

Berwick-upon-Tweed Poor Law Union. Board of Guardians correspondence book GBR 78.

GBR 78	Volume of incoming correspondence from the Poor Law Board to the Berwick-upon-Tweed Poor Law Union. The Poor Law Board reference numbers, when included, are shown at the end of each entry.	1856-1858
GBR 78/1-2	[One leaf torn out. Illegible.]	Jan. 1856
GBR 78/3-4	Attention is drawn to the sale of a piece of land, mentioned in letter from the Board 29 October 1855, called the "Burrs" in the Parish of Berwick. The Board wish to be supplied with a reply to their letter. 20864/55	11 Jan. 1856
GBR 78/5	Reference to letter of 3 January 1856 forwarding copy of letter [not enclosed] received by the Board from the Committee of Council of Education respecting the apparatus for the infant school at the Workhouse. 2168/56	19 Jan. 1856
GBR 78/6-8	Letter from the Privy Council Office to the Poor Law Board forwarding extract from a communication received from T B Browne, H M Inspector, stating that the present infant schoolroom is not fit for purpose, and the apparatus should not be provided until the new schoolroom is completed. 2168/56	16 Jan. 1856
GBR 78/9-10	Letter acknowledging that of 21 January 1856 regarding the proposed exchange of land between the Burial Board for the Parish of Berwick and the Parish Officers. 2600/56	26 Jan. 1856
GBR 78/11-12	Letter acknowledging that of 22 January respecting proposed alteration in the dietary for the inmates of the Union Workhouse. 2686/56	30 Jan. 1856
GBR 78/13-14	Letter acknowledging that of 29 January approving appointment of Mr William Anderson to act as temporary substitute for Mr John Anderson, Relieving Officer of the Islandshire District, during that officer's illness. The Board wish to be informed of when Mr John Anderson returns to his duties. 3552/56	7 Feb. 1856
GBR 78/15-16	Letter acknowledging that of 14 February showing the proposed amended dietary for the inmates of the Union Workhouse. 5286/56	25 Feb. 1856
GBR 78/17-18	Letter acknowledging that of 12 February sanctioning the appointment of Mr Paxton, Mr Davidson and Mr Boak as Collectors of Poor Rates for the townships of Horncliffe, Norham Mains and Duddo. As the Order of 22 April 1837 is still in force in Berwick, the appointments of the above-mentioned gentlemen by vestry are invalid. The appointments have to be done by the Guardians. 1397/56	28 Feb. 1856
GBR 78/19-20	Information requested for affording medical relief to the sick poor of Islandshire, Norhamshire East, Norhamshire West and Tweedmouth Districts from and after 25 March.	1 March 1856
GBR 78/21-22	Letter acknowledging that of 26 February regarding the amended dietary proposed for the Union Workhouse. The Board notice a considerable change in the proposal and wish to know the grounds for the reduction. 6694/56	7 March 1856
GBR 78/23-24	Letter acknowledging that of 26 January last enclosing the warrant of justices appointing Mr John Anderson as the Assistant Overseer for the Parish of Ancroft. According to the Board's order of 25 August 1838 Mr	7 March 1856

	John Anderson cannot legally continue to act as the Assistant Overseer of Ancroft, neither can he be legally appointed the Collector for Kylee. The Board refer to the statute 13&14 Vict cap 101 sect 6, which states that no relieving officer shall be qualified to be appointed to any paid office in a parish or township. 3225/56	
GBR 78/25-26	The Board state that the provision in the article 20 of the General Account Order is not always attended to as regards closing of the half-yearly accounts. They seek to clear up any confusion regarding this so that all forms are returned and closed at the same time.	15 March 1856
GBR 78/27-28	Letter acknowledging that of 12 March containing a copy of a medical certificate as to the state of health of Mr John Anderson, Relieving Officer of the Islandshire District. The Board wish to be informed of the probability of Mr Anderson's ultimate recovery so as to enable him to resume his duties as Relieving Officer. 8394/56	19 March 1856
GBR 78/29	Request to transmit the cost of in-maintenance and out-relief for the half-year ended at Lady Day 1856.	20 March 1856
GBR 78/30-31	Letter acknowledging that of 25 March asking for particulars of the appointment of Messrs Morison [Andrew Morison], Wilson [James Wilson], Paxton [John Paxton] and Turnbull [Matthew James Turnbull] as medical officers for their respective districts. 9662/56	31 March 1856
GBR 78/32-33	Letter acknowledging that of 13 March 1856 on the subject of the amended dietary proposed for the Union Workhouse. They sanction a trial period of three month after which they request a report. 8479/56	5 April 1856
GBR 78/34-35	Letter acknowledging that of 8 April 1856 sanctioning the appointment of Mr John Thompson as temporary substitute for Mr Atkinson [?] Relieving Officer of the Berwick District during his illness/incapacity. After two months the Board request a report stating whether Mr Atkinson is able to resume his duties. 10999/56	14 April 1856
GBR 78/36-37	Letter acknowledging that of 26 March 1856 regarding the appointments of Messrs Paxton, Davidson and Boak as the Collectors of Poor Rates and assistant overseers of the townships of Horncliffe, Norham Mains and Duddo. The Board wish to know if these appointments as collectors of poor rates for the mentioned townships are the first ones made by the Guardians under the authority of the Order of the Poor Law Commissioners dated 22 April 1837. 9657/56	15 April 1856
GBR 78/38-39	Letter acknowledging that of 21 January 1856 regarding the sale of a piece of land called the "Burrs". The Board request to be informed whether any proceedings have been taken in the matter. 2601/56	18 April 1856
GBR 78/40-41	Communication from the Board regarding dietary for the children between the ages of two and nine. Enclosed a suggested dietary proposed by the Board.	22 April 1856
GBR 78/42	Letter acknowledging that of 17 April 1856 respecting the proposed exchange of land between the Burial Board for the Parish of Berwick and the Parish Officers. They request that a sketch of the two properties be forwarded to them. 12354/56	29 April 1856
GBR 78/43	Request for annual poor rate return 1855-56, subdivided into (a) In-maintenance, (b) Out-relief, (c) Workhouse loans, (d) Salaries and rations of officers, (e) Other expenses connected with relief.	30 April 1856
GBR 78/44-45	Letter acknowledging that of 16 April 1856 informing the Board that the appointments of Messrs Paxton, Davidson and Boak as Collectors of	1 May 1856

	Poor Rates as the first which have been made by the Guardians for the townships of Horncliffe, Norham Mains and Duddo under the authority of the Order of the Poor Law Commissioners dated 22 April 1837. The Board wish to know if any objections have been made to the appointments. 12206/56	
GBR 78/46-47	Reference made to Guardians' letter of 25 March 1856. The Board wish to know whether the proposal to reduce the number of the relief districts of the Berwick Union has been further considered by the Guardians. 9659/56	3 May 1856
GBR 78/48-49	Request by the Board to return the forms which accompanied their letter of 31 March 1856, with particulars of the appointments of Messrs Morrison, Wilson, Paxton and Turnbull as medical officers of the Berwick Union. 9662/56	3 May 1856
GBR 78/50-51	Letter acknowledging that of 29 April 1856 transmitting copy of amended dietary table sanctioned on trial for a period of three months by the Board. Note at bottom of table regarding inmates employed as washerwomen. 14797/56	6 May 1856
GBR 78/52-53	Letter acknowledging that of 2 May 1856 and referring to communication to the Board of 26 March 1856 as to whether the Guardians can legally appoint collectors of poor rates under the authority of the Order of the Poor Law Commissioners dated 22 April 1837. The Board are not prepared to express any confident opinion but think that appointments of collectors made by the Guardians may be deemed to be valid. 15452/56	8 May 1856
GBR 78/53	Request to fill in form with a list of guardians and paid officers of the Union for the current year.	15 May 1856
GBR 78/54-57	Request to be furnished with reaction to letter received by the Board from Mr Ebenezer Black, of Grindon [Guardian], as well as a return of the Guardians elected for the Berwick Union for the present year. Copy of letter from Ebenezer Black, dated 8 May 1856, questioning the legality of the election of Guardians and Chairman for the present year. 16742/56	19 May 1856
GBR 78/58-59	Request to be furnished with a return of the medical officers under the Poor Law Act, showing union and district, population, area and salaries. To be made up to Lady Day for each of the three years ending 25 March 1853, 1854 and 1855.	20 May 1856
GBR 78/60-61	Letter acknowledging that of 8 May 1856 enclosing the particulars of the appointments of the medical officers for the Tweedmouth, Islandshire, Norhamshire East, and Islandshire West. The medical officers appointed (Andrew Morrison, James Wilson, John Paxton and Matthew James Turnbull) are not fully qualified to serve in one of the four modes prescribed by Article 168 of the General Consolidated Order. The Guardians therefore need, in accordance with article 169 of the Order, to state the reasons for appointing medical officers who do not possess the full legal qualifications. 16840/56	24 May 1856
GBR 78/62-63	Letter acknowledging those of 12, 17 and 20 May 1856 respecting the proposed exchange of land between the Burial Board and the Parish Officers of Berwick. The Board wish to know whether the exchange will affect the site of the Workhouse. The plans forwarded to the Board have been of no assistance to them, and are therefore returned. 17672/18760/20668/56	28 May 1856
GBR 78/64-65	Report received by the Board from Mr Usher [Robert Usher], District Auditor, stating that one of the sureties to the bond of Mr J Scott	4 June 1856

