Bridge of Weir Parish Church

Minute Book No. 2 (covers period from 31st January 1905 to 28th January 1924)

Transcript of all entries during course of WW1 with a selection thereafter relating to memorials.

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Tuesday, 29 th September, 1914 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, conform with written intimation.
	Present – Mr R.S. Milne, Trustee, and Messrs Buchanan, Cuthbertson, Rankine, Reid and Tod – Managers.
	Mr Milne presided.
	Minute of previous meeting, 30 th June, read and confirmed.
Payments	The following payments were passed:-
	Rev A.M. Shand, to a/c stipend £30
	Mr A.A. Simpkin ¼ salary 15
	M. Dunlin -do- 7. 10
	R.S. Milne (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Vestry, on Tuesday, 29 th December, 1914 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, in accord with written intimation.
	Present: - Messrs Milne & Purdon, Trustees, and Messrs Buchanan, Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Reid and Tod. Managers.
	Mr Milne in the Chair.
	The Minute of previous meeting, 29 th Sept. read and confirmed.
Financial Statement 1914	The Financial Statement for 1914, subject to audit, was submitted, and the following payments were agreed to: -
Payments	Mr A.A. Simpkin, quarter's salary £15
	Mr M. Dunlin -do- 7.10
	Mr R. Crawford Plumber 2.10
	Mr J. Woodrow Builder . 3.11
	Mr J. Gilbert (Sundries) . 15.
	The balance of Revenue for the year to be paid to Rev. A.M. Shand as Stipend.
	John Fullerton (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Vestry, on Thursday, 14 ^h January, 1915 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, conform with written intimation.
	Present: - Messrs Buchanan, Fullerton, Reid and Tod. Managers.
	No Trustee being present, Mr Fullerton was called on to preside.
	Minute of previous meeting, 29 th December, read and confirmed.
Financial	The Financial Statement for 1914, as audited by Messrs Rankine and Buchanan,
Statement 1914	was adopted: it was resolved to print and to distribute same to the Congregation.
Annual	The Annual Business Meeting was fixed for Monday, 25 th January, at 8 pm.
Meeting	
Managers	The Clerk intimated that Messrs John Fullerton and James Cuthbertson retire by
	rotation.
	R.S. Milne (signed)

Annual	The Annual Business Meeting of the Congregation was held in the Church Hall on
Meeting	Monday, 25 th January, 1915.
1915	
	Rev. A.M. Shand presided.
	Present: - Messrs Jack, Pollock, Purdie, Rankin and Weir – Elders
	Messrs Buchanan, Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Reid and Tod – Managers – and a good
	number of the congregation.
	After Prayer, the notice calling the meeting and the minute of the Annual Meeting
	1914 were read.
	The Chairman reviewed the work of the year, gave statistics of Membership, etc.
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Financial	The Managers' Financial Statement for 1914, as printed and circulated, was held
Statement	as read, and on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Weir, was
	unanimously adopted.
Managers	A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Messrs Fullerton and Cuthbertson, the
	Managers retiring by rotation. Each of those gentlemen was re-elected for the
	usual period. The former on the motion of Mr Jas. Rankin, seconded by Mr.
	Pollock, and the latter on the motion of Mr. Weir, seconded by Mr J.G. Wight.
	The Committee of Management of 1915 being
	Mr Adam Rankine
	Mr Kenneth Buchanan
	Mr W.G. Reid
	Mr James Tod
	Mr John Fullerton
	Mr James Cuthbertson.
Reports	The Chairman made a brief statement in reference to the Kirk Session, Mission
	Fund, Woman's Guild and Sabbath School, and thereafter closed the meeting with
	the benediction.
	A.M. Shand Chairman (signed)

Managers'	After the Annual Business Meeting Messrs Buchanan, Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Reid
Meeting	and Tod met to appoint Officials for the current year.
Clerk	Mr W.G. Reid on the motion of Mr Fullerton, seconded by Mr Cuthbertson was re-
	elected Clerk.
Treasurer	Mr James Tod on the motion of Mr Buchanan, seconded by Mr Fullerton was re-
	elected Treasurer.
Seats	The Clerk, Treasurer and Mr Buchanan were appointed as Seat-letting Committee
Committee	and
Auditors	Messrs Rankine and Buchanan as Auditors.
	R.S. Milne (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Wednesday, 31 st March, 1915 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, in accord with written intimation.
	Present: - Mr R.S. Milne, Trustee, and Messrs Buchanan, Fullerton, Rankine, Reid and Tod. Managers.
	Mr Milne in the Chair.
	Minute of meeting, 14 th and 25 th January read and confirmed.
Books re 1914 attested	The Clerk reported that the books and accounts for 1914 had been duly attested by the Presbytery.
Payments	The following payments were agreed to:
	Rev A.M. Shand to a/c stipend £30
	Mr A.A. Simpkin ¼ salary 15
	Mr M Dunlin -do- 7.10.
	Mr J. Woodrow Manse drainage 5. 4. 2
	R.S. Milne 30/6/15 (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Wednesday, 30 th June, 1915 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, conform with written intimation.
	Present: - Mr R.S. Milne, Trustee, and Messrs Buchanan, Fullerton, Reid and Tod. Managers.
	Mr Milne presided.
	The Minute of previous meeting, 31 st March was confirmed.
Duties-Land	Duties on Land Values, under Finance (1909-10) Act, 1910, Provisional Valuation.
Values	The Clerk reported that he had consulted Mr Hugh Duncan, Solicitor who advised,
	owing to the present political and financial conditions, that the matter be left in
	abeyance. It was resolved accordingly.
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Joint Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Sunday, 22 nd August, 1915 – a meeting of Kirk Session and Managers was held, in accord with Pulpit intimation. Present: - Rev A.M. Shand, Messrs Milne and Pollock, Elders. Messrs Buchanan, and Reid, Managers.
James Purdie Death - Resolution	On the motion of the Moderator the following resolution was adopted: a copy of same, signed by the Moderator, the Session Clerk and the Clerk to the Managers, to be sent to the family of the late Mr James Purdie: -
	"At a meeting of the Kirk Session and the Committee of Management of Bridge of Weir Parish Church held on the 22 nd day of August, 1915, the Office-Bearers unanimously resolved to record their deep sense of the loss they have sustained by the death of Mr James Purdie, who had rendered long and faithful service to the Church as an Elder and Trustee. As one of those who were mainly instrumental in forming the Congregation of the Church of Scotland in Bridge of Weir forty years ago, Mr Purdie continued during all his life to take a warm and active interest in the welfare of the Church. Thankfully acknowledging the Divine Mercy in so long sparing the life of their departed Brother, the Office-Bearers cannot but regard with sincere sorrow the great blank caused by his removal: while yet they will long cherish the honoured memory of one who, by his kindliness of heart, his honesty of purpose, his upright Christian life and his faithful devotion to duty, commanded the respect of the whole Congregation. They desire to express their heartfelt sympathy with his family in their bereavement, commending them to the Grace and Comfort of Almighty God, who in His Wisdom and Mercy has called His servant Home to the restful work of the endless years. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them".
	A.M. Shand, Chairman (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Vestry, on Thursday, 30 th September, 1915 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, in accord with written intimation. Present: - Mr R.S. Milne, Trustee, Messrs Buchanan, Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Rankine, Reid and Tod. Managers. Mr Milne in the Chair.
	The Minute of previous meeting, 30 th June, read and confirmed.
Manse Bond Interest	The Clerk submitted letter of 10 th August from Messrs Russell and Duncan, Agents for the Bond holders, intimating that the rate of Interest on the bond over the Manse will be increased to 4½ per cent as from Martinmas 1915. The increased rate was agreed to.
Endowment, Investment	The Clerk submitted letter of 23 rd July, 1915 from J.B. McIntosh & Son, Writers, Edinburgh, and relative Official Extract of Memorandum of Agreement between the Trustees of the Church and John Glover W.S. – dated 13 th February and registered 2 nd June, 1915, constituting additional Feu duty of £1.13.3 over Nos 4/8 Willowbrae Road, Edinburgh in connection with the Endowment Investments. The arrangement was agreed to.
Payments	The following payments were passed:Rev A.M. Shand to a/c stipend£22.Mr A.A. Simpkin ¼ salary15Mr M Dunlin-do-7.10.
Air-Craft Insurance	The Chairman raised the question of Air-Craft Insurance during the period of the War and agreed to make enquiry as to the action of other Churches in the district, and to report. R.S. Milne (signed)

