

**GBR 41: Board of Guardians Minutes, Berwick-upon-Tweed Union**

LEVEL	REF	TITLE	DESCRIPTION	LEVEL
Volume	GBR 41	Berwick Board of Guardians minute book outlining the business of the Guardians in administering Poor Relief in the Berwick-upon-Tweed Union, from 25 June 1849 to 26 April 1852	<p>During the period covered by this volume, the following served as Guardians or paid officers of the Union:</p> <p><b>Guardians:</b>  <b>1848/1849:</b> Adam Bell (Berwick); Nicholas Bell (Horncliffe, baker and seedsman); Ebenezer Black (Grindon, farmer); James Black (Cornhill, farmer); John Black (Holy Island, farmer); John Burn (Tweedmouth, farmer); George Carr (Duddo, farmer); Robert Carr (Felkington, farmer); Alexander Christison (Berwick, grocer); Henry George Charles Clarke (Berwick, physician); William Cleghorn (Norham Mains, farmer); Nathaniel Dodds (Shoreswood, farmer); John Dunbar (Loanend); Andrew Fender (Berwick, farmer); Joseph Fleming (Berwick, currier); Charles L Gilchrist [Charles Lambert Gilchrist] (Berwick grocer); Robert Hogarth (Ancroft, farmer); Henry Leckie (Kyløe, farmer), Alexander R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey] (Berwick, farmer); George Macgregor (Ancroft, farmer); Richard Makins (Twizel, farmer); James Marshall (Berwick, grocer); Thomas Nesbitt (Berwick, farmer); George Ker Nicholson (Berwick, gentleman); James R. Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson] (Thornton, farmer); Robert Ramsay (Tweedmouth, iron founder); George Robison (Tweedmouth, farmer); Alexander Smith (Norham, farmer); William Smith (Berwick, Captain R.N.); George Wood (Longridge, farmer).</p> <p><b>1849/1850:</b> John Bathers (Berwick, timber merchant); Adam Bell (Tweedmouth, farmer); Ebenezer Black (Grindon, farmer); James Black (Cornhill, farmer); John Black (Holy Island, farmer); John Brodie (Twizel, farmer); Robert Carr (Felkington, farmer); Henry George Charles Clarke (Berwick, doctor of medicine); William Cleghorn (Norham Mains, farmer); Thomas Crewther (Tweedmouth, fish curer); John Dewar (Berwick, corn merchant); Nathaniel Dodds (Shoreswood, farmer); Ralph Dodds (Berwick, grocer); John Dunbar (Loanend, farmer); William Elliot (Berwick, Major in the army); Andrew Fender (Berwick, farmer); Thomas Friar (Duddo, gentleman); William Heron (Tweedmouth); James Hogg (Kyløe, farmer); Alexander Robinson Lowrey (Berwick, farmer); John Macgregor (Ancroft, miller); Thomas Nesbitt (Tweedmouth, farmer); George Ker Nicholson (Berwick, corn merchant); James Robert Nicholson (Thornton, farmer); Thomas Pinkerton (Ancroft, farmer) Robert Ramsey (Tweedmouth, iron founder); William Smith (Berwick, Captain R.N.).</p>	25 June 1849 - 26 April 1852
			<p><b>1850/1851:</b> Adam Bell (Tweedmouth, farmer); James Bell (Holy Island, farmer); Ebenezer Black (Grindon, farmer); Robert Carr (Felkington, farmer); Mark Chisholm (Kyløe, farmer); Alexander Christison (Berwick, grocer); Henry George Charles Clarke (Berwick, physician); Robert Dickson (Tweedmouth, farmer); Nathaniel Dodds</p>	

			<p>(Shoreswood, farmer); William Elliot (Longridge, farmer); Joseph Fleming (Berwick, leather seller); Thomas Friar (Duddo, gentleman); Robert Gibson (Loanend, farmer); Thomas Hubback (Berwick, draper); Alexander Robinson Lowrey (Berwick, farmer); John McGregor (Ancroft, farmer); John McLeod (Norham Mains, farmer); Richard Makins (Twizel farmer); John Nesbit (Berwick, farmer); Thomas Nesbit (Tweedmouth , farmer); John Nevins (Cornhill, farmer); George Ker Nicholson (Berwick, timber merchant); James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson] (Thornton, farmer); Thomas Pinkerton (Ancroft, farmer); Robert Ramsay (Tweedmouth, iron founder); George Robinson (Tweedmouth, farmer); Ninian Sanderson (Berwick, farmer); Alexander Smith (Norham, farmer); William Smith (Berwick, Captain, R.N.)</p> <p><b>1851/1852:</b> Nicholas Bell (Horncliffe, merchant); Ebenezer Black (Grindon, farmer); John Black (Holy Island, farmer); Robert Carr (Felkington, farmer); George Crosbie (Berwick, baker); Robert Dickson (Tweedmouth, farmer); John Dunbar (Loanend, farmer); William Elliott (Longridge, farmer); Joseph Fleming (Berwick, currier); Thomas Friar (Duddo, landowner); Robert Gibson (Berwick, farmer); John Gilroy (Tweedmouth, farmer); William Heron (Tweedmouth, farmer); Thomas Howham (Berwick, farmer); Richard Makins (Twisel, farmer); John Charles M<sup>c</sup>Donald (Kylloe, farmer); John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor (Ancroft, farmer); John M<sup>c</sup>Leod (Norham Mains, farmer); John Nesbit (Berwick, farmer); Thomas Nesbit (Tweedmouth, farmer); John Nevins (Cornhill, farmer); James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson] (Thornton, farmer); John Oswald (Ancroft, farmer); William Paxton (Berwick, draper); Ninian Sanderson (Berwick, farmer); Alexander Smith (Norham, farmer); William Smith (Berwick, Captain Royal Navy); James Wilson (Tweedmouth, gentleman); George Winlaw (Berwick, shoemaker).</p> <p><b>1852/1853:</b> John Batters (Shoreswood, Merchant); Nicholas Bell (Horncliffe, seedman); Ebenezer Black (Grindon, farmer); Robert Carr (Felkington, farmer); Alexander Christison (Ancroft, merchant); William Cleghorn (Norham Mains, farmer); George Crosby (Berwick, baker); Alexander Crossman (Tweedmouth, late grocer and fishmonger); Robert Dickson (Tweedmouth, farmer); William Dodds (Berwick, farmer); John Dunbar (Loanend, farmer); John Embleton (Holy Island, farmer); Joseph Fleming (Berwick, currier); Thomas Friar (Duddo, gentleman); William Heron (Tweedmouth, farmer); George Hogg (Kylloe, farmer); John Laing (Cornhill, farmer); John Marshall (Berwick, farmer); James Mitchell (Tweedmouth, farmer); John Morton (Berwick, butcher); John Nesbit (Berwick, farmer); James Robert Nicholson (Thornton, farmer); John Paxton (Longridge, farmer); Robert Ramsey (Tweedmouth, ironmonger); Ninian Sanderson (Berwick, farmer); Alexander Smith (Norham, farmer); James Wilson (Tweedmouth, contractor); John Wilson (Berwick, ironmonger); George Winlaw (Berwick, boot and shoe maker).</p> <p>Medical Officers: William Donaldson (Norhamshire - West Division); Dr. Alexander Kirkwood (Berwick and the Workhouse);</p>	
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			<p>Mr. Andrew Morrison (Tweedmouth);  Mr. John Paxton (Norhamshire - East Division);  Mr. Joseph Watson (Islandshire);  Robert Fluker (Dr. Kirkwood's Deputy)</p> <p>Relieving Officers: John Anderson (Islandshire);  James Blackett Atkinson (Berwick);  R M Forster [Robert Michael Forster] (Norhamshire);  Joseph Scott</p> <p>Master of the Workhouse: James Blackett Atkinson</p> <p>Clerks to the Board of Guardians: W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby].</p> <p>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; Horncliff [Horncliffe]; Kyoel; Loanend; Longridge; Norham; Norham Mains; Shoreswood; Thornton; Tweedmouth; Twisel [Twizel]</p> <p>In the catalogue entries for the minutes of individual meetings, Berwick-upon-Tweed Union is referred to as Berwick Union.</p> <p>1 volume</p>	
Item	GBR 41/1-4	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 25 June 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Clarke]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Thomas Pinkerton; Thomas Nesbit; Ralph Dodds; Thomas Crewther; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; John Brodie; Adam Bell; W Heron [William Heron]</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Financial accounts for the Union and for the Relieving Officers, J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott were presented and payments ordered as required for out-relief and in-maintenance.</p> <p>Payments were ordered for supplies and services and establishment charges to: John Winter (Flour); Charles Forsyth (Drapery); C L Gilchrist [Charles Lambert Gilchrist]; (Groceries); William Ross (Butcher's meat); Edward Paxton (Milk etc); R Rutherford &amp; Co. (Drapery); Berwick &amp; Tweedmouth Gas Company; George Henderson (Spirit Merchant); Joseph Milburn (Grocer); John Gilroy (Tubs); Thomas Weatherston &amp; Son, Young &amp; Todd (Plumbers); Robert Usher (Postages); David Gibson (Rent of Register</p>	25 June 1849

			<p>Office); Overseers of Berwick (<math>\frac{1}{4}</math> rent of Workhouse).</p> <p>Quarterly salaries were paid to: J H Tait [Thomas Heriot Tate] (Schoolmaster); Mary Knox (Nurse); Margaret Johnston Carley (Nurse); William Lindsay (Porter).</p> <p>Accounts were presented for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Bensham Lunatic Asylum. Michael Chambers and Mary Scott from Berwick; William Moor from Norham; Margaret Thompson from Tweedmouth.</p> <p>The Inspector of the additions to the workhouse reported that the Carpenter, Andrew McCall and the Inspector, Joseph Brown, were to be paid.</p> <p>Letters from Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison] Surgeon and Dr. Wilson, in which they applied for the appointment of Medical Officer for Tweedmouth with an increased salary from £30 to £40 per annum. An election is to be postponed until the next meeting. Dr. Frank Cahill is requested to carry out the duties until the appointment is made.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/5-8	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 9 July 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; Nathaniel Dodds; James Hogg; Ralph Dodds; John Dunbar; John McGregor; William Heron; William Cleghorn; Andrew Fender; Thomas Crewther; Ebenezer Black; Adam Bell; John Brodie; Thomas Friar; George Wood.</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott</p> <p>Payments: John Winter (flour); William Ross (Butcher meat); George Winlaw (shoemaker); J B Atkinson (milk etc); R Rutherford &amp; Co. (Draperies); C L Gilchrist [Charles Lambert Gilchrist] (groceries); Joseph Milburne (groceries); George Henderson (Porter); Charles Knight (Publisher); George McCaskie (Advertising); Walter Thompson (Printing).</p> <p>Salaries: Thomas Meston (Barber)</p> <p>Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison] was elected as Medical Officer for Tweedmouth at a salary of £40 per annum.</p> <p>It is noted that there is no qualified medical man in the district as is required by order. Mr Kerr (Robert Kerr) is to be dismissed as collector of Poor Rates.</p>	9 July 1849
Item	GBR 41/9-13	Minutes of Berwick	Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; G K Nicholson	23 July 1849

		Board of Guardians meeting held on 23 July 1849	<p>[George Ker Nicholson]; E Black [Ebenezer Black]; James Black; Adam Bell; George Wood; Thomas Nesbit; Andrew Fender; Thomas Pinkerton.</p> <p>Medical Officer: Mr Morrison [Andrew Morrison]</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>It was ordered that the meeting be adjourned until Monday next for the purpose of directing proceedings to appoint a collector of rates to replace Mr. Robert Kerr.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/14	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 30 July 1849	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; A Fender [Andrew Fender]</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Mr. Robert Kerr was dismissed from the office of Collector of Poor Law Rates for the Parish of Berwick. The election of a successor is to be held on 6 August, an advertisement is to be placed in both Berwick newspapers. The person who is appointed will be required to find two sureties to enter with him into a bond of £200.</p>	30 July 1849
Item	GBR 41/15-18	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 6 August 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Thomas Pinkerton; Thomas Nesbit; William Heron; Adam Bell; Ebenezer Black.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott</p> <p>Payments: William Ross (Butcher's meat); J B Atkinson (Milk etc); John Winter (Flour); Edward Paxton (Coals); George Henderson (Porter); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); George Pirie (Groceries); Thomas Melrose (Stationery)</p> <p>Accounts were presented for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in Crichton Royal Institution, Ralph Low and James Swinhoe, Tweedmouth. Maintenance for pauper</p>	6 Aug. 1849

			<p>lunatic Isabella Lough, Tweedmouth, in Royal Edinburgh Asylum.</p> <p>Applications were received from Thomas Wilson and John Goldie for the post of Collector of Rates. Mr. Wilson was elected. Mr. Thomas Scott and Thomas Cockburn were approved as sureties.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/19-24	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 3 Sept. 1849	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; R Ramsay [Robert Ramsay]; W Heron [William Heron]; A Fender [Andrew Fender]; T Nesbit [Thomas Nesbit]; N Bell [Nicholas Bell]; Mr. McGregor [John McGregor].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Watson [Joseph Watson].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Smith</p> <p>Payments: John Winter (Flour); William Ross (Butcher's meat); J B Atkinson (Milk etc); Edward Paxton (Coals); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); George Henderson (Porter); Addison and Robertson (Potatoes); George Winlaw (Shoes); Peter Aitchison (Potatoes); Robert Cairns (Carpet shoes); R Rutherford &amp; Co. (Draperies); John Wooley (Potatoes); C L Gilchrist [Charles Lambert Gilchrist] (Groceries); Barbara Milburne (Herring); Christiana Havery (Herring); Mary Patterson (Herring); Charles Knight (Books)</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood reported that cholera had again broken out in Berwick and that there were several cases in Cornhill. He was of the opinion that the provision of the Nuisance Removal Act be put into force without delay. Mr. Robert Spence is to be appointed as Inspector of Nuisances at a salary of £1 per week with an allowance of four shillings per day when required to go into the country.</p> <p>A report of the government Inspector of Schools, Mr. Brown, was laid before the meeting. This noted that the children were better than at the last inspection. The guardians are to consent to the appointment, at the next inspection, of some boys as pupil teachers. A girl might be appointed if there is a competent schoolmistress. The school is considered too large to be managed by one person. The boys are to receive some industrial training. Testaments and copies of Irish reading books should be immediately supplied.</p>	3 Sept. 1849
Item	GBR 41/24-27	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson];</p>	17 Sept. 1849

		meeting held on 17 Sept. 1849	<p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott</p> <p>Payments: William Ross (Butcher's meat); John Winter (Flour); J B Atkinson (Milk etc); George Henderson (Porter etc); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Robert Chrisp (suit of clothes)</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood stated that extraordinary medical aid is required in the Berwick district for those threatened by cholera. It was resolved that Dr. Kirkwood and the other Medical Officers would be authorised to obtain medicines for cholera victims and those with symptoms. He is to receive £1 1s. per day during the period in which he may be required.</p> <p>Mr. Robert Spence reported on his proceedings at Cornhill as Inspector of Nuisances; he will visit Northamptonshire and Holy Island during the coming week. The meeting was adjourned until Monday in order to obtain reports from the Medical Officer and the Inspector of Nuisances.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/27	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 24 Sept. 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; A Fender [Andrew Fender]</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood reported on the cholera in Berwick. No additional medical allowance was required beyond that which was ordered at the last meeting.</p>	24 Sept. 1849
Item	GBR 41/28	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 28 Sept. 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; Captain Smith [William Smith].</p> <p>Medical Officer: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p>	28 Sept. 1849

			<p>Resolutions adopted concerning cholera.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) A member of the medical profession to be requested to discuss the means of preventing or mitigating an outbreak of cholera, the result to be given to the board.</li> <li>2) During the outbreak, the dispensary to be considered for use as a hospital.</li> <li>3) A house of refuge to be provided until the houses have been fumigated.</li> <li>4) The slaughter of cattle to be banned except in the appointed slaughterhouses.</li> <li>5) Pigsties to be subject to the authority of the Inspector of Nuisances and the Parish Surgeon.</li> </ol>	
Item	GBR 41/29-35	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 1 Oct. 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; Robert Ramsay; John McGregor; W Cleghorn [William Cleghorn]; A Fender [Andrew Fender].</p> <p>Medical Officer: Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J.B. Atkinson [James Blackett Anderson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Payments: William Ross (Butcher meat); George Winlaw (Shoes); Andrew Thompson (Ironmonger); George Gregg (Carpenter); John Winter (Flour); Blackett Atkinson (Painting); Thomas Wilson (Glazier); Edward Paxton (Coal); Young &amp; Todd (Copper Smiths); J.B. Atkinson (Milk etc); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); Alexander Jeffrey (Blacksmith); George Henderson (Porter etc); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); Andrew McCall (Carpenter); Joseph Gibson (Mason work); John Gilroy (Potatoes); R. Rutherford &amp; Co. (Draperies); John Davidson (Chemistry); Nichol Richardson (Trenchers).</p> <p>Thomas Wilson (half year's rent of workhouse); T H Tait [Thomas Heriot Tait] (Schoolmaster, quarter year's salary); Margaret Atkinson (Schoolmistress, quarter year's salary); Marion Curley and Margaret Knox (Nurses, quarter year's salary); William Lindsay (Porter, quarter year's salary); Thomas Meston (Barber, quarter year's salary); C Richardson (Printing); F A Barnett (Iron beds); Thomas Wilson (Poor rate); Charles Knight (Publisher); Walter Thompson (Publisher); John Anderson (Postages); James Patterson (Water Sprig); Joseph Scott (Postages); W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby] (Postages and costs in remitting bills); George Macaskie (Printing); J B Atkinson (Postages).</p> <p>Accounts were presented for the maintenance of pauper lunatics:-</p> <p>Berwick, William Chambers; Norham, William Moore; Tweedmouth, Margaret</p>	1 Oct. 1849



			<p>Thompson; Berwick, Mary Scott.</p> <p>Accounts were presented for vaccinations by W S Lilly [William Smith Lilly] for 46 cases in Berwick and 18 cases in Tweedmouth.</p> <p>Expenses incurred under the Nuisance Removal and Diseases Prevention Act:- Salary of the Inspector for three weeks and five days, also travelling and other expenses. Common charges incurred under that act for Cornhill; Twisel; Horncliffe; Norham; Berwick.</p> <p>A cheque was given to Mr. Atkinson, the Workhouse Master, for the payment of the common charges relating to the Workhouse.</p> <p>The Medical Officers attended a meeting in relation to the measures to be taken for the prevention and mitigation of the cholera outbreak. It was resolved that any member of the medical profession should be remunerated, at the Union's expense for attending cholera cases. It was resolved that a house to house visit should be undertaken by Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood] and Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker], his deputy, Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison] should carry out the visits in Tweedmouth and Spittal.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/36-40	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 15 Oct. 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Adam Bell.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Payments: William Ross (Butcher's meat); John Winter (Flour); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); George Winlaw (Shoes); George Henderson (Porter); Thomas Hobback (Drapery); C L Gilchrist [Charles Lambert Gilchrist] (Groceries); F A Barnett (Iron beds); Thomas Wilson (Poor rate); Charles Knight (Books).</p> <p>Vaccination fees:-</p> <p>Alexander Kirkwood, Berwick, 16 cases.  Andrew Morrison, Tweedmouth, 33 cases; Ancroft, 5 cases.  William Donaldson, Cornhill, 1 case, Shoreswood, 8 cases, Norham, 9 cases,</p>	15 Oct. 1849

