of re-investing portion of this balance it would be necessary to wait until the new Director had been appointed before this could be done regularly, in accordance with the terms of By-law 34 of the Gallery.

7.6.50

## 26th april. 1950

This was a Special Meeting called by requisition of the following five members of the Board of Governors and Guardians:

James A. Murnaghan Lucius O'ballaghan

John Keating Diarmuid O L'Eigeoarduigh John Burks.

The business of the Registras as Acting Director, in pending the appointment of Director. for the purpose of Summorning an Extraordinary meeting on May 3rd. to Consider applications for the post of Director and to take such action as may be Considered necessary."

Andria The following members of the Board were present:

Jona fongbord
The Fustice Murmaghan
Mr Lucius O'Cacaghan
Mr. Jack B. yeats
Mr. Diarmuid O'Hegarty
Mr. John Keating
Mr. Henry Rangan

Aprologies for Non-attendance were received from Professor Nolan. Miss House and Mr. Burke.

It was proposed by Lord Longbrow. Deconded

by The Keating, thet The Nacramana.

the Registrar, be appointed Acting Director.

It was agreed, however. That an

Ethaordinary meeting need Not Now

be summoned by May 3rd, and that

the special business which would have

been before it, Namely the Consideration

of applications for the post of Director,

could be siscluded with the business

of the ordinary Statutory meeting due

on June 7th, and which would be

Summoned by the acting Director.

He matter of Mr. Nangan's motional for a Register of Historical Portraits was again mentioned and deferred for Consideration to the Fune meeting.

He Registrar mentioned that an application had been received from the Provincial Ellisto of Tourism. Manting for a loan of the brichines by Guisepho Bazzani (?? in the Collection to be leld in Manting from May 15 th to October. 15 th. This marter also was deferred by Consideration to the Fine meeting

Mr O'Callagha. brought to the wolice of the Board the fact that a portrait of Lady Gregory. by Sir William Orben was about to Come into a Sale by Messo J. H. Northy Co.

It was the feeling of the Board that this would be a desirable bunchess but the Gallery, but the the Gallery's bid by it should not greed the sum of f 150. The Registrar was instructed accordingly to place a bid of f 150 by the picture with Reson North and Co.

Luffel in chair
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7th Jime. 1950.

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day. There were present:

Lord Longford
Rev. Father benan

Sir Aloc Martin

Rt. Hon. Tames Mc Malion

Mr. Diarmuid O' Hegarty

Mr. John Keating.

Mr. Lucius O' ballaghan

Mr. Jack B. yeats

Professor J. J. Wolan

Mr. Henry Mangan

Mr. Henry Mangan

Mr. Maurice Mc Gonigal

Mr. John Burke

and the Acting Director

On the proposal of Mr. Weating, Seconded by Mr. Keating, Lord Longbord took the chair.

The Minutes of the Meetings held on the 5th April and 26th April were read, approved and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes. the Acting Director reported:

(1) That the proposed offer of the portrait of the late Robert Lynd by William bonor. R. H.A. which he had mentioned at the Meeting of April 5th.

had not yet been formally mado. That in connection with the request (2) for a loan of Dictures by Giusephi Bazzani to an Exhibition organized by the Provincial Office of Tourism, Mantua, which had been received too late to be dealt with at the Meeting of the 5th april, but which had been mentioned by him at the Meeting of the 26 the april, when it was deferred to the June Reeting, he had explained the position to the Organizers of the Exhibition but had received no further communication from them. In the circumstances, and Considering the difficulties which had been esopeninced of late in sending pictures to Italy, returned, he recommended that this loan be not mado. The Board agreed wot to make the loan.

(3) That the portrait of Lady Gregory, by Sir William Orpen, for which he had been instructed from the Reeting of 26th April to place a bid of £150 with Mesors North, authorieers had been sold for £200.

The acting Director read letters from the Secretary Department of Education, and

the Secretary, Royal Hibernian Academy; the first to inform him that, with the approval of the government, the Minister for Education had re-appointed The Hon. James A. Murnaghan and Mr. Henry Mangan on the Board of Jovernos and fuardians for a beriod of five years from the 23rd ultimo and 15th instant respectively. And also, with the approval of the Government, the Minister has appointed Senator Edward Augustine Mc Grine on the Board for a beriod of five years from the 12th instant in place Of the late Senator Joseph Brennan; the second letter was to inform lim that Mr. Maurico MacGonigal. R.H.A. had been appointed to act as representative of the Academy on the Board of Governors and Chardians

The Acting Director read a letter from Th. G. Waterhouse, on behalf of the Executors, stating that the members of the family of the late Sis Robert and Lady Woods were anscious to offer a picture in memory of Sis Robert's interest in the Gallery and his services as a member of the Governing Body.

He submitted the bicture, a Jana scape by J. A. O'Cormor which had been sent to the Gallery by Th. R. R. Woods, F. R. C. S. T.; and on the proposal of Lord Longford, Seconded by Th. Meats, it was gratefully

Apologies for Non-attendance at This meeting were received from Senator McGuiro. and TVI Justice Murmaglan. A portion of Mr. Justice Murmaglan's letter which dealt with the appointment of the Director was deferred for Consideration under Item'b of the Agenda.

The Annual Appointment of a Fudge of the Taylor art Scholarships was before the Board. Lord Longford was appointed Judge for 1951, with Senator TV Guire as alternative Judge, if he would be agreeable to act.

The appointment of a Gallery representative on the Selection bommittee of the Thomas Haverty Trust, to file the Blace left vacant by the death of Senator Brennan, was considered, and Mr. Maurice TI Gonigal was appointed.

The Acting Director submitted the annual Report and Balance Sheet of the Royal Automobile blub Buildings a 1949.

as one of the Board's Lane 7 und investments - 20 Shares of \$10 each. He reported that the Dividend had been \$10, less Fucomo at 91 in the \$f - \$44.105. which was recoverable, and this was roted.

Item NO6 on the Agenda - The questions Of considering the advisability of amending certain Byo-laws of the Gallery, in view of the appointment to the loost of Director about to be dealt with; and Consideration of the portion of Mr. Justice Murnaghan's dealing with the appointment were deferred till the July recting.

Applications for the post of Director from the following candidates were before the Board for Consideration:

Mr. Stefan Arway C/O He bourtauld Institute of Ant 20, Portman Square, London W. I. Mr. G. H. Costigan C/O Professor Byrne-bookigan 117. Sundays Well, book. Miss Ruth Dromgoole, 18, Earls fort Jerraco. Dublin

Mr. R.R. Figgis . Farm Lodge Ballybrack . Co. Dublin .

Mr. L.S. Gogan, National Museum, Dublin

Mr. Thomas McGreevy . 24, 717 zwilliam Raco. Dublin

M. Jozef P. Natanson, 65 Redcliffe Rd. London. Mr. Patrick O'bonnot, 180 Bleecker St. New york, 12 Ny.

Mr. P.O. Troutman, 23 Alwyne Rd. London, N.WI

The applications were Considered in detail and after discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Burke, seconded by Rev. Father Senan that Mr. Thomas TV Greevy be elected Director.

As an amendment, it was proposed by Lord Longford and seconded by Rt. Hou James MacMalion That Miss Ruth Dromgoolo ho

Aproposal by Mr. Keating that Mr. R.R. Figgis be elected was not seconded.

On being put to the meeting, the amendment. On a show of hands, was declared lost by

mine votes to two and The No Greeny was declared elected unanimously.

The Acting Director esoplained that it would be necessary to ask for Department of Trianco Sanction for the payment of his salary and travelling esopenses before Mr. The Greery trok up office, and that it was the usual procedure to notify the Department of Education of an appointment of this kind.

The was accordingly proposed by
Rev. Faither Senan and seconded by
The Burks and agreed that The No freezy
Should hold office as from 15t July 1950.

The Acting Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the fame Fund at this date was \$8.180.11\$ 8

At the conclusion of the meeting,
Sir Alac Martin said he desired to make
an explanation concerning the Sale of
the picture, He Pool of Bethesda. by
Murillo which had been offered for
purchase by Messes that Agnew and Sous.
It at the December Meeting. He had
advised the Board that he considered
the price of £ 8,000 then asked as
excessive; and although the picture
had since been purchased by the
London Galley at this price he still
Considered it one which he could not
have advised this Gallery at any time

to pay for it.
The Board thanked Seri Alex for his attention to the interests of the Gallony.

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5th July 1950

A Morting of the Board of Governors and Guardians
Of the National Gallery was held This day.
There were present:

Lord Longford

Rev Father Senan

Rt. Horn Tames MacHalion

Mr. John Keating

Mr. Diarmuid O Hegarty

Mr. Jack B. Yeats

Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan

Miss Evie Hone

Mr. Maurice Mc Gonigal

Mr. Henry Mangan

Mr. John Burko

and do Diroctor, Mr. Thomas Mc Greeny

On the moposal of Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Keating Lord Longford took the Chair.

Apologies for Non-attendance were received from Sis Alec Martin. Mr Fustice Murmaglian and Senator McGuire.

The Board welcomed Mr. N'Greeny to This the first meeting since his appointment as Director. and Mr M' Greeny Suitably replied.

The Minutes of the meeting held on June. Til, were read, approved and signed.

Arising out of the minutes, the Director submitted for inspection the portrait of Lawrence of archia

by Herbert Gurschner, presented by Major Desmond bhafaman-Huston. Ro Board abbroved the acceptance of the Gift and desired that its thanks be conveyed to the donor

Also, as an item arising out of the minutes,
It Burke reborted to the Board that the
Sub-Committee appointed to Consider
the matter had chosen a bosition at the
entrance to the present Dutch Gallery as
the one which appeared most suitable for
the placing of the Statue of G. Bernard Shaw,
by Prince Paul Troubetzkoy. The Board
approved of the Site Chosen.

The Director read a letter from the Secretary to the Jaoiseach, with reference to the gift to the waters of a Collection of some eighty paritings, mainly of do Grench Barbizon School, which Mr Chaster Boarty of ailosbury Road, Dublin, had made, and which has been accepted by the Jaoiseach. It was the intention that the presentation should be formally acceleted at a bublic ceremony to be held within the next month on two, and the Javiseach wished to know whether the Board of Governors and Guardians would be so good as to make available in the Gallery the mocessary accommodation for the hanging of the collection for the purpose of the bublic ceremony. After the Director had explained the details of the gift, the Board discussed the matter

and the Director was instructed to inform the Jaoiseach that it would provide the accommodation requested,

The Director read a letter from Sir Alec Martin Calling the Board's attention to a copy by Nathaniel Hone of Constable's "Valley Farm" which was sold at Christie's in 1947 for 140 guineas. He present owner wished to know if it would interest either the National or the Modern Gallery in Dublin.

After the Board had syamined a bliotograph of the bidine, it was proported by The Negonigal, and seconded by Triss Hone, that the offer of the work he not accepted.

Mr Keating probosed and Lord fongford seconded that the picture be seen by the Director by report to the Board at the next meeting.

He amendment, on a show of lands, was declared lost and the offer was, accordingly. declined.

He Director road a letter from the Registrar.
Royal Dublin Society, with reference to the vormination of Lord foughord as representative of the Gallery on the banel of Judges for the Jaylor Ant Competition of 1951, and stating that he had heard from Miss Evil Hore, the Board's mominee for 1950 That she would be mable to act, in view of which the Council of the Royal Dublin Society had invited Lord Longford to act for This year also.

Lord fonglord in formed the Board that he had consented to do so.

The Director Outmitted an offer as gift from Mr Famon de Valera, T. D. Of a bainting of O'Connell and his Contemporaries by Joseph Patrick Hawerty, R. H. A. Mr do Valera Suggested that the bicture be left an loan to arus an Machtarain where it was at present

It was probosed by The Keating. Deconded by Miss Hone, and agreed that the gift be accepted.

After some discussion as to whether the Office of Public Works or the Gallery Should be responsible for any restoration the hickne might require, or for its maintanance while on ban.

It was proposed by Mr. Burke. Seconded by Mr. Yeats, and agreed that the bictime be lout to arus on Machtarain. and that it be the Board's responsibility while there.

He Director Submitted a request forms

Mr. R. B. Beckett on behalf of the arts

Council of Great Britain for a ban of

The bictures, George II and his Family,

The Western Family and the Denunciation

to an Exhibition of the works of Hogarile

to be held in the Tate Gallery · London

in Connection with the Festival of Britain,

1951, and afterwards for a very limited

provincial tour, the whole period to cover

about four months, from towards the end of

June , 1951

It was proposed by Mr. Keating, seconded by Mr. D'Callaghan, and a greed that the boan be made on the usual terms as regards Backing, Carriage and in surance of the sictures

The Director submitted a request from
The Richard Seddon. Director of the Graves
Art Galbery, Sheffield. for a ban to an
Exhibition of the works of Alfred Stevens
and Sir Francis Chantrey also to be
leld in Connection with the Gestival Of
Britain and about the Dame time. He
gave the Number of Drawings by Alfred Stevens
in the Collection and Sylplained that there
were NO Stamples of the work of Sir Francis Chantrey.

It was proposed by Mr. O'Callaghan,
Seconded by Mr. Burks, and agreed
That a boan of the Stevens drawings required
be made, on the usual Conditions as
regards their packing. Carriage and
in surance

The Director Submitted an offer for purchase from Mr. Engton Douglas of, a picture of The Annunciation, by Giovanni del Biondo, at the brice of One Thousand, five hundred from ds.

It was proposed by TV Mac Gorigal.

Seconded by Father Sevan, and agreed that when the Director had occasion to be in London be should see the picture and report on it

In connection with the protocal to Consider the advisability of amending certain By- laws of the Gallery, deferred from the last meeting, a letter from The Fustice Murmaghan with reference to the question of the Director's Salary, also deferred from the last meeting, was read.

It was the feeling of the Board That

It was the feeling of the Board That the question of amending the By-laws and the matter of the Director's Schary slowed first be stamined by a Sub-Committee of the Board.

It was proposed by The O'Callagham, seconded by the Rev. Father Senan, and agreed that the following members of the Board form this Sub-Committee: Judge Numaghan

and Mr. Henry Mangan

The Mangan again Submitted to the Board his proposals in Connection with the National Portrait Gallery and the preparation of a National Register of Historical Portrait, and the following resolution was passed manimously:

"As NO action has been taken by the Debartment of Education whom the Board's recommendation of 4th July, 1945, that brownision should be made for the preparation of a National Register of Trish Historical Portraits, the Board desires to renew it,

with the further suggestion that, as an historical buckground is essential, a University graduato in history should be abbointed: (1) to lovelsars a Register of Irish Historical Portrails, Not in the Boards possession (the berson selected to take an active interest in the location, authentication and, where bossible, acquisition for the Gallang of important (sontrails) and (2) to brebare, or assist in the preparation of, a catalogue of the bictures, etc., in the National Portrait Gallery, as more has been available for many years, the last having been bublished in 1928.

The Director asked for the Board's direction on the annual closing of the Gallery for cleaning and re-hanging, and he was authorised to act as the Director has acted in previous years and to close the Gallery for those purposes at his discretion

The Director submitted an offer of loan of certain sictures from Love Wicklow.

After some discussion it was decided that the offer be rejected.

The Director Submitted a request from the Honovary Secretary, Irish Grounds, Inter-Parliamentary Union for a ban of bictures to Levister House for the beried of the Congress of the Union.

On the brokosal of Mr. D'Callaghan, seconded by the Rev. Father Senan. it was agreed that the bictures be lost as required and as Considered suitable by the Directors.

The Director Submitted a letter from
165800 Alan Keen. Ltd. The Gate House,
blifford's Inn. London guring barticulars of
the Collection of Dr. W. M. Crofton, which
they had been appointed as agents, to
disperse, and suggesting that he might
Consider coming to London to see The
Collection becomally.

The Board left it to the Director to see the Collection, if he so desired.

He Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the Lama Fund at this date was £8,337.

Before concluding the business of the meeting, the Director Mentioned a laicture by Batchenis shortly to be sold at Eliristies.

He was authorised to make enquiries and if it proved suitable to shend up to from the Gallery.

J. of Murnaghan

4 Odober 1950

4th October. 1950

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians of the Northwal Gallery was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murnaghan
Lord Longford
Rt. Hon James MacMahon
Mr. John Keating
Mr. Jack B. Yeats
Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan
Mr. Diarmuid O'Hegarty
Mr. Maurice MacGonigal
Mr. Henry Mangan

and the Director.

On the proposal of Mr. O'Callaghan, seconded by Mr. MacMahon, Mr. Justice Murnaghan took the Chair.

Apologies for Non-attendance were received from the Res. Father Senan, Senator McGuiro, Mr. John Burko, Miss Hone and Professor Nolan.

The rimutes of the recting held on July 5th were read, approved and signed.

Arising out of do minutes:

(a) The Director submitted for inspection the Bicture of the Annunciation by
Giovanni del Biondo. Offered for purchase by Mr. langton Douglas at the price of £1.500. The offer was declined.

- (b.) The Director reported that the fricture by Baschenis, which he had mentioned at the last meeting, had proved to be of poor quality and that wo offer for its purchase by the Gallery had been made.
- (c) The Director reported that he had not yet been able to see the frictures from Dr. brofton's collection offered for purchase.
- (d) The Director read a letter from Mr. Frank Fally,

  Coam bombairle of Dail Eireaun, requesting
  a continuation of the loan of the following

  pictures which had been made to feinster

  House, in connection with the longress of the

  Inter-Parliamentary Union:

Portrait of Land Edward Fitzgerald by Hugh Douglas Hamilton.

Pontrait of lady Edward Fitzgerald (Pamela), by Anthony de Brie, after a portrait by Mallany.

Portrait of Edmund Burko, by James Barry.
Portrait of Daniel O'Connell, by George 7. Mulvany
Portrait of John O'Leary, by J. B. Yeats.
and

Portrait of Charlos Stewart Parnell, by Sydney P. Hall.

The Director was instructed to inform Mr. Fally that the Board had we power under its statutes to make a loan of this kind and the prictures should be returned to the Gallery, but that it might be possible to consider later some arrangement whereby his request could be met.

(e) The Director reported that the Sub. Committee, Consisting of Mr. Justice Murnaglian.

Mr John Burke and Mr. Henry Mangan, appointed to Consider the questions of the Director's Salary and the amendment.

Of certain By-laws of the Gallery, had met on September. 15th and made the following recommendations:

1. Hat the Director's Salary should be fixed, with the approval of the Department of Finance, at a figure commensurate with the responsibility of the position.

2. That the salary should not be less
than that of Somewhat Annil ar positions,
173: Director of the National Library.
-f1.427; Administrator, National Tuseum
-f1.430; Keepers (3) National Tuseum
-f3.459; Director. National Collage
Of Art -f1.226

3. That the post should be bensionable

The question of the amendment of Certain By-Laws of the Gallery was discussed, and it was agreed that proposals for the amendment of By-Laws, 5 and 17 he made at the meeting of October 4th.

The austion in connection with the National Portrait Gallery arising in Mr. Mangaris letter, referred by Resolution of the Board, dated July Sih, to the Department of Education, being still under consideration by the Department, The Sub-committee Could not make any suggestions for the present.

- (f) The Director reported that the Resolutions embodying Mr. Mangan's proposals continued to remain under Consideration by the Department.
- (g) The Director reported the Substance
  of an interview with the Attendant
  Steff concerning Their Conditions of
  service, rates of pay, working hours
  and a demand for a weekly helf-holiday.
  The Board referred the matter to the
  Sub-Committee abbounted to deal with
  the questions of the Director's Salary
  and the amendment of certain By-laws.
  and it was decided, on the proposal of
  Mr Yeats, seconded by Mr. O'ballaghan,
  that the Rev. Father Senan and Senators
  Nelpine be asked to act as two
  additional members of this
  Sub-committee.

Under the Item-borresboudence, the Director reported:

(a) That he had received a request from
Messon Wildarstein, New Bourd Street,
London for a loan of two bictimes
by Rubens, "The Annunciation" and
"La Peche du poisson pour Bayer le Tribut"

to an Exhibition of the works of Rubens in aid of the Lord Mayor's National Hanksgiving Fund to be held in London, 4th October - 11th November, and he had explained that this boan would not be practicable.

- (b) Het he had received a request from
  Messos Falk, Stadelmann & bo. Efesces
  House. 29 Et cheques St. Dublin for
  bermission to bhotograph the
  lighting installation in the Galley
  The Board granted the required
  bermission, with the qualification
  that any letterpress to be issued
  in Connection with the photographs
  should be submitted for the
  approval of the Directors
- (C) Hat he had received a letter from
  the Department of Etternal Affairs
  in Connection with an offer from
  The Louis Meyer, Charing bross
  Road, London. Of a coloured
  lithograph of Robert Enmet, at
  the price of £2:103
  The Board approved of the burchase
  of the work at this price.
- (1) That he had received an application from Mr. Jan Kurzke , 276, Kings Road, Chelses, London SW3, for picture cleaning and restoring work.

He was instructed to inform the applicant that his mame had been noted for future reference.

The Director submitted an offer for foundame from the Winifred Layard. Of a bicture, "Landscape Idyll", by Gainsborough, at the price of £ 2.000.

After a discussion of the merits of the picture, in so far as these could be judged from the blotograph submitted, he was instructed, on the proposal of TV. Keating, seconded by Lord longford, to request the vendor to submit the work for the Board's inspection at the next meeting.