	[Joseph Scott], Relieving Officer, is dead. The Board wish to know if a new surety to the bond has been provided. 17546/56	
GBR 78/66-67	Letter acknowledging that of 22 May 1856 in reply to the Board's of 19 May 1856 regarding Mr Ebenezer Black of Grindon on the subject of the recently held election of Guardians. 19756/56	5 June 1856
GBR 78/68	Letter acknowledging that of 4 June 1856 containing the Board's reply to Mr Ebenezer Black's letter respecting the election of Guardians. 22380/56	11 June 1856
GBR 78/69-71	Letter from the Board to Mr Ebenezer Black of Grindon, stating that his nomination as Guardian for the Parish of Grindon was rightly rejected as the nomination paper states that he is nominated by "James R Black", a ratepayer duly qualified to vote in the Parish of Grindon, but at the same time Mr Ebenezer Black states that he is the only ratepayer in the Parish. 19756/56	5 June 1856
GBR 78/72-73	Request to be furnished with the number of orders of removal from parishes signed by Justices during the year ending 25 March 1855.	14 June 1856
GBR 78/74-75	Request to be furnished with the number of orders of removal from parishes signed by Justices during the year ending 25 March 1855. [Added in margin] Return not received for year ending 25 March 1855, and return received for year ending 25 March 1856.	14 June 1856
GBR 78/76-79	Forwarding copy of a further letter sent to Mr Ebenezer Black respecting the validity of his nomination as Guardian of the poor for the Parish of Grindon, in which the Board state that his nomination was rightfully rejected as the nomination paper was signed by a person not qualified to vote in the Parish. 23636/56	18 June 1856
GBR 78/80-81	Copy of order issued by the Board stating that a parochial meeting should be held in the Parish of Berwick to consent to the proposed exchange of property belonging to the Parish. 22239/56	20 June 1856
GBR 78/82-83	Request to be furnished with return showing the number of children between three and 15 years of age chargeable to the poor rates, and not inmates of workhouses or any school for pauper children.	25 June 1856
GBR 78/84	Request to be furnished, by 12 July, with a return of the numbers of the several classes of paupers relieved in the Union on the first of that month.	26 June 1856
GBR 78/85-86	Letter acknowledging that of 17 June 1856, and approving the appointments of medical officers until 25 March 1857: Mr Andrew Morrison for the Tweedmouth District, £40 per annum; Dr James Wilson for the Islandshire District, £25 per annum; Mr John Paxton for the Northhamshire East District, £33 per annum; Mr Matthew James Turnbull for the Northhamshire West District, £7 per annum. 24857/56	1 July 1856
GBR 78/87-88	The Board wish to know the number of cases of incapacitated colonial seamen having received relief out of the poor rates during the last two years. 27112/56	13 July 1856
GBR 78/89-90	Letter acknowledging that of 5 July 1856 enclosing resolution passed by the ratepayers of the Parish of Berwick consenting to the exchange of land between the Guardians and the Corporation of Berwick. The Board sanction the exchange. The draft for the necessary deed should, when settled, be forwarded to the Board for their approval. 27794/56	22 July 1856
GBR 78/91-92	Letter acknowledging that of 14 July 1856, and requesting particulars of	23 July 1856

	the appointment of Mr George Turner as Relieving Officer of the Berwick District 29276/56	
GBR 78/93-94	Letter acknowledging those of 14 July 1856 and 8 May 1856 respecting a proposed revision of the relief districts in the Berwick Union. The Board request further information regarding this. 29275/56	26 July 1856
GBR 78/95-96	Letter addressed to Mr Ebenezer Black, Grindon near Norham, and acknowledging that of 22 July 1856 as well as the Rate book of the Parish of Grindon, regarding the Guardians' rejection of Mr Ebenezer Black's nomination as Guardian of the Parish of Grindon. [Copy sent to the Guardians]. 30305/56	30 July 1856
GBR 78/97-98	Letter from the Board containing copy of letter [30305/56] sent to Mr Ebenezer Black regarding the Guardians' questioning of the validity of his nomination as Guardian of the Parish of Grindon. 30305/56	30 July 1856
GBR 78/99-100	Letter acknowledging that of 29 July 1856. The Board request further information regarding the proposed alteration of the relief districts of the Union before considering the subject. 31109/56	6 Aug. 1856
GBR 78/101-102	Reference made to letter sent by the Board on 6 May 1856 respecting the dietary of the inmates of the Workhouse. The Board wish to be furnished with a report as to whether the dietary has proved satisfactory. 14797/56	9 Aug. 1856
GBR 78/103-104	Letter acknowledging that of 1 August 1856 containing extracts from the Guardians' meeting on 28 July 1856 respecting the addition to the Workhouse, and detailing the contemplated cost. The expenditure is at present limited to £1,500, but it may be extended when the alterations are near their completion. 31443/56	9 Aug. 1856
GBR 78/105-106	Letter acknowledging that of 12 August 1856 relating to the proposed alterations of the relief districts of the Berwick Union. The Board wish to know how often each relieving officer will attend each pay-station in his district. 82466/56	16 Aug. 1856
GBR 78/107-108	Letter acknowledging that of 12 August 1856 respecting the dietary in the Workhouse. The Board state their sanction of the continuance of the dietary for a further six months. 32467/56	23 Aug. 1856
GBR 78/109-110	Letter acknowledging receipt of application for books for the use of the Workhouse School. The books applied for will be included in the next quarterly order. 33766/56	24 Aug. 1856
GBR 78/111-112	Letter acknowledging that of 18 August 1856 and sanctioning until Lady Day the proposed alteration in the relief arrangements of the Berwick Union as mentioned in the Guardians' report which accompanied letter of 6 May 1856. The Board request a report from the Guardians stating their opinion of the alteration. Sanction of the salary of £110 per annum to Mr Joseph Scott for the performance of the duty of the Office of Relieving Officer of the Second District in accordance with article 172 of the General Order of 24 July 1847. The Board also wish to be informed of the result of the next election of a relieving officer for the First District. 33051/56	30 Aug. 1856
GBR 78/113-114	Letter containing copy of letter addressed to the Treasurer of the Union [J M Meggison] respecting repayment of the salaries of the	1 Sept. 1856