			<p>Grindon, 3 cases.</p> <p>Extra medical fees:-</p> <p>Alexander Kirkwood, 3 midwifery cases, Berwick, 2 midwifery cases, Union charge.  Andrew Morrison, amputation, Tweedmouth also one midwifery case.  William Donaldson, 2 midwifery cases, Norham.</p> <p>The Inspector of Nuisances presented a list of those who have refused to remove their pigs and ordered that notices be given to the offenders. The Clerk would obtain summonses for the recovery of the penalties. Similar steps should be taken against John Campbell for keeping a donkey in a house in Spittal, likewise against William Bell for the filth in his premises in the High Street. Summonses will be obtained, if necessary, against William Knox, William Purves, John Millar, James Middlemiss, Christian How, John Kirton, John Smith and Michael Burn.</p> <p>A certificate was presented by Alexander Kirkwood which stated that WALKERGATE LANE, CHAPEL STREET, NARROW LANE, WEATHERLY SQUARE, CRAWFORD ALLEY, HATTER LANE, NESS, FOUL FORD and some parts of the GREENSES are a threat to health and require cleaning.</p> <p>Andrew Dick, tailor of Beadnell, requested that Francis Davis, who is thirteen years old and, at present, in the workhouse be apprenticed to him. The Medical Officer agreed that he is fit to be an apprentice.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/40-43	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 29 Oct. 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Adam Bell; Robert Ramsay; Thomas Pinkerton; Nathaniel Dodds; John Dunbar.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Alexander Kirkwood; Andrew Morrison; William Donaldson</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott</p> <p>Payments: J B Atkinson (Milk etc); Edward Paxton (Coals); William Ross (Butcher's meat); George Douglas (Potatoes); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); George Henderson (Porter); John Main (Tailor).</p> <p>Salaries to be paid for the quarter ended at Michaelmas to:-</p>	29 Oct. 1849

			<p>W and E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby] (Clerks); J B Atkinson (Workhouse Master); John Anderson (Relieving Officer); Joseph Scott (Relieving Officer); Alexander Kirkwood (Medical Officer); Andrew Morrison (Medical Officer); William Donaldson (Medical Officer); Joseph Watson; Jane Purdie (Matron); John Moor (Assistant Master).</p> <p>Maintenance of the pauper lunatic Isabella Lough of Tweedmouth, was paid to the Royal Edinburgh Asylum. Maintenance of a blind pauper, Robert Spowart, was paid to the Blind Asylum, Edinburgh.</p> <p>Mr. Fluker was named by Mr. Morrison to act as his deputy in the place of Dr. Edgar who indicated, by letter, that he had ceased to act as deputy for the Tweedmouth District.</p> <p>A letter from Mr. Luke Skelly was read, complaining of a nuisance being caused by a pig kept on Captain Smith's premises. An inspection is to be made by the Medical Officer and a report is to be submitted at the next meeting.</p> <p>It was ordered that the service of Mr. Morrison be discontinued, but that Dr. Kirkwood and Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker] continue to monitor the state of cholera. The search for premises to serve as a house of refuge has been unsuccessful. If none are obtained, after another attempt, three rooms in the workhouse hospital should be used for that purpose.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/44-45	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 5 Nov. 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Robert Ramsay; A Smith [Alexander Smith]; James Black; R Dodds [Ralph Dodds]; E Black [Ebenezer Black].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>It was stated that the additional services of Dr. Kirkwood and Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker] be dispensed with and that the services of Robert Spence, the inspector, be continued for another week.</p> <p>The situation relating to cholera is set out:-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHOLERA REPORT SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> - OCTOBER 14<sup>th</sup></p>	5 Nov. 1849

Recoveries:-

JOHN SMITH	35 yrs.	CHAPEL STREET
JAMES CRAIG	40 yrs.	WELL CLOSE SQUARE
- M <sup>C</sup> DONALD	35 yrs.	CHAPEL STREET
WILLIAM WHITEHEAD	11 yrs.	HATTLES [sic] YARD, CASTLEGATE
GEORGE BRYERS	9 yrs.	WALLCES [sic] GREEN
Mrs. BUXWELL	-	WESTERN LANE [sic]
Mrs. BUXWELL	-	WESTERN LANE [sic]
Mrs. BROWN	40 yrs.	CHAPEL STREET
JAMES COLVIN	8 yrs.	WEATHERLY SQUARE
ANTHONY COLVIN	10 yrs.	WEATHERLY SQUARE
- GARRETT	40 yrs.	BLACK BULL YARD
JOHN MANWELL	-	GREENS

Deaths:-

- LINDSAY	36 yrs.	SCOTTS PLACE
Mrs. NICHOL	27 yrs.	GREENSES
JOHN DUFF	60 yrs.	PARADE
WILLIAM M <sup>C</sup> DONALD	68 yrs.	PARADE
JOHN M <sup>C</sup> DONALD	58 yrs.	PARADE
RICHARD KNIGHT	54 yrs.	NARROW LANE
RICHARD KNOX	38 yrs.	CHAPEL STREET
JAMES COOK	19 yrs.	CHAPEL STREET
- GARRETT	-	CHAPEL STREET
ALICE ROBERTSON	30 yrs.	WORKHOUSE
- STRACHAN	80 yrs.	WORKHOUSE

OCTOBER 20<sup>th</sup> - NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Recoveries:-

THOMAS UNTHANK	-	WESTERN LANE
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Deaths:-

Mrs. HOME [HORNE?]	60 yrs.	CASTLE GATE
Mrs. GRIEVE	-	NARROW LANE

			<p>Mrs. BROTHERTON - RAVENSDOWNE  Mrs. CLEGHORN 26 yrs. RAVENSDOWNE  NUN [ANN] HUNTER 70 yrs. WALLACE GREEN  Mrs. HOWE 36 yrs. HATTERS LANE  JOHN CONOLLY 36 yrs. WALLACE GREEN  GEORGE CLEGHORN 23 yrs. FORSTER SQUARE  Mrs. CLEGHORN 65 yrs. FORSTER SQUARE  JOHN CLEGHORN 29 yrs. FORSTER SQUARE  ELIZABETH CLEGHORN 23 yrs. FORSTER SQUARE  AGNES CLEGHORN 19 mos[sic] WORKHOUSE  Mrs. BURN - WALLACE GREEN</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PREMONITORY CASES FROM SEPTEMBER 17<sup>th</sup></p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Approaching Cholera *</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Simple Diarrhoea</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Passed in Cholera 2</td> <td>Died 2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Recovered 25</td> <td>Recovered 193</td> </tr> </table> <p>*Case attended with rice water purging vomiting and cramps but wanting of other symptoms of <u>cholera</u></p>	Approaching Cholera *	Simple Diarrhoea	Passed in Cholera 2	Died 2	Recovered 25	Recovered 193	
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Item	GBR 41/46-50	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 12 Nov. 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; William Heron; John Dunbar.</p> <p>Medical Officers: A Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Accounts were presented by Dr. Kirkwood, Andrew Morrison and Robert Fluker for attendance of cholera patients; these were disallowed.</p> <p>The salary of Mr. Mallock, the treasurer, is to be paid. A copy of a letter, dated 31 October 1849 from the Poor Law Board, was presented. This enquires why no vaccination returns for the division of East Norhamshire, have been received from Mr. Paxton. If no vaccinations have been given, the reason for not doing so is requested.</p>	12 Nov. 1849						

			<p>At the meeting it was noted that Mr. Paxton has not been paid for the last three quarters as he ignores requests to send the books to the clerks W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby]. The auditor, Mr. Usher, stated that he has made no returns with reference to the number of cases attended by Mr. Paxton [John Paxton].</p> <p>It was ordered that a copy of the above minute be sent to the Poor Law Board.</p> <p>It was ordered that the workhouse committee advertise for and receive tenders for new contracts for provisions, clothing etc.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/50-53	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 26 Nov. 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Thomas Crewther; William Heron; John Dunbar; Andrew Fender.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Payments: William Ross (Butcher's meat); John Winter (Flour); J B Atkinson (Milk etc); Edward Paxton (Coals); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); Berwick and Tweedmouth Gas Co.; George Henderson (Porter); John Main (Tailor); R Rutherford &amp; Co. (Draperies); C L Gilchrist [Charles Lambert Gilchrist] (Groceries).</p> <p>Account presented for maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Crichton Royal Institution: Ralph Low, Tweedmouth, James Simboe?</p> <p>It was ordered that Mr. John Manners, Medical Officer for the Tweedmouth district, be paid two weeks salary.</p>	26 Nov. 1849
Item	GBR 41/54-58	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 10 Dec. 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; Thomas Pinkerton; Nathaniel Dodds; Andrew Fender; John Dunbar; Robert Carr; John Brodie; Adam Bell; William Heron.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p>	10 Dec. 1849

			<p>The Workhouse Committee have accepted, subject to approval, the following tenders:-</p> <p>William Ross (beef and mutton); John Winter (flour, barley, oatmeal, outdoor-indoor); George Weatherhead (raw sugar, treacle, soap, soda, candles, dips candles, moulds); John Milburne (unground coffee, salt); William Cowe (tobacco, snuff, black pepper, unground); C L Gilchrist [Charles Lambert Gilchrist] (black tea); George Henderson (Port wine); Thomas Cockburn (Whiskey, Porter, vinegar); R Johnson &amp; Co. (coals); Edward Paxton (coals); G &amp; J Crosby (outdoor bread); Robert Crisp (men's suits and jackets, boys from 12-16 years, from 7-12 yrs, under 7 years); George Winlaw (men's shoes, boys' shoes 1-3 and 7-11, wooden shoes); Charles Forsythe (gray calico, blue druggett, boys' braces); R Rutherford &amp; Co. (gray calico, apron check, striped shirting, woollen yarn, blue glengaries); Messrs. Young (white flannel).</p> <p>It was stated that the Union Schoolmaster is entitled to a salary of £36, exclusive of rations, since he has obtained a certificate of competency. An amount to be paid in lieu of rations will be considered at the next meeting.</p> <p>Estimates from the two gas companies are to be obtained for a contract of five years.</p> <p>A letter, dated 1 December, from the Poor Law Board was laid before the meeting. This commented on Mr. Paxton's (John Paxton) letter, of 21 November, regarding his duties. The Board considered that as his duties were diminished on account of the district's area being reduced, he is unable to plead that he was too busy and therefore neglected his practice.</p> <p>The Clerk was ordered to write to the Poor Law Board, for a copy of Mr. Paxton's letter; his books have still to be submitted.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/58-62	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 24 Dec. 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Thomas Pinkerton; Nathaniel Dodds; W Heron [William Heron]; J Dunbar [John Dunbar]; A Fender [Andrew Fender]; T Crewther [Thomas Crewther].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Payments: John Winter (Flour); William Ross (Butcher's meat); R Rutherford &amp; Co.</p>	24 Dec. 1849

			<p>(Draperies); J B Atkinson (Milk etc); Edward Paxton (Coals); R Johnson (Coals); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); Thomas Cockburn (Porter); G &amp; J Young (Draperies); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); George Henderson (Porter); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); George Winlaw (Shoes etc); George Weatherhead (Groceries); William Cowe (Tobacco); William Healey, John Gilroy and William Ross (Potatoes); Hannah Wight (Bottles); James Renton (Lime); Robert Usher (Postages).</p> <p>Expenses incurred under the Nuisance Removal and Disease Act:-</p> <p>Salary of the Inspector, travelling and other expenses to be paid for twelve weeks.</p> <p>Expenses of medicine to be paid to:-</p> <p>John Elliott; John Davidson; William G Carr; Robert Wilson; John Atkinson to be paid for their medicines; J B Atkinson, cholera, nurses etc.</p> <p>It was ordered that the salary of Mr. Paxton [John Paxton] be paid. Extra medical fees to be paid to him for a fracture and dislocation case, also a midwifery case, both in Felkington. Two midwifery cases in Duddo are to be paid. Mr. Paxton produced his vaccination accounts and medical weekly returns. He regretted his inattention to his duties and assured the board that he would be more efficient in future.</p> <p>The Tweedmouth Gas Company is to supply gas for five years.</p> <p>It was ordered that Mr. Spence [Robert Spence] is no longer to be the Inspector of Nuisances.</p> <p>A letter from Ralph Carr, Dunston Hill, near Gateshead, dated December 19<sup>th</sup> and addressed to the guardians was presented at the meeting. A visit was made by Ralph Carr and Charles Lamb, a J.P. of the county of Durham and their medical assistant Dr. Headlam of Newcastle, to the lunatic asylum kept by Mr. Glenton at Bensham near Gateshead. A visit is made to this asylum at least once in three months; on this visit James Anderson from Sheffield and John Todd, an epileptic from Berwick, were inadequately dressed and suffering from extreme cold. The writer considers the situation to be worthy of the guardians' attention.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/63-65	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 31 Dec. 1849	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Robert Ramsay; Andrew Fender.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; W Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Mr. Paxton.</p>	31 Dec. 1849



			<p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>It was ordered that a copy of Mr. Carr's [Ralph Carr] letter relating to the Bensham Lunatic Asylum be sent to the Poor Law Commissioners. The Clerk is to ascertain whether or not any of the patients can be admitted to the asylums at Dumfries, Morningside, Glasgow or Montrose.</p> <p>A letter from the Poor Law Board, dated 12<sup>th</sup> December, was laid before the meeting. This referred to the letter from the guardians, in which was enclosed a certificate relating to the case of Ann Marshall, a pauper lunatic. The Commissioners are of the opinion that the pauper should not still be in the workhouse. Dr. Kirkwood's report states that although she is sulky and has a violent temper she is not insane. A copy of his report is to be sent to the Poor Law Commissioners.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/66-68	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 7 Jan. 1850	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Robert Ramsay; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Thomas Crewther; John Dunbar; Andrew Fender.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>James Wighthan acted as a substitute for the Clerks who were unable to attend.</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Account for maintenance of pauper lunatic, Hannah Rork, Felkington, in the Newcastle Lunatic Asylum.</p> <p>Accounts for maintenance of pauper lunatics in Bensham Lunatic Asylum:-</p> <p>Michael Chambers, Mary Scott, John Todd and William Thompkins, all from Berwick. Margaret Thompson, Tweedmouth. William Moor, Norham and Ann Moor, Ancroft.</p> <p>Accounts ordered to be paid to James Marshall agent for Phoenix Fire Office, David Gibson for rent of register office, W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby] Clerks.</p>	7 Jan. 1850

Item	GBR 41/68-71	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 21 Jan. 1850	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Nathaniel Dodds; Thomas Pinkerton; Ebenezer Black; Adam Bell.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>It was ordered that the salaries of officers be paid for the quarter ending at Christmas.</p> <p>Account for the maintenance of Isabella Lough, a pauper lunatic of Tweedmouth, in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum.</p>	21 Jan. 1850
Item	GBR 41/72-75	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 4 Feb. 1850	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Robert Ramsay; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Henry George Charles Clarke; William Heron; Adam Bell; A Fender [Andrew Fender]; John Dunbar; John McGregor.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Payments: William Ross (Butcher meat); George Weatherhead (Groceries); C L Gilchrist [Charles Lambert Gilchrist] (Groceries); John Winter (Flour); George Henderson (wine); J B Atkinson (Milk etc); Edward Paxton (Coals); R Johnson &amp; Co. (Coals); Charles Forsythe (Draperies); George Winlaw (Shoes); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Thomas Cockburn (Whisky); John Morgan (Tinsmith); James Milburne (Groceries); William Cowe (Tobacco); John Smith (Potatoes); John Gilroy (a sub [sic]); William Bogue (Rope); Thomas Anderson (Garden Rent); Marion Curley (Nurse - 5 weeks salary); W Wilson &amp; Son (Ironmonger); George Macaskie (Advertising); Thomas Melrose (Stationery); Walter Thompson (Stationery); Joseph Brown (Mason work); George Lauder (Bookbinding); Blackett Atkinson (Painting); Catherine Richardson (Advertising).</p> <p>Accounts were presented from the Royal Edinburgh Asylum, The Crichton Royal Institution and The Bath Lane Lunatic Asylum, Newcastle for Alexander Reid of Berwick. Ralph Low and James Swinhoe of Tweedmouth and Jane Oliver of Kyloe.</p>	4 Feb. 1850

			<p>Peter Thompson, tailor of Bowsden applied to the guardians to have Henry Calder, a fourteen year old orphan, at present in the workhouse, to become apprenticed to him. Notice is to be given to the guardians of the Glendale Union and to be proceeded with if the above-mentioned union be satisfied.</p> <p>It was stated that Michael Chambers, Mary Scott and William Thompkins are to be removed from Bensham Lunatic Asylum, Newcastle to Morningside Lunatic Asylum, Edinburgh.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/75-77	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 10 Feb. 1850	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Robert Ramsey; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; Ebenezer Black; Thomas Crewther; Andrew Fender.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Alexander Kirkwood; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Anderson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Accounts presented for Mr. Newton, Surgeon and Dr. Shiell for the examination of Michael Chambers, William Thompkins and Mary Scott, lunatics in the Bensham Lunatic Asylum, Newcastle.</p>	10 Feb. 1850
Item	GBR 41/78-83	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 4 March 1850	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Thomas Pinkerton; Nathaniel Dodds; John Dunbar; Nicholas Bell; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Thomas Nesbit; Andrew Fender; Adam Bell; John Brodie.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Accounts were presented for the maintenance, in The Royal Edinburgh Asylum, of Hannah Jameson; Michael Chambers; William Thompkins and Mary Scott, all of</p>	4 March 1850

			<p>Berwick.</p> <p>Accounts presented of Dr. S Rae, Edinburgh for fees paid to two medical men, in Edinburgh, for the examination of Michael Chambers; William Thompkins and Mary Scott. The Sheriff of Edinburgh refused to grant their admission to the asylum upon the certificate from Newcastle.</p> <p>The Workhouse Committee reported that the schoolmaster should receive £15 per annum in lieu of rations.</p> <p>It was resolved that the appointment of the Medical Officers should be made for one year from 25 March 1850 to 25 March 1851.</p> <p>It was resolved that the Union be divided into five districts.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Berwick; population 8,484</li> <li>2) Tweedmouth and Ancroft; population 6,096</li> <li>3) Islandshire - Holy Island, Kyloe and the township of Haggerston; population 2,026</li> <li>4) Norhamshire - East Division; Loanend; Longridge; Norham Mains; Horncliff; Duddo; Thornton; Shoreswood; Felkington; population 1,553</li> <li>5) Norhamshire - West Division; Norham; Grindon; Twisel; Cornhill; population 2,204</li> </ol> <p>A letter, from the Glendale Union, was laid before the meeting. This stated that Henry Calder, a poor boy, should not be bound to Peter Thompson of Bowsden since the latter is of an indifferent character.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/83-85	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 18 March 1850	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Major Elliott [William Elliott]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Thomas Friar; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Thomas Pinkerton; Nathaniel Dodds; Thomas Crewther; Andrew Fender; John Dewar; William Heron; Thomas Nesbit; John Brodie; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]. Present also was W H T Hawley, Poor Law Inspector.</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph</p>	18 March 1850