The Director Submitted an offer for burchese from Mrs Violet Boyle of a portrait of Robert Boyle, Natural Philosopher and Chemist, by Sur Peter Leby, at the price of £450.

He was requested to have the siction brought over if possible, for the Board's inspections at the most meeting.

The Director made a short rebont on the brosent position with regard to the blester-Beatly Gift and informed the Board That the Taoiseach's Office was not yet in a position to arrange for the final disposition of the Gift, or to let him know as to the pictures which were to be offered for selection by the Gallery.

He submitted an offer directly from Mr. Choster Beatty of two Italian Primitives and a landscape by

Daubigny.
The offer was gratefully accepted on the proposal of The O'ballagham, seconded by The Years

The Director submitted an offer as gift from Mrs J.M. Mann of two Venetian Scenes by Edward Pritchett. The offer was gratefully accepted or the proposal of Mr. O'ballaghan. seconded by Mr. Yeats.

The Director submitted the following requests for Loans:

(a) From the Italian Minister for labour,
on belief of the organizing Committee,
to an Exhibition of the works of
Michelangelo da baravaggio and
his School in Milan April - June,
1951. the picture. "David and Goliaih",
by Orazio Gentileschi.

(b) From the Whitechapel Art Galley.
London, to an Exhibition of Venetian
18th Century Art. in London and
Birmingham. Jan-Mar. 1951. the
sictures. "Decorative Groups". by
Piazetta, and "Roman Ruins". by
Piramesi.

(c) From the Royal Academy of arts. London, to its Winter Exhibition, 1950-51, The sictures, "Ho Massacra of the Innocents", by Crestei and "Summer and antum, by Strozzi

It was agreed that the boar of the picture by Gentileschi be made on the usual terms as regards backing, carriage and insurance.

After some discussion as to the advisability of landing so many important Italian frictures at the one time, and the consideration of a suggestion made by Mr. years that three bictures only instead of five be lent, it was agreed finally on the proposal of Mr. O'ballaghan seconded by Mr. yeats, that the land of the pictures by Piazetto and Piranesi be made on the usual terms.

On the brokesal of Mr. Mangam, seconded by Mr. MacGonigal, it was agreed that the loan of the pictures by brespi and Strozzi be made.

The Director submitted an informal request from Mrs. Garrett, wife of the American Ambassador, in connection with the brictine of Bishops Berkeley and line Entourage, by John Smibert, Now on loan to the borcovan Gallery of art. Washington. It was to the effect that the Gallery might and to Sale to the borcovan Gallery

of this picture, or, alternatively, the acceptance of a picture. plus a money gift, in exchange for it

It was decided that, as the Board had No power to enter into an arrangement of that kind. The request must be declined.

Mr. Mangan submitted a notice of mira. Mostion longuage amendments to

By-law, 5. - That the word, "nine" in line 3 he deleted and the word. "Seven, be Substituted therefor.

By-Law, 17 - That the figure of £500 in line 5 be deleted and the figure of £1.000 be substituted therefor.

In the absence of the necessary quonum of seven members the rotice of motions was deferred for consideration to the next meeting.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Miss Lavinia Rogers of pictures. drawings lithographs and photographs associated with Dr. George Petris and members of his Family at the price of \$21.25.

The purchase was approved.

The Director submitted an offer for bundase from Miss Pauline Barry of a picture. "The First Gufession", one of a set

Patrick Joseph Haverty. R. H. A., at the poice of Fifteen Guineas. The purchase was approved.

The Director resorted that the amount standing to the credit of the fano Fund at this date was £8.565. 17.6.

James A Murraylan

6 December 1960.

6th December 1950.

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery was less This day, There were present:

Mr. Justice Murnaglian

Lord Longford.

Rev. Father Senan

Mr. Folm Keating

M. Lucius O'ballaghan

Mr. Jack B. yeats

Mr Diarmuid O'Hegarty

Senator Edward A. Megino

Mr. Maurico McGonigal

Mr. John Burke

Mr. Henry Mangan and the Birector.

On the proposal of Mr. Burko. Deconded by the Rev. Father Senan, Mr. Justice Murnaghan took the Chair.

At a later stage of the meeting the Clair was occupied by Lord Longford.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Sir Alec Martin, Miss Evie Hone and Mr. Sean O'Sullivan.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th October were read, approved and signed.

Arising out of the number the Director
read a resort of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 21st October to consider the following

points raised by the Attendant Staff:

1. Status and terms of employment

2. Half-holiday

3. Revision of nato of payment be Sunday Duty.

4. Weekly wage

5. Lundsor interval.

1. It was defined by the Sub-Committee that the employment of the attendant Staff is by the Board of Governors and Guardians and subject to the Sxisting Rules and Regulations of the Gallery but that the members of the Staff are baid by the Department of Finance and are Subject to Department of Firanco Regulations

as regards Salaries.

2. It was felt by the Sub-Committee that the request for a weekly half-holiday, as in other Government Offices and institutions, should be granted, and that as Saturday was the day on which there were fewer visitors to the Gallery Than as any other day of the week, the half. holiday might be granted most suitably for Saturdays, and seeing also that this arrangement would fall in best with the wishes of the attendants in the matter. 3. It was fell that the present rate of payment

for Sunday Duty - 7/6d, as compared with the rate of 10/60 for Sunday Duty performed by the Museum attendants - was inadequate and should be raised. The difficulty Of the fewer number of hours worked throughout the year, Owing to the earlier

closing of the Gallery on Sundays in writer, could now be overcome through the use of the artificial lighting system, and the same number of hours worked as in the case of the Museum Haadards, for which the same payment of 10/60 per man. ber Sunday, should be given 4. The Sub-Committee wished it to be faut or record that it was its view that although the weekly wages of the Attendant Staff, apart from the question of Sunday duty, are on the same basis as those of Attendants in the Museum, they do not compare favourably with those of Attendants in the Dublin Municipal Gallery of Rodern art and are inadequate. It was recommended that the wages of the Head attendant Should be increased from his present nato of £5. 63. to £6.65. a week.

5. It was felt that in view of the number available, and the necessity of having a fixed number of Attendants always on duty during the hours when the Gallery was open to the foublic, it would scarcely be possible to allow a longer period for luncheous than twenty minutes, as at bresent. Inless the Attendants agreed to take us duty at 9 a.m. instead of 930; in.

Ho Board Noted (1) the Sub-committee's definition of the Status and terms of employed of the Attendant Staff.

The Board discussed at length the question

Of (2) Nweekly Half-holiday, and it was proposed by Mr. Hangan, seconded by Senator Na Gime. that the Gallery be closed on Saturday afternoons to give the Steff a weekly half-holiday on that day.

It was proposed by The Keating, and Seconded by Lord Longford, that the Talley be closed for the whole of Monday in Raels week, in new of the fact that the Attendants work have to work on Saturday afternoons as well as the whole of Sunday It was proposed by Mr The Jonigal

It was proposed by The Tec Jonigal that the closing be for Nonday afternoon only, and Lord longford agreed to this proposal.

For the proposal to close on Saturday afternoons, there was an even show of lands - 5 for and 5 against.

for do provosal to close on Monday afternoons. there were 5 for and 4

Eventually, it was agreed, on the proposal of The Keating. Seconded by Mr. O'Callaghan, that the Gallery be closed on Saturday afternoons from 1st November to the end of February. The question to be reviewed at the end of Jebruary.

The Director reported that: (3) Revisions of rate of payment for Sunday Duty was at the moment under Consideration by

the Department of Finance.

The Board agreed will the views of the Sub-Committee on (3): Weekly wages of Attendants and with its recommendation of an increase in the present wages of the Head Attendant.

In connection with (5) Luncheon interval - 20 minutes, it was suggested that the Department of Finance be approached with a view to increasing the number of Attendants, so as to make a longer luncheon interval possible.

The Director read a letter from the Jaoiseach's Private Secretary indicating the 45 pictures from the blester Beatty. Collection which on Consultation with the Director, should be offered to the Gallery as the nucleus of a permanent Collection.

Du the propossal of Mr. Keating, Deconded by Mr. O'ballaghan. it was agreed to carry out the wishes of the Taoiseach in relation to these and to the remaining pictures in the Collection at the discretion of the Board on the advice of the Director.

In connection with certain loans made.
from the last Board meeting, the
Director reported that a difficulty had
arisen virto with regard to the figure of

f20,000 for insurance of the picture by Piazetta and that a reduction had been requested by the Director of the Whiteclapel Gallery.

It was decided by the Board that No reduction Rould made.

He reported also that the President of the Royal Academy of arts had written to ask if the loan of the picture by bressi could be transferred to the Whitechapel Gallery.

This was agreed to, on conditions that the Royal Academy would be responsible for the insurance of the bicture at the figure of \$1,200 originally arranged, while it was with the White Chapel Gallery, and until it was returned

The Director submitted an offer as loan from Mrs. Yeats of a portrait of the late Elizabeth C. Yeats, by J. B. Yeats. R. H. A., which was gratefully accepted

Offers of loans from Mrs Dorothy Vero May and Mr. J. A. Whaley were declined

The Director submitted an Offer as gift from Dr. R. I. Best of a portrait of his wife. Edill Oldham, try S. C. Harrison, which was gratefully accepted

The Director read a letter from Mr. Patrick O' Reilly with reference to his interest in the Bernard Shaw Statue by Iroubelzkoy. It's contents were noted.

The Director read a letter from the Director of the Conoran Gallery of Modern Ant, Washington, requesting bermission to reproduce, in a film documentary of their 34 hibition, the picture, Bishop Berkeley and his Fidowage. Permission was granted.

The Estimates for the Dervices to be rendered by the Gallery during the year ending 3151 March 1952 were considered by the Board and passed at the figure of £9,020.

from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Education. and relevant to the Subject of the Estimates, the Director drew the Board's attention to the Improved draft of Section 30 of the Departments of State Rill, the Section perfaming to the National Gallery.

The Board emphasised the views it had already esopressed; that the Director's appointment should be made by the Board, and that under we circumstances thould it be regarded as a buil bervice appointment; that the Staff including the Director, should

have the benefits of establishment and of previous service; and it desired that these views be communicated to the Department of Education.

The Director Submitted a request from the Institute of Contemporary art.

Boston for the lean of three loictures by Jack B. Yeats - Above The Fair, Horning in the City, and Mon of Destiny

The loan was granted on the usual Conditions regarding the rosts of insurance packing and transport.

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from Triss Mary S. Kilgour of a picture by Edwin Hayes, R.H.A.

The gift was gratefully accepted.

The Director reported that the picture by Percy Francis Gerlin, bequeathed by the late W. M. Growdy, which he had hoped to Jubmit for inspection, had not yet reached the Gallery.

The following offers for burchase were accepted at the brices mamed:

From Mrs Judith D'Roilly - Apieco of Sculpture, Icarus, by Albert Power, R. H. A. - 200 guineas

From The Dawson Gallery . on behalf of

Mrs Ita Brown an - A Picture, Old Convent Gato, Dinan, by J. M. Kavanagh, R. H.A. - £40

From the Dawson Gallery - Three Drawings by Sean O'Sullivan. R.H.A.: Of James Toyce at the price Off40: Of Dr. Denis boffey at the price If 125: of bount Plunkett at the price off 20

From the May Higgins - A Drawing of F.R. Higgins by Sean O'Sullivan. R. U. A at the price of £ 45.

The Director Submitted Amendments of

By-Laws. Nos. 5 and 17 from Mr. Henry Mangan,
who proposed that, in By-Law 5, The word

'nine' be deleted and the word 'seven' substituted
therefor, and that in By-Law 5 he deleted

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and the figure f 1.000 substituted therefor.

The Board agreed to the proposed amendments
which would be submitted for Confirmation

at the next meeting.

Under "Other Business" the Director Submitted an Offer for purchase from Mr. Louis Nordell Of two bictures attributed to Patricle Joseph Haverty, BHA, at the prices of £35 and £25, respectively.

The offer was declined

The Directorreported that the amount standing to the credit of the land-fund at This date was \$8.810.14.2.

Henry Margan.
14/1/51.

14th Jebnuary. 1951

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and

Guardians of the National Gallery of Ireland
was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Henry Mengan
Rev. Father Senan
Mr. John Keating
Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan
Mr. Maurico MacGonigal
Senator E. A. Melyine
Mr. Diarmuid O'Heganty
Miss Evie Hone
Mr. John Burke
and the Directors

On the proposal of Rev. Father Senan, seconded by Mr. Burke, Mr. Henry Mangan took the chair.

Apologies for Non-attendance were received from Mr. Justice Murmaghan, Sir Alec Martin, Professor Nolan and Mr. Yeats.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th December were read, approved and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes, the Director reported:

(a) That he had had only one complaint from a member of the public about the Saturday afternoon closing of the Gallery. The question of the particular day for afternoon closing was again discussed, and the feeling was rather one of regret that the Gallery should

not be open on Saturday afternoons
Alternative days were discussed and
the Director was instructed to choose
an alternative day according to the
figures of attendance.

(b.) That Estimate figure of £ 9.020 sent forward by the Board as the sum required for the services to be rendered by the Gallery during the year 1951-52 had not been sanctioned by the trinister for finance, and that the total sum approved was £ 8.510.

He was requested to pursue the matter of the salary increases recommended by the Board with the Department of Education

(C.) He submitted for inspection the Picture, Island in Lough Gill, Co. Slige, by Percy Francis Getlin, bequeatled by the late W. M. Crowdy.

(d.) He reported that the bictime by Edwin Hayes. A.R. H.A., presented by This Mary S. Kilgour. had not yet been received in the Gallery.

(e) He reported that the matter of the fane Jund which had been raised at the last meeting of the Public accounts bommittee would not be included in the minutes of Evidence foublished from that neeting.

Under borrespondence; the Director

(a) Hat the Rt. Hon. James Michalon had Now concluded his term of three years as Prosident of the Royal Dublin Society, and that the wew President, Mr. Arthur T. Mc Norrough Kavanagh, would represent the Society or the Board with the Senior Vice-Prosident, Ro Hon. W. E. Wylie, K. C.

(6.) Het a letter had been received from the Department of Education with reference to Mr. Mangan's proposal for a National Register Of Frish Historical

Portraits

While the Minister felt that it was very desirable that such a work should be undertaken it was thought that the matter might appropriately be considered by the arts bounced to be established under the terms of the Fine arts Bill recently introduced in the Dail. It was proposed therefore, to defer consideration of the matter for the present.

That he had had corrospondence with (C) the Department of Education and the Office of Public works with reference to his requisition for the exection of an electric lift in the Gallery, and asked for the Board's Sanction of his proposal.

His was granted. That he had received for the Consideration of the Board a request from the bultural boundates of the Department of External Affairs for a loan of 26 pictures, by Irish artists of the 19th and 20th centuries now no longer living to an eschibition to be held in the Tunicipal Galeery, Amsterdam, for three weeks in March. The Board agreed to grant the loan on the usual terms as regards leacking, carriage and in swance of the pictures

(2.) He submitted a request from

Mr. R.R. Figgis, How, Sec. The Friends

of the National bollections of

Ireland for the use of a room in

The Gallery for the amuel yoursel

Meeting of the Society on the eight

March.

It was decided in view of the terms of By-law, 35 of the Gallery, that the request could not be granted.

The Director Aubmitted his report on the working of the Gallery by the year 1950, which was abbroved, and he was requested to circulate copies of the Report to members of the Board.

Mr. John Keating and Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan were no-appointed auditors of the lane Fund.

The Director Submitted for inspection the picture, Portrait of Lady Elizabeth Integerald (He fair Geraldine) 1527-1589 School of Frents blower which he had

spurchased from Resers Christie. Manson & Woods at the price of 500 guineas under terms of By-law 17. The burchase was approved.

The Director reported that the offer for burchase from Nr. Marshall Skinh of a Sketch. The fathers of the blunch, by Rubens at the price of £2.800 had been withdrawn, as the work had now been oold

The Director Intmitted an offer for Burchase from Mr. R. Hamilton Hunter of a picture, Musical Interlude, by Antoine Coypee at the price of £500 The offer was declined.

The Director Outmitted an Offer for four chase from Nrs. A. V. Brown of a Companion pricture to the Gallery's The Congreve Family, by Philips Reinagle at the price of £ 140.

The Offer was declined.

The Director Submitted an offer for surchase from Mr. H. E. Backer of a miniature by George Chinnery at the brice of £50

The Offer was declined.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Tr. W.G. Dugdale of a pricture; bharles I and his bhildren interviewing bromwell. by Daniel Macliso at the price of £ 125.

The offer was accepted on the proposal of The Noating, seconded by Mr. Burks.

Ho Director Submitted an offer as gift from limself of a wicture, bluist in the House of Martha and Many, by Eustache Lo Sueur, presented to him by Thr. and Mrs. J. Hunt It was grotefully accepted

The Director submitted an Offer as gift from

Mrs NV Carthy-Gimson of two bortraits 
Tustin TV Carthy, Novelist Historian and Parliamentarian,
his daughter,
by Harold Waite and beharlotte TV Carthy,
by Johnstone Forbes-Robertson.

The gift was gratefully accepted.

The Director submitted an offer of a loan from the Trustees of the Riomas Haverty Trust of a portrait of Sean Kawanagh (Sean & Cota? Gaelic Scholar and Racher by Sean O'Sullivan, R. H.A.
The loan was gratefully accepted.

\* The amendments of By-land 5 and 17, lassed at the last meeting, were confirmed +

The Director mentioned that he had received a letter from Thr. blaster Beatty concerning certain frescoes which he proposed to present to the Gallery.

The Board agreed that the bresentations would be most acceptable.

The Director amounced that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund at this date was £8.810:14:2, the figure being the same as that given at the December meeting.

He Explained that, owing to the Banks strike, the half-yearly balance figure to the 315+ December had not yet been received, Not had dividend warrants been furnished since that date.

· James of Murnayhun 4 april 1951 4th april. 1951

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians Of the National Gallery was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murmaghan
Rev. Father Benan
Lord Longford
Mr. John Keating
Mr. Diarmid O' Hegarty
Mr. Lucius O'Callaghan
Mr. Maurice M. Gonigal
Miss Evie Hone
Mr. Henry Mangan
Jenator N. Pluis
and the Director.

On the proposal of Mr. O'Callaghan, so conded by Mr. Keating, Mr. Justice Humaghan took the Chair.

Apologies for Non-attendance were received from Sir Alec Martin, Mr. Yeats and Mr. Burke.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14th February were read, approved and Signed.

Arising out of the Minutes, the Director reported:

(a) Ret Mrs. A. V. Brown, the vendor of the Companion picture to the Gallery's

The bongreve Family, by Philip Reinagle was prepared to sell the picture at a lower price than that of £ 140, originally asked. After a discussion in the course of which Lord Longford proposed, and

Mr Mac Gonigal seconded, that the lower price of £ 125 be offered. it was decided, by 5 votes to 3, Mr. Keating dissenting, that the work be burchased at the Original price of £ 140, Jubject to the Director's approval of the quality and Condition of the works when received.

(b) Het the pictures presented by
Miss Kilgour and Mrs MCarthy-Gimson
had not yet been received in the Gallery.

(C) Hat Mr. W. G. Dugdalo. the vendor of the bricture, Charles I and his bhildren intervening Gramwell, by Daniel Maclise had forwarded to picture and write. That the cost of its backing and carriage had amounted to £30. 5. 9.

There was a discussion as to whether the Gallery, on the wendor. I would defray this Expense, and it was decided that wo action be taken

(d) Het the question of Salaries was still under consideration by the Department of Education

It was felt that the case should be proved privated by the Board, and Senator Melpine at the Board's request agreed to interview the Minister for Education on the matter.

The Director reported that it had not been possible to have the Lane Fund audit carried out since the last Meeting, as the account of the Fund to the 31st December. 1950, had not yet been

the Public Trustee.

The Pirister again submitted the question of the weekly helf-boliday. and stated he had vow fully satisfied himself that the attendance on Saturday afternoons tonded always to be lower than that of any other day of the week.

The Board agreed to Saturday afternoon closing, the matter to be reviewed again at a later date.

The Director reported that he had received a copy of the Will of G. Bernard Shaw. Deceased, from Messon F. N. Mason & Co. 41-44 Temple Chambers. Jemple avenue, London. E. C. 4. The Solicitors acting for

It was decided to await events before considering the Fitent to which the Gallery, might be likely to benefit from the Will.

The Director submitted a request from the Institute of boutemporary art. Boston, for an sytension of the beriod of boan of the three Pictures by Jack B. yeats for Exhibitions in the United States and banada.

It was agreed to grant the request or the understanding that the insurance of these works would be continued for the amounts already arranged in each case.

The Director submitted for inspection

two Italian Primitives, Modorina Enthronad with Saints, by Giacomo d Pisano, and Madorina Enthroned with Saints, Florentino School, also Five Fragments of Frescoes of the Fifteenth bentury Florentino and Umbrian Schools; all gifts from Mr. A. bloster Beatty.

The gifts were gratefully received

The Director was empowered by the Board to obtain from the Minister for Finance authority to bay in France the sum of about 12 million France in connection with a proposed gift from Nr. Claster Beatty.

The Director submitted an offer for burchase from Mrs Dorothy Vere May of: (1) A Pricture,
The Wild Beast Hunt, by Rubens at the price of \$800, (2) A Pricture of The Crucifixion, by
Le Sueur at the price of \$50, and (3)
A Portrait Group of the Vere Faster Family
at the price of \$450.