	schoolmaster and schoolmistress and half the salaries of the medical officers for the year ended 31 March 1856.	
GBR 78/115-116	The Board have learned from a report of their Inspector Mr Hurst [Edward Hurst] of no entry having been made by the Visiting Committee in the Visitors Book since 28 April 1856. Attention drawn to article 149 of the Consolidated General Order, and the Board request that entries are duly made in the Visitors Book by the Visiting Committee. 34569/56	8 Sept. 1856
GBR 78/117-118	Letter referring to another letter from the Board of 4 June 1856 requesting to be informed if Mr Scott [Joseph Scott], Relieving Officer, has obtained a new surety in place of the surety deceased. 17546/56	10 Sept. 1856
GBR 78/119	Request for the cost of in-maintenance and out-relief for the half year ended at Michaelmas 1856 to be forwarded.	25 Sept. 1856
GBR 78/120	Letter regarding the Schoolmaster's certificate and repayment from the Parliamentary Grant. 36046/56	26 Sept. 1856
GBR 78/121	[Identical to 120].	26 Sept. 1856
GBR 78/122-125	Copies of Inspection of Parochial Union Schools for William Nesbit, Schoolmaster of the Workhouse School, and likewise for Isabella Nesbit, Schoolmistress of the Workhouse School, from the Committee of Council Education	19 Sept. 1856
GBR 78/126-127	Letter acknowledging that of 23 September 1856 and requesting to be informed of the bond of Joseph Scott, Relieving Officer, as soon as it has been executed. 36490/56	27 Sept. 1856
GBR 78/128-129	Request for information of the number of persons vaccinated by the public vaccinator during the year ended 29 September 1856.	2 Oct. 1856
GBR 78/130-131	List of pauper lunatics and idiots visited by the medical officer according to the 16 & 17 Vict, cap 97, sect 66, returned to the Guardians. These lists should not be transmitted to the Board.	14 Oct. 1856
GBR 78/132-133	Letter acknowledging that of 17 October 1856 and sanctioning the appointment and payment of Mr George Turner to the office of Relieving Officer of the Berwick District according to the provisions contained in article 172 of the General Order of 24 July 1847. 39008/56	22 Oct. 1856
GBR 78/134-135	Letter acknowledging that of 9 October 1856 forwarding the draft conveyance from the Guardians to the Corporation of Berwick of part of the Grangeburn Mill land. The draft is returned for the purpose of being abbreviated according to the suggestions made by the Board.	30 Oct. 1856
GBR 78/136-137	Letter acknowledging that of 9 October 1856, and forwarding drafts of the proposed conveyance of the site and Workhouse to the Guardians as they find them too exceedingly elaborate and complicated. They refer to form in the 5 & 6 Will 4, cap 69, which is usually adopted by the Guardians. 38013/56	30 Oct. 1856
GBR 78/138-139	Letter acknowledging that of 27 October 1856, and informing the Guardians of legal obstacles to the appointment of assistant overseer for the Parish of Tweedmouth. The Board suggest ways of dealing with this problem in accordance with Geo 3, cap 12. 40496/56	13 Nov. 1856
GBR 78/140-143	Letter acknowledging that of 10 November 1856 and returning the drafts of proposed conveyances of the land belonging to the Parish and Borough of Berwick. The Board think there should be three deeds – one conveying the Workhouse site and premises to the Guardians; second – a deed of exchange between the Guardians and the Parish	15 Nov. 1856

	Officers on the one part and the Corporation on the other, of the pieces of land agreed to be exchanged; third – a conveyance from the Guardians and Parish Officers to the Corporation of the “Burrs”, in which case the Corporation will pay the purchase money for the piece of land to the Treasurer of the Guardians to be held in trust for the Parish. 43253/56	
GBR 78/144-145	Letter acknowledging that of 4 June 1856 transmitting a copy of dietaries proposed by the Guardians to be adopted in the Workhouse for children between the ages of two and nine. The Board suggest a number of changes. 22414/56	5 Dec1856
GBR 78/146-147	Letter regarding the residence of children of workhouse officers in workhouses.	8 Dec. 1856
GBR 78/148	Request to be furnished by 12 January 1857 with a return of the several classes of paupers relieved in the Union on the first of that month.	20 Dec. 1856
GBR 78/149-150	Letter acknowledging that of 19 December 1856, and approving remuneration of Mr William George Anderson of £80 per annum for the services rendered during the period that he performed the duties of relieving officer of the Islandshire District 50522B/56	31 Dec. 1856
GBR 78/151-152	Letter acknowledging that of 31 December 1856, regarding the wish of the Guardians' to appoint a collector of the poor rates for the Parish of Tweedmouth in pursuance of section 62 of the 7 & 8 Vict, cap 101. The Board will consider the application on receiving it. They also wish to know the proposed salary. 162B/57	8 Jan. 1857
GBR 78/153-154	Letter acknowledging that of 16 December 1856 from E Willoby [Edward Willoby], Clerk to the Guardians of the Berwick Union, announcing the death of his father [William Willoby]. As the office was held jointly by Mr Willoby and his father it has become vacant on his death new elections will have to take place. 49960/57	9 Jan. 1857
GBR 78/155-156	Letter acknowledging that of 31 December 1856 regarding the Guardians' wish to effect a loan under the authority of the Board's order of 25 May 1855. 31D/57	10 Jan. 1857
GBR 78/157-158	Letter referring to letter of 14 November 1856 respecting the proposed conveyance of land belonging to the Parish and Borough of Berwick. The Board wish to know what steps have been taken in the matter. 43258D/57	10 Jan. 1857
GBR 78/159-160	Letter acknowledging copy of dietary proposed by the Guardians for adoption in the Workhouse for children between the ages of two and five, and five and nine. The Board approve of the proposed dietary. 716/57	17 Jan. 1857
GBR 78/161-162	Letter referring to that of 7 January 1857 and enclosing application for signatures by the Guardians for a loan from the Public Works Loan Board of the sum of £2450 at an interest rate of five per cent. If the Guardians can obtain a loan at a lower rate they are at liberty to do so. 2117D/57	24 Jan. 1857
GBR 78/163-164	Letter acknowledging that of 27 January 1857 referring to loan proposed to be applied for by the Guardians from the Public Works Board. A memorial to be addressed by the Guardians to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury containing details of payment etc. 34032D/57	31 Jan. 1857
GBR 78/165-166	Transmission of order authorising the appointment of a paid collector	5 Feb. 1857

	for the Parish of Tweedmouth. Also copy of order rescinding the orders of the Poor Law Commissioners dated 22 April 1837 and 21 January 1845 regarding the appointment and salary of collector for the above parish. 1648D/57	
GBR 78/167-168	Letter acknowledging that of 10 February 1857, and requesting particulars of the appointment of Mr E Willoby [Edward Willoby] to the Office of Clerk to the Guardians of the Berwick Union. 507413/57	13 Feb. 1857
GBR 78/169-170	Transmission of a modified form of the District Medical Relief Book prescribed by the General Consolidated Order.	14 Feb. 1857
GBR 78/171-172	Letter acknowledging that of 10 February 1857 enclosing application from the Guardians to the Public Works Loan Board for an advance of £2450 for the purchase and alteration of the Workhouse premises. The Board have given their consent to the application and forward it to the Public Works Loan Board. 5073D/57	20 Feb. 1857
GBR 78/173-174	Letter referring to letter of 23 August 1856 to the Guardians sanctioning for a period of six months a certain dietary in the Union Workhouse. The Board wish to know if this dietary has been continued. 32467A/57	20 Feb. 1857
GBR 78/175-176	The Board wish to know what arrangements are proposed by the Guardians for affording medical relief to the sick and poor of the Islandshire, Northamshire East, Northamshire West and Tweedmouth Districts of the Berwick Union from 25 March 1857	21 Feb. 1857
GBR 78/177	Request to be furnished with a return of all poor law unions where the school is maintained in a separate building from the union workhouse.	25 Feb. 1857
GBR 78/178-179	Letter dealing with what to do when the nomination day of elections and election of guardians fall on a Sunday or Good Friday.	27 Feb. 1857
GBR 78/180-181	Letter regarding removal of recovered paupers from lunatic asylums. It is recommended that vehicles should be kept for this purpose under proper and trustworthy care of an accompanying person. The cost to be covered as part of the expenses of the removal.	27 Feb. 1857
GBR 78/182-183	Letter acknowledging that of 25 February 1857 and requesting particulars of the appointment of Mr George Dick to the Office of Collector of Poor Rates for the Parish of Tweedmouth to be transmitted to them. 6784B/57	27 Feb. 1857
GBR 78/184-185	Letter addressed to Mr E Willoby [Edward Willoby] assenting to his reappointment to the Office of Clerk to the Guardians of the Berwick Union. They also sanction the payment of £130 per annum for carrying out duties as contained in article 172 of the General Order of 24 July 1847. 6802B/57	3 March 1857
GBR 78/186-187	Reference to letter from the Guardians of 12 March 1857 with a resolution passed by the Guardians on the subject of vaccination. The Board request that contracts about to be entered into with the Public Vaccinator be forwarded for approval in accordance with the 3 & 4 Vict, cap 29, sect 4. 91113/57	19 March 1857
GBR 78/188	Request to transmit the cost of in-maintenance and out-relief for the half-year ended at Lady Day 1857.	20 March 1857
GBR 78/189-190	Letter acknowledging that of 9 March 1857 and stating that through an oversight the form re the appointment of Mr Dick as Collector for Tweedmouth was not transmitted. The Board request to be sent the particulars. 8274B/57	20 March 1857