Joint Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Tuesday, 7 th December, 1915 – a meeting of Kirk Session and Managers was held, conform with written intimation.
	Present: - Rev A.M. Shand-Moderator, Messrs Brown, Neil, Nicol, Kerr, Pollock, Rankin, Weir and Whitehead - Elders. Messrs Buchanan, and Reid, Managers.
	Minute of meeting 1 st October 1912, 28 th Oct 1913 and 22 nd August 1915, read and approved.
Church Officer	The Clerk submitted a note, dated 29 th Nov., from Mr Dunlin, resigning his position as Church Officer: which it was agreed to accept.
Appointment A. Kidd	Mr Shand proposed Mr Andrew Kidd, Maxwell Terrace, for the Office, which was unanimously supported. The Clerk was asked to intimate accordingly to Mr Kidd: the Salary to be £30 per annum, as at present. The meeting was opened and closed with prayer. A M. Shand (signed)

Managers' Meeting	 At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Wednesday, 29th December, 1915 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, conform with written intimation. Present: - Mr Milne, Trustee, Messrs Buchanan, Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Rankine, Reid and Tod. Managers. Mr Milne in the Chair.
	The Minute of previous meeting, 30 th Sept, read and confirmed.
Air-Craft Insurance	Mr Milne reported that he had communicated with Rev Dr Metcalfe, Paisley, in reference to Insurance against loss by Air-Craft, during the War, and found that no
	action had been taken generally within the bounds of the Presbytery. It was resolved to take no further step meantime.
Manse Feu Duty Duplication Conversion	The Clerk submitted letter of 11 th November last, from S. Steven, Writer, Glasgow, in behalf of William Baxter, M.D. Hurlford, Superior of Mansewrae Estate, in reference to redemption of duplications of Feu Duty on the Manse Ground: the Clerk's reply of 17 th November also read. It was decided to convert into additional Feu-duty, payable half-yearly.
Trustee F.H. Mingay. A. Purdon resignation	The Clerk submitted letter of 21 st December, from Mr R.S. Milne, intimating that Mr Frank H. Mingay had been assumed as a Trustee – and that Mr A. Purdon's resignation of his position as Trustee had been accepted.
Financial Statement 1915	The Financial Statement for 1915, subject to audit, was submitted, and the following payments agreed to: - Mr A.A. Simpkin, quarter's salary £15 Mr M Dunlin -do- 7.10. Sundry Accounts-Repairs etc 16.14.2 The balance of Revenue to be paid to Rev. A.M. Shand as Stipend. John Fullerton (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Vestry, on Thursday, 13 th January, 1916 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, conform with written intimation.
	Present: - Messrs Buchanan, Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Reid and Tod.
	No Trustee being present Mr Fullerton was called on to preside.
	The Minute of previous meeting, 29 th Dec., read and confirmed.
Financial Statement 1915	The Financial Statement for 1915, audited by Messrs Rankine and Buchanan, was adopted, resolved to print and to distribute same to the Congregation.
Annual Meeting 1916	The Annual Business Meeting was fixed for Tuesday, 25 th January, at 8 pm.
Managers	The Clerk intimated that Messrs Rankine and Buchanan retire by rotation. R.S. Milne (signed)

The Annual Business Meeting of the Congregation was held in the Church Hall on
Tuesday, 26 th January, 1916.
Messrs Neil, Nicol, Pollock, Jas. Rankin, Weir and Whitehead – Elders Messrs Cuthbertson, Reid and Tod – Managers – and a fair representation of Members, were present
Rev. A.M. Shand M.A. presided
After Prayer, the notice calling the meeting and the minute of the Annual Meeting 1915 were read.
The Chairman made a review of the past year, gave statistics of Membership, etc and tendered thanks to all who had rendered service in the Work.
The Managers' Financial Statement for 1915, as printed and circulated, was held as read, and on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Cuthbertson, was unanimously adopted.
Messrs Adam Rankine and Kenneth Buchanan, the Managers retiring by rotation, were accorded a hearty vote of thanks for their services. Mr Adam Rankine on the motion of Mr Pollock, seconded by Mr Weir, and Mr Kenneth Buchanan on the motion of Mr. James Rankin, seconded by Mr Dunlin, were re-elected for the usual period.
The Committee of Management for 1916 thus being: -
Mr W.G. Reid
Mr James Tod
Mr John Fullerton
Mr James Cuthbertson
Mr Adam Rankine
Mr Kenneth Buchanan
The Chairman gave a statement in connection with the Kirk Session and Mission
Funds, and the work of the Sabbath School, and Miss McLeish submitted an interesting report in behalf of the Woman's Guild
The meeting closed with the benediction. A.M. Shand Chairman (signed)

Managers' Meeting	After the forenoon service on Sunday, 30 th January, 1916, the Managers met to appoint Officials for the current year.
	Present. Messrs Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Reid & Tod.
Clerk	Mr W.G. Reid on the motion of Mr Fullerton, seconded by Mr Cuthbertson was re-
	elected Clerk.
Treasurer	Mr James Tod on the motion of Mr Cuthbertson, seconded by Mr Fullerton was
	re-elected Treasurer.
Seats	The Clerk, Treasurer and Mr Kenneth Buchanan were appointed as Seat-letting
Committee	Committee, and
Auditors	Messrs Rankine and Kenneth Buchanan, Auditors.
	R.S. Milne (signed)

Joint Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Sunday, 20 th February, 1916 – a meeting of Kirk Session and Managers was held, in accord with Pulpit intimation.
	Present: - Rev A.M. Shand, Moderator. Messrs Brown, Jack, Kerr, Neil, Nicol, Pollock and Weir, Elders and Mr W.G. Reid, Manager.
Lighting Restrictions	The Moderator stated the meeting was called to make the necessary provision to conform with the Special Lighting Regulations for the reduction of risk of damage by air-craft during the War, and that it was necessary to subdue the lighting of the Church during the evening service, or, for the time being, to change the hour of same. After various suggestions, it was resolved to change the hour of the Evening Service from 6.30 to 4 o'clock afternoon for so long as artificial light in the Church is necessary. A.M Shand, Chairman (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Vestry, on Thursday, 30 th March, 1916– a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, conform with written intimation.
	Present: - Mr R.S. Milne, Trustee, and Messrs Buchanan, Cuthbertson, Reid and Tod.
	Mr Milne in the Chair.
	Minute of 13 th and 30 th January read and confirmed.
Books re 1915 attested	The Clerk reported that the books and accounts for 1915 had been attested by the Presbytery.
Manse Feu Duty	The Clerk submitted letter of 2 nd March 1916, from Mr Steven, Writer, Glasgow, re Manse Feu duty, stating the capital sum payable in redemption of future
Casualties	duplications to be £9.1.7 and if converted into additional Feu duty at 4% 7/3 per
	annum: making the yearly Feu duty £6.6.10 ½. The Clerk also read his reply of 29 th March accepting the alternative of the additional Feu duty of 7/3 per annum, conform with the resolve of 29 th December, 1915.
Payments	The following payments were passed:
	Rev A.M. Shand to a/c stipend £25
	Mr A.A. Simpkin ¼ salary 15 Mr A. Kidd -do- 7.10.
	R.S. Milne (signed)