			<p>Scott.</p> <p>Medical Officers were elected as follows:</p> <p>Dr. Alexander Kirkwood for Berwick District and for the Workhouse.  Mr. Andrew Morrison for Tweedmouth  Mr. Joseph Watson for Islandshire  Mr. John Paxton for Norhamshire - East Division  Mr. William Donaldson for Norhamshire - West Division</p>	
Item	GBR 41/86-92	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 1 April 1850	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Nathaniel Dodds; Adam Bell; Andrew Fender; Richard Malkins; Robert Dickson.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker].</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p> <p>Relieving Officers: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Payments: John Winter (Flour); William Ross (Butcher meat); James B Atkinson (Milk etc); Berwick and Tweedmouth Gas Company; Edward Paxton (Coals); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Thomas Cockburn (Porter); R Johnson &amp; Co. (Coals); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); William Cowe (Groceries); George Weatherhead (Groceries); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); Andrew Thompson (Fire irons); Robert Rutherford (Draperies); Robert Cairens (Carpet shoes); C L Gilchrist [Charles Lambert Gilchrist] (Groceries); William Healey (Potatoes); T H Tait [Thomas Heriot Tait], Schoolmaster (¼ salary); George Trotter (Rent for Workhouse); Margaret Atkinson (¼ salary); Margaret Knox, Nurse (¼ salary); William Lindsay, Porter (¼ salary); Thomas Merton, Barber (¼ salary); Andrew Thompson (Iron monger); Alexander Jeffry (Blacksmith); Joseph Gibson (Mason work); James Purves (Cabinet Maker); Daniel Cameron (Old rope); S &amp; A Robertson &amp; Co. (Iron foundries); Thomas Weatherston (Slater); John Chisholm (Old rope); Charles Knight (Books); W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby]; J B Atkinson; John Anderson; Joseph Scott (Postages to the last five named persons).</p> <p>Vaccination fees to be paid to:-</p> <p>A Kirkwood [Dr. Alexander Kirkwood] Berwick, 44 cases; Tweedmouth, 13 cases; Ancroft, 3 cases.</p>	1 April 1850

			<p>Andrew Morrison, Tweedmouth, 61 cases; Ancroft 12 cases.</p> <p>Joseph Watson, Kylee, 14 cases; Holy Island, 14 cases.</p> <p>John Paxton, Longridge, 2 cases; Thornton, 9 cases; Twisel, 7 cases; Duddo, 2 cases; Felkington, 2 cases; Norham, 20 cases; Horncliffe, 7 cases; Norham Mains, 2 cases; Loanend, 1 case; Shoreswood, 1 case.</p> <p>To William Donaldson: Cornhill, 1 case; Horncliffe, 1 case; Norham, 9 cases; Twisel, 3 cases; Duddo, 1 case; Shoreswood, 3 cases; Felkington, 1 case; Thornton, 1 case.</p> <p>Extra medical fees to Alexander Kirkwood: 5 midwifery cases, Berwick. Amputation of toes, Berwick, a fracture, Berwick.</p> <p>To Andrew Morrison: 1 midwifery case, Tweedmouth. To Joseph Watson, a fracture, Kylee.</p> <p>To William Donaldson, a fracture, Norham.</p> <p>Accounts were presented for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in Bensham Lunatic Asylum for Michael Chambers; William Thompkins and Mary Scott, all of Berwick, William Moor of Norham, Margaret Thompson of Tweedmouth and Anne Moor of Ancroft.</p> <p>Accounts presented for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in Bath Lane Asylum, Newcastle and the Royal Edinburgh Asylum for Jane Oliver, Kylee, Hannah Rook, Felkington and Jane Moor, Tweedmouth.</p> <p>Expenses to be paid, under the Nuisance Removal and Diseases Prevention Act for John Paxton. Cholera fees for William Donaldson; R C Fluker [Robert C Fluker]; Andrew Morrison; Dr. Edgar; Dr. Wilson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>A note states that insufficient information has been supplied.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/92-97	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 15 April 1850	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Robert Ramsey; Alexander Christison; Ebenezar Black [Ebenezer Black]; Joseph Fleming; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Nathaniel Dodds; Thomas Nesbit; Richard Makins; William Elliott; Alexander Smith; Ninian Sanderson; John Nesbit; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Robert Dickson.</p>	15 April 1850

			<p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson: Joseph Scott.</p> <p>The election of guardians took place. Those nominated and not elected were:-</p> <p>William Dodds, Farmer; Thomas Hownam, Farmer; Edward Davidson, Innkeeper; William Elliott, Major in the Army; Robert Gibson, Farmer; Robert Cairns, Hosier; John Renton Dunlop, Bone dust manufacturer.</p> <p>All the above mentioned were nominated for Berwick.</p> <p>*<u>N.B.</u> Although William Elliott was not elected he still appears as a guardian.</p> <p>Letters from George Landles, Grangeburn Mill, were presented. One is dated 25<sup>th</sup> February 1850, in which he states that his premises no longer produce enough to enable him to pay his rent. The earnings from the mill have also decreased on account of the scarcity of water following the extensive drainage of the land.</p> <p>A second letter, dated 13<sup>th</sup> April 1850, requests that permission be obtained from the Board of Guardians to sanction the rent on Grangeburn Mill to be abated.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/98-102	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 29 April 1850	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Joseph Fleming; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Ninian Sanderson; Alexander Christison; Thomas Hubback; John Nesbit; Thomas Nesbit; Robert Ramsey; George Robison; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Thomas Pinkerton; Alexander Smith; Thomas Friar; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod; Richard Malkins; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Nathaniel Dodds; William Elliott; Nicholas Bell.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]</p> <p>Chair: Capt. Smith</p> <p>A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey] elected as Chairman for the year. Capt. Smith and Thomas Pinkerton elected as vice-chairmen.</p> <p>The Workhouse and Finance Committee was selected. Members of the committee were:- Dr. Clarke; Capt. Smith; A R Lowrey; Joseph Fleming; G K Nicholson;</p>	29 April 1850

			<p>Ninian Sanderson; Alexander Christison; Thomas Hubback; John Nesbit; Adam Bell; Thomas Nesbit; Robert Ramsey; George Robison; Robert Dickson.</p> <p>The School Committee was selected. Members of the Committee were:- The Chairman; 2 vice-chairmen; Thomas Hubback; Alexander Christison.</p> <p>Financial Accounts: James B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>An application was received from Jane Rutherford, a widow with three children all chargeable to the Union, for a sum of money to enable her to emigrate to America. The sum of seven pounds was granted.</p> <p>It was agreed that it was not necessary to appoint a Superintendant of outdoor labour.</p> <p>The supervision, of fourteen days, was ordered by the Board, of the porter. He had been drunk and used violent and abusive language to the Master of the workhouse. He was dismissed since he refused to apologise to Mr. Atkinson.</p> <p>Advertisements for a porter are to be placed in both Berwick newspapers.</p> <p>A letter from Thomas Wilson was presented. This requested that his son be appointed joint collector of Poor Rates since he is no longer able to devote enough attention to the collection by himself.</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood named Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker] as his deputy.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/103-107	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 13 May 1850	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Joseph Fleming; Alexander Christison; Alexander Smith; Ebenezer Black [Ebenezer Black]; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Robert Dickson; Thomas Nesbit; Robert Ramsey; Thomas Friar; Richard Makins; William Elliott.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p>	13 May 1850



			<p>It was ordered that salaries for the quarter ending on Ladyday be paid.</p> <p>Vaccination fees:-</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood, Berwick, 22 cases; Tweedmouth, 12 cases.  Andrew Morrison, Tweedmouth, 47 cases; Ancroft 5 cases.  William Donaldson, Cornhill, 5 cases; Felkington, 4 cases; Norham Mains, 4 cases;  Loanend, 2 cases; Horncliff, 2 cases; Twisel 1 case; Norham 2 cases.</p> <p>Extra medical fees:-  A Kirkwood, Berwick, 6 midwifery cases; 2 fractures, Union Poor. 1 midwifery case; 1 fracture.  Andrew Morrison, Tweedmouth, 1 fracture; 1 midwifery case.</p> <p>Mr. Thomas Wilson's application that his son, Richard Wilson be joint-collector was granted.</p> <p>It was ordered that the guardian's allowances be published at the end of the parochial year.</p> <p>Applications from Thomas Harle; Gabriel Davis and W M<sup>c</sup>Pherson for the position of a porter were presented. Thomas Harle was elected to fill the situation for a month. His position would be made permanent if found to be satisfactory.</p> <p>It was ordered that the salary for the quarter ending at Ladyday be paid to the relevant officers.</p> <p>Mr. Watson [Joseph Watson] named Mr. Hunt of Belford as his deputy. Mr. Morrison named Dr. Wilson of Berwick as his deputy.</p> <p>Mr. Black referred to the motion, dated 13 May 1850, which stated that a report was in circulation relating to the unfavourable characters of the Medical Officers with regard to extra charges. He recommended that the Board investigate the matter and act as they see fit.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/108-113	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 27 May 1850	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Thomas Friar; Robert Ramsey; Thomas Pinkerton; Nathaniel Dodds; Joseph Fleming; J R Nicholson [James, Robert Nicholson]; Ebenezer Black; Richard Makins; John Nesbit; Thomas Nesbit; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Robert Dickson; N Sanderson [Ninian Sanderson]; J Nevins [John Nevins]; William Elliott; R Carr [Robert Carr]; A Bell [Adam Bell]; T Hubback [Thomas Hubback].</p>	27 May 1850

			<p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>It was ordered that Mr. Mallock's, treasurer, salary be paid for the quarter ending at Ladyday.</p> <p>The account was presented for the maintenance, in The Royal Edinburgh Asylum, for Michael Chambers; Alexander Reid; William Thompkins; Hannah Jamieson and Mary Scott all of Berwick and for Isabella Lough and Jane Moor of Tweedmouth.</p> <p>The account was presented for the maintenance, in Crichton Royal Institute, for Ralph Low and James Swinhoe of Tweedmouth.</p> <p>Mr. Black stated that Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson] of Norham, had received payment from John Fulton, Alice Moffatt and the family of Christopher Pike and had been paid also by the Union. Mr. Black moved that a committee be formed to investigate payments made to the Medical Officers. It was resolved that Mr. Donaldson should attend the next meeting in order to explain the payments received for the above mentioned cases.</p> <p>A letter from the Poor Law Board, dated 23 May 1850, was put before the meeting. This refers to the guardians' letter of 16 May 1850 in which it is stated that Thomas Wilson and John Wilson have been appointed joint collectors of the Poor Rate. The Board considers it an unsuitable arrangement and doubts that it is consistent with the regulations. Since Thomas Wilson is unable to fulfil his duties alone, he possibly should resign. The Board would not object to his son succeeding his father if he were considered competent and of age.</p> <p>The Clerk reported that the Workhouse Committee should advertise for tenders for provisions due to expire.</p> <p>Thomas Harle was appointed as Porter.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/114-119	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 10	Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Thomas Pinkerton; Joseph Fleming; Alexander Christison; Alexander Smith; Richard Makins; Thomas Hubback; Nathaniel Dodds; John M <sup>c</sup> Gregor; George	10 June 1850

		<p>June 1850</p>	<p>Robison; Robert Dickson; Thomas Friar; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Nicholas Bell; Thomas Nesbit; N Sanderson [Ninian Sanderson]; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod; William Elliott.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Dr. Wilson; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey.</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Tenders were accepted for:-</p> <p>William Ross (Beef and Mutton); John Winter (Best 2<sup>nd</sup> flour, No.2 barley, outdoor and indoor oatmeal); George Weatherhead (Raw sugar, snuff, soap, soda); William Cowe (Best unground coffee, tobacco, salt, candles, dips and moulds); James Marshall (Tea, unground black pepper); William Davison (Treacle); George Henderson (Whisky and Porter); Thomas Cockburn (Porter and vinegar); G &amp; J Crosby (outdoor bread); Robert Chrisp (Mens clothing, boys clothing, from under 7 years to 16 years; R [Robert] Rutherford &amp; Co. (Fabrics); Charles Forsythe (Fabrics); G &amp; J Young (Handkerchiefs); Peter Wilson (shoes); James Jaffrey (pens). Coals are to be taken for one month from Mr. Wood.</p> <p>The Board proceeded with the investigation regarding payments to Mr. Donaldson who stated that he thought that he had not been paid enough by the Board and he, therefore, was of the opinion that he could also charge individuals.</p> <p>The Board proceeded with a similar enquiry relating to Mr. Paxton. Overpayment was considered to have been six pounds and, as yet, only three pounds ten shillings has been repaid.</p> <p>Mr. Fleming's motion that a newspaper reporter might attend the meetings was carried unanimously. A letter, dated 31 May 1850, from Thomas Wilson, collector of Poor Rates of Bridge Street, Berwick was presented. This stated that he resigned his post. The resignation was accepted.</p> <p>A letter from R Home [Robert Home] Superintendent Registrar, dated 10 June 1850, was presented. This stated that the Register Office was in need of being cleaned, painted and repaired generally since, at the moment, it would be easily burgled. The letter would be referred to the Workhouse Committee.</p>	
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			Dr. Clarke gave notice that he would bring statements regarding female emigration, the expenses incurred by the Northumbrian Unions and the number of paupers.	
Item	GBR 41/120-123	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 24 June 1850	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Thomas Pinkerton; Robert Ramsey; Thomas Hubback; Richard Makins; John Nesbit; Nicholas Bell; N Sanderson [Ninian Sanderson]; N Dodds [Nathaniel Dodds]; Robert Dickson; Ebenezer Black; Alexander Smith; Adam Bell; Thomas Nesbit; Joseph Fleming; Alexander Christison; Robert Carr.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Dr. Wilson; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: James B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>The Board resolved that Mr. Donaldson should repay the appropriate amount to the Guardians.</p> <p>The charge against Mr. Paxton was not successful. Mr. Black dissented. Mr. George Trotter was appointed as Collector of Rates for Berwick.</p> <p>The Workhouse Committee was unable to comply with Mr. Home's [Robert Home] letter since he has the use of the office for his own business.</p>	24 June 1850
Item	GBR 41/124-132	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 8 July 1850	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Robert Ramsey; Thomas Friar; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; N Dodds [Nathaniel Dodds]; N Sanderson [Ninian Sanderson]; John Nesbit; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Ebenezer Black; Robert Dickson; Thomas Nesbit; A Bell [Adam Bell]; William Elliott.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: James B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p>	8 July 1850

			<p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); John Winter (Flour); George Weatherhead (Groceries); Charles Forsythe (Draperies); James Marshall (Groceries); J B Atkinson (Milk etc); R Johnson &amp; Co. (Coals); Edward Paxton (Coals); Thomas Cockburn (Spirits); R [Robert] Rutherford &amp; Co. (Draperies); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); William Cowe (Groceries); James Milburne (Groceries); William Knox (Potatoes); George Henderson (Porter); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); John Young (Draperies); Robert Cairns (Carpet shoes); Somerville Steven (Bed chair); David Gibson (Rent of Register Office); Walter Thompson; Thomas Melrose and James Jaffrey all stationery; William Elliott (Church Rale [sic]); Robert Usher (Postages); George Gregg (Carpenter).</p> <p>The account was presented for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum - Michael Chambers; Alexander Reid; William Thompkins; Hannah Jamieson and Mary Scott all of Berwick. Isabella Lough and Jane Moor of Tweedmouth.</p> <p>A letter, dated 6 July 1850, from Robert Usher, Auditor (Newcastle-upon-Tyne) to W &amp; E Willoby (William Willoby and Edward Willoby) was presented. This acknowledged receipt of their letter of 1 July 1850 and of two Berwick newspapers as requested. An item in the Berwick Advertiser of 22 June 1850 notes the difference between proceedings under the General Board of Health and under the Nuisance Removal Act. It is stated that at the meeting of the guardians, held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June it appeared that Mr. Black had mis-understood the arrangement for payment to the Medical Officers. In the present case the sanction, which was essential from the Poor Law Board, was lacking and for this reason payment would have not been allowed whether or not Mr. Black had objected. A letter, dated 5 July 1850, from Robert Usher, Auditor, Newcastle upon Tyne to Viscount Ebrington, Secretary of the Poor Law Board, was presented. This stated that payments amounting to £215. 2sh. made by the guardians to the Medical Officers for extra service during the cholera outbreak have been disallowed since they had not been sanctioned by the Poor Law Board.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/133-137	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 22 July 1850	<p>Guardians: Thomas Pinkerton; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Joseph Fleming; E Black [Ebenezer Black]; Richard Makins; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Robert Dickson; Thomas Nesbit; Adam Bell.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton].</p> <p>Chair: Thomas Pinkerton.</p> <p>Financial Accounts: James B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p>	22 July 1850

			<p>Vaccination fees paid to Alexander Kirkwood:- Berwick - 47 cases; Tweedmouth 18 cases; Ancroft 1 case; Establishment, 3 cases.</p> <p>To Andrew Morrison:- Tweedmouth 37 cases; Ancroft 4 cases.</p> <p>Extra medical fees paid to Alexander Kirkwood:- Berwick - 7 midwifery cases; Establishment 3 midwifery cases.</p> <p>Extra medical fees paid to Andrew Morrison:- Tweedmouth - 1 midwifery case.</p> <p>Account for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Bensham Lunatic Asylum for Ann Moor of Ancroft and William Moor of Norham was presented.</p> <p>Account for the maintenance of a pauper lunatic in the Bath Lane Asylum for Jane Oliver of Kyloe was presented.</p> <p>Accounts for Charles Knight (Books) and for James Emery (old rope).</p> <p>Mr. Black stated that he would lay before the next meeting, witness statements which would confirm the previous statement of that which passed between himself and Mr. Usher [Robert Usher] Auditor. Copies of the above would be sent to the two Berwick newspapers and to Mr. Usher.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/138-144	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 5 Aug. 1850	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Ebenezer Black; Alexander Christison; Adam Bell; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; John Nesbit; N Sanderson [Ninian Sanderson]; R Dickson [Robert Dickson].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood] R Fluker [Robert Fluker]; A Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: John Winter (Flour); William Ross (Butcher meat); J B Atkinson (Milk etc); George Weatherhead (Groceries); George Pollard (Shoes); Berwick &amp; Tweedmouth Gas Co.; Peter Wilson (Shoes); Elizabeth Stuart (Bonnets); George Henderson (Porter); William Cowe (Groceries); Thomas Bowhill (Chairs); Thomas Cockburn (Porter); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); Charles Forsythe (Draperies); William Davidson (Groceries); James Marshall (Groceries); George Trotter ¼ rent of</p>	5 Aug. 1850

