

COMMITTEE  
OF  
BUILDING



Tuesday, 11 June 1803.

A Committee of Building

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Mr Governor  
Mr Davut.  
Mr Raikes.  
Mr Boddington.

Paid for hours  
£650 to D. Melcum  
100. G. Barland

The Secretary, informed the Committee, that the Deputy Governor, had signed an Order, for the payment of £630. to Messrs. Winter & Kaye, being the purchase money, for the lease of a House and premises, of Mr David Melcum, No 20 Princes Street, repaired by Mr Scane, the 6<sup>th</sup> April 1803. and also an Order for the payment of £100. to Mr George Barland, for quitting the Crown public <sup>House</sup> in Princes Street, and giving possession together with all his right, Interest and claim therein to the Bank.

The Secretary, laid before the Committee, the following Resolution of the Court of Directors, viz.  
At a Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday, the 5<sup>th</sup> May 1803.

Resolved,

"That the Committee of Building, be requested to give orders, to have extracted from the Books, an account of the total expence of purchases of Buildings, that have been incurred from the year 1799, to the present period; distinguishing such parts as relate to the purchases that have been made, and separating the expence of Repairs, from that of New Buildings.

It is also requested that the Committee will lay before the Court, as soon as may be convenient, an estimate, as near as can be formed, of the Buildings now in contemplation, with the probable amount of the purchases that may yet remain to be settled."

The Governor acquainted the Committee, that conformably to the said Resolution, he had laid before the

Resolution of the Court of Directors, relat<sup>d</sup> to the amount of Purchases.



the Court of Directors, of the 12<sup>th</sup> May, 1803. an account of the purchases made by the Bank, from the year 1790 to the 5<sup>th</sup> May 1803. and the charges of Building to Michmas 1802, inclusive.

The total amount of purchases	89,230. 16. 10
Charges of Building	139,788. 14. 11
	<u>£ 229,019. 11. 9.</u>

and also Mr. Soane's Estimate, of the Buildings, now in contemplation, and the probable amount of purchases that yet remain to be settled, of which the following are copies. viz.

## Purchases.

## Purchases

1791	Nov. 10	paid H. Wilkes Esq. for purchase of freehold and Interest of the purchase etc. from 25 Mar. last, and fixtures	7238. . 4
	Mar. 21	Rec <sup>d</sup> of J. Bidler for purchase of 3 Houses in Minors Street, and 5. d <sup>o</sup> in Lothbury	160. 7078. . 4
1793	Oct. 31	paid W. Butler for freehold premises in Lothbury	1200. . .
1794	Jan 2	paid. G. D. Pollard, for assignm <sup>t</sup> of Lease of sum <sup>t</sup> in Bartho. Lane	400. . .
	Mar. 15	paid for 2 Messuages in Lothbury	1400. . .
	Apr 17	paid J. Henderson, W. Acton, S. Barton, J. Cox & J. Sharpe, for their respective Interest in premises in Lothbury	2508. . .
	28	paid J. Wheldon for Int. in his House in Lothbury	2709 5. . .
	May 7	paid J. Burgoyne, A. Newson and M. Blopam for their respective Interests, in premises in Lothbury	1700. . .
	July 22	paid the Rectors of St. Bartholomew, parish for their freehold, situate on the West side of Bartholomew Lane	2940 . . .
		paid 7 years Rent of a House in Bartholomew Lane, late occupied by G. Pollard	25 . . .
	24	paid J. Winter, for the poor of Easton, for their freehold premises on the South side of Lothbury and Tulcan Court	950 . . .
			<u>13832 5</u>



July 24	Paid R. Butler, for his Interest in a Leasehold, under the Master and fellows of Jesus College,	2120 17	
Aug. 5	Paid D <sup>o</sup> for said Master &c. for six Houses, in Lothbury,	1656 11	
	Paid J. Minder, for the Trustees of Deptford Charity School, for two Houses in Bartholomew Lane,	1300	13909, 13
Oct. 26	Paid W <sup>o</sup> Boone, for quitting her House in Lothbury & for fixtures therein	50	
1795 July 15	Paid E. Price for Ditto his House in Lothbury.	60 10	
	Paid J. Soane, for Surveying, making Valuations &c. in 1793. 1794 & 1795	491. 15.	
	Paid D <sup>o</sup> for Journeys	50	
Sep. 8	Paid W <sup>o</sup> Melburn, for his Lease of premises in Lothbury.	650	
1798	Paid W <sup>o</sup> Sharp for lease of premises	35.	
July 19	Paid for W <sup>o</sup> Bayley's House, in Bartholomew Lane	315.	
Octo. 11	Paid J. Lake, for quitting the premises held by him at Littlemas & for fixtures	50.	
Dec. 5	Paid J. Knight for surrendering his premises, the corner of St Barth, Lane	50.	
1799 Nov. 7	Paid M. Clements for quitting premises	60.	
1795		1812 5	
Feb. 26	Rec <sup>d</sup> of J. Hilder for 3 Houses in Lothbury	200.	
Mar 26	Rec <sup>d</sup> D <sup>o</sup> for 4 Houses in Falcon Court.	350	
June 12	Rec <sup>d</sup> D <sup>o</sup> for old materials	200.	
Dec. 1	Rec <sup>d</sup> D <sup>o</sup> for D <sup>o</sup>	91. 10. 8	
1799 Jan. 21	Rec <sup>d</sup> D <sup>o</sup> for D <sup>o</sup>	180.	1021 10 8
1800			790 15 4
Apr 11	P <sup>d</sup> S. Anst. Middleton for Houses in Lothbury.	12391 10	
May 5	Paid for No 14, in Lothbury	912.	
7	Paid S. Hoare, for 2 Houses, and Warehouse in Lothbury.	3350.	
15	Paid for No. 25. in Lothbury	6000	
21	Paid for Houses in Drapers Court and D <sup>o</sup>	11250.	
30	Paid for 7 Houses in Princess Street and Lothbury.	7800	
		42203 10	26778 7 8



1801	42203.10	26778 7 8
May 30	Paid Interest of Purchase Mo. from 25, December last 165 1/4.	
June 12	paid for 2, Houses, and of Papers 760.	
Aug. 30	paid Geo. Anthony, for his Interest in a leasehold House in Lottbury 22	
Sept 17,	paid C. Colbatch for his Interest in Houses in Drapers Court, 500	
30	paid Elliott & Co. for lease of a House in Princes Street 2500	
	paid Clerk for d. in Princes Street 3500	49,651 4
1802	June 12 paid for the purchase of the Grocers 6800.	
Sept 28	paid for No 14, Drapers Co. Lottbury 50.	
Oct. 15	paid the Royal Exchange Assurance Co. for a House in Princes Street 3626. 7	
22	paid for Balance of Rent for premises lately occupied by Clerk 37 10	
Dec 22	paid for G. Smith's lease of a House and Warehouse in Lottbury 1750	
	paid for Mr Bowbank's Lease of a House in Princes Street 150	
31	paid for No 10 in Lottbury 150	
	paid for Mr Sanson's House in Lottbury. 200.	
1802	12763.17	
Sept. 30.	Paid of J. Soane for ad Materials 612 11 10	
1803		12151 5 2
Apr. 7	paid for No 20, in Princes Street 650	
Total of Purchases		89230.16.10
Charges of Building		139788.14.11
Whole Expence		<u>229019 11.9</u>



M<sup>r</sup> Soane's  
Estimate of  
Proposed New  
Buildings

"Estimate of sundry new Buildings, proposed to be erected agreeable to the general plan of Improvement submitted to the Committee of Building. Jan. 25. 1803."

"The new accountants Office, with the arched Library, and Vaults under the same, and Stone Staircases."

"The Office for the Deputy Accountant, with Rooms over the same, and an arched cellar underneath."

"The Inspector's Office, with Rooms, above and below, and a Stone Staircase, leading thereto."

"The Porter's Lodge, next Princes Street, with an arched cellar and two Rooms over the same."

"The passage of communication from Princes Street to the accountants Office, and the other Offices here mentioned, also to the Discount Office, and generally to the different Rooms, and Offices on this side the paved Court, next St. Andrew's Street."

"The entrance from Princes Street, together with the external Wall, to enclose the Buildings above described."

"From the uncertainty of the foundations, and the great difficulties attending them, it is extremely difficult to estimate with the accuracy I could wish, but after very mature consideration, I am of opinion, that the expence of the new Buildings, now to be erected, and here particularised, will not exceed fifty four thousand pounds, and that it will require at least, three years, to complete the same."

John Soane.



Bank of England May 1803.

Mr Soane's Estimate  
of Improvements.

"To make the Improvements, in and about the Bank, agreeable to the last Act of Parliament, all the Freehold Property has been already purchased, and also all the Leasehold Interests, except the leases of eight Houses upwards of for which unreasonable demands have been made, £6000. — and as these leases, are for short terms, it is hoped they will expire before the Bank has an absolute occasion for them, and thereby this expence saved."

John Soane."

Plans of two  
Presses for depositing  
of Exchequer Bills.

Mr. Soane submitted to the Committee, a plan of two presses, for the Chief Cashier's Office, for the purpose of Depositing Exchequer Bills and Omnium Receipts, — which was approved, and Mr Soane was directed to carry the same into execution.

Mr Soane's Report  
of the purchase  
of the lease of a  
House in Princes  
Street

Mr Soane, stated to the Committee, that he had agreed with Mr Anderson, for all his right and Interest, in a House, No 19. Princes Street, for £730. Mr Anderson, to pay all Rent and Taxes to Lady day last, which was approved.

£639. 15. 3/4.  
for old materials

Mr Soane acquainted the Committee, that he had paid into Mr Newland's Office, £639. 15. 3. for the old materials, of eight Houses in Draper's Court, the Warehouse adjoining, and for part of Mr. Payne's House.



Mr Gov  
Mr Dep. Gov  
Mr Boddington

Tuesday the 23. Aug. 1803. 7.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read

£730. paid for  
a lease of Mr.  
Bewicke.

The Governor acquainted the Committee that he had signed an Order for the payment of £730. to Messrs Winter & Kaye, being the purchase money for Mr Calverly Bewicke's Lease of a House No. 19 in Princes Street reported by Mr Soane the 14<sup>th</sup> June 1803.

Ordered, That £484. 12. be paid to Mr Soane, as follows, viz

£484. 12. pd.  
to Mr Soane  
for Com<sup>rs</sup> &c.

His Commission of 35. paid on 16934. 11.	
the amount of the Tradesmen's Bills, from	
Christmas 1802, to Lady day 1803.	349. 4. 8
D <sup>r</sup> estimating value of old materials	
amounting to £663. 15. 3	16. 11. 10
Clerk's time making plans &c.	63. . . . .
George Coffee, for a frame for a Plan	5. 15. 6
Cost of the Works from 30 Sept. 1802 to	
25 March 1803	50. . . . .
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	484. 12. . . . .

Mr Gov.  
Mr Dep. Gov.  
Mr Rich Meave  
Mr Raikes  
Mr Thornton  
Mr Boddington  
Mr Long.

Thursday the 29, September 1803.

In consequence of an application from Mr Dawson, the present Tenant of the Bank Coffee House,

Resolved, That the Rent of the Bank Coffee House, be reduced to £100. per annum, the Tenant engaging to take upon himself to pay all Taxes.

Mr Gov.  
Mr Dep. Gov.  
Mr Darell,  
Mr Raikes,  
Mr Boddington  
Mr Long  
Mr Boranqueth  
£1754. pd. to  
Messrs Winter  
& Kaye for  
Leases.

Thursday the 13. October, 1803.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

The Governor acquainted the Committee that he had signed an order for the payment of £1754. to Messrs Winter and Kaye, being the purchase money for the Leases of two Houses in Coltham, viz

At:



M <sup>r</sup> . Nathaniel Davies	974.	—
M <sup>r</sup> . George Greaves.	780.	—
	<u>£ 1754.</u>	—

Reported by M<sup>r</sup>. Soane the 5. April, 1803. —

The Secretary laid before the Committee, the following Minute of the Court of Directors.

At a Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 6. Oct. 1803.

Minute of the Court of Directors relating to the removal of the Nightly Guard

M<sup>r</sup>. Manning having in pursuance of the directions of the Military Committee, Reported, that two plans for the removal of the nightly Guard from the interior of the Bank, had been proposed by M<sup>r</sup>. Soane, and the said Committee recommended, that the immediate attention of the Committee of Building be directed to the erection of Barracks, but not communicating with the other parts of the Bank, except by a strong <sup>and secure</sup> door, to be opened in case it may be requisite to call the Guard in.

"Resolved, That the Committee of Building be requested to turn their attention to this important object, and to confer with the Military Committee thereon.

M<sup>r</sup>. Soanes 2. a  
plans consid.

The two plans suggested by M<sup>r</sup>. Soane, for the removal of the nightly Guard from the interior of the Bank, if the same should be thought expedient, were taken into consideration.

not proper to be adopted.

And this Committee was of opinion, that both those plans, are attended with inconveniences, which render them improper to be adopted in the present state of the Buildings of the Bank.

Regulations as to the Centinels

That the most advisable way, for the present, will be not to allow any Centinels to be placed in any part of the Bank, after eleven o'clock at night, except



except within the Barrack Court, and until that hour, only one at the Front Gate to Threadneedle Street. That when the Gates are locked up at eleven o'Clock, this Constable should be withdrawn, and the Iron Gate, inclosing the Barrack Court, locked with the rest, by which the Military will be deprived of access to any part of the Bank Buildings without the Barrack, until the Gates be opened in the morning.

New Barracks. And that when the proposed Erections towards how to be contr. Princes Street are completed in which a Gateway will be made from that Street, the new Barrack, should be so contrived, that it may be shut off, from the other Buildings, with no other communication than a door-way, and yet that it be intirely within the outward Walls of the Banks

Resolved, That a Conference be had with the Military Committee on the above subject.

Mr. Gov<sup>r</sup>.

Tuesday the 22<sup>d</sup> Nov. 1803.

Mr. Dep. Gov<sup>r</sup>.

The proceedings of the last Comtee were read.

Mr. Boranquet

Mr. Kiches

Mr. Boddington

The keys of the ammunition places —

In consequence of a Letter from Geo. Darley, Deputy Quarter Master 1<sup>st</sup> Reg. Foot Guards. Mr. Soane informed the Committee, that he had made some enquiry respecting the keys of the ammunition deposited in the Guard Room, and found that sometimes they were left in the Guard Room, sometimes in the Officers Room, and at other times with Mr. Billing. That the keys are now left with the Deputy Accountant, until the Committee shall give directions thereon.

— are now left with the Dep. and.

Mr. Meek writes to Miss Winter & Kaye desiring that his lease might be left to their

Mr. Soane stated to the Committee that Mr. John Meek, had written to Miss Winter & Kaye, respecting the lease of his House in Lathbury, desiring that it might be referred to the majority of three Surveyors, one to be nominated by the Bank, one by himself, and a third if required, by the said nominees.

Resolved



Resolved,

Mr Soane to attend  
on the part of the  
Banks.

That Mr Soane do attend on the part of  
the Banks.

£200 offered to Hester Jackson, for the lease of a House in Lothbury, with the No. in Lothbury, remission of Rent. Mr Soane informed the Committee that Mrs Jackson, required £300. for her Interest in, the House of a House in Lothbury, with the No. in Lothbury, remission of Rent. That he had offered her £200. with the Rent, which is more than has been given to any other person in a similar situation.

Thursday the 29, December, 1803.

Mr Governor  
Mr Bosanguet  
Mr Boddington,  
Mr Long.

The proceedings of the last Commee were read.

Geo. Banks?<sup>d</sup>  
Jos. Shackell, to  
take charge of  
the keys of the  
Ammunition.

The Governor acquainted the Committee, that he had ordered George Banks and Joseph Shackell, to take charge of the keys of the Ammunition in the Guard Room, alternately, with directions to deliver them to the Officer of the Guard, every night, and to receive them from him again when the Guard leaves the Bank in the morning, which the Committee approved.

Mr Soane, Reports  
the purchase of  
a lease of Mr Meek,  
for £300. & one  
of Mrs Jackson  
for £200.

Mr Soane, stated to the Committee, that he had agreed with Mr. John Meek, for all his right and interest in the premises, lately occupied by him, the corner of Spinces Street, for £300. and that he had also agreed with Mrs Hester Jackson for all her right and interest, in a House in Lothbury for £200. with a remission of Rent.

Mr Governor,  
Mr Dep. Gov.  
Sir Rich. Meave,  
Mr Darell,  
Mr Bosanguet,  
Mr Boddington,  
Mr Long.

Thursday, the 9. Feb<sup>y</sup> 1804.

The proceedings of the last Commee were read.

The Governor acquainted the Committee, that he had signed an Order for the payment of £630. to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Winter & Hays, being the purchase money for the leases, of two Houses in Lothbury, one of Mr John Meek for £430. the other of Mrs Hester Jackson for £200. Reported by Mr Soane, the 29. Dec. 1803.

Ordered,



Ordered, That £888. 11. 7. be paid to Mr. Soane, as follows

£888. 11. 7.  
paid to Mr. Soane  
for Commission  
&c.

This Commission of £576. on £16,740. 11. 8.	
the amount of the Traders' Bills, from Lady Day to Michaelmas 1803.	887. 3. 7
The Clerk of the Works, from the 25 <sup>th</sup> March, to the 29 September, 1803.	50. - - -
James Long, for two measuring Tapes.	1. 8. -
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	£888. 11. 7

Mr. Gov<sup>r</sup>  
Mr. Dep. Gov.  
Mr. Barrington  
Mr. Whitmore

Thursday, 10 May, 1804

The proceedings of the last session were read.

Mr. Soane's  
Report of the  
Purchase of  
Mr. Sharpe's Lease  
for £200.

Mr. Soane, stated to the Committee, that he had agreed with Mr. James Sharpe, for all his right and Interest in the leasehold premises now in his occupation, being No. in Lothbury for the sum of £200. possession to be given on or before the last day of this month.

£1002. 6. 5 paid  
into the Cashier's  
Office for old  
Materials

and that he had paid into the Cashier's Office, 1002. 6. 5. the produce of old materials of the old Houses No. 21. 22. & 23 in Princes Street, and also the small Houses forming the north side of Drapers Court.

Mr. Soane's plan  
for a temporary  
Office for the  
Inspectors.

Mr. Soane, produced a plan, for fitting up the Office at the end of the present accountants Office, as a temporary Office for the Inspectors, with a communication to the stone stair case, on the right of the new arch way, leading from the Bullion Court, into Lothbury Court.

D<sup>o</sup> of a  
Temporary  
Wall.

Mr. Soane, also produced a plan, for building a temporary wall, from the new Wall in Princes Street, to the back of the Deputy accountants apartments,

Which plans were both approved



Mr Gov.  
Mr Dep. Gov.  
Mr Bosanquet  
Mr Whitmore

Friday 11 May, 1804

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.  
Resolved,

Short ann. Office  
£1726. to be removed  
into the Bank  
Stock Office.

That the Short Annuity Office and the  
annuities 1726. be removed from the Reduced Office,  
into the Bank Stock Office, the former to on Mr. Dell's  
side of the Office, and the latter on Mr. Browning's  
side: and that the Committee of Inspection for  
the Stock Offices be informed thereof.  
Ordered,

The necessary  
alterations to be  
made in B. S.

That the necessary alterations be made  
in the Bank Stock Office, for the accommodation  
of the Clerks of the Short annuities and ann. 1726.

Plan for altering  
the counters in  
Reduced Office &c.

Mr Soane, produced to the Committee a  
plan, for altering some of the counters and inclosures  
in the Reduced annuity Office, which was Ordered  
to be carried into effect.

Mr Governor  
Mr Dep. Gov.  
Mr Bosanquet  
Mr Raikes  
Mr Sturton  
Mr Nutt  
Mr Whitmore

Suesday the 15<sup>th</sup> May, 1804.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read

The Receipts in the  
Cheque Office, to be  
taken away &c.  
Out Sellers to be  
removed.

Mr Soane stated to the Committee, that to  
enable him to complete the new Office, for the  
accountants, it will be necessary to take away  
the triangular receipts at the Cheque Office, and to  
brick up the Door into the said Receipts and the window  
over the same: and also to remove the Out Sellers,  
according to a plan now submitted to the Commitee; it  
will likewise be necessary to take away the present entrance  
into the Drawing Office, and to make another, according to plan.  
Ordered, That £978. 11. 6, be paid to Mr. Soane,  
as follows.

Mr Soane, to be  
paid £978. 11. 6  
for Com<sup>on</sup> &c.

His Commission at 25. per Cent. on £17852. 10. 9.	
the amount of the Tradesmen's Bills, from Michaelmas 1803 to Lady Day, 1804	392. 12. 6
Expences attending the Arbitration of Meek's premises in Rotherbury, and taking different opinions previous thereto	22. 13.
Paid George Coffey, for Frames & Glass, and repairing two large Frames for paintings	8. 15.
George Simpson for cleaning and varnishing the Portraits of Geo. I. and His present Majesty's late Father	4. 6
The Clerk of the Works from 29 Sep. 1803 to 25 Mar. 1804	50
	<hr/> £ 978. 11. 6



Thursday the 17 May 1804.