Managers' Meeting	 At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Wednesday, 10th May, 1916– a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, in accord with Pulpit intimation. Present: - Mr R.S. Milne, Trustee. Messrs Buchanan, Cuthbertson, Reid and Tod, Managers. Mr Milne in the Chair. Minute of previous meeting read and confirmed.
Insurance Air-Craft	In view of the existing War conditions it was resolved to insure the Church and property therein, with the Royal Insurance Co. Ltd. under the Government Scheme, for the sum of £5630, at the quoted rate of 2/- %.
Girls' School Co. Ltd. Let of Hall.	The Clerk submitted letter of 25 th April, from Messrs D. Hill Jack & Son, in behalf of the Girls' School Co. Ltd., Glasgow, proposing to take the Church Hall for a period, for the purpose of a Kindergarten School. It was thought it would be an advantage in having such a school in the neighbourhood, and it was decided to entertain the proposal. The Clerk was deputed to discuss and arrange with the Girls' School Co. accordingly.
	R.S. Milne 30/6/16 (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Friday, 30 th June, 1916– a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, in accord with written intimation.
	Present: - Mr R.S. Milne, Trustee. Messrs Buchanan, Fullerton, Reid and Tod, Managers. Mr Milne in the Chair.
	Minute of previous meeting read & confirmed.
Insurance Air-Craft	The Clerk submitted Air-Craft Policy for £5630, with the Royal Insurance Co. Ltd. expiring 11 th May 1917. Premium £5.12.4.
Girls' School Co. Ltd. Let of Hall.	The Clerk reported that the movement by the Girls' School Co. Ltd. to form a Kindergarten School in Bridge of Weir has been departed from owing to lack of support.
Payments	The following payments were passed:
	Rev A.M. Shand to a/c stipend £57
	-do- Communion Expenses 10.
	Mr A.A. Simpkin quarters' salary 15.
	Mr A. Kidd -do- 7.10.
	Gas Account 13.15.6 R.S. Milne (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Friday, 29 th September, 1916– a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, conform with written intimation.
	Present: - Messrs Milne and Mingay, Trustees. Messrs Buchanan, Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Rankine, Reid and Tod, Managers. Mr Milne in the Chair. Minute of previous meeting read and approved.
Payments	The following payments were passed:Rev A.M. Shand to a/c stipend £20Mr A.A. Simpkin quarter's salary 15Mr A. Kidd -do- 7.10.R.S. Milne (signed)

Managers' Meeting	 At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Friday, 29th Decr, 1916– a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, conform with written intimation. Present: - Mr R.S. Milne, Trustee. Messrs Buchanan, Rankine, Reid and Tod, Managers. Mr Milne in the Chair. Minute of previous meeting read and confirmed.
Manse Feu Duty Casualties	The Clerk submitted letter of 9 th Novr. 1916, from Messrs Russell & Duncan, Writers, stating that the agreement with the Superior re the redemption of Casualties connected with the Manse Feu duty had been completed and recorded, whereby the future duplications are converted into an additional modified annual Feu Duty of 7/3 over and above the existing annual Feu duty of £5.19.7 ½ which is payable so long as the buildings are used as a Manse. (Note. A copy of the Agreement has been retained and placed with the Manse Titles.)
Heating Apparatus Repair Financial Statement Payments	The Clerk reported that owing to damage to the heating apparatus it had beenfound necessary to replace the greater part of the boiler and furnace. The workhad been placed in the hands of Messrs James Cormack & Sons, Ltd., Glasgow.The Financial Statement for1916, subject to audit, was submitted, and thefollowing payments passed:Mr A.A. Simpkin quarter's salary15Mr A. Kidd-do-7.10.
Heating Apparatus Repair	It was agreed to keep in hand the sum of Twenty Pounds sterling towards the cost of repair of the heating apparatus, the balance of the year's revenue, thereafter, to be paid to the Rev. Mr Shand as Stipend. John Fullerton (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on Friday, 12 th January, 1917 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held, in accord with written intimation.
	Present: - Messrs Buchanan, Fullerton, Reid and Tod, Managers.
	No Trustee being present, Mr Fullerton was asked to preside.
	The minute of previous meeting, 29 th December, was read and confirmed.
Financial Statement	The Financial Statement for 1916, audited by Messrs Rankine and Buchanan, was adopted, and it was agreed to print and to distribute same to the Congregation.
Annual Meeting 1917	The Annual Business Meeting was fixed for Monday, 29 th January, at 8 o/c pm.
Managers	The Clerk intimated that Messrs Reid & Tod retire by rotation. R.S. Milne (signed)