			<p>Workhouse); W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby &amp; Edward Willoby] (costs for remitting bills); George Macaskie (Advertising); William Lindsay (late Porter, one months wages); Thomas Allison (Lamp rate).</p> <p>Vaccination fees to Joseph Watson, Holy Island, 2 cases; Kyoeloe, 3 cases.</p> <p>Copies of letters were presented. The first to W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby], Clerks from Robert Usher, Auditor, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, dated 27 July 1850. This acknowledges receipt of the letter of 24 July and encloses the letter which was requested. The writer would not object to attending a meeting if the guardians consider it to be necessary.</p> <p>The second letter was to Ebenezer Black from Joseph Scott, Norham, dated 2 August 1850. This refers to the fact that if the Medical Officers were unable to fulfil their duties another medical person could be called in and be paid by the day. The guardians would be unable to arrange a new contract with the Medical Officers unless the original contract had been dissolved. The writer disputes the statement that he would have come forward willingly. He did not wish to appear at the most unpleasant and seemingly interminable enquiry.</p> <p>A note, certifying that Mr. Scott's statement is correct, is signed by Alexander Davidson.</p> <p>A third letter was from W G Lumley [William Golden Lumley], Assistant Secretary of the Poor Law Board, dated 26 July 1850. This acknowledges receipt of a letter, dated 17 June, regarding the disallowance, by the District Auditor, of certain sums paid by the Guardians to the Medical Officers for services carried out during the cholera outbreak, if the Auditor's decision is not accepted, an appeal may be made to the Poor Law Board enclosing a copy of the Auditor's reasons for having made the decision.</p> <p>It was ordered that Dr. Kirkwood and J B Atkinson should be authorized to inspect the pauper lunatics in Morningside and Dumfries Asylums also to inspect those in the Bensham Lunatic Asylum and in Dr. Smith's asylum.</p> <p>Confirmation of Mr. Trotter's [George Trotter] appointment to the office of Collector of Rates was laid before the meeting.</p> <p>The meeting was informed that the Government Inspector of Schools would visit on Thursday, 8 August in order to examine the scholars, the schoolmaster and schoolmistress.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/145-147	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians	Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Thomas Pinkerton; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Richard Makins; John Nesbit; Adam Bell; Joseph	19 Aug. 1850

		meeting held on 19 Aug. 1850	<p>Fleming.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: James B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Accounts for the maintenance of the pauper lunatic, James Swinhoe of Tweedmouth, in the Crichton Royal Institute was presented.</p> <p>It was stated that notice should be given to the Guardians of the Glendale Union that John Sidey an orphan of Tweedmouth, at present in the workhouse, should be bound as an apprentice to John Greive, Tailor of Wooler.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/148-155	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 2 Sept. 1850	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; H G C Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Thomas Friar; N Bell [Nicholas Bell].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); George Wood (Coals); John Winter (Flour); J B Atkinson (Milk, etc); Thomas Cockburn (Porter, etc); William Cowe and George Weatherhead (Groceries).</p> <p>Accounts for the pauper lunatic Joan Brown of Tweedmouth in the Royal Edinburgh Institute and for Ralph Low of Tweedmouth in the Crichton Royal Institute, were presented.</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood presented his report of the inspection of the asylums made with Mr. Atkinson.</p> <p><u>The Royal Edinburgh Asylum</u></p> <p>There were five inmates from Berwick and two from Tweedmouth. All were in good</p>	2 Sept. 1850



		<p>health and clean and those who were able to communicate stated that they were kindly treated. Five are employed, only one is recovered sufficiently to either be removed to the workhouse or to be set free.</p> <p>Hannah Jamieson, chargeable since March 1848, has friends in Edinburgh who will assist her, in her wish to become a governess. Dr. Rae, the superintending physician, considers her fit to be removed.</p> <p>Mary Scott, chargeable to Berwick, is not fit to be removed, she was in Bensham Asylum until February 1850.</p> <p>Isabella Lough, chargeable to Tweedmouth, admitted in June 1843 is a confirmed maniac.</p> <p>Jane Moor was removed from the workhouse to the asylum in March 1850. It is recommended that she be allowed to remain for a further one or two months.</p> <p>Michael Chambers, chargeable to Berwick, removed from Bensham Asylum in February 1850. He is fit to be released, but he may have a relapse. He is employed as a Mason's labourer. He is industrious and wants to revert to his employment as a book-hawker; he has stock in Edinburgh.</p> <p>William Thompkins, chargeable to Berwick, removed from Bensham in February 1850. He is employed as a shoemaker, but is not fit to be released.</p> <p>Alexander Reid, chargeable to Berwick, admitted in April 1848, had been in the asylum for some time previous to that. He is employed as librarian to the Institute, but is not fit to be released.</p> <p><u>The Crichton Institute, Dumfries</u></p> <p>The comfort of the Institute cannot be excelled because of its great wealth. The two inmates, chargeable to Tweedmouth, are maintained for fifteen pounds per annum (eighteen pounds per annum including clothes).</p> <p>Ralph Low has been an inmate since January 1846. He is to be brought home to be in his mother's charge in Tweedmouth.</p> <p>James Swinhoe has been an inmate since May 1847 and is not fit for removal. He is silent for months on end.</p> <p><u>Bath Lane Asylum, Newcastle</u></p>	
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			<p>Nothing can be said in its favour. It is small with a high wall like a gaol. The inmates are dirty, have no employment and consideration is lacking.</p> <p>Hannah Rorke, chargeable to Felkington, has very dirty habits. It is recommended that she be removed and giving her mother a liberal allowance. Dr. Smith is about to request an increase for her maintenance because of her habits.</p> <p>Jane Oliver, chargeable to Kyloe. She is quiet and could be removed to the workhouse, but she is unwell.</p> <p><u>Bensham Asylum</u></p> <p>Ann Moor, chargeable to Ancroft. To be sent back to her husband at Scremerston. She is nervous, but sane.</p> <p>William Moor, chargeable to Norham, since November 1847. He is quite rational and employed in driving carts on the farm attached to the asylum. The Board should determine whether or not he should be released. At present he is quite sane.</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood states that he was not asked to visit Bensham Asylum, but is of the opinion that they appear indifferent to the treatment or comfort of the patients. Of the thirteen patients chargeable to the parish, two have been removed, two could be set free, but have a chance of a relapse. Two are harmless and could be taken care of in the workhouse or by friends. However, one is too weak to be moved. Of the remaining seven, one is harmless and could go to the workhouse, but could suffer a relapse. Dr. Kirkwood mentions that the accommodation in the workhouse for the temporary confinement of lunatics has only one cell and that it is within the hospital walls; this is most disturbing for the patients when there is more than one lunatic they have to be kept in the old gaol before going to the asylum. Money could be saved if there were more accommodation.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/156-160	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 16 Sept. 1850	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Thomas Friar; Alexander Smith; Robert Ramsay; Adam Bell.</p> <p>Medical Officer: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: James B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p>	16 Sept. 1850

			<p>Financial Transactions: John Winter (Flour); William Ross (Butcher meat); J B Atkinson (Milk, etc); George Wood (Coals); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); William Cowe (Groceries); George Angus (Basin etc); George Henderson (Porter, etc); Robert Rutherford (Draperies); Peter Wilson (Shoes); Thomas Cockburn (Porter); Charles Forsythe (Draperies); Thomas Melrose (Books); George Trotter (Poor rates); John Drummond &amp; Son (Blacksmiths).</p> <p>The sum of £20 12s 7d to be paid to Dr. Kirkwood and Mr. Atkinson for expenses incurred by the visits to the asylums.</p> <p>A letter was presented, dated 14 August 1850, to the Clerks W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby &amp; Edward Willoby] from W G Lumley [William Golden Lumley] of the Poor Law Board. This enquires of the guardians, whether or not other sureties need to be provided for the matron, Jane Purdie, since one has died and the other is insolvent.</p> <p>A note states that the above is thought to be unnecessary.</p> <p>The Board directed the Clerks to initial the entries, in the Clothing Register, for suits of clothes which had been ordered by the matron and the master for paupers when they left the workhouse</p>	
Item	GBR 41/161-167	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 30 Sept. 1850	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Thomas Pinkerton; Alexander Smith; Ebenezer Black; Thomas Hubback; Richard Makins; Thomas Friar; Joseph Fleming; Thomas Nesbit; Robert Dickson; John Nevins; Robert Carr.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: John Winter (Flour); William Ross (Butcher meat); John Morgan (Glazier); J B Atkinson (Milk, etc); George Wood (Coals); Andrew Thompson (Ironmonger); Thomas Cockburn (Porter); William Thompson (Potatoes); William Cowe (Groceries); George Henderson (Porter); Peter Wilson (Shoes); George Weatherhead (Groceries); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); George Trotter (¼ rent of Workhouse); Charles Knight and Thomas Melrose (Books); Robert Home (Coals for Register Office); Postages for W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby]; J B Atkinson; John</p>	30 Sept. 1850

			<p>Anderson and Joseph Scott, Quarter salaries to be paid to T H Tait [Thomas Heriot Tait] (Schoolmaster); Margaret Atkinson (Nurse); Margaret Knox (Nurse); Thomas Harle (Porter); Thomas Meston (Barber).</p> <p>Accounts for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in Newcastle Lunatic Asylum were presented.</p> <p>Jane Oliver, Kylee; Hannah Rorke, Felkington; Elizabeth Stamp Hindhaugh, Tweedmouth.</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood's report was presented. It was ordered that a plan and estimate be obtained with regard to his suggestion.</p> <p>It was ordered that Dr. Kirkwood should correspond with Dr. Rae regarding the discharge of Michael Chambers from the Royal Edinburgh Lunatic Asylum.</p> <p>It was ordered that Noel Thomas Smith, Keeper of the Bell Lane Lunatic Asylum be required to deliver Hannah Rorke to the overseers of Felkington and Mary Ann Temple to the overseers of Cornhill.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/168-171	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 14 Oct. 1850	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; William Smith; Robert Ramsey; Thomas Friar; Adam Bell; George Robison; John Nevins; Thomas Nesbit; A Christison [Alexander Christison].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: Quarter salaries to be paid to W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby]; J B Atkinson; John Anderson; Joseph Scott; Alexander Kirkwood; Andrew Morrison; John Paxton; Joseph Watson ; Andrew Mallock (Treasurer); Jane Purdie (Matron); John Moor (Assistant Master).</p> <p>Accounts presented for the maintenance of pauper lunatics for Berwick:- Michael Chambers; Alexander Rule; William Thompkins; Hannah Jamieson; Mary Scott.</p> <p>For Tweedmouth:- Isabella Lough; Jane Moore; Joan Brown.</p>	14 Oct. 1850

			<p>Notice had been given to the guardians of the Glendale Union to bind John Sidey to John Greive, Tailor, of Wooler. No objection had been received, therefore, the indentures were executed in the presence of the board.</p> <p>It was stated that W H T Hawley, Poor Law Inspector, would visit on 28 October 1850 to enquire into the charges made by the Medical Officers for extra services for the prevention of cholera.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/172-175	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 28 Oct. 1850	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Robert Dickson; John Nesbit; Thomas Nesbit; Adam Bell.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Accounts presented for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Bensham Lunatic Asylum. Robert Waites, Kyloe; Ann Moor, Ancroft.</p> <p>Clothing account presented for Joan Brown of Tweedmouth, in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum.</p> <p>Vaccination fees for:- Alexander Kirkwood, Berwick, Tweedmouth and Ancroft. Andrew Morison, Tweedmouth and Ancroft. Joseph Watson, Kyloe and Holy Island.</p> <p>Extra medical fees for Alexander Kirkwood, Berwick and Ancroft. Joseph Watson, Holy Island.</p> <p>It was ordered that the first half of the premium (£2. 10sh.) of John Sidey, bound to John Greive, Tailor of Wooler, be paid.</p> <p>Robert Kennedy, Tailor of Ancroft, applied to have James Chartres, a poor boy of fourteen years at present in the workhouse, to be bound to him as an apprentice. The Medical Officer has passed him as fit. The boy is an orphan and is willing to be bound for a month on trial.</p>	28 Oct. 1850

Item	GBR 41/176-181	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 11 Nov. 1850	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; William Smith; H G C Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Thomas Friar; Alexander Smith; Joseph Fleming; John Nesbit; N Sanderson [Ninian Sanderson]; Thomas Nesbit; Nathaniel Dodds; Adam Bell; Richard Makins; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Robert Dickson.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: James B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); John Winter (Flour); Charles Forsythe (Draperies); J B Atkinson (Milk, etc); George Wood (Coals); Alexander Meikle (Shoes); William Thompson (Potatoes); R [Robert] Rutherford (Draperies); George Henderson (Porter, etc); William Cowe (Groceries); Berwick &amp; Tweedmouth Gas Co; Peter Wilson (Shoes); Robert Gregg (Tinsmith); Thomas Cockburn (Porter); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); Robert Cairns (Carpet shoes); William Davidson (Groceries); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); George Weatherhead (Groceries).</p> <p>Account presented for the maintenance, in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum until 31 December 1850, for John Octon of Tweedmouth.</p> <p>Payment to Mr. Paxton (John Paxton) for vaccination. Norham, 9 cases; Twisel, 2 cases; Horncliff, 4 cases; Duddo, 1 case; Loanend, 3 cases; Thornton, 1 case.</p> <p>A report was presented by the Workhouse Committee regarding the temporary confinement of lunatics in the Workhouse. It is considered that the best place to build would be in the girls' yard and to build four cells, completely detached with an estimated cost of £100-£110; a saving would be made by not sending the inmates to asylums.</p> <p>In the report of Mr. Brown, the Government Inspector of Schools, it is stated that the sewing room and the infants' school are considered not fit for purpose. There is no means of improving the ventilation in the sewing room where clothes are made for the women and children in the workhouse and where between thirty and forty children work. This impinges on the health of both the children and the teacher. If the recommendation regarding the lunatics is accepted a storey could be added and used as schoolroom, instead of the present one, at a cost of £50-£60.</p>	11 Nov. 1850
Item	GBR 41/182-185	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 25	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; H G C Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Thomas Pinkerton; Robert Ramsey; Joseph Fleming; Ebenezer Black; Adam Bell; George Robison; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; John Nesbit; Nicholas Bell; William Elliott;</p>	25 Nov. 1850

		Nov. 1850	<p>Robert Carr; Thomas Friar; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Accounts for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in Bensham Lunatic Asylum and the Crichton Royal Institute were presented for William Moor, Norham and James Swinhoe, Tweedmouth.</p> <p>Vaccination fees for Mr. Donaldson. Cornhill, 12 cases; Twisel, 2 cases; Norham, 9 cases; Duddo, 1 case; Grindon, 1 case; Felkington, 5 cases; Ancroft, 1 case; Shoreswood, 9 cases; Loanend, 1 case.</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood's report was rejected.</p> <p>William Cornet, saddler of Lowick, applied to take James Middleton, aged 14 years and at present in the Workhouse, as an apprentice. He is to be taken on trial for a month, having been passed fit by the medical officers.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/186-191	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 9 Dec. 1850	<p>Guardians: Ebenezer Black; Joseph Fleming; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Richard Makins; John Nesbit; Robert Carr; William Elliott; Adam Bell; Thomas Nesbit; Alexander Smith; Robert Dickson; Robert Ramsey.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Black</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); John Winter (Flour); George Wood (Coals); J B Atkinson (Milk, etc); James Dunlop (Quilts, etc); James Marshall (Groceries); George Weatherhead (Groceries); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); William Cowe (Groceries); Thomas Bowhill (Chairs); George Henderson (Porter, etc); William Thompson (Potatoes); Thomas Cockburn (Porter, etc); Charles Forsythe (Draperies); John Gilroy (Pails); William Davidson (Groceries); David Gibson (Rent of Register</p>	9 Dec. 1850

			<p>Office); Charles Knight (Books, etc); Daniel Cameron (Old rope); James Patterson (Water sprig); Robert Usher (Postages).</p> <p>Account for maintenance in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum of Robert B. Pringle was presented.</p> <p>Tenders, subject to approval, have been accepted from:-</p> <p>Alexander Smith (Beef &amp; Mutton); John Turner (Flour, Barley &amp; Oatmeal); Joseph Milburne (Raw sugar &amp; salt); William Cowe (Best unground coffee, unground black pepper, candles, dips and moulds); George Weatherhead (Tobacco, snuff, 1 chest of black tea, treacle, soda); William Davidson (Best quality soap); Thomas Cockburn (Port wine); George Henderson (Whiskey &amp; Porter); George Pirie (Brown Vinegar); Stephen Scott (Coals); Robert Chrisp (Clothing for men &amp; boys); R [Robert] Rutherford (Calico, Flannel, Apron check, Woolen yarn); G &amp; J Young (Handkerchiefs); Charles Forsythe (Calico, canvas, blankets &amp; shirting); Peter Wilson (women's &amp; boy's shoes); James Jaffrey (Copies [sic], pens); Thomas Melrose (Books).</p>	
Item	GBR 41/192-194	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 23 Dec. 1850	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Thomas Pinkerton; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; John Nesbit; Nicholas Bell.</p> <p>Medical Officer: Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>It was agreed to pay Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson] the amount due, after the deduction for double payment, for the cholera cases.</p> <p>It was ordered that the first half of the premium for James Chartres, apprentice to Robert Kennedy, Tailor of Ancroft, be paid.</p> <p>Indentures were executed for the apprenticeship of James Middleton to William Cornet, Saddler of Lowick.</p>	23 Dec. 1850
Item	GBR 41/195-197	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 30 Dec. 1850	<p>Guardians: Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; John Nesbit; Robert Dickson.</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Clarke</p>	30 Dec. 1850



			<p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: John Winter (Flour); George Weatherhead (Groceries); Alexander Smith (Beef, etc); William Davidson (Soap); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); J B Atkinson (Milk, etc); Peter Wilson (Shoes); William Ross (Butcher meat); Stephen Scott (Coals); George Henderson (Porter, etc); Robert Gregg (Carpenter's work); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); William Cowe (Groceries); John Gilroy (Potatoes); James Marshall (Groceries).</p> <p>Account for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Newcastle and Gateshead Lunatic Asylum was presented for Hannah Rork, Felkington; Elizabeth Hindhaugh, Tweedmouth and Mary Ann Temple, Cornhill.</p> <p>[There were no Medical Officers at this meeting.]</p>	
Item	GBR 41/198-200	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 6 Jan. 1851	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Alexander Smith; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Richard Makins; Adam Bell; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Joseph Fleming; Thomas Nesbit; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>[This is the complete entry.]</p>	6 Jan. 1851
Item	GBR 41/201-206	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 20 Jan. 1851	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; William Smith; H G C Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Alexander Smith; Joseph Fleming; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; John Nesbit; Ebenezer Black; Robert Dickson.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p>	20 Jan. 1851