GBR 78/191-192	Letter acknowledging that of 7 March 1857 forwarding draft assignment of the lease of the Workhouse premises etc. to the Guardians. The Board have issued an order for the purpose of conveying a meeting to consent to the Guardians of the interest of the Parish in the Workhouse premises. 8118D/57	25 March 1857
GBR 78/193-194	Letter acknowledging that of 12 March 1857 regarding the dietary now in use in the Workhouse. The Board ask for further clarification and request the enclosed form to be filled in and returned to them. 8538A/57	25 March 1857
GBR 78/195-198	Copy of General Order issued by the Board prescribing a form in which orders upon the treasurers of unions and parishes shall be drawn. Letter laying out the rules enclosed.	7 April 1857
GBR 78/199-200	Letter acknowledging that of 31 March 1857 and requesting particulars of the appointments of Messrs Morison [Andrew Morison], Wilson [James Wilson], Paxton [John Paxton], and Turnbull [Matthew James Turnbull] be communicated to the Board. As the four gentlemen are not qualified in one of the four modes prescribed by article 168 of the General Regulations, the Guardians must cause a special minute to be made setting out the reasons which have made it necessary for them to employ a person not qualified. Copy of this to be forwarded to the Board for their consideration. 10774B/57	8 April 1857
GBR 78/201-202	Letter acknowledging that of 3 April 1857 and sanctioning the appointment of Mr George Dick as Collector of Poor Rates for the Parish of Tweedmouth. 10904B/57	9 April 1857
GBR 78/203-204	Returning the annual lunatic return and requiring that the column headed "weekly cost of maintenance and clothing" to be filled in regarding people residing with relatives and returned to the Board.	27 April 1857
GBR 78/205-206	Letter acknowledging that of 15 April 1857 enquiring whether holding the office of sideman or churchwarden disqualifies one from holding the office of medical officer of the union. The Board state that they find it inexpedient and the person might render himself liable to penalties within the 4 & 5 Will IV cap 76, sect 77. 12308C/57	28 April 1857
GBR 78/207-208	Letter acknowledging that of 28 April 1857 and forwarding a copy of a special minute passed by the Guardians on the subject of the appointments of Messrs Morison [Andrew Morison]; Wilson [James Wilson]; Paxton [John Paxton] and Turnbull [Matthew James Turnbull] as medical officers of the Union. The Board request that the forms of queries accompanying the letter be returned to them with the particulars of the appointments. 14721B/57	2 May 1857
GBR 78/208-210	Request for forms of poor rate returns for the year ended at Lady Day to be transmitted to the Board.	4 May 1857
GBR 78/211	Reference to letter of 16 April 1857 and approving the draft conveyance from the Churchwardens and Overseers of Berwick to the Guardians of a portion of the property to be purchased by the Guardians, directed by the order of 25 May 1856. 12352D/57	4 May 1857
GBR 78/212-213	Letter acknowledging that of 22 April 1857 informing the Board of the Guardians' rejection of the nomination papers for the townships of Twizel, Felkington and Grindon at the recent election of guardians and the reasons for doing so. Persons who want to call in question the legality of the course adopted can do so under the 5 & 6 Vict, cap 57, sect 58. 13364C/57	9 May 1857

GBR 78/214-215	Reference made to statement received from the District Auditor in reference to the bonds of the several officers in the Berwick Union whose bonds were not produced to him at his audit for the half year ended Lady Day last. The officers concerned are Alexander Davidson for Ancroft, Norham, Norham Mains and Kyloe; James Paxton for Horncliffe; Mr Joseph Scott, Relieving Officer; and Mr George Turner, Relieving Officer whose bonds are incomplete. Any imperfection should be remedied at once.	14 May 1857
GBR 78216-217	Letter acknowledging that of 7 May 1857 and sanctioning under article 2 of the General Order of 15 February 1855, the appointments as medical officers of Mr Andrew Morison for the Tweedmouth District, salary £40 per annum; Mr James Wilson for the Islandshire District, salary £25 per annum; Mr John Paxton for the East Norhamshire District, salary £33 per annum and Mr Matthew James Turnbull for the West Norhamshire District, salary £7 per annum. 15966B/57	15 May 1857
GBR 78/218-219	Request to be furnished with a reply to letter of 19 March 1857 respecting vaccination contracts. 9113/57	28 May 1857
GBR 78/220	Request for list of the Guardians and paid officers in the Union for the current year.	3 June 1857
GBR 78/221-222	Letter acknowledging that of 27 May 1857 regarding the assignment of the lease of the Berwick Workhouse to the Guardians. Deeds are returned for signature by the Treasurer. 18891D/57	4 June 1857
GBR 78/223	Letter acknowledging that of 29 May 1857 applying to the Guardians to declare fresh averages for the several parishes and townships in the Berwick Union. The Board to instruct Mr Hurst [Edward Hurst], Inspector of Poor Law, to make the necessary inquiries. 19067A/57	5 June 1857
GBR 78/224-225	Circular with new General Order for appointing medical officers.	6 June 1857
GBR 78/226-227	Letter from Mr Hurst [Edward Hurst], Poor Law Inspector, saying that he has received instructions from the Poor Law Board to prepare new averages for the Berwick Union.	6 June 1857
GBR 78/228-229	Letter acknowledging that of 20 April 1857 stating that the alterations in the relief arrangements of the Union regarding the size and number of the relieving officers has in the Guardians' opinion worked most satisfactory. The Board have no objection to the arrangements being continued. 13144B/57	9 June 1857
GBR 78/230-231	Letter acknowledging the receipt of vaccination contracts with Messrs Wilson [James Wilson], Turnbull [Matthew James Turnbull], Paxton [John Paxton], and Morison [Andrew Morison], all medical officers of the Union. The Board approve of the contracts. 20460/57	10 June 1857
GBR 78/232-233	Letter acknowledging that of 16 June 1857 and reporting the resignation of Mr Alexander Laidlaw as Master of the Berwick Union Workhouse The Board wish to know the reason, if known, and what measures are contemplated by the Guardians in reference to the execution of the office of master of the Workhouse. 22079B/57	20 June 1857
GBR 78/234	Request to be furnished with a return of the numbers of the several classes of paupers relieved in the Union on the first of that month.	24 June 1857
GBR 78/235-236	Letter acknowledging that of 16 June 1857 from E Willoby [Edward Willoby] requesting the sanction of a sum of £15 to be paid to him for services rendered by him in performing the duties of Clerk to the Guardians of the Berwick Union from 25 December to 9 February last.	27 June 1857

	The Guardians can only legally remunerate him by a gratuity. Recommended that the Guardians pass a resolution under article 172 of the General Consolidated Order awarding him a gratuity. 22078B/57	
GBR 78/237-238	Copy of report received by the Poor Law Board from the Commissioners in Lunacy regarding a visit made to the Workhouse on 30 May 1857 by Dr Mairne. The Board request the Guardians' observations regarding the report. 23804A/57	10 July 1857
GBR 78/239-240	Report received by the Board from Mr Hurst [Edward Hurst], Inspector of Poor Law, referring to the two children of Mrs Purdie, Matron of the Workhouse, who are residing with her in the Workhouse. As the eldest is 15 years of age and an apprentice in Berwick the Board object to him residing in the Workhouse. As to the other child, Mrs Purdie should pay to the Guardians for the maintenance not less than £6 per annum. 23239B/57	10 July 1857
GBR 78/241	Letter acknowledging that of 7 July 1857 and requesting particulars of the appointment of Mr Thomas H Mitchell [Thomas Hood Mitchell] to the Office of Master of the Berwick Union Workhouse. 25298B/57	14 July 1857
GBR 78/242-243	Letter referring to Guardians' letter of 16 June 1857 and returning deed approved, sealed and registered for assignment of parish property. 22008D/57	15 July 1857
GBR 78/244-245	Letter enclosing draft of an order suggesting dietary for the inmates of the Berwick Workhouse. The Board request the Guardians' observations previous to the order being issued under the seal of the Board. 16011D/57	25 July 1857
GBR 78/246-247	Letter acknowledging that of 21 July 1857 from E Willoby [Edward Willoby], Clerk to the Guardians of the Berwick Union, and sanctioning the Guardians paying him £15 for his services rendered to the Guardians between 15 December and 9 February last. 27224B/57	24 July 1857
GBR 78/248-249	Letter acknowledging that of 21 July 1857 transmitting particulars of the appointment of Mr Thomas H Mitchell [Thomas Hood Mitchell] as Master of the Berwick Union Workhouse. The Board wish to know the age of Mr Mitchell's child and where it is proposed that it should reside. 27223B/57	25 July 1857
GBR 78/250-251	Letter acknowledging that of 30 July 1857 respecting claims made by Dr Wilson [James Wilson] upon the Guardians for money expended by him for vaccination stations in his district. The Guardians are provided to produce the proper room(s) for vaccination, but the vaccinator has no authority to hire additional rooms without the sanction of the Guardians. 28317/57	
GBR 78/252-253	Letter acknowledging that of 30 July 1857 and sanctioning the appointment of Mr Thomas H Mitchell [Thomas Hood Mitchell] to the Office of Master of the Berwick Union Workhouse. 28319B/57	10 Aug. 1857
GBR 78/254-255	Letter acknowledging that of 1 August 1857 and stating no objection to the weekly allowance of rations the Guardians have assigned to the Master, Matron, Nurse and Porter at the Berwick Union Workhouse. 28511B/57	12 Aug. 1857
GBR 78/256-257	Request for a return of the total number of women and children chargeable to any poor law union, incorporation, or parish not in a union in England or Wales during the year ending 31 December 1856, in cases where the person they were usually maintained by being in gaol for any offence against the Game Laws. The Board wish to know	31 Aug. 1857