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Annual	The Annual Business Meeting of the Congregation was held in the Church Hall on
Meeting	Monday, 29 th January, 1917.
1917	
	Present: Rev. A.M. Shand, Rev. J. Crouch, Messrs Kerr, Neil, Nicol, J.M. Rankin,
	Weir and Whitehead – Elders
	Messrs Buchanan, Cuthbertson, Reid and Tod – Managers – also a considerable
	number of the Congregation.
	Rev. A.M. Shand M.A. presided and opened the meeting with prayer.
	Never such on and which presided and opened the meeting with prayer.
	The notice calling the meeting and the minute of the Annual Meeting 1916 were
	read.
	The Chairman in reviewing the work of the past year, made feeling reference to
	the death, on the previous day, of Mr James Findlay, "Netherby", a member of the
	Kirk Session, who had done quiet, earnest work in the Church.
Financial	The Managers' Financial Statement for 1916, as printed and circulated, was held
Statement	as read, and on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr W. Neil, was
	adopted.
Managers	Messrs W.G. Reid and James Tod, the retiring Managers, were accorded a hearty
	vote of thanks for services rendered. Mr W.G. Reid on the motion of Mr Hugh
	Duncan, seconded by Mr H.I. Pearson, was re-elected. Mr Tod – who had held
	office for 17 years past – not desiring re-election, Mr K. Buchanan moved, Mr D.
	Nicol supported the election of Mr James Porteous to the Committee of
	Management, which was unanimously agreed to.
	The Committee of Management for 1917 thus being: -
	Mr John Fullerton
	Mr James Cuthbertson
	Mr Adam Rankine
	Mr Kenneth Buchanan
	Mr W.G. Reid
	Mr James Porteous
Reports	Remarks in behalf of the Kirk-Session were made by Mr J.S. Weir, for the Mission
	Fund by the Chairman and Mr Whitehead, and for the Sabbath School by Mr W.A.
	Kerr.
	The Report of the Womans' Guild – Miss McLeish, Secretary, being absent owing
	to indisposition – was read by the Chairman.
	The meeting was closed with the Benediction.
	A.M. Shand Chairman (signed)
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Social	After the transaction of the business of the annual business meeting minuted on
Meeting.	the two preceding pages, the meeting resolved itself into a social one to do
Presentation	honour to Mr James Tod, who had acted as Treasurer of the Managers for the
to Mr James	past 17 years, and had now retired. After tea had been served the Reverend Mr
Tod on	Shand took the chair and having paid a warm tribute to Mr Tod called upon Mr
retiral as	W.G. Reid. Mr Reid recalled that Mr Tod and he had both taken office as
Treasurer.	Treasurer and Secretary respectively at the same time. That was 17 years ago and
	from that day till this the partnership of Reid and Tod then happily constituted
	had never experienced a jarring note. Mr Reid mentioned that the amount of the
	transactions during Mr Tod's tenure of office of Treasurer amounted to between
	eleven and twelve thousand pounds. He concluded by expressing to Mr Tod on
	behalf of the congregation their high esteem and their good wishes for long
	continued health to go in and out among them, and in token of appreciation by
	the congregation of his services as Treasurer handed to Mr Tod a Wallet of
	Treasury notes.
	Mr Tod thanked the congregation for their kindness. He recalled the
	circumstances under which he had been put into the office against his will but said
	he had had the greatest pleasure in doing whatever he had done for the Church,
	and would look back on the period of his association with Mr Reid as one of his
	happiest memories.
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Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church and within the vestry on 29 th January, 1917 immediately after the annual business meeting a meeting of Committee of Management was held to appoint Officials for the current year. Present. Mr Mingay, Trustee and Messrs W.G. Reid, Buchanan, and Cuthbertson, Managers. Mr Reid in the Chair.
Thanks to Mr W.G. Reid on retiral as clerk	It was mentioned that as was generally known Mr W.G. Reid had resolved to retire from the Clerkship of the Committee at this time. On the motion of Mr Cuthbertson seconded by Mr Buchanan it was unanimously resolved to place on record the Committee's sense of the invaluable services rendered to the Committee, to the Congregation, and to every agency of the Church, during the past 17 years by Mr Reid as clerk to the managers; their regret at his retiral and their satisfaction that he had consented to remain on the Committee of Management to give them the benefit of his unequalled experience. Mr Reid thanked the Committee for their expression of appreciation of his services which it had always given him the greatest pleasure to render.
Mr Cuthbertson elected Clerk	On the motion of Mr Reid, seconded by Mr Buchanan, Mr Cuthbertson was elected Clerk.
Mr Porteous elected Treasurer	On the motion of Mr Buchanan, seconded by Mr Cuthbertson, Mr James Porteous was elected Treasurer.
Seat-letting Committee	The Treasurer, Mr Reid and Mr Buchanan were appointed as Seat-letting Committee.
Auditors	Mr Adam Rankine and Mr Buchanan were appointed Auditors. R.S. Milne (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room there on Wednesday, 28 th March, 1917 – a meeting of Kirk Session and Managers was held, in accordance with written intimation. Present: - Messrs Kerr, Neil, Nicol, and Whitehead, Elders; Messrs R.S. Milne and F.H. Mingay, Trustees; and Messrs Buchanan, Fullerton, Porteous, Reid and Cuthbertson, Managers. In the absence of the Reverend Mr Shand, the Moderator of the Session, Mr Reid was called to the chair on the motion of Mr Kenneth Buchanan. Apologies for absence were intimated from the Reverend Mr Shand and Messrs Brown, Adam Rankine, J.M. Rankin and Weir.
Raising fund for repair of heating apparatus.	The Clerk said the meeting had been called to consider as to the best means of raising the money required to defray the cost of repairing the heating apparatus. The Chairman explained that although this being a money matter it was one which strictly speaking lay entirely within the province of the Managers, it was considered right that the Committee of Managers should have the advice and assistance of the Session.
Cost of repairs	Letter was submitted from Messrs Cormack the Heating Engineers, of yesterday's date, enclosing Account for the repairs amounting to £34:19:11, and pointing out that the boiler had yet to be covered, and as the coverers were presently very much engaged in Government work the insulation would have to stand over until the men can be released.
Appeal to congregation for contributions	After various suggestions it was unanimously resolved that an appeal should be made to the congregation for contributions to the amount of £40, to defray the expenses of the repairs; that the Elders should, as soon as possible, bring the matter before the members of the congregation in their respective districts and receive contributions; that so far as this was not undertaken by the Elders it should be undertaken by the Managers; and that intimation of the resolution should be made from the Pulpit on Sunday first at both diets of worship. George Muir. Interim Moderator of Bridge of Weir Kirk-Session (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room, on 28 th March, 1917 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held in accordance with written intimation. Present: - Messrs R.S. Milne and F.H. Mingay, Trustees, and Messrs Buchanan, Fullerton, Porteous, Reid and Cuthbertson, Managers. Mr Milne in the Chair.
Minutes of 12 th and 29 th January	Minutes of meeting of 12 th and 29 th January 1917 were read and confirmed.
Books & Accounts for 1916 attested	Mr Reid reported that the Books and Accounts for 1916 had been attested by the Presbytery.
Resignation of Mr Buchanan	Mr Buchanan intimated that owing to his leaving Bridge of Weir he would be reluctantly obliged to resign from the Committee of Management. On the motion of Mr W.G. Reid it was unanimously agreed to thank Mr Buchanan for his services and to minute the regret of the Committee at his retiral and their best wishes for his future happiness. Mr Buchanan returned thanks.
Payments	The following payments were passed:The Rev A.M. Shand to account of stipend£25 :- :-Mr A.A. Simpkin, quarter's salary15 :- :-Mr A. Kidd-do-7: 10 :-John Watson & Co for printing reports2: 8 :-William Neil for Coals9: 8 :-G. & S.W. Railway Co. for sleepers-:13 :-
Mr Andrew Kidd called up for Military Service. Appointment of Mrs Kidd in his place.	The Clerk read letter from Andrew Kidd dated 19th February stating that he had received intimation that he was to be called up for Military Service in April or May, and suggesting that his Mother-in-Law Mrs Kidd who at present does the Church cleaning should be allowed to perform the Church Officer's duties while he is on Service. It was agreed that in the meantime Mrs Kidd be given a trial of the duties.
Aircraft Insurance	It was agreed to renew the Aircraft Insurance for another year. R.S. Milne (signed)

Joint Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room there on Sunday, 17 th June, 1917 – a meeting of the Kirk Session and Managers was held in accordance with Pulpit intimation.
	Present: - Rev. A.M. Shand in the chair. Also present Messrs Brown, Kerr, Pollock, James Rankin, Whitehead and Weir, Elders and Messrs Reid and Cuthbertson, Managers.
Special Collection in aid of Red Cross Funds	The Clerk, Mr Cuthbertson, mentioned that Mrs John Fullerton, the Commandant of the Bridge of Weir Section of the Scottish Branch British Red Cross Society had suggested that a special collection be made on a Sunday in July in aid of the fund for £100,000 being raised for the purpose of the Society including the Medical and Surgical treatment of Discharged Disabled Soldiers. Agreed to make a special collection for the above purpose on Sunday, 8 th July and to intimate same from the Pulpit on Sundays, 24 th June and 1 st July and that the amount collected over the ordinary collection be given to the Red Cross Society in aid of the fund above mentioned. George Muir. Interim Moderator of Bridge of Weir Kirk-Session (signed)

	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Clas July, 1917 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers wa written intimation. Present: - R.S. Milne, Trustee. Messrs Adam Rankine Managers. Mr Milne in the Chair.	as held in accordance with
Minute of 28 th March	The Minute of Meeting of 28 th March was read, app	roved and signed.
Absence of Mr Porteous owing to his father's death	It was explained that owing to his father's funeral to Treasurer, would not be able to be at the meeting.	oday Mr Porteous, the
Church Collections	On behalf of the Treasurer it was reported that the Church Collections were down £4 as compared with the same quarter last year, and that the sums received for seat rents were £19 less than for the same period last year. It was agreed that the Treasurer send a reminder to those in arrear with their seat rents.	
Payments	The following payments were authorised: The Rev A.M. Shand to account of stipend -do- Communion Expenses Mr A.A. Simpkin quarters' salary Mr A. A. Kidd -do- Gas Account Employers' Insurance Messrs James Cormack & Sons Ltd Heating Engineer	£47 :- :- 10 :- :- 15 :- :- 7: 10 :- 12: 4: 9 - : 10 :- rs, to account 30 :- :-
Boiler Insurance	Agreed that the Treasurer take out a Boiler Insuranc which was estimated at about £1. R.S. Milne (signed)	

