GBR 40: Board of Guardians Minutes, Berwick-upon-Tweed Union

LEVEL	REF	TITLE	DESCRIPTION	DATE
Volume	GBR 40	Berwick Board of Guardians minute book outlining the business of the Guardians in administering Poor Relief in the Berwick-upon-Tweed Union, from 10 February 1846 to 11 June 1849.	During the period covered by this volume, the following people served as Guardians or paid officers of the Union. Guardians were elected each year in April; Medical Officers were appointed annually from 25 March. The dates indicate the commencement of the annual appointment.  The first form of name listed (normally forename and surname) is the standardised form which will also appear in item entries for this volume in addition to any specific variants in the item text. In this volume level entry, alternative and fuller forms of a person's name are shown in square brackets.  Guardians (with parish represented, profession, place of residence if known, and years elected): John Archbold (Twizel, 1845); John Batten (Berwick, timber merchant, Sandgate, 1849); Adam Bell (Tweedmouth, farmer, East Ord, 1845, 1846, 1848, 1849); Nicholas Bell (Horncliffe, baker and seedsman, 1845, 1846, 1847, 1848); Ebenezer Black (Grindon, farmer, New Heaton, 1848, 1849); John Black (Holy Island, farmer, New Heaton, 1848, 1849); John Brodie (Twizel, farmer, Tiptoe, 1849); John Burn (Tweedmouth, farmer, Middle Ord, 1848); Robert Carr (Felkington, farmer, 1848, 1849) [cf. Robert Kerr 1847]; George Carr (Duddo, farmer, Greenlawalls, 1848); George Chisholm (Kyloe, farmer, Fenwick, 1847); Alexander Christison (Berwick, grocer, Bridge Street, 1845, 1846, 1847, 1848); Henry Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke, H G C Clarke] (Berwick, physician, Bankhill, 1845, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849); William Cleghorn (Norham Mains, farmer, Norham East Mains, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849); Thomas Crewther (Tweedmouth, fisherman, fish-curer, Spittal, 1847, 1846); Alexander Crossman (Berwick/Holy Island, grocer, Berwick, 1845, 1846, 1847, 1848); Edward Davidson (Berwick, Hide Hill, 1845, 1848);	10 Feb. 1846 - 11 June 1849

John Dewar (Berwick, corn merchant, Bridge Street, 1849): John Dodds (Berwick, saddler, Marygate, 1845, 1846); Nathaniel Dodds (Shoreswood, farmer, 1845, 1848, 1849); Ralph Dodds (Berwick, grocer, Marygate, 1849); John Dunbar (Loanend, farmer, Bankhead, 1847, 1848, 1849); William Elliott (Berwick, major in the army, Ravensdowne, 1849); John Edminson (Tweedmouth, farmer, 1846); Andrew Fender (Berwick, farmer, Greenses, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849); Joseph Fleming (Berwick, currier, 1846, 1847, 1848); Thomas Friar, (Duddo, gentleman, Grindon Ridge, 1849); Charles Gilchrist [Charles L Gilchrist] (Berwick, grocer, Marygate, 1845, 1848); George Gilchrist (Berwick, gentleman, Ravensdowne, 1847); Alexander Gillie [Alexander J Gillie, A J Gillie] (Berwick, farmer, New East Farm, 1846, 1847, 1848); William Heron (Tweedmouth, farmer, Unthank, 1846, 1847, 1849); Robert Hogarth (Ancroft, farmer, Scremerston, 1848); George Hogg (Kyloe, 1845, 1846); James Hogg (Kyloe, farmer, Buckton, 1849); Thomas Hownam (Berwick, farmer, Baits Cross, 1848); Thomas Hubback (Berwick, draper, Marygate, 1845, 1846, 1847, 1848); James Jaffray (Berwick, bookseller, Marygate, 1848); Robert Kerr (Felkington, farmer, 1847): Alexander Laing (Duddo, farmer, Gallowgate, 1845, 1846, 1847); James Laing (Tweedmouth, 1845): John Laing (Cornhill, farmer, 1845); Henry Leckie (Kyloe, farmer, Smeefield, 1848); Leonard Lisle (Felkington, farmer, 1846); Alexander Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey, A R Lowrey] (Berwick, farmer, Castle Hills, 1845, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849); George MacGregor (Ancroft, farmer, Windmill Hill, 1848); Richard Makins (Twizel, farmer, Shellacres, 1846, 1847, 1848); John McGregor (Ancroft, farmer and miller, Bridge Mill, 1845, 1846, 1849); John McLeod (1845); James Marshall (Berwick, grocer, Bridge End, 1845, 1848); Jonathan Melrose (Norham, farmer, East Newbigging, 1848);

Thomas Nesbitt [Thomas Nesbit] (Tweedmouth, farmer, Spittal Hall, 1845, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849); George Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson, George K Nicholson, G K Nicholson] (Berwick, gentleman, Bridge End, 1848, 1849); James Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson, James R Nicholson, J R Nicholson] (Thornton, farmer, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849); Thomas Pinkerton (Ancroft, farmer, 1845, 1849); William Pratt [William Gregson Pratt, W G Pratt] (Cornhill, farmer, East Melkington, 1846, 1847); James Ramsay (Tweedmouth, farmer, 1847); Robert Ramsay (Tweedmouth, ironfounder, Calf Close, 1848, 1849); William Richardson (Loanend, farmer, Mount Pleasant, 1846); George Robison (Tweedmouth, farmer, Berwick, 1848); Edward Rutherford (Ancroft, farmer, Cheswick New Inn, 1847); George Scott (Ancroft, farmer, Cheswick Buildings, 1846); Alexander Smith (Norham, farmer, Gallowgate, 1845, 1846, 1848); George Smith (Berwick, 1845); William Smith, of Ancroft (Ancroft, farmer, Allerdean, 1847); William Smith, RN (Berwick, captain in the Royal Navy, Ava Cottage, 1847, 1848, 1849); Thomas Thompson, junior (Berwick, draper, Marygate, 1848); George Wilson (Berwick, innkeeper, Marygate, 1847, 1848); John Wilson (Berwick, ironmonger, Bridge Street, 1846); George Wood (Longridge, farmer, North Longridge, 1845, 1848). Medical Officers (with District and years appointed): William Donaldson (Norhamshire West, 1848, 1849); Andrew Henderson (Berwick & Workhouse, 1846; died 1846): Alexander Kirkwood (Berwick & Workhouse, 1849); William Lilly [William Smith Lilly, W S Lilly] (Berwick, & Workhouse, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849; died 1849); John Manners (Tweedmouth, 1848, 1849; appointment terminated 1849); Andrew Morison [Andrew Morrison] (Islandshire, 1846; Tweedmouth, 1847, 1848; resigned 1848): John Paxton (Norhamshire, 1846, 1847: Norhamshire East, 1848, 1849);

			Joseph Watson (Holy Island, 1846, Islandshire, 1847, 1848, 1849).  Relieving Officers (with District and years appointed): John Anderson (Islandshire, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849); James Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson, J B Atkinson] (Berwick, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849); Robert Forster [Robert Michael Forster, R M Forster] (Norhamshire, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849; died 1849); Joseph Scott (Norhamshire, 1849).  The parishes which comprised the Berwick-upon-Tweed Union during the period covered by this volume were: Ancroft; Berwick; Cornhill; Duddo; Felkington; Grindon; Holy Island; Horncliffe [Horncliff]; Kyloe; Loanend; Longridge; Norham; Norham Mains; Shoreswood; Thornton; Tweedmouth; Twizel [Twisel].  In the catalogue entries for the minutes of individual meetings, Berwick-upon-Tweed Union is referred to as Berwick Union.	
Item	GBR 40/1-4	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 10 February 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; T Pinkerton [Thomas Pinkerton]; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; E Davidson [Edward Davidson]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; J McLeod; T Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; A Crossman [Alexander Crossman].  Medical Officers: Andrew Henderson; Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison].  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson] and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief for non-settled poor was recorded for the Unions of: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Greenwich; Shrewsbury; Stockton; Whitechapel. Payments were ordered for supplies and services and establishment charges to: John Morton; Thomas Cockburn; G Young; J Milburne; Mrs Jane Purdie (sweeping chimneys, eggs, repairing clothes).  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	10 Feb. 1846

			The Board considered applications for the post of Porter [in the Workhouse] from Patrick Hogg and William Grey, but decided against appointing either and to postpone the decision.  The Board considered a letter from the Clerks and agreed to increase their annual salary from £90 to £130, subject to approval by the Poor Law Commissioners.	
Item	GBR 40/4-8	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 24 February 1846	Present at the meeting: W H T Hawley [William Henry Toovey Hawley], Assistant Poor Law Commissioner. Guardians: Alexander Smith; Alexander Crossman; Dr Clarke; James Marshall; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; T Hubback [Thomas Hubback]; N Bell [Nicholas Bell]; George Wood. Medical Officers: Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison].  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson] and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief for non-settled poor was recorded for the Unions of: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Greenwich; Whitechapel; Stockton. Payments were ordered for supplies and services and establishment charges to: John Morton (beef); Thomas Cockburn; Robert Sanderson; R Thompson (flour); J Milburne; G Young; Jane Purdie (sand, eggs); D Cameron (printing); Thomas Cheeseborough (provision book); William Henderson (carpenter); William Brown (stones and leading); Peter Jeffrey (iron works); Harbour Commissioners; Thomas Atkinson (cooper); James Yule (carpenter); Berwick and Kelso Warder; coffin for Thomas Emery, Alnwick Union; James Purvis (mattress); John Brough (paving); John Main (repairing clothes). The Board appointed the following to assist the Clerk with the forthcoming election of Guardians: J B Atkinson (Berwick); George Dick (Tweedmouth); John Anderson (Ancroft); Henry Leckie (Kyloe); Robert Donaldson (Holy Island); John Carmichael (Cornhill); R M Forster (Norham); Alexander Laing (Duddo); Robert Carr (Felkington); Ebenezer Black (Grindon); John Embleton (Horncliffe); William Richardson (Loanend); George Wood (Longridge); William Cleghorn (Norham Mains); Nathaniel Dodds (Shoreswood); James R Nicholson (Thornton); John Archbold (Twizel). Following guidance from the Poor Law Commission, the Board decided to appoint a Collector of Poor Rates for the Parish of Berwick at its meeting on 10 March. It also	24 Feb. 1846

			decided to appoint a Porter at the same meeting.	
Item	GBR 40/8- 14	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 10 March 1846	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A Smith [Alexander Smith]; James Laing; Thomas Pinkerton; Edward Davidson; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Alexander Laing; Nathaniel Dodds; C L Gilchrist [Charles Gilchrist]; John Archbold; Thomas Hubback; George Smith; James Marshall; Dr Clarke [Henry George Clarke]; John McLeod; Nicholas Bell; John McGregor; George Hogg; John Dodds; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; John Laing; G Wood [George Wood]; A Christison [Alexander Christison]; A Crossman [Alexander Crossman]. Medical Officers: John Paxton.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson] and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief for non-settled poor was recorded for the Unions of: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Greenwich; Whitechapel; Stockton. Payments were ordered for supplies and services and establishment charges: John Morton (beef); George Young; George Oswald (barley); Joseph Milburne; Robert Sanderson (coals); Mrs Purdie [Jane Purdie] (milk, chaff, eggs); Stephen Scott (potatoes); D McGregor (oakum); John Brough (paving); Nicholas Richardson; Andrew Thompson; R Home; John Main (repairing clothes); Alexander Meikle (repairing clothes).  The Board conducted an election for a Collector of Rates for the parish of Berwick, following the resignation of James Blackett Atkinson. Applications were received from Thomas Allison, Robert Kerr, David Logan, and John Veitch, and William Gibson was nominated by A R Lowrey and seconded by Dr Clarke. The procedure for voting was	10 March 1846
			explained. Robert Kerr was elected in the second round of voting, and was required to provide two sureties and a bond of £100.  The Board elected Robert Pringle as Porter, in the room of John Moor.  The Board decided to determine the terms of appointment of the Medical Officers at its next meeting.	
			A R Lowrey gave notice that he would request a salary for the office of Assistant Overseer of the parish of Berwick, currently held by J B Atkinson without pay. The Boards decided to consider at its next meeting a proposal to increase the salary	

			of John Anderson, Relieving Officer or Islandshire District, and also that of R M Forster, Relieving Officer of Norhamshire District.  It was agreed that William McGhee, an orphan aged 15, should be apprenticed to Robert Kennedy, tailor of Grindon, subject to a satisfactory appearance of the master before the Board.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Payments to the Treasurer were recorded from the following Unions for relief administered to their paupers: St Ackmands, Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Rothbury; Gravesend; Glendale.	
Item	GBR 40/15- 24	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 24 March 1846	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A Smith [Alexander Smith]; George Smith; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; A Crossman [Alexander Crossman]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; A Christison [Alexander Christison]; John Archbold; N Heron; Nathaniel Dodds; T Nesbitt [Thomas Nesbitt]; John McGregor; W Richardson [William Richardson; John Dodds; T Hubback [Thomas Hubback]; T Pinkerton [Thomas Pinkerton]; George Hogg; James R Nicholson; [James Nicholson]; John Laing; James Marshall; C L Gilchrist [Charles Gilchrist]. Medical Officers: John Paxton; Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison].  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson] and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief for non-settled poor was recorded for the Unions of: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Greenwich; Whitechapel; Stockton. Payments were ordered for supplies and services and establishment charges: John Morton (beef); George Young; Joseph Milburne; Robert Sanderson (coals); Richard Thompson (flour); Thomas Cockburn (porter); Jane Purdie (milk, eggs, chaff); John Drummond; J & A Robertson & Co; Thomas Wilson; W H Rowland; Alexander Moor; Walter Thompson; W Wilson & Son; Young & Todd; Messrs Willoby; Robert Chrisp (clothing); John Mann (repairing clothes); Berwick Overseers (rent of workhouse).  Payment of salaries etc. was ordered for: Robert Home; Maxwell Gardner; M Atkinson; John Moor; Thomas Meston (barber); Union officers' postage.  Vaccination fees:	24 March 1846

A Henderson [Andrew Henderson]: Berwick, 23 cases.

A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 38 cases; Ancroft, 16 cases; Kyloe, 7 cases.

Mr Paxton: Horncliff, 4 cases; Cornhill, 2 cases; Norham, 1 case; Shoreswood, 1 case.

J Watson [Joseph Watson]: Holy Island, 5 cases.

Medical fees:

Mr Henderson: Berwick, 4 + 1 cases, midwifery. Mr Morrison: Tweedmouth, 1 case, midwifery.

Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. The Porter's book showed that in the last quarter 302 vagrants received relief, of whom 184 were chargeable to Berwick and 118 to Tweedmouth.

The Board decided upon the terms of appointment of the Medical Officers and Vaccinators, and noted the continuing difficulty of making the districts conform to the Medical Order. It was decided that the vaccination fee should be 1/6 per case, and that the Registrar of Births should be asked to provide a monthly list of births in each district so that vaccinators could visit those families that were likely to have their children vaccinated. Elections of Medical Officers and Vaccinators for one year were made as follows:

Andrew Henderson, for Berwick District including attendance at the Workhouse, @ £60 per annum (increased by £10 over the previous year);

John Paxton, for Norhamshire District, @ £30 per annum; Mr Donaldson [William Donaldson] was the unsuccessful candidate.

Andrew Morrison, for Islandshire District excluding Holy Island, @ £35 per annum; William Lilly was the unsuccessful candidate.

Joseph Watson, for Holy Island, @ £5 per annum.

It was also resolved that the Medical Officers should attend the fortnightly meetings of the Board, and that the Medical Officer for Berwick should attend meetings of the Workhouse Committee.

The Board received a letter from the Poor Law Commissioners which stated that the Assistant Overseer of a district, who should properly be the Collector, could only be appointed "by the Inhabitants in Vestry", and that the Guardians had no powers to

			appoint or determine salary. Therefore the motion of Mr Lowrey concerning an increase of salary for Mr Atkinson was not put.  The Board considered a letter from John Anderson, of Scremerston, Relieving Officer for Islandshire District, requesting an increase of salary, on grounds which included that his registration fees did not amount to the original estimates made by Sir John Walsham, and that his duties included visits to the parishes of Ancroft, Kyloe, and Holy Island, and weekly attendances at the Cheswick New Inn, the Plough Inn Beal, Tweedmouth, and Holy Island according to the tides. An increase of £10 per annum was approved (proposed by Mr Pinkerton and seconded by Mr Christison).  The Board considered a letter from R M Forster, of Norham, Relieving Officer [for Norhamshire District], requesting an increase of salary, on the grounds that the expenses of performing his duties left him insufficient for supporting his family. An increase of £10 per annum was approved (proposed by Mr Crossman and seconded	
			by Mr Christison; an amendment to retain the current salary was proposed by John Archbold but not seconded). Following the appearance before the Board by Robert Kennedy with character testimonials, the Board directed that the indenture of apprenticeship should be executed, and that the Overseers of Berwick should pay £2 10s 0d to Kennedy now, and the same amount when half of the apprenticeship had expired. The Board recorded its thanks to Mr Smith [Alexander Smith] for his performance in the Chair of the Board in the past year.	
Item	GBR 40/24- 28	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 7 April 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: George Smith; N Lisle; William Heron; A Bell [Adam Bell]; George Wood; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]. Chairman: George Wood.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson] and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief for non-settled poor was recorded for the Unions of: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Greenwich; Whitechapel; Stockton.	7 April 1846
			Payments were ordered for supplies and services and establishment charges to: John Morton (beef etc.); Robert Sanderson (coals); George Young (groceries);	

			Joseph Milburne (coffee etc.); Jane Purdie (milk, eggs, and sundries); John Mann (repairing clothes).  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  The Clerk reported that nominations of Guardians had been received from all parishes except Kyloe and the townships of Longridge, Shoreswood and Thornton. An election was being held for the parish of Berwick. George Wood stated his intention to act as Guardian for Thornton.  The Clerk presented letters from the Poor Law Commissioners confirming the appointment of Robert Pringle as Porter of the Workhouse, and approving an increase of salary for John Anderson and Robert M Forster, from £70 to £80. Since the contract for provisions, clothing etc. would expire on 20 April, the matter was referred to the Workhouse Committee to advertise for tenders.  The Clerk presented a letter from A Morrison [Andrew Morison] accepting his appointment as Medical Officer for Islandshire District, and he had named John Manners, surgeon of Berwick, as his substitute.	
Item	GBR 40/29- 38	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 21 April 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; George Wood; H G C Clarke [Henry Clarke]; A Bell [Adam Bell]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Richard Makins; A Christison [Alexander Christison]; J McGregor [John McGregor]; N Lisle; T Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; J Fleming [Joseph Fleming]; A Crossman [Alexander Crossman]; John Dodds; A Fender [Andrew Fender]; John Edminson; George Hogg; William Cleghorn; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]. Chairman: Dr Clarke; Alexander Smith.  The Clerk reported the election and voting figures for Guardians for the following year: For Berwick: Alexander Christison (grocer, of Bridge Street); A R Lowrey (farmer, of Castle Hills); H G C Clarke (gentleman, of Bankhill); John Wilson (ironmonger, of Bridge Street); Joseph Fleming (carrier, of Marygate); John Dodds (saddler, of Marygate); Thomas Hubback (draper, of Marygate); A J Gillie (farmer, of New East Farm); Andrew Fender (farmer, of the Greens); and the following who were nominated but not elected: George Winlaw (shoemaker, of Marygate); George Smith (draper, of Bridge Street); David Paxton (saddler, of Hide Hill); James Jaffray (stationer, of High Street); James Kay (spirit merchant, of Bridge Street).	21 April 1846

For Tweedmouth: William Heron (farmer, of Unthank); Adam Bell (farmer, of East End); John Edminson, (farmer, of Tweedmouth).