	the cost of such maintenance.	
GBR 78/258-259	Letter forwarding information respecting the bill to be drawn upon Her Majesty's Paymaster General for repayment of the salaries of the Schoolmaster and Schoolmistress, and half of the salaries of the medical officers, for the year ended 31 March 1857. 175811/57	1 Sept. 1857
GBR 78/260-261	Letter forwarded by the Board, received from Mr Robert Laurie, Inspector of the Poor of Hutton [Berwickshire]. The Guardians are requested to furnish the Board with any observations they might have on the subject raised. 31675/57	7 Sept. 1857
GBR 78/262	Request for medical relief return.	12 Sept. 1857
GBR 78/263-264	Letter acknowledging that of 9 September 1857 reporting the appointment of Henry Crow as an assistant to the Schoolmaster. The Board wish to know if the appointment is intended to be that of a pupil teacher. 32276B/57	16 Sept. 1857
GBR 78/265-266	Letter acknowledging that of 9 September 1857 regarding certain proposed conveyances of land in the Parish of Berwick and the drafts and papers relating thereto. The Board will consider the papers. 32327/21183D/57	18 Sept. 1857
GBR 78/267-270	Copies of certificates for William Nesbit, Schoolmaster of the Workhouse School, and Isabella Nesbit, Schoolmistress of the Workhouse School, regarding repayment to the Guardians from the Parliamentary Grant. 32410/57	21 Sept. 1857
GBR 78/271	Return of the number of persons vaccinated by the public vaccinators during the year ended 29 September 1857.	2 Oct. 1857
GBR 78/272-273	Registration of births ending 29 September 1857 in the Berwick Districts.	6 Oct. 1857
GBR 78/274-275	Letter acknowledging that of 22 September 1857 and sanctioning the appointment of Henry Crow as an assistant to the Schoolmaster in the Workhouse School, with lodging, rations and clothing as proposed by the Guardians. 33923A/57	2 Oct. 1857
GBR 78/276-277	Letter acknowledging that of 12 September 1857 enclosing the bill of expenses incurred in the assignment of the lease of the Berwick Union Workhouse to the Guardians. Bill approved by the Board subject to remarks made on it. 32524D/57	8 Oct. 1856
GBR 78/278-279	Letter acknowledging that of 23 September 1857 and sanctioning payment of £36 to Mr William Weatherhead for a small piece of ground which the Guardians have taken. 33446A/57	8 Oct. 1857
GBR 78/280-281	Letter acknowledging that of 23 September 1857. The Board request to be informed if the paper Alexander Halliday has at any time applied for relief. 34090C/57	10 Oct. 1857
GBR 78/282-283	Spare copies of some annual and other reports of the Poor Law Commissioners available to members of boards of guardians.	20 Oct. 1857
GBR 78/284-285	Letter regarding the draft forwarded to the Board referring to the sale of property by the Corporation to the Guardians for the use of the Union with the Board's remarks. 32327/57	20 Oct. 1857
GBR 78/286-287	Letter acknowledging that of 21 October 1857. The Board wish to know whether a burial board have been appointed by the Parish of Berwick.	23 Oct. 1857

	36257C/57	
GBR 78/288-289	Letter referring to that of 29 September 1857 and transmitting the form of an order for the purpose of authorising the Guardians to borrow a sum not exceeding £1850 to cover costs of alterations and additions to the Union Workhouse. The form of consent needs the signature of a majority of the Guardians. 33962/57	30 Oct. 1857
GBR 78/290-291	Letter acknowledging that of 21 October 1857 respecting the proposed appropriation of the net amount produced by the assignment of the lease of the Berwick Union Workhouse to the Guardians. The process has been delayed due to slow response from the Guardians. 36256D/57	30 Oct. 1857
GBR 78/292-293	Letter acknowledging that of 20 October 1857 and sanctioning rations proposed by the Guardians to the Master, Matron, Nurse and porter of the Union Workhouse. 36264B/57	2 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/294-295	Referring to letter of 29 May 1857 and requesting to be informed if the Guardians are in possession of a satisfactory security from Mr Alexander Davidson, Collector of Poor Rates for the Parishes of Kylloe and Ancroft, and whether Mr Davidson, Collector for Norham Mains; Mr Samuel Boak, Collector for Duddo, and Mr James Paxton, Collector for Horncliffe have now given new bonds for the performance of their respective duties. 19066B/57	3 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/296-297	Letter acknowledging that of 30 October 1857 regarding expenditure in connection with alterations of the Workhouse. 37915D/57	5 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/298-299	Letter acknowledging that of 3 November 1857 regarding the Guardians' request for the sanctioning of subscribing £5 annually towards the funds of the Northern Counties Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Newcastle-upon-Tyne. The Board wish to be informed of advantages enjoyed by doing so. 38746A/57	7 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/300-301	Letter acknowledging that of 3 November 1857 and inquiring whether the General Board of Health will issue directions to places within the jurisdiction of Local Boards of Health, taking precautionary measures against the threatened outbreak of cholera. As the Privy Council have not issued any order bringing into operation the statute 18 & 19 Vict, cap 116 the General Board of Health are not empowered to do so. 38752C/57	11 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/302-303	Letter acknowledging that of 24 October 1857 stating that the Churchwardens of the Parish of Berwick can legally make an order upon the Overseers of the same parish under 18 & 19 Vict c 128 sect 18 for the payment of the costs referred to. 36732C/57	12 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/304-305	Letter acknowledging that of 9 November 1857 with draft dietary tables for alteration according to recommendations by the Workhouse Committee. 32277A/57	16 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/306-307	Letter referring to Acts passed last session, especially as to extra parochial places.	18 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/308-309	Letter acknowledging that of 12 November 1857 and consenting to the Guardians subscribing annually the sum of £5 towards the funds of the Northern Counties Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 40226A/57	18 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/310	Letter acknowledging that of 17 November 1857 and informing the Guardians that the inspection of workhouse schools and the	21 Nov. 1857