Joint Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room there on Sunday, 16 th September, 1917 – a meeting of the Kirk Session and Managers was held in accordance with written intimation. Present: - Messrs Brown, Jack, Kerr, Neil, Pollock and James Rankin, Elders and Messrs Fullerton, Porteous, Adam Rankine and Reid, Managers. Presiding
Arrangement under Lighting Restriction	Mr Reid stated that the Clerk to the Managers Mr Cuthbertson, was confined to the house with a cold and explained that the meeting had been called to arrange whether the Sunday Evening Services during the Winter should be held in the Church or Hall, that he Mr Reid, Mr Cuthbertson and Mr Crawford, Plumber, had on the previous evening met the Police Constable as Inspector of Lighting under the Lighting Order in the Church and had pointed out to him what, subject to the approval of the meeting, was proposed in the event of the Services being held in the Church, namely: that only the centre of the area of the Church should be used by the Congregation, and that only the Church Lights, the Lights in the centre area, and the Vestibule Light be lit, and that these Lights be shaded in the way pointed out to the Police Constable, and that the Police Constable had approved of the proposed lighting arrangements. The meeting unanimously agreed that the Sunday Evening Services be held in the Church, and approved of the above arrangements. George Muir, Interim Moderator of Bridge of Weir Kirk Session. (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room there on Wednesday, 3 rd October, 1917 – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held in accordance with written intimation. Present: - Mr R.S. Milne, Trustee. Messrs Fullerton, Porteous, Adam Rankine, Reid and Cuthbertson, Managers. Mr Milne in the Chair. The Minute of Meeting of 3 rd July was read, approved and signed.	
Payments	The following payments were authorised:Rev A.M. Shand to account of stipend £9:10:-, making with the £10:10:- paid forPulpit Supply£20 :- :-Mr A.A. Simpkin quarters' salary15 :- :-Mr A. Kidd-do-7: 10 :-	
Quotations for Coal	The Clerk reported that he had requested Mr Neil to send quotation for the coal supplied for the heating of the Church during the coming Winter and that Mr Neil had quoted per ton as follows: Double Nuts £1:7:- Anthracite Coal 1:12:6 The Clerk was instructed to write Mr Neil accepting his offer to supply coal at above prices.	
Painting etc of Church Board	It was agreed that the Church Board at the entrance gate should be painted, varnished and re-lettered, as soon as an opportunity occurs for getting the work satisfactorily done – the cost not to exceed £2 :10 /- W.G. Reid (signed)	

	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Hall there on Thursday, 27 th December, 1917 at 8.15pm – a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held in accordance with Pulpit intimation.
	Present: - Messrs Reid, Porteous and Cuthbertson. Mr Reid in the Chair.
	Apologies for absence were intimated from Messrs Rankine and Fullerton.
Financial Statement	Financial Statement for 1917 was submitted and the following payments authorised:
Payments	Mr A.A. Simpkin, quarter's salary £15 :- :-
	Mr A. Kidd -do- 7 :10 :-
	Mr John Crawford, Plumber 8: 9: 8
	-dodo- 1: 2: 8
	Mr John Woodrow, Joiner -: 9: 10
	Mr Robert Marshall, Slater 4: 6: 9
	The balance of Revenue to be paid to the Reverend Mr Shand as Stipend.
Auditor	Mr Reid was appointed to audit in place of Mr K. Buchanan.
	W.G. Reid (signed)

	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room there on Friday, 18 th January, 1918, a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held in accordance with written intimation. Present: - Messrs Reid, Rankine, Fullerton, Porteous and Cuthbertson. Mr Reid in the Chair.
Minutes of 3 rd October & 27 th Decr. approved	The Minutes of Meeting of 3 rd October and 27 th December last were read, approved, confirmed and signed.
Financial Statement	The Financial Statement for 1916 [sic], audited by Messrs Rankine and Reid, was adopted, and it was agreed to print and to distribute same to the Congregation.
Annual Business Meeting	The Annual Business Meeting was fixed for Tuesday, 29 th January, at 8 o'clock pm and the intimation of the meeting to be made from the Pulpit at both diets of Worship on Sundays, 20 th and 27 th inst. was approved.
Retiral of Managers by rotation	The Clerk intimated that Messrs Fullerton and Cuthbertson retired at this time by rotation, and that the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr Kenneth Buchanan on his removal from Bridge of Weir, also fell to be filled up. R.S. Milne (signed)
Intimation to be made from the Pulpit	The Annual Business Meeting in connection with this Church will be held in the Church Hall on Tuesday, 29 th January 1918 at 8 pm to receive the Managers' Financial Statement, to elect Managers in place of those retiring, and to transact any other competent business, all in terms of the Constitution of this Church.

Annual Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church and within the Hall there on Tuesday, 29 th January, 1918, the Annual Business Meeting of the Congregation was held.
	Present: The Rev. A.M. Shand, Messrs Jack, Neil, Pollock, J.M. Rankin and Whitehead – Elders: Mr F.H. Mingay, Trustee, and Messrs Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Porteous, Adam Rankine, and Reid – Managers – also a considerable number of the Congregation.
	The Rev. A.M. Shand presided, and opened the Meeting with Prayer.
	The intimation calling the meeting was read.
	The Minute of the Annual Meeting held on 29 th January, 1917, was read, approved and signed by the Chairman.
	The Chairman reviewed the work of the past year, dealing especially with his work during the past five months in the Paisley Presbytery Hut in France, and bearing testimony to the value of the work done in the Huts, to the strenuousness of the work, and to the pleasure which he felt in being back among his people.
Financial	The Managers' Financial Statement for 1917, as printed and circulated, was held
Statement	as read. The Treasurer pointed out that by a clerical error the taxes appeared in
	the printed Statement of Income and Expenditure as amounting to £12: 2: 3,
	instead of "11: 2: 3 as in the actual Statement engrossed in the Treasurer's Book
	and audited by the Auditors, Mr Adam Rankine and Mr Reid; that this caused an
	apparent error of £1 in the summation of the Expenditure side of the Statement
	as printed. With this explanation the Statement of Income and Expenditure for the
	year 1917 as printed, but with the correction above mentioned, was on the
	motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Pearson, unanimously adopted.
Retiring	The Chairman stated that the two Managers falling to retire by rotation at this
Managers	time were Mr John Fullerton and Mr James Cuthbertson.
Re-election	On the motion of Mr Robert Pollock, Mr Fullerton was unanimously re-elected. Mr
of Mr	Fullerton stated that he had fully intended to retire at this time, but on condition
Fullerton	that it was distinctly understood that he would not be expected to hold the office
	longer than one year, he was willing to accept.
-do- Mr	On the motion of Mr Pearson, Mr Cuthbertson was unanimously re-elected.
Cuthbertson	
Election of	The Chairman said there was another vacancy in the Committee of Management
Mr Meikle	caused by the resignation of Mr Kenneth Buchanan, owing to his removal from
	Bridge of Weir. On the motion of Mr W.G. Reid, seconded by Mr Weir, Mr W.M.
	Meikle was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy, the Committee of
	Management for 1918 being thus:-
Managers	Adam Rankine James Porteous
	W.M. Meikle John Fullerton
	W.G. Reid Jas. Cuthbertson
Poporto	On the invitation of the Chairman Mr. Weir englise on hehelf of the Kirk Section
Reports	On the invitation of the Chairman, Mr Weir spoke on behalf of the Kirk-Session, and took the opportunity on behalf of the Office Bearers and the Congregation of
	welcoming Mr Shand back after his five months' service in the Presbytery Hut in
	France. Mr Whitehead spoke regarding the Mission Fund; and Miss McLeish
	submitted an interesting report on the work of the Woman's Guild.