For Ancroft: John McGregor (farmer, of Bridge Mill); George Scott [ farmer, of Cheswick Buildings).

For Holy Island: Alexander Crossman (grocer, of Berwick).

For Cornhill: William G Pratt (farmer, of East Melkington).

For Norham: Alexander Smith (farmer, of Norham).

For Duddo: Alexander Laing (farmer).

For Felkington: Leonard Lisle (farmer).

For Grindon: Ebenezer Black (farmer).

For Horncliffe: Nicholas Bell (baker and seedsman).

For Loanend: William Richardson (farmer, of Mount Pleasant).

For Norham Mains: William Cleghorn (farmer).

For Twizel: Richard Makins (farmer, of Shellacres).

George Hogg stated his intention of acting as Guardian for Kyloe until the next election.

Alexander Smith was chosen as Chairman for the ensuing year. Dr Clarke and A R Lowrey were chosen as Vice-Chairmen.

The following were appointed to the Workhouse & Finance Committee: the Chairman and Vice-Chairman; Alexander Christison; Joseph Fleming; Alexander Crossman; Thomas Hubback; John Dodds; Andrew Fender; A J Gillie; John Edminson; Nathaniel Dodds.

The following were appointed to the School Committee: the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen; Alexander Christison; Joseph Fleming.

Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson], and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Greenwich; Whitechapel; Stockton. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (beef); Robert Sanderson (coals); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Young (groceries); J B Atkinson (milk, water jar, three pigs, etc.). Payment for maintenance of pauper lunatics was ordered for J Lough, of Tweedmouth, and Alice Bruce, in the Royal Lunatic Asylum Glasgow.

Funeral expenses were ordered for Mary Henderson, a pauper of Alnwick Union who died in Ancroft district.

Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. A statement was given of amounts for relief of non-resident poor owing to the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Bakewell; Sailcoates; Houghton le Spring; Leyburn; Sunderland; Scarborough. The apportionment to parishes was also listed. A statement was given of amounts owed by other Unions for relief of non-settled poor.

Robert Douglas, tailor of Spittal, applied to have Joseph Atkinson, of Berwick, aged 14, bound as apprentice, and the Board agreed subject to presentation of character testimonials.

The Poor Law Commissioners' approval of the medical appointments was reported. The naming of substitutes for two Medical Officers was reported: for Joseph Watson (Holy Island District), Mr Davidson, surgeon of Belford; for John Paxton (Norhamshire district), Mr Donaldson, surgeon of Norham. A letter from Dr Edgar reported that Andrew Henderson [Medical Officer for Berwick] had died earlier that day. The Board decided to ask Dr Edgar to replace him until a successor was appointed, and it recorded a tribute to Mr Henderson.

The Workhouse Committee reported that the following tenders had been accepted: John Morton, for beef (@4s 0½d per stone) and mutton (@6½d per lb). George Pirie, for tea (@5s 0d per lb), "dipt candles" (@5s 0d per dozen lb), and "mould" candles (@6s 0d per dozen lb).

Joseph Milburne, for treacle (@£1 4s 0d per cwt), pepper (@1s 0d per lb), tobacco (@3s 3d per lb), snuff (@3s 2d per lb), soap (@£2 4s 6d per cwt), soda (@7s 0d per cwt), sugar (@£2 16s 0d per cwt).

GL Gilchrist, for coffee (@1s 8d per lb), rice (@4s 6d per stone).

G Weatherhead, for salt (@2s 6d per cwt).

R Sanderson, for coals (@8s 0d per ton).

Thomas Cockburn, for wine (@£1 13s 0d per dozen), whiskey (@2s 0d per bottle), vinegar (@6d per bottle), porter (3½d per bottle).

John Winter, for oatmeal (@£2 2s 0d per sack), "for outdoor poor" (@2s 2d per stone), bread (@6d per loaf 5 lbs), barley (@1s 6d per stone). Richard Thompson, for flour (@£2 5s 0d per sack).

			James Jaffray, for copies (@1s 6d per dozen), shorter catechisms (@6d per dozen), McCullogh 2 reading book (@2s 3d per dozen), steel pens (@1s 6d per gross). Alexander Meikle, for women's shoes (@4s 10d per pair). Robert Chrisp, for men's suit (@£1 2s 11d), men's jackets (@8s 9d), boys 12-16 (@15s 1d), boys 7-12 (@11s 2d per suit), boys under 7 (@6s 11d per suit). R Rutherford & Co, for apron check (@6½d per yard), 7/8 grey calico (@2½d per yard), white flannel (@1s 0½d per yard), blue & white drugget (@9½d per yard), striped shirting (@8¼d per yard), canvas (@7¼d per yard), jaconet muslin (@7d per yard), blue bonnets (@ 10½d, 1s 0d, and 1s 1½d), yarn (@2s 1½d per lb), tapes (@2s 2d per dozen, and 3s 1d per dozen). Francis Lough, for coffins, 2-4 feet (@7s 0d), and 5 feet upwards (@11s 0d); 1s 0d extra when carried to Tweedmouth. The contractors for butcher meat and bread were required to provide security for their contracts.	
Item	GBR 40/39- 42	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 5 May 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Alexander Crossman; A Fender [Andrew Fender]; Joseph Fleming; Adam Bell; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]. Medical Officers: A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; J Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson], and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Greenwich; Whitechapel; Stockton. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (beef); Robert Sanderson (coals); Joseph Milburne (sugar); CL Gilchrist (groceries); George Pirie (tea); Richard Thompson; J B Atkinson (yeast & baking, whitening); Daniel Cameron (painting); shipping company (rope); D A Lamb (water	5 May 1846
			sprigs, and Register Office); John Main (mending clothes). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Consideration of the terms of appointment for a Medical Officer was deferred until the next meeting.	

Item	GBR 40/42- 44	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 9 May 1846	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Thomas Hubback; J R Nicholson [James Nicholson]; W G Pratt [William Pratt]; Nicholas Bell; James Laing; John Edmenson [John Edminson]; William Richardson; George Wood; Leonard Lisle; George Scott; Nathaniel Dodds; Andrew Fender; William Heron; AJ Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; E Black [Ebenezer Black]; George Hogg; John Dodds; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; Alexander Crossman; John Wilson; Joseph Fleming; Adam Bell; Alexander Christison; William Cleghorn; Alexander Laing. Chairman: Alexander Smith.  The Board discussed the terms of appointment for a Medical Officer to succeed Mr Henderson [Andrew Henderson], but was divided on the proposal for an increased salary. Two candidates were recommended for the post, S F Edgar and W S Lilly [William Lilly], and a majority voted for Mr Lilly. A salary of £55 per annum was agreed. It was noted that Mr Lilly's qualifications did not comply with the requirements stated by the Poor Law Commissioners.	9 May 1846
Item	GBR 40/45-49	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 19 May 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Joseph Fleming; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; Alexander Christison; Thomas Nesbitt. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Mr Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: A R Lowrey  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson], and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich. Receipts were recorded from Glendale and Whitechapel. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Winter (oatmeal); George Pirie (tea); Milburne (sugar, soap, grocery); Cockburn (wine); John Morton (meat); Robert Sanderson; C L Gilchrist (grocery); G	19 May 1846

				Weatherhead (grocery); J B Atkinson (milk, yeast, baking, chimney sweeping, straw); Rutherford & Co (clothing); Meikle (shoes, mending); John Main (mending clothes); J Jaffray (copy books); James Hudson (rope); Carr (garden seeds). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. The precept for the County Rate was reported with the apportionment to the parishes. Payment was ordered for maintenance of Robert Spowart, of Tweedmouth, in the Edinburgh Blind Asylum. The approval of the appointment of William Smith Lilly as Medical Officer for Berwick in succession to Andrew Henderson was received from the Poor Law Commissioners.  Mr Lilly named John Manners, surgeon of Berwick, as his substitute.  A J Gillie gave notice that at the next meeting he would move for the rescindment of the 2nd Rule of the Regulations for Order.	
Iter	n	GBR 40/50- 54	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 2 June 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; L Lisle [Leonard Lisle]; Andrew Fender; John Edminson; N Dodds [Nathaniel Dodds]; Alexander Crossman; John Wilson. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Mr Morrison [Andrew Morison]; Mr Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson], and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Richard Thompson (flour); John Winter (barley); John Morton (beef); C L Gilchrist [Charles Gilchrist]; Joseph Milburne (grocery); Thomas Cockburn (porter); J B Atkinson (milk, eggs, chaff); John Main (mending clothes); Berwick & Kelso Warder (printing); William Brown (paving stones); Joseph Brown (masonry); Charles Knight & Co (books).	2 June 1846
				Funeral expenses were ordered for Eleanor Locker, of Glendale Union, and Isabella Thorn, of Rothbury.	

			Payment for expenses in conducting elections for Guardians was ordered for W & E Willoby.  Receipts were recorded for relief to non-resident relief poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Bakewell; Scarborough; Sculcoates; Leyburn; Houghton le Spring. Receipts from Rothbury Union were recorded for maintenance of Isabella Thorn.  The motion of A J Gillie was not put, owing to his absence.	
Item	GBR 40/54- 58	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 16 June 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; John MacGregor; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Richard Makins; Joseph Fleming; Andrew Fender; Alexander Christison; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; Alexander Crossman.  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Mr Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson], and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury [Shrewsbury]; Whitechapel; Greenwich. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: C L Gilchrist (grocery); Joseph Milburne (grocery); Thomas Cockburn (porter); John Morton (beef); Robert Sanderson (coals); J B Atkinson (milk, sundries); John Main (mending clothes); [R Cairns], (shoes); proprietors of Kelso Warder (printing); Charles Knight & Co (books).  Payment of salaries was ordered for: J B Atkinson, Relieving Officer and Master of the Workhouse; John Anderson and R M Forster, Relieving Officers; R Usher; Andrew Morrison, John Paxton, and Andrew Henderson (deceased), Medical Officers; Mrs Purdie, [Matron]; Joseph Watson, Relieving Officer; John Moor, Assistant Master. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. An accounting error was corrected for the cost of printing voting papers for the parish of Berwick. A tender was accepted from James Thompson for "whitewashing and colouring the	16 June 1846

			Workhouse". A date was agreed for examining the "scholars attending the Workhouse School". The meeting was adjourned until 23 June.	
Item	GBR 40/58-62	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 23 June 1846 (adjourned from 16 June).	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson], and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shewsbury [Shrewsbury]; Whitechapel; Greenwich; Stockton.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Richard Thompson (flour); John Morton (meat); C L Gilchrist (grocery); George Weatherhead (salt); Joseph Milburne (grocery); Thomas Cockburn (porter); J B Atkinson (milk, yeast & baking, etc); Robert Crisp (clothes); John Main (mending clothes); Shaw & Sons (books); John Williamson; Berwick Overseers (rent of Workhouse).  Payment of salaries was ordered for: Maxwell Gardner, schoolmaster; Margaret Atkinson, schoolmistress; Thomas Meston, barber; John Moor, Assistant Master. Vaccination fees were to be paid to: Andrew Morrison: Tweedmouth, 41 cases; Ancroft, 1 case. John Paxton: Shoreswood, 7 cases; Cornhill, 4 cases; Loanend, 4 cases; Twizel, 1 case; Horncliffe, 2 cases; Norham, 3 cases; Grindon, 1 case; Felkington, 2 cases; Thornton, 1 case; Norham Mains, 1 case. Joseph Watson: Holy Island, 14 cases. Medical fees were to paid to: A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 2 cases, midwifery; Ancroft, 1 case, midwifery. A Henderson [Andrew Henderson], deceased: Berwick, 5 cases, midwifery. S F Edgar: Berwick, 1 case, midwifery; Tweedmouth, 1 case, midwifery.	23 June 1846

			Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  An error in the account for a box of tea from G Pirie was corrected.  The Porter's Books showed that 433 vagrants received relief in the previous quarter (241 chargeable to Berwick, 192 to Tweedmouth).	
Item	GBR 40/63- 65	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 30 June 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; George Scott; Dr Clarke {Henry Clarke]; Alexander Laing; A R Lowrey; Joseph Fleming. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson], and Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Stockton; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich.  The Board approved a report from the committee appointed to examine the Workhouse school, which paid tribute to the improvements of the pupils under the tuition of Mr Gardner [Maxwell Gardner] and the care of Miss Atkinson [Margaret Atkinson]. It ordered copies of the report to be sent to the editors of both Berwick newspapers for use as local news.	30 June 1846
Item	GBR 40/65- 68	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 14 July 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Alexander Crossman; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; George Wood; Andrew Fender; Adam Bell; Joseph Fleming; John Wilson; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; William Heron; Alexander Christison; W G Pratt [William Pratt].  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Mr Morrison [Andrew Morison]; Mr Paxton [John Paxton].  Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, Messrs Atkinson [James Atkinson], Anderson [John Anderson], and Forster [Robert Forster], were	14 July 1846

			presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich; Stockton. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Winter (barley); Joseph Milburn [Joseph Milburne] (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (porter); J B Atkinson (milk, sundries, eggs); John Main (mending clothes); Alexander Meikle (mending shoes); Shaw & Sons (books); Harbour Commissioners (shore dues); Duncan MacGregor (old rope). Funeral expenses were ordered for Mary Beveridge, of Glendale Union. Payment of salaries was ordered for:  W & E Willoby, Clerks; J B Atkinson, Relieving Officer and Workhouse Master; John Anderson & R M Forster, Relieving Officers; John Moor, Assistant Master; Jane Purdie, Matron; Andrew Morrison, John Paxton, and Joseph Watson, Medical Officers.  Payment was ordered for a half-year's rent of the Register Office.	
Item	GBR 40/69- 75	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 20 July 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; Nicholas Bell; Andrew Fender; John Edminson; John Wilson. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich; Stockton. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Richard Thompson (flour); John Morton (meat); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne; Thomas Cockburn (porter); George Weatherhead (salt); Rutherford & Co (clothing); John Main (mending clothes); J B Atkinson (sundries, eggs); James Thompson (colouring); George Hogg (window rods);  Payment of salaries was ordered for: R Usher (auditor); Robert Pringle (porter).	20 July 1846
			Registration accounts were presented for J B Atkinson, John Anderson, and R M	

			Forster, for parishes within their districts. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Receipts were recorded for non-settled poor from Stockton Union. Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics: Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth, in the Royal Lunatic Asylum Glasgow; Alice Bruce, of Twizel, in the Morningside Asylum [Edinburgh]. Accounts for the quarter were presented, listed by parish, for relief given to non-resident paupers by the following Unions: Glendale, Rothbury; Bakewell; Sculcoates; Houghton le Spring; Leyburn; Sunderland; Scarboro [Scarborough]; Durham; Easington. Quarterly accounts were also presented for money due from other Unions.  An application by John Flounders for his son John to be admitted to the Workhouse, at the expense of his relatives, was granted. In the absence of the Clerks, George Tabberer was appointed as their substitute at the meeting.	
Item	GBR 40/76-79	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 11 August 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Joseph Fleming; Leonard Lisle; Andrew Fender. Medical Officers: Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Joseph Fleming.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich; Stockton. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Thomas Cockburn (porter); Joseph Milburne (groceries); C L Gilchrist (groceries); John Winter (barley); J B Atkinson (milk, eggs, sundries); Robert Sanderson (coals); John Main (mending clothes); Thomas Atkinson (cooper work); Shipping co. (carriage); Lamp rate of Register Office. Funeral expenses were ordered for Mary Ann Crossroot, pauper of Glendale Union. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Receipts were recorded for relief to non-resident poor from the following Unions:	11 Aug. 1846

			Glendale; Greenwich; Whitechapel.	
Item	GBR 40/79- 81	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 25 August 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Thomas Hubback; John Wilson; Joseph Fleming. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison], Chairman: A R Lowrey.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich; Stockton. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); G Weatherhead (salt); Thomas Cockburn (wine); J B Atkinson (milk, sundries, fish, eggs); John Main (mending clothes). Funeral expenses were ordered for Jane Robson, of Belford Union. An account was presented for maintenance of Ralph Low, of Tweedmouth, in Glasgow Lunatic Asylum.	25 Aug. 1846
Item	GBR 40/82- 86	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 8 September 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; Alexander Crossman; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Richard Makins; N Bell [Nicholas Bell]; John Wilson; Joseph Fleming. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Mr Paxton [John Paxton]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], J Anderson [John Anderson], and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich; Stockton. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Richard	8 Sept. 1846

			Thompson (flour); John Morton (meat); Joseph Milburne (groceries); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (porter); Robert Sanderson (coals); George Pirie (candles); J B Atkinson (milk, sundries); John Main (mending clothes); Alexander Meikle (mending shoes); J Brough (stones); Walter Thompson (stationery); T W Nicholson (cleaning clock). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded, including notice of a precept for the county Rate for Northumberland and the apportionment for parishes  Thomas Rutherford, butcher, presented authorization from Mrs Shanks for him to receive on her behalf the sum of £15, which had been authorized in 1843 for the maintenance in Canada of John Whitelaw, pauper of Tweedmouth. This derived from an agreement made before the formation of the Union and prior to the emigration of	
			Mrs Shanks to Canada. Payment was ordered.	
Item	GBR 40/86- 92	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 22 September 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; George Scott; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; L Lisle [Leonard Lisle]; Andrew Fender; John MacGregor; Joseph Fleming; Adam Bell. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich; Stockton. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Richard Thompson (flour); John Morton (meat); Thomas Cockburn (porter); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); G Weatherhead (salt); J B Atkinson (sundries); R Sanderson & J Winter; John Brough (stones); Charles Knight & Co. (books); Peter Jeffrey (smith work); John Drummond (whitesmith); James Yule (carpenter); B Atkinson (painter); S Fishackley (carpenter); Young & Todd (plumbers); W Wilson & son (tea boiler); S Steven (wire work); William Henderson (carpenter); W & E Willoby (justice fees); Robert Kerr (poor rate, rent of Workhouse); Union officers' postages; John Main (mending clothes); Robert Crisp (coat for William Cook); gas account.	22 Sept. 1846

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			Payment of salaries was ordered for: the executors of the late Andrew Henderson, Medical Officer; S F Edgar (medical services); Maxwell Gardner (schoolmaster); Margaret Atkinson (schoolmistress); Robert Pringle (porter); Thomas D Meston (barber).  Vaccination fees for:  W S Lilly: Berwick, 69 cases; Tweedmouth, 20 cases; Ancroft, 4 cases.  A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 36 cases; Ancroft, 7 cases.  J Paxton [John Paxton]: Felkington, 5 cases; Longridge, 1 case; Duddo, 6 cases; Twizel, 6 cases; Norham, 22 cases; Cornhill, 14 cases; Grindon, 6 cases; Shoreswood, 5 cases; Norham Mains, 4 cases; Thornton, 1 case.  Medical fees for:  A Morrison: Tweedmouth, Jane Lee, fracture of arm.  W S Lilly: Berwick, 3 midwifery cases.  John Paxton: Cornhill, R White, fracture of leg; Shoreswood, 1 midwifery case.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  Receipts for relief to non-settled poor were recorded from the following Unions:  Rothbury; Gravesend; Sunderland.  The Porter's Book showed that 441 vagrants were given relief in the previous quarter;  260 were chargeable to Berwick, 173 to Tweedmouth.  Payment was ordered for a previously omitted account of Messrs Rutherford for clothing.	
Item	GBR 40/92- 94	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 6 October 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; John Wilson; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Joseph Fleming; Thomas Hubback. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: A R Lowrey. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Stockton; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich.	6 Oct. 1846

Item	GBR 40/94- 100	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; Leonard Lisle; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Adam Relly De Clerker [Magnet Clerker]	20 Oct. 1846
		meeting held on 20 October 1846.	Bell; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; George Wood; John Wilson; William Heron; Alexander Crossman; Thomas Nesbitt.	
		October 1040.	Medical Officers: John Paxton; A Morrison [Andrew Morison].	
			Chairman: Alexander Smith.	
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Stockton; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich.	
			Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Robert Sanderson (coals); Rutherford & Co; Thomas Cockburn (porter); John Winter (barley); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Pirie (candles); George Weatherhead (salt); C L Gilchrist (groceries); J B Atkinson (milk, sundries, mustard); MacGrigor (old rope); Shipping co. (freight); shore dues; John Main (mending clothes); [Robert Cairens] (carpet shoes).	
			Funeral expenses were ordered for Mary Watson, of Glendale Union.	
			Registration accounts were presented for 14 parishes.	
			Accounts were received from the following Unions relieving non-resident poor: Glendale; Rothbury; Sculcoates; Houghton le Spring; Leyburn; Sunderland; Durham; Easington.	
			Quarterly accounts were presented for amounts due from Unions in respect of relief to non-resident poor.	
			Instalments and interest on the Exchequer Loan were reported. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	
			Payments were ordered for maintenance of pauper lunatics: Alice Bruce, of Twizel, in Morningside Lunatic Asylum [Edinburgh]; Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth, in Royal Lunatic Asylum Glasgow.	