On the proposal of The MacGonigal, seconded by Th. O'ballaghan, it was decided by 5 votes to 3. to purchase the Picture by Rubens at the price named.

The offer for burchase of the seictive by le Sueur was de clined.

On the proposal of Th. O'ballaghan. seconded by Mr. Keating, it was a greed to purchase the biclime by Orpen at do price named.

The Director submitted an offer for bunchase from Dr. Seumas O'Kelly of a portrait of art O'Neill, Harper. by born D'Donnell at the price of £200.

On the proposal of The Rec Gonigal, seconded by Rev. Father Senan, the picture was purchased at this price.

The Director submitted requests for bans:

(a) From the Mayor of Bordeaux 
of thee Prelines by Goya, Portrait

de Bernardo Javira, Portrait de jeuno
femme, and Portrait de femme à

la mantille noire, for an Exhibition
of Works by Goya to be held

in Bordeaux. 15th May to 30th June.

(6) From the President of the Royal Academy.

of arts - of Gains boron glis Portrait

of James Quin and Hone's Pilsing Boy
for the next Winter Exhibition of

The blairman drew the Board's attentions to the terms of the National Gallery

of Ireland act. 1928, authorising the Governors and Guardians to lend pictures outside the State (then described as Saorstat Eireann) under certain

Conditions, one being - Planse 2 of Section 4

of the Act -

The Govenors and Guardians shall not land under this section any loictures for inclusion in an exhibition unless they are satisfied that under the law of the Country

in which such an Exhibition is held boars

of pictures selected from the National or

other public collections of pictures in

such country may be made to the Government

of and public authorities and institutions

in Saorstat Eireann."

The was decided that the boars now requested sould not be made until the Department of External Affairs thould be in a position to certify that the terms of Section 4 would be complied with, and that, granted this, in the case of Bordeaux, only one of the bictures by Goya, Pontrait de femme à la mantille noire, thould be lent.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the lane Fund at this date was £9.061. 5. 3.

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June 6th. 1951

A Moeting of the Board of Governors and Grandians was held this day. There were present:

Mr Diarmuid O'Hegarty
Rev. Father Senan
Senator Nº Gine
Mr. Henry Mangan
Mr. Lucius O'Callaghan
Mr. Sean O'Sullivan

On the moposal of Bev. Father Senan, seconded

by Mr. Sean O Sullivan, Mr. Diarumia O Heganty took the Chair.

Apologies for Non-attendance were received from Sir Alec Martin. Judge Murnaghan, Miss Hone and Mr Burko.

Arising out of the nimutes, the Director reported:

(a) That the picture by Reinagle purchased from Mrs. A. V. Brown at the last meeting had only just arrived and would be shown to the Board at the July meeting.

(b) That the pictures presented by Tiss Kilgons and Mrs Tracarthy Gimson were now on

their way from England.

(C) Senator Nº Gime reported the result of his interview with the Timister for Education on the question of Salaries and organization of the Gallery, which was to the effect that two officials of the Department would now meet representatives of the Gallery for a

discussion of these matters ou a dato to be arranged

It was agreed that Senator Miguine and Judge Hurnaghan, with the Director and the Registras, Should represent the Gallery

- (d) The Director reported that he led gone to France to see the Bidius which Mr. Chaster Beatty had proposed to present to the Gallery. but that the matter could not be proceeded with owing to private reasons affecting the French Owner of the work.
  - With the ban of the picture to Bordeaux that reciprocity had been agreed upon before the ban was made; and that in connection with a request from the Poyal academy of arts for a loan of Hone's "Piking Boy" and gainsborough's Portrait of James Quin a Similar avrangement had been offered, with a few exceptions, for pictures which might be required on loan to the Galley from that institution.

The Director announced that the This ster for Education, with the approval of the Government, had re-approvated the Board Of Governors and Guardians for a further period of five years, as from May 4th.

The Director read a letter from Mr Adrian Coman Doyle and indicated the varied nature of forty seven items listed under the title: The Sir Arthur Coman Doyle Bequest to the Treish Nation", which Mr. Doyle himself brokesed to bequeath to the Gallery. These consisted of pictures, books manuscripts, furniture, armour, and objects of historical, literary, Scientific and Sporting interest.

It was felt that such a bequest would be largely outside the Scoles and interest of the Gallery, and the Director agreed at the Board's suggestion to see Mr. Doyle when he came to Dublin and esoplain to lim that the Board would have difficulty in accepting his proposal in its present form.

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The Board received the Audited account Of the Lane Fund for 1950, and the Annual Report of the Staked Plains Trust. Ltd for 1950.

Mr Mangan raised certain points in connection with the Staked Plains Trust. Ltd., and he was requested to make a report on the Lane Fund generally with proposals regarding investments.

Mr. Sean O'Sullivan was appointed Judge of the Taylor art Scholarship, 1952, with Senator Mynine as alternative Judge.

The Director mentioned that a request for a ban of pictures to be held in the Gymnasium of the Wexford Jechnical Schools had not been proceeded with up to the date

of this meeting.

A request from Messos Philip Pierce & Co. Ltd. Wexford, made through Messos Brown & Nolan. Ltd. for permission to reproduce as their 1951 balendar Picture, No 161 in the Firish Section of the Gallery, Paroquets. by Edward H. Thurphy, was granted.

The Catalogue of the Frick Collection in three large volumes, presented by the Frick art Reference Library of New York, was in spected by the Board.

The Director read correspondence Submitted through the Department of Education from the Secretary, Dublin Council of Just Unions.

It was decided that the Extensions of the Apening hours of the Gallery asked for would not be practicable.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the lane Fund at this date was £9.453.10.11

The Board in spected the loicture, Charles I and His Children Intervening Cromwell, by Madise, recently burchased.

The Director Submitted an offer for Lounchase from Mr. C. Marshall Strink of a facture of The annunciation by Preter Pourbus at the price of £ 1.400.

As a quorum for purchase was not bresent the offer was post moned for consideration at the July meeting.

Requests for loans from the Walker art Gallery.

Liverpool for the picture, Sportsmen at Rest,

by George Stubs; and from the City art Gallery,

Briskol, for the picture, Portrait of Lady Elizabeth

Foster, by Lawrence, were granted on the usual

Conditions, both Galleries baving expressed

their willingness to lend to Ireland if requested

to do so.

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James et Marraghan 4 July 1951

## 20the June . 1951

An Extraordinary Heeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians was held this day There were present:

Mr. Justice Murmaghan

Rev. Father Senan

Lord Longford

Mr. Diarmuid O' Hegarty

Mr. Lucius O' Callaghan

Senator E. A Require

Mr. Lucius O' ballaghan

Mr. Jack B. Yeats

Mr. Henry Mangan

Mr. Maurice NacCyonigal

Mr. John Burko

and the Director

On the proposal of Mr. Mangan, seconded by Lord Longford, Mr. Fustice Murnaglan took the clair.

Apologies for Non-attendance were received from Sir Alec Martin and Mr. Keating.

Mr. Keating telephoned expressing his willingness to be present if the required quorum of seven members had Not assembled by 10 0 clock. Otherwise. Le begged to be Excused from attendance.

The Chairman explained the special bismess of the Recting which was:

(0) To complete Rodemlstion Request Forms in respect of holdings in 42% Third

National Loan, 1950-1970, and 4% bornversion Loan, 1950-1970.

or, alternatively:

(b) To consider Offers of Conversion

of 4½ lo Third National Loan, 1950-1970,

and 4% bouversion Loan. 1950-1970,

into an Equal Nominal amount of

32% Exchequer Bonds, 1965. and in the Event of acceptance of these offers to complete any forms required in connection with same troition regarding bonversion

Having considered traition regarding bonversion as against Redemption, Outlined by the Chairman, it was agreed to accept the offers of bonversion, and the fellowing resolutions. proposed by ford Longford and Seconded by TVT. Lucius O'Callaghan, were passed:

(1) Hat the borderate Seal of the Board be affixed to the Form of Application for Conversion of 4290 Third National Loan, 1950-1970, into 3270 Exchaquer Bonds, 1965-1970, in respect of a holding

(2) That the Corporate Seal of the Board be affixed to the Form of application for Conversion of 400 Conversion Loan, 1950-1970, into 32% Exchaquer

Bonds. 1965 - 1970. in respect of a holding of £12.150.0.0

(3) That the Corporate Seal of the Board be affixed to the Form of application for Conversion of £ 4% O Conversion Loan, 1950-1970, into 32% Exchequen Bonds, 1965-1970, in respect of a holding of £91.13.8

As a matter of wigery, the Directors submitted requests for Extensions of loans:

(a) Of the picture. Davidana Goliath,
by Gentileschi, to an Exhibition of
the works of Caravaggio and his
School in Nilan for a beriod of
a formight beyond the classing date
of June 30th originally arranged.

and

(b) Of the picture, lady with a Black Mantilla, by Gorga at present on boan to an Exhibition of the works of Gorga in Bordeaux, so that the Complete Exhibition might be transferred for a period of one month - until July 20th - to the Prado Ruseum, Hadrid, the Bordeaux Exhibition authorities to be responsible for the insurance of the bicture while it was in Spain.

It was agreed to grant both requests.

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4th July 1951

A Meeting of the Board of Governors of
the National Gallery was held this day. There
were present:

Mr. Justice Muruaghan
Rev. Father Seman
Loved Longford
Mr. John Keating
Mr. Jack B. Yeats
Mr. Lucius O Callaghan
Sir Alec Martin
Mr. Diarmid O'Hegarty
Mr. Maurice Melyonigal
Mr. John Burke
Mr. Henry Mangan
Miss Frie Hono
and The Director

On the broposal of Mr. Mangan, seconded by Lord Longbra, Mr. Justice Murmaghan took the Chair.

An apology for Non-attendance was received from Senator Meljuino.

The Minutes of the Reeting held on June 6th and of the Extraordinary reeting held on June 20th were read, approved and signed.

Anising out the Minutes:

(a) The Director Submitted for inspection the picture. Captain William Engrero and His Jon, a companion bieco to the Galleryo, The

Congress Family by Philips Toinages, recently burchased.

(b) The pricture, The Europeant Shilo: Sunset. Dublin Bay, by Edwin Hayes. R. H. A., wrosomed by Miss Mary S. Kilgons

wresented by Priss Mary S. Kilgows (C) The brictures, Pontrait of Justin Marily, by Harold Waits, and the Portrait of his daughter, Charlotto Marthy, by Johnstone Forbes-Robertson, both presented by The Nathy-Gimson (b) For consideration, the request from the organizing bommittee of the Wextord Festival for a short-term loan Of some pictures, either from the Chaster-Beaty Collection on the General Collection. Lord Longford strongly advocated the granting of the loan, and the Directors was instructed to inquire from the Committee as to whether an endorsement Of their request by the Wextord Municipal authorities Could be obtained, So That it might be brought within the Terms of the National Gallery Act of 1928 governing boars from the Gallery

Muder "Correspondence" the Director

(1) A letter from the President, Royal Academy of arts, Suggesting That as The Gains borough Porticit of James Quin corned wot be lant to The Academy's Winter Exhibition

prictures from the following list: Raynolds' Farl of Bellamont, Wilson's Apollo and The Seasons, Willie's Pius VII and Napoleon at Fontainablean. Shee's Thomas Rooms, Cottage Girl or Country Child under a Iree, might be lent instead

It was decided, after discussion.

to meet the request so far as the

Director might consider feasible,

and to lend as many bictures as possible

(2) A letter from the Department of Education Concerning the application for the installation of an electric lift in the Gallery which has been before the Department for Some months. The Department better was in such terms as now amounted to a refusal of the application.

The matter was discussed and it was the feeling of the Board That, as a modernisation of the present lift was urgently necessary, it should continue to occupy a premost place in the list of the Gallery's requirements and that the case for it should be further made.

(3) A letter from Mmo. Arado Korostovetz
applying for a loost of full-time or
part-time picture restores in the Gallery
It was decided that it was not
its function, and That the Board had
no powers to make such an appointment.

The Director Insmitted for in spection a large landscape, Theopfold: Evening, by Daubigny, being a further presentation from Mr. A. Choster Beauty
The gift was gratefully accepted.

The Director submitted the offer for
purchase of a picture of The Timmunciation
by Pieter Pourbus, at the price of £1,400,
postponed from the meeting of June, 6th
It was agreed on the proposal of
Lord Longbord Deconded by This Home,
that the picture be purchased subject
to the approval of the Director

The Director submitted an offer as gift from the Victoria and Albert Museum, London, of a number of 18th Century drawings of Frish interest
The gift was gratefully accepted.

The Director asked for the Board's direction on the annual Closing of the Gallery for cleaning and rechanging. It was decided to leave the matter of closing the Gallery in October, or of leaving it open. To the Director's discretion.

The Director Submitted Mr Henry Mangains Memorandum on the Credit Balance of The Lane Fund on the 31st December, 1950 and his proposals regarding investments. It was agreed to accept Mr Mangais report and recommendations:

(a.) That the amounts to the Sum of f3.857.16. 4 received from the Staked Plains Trust. Ltd of Texas, with the syception of 28 cents per Share baid out of profits, represent a distribution of Calsital in liquidation, and, as Such, Should be permanently invested.

(b.) That a balance of interest of

That a balance of interest of £4,995: 17:10 in the Balance of £8.853.14 2 Shown to Credit on the 315t December, 1950, Should be invested temporarily

Accordingly:

It was proposed by The Mangan, seconded by Lord Longford and

agreed:

That the Sum of £ 3.857:16:4,
portion of the balance of £8.853:14:2
Standing to the credit of the lane Fund
on the 315+ December, 1950, be
invested as advised by the Board's
Stockbrokers, Messos Bowley and Manly,
889 Anglesea Street Dublin; and
that the Corporate Seal of the Board be
affixed to this Resolution.

It was proposed by Mr. Nangan, seconded by Mr Nac Gonigal, and agreed:

That the sum of £5,000, portion of the balance of £9,581:8:5

standing to the credit of the lane Fund at this date, be invested as advised by the Board's Stockbrokers,
Nessos Bewley and Manly. 829
Anglesea Street. Dublin, and
thet the Corporate Seal of the
Board be affixed to this Resolution.

The Director Submitted an offer as
gift from Mrs Fda Monahan of a
picture, Connemare Gul, by
Augustus Nicholas Burke. R. H.A.
The gift was gratefully accepted.

Sir Alex Nadus brought forward an offer for purchase from Hessis Christia. Manson & Woods of a boutrait of Pamela (Lady Edward Fitzgerald? by Romney which the Board had offered to bruy in 1945 at a price of rot more than £ 1.000, This offer being eventually withdrawn on the advice of the Them Directors.

Sir Alec Explained The the bictime Could now be bought at a lower figure.

and seconded by Th. Mangan, that the picture be burchased, provided if could be got for £600.

On a show of hands 5 voted for purchase and 5 against, and on the Casting vote of the Chairman being given in its favour the motion authorising the burchase at this figure was carried.

Sir Aloc also mentioned another pictime, Portrait of Charles Boddam, Exq. by Thomas Hickey, painted in Bengal between 1784 and 1789, Now offered for purchase by Nesses Sink & Son at the price of £250.

This offer was left to the discretion of the Director when he had Examined

the picture.

The Director reported that he had sent the pricture. "St. Francis in Ecstary" by El Greco to the Prado Museum. Madrid for necessary reconditioning. He had had a letter from the Director of the Prado to say that the pricture had been safely received, that in his opinion it was a genuine El Greco of fine quality, and that after it had received the required repairs which he lummerated, it would be his wish to exhibit it for a short period in his Thuseum befor its return to Dublin.

To This the Board agreed.

The Director reported that the amount standing to the credit of the land Jund at this date was £9.581 :8 :5

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3rd October.1951.

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery was held this day. There were present: Mr. Justice Murmaghan

Per. Father Jenan

Lord Loughed Jenator Edward A. Myrine Mr. Diarmuid O'Hegarty

Mr. John Keating

Mr. Jack B. yeats Mr. Maurice My Gonigal

Mr. Henry Mangan Mr. John Burko

and the Director.

On the proposal of Mr. Burke, seconded by Lord Longford, Mr. Justice Murnaghan took the Chair.

Apologies for Non-attendance at this meeting were received from Miss Hone and Sir Alac Plantin.

Arising out of the minutes of the meeting beld on the 4th July, which were read, approved, and Signed, the Director reported:

(a) That, in connection with the request for the loan of pictures from the Committee of the Wexford Testival, the Wexford Componation had agreed to be responsible for insurance, padeing and Carriage Charges of any bictures lent from the Gallery, and that he had made a

Selection from works by Salvator Fosa, Guido Reni, Panini and painters of similar rank from Other Schools.

He intimated also that, in connection with certain arrangements made by the National Museum with the Gestival Committee, the following items would be included in the loan: Drawings of Michael William Balfe by Daniel Maclise, R.A. and Folin Wood, and a photograph of the marble bust of Balfe by Sir Thomas Farrell, P.R.H.A. The Board approved of all these selections.

- (b.) That the Royal Academy of Arts had now requested for its Winter Exhibition. 1951-52, a loan of the picture, The Opening of the Sisth Seal, by Francis Danly in addition to the pictures which the Board had already a greed to lend

  The Board approved of the boar of this picture also on the usual Conditions.
- (C) That in connection will the request for a new in the Gallery, he had circulated to members of the Board a draft letter, embodying a further application for it, and also proposals in connection with salaries, reorganization, and other urgent

requirements of the Gallery. He terms of the letter were approved.

- (d) Hat he had not yet been able to
  go to London to see the fricture of
  The Annunciation, by Pieter Pourbus,
  Offered for purchase by Hr. C. Marshall Strink,
  but that he hoped to do so within the
  next few weeks.
- (e) That the lane Fund investments ordered by the Board had been made, and that a further June of \$1,244:18:8, being the final liquidation payment of £1.247.4.4, less £2.5.8, the Bank's charge for service fee and collection of Same from The Staked Plains Trust, Ltd. of Jexas, was now to hand for Capital investment.

It was londrosed accordingly, by

No. Burke, Deconded by Mr MacGonigal,
and agreed that the Sum of f1.244:18:8,

portion of the Balance standing to

the credit of the fane Jund at This

date, be invested as advised by

the Board's Stockbrokers, Messos Bewley

and Manly, Shand of Anglesea Street,

Dublin, and the Corporate Seal of

the Board be affixed to this

Resolution.

if ) The Director reported that the Board's Offer of \$600 for the picture, Portrait of

Pamela. by Ronney, has been refused.

Under "Correspondence", the Director read:

- (1) A letter from the Secretary. Ministry
  Of Commerce, Government of Northern
  Treland, thanking the Board for the
  boan of Ishotographs of the Gallery's
  portrait of Sir Walter Raleigh,
  required informection with the
  Moster Firm and Factory Exhibition,
  held at basileneagh. Belfast, in
  relation to The Jestival of Britain.
  1951.
- (2) A letter from Mr Adrian Coman Doyle with reference to his proposed beginst to the Gallery.

Ho Director Submitted an offer as gift from Mr. A. Chester Boathy of a case of 185 miniatures, including important examples of the work of Jean Petitot and Henry Borne; also Two britaines, Artillery Officers at manoeurs. by Berne Bellocourf, and Portrait of a young Girl by Ribot.

These gifts were gratefully accepted.

The Director submitted an offer as gift from Mrs. Mary Devorysont O'Neill of a portrait of her husband, Joseph O'Neill, by Sarah Purser, R.H.A.

The gift was gratefully accepted.

The Director submitted an offen as gift from

Mrs Muriel Tuckey, nee Catterson Smith of two boortrails of Ladies, "Rosa" and another, by Stelphen Catterson Smith The gift was gratefully accepted.

The Director Submitted an offer as gift from This Harriet Weaver of a Drawing of James Joyce, by Wyndham Lewis, which was gratefully accepted,

The Director Submitted a proposal from the Department of Finance, made through the Department of Education, regarding the disposal of certain brouge busts, plaster Casts and death masks of National Leaders.

The Board agreed to accept the brists of Brugha, bollins, Griffith, Stack and O'Higgins which has been assigned to the National Gallery.

The Director Submided an Offer for purchase from Mr. Thomas K: Hearno of a pricture of the Frish House of Commons, by H. Barrand and J. Hayter, at the price of £8,000.

The offer was declined.

The Director Offered from Mrs Vera Esposito Dochold a portrait of Thichele Esposito, by 5. C. Harrison, at a price to be left to the discretion of the Board.

The was agreed, on the brokesal of

Mr. Mac Gonigal, seconded by Mr. Mangan, to burchase the brictine at the price of 250 guineas.

The Director submitted for escaminations a proof Depy of the Illustrated Catalogue of One Hundred and Thirty-three Pictures, Thorty to be published, in accordance with the terms of the gift of Mrs Magawly Banon, made for this purpose.

The proposed publication was approved, and it was agreed that the Catalogue be sold at the price of six shillings, per copy.

The Director Submitted a proposal from Mr. James White with regard to lectures which he was prepared to give in the Gallery, under certain conditions As the conditions entailed the taking of an admission fee, the Board felt that the proposal could Not be entertained.

The Director read a letter from
The Patrick O' Railly, requesting that the
bronze statue of Shaw be erected out
of doors, and not in the Gallery. as
at present.

The letter was marked "read".