	examination of workhouse teachers are provided independently of the Christmas examination. 6351/57	
GBR 78/311-312	Letter acknowledging that of 18 November 1857 and not objecting to the withdrawal of Henry Crowe, and that he must forfeit his stipend for the period served as pupil teacher. The Board wish this forfeiture to be made generally known in the school, and also the reason for it. 6390/57	21 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/313-314	Letter acknowledging that of 17 November 1857 and declining the allowance of non-resident relief to Margaret Feths, widow, aged 56, living at Jarrow in the South Shields Union. 41100A/57	25 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/315-316	Letter acknowledging that of 28 November 1857 forwarding copy of report respecting Henry Crewe, late pupil teacher at the Workhouse School, but who has in consequence of misconduct absconded from the Workhouse. 41364/57	27 Nov. 1857
GBR 78/317-318	Copy of an order authorising the Guardians to complete certain alterations and additions at the Union Workhouse. 42153D/57	3 Dec. 1857
GBR 78/319-320	Letter referring to that of 18 November 1857 and enclosing a copy prescribing the dietary for the inmates of the Workhouse. 41325D/57	3 Dec. 1857
GBR 78/321-322	Letter acknowledging that of 4 December 1857 regarding the drafts of the conveyances of the property of the Berwick Union to the Corporation. Two transactions – 1. Sale of a piece of land belonging to the Parish of Berwick termed “The Burrs” to the Corporation for the sum of £950. 2. – An exchange of a piece of land belonging to the Corporation for another piece of land belonging to the Parish. 44450D/57	9 Dec. 1857
GBR 78/323-324	Letter referring to letter of 3 November 1857 respecting securities of certain of the collectors of poor rates in the Berwick Union. The Board wish an immediate reply to the letter. 19066B/57	15 Dec. 1857
GBR 78/325-326	Letter acknowledging that of 8 October 1857 respecting the proposal of the Guardians to take a small piece of ground adjoining the Workhouse, which belonged to Mr Weatherhead. Do the Guardians intend to take a conveyance of the ground referred to? 33446A/57	16 Dec. 1857
GBR 78/327-328	Letter authorising the Guardians to apply the sum of £946 19s 6d, and amount produced by the sale of property belonging to the Parish of Berwick, in a manner therein mentioned. The money to be transmitted to the Public Works Loan Board. 43776D/57	17 Dec. 1857
GBR 78/329-330	Letter to E Willoby [Edward Willoby], Clerk to the Justices of the Petty Sessional Division of Norham and Islandshire, drawing the Justices’ attention to the (late) act of 20 Vict c 19 sect 1 regarding appointment of overseers for extra parochial places such as Monks House and Farne Islands mentioned in the report of the Registrar General in the last census. The Board wish to be furnished with the names of the persons appointed. 456606/57	18 Dec. 1857
GBR 78/331-332	Letter acknowledging that of 14 December 1857 regarding the Guardians’ application to the Public Works Loan Board for an advance of £1850 towards cost of additions and alterations to be made at the Workhouse. The Board have signed and forwarded the application to the Public Works Loan Board. 46251D/57	21 Dec. 1857

GBR 78/333	Request to be furnished with a return of the numbers of the several classes of paupers relieved in the Union on 1 January 1858.	23 Dec. 1857
GBR 78/334-335	Letter acknowledging receipt of application for books for the Workhouse School. 45406/57	31 Dec. 1857
GBR 78/336-337	Letter acknowledging those of 16 and 19 December 1857 and requesting to be sent bond of security given by Mr Alexander Davidson for the due performance of his duties as the Assistant Overseer of Norham. 47145/46519B/57	12 Jan. 1858
GBR 78/338-339	Letter acknowledging that of 23 December 1857 respecting the small piece of land adjoining the Workhouse, which the Guardians wish to buy. 47640A/58	13 Jan. 1858
GBR 78/340-343	Letter returned to the Guardians for their signature respecting the case of the pauper Alexander Halliway, and also forwarding copy of letter of 28 October 1857 to Mr Laurie, Inspector of the Poor of the Parish of Hutton, respecting Mr Halliway, stating that it was not part of Mr Morison's duty to attend to Alexander Halliway, and any pay requested by Mr Morison would be a question between the Guardians and him. 361056/57	19 Jan. 1858
GBR 78/344	Attention drawn to circular letter of 18 November 1857 relating to the late act 20 Vict c 19 providing relief of the poor in extra parochial places. Request to be furnished with any extra parochial places located in the Union, and the population living there.	21 Jan. 1858
GBR 78/345-346	Letter acknowledging that of 13 January 1858 and returning and approving the bond given to the Guardians for due performance of Mr Alexander Davidson's as Assistant Overseer of Norham. 1712B/58	23 Jan. 1858
GBR 78/347-348	Letter acknowledging that of 22 December 1857 and stating that the draft conveyances regarding sale of property have not been returned to the Board and hence they cannot express an opinion upon them. 47482D/57	23 Jan. 1858
GBR 78/349-350	Letter acknowledging that of 27 January 1858 enclosing a memorial from the Guardians to the Lord's Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for an extension of the time for repayment of loan of £1850 recently advanced to the Guardians by the Public Works Loan Board. 3452D/58	1 Feb. 1858
GBR 78/351-352	Letter acknowledging that of 27 January 1858 regarding rent payable for the Workhouse to the Parish of Berwick. 3633D/58	6 Feb. 1858
GBR 78/353-354	Letter acknowledging that of 8 February 1858 respecting the case of Mary Gray and her children to whom the Guardians propose to grant non-resident relief in the Parish of Bishopwearmouth. The Board wish to be furnished with further information of the case. 5282A/58	12 Feb. 1858
GBR 78/355-358	Letter enclosing copy of letter received by the Board from Dr Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood], Medical Officer of the Berwick Workhouse, and requesting the Guardians' observations regarding the letter. Dr Kirkwood's letter asks about his liability in the case of a husband and wife called Carrick, admitted to the Workhouse Infirmary. 5279C/58	22 Feb. 1858
GBR 78/359-362	Letter acknowledging that of 24 February 1858 regarding the proposed appointment of Jane Cockburn Redpath, an orphan, aged 14 years, as a pupil teacher and assistant to the schoolmistress of the Union Workhouse School, and at present in receipt of out-door relief. The Guardians are at liberty to give in-door relief if sanctioned by the Inspector of Schools. Enclosed "Form of Resolution" for use in the	27 Feb. 1858

	appointment of pupil teachers. 7134A/58	
GBR 78/363-364	Letter acknowledging that of 23 February 1858 respecting the case of Mary Gray and her children. The Board sanction the proposed non-resident relief to her and her children, but question the mode of payment. 6940A/58	3 March 1858
GBR 78/365-366	Attention drawn to letter of 13 January 1858 respecting the small piece of land adjoining the Union Workhouse which the Guardians propose to take. The Board request to be informed whether the conveyance from the Corporation is likely to be executed soon. 8020D/58	4 March 1858
GBR 78/367-368	Letter acknowledging that of 24 February 1858 respecting the places Fern Islands [Farne Islands] and Monks House. 7133C/58	5 March 1858
GBR 78/369-370	Request for immediate information on the Guardians' proposal for affording medical relief to the sick and poor of the Islandshire, Norhamshire East, Norhamshire West, and Tweedmouth Districts from and after 25 March 1858. 8276B/58	6 March 1858
GBR 78/371-372	Letter acknowledging that of 9 March 1858 stating that out-door relief has been granted to a number of fishermen unable to work on account of the weather. This is at variance with the provisions of the General Prohibitory Order. The Board wish to be furnished with details of the above-mentioned cases. 8887A/58	17 Mar1858
GBR 78/373-374	Letter acknowledging that of 9 March 1858 reporting the case of Martha Anderson, the widow of a relieving officer of the Union, having no children. The Board cannot sanction the Guardians' proposal of granting of non-resident relief to her while living in Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 8888A/58	17 March 1858
GBR 78/375-376	Letter acknowledging that of 12 March 1858 requesting that vaccination contracts be forwarded when entered into. The Board point out that vaccination contracts are permanent and need not be renewed annually. 8719/58	23 March 1858
GBR 78/377-378	Letter acknowledging that of 16 February 1858 requesting further particulars in the case of [Robert Harrier], farmer, and family and their removal to Scotland. A warrant has been obtained. 6397/58	24 March 1858
GBR 78/379-380	Letter acknowledging that of 19 March 1858 forwarding a list of persons granted out-door relief at variance with the provisions of the General Prohibitory Order to eight able-bodied fishermen unable to follow their ordinary occupation due to bad weather. The Board sanction the allowance of out-door relief. 10010A/58	26 March 1858
GBR 78/381	Request for transmitting the cost of in-maintenance and out-relief for the half year ended 25 March 1858;	29 March 1858
GBR 78/382-383	Letter acknowledging that of 23 March 1858 and requesting particulars of the appointments of Messrs Morison [Andrew Morison], Wilson [James Wilson], Paxton [John Paxton], and Turnbull [Matthew James Turnbull] as Medical Officers of the Tweedmouth, Islandshire, East Norhamshire and West Norhamshire Districts of the Berwick Union. As the named officers are not qualified in one of the five modes prescribed by article 168 of the General Regulations, attention has been called to article 4 of the General Order of the 25 May 1857, and request a special minute to be made in each case and transmitted to the Board	31 March 1858