Item	GBR	Minutes of Berwick	Present at the meeting:	3 Nov. 1846
item	40/100-105	Board of Guardians meeting held on 3 November 1846.	Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Leonard Lisle; Joseph Fleming; Richard Makins; Andrew Fender. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison].	3 100. 1040
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Stockton; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich.	
			Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Richard Thompson (flour); John Morton (meat); Thomas Cockburn (porter & wine); George Pirie (sugar); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Robert Sanderson (coals); Joseph Milburne (groceries); J B Atkinson (sundries); John Main (mending clothes); R Rockford (shoes); gas.	
			The Clerk reported the precept from the County of Northumberland for County Rate, and its apportionment to the parishes.  The Workhouse Committee reported acceptance of the following tenders:  John Morton, for beef (@4s 4½d per stone) and mutton (@7d per lb);  Richard Thompson, for flour (@£2s 8s 0d per sack);	
			John Winter, for barley (@15s 0d per cwt), bread (@6d per loaf of 41/4 lbs), oatmeal	
			(@6d for 2¾ lbs); George Pirio, for sugar (@63 16s 0d per out), pepper (@1s 0d per lb), treadle (@3s	
			George Pirie, for sugar (@£2 16s 0d per cwt), pepper (@1s 0d per lb), treacle (@3s 6d per stone), soda (@7s 0d per cwt), mould candles (@6s 5d per dozen lbs), dipt candles (@5s 5d per dozen lbs);  C L Gilchrist, for coffee (@1s 6d per lb), rice (@£2 4s 0d per cwt and £1s 10s 0d per cwt), split peas (@10s 3d per bushel);  Mrs Paulin, for salt (@2s 4d per cwt);	
			Robert Sanderson, for coals (@8s 0d per ton); Joseph Milburne, for tobacco (@3s 3d per lb), snuff (@3s 2d per lb);	

			Thomas Cockburn, for ½ wine (@£1 13s 0d per dozen, ½ porter (@3s 6d per dozen), whiskey (@2s 0d per bottle), vinegar (@6d per bottle);  George Henderson, for ½ wine (@£1 13s 0d per dozen), ½ porter (@3s 6d per dozen);  James Jeffrey, for post paper (@9s 9d per ream), steel pins (@5s 0d per gross and 2s 6d per gross), Reeds English Grammar (@4½d each), Church of England catechisms (@9d per dozen), Church of Scotland catechisms (@9d per dozen), copy books (@1s 6d per dozen), Church of Scotland catechisms (@9d per dozen), represented the control of the contr	
Item	GBR 40/105-109	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 17 November 1846	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; A Fender [Andrew Fender]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Adam Bell; George Scott; Mr MacGregor [John MacGregor]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; J Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Dr Clarke. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale;	17 Nov. 1846

			Stockton; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Greenwich.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); C L Gilchrist (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (wine); Mrs Paulin (salt); J B Atkinson (sundries); Rutherford & Co (canvas); Berwick Advertiser; James Jeffrey (stationery); rent of garden; Shaw & Sons (books); George Smith (clothing); John Main (mending). Payment of salaries was ordered for: W & E Willoby (Clerks); J B Atkinson (Relieving Officer & Workhouse Master); John Anderson and R M Forster (Relieving Officers); W S Lilly, A Morrison, John Paxton and Joseph Watson (Medical Officers); John Moor (Assistant Workhouse Master); Jane Purdie (Matron). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Receipts were recorded for relief to non-resident poor from the following Unions: Greenwich; Whitechapel; Stockton; Sunderland; Rothbury; Glendale.	
Item	GBR 40/110-113	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 1 December 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; John Wilson; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Stockton; Shrewsbury; Whitechapel; Glendale.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Richard Thompson (flour); John Morton (meat); Robert Sanderson (coals); C L Gilchrist (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (porter); J B Atkinson (sundries); James Renton (stones); Joseph Brown (mason work); lamp rate of Register Office; Charles Forsythe (sundries, clothing); John Main (mending clothes). A receipt was recorded for relief to non-settled poor from Glendale Union. Payment was ordered for maintenance of Ralph Low, of Tweedmouth, in Glasgow	1 Dec. 1846

			Lunatic Asylum.	
Item	GBR 40/113-118	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 15 December 1846	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Andrew Fender; Joseph Fleming; Alexander Crossman; Thomas Hubback; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; Adam Bell; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]. Chairman: A R Lowrey.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Stockton; Whitechapel.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); George Pirie (sugar); George Henderson (wine); Thomas Cockburn (porter); John Winter (barley); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Robert Sanderson (coals); J B Atkinson (sundries); Charles Knight (books); David Gibson (rent of Register Office); Hugh Brough (mason work); Alexander Meikle (repairing shoes); John Main (mending clothes).  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. A receipt was recorded for relief to non-settled poor from the parish of St Alkmonds Shrewsbury.  A letter from Dr Hutchinson, physician at Glasgow Royal Lunatic Asylum, requested the removal of Ralph Low, of Tweedmouth. Mr Crossman offered to write to the Lunatic Asylum of Dumfries requesting the admission of Low and another person currently in the Workhouse.	15 Dec. 1846
			Following a report from Mr Anderson, Collector of Rates for Ancroft, Kyloe and Holy Island, that he had difficulty in getting contributions paid, the Treasurer was asked to make more suitable arrangements.  A committee was formed, consisting of the Chairman, two Vice-Chairmen, and Mr Crossman, to make provision with the contractors for the railway bridge to prevent their labourers and others from becoming chargeable to the Union when they	

			suffered accidents. The Board ordered an application to Messrs Grahamsley and Reed for payment for maintenance of John Scullen, a railway labourer sent from Fenham with a broken leg who died in the Workhouse. The Board considered a letter from the Poor Law Commissioners concerning a complaint from Mary Wilson that she had been refused out-relief. In justification it was stated that she had not previously been in regular receipt of out-relief, but only during a period of sickness, and that now she lived with "a Woman of very indifferent character". The Board decided to uphold its previous decision, and to offer Wilson the Workhouse. The Board decided to support a proposal from the Poor Law Commissioners to establish a fund for superannuation of paid officers of Unions in England. The Board adjourned its meeting until 22 December.	
Item	GBR 40/118-121	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 22 December 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Joseph Fleming; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Andrew Fender. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]. Chairman: A R Lowrey.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Stockton; Whitechapel.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, etc. to: Richard Thompson (flour); John Morton (meat); Robert Sanderson (coals); Mrs Paulin (salt); C L Gilchrist (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (porter); J B Atkinson (sundries); Charles Knight (books); Wilson & Son (sundries); D Cameron (printing); Thomas Atkinson (cooper work); Charles Forsythe (clothing); John Main (mending); Robert Kerr (rent of Workhouse). Payment of salaries was ordered for: Maxwell Gardner (schoolmaster); Margaret Atkinson (schoolmistress); Thomas Meston (barber); Robert Pringle (porter).	22 Dec. 1846

			Vaccination fees: W S Lilly: Berwick, 31 cases; Tweedmouth, 15 cases; Ancroft, 1 case. Medical fees: W S Lilly: Berwick, fracture of leg, and 3 midwifery cases; Kyloe: 1 midwifery case. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. The quarterly record showed that out relief was given from the Workhouse to 605 vagrants: 342 chargeable to Berwick, 263 to Tweedmouth.	
Item	GBR 40/121-122	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 29 December 1846.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; Nicholas Bell; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; John MacGregor; George Scott; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; William Cleghorn; Alexander Crossman; George Wood; Andrew Fender; Joseph Fleming; Thomas Hubback. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Whitechapel; Stockton.  Mr Crossman gave notice that at the next meeting he would propose that Mr Thomson [John Thomson] should be asked to resign as Treasurer because of complaints from Parish Officers about the difficulty of transacting Union business with him.	29 Dec. 1846
Item	GBR 40/123-128	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 12 January 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Leonard Lisle; Alexander Smith; William Cleghorn; William Heron; James Nicholson; Andrew Fender; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Richard Makins; Alexander Crossman.  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison].  Chairman: Alexander Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James	12 Jan. 1847

Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.

Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Unions: Whitechapel; Stockton.

Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Robert Sanderson (coals); George Pirie (groceries); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (porter); J B Atkinson (sundries); Berwick Warder and Berwick Advertiser (printing); Joseph Marshall (fire insurance); John Main (mending).

Payment of salaries was ordered for:

W & E Willoby, Clerks; J B Atkinson, Relieving Officer and Workhouse Master; John Anderson and R M Forster, Relieving Officers; W S Lilly, A Morrison, John Paxton and Joseph Watson, Medical Officers; John Moor, Assistant Master; Jane Purdie, Matron.

Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics:

Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth, in Royal Lunatic Asylum Glasgow;

Alice Bruce, of Twizel, in Morningside Asylum [Edinburgh].

A quarterly statement was given of relief to non-resident poor, apportioned by parish, provided by the following Unions: Glendale; Rothbury; Sculcoates; Houghton le Spring; Leyburn; Sunderland; Durham; Easington.

A quarterly statement was given of the amount due from the following Unions for relief to non-resident poor: Glendale; Rothbury; Sunderland; Gravesend; Shrewsbury; Greenwich; Whitechapel; Stockton.

A letter dated 8 January 1847 was received from John Thomson, in which he submitted his resignation as Treasurer to the Berwick Union. The Board decided to elect his successor at the next meeting.

John Anderson, Assistant Overseer for Ancroft, presented the resolutions of a meeting of the parishioners of Ancroft held at the New Inn on 8 January 1847, in which they requested the Board to carry out the provisions of 9 & 10 Vict cap 66 for the removal of the poor. The Board decided to consider the matter at its next meeting.

Item	GBR	Minutes of Berwick	Present at the meeting:	26 Jan. 1847
	40/129-133	Board of Guardians meeting held on 26 January 1847.	Guardians: Alexander Smith; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Nicholas Bell; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; William Cleghorn; John MacGregor; Richard Makins; Joseph Fleming; Adam Bell; William Richardson; Alexander Crossman; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; J R Nicholson; Thomas Hubback; L Lisle [Leonard Lisle]. Medical Officers: Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Union: Whitechapel.	25 5411. 1041
			Payments were ordered for: Robert Usher (for Auditor's salary and postage); Mr Home (for registration forms).  Registration accounts were presented by J B Atkinson, John Anderson and R M Forster for parishes within their districts.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Payment was ordered for maintenance of Ralph Low, of Tweedmouth, in Dumfries Asylum.	
			An application for the vacant post of Treasurer to the Union, in succession to John Thomson, was received from A Mallock [Andrew Mallock], naming William Chapman, of Newcastle, and William Lowrey, of Barmoor, as his sureties. The Board decided that his appointment should be made and reported to the Poor Law Commissioners. A cheque for £617 17s 0d, being the balance due from Mr Thomson, was given to Mr Mallock.  The Board decided to postpone consideration of the request from the ratepayers of Ancroft.	
tem	GBR 40/133-137	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; Adam Bell; John Wilson; Andrew Fender; John Dodds.	9 Feb. 1847

		meeting held on 9 February 1847.	Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly; Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Union: Whitechapel.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Richard Thompson (flour); Robert Sanderson (coals); Thomas Cockburn (wine); C L Gilchrist (groceries); John Winter (barley); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Mrs Paulin (salt); George Pirie (groceries); J B Atkinson (sundries, rope freight, mustard); Robert Davidson (sundries); Daniel Cameron (printing); Charles Knight (treasurer's bond); J W Nicholson (cleaning clock); Thomas Wilson (work); R Home (for Register Office); John Main (mending); [Miss Macqualter] (clothing); Thomas Hubback (clothing).  A cheque was signed for an amount omitted from the balance handed by Mr Thomson [John Thomson] to Mr Mallock [Andrew Mallock] at the last meeting. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. A receipt was recorded for relief to non-settled poor from Rothbury.  Following a report from the Medical Officer of the workhouse that the inmate Mary Herbartson, of Kyloe, was of unsound mind and dangerous, the Clerk was ordered to apply to Dumfries Asylum for her admission there.	
			The Board decided to approve and application from Thomas Grieve, tailor of Wooler, for William Bennett, poor boy of Berwick, to be bound as apprentice for seven years, with notification to Glendale Union.	
Item	GBR 40/137-141	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 23 February 1847	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; John Wilson; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; John Dodds; Alexander Crossman; Adam Bell. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison]; J Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.	23 Feb. 1847

			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Union: Whitechapel.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); George Henderson (wine); C L Gilchrist (groceries); R Sanderson (coals); J B Atkinson (sundries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Charles Knight (books); John Rennison (binding); John Main (mending); Alexander Meikle (mending).  Funeral expenses were ordered for: George Grey, of Glendale Union. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Receipts were recorded for relief given to non-settled poor from the following Unions: Glendale; Stockton; Gravesend.  The Board decided to consider at its next meeting the terms of appointment of the Medical Officers.  The Board appointed the following to assist with the forthcoming election of Guardians: J B Atkinson, Berwick; George Dick, Tweedmouth; John Anderson, Ancroft; Henry Leckie, Kyloe; Robert Donaldson, Holy Island; John Carmichael, Cornhill; R M Forster, Norham; Alexander Laing, Duddo; Robert Carr, Felkington; Ebenezer Black, Grindon; John Embleton, Horncliffe; William Richardson, Loanend; George Wood, Longridge; William Cleghorn, Norham Mains; Nathaniel Dodds, Shoreswood; James R Nicholson, Thornton; John Archbold, Twizel.	
Item	GBR 40/141-148	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 9 March 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Andrew Fender; Nathaniel Dodds; Joseph Fleming; Leonard Lisle; Alex Laing; George Hogg; John Wilson; Alexander Crossman; Alexander Christison. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Mr Morrison [Andrew Morison]; Mr Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.	9 March 1847
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James	

Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.

Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Union: Whitechapel.

Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); R Sanderson (coals); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); John Winter (barley); J B Atkinson (sundries, mustard); John Robson (rope); Daniel Cameron (rope); Shipping Co. (freight); Jane Brown (stones); Walter Thompson (stationery); John Main (mending); Robert Crisp (coat); James Smail (calico); Charles Forsythe (sundries).

Funeral expenses were ordered for: [Mary Juers], of Glendale Union.

Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in Crichton Royal Institution Dumfries: James Swinhoe, of Tweedmouth; Mary Herbartson, of Kyloe.

The precept for the county rate of Northumberland, apportioned by parish, was reported and ordered to be paid.

In consideration of the appointments of the Medical Officers, and of a letter from the Poor Law Commissioners dated 27 February 1847, the Board decided:

- (i) to make the appointments for one year, from 25 March;
- (ii) to divide the Union into the four Medical Districts of:

Berwick, including attendance at the Workhouse (area 5120 statute acres; population 8484);

Tweedmouth, including the parish of Ancroft except for the township of Haggerston (area 13252 statute acres; population 8468);

Islandshire, including the parishes of Holy Island and Kyloe and the township of Haggerston (area 12189 statute acres; population 2026);

Norhamshire, including the parishes of Norham and Cornhill (area 18890 statute acres; population 3757;

(iii) to fix the salaries of the Medical Officers, excluding fees, as follows:

Berwick District £65 per annum;

Tweedmouth District £30 per annum;

Islandshire District £20 per annum;

Norhamshire District £40 per annum;

(iv) to report to the Poor Law Commissioners that these districts conformed to the

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			Medical Order as nearly as possible, but that Norhamshire District exceeded the prescribed limits because no other medical men were available except in the village of Norham;  (v) to seek the permission of the Commissioners to appoint a Medical Officer for Islandshire who was not resident in that district, noting that Mr Watson [Joseph Watson], the present Medical Officer based at Lowick, was able to make regular visits to Holy Island;  (vi) to elect the Medical Officers at the next meeting.  The Workhouse Committee was asked to advertise for tenders to supply the Workhouse with five sacks of genuine oatmeal.	
Item	GBR 40/148-156	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 23 March 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Alexander Smith; Alexander Christison; Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Adam Bell; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; John Dodds; George Scott; Andrew Fender; Leonard Lisle; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; George Hogg; Alexander Crossman; Alexander Laing; Thomas Nesbitt; William Cleghorn; Joseph Fleming; Richard Makins; John MacGregor; James R Nicholson [James Nicholson]; William Heron. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; John Paxton; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Alexander Smith.	23 March 1847
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Union: Whitechapel.	
			Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Richard Thompson (flour); John Morton (meat); C L Gilchrist (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Mrs Paulin (salt); Robert Sanderson (coals); George Henderson (wine); Thomas Cockburn (brandy); J B Atkinson (sundries, mustard); Daniel Cameron (rope); James Yule (carpenter); Robert Crisp (clothing); Alexander Meikle (clothing); R Cairns (clothing); John Main (mending); Robert Kerr (rent of Workhouse); Union officers (postage). Payment of salaries was ordered for: Maxwell Gardner (schoolmaster); Margaret Atkinson (schoolmistress); Thomas Meston (barber); Robert Pringle (porter);	

Vaccination fees:

For guarter ending Christmas 1846:

A Morrison: Berwick, 1 case; Tweedmouth, 32 cases; Kyloe, 6 cases; Ancroft, 5 cases.