			<p>Financial Transactions: Charles Forsythe (Draperies); Robert Rutherford (Draperies); Alexander Smith (Butcher meat); John Winter (Flour); J B Atkinson (Milk, etc); Stephen Scott (Coals); George Henderson (Porter); John Alexander Moor and John Atkinson [neither of these have a supply noted]; William Cowe (Groceries); James Pattison (Painting); James Marshall (Groceries); John Trotter (¼ rent of the Workhouse and Poor rates); Walter Thompson (Books, etc); Joseph Brown (Drawing plans); Catherine Richardson (Advertising); Charles Knight (Books); George Macaskie (Advertising).</p> <p>Account for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum was presented for Michael Chambers; Robert Pringle; Alexander Reid; William Thompkins; Hannah Jamieson and Mary Scott, all of Berwick. For John Octon; Joan Brown; Isabella Lough all of Tweedmouth. For John Moor, Union Fund.</p> <p>Vaccination fees for Alexander Kirkwood:- Berwick, 16 cases; Tweedmouth, 3 cases. For Mr. Morrison:- Tweedmouth, 46 cases; Ancroft, 31 cases. For William Donaldson:- Norham, 8 cases; Norham Mains, 1 case; Twisel, 2 cases; Cornhill, 8 cases; Horncliffe, 2 cases; Duddo, 6 cases; Shoreswood, 2 cases; Felkington, 1 case; Ancroft, 1 case.</p> <p>Extra medical fees for Alexander Kirkwood:- Berwick, 10 midwifery cases; Ancroft 1 midwifery case; Cornhill, 1 midwifery case; Union Charge, 3 midwifery cases. For Andrew Morison:- Tweedmouth, 2 midwifery cases. For John Paxton:- Twisel, 1 midwifery case; Shoreswood, 1 midwifery case.</p> <p>It was ordered that the first half of the premium, viz £2 10s, of James Middleton, a poor boy of Berwick, apprenticed to William Cornet, Saddler of Lowick, be paid.</p> <p>A letter from Mr. George Trotter, dated 20 January, of Berwick was put before the meeting. This requested an increase in his salary, as a collector of poor rates; his present salary of £30 per annum is inadequate.</p> <p>A letter from the churchwardens and overseers recommends that Mr. Trotter's application be considered.</p> <p>Signed:-</p> <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">ROBERT THOMPSON</td> <td rowspan="3" style="font-size: 3em; vertical-align: middle;">}</td> <td rowspan="3" style="vertical-align: middle;">CHURCHWARDENS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>JOHN SHORT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J WEATHERSTONE</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">JOHN ELLIOTT</td> <td rowspan="2" style="font-size: 3em; vertical-align: middle;">}</td> <td rowspan="2" style="vertical-align: middle;">OVERSEERS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DAVID PAXTON</td> </tr> </table>	ROBERT THOMPSON	}	CHURCHWARDENS	JOHN SHORT	J WEATHERSTONE	JOHN ELLIOTT	}	OVERSEERS	DAVID PAXTON	
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Item	GBR 41/207-211	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 3 Feb. 1851	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; William Smith; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Richard Makins; John Nesbit; Ninian Sanderson; Alexander Smith; Joseph Fleming; Robert Carr; Alexander Christison; Adam Bell; George Ker Nicholson; Thomas Nesbit; William Elliott; Robert Dickson; Robert Ramsey; M G C Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: Salaries to be paid to:- W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby], Clerks; J B Atkinson, Master of the Workhouse and Relieving Officer; John Anderson and Joseph Scott, Relieving Officers; Andrew Mallock, Treasurer; Dr. Kirkwood; William Donaldson; John Paxton; Jane Purdie, Matron; John Moor, Assistant Master; T H Tait [Thomas Heriot Tait], Schoolmaster; Margaret Atkinson, Schoolmistress; Thomas Harle, Porter; Mary Knox, Nurse; Thomas Meston, Barber.</p> <p>Mr. George Trotter's application was considered. It was moved by Mr. Fleming and seconded by Mr. Makins. The application was rejected.</p> <p>Dr. Clarke moved that a committee be appointed to enquire into the nature of Mr. Trotter's duties; this was not seconded.</p> <p>Mr. Fleming moved that the Clerk give a statement of the salaries and fees for each officer in the Berwick Union District prior to the formation of the Union. It was requested that the statement should note the salaries received the second year after the formation and the salaries now received; this was seconded by G K Nicholson.</p>	3 Feb. 1851
Item	GBR 41/211-214	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 17 Feb. 1851	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; Captain Smith [William Smith]; G K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; Alexander Smith; Thomas Friar; Ebenezer Black; Richard Makins; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Nicholas Bell; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod; Thomas Pinkerton; Joseph Fleming; Nathaniel Dodds; Thomas Nesbit; Thomas Hubback; John Nesbit.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker]</p>	17 Feb. 1851

			<p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott</p> <p>It was ordered that the Clerk prepare a return of the salaries noted with regard to Mr. Fleming's motion.</p> <p>It was ordered that the Clerk prepare a return of expenditure of the Parishes of the Union (separating salaries from relief) for the year before and the year after the passing of the Select Vestry Act, also for the year before and the year after the formation of the Union. This relates to the motion of Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke].</p> <p>Letters from the Berwick Advertiser and the Berwick Warder were presented in reply to the Clerk's request for the authenticity of the statement in their papers regarding the salary of George Trotter.</p> <p>The Berwick Advertiser had copied verbatim from the Warder, the Warder refused to disclose their source.</p> <p>The Clerk was ordered to write to the Poor Law Board asking their opinion as to which fund the expense of removing two Irish paupers should be charged.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/215-220	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 3 March 1851	<p>Guardians: A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Alexander Smith; Richard Makins; John Nesbit; Nicholas Bell; William Elliott; Robert Carr; Robert Dickson; Thomas Hubback; Captain Smith [William Smith]; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; E Black [Ebenezer Black]; Joseph Fleming; N Sanderson [Ninian Sanderson]; J M<sup>c</sup>Leod [John M<sup>c</sup>Leod]; Robert Ramsey; Adam Bell; Thomas Nesbit; Thomas Pinkerton; A Christison [Alexander Christison].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: A R Lowrey</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: Alexander Smith (Butcher meat); John Winter (Flour); Stephen Scott (Coals); J B Atkinson (Milk, etc); George Henderson (Porter etc); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); George Weatherhead and William Cowe (Groceries); Peter Wilson (Shoes);</p>	3 March 1851

			<p>Robert Rutherford (Draperies); Robert Cairns (Carpet shoes); George J Young (Draperies); Blackett Atkinson (Paint, etc); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); David Lindsay (Onions); Nichol Richardson (Trenchers); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); Thomas Cockburn (Whiskey); Daniel Cameron (Printing); George Gregg (Carpenter); George Back (Mason); Thomas Weatherston &amp; Son (Slaters); Joseph Gibson (Mason work); James Jaffrey (Pens); Robert Home (Registry books).</p> <p>Account for the maintenance in the Crichton Royal Institute for James Swinhoe, of Tweedmouth, was presented.</p> <p>Extra medical fees for Dr. Kirkwood for Berwick and Norham.</p> <p>A letter from the Poor Law Board stated that the expense, £8 16s 9d, for removing two Irish vagrants should be defrayed from the common fund of the Union.</p> <p>It was resolved that appointments for Medical Officers should be made for a year from 25 March 1851 to 25 March 1852. The area would be divided into five districts.</p> <p>No.1 Berwick district including the Union Workhouse. 5,120 acres, 10,288 population.</p> <p>No.2 Tweedmouth district including part of Tweedmouth, Ancroft, except Haggerston. 13,252 acres, 6,550 population.</p> <p>No.3 Islandshire district. Parishes of Holy Island, Kylee and Haggerston. 12,189 acres, 2,038 population.</p> <p>No.4 Norhamshire district East, including Loanend, Longridge, Norham Mains, Horncliffe, Duddo, Thornton, Shoreswood and Felkington. 8,580 acres, 1,785 population.</p> <p>No.5 Norhamshire district West including Norham, Grindon, Twisel and Cornhill. 10,230 acres, 2,504 population.</p> <p>Salaries:- Berwick district £35; Workhouse £30; Tweedmouth £40; Islandshire £20; Norhamshire East £20; Norhamshire West £20.</p> <p>The salaries are to be exclusive of the prescribed fees - by order of the Poor Law Commission. The salaries and fees for the officers, also the expenditure of the Parishes of the Union, were laid before the meeting and were ordered to be printed.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/221-	Minutes of Berwick	Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey]; G	17 March 1851

	225	Board of Guardians meeting held on 17 March 1851	<p>K Nicholson [George Ker Nicholson]; A Smith [Adam Smith]; Richard Makins; J Nesbit [John Nesbit]; M Chisholm; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; R Carr [Robert Carr]; J Nevins [John Nevins]; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; A Christison [Alexander Christison]; J Fleming [Joseph Fleming]; N Bell [Nicholas Bell]; Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]; T Nesbit [Thomas Nesbit]; R Ramsey [Robert Ramsey]; T Hubback [Thomas Hubback]; R Dickson [Robert Dickson]; William Elliott; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>The Medical Officers were re-elected as follows:-</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Dr. Kirkwood</td> <td>-</td> <td>Berwick and the Workhouse</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mr. Morrison</td> <td>-</td> <td>Tweedmouth</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mr. J Watson</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>[Joseph Watson]</td> <td>-</td> <td>Islandshire</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mr. Paxton</td> <td>-</td> <td>Norhamshire - East and West Division</td> </tr> </table> <p>Mr. George Trotter, accountant, was approved as Deputy Registrar of births and deaths, for Berwick.</p> <p>The return of the guardians' attendances at meetings of the board was laid before the meeting.</p>	Dr. Kirkwood	-	Berwick and the Workhouse	Mr. Morrison	-	Tweedmouth	Mr. J Watson			[Joseph Watson]	-	Islandshire	Mr. Paxton	-	Norhamshire - East and West Division	
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Item	GBR 41/226-231	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 31 March 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Ebenezer Black; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Thomas Nesbit; Alexander Christison; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod; John Nesbit; Joseph Fleming; John Gilroy; Robert Dickson.</p> <p>Medical Officers: John Paxton; Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Joseph Watson; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: Alexander Smith (Butcher meat); Berwick and Tweedmouth Gas</p>	31 March 1851															

			<p>Company; John Winter (Flour); J B Atkinson (Milk, etc); Peter Wilson (Shoes); William Ross (Butcher meat); Stephen Scott (Coals); Thomas Cockburn (Porter, etc); James Purves (Carpets); George Henderson (Porter, etc); William Cowe (Groceries); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); George Weatherhead (Groceries); James Meikle (Shoes); Joseph Milburne (Groceries).</p> <p>George Trotter (¼ rent of Workhouse)  ¼ salary for:- Thomas H Tait [Thomas Heriot Tait] (Schoolmaster); Margaret Atkinson (Nurse); Mary Knox (Nurse); Thomas Harle (Porter); Thomas Meston (Barber); Mr. Brown (Rent of garden); Daniel Cameron (Old rope); Charles Knight (Forms); W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby &amp; Edward Willoby] (Justice business and postages); Postages for J B Atkinson; John Anderson and Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Account for maintenance for pauper lunatic, Martha Forster of Berwick, in the Peckham Lunatic Asylum. For lunatics in the Royal Edinburgh and the Newcastle Lunatic Asylums:- William Moor, Norham; Alice Douglass, Berwick; Elizabeth Hindhaugh, Tweedmouth.</p> <p>It was ordered that the last half of the premium of Robert Gresham, a poor boy apprenticed to John Main, Tailor of Spittal, be paid. The amount to be paid was £2. 2s.</p> <p>A copy of a letter, dated 28 March 1851, from the Poor Law Board was presented. This acknowledged receipt of their letter of 21 March, which related to the appointment of the Medical Officers for the current year. The Board requested that a special minute be made, stating the reasons for having given Mr. Paxton two medical districts which exceed the limits prescribed by the general regulations.</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood named Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker] as his deputy.  Mr. Watson named Mr. Hunt as his deputy.  Mr. Morrison named Mr. Fluker as his deputy.  Mr. Joseph Scott, registrar of births and deaths for Northhamshire, named Mr. John Paxton as his deputy.</p> <p>[N.B. p.232 is blank.]</p>	
Item	GBR 41/233-237	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 14 April 1851	Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Ebenezer Black; Richard Makins; John Nesbit; George Winlaw; John M <sup>c</sup> Gregor; John M <sup>c</sup> Donald; Alexander Smith; Ninian Sanderson; Robert Dickson; William Heron; John Dunbar; Nicholas Bell; John Gilroy; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; John Oswald; Joseph Fleming; Thomas Friar; John Black; Thomas Hownam; George Crosbie; Robert Gibson.	14 April 1851

			<p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Ebenezer Black</p> <p>Financial Accounts: JB Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>The election of guardians took place. Those nominated and not elected were:-</p> <p>Robert Cairns; Henry George Charles Clarke; William Dodds and James Henry Innis.</p> <p>George Ker Nicholson, Merchant; Robert Sinclair May, Commander in the Royal Navy and William Elliott, Major in the Army, all refused to serve for Berwick.</p> <p>A nomination was not received for Shoreswood, Nathaniel Dodds was entitled to serve for one year.</p> <p>Account for maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum. Michael Chambers; Robert Balmer Pringle; Alexander Reid; William Thompkins; Hannah Jamieson; Mary Scott and Alice Douglass of Berwick.</p> <p>John Octon and Isabella Lough of Tweedmouth; William Moor of Norham. Jane Moor charged to the Union.</p> <p>The Workhouse and finance committee for the ensuring year:- Captain Smith; Joseph Fleming; George Winlaw; John Nesbit; Ninian Sanderson; George Crosbie; Robert Gibson; Thomas Hownam; William Paxton; Robert Dickson; John Gilroy.</p> <p>The School Committee:- Captain Smith; Joseph Fleming; John Nesbit; George Winlaw; William Paxton.</p> <p>The Board considered the letter from the Poor Law Board regarding the need to assign to Mr. Paxton two medical districts. Mr. Paxton has already appointed Mr. Turnbull, surgeon of Coldstream, as his deputy for the Western part. Mr. Turnbull is already a deputy for the medical officer of the Glendale Union district. Mr. Andrew Morrison, surgeon of Tweedmouth, has been appointed deputy for the Eastern part. Several ratepayers wish Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson] to be reconsidered for Norhamshire West Division.</p> <p>[N.B. p.238 is blank.]</p>	
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Item	GBR 41/239-243	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 28 April 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Joseph Fleming; G Winlaw [George Winlaw]; J Oswald [John Oswald]; Richard Makins; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; T Hownam [Thomas Hownam]; J Nesbit [John Nesbit]; G Crosbie [George Crosbie]; J M<sup>c</sup>Leod [John M<sup>c</sup>Leod]; R Dickson [Robert Dickson]; Thomas Nesbit; R Carr [Robert Carr]; J Nevins [John Nevins]; J Gilroy [John Gilroy]; N Sanderson [Ninian Sanderson].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith  Captain Smith was elected as Chairman, Joseph Fleming and Mr. Heron [William Heron] were elected as vice-chairmen.</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: John Winter (Flour); George Weatherhead and William Cowe (Groceries); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); George Henderson (Porter, etc); Peter Wilson (Shoes); R Rutherford [Robert Rutherford] and Co. (Draperies); Alexander Smith and Simon Trainer (Potatoes); John Main (Clothing); R Gibson [Robert Gibson] (Milk); William Ross (Butcher meat); Charles Forsythe (Draperies).</p> <p>The Clerk laid before the board the suggestion of Mr. Hurst [Edward Hurst], the Poor Law Inspector. This was to form a district committee to examine the pauper's cases and suggested that more regular visits to the paupers' dwellings should be made by the relieving officers.</p> <p>A letter from Messrs. Crosby, dated 28 April, Berwick, was presented. This stated that as the suppliers of the outdoor bread, they would no longer supply the same after 1 May 1851.</p> <p>The Workhouse Committee would obtain tenders for the bread for the remainder of Messrs. Crosby's contract.</p> <p>An entry relating to Mr. Hurst's last visit to the Workhouse, dated 7 April, stated that it was clean and in as an good order as the arrangement allowed. The fact that the lunatics, who are not considered dangerous, are allowed to be with the ordinary male inmates was not considered ideal. It was recommended that the plans, submitted to the guardians last year, be implemented. It would give the infants a schoolroom, the present one not considered suitable. It was stated that the privies needed attention, there were no seats, and it was thought that they should occasionally be flushed. A refractory ward, requisite in all Workhouses, was non-existent. It was noted that many paupers wore their own clothes, which is irregular.</p>	28 April 1851
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Item	GBR 41/245-250	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 12 May 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Joseph Fleming; Thomas Friar; Ebenezer Black; George Winlaw; George Crosbie; John Oswald; Thomas Nesbit; Richard Makins; John Nesbit; John M<sup>c</sup>Donald; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Nicholas Bell; Ninian Sanderson; John Nevins.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Account for apprehending and removing vagrants to Ireland was presented and payment was ordered.</p> <p>Accounts for registration fees during the quarter ended at Ladyday were presented and payment was ordered.</p> <p>Vaccination fees for Dr. Kirkwood:- Berwick, 26 cases; Tweedmouth, 12 cases; Ancroft, 2 cases.  Andrew Morrison:- Tweedmouth, 33 cases; Ancroft, 11 cases.  Joseph Watson:- Kylee, 8 cases; Holy Island, 2 cases.</p> <p>Extra medical fees for Dr. Kirkwood:- Berwick, 5 midwifery cases.</p> <p>Salaries for the quarter ended at Ladyday, paid to W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby], Clerks; J B Atkinson, Workhouse Master and Relieving Officer; John Anderson and Joseph Scott (Relieving officers); Alexander Kirkwood; Andrew Morrison; Joseph Watson; John Paxton; William Donaldson (Medical Officers); Andrew Mallock (Treasurer); Jane Purdie (Matron); John Moor (Assistant Master).</p> <p>Fees to be paid to the Clerks for expenses of conducting the election of the Guardians of the Parish of Berwick, population 8,484 at ¼d per head.</p> <p>A copy of a letter from the Poor Law Board, dated 1 May, was presented. This acknowledged receipt of the letter of 18 April, regarding the appointment of Mr. Paxton as Medical Officer for West Norhamshire district. The appointment has not been sanctioned by the Poor Law Board since Mr. Paxton already is the Medical Officer for</p>	12 May 1851