Mr Gov.  
Mr Dep. Gov.  
Mr Bosanquet  
Mr Baithes.  
Mr S. Thornton.  
Mr Nutt.  
Mr Kaites

Room adjoining  
to the Accountant's  
Office, to added to  
it.

The Deputy Governor stated, that the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office &c. recommended, that the Room adjoining to the present Accountant's Office, should be added to that Office, and that the Inspectors, should for the present remain in the Office now occupied by them.

The Committee agreed thereto.

Tuesday the 12th June, 1804.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Mr Gov.  
Mr Dep. Gov.  
Mr Bosanquet  
Mr S. Thornton  
Mr Nutt  
Mr Whitman

Petition from  
Ino. Reed.

Mr Soane, presented a petition from Ino Reed, No. 3. Drapers Court, Lothbury, praying a remuneration for the loss and inconvenience, which he will sustain on quitting his present dwelling.

Ordered,

That £20. be paid to the said John Reed, as soon as Mr Soane shall report, that he has quitted the premises.

--- to be paid £20.  
Paid by Order  
from the Governor  
3rd April 1805.

Mr Soane stated to the Committee, that Mr Richard Conyers, of Lothbury, had been put to considerable expence and loss, by quitting his premises in Lothbury, for the accommodation of the Bank.

Ordered,

That £200. be paid to the said Mr Conyer, in consequence of the loss, sustained by him in quitting his premises.

Mr Conyers to be  
paid £200.

Mr Soane, also stated to the Committee, that Mr Hancock of Princes Street, had been put to the expence of rebuilding his party wall, in consequence of the adjoining House, being taken down to form the continuation of Princes Street.

Ordered,

That the sum of £157.10. be paid to the said Mr Hancock, as a compensation for the inconvenience and expence he has been put to.

Mr Hancock to  
be paid £157.10.

Mr Soane



The old Cash Book Office, to be fitted up for the post-ers of the Discounts.

M<sup>r</sup> Soane proposed to fit up the old Cash Book Office, for the temporary accommodation of the post-ers of the Discounts in the accountants' Office; and also to cover the new holes in the library with light Iron railing, to prevent a communication with the different stories thereof, which was approved.

Ordered,

Gen Harrison  
10 Guineas.

That Ten Guineas, be given to Henry Harrison Bricklayer, for extra attendance at the Bank, during the last two years.

M<sup>r</sup> Geo.  
M<sup>r</sup> Dep. Gov.  
M<sup>r</sup> Bosanquet  
M<sup>r</sup> Raikes.

Thursday the 5 July, 1804.

Ordered,

Reissuable Note Office, removed to the Sec. old Office.

That the Reissuable Note Office, be removed to the Spectors' old Office, from the present Office, which is close to the Cash Book Office; the Head of which Office, is the Head of the Reissuable Note Office, and therefore desirable to connect them as near as possible.

The Sub Cashiers, to be removed, to the Reissuable Office. &c.

That the Sub Cashiers, or Signers of small Notes, be removed from their present Office, into the Reissuable Office and a Room adjoining, only divided by a wooden partition, which may be taken away; in which Office, a few of the Clerks of the Bank Note Office sit.

Signers of small Note Office, to be added to the Bank Note Office.

The Signers of small Note Office, to be added to the Bank Note Office, as the Clerks in that Office under M<sup>r</sup> Maziere, are obliged to sit in four different Offices at present; and the intention of these changes, is to place all the Clerks, in two Offices adjoining; so that he will be enabled to overlook them.

Three Rooms, to be fitted up, to settle 2. P<sup>s</sup>.

That the three Rooms, over part of the Architecture, and Cash Book Office, be fitted up for the account Office, New Specie, to settle 2. P<sup>s</sup>.

A Library to be fitted up for Boxes of Notes.

That the Library under the £1. & £2. Note Office, be fitted up for Boxes of Bank Notes, in New Specie, likewise the New Armory and the upper Library, to be filled with Boxes.



Thursday, the 26, July, 1804

Mr. Governor.  
Mr. Dep. Gov.  
Mr. Borlase  
Mr. Whitmore

The Vault, where the Vault, in which the Gold is deposited, is in every damp  
the Bullion is kept. It was  
in a damp state

Mr. Soane to Report,  
whether there is  
any other Vault  
for the reception of  
Gold Coin and Bullion.

It having been mentioned to the Committee, that

Resolved,

That Mr. Soane be directed to Report to the Committee,  
whether there is any other Vault, fit for the reception of the  
Gold Coin and Bullion. —

Tuesday the 31, July, 1804.

Mr. Gov.  
Mr. Dep. Gov.  
Mr. Rickes,  
Mr. Whitmore.

The proceedings of the Committee of the 12<sup>th</sup> June, and  
of the 5, and 26 instant were read

£200. p. for Mr.  
Sharp's Lease  
£200 to Mr.  
Conyers.  
£157.10. to Mr.  
Hancock.

The Governor acquainted the Committee, that he  
had signed an order for the payment of £200. to Mess.  
Winter & Kaye, being the purchase money, for Mr. James  
Sharp's Lease of a House No 21 Sothbury, and that he  
had also signed an order for the payment of £200. to  
Mr. Richard Conyers, in consequence of the loss sustained  
by him in quitting his premises: both reported by Mr.  
Soane the 12<sup>th</sup> June 1804. and that he had likewise  
signed an order for the payment of £157.10. to William  
Hancock, for the inconvenience and expence he has  
been put to in rebuilding his party wall; reported by  
Mr. Soane the 12<sup>th</sup> June, 1804.

Resolved,

Mr. Spilton  
removed from  
the aud. Office.

That Mr. Spilton, of the Discount Cheque, in the  
Accountant's Office, be removed into the room adjoining  
the old Cash Book Office, and which is over the Secretary's  
Office; and that Mr. Soane, do cause a communication  
to be immediately made.

Ordered,

Mr. Soane, to  
make a comm.  
in the Bullion  
Vaults.

That Mr. Soane, do proceed in making a  
communication from the present Bullion Vault  
into the proposed additional Vault under the L<sup>1</sup>  
and L<sup>2</sup>. Note Office.



Mr. Gov.  
Mr. Dep. Gov.  
Mr. Haikes  
Mr. Nutt  
Mr. Whitmore

Thursday the 30 August 1804.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Mr Soane's Report  
of the purchase  
of the purchase  
of Mr Leaden's Lease  
for £200. and  
of Mr Ann Green's  
for £100.

Mr Soane acquainted the Committee, that he had agreed with Mr Charles Leaden, for all his right and Interest in a Lease of a House, No 17 Lothbury, for £200. of which premises, he has already surrendered the possession for the use of the Bank; and also that he had agreed with Mrs Ann Green, for all her right and Interest in two Houses in Lothbury, No 19, and No 21. for £100.

An order for  
the payment of  
£300 for D<sup>o</sup> firm

The Governor signed an order for the payment of £300. to Messrs Winter & Kaye, for the above purchases.

Mr Gov.  
Mr Dep  
Mr Bosanguet  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr J. Bantler

Friday the 26 October 1804.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

A Lease of a  
House No 19 Loth<sup>g</sup>  
purchased of Mr  
Ganett for £180.

Mr Soane, stated to the Committee, that he had agreed with Mr Ganett, for all his right and Interest in the lease of his House, No 19 Lothbury, for the sum of £180. the said Mr Ganett, to pay all rent and Taxes, up to Michaelmas last.

An order for the  
Paym<sup>t</sup> of D<sup>o</sup>

The Governor signed an order for the payment of £180. to Messrs Winter & Kaye for the above purchase.

Mr Gov.  
Mr Dep. Gov.  
Mr Bosanguet  
Mr Sam. Bantler

Tuesday the 13. Nov. 1804.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Mr Soane's  
Plan of the  
Vaulted Cellars  
proposed for the  
reception of Span<sup>ish</sup>  
Dollars

Mr Soane produced to the Committee, a plan of the Vaulted Cellars, under the Governor's room, the Deputy Governor's Room, the Storekeeper's Room and the Drawing Office, in the Accountant's Department; which he proposed to make secure, for the reception of the large quantity of Spanish Dollars expected. The approach to these cellars, to be, at the passage at the end of the passage leading to the Money Vaults.

Ordered,



Ordered,

The Vault under the Dep. Gov. Room to be made secure for it.

That the Room under the Deputy Governor's Room, be made secure for the reception of the said Dollars, with such other accommodations, as may be necessary.

Mr. Governor.  
Mr. Dep. Gov.  
Mr. Barrington  
Mr. Baileys.  
Mr. Whitmore

Thursday the 15. November. 1804.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Mr. Soane's plan of Vaults &c.

Mr. Soane laid before the Committee, a plan of the Vaults and passages under the several waiting rooms, the Lobby of the Court Room, the Deputy Governor's Room, the Storekeepers Rooms & the Drawing Office in the Accountant's Department, and also two <sup>small</sup> unarched Cellars adjoining.

The Gov. &c. examine the Vaults &c.

The Governor with Mr. Whitmore, attended by Mr. Soane, Mr. Case and Mr. Humble, went into the abovementioned Vaults, and having examined them, were of opinion that the Vaults under the Lobby of the Court Room, and the Vaults and passage under the waiting Rooms should be made secure for the reception of the Dollars; and the two small unarched vaults leading to the Lobby, should be arched over, and a Doorway made from them into the passage leading to the Bullion Office.

Ordered.

Dollars to be deposited in the New passage Vaults.

That the Spanish Dollars, which shall first arrive, be deposited in the New passage Vault, adjoining the Lobby leading into the deposit Vault.

Ordered,

Mr. Soane to prepare a genl. Plan.

That Mr. Soane do prepare a general plan of all the vaults under the Bank Buildings.

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Thursday the 20th Dec. 1804

Mr. Governor  
Mr. Dep. Gov  
Mr. Sam. Thomson  
Mr. Whitmore

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Ordered,

Mr. Soane Aggs. 11. 11 for Commission &c.

That £945. 11. 11. be paid to Mr. Soane, for his commission of 5 per Cent. on £18911. 13. 9 being the amount of Bills for work done from Lady day to Michaelmas 1804. and £50. to the Clerk of the works, from the 25. March to the 29th September 1804. making together £995. 11. 11.

Mr. Soane



A House purchased  
of Mr Göttinger  
for £300.

Mr Soane, stated to the Committee that he had agreed with Mr Göttinger, for all his right and Interest in a House No. 14. Lothbury, and of which he is (Mr Soane,) has received possession for the use of the Bank, for the sum of Three hundred pounds; Rent and Taxes to be paid up to Michaelmas last. <sup>The Governor signed an Order for the payment of £300 to Messrs Waiter and Kaye for the above purchase.</sup>

Order signed for the above purchase.  
Mr Governor.  
Mr Boscawen.  
Mr Whitmore.  
Minutes read.

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 1805.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Small room requested for the Discount Check Office.

The Committee of Inspection for the Drawing Office H<sup>a</sup> having requested that the small room adjoining to the Discount Check Office in the Accountants Department, may be used by the Clerks of that Office; and that a Communication be opened between the said room and Office, for that purpose:

Resolved. That the request of the said Committee be complied with.

granted by  
the Committee  
Mr Governor  
Mr Dep<sup>y</sup> Governor  
and a full Com-  
mittee.  
Minutes read.

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 1805.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

A House purchased  
of Mr Brown  
for £300.

Mr Soane reported to the Committee, that he had agreed with Mr William Stealing on the part of Mr Brown, for all his right and interest in the premises now in his occupation No. 20 in Lothbury, for the sum of Three hundred Pounds, and possession to be given, on payment of



of the said £300. and the said William Keeling agrees to pay all the Rent and Taxes to Christmas East.

£451-11-0 paid into the General Cash Book

Mr Soane also stated, that he has paid into the General Cash Book £451-11-0 the produce of the old materials from the old Houses N<sup>o</sup>. 10-11 & 12 in Lothbury.

Order signed for payment of £300

The Governor signed an Order for the payment of £300 to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Winter and Kaye for the purchase of the House N<sup>o</sup>. 20 in Lothbury.

Mr Governor  
Mr Dep<sup>y</sup> Governor  
Mr R<sup>o</sup> Mead  
Mr Bosanquet  
Mr Raikes  
Mr Thornton  
Mr Whitmore

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 1805.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Ordered,

2 Copy of the Court's Resolution to be given to Mr Soane.

That a Copy of the following Resolution of the Court of Directors be given to Mr Soane.

Resolution of the Court regard<sup>g</sup> the Committee of Building.

"At a Court of Directors at the Bank the 21<sup>th</sup> February 1805.  
Resolved, "That the Committee of Building be desired, in future to require the Surveyor to deliver them Estimates of the expence of all New Buildings (and when practicable Alterations of any consequence) that are proposed to take place; that the same be entered in a Book, to be kept for that purpose, and that a distinct Account be kept, & entered in the same Book, of the actual expences incurred



incurred, applicable to these separate Estimates, that the Directors may thereby be enabled with facility, to know exactly from time to time the expenditure in this Department.

Petition of Ann  
Davies, Sextoness  
of St. Margarets.

An *Advoan* presented to the Committee, a Petition from Ann Davies, Sextoness of the Church of St. Margarets Lothbury, praying Relief, on account of the diminution of her Emoluments in consequence of the Houses pulled down, and the sites thereof thrown into the Bank. The Committee deferred a decision on the Petition, till *Advoans* shall have reported the Number of Houses which have been pulled down for the accommodation of the Bank. *Sum. £20 granted her by the Committee of Treasury 4<sup>th</sup> Octo. 1805.*

- An *Advoan* to report thereon.

£432.12.6 paid  
into the General  
Cash Book.

An *Advoan* reported to the Committee, that he had paid into the General Cash Book Office £432.12.6 being the produce of the old materials arising out of the Houses N<sup>o</sup> 17, the corner of Princes Street; N<sup>o</sup> 18 in Princes Street, and N<sup>o</sup> 22 and 23 in Lothbury.

Plan of alterations  
& additional Offices  
laid before the Com-  
mittee.

An *Advoan* laid before the Committee A Plan, for making several alterations, and additional Offices, for facilitating the business of the Bank, and for the accommodation of the public. And it was

Ordered, That the said Plan be hung up in the Governour's Room, for the Inspection of the Directors; and that it be reconsidered by the Committee, on this day fortnight.

- To be hung up  
for inspection &  
afterwards reconsidered.



Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 1805.

the Governour.  
the Dep<sup>y</sup> Governour  
Messrs. Neave,  
Bosanquet  
Raites  
Thornton.  
Whitmore read.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were

The Governour laid before the Committee, the following Resolution of the Court of Directors.

At a Court of Directors the 28<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1805.

Resolution of the Court for the guidance of the Committee -

Resolved,

That the Committee of Building be desired to consider the connection in the business transacted in the several Offices; and whether such an arrangement of the several Offices, may not be made, as may facilitate the Public Business; so that the completion of the Building, may be effected, under a Plan, so digested. -

and that Report be made to Court.

Resolved, That a Report be made by the Committee of Building to the Court, as soon as a Plan can be properly digested. -

New Plan of the Bank considered -

The Committee having taken into consideration a New Plan, which, at the desire of the Committee has been produced by Mr Soane, for a different distribution of the several Offices of the Bank, than what was originally proposed according to the Plan which has, for some time, been hung in the Governour's Room: - with a view to bring into a more connected compass the several Offices in which a very essential part of the active business of the House is transacted. -

Resolved



Resolution of the  
Committee on Mr  
Soane's New Plan.

Resolved,

That in consideration of the great  
advantage which will arise from the placing  
the Accountants Office and those dependent  
thereon, so much nearer to the Hall and to the  
Chief Cashier's Department, it will be advisa-  
ble to adopt the New Plan; although it does  
remove the Court Room and other accommodations  
for the Directors, to a more distant part of the  
House.

Report to be  
made to Court

Ordered, That the preceding Report and  
Resolution be presented to the Court of Directors  
on Thursday next. And,

Mr Soane to  
prepare an Es-  
timate.

That Mr Soane prepare an Estimate of  
the probable expense of altering the New large  
Room, into a Court Room.

Resolution of the  
Court

At a Court of Directors at the Bank  
on Thursday the 11<sup>th</sup> April 1805.

That Mr Puget  
to be added to  
Committee.

Resolved.

That Mr Puget, Mr Harman Mr  
Mellish, Mr Dorrien and Mr Maitland be  
added to the Committee of Building; for the  
purpose of considering Mr Soane's Plan: and  
that the Committee be summoned for Tuesday  
next, at half past eleven o'clock, precisely.

Mr Governor &  
a full Committee  
with Mr Puget  
Mr Harman  
Mr Mellish  
Mr Dorrien  
Mr Maitland.

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 1805.

Consideration of Mr  
Soane's Plan & recom-  
mendation to Court.

On consideration of the Plan laid before  
the Committee, by Mr Soane, It was moved,  
That the Committee do recommend to the  
Court, the preservation of the present Court-  
Room



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Room, instead of removing the Court Room to the  
New Office, built for the purpose of an Accountants  
Office. Which was carried in the Affirmative.

Mr Governor.  
Mr Deputy Governor  
Mr K. Meares.  
Mr Rickett.  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Pigot  
Mr Mellish.  
Mr Dorrien.  
Mr Harman.

Thursday 2<sup>d</sup> May 1805.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Report from the  
Court on the pre-  
servation of the  
Court-room.

The Governor reported to the Committee that  
the Court of Directors had agreed to the Proposal laid  
before them from this Committee, regarding the  
preservation of the present Court-room. That the

usual Com-  
mittee appointed.

usual Committee of Building, had been appointed  
for the present year: and that the following Gentlemen  
were added to the Committee "to assist in forming

additional  
Directors voted  
thereon.

"the Plan for superintending the completion of the  
Buildings." viz. Mr Pigot Mr Harman  
Mr Mellish and  
Mr Dorrien Mr Maitland.

Resolved,

A Room, to be fitted  
for the accommoda-  
tion of the Cash  
Book Office.

That a Room at the North East Corner  
of the New Accountants Office, and another Room  
over it, be fitted, as a temporary accommodation  
for the business of the Cash Book Office. —

Plan, for remov-  
ing the Barracks.

Mr Lane produced a Plan, for removing  
the Barracks, to the North Front of the Bank.

Resolved, That the said Plan be carried into  
execution —

to be exe-  
cuted.

Resolved



Resolved,

The Arms to be removed from the present Armoury  
to  
—

That Mr Soane, under the direction of the Governor, Dep<sup>y</sup> Governor and the Officers of the Bank Corps who are on this Committee do remove the Arms from the present Armoury to such Place, as shall be judged suitable to receive them. —

Mr Governor  
Mr Dep<sup>y</sup> Governor  
Mr Rich<sup>d</sup> Mead  
Mr Raikes  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Puget  
Mr Harman  
Mr Maitland.

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 1805.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

The Governor reports, that no place had been found, to receive the Arms.

The Governor reported, That the Members of the Committee, who, with Mr Soane, had been requested to consider of a proper place, to which the Arms from the present Armoury might be removed; had not been able to fix on any suitable place to receive and secure them. —

Sketches for plans of Barracks presented by Committee.

Mr Soane produced several Sketches marked N<sup>o</sup> 1-2-3 illustrative of the Plan of erecting Barracks, which, at the last Committee was ordered to be carried into execution. The sketches also pointed out, a convenient spot for building a Cash Book Office, which met with the approbation of the Committee.

A spot for building a Cash Book Office pointed out, and approved.

The Plans to be carried into execution.

Resolved, That the said Plans be carried into immediate execution. —



Mr Governor  
Mr Dep. Governor  
Mr R. Peard  
Mr Bosanquet  
Mr Raikes  
Mr Thomson  
Mr Whitnour.

Tuesday 21<sup>th</sup> May 1805.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Estimates of the New Barracks & Cash Book Office to be prepared.

Resolved, That Mr Soane be directed to prepare Estimates for building the New Barracks and the New Cash Book Office.

Keys of the Room for the Cash Book Office, to be delivered to Mr Hasd.

Mr Soane having brought the Keys of the Rooms, which have been fitted up, as temporary accommodations for the business of the Cash Book Office; the Committee directed that they should be delivered to Mr Hasd.

Mr Governor.  
Mr Dep. Governor.  
Mr Bosanquet.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May 1805.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Estimate of the New Barracks & Cash Book Office presented.

Mr Soane presented an Estimate for building the New Barracks, the New Cash Book Office, with certain Rooms over them: the amount of which was £27,120.

I be entered in the Estimate Book

Ordered, That the above Estimate be entered in the New Book which has been appropriated to this part of the business.



in Governor  
in Poranquet  
in Thornton &  
in Whitmore.

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July 1805.

The Proceedings of the last Committee  
were read.

Court Room, to be  
repainted -

Ordered, That Mr Soane be directed to have  
the Court Room repainted, nearly of the same  
Colour as before, as soon as possible: and also  
And a Plan to  
be prepared for want to prepare a Plan for more effectually warming  
the said Room. Also,

Plan of Estimate to be  
prepared for a Vane  
and Wind Dial.

That Mr Soane do prepare Plans  
with Estimates for erecting a Vane over the  
New Accountants' Office, <sup>or</sup> a Wind Dial over  
the Door between the Court and Committee Room.