Votes of	On the motion of the Chairman a hearty vote of thanks was awarded the Mission
thanks	Collectors, Sunday School Staff and the Woman's Guild. Mr W.G. Reid in
	supporting this motion pointed out how much the Managers were indebted to the
	Woman's Guild for raising such handsome contributions to the funds of the
	Church, and on behalf of the Committee of Management thanked the Woman's
	Guild. He also referred to the pleasure it gave to the Congregation to see Mr
	Shand amongst them again in good health after his strenuous work in the
	Presbytery Hut in France, and the opportunity which present circumstances
	offered for increased effort in the furtherance of the work of the Church, and the
	duty of everyone connected with the Church to make that effort.
	Mr Francis Brown paid a high tribute to the Choir and the Organist, and moved a
	hearty vote of thanks to them, to which Mr Adam Rankine replied.
	The meeting closed with the Benediction.
	A.M. Shand Chairman (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church and within the Class Room there on Tuesday 29 th January, 1918 immediately after the Annual Business Meeting, a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held to appoint Officials for the current year. Present. Mr Mingay, Trustee, Messrs Cuthbertson, Meikle, Rankine, Reid and Porteous, Managers. Mr Mingay presiding.
Re-election of Clerk	On the motion of Mr Reid, seconded by Mr Porteous, Mr Cuthbertson was re- elected Clerk.
-do- Treasurer	On the motion of Mr Mingay, seconded by Mr Meikle, Mr Porteous was re-elected Treasurer.
Seat letting Com.	The Treasurer, Mr Meikle and Mr Reid were appointed as Seat Letting Committee.
Jacket for Boiler	The Clerk stated that as the Committee were aware owing to the War it was not possible to have the Boiler covered with the usual plastic composition since the repairs were effected and that in consequence there was a considerable loss of heat. He had just heard from the Engineers, Messrs Cormack & Sons, that they happened to have on stock a Steel Asbestos lined jacket of the correct size for the Boiler, which they considered preferable to the plastic composition, and that the cost of having this put on would be £5: 7: 6 nett. It was remitted to the Church and Mr Reid to arrange for the Steel Asbestos lined Jacket being put on if they thought that advisable. R.S. Milne (signed)

Managers' Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Vestry there on Thursday, 28 th March, 1918, a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held in accordance with written intimation.
	Present: - Mr R.S. Milne, Trustee. Messrs Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Porteous and Reid, Managers. Mr Milne in the Chair.
Minutes approved	The Minutes of Meeting of the Trustees and Managers held on 18 th and 29 th January were read over, approved and signed by the Chairman.
Jacket for Boiler	Mr Reid reported that he had consulted several of his Engineering friends, and found that they considered the Steel Asbestos lined Jacket preferable to the plastic composition jacket for the Boiler, and that in accordance with the remit made at the meeting on 29 th January, he and Mr Cuthbertson had instructed Messrs Cormack to supply and fit up the Steel Asbestos lined Jacket. Mr Cuthbertson reported that he had been advised by Messrs Cormack that the jacket had been fitted on the Boiler on 21 st inst.
Books	Mr Porteous reported that the Books and Accounts for 1917 had been attested by
attested	the Presbytery.
Accounts	The following Accounts were passed for payment:
passed	Rev A.M. Shand to account of stipend £20 :- :-
	Quarter's salary - Organist 15 :- :-
	Quarter's salary – Church Officer7: 10 :-William Neil for Coal9: 14 :-
Increases Insce £2400 Increases Rents £200	The Clerk read a letter dated 27 th inst. which he had received from Mr. Shand stating that he had been compelled to incur a great deal of expense on the renewing of the plumber work in the Bathroom and Water Closet, partly on account of their being completely worn out, and partly on account of burst pipes during the Winter, and that the walls of the Dining Room under the Bathroom had suffered considerably, and would require papering afresh once they were dry, and asked that the Managers should consider the best way of meeting the expenditure involved. It was agreed to have a joint meeting of the Session and Managers to consider and decide on the matter as soon as the work has been finished, and the cost ascertained.
[Total] £2600 Manse Insce increased by £400	It was remitted to Mr Reid, the Treasurer, and the Clerk, to look over the Fire Insurance Policies, and to increase the sum insured by such sum as they thought proper, not exceeding £1000. R.S. Milne (signed)

Managers'	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Roo	m there on Tuesday
Meeting	2 nd July, 1918, a meeting of Trustees and Managers was h	
Meeting	with written intimation.	
	Present: - R.S. Milne, Trustee. Messrs Cuthbertson, Meikl	e, Porteous and Reid,
	Managers. Mr Milne in the Chair.	
Minute	The Minute of Meeting of 28 th March, 1918, was read over	er, approved and
approved	signed.	
	Apology for absence was intimated from Mr Fullerton, an	d it was mentioned
	that Mr Rankine was confined to bed.	
Repairs on	With reference to the expenditure involved in repair of p	lumber work &c in
Manse Plumber	Manse, referred to at last Meeting, the Clerk reported that	
Work	communicated to Mr Shand the resolution to have a Joint	
WORK	and Managers to consider and decide on the matter as so	-
	finished and the cost ascertained; that he (the Clerk) had	
	Shand to let him have the accounts and had subsequently	
	so, but that he had not yet received the accounts. The Cle	
	try get the accounts as soon as possible.	in was requested to
Increase on Fire	With reference to the remit to Mr Reid, the Treasurer and	d Clerk made at last
Insurances	Meeting regarding increase of Fire Insurance by a sum no	
	the Clerk reported that on looking into the matter they co	-
	inadequate. The Fire Insurance Policy over the Church etc	
	was agreed to increase the amount by £2600 made up of	
	increases:	
	On the Building, Fixtures and Fittings. Item no.	£2000
	1 in the Policy	
	On the Organ, Item No. 3 in the Policy	200
	On the Dr Duncan Memorial Window, Item No. 6 in Policy	
	On the Smellie Memorial Windows, Item No. 7 in the Poli	
	On one year's rent of Building, (not included in Policy)	, 200
	Total	£2600
	It was also agreed to increase the Insurance on the Mans	e to £2000, being
	£1950 on the Building and £50 on one year's rent. It was	· •
	consider the question at next meeting of insuring against	consequential loss.
Church	The Treasurer reported (1) that the Church Collections we	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Collections	of the collections for the same period last year, but that t	
	fourteen Sundays this year as against thirteen last year; a	nd (2) that the seat
Seat Rents	rents were £13: 15: 6 less than last year.	
Payments	The following payments were authorised:	
	Rev A.M. Shand to account of stipend	£25 :- :-
	Communion Expenses	10 :- :-
	Mr A.A. Simpkin quarter's salary	15 :- :-
	Church Officer -do-	7: 10 :-
	Messrs Cormack for Steel Asbestos lined jacket	5 : 7: 6
	Bone & Hulley for Printing Reports	2 :18: 6
	Gas Account	13: 4: 6
	William Neill for coals	9:14:-
	Water Rates	- : 12: 2
	R.S. Milne (signed)	