A letter from Mr. Henry Mangan, in Connection with his proposals for a Register of National Portraits was read, and it was the feeling of the Board that it Could not do anything to advance the project at the moment, as the Department of Education had deferred consideration of it pending the establishment of the arts Council under the act for the establishment of such a Council recently passed by The Oireachtas.

The method of issuing export licenses for pictures at present obtaining was discussed, and it was the feeling of the Board that, for the lowrhose of Completing informations Concerning pictures of National importance which might be leaving the country, it would be well if the Director could be kept informed of such cases by the National Library authorities, for action at his discretion.

The Director reported that the amount
Standing to the credit of the Law Fund
at this date was - f 2.423: 1:10,

James & Muenaghan
5' Deamher 1957

## 5th December 1951.

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians Of the National Gallery was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Murnaglan.

Por. Pather Benan, O.F.M. Cab.

Mr. John Keating.

Mr. Lucius O'Callaghan.

Miss Evic Hone.

Mr. Maurice MacGonigal.

Mr. Diarmuid O'Hegarty.

Mr. Henry Mangan:

Mr. John Burke

and the Director.

On the proposal of Rev. Jather Senan, seconded by Mr. O'Callaghan, Mr. Justico Murnaglian took the Chair.

Apologies for Non-attendance were received from Mr. Yeats and Senator Milying.

The minutes of the Meeting held on the 3rd October were read, approved and signed.

Arising out of the Plinutes the Director reported;

(a) That the sictures lent to the Wexford Testival Committee had been successfully exhibited and safely returned.

(b) That the Lane Fund investment ordered by. The Board had been made.

(c) That the busts of National Leaders assigned

to the Gallery by the Department of Finance had not yet been received.

(d) That he had spoken to Dr. Hayes, Director of the National fibrary concerning the matter of 5x wort licenses for wictures of National importance and had been assured by him that any information required by the Gallery in connection therewith would be furnished by the Library as such occasions arose.

Under "Corrospondence", the Director read the following letters:

(1) From The Vera Esposite Dockrell, thanking the Board for having fundased the Portrait of her Father Nichele Esposito, by S. C. Havison.

(2) From Mrs Ruth Heaven offering the giftof photographs of pictures which had belonged to her brother, the late Sir Hughlane. The gift was gratefully accepted.

(3) From the Princess Cariacciola offering on loan certain portraits of Inish, historical interest and other pictures at present at The Island, Waterford, Noaction was taken.

The Director submitted the Estimate for the Services to be rendered by the National Gallery during the year ending, 3151 Planch, 1953, which he had submitted to the Department of Finance at the total figure of £ 11,520.

The Fistimate at This figure was approved by the Board.

The Director submitted for inspection the picture, No annunciation. by Pieter Pourlus, recently purchased.

The Director Submitted the following offers for purchase:

(1) Madonna and Child with a Book, by
Barend van Orley, from Messos P.& D. Colnaglia RCollag
at the price of £950.

It was proposed by Miss Hone, seconded by Per. Father Senan, and agreed, that the bicture be purchased at this price.

(2) St Agnes. by Carlo Dolci, from

Thr. C. Marshall Strink at the brice of
£185.

It was proposed by Mr. Keating. secon

It was proposed by Mr. Keating. seconded by Rev. Father Senan, and agreed that the sicture be burchased be burchased at this price.

(3) The Houses of Parliament at the Hague, by Gerrit Berchheyde, from Mr. Martin B. Assolver at the brice of £900.

This offer was doclined.

(4) Genre Subject. by Quiryn Brekelenkam, from Mrs. E. Flanagan at the brice of £25.

It was proposed by Mr. Mac Gonigal. Deconded by Thiss How, and a greed, that the picture be purchased at this price.

(5) Scene at Howth, by Sir William Orben, from itro MacGonigal at the price of £ 30 This offer was declined. The Director reported that during his visit to London he had seen the pricture, landscape Tayed by Gainsborough, offered by the Winifred Layard last year at the price of £2.000.

On being again considered, the offer was declined.
He reported by Thomas Hickey, offered by
Mossos Spink and Sous at the June Meeting
of the Board had been sold.

He reported that he had seen a number of other pictures, by Titian, Luca Giordano Ingres

The picture by Titian. The Penitont Magdalon, offered by Messo P. & D. Colnaglia & Co. Ltd at-the Irrice of f25.000, would in his opinion, be a desirable purchase for the Gallery.

He submitted photographs of these pictures and it-was the feeling of the Board that an effort should be made to obtain Sufficient funds to secure the Titian.

There was a discussion as to the funds available at the moment, and it was proposed by Ma Mac Gonigal, seconded by Miss Home and agreed that the prosent position of the Lane Fund be seamined in all its aspects

The Director road a letter from Sir Alec Martin Concerning a Isontrait of Lady Gregory, by Mancini, and portraits of members of Sir Hugh Lamis Family, by J. B. yeals, George Russell (AE), Nathaniel Hone, and others, shortly to be sold at Christie's. The was decided to take No action.

and it was agreed to leave the burchase of any of these bortraits which he might ansider desirable for the Gallery to the discretion of the Director.

The gift from Mr. A. Chester Beatty Of a Case of twenty-four enamel miniatures was gratefully accepted.

Arising under "Other Business":

(1) The Director Submitted an offer as gift from Mr A. Charter Beatty of Six Wictures, including works by Raning and other Bamters of the Italian School This bictures by American artists and one butch fricting, Sono of which he suggested might be deficited to desire, Embassy foundary le mer and these bictures regarded as intransit.

(2) The offer as gift from Mr. Serge Phillipson, Of a French historical pricture,

The arrest of bharlotto Corday, attributed to Boilly.

The gift was gratefully accepted.

(3) A Resolution required in connection with the lane Fund, which was passed on the brokesal of Mr. Beating, seconded by This Home, viz: "That the Corporate Seal of the Board be affixed to the Form of Request for the Transmission by Post of a warrant for the Redemption Honey in respect of an Amount of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 100 429. Cand Bonds - C. 13637 drawn for Redemption.

The Director reported that the amount Standing to the credit of the Lane Fund (i.e. the actual amount, exclusive of income invested, as shown by the Bank Sheet)
at this date was £ 1.175:17:6.

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6 February 1952

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## 6th Jebnary, 1952

A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Guardians of the National Gallony was held this day.
There were present:

Mr. Justice Murnaghan Mr. Lucius O'ballaghan Mr. John Keating Senator MGuiro Mr. Diarmuid O'Hegarky

On the proposal of Mr. O'Callaghan, seconded by Senator McGino. Mr Justice Hurnaghan took the Chair.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Rev. Father Senan. Sir Aloc Martin, Mr Yeats Mr. Burke, Mr. MacGonigal and Riss Hone.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 5 th December. 1951, were read, approved and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes the Director reported:

(a) That he had not yet received Department of Tinance abhroval of the Estimate for the services to be rendered by the Gallery during the year ending 31st March, 1953, at the figure of £11,520,

In connection with the Estimate he read a letter from the Department of Education on the subject of a proposed parquet floor for the large Italian Gallery, enclosing Copy of a report on the matter from the

matter from the Office of Public Works.

The question was discussed as was also
the heating of the Galbery, which he considered
inadequate for the proper Safe heating
of the hickory in winter, and he was
instructed to bursue both questions with
the Office of Public Works.

(b) That the Portrait of Lady Gregory by
Mancini offered at Christie's on January 25th
had been sold to Miss Lilian Brown for

£152:55. and that He wow offered it
to the Gallery at the price of £300.

No action was taken

(c) That he had written to Mr. bhoster Beacty asking for his assistance towards the burdease of the picture by Titian, but had not been successful in obtaining it. He suggested that it was the kind of case in which the assistance of the Arts bouncil might later be sought.

Under "borrespondence" the Director read letters:

(a) From the Department of External Affairs
in connection with requests for loans
of pictures to their offices abroad. He
had informed the Department that
under the Terms of the National Gallery
of Ireland Act. 1928, only loans to
bublic Exhibitions were authorised
and that, Consequently, the Board had
to bowers to lend in Such cases. The
Department had agreed that this
information but an entirely different

have to reconsider their proposals.

(6) A letter from the Department of Education bullosing documents from the General bourference of U.N.E.S.C.O. regarding a brokesed Convention for the brotection in Case of war of objects of cultural value, and asking whether the Board would wish to offer any observations—thereon.

It was laft to the discretion of the Director to formulate a reply in connection with the proposed convention

(c) A letter from Dr. Sanchez lanton,
Director of the Prado Museum, Madrid,
in connection with repairs to the frictive,
St. Francis in Ecstasy, by El Greco, which
had been carried out at his Museum,
stating that we charge would be made
for this work but that a letter of thanks
to the technician responsible for the
work would be appreciated.

The Board very warmly enforcessed its appreciation of the handsome manner in which the matter of the repairs had been treated by the Prado Museum.

The Director's Report on the working of the Gallery for the year. 1951, was submitted and approved.

Mr. Keating and Mr. O'Callaghan were appointed to act as Auditors of the Lane Fund for 1951.

The Director Submitted for inspection the Bicture. St. Agnes, recently purchased.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mr. Peter blaas of a picture,

Christ and His Disciples journaying to Emmans,

by Pieter Cook van Aalst at the price of £800.

The offer was declined.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from Mr. Patricle Egan of a bortrait of Countess Constance de Markinericz by Casimir Dunin Count de Markinericz at the price of £200.

As there was not a quorum for purchase present Consideration of the offer was deferred to the Next meeting.

The Durector Mubmillos an offer as gift from

HIN A Chester Beatty of a pricture of the Fire

of London by Jan Witt.

The Board while grateful for the offer

felt that Space cousiderations might

have to be taken into account but 4 pressed

awish to see the bhotograph of the victure

which The Beatty was prepared send.

Certain family portraits offered as gift by Mr. Robert J. Stoppord were not considered of Sufficient artistic or historic interest to be accepted

The Board left the matter of a request

brom Lady Hauson for the return of the sportrail of Thomas Taffray by Reynolds and certain Robertson miniatures at bresent on loan to the Gallery, to be dealt with by the Director when the legal position with regard to them had been defined.

The Director reported the extent to which the Mrs E Magawly Banon Fund for Publications had been availed of up to the date of the meeting.

An offer for purchase from Mrs Lennox Robinson of two drawings by J. B. Yeats, R.H.A was submitted by the Director but could not be Considered as there was not a quorum for purchase present.

The Director submitted letters from Sir Alac Martin with a bhotograph of a pricture by Nathaniel Hone to be offered for sale at Christie's on March 7th, No action was taken.

The Director submitted a request for a loan of the wisture: St Jerome Translating the Coopels, by Francis Nicholas to the Et hibition. Primitife Mediterraneons, 1952.

The request was declined as it was felt that the risks of damage to the work would be too great.

The Diroctor reported that the amount standing to the credit of the Lane Fund (i.e. the actual amount, exclusive of income invested, as shown by the Bank Shoot) at This date was \$2,892: 12: 10

James of Murrighan

2 april 1952.

2nd April. 1952 A Meeting of the Board of Governors and Cynardians was held this day. There were present:

Mr. Justice Numaghan
Rev. Father Senan
Rt. Rev. Monsignor Boylan
Lord Longford
Senator Mynico
Mr. Diarmid O' Hegarty
Mr. Lucius O' Callaghan
Mr. Maurice Mac Gonigal
Mr. Jean O'Sullivan
Mr. Henry Mangan
Mr. John Burke
and the Director.

On the proposal of Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. NacGonigal, Mr. Justice Murnaghan took the Chair.

Avologies for Non-attendance were received from Sir Alec Martin, Miss Hone and Mr. Keating

A rising out of the Timetes:

(a) The Director reported that the Minister for Finance had approved, at a total of £10,860, the Estimate for the National Galley, 1952/53.

(b) The Director again submitted the Offer for Durchase from Mr. Patrick Egan of the portrait of bountess bonstame de Markievicz by her husband, basimir Dunin, bount de Markievicz, at the price of \$200, and on the proposal of ford Longford, Deconded by Mr. O Sullivan, it was agreed to burchase the pricture at this price.

- (c) The offer for purchase from the Westminster Bank. Ltd. On behalf of the lains of the lains of the late of the lains of the late of the late of the last meeting, depended from last meeting, was again rousidered, and it was agreed that those be purchased at the price of £25 each.
- (d) The Director again mentioned the offer for burchase from Niss Lilian Browse of By Mangini a portrait of Lady Gregory, at the price of \$300, but No action was taken.

Under "borrespondence", the Director reported:

- (a) That the Rt. Rev. Monsigner Patrick J. Boylan, D.D., M.A., D. Litt. had been appointed President of the Royal Irish. Academy on the 15th Mard. 1952, and had become, esc. officio, a member of the Board of Covernors and Guardians as from that date.
- (b) That the Timister for Education. with the approval of the Government, had re-appointed Mr. John Burke to the Board of Governors and Conardians for a further period of five years as from that states qthe March. 1952.

(c) That the Minister for Posts and Jolographs had applied for permission to reproduce the Portrait of Momas Moore by

Sir Martin Archer Sheo in connection with the issue of a stamp to commemorate the Centenary of the poets death, Permission for the reproduction was

confirmed by the Board

(a, That the Institute of boutemporary Ant, Boston, had applied for an extension of the beriod of the loan of the three bidines by Jack B. Yeats, & H.A., Above the fair Men of Destiny and Morning in the bity to cover its New York Exhibition, from May 22nd to June. 22nd.

The required permission was granted.

The Audited Account of the fance Frund, 1951, was submitted and abbrowed.

The Director submitted an offer for purchase from the Rt. Rev. Monsignor John Shine of a picture, The Holy Jamily, by Fra Bartolommeo, at the price of £3.000.

The was broposed by Mr. D'ballaghan, seconded by Mr. Mac Gonigal, and agreed that the picture be burchased at this price.

The Offer for purchase from the Cyalerie Lorenceau. Paris, of a Portrait of James Joyce by Jacques Emile Blanche at the price of \$\frac{1}{200} was declined.

The offer as gift from Mr. Nicholas Richardson Of a bicture Study of a Child, Artest Unknown, was gratefully accepted. The following requests for loans were granted:

(a) From the Utrecht bentral Museum, for the picture, The Betrayal of Christ by Honthorst, to an Exhibition, "baravaggio and the low Countries", to be held at Utracht and Antwerts, June 15th, to September 28th.

(b) From the Royal Academy of arts London, for the bicture, Portrait of a young woman, by Rombrandt, to its Writer Exhibition, 1952-53

In connection with this boan, the Director was instructed to ask for insurance at the figure of £12,500, and he mentioned that although this was the preture requested at the moment, the Academy might decide, before final avanagements for the Exhibition were made, to request the boan of some other stample, or examples. Of Dutch painting from the Collection.

Under "Other Business". the Director submitted:

- (a) An offer as gift from Mrs. bread Meredith of a picture, Dawn, Countemars, by Paul Henry, R. H. A., which was gratefully accepted.
- (6) An offer for purchase from the Argosy Gallery. New York, Of a portrait of Daniel O'Connell, at the price of \$400, which was declined.
- (c) An offer for wondraso from Mr. Alfred N. Little Ob a sixture attributed to Pieter Wonverman, at the price of £70, which was declined.

(d) A letter from Mr. W. Ewart Price, Solicitor, 55 Downshire Hill. Hampstoad. London, N. W. 3, asking if the Gallery would be brepared to accept the beguest by Major T. W. M. Fuge, deceased. of a large picture, La Petito Place et la Beffroi pendent le Bombardement, 1916, by Fernand Sabatta

It was decided that a photograph be obtained for Examination at the next meeting, if the wicture could not be sent & over in the meantime.

(e) A Resolution in respect of a function in respect of a function fund which, on the proposal of TV. Burke, seconded by TV. Tlangers. was passed as follows:

That the Sum of £929:18:1, being the amount of a refund of Income Tax (American? be invested as advised by the Board's Stockbrokers, Mossos Bewley & Manly, 8 and 9 Anglesos Street, Dublin, and that the Corporate Seal of the Board be ablixed to this Resolution.

The Director asked for authority to request the Office of Public Works, whom central heating was resumed next autumn, to consider the Special circumstances of the Gallery and to avoid extreme changes of temperature by arranging for the banking. up of the fires late at right instead of at 4.30 p.m., as at present.

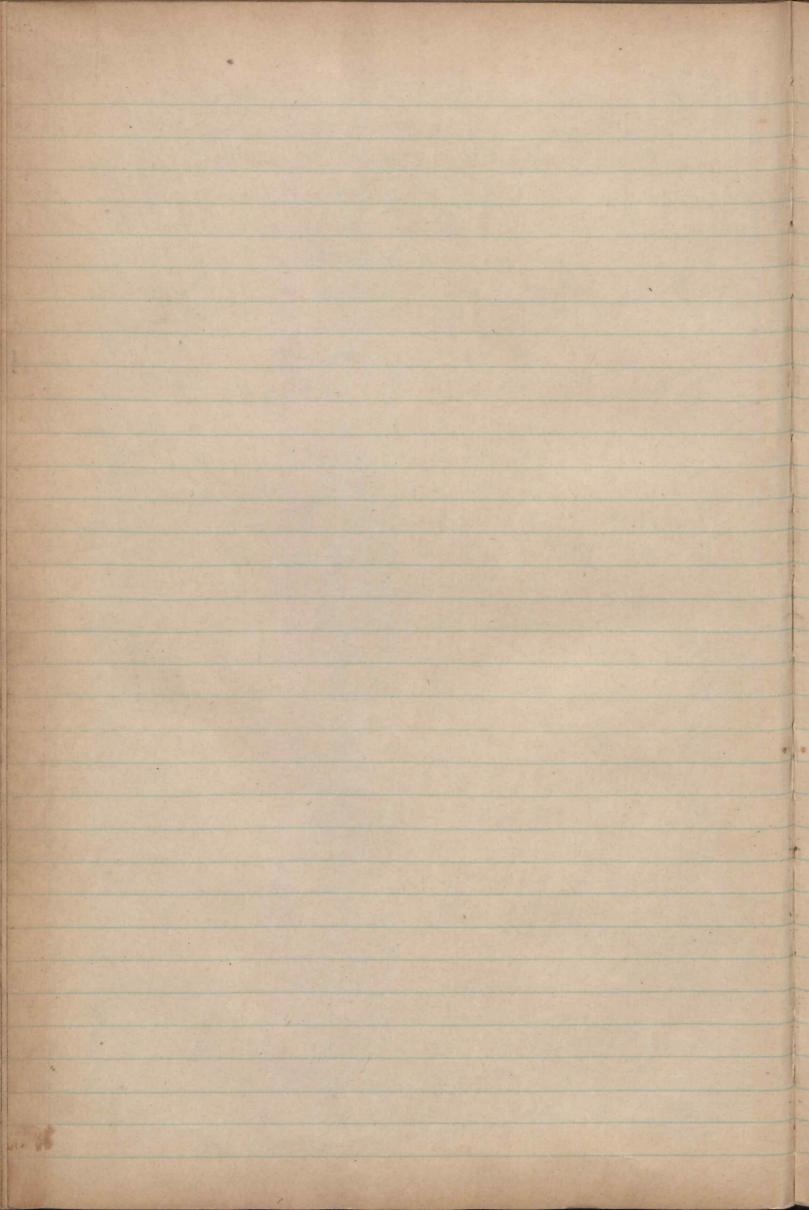
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Mr. Henry Mangan again drow the Brands attention to the Subject of his Improvals for a Register of Irish National Portrails, and it was decided that the Oriector, as a member of the arts Council, should raise the matter with that Body at a convenient Obsertunity