Pay Hall to be  
cleaned. -

Ordered That the Walls and Cielings in  
the Pay Hall be cleaned, in the best manner the  
time will permit in the Holidays the beginning  
of September next.

Committee to meet  
every Month. -

Resolved, That this Committee do in future  
meet on the first Tuesday in every Month, at  
the house of Twedd: and that Notice thereof be  
given to each Member of the Committee.



Mr Governor  
Mr R. Mease  
Mr Raikes  
Mr Whitmore.

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August 1805

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Report regarding warming the Court Room.

Mr Soane mentioned to the Committee several methods which are in use, for warming Rooms; and, with regard to warming the Court Room (agreeably to a Minute of the last Committee) he proposed,

- A proposal that 3 Stoves be placed therein.

That the 3 Stoves in the present Chimney, in the Court Room be removed, and that other Stoves be fixed, to project about 18 inches into the Room.

- Agreed to.

The Committee Agreed thereto.

Estimate of a Vane and Wind Dial.

Mr Soane also Reported to the Committee, That a Wind Dial might be erected, with a face to shew in the Court Room and another face in the Committee Room. And that the expence thereof would be, about £46.

- Approved & to be executed.

The Committee approved of the same, and directed that it be carried into execution.

Ordered,

Plan & Estimate of an Office for Registering Wills, to be prepared.

That Mr Soane be directed to prepare a Plan and Estimate of a New Office for Registering Wills.

Mr Governor.  
Mr R. Mease  
Mr Raikes  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Mellish  
Mr Dorrison & Mr Pittland.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 1805

The Proceedings of the last Committee, were read.

Ordered,



Temporary Desks, to  
be placed in the large  
New Room, instead  
for of Account Office.

Ordered,

That Mr Soane be directed to place some  
Temporary Desks, in the large Room intended for the  
Accountants Office; for the purpose of determining  
on the best mode of finally placing Desks, for the  
business of the said Office.

Sir R. Peard  
Sir B. Watson.  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Mellish.

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 1805. —

The Proceedings of the last Committee  
were read.

An Office, for all  
Public Drawing Ac-  
counts - cannot yet  
be carried into ex-  
ecution.

The Committee, on considering a  
Resolution of the Committee of Treasury of the 20<sup>th</sup>  
of August last, and consulting thereon with Mr  
Soane, were, with him of opinion - That the  
Office proposed to be established for the exclusive  
purpose of keeping all Public Drawing Accounts  
therein, cannot, Till the General Plan Appropriation  
shall be determined on, be carried into execution.

Reference from the  
Committee of Treasury  
considered.

On considering a reference from the  
Committee of Treasury of the 10<sup>th</sup> of September last,  
Mr Soane Reported,

Report regard-  
accommodation of  
room, to Mr. Terry.

That the Apartments  
allotted to Mr Terry for the Printing business, may,  
immediately have such additions, as shall  
amply accommodate him: but, for this purpose,  
a temporary communication must be provided,  
which will be attended with some expence, and  
with embarrassment to the Workmen.

The



Reference to  
Committee of Inspection  
regarding the  
Printing business.

The Committee therefore referred to the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office to consider — whether such immaterial parts of the business, as are now carried on, in the Bank, cannot be executed without the Walls of the House. —

Plan for the Office  
for registering Wills,  
not yet prepared.

Mr. Soane acquainted the Committee, that he is not yet prepared with a Plan and Estimate for a new Office for registering Wills —

The business of  
cleaning the Treasury  
Iron Closets for  
Bullion Vaults  
to be brot before the  
next Committee.

Mr. Soane was directed to bring before the Committee at its next meeting, the business of cleaning the Treasury; and also regarding two Iron Closets which have been made for a considerable time, for the Bullion Vaults.

The Chairs absent,  
the Committee  
adjourns —

Neither of the Chairs being present, on account of an interview with the Chancellor of the Exchequer the Committee adjourned further proceedings till after the Court on Thursday next; and directed that Summons be sent accordingly.

Mr Governor,  
Mr Deputy Governor,  
Mr N. Peave  
Mr B. Watson  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Mellish,  
Mr Dorrien,  
Mr Harcourt  
Mr Maitland.

Thursday 3<sup>d</sup> October 1805.

Plan of alterations  
in the Treasury

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.  
Mr Soane presented a Plan of alterations, intended for the greater convenience of business in the Treasury: the same was approved, and Mr Soane was directed to carry it into execution, conferring with the Committee of Treasury, regarding convenient time and Circumstances

To be executed  
when directed by  
the Committee  
of Treasury.

The



Committee to be sum-  
moned - and also  
to dine at 5 o'clock.

The Committee then Adjourned, to  
Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> Instant: Summonees to be sent  
for a meeting on that day, at 2 o'clock, in order to  
arrange the Plans of the Buildings, and afterwards  
to dine at 5 o'clock.

An Governor  
An Deputy Governor  
An. Thornton  
An B<sup>th</sup> Watson.  
An Whitmore  
An Mellish.  
An Waltham.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 1805. —

The Proceedings of the last Meeting were  
read. —

An Soane's Plan  
considered.

The Committee inspected and considered  
the Plan presented by An Soane, and Agreed,

Propositions for  
an arrangement  
of Offices. —

That the following Propositions for an  
arrangement and appropriation of Offices &c. —  
would conduce to general convenience & utility.

Proposed 15<sup>th</sup>  
1807 }  
Entrance into  
Hall - to be contin<sup>d</sup>.

Viz. —

Addition to be  
made to the Hall.

- 1<sup>st</sup> - That the present entrance into the Hall, from  
the paved Court, be continued.
- 2<sup>o</sup> - That the present Discount Office Office and  
Inspectors Office, be added to the Hall: — to  
communicate with the Hall on the South, and  
with the Lobby on the West.

Passage from the  
Bullion Yard, to be  
stopped up.

- 3<sup>o</sup> - That the Passage leading from the Bullion  
Office Yard to the Treasury, be stopped up.

Passage from the  
Hall, to the Cashiers  
Office &c. to be en-  
larged &c. —

- 4<sup>th</sup> - That the Passage leading from the Hall to the  
Chief Cashier's Office, the Secretary's Office, the  
new Room &c., the narrowest part of which may  
be made 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  feet wide and other parts of it  
opened to a greater width, — be made, in every  
part of it, as wide as conveniently may be.



Discount Office <sup>5<sup>th</sup></sup> - That the Discount Office remain, according to the Plan presented by Mr Soane to the Committee the 3<sup>rd</sup> -  
to remain as per former plan, with Rooms over it.  
Just - with Rooms over it.

Small Office to be built where the Chancery Office stand. <sup>6<sup>th</sup></sup> - That the small Office in the same Plan, marked "Chancery Office", be built; but not applied to the Chancery business.

Mr Walton's Room, to be given up. <sup>7<sup>th</sup></sup> - That Mr Walton's Room, in the Passage, be given up; and that the Ledgers now therein be deposited in some secure place, to be provided by Mr Soane.

Storekeeper Office to be removed. <sup>8<sup>th</sup></sup> - That the Storekeeper be removed to the Office now occasionally used by the Cash Book Office.

Porter's Lodge, to be shown in appropriate. And the Porters to be removed. <sup>9<sup>th</sup></sup> - That the present Porter's Lodge under the front Gateway, be appropriated to the Land Tax and Property Tax Office: the Porters to be removed to the <sup>4<sup>th</sup></sup> room on the left hand under the Archway, between the Bullion Court and Loshbury Court.

Cheque to remain their former Office. <sup>10<sup>th</sup></sup> - That the Cheque be removed to their former Office, which is at present occupied by the Land & Property Tax business.

Urinals to be removed & the place inclosed with Rails. <sup>11<sup>th</sup></sup> - That the Urinals under the front middle Gate-way, be taken away: and that Iron Rails be fixed, to inclose the front place from any inconvenience.

Reference made to the Committee of Inspection. It having been referred to the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office <sup>H<sup>o</sup></sup> to Consider, whether some immaterial parts of the Printing business, cannot be executed out of the Bank?  
Mr Mellish Reported from the said Committee of



Mr Mellish's Report -  
Regarding the business of the Printing Office.

of Inspection,  
That, by allowing Mr Terry to print the numerical sheets for Banknote Ledgers, and also the Bank Drawing Cheques out of the Bank, Room may be found to place a sufficient number of Presses for printing Bank Notes.

Mr Soane to make alterations in the Printing Office.

The Committee thereupon, directed Mr Soane to make the necessary alterations in the Printing Office; and referred the business of printing the above mentioned Articles out of the Bank, to the Committee of Treasury. —

— reference to the Committee of Treasury.

Mr Governor.  
Mr Dep<sup>y</sup> Governor.  
Sir B<sup>t</sup> Watson.  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Mellish.

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 1805.

Porter's Lodge not large enough for the Land Tax and Property Tax Office.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.  
It having been found, that the Porter's Lodge would not be large enough, for transacting the business of the Land and Property Tax Offices, as proposed in the last Committee: It was now

Agreed,  
That the Land Tax Office, the Property Tax Office and the Cheque Office, be not removed for the present.

Land & Property Tax Office, not to be removed, at present.

Porter's Lodge, to be occupied by the Storekeeper.

That the Porter's Lodge, be occupied by the Storekeeper; and

Discount Cheque Office to be removed.

That the Discount Cheque Office be removed to the Room over the Investigator's Office, for the present.

Payment to Mr Soane for Commission, and for his Clerk

Ordered, That £ 768-0-4 be paid to Mr Soane, for his Commission of 25 per Cent, on £ 15,360-7-5, being  
The



the Amount of Bills for Work done from Michaelmas 1804 to Lady-day 1805. and also £50 to the Clerk of the Works, from the 29<sup>th</sup> September 1804, to the 25<sup>th</sup> March 1805: making together £818<sup>0</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.

Mr Governor.  
Mr Deputy Governor.  
Mr Boraquest.  
Mr Haikes  
Mr B<sup>th</sup> Watson  
Mr Harman.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 1805.

Minutes read.

were read.

The Proceedings of the last Committee

Locks to be fixed  
on the Closets in  
the Vaults.

Mr Soane reported, that Locks have been made for the Iron Closets intended for the Bullion Vaults; the Committee therefore directed, that the Locks be fixed on the said Closets.

reconsideration

of a Minute

regard<sup>g</sup> Urinals.

The Committee, on the representation of Mr Soane reconsidered a Minute of the 9<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> regarding the removal of the Urinals under the front gateway. Mr Soane stated, that by cleaning the drains, the inconvenience complained of had been much lessened. And he apprehended that the removal of the Urinals would subject the Bank to considerable Nuisances.

Urinals not

to be removed.

It was therefore Agreed, That the removal of the Urinals, be for the present, deferred.

Thursday



Mr Governor  
Mr Dep<sup>y</sup> Govern<sup>r</sup>  
Mr W<sup>m</sup> Keave  
Mr Haikes  
Mr B. Watson  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Mollish  
Mr Torrien.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 1805.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

New Library to be used for selling L. P. -

The Committee Agreed, That the New Library, under the great room, should be appropriated for selling L. P. of £1 and £2 Notes; till it shall be wanted for other purposes.

Business of the Cheque Office to be removed for a time.

It was also Agreed, That, while the Passage is making to the great room, through the Cheque Office, the business of that Office shall be removed to a part of the great room.

Reference on the mode of warming the Bank Stock Office.

A reference from the Committee for the Stock Office's being read, regarding a complaint which had been made of the method of warming the Bank Stock Office; Mr Soane reported thereon, and the Committee Agreed, That it is neither

No other fire place to be made therein.

proper or expedient to make any other Fire-Place, in the Bank Stock Office.

Mr Governor  
Mr Dep<sup>y</sup> Govern<sup>r</sup>  
Mr B. Watson  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Maitland

Thursday 2<sup>d</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1806.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

A view taken of the new Office.

The Committee (accompanied by Mr Soane) proceeded to view the new arrangement of Offices which is now carrying on, and then adjourned.



Mr Governor.  
Mr Pease.  
Mr August.  
Mr Raikes.  
Mr Watson.  
Mr Whitmore.  
Mr Haman.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 1806.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Plan of fitting up the new Discount Office.

Mr Soane presented to the Committee, a Plan for fitting up the interior of the new Discount Office, which the Committee inspected, and agreed, that it should be carried into effect.

Office for the Inspectors appointed.

Mr Soane proposed to the Committee, that the room over the new Discount Office should be fitted for the Inspectors of Bank Notes; it being, in his opinion, a very suitable Office for them.

The Committee agreed thereto.

Mr Soane's Report of his Clerk & the Workmen.

Mr Soane further stated to the Committee, that during the late extraordinary urgency of work, on the long passage and in the adjoining new Office, the following Persons had, very meritoriously exerted themselves, under his direction. It was therefore

Gratuities awarded to them.

Ordered, That the underneath Gratuities be granted to them, on the above account, viz:

To Walter Payne - Clerk of the Works -	25	Guineas
To George Hunt - Carpenter -	15	£
To Rich: Harrison - Foreman of the Bricklayers -	10	£
To Geo. White - Foreman of the Masons -	10	
Total -		60



Mr Governor.  
 Sir K<sup>t</sup> Heave  
 Mr Kaikes  
 Mr Thornton  
 Sir B. Watson.  
 Mr Whitmore  
 Mr Mellsish  
 Mr Dorriceu

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 1806.

The Proceedings of the last Committee

were read.

Application of  
 Mr W<sup>m</sup> White  
 report of Mr Soane  
 thereon.

A Letter from Mr William White having been referred to Mr Soane - He stated, that Mr White, some years ago, occupied part of a small Shop (No 9) the corner of Bartholomew Lane, which part of a Shop he held from a Mr Knight, who received a compensation from the Bank, for quitting and giving up the said premises. That the said William White was never known as a servant of the Bank, and at the very time that he engaged to divide this small Shop with Mr Knight, he knew that it was to be pulled down in a very short period. On these accounts, it was Mr Soane's opinion, that Mr White has no claim on the Bank, of any kind whatever.

An Application  
 from Mr Acton  
 Mr Soane's  
 Report thereon.

A Petition of the same nature as the above, from Mr William Acton, having also been referred to Mr Soane - He stated, that Mr Acton had, in the year 1793, one House in Lottbury and 4 Houses in Falcon Court, which he held on lease from the poor of Acton, of which lease 24 years were unexpired: that he paid a Rent of £30, & for giving up these premises he received a premium of £978, with which he was fully satisfied.

Decision of the  
 Committee on the  
 above Applications

The Committee Agreed, that in both the above Cases, Mr Soane's Opinion should be abided by, and that no further compensation should



should be granted from the Bank.

West front of the  
Bullion Court  
to be taken down.

Mr Soane stated to the Committee, that for the purpose of proceeding with the long Passage, it is now necessary to take down the West Front of the Bullion Court. This was agreed to, by the Committee and he received directions accordingly.

Instructions to Mr  
Soane regard the  
Houses in Token  
House Yard &c

Mr Soane was desired to consider whether two or three of the Houses belonging to the Bank in Token House Yard, can be converted into a Place for the public to meet in, for buying & selling Stocks; in the event of the Rotundo being appropriated to other purposes. And he was also desired to form a Plan of such a place in Token House Yard.

Ordered.

Mr Soane's Com-  
mission & his  
Clerk's Salary  
paid.

That £1474<sup>13</sup> 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> be paid to Mr Soane, for his Commission of £5 per Cent on £29493<sup>4</sup> 10<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>; being the amount of Bills for work done, from Lady day to Michaelmas 1805. And also £50. to the Clerk of the Works, from March 25<sup>th</sup> to September 29<sup>th</sup> 1805, inclusive: making together £1524<sup>13</sup> 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.

Mr Governor  
Mr Depy Governor.  
Mr R. Meard.  
Mr Dosanquet  
Mr Throuthor  
Mr R. Watson  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Mellish.  
Mr Dorrien  
Mr Harman.  
Mr Maitland.

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Consideration  
of a place for regis-  
tering Wills &c

It having been referred to this Committee by the Court of Directors, to provide a proper place for combining the business of registering Wills and of making out and examining Powers of Attorney regarding all the Stocks and Annuities transferrable at



at this House. And also to provide a suitable Place for the accommodation of the Public, on account of being thought advisable that no market for the sale or purchase of Stock, shall be held in the Rotunda, or in any of the Offices of this House:—

Plan of Houses in Token Ho. Yard presented.

Mr Soane presented a Plan of the situation of the Houses which are the property of the Bank, in Token House Yard. And it was further Resolved.

— Mr Soane to report, regarding a Place, in lieu of the Rotundo.

That Mr Soane be desired to Report, on what may be done with any of the Houses in the above mentioned situation, with a view to the constructing of a place, in which the Public may meet to purchase and sell Stocks, in the event of the Rotunda being appropriated to other purposes. And also to Report - whether a Place may be provided or built in any other more eligible situation than Token House Yard, for the purposes above referred to.

Entrance into the Bank to remain as at present.

Resolved. That the present Entrance into the Bank, from Threadneedle Street, and into the Pay Hall, shall remain the same; with the exception of improving the Door into the Pay Hall.

Resolved 15<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1807  
Door into the Pay Hall to be improved.

Mr Soane to prepare a Plan of

Resolved. That Mr Soane prepare a Plan of a Communication from the Pay Hall, into the long Passage.

Resolved



Resolved,

Chancery and Exchequer Offices, to be removed.

That the Accountants Chancery Office and the Exchequer Office, be removed to the two rooms which have been made out of the late Cheque Office: while the Wall of the Bullion Court shall be rebuilding.

Resolved,

Bullion Office to be removed.

That the Bullion Office be removed into the present Discount and Inspectors Offices, when these latter take possession of the new Offices appropriated for them. And that Mr Soane do prepare a Plan of a New Bullion Office.

Plans to be prepared of a new Bullion Office.

Resolved,

Plans to be prepared

That Mr Soane prepare the under-mentioned Plans. viz

For altering the situation of the Deputy Accountants House

For altering the situation of the Deputy Accountants House; with a view of applying it to Offices, and of forming a Communication from the Loshbury Court to the new Buildings.

For fitting up the new large room.

A Plan for fitting up the new large Room, for the new and old Accountants Offices.

To appropriating the vacant ground

And a Plan for the appropriation of the vacant ground, within the Walls of the Bank.

Out-Tellers removed.

Mr Soane Reported, that the Out-Tellers had



had been removed from the Room opposite Mr Newland's Office, into the Gallery which has been made over a part of the late Cheque Office.

Investigators removed.

That the Investigators had been removed into the Office lately occupied by the Out-Sellers.

Investigators Office fitted for holding Paper.

And that the Investigators late Office, had been fitted up for holding Paper.

Thursday 3<sup>o</sup> April 1806.

Committee re-appointed.

The Court of Directors, this day appointed the Committee of Building, as follow. Viz.

Mr Rich<sup>d</sup> Neave      Mr Sam<sup>l</sup> Thouton  
Mr Bosanquet      Mr Winstrop &  
Mr Kaikes          Mr Whitmore

Mr Mellish & Mr Harman added to the Committee

And the two following Gentlemen were added to the Committee, to assist in forming the Plan for the Completion of the Buildings. Viz  
Mr Mellish, and Mr Harman.

Mr Governor  
Mr Deputy Governor  
Mr Bosanquet  
Mr Kaikes  
Mr Winstrop  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Mellish.

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 1806.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Minutes read.

Plan of Houses in Token Ho. Yard.

Mr Soane presented a Plan of the Houses in Token house Yard, with a view to appropriate two of them to forming a Place, for the purchase and



and Sale of Stock. He also reported, that if this Plan should be adopted, it will be a Year and a half before the Tenants of the said Houses can be removed, and a Year more, before the intended Place could be finished.

Mr Soane to make inquiries for

Mr. Soane was therefore directed to inquire & Report whether a Place, for the above mentioned purpose, can be provided, or built, in any other more eligible situation.

Plan of a passage from the Pay-Hall

Mr. Soane presented a Plan of a Communication from the Pay-Hall into the long passage; the further consideration of which was deferred, till the new Bullion Office shall be determined on.

Plan for altering the situation of the Deputy Accountants House.

Mr. Soane also presented a Plan, for altering the situation of the Deputy Accountants House; and another Plan for the appropriation of the Vacant Ground within the Walls of the Bank: - the further consideration of which was deferred.

Plan for fitting up the new large Room

Mr. Soane presented a Plan, for fitting up the new large Room; but reported, that it is not capacious enough for both the new & Old Specie. He was therefore directed to prepare a Plan for fitting up the said Room, for the new Accountants only.

Plan of an Office for the Public Drawing Accounts.

A Plan was also presented for separating a part of the Pay Hall, and fitting it up, to be an Office for the Public Drawing Accounts, which are, or may be kept at this House. It was proposed in the Plan to take away the two In-Sellers Desks nearest to the



the door of entrance into the Hall; also to remove the Out-Tellers Waiting Desk, nearer to the end of the Hall, and to reduce the large Weighing Desk.

New Discount Office nearly finished.

Mr. Soame reported, that the new Discount Office would be finished at Midsummer, or possibly before that time: It was therefore Resolved,

Discount & Inspectors to be removed.