			<p>the East Norhamshire district and the combined districts exceed the limit fixed by the regulations. The Guardians, therefore, are required to elect another Medical Officer for the West Norhamshire district. It was resolved to advertise, in the two Berwick newspapers, for candidates who must reside within the district.</p> <p>Mr. Hurst's [Edward Hurst] suggestions relating to the relieving officers were read. It was resolved that a committee should consider it. The committee would be Mr. Black; Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Donald; Mr. Bell; Mr. James Nicholson; A Smith [Alexander Smith]; Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; James Black.</p> <p>Mr. Hurst's recommendation for the additional buildings should be rejected.</p> <p>The Board considered the suggestion of Mr. Brown, the government Inspector of Schools, that William Braby now in the workhouse, be apprenticed as a pupil teacher and to provide him with food and clothing during his apprenticeship. The suggestion was adopted.</p> <p>The tender of Mr. Thompson, baker, to provide outdoor bread until 29 September 1851 was accepted.</p> <p>A letter was received from Mr. R. Gibson [Robert Gibson] declining to serve as a guardian for Berwick.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/251-253	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 26 May 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Joseph Fleming; Richard Makins; John Nesbit; John Dunbar; William Heron; John Gilroy; John Nevins; G Winlaw [George Winlaw]; John Oswald; Nicholas Bell; Ninian Sanderson; George Crosbie; Thomas Nesbit; Robert Dickson; William Elliott.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Account for maintenance of David Spowart, of Tweedmouth, in the Blind Asylum, Edinburgh was presented.</p> <p>After an election, Mr. William Donaldson was appointed as the Medical Officer for West Norhamshire district.</p> <p>It was ordered that the Poor Law Board should be given copies of the meetings of the</p>	26 May 1851

			board of 13 and 27 May [1850] and 10 and 24 June [1850] relating to the charges brought against Mr. Donaldson for having claimed and received payment for attending to cholera cases, both from the Board and from those he had attended.	
Item	GBR 41/254-259	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 9 June 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Thomas Friar; Ebenezer Black; John Oswald; George Crosbie; Thomas Nesbit; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; John Nesbit; John Dunbar; Ninian Sanderson; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Thomas Hownam; William Heron; Joseph Fleming.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: J B Atkinson (Baking bread, etc); Robert Gibson (Milk); Margaret Blakey (Milk); Peter Wilson (Shoes); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Thomas Marshall (Milk).</p> <p>An account for the maintenance of James Swinhoe of Tweedmouth, in the Crichton Royal Institute was presented.</p> <p>An account was presented by Mr. Home [Robert Home], Superintendent Registrar, for expenses incurred in the taking of the census. This was ordered to be paid.</p> <p>A copy of a letter from the Poor Law Board, dated 6 June, was presented. This acknowledged receipt of the letter, dated 28 May, relating to the re-election of Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson] as Medical Officer for West Northhamshire district. It is stated that the Poor Law Board cannot object to his appointment for the year, since the guardians were satisfied with the re-election as the fees had been re-paid.</p> <p>A copy of an un-dated letter from Mr. Donaldson was presented. In this the circumstances under which he was paid by the board and by some patients was explained. Mr. Makins [Richard Makins] had made allegations against him; he, therefore, wished to vindicate himself.</p> <p>The Clerk laid before the meeting an act, passed in this session of Parliament, for the provision of the better protection for apprentices and servants.</p>	9 June 1851
Item	GBR 41/260-265	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians	Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Thomas Friar; John Oswald; George Crosbie; Thomas Nesbit; Richard Makins; John Nesbit; George Winlaw;	23 June 1851

		meeting held on 23 June 1851	<p>J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Alexander Smith; Ninian Sanderson; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Robert Dickson; Ebenezer Black.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Watson [Joseph Watson]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>An application was received from William Jewers, Tailor of Lowick, to take, as an apprentice, Francis Davies, 14, at present in the Workhouse. The Medical Officers have given their approval and the boy's father wishes it. Notice has been given to the guardians of the Glendale Union.</p> <p>A letter was read from Mr. Makins, Shellacres, dated 21 June. The writer stated that as Mr. Donaldson's letter appeared in the press, he felt that his position should be explained. According to Mr. Donaldson, the account of Mr. Makins had to be corrected by Mr. Scott [Joseph Scott?]. Mr. Donaldson was ordered to refund to the Board the sums received for attending those patients who afterwards paid him themselves. Mr. Makins stated that, by having repaid those fees, Mr. Donaldson seemed to consider himself vindicated.</p> <p>The Board resolved to take no further action with regard to the letter. Mr. Donaldson named Mr. Gillins, Surgeon of Coldstream, as his deputy.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/266-268	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 1 July 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [Williams Smith]; George Winlaw; Robert Dickson.</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith.</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: John Winter (Flour); William Ross (Butcher meat); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); Johnson &amp; Co. (Coals); J B Atkinson (Baking bread); Thomas Cockburn (Porter, etc); William Cowe (Groceries); Robert Rutherford (Draperies); Elizabeth Stuart (Straw bonnets); George Weatherhead (Groceries); Robert Gibson and Margaret Blakey (Milk); A R Lowrey [Alexander Robinson Lowrey] (Potatoes); George Henderson (Porter); Alexander Smith (Potatoes); Charles Forsythe (Draperies); Berwick &amp; Tweedmouth Gas Co; Thomas Marshall (Milk); Peter Wilson (Shoes); Robert Cairns (Carpet shoes); George Gregg (Carpenter); Joseph Redfearn (Old Rope); David Gibson (Rent of Register Office); W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby] (costs in</p>	1 July 1851

			<p>remitting bills); Thomas Melrose (Stationery); Robert Usher (Postage).</p> <p>Accounts for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in Peckham and Royal Edinburgh Asylums were presented. Martha Forster of Berwick; James Bishop of Tweedmouth.</p> <p>[No Medical Officers were at this meeting.]</p>	
Item	GBR 41/269-273	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 7 July 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; John Oswald; John Nesbit; Thomas Hownam; George Winlaw; George Crosbie; Alexander Smith; John Gilroy; John Dunbar; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Thomas Nesbit; William Heron; Nicholas Bell; Robert Dickson.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Account for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum was presented. Robert Balmer Pringle; Alexander Reid; Alice Douglass; Hannah Jamieson and Mary Scott all of Berwick.</p> <p>James Bishop; John Octon and Isabella Lough of Tweedmouth; Jane Moor - Union Poor.</p> <p>The report, dated July 1851, was presented by the committee that had considered the suggestion of Mr. Hurst [Edward Hurst] that related to the improved performance of the relieving officers duties. The committee did not think that Mr. Atkinson could make any improvements, either by visiting or financial, to his Berwick district.</p> <p>The alterations to be made to Mr. Anderson's Islandshire district were suggested as follows.</p> <p>Paying stations, in addition to those used at present by Mr. Anderson would be:-  Unthank in addition to the Richardson Stead Station; - Berrington in addition to the New Inn Station; Fenwick in addition to the Half-Way House Station.</p> <p>Mr. Anderson should adopt a form of pay tickets in the form of the one left by Mr. Hurst. He will be required to visit the paupers, resident in his district, at least once every quarter, to keep a diary and to present it to the guardians after the visit.</p> <p>In Mr. Scott's, Norhamshire district it was thought that no improvements could be made</p>	7 July 1851

			<p>regarding payment to the paupers. Quarterly visits should be made and a diary kept as recommended for Mr. Anderson.</p> <p>The Committee recommended that duplicates of half-yearly lists of paupers, as prepared by the relieving officers and the master of the Workhouse be presented to the board.</p> <p>Mr. James Pattison's tender for painting the doors and windows of the Workhouse is to be accepted.</p> <p>[N.B. p.274 is blank.]</p>	
Item	GBR 41/275-281	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 21 July 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Richard Makins; John Nesbit; George Winlaw; Robert Carr; Ninian Sanderson; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; James Wilson; Thomas Nesbit; William Heron; John Oswald; John Nevins; Ebenezer Black; Joseph Fleming; George Crosbie.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: John Winter (Flour); William Ross (Butcher meat); J B Atkinson (Baking bread); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); R Johnson &amp; Co. (Coals); Robert Gibson (Milk); George Henderson (Porter); Margaret Blakey (Milk); George Weatherhead (Grocer); Thomas Marshall (Milk); William Cowe (Grocer); Robert Rutherford (Draper); Thomas Simpson (Rope merchant); Charles Knight (Books); George Trotter (<math>\frac{1}{4}</math> rent of the Workhouse).</p> <p>Quarter salaries to be paid to:-</p> <p>W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby &amp; Edward Willoby] (Clerks); J B Atkinson (Workhouse Master - Relieving Officer); John Anderson &amp; Joseph Scott (Relieving Officers); Andrew Mallock (Treasurer); Alexander Kirkwood; Andrew Morrison; Joseph Watson; William Donaldson and John Paxton (Medical Officers); Jane Purdie (Matron); Thomas H Tait [Thomas Heriot Tait] (Schoolmaster); John Moor (Assistant Master); Margaret Atkinson (Schoolmistress); Thomas Harle (Porter); Mary Knox (Nurse); Thomas Meston (Barber).</p> <p>Vaccination fees paid to Alexander Kirkwood:- Berwick, 20 cases; Ancroft 1 case.</p> <p>To Andrew Morison:- Tweedmouth, 52 cases; Ancroft, 6 cases.</p>	21 July 1851

			<p>Extra medical fees paid to Alexander Kirkwood:- Berwick, 6 midwifery cases; Tweedmouth, 2 midwifery cases; Establishment, 1 midwifery case; Tweedmouth, a case of fracture.</p> <p>To Andrew Morison:- Berwick, 1 midwifery case, Tweedmouth, 2 midwifery cases; Duddo and Establishment, 1 midwifery case each.</p> <p>A letter from the Poor Law Board, dated 18 July, was presented. In this it was stated that John Turner, one of the sureties of the relieving officer, J B Atkinson, had made an assignment of his property for the benefit of his creditors. It stated also that one of Jane Purdie's sureties had gone to America and that the other had died. No proof had been given that John Carmichael and John Anderson, collectors of Poor Rates, were alive and solvent. It also stated that no bonds were produced for Samuel Boak; James Paxton; Alexander Davidson; Joseph Scott and J B Atkinson, assistant overseers. The board requested that it be informed whether or not Mr. Atkinson and Mrs. Purdie have provided other sureties.</p> <p>A letter from Robert Usher, district auditor, Newcastle [upon] Tyne, dated 10 July, was presented. This related to the securities of those mentioned in the previous letter.</p> <p>It was ordered that the Poor Law Board be asked to sanction an advance to Robert Milne, a pauper of Berwick, who is in receipt of 1/6d. per week, of £4 to enable him to go to a son in Boston.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/282-285	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 4 Aug. 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; George Winlaw; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Ninian Sanderson; Ebenezer Black; John Nesbit; James Wilson; Joseph Fleming.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>An account for maintenance of a pauper lunatic in the Crichton Royal Institute, James Swinhoe of Tweedmouth, was presented.</p>	4 Aug. 1851



			<p>The letters from the Poor Law Board and the district auditor [Robert Usher] were re-considered. It was ordered that the Clerks [William Willoby and Edward Willoby] write to the under-mentioned officers and require them to enter, with bonds, the requested sums:-</p> <p>J B Atkinson £200 as relieving officer, £100 as Master, £100 as assistant overseer for Tweedmouth.  Samuel Boak £50 as assistant overseer for Duddo.  James Paxton £50 as assistant overseer for Horncliffe.  Alexander Davidson £100 as assistant overseer for Norham, £50 as assistant overseer for Norham Mains.  John Anderson £10 each as assistant overseer for Holy Island, Ancroft and Kyloe.  John Carmichael £100 as assistant overseer for Cornhill.  Mrs. Purdie [Jane Purdie] Matron, a bond for £30.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/286-291	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 18 Aug. 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; George Winlaw; John Nesbit; Ninian Sanderson; Ebenezer Black; John Nevins; James Wilson; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Thomas Howham; Joseph Fleming; Thomas Nesbit; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Robert Dickson.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: John Winter (Flour); William Ross (Butcher's meat); Johnson [Robert Johnson &amp; Co. (Coals); George Weatherhead (Groceries); J B Atkinson (Baking bread, etc); Peter Wilson (Shoes); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); Robert Gibson and Margaret Blakey (Milk); Robert Cairens (Yarn); William Cowe (Groceries); Thomas Marshall (Milk); Thomas Heslop (Water Sprigs); George Trotter (Poor rates).</p> <p>Vaccination fees paid to:-</p> <p>John Paxton, 8 cases, Norham  Joseph Watson, 4 cases, Kyloe  William Donaldson, 10 cases, Norham; 6 cases Cornhill</p> <p>It was ordered that Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood] be authorised to inspect the pauper lunatics, belonging to the Union, in their asylums and to report in a month's time.</p>	18 Aug. 1851

			<p>A committee is to be appointed to investigate the teaching system in the schools and to report in a month's time. The committee will be the Chairman, Ebenezer Black; George Winlaw; Mr. Fleming and John Nesbit.</p> <p>It was ordered that Mr. Watson should attend in a fortnight's time with regard to the complaint made by Mr. Anderson in the case of a pauper, Eleanor Allen, who resided at Fenwick Steads.</p> <p>The Clerks [William Willoby and Edward Willoby] reported that the following sureties had been received, as requested, from the Union and Parish offices.</p> <p>The sureties for Mr. Atkinson were George Trotter and Mr. Meikle, both of Berwick.</p> <p>The sureties for Mr. Anderson were for Kyle:- Mr. George Hogg, Kyle and Mr. Chisholm [George Chisholm] Fenwick Steads. For Ancroft:- Mr. George Chisholm and Mr. John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor. For Holy Island:- John Smith and Mr. John Embleton.</p> <p>The sureties for Mr. Boak were Mr. John Batters and Mr. Stephen Scott.</p> <p>The sureties for Mr. Paxton were Mr. David Paxton and Mr. Thomas Paxton.</p> <p>The sureties for Mr. Donaldson were for Norham:- Alexander Smith and Mr. Charles Cook. For Norham Mains:- John M<sup>c</sup>Leod and Mr. William Cleghorn.</p> <p>The sureties for Mrs. Purdie [Jane Purdie] were Mr. George Gregg and Mr. James Brown.</p> <p>Mr. Scott stated that he had resigned as assistant overseer for Shoreswood.</p> <p>It was ordered that Mr. Carmichael be again written to for his sureties.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/292-295	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 1 Sept. 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Ebenezer Black; Joseph Fleming; Thomas Nesbit; Nicholas Bell; George Winlaw; George Crosby; James Wilson.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph</p>	1 Sept. 1851

			<p>Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: George Weatherhead (Groceries); William Ross (Butcher meat); George Henderson (Wine); John Winter (Flour); Johnson [Robert Johnson] &amp; Co. (Coals); Thomas Cockburn (Porter); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Robert Gibson and Margaret Blakey (Milk); J B Atkinson [Baking bread, etc]; William Cowe (Groceries); Thomas Marshall (Milk).</p> <p>It was resolved that William Farrow Braby be appointed as a pupil teacher in the Berwick-upon-Tweed Union school and to be maintained and clothed accordingly for the term of five years. The appointment is to be sanctioned by the Committee of Council on Education.</p> <p>It was ordered that tenders be received for new contracts.</p> <p>It was stated that Mr. Watson [Joseph Watson] was unable to attend the meeting due to illness.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/296-302	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 15 Sept. 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Joseph Fleming; John Oswald; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; George Winlaw; John Nesbit; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Thomas Nesbit.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Watson [Joseph Watson].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); John Winter (Flour); Johnson [Robert Johnson] &amp; Co. (Coals); J B Atkinson (Baking bread, etc); Robert Gibson and Margaret Blakey (Milk); Peter Wilson (Shoes); William Cowe and George Weatherhead (Groceries); Thomas Marshall (Milk); Robert Rutherford (Draperies); George Gregg (Carpenter); Charles Knight (Books); Walter Thompson (Stationery).</p> <p>A copy of Dr. Kirkwood's report of his inspection of pauper lunatics, belonging to the Union, was presented. This stated that at his last inspection in August 1850 there were 13 lunatics chargeable to the Union. William Moor; Jane Oliver and Hannah Rork were removed. William Moor and William Thompkins both died from inflammation of the membrane of the brain. Mary Ann Temple escaped from Gateshead Fell and Michael Chambers from the Royal Edinburgh Asylum. Seven new cases were admitted in the</p>	15 Sept. 1851

			<p>year ending 1 September 1851. These were Mary Ann Temple; Joan Brown; Alice Douglass; John Octon; Robert Balmer Pringle; James Bishop and one case in London. Eleven now remain, six are chargeable to Berwick and five to Tweedmouth.</p> <p>Mary Ann Temple escaped and according to her mother, is working in Glanton. The authorities thought that she was not sane enough to be released.</p> <p><u>Crichton Asylum, Dumfries</u></p> <p>James Swinhoe, chargeable to Tweedmouth, is not fit to be released since he is silent for months. He is clean and well clad.</p> <p><u>Royal Edinburgh Asylum</u></p> <p>There are nine inmates, all clean, healthy and all employed. They stated that they were treated kindly. Hannah Jamieson is not fit to be removed.</p> <p>Mary Scott, who is between the ages of 60 and 70 years, is usually confined as she is still violent.</p> <p>Isabella Lough is violent and dangerous.</p> <p>Jane Moore is improved and wants to be free. The Workhouse could be a proper place for a trial period, after which she could be liberated to follow her former employment.</p> <p>Alice Douglass. There is no improvement and will probably be an incurable imbecile. She is harmless and quiet. It is suggested that after a year's trial, she be removed to the Workhouse as she only requires someone to feed her.</p> <p>Robert Balmer Pringle has improved but is still pugnacious. He will be restored within two or three months.</p> <p>Alexander Reid is quiet and harmless. He is the institute's librarian and could be removed from the asylum if similar work could be found for him.</p> <p>James Bishop has improved and could be removed within a few months.</p> <p>John Octon is deaf and dumb. He has to be constantly watched since his is liable to violent and sudden outbursts.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/303-311	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians	Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; George Winlaw; Joseph Fleming; George Crosbie; John Nesbit; Ninian Sanderson; James Wilson; Robert Dickson.	29 Sept. 1851

		<p>meeting held on 29 Sept. 1851</p>	<p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Watson [Joseph Watson].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); David Lamb (Tinsmith); John Winter (Flour); J and H Moor (Ironmongers); Robert Gibson (Milk); J B Atkinson (Baking bread, etc); Margaret Blakey (Milk); James Watson (Potatoes); Johnson [Robert Johnson] &amp; Co. (Coals); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Thomas Marshall (Milk); William Cowe (Groceries); Robert Cairens (Carpet shoes); George Trotter (¼ rent for Workhouse); Charles Knight (Books).</p> <p>¼ salaries to be paid to Thomas H Tait [Thomas Heriot Tait] (Schoolmaster); Margaret Atkinson (Schoolmistress); Thomas Harle (Porter); Mary Knox (Nurse); Thomas Meston (Barber); T H Pattison [Thomas How Pattison] (Painter); Postages paid to W and E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby]; J B Atkinson; John Anderson and Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Account for maintenance of Martha Forster, pauper lunatic of Berwick, in Peckham House, Surrey was presented.</p> <p>It was ordered that the first part of the premium, viz £3, of Jameson Scott, a poor boy of Berwick bound to James Turnbull, Tailor of Berwick, be paid.</p> <p>The Board proceeded with the investigation into the report of Mr. J Anderson relating to Mr. Watson's neglect in attending Eleanor Allen of Islandshire and that when he did attend he was intoxicated.</p> <p>The following statement of Mr. Anderson and Isabella Allen was made in the presence of Mr. Watson.</p> <p>SEPTEMBER 29</p> <p>On Friday 29 August, which was a payday at Halfway House, Isabella Allen informed me [John Anderson] that her mother, Eleanor Allen was very ill. Mr Watson never attended. On the following Thursday the daughter came to me in order to get her mother's death registered. Her mother had died on the previous day, there was no certificate of the cause of death. Isabella Allen gave me an order for a bottle of whiskey that had been</p>	
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			<p>given to her mother by Mr. Watson, who had not attended until Sunday when he was drunk. Isabella Allen stated that on a Friday in August she applied to Mr. Anderson for her mother's allowance as she was ill. Mr. Anderson gave her an order for Mr. Watson to attend, the order was produced for the Board. On Saturday morning, before 8 a.m. this was given to the boy of Mr. Chisholm, farmer of Fenwick Steads, who was told to give it to Mr. Watson. The medical officer did not attend until about 4pm on Sunday, after having been sent for again via James Dagliesh. Mr Watson ordered a bottle of whiskey from Mr. Wilson, but gave no directions for its administration. Isabella Allen's sister took it to the house; it was used for the funeral. Isabella Allen stated that James Weir and her two sisters saw Mr. Watson drunk.</p> <p>Signed by ISABELLA ALLEN</p> <p>In the opinion of the meeting the charge against Mr. Watson had been completely and satisfactorily proved. It was ordered that the matter be referred to the Poor Law Board and that his dismissal be recommended. In the meantime Mr. Watson was to be suspended.</p> <p>It was resolved that Mr. Hurst, surgeon, Belford, would take charge temporarily.</p> <p>Tenders were accepted from William Ross (Beef &amp; Mutton); Thomas Lockwell (Loaves, 4lb weight, outdoor bread); George Weatherhead (Raw sugar, roll tobacco, black snuff, black unground pepper, soap, soda); Joseph Milburne (Best unground coffee, tea, treacle, stove salt, starch); John Winter (No.2 Barley, outdoor oatmeal); Mr. Macbeath [David Macbeath] (Porter, wine); Mr. Cockburn [Thomas Cockburn] (Porter); George Lawrence (Whiskey, brown vinegar); Johnson [Robert Johnson] &amp; Co. (Coals); Robert Chrisp (Men's coats, trousers and vests. Boys jackets, trousers and vests); Charles Forsythe (Calico and shirting); G &amp; J Younge [George Younge and John Younge] (Calico and mens' nightcaps); Robert Rutherford (Apron check, grey woollen yarn, handkerchiefs); Peter Wilson (mens, womens and boys shoes).</p>	
Item	GBR 41/312-318	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 13 Oct. 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Joseph Fleming; William Heron; Thomas Friar; Ebenezer Black; John Gilroy; George Crosbie; Richard Makins; Alexander Smith; James Wilson; Nicholas Bell; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; John Nesbit; George Winlaw.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph</p>	13 Oct. 1851