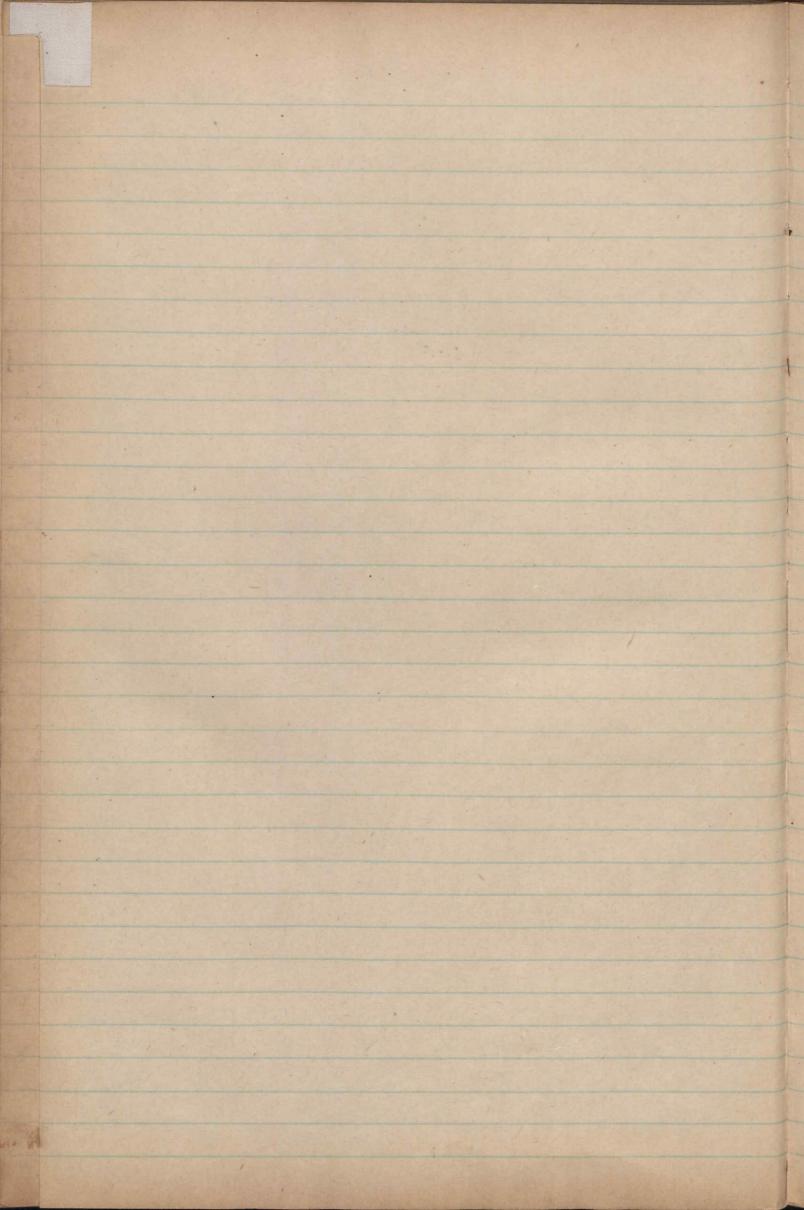
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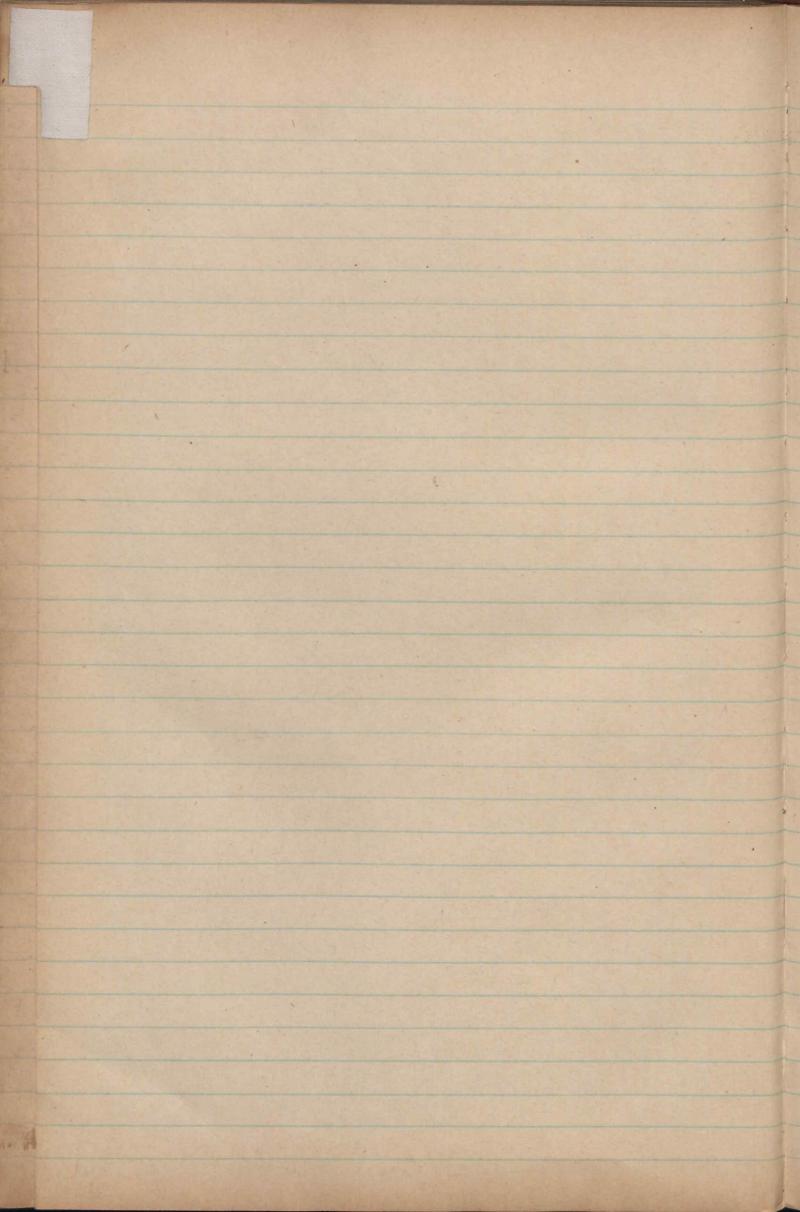
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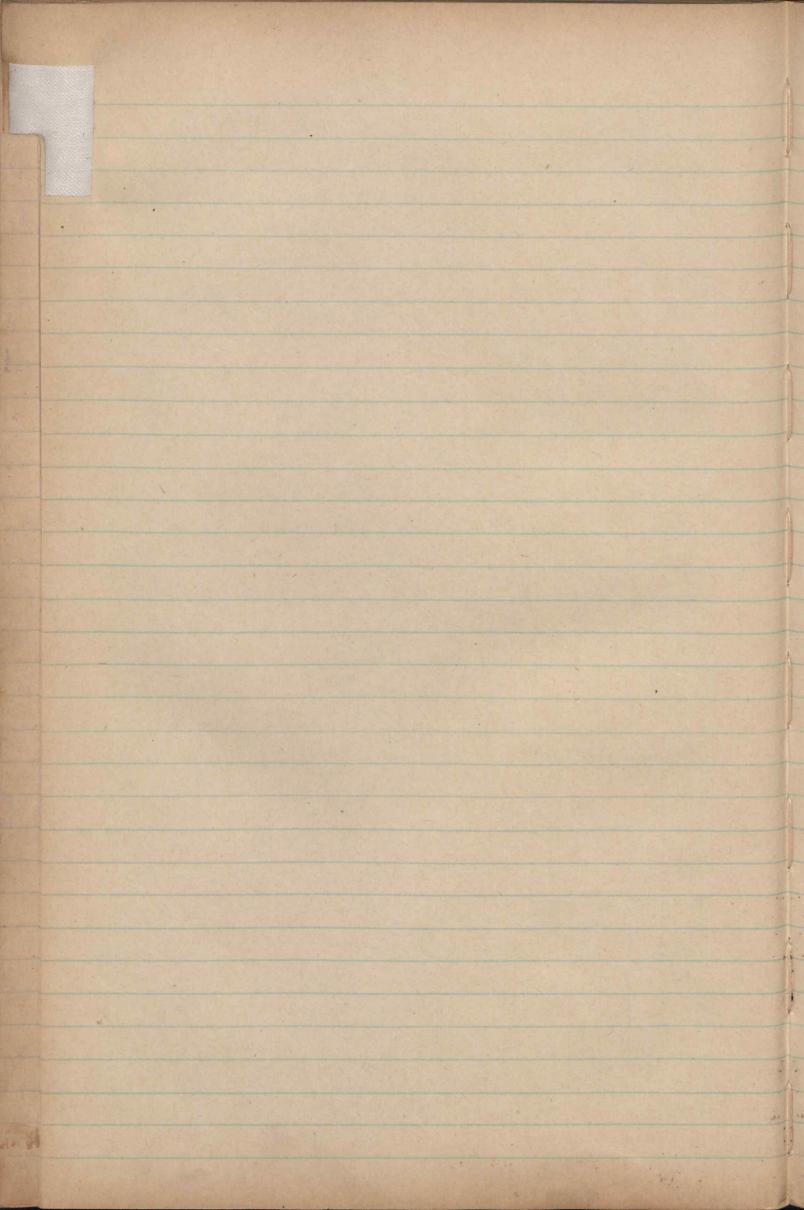
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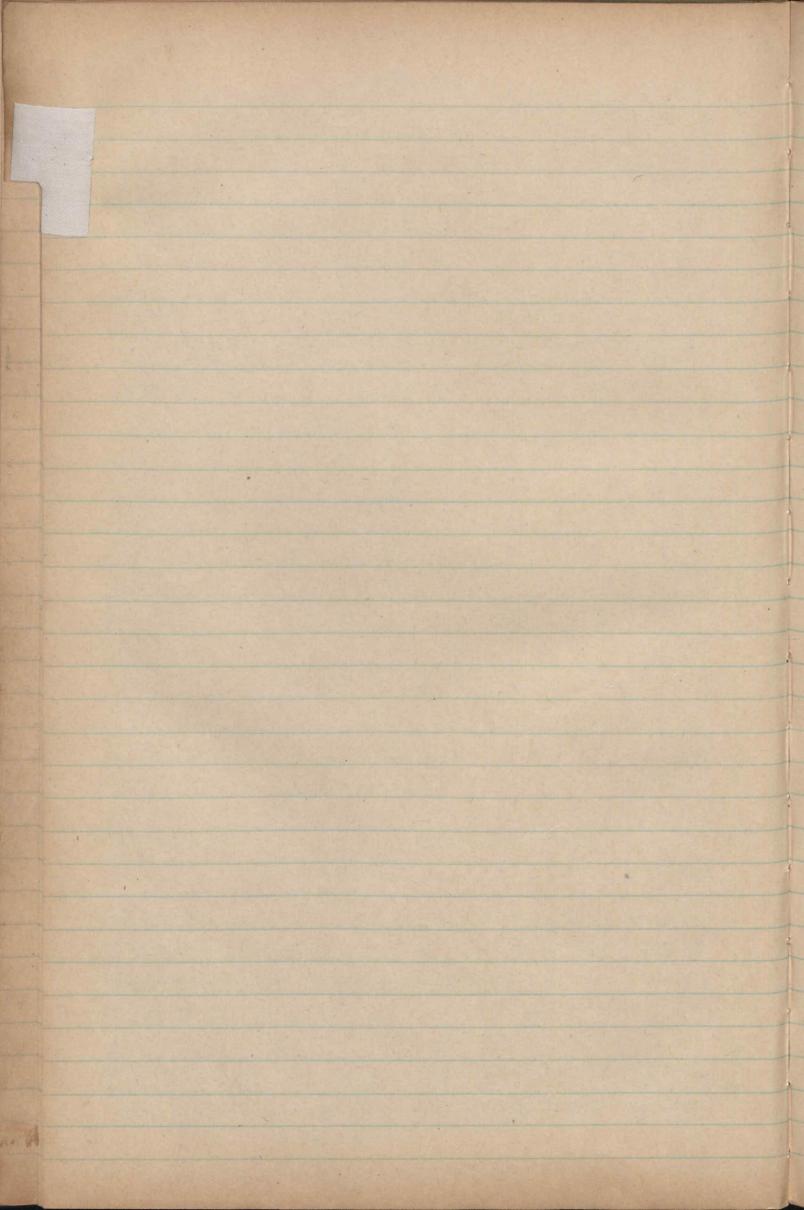
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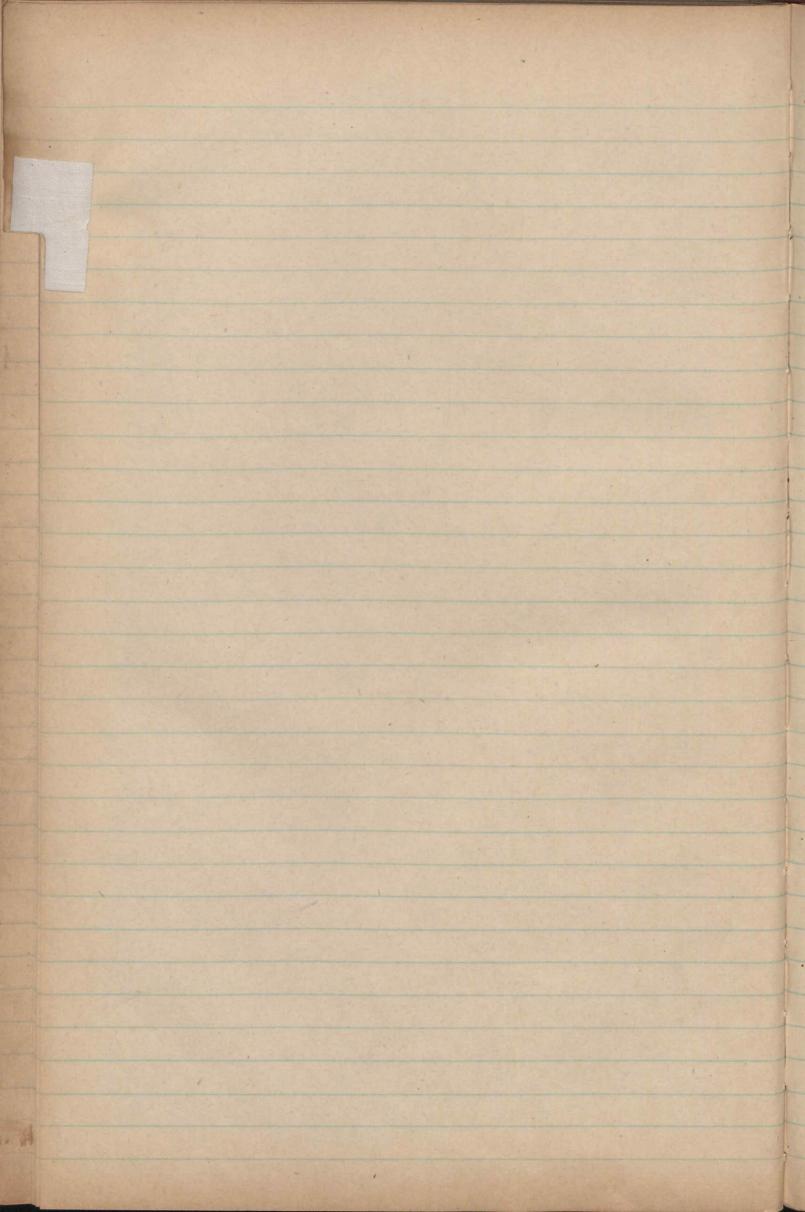
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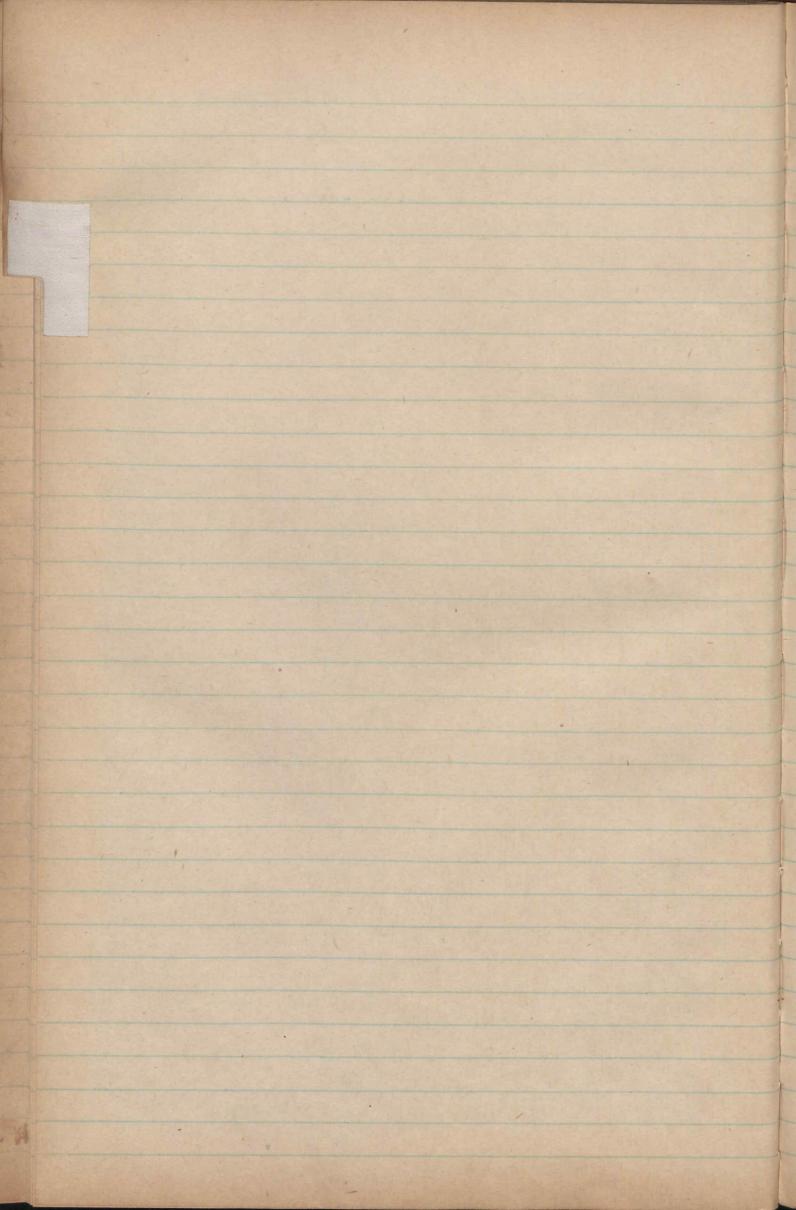