That the business of the Discount Office be removed to the new Office, as soon as it shall be completed: that the business of the Inspectors Office be also removed as soon as the new Office intended for it shall be finished: and that the rooms now Temporary Bullion occupied by the Discount Clerks and the Inspectors Office be then fitted for a temporary Bullion Office.

Temporary Bullion Office to be fitted.

Petition of Sam<sup>l</sup> Batho.

A Petition was read from Sam<sup>l</sup> Batho Beadle of the Ward of Coleman Street, praying for some consideration on account of his loss of Christmas Gifts by the taking down of several Houses in the said Ward, for the accommodation of the Bank.

to be allowed him

Ordered, That £10 be allowed to Samuel Batho, as a final compensation, on the account before mentioned.

Mr Governor  
Mr Deputy Governor  
Mr R. Meade  
Mr Raikes  
Mr Wintler  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Wallish  
Mr Harman.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June 1806

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The



Investigators and  
Out-tellers to be  
removed &c

The Committee of Treasury having recommended, that, in order to provide a separate Drawing Office in the Hall, for the Public Accounts, the Investigators be removed from the room opposite the Chief Cashier's Office, into a part of the late Cheque Office; that the Out-tellers be removed into the room now used by the Investigators, and that the two Out-tellers in Waiting be removed from the Hall, into the same room with the other Out-tellers. And also recommended, that an Iron

Wicket Door for  
the Treasury.

Wicket Door be made for the Treasury, in order to allow of the present door being kept open, for a time, in very hot weather. - The Committee approved of the same.

Plan of alterations  
in the Hall.

And Mr Soane now presented an amended Plan, for making the necessary alterations in the Hall, and for parting off a separate Office therein, for the Public Drawing Accounts: which were approved, and Mr Soane was directed to carry them into execution.

Plan for fitting  
up the large Room  
& 2 other Rooms  
for the Accountants  
&c.

Mr Soane presented the following Plans.  
For fitting up the New large Room for the New Specie.  
For fitting up the two large Rooms, connected with the former, for the Old Specie.

These Plans were examined, and approved: and Mr Soane was directed to carry them into effect.

Cash Book Office  
to be removed.

It being proposed to remove the Cash Book Office to the Rooms over those which have been appropriated for the Old Specie: - The Committee approved of the same.

It



Land Tax & Property Tax Office to be removed

It was also proposed - That the Land Tax, and Property Tax business, shall be removed into the unoccupied part of the late Cheque Office; and that the Cheque be removed from the large room, into their former Office, near the Reduced Office.

Cheque Office to be removed.

The Committee agreed thereto.

Room for L.P. to be finished for a Library.

Resolved, That the room adjoining that in which the L.P. are settled, be finished and fitted for a Library.

Plan of a new Bullion Office presented.

It being agreed by the Committee, that it will be proper to construct the New Bullion Office on the ground-floor: Mr Soane presented a Plan of a New Bullion Office, which was examined and

Situation of the door to be fixed at a future time.

approved: except that the situation of the Door, is to be determined on, at a future time.

Long Passage nearly completed.

Mr Soane Reported - That the long Passage will be quite complete in the course of next week;

Discounts to go the new Office.

It was therefore Agreed, That the Discount business be removed to the new Office, next Monday evening.

Mr Governor. Mr Dep't Governor Sir R. Meade Mr Raikes Mr Witherop.

Thursday 12 June 1846.

Plan of a stair case to the Deposit Vaults.

Mr Soane presented a Plan for making a private Stair-case from the Vestibule adjoining the Court room, to the Deposit Vaults.

- approved -

The Committee approved of the same, and Mr Soane was directed to carry it into effect.



Mr Governor  
Mr Winstrop  
Mr Whitmore.

Thursday 3<sup>d</sup> July 1806.

Plan for fixing  
a crane to  
the Door way  
agreed on.

Mr Soane presented a Plan for fixing the  
Crane at the end of the Stair Case leading to the Bank  
Note Office, for the convenience of the Bullion Office  
and the Treasury. And also proposed to make the Door-  
way, at the foot of the new Stair Case leading to the  
Deposit Vaults: which were agreed to, by the  
Committee, and Mr Soane was directed to carry them  
into effect.

Mr Governor.  
Mr Dep<sup>y</sup> Governor.  
Mr Thouton  
Mr Winstrop  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Bellish.  
Minutes read.

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July 1806.

The Minutes of the three preceding Meetings  
were read.

Plan for lowering  
the Ceiling in the  
outer Lobby.

Mr Soane presented a Plan for lowering  
the Ceiling of the Lobby to the Court Room, and for adding  
a Floor level with the Bank Note Office. To which  
the Committee agreed: and directed Mr Soane to  
carry it into effect.

Signers of Notes  
under £5 to be  
removed.

It being expedient to remove the Signers  
of Notes under £5. from a Room over the Bullion  
Office Building, preparatory to the pulling it down  
for rebuilding the Bullion Office. The Committee  
agreed to remove the signers of Notes under £5 to  
the South West Room, one pair, at the end of the long  
Passage. And also to remove another part of  
the



— another part of  
the business of the  
Bank Note Office  
to be removed.

the business of the Bank Note Office, from the room  
over the Bullion Office, into one of the North West  
Rooms at the end of the long Passage; either on the  
Ground or First Floor as shall be most convenient.  
And Mr Soane was directed to fit up the said Rooms  
for the business to be carried on therein.

Iron Doors to be  
removed, and ap-  
plied to the temporary  
Bullion Office.

Mr Soane proposed to the Committee, to  
remove the Iron Doors from the part taken out of the  
Treasury some time since, and to apply them to  
the entrance into the temporary Bullion Office.  
— To which the Committee Agreed.

A Room to be fitted  
for the Accountant  
his Assistant & the  
Journal.

Mr Soane produced a Plan, for dividing  
the South West Room on the Ground Floor, at the  
end of the long Passage, into Offices: for the Chief  
Accountant; for the Deputy Accountant and his  
Assistant, and for the Journal. To which the  
Committee Agreed.

Room for Books  
from the Library to  
be fitted.

Mr Soane also proposed - to fit up a  
small Room, in the basement, under part of  
the room now used as the Accountants Office,  
for the reception of Books in the Department  
of Mr Moss, one of the Librarians - to which the  
Committee Agreed.

Mr Governor.  
Mr R. Beave.  
Mr Wintthrop  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Mellish  
Mr Harman.

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July 1806.

Minutes read.

read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

The



Floor in the Lobby  
to be raised.

The Committee Agreed, - that instead of  
the Floor in the Lobby to the Court room being made  
level with the Bank Note Office (as directed at the  
last Committee) it be raised 3 Steps, higher than  
the said level.

Chancery Office  
to be removed.

Resolved, That the Accountants' Chancery  
Office be removed to the Office now used by the  
Investigators.

Mr Governor.  
Mr Deputy Governor.  
Mr Winstrop.  
Mr Whitmore.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August 1806.

Minutes read. read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

Amendment of  
a Minute.

The Committee Agreed to the following  
Amendment of a Minute of the 17<sup>th</sup> Ult<sup>o</sup>. for dividing  
the South West Room at the end of the long passage  
into Offices, for the Accountants. Viz<sup>t</sup>

Appropriation of  
Offices for the  
Accountants, the  
Ledger & Journal.

That the said Room be divided into Offices,  
one Office for one of the Accountants, one for the  
Ledger, and one for the Journal. And that the  
lower room now occupied by the Cash Book Office  
be fitted up, for the other Accountant. Also

Place to be found  
for the Paper.

That Mr Soane be directed to find a  
place for the Paper, in order to make a passage  
thro' the Room in which it is now deposited.



Mr Depy Governor  
Sir W. Peave  
Mr Thornton  
Mr Winstrop  
Mr Whitmore

13<sup>th</sup> August 1806

Resolved,

That the Sink and Cistern, at the  
alterations to the further end of the Coffee Room, be removed to the  
made in the  
Coffee Room -  
corner next to the door, at the right hand: And  
that the Presses which are at the right hand of  
the room be repaired and removed to the upper  
end thereof.

Mr Governor.  
Mr Depy Governor.  
Sir W. Peave.  
Mr Winstrop.  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Harman.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September 1806.

The Minutes of the two last Meetings  
of the Committee, were read.

Room proposed  
for holding the  
Paper.

Mr Soane proposed to the Committee, that a  
Room, at the N. W. end of the Great Room, be appropriated  
to holding the Paper. The Committee approved of  
the same; and Mr Soane was directed to remove the  
Paper thereto, as soon as possible -

Letter from Messrs  
Fry & Sons.

A Letter was read from Messrs Fry and  
Sons of Mildred Court, making some inquiries  
regarding the alterations which are likely to be  
made in a part of Princes Street. On which, it  
was Agreed, That Mr Soane be directed to  
acquaint Messrs Fry and Sons - that their  
Inquiries appear to go beyond the line of  
improvement, with which, the Bank has anything  
to do.

Mr Soane to  
answer it.

Ordered,



Ordered,

Iron Closets, for  
the Vaults, to be  
prepared.

That Mr Soane do prepare twenty two Iron  
Closets, similar to two, already made and approved; for  
use in the Specie Vaults.

Alterations  
made in the  
Treasury.

The Governor reported, that he had given Mr  
Soane directions to remove the partitions in that part  
of the Treasury which is occupied by the Bullion Office,  
and Mr Soane now acquainted the Committee, that  
the Governor's directions had been carried into effect.

Floor of the Ves-  
tibule, proposed to  
be Arched and  
paved.

Mr Soane stated to the Committee, that the  
Floor of the Vestibule to the Court Room, is of Timber,  
and boarded: and therefore proposed to Arch the same,  
and to pave the Arch, to correspond with the Pay Hall  
and new passage.

Agreed to.

The Committee Agreed thereto;  
and Mr Soane was directed to begin this work, on  
Wednesday next.

£300. to be given  
to Mr W. Wright  
for his Premises.

Mr Soane further reported, that he had agreed  
to give £300 to Mr Nathaniel Wright, for all his right  
and interest, in a Tenement, No 20 Sothbury - which  
was approved by the Committee, and the Governor signed

Order signed  
for the same.

an Order for payment of the said Sum.

Floors of the  
Vaults - Mr  
Soane's report  
thereon.

Mr Soane also stated, that he is perfectly  
ready with all the materials, for raising the floors  
of the Vaults.



Mr Governor.  
 Mr Deputy Governor.  
 Mr Kaikes.  
 Mr Stanton.  
 Mr Winstrop.  
 Mr Hamman.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

read.

Bank Note Office  
 to be removed &c  
 E

Mr Soane produced a Plan, for removing the Bank Note Office, to the furthermost Room, over the old Specie Office; and to make a communication to it, through the Cash Book Office. The Committee agreed thereto.

Letter from Mr  
 Rob<sup>t</sup> Edie.

A Letter, addressed to the Governors and Directors of the Bank, from Mr Rob<sup>t</sup> Edie of Broad Street, was read: offering to dispose of his premises, N<sup>o</sup> 5. Token House Yard.

Resolved, That Mr Soane be desired to treat with Mr Edie, for the said premises, and to report his terms to the Committee.

Mr Governor.  
 Mr Deputy Governor.  
 Mr Kaikes.  
 Mr Winstrop.  
 Mr Whitmore.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting

Minutes read, were read.

Report, on Mr  
 Edie's House.

Mr Soane laid before the Committee a Plan of the House belonging to Mr Edie, N<sup>o</sup> 5. Token House Yard; and stated, that the sum asked by him for the same, is £7500.

Resolved



Resolved,

— purchase  
fit to be declined.

That the purchase of Mr Edie's premises  
on the terms offered by him, be declined by the Bank.

Plan for fitting  
the £3 per Cent  
Office.

Mr Soane presented two Plans for fitting  
up the Office intended for the £3 per Cent Annuities,  
when, on a view of the Office, the Plan (No 1) was

— to be  
to.

approved and Ordered to be carried into execution.

Bank note  
Office, found  
too small.

Mr Soane Reported, that the Bank  
Note Office had been removed, agreeably to a  
Minute of the last Committee; but the space  
being found insufficient, he now proposed, to  
take a part of the lower end of the Cash-Book  
Office, for the accommodation of the Bank Note  
Office; which was agreed to.

— to be en-  
larged.

Mr Governor  
Mr De la Cour  
Mr B. Pearce  
Mr Raikes  
Mr Winstrop  
Mr Whitmore

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Decem<sup>r</sup> 1806

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Ordered,

Mr Soane's  
Commission  
to be paid

That £1060-4-10 be paid to Mr Soane  
for his Commission of £5 per Cent on £21,204-16-9 1/2.  
— being the amount of Bills for work done from Mich<sup>l</sup>  
1805, to Lady day 1806. And also £50, to the Clerk of the  
Works from 29<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>r</sup> 1805, to 25<sup>th</sup> March 1806, inclusive,  
making together £1110-4-10.

Ordered,

That £608-19-2 be paid to Mr Soane  
for



Mr Soanes's form for his Commission of £5 per Ct. on £12,179.4.9 1/2  
miscellaneous H. P. being the amount of Wills, for work done, from  
Lady-day to Michaelmas 1806. And also £50, to the  
Clerk of the Works, from the 25 March to the 29<sup>th</sup>  
of September 1806, inclusive: making together  
£658-19-2. —

Plan for fitting  
up the New Court of  
Office, recommended

Mr Soanes's Plan for fitting up the

the New Office for the £3 per Ct. Court Annuitants,  
was again considered by the Committee; and it  
was agreed, that the whole of the space at the  
East End, should be made an Office for the  
Interior, and the Semi-circular Room, at the  
West End, be made an Office for the General  
Registering of Wills, and <sup>for</sup> making out, and exami-  
ning all Powers of attorney. And the Governor,  
was requested to Report to the Court of Directors,  
the appropriation which has been made of an  
Office for the Wills and Powers, in order that  
the Committee for the Stock Office (with the  
addition of Mr Whitmore) may make suitable  
arrangements for consolidating the business  
of the Wills and Powers, and for removing it to  
the New Office. —

— Report to be  
made to the Court  
thereon.



Mr Governor.  
Mr Deputy Governor  
Mr Baikes  
Mr Withrop  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Mitchell.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 1807.

The Minutes of the last meeting were

Minutes read. read.

The Governor's Report.

The Governor Reported, that agreeably to the recommendation of this Committee, the Court of Directors had referred the Report of the appropriation of an Office for the Wills and Powers, to the Committee of Inspection for the Stock Office, with the addition of Mr Whitmore; in order that suitable arrangements may be made for consolidating the business of the Wills and Powers, and for removing it to the new Office.

Memorial of the Ward of Coleman Street

A Memorial of the Alderman, Deputy, Common Council and sundry Inhabitants of the Ward of Coleman Street was read; stating the inconveniences which have arisen from the want of the old communication through Princes-Street, from Lothbury into Cornhill; and expressing their hope, that this work is in great forwardness, and that the footway on the North side of the Bank, in Lothbury, will also be completed for general use.

Resolved,

referred to Mr Soane.

That the above Memorial be referred to Mr Soane, and that he Report to the Committee thereon, this day week.

Mr



Plan for building  
on the Vacant Ground  
of a new  
Printing Office

Mr. Soane produced a Plan for the ap-  
propriation of the Vacant Ground, for the erection  
of a new Printing Office.

Directions  
to Mr. Soane thereon

Resolved, That Mr. Soane be empowered to  
carry into execution the said Plan; subject to  
reference to the Committee from time to time,  
for such further divisions of the Interior of the  
Buildings, as may be found necessary.

Small alterations  
in several Offices  
authorised

Mr. Soane was authorised by the  
Committee, to make a small inclosure, for the  
greater warmth and accommodation, of the  
old Accountants Office, the Accountants Drawing  
Office, and the Imperial Annuity Office. Mr  
Soane stated that this business could be done  
with very little trouble and expense.

Mr Governor  
Mr Dep<sup>y</sup> Governor  
Mr Wm. B. of  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Mellish.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 1807.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were  
read.

Plan of the  
Ground near  
Princes Street  
H<sup>o</sup>

Mr Soane presented a Plan, to shew the  
state and extent of the Ground belonging to the Bank  
near Princes Street and Lothbury; with reference to  
the Memorial read at the last Council from the  
Alderman, Common Council H<sup>o</sup> of the Ward of  
Coleman Street. And it was

Resolved, That the following Answer to the  
said Memorial, be returned from the Bank.

Answer to the Me-  
morial from the  
Ward of Coleman  
St<sup>h</sup>



That Orders have been given to the Surveyor to proceed in opening Princes Street, as far as respects the Bank, as expeditiously, as possible; and that it is hoped this will be accomplished in 6 months from the present time.

Ordered, That an Iron Railing be erected, to separate the ground belonging to the Bank, from a part of Princes Street and Lothbury: as proposed by Mr Soane, in the Plan above referred to.

Iron railing to be erected near Princes Street &c.

Ordered, That Mr Kaye's Opinion be taken on a Clause in the last Bank Building Act, (Act 20) regarding the power of the Bank to take up Pavements &c. — for the purpose of ascertaining whether the Bank, by the said Clause, are liable to pave the continuation of Princes Street.

Mr Kaye's opinion to be taken

Mr Soane presented a Plan of the Pay-hall with a view to the making an Entrance therein, from the Paved Court into the long passage. On which it was Resolved,

Plan of the Pay Hall.

That a Minute of the 9<sup>th</sup> Coll<sup>y</sup> 1805, and another Minute of the 12<sup>th</sup> March 1806, both of them having respect to continuing the present Entrance from the Paved Court, into the Pay-Hall — be rescinded.

Minutes to be rescinded.

And it was also,

Resolved.



56.

Entrance through  
the Pay Hall.

Resolved;

That an Entrance be made, at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Window, from the Green Court, into the Pay Hall; and a passage from thence, continued into the long Passage: And that the same be carried into execution, as soon as possible.

Resolved.

Applications for  
repairs to be  
made thro' the  
Chiefs. -

That no Applications, for repairs alterations, &c. in any of the Offices of this House, be received from any Clerk; but through the Chief of the Department, to which such Clerk and Office shall belong.

Mr. Governor.  
Mr. Deputy Governor.  
Mr. Peave.  
Mr. Stanton.  
Mr. Winthrop.  
Mr. Whitmore.  
Minutes read.

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Plan of Will &  
Power Office.

Mr. Soane presented two Plans, for fitting up the Office for the general business of Wills and Powers of Attorney; when, that Plan which is marked N<sup>o</sup>. 1. was approved by the Committee.

Mr. Soane's Report  
of Mr. Kaye's  
Opinion.

Mr. Soane Reported, that he had taken Mr. Kaye's Opinion on a Clause in the last Bank Building Act; agreeably to the directions of the Committee on the 15<sup>th</sup> instant. And a Letter from Mr. Kaye to Mr. Soane was now read; stating - That in his opinion

the



The Bank is bound, at its own expence, to pave that part of Princes Street which has been stopped up, and that part of Lothbury where the wooden Fence stands. And to relay, repair &c. whatever Pavement is taken up for its convenience.

Further Question to be put to Mr Kaye.

On which, Mr Soane was directed to put this further Question to Mr Kaye: viz.

Whether, under the Act of Parliament which provides for the opening of Princes Street, the Bank of England is obliged to any thing farther, than the repairing relaying &c. such parts of the Pavement as they shall have disturbed; to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Sewers.

State of the Strong Room.

The Committee, on the Report of the Chief Accountant and Mr Soane, having taken into consideration the state of the Strong Room, in which the Books of the Transfer Offices are kept, every night. It was Agreed,

Directions concerning it.

That Mr Soane be desired to give directions for removing, from time to time, the Soot, which falls from the Gate-Porter's Chimney, into the Strong Room: And that the Key of the Iron Grate therein, be separated from the other Keys, and be always kept by the Chief Accountant.

Resolved



Resolved,

Mr Soane to treat  
for certain Pre-  
mises.

That Mr Soane be instructed to treat  
with Mr Burchall, Mr Featherd, and the Owners  
of the Houses N<sup>o</sup> 6. 5. 4 & 3. in Lottbury, for all  
their right and interest in these premises, respec-  
tively: with a view to the re-opening of Princes  
Street.

Application for  
New Houses, that  
are to be built by  
the Bank.

An Application was made by Mr Long  
the Governor Mr Samuel Thornton, Mr Lewis  
Mr Solicitor Kaye, each of them for one of the  
Houses, intended to be built on the Ground be-  
longing to the Bank near Princes Street. Mr  
Thornton also mentioned, that he should prefer  
one of the Houses, which are to be built in Lottbury.

Adj<sup>d</sup> —

Adjourned, to this day fortnight —

Mr Governor  
Mr Haikes  
Mr Thornton.  
Mr Winstrop  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Harman.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 1807.

Minutes read

The Minutes of the last Committee  
were read.

Barrack Room  
proposed.

Mr Soane proposed to apply the Room  
under the Deputy Accountants Office, to the pur-  
poses of a Barrack-Room: and that the Officer of  
the Guard should retain the Room, which he  
now has.

Agreed to.

The Committee Agreed thereto.

Mr



Plan to alter the  
Lobby.  
Agreed to.

Mr Soane produced a Plan for altering the  
Lobby to the Court Room; which was examined by  
the Committee, and Agreed to.