J Paxton: Cornhill, 4 cases; Shoreswood, 1 case; Duddo, 2 cases; Norham, 3 cases; Grindon, 1 case; Twizel, 1 case.

For quarter ending Lady day 1847:

W S Lilly: Berwick, 26 cases; Tweedmouth, 15 cases; Ancroft, 2 cases. A Morrison: Berwick, 1 case; Tweedmouth, 27 cases; Ancroft, 10 cases. John Paxton: Horncliffe, 1 case; Thornton, 4 cases; Norham, 8 cases; Twizel, 3 cases; Cornhill, 1 case.

## Medical fees:

W S Lilly: Berwick, 1 fracture of arm, 1 fracture of leg, 4 midwifery cases; Tweedmouth, 1 midwifery case; Horncliffe, 1 midwifery case; Kyloe, 1 amputation of leg.

A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 1 fracture of arm; Kyloe, 1 fracture of arm. John Paxton: Norham, 1 midwifery case; Felkington, 1 midwifery case; Twizel, 1 midwifery case.

Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Payment was recorded from Whitechapel Union for relief given to non-resident poor. Payment was ordered for maintenance of Robert Spowart, of Tweedmouth, in the Blind Asylum Edinburgh.

According to the Porter's Book, 763 vagrants were given relief in the Workhouse in the last quarter, of whom 478 were chargeable to Berwick, 285 to Tweedmouth.

An application for the post of Medical Officer was presented from Dr Alexander Kirkwood, citing his qualifications from the Royal College of Physicians Edinburgh, Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh, and the Society of Apothecaries London. Elections of Medical Officers were made as follows:

Berwick: since there were nominations of William Smith Lilly (by Mr Christison and Mr Nesbitt) and of Dr Kirkwood (by Dr Clarke and John Dodds), Mr Lilly was elected by a majority of 16 to 3.

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			Tweedmouth: Andrew Morrison, appointed unanimously. Islandshire: Joseph Watson, appointed unanimously. Norhamshire: since there were nominations of Mr Paxton (by Mr Christison and Mr Nicholson) and of Mr Donaldson [William Donaldson] (by Mr Crossman and Mr Gillie), Mr Paxton was elected by a majority of 12 to 7. The Clerk was ordered to report the appointments to the Poor Law Commissioners, and to seek approval for the continuation in office of Mr Lilly according to article 5 of the General Medical Order.  The Board accepted the tender of William Rutherford for 5 sacks of oatmeal (@60s 0d per sack). Thanks were recorded to Mr Smith in respect of his chairmanship of the Board during the past year.	
Item	GBR 40/156-160	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 6 April 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Alexander Crossman; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Adam Bell; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Thomas Crowther; Thomas Hubback; E Rutherford [Edward Rutherford]; George Wilson; Alexander Laing; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie].  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison].  The Clerk [W & E Willoby] reported the election of Guardians for the following year: For Berwick: Henry G C Clarke (gentleman, of Bankhill); Alexander R Lowrey (farmer, of Castle Hills); Joseph Fleming (carrier, of Mary Gate); Thomas Hubback (draper, of Mary Gate); George Gilchrist (gentleman, of Ravensdowne); William Smith (captain, RN, of Ava Cottage); Alexander Christison (grocer, of Bridge Street); George Wilson (innkeeper, of Mary Gate); Alexander J Gillie, (farmer, of New East Farm).  For Tweedmouth: Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt] (farmer, of Spittal Hall); Adam Bell (farmer, of East Ord); William Heron (farmer, of Unthank); James Ramsay (farmer, of Tweedmouth); Thomas Crewther (fisherman, of Spittal).  For Kyloe: George Chisholm (farmer, of Fenwick).  For Ancroft: William Smith (farmer, of Allerdean); Edward Rutherford (farmer, of Cheswick New Inn).  For Holy Island: Alexander Crossman (grocer, of Berwick).  For Loanend: John Dunbar (farmer, of Bankhead).  For Horncliffe: Nicholas Bell (baker and seedsman).	6 April 1847

			For Thornton: James R Nicholson [James Nicholson](farmer). For Norham Mains: William Cleghorn (farmer, of Norham East Mains). For Felkington: Robert Kerr (farmer). For Duddo: Alexander Laing (farmer). For Grindon: Ebenezer Black (farmer). For Twizel: Richard Makins (farmer). For Cornhill: William Gregson Pratt [William Pratt] (farmer, of East Melkington). No nominations were received for Longridge and Shoreswood.  Dr Clarke was unanimously elected as Chairman for the year. A R Lowrey and Captain Smith were unanimously elected as Vice Chairmen for the year. The appointments to the Workhouse and Finance Committee were: the Chairman; the Vice-Chairmen; Joseph Fleming; Thomas Hubback; George Gilchrist; Alexander Christison; George Wilson; Alexander J Gillie. The appointments to the School Committee were: the Chairman; the Vice-Chairman; Thomas Hubback; Alexander Christison.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. The Workhouse Committee was to advertise for tenders for contracts to be considered at the next meeting.	
Item	GBR 40/160-168	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 20 April 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Alexander Christison; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Thomas Nesbitt; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Thomas Hubback; Joseph Fleming. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; J Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James	20 April 1847

payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.

Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (wine); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Robert Sanderson (coals); William Rutherford (meal); John Winter (barley); Mrs Paulin (salt); J B Atkinson (sundries); Charles Knight (books); Shaw & Sons (books); George Archbold (plumber); D A Lamb (water sprigs); Robert Chrisp (clothing); John Main (mending).

Registration accounts were presented by J B Atkinson, John Anderson, and R M Forster for parishes within their districts.

Payment was ordered to W & E Willoby for their expenses in conducting the election of Guardians.

Payment was ordered for maintenance of pauper lunatics:

Alice Bruce, of Twizel, in Morningside Lunatic Asylum [Edinburgh];

Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth, in Royal Lunatic Asylum Glasgow.

Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.

Receipt of payment was recorded for relief to non-resident poor of the following Unions: Sunderland; Greenwich.

The Workhouse Committee recommended the following tenders for provisions: John Morton, for beef (@4s 7½d per stone), mutton (@7d per lb);

John Winter, for flour (@56s 0d per sack), no.2 barley (@21s 0d per cwt), 10 sacks oatmeal (@57s 0d per sack), oatmeal for outdoor poor (@2s 11d per stone), bread (@ 3½ lbs for 6d):

C L Gilchrist, for rice (@56s 0d per cwt), split peas (@12s 0d per bushel); George Pirie, for sugar (56s 0d per cwt), coffee (@1s 6d per lb), soap (@53s 0d per cwt), pepper (@1s 0d per lb), treacle (@3s 8d per stone), soda (@10s 0d per cwt), mould candles (@6s 6d per dozen lbs), dip candles (@5s 6d per dozen lbs); Ralph Cleghorn, for tea (@4s 6d per lb);

Joseph Milburne, for tobacco (@3s 3d per lb), snuff (@3s 2d per lb), salt (@2s 6d per cwt);

Thomas Cockburn, for wine (@33s 0d per dozen), porter (@3s 6d per dozen), brandy (4s 0d per bottle), vinegar (@6d per bottle);

Walter Thompson, for pens (@2s 0d per gross), Church of England catechisms (@6d per dozen), Church of Scotland catechisms (@6d per dozen), copy books (@1s 6d

per dozen):

James Jaffray, for foolscap (@21s 0d per ream);

Robert Crisp, for men's suit (@£1 2s 11d per suit), jackets (@8s 9d each), boys from 12 to 16 (@15s 1d per suit), boys from 7 to 12 (@11s 3d per suit), boys under 7 (@7s 0d per suit);

Charles Forsythe, for 100 yards of 9/8 gray calico (@4d), 50 yards of 9/8 tweeled sheeting (@10½d), 50 yards of apron check (@6½d), 50 yards of ticken [ticking] (@1s 0d), 50 yards of white flannel (@1s 3d), 10 pairs of tweeled blankets (@12s 0d), 50 yards of 9/8 white calico (@31/2d), 50 yards of 9/8 white calico (@3d); R Rutherford & Co, for 100 yards of 7/8 grey calico (@31/2d), 12 yards of jaconet muslin (@8½d), 18 lbs of 3 thread woollen yarn (@2s 1½d); Francis Lough, for coffins, 2 to 5 feet (@6s 9d), 5 feet and upwards (@11s 9d), and

1s 0d extra if carried to Tweedmouth.

A letter from the Poor Law Commissioners acknowledged the appointments of Medical Officers, and stated that, in view of the Board's almost unanimous wish to appoint Mr Lilly despite his not holding the qualifications required in Article 3 of the Medical Order (in common with his predecessors), the Commissioners would not withhold agreement. The Guardians also decided to inform the Poor Law Commissioners that they could not comply with the Medical Order in their appointments of Medical Officers for Tweedmouth, Islandshire, and Norhamshire Districts.

A letter from the Poor Law Commissioners reported the observations of Mr Hawley [William Henry Toovey Hawley], Assistant Commissioner, that the Workhouse had only one Receiving Ward, and that a Receiving Ward for women should be built in the women's yard; and also that the Visiting Committee did not inspect the Workhouse regularly, and that the regulations were not hung up in the Workhouse. A second letter from the Commissioners reported Mr Hawley's observations in his report on Workhouse schools that although boys and girls in the Workhouse received literary instruction from the schoolmaster and the girls received industrial training from the schoolmistress, the boys received no industrial training at all; the Guardians were requested to consider the matter in relation the Parliamentary grant in aid of the salaries of Workhouse teachers.

It was resolved to refer both matters to the Workhouse Committee.

			The following substitutes were named for the Medical Officers: Mr Manners [John Manners], for Mr Lilly and Mr Morrison; Mr Donaldson [William Donaldson], for Mr Paxton.	
Item	GBR 40/168-172	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 4 May 1847	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; James R Nicholson [James Nicholson]; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Richard Makins; Joseph Fleming; Thomas Nesbitt; Alexander Christison; Adam Bell. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; J Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.	4 May 1847
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Thomas Cockburn (wine); Joseph Milburn (groceries); C L Gilchrist (groceries); John Gilroy (turnips); J B Atkinson (sundries); James Jaffray (stationery); Alexander Meikle (clothing); John Main (mending).  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	
			Further to the letter of 8 April 1847 from the Poor Law Commissioners, the Workhouse Committee reported that the house in the females' yard, heretofore used for storing potatoes, could be converted into a Receiving Ward for females. A tender from James Greggs to make the alterations was accepted by the Board. The Workhouse Committee was ordered to get tenders for making the alterations, as directed by Mr Hawley [William Henry Toovey Hawley, Assistant Poor Law Commissioner], and also for painting the windows of the Workhouse. It was ordered that James Marshall should be asked to examine the stock of groceries.	
			A committee consisting of the Chairman, the two Vice-Chairmen, and Mr Crossman was formed to consult with the contractors for the Tweed railway bridge, to seek a means of preventing their labourers becoming chargeable to the parish.	

Item	GBR 40/172-175	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 18 May 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Thomas Hubback; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; James Ramsay; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Ralph Cleghorn (tea); Richard Thompson (flour); George Pirie (groceries); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (porter); Berwick Colliery (coals); J B Atkinson (sundries); Charles Forsythe (sundries, clothing); Charles Knight (books); Robert Kerr (poor rate); Rutherford & Co; Robert Crisp; George Pollard; John Main (mending).  Payment was ordered for maintenance of Ralph Low, of Tweedmouth, in Crichton Institution Dumfries. The Clerk reported a precept from the county of Northumberland, apportioned by parish, for the County Rate (at one halfpenny in the pound), which was paid. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	18 May 1847
Item	GBR 40/176-178	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 1 June 1847.	Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  A date for the School examination was determined.  Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Thomas Nesbitt; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Nicholas Bell; Alexander Christison.  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison].  Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Pirie	1 June 1847

			(groceries) Thomas Cockburn (porter); J B Atkinson (sundries, rope); Charles Knight (books); Poor rate of Register Office; Thomas Atkinson (cooper); John Main (mending).  Following an examination of the children of the Workhouse school, the committee reported its satisfaction with the pupils' proficiency in reading, writing and arithmetic as well as their general discipline. Credit was acknowledged to the teacher Mr Gardner [Maxwell Gardner].  A letter from the Poor Law Commissioners was presented, confirming the appointments of the Medical Officers.	
Item	GBR 40/178-180	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 15 June 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Joseph Fleming; Alexander Crossman; George Wilson. Medical Officers: A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; John Paxton; Joseph Watson. Chairman: Joseph Fleming.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. The appointment by the Superintendent Registrar of J Anderson as Registrar of Marriages was reported and approved. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Payments were recorded for relief to non-resident poor from the following Unions: Stockton; Shrewsbury. It was decided to consider at the next meeting the provision of a place for the reception of fever patients. It was decided to adjourn the meeting until 22 June.	15 June 1847
Item	GBR 40/180-184	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 22 June 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Thomas Hubback; Joseph Fleming; James Ramsay. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]. Chairman: Captain Smith.	22 June 1847

Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.

Relief was recorded for non-settled poor from the following Union: Whitechapel.

Payments were ordered for supplies, services, etc. to: John Winter (flour); John Morton (meat); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Johnson and Carr (coals); Thomas Cockburn (porter, etc); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); J B Atkinson (sundries); James Yule ('herse' etc); Wilson & Son (ironmongery); Alexander Moor (ironmongery); Richard Richardson (chairs); MacGregor (old rope); G Hogg (blacksmith); George Pollard (shoes); Alexander Meikle (mending clothes); John Main (mending).

Payment was ordered for establishment charges: Robert Kerr (rent of Workhouse); Payment of salaries was ordered for: Maxwell Gardner (schoolmaster); Margaret Atkinson (schoolmistress); R Pringle (porter); Thomas Meston (barber).

## Vaccination fees:

W S Lilly: Berwick, 53 cases; Tweedmouth, 11 cases.

A Morrison [Andrew Morison]: Tweedmouth, 24 cases; Ancroft, 6 cases.

J Watson [Joseph Watson]: Holy Island, 17 cases; Kyloe, 12 cases.

## Medical fees:

W S Lilly: Berwick, 2 midwifery cases.

A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 1 midwifery case.

Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Receipts were recorded for relief for non-resident poor from: Whitechapel.

By the Porter's Books, the number of vagrants relieved during the last quarter is 1242, being 738 chargeable to Berwick, 504 to Tweedmouth.

Since the hospital of the Workhouse was at present nearly full, the Board considered where fever patients might be received if numbers continued to increase, and it ordered that application be made to the Secretary for the House Department for the use of the hospital for the Barracks.

Item	GBR 40/184-186	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 29 June 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Alexander Christison; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; Nicholas Bell; Alexander Crossman; George Chisholm. Medical Officers: Mr Morrison [Andrew Morison]; Mr Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Captain Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Payment of salaries was ordered for: W & E Willoby, Clerks; J B Atkinson, Relieving Officer and Workhouse Master; John Anderson and R M Forster, Relieving Officers; John Moor, Assistant Master; Jane Purdie, Matron.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  John Davidson, tailor, of Donaldson's Lodge, Cornhill, applied to have John Turnbull, a poor boy of Berwick, aged 12, bound as an apprentice, and the Board agreed.	29 June 1847
Item	GBR 40/187-191	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 13 July 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; William Cleghorn; Thomas Hubback; George Wilson; Thomas Nesbitt; Joseph Fleming. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Captain Smith.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Thomas Cockburn (wine, etc); C L Gilchrist (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); J B Atkinson (sundries); James Thompson (mason); MacGregor (rope, freight); Shaw & Sons (books); Charles Forsythe; R Cairens (carpet shoes); John Main (mending).	13 July 1847

			Payment of salaries was ordered for the Medical Officers, W S Lilly, A Morrison, J Paxton [John Paxton], and J Watson [Joseph Watson]. Vaccination fees: John Paxton: Horncliffe, 5 cases; Longridge, 1 case; Shoreswood, 1 case; Felkington, 4 cases; Duddo, 1 case; Norham, 14 cases; Grindon, 1 case; Twizel, 4 cases; Cornhill, 10 cases. Registration accounts were presented by John Anderson and R M Forster for parishes within their districts. Payment was ordered for the maintenance of the following pauper lunatics: Alice Bruce, of Twizel, in the Morningside Lunatic Asylum [Edinburgh]; Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth, in the Royal Lunatic Asylum Glasgow.  John Davidson, of Donaldson Lodge, and John Turnbull, appeared before the Board when the indentures of apprenticeship were executed.  In order to assist the Master in testing by work vagrants applying for relief, the Workhouse Committee recommended the enlargement of the Vagrant Yard; tenders for the alterations were presented from Mr Gregg, Mr Boak and Messrs Whitehead and Henderson. The Board approved and accepted the tender of Whitehead and Henderson.	
Item	GBR 40/191	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 27 July 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robertson Lowrey]; W Smith [William Smith].  E Willoby [Edward Willoby], Clerk, certified that between 2.00pm and 3.00pm only two Guardians attended at the Board Room.	27 July 1847
Item	GBR 40/192-196	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 10 August 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Adam Bell; Robert Carr; John Dunbar. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Mr Morrison [Andrew Morison]; Mr Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Adam Bell. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James	10 Aug. 1847

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			Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Winter (flour); John Morton (meat); Thomas Cockburn (wine etc); C L Gilchrist (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Johnson & Co (coals); J B Atkinson (sundries, mustard); Joseph Dagliesh (painting); John Anderson (registration forms); John Main (mending).	
			Payment of salaries was ordered for: W & E Willoby, Clerks; J B Atkinson, Relieving Officer and Workhouse Master; John Anderson and R M Forster, Relieving Officers; W S Lilly, A Morrison, John Paxton, and Joseph Watson, Medical Officers; John Moor, Assistant Master; Jane Purdie, Matron.	
			Funeral expenses were ordered for: Isabella Craggs, of Glendale Union. Registration accounts were presented by J B Atkinson for parishes within his district. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Payment was ordered for maintenance of James Swinhoe and Ralph Low, both of Tweedmouth, in the Chrichton Institution [Crichton Institution] Dumfries.	
Item	GBR 40/196-200	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 24 August 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Alexander Crossman; George Wilson; Thomas Nesbitt; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; Joseph Watson. Chairman: A R Lowrey. Also present: W H T Hawley [William Henry Toovey Hawley], Assistant Poor Law Commissioner.	24 Aug. 1847
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Thomas Cockburn (porter etc.); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); C L Gilchrist (groceries); R Cleghorn (meal); J B Atkinson (sundries); Thomas Sample (rope, freight); David Gibson (rent of Register Office);	