		<p>Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: Joseph Milburne (Groceries); Robert Rutherford and [George Younge] &amp; [John Younge] (Draperies); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); David MacBeath (Porter); George Lawrence (Whiskey); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); George Weatherhead (Groceries); William Lamb (Whitening).</p> <p>Account for maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum was presented.</p> <p>Alexander Reid; Robert Balmer Pringle; Alice Douglass; Hannah Jamieson and Mary Scott, all of Berwick.</p> <p>James Bishop; John Octon and Isabella Lough all of Tweedmouth, Jane Moor of Union Poor.</p> <p>¼ salary to be paid to:- W and E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby] (Clerks); James B Atkinson (Workhouse Master and Relieving Officer); John Anderson and Joseph Scott (Relieving Officers); Andrew Mallock (Treasurer); Alexander Kirkwood; Andrew Morrison; Joseph Watson and William Donaldson (Medical Officers); Jane Purdie (Matron); John Moore (Assistant Master).</p> <p>Vaccination and extra medical fees for Alexander Kirkwood.</p> <p>A letter from the Poor Law Board was laid before the meeting together with copies of the letters from the Rev. Mr. Caswell; Mr. Anderson and Mr. Watson [Joseph Watson] relating to the charge against Mr. Watson. It was stated that the guardians thought that they could have come to no other decision.</p> <p>A copy of the report enquiring into the general teaching system in the Workhouse schools was presented. Present were Captain Smith, Chairman; Joseph Fleming; John Nesbit; George Winlaw. The committee had enquired further to the motion of Ebenezer Black.</p> <p>The committee examined Miss Atkinson [Margaret Atkinson], Schoolmistress, who stated that she had 12 indoor girls at the sewing school, 31 children both indoor and outdoor and sometimes would have charge of 23 indoor children. She listed her duties and Mrs. Purdie [Jane Purdie] Matron, examined her regarding them. The average number of children was 55.</p> <p>The Board agreed to apprentice a boy, an inmate of the Workhouse, as a pupil teacher for 5 years.</p>	
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			<p>The committee was of the opinion that the educational duties of Miss Atkinson could be transferred to the schoolmaster, Mrs. Purdie could undertake her other duties with the exception of sewing and knitting which could be done by employing someone for £10 per annum without rations, thereby saving £5 per annum, plus rations.</p> <p>[N.B. p.319 is blank.]</p>	
Item	GBR 41/320-324	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 27 Oct. 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Joseph Fleming; William Heron; John Oswald; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod; John Nevins; Thomas Hownam; George Crosbie; Ebenezer Black; Alexander Smith; James Wilson; Nicholas Bell; John Nesbit; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Ninian Sanderson; George Winlaw; John Black; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson].</p> <p>Ex officio guardian present, H G C Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Also present, Edward Hurst, poor Law Inspector</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: George Weatherhead (Groceries); Peter Wilson (Shoes); William Ross (Butcher meat); Thomas Lockwell (Bread); Robert Johnson &amp; Co. (Coals); Margaret Blakey and Robert Gibson (Milk); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); John Main (Clothing); Thomas Marshall (Milk); William Cowe (Candles).</p> <p>It was ordered that £5 be paid to Mr. Paxton for his salary as medical officer of Norhamshire East Division.</p> <p>Vaccination fees paid to Andrew Morrison for: Tweedmouth, 46 cases; Ancroft, 13 cases.</p> <p>To William Donaldson for Twisel, 4 cases; Grindon, 5 cases; Norham, 7 cases; Ancroft, 1 case; Felkington, 7 cases; Thornton, 1 case; Duddo, 8 cases; Tweedmouth, 1 case; Loanend, 3 cases; Longridge, 2 cases; Cornhill, 13 cases.</p>	27 Oct. 1851



			<p>To John Paxton for Shoreswood, 12 cases; Norham, 1 case; Thornton, 2 cases; Twisel, 2 cases; Duddo, 1 case.</p> <p>Extra medical fees paid to Andrew Morrison for 2 midwifery cases - Tweedmouth; 1 midwifery case - Berwick.</p> <p>To John Paxton for a case of fracture - Duddo.</p> <p>Prior to the meeting, Mr. Hurst proceeded with the investigation concerning Mr. Watson [Joseph Watson] and took evidence from those who were in attendance. His report would be referred to the Poor Law Board. Mr. Hurst drew attention to the irregularity of a relieving officer acting as an agent to relieving officers of other Unions and paying paupers. When vouchers were issued they should be initialled by the Chairman. He suggested that the guardians should have a yearly examination of all those paupers in receipt of relief.</p> <p>It was stated that Mr. Wilson [James Wilson] surgeon of Berwick should attend paupers of the Islandshire District until further notice.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/325-328	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 10 Nov. 1851	<p>Guardians: Ebenezer Black; William Heron; George Winlaw; John Dunbar; John Nesbit; Richard Makins; Robert Carr.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Dr. Wilson; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison]</p> <p>Chair: Ebenezer Black</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: Charles Forsythe (Draperies); William Ross (Butcher meat); Thomas Lockwell (Bread); Johnson [Robert Johnson] and Co. (Coals); Berwick &amp; Tweedmouth Gas Co.; James Dunlop (Potatoes); Thomas Cockburn (Porter); Margaret Blakey and Robert Gibson (Milk); George Weatherhead and Joseph Milburne (Groceries); John Main (Tailor); John Winter (Barley); Thomas Marshall (Milk).</p> <p>It was ordered that Francis Waite, a dangerous lunatic now in the workhouse, should be sent to the Royal Edinburgh Lunatic Asylum.</p>	10 Nov. 1851
Item	GBR 41/329-335	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Ebenezer Black; Alexander Smith; John Nesbit; George Winlaw; Thomas Hownam; William Heron; Robert Dickson; James</p>	24 Nov. 1851

		meeting held on 24 Nov. 1851	<p>Wilson; Robert Carr; George Crosbie; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod; Thomas Friar; Thomas Nesbit; Joseph Fleming.</p> <p>Ex officio guardian present H G C Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke]</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Morrison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); Thomas Lockwell (Bread); Margaret Blakey (Milk); Robert Rutherford (Draperies); Robert Gibson (Milk); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); John Main (Tailor); Robert Gregg (Glazier); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); Thomas Marshall (Milk); David Gibson (Rent of Register Office); J &amp; A Robertson (Metal pipe).</p> <p>Account for maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Crichton Royal Institute and the Royal Edinburgh Asylum. James Swinhoe, Tweedmouth and Francis Waite, Union Poor.</p> <p>The report relating to the Workhouse was considered and was ordered to be adopted, after a vote. The Poor Law Board was to be informed.</p> <p>A copy of a letter from the Poor Law Board, dated 11 November, regarding the charge against Mr. Watson [Joseph Watson] was presented. This required that he should resign, the Poor Law Board having received Mr. Hurst's [Edward Hurst] report of Mr. Watson's treatment of Eleanor Allen and of her death.</p> <p>A copy of Mr. Watson's letter, dated 14 November, from Lowick, was presented in which he tendered his resignation.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/336-342	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 8 Dec. 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Robert Makins; George Winlaw; Ninian Sanderson; William Heron; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Nicholas Bell; John Gilroy; John Oswald; Joseph Fleming; George Crosbie; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson].</p> <p>Ex officio guardian present Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood] Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker].</p>	8 Dec. 1851

			<p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); Johnson [Robert Johnson] and Co. (Coals); Thomas Lockwell (Bread); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Margaret Blakey and Robert Gibson (Milk); Joseph Milburne and George Weatherhead (Groceries); John Main (Tailor); Thomas Marshall (Milk); William Cowe (Groceries); Charge for removal of Francis Waite to the Edinburgh Asylum.</p> <p>Dr. Wilson was elected medical officer for Islandshire instead of Mr. Watson [Joseph Watson] until 25 March 1852 at a salary of twenty pounds per annum, exclusive of prescribed fees.</p> <p>It was ordered that the Poor Law Board be informed of Dr. Wilson's qualifications since there was no medical officer resident in the district who had the prescribed qualifications. The only qualified person was medical officer for Berwick.</p> <p>A copy of a letter from the Poor Law Board, dated 6 December, was presented. This acknowledged receipt of the letter of 25 November regarding the report of the workhouse schools. The Board was unable to agree with the decision of the guardians to save money by the division of the duties of the schoolmistress [Margaret Atkinson]. Her salary would be repaid to them from the parliamentary grant. If she were incompetent her resignation should be required and a replacement employed.</p> <p>A tender for twenty sacks of oatmeal at twenty shillings per sack was accepted from Robert Brown of Grangeburn Mill.</p> <p>It was stated that, since the last meeting, both Francis Waite and Robert Balmer Pringle had died.</p> <p>A letter from the Poor Law Board was presented which confirmed the appointment of William Farrow Braby as a pupil teacher in the workhouse school. He was to continue to live in the workhouse.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/343-348	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 22 Dec. 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith] Ebenezer Black; John Nesbit; James Wilson; Thomas Hownam; William Heron; George Winlaw; Ninian Sanderson; John Dunbar; George Crosbie; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Joseph Fleming; Robert Dickson.</p> <p>Ex officio guardian present Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke].</p>	22 Dec. 1851

			<p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Dr. Wilson; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); Johnson [Robert Johnson] and Co. (Coals); David MacBeath (Porter); Peter Wilson (Shoes); Margaret Blakey and Robert Gibson (Milk); George Weatherhead (Groceries); John Main (Tailor); Robert Cairens (Carpet shoes); John Winter (Barley); Thomas Marshall (Milk); Joseph Milburne (Groceries).</p> <p>Account for the maintenance of the pauper lunatics in Peckham House Asylum in Surrey, for Martha Forster of Berwick, was presented.</p> <p>The average expenditure for the relief of the poor for the three years 1849, 1850 and 1851 ending at Ladyday, was presented.</p> <p>It was moved that Miss Atkinson [Margaret Atkinson] be continued in her situation.</p> <p>Copies of the sickness certificate of James Wilson and Terence Regan, two ablebodied paupers requiring relief on account of sickness, were presented by Mr. Atkinson.</p> <p>James Wilson, Chapel Street, bronchitis, bread and meat ordered.</p> <p>Terence Regan, Blackbull Yard, bronchitis, very dangerous, beef, brandy two glasses, sugar and bread.</p> <p>Notice was given that on 26 January 1852 an examination of all paupers resident in Berwick, Tweedmouth and those resident within six miles, would be carried out.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/349-351	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 29 Dec. 1851	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Joseph Fleming; Robert Dickson; George Winlaw; John Nesbit.</p> <p>Medical Officer: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p>	29 Dec. 1851

			<p>Financial Transactions: Robert Brown (Oatmeal); William Ross (Butcher meat); Thomas Lockwell (Bread); Johnson [Robert Johnson] and Co. (Coals); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Margaret Blakey and Robert Gibson (Milk); Ralph Thompson (Carpenter); Thomas Marshall (Milk); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); John Main (Tailor); Alexander Jaffrey (Blacksmith); George Weatherhead (Groceries); William Lamb (Whitening).</p> <p>It was stated that the Workhouse committee would inspect the boys' sleeping quarters in order to provide a room for William Farrow Braby as required by the Poor Law Board.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/352-357	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 5 Jan. 1852	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; John Nesbit; Joseph Fleming; Robert Dickson; Ninian Sanderson; Thomas Hownam; William Heron; Ebenezer Black; George Crosbie.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Dr. Wilson; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: George Trotter (¼ rent of Workhouse); Robert Home (sum allowed for attending Register Office for 2 years); Charles Knight (Books); Robert Usher (Postages).</p> <p>Vaccination fees to Alexander Kirkwood, Berwick, 32 cases; Tweedmouth, 2 cases; Ancroft, 2 cases.</p> <p>Extra medical fees; Berwick, 3 midwifery cases.</p> <p>The Workhouse committee reported that a portion of the boys' sleeping room would be taken, subject to the Poor Law Board's approval, for the pupil teacher. Estimates have been accepted from James Robison, carpenter and James Weatherston, plasterer and the work is to be proceeded with.</p> <p>It was resolved that applications be made to the Belford, Glendale and Rothbury boards of guardians to ascertain whether or not they would be willing to reciprocate with the Union in paying non-resident paupers under the provision of the order of the Poor Law Board.</p>	5 Jan. 1852

			<p>It was ordered that the Poor Law Commissioners be requested to sanction non-resident relief for Barbara Atkinson and her brothers and sisters, living at Seaton Delaval, chargeable to Horncliffe, also for Sarah Wedderburn, widow and her children living at Morpeth, chargeable to Berwick.</p> <p>A motion, by John Nesbit, requested that all enquiry be carried out regarding the current salaries and expenditure of the Union since both have increased since its formation.</p> <p>Copies of certificates of sickness were presented for -</p> <p>Adam Bolam, 36, Tweedmouth, labourer - fever, unable to follow any employment - mutton - signed A. Morison  William Allison, 73, Scremerston - debility - wine - signed A. Morison  Ann Jackson, 21, Square - of chest, duration uncertain - 2 lb. mutton - signed A. Morison  Alexander Whitfred, 72, Spittal - palsy - mutton - signed A. Morison  Richard Gardner, Red House (no other information).</p>	
Item	GBR 41/358-362	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 19 Jan. 1852	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; John Nesbit; Ninian Sanderson; Nicholas Bell; Joseph Fleming; Robert Dickson; Thomas Nesbit; George Crosbie; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod; John Oswald; William Heron; John Dunbar; George Winlaw.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Dr. S Wilson; John Paxton; William Donaldson; Andrew Morison.</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: George Back (Mason work); Robert Johnson &amp; Co. (Coals); Thomas Lockwell (Bread); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Charles Forsythe (Draperies); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); Thomas Cockburn &amp; Co. (Porter); William G Carr (Garden seeds); Peter Wilson (Shoes); Young &amp; Todd (Plumbers); John Main (Tailor); George Weatherhead and Joseph Milburne (Groceries); Robert Cairns (Carpet shoes); John Elliott (Chemist); William Cowe (Candles).</p> <p>Account for the maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum was presented for: Alexander Reid, Alice Douglass, Hannah Jameson and Mary Scott all of Berwick.  James Bishop, John Octon and Isabella Lough all of Tweedmouth.</p>	19 Jan. 1852

			<p>Jane Moor - Union Poor.</p> <p>¼ salaries to be paid to W &amp; E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby] (Clerks); J B Atkinson (Master &amp; Relieving officer); John Anderson and Joseph Scott (Relieving Officers); Andrew Mallock (Treasurer); Alexander Kirkwood; Andrew Morison and Wilson (Medical Officers).</p> <p>From 8 December until Christmas - John Paxton and William Donaldson (Medical Officers); Thomas Heriot Tait (Schoolmaster); Jane Purdie (Matron); John Moor (Assistant Master); Margaret Atkinson (Schoolmistress); Thomas Harle (Porter); Mary Knox (Nurse); Thomas Meston (Barber).</p> <p>The Clerk reported that a letter had been received, from the Poor Law Board, sanctioning Dr. Wilson's [James Wilson] appointment as Medical Officer for Islandshire.</p> <p>With regard to Mr. Nesbit's motion at the last meeting a committee is to be formed of Joseph Fleming; E Black [Ebenezer Black]; John Nesbit; George Crosby; J R Nicholson; John Oswald; A Smith [Alexander Smith]; Robert Dickson.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/363-367	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 2 Feb. 1852	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; George Winlaw; John Nesbit; Ninian Sanderson; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod; John Oswald.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Dr. Wilson; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); Thomas Lockwell (Bread); Joseph Weatherstone (Slater); John Robertson (Carpenter); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Margaret Blakey and Robert Gibson (Milk); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); John Main (Clothing); John Winter (Barley); Thomas Marshall (Milk); George Weatherhead (Tobacco); Walter Thompson (Stationery); John Prophet (Stones); James Renton (Leading stones); John Anderson (Expenses of witnesses in Watson's [Joseph Watson] case).</p> <p>Vaccination fees to Andrew Morison - Tweedmouth, 45 cases; Ancroft, 2 cases.</p> <p>To William Donaldson - Norham, 10 cases; Grindon, 1 case; Felkington, 1 case; Ancroft, 3 cases; Thornton, 2 cases.</p>	2 Feb. 1852

			<p>Extra medical fees to Andrew Morison - 1 midwifery case in Berwick 1 midwifery case in Tweedmouth</p> <p>Extra medical fees to William Donaldson - 1 midwifery case in Norham</p> <p>Account for funeral expenses of Francis Waite, a lunatic in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum was ordered to be paid.</p> <p>The certification of Dr. Ochiltree, surgeon, dated 12 January 1852 from Seaton Sluice was presented. This stated that Euphemia Imery had been under his care for about two months for fracture of the metacarpal bone of the right little finger. She had fractured the same arm some time ago and had never been able to use it freely. It was noted that she was extremely weak. It was ordered that a copy of the medical certificate should be entered in the minutes.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/368-373	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 16 Feb. 1852	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Joseph Fleming; Ebenezer Black; John Oswald; Ninian Sanderson; Thomas Nesbit; John Nesbit; George Winlaw; Robert Carr; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Alexander Smith.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison]; Mr. Fluker [Robert Fluker]; Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); Thomas Lockwell (Bread); Johnson [Robert Johnson] &amp; Co. (Coals); Robert Cairens (Yarn); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); Thomas Cockburn (Porter); Margaret Blakey (Milk); George Back (Mason); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); George Weatherhead (Groceries); George Lawrence (Whiskey); Robert Rutherford (Draperies); John Main (Clothing); Thomas Marshall (Milk); William Lamb (Whitening); Charles Forsythe (Draperies); Robert Gibson (Milk); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); Joseph Weatherston (Slater); D Lamb [David Lamb] (Plumber); George Macaskie (Printing); A N Steel (Garden Rent); Charles Knight (Books); Catherine Richardson (Advertising); James Weatherston (Slater); John Robertson (Carpenter); James Renton (Leading stone); Jordan Evans (Church rate); John Robertson (Carpenter); James Renton (Leading stone); Jordan Evans (Church rate); George Macaskie (Printing of Voting papers).</p>	16 Feb. 1852