Cupboards in  
the Treasury.

Mr Soane proposed, at the desire of Mr  
Mellish, that some new Cupboards be made in  
the Treasury, for the purpose of holding Bank-  
note Printed Paper.

The Committee Agreed thereto.

Letter from Mr  
Jeatherd.

A Letter from Mr John Jeatherd was read,  
stating (to Mr Soane) that he has a Lease for 9  
Years, from March next, on his Premises No. 7  
Lothbury; and that for one thousand Guineas he  
will quit these Premises, at 6 months notice, or  
sooner, if he can procure a suitable situation.

Resolved,

Mr Soane  
to treat with  
him.

That Mr Soane be empowered to treat  
with Mr Jeatherd for his Premises, on the above  
terms; except, that he bind himself to quit the  
said Premises, in 3 Months.

Letter from Mr  
Burchall.

A Letter addressed to the Governor & Compt.  
from Mr Robert Burchall was read: Stating, that  
with every disposition to accede to the wishes of  
that Bank, he finds it impossible to part with his  
Premises in Lothbury: As it will be the ruin of his  
business if he has not some central situation, and  
that it will not be in his power to find a situation  
equally eligible.

Resolved



Resolved,

— Consideration  
deferred.

That this Subject be further considered  
on this day week.

Letter from Mr  
Bond.

A Letter was read from Mr Bond, Clerk  
to the Commissioners of Sewers:— Stating, by direction  
of the said Commissioners, the badness of the Foot-  
pavement, and the inconvenience of the Hoard, at  
that part of the Bank which is in Lothbury. And  
therefore requesting that the Hoard may be set back,  
and the Pavement repaired as soon as possible.

Resolved.

— Resolution  
thereon.

That altho' the Committee do not conceive  
that the Bank is bound to repair the above mentioned  
Pavement, yet, that for the accommodation of the  
Public, it be done in the present instance. And  
that Mr Soane be desired to set back the Hoard,  
in order immediately, to complete the said Pavement.

Resolved.

Boxes to be  
removed.

That the Committee of Inspection for  
the Printing Office, be requested to give directions  
for the removal of the Boxes, which are in a  
Recess under the Room intended for the Will and  
Power Office: in order that the said Office may be  
completed.

Opinion of Mr  
Kaye.

The following Opinion of Mr Kaye, on the  
Question put to him by direction of the last Committee,  
was read. viz

Upon



Opinion of Mr  
Kaye.

61.

"Upon referring to the Clause in the last Bank Building Act, authorizing the Bank to take up Pavements &c. it will be found, that the Legislature has expressly imposed upon them the expense of "relaying altering" &c. As the Bank has taken part of Princes Street within the Bank-walls and has stipulated to provide a new Street, of 40 feet wide, at the least, - I am of opinion, that it is incumbent upon the Bank to pave the new part of Princes Street, and to repair, relay &c. such parts of the Pavements in Lothbury as have been taken up for the convenience of the Bank. In short, I conceive the Bank is bound to make and leave the Streets adjacent to their Buildings which have been taken up or altered for its convenience in a complete state fit for public use.

signed. Joseph Kaye  
12 Feby 1807.

Bromage's  
apartments.

Mr Dawes, reported to the Committee, that Richard Bromage, one of the Messengers having apartments in the House, (but no Kitchen) had applied for the use of a room for that purpose, underneath those which he now occupies. - That there are some Boxes deposited in that Room, which can be removed to another situation, and there appears, at present, no objection to the



The application of the room applied for, to his use.

Ordered,

— Bromage to  
make use of an  
additional room.

That Bromage have liberty to make  
use of the same, until wanted for some more  
important service of the Bank.

Mr Gos. & Sep. Gos.

Mr Parke

Mr Thornton.

Mr Winthrop

Mr Whitman,

Mr Harman.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting

Minutes read. were read.

Report of Mr  
Burchall's pre-  
mises.

Mr Soane Reported, that Mr Bur-  
chall had accompanied him to Token House Yard  
for the purpose fixing on Premises, in which  
his business could be carried on, in the event  
of quitting his present Premises for the accom-  
modation of the Bank: but, that this endeavor  
had been ineffectual.

— Value of  
the same.

Mr Soane then reported his opinion  
of the value of Mr Burchall's Premises. And  
it was Resolved.

Offer of £4000.  
for them.

That Mr Soane be empowered  
to offer £4000 to Mr Burchall, for his right  
and interest in the Lease of his Premises,  
provided he shall agree to quit the same  
in Three Months. —



Mr Governor  
Mr Peares  
Mr Baikes  
Mr Thornton  
Mr Winstrop  
Mr Whitmore  
Mr Mellish

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Mr Burchall's  
premises.

Mr Soane reported, that after several conversations with Mr Burchall and his Attorney, he had found, that the lowest sum which Mr Burchall would take for the Lease of his Premises in Lothbury, to quit them in three months, is £5000. On which it was

Mr Soane to  
close with his  
offer.

Resolved, That Mr Soane be directed to close with Mr Burchall, on the above terms.

Mr Feathered's  
Premises to be  
purchased.

Mr Soane further reported, that he had agreed to give Mr Feathered £1000, for all his right and interest in his Premises No 7 Lothbury: and that Mr Feathered was to quit, in three months.

The Committee Agreed thereto.

Plans for appropri-  
ating the Vacant  
Ground to be pre-  
sented.

Resolved, That Mr Soane be desired to present a detailed Plan, for Appropriating the Vacant Ground. The said Plan to be considered on the 2<sup>d</sup> April.

Estimate to be  
presented.

Resolved, That Mr Soane be desired to lay before the Committee, an Estimate of the new Barracks and of the Printing Office, in order that they may be entered in the Estimate Book.



Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 1807.

Mr Governor  
 Mr Deputy Governor  
 Mr P. Neave.  
 Mr Barker.  
 Mr Thornton.  
 Mr Wintthrop  
 Mr Whitmore  
 Mr Harman.

The Minutes of the last Committee were

read.

Mr Soane presented the following Rental

Rental of Houses belonging to the Bank, in Threadneedle Street: Bank Street, and the North Side of Cornhill; accompanied with Plans and explanations, viz.

Bank of England Rental.

Houses in Threadneedle Street		
Bank Street, and North Side of Cornhill, viz.		
Thomas Bourne, West Side of Castle		
Alley, Threadneedle St. at per Annum	105.0.0	
His proportion of the Paving Tax	2.10.0	
		107.10.0
Sarah Barker, South East Corner of		
Bank Street, at per Annum		181.15.0
William Dawson, North East Corner		
of Bank Street, at per Annum	170.0.0	
His proportion of the Paving Tax	3.10.10	
		173.10.10
Directors of the Sun Fire Office, a		
a House, North Side of Cornhill, at per Annum	130.0.0	
a House, West Side of Bank St. at per Annum	500.0.0	
Proportion of Paving Tax	2.14.0	
a House, East Side of Bank St. at per Annum	160.0.0	
		892.14.0
Messrs Ladbrooke & Co.		
a House on the South Side of		
Threadneedle St. at per Annum		450.0.0
		<u>1342.14.0</u>
Carried over		1805.9.10



Bro't over ————— 1805-9-10

Rental cont.

Mess<sup>r</sup> Richardson & Co. —

A House, north side of Cornhill, in  
the possession of Mr Arnold, at p<sup>a</sup> Ann 105. 0 0

A House, at the West end of the  
Bank Buildings, in the possession  
of Mr Richardson: at p<sup>a</sup> Ann 120. 0 0

A House on the North side of Corn-  
hill, in the possession of Mr Richardson  
at p<sup>a</sup> ann. ————— 120. 0 0

His proportion of the Paving Tax — 5. 0 0  
————— 350. 0 0

Amount of Rental of Houses in } 2155-9-10  
Bank Buildings. ————— }

Token House Yard.

East Side N<sup>o</sup> 1 — Mr Law, at p<sup>a</sup> Ann 23. 2 0

2 — Mr Brown — do — 16. 16 0

a Warehouse to let  
to Mr Manship at p<sup>a</sup> Ann } 28. 0 0

3 — Mr Alderson, from  
Mr Bourke at p<sup>a</sup> Ann } 42. 0 0

4 — Mr Vicars ————— 34. 0 0

West Side — 16 — C. Kettleston at p<sup>a</sup> Ann 25. 0 0

Land Tax — 4. 10 0

17 — J. Palmer at p<sup>a</sup> Ann. 28. 0 0

Land Tax — 3. 11. 6

18 & 19 — Gleadhill Payne & } 42. 0 0

Hogsflesh, at p<sup>a</sup> Ann }

20 — Mr Barlow, at p<sup>a</sup> Ann 26. 0 0

21 — Mr Durant — do — 41. 0 0

Land Tax 4 5 0  
Car<sup>r</sup> over — £ 12. 6 6  
————— £ 305. 18. 0  
Car<sup>r</sup> over ————— 2155-9-10



Rental account.

But over — £ 2155.9.10

But over — 305.18.0

18<sup>th</sup> over — 12.6.6West Side No 22 Mr Howe at per ann — 36.0.0  
Land Tax — 4.5.023 J. Woodhouse at per ann — 30.0.0  
Land Tax — 3.11.0

24 Mr Leeming at per ann — 25.0.0

25 } Mrs Albin & Co } — 75.0.0  
26 } per ann }  
Land Tax — 9.10.0

27 Mr Sirell at per ann — 25.0.0

28 Mr Lister & — 30.0.0  
Land Tax — 4.5.0

29 Mr Clay at per ann — 28.0.0

30 Mr Livermore & — 20.0.0  
Land Tax — 2.3.031 Mr Sweetenburgh } — 36.0.0  
at per ann — }0 Late Mr Clements } — 30.0.0  
at per ann }  
Land Tax — 4.5.0

40.10.6

640.18.0

Loshbury. —

No 7 Mr Feathered at per ann — 36.0.0  
Land Tax.6 Mr Kendall & — 45.0.0  
Land Tax.

5 Mr Burchall &amp; — 100.0.0

4 } Miss Freebairns } — 39.0.0  
3 } 16<sup>th</sup> }  
Land Tax.

City of London — 7.5.0

£ 247.5.0

£ 3043.12.10

Mr



Plan for building  
new rooms for  
the Governor &c.

Mr Soane presented the Plan, required by the  
Committee, with a view to the appropriation of the  
vacant Ground, within the walls of the Bank, by  
constructing thereon, a new room for the Governor  
and one for the Deputy Governor; together with  
Committee Rooms, waiting rooms &c. After  
consideration, the said Plan was approved, &  
approved. Mr Soane was directed to carry it into execution.

Plan for build-  
ing Houses, outside  
of the Bank.

Mr Soane also produced a Plan, for the  
appropriation of the vacant Ground outside  
of the Bank, by building several Houses  
thereon: and shewed the Committee a Letter  
which he had received from Mr Nettleship,  
Clerk to the Grocers Company, requesting to  
know the determination of the Bank, res-  
pecting the said Ground. Mr Soane was  
therefore directed to confer with Mr Nettleship  
thereon.

- Application  
from Grocers  
Company.

- referred to  
Mr Soane.

Estimate of the  
New Printing  
Office.

Mr Soane presented an Estimate for  
building and finishing the New Printing Office.  
It amounted to £12,200 - and the Secretary was  
directed to enter it in the Estimate Book.

Court of Directors, 9<sup>th</sup> April 1807.

Committee re-  
appointed.

The Court appointed the Committee of Building, as  
follow. Mr Richard Beave B<sup>t</sup> Mr Wither of  
Mr Raikes and  
Mr Sam<sup>r</sup> Houston Mr Whitmore  
And, to assist in forming Plans for the completion of  
the Buildings, - Mr Manning, and Mr Langley.



Mr Governor  
 Mr Deputy Governor.  
 Mr Winthrop  
 Mr Whitmore  
 Mr Langley.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 1807.

The Minutes of the last meeting were  
 read.

Mr Soane's Report  
 regard the applica-  
 tion from the Gro-  
 cers Company.

Mr Soane reported, that agreeably to  
 the desire of the Committee, he had proposed a  
 conference with Mr Kettlehip, Clerk to the Grocers  
 Company on his Letter, in which he had requested  
 to know the determination of the Bank respecting  
 the vacant Ground; and that Mr Kettlehip had  
 fixed on Wednesday next, for the consideration  
 of this business.

Resolved,

The Ammunition  
 to be removed to  
 another place.

That for the purpose of enabling  
 Mr Soane to proceed with his Plans, the  
 Ammunition be removed from the present  
 Magazine to a small upper Room, near the  
 new Vestibule.

Memorial from  
 the Ward of  
 Coleman Street.

A Memorial from the Aldermen,  
 Deputy, and sundry Inhabitants of the Ward  
 of Coleman Street was read;—expressing their  
 hope, that when the Hoard now in front of  
 the Wall of the Bank, shall be removed, such  
 part of the vacant Ground at the N. W. angle  
 of the Bank will be left for the benefit of the  
 Public as may be sufficient to widen the  
 Street, for the more free passage of Carriages,  
 and the general accommodation of Passengers.

Resolved



Resolved,

Resolution on the memorial of Deputy H<sup>c</sup> of the Ward of Coleman Street, to acquaint them "that the Bank cannot determine on their request, until the City shall have completed their part, necessary for the opening of Princes Street."

Resolved,

Library of the new accountants to be removed. That the Library of the new Accountants Office be removed to the Apartment under the great room. And that it be referred to the appropriate Committee of Inspection, to give the necessary directions for carrying this measure into effect.

Petition of Edward Noone, Clerk of St. Margarets Lothbury.

A Petition from Edward Noone, Parish Clerk of St. Margarets Lothbury, was referred to Mr Soane

Wednesday 3<sup>d</sup> June 1807.

Mr Governor  
Mr De La Beche  
Mr R. Meade  
Mr Raikes  
Mr Winstanley  
Mr Whitmore

The Minutes of the last Committee were read.

Mr Noone's Petition.

Mr Soane acquainted the Committee, that he was not yet prepared to report on Edward Noone's Petition.

Mr Soane's Report on the Grocers Company's Application.

In compliance with a minute of the last Committee, Mr Soane Reported, - That the Grocers Company had communicated to him, through Mr Varnham their surveyor, a proposal to



to purchase a piece of Ground, belonging to the Bank, adjoining Grocers Hall, containing about 1066 superficial feet. After considering Propositions to this application Mr Soane was instructed to acquaint Mr Varham, that, to accommodate the Grocers Company, the Bank would part with the said piece of ground for £2000. Provided, that the Grocers Company shall allow the Bank to make such Windows, on each floor of the proposed adjoining House, as shall be thought necessary. And that no wall, or other Building be erected on the Ground of the Grocers Company, within 20 feet of the said Windows.

Mr Governor.  
 Sir R. Meade  
 Mr Winthrop  
 Mr Whitmore  
 Mr Manning  
 Mr Langley.

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The following Letter from the Surveyor to the Grocers Company, being read, viz.

To John Soane Esq

Letter from the  
 Grocers Company. Sir.

A Court of the Grocers Company having been held for the purpose of taking into consideration the purchase of the Ground adjoining their Hall and belonging to the Bank of England, — have directed me to make you an Offer of the Sum of



— continued of Seven hundred and fifty pounds for the same,  
— in which Tender you will perceive they have  
been guided by the liberal compensation made  
to them for the Sale of their Land to the Bank of  
England, notwithstanding the difference of  
Circumstances under which they desire to  
purchase.

And I am also directed to inform you,  
that the Court were unanimously of opinion  
that the Request of the Bank of England, res-  
pecting the opening of Windows next the  
Company's Ground and of restricting them in  
regard to any Buildings they may choose to  
erect on their own Soil, could not be com-  
plied with. I remain, Sir

Yours very ob<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
6 August 1867. (signed) Henry Warham

Resolved,  
That as the sum offered by the  
Grocer's Company for the purchase of the piece  
of Ground adjoining their Hall, is very in-  
adequate to its value; and as the Company  
will not comply with the request of the Bank,  
respecting the opening of Windows next the  
Company's Ground — the said Offer be not  
accepted. And that the Ground belonging to  
the Bank be occupied agreeably to the Plan  
presented by Mr Soane on the 26<sup>th</sup> March last.

Resolution  
thereon -

etc



Plan of the new  
Houses. —

Mr Soane presented a Plan, to shew the size and disposition of the Five Houses, referred to, in the Plan before mentioned. The same was agreed to, and Ordered to be carried into execution.

New Court Office  
to be nearly com-  
pleted.

Mr Soane reported, that the new Office for the Exchequer Court, together with the Will and Power Office therein, will be completed by the 5<sup>th</sup> September next.

Clocks proposed  
to be fixed. —

Resolved, That Mr Soane be desired to consider, whether one or two Clocks could be so fixed, as to regulate the Time, throughout the whole of the Bank.

Payment to Mr  
L<sup>o</sup> Featherd.

The Governor signed an Order for £1000, payable to Mr John Featherd, for his right and Interest in the Premises No 7 Louthbury, which have been purchased by the Bank; agreeably to a Resolution of this Committee, on the 5<sup>th</sup> March last.

Library for the  
Accountants  
Office to be  
fitted.

The Governor Reported, that the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office having recommended that the Windows in the Library under the great Room, be carried to the extent of the Arches; — that the same be fitted as a Library for the new Accountants Office, and that the Building which was intended for Barracks, be also fitted as a Library for the Old Accountants Office; — he had therefore directed Mr Soane to carry these measures into effect.



Report on Mr Woodhouse.

Mr Soane reported, that Mr Woodhouse a Widow, and late a Tenant of the Bank, at No 23 Token-House Yard, has been left in very straitened Circumstances - On which it was Agreed,

- her Rent to be remitted.

That Mr Soane be authorised to remit the Rent due from Mr Woodhouse to the Bank.

Mem<sup>o</sup> of the Commission of an Order of Payment to Mr Soane.

Mem<sup>o</sup> for the Entry of an Order, for the Payment of Commission to Mr Soane, which should have been inserted here - See Page. 85 -

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Sept. 1807.

In the absence of the Governor and Deputy Governor, Mr Samuel Thornton and Mr Winthrop signed an Order for the payment of Five thousand Pounds to Mr Robert Burchall; for his right and interest in Premises, situated in Lothbury, which have been purchased by the Bank, agreeably to a Resolution of this Committee, on the 5<sup>th</sup> March last.

Payment to Mr R. Burchall

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Octo. 1807.

Mr Governor.  
Mr Winthrop  
Mr Whitman  
Mr Manning  
Mr Langley. read. -

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

House let to Mr D. Taylor.

Mr Soane reported, that he had let House let to Mr the House No 23, Token House Yard, to Duncan Taylor, at the clear Rent of £42 per Annum. He doing all the repairs, and engaging to quit at 3 months notice.

Plan of alterations in the Council Office

Mr Soane produced a Plan of certain alterations in the new £3 per Ct. Council Office; which



which was approved, and Mr Soane was directed to carry it into effect.

Plan, for a new  
Dividend Warrant  
Office, for of Guards.

Mr Soane presented a Plan containing Alterations proposed to be made in the present £4 and £5 per Ct Office, in order to fit it for the Dividend Warrant Office of the £3 per Ct Annuities.

Resolved

- To be executed.

That Mr Soane carry the said Plan into execution. And that the Heads of the said Office be directed to accommodate the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery, with one of their Offices, when he shall be at the Bank to execute Transfers.

The Accountant Gene-  
ral of the Court of  
Chancery - to be  
accommodated.

Plan for fitting up  
New Bullion Office.

Mr Soane also produced a Plan for fitting up the New Bullion Office; which was approved, and ordered to be carried into execution.

Resolved,

The Chief Cashier's  
House to be fitted  
for Mr Rippon.

That Mr Soane be directed to make all necessary Repairs in the House lately occupied by Mr Newland, for the purpose of its being occupied by Mr Rippon, the Assistant to the Chief Cashier. —



Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Octo<sup>r</sup> 1807.

Mr Governor  
Mr Deputy Gov.  
Mr Thornton  
Mr Winstrop.  
Mr Pearce.  
Mr Langley.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

Minuter read. read.

Alterations & Repairs of Mr Rippon's House - to be executed - except as to a Kitchen.

A Memorandum of alterations & repairs proposed by Mr Rippon, for the accommodation of him self and family in the apartments to which he is about to remove, was read. On which Mr Soane was directed to execute the said alterations and repairs, except as they respect a Kitchen; - which is to be delayed, till another room can be provided for the Store-keeper.

Passage from the Rotundo - this the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Office.

Ordered, That a Passage be made from the Rotundo, thro' the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Office, while that Office shall be cleaning and fitting up.

An Iron Gate to be made near the Bullion Office

Also, that an Iron Gate be made under the Arch leading to the Bullion Office.

Secretary to be moved to No 4.

Ordered, That the Secretary to this Committee and the Committee of Treasury, be removed to No 4; in order that the Plan for erecting the new Rooms, may be carried into effect.

Plan of the new Printing Office - to be executed.

The Plan of the new Printing Office was again brought forward; and Mr Soane was directed to carry it into execution, agreeably to former Orders.

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Letter from Mr  
Wright —

A Letter from Mr Wright was read,  
respecting a party wall; in which, Mr Soane  
was directed to see him, & to do what is necessary  
in this case, in conformity to the Building Act.