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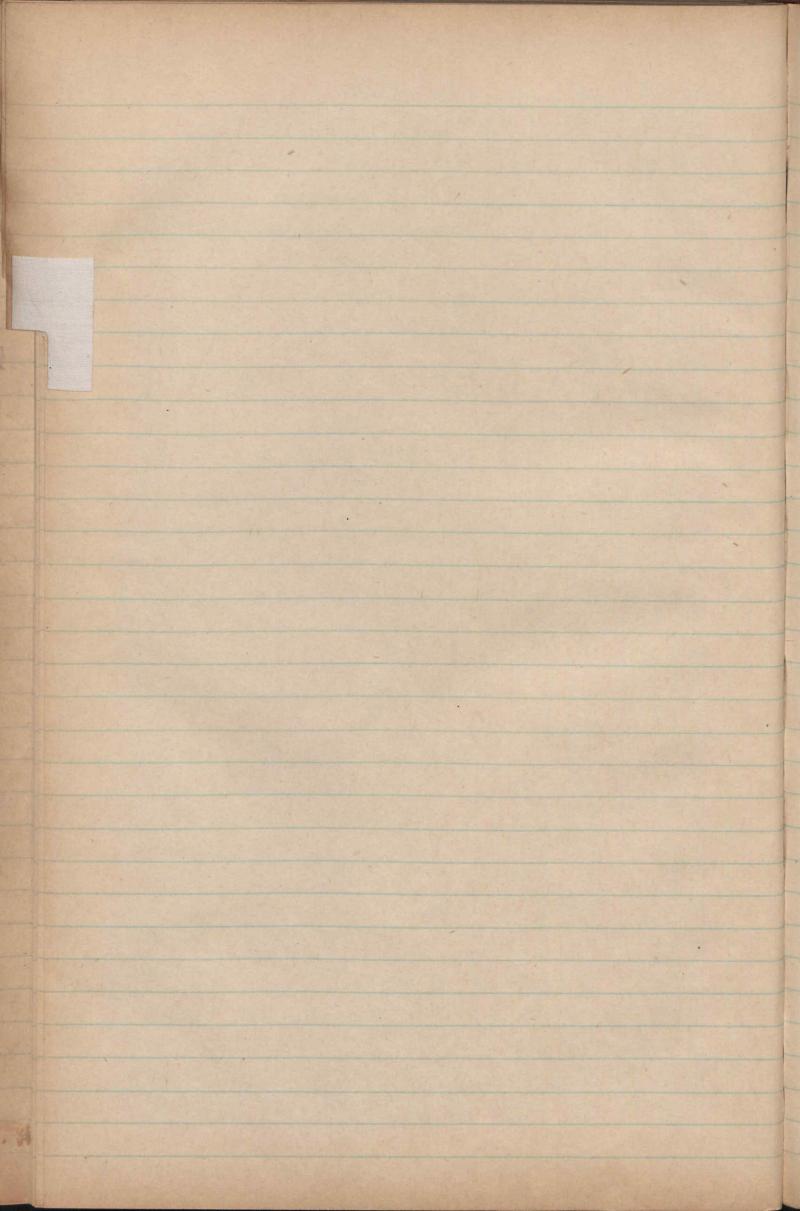
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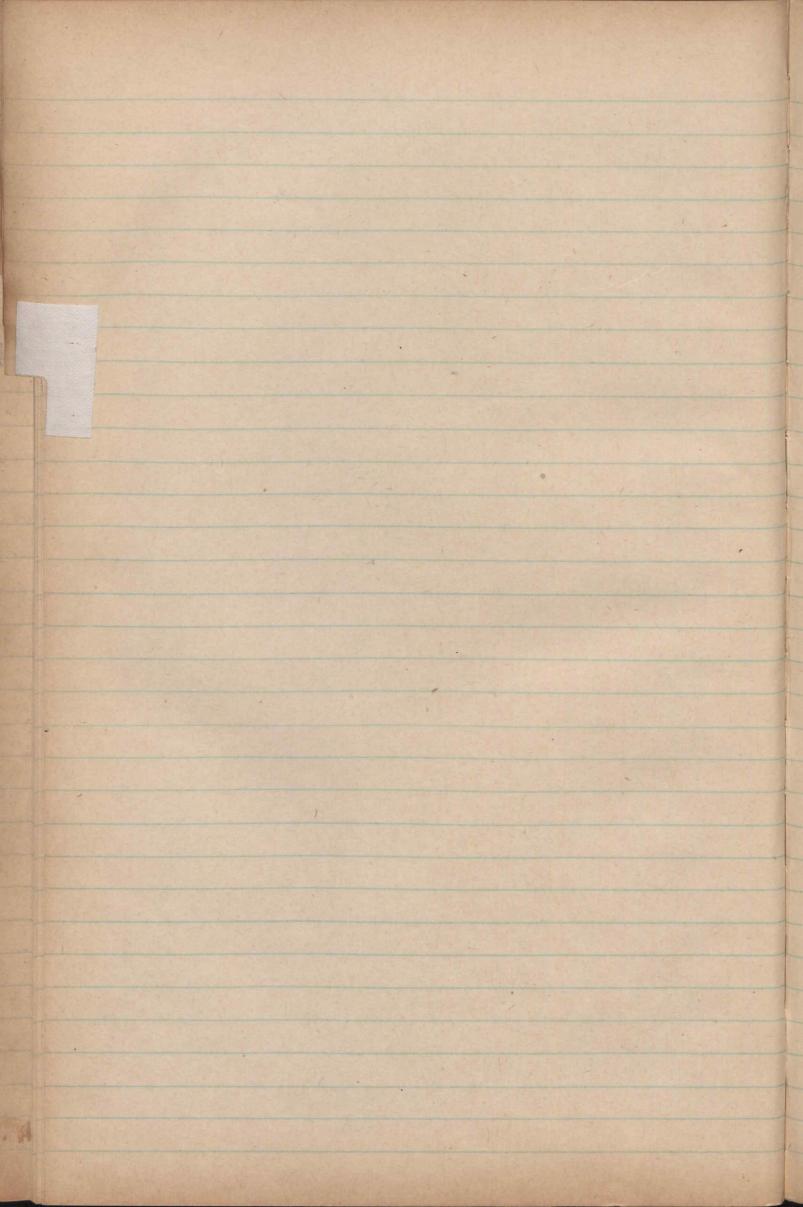
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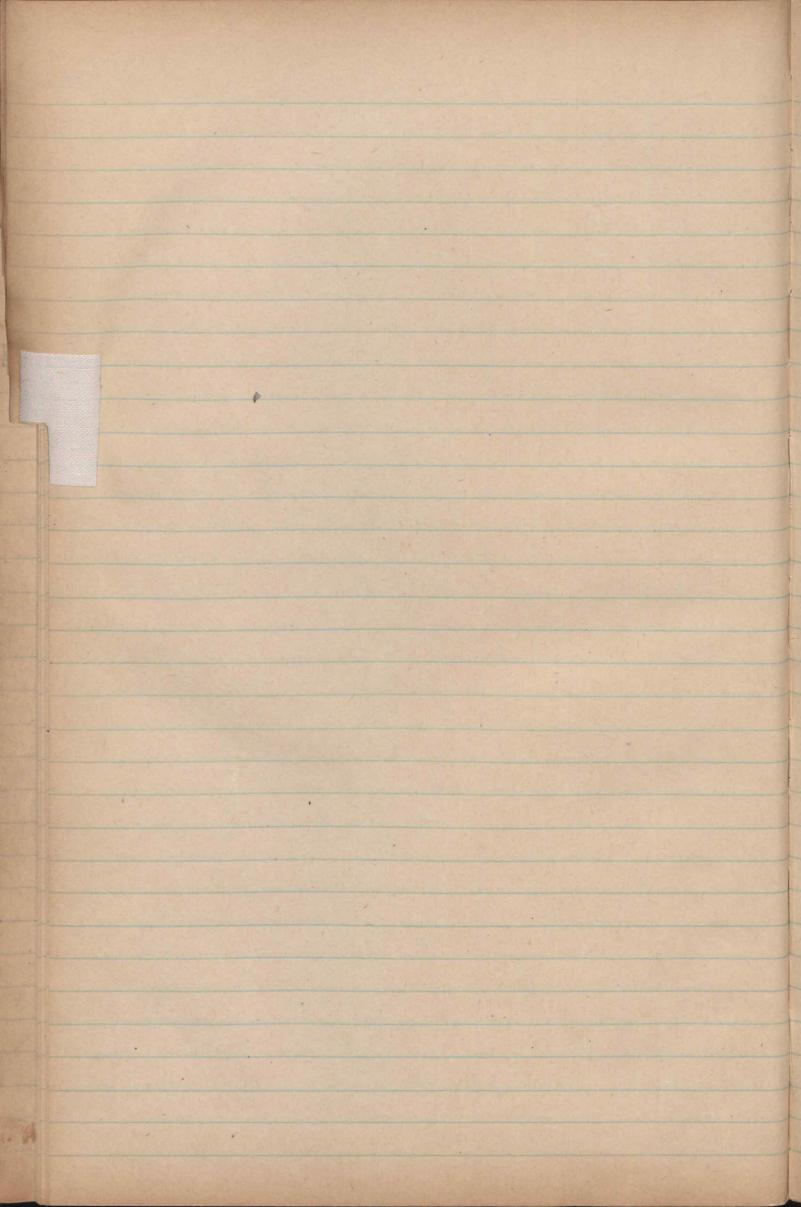
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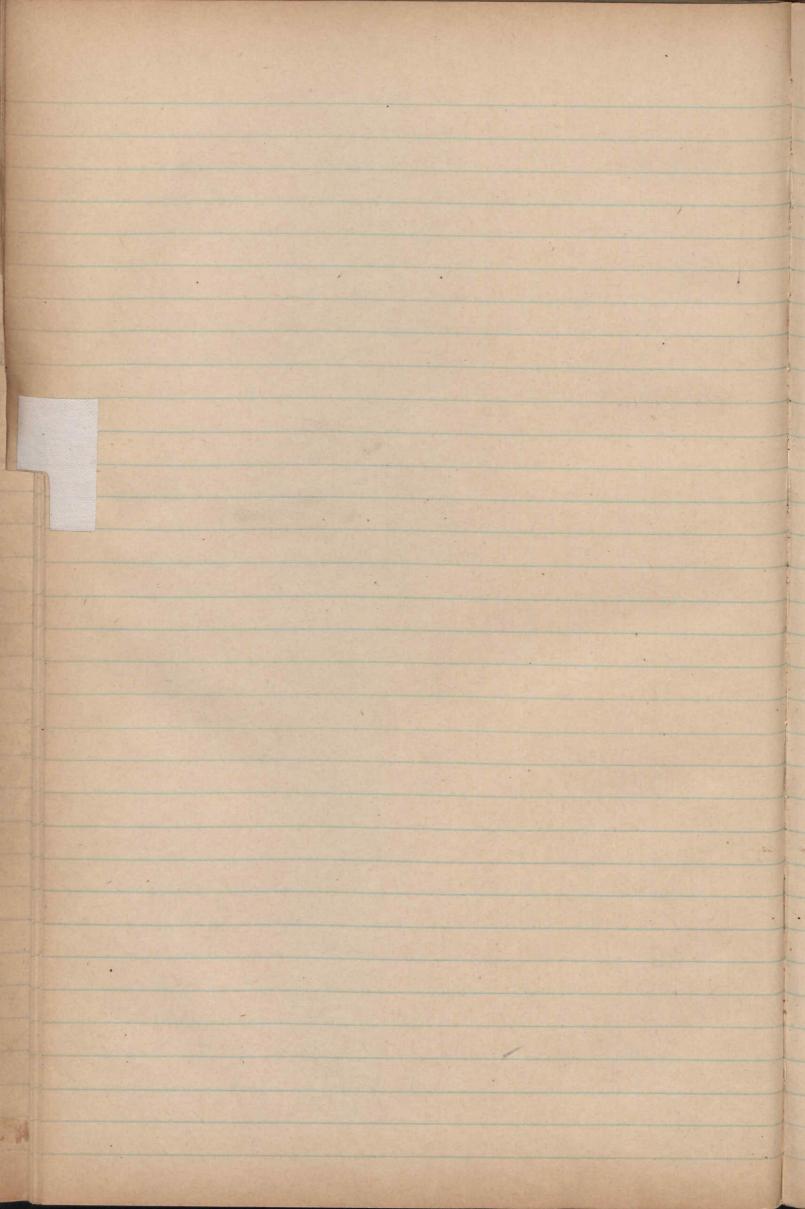


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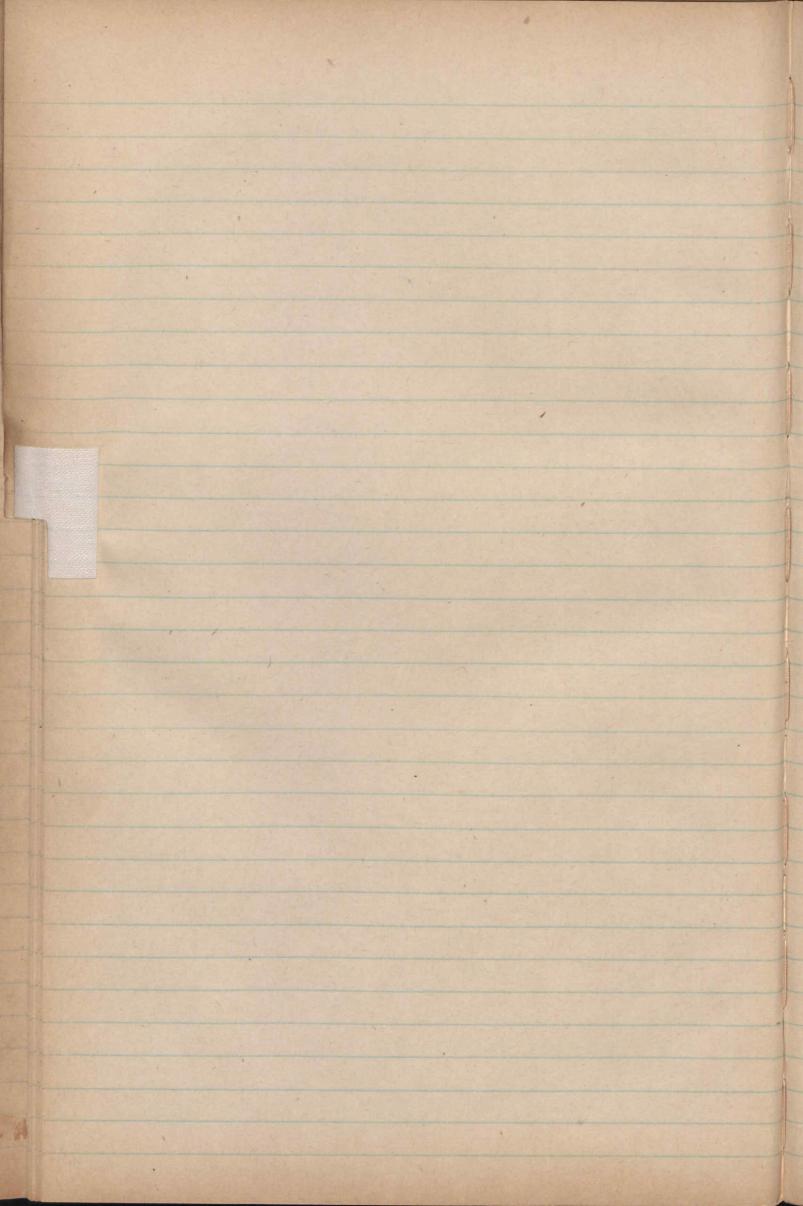
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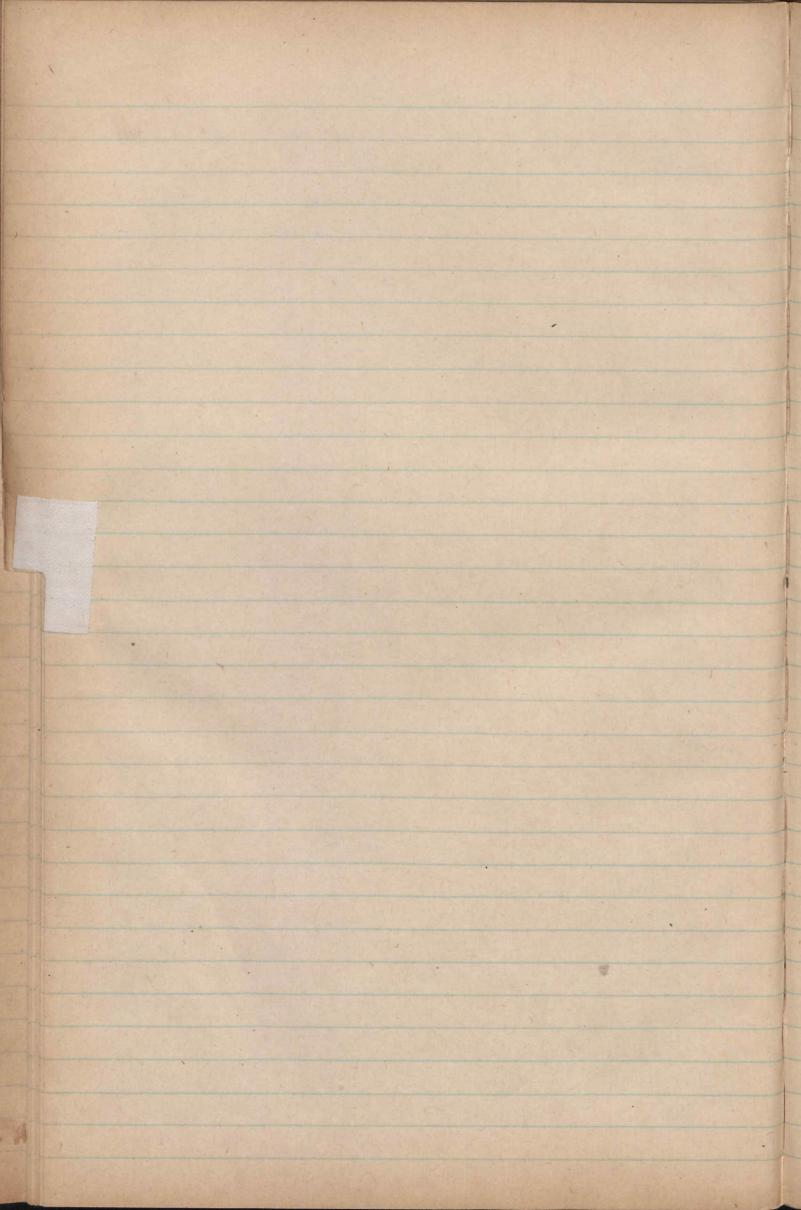
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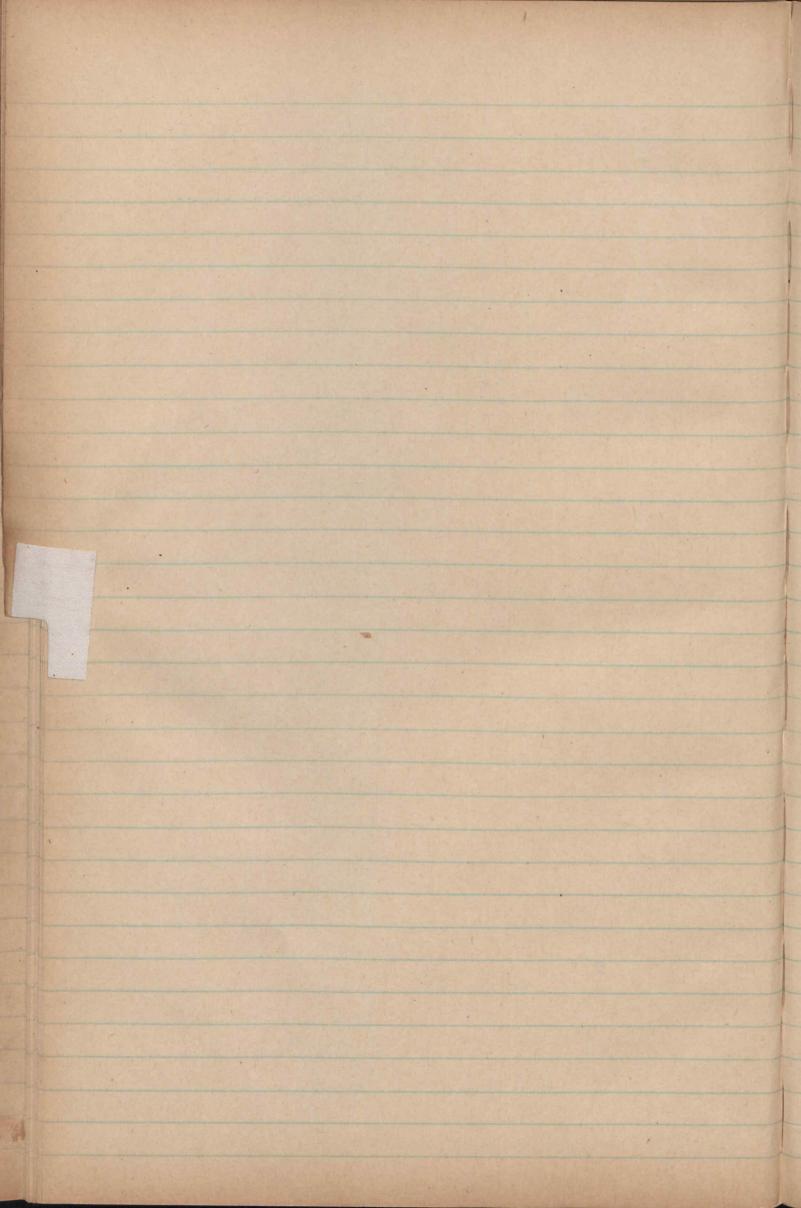