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			Walter Thompson (stationery); Peter Jeffrey (blacksmith); Robert Davidson (cabbage nets); George Pollard (shoes); Margaret Titilah (shoes); James Dunlop (calico); Thomas Hubback (hat); John Main (mending).  Payment was ordered for the precept of the County Rate, assessed at one farthing in the pound, and apportioned by parish. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  Mr Hawley stated that the Poor Law Commissioners wished that some industrial training should be provided for the boys in the Workhouse. He referred further to his answer in the Visitors' Book, that the only possibilities for instruction at present were in gardening, by having a piece of land attached to the Workhouse, in handicraft trades such as tailoring and shoemaking, by hiring occasional teachers, and in some preliminary training for the sea service, by having a model deck of a vessel fitted up with a mast and rigging and the occasional employment of a sailor to teach the boys. The statement was referred to the Workhouse Committee.	
Item	GBR 40/200-203	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 7 September 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Adam Bell; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Johnson & Co (coals); Thomas Cockburn (porter, etc.); C L Gilchrist (groceries); J B Atkinson (sundries); James Jaffray (stationery); John Main (mending).  Funeral expenses were ordered for: Margaret Downie, of Glendale Union. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. It was reported that the Workhouse Committee recommended that the only expedient industrial training for boys in the Workhouse at present was in cultivation of the garden.	7 Sept. 1847

Item	GBR	Minutes of Berwick	Present at the meeting:	21 Sept. 1847
.0	40/203-207	Board of Guardians meeting held on 21	Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Thomas Nesbitt; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Richard Makins; George Wilson.	21 <b>3</b> 5ptt 1511
		September 1847.	Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; J Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.	
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Winter (flour); Thomas Cockburn (wine); John Morton (meat); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Johnson & Co (coals); J B Atkinson (sundries); George Gregg (masonry); Thomas Paxton (for Register Office); James & Robert Middlemiss (stones); A J Gillie (stones); John Barclay (stones); Robert Brody (stones); James Brown (stones); James Renton (cartage); Union officers (postages); John Main (mending); Robert Kerr (one-quarter rent of Workhouse); salaries for Maxwell Gardner (schoolmaster), Margaret Atkinson (schoolmistress), Robert Pringle (porter), Thomas D Meston (barber).	
			Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Vaccination fees: W S Lilly: Berwick, 25 cases; Tweedmouth, 16 cases. A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 13 cases; Ancroft, 4 cases. J Watson [Joseph Watson]: Kyloe, 6 cases. J Paxton: Loanend, 2 cases; Longridge, 1 case; Norham, 8 cases. Medical fees: W S Lilly: Berwick, 6 midwifery cases. A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 2 midwifery cases.	
			According to the Porter's Book, the number of vagrants given relief during the quarter was 1134, being 589 chargeable to Berwick and 545 to Tweedmouth.	

Item	GBR 40/208-210	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 5 October 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Joseph Fleming; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; George Wilson. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Robert Davidson (potatoes); Thomas Cockburn (porter); John Winter (barley); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); J B Atkinson (sundries); James Renton (cartage); church rate; John Main (mending).  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. It was resolved that the Workhouse Committee should advertise for tenders for new contracts, to be examined at the next meeting. James Marshall was requested to examine samples of groceries.	5 Oct. 1847.
Item	GBR 40/210-216	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 19 October 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Thomas Nesbitt; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]. Medical Officers: A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; W S Lilly [William Lilly]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Dudgeon (potatoes); Thomas Cockburn (porter); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); J B Atkinson (sundries, mustard); Charles Knight (books); Daniel Cameron (sundries); John Ross (stones); Thomas Allison (road cess and lamp rate); W G Carr (garden seeds); John Gilroy (lard); John Main (mending).  Payment of salaries was ordered for: W & E Willoby, Clerks; J B Atkinson, Relieving	19 Oct. 1847

Officer and Workhouse Master; W S Lilly, A Morrison, John Paxton and Joseph Watson, Medical Officers; John Moor, Assistant Master; Jane Purdie, Matron. Registration accounts were presented by James Anderson and R M Forster for parishes within their districts.

Payment was ordered for the tenth instalment of the Exchequer loan, and its interest. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics: Alice Bruce, of Twizel, in the Morningside Asylum [Edinburgh]; Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth, in Royal Lunatic Asylum Glasgow.

The Workhouse Committee reported that the following tenders had been accepted: John Morton, for beef (@4s 7d per stone).

John Winter, for flour (@46s 0d per sack); bread (@4 lbs for 6d); oatmeal (@3½ lbs for 6d); oatmeal for Workhouse (@30s 0d per sack); no.2 barley (@16s 0d per cwt). Joseph Milburne, for sugar (@50s 0d per cwt); tobacco (@3s 3d per lb); ½ chest of tea (@4s 6d per lb); salt (@2s 6d per cwt).

George Pirie, for snuff (@1s 0d per lb); split peas (@10s 10d per bushel); black pepper (@1s 0d per lb); treacle (@3s 0d per stone); rice (@25s 0d per cwt); dip candles (@5s 9d per dozen lbs); mould candles (@6s 9d per dozen lbs). C L Gilchrist, for coffee (@1s 6d per lb).

Thomas Cockburn, for port wine (@33s 0d per dozen); porter (@3s 6d per dozen); vinegar (@6d per bottle).

George Henderson, for whiskey (@2s 4d per bottle).

Walter Thompson, for post paper (@10s 0d per ream); Church of England catechisms (@6d per dozen); MacCulloch's 2nd reading books (@2s 4d per dozen). Thomas Nelson, for 6 dozen copy books (@1s 7d per dozen); Church of Scotland catechisms (@5d per dozen); Rutherford's Arithmetic (@11d each).

Robert Crisp, for men's suits (@42s 0d each); boys from 12 to 16 (@ 15s 1d each): boys from 7 to 12 (@11s 3d); boys under 7 (@7s 0d each).

Francis Lough, for coffins: from 2 to 5 feet (@6s 6d each); 5 feet upwards (11s 6d each).

These tenders were accepted and security was required for the contracts for meat and bread. No tenders were received for coals and drapery goods. Two offers for mutton @7d per lb, and two offers for potatoes @36s 0d per boll, were rejected as too high. The Master of the Workhouse was empowered to purchase mutton and to

			seek potatoes.	
Item	GBR 40/217-219	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 2 November 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Adam Bell; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Alexander Christison; John Dunbar. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; Joseph Watson. Chairman: A R Lowrey.	2 Nov. 1847
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Winter (flour); Thomas Cockburn (wine); Johnson & Co (coals); C L Gilchrist (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); J B Atkinson (sundries, 2 pigs); Robert Carr (poor rate); Thomas Melrose (stationery); Charles Knight (stationery); Berwick Warder (advertisement); Landles (water sprigs); George Robison (press bed); gas; John Main (mending). Registration accounts were presented by J B Atkinson for parishes within his districts. Payment was ordered for maintenance of Alexander Reid, of Berwick, in the Edinburgh Lunatic Asylum.	
			It was resolved to consider at the next meeting the Master's request for two nurses to assist in the Workhouse.	
Item	GBR 40/219-223	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 16 November 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Adam Bell; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; James Ramsay; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.	16 Nov. 1847
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.	

			Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Winter (flour); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Robert Gibson (potatoes); Johnson & Co (coals); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (porter); George Henderson (whiskey); J B Atkinson (sundries, carpet shoes); David Gibson (rent of Register Office); Thomas Anderson (rent of garden); David Whitehead (masonry); John Main (mending). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Payment was ordered for the maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Dumfries Asylum: James Swinhoe, of Tweedmouth; Ralph Low, of Tweedmouth; Mary Harbartson, of Kyloe. It was resolved to employ two nurses in the Workhouse: Mary Knox, @ £4 per annum, and Ann Boston, @ £6 per annum, plus rations for both.	
Item	GBR 40/223	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 30 November 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: James Ramsay; Thomas Hubback.  E Willoby [Clerk] certified that between 10.30am and 11.30am only two Guardians attended at the Board Room.	30 Nov. 1847
Item	GBR 40/223-227	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 14 December 1847.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Adam Bell; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; George Wilson; Alexander Crossman; Thomas Nesbitt. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Winter (flour); Thomas Cockburn (wine); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Pirie (groceries0): Robert Gibson & Johnson; J B Atkinson (sundries); George Archbold (plumber); Daniel Cameron (rope); W & E Willoby (sundries); Charles Knight (books); Alexander Marshall (stones); James Brown (stones); Rutherford & Co (sundries, clothing); James Dunlop	14 Dec. 1847

			(sundries); James Main (mending).  The Clerk reported receipt of the precept for the County Rate, apportioned by parish, at one halfpenny in the pound, and payment was ordered.  Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Bensham Lunatic Asylum Newcastle: William Moor, of Norham; John Pacey, of Berwick; Mary Scott, of Berwick.  The meeting was adjourned until 21 December.	
Item	GBR 40/227-230	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 21 December 1847	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Thomas Hubback; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Joseph Fleming; George Wilson. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (porter); George Pirie (groceries); Johnson & Co (coals); J B Atkinson (sundries); Walter Thompson (stationery); Charles Knight (official circulars); James Marshall (fire insurance); Alexander Moor (ironmongery); Robert Usher (postage); W & E Willoby (sundries); John Main (mending); Robert Ker (rent of Workhouse). Payment of salaries was ordered for: Maxwell Gardner (schoolmaster); Margaret Atkinson (schoolmistress); Robert Pringle (porter); Thomas Meston (barber). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. The amount received from the following union for relief to non-resident poor was recorded: Whitechapel Union. According to the Porter's Book, the number of vagrants who received relief during the quarter was 994, of whom 507 were chargeable to Berwick and 487 to Tweedmouth. Further adjustments to the accounts of the parishes for out-relief were recorded.	21 Dec. 1847
Item	GBR 40/231-233	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Thomas Hubback; Captain Smith [William	28 Dec. 1847

		meeting held on 28 December 1847	Smith, RN]; Thomas Nesbitt. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. The Master of the Workhouse presented extracts from his Journal which recorded that the Porter, Robert Pringle, had been repeatedly drunk and unfit for duty, After taking evidence from the Assistant Master and Matron, the Board decided that Pringle should be dismissed, and that a new porter should be appointed at the next meeting, after advertisement in both Berwick newspapers.	
Item	GBR 40/233-235	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 11 January 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Nicholas Bell; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Thomas Nesbitt; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Richard Makins. Medical Officers: A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; J Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Applications for the post of Porter were presented from James L Hogg, Kenneth Watt, Robert Hewitt, William Lindsay, and John Munro. Members of the Board proposed Munro and Lindsay, but since the voting for the candidates was tied, it was decided to hold a further election at the next meeting.  John Main, tailor of Spittal, applied to have Robert Gresham, a poor boy of Berwick, aged 13, currently in the Workhouse, bound as apprentice. Having found that the boy was illegitimate and deserted by his mother, the Board gave its approval.	11 Jan. 1848
Item	GBR 40/236-242	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 25 January 1848	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Adam Bell; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Thomas Nesbitt; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Thomas Hubback. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; J Paxton	25 Jan. 1848

[John Paxton]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.

Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Winter (flour); Thomas Cockburn (wine); C L Gilchrist (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Henderson (whiskey); Robert Gibson (turnips); J B Atkinson (sundries); Charles Forsythe (drapery, clothing); C Richardson (printing); Daniel Cameron (painting); Berwick Warder (advertisement); James Brown (masonry); James Thompson (masonry); Edward Burns (masonry); Joseph Dagliesh (painter); Robert Davidson (rope); John Drummond (blacksmith); Andrew Thompson (ironmonger); J W Nicholson (time pieces); Robert Gilroy (water sprigs); John Dodds (straps); W Thompson (stationery); George Pollard (clothing); John Main (mending). Funeral expenses were ordered for: Mary Taylor, of Belford Union. Payment of salaries was ordered for: W & E Willoby, Clerks; J B Atkinson, Relieving Officer and Workhouse Master; John Anderson and R M Forster, Relieving Officers; W S Lilly, A Morrison, John Paxton and Joseph Watson, Medical Officers; John Moor, Assistant Master; Jane Purdie, Matron.

Following an audit of the books of the Overseers of Berwick, a reassignment of funds was made to the Relieving Officer in respect of the binding of William Bennett and John Turnbull.

The Clerk reported receipt of a precept for the County Rate, assessed at one halfpenny in the pound, apportioned by parish, and payment was ordered. Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics: Alice Bruce, of Twizel, in Morningside Lunatic Asylum [Edinburgh]; Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth, in Royal Lunatic Asylum Glasgow. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. John Main and Robert Gresham appeared before the meeting and the indentures of apprenticeship were executed; a premium of £5 was ordered for Main, one half to be paid immediately and the other at the end of the third year.

Since the voting for election of a Porter was again equal for the two candidates, the election was again postponed until the next meeting.

Item	GBR	Minutes of Berwick	Present at the meeting:	8 Feb. 1848
iloiii	40/242-247	Board of Guardians meeting held on 8 February 1848	Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Joseph Fleming; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; J R Nicholson [James Nicholson]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; William Cleghorn; George Wilson; John Dunbar; Alexander Crossman.  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; J Watson [Joseph Watson].  Chairman: Dr Clarke.	0 1 65. 1040
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Winter (flour); Johnson & Co (coals); Thomas Cockburn (porter); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); J B Atkinson (sundries); William Henderson (joiner); George Gregg (joiner); Thomas Atkinson (cooper); George Purvis & Son (iron); C Richardson (printing); John Main (mending).  Registration accounts were presented by J B Atkinson, John Anderson, and R M Forster for parishes within their districts.  Vaccination fees:  W S Lilly: Berwick, 32 cases; Tweedmouth, 8 cases.  A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 26 cases; Ancroft, 6 cases.	
			Joseph Watson: Kyloe, 9 cases; Holy Island, 6 cases.  Medical fees: W S Lilly: Berwick, 1 amputation of finger, 3 midwifery cases; Ancroft, 1 midwifery case. A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 1 midwifery case. John Paxton: Norham, 1 fracture of thigh. Payment was ordered for the maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Dumfries Asylum: Mary Harbartson, of Kyloe; Ralph Low, of Tweedmouth; James Swinhoe, of Tweedmouth.	
			Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  The Board again considered the election of a Porter, and upon hearing from Mr Lilly that one of the two candidates, John Munro, suffered from a bladder disorder and	

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			was not considered fit for the duties, it decided to elect William Lindsay.  A letter was presented from J B Atkinson, in which he stated that his duties as Relieving Officer for Berwick had greatly increased because of a recent change in the law on irremoveability of paupers after five years residence, and he therefore requested an increase in salary. The Board referred the matter to the Workhouse Committee.	
Item	GBR 40/248-254	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 7 March 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; William Cleghorn; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; John Dunbar; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Robert Carr; Thomas Hubback; Thomas Nesbitt; George Wilson; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; Alexander Crossman; Joseph Fleming; Richard Makins; Ebenezer Black. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; J Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.	7 March 1848
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Winter (flour); Thomas Cockburn (porter); George Pirie (groceries); C L Gilchrist (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); J B Atkinson sundries); MacGrigor (rope); James Jaffray (stationery); James Yule (joiner); Thomas Burnet (basket maker); W & E Willoby (Justice Clerk fees); Thomas Allison (lamp rate); gas; John Main (mending). Payment was ordered to Messrs Lilly and Manners [John Manners] for visiting John Dagliesh at Eyemouth. Payment was ordered for maintenance of Alexander Reid, of Berwick, in the Edinburgh Lunatic Asylum. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. The Workhouse Committee reported that Mr Atkinson's request for an increase in salary was justified on account of a shortfall in his income from Registration fees and the recent increase in his duties. A motion to accept the report, proposed by Mr Crossman and seconded by Mr Hubback, was opposed by one to reject it, proposed by A J Gillie and seconded by E Black, and a majority of the Board voted for	

			rejection.  It was proposed that appointments of Medical Officers for the following year should be made for the following five districts:  1. Berwick District, comprising the parish of Berwick and including attendance at the Workhouse; area 5120 statute acres; population 8484; salary £65 per annum.  2. Tweedmouth District, comprising the parishes of Tweedmouth and Ancroft, except for the township of Haggerston; area 13252 statute acres; population 6096; salary £30 per annum.  3. Islandshire District, comprising the parishes of Holy Island and Kyloe, and the township of Haggerston; area 12189 statute acres; population 2026; salary £20 per annum.  4. Norhamshire District East, comprising the townships of Loanend, Longridge, Norham Mains, Horncliff, Duddo, Thornton, Shoreswood, and Felkington; area 8580 statute acres; population 1553; salary £20 per annum.  5. Norhamshire District West, comprising the townships of Norham, Grindon, Twizel, and the parish of Cornhill; area 10230 statute acres; population 2204; salary £20 per annum.  The following were appointed to assist the Clerk in conducting the forthcoming election of Guardians: J B Atkinson (Berwick); George Dick (Tweedmouth); John Anderson (Ancroft); [Henry Leckie] (Kyloe); Robert Donaldson (Holy Island); John Carmichael (Cornhill); R M Forster (Norham); Alexander Laing (Duddo); Robert Carr (Felkington); Ebenezer Black (Grindon); John Embleton (Horncliff); William Richardson (Loanend); George Wood (Longridge); William Cleghorn (Norham Mains); Nathaniel Dodds (Shoreswood); James R Nicholson (Thornton); John Archbold (Twizel).	
Item	GBR 40/255A-259	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 21 March 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; George Wilson; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; A Crossman [Alexander Crossman]; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; A Bell [Adam Bell]; Nicholas Bell; E Rutherford [Edward Rutherford]; James Ramsay; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; George Chisholm; A Christison [Alexander Christison]; Alexander Smith; J Fleming [Joseph Fleming]; Alexander Laing; E Black [Ebenezer Black]; William Cleghorn; William Smith; Thomas Hubback; John Dunbar; William Heron; Thomas Nesbitt; J R Nicholson [James Nicholson]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; J Paxton [John Paxton].	21 March 1848