Mr Dep't Governor  
will read  
Mr Barker  
Mr Winthrop  
Mr Manning  
Mr Langley.

Thursday 26 Novemb. 1807

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

Minutes read. read.

Sum paid in for  
old materials.

Mr Soane reported, that on the 12<sup>th</sup>  
instant, he paid, into the General Cash Book  
Office £ 1210. 3. 8 — the produce of the old  
materials of seven Houses, which have been  
pulled down, in Southury. —

Plan proposed  
sketch for  
Chief Cashier's  
House.

Mr Soane presented a Plan for  
providing a Kitchen for the Chief Cashier's  
House, by converting a Room, now occupied by  
Mr Brewer, the Mould-maker, and also a  
Room adjoining it, into a Kitchen; and making  
a communication thereto, thro' a small Room  
in the said House.

Another Plan for  
the same.

Another Plan, to take the whole  
of the first Floor, now occupied by the Chief  
Gate Porter was also presented; but the  
Committee preferred the former Plan, and  
directed Mr Soane, to carry it into execution.

— The former  
approved.

Plan for fitting  
up the new Bullion  
Office.

Mr Soane presented a Plan, for  
fitting up the Bullion Office, and stated, that

he



he had put up some temporary Partitions, &c. in order to shew the Effect of his Plan. The Committee having adjourned to the Bullion Office, several alterations were suggested, and Mr Soane was directed to prepare a Plan, corresponding thereto.

-Alterations suggested therein

a Room, to be appropriated for burning Old Bank Notes

Mr Soane proposed, that a small Room, near the Stair Case leading to the new Printing Office, in the Corner of the Court-Yard, be appropriated for burning Old Bank Notes therein: the place at present used for that purpose, being very inconvenient.

-Agreed to.

The Committee Agreed thereto.

Mr Governor  
Depy Gov.  
Wintrop  
Langley.

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 1808.

The Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes read were read.

Bullion Office nearly completed

Mr Soane Reported, that the new Bullion Office, will be ready to be occupied, by the end of this month;

new waiting Rooms - Dr

That the new waiting Rooms, will be completed by Lady-Day, and

a Room for the Brewer &c.

That a Room for the Brewer, the Mould-maker, will be ready for him, by Monday next.

Mr Lappan's late premises to be purchased.

Resolved, That Mr Soane be directed to purchase, of the Proprietors, the Interest in Mr Lappan's late Premises, in Lottbury.

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Letter from Mr Lappan.

A Letter was read from Mr Lappan, stating, that in consequence of the Houses belonging to the Bank, in Lotbary, having been taken down, he had been compelled to give up possession of the Premises he lately held there; And therefore requesting from the liberality of the Bank, some small compensation for the loss he has sustained, in removing to another House. Mr Soane having stated the Circumstances of this Case, It was

£100 granted to him.

Ordered, That £100 be granted to Mr Lappan, in answer to his application.

Estimate of the conditions on which the new Houses, shall be let to be prepared.

Resolved, That as soon as Mr Soane shall be prepared, he lay before this Committee, an Estimate of the Rent, and <sup>the</sup> Conditions, upon which the House now building by the Bank, in Princes Street, shall be let.

An enclosure of the Entrance of the new Court Office, to be made.

Resolved, That an Enclosure be made from the Entrance into the £3 per Ct Court Office, next the Lotbary Court; with folding Doors for the same.

Proposal for warming the new Court Div. Court Office.

Mr Soane proposed, to take away the Stove, from the Centre of the Dividend War-rant Office, of £3 per Ct Court. And to warm the Office, from below, in the same manner, as he had formerly done, with Suits, at the House of Commons. The expence of which would be, about £100.

The



- Agreed to.

The Committee Agreed thereto.

Proposal for warming Mr Soane's Office

Mr Soane also proposed, to warm Mr Dells's part of the Bank Stock Office, with warm Air, from a Chimney in the Consols Dividend Warrant Office; the Expense of which would be about £15.

- Agreed to.

The Committee Agreed thereto.

A Plan for the accommodation of the Will & Power Office to be prepared.

Ordered, That Mr Soane prepare a Plan for appropriating the Room, over the Bullion Office, for the accommodation of the business, in the Will and Power Office.

Plan for Completing the Printing Office - to be executed.

Mr Soane presented a Plan, for Completing the Printing Office - which was approved, and Ordered to be carried into Effect.

- the time when it may be completed, stated.

Mr Soane stated, that it would be completed by the middle of March, provided the Bank Note Office be removed, in time, to enable him to make the necessary alterations.

Recommendation from the Special Printing Office Committee.

Ordered, At the recommendation of the special Committee for the Printing Office

- For the removal of several Offices.

That the Bank Note Office be removed, to the Rooms, now occupied by the Old Accountants; that the Old Accountants be removed to the Room end in the New Printing Office - and that the Bank Note Office, <sup>be appropriated</sup> for a Room for the Engravers, and Rooms for the use of a Stockkeeper and Deputy Stockkeeper, of Bank Note Paper. —



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the Governor  
or Dep. Governor  
Sir W. Pease  
Mr Thornton  
Mr Winstone  
Mr Pease &  
Mr Langley.  
Minutes read.

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March 1808.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

read. —

Resolved,

Library for the  
Secretary's Office.

That a Library for the Secretary's office be made, under the Room formerly — intended for boiling Oil for the Printing Office.

Key-light of the  
Treasury to be re-  
paired — and  
the Chimney  
to be inspected &

It having been reported that the — Key-light of the Treasury wants repairing, and that the Chimney lately took fire; Mr Soane — was directed to inspect and repair the said Key-light and to provide against the Chimney's taking fire in future.

Appropriation of  
the 5 new Houses  
in Lothbury.

Mr Soane stated, that the five Houses building by the Bank in Lothbury, are to be numbered from the eastern side; that the House N<sup>o</sup> 1. is to be reserved for Mr Beeston Long, the present Governor of the Bank, N<sup>o</sup> 2. for Mr Lewis, N<sup>o</sup> 3 & 4 for Mr Samuel Thornton (Mr Langley having declined the House, for which he had formerly applied) and N<sup>o</sup> 5 for Mr Kaye.

Four Water Clo-  
sets to be provided.

Mr Soane was directed to provide — four Water Closets for the use of the Directors; and to place the Strong Room, where the waiting Room was intended to be, and the waiting Room in the Place formerly intended for the Strong Room.

A View taken of  
the 5 new Houses.

The Committee then went to view the Five Houses, building by the Bank, in Princes Street, some alterations to which had been — suggested;



-no change to be made thereon.

suggested; But they were of Opinion, that it is not expedient to make any change, in the Plans before approved.

Mr. Governor

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April 1808

Mr. Dep. Governor

Sir Rich<sup>d</sup>. Neave

The Minutes of the last Committee

Mr. Barches were read.

Mr. Thornston

Mr. Wintthrop

Mr. Soane shewed the Committee

Mr. Pearce

a Model of the New Furnace for burning Old Bank

Mr. Langley

Notes, which was approved.

Model of a new Furnace approved.

Ordered,

Boxes of Bank Note Paper to be removed.

That the Boxes of Bank Note Paper be removed, so that Mr. Soane may prepare an Entrance into <sup>the Room</sup> which is to make a part of the Office, for the Old Accountants.

Mr. Humble directed to remove into the new Bullion Office.

Mr. Soane having reported that the new Bullion Office is very nearly completed, Mr. Humble was called in and directed to begin to remove thither on Saturday; on which day, it was agreed, that the Lothbury Gate be not opened.

Plan of a Stair Case from the Will & Power Office.

Mr. Soane presented a Plan for making a Stair-case from the Room now occupied by the Solicitor for Registering Wills, to the Room over the same, which is intended to be appropriated to the Registering Business.

Approved.

The Committee approved of the same.



Minutes regard  
Clocks considered

The Committee took into consideration a Minute of the 13<sup>th</sup>. August last, regarding the fixing one or two Clocks, so as to regulate the time throughout the Bank: And Mr. Soane was desired to give Directions, for one Turret Clock to be made, on such a principle as to communicate with as many Dials, as practicable throughout the Bank.

— One Turret Clock to be provided

Ordered,

A Room to be fitted for the Storeroom

That the Room between the Two Accountants Offices be fitted up for the Store-keeper, And that the present Storekeepers Room be appropriated for the House Porters and Watchmen.

— And the Storekeepers Room to be appropriated for the Porters

Offer of Ground in the Old Jury

The Governor reported, that having had an offer of the Ground, on which the meeting House in the Old Jury stands, with other Ground adjacent thereto, He had directed Mr. Soane to inquire the Terms, on which it may be purchased, and to engage for it on Account of the Bank, if it can be had at a reasonable Price.

— An Loan to engage for the same.



Court of Directors  
14 April 1808.

Committee re-  
appointed -

The Court appointed the Committee of  
Building, as follow,

Lieut. Richard Mowbray      Mr. Winthrop  
    Mr. Raikes                      and  
    Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Thornton.      Mr. Long

And to assist the Committee, in Superintending  
the Completion of the Buildings,

- addition thereto.

Mr. Manning and Mr. Langley: -

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May 1808.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

Mr. Governor  
Mr. Dep<sup>y</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>?  
Mr. Langley read.

Minutes regard  
room for Porters  
to be rescinded -

The Governor reported, that a more  
convenient Room having been found for the  
Porters and Watchmen, than that occupied by the  
Store Keeper - the minutes of the last Meeting  
was therefore rescinded: and the Room which  
has been appropriated for holding Bank Note  
Paper, was now ordered to be suitably fitted  
for the Porters & Watchmen. -

- Another Room  
appropriated for  
them.

Mr. Soane was directed to place Iron  
Gates at the head of the two Stair Cases next to the  
new Passage, to prevent the Publick from having  
access to the lower Apartments. And also to place  
Iron Gates at such other Stair Cases & places, as  
shall be found necessary. -

Iron Gates at  
the head of the  
Stair Cases to  
be fixed.

Ordered,

Passage of the  
Sub-Cashiers into  
their Office

That the Sub-Cashiers be allowed to go  
through the Passage to the new Vestibule, into their  
Office



Office, in order that the workmen may begin the Slope from the Armoury to the Barracks & the other Apartments on the Basement Story.

Old Accountants Office nearly ready.

M<sup>r</sup>. Soane stated, that the Office for the Old Accountants will be ready next week: on which it was Ordered,

The Door from the New Passage into the new Accountants Office to be opened.

That previous to the removal of the Old Accountants, the Door be opened from the New Passage, into the New Accountants Office.

Consideration of a Door from Lothbury into the Vestibule of the Court Office -

The Consideration of making a small Door from Lothbury into the Vestibule leading into the £3 per Cent Cond. Transfer Office, was referred to a fuller meeting of the Committee Ordered.

- deferred.

Arduanes Commission paid.

That £924.17.7 be paid to M<sup>r</sup>. Soane for his Commission of £5 per cent on £18497.11.10½ being the amount of Bills for work done from Lady Day to Michaelmas 1807 And also £50 to the Clerk of the Works from 25<sup>th</sup> March to 29<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup>. 1807. inclusive, making together £974.17.7

- And ½ year wages to the Clerk of the Works.

And  
Thursday 2, June 1808.

- Sir R. Meave.
- M<sup>r</sup>. Raikes.
- M<sup>r</sup>. Thornton.
- M<sup>r</sup>. Winthrop
- M<sup>r</sup>. Long. read.
- M<sup>r</sup>. Manning.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

M<sup>r</sup>. Soane not having attended, the Committee adjourned.



Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 1808.

Mr Governour.  
Mr Depy Governour.  
Mr W. P. Beard  
Mr Withrop  
Mr Long  
Mr Manning  
Mr Langley.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Ordered,

Commission paid  
to Mr Soane.  
£250 to the Clerk  
of the works.

That £930<sup>1</sup>/<sub>7</sub> be paid to Mr Soane, for his Commission of 5 per Cent on £18605-12<sup>11</sup>/<sub>2</sub> being the Amount of Bills for work done from Michaelmas 1807, to Lady-day 1808. And also £50, to the Clerk of the works from 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 1807, to 25<sup>th</sup> March 1808, inclusive, making together £980<sup>1</sup>/<sub>7</sub>. —

Omission in  
the Minutes  
reported -

The Governour reported that an Omission had occurred in the Minutes of this Committee - of the following Order for a payment which had been made to Mr Soane on the 13<sup>th</sup> August 1807; and it was therefore agreed, that it be <sup>now</sup> inserted; with a reference thereto, from the Page on which it should have been entered. vizt

Ordered,

Commission paid  
to Mr Soane  
and £50, to the  
Clerk of the  
works. —

That £450<sup>8</sup>/<sub>5</sub> be paid to Mr Soane, for his Commission of 5 per Cent on £9008<sup>8</sup>/<sub>5</sub> being the Amount of Bills for work done from Michaelmas 1806, to Lady-day 1807. And also £50 to the Clerk of the works from 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 1806 to the 25<sup>th</sup> March 1807, inclusive; making together £500<sup>8</sup>/<sub>5</sub>. —

Resolved,

Bell to be fixed  
in the Rotundo.

That a Bell be fixed in the Rotundo and in the Southbury Court so as to communicate with the Place appropriated for a Watchman in Bartholomew Lane —

Resolved,

a Place to be  
made in Princes  
St. for an addi-  
tional Watchman

That a Place for an additional watchman be made in Princes St. as similar as may be to that in Bartholomew Lane and at a point pointed out



on the plan by Mr. Soane and approved by the Committee. -

Resolved,

Door to be made from Lothbury to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Court, Transfer Office

That a Door be made at the place originally intended for the same for a Communication from Lothbury to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Court. Transfer Office - and regulations and that the Gate Keeper do constantly attend thereat when complicated, that it be not opened on Holidays and be closed on every other Day at 3 o'clock. -

Resolved,

Regulations regard the Lothbury Gate.

That after the Door from Lothbury to the 3<sup>rd</sup> per beat Court. Office shall be opened, the Lothbury Gate be not opened except for carrying on the necessary Business in the Bullion Court. -

Mr Soane Report regard the Tanks which he has provided.

Mr. Soane stated that he had made two Tanks in the large Quadrangle also one under the Printing Office, One in the waiting Room Court, and two in the Chief Accountants Court - Mr. Soane was therefore directed to proceed with his plan for procuring a supply of water in case of Fire. and to have Engines placed to act at each Tank, and at such other places as he shall think necessary.

Mr Soane directed to proceed with his Plan for procuring a supply of water.

Mr. Soane presented a plan for

Plan for placing the Presses in the new Printing Office

placing the Printing Presses in the new Printing Office which was approved, and - approved. he was directed to carry it into effect.

The new Office for the Old Accountants Office is ready for the Old Accountants - It was reported to be ready,

Mr. Soane reported that the New - therefore



The old accounts  
to be removed.

therefore directed to remove the Old Accountants  
thither as soon as possible. -

Removal to be  
removed.

Resolved,  
That the Urinal at the corner of Princes  
Street, at the front of the Bank, be removed. -

Mr Soane to state  
when Princes St.  
may be opened.

Resolved,  
That at the next meeting Mr. Soane  
do state to the Committee, the precise time at which  
Princes St. may be opened. -

Plan of a commun-  
ication between  
the new vestibule  
& the Armory.

Mr. Soane presented a plan for  
completing the communication between the  
new vestibule near Princes St. and the Armory  
which was approved & directed to be carried into  
effect. -

Approved.

Minute from the  
Committee of  
Treasury.

The following Minute from the  
Committee of Treasury, was read, viz:  
18<sup>th</sup> May 1808.

To consider of  
an accommodation  
for one of the  
Secretaries.

Resolved  
That it be recommended to the  
Committee of Building, to consider of an  
accommodation to be provided for one of the  
"Secretaries". -

Mr Soane to  
consider Report  
thereon.

Resolved,  
That Mr. Soane be directed to consider  
the same & to report thereon to the next Committee.

Report that 3 Noct-  
uaries have  
been made.

The Governor having given Directions  
that 3 Nocturnaries be made for regulating the  
Watch in the Bank. Mr. Soane was directed  
to confer with Mr. Dawes the Chief Accountant  
on the most suitable places for fixing the same.

Mr Soane &  
Mr Dawes to fix  
them in suitable  
places.

Mr. Soane stated to the Committee  
that he had agreed with Mr. Keye, for all his Right  
and



Mr Soane's report of his having purchased of Mr Kaye, the House lately occupied by Mr Lappan.

1836. 12. 11. paid to Mr Kaye by Mr Lappan for the purchase of the House in Token House Yard 1803.

Statement of the Tenures on which the Houses in Token House Yard, are held, by the Tenants.

and Interest in the House, lately occupied by Mr Lappan in Token House Yard, at the Sum of £945 being the exact Sum which Mr Kaye had given for the same, from which, however it is to be deducted £108. 7. 1 being the amount of materials arising from the old Premises, leaving the Sum of £836. 12. 11 to be paid by the Bank to Mr Kaye.

Mr Soane presented the following statement of the Tenures on which the 20 Houses belonging to the Bank in Token House Yard, are held, by the respective Tenants.

		Rent	Taxes allowed	Expiration of lease
E.S. N <sup>o</sup> . 0.	Tho: Seawell	£30	£4. 5.	1809
1	Sarah Hanks	23. 2.		1804.
2	Tho: Jackson	16. 16.		1804.
at Warehouse	John Manship	28.		at will.
N <sup>o</sup> . 3	John Bourke	42.		1804.
4	Matthew Charley	34.		1804.
W.S. N <sup>o</sup> . 16	Chris: Rolliston	25	4. 10.	1799
17	Joseph Palmer	28	3. 11. 6	1811
18 & 19	John Balford	42		1810
20	Richard Jones	26		1805.
21	Hodgson Atkinson	41	4. 5.	at Will.
22	Perez	30	4. 5.	1799.
23	John Woodhouse	30	3. 11.	1805.
24	Michael Seaming	25		1805.
25 & 26	W <sup>m</sup> : Allen	75	9. 10	1815
27	John Wilson	25		1805.
28	Robert Leslie	30	4. 5.	1805.
29	Jarnes Clay	28		1805.
30	H. J. Clutterbuck	20	2. 8.	1814
31	Tho: Hawkes	36		1805.

Resolved;



Notice to quit, to be given to Tenants at will.

Resolved,

That Mr. Soame be directed to give Notice to the Tenants, at Will, to quit their respective Premises.

The Solicitor be consulted, regard the Houses in Token House Yard.

Resolved,

That the Solicitor be consulted regarding the Tenure on which the Houses in Token House Yard, are held by the Bank.

Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> August 1808.

July over a Dep. Gen. Sir R. Pearce was Throustou can Minister of the Long. Mr. Langley.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The Court Agree to an Application from the "London Institution".

The Court of Directors having agreed, that an Application from the "London Institution" for the purchase of 4 Houses in Token House Yard, be complied with; And also referred it to this Committee to carry the same into effect:—

The following Extract from the Minutes of the Managers of the said Institution, was now read.

3 August 1808.

Extract from the Minutes of the Managers—

Extract from the Minutes of the Managers of the London Institution. —

"Mr. Bosanquet Reported, that the Houses in Token House Yard, required for the Purposes of the Institution, were seven in Number, from No 16. to 22, inclusive.

Resolved,

That Mr. Harman and Mr. Bosanquet be desired to confer with the Bank Directors, and endeavor to obtain the said Houses upon Lease, or otherwise, and upon such Terms & Conditions, as appear to them expedient and reasonable."

Upon



Upon which, it was

Resolved,

Resolution of the  
Committee on the  
application from  
the London Insti-  
tution. —

That it appears to this Committee, that it would not be advisable to part with the Fee Simple of the said Ground, or to grant a longer Lease, than 99 Years, on the Terms of £300 per Annum, clear Rent. And that the London Institution be restricted from having any entrance whatever into Token-House Yard, from any part of these Premises, without the Consent of the Governor and Court of Directors of the Bank, for the time being, to be obtained in Writing: And also, that the Elevation of the Buildings proposed to be erected on the site of these Houses, be submitted to, and approved by the Governor and Court of Directors of the Bank of England, for the time being. And that the usual Conditions of Building Leases be inserted in the Deed. And that no disposal of the Premises be made, at any time but with the consent of the Governor and Court of Directors of the Bank, to be obtained in writing.

And that the Governor and Deputy Governor be desired to communicate this Resolution to Mr Bosanquet and Mr Harman. —

Princes St. told  
opened on the 29<sup>th</sup>  
of Sept -

Mr Soane reported, Agreeably to a Resolution of the last Committee, that Princes Street will be opened on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September next.

Bank Note Office  
may be removed,  
to another Office.

Mr Soane also reported, that the business of the Bank Note Office, may be removed



on Monday evening, to the Office lately occupied by the Old Accountants.

Accommodation for one of the Secretaries - deferred.

The Consideration of an Accommodation to be provided for one of the Secretaries, was postponed till the next Meeting of the Committee.

The Governour Mr Depy Gov. Mr Winterhops. Minutes read.

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August 1803.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

Mr Soane to consider of a safe Depot for the Ammunition.