	for their consideration. 10363B/58	
GBR 78/384-385	Letter acknowledging that of 23 March 1858 and stating that the marriage of Mr Mitchell [Thomas Hood Mitchell], Master of the Berwick Workhouse, to Mrs Purdie, Matron of the Berwick Workhouse, does not render those offices vacant, and re-appointments are therefore unnecessary. 10360B/58	1 April 1858
GBR 78/386-387	Letter acknowledging that of 25 March 1858 and requesting the warrant granted for the removal of Richard Harmer and his wife to Scotland be forwarded to the Board for their inspection. 10768C/58	7 April 1858
GBR 78/388-389	Letter acknowledging that of 8 April 1858 and forwarding vaccination contracts entered into by the Guardians with Messrs Wilson [James Wilson]; Turnbull [Matthew James Turnbull]; Paxton [John Paxton]; and Morison [Andrew Morison], medical officers of the Union with the Board's approval. 12082/58	10 April 1858
GBR 78/390-391	Letter acknowledging that of 19 March 1858 and forwarding the drafts of the conveyances of the property of the Corporation of Berwick and that of the Parish. The drafts are conditionally approved. 10011/58	12 April 1858
GBR 78/392-393	Letter acknowledging that of 6 April 1858 and approving the increase in the salary of Mr A Kirkwood [Alexander Kirkwood], Medical Officer of the Workhouse, from £30 to £40 per annum. 11746B/58	14 April 1858
GBR 78/394-395	Letter acknowledging that of 6 April 1858 regarding the Guardians proposal to fix the salary of Mr and Mrs Mitchell, Master and Matron at the Workhouse, at £80 per annum. The Board find it necessary that distinct salaries should be assigned to each of them. 11717B/58	14 April 1858
GBR 78/396-397	Letter acknowledging that of 8 April 1857 and approving of employment and salaries of: Mr Andrew Morison, Tweedmouth District, at £30 per annum; Mr James Wilson, Islandshire District, at £25 per annum; John Paxton, East Northhamshire District, at £33 per annum; Mr Matthew James Turnbull, West Northhamshire District, at £7 per annum, until 25 March 1859, when new appointments will have to take place. 12061B/58	16 Apr 1858
GBR 78/398-399	Letter acknowledging that of 19 April 1858 and sanctioning non-residence relief to Ann Watson, widow, and her seven children, while she is living at Belford for three months, provided the Belford authorities agree. 13935A/58	28 April 1858
GBR 78/400	Circular suspending the clerk's duty in the Accounts Order relating to abstract of parochial accounts.	29 April 1858
GBR 78/401-402	Letter acknowledging that of 19 April 1858 and stating that the marriage of Mr Mitchell [Thomas Hood Mitchell], Master of the Workhouse, to Mrs Purdie, Matron of the Workhouse, does not render their respective offices vacant. The Board also require separate salaries to be assigned to a master and matron, notwithstanding that they may be husband and wife. The Guardians are requested to decide what portion of the proposed salary of £80 per annum should be assigned to the Master and Matron respectively. 13934B/58	30 April 1858
GBR 78/403-404	Circular regarding the case of the Queen v Collings, tried at the last Lincoln Assizes, regarding false and counterfeit letters and writings with the intent to prove appointment of schoolmaster. The Board wish to draw the Guardians' attention to take precautions to ascertain the	10 May 1858

	authenticity of testimonials presented to them.	
GBR 78/405-406	Request for annual poor rate return from 1857-1858 fro the year ended Lady Day last.	17 May 1858
GBR 78/407-408	Letter acknowledging that of 4 May 1858 and approving payment of a salary of £65 per annum to Mr Mitchell [Thomas Hood Mitchell], Master of the Workhouse, and a salary of £15 per annum to Mrs Mitchell, Matron of the Workhouse. 16627B/58	20 May 1858
GBR 78/409	Request for a list of the Guardians and paid officers of the Union for the current year.	26 May 1858
GBR 78/410-411	Letter acknowledging those of 8 April 1858 and 25 May 1858 regarding Robert Farmer and his family. Owing to uncertainty about the settlement of two of the children, who appear to be Mr Farmer's stepchildren, the Board find the warrant to be illegal in this respect. 12060/21022C/58	28 May 1858
GBR 78/412-413	Letter acknowledging that of 1 June 1858 requesting non-resident relief to William and Ann Pringle while they are living at Thornington in the Glendale Union. The Board request further information in the case. 22367A/58	4 June 1858
GBR 78/414	Copy of correspondence between the Board and Mr George Dick, Collector of Poor Rates for the Parish of Tweedmouth, on the subject of the District Auditor's report after his last audit. 20322E/58	7 June 1858
GBR 78/415	Letter to Mr George Dick, Collector of Poor Rates for the Parish of Tweedmouth, enclosing extract from the District Auditor's report of his recent audit regarding Mr Dick's neglect of his duties as Collector. 15023E/58	1 May 1858
GBR 78/416	Letter from Mr George Dick to the Poor Law Board defending himself against his alleged neglect of his duties. 20322/58 and 15023E/58	20 May 1858
GBR 78/416-418	Letter acknowledging that of Mr Dick's of 20 May 1858 and stating that they do not find his explanations satisfactory and stating that he can only retain his office on the condition of him strictly obeying the regulations in the General Order for Accounts. 20322E/58	7 June 1858
GBR 78/419-420	Letter acknowledging that of 1 June 1858 and not approving of out-door relief to David Cairns, aged five, while living with his grandfather, as his case does not come under any exceptions in article 4 of the General Prohibitory Order. 22370A/58	8 June 1858
GBR 78/421-422	Letter acknowledging that of 2 June 1858 respecting the case of Richard Amour. The Board wish to be informed as to the Guardians' opinion of the legality of granting out-door relief to Mr Amour. 22650A/58	11 June 1858
GBR 78/423-424	Letter acknowledging that of 8 June 1858 and consenting to granting non-resident relief of 2s per week to William and Ann Pringle while living at Thornington in the Glendale Union. 23643A/58	12 June 1858
GBR 78/425-426	Request to be informed whether the conveyance of the property from the Corporation of Berwick to the Guardians has yet been executed. If it has the deed should be forwarded to the Board. 10011D/58	15 June 1858
GBR 78/427-428	Letter acknowledging that of 16 June 1858 and referring to their letter of 15 June 1858 regarding the execution of the conveyance of the property from the Corporation to the Guardians and not from the Guardians to the Corporation. The Board request to be informed if the conveyance has been executed. If it has it should be forwarded to the	21 June 1858

	Board for their seal and registration. 25089D/58	
GBR 78/429	Request to be furnished with a return of the numbers of the several classes of paupers relieved in the Union on the 1 July 1858.	25 June 1858
GBR 78/430-431	Letter acknowledging that of 16 June 1858 and sanctioning relief to Richard Amour. 25040/58	25 June 1858
GBR 78/432-433	Letter acknowledging that of 24 June 1858 and informing the Guardians that the fact that the conveyance of the property from the Corporation to the Guardians is unsatisfactory and they wish to know the reason for the delay. 26307D/58	1 July 1858
GBR 78/434-435	Letter referring to letter of 18 December 1857 and asking whether overseers of the poor have yet been anointed for the places called Monks House and Fern Islands [Farne Islands] which were formerly extra-parochial. [Letter addressed to E Willoby [Edward Willoby] Clerk to the Justices of the Petty Sessional Division of Norham, Islandshire and Berwick-upon-Tweed]. 45660C/58	5 July 1858
GBR 78/436	Copy transmitted of the Board's 10 th annual report. Gratuitous distribution of the annual report will be discontinued after the present year.	12 July 1858
GBR 78/437-438	Letter acknowledging that of 10 July 1858 and requesting to be informed when the appointments of overseers of the poor for Monks House and Fer Islands [Farne Islands] have been made by the Justices [addressed to E Willoby [Edward Willoby] Clerk to the Justices of the Petty Sessional Division of Norham, Islandshire and Berwick-upon-Tweed]. 28758G/58	17 July 1858
GBR 78/439-440	Letter acknowledging that of 14 July 1858 and requesting information in the case of Jonathan James, living with his mother in the Parish of Lowick, in the Glendale Union, regarding the proposed non-resident relief proposed to be given to him. 29393A/58	21 July 1858
GBR 78/441-442	Letter acknowledging that of 14 July 1858 regarding the case of Isabella Denham, widow, aged 63, and removed from the Parish of Tynemouth in the Tynemouth Union to the Parish of Berwick. The Guardians propose to pay non-resident relief to her while living in Tynemouth. 29392A/58	21 July 1858
GBR 78/443-444	Letter acknowledging that of 14 July 1858 regarding the case of George Thompson and his wife to whom the Guardians wish to grant non-resident relief while living with their daughter in the Parish of Lowick in the Glendale Union. 29280A/58	24 July 1858
GBR 78/445-446	Letter acknowledging that of 27 July 1858 regarding the case of James Morton, aged 78, belonging to the Parish of Berwick, and to whom the Guardians propose to grant non-resident relief while living at Redcar with his granddaughter. The Board request further information in the case. 31054A/58	31 July 1858
GBR 78/447-448	Letter acknowledging that of 27 July 1858 and consenting to continuing to grant non-resident relief for three months to Ann Watson while living at Belford. 31026A/58	3 Aug. 1858
GBR 78/449-450	Letter acknowledging that of 30 July 1858 regarding proposed non-resident relief to George Thompson and his wife. The Board request further information in the case.	9 Aug. 1858