	
	Royal Insurance Company Ltd
	24, Fennel Street,
	(Engineering Insurance Department)
	Manchester
	16 th September, 1918
	Report on No. 1 Boiler
	After as far as practicable examination made on September 6 th , 1918.
	Trustees of the Parish Church,
	Parish Church,
	Bridge-of-Weir
	No. 1 Sectional Heating Boiler
Parts which	External surfaces under covering, portion at fireside of furnace and return flues
could not be	and the whole of the internal surfaces.
examined owing	
to construction	
or setting.	
Shell	Externally. In order where seen.
	Internally. Not accessible for inspection.
Furnace & Flues	<u>Fireside</u> . In order where seen.
	Waterside. Not accessible for inspection.
Mountings	Not opened up but so far as seen externally appeared in order.
Remarks	The boiler where seen externally is in working order but the feed tank would
	be better covered which we understand is to receive attention.
	(sgd) Michl. Longridge, W.I.W.
	Chief Engineer,
	P.A. James Porteous Esq.,
	Treasurer,
	The Trustees of the Parish Church,
	Parish Church,
	Bridge-of-Weir.
	R.S. Milne (signed)

Managers'	-	vithin the Class Room there on Tuesday,
Meeting	1 st October, 1918 at 8.30 pm, a meeting of Trustees and Managers was held in	
	accordance with written intimation.	
	Present: - Messrs R.S. Milne and F.H. N	
	Porteous and Reid, Managers. Mr Milr	ne in the Chair.
	Apology for absence was intimated fro	om the Clerk.
Mr Adam	The Chairman mentioned that this being	ng the first meeting since the death of
Rankine's death	their colleague in the management, M	r Adam Rankine, it was fitting that they
	should place on record their deep sense	se of the loss which they had sustained
	through Mr Rankine's death and move	d accordingly and that an excerpt of the
	minute be sent to Mrs Rankine. This w	
		n referred to the simplicity and sincerity
		indness which drew everyone to him and
	the whole-hearted enthusiasm with w	
	interest of the Church. The motion wa	-
Minute		read over and approved and was signed
approved	by the Chairman.	
Manse Repairs		and to obtain without further delay the
A/Cs	The Clerk was instructed to urge Mr Shand to obtain without further delay the accounts in connection with the manse repairs referred to in the previous two	
19 03	minutes.	e repairs referred to in the previous two
	The Treasurer reported receipt of the	following sums:-
	Donation from Miss Mathieson	£10: - : -
	Seat Rents	7:-:-
	Ordinary Collections	<u>43: 4: -</u>
	or unary conections	<u>43.4</u> 60: 4: -
	Less debit balance due Bank	: 7: <u>11</u>
	Less debit balance due bank	£59: 16: 1
Payments	The following payments were authoris	
authorised	Rev Mr Shand	£25 :- :-
authoriseu		15 :- :-
	Mr Simpkin, Organist Church Officer	
		7:10:-
	Fire Insurance - Church	6: 16: 3
	-dodo- extra on manse	- :5: 3
	Workmen's Compensation Insurance	: -11: - <u>55: 2: 6</u>
	Leaving balance in Bank	<u>£ 4: 13: 7</u>
Collections	The Treasurer reported that the collec	
	corresponding quarter of last year, but	
	Sundays against fourteen in the previo	
Coal Supply	The Clerk was instructed to get from M	
Proposed Joint		nd gas and with a view to effect saving in
Evening Service		isability of a joint evening service for the
	three local churches, the evening servi	
	alternately. This was unanimously app	roved and the clerk was instructed to
	inform Mr Shand.	
	R.S. Milne (Signed)	

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Joint Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room there on
	Wednesday, 23 rd October, 1918, a meeting of the Kirk Session and Managers
	was held in accordance with written intimation.
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	Present: - Rev. A.M. Shand in the Chair; Messrs Jack, Kerr, Nicol, Pollock,
	Rankin, Weir and Whitehead, Elders; Messrs Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Meikle
	and Reid, Managers.
	Meeting opened with prayer.
	Apology for absence was intimated from Mr Porteous who was confined to the
	house with a cold.
Resignation of	The Chairman mentioned that Mr Simpkin, Organist, had intimated that, having
Mr Simpkin,	accepted an appointment as Organist in Glasgow, he begged to resign his
Organist	appointment with the Parish Church, Bridge of Weir, on November 27 th next. It
Ŭ	was agreed to thank him for his services in the past and to wish him all success
	in the future.
Advertisement	It was also agreed that the Clerk to the Managers advertise in the Glasgow
for Organist	Herald and Paisley Gazette for Organist & Choirmaster at salary of £45.
Proposed Joint	The Clerk to the Managers mentioned that in view of the proposed rationing of
Evening Service	fuel and gas and with a view to effecting saving in these, the Managers had
	agreed to suggest to the Kirk Session the holding of a Joint Evening Service for
	the three local churches, the Evening Service to be held in the three churches
	alternately. The suggestion was unanimously approved of and it was agreed
	that the Session Clerk, Mr Weir, should communicate with the Session Clerks of
	the Ranfurly and Freeland U.F. Churches and inform them of the suggestion
	made and asking that it should be taken into consideration by the office
	bearers of the other two churches, and if approved, that the minister and two
	representatives from the office bearers of each church should meet in the
	Class Room of the Parish Church on Tuesday, 5 th November to discuss the
	matter and if agreed to make arrangements for the joint Services. It was
	agreed that if only one of the Churches should adopt the suggestion a joint
	Evening Service should be arranged with that Church. Mr Weir and Mr Reid
Repairs to	were appointed representatives from the Parish Church Office Bearers. The Chairman stated that in the Spring of the year he had been compelled to
Manse	incur a good deal of expense in the renewing of the plumber work in the
widiise	bathroom and water closet, partly on account of its being worn out and partly
	on account of burst pipes. The Clerk to the Managers mentioned that the
	expense incurred was as follows: -
	John Crawford, Plumber £42: 4: -
	John Woodrow, Joiner <u>15: 6: 6</u>
	<u><u><u>f57</u>: 10: 6</u></u>
	It was agreed that the elders should bring the matter before the Members of
	the Congregation in their respective districts and receive contributions. It was
	agreed that the Office Bearers present should intimate their subscriptions to
	the fund and that the Clerk to the Managers should make out and have ready
	for each of the Elders on Sunday first a card showing the total cost of repairs,
	the amount contributed by the Office Bearers and the balance remaining to be
	raised.
	Meeting closed with the Benediction.
	A.M. Shand, Chairman (signed)

Joint Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room there on Tuesday, 5 th November, 1918, at 8.30 pm, a meeting of the Kirk Session and Managers was held. Present: - Rev. A.M. Shand in the Chair; Messrs Pollock, Rankin, and Weir, Elders; Messrs Cuthbertson, Fullerton, Meikle, Porteous and Reid, Managers.
	Meeting opened with prayer.
Proposed Joint Services	With reference to the proposed Joint Service referred to at last meeting of the Kirk Session and Managers, the Chairman reported that he and Mr Weir and Mr W.G. Reid, the two representatives from the Office Bearers of the Parish Church appointed at last meeting, had attended in the Class Room to-night at 8 o'clock to meet the minister and two representatives from each of the two U.F. Churches; that the Rev. Mr Wilson and Mr Kerr Duff and Mr Duncan Finlayson, as representatives from the Office Bearers of Ranfurly U.F. Church had attended the meeting; that a letter had been received from the Session Clerk of the Freeland U.F. Church stating that the matter of the joint services had been considered by the Office Bearers, but, not being approved of, they did not see their way to send representatives; that as the subject of the joint meeting had not been considered by the Office Bearers of the Ranfurly U.F. Church officially, it was agreed, in order to give time to do so, that the Minister and representatives from each of the Parish and Ranfurly U.F. Churches meet again in the Class Room of the Parish Church on 11 th inst. at 8 p.m.
Post of Organist	The Clerk to the Managers reported that he had advertised in the Glasgow Herald and the Paisley and Renfrewshire Gazette for an organist and choirmaster as instructed at last meeting of the Session and Managers, and had received ten applications. These applications were gone over, and it was agreed that Mr George W. Chandler should be asked to take the choir practice on Saturday (30 th November) and officiate at the organ on Sunday, 1 st December, and that Mr Robert McKinnell should be asked to officiate at the organ on the following Sunday and take the choir practice on a night to be afterwards arranged. A.M. Shand, Chairman (signed)