Mr Soane was desired to satisfy himself that the present Depot for the Ammunition is sufficiently secure from Accidents by Fire; or whether any other and what situation can be appropriated, with greater Security: And to Report to the Committee.

A Place to be provided for depositing Law-Papers.

Mr Soane was also desired to look out for a proper Place to deposit such Papers, as have respect to the Concerns of the Bank, and which are now kept by Messrs Winter & Kaye.

Mr Soane desired to provide a temporary Accommodation, in lieu of temporary strong Room. - and Directions to Mr Strutts thereon -

And he was further desired to secure the small waiting Room, in the new Lobby, as a temporary strong Room. And Mr Strutts was directed to request the Directors to remove their Papers to the said waiting Room, when Mr Soane shall Report, that it is ready to receive them -



Mr Governor  
Windsor  
Langley.

Committee of Building 1<sup>st</sup> Sept. 1808

Minutes read,

The Minutes of the last Committee were read.

Mr Soane's report  
regard the Depot  
for Ammunition

Mr Soane Reported, that he had satisfied himself on the reference of the last Committee, as to the safest place for keeping the Ammunition for the Bank Regiments; and that, in his Opinion no place can be found so secure, as the present Magazine.

Bank Note Office  
removing.

Mr Glase Reported, that the business of the Bank Note Office has begun to be removed to the late Old Accountants Office, and that the removal would be completed tomorrow.

The Old Armoury  
over the Gateway  
to be fitted to receive  
the Bank  
Law Papers.

On Mr Soane's Report, it was Agreed. That the Old Armoury over the Gateway, in the Bullion Court, be fitted to receive the Bank Law Papers, now in the custody of Messrs Winter & Kaye.

General Cash Book  
Office to be painted.

Ordered. That the General Cash Book Office be painted.

Arrangements for the  
reverberation of  
Sound, in the Bullion  
Office to be  
tried.

Resolved. That the experiment proposed by Mr Soane to remedy the reverberation of sound, in the new Bullion Office, be carried into effect.

A plan to be provided  
for Coals.

Resolved. That Mr Soane be desired to provide a Place for taking in an additional quantity of Coals.



Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1808.

in Governor  
Winthrop  
Langley.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Plan of the present  
Cash Book Office  
and of another  
Office to be fitted  
for Cash Books

Mr Soane presented a Plan of the Rooms now  
appropriated for the Cash Book Office; and also a Plan  
for fitting up an Office on the same floor and contiguous  
to the present Bank note Office, for the Cash Book Office.

Approved.

Resolved, That the same be approved and carried  
into effect.

Plan for enlarging  
the Library of the  
Accountants Office.

Mr Soane presented a Plan for appropriating  
some of the Rooms on the lower story, for the purpose  
of enlarging the Library for both the Accountants  
Office.

Approved.

Resolved, That the same be approved, and carried  
into effect.

Rebuilding of the  
Front Wall of the  
Old Bullion Office  
deferred.

Resolved, That on account of the lateness of the  
Autumn, the rebuilding of the Front Wall of the Old  
Bullion Office, be deferred. —

in Governor  
Dey Gov.  
Winthrop.

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1808.

Resolved.

Tenants of  
Houses in Token  
House Yard, to have  
notice to quit.

That, agreeably to a minute of this  
Committee, on the 7<sup>th</sup> July last, it be recommended to  
the Court of Directors, to order the Secretary to  
give <sup>immediate</sup> notice to the Tenants who occupy the  
Houses belonging to the Bank, in Token House  
Yard, No<sup>s</sup>. 1. 2-3-4. 16-20-21. 22-23-24. 27. 28. 29 & 31. also the  
warehouse & Premises occupied by Messrs Jones Lloyd & Co —

to



to quit possession thereof on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March next, in case their respective Tenancies commenced at that time, and if not, then at the end of the Year of their Tenancy which shall expire next after the end of half a year from the time of their being served with such notice. —

the Governor  
Dep Gov  
Thurston  
Winthrop  
Langley.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Octo 1868.

The minutes of the two last meetings were read.

Bill for 3  
Actuaries paid.

The Governor acquainted the Committee — that on the 30<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> last he had signed an order for the payment of £37.16 — the amount of the Bill for 3 Actuaries, ordered by the Committee on the 7<sup>th</sup> July last.

Plan for appropriating the Office for registering Wills. approved.

Mr. Loane presented a Plan for appropriating the Office for the Registering of Wills, and received directions from the Committee thereon.

Order given to plant the Iron Railing, in Princes St.

Mr. Loane reported, that he had given directions for placing the Iron Railing, to separate the Ground belonging to the Bank, from a Part of Princes Street and Lothbury; agreeably to a Minute of this Committee on 15<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>r</sup> 1867.

Paving of Princes Street.

Resolved,

That Mr. Loane do apply to the Commissioners of Paving, respecting the paving of Princes Street. —

M.



An Estate in the  
Old Sewry agreed  
to be purchased  
for the Bank.

Mr. Kaye presented a Letter which had been  
addressed to him, by the Clerk of the Braziers Company  
stating that the Court of Assistants of that  
Company had agreed to sell their Estate in the <sup>Old Sewry</sup>  
to the Bank, for £10,000. And that the Court had  
directed their Clerk to concur with Mr. Kaye, in  
preparing a proper Agreement for carrying the  
purchase into effect.

Resolved.

Per Centage and  
Cost of the Houses  
in Princes St.

That Mr. Soane do propose to the next  
meeting of the Committee, the per centage on the  
Cost of each of the Houses the Bank have built in  
Princes Street, which shall be asked for the Rent  
of the same, on a Lease of 21 Years: And that he  
lay before the Committee on the first Thursday in  
January next, an Estimate of the Expences of each  
of the said Houses.

Estimate of  
the expence of  
each of them to  
be prepared.

Resolved.

Trucks to be  
provided.

That Mr. Soane be desired to provide  
an additional Number of Trucks, for the Bullion  
Office. —

The Governour  
in Winthrop  
and Langley.

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Octo. 1808.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Consideration of  
Mr. Kaye's Letter  
regarding the purchase  
of an Estate  
in Old Sewry

The Governour acquainted the Committee, that  
the reason of calling them together was, to consider of  
Reporting to the Court, a Letter received by Mr. Kaye,  
from Mr. Rooker, Clerk to the Braziers Company,  
regarding the purchase of Premises, in Lottbury.

Resolved



Resolved,

Report to Court deferred.

That by reason of the absence of Mr. Kaye, the Report thereon to the Court be deferred; and that Mr. Soane be directed to give the particulars of the Rents, and the terms of the existing Leases.

Mr. Governour  
Mr. Sept 4 Govor.  
Mr. Winstrop  
Mr. Langley.  
Minutes read.

Thursday, 2<sup>d</sup> November 1808.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

Consideration of the last Minutes deferred.

By reason of the absence of Mr. Thowton and Mr. Long, the consideration of the Minutes of the last Meeting, was deferred, till Wednesday next, at eleven o'clock: and the Secretary was directed to summon the Committee accordingly.

Resolved,

Accountants Discount Office removed for a time

That the Accountants Discount Office be removed to the Old Bullion Office, till their Office shall be repaired.

Resolved,

Old £3 per Cent Consol. Div. Office: how it may be occupied

That Mr. Soane be directed to Report, in what manner the Old £3 per Cent Consol. Dividend Office, which is at present shut up, may be occupied, in future. —



Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 1808.

Mr Governor  
Deputy Gov.  
Mr Pease  
Mr Thonten.  
Mr Winthrop  
Mr Long &  
Mr Langley.  
Mr Roakes Letter  
Mr Kaye con-  
sidered.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The Committee having taken into consid-  
eration the Letter, dated 5<sup>th</sup> October last, from Mr Roake  
Clerk to the Armourers and Braziers Company to Mr Kaye,  
as mentioned in a Minute of this Committee, on the 6<sup>th</sup>  
Ultimo.

Resolved, That the Governor do Report the same to  
the Court of Directors, for their assent to the purchase  
of the Armourers and Braziers Company's Estate in the  
Old Jury. —

Report of Mr  
Loane —  
On the per-  
centage, to be asked  
for the Rent of  
the Houses in  
Princes Street.

The following Report from Mr Loane  
was read —

Agreeably to the Resolution of the Com-  
mittee, dated the 6<sup>th</sup> October, that I should propose the  
per Centage on the cost of each of the Houses built in  
Princes Street which shall be asked for the Rent of the  
same, on a Lease of 21 Years — I desire to Report —

That, Money sunk in Buildings, presuming  
them to be erected in a permanent manner and  
finished accordingly has never produced at any  
period within my experience more than £6 per Cent  
per annum in the most preferable situations, and  
although Rents have progressively increased for  
several Years past, yet considering the very great  
and



Continued

and rapid increase in the prices of the principal building materials since October 1807. I am of opinion - that the Interest per Cent for money sunk in Buildings erected since that time and to be finished immediately, should not be expected to be more than 4 per Cent, by way of Rent on a Lease of 21 years, or other period - And I beg leave further to state that this opinion is liable to be materially affected by an alteration in the prices of the Articles alluded to, and that upon a Question like this at present it is almost impossible to arrive at any certain Criterion. -

Report, on the Old  
£3 per Cent Div.  
Office.

Mr Soane further Reported, that in his Opinion, the Old £3 per Cent Court Dividend Warrant Office could not be occupied; the principal Timbers, &c being in such an unsound state, as to render the building dangerous: - but that the exterior Walls are sound, and need not be taken down. -

Iron Gate to be  
placed, in the passage  
to the Vault.

Mr Soane was desired to place a Grated Passage to the Deposit Vaults; so as to make the Passage perfectly secure. -

Mr Governor  
Winstrop  
Channing  
Langley.

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. 1808.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were  
read.

Resolved



Resolved,

Rent for the House  
in Princes St. to be  
reported.

That Mr Soane be directed to Report, as soon as may be, to the Committee, the Rent, which it will be proper to ask for the House in Princes Street, reserved for the London Dock Company.

Paving of Princes  
Street.

Mr Soane having reported, that he has applied to the Commissioners of Paving, respecting the paving of Princes Street; and that it is considered to be the duty of the Bank, to perform this work:—

Resolved,

—To be executed.

That Mr Soane be directed to give Orders for paving Princes Street.

Resolved,

Mr Soane to report  
the work that re-  
mains to be done  
inside the Bank  
—

That Mr Soane be directed to Report to the Committee—the work that remains to be done, inside the Bank; the expence of completing these Works, and the time it will require to perform the same.

Bank Hotel Paper  
to be removed.

It being necessary to remove the Bank Hotel Paper from the place it is now in; Mr Soane was directed to get the room, on the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, which was originally intended for it, ready for receiving the said Paper.

Mr Governor  
Deputy Gov.  
Wintthrop.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 1809.

Committee  
adjourned.

On account of the illness and absence of Mr Soane, the Committee adjourned. —



the Governour -  
Deputy Gov<sup>r</sup>  
Winthrop.

Letter from Mr  
Kaye -

Opinion of Sir  
A. Piggott on the Title  
of the Armourers &  
Brasiers' Liberties.

Letter from  
Mr Rooke thereon.

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January 1809.

A Letter was read from Mr Kaye, inclosing  
the following Copy of the opinion of Sir Arthur Piggott,  
upon the Title of the Armourers and Brasiers' Company  
to the Premises contracted to be purchased by the Bank,  
&c. &c. &c.

Copy Opinion of Sir Arthur Piggott  
upon the Title of the Armourers and Brasiers, to the  
Premises Contracted to be purchased by the Bank.

I am of opinion, that this Corporation  
cannot make such a title to these Premises, as the  
Bank can be advised to accept, without the authority  
of Parliament.

A Piggott.

The Company of Armourers & Brasiers  
to  
The Gov<sup>r</sup> and Company of the Bank -

Sir,

By direction of the Court of Assistants  
of the Company, I beg to convey to you a Copy of a  
Resolution made by them to day on this Subject.  
And I am to request that you will favour me with  
the Answer of your Court, as soon as convenient.

I am with respect

Sir

Your very obed<sup>t</sup> & humble Servant  
signed - Tho<sup>s</sup> Rooke

17 Jan<sup>y</sup> 1809 -

Joseph Kaye Esq

Armourers



Armourers and Brasier's Company.

July 17<sup>th</sup> 1809.

Resolution of  
the Court of the  
Armourers & Bra-  
sier's Comp<sup>y</sup> -

Mr Rooke having submitted to this Court the  
Opinion of Sir Arthur Pigott, obtained by the Bank of  
England on the Company's Title to the Old Jewry Estate,  
whereby, on the part of the Bank he requires, an Act  
of Parliament in aid of the Title - Resolved, that Mr  
Rooke be desired to apply to Mr Kaye proposing to apply  
to Parliament to obtain an Act accordingly. And that  
as the time of payment of the purchase money, viz<sup>t</sup>  
the 31<sup>st</sup> July is so near requesting <sup>that</sup> the Bank will lay  
out the purchase money in Exchequer Bills, for the  
benefit of this Company from the 31<sup>st</sup> July until the  
purchase shall be completed.

Resolved,

Mr Kaye in-  
structed to give an  
answer to the Re-  
presentations of the  
Armourers & Bra-  
sier's Comp<sup>y</sup> -

That Mr Kaye be instructed to inform  
Mr Rooke, Clerk to the Armourers and Brasier's Company,  
that the Act proposed to be applied for, to Parliament,  
in aid of the Title to the above mentioned Estate, must  
be obtained at the expence of the Armourers & Brasier's  
Company; in which case, the Bank will consent to lay  
out the purchase money in Exchequer Bills, for the  
benefit of that Company, from the 31<sup>st</sup> July until the  
purchase shall be completed; but the Bank to have all  
the Rents and Profits arising from the Estate, from  
the date of the Contract for purchasing the same.

Resolved,

That the said  
be sent to the Court  
of Directors.

That the above communications from the  
Armourer's



Armourers and Brasier's Company, with the Resolution of this Committee thereon, be laid before the Court of Directors.

Thursday, 2<sup>d</sup> February 1807

the Governor  
 Sir G. Os.  
 Raikes,  
 Thouten  
 Winstrop  
 Long &  
 Langley.

The Minutes of the two last Meetings were read. —

Estimate of the  
 House, proposed for  
 the London Dock  
 Company —

Mr Soane laid before the Committee an Estimate of the Expenses which have been already incurred, in building the Shell of the House, in Prince's Street, which is reserved for the London Dock Company, and also an Estimate of the probable expenses for completing the same. The whole amounted to £11,000.

Proposition to  
 the parties, who  
 have applied to be  
 Tenants of the new  
 Houses.

Resolved, That Mr Soane be directed to communicate with the Parties, respectively, who have applied to be Tenants of the Houses, Building in Prince's Street; to know, whether they agree to pay such a Rent, as the present high price of Materials will require to finish the same: — on an absolute Lease of 21 Years.

Mr Soane not prepared to make a Report.

Mr Soane acquainted the Committee, that he was not yet prepared to Report the Work that remained to be done inside of the Bank & Agreeably to a Minute of the 7<sup>th</sup> of December last.

The Governor laid before the Committee, the following Resolution of the Court of Directors.

Resolution of the  
 Court —

At a Court the 29<sup>th</sup> December 1807.

Resolved,



Bills for the Buildings of the Bank to be laid before this Committee.

Resolved, That every Bill, relating either to the new Buildings, or the Old part of the Bank, be approved by the Committee of Building, before they are brought to the Quarterly Committee for the House & Servants, for payment. And that the Building Committee Report Quarterly to the Court.

The Committee Report Quarterly.

The time fixed for the Committee to examine Bills.

The Committee then directed Mr Soane, to press out the Bills relating to the new Buildings, <sup>and to</sup> the Old part of the Bank, to this Committee, on the last Committee day, previous to each quarter day.

Petition of Low Moor - deferred.

The consideration of the Petition of Edward Moore Parish Clerk of St. Margarets, Southbury (presented sometime ago) was deferred.

Application from the Society for superceding the use of Climbing Boys for sweep. Chimneys.

A Letter was read from Mr William Jones, Secretary to the Society for superceding the use of climbing Boys, for sweeping Chimneys; - requesting that such of the Chimneys, in the Bank as can be cleansed by the mechanical mode practiced under the patronage of that Society - may be thus swept.

-- referred to Mr Soane.

Resolved, That this application be referred to Mr Soane, in order that it may be carried into effect.

Letter from Mr A. Muddell -

A Letter was read from Mr Alex. Muddell of Parliament Street, recommending a method for giving additional warmth to the Rooms & Offices in the Bank. The same was referred to Mr Soane.

-- ref. to Mr Soane.

Increase of Taxes on the Houses purchased by the Bank, demanded.

Mr Soane stated to the Committee, that a requisition had been made for a considerable increase of the Taxes which the Bank pay on several of the Houses which they have purchased; although the said Houses have,



have, for a long time past, been let on Leases, at a fixed Rent, to the respective Tenants.

Mr Kaye's Opinion to be taken thereon.

Resolved, That Mr Soane be directed to lay this business before Mr Kaye, and to take his opinion, whether the Bank is liable to pay the increased Taxes which are now required?

Instructions given to Mr Beazely, who collects Rents for the Bank.

Mr Beazely, who collects the Rents for the Bank, attended the Committee, and was directed to pay the amount of his receipts for the same, within one month of Lady-day and Michaelmas in every year, to the General Cash Book Office: and at the same periods, to render an Account to the Chief Cashier, of the Rents that shall have become due; of those which he shall have received, and the reason of the failure of any such receipt, in every instance that shall occur. And

Mr Soane & Mr Case, to put the business of receipt & accounting for the Rents, into a proper method.

Mr Soane was directed to confer with Mr Case the Chief Cashier, for the purpose of putting this business into such a method, as shall make the execution of it practicable and satisfactory.

Iron Gate, to be placed in the Barrack Yard.

Resolved, That a small Iron Gate be placed at the foot of the Stair Case, in the Barrack Yard.

Door leading from the Barrack Yard to the Governor's Room, to be secured.

Resolved, That Mr Soane do consider of the most effectual means of securing the Door, leading from the Barrack Yard, into the Lobby, between the Chief Accountants' and the Governor's Room.

Resolved,



Office for Registering Wills to the appropriation of the Power of Attorney Office.

Resolved,

That Mr Soame consult with the Chief Accountant, for the purpose of appropriating the Office lately used for Registering Wills, to the use of the Power of Attorney Office.

a better accommodation for the Clerks to sign the Appearance Books, to be provided.

And also, for the providing better accommodation for the Clerks to sign the Appearance Books, every morning.

Mr Hyatts Office to be furnished,

The Committee directed Mr Soame to furnish Mr Hyatts Office, with a Carpet, Chairs &c —

Mr Governor  
Deputy Govt.  
Sir R. Meade  
Mr Raikes  
Thompson  
Winthrop  
Long  
Manning  
Langley.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 1809.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Report of Mr Soame on the House for the London Dock Comp<sup>y</sup>

Mr Soame stated to the Committee, that in addition to the sum of £11,000, at which he had estimated the expenditure of the House proposed for the London Dock Company; — a separate Building was required for its Secretaries: which would make the whole cost of the Building amount to about £13,500. He proposed, that a Rent, equal to £4 per Cent on the Cost of this, and of the other 4 Houses, should be asked by the Bank: which per Centage, the Rent of each of the Houses, would be as follows.

Rents proposed for each of the Houses.

1 <sup>st</sup> House (London Dock Comp <sup>y</sup> )	£540	and	110 Ground Rent
2 <sup>d</sup> do	252	63	do
3 <sup>d</sup> do	252	58	do
4 <sup>th</sup> do	256	84	do
5 <sup>th</sup> do	410	90	do

The Tenants to pay all Taxes, whatever.

Mr



Mr Soane, reasons  
for proposing to pay  
the Rent

Mr Soane then read a Paper, containing his reasons for proposing to pay for proposing the above percentage, on the expenditure of the Houses. And he was then directed,

To form an Estimate  
of the Cost of the House  
at the price for Ma-  
terials in 1807.

To form an Estimate of the expenditure on each of the before mentioned Houses, on the price of Materials at the beginning of the year 1807: And to Report the same to the Committee on this day fortnight.

Mr Beasley con-  
ferred with by  
the Committee.

Mr Beasley the Collector of the Rents, was then called in, and was made acquainted with the Resolutions of the last meetings of the Committee, for the future regulation of the business which he has to transact for the Bank; to which he assured the Committee he would conform.

Letter from Mr  
Kaye, regarding  
the House reserved  
for him.

Mr Soane read to the Committee a Letter which he had received from Mr Kaye, in which Mr Kaye expressed his wishes, that the House in Princes Street which has been reserved for him, may be ready for him to remove into, by the 1<sup>st</sup> of August: And that with respect to the Rent, he shall submit it entirely to the Governor and Directors; being perfectly satisfied, that they will not fix a higher Rent, than the Premises are fairly worth.

Mr Governor  
Dept Gov.  
Wm Lloyd  
Langley.

Thursday 2<sup>d</sup> March 1809.

read.

Mr Lewis declines  
his House.

The minutes of the last Committee were read.  
Mr Soane acquainted the Committee, that Mr Lewis declines to take the House building by the Bank in Princes Street, which he had formerly proposed to take. And it was also mentioned, That



Mr. Thouton declined one of the Houses.