			<p>Account for the maintenance of the pauper lunatic, James Swinhoe of Tweedmouth, in the Crichton Royal Institute was presented.</p> <p>Copies of the following medical certificates were ordered to be inserted in the minutes:-</p> <p>BAMBURGH, JANUARY 29<sup>th</sup> 1852</p> <p>Thomas Fender, surgeon, certifies that today he visited and examined John Hay who is unable to work due to chronic rheumatism. His wife, Ellen Hay is unable to work due to whitlow on the fingers. Ellen Hay, aged five years, is in perfect health.</p> <p>RENTON HOUSE, FEBURARY 4<sup>th</sup> 1852</p> <p>Robert Davis certifies that Elizabeth Gildent of Ayton Banks has been constantly under his care for the last three years and is now unable to work and is a patient of Gateshead dispensary. She will probably not be able to work.</p> <p>C. JACKSON, 40, SPITTAL, JANUARY. Debility improving, unable to follow employment. Ordered wine, bread, tea, etc., 1/-.</p> <p>ROBERT MABON, 50, CHESWICK, 13 FEBUARY, LABOURER. Dis [sic] of hip joint - duration uncertain, unable to follow employment. Ordered wine, bread, tea, etc., 2/6.</p> <p>Signed A. Morison</p> <p>A complaint was received from two female inmates of the workhouse, employed as washerwomen. It was stated that they had been given mouldy bread and had been given neither the usual allowance of coffee, nor other refreshment, which they generally received on account of the hard work. Mrs. Purdie [Jane Purdie] was examined and the meeting was satisfied that the bread had been a little mouldy. It was directed that an allowance of coffee, in addition to the usual rations, should be given and that care be taken that it should not happen again.</p> <p>It was directed that appointments of Medical Officers should cease on 25 March 1852. A report of the expenditure of the Union and salaries would be reported at the next meeting.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/374-380	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 1 March 1852	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; John Nesbit; George Winlaw; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Joseph Fleming; John Dunbar; John Oswald; James Wilson; Ninian Sanderson; Thomas Nesbit; George Crosbie; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; Robert Dickson.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison];</p>	1 March 1852

		<p>Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: Berwick &amp; Tweedmouth Gas Co.; William Ross (Butcher meat); Johnson [Robert Johnson] and Co. (Coals); Thomas Lockwell (Bread); John Winter (Flour); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Thomas Cockburn &amp; Son (Porter); Margaret Blakey (Milk); Joseph Milburne (Groceries); John Main (Clothing); Thomas Marshall and Robert Gibson (Milk); George Weatherhead (Tobacco).</p> <p>Vaccination fees to James Wilson:-</p> <p>Holy Island, 18 cases, Kylloe, 2 cases.</p> <p>Salary due to Dr. Wilson to be paid to 8 December.</p> <p>Copies of the following medical certificates were ordered to be inserted in the minutes:-</p> <p>John Sheridan, 40 years, Union pauper, Donaldson's Lodge, 12 February 1852. Sickness, unable to follow employment. 1lb mutton and 1 pint wine.</p> <p>Signed W. Donaldson</p> <p>L Rutherford, Spittal, Labourer, 1 February. Belongs to no parish in the Union. Fever, unable to follow employment, improving. Bread, tea, etc.</p> <p>Signed A Morison</p> <p>George Ogilvie, 66, Spittal, 10 February. Establishment. Dislocation of shoulder, improving. Unable to follow employment. Bread, tea, etc.</p> <p>Signed A Morison</p> <p>The committee enquiring into the expenditure of the Union and the salaries of the Medical Officers to be as follows:-</p> <table> <tr> <td>Berwick district</td> <td>£25</td> <td>per annum</td> <td>instead of</td> <td>£35</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Workhouse</td> <td>£25</td> <td>"</td> <td>"</td> <td>£30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tweedmouth</td> <td>£30</td> <td>"</td> <td>"</td> <td>£40</td> </tr> </table>	Berwick district	£25	per annum	instead of	£35	Workhouse	£25	"	"	£30	Tweedmouth	£30	"	"	£40	
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			<p>Norhamshire            £15    “    “    “            £20  West District  Norhamshire            £15    “    “    “            £20  East District</p> <p>Islandshire £20 as at present on account of the distances involved.</p> <p>It was recommended that the attendance of Medical Officers be dispensed with at the meetings and instead that they send in their returns to be laid at each ordinary meeting. This would be considered at the next meeting when the Medical Officers were to be elected.</p> <p>A letter, dated 21 February, was presented from Mr. George Trotter, collector of rates, tendering his resignation as from 25 March. This was accepted.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/381-391	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 15 March 1852	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; John Black; John Nesbit; Thomas Hownam; John M<sup>c</sup>Leod; Joseph Fleming; Ninian Sanderson; Thomas Nesbit; William Heron; James Wilson; John Gilroy; Ebenezer Black; John Oswald; George Winlaw; John Dunbar; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; William Elliott; George Crosby.</p> <p>Ex officio guardian present Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke].</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood]; Dr. Wilson [James Wilson]; Mr. Paxton [John Paxton]; Mr. Morison [Andrew Morison].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: J B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Tenders, from the following, have been accepted subject to approval.</p> <p>Alexander Smith (Beef &amp; Mutton); John Gibson (Bread); James Sanderson (Raw Sugar, ½ chest of tea, candles); William Cowe (Unground coffee, tobacco, snuff, unground black pepper, stove salt); John Winter (Barley, oatmeal); William Davidson (Treacle); John Young (Chest of soap); George Weatherhead (Soda &amp; Starch); George Henderson (Porter &amp; Whiskey); George Lawrence (Brown vinegar); David M<sup>c</sup>Beath (Port wine); Edward Paxton (Coals); Charles Forsythe (Calico, shirting &amp; Apron check); Robert Rutherford (Flannel, Muslin, Woollen, Yarn, Handkerchiefs); G &amp; J Young [George Young and John Young] (Thread); Peter Wilson (Shoes); Robert Chrisp (Clothing); George Brown (Coffins); Thomas Melrose (Bibles).</p>	15 March 1852

		<p>A list of salaries for Medical Officers for the three years, ended March 1851, was presented.</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood laid, before the board, a statement relating to the duties performed on the outdoor and indoor poor.</p> <p>Mr. Morison laid his statement before the board. It was resolved that the report of the committee be accepted.</p> <p>Medical districts until 25 March 1853.</p> <p>No.1 Berwick district. Parish of Berwick and Union Workhouse. Acres 5,120. Population 10,281.</p> <p>No.2 Tweedmouth district. Parish of Tweedmouth and Ancroft except the township of Haggerston. Acres 13,252. Population 6,550.</p> <p>No.3 Islandshire district. Parishes of Holy Island; Kyoie and the township of Haggerston. Acres 12,189. Population 2,038.</p> <p>No.4 Norhamshire district East Division. Townships of Loanend, Longridge, Norham Mains, Horncliffe, Duddo, Thornton, Shoreswood and Felkington. Acres, 8,580. Population 1,785.</p> <p>No.5 Norhamshire district West Division. Townships of Norham, Grindon, Twizel and the parish of Cornhill. Acres 10,230. Population 2,504.</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood; Mr Morison and Mr Paxton all declined to be re-appointed on a reduced salary.</p> <p>Dr. Wilson was appointed for the Islandshire district.</p> <p>In consequence of the above-mentioned, refusals, advertisements were to be placed in the two Berwick newspapers and in the North British Advertiser for the appropriate districts, also for Mr. Donaldson's [William Donaldson] district if he also refused to be re-appointed. The election would take place on March 24<sup>th</sup> at noon.</p> <p>It was stated that the reason for Mr. Trotter's [George Trotter] resignation was because he was emigrating to America.</p> <p>Mr. John Patterson was appointed as Collector of Rates for Berwick, and as Assistant</p>	
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			<p>Overseer at a salary of £30 per annum.</p> <p>Sureties of £200 were required, also another two bond for a similar sum for duties as Assistant Overseer.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/392-397	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 24 March 1852	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; Joseph Fleming; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; George Winlaw; John Nevins; Thomas Friar; William Heron; John Nesbit; Ninian Sanderson; James Wilson; George Crosbie; John Oswald; Ebenezer Black.</p> <p>Medical Officer: Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson]</p> <p>Ex officio guardian present H G C Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>A copy of the advertisement inserted in the papers was presented. The advertisement set out salaries and terms of employment.</p> <p>Henry Dunbar was appointed, for one year, as Medical Officer for the Berwick district, at a salary of £50 per annum.</p> <p>Mr. Paxton [John Paxton] was to be re-appointed at his old salary.</p> <p>An advertisement would be inserted again, in the same papers for a Medical Officer for Tweedmouth district at £30 per annum. The election would be on 12 April.</p>	24 March 1852
Item	GBR 41/398-403	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 29 March 1852	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; J R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; George Winlaw; John Nesbit; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Alexander Smith; Ninian Sanderson; Robert Dickson; Thomas Nesbit; George Crosby; William Heron; John Oswald; Joseph Fleming; Thomas Friar; John Dunbar; Thomas Hownam.</p> <p>Medical Officers: Dr. Wilson [James Wilson] and Mr. Donaldson [William Donaldson].</p> <p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: James B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: William Ross (Butcher meat); John Young (Soap); R Johnson [Robert Johnson] and Co. (Coals); Edward Paxton (Coals); Alexander Smith, Junior (Butcher meat); Simon Trainer (Potatoes); Margaret Blakey (Milk); Peter Wilson (Shoes);</p>	29 March 1852

			<p>John Gibson (Bread); John Main (Clothing); Ann Marshall (Milk); David M<sup>c</sup>Beath (Porter); William Cowe; James Milburne; George Weatherhead (Groceries); Owen Owens (Shovel, etc); George Laurence (Whiskey); Charles Forsythe (Draperies); J B Atkinson (Baking bread etc); John Winter (Barley); Robert Gibson (Milk); Alexander Jeffrey (Blacksmith); William Davidson (Treacle); R K J Mossman (Dyers); William Lamb (Whitening); Joseph Redfearn (Dishes).</p> <p>¼ salaries to be paid to Thomas H Tait [Thomas Heriot Tait] (Schoolmaster); Margaret Atkinson (Schoolmistress); Thomas Harle (Porter); Mary Harle (Nurse); Thomas Meeston (Barber); W and E Willoby [William Willoby and Edward Willoby] (Postages). Charles Knight (Books); Walter Thompson (Stationary); North British Advertiser; Thomas Melrose (Stationary); J B Atkinson; John Anderson; Joseph Scott (Postages).</p> <p>Account for the maintenance of Martha Forster, in Peckham House asylum, was presented.</p> <p>It was ordered that the Workhouse committee examine the quality of the bread supplied to the inmates of the workhouse.</p>	
Item	GBR 41/404-405	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 6 April 1852	<p>Guardians: William Heron; Joseph Fleming; John Nesbit; G Crosby [George Crosby]; James Wilson; N Sanderson [Ninian Sanderson].</p> <p>Chair: Joseph Fleming</p> <p>A meeting was required since Dr. Dunbar [Henry Dunbar], due to illness, was unable to attend to the sick. A letter received from the Poor Law Board, since the last meeting, stated that Dr. Dunbar was not a properly qualified Medical Officer and was, therefore, unable to be appointed.</p> <p>A copy of a letter from Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood], dated 6 April, was presented. This stated that as requested by the Workhouse committee, he had attended the sick whose names had been given to him by the relieving officer. Since Dr. Dunbar made no list of sick people it was felt that others may be in need of medical attention. He stated that those who had been on his list at the expiry of his contract had not been seen by any Medical Officer. Some had bought medicines themselves. Most of the sick in the workhouse had received no medicines since his departure. He noted that there were some bad cases of fever.</p>	6 April 1852
Item	GBR 41/406-414	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 12	<p>Guardians: Captain Smith [William Smith]; John Nesbit; Richard Makins; John Dunbar; Robert Carr; William Heron; Ebenezer Black; John M<sup>c</sup>Gregor; Ninian Sanderson; James Wilson; Alexander Smith; Thomas Nesbit; George Crosby; Joseph Fleming.</p>	12 April 1852

		<p>April 1852</p>	<p>Chair: Captain Smith</p> <p>Financial Accounts: James B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Fleming.</p> <p>Financial Transactions: Peter Wilson (Shoes); James Sanderson (Sugar); George Henderson (Porter); George Weatherhead; William Cowe (Groceries); Owen Owens (Spoons); J and J Gray (Advertising); Charles Knight (Book); William G Carr (Garden Seeds); James Jeffrey (Pens etc).</p> <p>Account for maintenance of pauper lunatics in the Royal Edinburgh Asylum was presented.</p> <p>Berwick:- Alexander Reid; Alice Douglass; Hannah Jamieson; Mary Scott. Tweedmouth:- James Bishop; John Octon; Isabella Lough; Elizabeth Lee. Union Poor:- Jane Moor.</p> <p>Vaccination fees to Alexander Kirkwood. Berwick, 25 cases; Tweedmouth, 2 cases.</p> <p>To William Donaldson. Norham, 9 cases; Norham Mains, 3; Shoreswood 4; Ancroft 5; Duddo 2; Twisel 2; Cornhill, 5; Grindon 1; Horncliff, 1.</p> <p>To James Wilson. Kylloe, 8 cases.</p> <p>Extra medical fees to A Kirkwood:- Berwick, 7 midwifery cases; 1 fracture of arm.</p> <p>The clerk stated that no applications had been received for Medical Officer of the Tweedmouth district.</p> <p>In a letter, dated 10 April, Mr. Morison [Andrew Morrison] stated that he would take the situation of Medical Officer for Tweedmouth and Ancroft at last year's salary.</p> <p>Mr. Heron moved that Mr. Morison be appointed at the salary of £40 per annum.</p> <p>A copy of a notice, signed by Alexander Smith, was presented. This stated that at a meeting on May 10<sup>th</sup> he would move that the resolution of March 15<sup>th</sup> be rescinded and that the salaries of the Medical Officers would revert to their original amounts.</p>	
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			<p>A letter from the Poor Law Board, dated April 1<sup>st</sup>, acknowledged receipt of the letter, dated March 25<sup>th</sup>, regarding appointment of Medical Officers. It is stated that since Dr. Dunbar [Henry Dunbar] lacks the legal qualifications he cannot be appointed. The guardians are reminded that if the west and east divisions of the Norhamshire district are combined, the prescribed limit will have been exceeded; this will cause the Board to object. The Board is of the opinion that since qualified medical officers cannot be found, the reduced salaries of those officers should not be adhered to.</p> <p>It was ordered that Dr. Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood] be requested to continue to take charge of the sick poor for Berwick and the Workhouse until further notice. Also for Mr. Morison [Andrew Morison] and Mr. Paxton [John Paxton] to do the same for the Tweedmouth district and Norhamshire East Division respectively.</p> <p>A letter from Dr. Dunbar, dated April 7<sup>th</sup>, was presented. This requested that expenses of £3 be paid.</p> <p>The request was granted.</p> <p>The sum of ten shillings to be paid to Mr. A Davidson, Norham, for the use of a room in his house for the examination of paupers.</p> <p>Having examined bread supplied to the workhouse by Mr. Gibson [John Gibson], the Workhouse committee found it to be inferior. It will be supplied by Mr. Lockwell [Thomas Lockwell].</p> <p>Dr. Kirkwood's letter, dated April 6<sup>th</sup>, was again read.</p> <p>A letter from J M B Patterson [John M B Patterson], dated March 30<sup>th</sup>, was presented. This stated that he declined the appointment of collector of Poor Rates.</p> <p>[N.B. p.415 is blank.]</p>	
Item	GBR 41/416-425	Minutes of Berwick Board of Guardians meeting held on 26 April 1852	Guardians: Joseph Fleming; James R Nicholson [James Robert Nicholson]; G Winlaw [George Winlaw]; J Nesbit [John Nesbit]; G Crosby [George Crosby]; J Mitchell [James Mitchell]; W Cleghorn [William Cleghorn]; J Embleton [John Embleton]; N Sanderson [Ninian Sanderson]; W Dodds [William Dodds]; John Wilson; J Batters [John Batters]; R Carr [Robert Carr]; John Marshall; John Morton; Robert Ramsey; A Crossman [Alexander Crossman]; A Christison [Alexander Christison]; T Friar [Thomas Friar]; N Bell [Nicholas Bell]; E Black [Ebenezer Black]; W Heron [William Heron]; J Laing [James Laing]; James Wilson; R Dickson [Robert Dickson]; G Hogg [George Hogg].	26 April 1852



		<p>Ex officio guardian present Dr. Clarke [Henry George Charles Clarke].</p> <p>Chair: Mr Ramsey</p> <p>The election of the guardians took place.</p> <p>Those not elected were:- John Oswald (Ancroft, farmer); David Logan (Hide Hill, Cornmerchant); James Purves (Hide Hill, Cabinetmaker); James Marshall (Bridge End, grocer); Colville Smith (Hide Hill, clothier); Robert Cairns (Marygate, hosier); Robert Rutherford (Bridge End, draper); George Young (Bridge Street, grocer).</p> <p>Alexander Smith was elected as Chairman. Mr. Christison and Mr. Fleming were elected as vice-chairmen.</p> <p>The Workhouse and Finance Committee for the coming year were as follows:-</p> <p>N Sanderson; J Fleming; G Crosby; John Wilson; G Winlaw; J Nesbit; John Morton; R Dickson; A Crossman; A Christison.</p> <p>The above mentioned were also to be the School Committee with the addition of Dr. Clarke.</p> <p>Financial Accounts: James B Atkinson [James Blackett Atkinson]; John Anderson; Joseph Scott.</p> <p>It was ordered that £3 be paid to Dr. Dunbar [Henry Dunbar] for expenses incurred from 24 March until 6 April.</p> <p>A letter from the Poor Law Board sanctioned the above payment together with sanction for the temporary engagement of medical attention for the Workhouse; Berwick; East Norhamshire and Tweedmouth districts. The alteration of the salaries and appointments of Medical Officers is remarked upon. It was resolved by the board that the Medical Officers' salaries should be £30 per annum for the Workhouse; £35 per annum for the Berwick district; £40 per annum for the Tweedmouth district and £20 per annum for Norham East district.</p> <p>An application was received from the inhabitants of the parish of Ancroft that a guardian be elected for Ancroft due to the death of John Oswald.</p> <p>Medical certificates were recorded for the following, for whom relief was ordered:-</p> <p>John Archbold, Tweedmouth, disease of the breast, prescribed bread, tea etc., by A</p>	
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			<p>Morison [Andrew Morrison].</p> <p>William Thompson, Church Street, rheumatism, prescribed bread, beef, by A Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood].</p> <p>Oswald Davison, Berry Burn, labourer, sickness consumption, prescribed beef.</p> <p>It was requested that the Poor Law Board Sanction the appointment of William Anderson, son of John Anderson, to carry out his father's duties as Relieving Officer, whilst he is ill.</p> <p>[N.B. p.426 is blank.]</p>	
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