	31337A/58	
GBR 78/451-452	Letter acknowledging that of 4 August 1858 and sanctioning non-resident relief of 1s 6d per week to Isabella Denham, widow, while living at Tynemouth. 31870A/58	12 Aug. 1858
GBR 78/453-454	Copy of letter addressed to Mr Meggison, Treasurer of the Berwick Union, respecting repayment of the salaries of the Schoolmaster and Schoolmistress, and half of the salaries of the Medical Officers for the year ended 31 March 1858.	16 Aug. 1858
GBR 78/455-456	Letter acknowledging that of 24 August 1858 and sanctioning non-resident relief to George Thompson, a pauper, while residing in the Parish of Lowick in the Glendale Union, with his daughter. 33675A/58	1 Sept. 1858
GBR 78/457-458	Communication sent to the churchwardens and overseers of the poor regarding rating of the tithe rent charge.	4 Sept. 1858
GBR 78/459-460	Letter acknowledging that of 8 September 1858 and sanctioning non-resident relief to James Gibson, while he and his wife are living with their daughter in Alnwick. 34836A/58	14 Sept. 1858
GBR 78/461-462	Letter referring to letter of 17 July 1858 and requesting information whether overseers of the poor have been appointed in pursuance of the act 20 Vict c 19 for the places called Monks House and Fern Islands [Farne Islands]. 28758C/58	18 Sept. 1858
GBR 78/463-464	Letter acknowledging that of 21 August 1858 regarding the number of inmates to be accommodated in the Workhouse, which should be set to be 204 and six in the vagrants' ward. The numbers should be painted on the outer door of each ward.	18 Sept. 1858
GBR 78/465	Request for transmitting the cost of in-maintenance and out-relief for the half-year ending on 29 September 1858.	20 Sept. 1858
GBR 78/466-467	Reference made to letter of 31 July 1858 to the Guardians respecting non-residence relief to James Morton as proposed by the Guardians. The Board request a reply to their letter. 31054A/58	27 Sept. 1858
GBR 78/468-471	Letter acknowledging that of 21 September 1858 and enclosing letter addressed to E Willoby [Edward Willoby], Clerk to the Justices, on 14 July 1858 [copy of letter enclosed]. The Board wish to know if the places alluded to [Monks House and Farne Islands] have been annexed to the Bamburgh Sessional Division. 3606C/58	24 Sept. 1858
GBR 78/472-473	Request for a return of the number of persons vaccinated by the public vaccinator during the year ended 29 September 1858. [Form enclosed].	1 Oct. 1858
GBR 78/474-475	Letter referring to Guardians' letter of 21 August 1858 and approving of the appointment of Jane Foreman as pupil teacher in the Workhouse School from 1 September 1858 with lodging, rations and clothing in return for her services. 36393A/58	2 Oct. 1858
GBR 78/476-477	Letter acknowledging that of 5 October 1858 and sanctioning rations for Jane Foreman, pupil teacher at the Workhouse, as set forth by the Guardians. 37292B/58	12 Oct. 1858
GBR 78/478-481	Letter transmitting the rate of repayments which will be made to the Guardians from the Parliamentary Grant in respect of the salaries paid to the Schoolmaster and Schoolmistress of the Workhouse School. Copies of inspection report for William Nesbit and Isabella Nesbit made by T B Browne, inspector of Parochial Union Schools enclosed. 37947/37948/58	16 Oct. 1858

GBR 78/482-483	Letter acknowledging that of 19 October 1858 containing application from the Guardians to transfer from the building account to the common charges account for the present half-year the sum of £34 15s 2d, being the amount of cost of the recent alterations and additions of the Workhouse, beyond the sums borrowed by the Guardians for that purpose. 38887A/58	23 Oct. 1858
GBR 78/484-485	Letter acknowledging that of 19 October 1858 with enclosures relating to the case of George Brooks, a pauper. The Board wish to know the result of the communication made to the Board of Supervision respecting the case. 38968C/58	26 Oct. 1858
GBR 78/486-487	Letter acknowledging that of 25 November 1858 and stating that the Board consent to the proposed transfer of £34 15s 2d from the building account to the common charges account of the Berwick Union. 39930A/58	5 Nov. 1858
GBR 78/488-489	Attention is drawn to letter of 1 July 1858 respecting the conveyance of a certain property from the Corporation of Berwick to the Guardians. 26307D/58	8 Nov. 1858
GBR 78/490-491	Letter acknowledging that of 16 November 1858 and consenting to the Guardians' continuing to grant for three months non-resident relief of 5s per week to Ann Watson, while living at Belford. 43607A/58	24 Nov. 1858
GBR 78/492-493	Letter acknowledging that of 17 November 1858 regarding the case of George Brooks, a pauper. 43872C/58	25 Nov. 1858
GBR 78/494-497	Letter enclosing copy of letter sent by the Board to James Wilson, Medical Officer of the Islandshire District respecting pay by the Guardians in special cases. 43614/58	27 Nov. 1858
GBR 78/498-499	Letter acknowledging those of 19 October 1858 and 16 November 1858 and giving their consent to the daughter of the Workhouse Master residing with him in the Workhouse on paying £6 per annum to defray costs of maintenance. 30908&43605B/58	29 Nov. 1858
GBR 78/500-504	Letter enclosing copies of correspondence between the Board and George Dick. Collector of Poor Rates for the Parish of Tweedmouth, regarding a report made to them by the District Auditor. 44340E/58 Copy of correspondence between the Board and Mr Dick dated 17 November 1858 44242/58 Extract of report 44341/58 Letter from George Dick to the Board dated 2 December 1858 4430E/58 Letter from the Board to Mr George Dick dated 2 December 1858	2 Dec. 1858
GBR 78/505	Circular inviting the opinion of boards of guardians and medical practitioners interested in the subject of medical relief in a proposed new scheme.	2 Dec. 1858
GBR 78/506-507	Letter acknowledging those of 19 October 1858 and 16 October 1858 and approving of the Guardians' proposal to detach the township of Cheswick in the Parish of Ancroft from the Tweedmouth medical district and annex it to the Islandshire District, and to detach the township of Berrington in the Parish of Kylee from the Islandshire District and annex it to the Tweedmouth District. No change in salaries of medical officers. 38907/46606B/58	8 Dec. 1858
GBR 78/508-509	Letter acknowledging that of 15 December 1858 respecting the	23 Dec. 1858

	accommodation of the vagrants' wards at the Workhouse. The Board do not object to the number proposed by the Guardians and the medical officer provided certain improvements are carried out. 48881A/58	
GBR 78/510	Request for return of the number of the several classes of paupers relieved in the Union on the first of that month.	23 Dec. 1858
GRR78/511-512	Circular regarding the registration of medical officers according to act 21&22 Vict, c 90, sect 34 passed on 2 August 1858. Medical officers have to register within six months of the passing of the Act.	23 Dec. 1858
GBR 78/513	Annual return of pauper lunatics [most of the page torn out].	28 Dec. 1858