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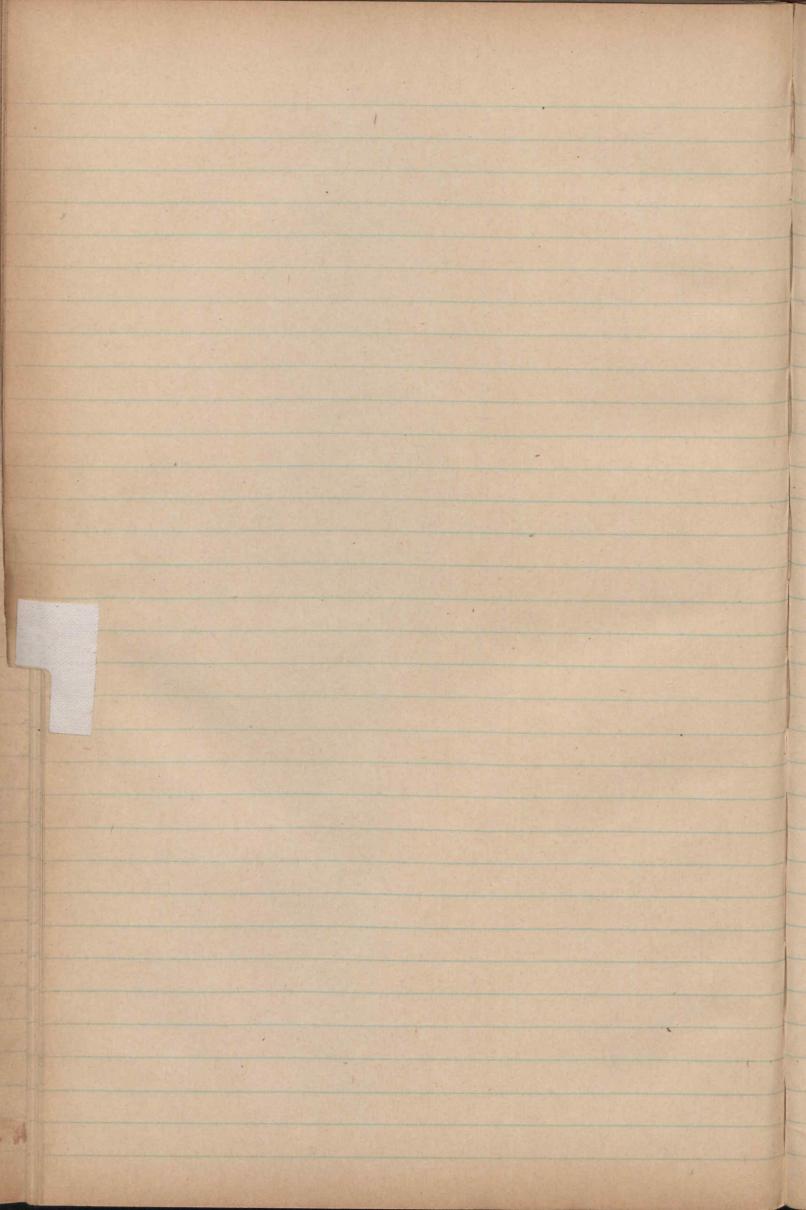
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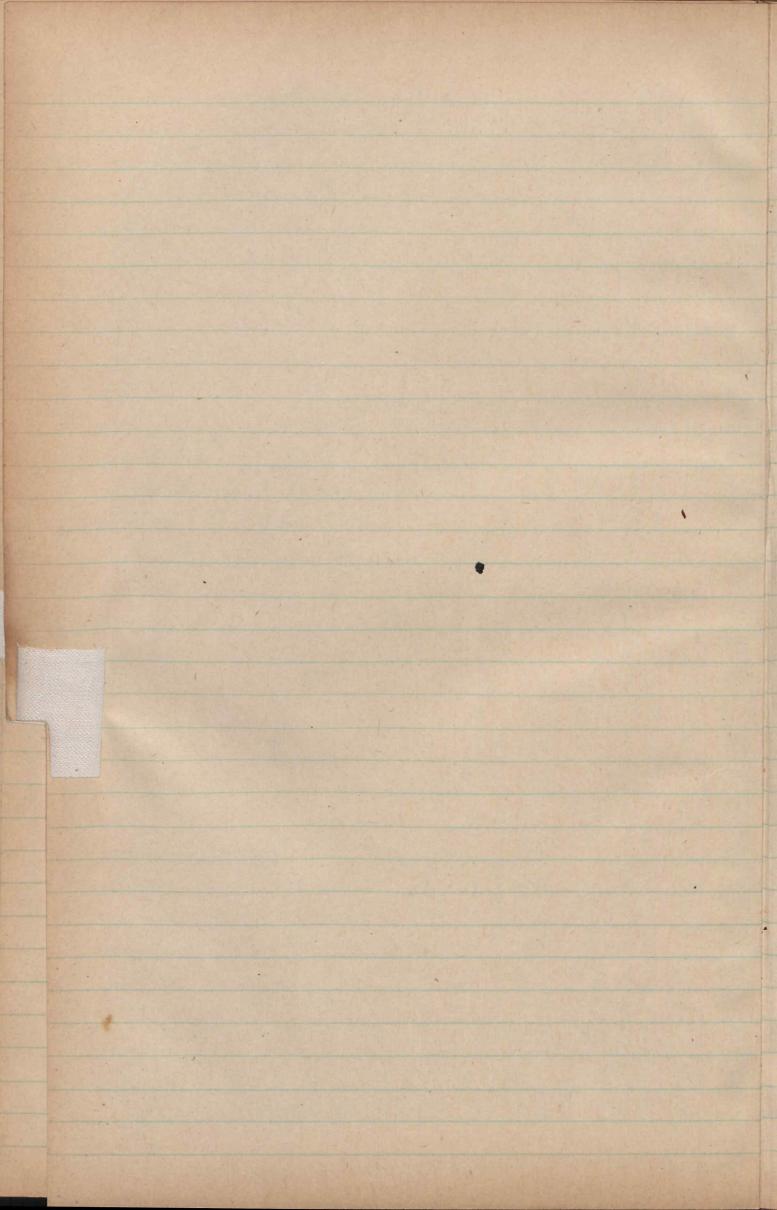
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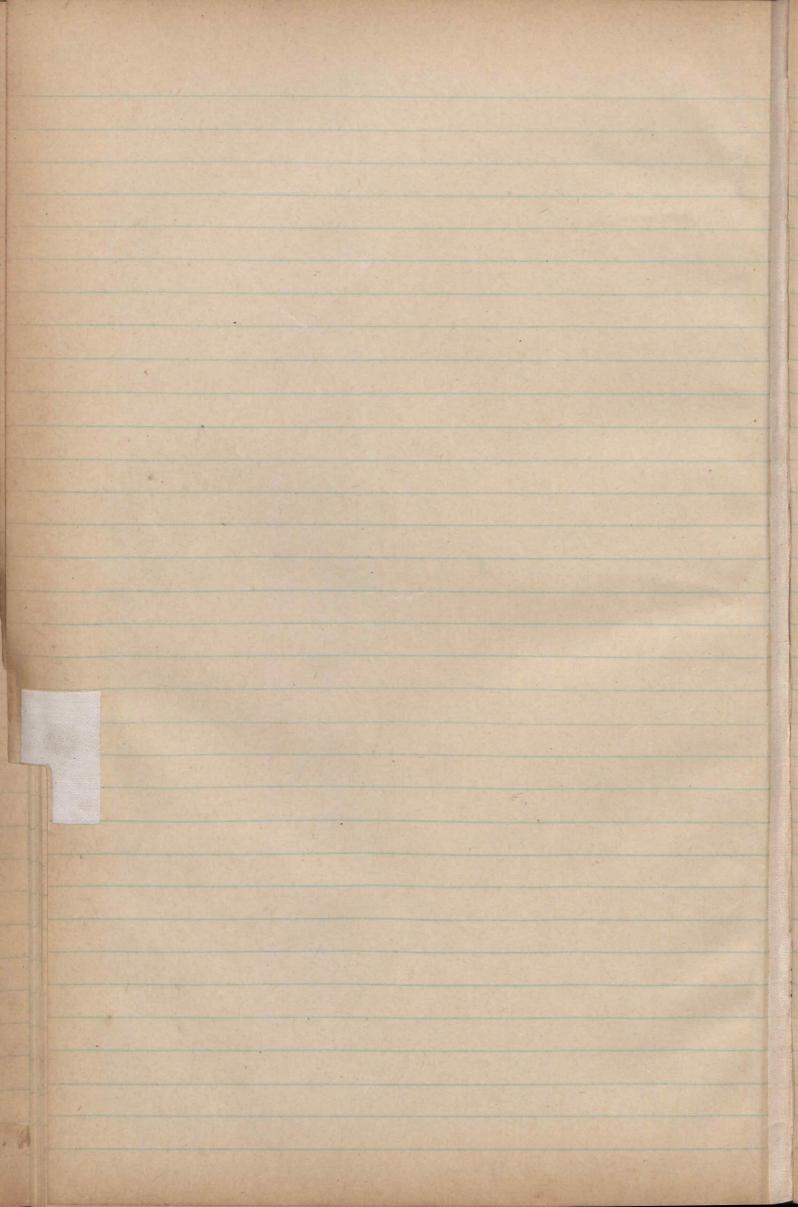
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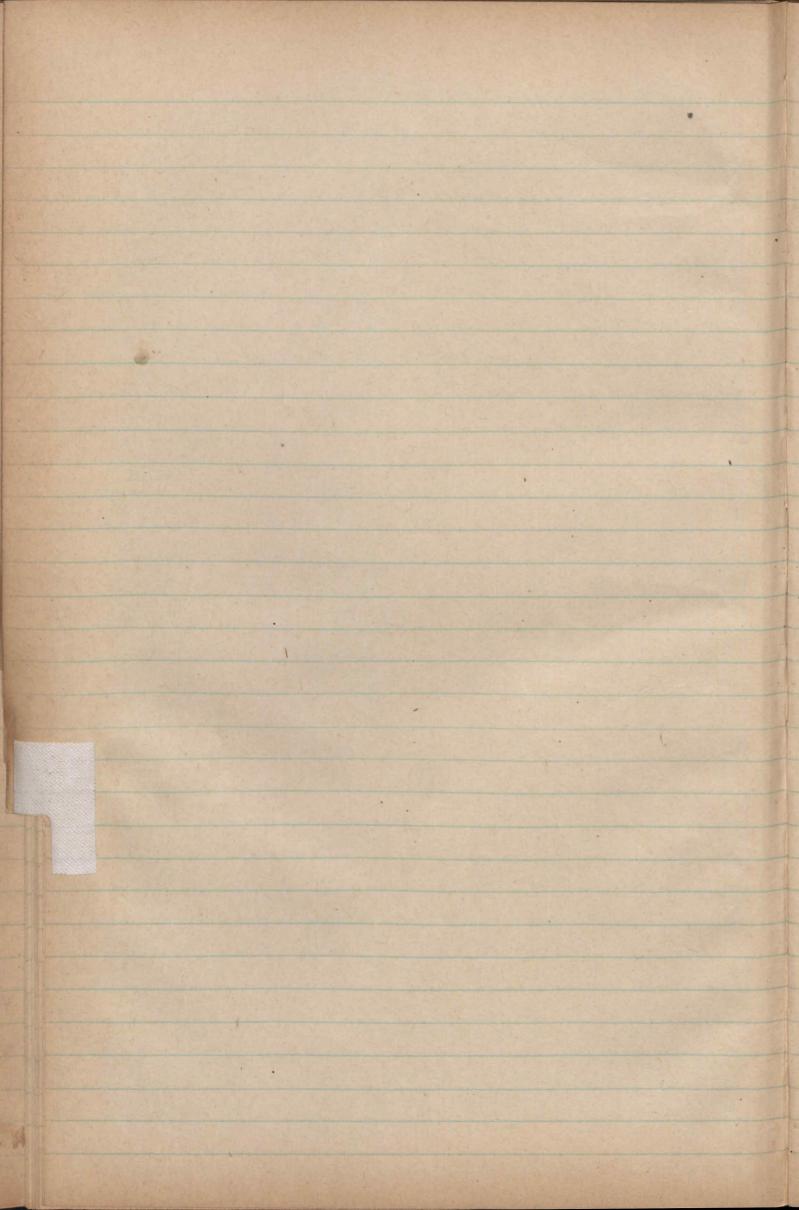
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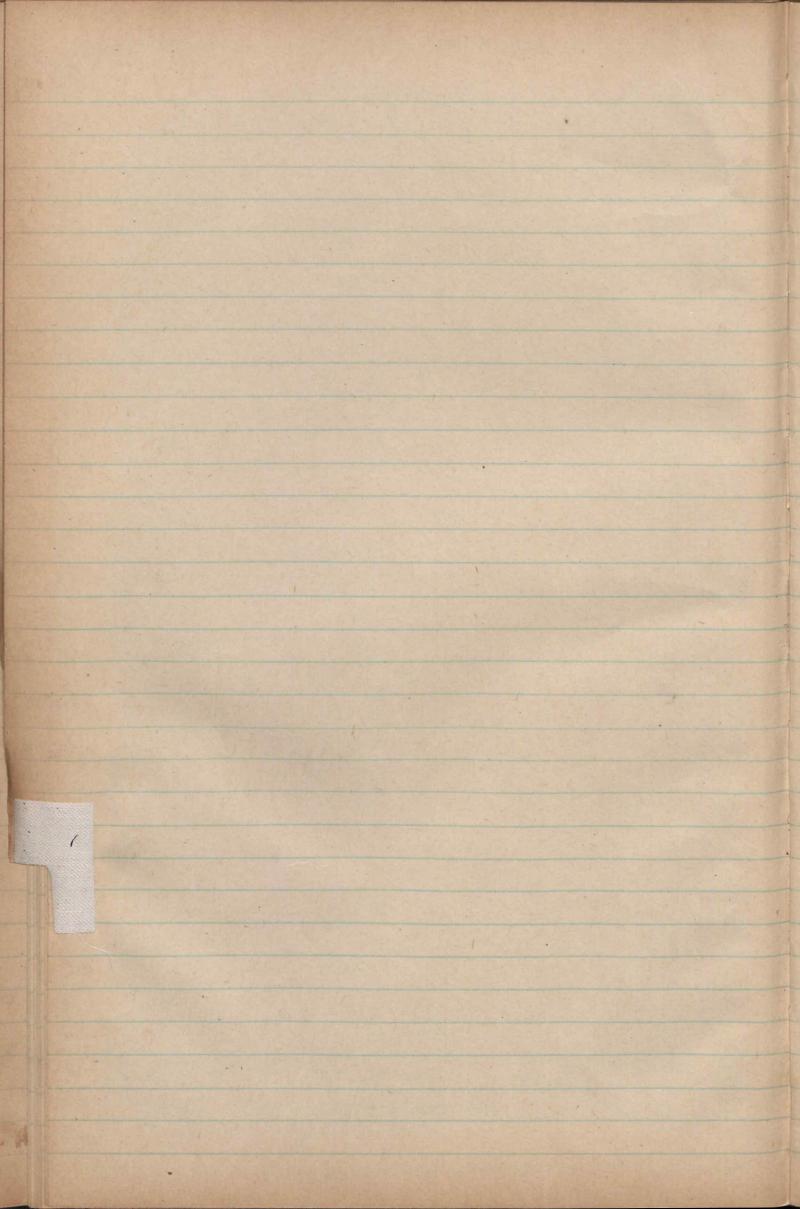
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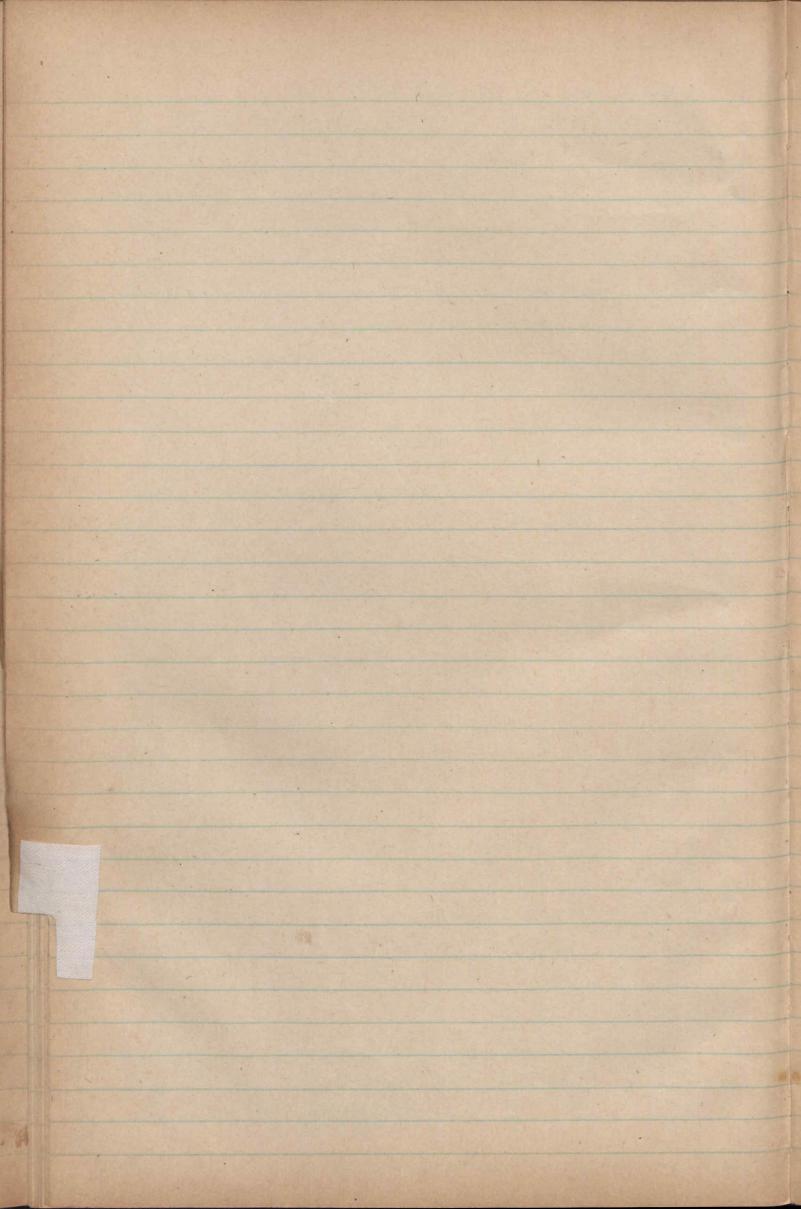
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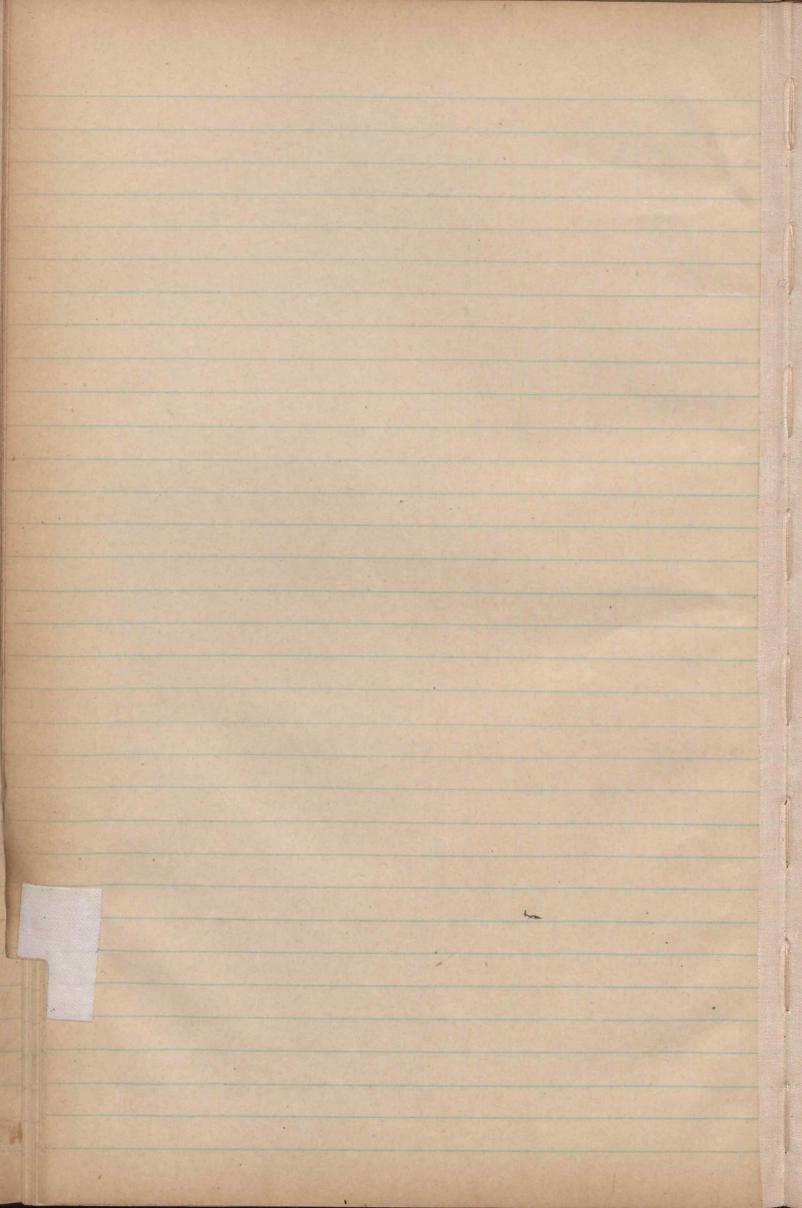
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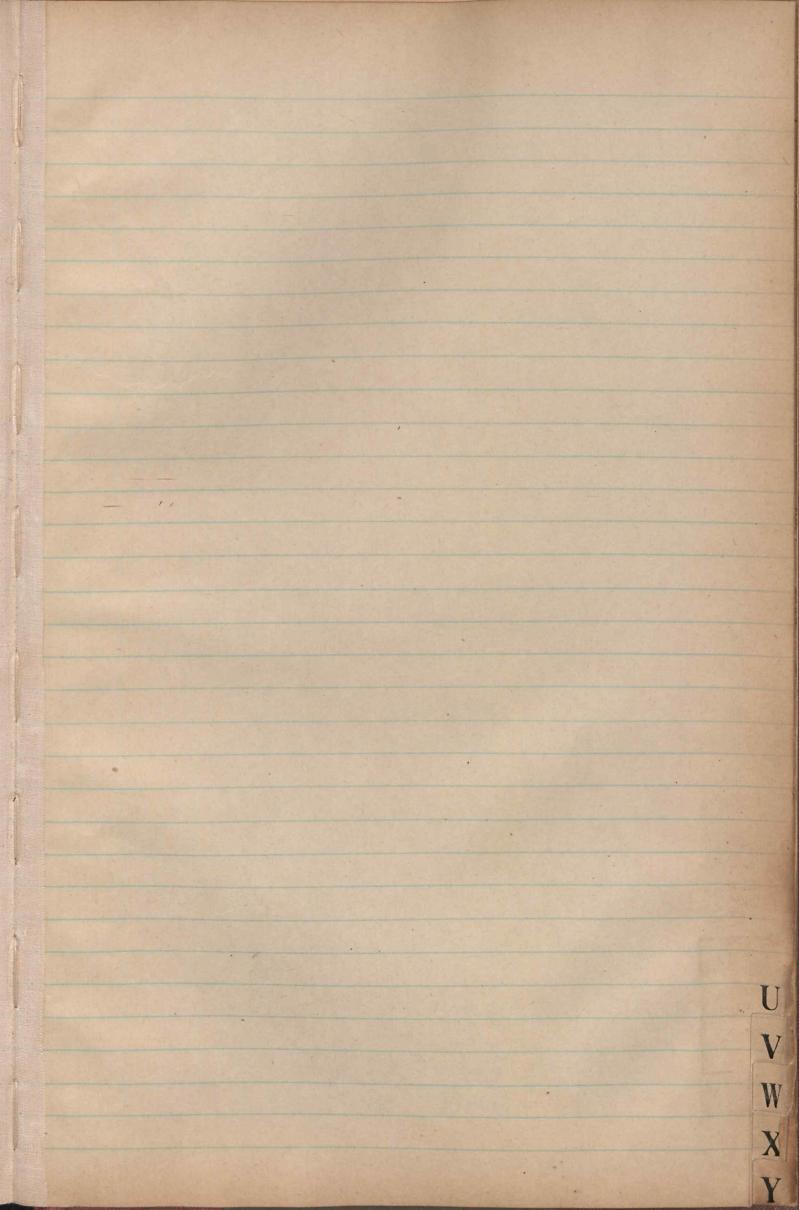