Joint Meeting	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church, and within the Class Room there on Tuesday, 3 rd December, 1918, at 8.30 pm, a meeting of the Kirk Session and Managers was held.
	Present: - Rev. A.M. Shand in the Chair; Messrs Brown, Nicol, Rankin, Weir and Whitehead, Elders; Messrs Cuthbertson, Meikle, Porteous and Reid, Managers.
	Meeting opened with prayer.
Joint Services	Letter dated 23 rd November was read from Mr Macbrair, Session Clerk of the Freeland U.F. Church, suggesting in place of joint evening services throughout the year, that by way of experiment a joint service be held in the three churches in rotation and as nearly at intervals of three months as avoiding the holiday months permits and that representatives from the Office Bearers of the three Churches should meet at the Parish Church to confer and arrange details. The suggestion that representatives of the Office-Bearers of each of the three Churches meet and confer was agreed to and it was arranged that Mr Weir should communicate with the Session Clerks of Freeland and Ranfurly U.F. Churches and fix a meeting.
	 Mr Chandler having received an appointment as organist of a city Church and having withdrawn his application, Mr McKinnell had taken the practice on Saturday, 30th November and officiated the organ on Sunday, 1st inst. It was agreed to ascertain whether Mrs Crawford, Greenock, one of the applicants, was prepared, if appointed, to reside in Bridge of Weir, and failing her agreeing to do so it was resolved that Mr McKinnell be appointed organist and choirmaster. Meeting closed with the Benediction.
	Minutes from 1919 and 1920 make no mention of the war or memorial, until:

[Annual Meeting]	At Bridge of Weir Parish Church and within the Hall there on Monday, 31 st January, 1921 at 7.30 pm the Annual Business Meeting of the Congregation was held.
	Present: Rev. A.M. Shand and Rev. John Crouch. Messrs Brown, Jack, Kerr, Pollock, Rankin, Weir and Whitehead, Elders: Messrs Leisk, Meikle, Porteous, and Wight, Managers, also a considerable number of the Congregation.
	The Rev. A.M. Shand presided, and opened the Meeting with Prayer. The intimation calling the meeting was read. The Minute of the Annual Meeting held on 29 th January, 1920 was read, approved, and signed by the Chairman.
	The Chairman reviewed the work of the past year and referred to the efficient services rendered by the various agencies of the Church, including the Woman's Guild, Sunday School, Mission Collectors, and Choir. He also referred, feelingly, to the deaths of Mr Hugh Duncan and Mr William Forbes-Robertson, members of the Church.
	The financial statement for 1920 as printed and circulated was held as read, and on the motion of Mr James Porteous, Treasurer, was adopted.
	The Chairman stated there were two vacancies on the Committee of Management caused by the retiral by rotation of Mr James Cuthbertson and Mr J.G. Wight. The Chairman regretted that Mr Cuthbertson felt that he was unable to resume office owing to illness, and consequently wished to retire at this time. The Chairman also voiced the meeting's appreciation of the services rendered by Mr Cuthbertson on the Committee of Management for many years.
	On the motion of Mr M.W. Meikle, seconded by Mr William Leisk, Mr A.G. Peacock and Mr J.G. Wight were elected members of the Management Committee. The Committee of Management for 1921 is thus: Mr G. Graham Brown Mr M.W. Meikle Mr William Leisk Mr James Porteous Mr J.G. Wight
	Mr A.G. PeacockThe Chairman brought up the question of a Church Memorial in memory of those members and adherents of the Congregation who made the supreme sacrifice in the Great War, and asked for the meeting's views on the subject. It was agreed that such a memorial should be proceeded with, and left to the Kirk Session and Committee of Management to take the necessary action.The Chairman also expressed his indebtedness to Mr Crouch for the valuable
	assistance rendered throughout the year in the conduct of the Church service. The meeting closed with the Benediction. A.M. Shand, Chairman (signed)
	Immediately after the close of the Annual Meeting a Social Meeting of the Congregation was held in the Church Hall, at which there was a very large attendance. After tea had been served a most enjoyable evening was spent with music and recitations.

At Bridge of Weir Parish Church and within the Hall there on Monday, 30 th January, 1922 at 7.30 pm the Annual Business Meeting of the Church was held.
Present: Rev. A.M. Shand and Rev. John Crouch. Messrs T.S. Brown, Robert Jack, Douglas Nicol, Robert Pollock, James M. Rankin, and James S. Weir, Elders: Mr John Fullerton, Trustee; Messrs Leisk, Peacock, Porteous, and Wight, Managers, also a considerable number of the Congregation.
The Rev. A.M. Shand presided, and opened the Meeting with Prayer.
The intimation calling the meeting was read.
The Minute of the Annual Meeting held on 31 st January, 1921 was read, approved, and signed by the Chairman.
The Chairman reviewed the work of the past year and referred to the efficient services rendered by the various agencies of the Church, including the Woman's Guild, Sunday School, Mission Collectors, and Choir.
He also expressed his indebtedness to Revd Mr Crouch for the valuable assistance rendered throughout the year in the conduct of the Church service, and stated that the Church Memorial in memory of those members and adherents of the Congregation who made the supreme sacrifice in the great War had been erected at a cost of £171.
The financial statement for 1921 as printed and circulated was held as read, and on the motion of the Chairman, was adopted.
The Chairman stated that there were two vacancies on the Committee of Management caused by the retiral by rotation of Mr G. Graham Brown and Mr M.W. Meikle. On the motion of Captain Leisk, seconded by Mr Weir, Mr Brown and Mr Meikle were re-elected members of the Management Committee. The Committee of Management for 1922 is thus: Mr Wm Leisk Mr James Porteous Mr J.G. Wight Mr A.G. Peacock Mr G. Graham Brown Mr M.W. Meikle This was all the business.
 Immediately after the close of the Annual Meeting a Social Meeting of the Congregation was held in the Church Hall, at which there was a very large attendance. Tea was served during the evening and the entertainment given by the various artistes was very much appreciated. A.M. Shand, Chairman (signed)

 At Bridge of Weir, and within the Office of the Clydesdale Bank Ltd on Friday, 4th January 1924 at 6.15 pm a meeting of the Committee of Management of the Bridge of Weir Parish Church was held. Present: - Mr John Woodrow, Trustee. Messrs G. Graham Brown, Wm Leisk, M.W. Meikle, A.G. Peacock, James Porteous, and J.G. Wight, Managers. Mr J.G. Wight in the Chair.
The Minute of Meeting held on 29 th December 1923 was read, approved, and signed by the Chairman.
The Financial Statement for 1923, audited by Messrs Meikle and Peacock, was adopted, and it was agreed to print and distribute same to the Congregation.
The Clerk reported that two vacancies in the Committee of Management fell to be filled at the Annual Meeting, namely, the two vacancies caused by the retiral by rotation of Messrs J.G. Wight and A.G. Peacock.
The Clerk reported that Mr Dunlin had presented the Church with oak shelf in front of the Memorial, and was instructed to write Mr Dunlin thanking him for same.
It was also agreed that the Clerk should see Mr Andrew Kidd with a view to ascertaining whether or not single or double anthracite nuts, or a mixture of char could be used in the heating furnace.
R.S. Milne (signed)