Itom	CDD	Minutes of Darwick	Chairman: Dr Clarke.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Winter (flour); John Morton (meat); Thomas Cockburn (wine); George Henderson (whiskey); J B Atkinson (sundries); E & W Paxton (drapery goods); James Rupel (lime); John Davidson (druggist); George Bogue (rope); Robert Cowe (cabbage plants); John Main (mending); Robert Kerr (rent of Workhouse). Payment of salaries was ordered for Maxwell Gardner (schoolmaster); Margaret Atkinson (schoolmistress); Thomas Meston (barber).  A letter from the Poor Law Board approved the proposed arrangements for medical districts and salaries. In consideration of the election of Medical Officers, letters of application were received from Dr Alexander Kirkwood, for Berwick District, citing his qualifications from the Royal College of Physicians, the College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, and the Society of Apothecaries, and from William Donaldson, for the Norhamshire West District. In a vote for the Berwick District, William Lilly won a majority over Dr Kirkwood, and he was recommended to the Poor Law Board under the provisions of Article 170 of the Consolidated General Order.  The other appointments of Medical Officers were: Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison] for Tweedmouth District, Joseph Watson for Islandshire District, John Paxton, for Norhamshire East District, and William Donaldson for Norhamshire West District; a proposal that John Paxton should be appointed for Norhamshire West District was disallowed by the Chairman.  Dr Clarke was thanked for his chairmanship in the past year.  The meeting was adjourned until 27 March 1848.	27 Morsh 1949
Item	GBR 40/259-262	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 27 March 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Joseph Fleming; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; A J Gillie [Alexander Gillie]; Alexander Crossman; John Dunbar. Medical Officers: John Paxton. Chairman: Dr Clarke	27 March 1848

			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Johnson & Co (coals); Thomas Cockburn (porter); George Pirie (groceries); C L Gilchrist (groceries); J B Atkinson (sundries); George Bogue (canvas); Robert Rutherford & Co; John Main (mending).  Payment was ordered for the salaries of the nurses in the Workhouse, Ann Boston and Mary Knox.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Receipt of payment was recorded from Whitechapel Union for relief given to non-resident poor.  The Porter's Book showed that in the last quarter 1514 vagrants received relief, of whom 734 were chargeable to Berwick and 780 to Tweedmouth.  Payment was ordered for the maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in Bensham Lunatic Asylum: John Pacey and Mary Scott, both of Berwick.  Payment was ordered for John Main, tailor of Spittal, for clothing for Robert Gresham and for his apprenticeship premium.  The Clerk was ordered to make up the quarterly abstract of accounts.	
Item	GBR 40/263-264	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 4 April 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Robert Ramsay; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; John Burn; George Robison; George Wilson. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Winter (meal dealer); John Morton (butcher); Joseph Milburne (grocer); John Main (clothing). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	4 April 1848

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tem GBR 40/2	65-270	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 18 April 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Thomas Nesbitt; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; George MacGregor; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; Charles L Gilchrist; Robert Ramsay; Joseph Fleming; James Marshall; Nathaniel Dodds. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; W Donaldson [William Donaldson]; John Paxton; A Morrison [Andrew Morison];	18 April 1848
			The Clerk, W & E Willoby, reported the results of the election of Guardians: For Berwick (elected): Alexander Christison (grocer, of Bridge Street); James Marshall (grocer, of Bridge End); Joseph Fleming (currier, of Marygate); Charles L Gilchrist (grocer, of Marygate); Alexander R Lowrey (farmer of Castle Hills); William Smith (captain, RN, of Ava Cottage); Henry G C Clarke (physician, of Bank Hill); Andrew Fender (farmer, of Castlegate); George K Nicholson (gentleman, of Bridge End). (The following were not elected for Berwick: Edward Davidson, innkeeper of Bank Hill; Alexander John Gillie, farmer of New East Farm; James Jaffray, bookseller of Marygate; Thomas Thompson junior, draper of Marygate; Thomas Hownam, farmer of Baits Cross; George Wilson, innkeeper of High Street; Thomas Hubback, clothier of High Street; Alexander Crossman, grocer of Bridge Street.) For Tweedmouth: Thomas Nesbitt (farmer, of Spittal); Adam Bell (farmer, of East Ord); Robert Ramsay (iron founder, of Tweedmouth); John Burn (farmer, of Middle Ord); George Robison (farmer, of Berwick). For Kyloe: Henry Leckie (farmer, of Smeafield). For Ancroft: George MacGregor (farmer, of Windmill Hill); Robert Hogarth (farmer, of Scremerston). For Holy Island: John Black (farmer, of Fenham Hill). For Loanend: John Dunbar (freeholder of land, Bankhead). For Horncliffe: Nicholas Bell (baker and seedsman). For Longridge: George Wood (farmer, of North Longridge). For Thornton: James R Nicholson (farmer). For Norham Mains: William Cleghorn (farmer, of Norham East Mains). For Shoreswood: Nathaniel Dodds (farmer). For Felkington: Robert Carr (farmer). For Felkington: Robert Carr (farmer). For Duddo: George Carr (farmer, of Greenlawalls).	

East Newbigging, was not elected.

For Grindon: Ebenezer Black (farmer).

For Twizel: Richard Makins (farmer, of Shellacres). For Cornhill: James Black (farmer, of New Heaton).

Dr Clarke was elected chairman for the year. A R Lowrey and Captain Smith were elected vice-chairmen.

Those appointed to the Workhouse and Finance Committee were: the Chairman; the Vice-Chairmen; G K Nicholson; Joseph Fleming; A Christison; James Marshall; C L Gilchrist; A Fender; G Robison.

Those appointed to the School Committee were: the Chairman; the Vice-Chairmen; G K Nicholson; Robert Ramsay; Robert Hogarth.

The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected.

Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.

Payments were ordered for the maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Royal Asylum Edinburgh and Dr Smith's Asylum Newcastle: Alexander Reid, of Berwick; Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth; Ann Moor, of Ancroft; Alice Bruce, of Twizel.

A letter from the Poor Law Board approved the appointments of Medical Officers. The Medical Officers were required to attend Board Days and to present their books for inspection.

The Workhouse Committee was asked to obtain tenders for provisions and clothing for the next meeting.

It was ordered that Michael Chambers, a lunatic, should be sent to the Bensham Lunatic Asylum, and that the Overseers of Berwick should determine whether he had gained legal settlement.

It was ordered that Guardians should receive a list of dates of meetings for the year instead of notices for each meeting.

Mr Dodds gave notice that at the next meeting he would propose that Board meetings should be held of Mondays instead of Tuesdays.

			Mr Fleming gave notice that at the next meeting he would request for each Guardian a statement of the salaries and fees received by each Union officer.	
Item	GBR 40/270-276	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 2 May 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; A Fender [Andrew Fender]; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; G MacGregor [George MacGregor]; Richard Makins; Joseph Fleming; John Burn; C L Gilchrist [Charles Gilchrist]; Nathaniel Dodds; A Christison [Alexander Christison]; James Marshall. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; W Donaldson [William Donaldson]; John Paxton; Joseph Watson; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.	2 May 1848
			The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Registration accounts were presented by J B Atkinson, John Anderson, and R M Forster for parishes within their districts.	
			Vaccination fees: W S Lilly: Berwick, 40 cases; Tweedmouth, 17 cases. A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 30 cases; Ancroft, 6 cases; Holy Island, 1 case. Joseph Watson: Kyloe, 1 case. Medical fees: W S Lilly; A Morrison; John Paxton. Payment of salaries was ordered for: W & E Willoby (Clerks); J B Atkinson (Relieving Officer & Workhouse Master); John Anderson & R M Forster (Relieving Officers); W S Lilly, A Morrison, John Paxton, and Joseph Watson (Medical Officers); John Moor (Assistant Master); Jane Purdie (Matron).	
			Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  The proposal by Mr Dodds that Board meetings should be held on Mondays instead of Tuesdays was agreed.  By amendment to Mr Fleming's proposal, it was agreed that a list of salaries and fees	

			of Union Officers that appeared in the Union ledger should be prepared. The Medical Officers named their substitutes as follows: For Mr Lilly and for Mr Morrison: Mr Manners [John Manners], of Berwick. For Mr Paxton: Mr Donaldson, of Norham. For Mr Donaldson: Mr Paxton, of Norham. For Mr Watson: Mr Hunt, of Belford. The Chairman's plan to ventilate the school room was agreed. It was ordered that Mr Jameson [Jamieson], a solicitor of London, should be asked to indemnify the parish of Berwick against expenses incurred in maintaining his sister in a lunatic asylum. Mr Atkinson presented a letter from the secretary of the Deaf & Dumb Institution Edinburgh, requesting payment for maintenance of Robert Spowart; the Board decided that the boy should be sent home. A letter from John Moor requesting an increase of salary for his additional duties with a new accounting system was referred to the Workhouse Committee.	
Item	GBR 40/276-282	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 15 May 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Alexander Christison; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; John Dunbar; Adam Bell; Nathaniel Dodds. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; W Donaldson [William Donaldson]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Winter (flour); John Morton (meat); Thomas Cockburn (wine); Johnson & Co (coals); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); C L Gilchrist (groceries); G Pollard (shoes); Robert Crisp (clothing); James Dunlop (clothing); Robert Cairns (clothing); Mary Ann Clarke (bonnets); James Purvis (press bed); Nicol Richardson (turner); George Henderson (whiskey); J B Atkinson (sundries); Walter Thompson (stationery); Robert Kerr (poor rate); Thomas Cockburn (plasterer).	15 May 1848

Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Royal Asylum Edinburgh and Dr Smith's Asylum Newcastle: Hannah Jamieson, of Berwick; Ann Moore, of Ancroft.

Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. A return of salaries and fees of Union Officers was presented to the meeting. A letter from Mr Jamieson, solicitor of London, stated that he could not contribute to the support of his sister. The asylum account was charged to the parish of Berwick. A letter from Thomas G Dickson, manager of the Deaf & Dumb Asylum Edinburgh, proposed (on the suggestion of Mr Cook, Head Master of the institution) that the boy Robert Spowart should be retained in the asylum for one or two years longer, at a reduced rate of £6 per annum, so that he could benefit further from instruction by a local tailor. The Board assented.

The Workhouse Committee recommended acceptance of the following tenders: John Winter, for flour (@39s 0d per sack); no.2 barley (@30s 0d per sack); oatmeal (35s 0d per sack); outdoor oatmeal (@1s 10d per stone).

William Davidson, for black pepper (@1s 0d per lb); treacle (@2s 9d per stone); soda (@7s 0d per cwt); sugar (@47s 0d per cwt); coffee (@1s 6d per lb).

George Pirie, for tobacco (@3s 4d per lb); snuff (@2s 11d per lb); split peas (@10s 4d per bushel); dip candles (@6s 0d per dozen); mould candles (@7s 0d per dozen). Joseph Milburne, for rice (@24s 0d per cwt); salt (@2s 6d per cwt); soap (@54s 0d per cwt).

R Cleghorn, for chest of tea (@4s 6d per lb).

Thomas Graham, for bread (@ 4 lb 6oz for 6d).

Thomas Cockburn, for wine (@33s 0d per dozen); whiskey (@2s 0d per bottle); vinegar (@6d per bottle).

George Henderson, for wine (@33s 0d per dozen); porter (@3s 4d per dozen). Thomas Melrose, for post paper (@9s 0d per ream); steel pens (@2s 0d and 1s 6d per gross);copy books (@1s 6d per dozen); Maccullock's 2 reading books (@2s 3d per dozen); Church of England catechisms (@7d per dozen); Church of Scotland catechisms (@5d per dozen).

G Winlaw, for men's shoes (@6s 6d per pair); boy's shoes (@3s 5d per pair). G Pollard, for women's shoes (@5s 0d per pair).

Robert Chrisp, for men's suits (@ 42s 11d each); boys from 12 to 16 (@15s 1d each); boys from 7 to 12 (@ 11s 3d each); boys under 7 (@7s 0d each); men's

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			jackets (@8s 9d each).	
			Charles Forsyth, for 100 yards of grey calico (@ 4d per yard); 100 1/4 yards white	
			calico (@31/4d per yard); 50 yards white calico (@5d per yard); 20 yards twilled	
			flannel (@14¼d per yard); 56 yards blue flannel (@17d per yard); 50 yards collar	
			check (@151/4d per yard); 60 yards tartan (@[blank] per yard); 100 yards ticking	
			(@10d per yard); 20 yards [jane] (@5½d per yard); 10 pairs of blankets (@12s 0d per pair); 10 pairs of blankets (@8s 7d per pair); 12 coverlets (@10s 3d each); 4 dozen handkerchiefs (@4s 6d per dozen); 3 dozen printed calico (@3s 0d per dozen).	
			R Rutherford & Co, for 100 yards grey calico (@21/2d); 50 yards grey calico (@4d); 30	ļ
			yards apron check (@6d); 1 dozen blue bonnets (@11½d); 12 [jaconet] muslin (@7d). George Gregg, for coffins 5 feet and upwards (@12s 6d); under 5 feet (@8s 6d).	
Item	GBR 40/282-285	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 29 May 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; George Robison; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; Ebenezer Black. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; J Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: Captain Smith.	29 May 1848
			In the absence of the Clerks, George Tabberer was appointed as their substitute. The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Payment was ordered for the County Rate for Northumberland, assessed at one halfpenny in the pound, and apportioned by parish.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	

Item	GBR 40/285-289	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 12 June 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; Richard Makins; James Black; Adam Bell; Nathaniel Dodds; George MacGregor; George Robison; Robert Ramsay; John Dunbar.  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Smith Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: G K Nicholson.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Winter (oatmeal); John Morton (meat); Ralph Cleghorn (tea); Thomas Cockburn (wine); George Henderson (wine); Joseph Henderson (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); William Davidson (groceries); Johnson & Co (coals); William Jeffrey (coals); Charles Forsythe (clothing); R Rutherford & Co (clothing); R Chrisp (clothing); J B Atkinson (sundries); David Gibson (rent of Register Office); Charles Knight (books); Thomas Nelson (stationery); W & E Willoby (justice clerk fees). Payment was ordered to W & E Willoby for expenses of conducting the election of Guardians, and also the contested elections in the parish of Berwick and the township of Norham. Payment was ordered for the following pauper lunatics in the Chrichton Institution [Crichton Institution] Dumfries: Ralph Low and James Swinhoe, of Berwick; Mary Harbartson, of Kyloe. Payment for maintenance of Robert Spowart in the Blind Asylum Edinburgh was ordered and charged to the parish of Tweedmouth. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	12 June 1848
Item	GBR 289- 292	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 26 June 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; Nathaniel Dodds; Robert Ramsay; Andrew Fender. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; W Donaldson [William Donaldson]; J Paxton [John Paxton]. Chairman: G K Nicholson.	26 June 1848

			The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster], were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Winter (flour); William Davidson (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Henderson (porter); Johnson & Co (coals); gas company; J B Atkinson (sundries); George Winlaw (shoes); George Pollard (shoes); Robert Crisp (clothing); S Rockford (carpet shoes); Charles Knight (books); Robert Kerr (¼ rent of Workhouse). Payment of salaries was ordered for: Maxwell Gardner (schoolmaster); Margaret	
			Atkinson (schoolmistress); Thomas Meston (barber); Anne Boston (nurse); Mary Knox (nurse); William Lindsay (porter).  Payment was ordered for the maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Bensham Lunatic Asylum Newcastle: Mary Scott, of Berwick; [John Octon], of Tweedmouth; Margaret Thompson, of Tweedmouth; William Moor, of Norham; William Byers, of Norham.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. The Porter's book showed that the number of vagrants who received relief in the last quarter was 1620, of whom 913 were chargeable to Berwick, and 707 to Tweedmouth.	
Item	GBR 40/292-295	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 10 July 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; Joseph Fleming; Andrew Fender; Nathaniel Dodds; Robert Ramsay; Adam Bell; Nicholas Bell; George MacGregor. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Andrew Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: A R Lowrey.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been	10 July 1848
			inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James	

			Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. The Board considered a statement by John Moor [Assistant Master], made at the request of the Workhouse Committee, in support of his request for an increase of salary because of additional work in keeping the accounts. His request was rejected.	
Item	GBR 40/295-301	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 24 July 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Nathaniel Dodds; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; George MacGregor; George Robison; Adam Bell; John Dunbar. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; W Donaldson [William Donaldson]. Chairman: Dr Clarke  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been	24 July 1848
			inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Registration accounts were presented by J B Atkinson, John Anderson, and R M Forster, for parishes within their districts.	
			Vaccination fees, for the quarter ended at Midsummer: W S Lilly: Berwick, 46 cases; Tweedmouth, 21 cases. A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 38 cases; Ancroft, 7 cases. Joseph Watson: Holy Island, 12 cases; Kyloe, 30 cases. W Donaldson: Norham, 67 cases; Cornhill, 13 cases. Medical fees: for W S Lilly and A Morrison.	
			Payment was ordered for the following pauper lunatics in the Royal Asylum Edinburgh: Alexander Reid, of Berwick; Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth; Alice Bruce, of Twizel.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	
			The Board considered a Bill currently before the House of Commons to alter the terms of poor relief, and in particular to extend the provisions of 9 & 10 Vict c 66 to	

			persons born in Scotland, Ireland and other territories. A petition to the House of Commons was signed to express the Board's alarm that a greatly increased number of widows and children from Scotland or Ireland would become irremoveable and chargeable to the Union. The petition was to be sent to Mr Forster [Matthew Forster] for presentation.  A letter from Mr Gardner [Maxwell Gardner] was presented in which he resigned as schoolmaster at the Workhouse because he proposed to attend the Glasgow Normal Seminary. The School Committee was asked to consider his replacement.	
Item	GBR 40/301-306	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 7 August 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Joseph Fleming. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Winter (flour); George Pirie (groceries); William Davidson (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Johnson & Co (coals); George Henderson (porter); Thomas Cockburn (whiskey); Charles Forsythe (clothing); Robert Chrisp (clothing); Robert Cairns (clothing); J B Atkinson (sundries); Robert Home (charges for Register Office); George Gregg (carpenter); Joseph Dagleish (painter); Joseph Gibson (mason); Charles Knight (books); Walter Thompson (painting); Berwick Warder; Union officers (postages). Payment was ordered for the printing of voting papers for Berwick and Norham. Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Chrichton Institution [Crichton Institution] Dumfries: Ralph Low and Joseph Swinhoe, of Tweedmouth; Mary Harbertson [Mary Harbartson], of Kyloe.	7 Aug 1848

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			Workhouse Master and Relieving Officer; John Anderson and R M Forster, Relieving Officers; W S Lilly, A Morrison [Andrew Morison], John Paxton, W Donaldson [William Donaldson], and Joseph Watson, Medical Officers; Jane Purdie, Matron; John Moor, Assistant Master.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  It was reported that the petition against the 5th clause of the Union Charges Bill had been presented to the House of Commons by Mr Forster [Matthew Forster], and the clause had been withdrawn.  The Chairman referred to a Bill before Parliament concerning the solemnization of marriages in Scotland, and proposed that the Board should send a petition supporting a change in the law. The petition described some of the "evil consequences arising from the Marriages contracted in the Neighbouring Parishes in Scotland", including the risks to young women and the difficulty of finding proof of a marriage. The petition was sent to Sir G Grey [Sir George Grey] for presentation.  A letter from Mr Brown, the Government Inspector of Schools, stated that he would visit the Workhouse School on 17 August, and the School Committee was ordered to meet him.	
Item	GBR 40/307-309	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 21 August 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; George Robison; Joseph Fleming; Robert Ramsay; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; J R Nicholson [James Nicholson]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison]. Chairman: A R Lowrey.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); William Davidson (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (wine); Joseph Milburne (salt); John Winter (barley); Crombie & Johnson (herrings); John Smart (repairing clogs); J B Atkinson (sundries).	21 Aug 1848