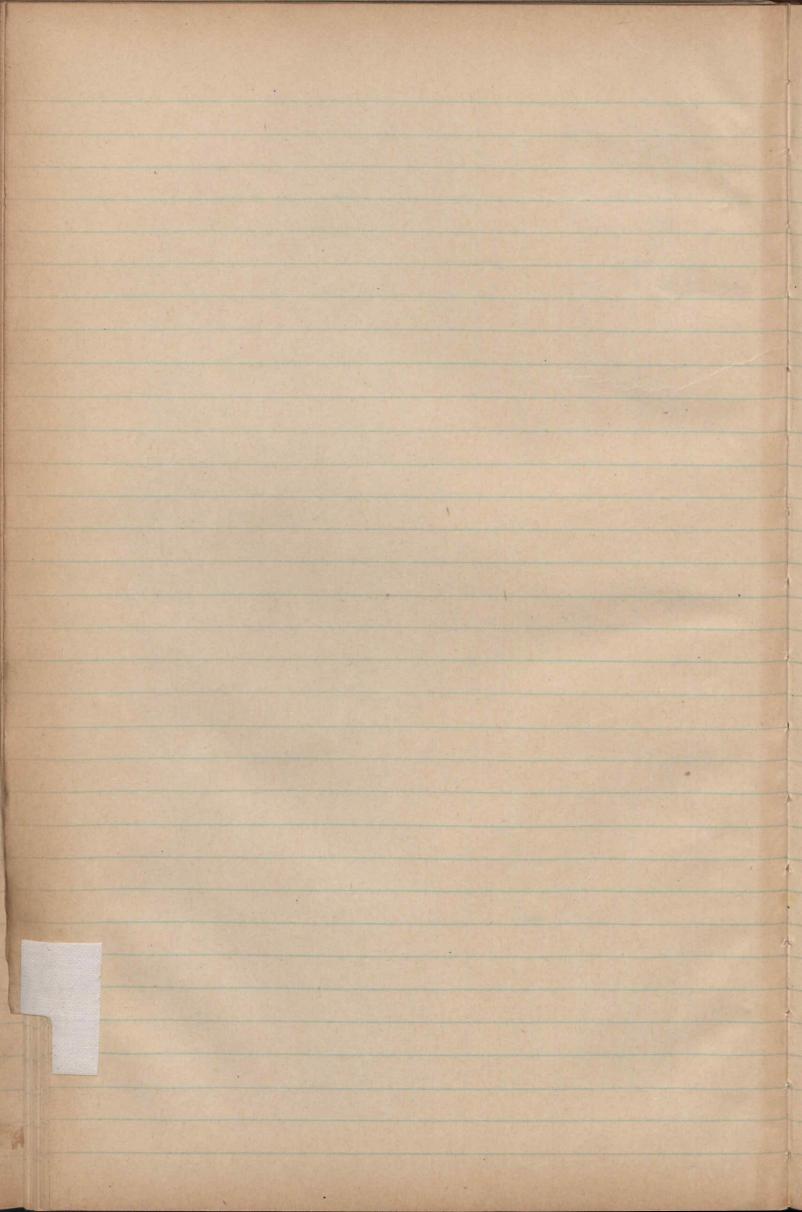
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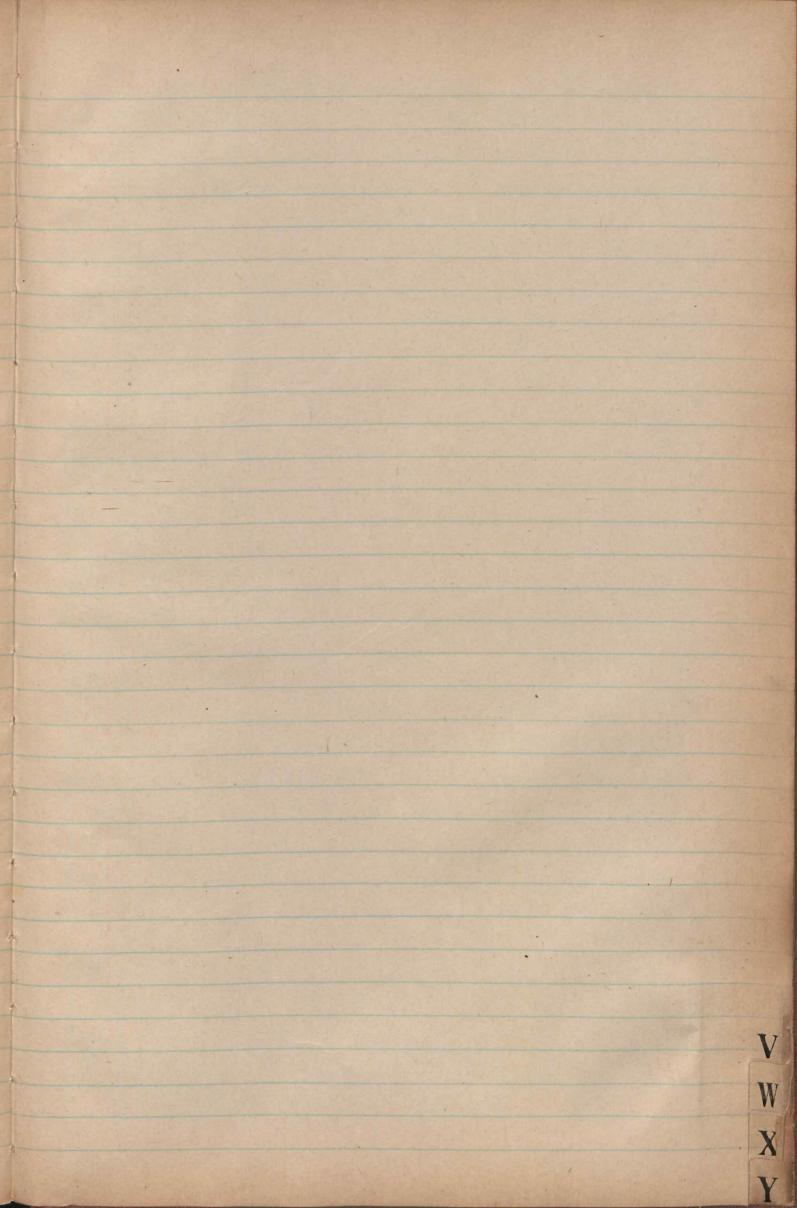


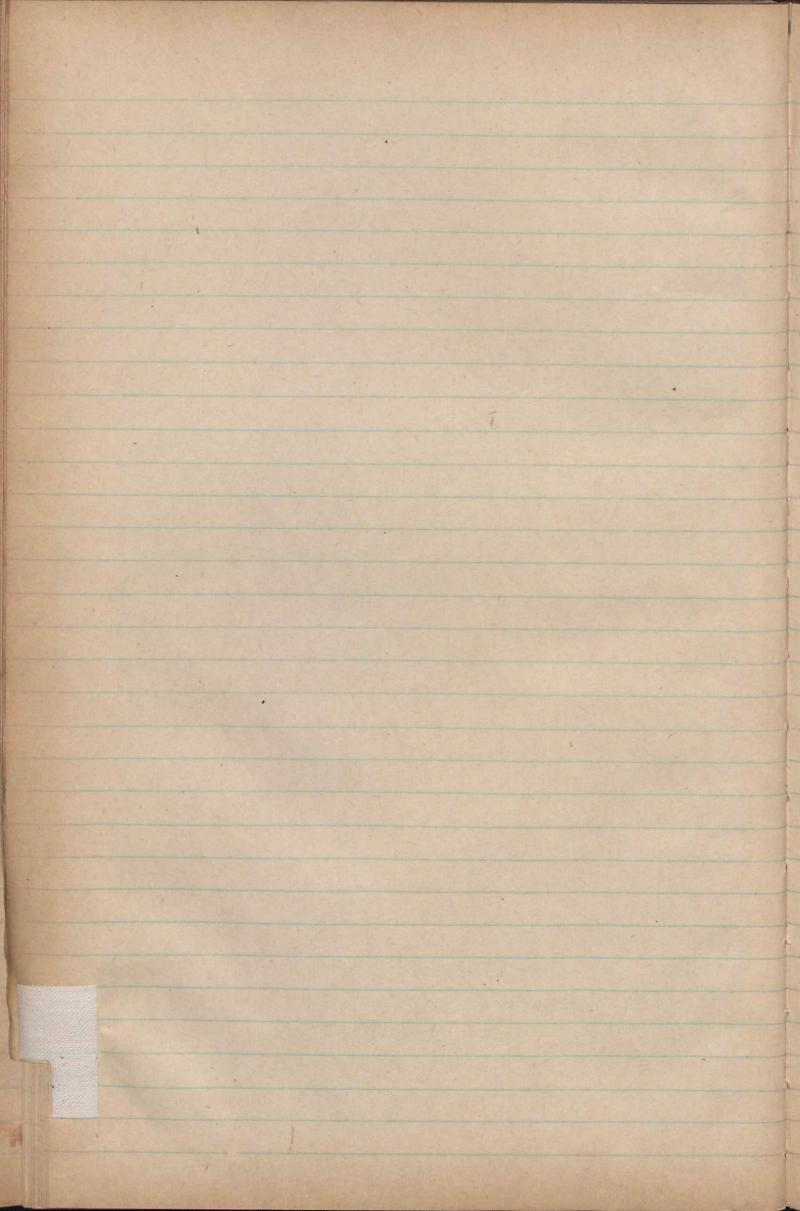
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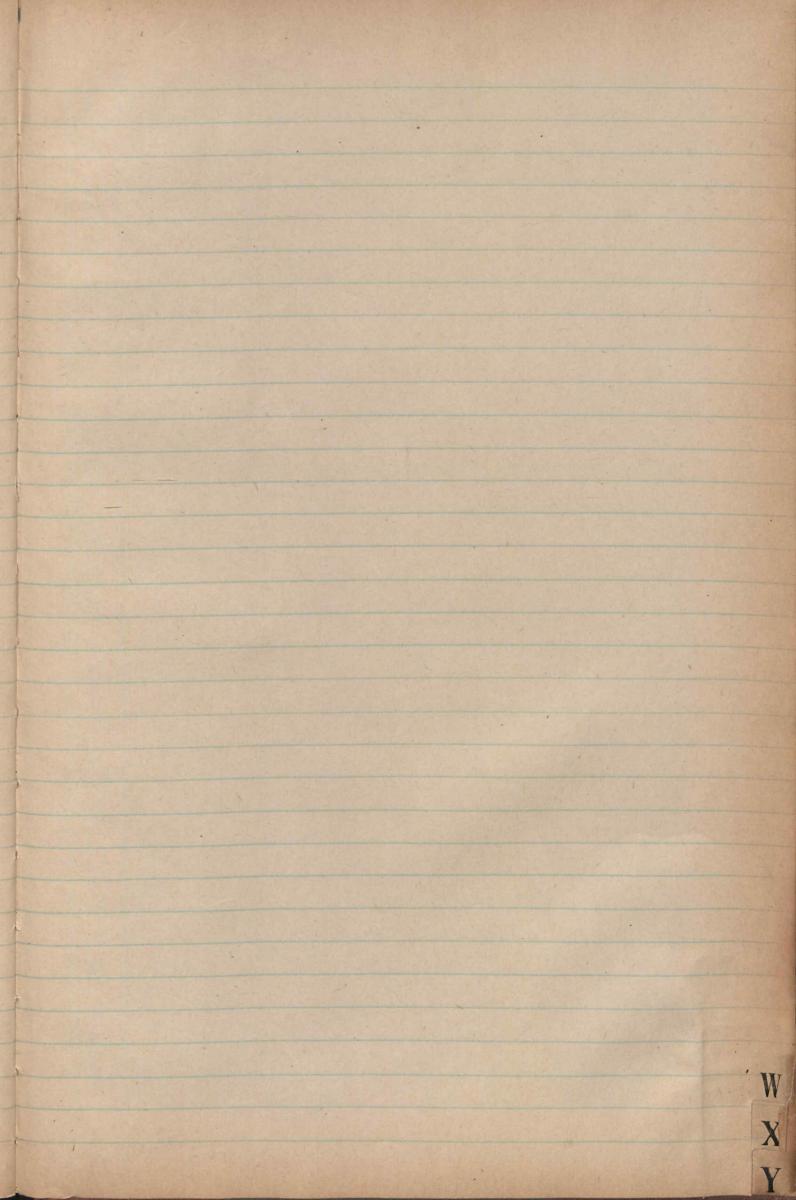


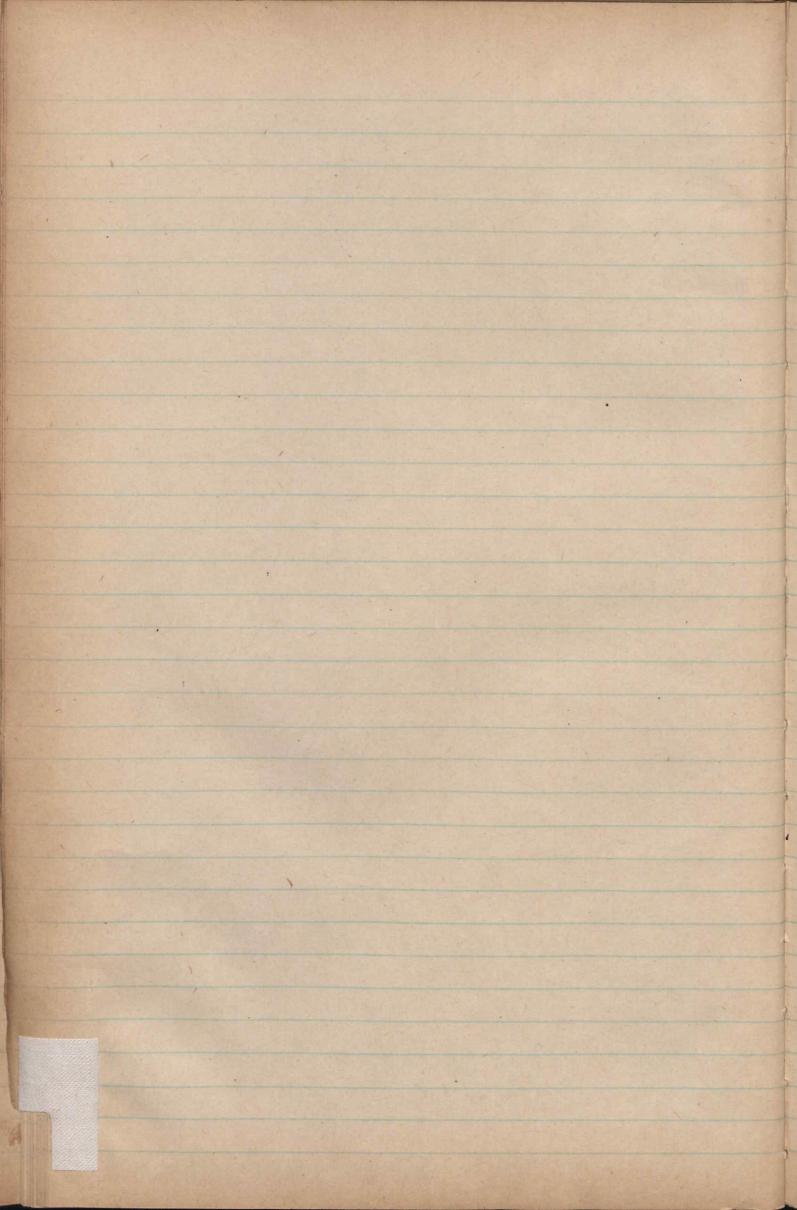


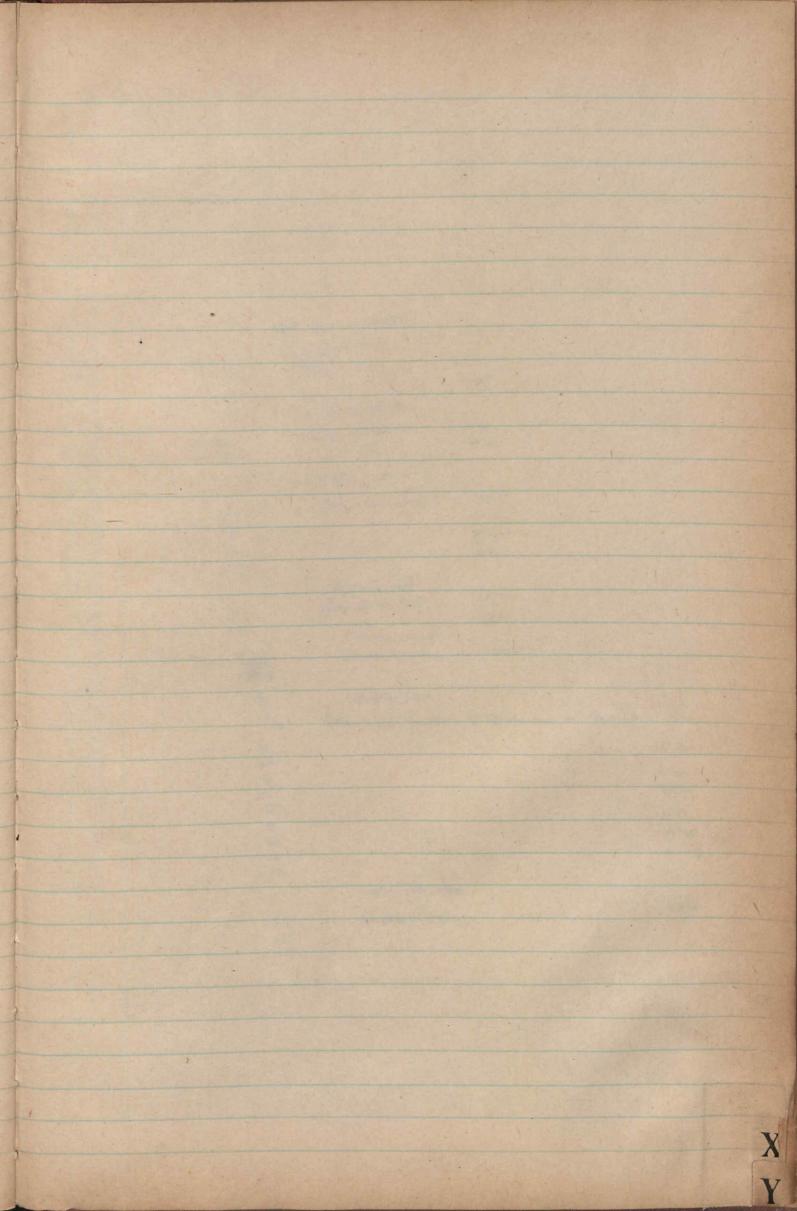


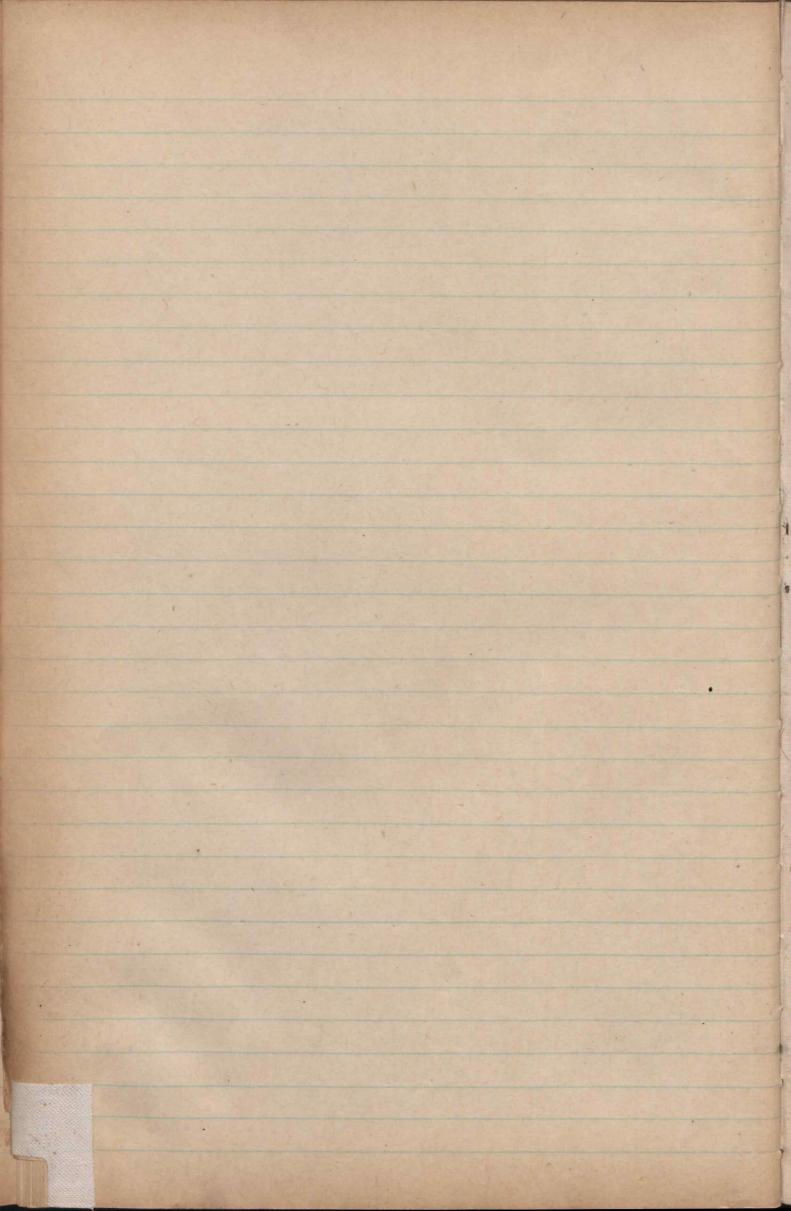












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