			After consultation with Mr Browne [Government Inspector of Schools], it was ordered that an advertisement be prepared for a replacement for the schoolmaster at the Workhouse School and that application should be examined by the School Committee.  A minute from the Poor Law Board on vagrancy was deferred for consideration at the next meeting.	
Item	GBR 40/309-313	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 4 September 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; George Robison; A Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; James Ramsay; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; Joseph Fleming; A Christison [Alexander Christison]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Joseph Watson. Chair: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Winter (flour); John Morton (meat); William Davidson (groceries); George Henderson (porter); Addison & Robertson (cabbages); Margaret Bell (potatoes); Sarah Crombie (herring); J B Atkinson (sundries). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  It was decided that because of the increased duties of Mr Atkinson, Relieving Officer for Berwick District, the townships of Ord and Spittle [Spittal] in the parish of Tweedmouth should be transferred to the Islandshire District, whose Relieving Officer was Mr Anderson.	4 Sept. 1848
			Following a discussion of the minute of the Poor Law Board concerning vagrancy, the Guardians stated the view that the Relieving Officers and the Master of the Workhouse were well practised in discriminating between the truly destitute and the professional vagrant, and they objected to the proposed introduction of passes or	

			certificates.	
Item	GBR 40/313-318	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 18 September 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; George Robison; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Adam Bell; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; George MacGregor. Medical Officers: A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; W Donaldson [William Donaldson]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Winter (flour); William Davidson (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); Johnson & Co (coals); George Henderson (porter); Thomas Cockburn (whiskey); Barbara Milburne (herrings); Mary Ann Clarke (bonnets); J B Atkinson (sundries); Robert Kerr (rent of Workhouse). Payment of salaries was ordered for: Maxwell Gardner (schoolmaster); Margaret Atkinson (schoolmistress); Thomas Meston (barber); Ann Boston (nurse); Mary Knox (nurse); William Lindsay (porter). Funeral expenses were ordered for Mary Harbartson, a pauper lunatic of Kyloe. The Clerk reported receipt of a precept for the county rate of Northumberland, assessed at one farthing in the pound, and the apportionment by parish. Following the School Committee's examination of applications for the post of schoolmaster, it was reported that the following were selected for interview: Robert Reed, of Tweedmouth; William Cutter, of Hetton le Hole; James Young, of Lanark; Thomas H Tait, of Yetholm; James Irvine, of Haddon; J H Graham, of Tweedmouth; Robert Forbes, of Grants House. It was decided that Reverend Cairns and Mr Rowlandson should attend the interviews.	18 Sept. 1848
Item	GBR 40/318-323	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Andrew Fender; Captain Smith [William Smith,	2 Oct. 1848

meeting held on 2 October 1848.	RN]; Thomas Nesbitt; A T Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; C L Gilchrist [Charles Gilchrist]; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; George MacGregor; Henry Leckie; John Black; John Burn; Alexander Christison.  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; A Morrison [Andrew Morison].  Chairman: A R Lowrey.
	The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); John Winter (flour); William Davidson (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); George Henderson (porter); Thomas Cockburn (whiskey); Andrew Dick (potatoes); Addison & Robertson (potatoes); John Trainer (potatoes); Robert Chrisp (clothing); Rutherford & Co (clothing); George Pollard (clothing); George Winlaw (clothing); J B Atkinson (sundries); W H Rowland (plumber); Thomas Cockburn (plasterer); Borough Mail (rent); George Lauder (binder); Thomas Melrose (stationery). Common charges were ordered to be paid for expenses in removing the following paupers to Ireland: Mary Casey, from Berwick, and Bridget Casey, Michael Casey, and Patrick Casey, from Ancroft; also for expenses of examining candidates for the post of schoolmaster. Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in Bensham Lunatic Asylum Newcastle: Mary Scott and William Davidson, of Berwick; Margaret Thompson and John Octon, of Tweedmouth; William Moor, of Norham. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. The Porter's Book showed that 1503 vagrants received relief in the last quarter, of whom 737 were chargeable to Berwick and 766 to Tweedmouth.
	A letter from the Poor Law Board was presented, agreeing to the proposed division of the Tweedmouth District for Relieving Officers.  The Board, assisted by Reverend Cairns and Mr Rowlandson, examined the agreed list of candidates for the post of schoolmaster (except for Messrs Reed, Cutter and Young). It was agreed that Thomas Heriot Tait should be appointed, with effect from 1st November.

Item	GBR 40/324-327	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 10 October 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; George MacGregor; Nathaniel Dodds; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]. Chairman: A R Lowrey.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum: Alexander Reid, of Berwick; Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth; Alice Bruce, of Twizel. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. The Workhouse Committee was ordered to obtain tenders for contracts. A letter from Mr Morrison [Andrew Morison] was presented, in which he stated his wish to retire as Medical Officer on 25 December.	10 Oct. 1848
Item	GBR 40/327-330	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 30 October 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; George Robison; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; George MacGregor; James Ramsay; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; Andrew Fender. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; William Donaldson. Chairman: A R Lowrey.  In the absence of the Clerks, George Tabberer was appointed as their substitute at the meeting. The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.	30 Oct. 1848

Payment of salaries was ordered for: W & E Willoby, Clerks; J B Atkinson, Workhouse Master and Relieving Officer; John Anderson and R M Forster, Relieving Officers; W S Lilly, A Morrison [Andrew Morison], John Paxton, William Donaldson, and Joseph Watson, Medical Officers; Jane Purdie, Matron; John Moor, Assistant Master.

Registration accounts were presented by J B Atkinson for parishes within his district.

Vaccination fees:

W S Lilly: Berwick, 46 cases; Tweedmouth, 29 cases. A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 36 cases; Ancroft, 15 cases. W Donaldson: Norham, 27 cases; Cornhill, 13 cases.

Medical fees:

W S Lilly: Berwick, Tweedmouth, Duddo.

A Morrison: Tweedmouth.

J Paxton: Norham.

Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Chrichton Institution Dumfries [Crichton Institution]: Ralph Low and James Swinhoe, of Tweedmouth.

The Clerk reported receipt of a precept for the county rate of Northumberland, assessed at one halfpenny in the pound, and its apportionment by parish. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Arrangements for the appointment of a Medical Officer for Tweedmouth were considered.

With reference to the Nuisances Removal and Diseases Prevention Act (1848), proposals were made for the appointment of an Inspector of Nuisances at a salary of 20s 0d per week.

The Clerk was ordered to write to Messrs Paxton, Morrison, and Donaldson [Medical Officers] asking them to attend meetings of the Board.

A letter from A Mallock [Andrew Mallock], Treasurer of the Union, was presented, in which he stated that his remuneration from interest on the balance of the Union account was not reaching anticipated levels, and he requested that an additional salary should be allowed.

Robert Kennedy, tailor of Ancroft, applied to have Alexander Gardiner, an orphan aged 13 in the Workhouse, bound to him as apprentice. The Board ordered the

			indentures of apprenticeship to be prepared.	
Item	GBR 40/330-337	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 13 November 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Andrew Fender; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Nathaniel Dodds; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; Nicholas Bell; Alexander Christison; John Burn; Robert Ramsay; John Dunbar; Adam Bell; George Robison; George MacGregor.  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]. Chair: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected.	13 Nov. 1848
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Payment of salaries was ordered for: W & E Willoby, Clerks; J B Atkinson, Workhouse Master & Relieving Officer; John Anderson and R M Forster, Relieving Officers; W S Lilly, A Morrison [Andrew Morison], John Paxton, William Donaldson, and Joseph Watson, Medical Officers; Jane Purdie, Matron; John Moor, Assistant Master.	
			Registration accounts were presented by J B Atkinson for parishes within his district. Vaccination fees: W S Lilly: Berwick, 46 cases; Tweedmouth, 29 cases. A Morrison: Tweedmouth, 36 cases; Ancroft, 15 cases. W Donaldson: Norham, 27 cases; Cornhill, 13 cases. Medical fees:	
			W S Lilly: Berwick, Tweedmouth, Duddo. A Morrison: Tweedmouth. J Paxton: Norham.  Payment was ordered for maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Chrichton Institution	
			Dumfries [Crichton Institution]: Ralph Low and James Swinhoe, of Tweedmouth.  The Clerk reported receipt of a precept from the County of Northumberland for the County Rate, assessed at one halfpenny in the pound, and its apportionment by	

			parish. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Arrangements for the appointment of a Medical Officer for Tweedmouth were considered. With reference to the Nuisances Removal and Diseases Prevention Act (1848), proposals were made for the appointment of an Inspector of Nuisances at a salary of 20s 0d per week. The Clerk was ordered to write to Messrs Paxton, Morrison, and Donaldson [Medical Officers] asking them to attend meetings of the Board.  A letter from A Mallock [Andrew Mallock], Treasurer of the Union, was presented, in which he stated that his remuneration from interest on the balance of the Union account was not reaching anticipated levels, and he requested that an additional salary should be allowed.  Robert Kennedy, tailor of Ancroft, applied to have Alexander Gardiner, an orphan aged 13 at present in the Workhouse, bound to him as apprentice. The Board ordered the indenture of apprenticeship to be prepared.	
Item	GBR 40/337-342	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 27 November 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; C L Gilchrist [Charles Gilchrist]; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; George Robison; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Ebenezer Black; Richard Makins; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; George MacGregor; Alexander Christison; J R Nicholson [James Nicholson]; Joseph Fleming; Nathaniel Dodds; Andrew Fender; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; Robert Ramsay; George Wood.  Medical Officers: A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; John Paxton; W Donaldson [William Donaldson]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.	27 Nov. 1848

Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Morton (meat); Alexander Smith (meat); John Winter (flour); William Davidson (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Pirie (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (wine); George Henderson (porter); Johnson & Aclington Co (coals); Thomas Atkinson (potatoes); Simon Trainer (potatoes); Alexander Marshall (potatoes); Gas Company; Rutherford & Co (clothing); John Turner (hat); J B Atkinson (sundries); rent of Workhouse garden; Newcastle Courant.

Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. In consideration of the election of a Medical Officer for Tweedmouth, the appointment of John Manners was unanimously agreed.

Applications for the post of Inspector of Nuisances were considered, and W Burn was appointed by a majority.

A Committee was formed to sign notices of the existence of nuisances and to take proceedings for their removal, according to the Nuisances Removal and Diseases Prevention Act. The Chairman, the Vice-Chairmen, G K Nicholson, Robert Ramsay, Nathaniel Dodds, and Ebenezer Black were appointed to the Committee.

A salary of £20 per annum was agreed for Mr Mallock [Andrew Mallock], the Treasurer of the Union.

The Workhouse Committee reported acceptance of the following tenders for supplies: Alexander Smith, for beef rounds & flanks (@7s 2d per stone); beef houghs (@3s 3d per stone); mutton (@6½d per lb).

John Winter, for oatmeal (@34s 0d per sack); oatmeal for outdoor poor (@ 1s 10d per stone); flour (39s 0d per sack); barley (@12s 0d per cwt).

Joseph Milburne, for sugar (@40s 0d per cwt); tobacco (@3s 6d per lb); snuff (@3s 2d per lb); pepper (@1s 0d per lb).

G Weatherhead, for coffee (@ 1s 6d per lb); treacle (@2s 6d per stone); soda (@7s 0d per cwt).

W Davidson, for a chest of tea (@4s 4d per lb); dip candles (@6s 0d per dozen). W Cleghorn, for salt (@2s 8d per cwt); soap (@51s 0d per cwt); mould candles (@6s 9d per dozen).

Messrs Crosby, for bread (@5 lbs for 6d).

Thomas Cockburn, for port wine (@33s 0d per dozen).

G Henderson, for porter (@3s 4d per dozen); whiskey (@2s 2d per bottle).

Johnson & Co, for coals (@9s 0d per ton).

			G Winlaw, for boys' shoes (@3s 7d per pair). Thomas Melson, for post paper (@8s 0d per ream); steel pens (@1s 3d and 2s 0d per gross); copy books (@1s 5d and 1s 6d per dozen). Robert Chrisp, for men's suits (@22s 11d per suit); boys' suits, from 12-16 (@15s 1d each); boys' suits, from 7-12 (@4s 10d each); men's jackets (@8s 9d each). George Gregg, for coffins 5 feet upwards (@12s 6d each); coffins under 5 feet (@8s 0d each); 1s 0d extra when carried to Tweedmouth. Robert Rutherford, for 30 yards of apron check (@6½d per yard); 12 lbs of grey woollen yarn (@2s 1½d per lb).  C Forsythe, for 4 pieces blue & white printed calico (@3½d per yard); 20 yards white flannel (@1s 3d per yard).	
Item	GBR 40/342-346	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 11 December 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; George Robison; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; Nicholas Bell; Robert Ramsay; William Cleghorn; Adam Bell. Also present: W H T Hawley [William Henry Toovey Hawley], Poor Law Inspector. Medical Officers: A Morrison [Andrew Morison]; W Donaldson [William Donaldson]. Chairman: A R Lowrey.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Letters from the Poor Law Board approved the salary for Mr Mallock [Andrew Mallock], Union Treasurer, and the appointment of Mr Burn as Inspector of Nuisances.  A letter from Mr Paxton [John Paxton], Medical Officer, reported several cases of cholera in the Norhamshire District, and stated that the special regulation of the General Board of Health would now take effect. The Guardians of Norham, Longridge	11 Dec. 1848

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			and Norham Mains were empowered to provide accommodation for treatment of cases, in consultation with the Medical Officers and Relieving Officers.  The Inspector of Nuisances reported two complaints of nuisances: from Alexander Goodale and John Lidden, about swine kept in premises in Chapel Street occupied by Rachael Baxter, and about an offensive privy at the same address; and from George Jobson and W Ross, about an accumulation of dung at premises in Chapel Street occupied by James Emery and others. The parties complained of were summoned before the Justices.  James Blackett Atkinson was appointed to present complaints of nuisances before the Justices on behalf of the Guardians.  With respect to the qualification of Mr Manners [John Manners] as Medical Officer of Berwick district, it was decided to notify the Poor Law Board that the minute passed about the appointment of Mr Lilly [William Smith Lilly] still applies.	
Item	GBR 40/346-347	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 19 December 1848.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Andrew Fender; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Nicholas Bell; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Smith Lilly]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Inspector of Nuisances attended the meeting and stated that Mr Davidson, the Overseer of the Poor at Norham, had interfered with him in the discharge of his duties. The Board ordered Mr Davidson's attendance at their meeting in the following week. The Inspector also presented reports from Alexander Thompson, Robert Thompson, and James Thompson about the existence of nuisances in premises in Church Street belonging to Mrs Air. The Inspector was instructed to go to Horncliffe, Norham, and Donaldson Lodge the following week. The Board decided to give the Inspector of Nuisances an allowance of 4s 0d per day for travelling expenses. The meeting was adjourned until 26 December.	19 Dec. 1848

Item	GBR 40/347-352	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Andrew Fender; G K Nicholson	26 Dec. 1848
	100000	meeting held on 26	[George Nicholson]; George Wood.	
		December 1848.	Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Smith Lilly].	
			Chairman: Captain Smith.	
			The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been	
			inspected.	
			Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James	
			Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.	
			Payments were ordered for common charges to: James Marshall (insurance); Robert	
			Kerr (rent of Workhouse); and, for salaries: T H Tait [Thomas Tait] (schoolmaster);	
			Margaret Atkinson (schoolmistress); William Lindsay (porter); Thomas Meston	
			(barber); Ann Boston (Nurse); Mary Knox (nurse). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	
			Thirdholds transdations between the parishes and the Treasurer were resoluted.	
			In response to a letter from the Poor Law Board concerning the appointment of John	
			Manners as Medical Officer for Tweedmouth District in succession to Mr Morrison [Andrew Morison], the Board recorded that there was no other medical practitioner	
			resident in the district, that Mr Manners's qualifications were equal to those of Mr	
			Morrison, and that his appointment was fully justified.	
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			A note by Mr Hawley [William Henry Toovey Hawley, Assistant Poor Law Commissioner] in the Visitors' Book recommended that the amount of	
			accommodation in the Workhouse should be increased because it would probably	
			become more crowded in the winter and some men were already obliged to sleep in	
			the Fever Ward.	
			A letter from W G Lumley, Assistant Secretary of the Poor Law Board, noted that Mr	
			Hawley had found several girls who were suffering from a "cutaneous complaint	
			resembling itch" were detained in the Female Receiving Ward of the Workhouse and	
			that two men with the same condition were in the Male Receiving Ward. The Poor	
			Law Board asked the Guardians to provide proper accommodation for separating those with infectious complaints.	
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			Mr Morrison was asked to take charge of sick paupers in his district until further notice.  The Inspector of Nuisances reported that action had been taken about nuisances on Miss Paulin's property, and that Robert Welles and Mark Mather had complained of a nuisance on the premises of Mrs Grant in Weatherly Square. The Inspector was ordered to go to Donaldson Lodge to cleanse houses in which there had been cases of cholera.  Mr Davidson, Assistant Overseer at Norham, made a statement in reply to the Inspector's complaint. The Board judged that his behaviour did not amount to an interference but was very reprehensible, and any repetition would result in a complaint to the Poor Law Board.  The meeting was adjourned until 2 January.	
Item	GBR 40/353-356	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 2 January 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; George Robison; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Nathaniel Dodds; Robert Ramsey [Robert Ramsay]; George MacGregor; William Cleghorn; George Wood; Andrew Fender.  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Alexander Smith (meat); John Winter (flour); George Henderson (porter); Ralph Cleghorn (groceries); George Weathead [George Weatherhead] (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); William Davidson (groceries); Alexander Marshall (potatoes); Simon Trainer (potatoes); Johnson & Co (coals); Charles Forsythe (drapery); Rutherford & Co (drapery); Robert Chrisp (clothing); George Winlaw (shoes); J B Atkinson	2 Jan. 1849

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			(sundries); Charles Knight (books); W &E Willoby (sundries); Thomas Allison (lamp rate); Robert Usher (postage).  Payment was ordered for maintenance of Hannah Jamieson in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  The Inspector of Nuisances reported on his actions at Donaldson Lodge. He was directed to visit Donaldson Lodge, Riffington, and Twizel Stead. The Clerk was directed to write to the Board of Ordnance about a nuisance caused by a drain running through the Garrison Ditch on the north side of the town. The Clerk was directed to write to Sir F. Blake's agent requesting the removal of accumulations of dung at Riffington and other nuisances.  Considering the comment of Mr Hawley [William Henry Toovey Hawley, Assistant Poor Law Commissioner] that additional accommodation should be provided in the Workhouse, the Board ordered that the plan of connecting the buildings between the Master's apartments and the men's sleeping room should be carried out. A Committee consisting of the Chairman, two Vice-Chairmen, Mr Ramsey and Mr Robison was charged with preparing plans and obtaining estimates.	
Item	GBR 40/356-358	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 8 January 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; A Fender [Andrew Fender]; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Nicholas Bell; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; J Manners [John Manners]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  A letter from the Poor Law Board approved the appointment [as Medical Officer] until 25 March of John Manners, who named Mr Lilly as his deputy. Mr Manners was also appointed to vaccinate children in his district on the same terms as Mr Morrison	8 Jan. 1849

			[Andrew Morison]. The Inspector of Nuisances reported notices from John Allan and James Frazer about nuisances on the premises of John Sampson and Johnston How. The Board agreed to an application from the Deaf and Dumb Asylum Edinburgh on behalf of the Tweedmouth boy Robert Spowart that the reduced charge of £6 per annum should be paid for two more years so that he could learn the business of a tailor. The meeting was adjourned until the following week to receive further reports from the Inspector of Nuisances.	
Item	GBR 40/358-359	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 15 January 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; James Marshall; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; James Black; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Robert Ramsay; George Robison; A Fender [Andrew Fender]; John Dunbar. Chairman: Dr Clarke.	15 Jan. 1849
			The Inspector of Nuisances made a report. It was reported that Dr Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood] had written to the Poor Law Board concerning the appointment of John Manners [as Medical Officer] and stated that it was incorrect that there was no fully qualified medical practitioner resident in the district. The Guardians replied that there was no fully qualified medical practitioner in the district for which Mr Manners was appointed.	
Item	GBR 40/359-364	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 22 January 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; A Fender [Andrew Fender]; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Thomas Nesbitt. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; J Manners [John Manners]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.	22 Jan. 1849
			The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.	

			Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Alexander Smith (meat); John Winter (flour); Johnson & Co (coals); George Henderson (porter); Joseph Milburne (groceries); William Davidson (groceries); George Weatherhead (groceries); Ralph Cleghorn (groceries); Alexander Marshall (potatoes); Joseph Gibson (mason); Wilson & Son (ironmongers); Walter Thompson (stationer); Thomas Melrose (stationer); Daniel Cameron (printing); Catherine Richardson (printing); Scott & Laing (carpenters); Thomas Wilson (plumber); Registrar General (forms); [6g Eastern Carriage]; Joseph F Strother (mattresses); Thomas Rule (mason); Thomas Purves (blacksmith); J & W Nicholson (watchmakers). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Payment was ordered for expenses incurred under the Nuisance Removal and Diseases Prevention Act, to: William Burn (salary and travelling expenses); James Middlemiss (collecting ashes); Walter Thompson (printing). Payment was ordered for expenses (for premium and clothing) in the binding of an apprentice to Robert Kennedy. The Clerk reported receipt of a precept for the County Rate for Northumberland, at one halfpenny in the pound, and the apportionment by parish. Payment was ordered for the maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum: Alexander Reid, of Berwick; Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth.	
Item	GBR 40/365-367	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 5 February 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; A Fender [Andrew Fender]. Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly] Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payment of salaries was ordered for: W & E Willoby, Clerks; J B Atkinson, Workhouse Master & Relieving Officer; John Anderson and R M Forster, Relieving	5 Feb. 1849

		Officers; W S Lilly, A Morrison [Andrew Morison], John Paxton, William Donaldson, and Joseph Watson, Medical Officers; Jane Purdie, Matron; John Moor, Assistant Master.  Payment was ordered for the maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Chrichton Institution Dumfries [Crichton Institution]: Ralph Low and James Swinhoe, of Tweedmouth.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	
 GBR 40/368-371	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 19 February 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Andrew Fender; Captain Smith; Nathaniel Dodds; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; William Cleghorn; Alexander Christison; George Robison.  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; John Manners; W Donaldson [William Donaldson]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Alexander Smith (meat); John Winter (flour); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Weatherhead (groceries); Ralph Cleghorn (groceries); G Wilson (potatoes); Robert Cairns (clothing); Charles Forsyth [Charles Forsythe] (blankets); J B Atkinson (sundries); George Henderson (wine); John Drummond (iron bedsteads); J & A Robertson (boilers); James Jaffray (stationery); John Davidson (Burnett's fluid); R M Forster (coals for hospital at Norham).  Registration accounts were presented by J B Atkinson for parishes within his district. Plans and estimates for alterations at the Workhouse were presented and the following contractors were approved: Andrew McCall (carpenter); Joseph Gibson (mason); Thomas Weatherston (slater and plasterer); Young & Todd (plumber). Joseph Brown was appointed to inspect the work.	19 Feb. 1849

			The Clerk was ordered to prepare a petition to the House of Lords in favour of the Bill of Lord Campbell to amend the law on solemnization of marriages in Scotland.  It was ordered that the Poor Law Board should be told of the difficulty in finding a sufficient number of Guardians in the parishes of Berwick and Tweedmouth because of the rating qualification of £25, and it was requested that it should be reduced to £15.	
Item	GBR 40/371-374	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 5 March 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Alexander Christison; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Andrew Fender; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; George McGregor; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson].  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; John Manners. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Alexander Smith (butcher meat); Thomas Cockburn (wine); John Winter (flour); George Henderson (porter); George Weatherhead (groceries); Ralph Cleghorn (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); J B Atkinson (sundries); Johnston & Co (coals); Gas Company; Newcastle Journal (advertising); Thomas Cockburn (slater); Overseers of Berwick (removal of Scotch paupers); Register General (forms).  Vaccination fees: Mr Donaldson [William Donaldson]: Norham, 9 cases; Cornhill, 9 cases; Ancroft, 4 cases. Mr Morrison [Andrew Morison]: Tweedmouth, 53 cases; Ancroft, 11 cases. Medical fees: Mr Morrison: Tweedmouth, 1 midwifery case; Duddo, 1 midwifery case. Mr Donaldson: Norham, 1 fracture. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	5 March 1849

			The terms of appointment of the Medical Officers were proposed for discussion at the next meeting.	
Item	GBR 40/374-379	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 19 March 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Andrew Fender; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Alexander Christison; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Robert Ramsay; Nathaniel Dodds; John Dunbar; Robert Carr; Richard Makins.  Medical Officers: W S Lilly [William Lilly]; Mr Donaldson [William Donaldson]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected.  Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.  Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: A Smith (butcher meat); John Winter (flour); G Henderson (porter, brandy); G Weatherhead (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); William Davidson (candles); J B Atkinson (milk, etc); Captain Sample (old rope).  Vaccination fees:  Mr Lilly: Berwick, 44 cases; Tweedmouth, 17 cases.  Medical fees:  Mr Lilly: Berwick, 6 midwifery cases; 1 fracture.  Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  The receipt by the Treasurer of a sum from the sureties of Mr Rowland, late Treasurer, was recorded.	19 March 1849
			It was resolved: - that the Medical Officers should be appointed for one year from 25 March; - that there should be five medical districts: 1. Berwick District, including the Workhouse (area 5120 acres, population 8484); 2. Tweedmouth District, including the parish of Ancroft except Haggerston (area 13,252 acres, population 6096); 3. Islandshire District, including Holy Island, Kyloe, and Haggerston (area 12189 acres, population 2026); 4. Norhamshire District East Division, including Loanend, Longridge, Norham Mains, Horncliffe, Duddo, Thornton, Shoreswood and Felkington	

			(area 8580 acres, population 1553); 5. Norhamshire District West Division, including Norham, Grindon, Twizel, and Cornhill (area 10230 acres, population 2204); - that the salaries of the Medical Officers should be: Berwick, district £35, Workhouse £30 per annum; Tweedmouth £30 per annum; Islandshire £20 per annum; Norhamshire East £20 per annum; Norhamshire West £20 per annum. The following Medical Officers were elected unanimously: for Berwick, William Smith Lilly; for Tweedmouth, John Manners; for Islandshire, Joseph Watson; for Norhamshire East, John Paxton; for Norhamshire West, William Donaldson. Statements were to be sent to the Poor Law Board concerning the reappointment of Mr Lilly, the qualifications of Mr Manners and of the officers for Islandshire and the Norhamshire Districts.  It was reported that the Poor Law Board had refused to allow a reduction in the [rateable] qualification for Guardians of Berwick and Tweedmouth.  The completed petition to the House of Commons in favour of the Scotch Marriage Act was to be sent to Mr Forster for presentation.	
Item	GBR 40/380-386	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 2 April 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Ebenezer Black; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Andrew Fender; Robert Ramsay; John Dewar; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]; John Brodie; Thomas Friar; N Heron; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; Nathaniel Dodds; John Batters. Medical Officers: John Manners; Joseph Watson. Chairman: A R Lowrey.  The results of the elections for Guardians were reported by the Clerks, W & E Willoby: For Berwick: Henry George Charles Clarke [Henry Clarke], of Bankhill, doctor of medicine; William Smith, of Ava Lodge, Captain Royal Navy; Alexander Robinson Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey], of Castle Hills, farmer; George Ker Nicholson [George Nicholson], of Bridge Street, corn merchant; Andrew Fender, of Greenses, farmer; John Batters, of Sandgate, timber merchant; John Dewar, of Bridge Street, corn merchant; William Elliott, of Ravensdowne, Major in the Army; Ralph Dodds, of Marygate, grocer.	2 April 1849

For Tweedmouth: Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt], of Spittal, farmer; Robert Ramsay, of Calf Close Tweedmouth, iron founder; Adam Bell, of East Ord, farmer;

Thomas Crewther, of Spittal, fish curer; William Heron, of Unthank, farmer.

For Ancroft: Thomas Pinkerton, farmer; John McGregor, of Bridge Mill, miller.

For Holy Island: John Black, of Fenham Mill, farmer.

For Cornhill: James Black, of New Heaton, farmer.

For Norham: no return, but Mr Smith entitled to serve.

For Duddo: Thomas Friar, of Grindon Ridge, gentleman.

For Felkington: Robert Carr, farmer.

For Grindon, Ebenezer Black, farmer.

For Horncliffe: no return, but Mr Bell entitled to serve.

For Loanend: John Dunbar, of Bankhead, farmer.

For Norham Mains: William Cleghorn, of Norham East Mains, farmer.

For Twizel: John Brodie, of Tiptoe, farmer.

For Thornton: James Robert Nicholson [James Nicholson], farmer.

For Shoreswood: Nathaniel Dodds, farmer. For Kyloe: James Hogg, of Buckton, farmer.

For Longridge: no return, but Mr Wood entitled to serve.

Dr Clarke was elected Chairman for the year. Captain Smith and A R Lowrey were elected Vice-Chairmen. The following were elected to the Workhouse & Finance Committee: Dr Clarke; Andrew Fender; Captain Smith; John Batters; Major Elliott; John Dewar; A R Lowrey; Ralph Dodds; G K Nicholson. The following were elected to the School Committee: Dr Clarke; A R Lowrey; Captain Smith; Robert Ramsay; Major Elliott; George K Nicholson.

The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected.

Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: A Smith (butcher meat); John Winter (flour); G Henderson (porter); G Weatherhead (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); John Lunn (potatoes); J B Atkinson (milk, etc); Robert Chrisp (clothing); Johnston & Co (coals); George Pollard; Robert Kerr (rent of Workhouse); Tait [Thomas Tait] (schoolmaster's salary); Margaret Atkinson (schoolmistress's salary); Thomas Meston (barber); Margaret Johnston (nurse); Corby (nurse); Mary Knox (nurse); William Lindsay (porter); G Knight & Co; Berwick &

			Kelso Warder; W Thompson; G Gregg (carpenter); Thomas Wilson; [Union Officers] (postage). Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Bensham Lunatic Asylum: Michael Chambers, Mary Scott, and William Davidson, of Berwick; Margaret Thompson, of Tweedmouth; William Moor, of Norham. Payment was ordered to Dr Edgar for examination of Michael Chambers, a lunatic. Payment was ordered for expenses incurred under the Nuisance Removal and Disease Prevention Act, to William Burn (salary & expenses), and to Robert Johnson (collecting ashes). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Mr Watson attended the meeting and named Mr Hunt of Belford as his deputy.	
Item	GBR 40/386-390	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 16 April 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; John McGregor; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Adam Bell; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; Thomas Crewther; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; John Brodie; Robert Ramsey [Robert Ramsay]; John Dewar; Ralph Dodds; John Batters; Thomas Friar; John Dunbar; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; Andrew Fender.  Medical Officers: W Donaldson [William Donaldson]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following lunatics in the Morningside Lunatic Asylum: Alexander Reed, of Berwick; Isabella Lough, of Tweedmouth. On the advice of the Inspector of the additions to the Workhouse, payment was ordered for Joseph Gibson and Andrew McCall (mason and carpenter).	16 April 1849
			The Clerk reported the death of W S Lilly [William Lilly], Medical Officer for Berwick	

			District, from typhus fever caught while attending an Irish vagrant. The Board expressed its tribute to him. The election of his successor was proposed for the meeting on 30 April, and in the meantime Dr Alexander Kirkwood was to be engaged to fulfil his duties.  A letter from the Poor Law Board gave approval for the appointments of the Medical Officers John Manners, Joseph Watson, John Paxton, and William Donaldson; and for William Smith Lilly provided that separate salaries were stipulated for Berwick District and the Workhouse.  Mr Donaldson named Mr Paxton as his deputy.  Expenses incurred under the Nuisance Removal and Diseases Prevention Act were apportioned to Norham, Cornhill, Horncliffe, Twizel, Duddo, and Holy Island.	
Item	GBR 40/390-391	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 19 April 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Thomas Crewther; Major Elliott [William Elliott]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The extraordinary meeting was called to report the death of R M Forster [Robert Forster], Relieving Officer for Norhamshire District. Arrangements were made to appoint his successor.	19 April 1849
Item	GBR 40/391-392	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 20 April 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; Thomas Friar; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Thomas Crewther; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; Adam Bell; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The extraordinary meeting considered applications for the post of Relieving Officer for Norhamshire District. The candidates approved for examination were: James Ellison, of Berwick; William Burn, of Berwick; George Patterson, of Berwick; Thomas Wood, of Tweedmouth; Richard Forster, of Shoreswood; Joseph Scott, of Wark; Ralph Reed, of Tweedmouth; William Nesbit, of Chatton; John Moor, of Berwick.	20 April 1849

			Applications were rejected from: Samuel Tait; Nicholas Gilchrist; Robert Bruce; Robert Alder; Thomas Buchan; Robert Bridgeford; A N Steele; John Steel; W Lockie.	
Item	GBR 40/392-398	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 30 April 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; James Richardson; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; Adam Bell; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Ralph Dodds; John Brodie; James Hogg; Thomas Nesbit [Thomas Nesbitt]; Thomas Crewther; John Dewar; John Dunbar; John Batters; Robert Ramsay; Thomas Pinkerton; Thomas Hodgson (ex-officio Guardian).  Medical Officers: Dr Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Atkinson], John Anderson, and R M Forster [Robert Forster] were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Registration accounts were presented by J B Atkinson and John Anderson for parishes within their districts. Payment of salaries was ordered for: W & E Willoby, Clerks; J B Atkinson, Master of the Workhouse and Relieving Officer; John Anderson & R M Forster, Relieving Officers; W S Lilly [William Lilly], A Morrison [Andrew Morison], John Manners, John Paxton, W Donaldson [William Donaldson] and Joseph Watson, Medical Officers; Andrew Mallock, Treasurer; Jane Purdie, Matron; John Moor, Assistant Master. Payment of £10 was ordered to Messrs Willoby for conducting the election of	30 April 1849
			Guardians.  Payment of common charges was ordered to the Churchwardens of Berwick for the church rate, the garden, the Workhouse, the Register Office.  The Clerk reported receipt of a precept for the county rate of Northumberland, at one forthing in the pound, and its apportionment by parish	
			farthing in the pound, and its apportionment by parish.  In response to the letter from the poor Law Board, salaries for a Medical Officer were assigned at the rate of £35 per annum for Berwick District and £30 per annum for the Workhouse.  Dr Alexander Kirkwood was elected as Medical Officer for Berwick District and the Workhouse, and as Vaccinator, on the same terms as the late W S Lilly.	

			The candidates for Relieving Officer of Norhamshire District (except W Burn) were examined, and on a second vote Joseph Scott was elected to the post, at a salary of £80 per annum (and also as Registrar of Births and Deaths). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.	
Item	GBR 40/398-402	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 14 May 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: Dr Clarke [Henry Clarke]; W Heron [William Heron]; Captain Smith [William Smith, RN]; John McGregor; A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; G K Nicholson [George Nicholson]. Medical Officers: Dr Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]. Chairman: Dr Clarke.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers J B Atkinson, Joseph Scott and John Anderson were presented, and payments ordered as required for outrelief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: John Winter (flour); George Winlaw (shoes); J B Atkinson (milk etc); A Smith junior (butcher meat); Robert Johnson & Co (coals); George Henderson (porter); Robert Chrisp (clothing); Joseph Milburne (tobacco, snuff); G Weatherhead (groceries); Thomas Cockburn (wine); C Forsythe (drapery); Ralph Cleghorn (groceries); John Lunn (potatoes); D. McGregor (old rope);Robert Kerr (poor rate); Charles Knight (publisher); Robert Home (Register Office). Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded. Payment was ordered for expenses incurred under Nuisance Removal & Diseases Prevention Act, to William Burn (salary). On the advice of the Inspector of the additions to the Workhouse, payment was ordered for Thomas Weatherston (slater). A letter from the Poor Law Board approved the appointment of Alexander Kirkwood	14 May 1849
			as Medical Officer for Berwick District and the Workhouse. Dr Kirkwood named Robert Fluker as his deputy.  A letter from the Board of Health was presented, concerning the operation of the Act for the Removal of Nuisances and the Prevention of Epidemic Disease.  An order from the Poor Law Board was presented, authorising alterations to the	

		Workhouse. The Workhouse Committee was asked to obtain tenders for contracts for provisions and clothing. The Board approved the sureties named by Mr Scott: Richard Douglas, banker of Coldstream, and Mr Brown, of Shidlaw.	
Item GBR 40/402-405	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 28 May 1849.	Present at the meeting: Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Lowrey]; Adam Bell; Thomas Pinkerton; John Dunbar; Nathaniel Dodds. Medical Officers: Dr A Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]. Chairman: A R Lowrey.  The Clerk reported that the books of the Master and Relieving Officers had been inspected. Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers J B Atkinson, John Anderson, and Joseph Scott were presented, and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance. Payments were ordered for supplies, services, and establishment etc. to: Alexander Smith (meat); John Winter (flour); Joseph Milburne (tobacco, groceries); George Weatherhead (treacle); George Henderson (porter); Ralph Cleghorn (salt); John Gilroy (potatoes); J B Atkinson (milk); J & A Robertson (ventilators); Charles Knight (publisher). On the approval of the Inspector of the additions to the Workhouse, payment was ordered for Joseph Gibson (mason). Payment was ordered for maintenance of the following pauper lunatics in the Crichton Royal Institution: Ralph Low and James Swinhoe, of Tweedmouth. Payment was ordered for expenses incurred under the Nuisance Removal and Disease Prevention Act, to John Steel for rent of the cholera hospital at Norham. Financial transactions between the parishes and the Treasurer were recorded.  A report was ordered for the Poor Law Board, stating that John Manners, Medical Officer for Tweedmouth, had become insane and was now in Morningside Lunatic Asylum [Edinburgh].	28 May 1849

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