That Mr Samuel Thouton had signified his wish, to take only one of the two Houses, which had been reserved for him.

Mr Sheriff Shellupson and Mr Sheriff Hunter to have an Offer of 2 of the Houses.

Mr Soane was then directed to acquaint Messrs Shellupson and Mr Sheriff Hunter, that two of the Houses building in Princes Street, are to be disposed of.

Estimate of the comparative cost of the Houses in 1807 & 1809.

Mr Soane read to the Committee an Estimate of the comparative Cost of the Houses building in Princes Street, at the prices of Materials &c in the following Years.

	In 1807	In 1809.	
House No 1	£ 8500	£ 11,000	without additional Buildings.
2	4800	6300	
3	4700	6100	
4	4900	6350	
5	7650	10,000	
	36550	39750	

The Committee then Determined,

An Offer to be made of the Houses, at a Rent equal to £5 per Ch of the Cost of them &c

That an offer be made to let the Houses building in Princes Street, at a clear annual Rent, which shall amount to £5 per Cent on the Cost of all the Materials &c exclusive of Ground Rent; and the Tenants to pay all Taxes whatever. The proposed Tenants, to direct the completing of the Buildings in any way they shall think fit.

Resolved,

Mr Soane to calculate what improved Rent may be had for the Houses in Token House Yard.

That Mr Soane be directed to make a calculation of what improved Rent may be obtained for the Houses in Token House Yard, now let to Tenants who have been summoned to quit the same.

And



An Offer of new Leases, to be made to the Servants of Houses in Soane Lane &c.

And, That afterwar ds, an Offer be made to the present Servants, that each of them repair the House he occupies, in such a substantial manner, as shall be satisfactory to Mr Soane, upon a Lease for such length of time, as he shall, under all circumstances, think it suitable to recommend to be granted for the same.

Bills to be bid for or annuati on

Mr Soane was directed to bring the Bills for the present quarter, which are to be examined by the Committee, as soon as may be. And that, in future, these Bills be brought to be examined, at the Meetings of the Committee, on the first <sup>Wednesday</sup> ~~Thursday~~ in March, June, September and December.

— Sunday attend in Hol — 110.

Mr Governor  
Deputy Governor  
Sir R. Keave  
Mr. Raikes  
Thomson &  
Wentworth.

Tuesday 21<sup>th</sup> March

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Mr Soane laid the following Bills, before the

Bills laid be-Committee: viz  
for the Committee

	Wint on & Carters	Carpenters	£ 1394. 5. 11 1/2
	William Colcott	Do	85. 15. 8
	Poynder & Son	Bookbinder	617. 16. 8.
	Quiry & Wight	Masons	1602. 7. 4 1/2
O-B	Thomas Russell	Smith	255. 11. 10 1/2
N-B	Do	Do	112. 11. 7.
	William Stevens	Ironmonger	146. 6. 5.
	William Bailey	Do	42. 1. 2
	Moser & Co	Stove maker	102. 4. 9
	Larkins & Lade	Bell Hangers	115. 16. 6.
			<u>4,474-12</u>



Continued William Sells	wire waker	£ 6. 2. 10-
J. Cruickshanks	cut at Lashes	31. 17. 2-
John Trottram	Copper Smith	33. 13. 7 1/2
Thomas Palmer	Plasterer	284. 6. 6 1/2
Ann Draper	Plumber	485. 2. 11-
Lancelot Burton	do	25. 4. 6 1/2
Susannah Curtis	Glazier	121. 6. 0
William Watson	do	82. 8. 11-
John Grace	Painter	99. 11. 0 1/2
Birch Rhode & Co	Tar Oil	5. 4. 0
Bowen & Sorant	Papuhangers	2. -
Hall & Burditt	do	13. 5. 9
Kent & Sons	Upholsters	38. 7. 6
H. Blaxland & Sons	do	2. 12. 6
Henry Wilson	Pump maker	8. 17. 0
Baldy Weston	Marcoal	11. 14. 6
Thomas Hockley	Rubbish Carter	162. 0. 6
Henry Harrison	Attend <sup>s</sup> the Works	29. 15. 0
Resolved,		£ 5917 <sup>11</sup> 19

Bills approved  
recommended to  
be paid.

That the above Bills be approved, and presented to the Committee for the House & Servants, for payment. The amount thereof, exclusive of Pence and half pence, £5917. 9. 0

Plan approved  
for appropriating the newly  
purchased ground  
to be prepared.

Resolved, That Mr Soame be directed to prepare a plan for appropriating the ground behind the New Houses in Princes Street, lately purchased from the Armourer's and Brazier's Company; and that he suspend any further proceedings on the House, for the present.

The New House  
not to be proceeded  
on for the present.

an



for work to be done  
under any of the  
Officers.

Mr Soane received Instructions, on no account  
to suffer any work to be carried on, under any of the  
Officers of this House.

Report, regarding  
suitable places for  
placing Iron Gates,  
for additional security.

Mr Soane Reported, that Mr Dawes and Mr  
Shrubsole had, by the desire of the Committee of Treasury,  
accompanied him, round the Bank, for the purpose of  
fixing on suitable Places, at which Iron Gates may  
be put, to secure such of the Passages as need not be  
always kept open, & that might be closed after the daily  
business of the Bank is finished. And he was therefore

Mr Soane directed  
to place Iron  
Gates, accordingly.

directed, to place Iron Gates, at such parts of the  
Bank, as may give the most effectual security to the  
Passages and Offices. —

Ordered.

Iron Railing to be  
fixed at the Front of  
the Bank in Bartholomew  
Lane.

That Iron Railing be fixed at the  
Front of the Bank and in Bartholomew Lane for the  
purpose of doing away the inconveniences & Nuisances  
now sustained, by Triniters, Porters &c placing their  
Goods and parcels on the Stone Work.

An Account of the  
Works now in exe-  
cution presented.

Mr Soane presented an Account of the  
Works now in execution, to be reported to the Court.

Meeting of the  
Committee fixed.

Resolved, That this Committee meet on the first  
Wednesday in April, to consider of the Quarterly Report  
to the Court. And

Future meetings to  
be on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednes-  
day in every month.

That the future Meetings be on the  
Wednesday in every month, instead of the first  
Thursday, as heretofore. —



Mr Governour  
Sept 17th  
Raikes  
Thomson  
Winthrop.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 1809.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

Resolved, That Mr Soane be directed to Report the number of Stoves in the Offices of this House, that are lighted under ground; and whether it may not be practicable to warm the said Offices, in some other way.

Resolved, That the Urinal at the entrance of the Passage leading to the Armory be removed; and that a Passage be made from thence into the New Lobby.

Resolved, That taking into consideration what may be further done to secure the Bank from Fire, on account of the new Buildings, that have been erected and the alterations that have been made within the Bank; It was

Resolved, That a Tank be made in the Bullion Court; and another, in the Front Court, or in the Garden. and that Mr Soane Report on the expediency of having a Tank either in the Front Court, or in the Garden.

Resolved, That a large Engine be placed in the Court by the Chief Accountants House, in lieu of the small Engine which is now there.

Resolved, That a Fire Lock be placed in the Barrack Court.

Resolved, That Buckets be placed about parts of the Bank as appear to require them, for supplying the Engines with Water.

That



Ceiling of the Library to be made Fire Proof.

That the Ceiling of the Library under the Old Accountants Office, be made Fire proof, for the security of the said Office. And

What reservoirs of Water may be placed at the Top of the Bank to be reported.

That Mr Soane Report what Reservoirs of Water may be placed with advantage, at the Top of the Bank —

Two small Rooms to be prepared, for the Persons who are to superintend the Bank.

The Governor Reported, that he had given directions to Mr Soane to prepare two small Rooms on the Stair Case leading to the new Printing Office, for the accommodation of the Persons who may be appointed to take the nightly superintendance of the Bank.

Resolved,

That the following Report be made to the Court.

Report made to the Court.

The Committee of Building Report to the Court, the annexed Statement of the Works now in Execution within the Bank; in addition to which they have to mention that the Tenants of the Houses belonging to the Bank in Token House Yard, having had notice to quit the same, The Committee have directed Mr. Soane to make an estimate what improved Rent may be obtained for the said Houses, and to offer them to the present Tenants on the condition that each of them shall repair the House he occupies in such a manner as shall be satisfactory to Mr. Soane upon a Lease of 7 Years. — And it is expected that considerable Advantage will accrue to the Bank thereby. —

The Committee have also taken



Continued taken into <sup>their</sup> consideration the Provision of Tanks and Engines which has been made for the Security of the Bank against Fire, and have given Directions to Mr. Soane to carry into effect every practicable measure to fulfil this important and desirable purpose.

The Committee agreeably to the Resolution of the Court of Directors have examined the Bills for the New and Old Buildings, and have referred them to the Committee for the House & Servants for payment. And in doing this, having observed by the Glaziers Bill that a considerable Sum is paid for cleaning the Windows of the Bank, have had an Account made out of the Sum which has been paid for one Year for this Work. It amounts to about £330. and the Committee have it therefore in contemplation to bring forward a Plan for this Business being done by the Porters who belong to the Bank, or by such additional Porters as may do this and other work, and also take the Watch Duty of the Bank: and be sworn by the Court.

Statement of  
the Works now in  
execution.

Bank of England  
Office of Works

March 21<sup>st</sup> 1809.

Works now in Execution.

- Power of Attorney Office - Finishing Partitions  
Counter & Drawers.
- New Printing Office - Preparing Poles, Troughs  
& Tables &c. preparing Iron  
Work to the Windows and  
finishing the Painting.



Continued.

- Bank Note Office under. Preparing Benches for  
D<sup>o</sup> - the Presses to stand on &  
making Enclosures to the  
same. -
- Cash Book Office -  
(adjoining) - Preparing Partition to form  
a Passage between the Cash  
Book Office & the Bank-  
Note Office -
- Library under Bank  
Note Office (for L1 &  
L2 Notes) } Fixing Iron Guards to  
the Windows -
- Gallery of communi-  
cation round the -  
external Wall - } Fixing Iron Railing. -
- Governor's Court - Paving the Court, & making  
Lashes & Frames for the  
Windows, under the Drawing  
Office in <sup>the</sup> same Court. -
- Quadrangle between  
L1 & L2 Note Office &  
the Bank Note Office } Preparing Paving. -
- Library for L5. Notes &  
upwards, under -  
Accountants (Mr.  
Bentley's) Office -  
N.B. 2 Rooms - } Preparing Book Cases and  
making Lashes for the  
Windows of the Rooms. -
- John Soane  
Architect  
to the Governor & Co.  
of the Bank of  
England. -



Estimate of im-  
proved Rents, on the  
houses in Token  
House Yard

Mr. Soane presented the following -  
Estimate of the probable improved Rents of the  
Houses in Token House Yard, on a 7 Year's Lease  
and the Tenants to repair, with the reference  
to the Rents now paid by under Tenants.

No	Net Am <sup>t</sup> Rents	Repairs
No 1	£ 31. 10.	£ 120.
2	30.	90.
Mr. Manships	50.	
3	60.	100.
4	60.	120.
16	40.	100.
17	45.	100.
18	45.	100.
19	45.	100.
20	45.	100.
21	60.	100.
22	60.	100.
23	60.	100.
24	60.	100.
25	130.	200.
26		
27	60.	100.
28	52. 10.	100.
29	45.	100.
30	45.	100.
31	85.	120.
0 S.W. Corner	65.	100.
	<u>1174.</u>	

At a Court of Directors 13 April 1809.

The Court appointed the Committee of Building, as follows -  
Sir Rich<sup>d</sup>. Neave, Mr Raikes, Mr Sam<sup>l</sup> Thompson, Mr Winthrop, Mr Long &  
Mr Manning; and to assist the Committee in Superintending the completion  
of the Buildings - Mr Mellich, Mr Harman & Mr Langley.



the Governor  
Lep. Governor  
Sir R. Pease  
the Rafter  
Thomson  
Wintthrop  
Loing &  
Manning

Wednesday 3<sup>d</sup> May 1809.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Stove removed.

Mr Soane Reported, that the Stove in the new  
Esper Ct Court. Dividend Office, has been removed; but that

Report respecting  
other Stoves, de-  
fend. —

he is not yet prepared to report on the practicability of  
warning the other Offices, which have similar Stoves,  
in some other way.

Tank to be made  
in the Garden.

Also, That it will be preferable to make a  
Tank, in the Garden, rather than in the Front Court;

The Committee therefore Agreed thereto, and directed  
Mr Soane, accordingly.

Engines & Buckets  
ordered.

That he has ordered the Engines and  
Buckets, directed by the Committee to be provided;

— and materials  
for the Ceiling  
of the Library.

and also The materials for making the Ceiling  
of the Library, under the Old Accountants Office,

Fire-proof. —

Old Court Div<sup>d</sup>  
Office, to be fitted  
for the £4 and £5  
per Cent.

Mr Soane further Reported, that the Old  
Esper Ct Court. Dividend Office, might be fitted  
up, to last seven years, for about £1,100. He was  
therefore directed to begin his work immediately, for  
the accommodation of the £4 and £5 per Ct Office.

Letter from Mr  
Kaye.

On reading a Letter from Mr Kaye, re-  
questing that the Committee will give directions  
that the House which has been reserved for him, in  
Princes Street, may be immediately finished,  
and expressing his wishes, that the Rent for the same  
may not be fixed higher, than the Premises may  
be



be fairly worth, to be let: -

Resolved,

Rent of the  
new Houses, to be  
considered and  
Reported.

That Mr Soane associate with himself, Messrs Chapman, Blackland and Poynter, for the purpose of considering, and reporting the Rent which it will be proper to ask, for each of the Houses, building by the Bank, in Princes Street, on the supposition of their being immediately finished.

Wooden Swing  
Doors to be put  
to the passage  
from the Secretary's  
Office

Mr Soane having received directions to put up grated Iron Doors, to secure such of the Passages as may be shut, after the daily business of the Bank is finished; recommended, - that wooden Swing Doors may be fixed at each end of the Passage leading from the Secretary's Office to the Chief Accountants Office. To which, the Committee Agreed.

Resolved,

Offer to be made  
to the Tenants of the  
Houses in  
Token House Yard.

That Mr Soane make an Offer to each of the Tenants of the Houses in Token House Yard, belonging to the Bank - to hold the same on Leases for seven Years; at the annual Rent, and on laying out the sum for Repairs of the said Premises, respectively, as are mentioned in a Minute of the last Committee.

Letter from Mr  
Bentley, regarding  
the Meeting  
House, in the  
Old Sundry.

A Letter was read from Mr John Bentley, on behalf of the Managers of the Old Sundry Meeting House, to quit those Premises, about the 7<sup>th</sup> August next, if the Bank shall desire such an early possession of them; altho' the lease, which they hold,

under



under the Amouris Company, does not expire till  
Lady-day 1810:

Resolved,

That Mr Soane acquaint Mr Bentley,

- Answer to the  
given to Mr Bentley,

that it is the wish of the Bank, the Managers of the  
Old Sundry Meeting House, should act for their own  
accommodation, as to the time of quitting these  
Premises. And that whenever this shall be done,  
the Rent for the remaining term of the Lease will  
not be required by the Bank. -

old Gov. & Dep Gov.

Sub Treas.

Mr Rishes

Thouton  
Winthrop

Long  
Chairman  
Harman.

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 1809.

The Minutes of the last Committee were  
read.

Ordered,

That One thousand three hundred &

Commission paid

to Mr Soane.

thirty nine pounds 18<sup>1/4</sup> - be paid to Mr Soane, for  
his Commission of 5 per Cent, on £26,798.7.2 -  
being the amount of Bills for work done from  
Lady day to Michaelmas 1808. And also £50  
to the Clerk of the Works, from 25<sup>th</sup> March to 29<sup>th</sup>  
Septem<sup>r</sup> 1808, inclusive; making together £1389.18.1/4

£50 to the  
Clerk of the Works.

Ordered,

That £883.14.3 be paid to Mr Soane,

Commission to  
Mr Soane.

for his Commission of 5 per Cent on £17,674.5.3 -  
being the amount of Bills for work done, from  
Michaelmas 1808, to Lady day 1809. And also

£



£50 - to the Clerk of the Works, from 29<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1808, to 25<sup>th</sup> March 1809. making together £933<sup>o</sup> 14<sup>s</sup> 3. —

Bank Charter required by the House of Lords.

The Governor reported to the Committee, that the Solicitors to the Bank had acquainted him, that Lord Walsingham as Chairman of the Committee of the House of Lords, to whom the Bill for enabling the Company of Armourers and Braziers to sell and convey certain Houses and Premises in the Old Jewry to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England had been referred, — had required the production of the original Charter granted to the Bank; in order to shew that the Bank is enabled to purchase Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments.

Resolved - That it be recommended to the Court of Directors, that the Secretary do attend the Committee of the House of Lords on the said Bill, with the Bank Charter; and that upon his return, it be deposited in such place as the Court shall approve and recognize.

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Mr



Reports from Messrs  
Chapman & Co & separate Reports of Messrs Chapman, Paynters, and  
on the Rent to be at-  
ked for the House  
in Princes St.

Mr Soane laid before the Committee, the  
Blaxland, on the Rent, which, in their opinion, it  
will be proper to ask for each of the Houses building  
by the Bank, in Princes Street; on the supposition  
of their being immediately finished. Also their  
respective Charges for making the said Reports.

Resolved, That Mr Soane draw out an Average  
of the same to be Account, of the amount of Rent proposed by the  
made above mentioned parties—and Report the same to  
the next Committee.

Mr Governor  
Depy Gov.

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 1809.

Mr R. Keave  
Mr Radker &  
Mr Winthrop.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were  
read.

Further Letter from  
Mr Kaye.

A Letter from Mr Kaye, addressed to the  
Governor, was read—intreating that the Committee  
will relieve him from the inconvenience & the  
suspense which he is now subjected to, on ac-  
count of the delay which has taken place in  
finishing the House in Princes Street, which has  
been reserved for him.

—The Committee  
to meet thereon.

Resolved, That the Committee be summoned  
to meet, tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock;  
& that Mr Kaye's Letter, be then considered.



Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June 1809.

Mr. Gort  
Mr. Gort  
Mr. W. Keave  
Mr. Raikes  
Thomson  
Winthrop  
Kearney  
Langley

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Mr. Soane laid before the Committee, the following comparative Statements of the Rents of the five new Houses in Paines Street supposing them to be now finished, and to be let on a Lease for 21 Years, the Tenants to pay all Taxes of every kind except the Property Tax. —

	N <sup>o</sup> 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
Mr. Painter	500.	350.	330.	380.	430.
Mr. Chapman	435.	265.	260.	280.	400.
Mr. Blackland	600.	300.	350.	400.	500.
Average Rent.	512.	305.	313.	353.	443.
Mr. Soane at 4 <sup>th</sup> Cent and ground Rent.	540.	315.	310.	340.	490.
Mr. Poynder	550.	300.	300.	350.	350.

N<sup>o</sup> 1 Is the House next the Grocers Garden to be finished as it now stands. —

5 Is the House proposed for Mr. Kaye, to be finished as it now stands, without any further Offices as originally intended.

A Motion was then made and seconded, that £500. Ann<sup>m</sup> be required for the Rent of the House N<sup>o</sup> 5.

Which passed in the Negative

It was then moved and seconded that £450. Ann<sup>m</sup> be required for the said House, that sum being about the average of the above Statements. And it passed in the Affirmative

Statements of  
the Rent proposed  
to be asked for the  
five Houses.

£500 required  
for No. 5

-negative

£450 to be  
required for No. 5



## Resolved,

£525 per Annum

That £525 per Annum be required for the Rent of the House No. 1.

£315 per Annum

That £315 per Annum be required for the Rent of the House No. 2.

£320 per Annum

That £320 per Annum be required for the Rent of the House No. 3. — and

£360 per Annum

That £360 per Annum be required for the Rent of the House No. 4. —

## Resolved,

To be reported to the Court.

That the preceding Statements and the Resolutions of the Committee founded thereon, be reported to the Court of Directors for their approbation, and that on their being approved, by the Court, the Houses be offered to the Parties respectively, who have made

— And the Houses to be offered to the Parties.

Application for them, and on the Terms before mentioned. —

## Resolved,

Premises in the Old Swan, to be of ten Acres or less for 21 Years.

That on the expiration of the Leases of the Premises which have been purchased of the Armourers and Braziers Company, the said Premises be offered to the respective Tenants, on Building or Repairing Leases, for 21 Years.

— An Estimate of the value of the Premises, to be made.

And that the same be directed to make an Estimate of the value of the said Premises, with a view to the granting of new Leases. —



Mr. Governor

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 1809

Mr. Dep. Gov.

Mr. Baines

Mr. Winstroke Read.

Mr. Manning

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

Mr. Soane laid the following Bills before  
the Committee viz:

Bills, laid before the Com- mittee.			
Groundy & Wight	Masons	£ 861.	1..
Tho. Poynder & Low	Bricklayers	256.	16..4
Swinton & Martyn	Carpenters	1039.	17..7
William Colcott	Do	60.	15..2
Thomas Russell	Smith	219.	12..10
Edward Foster	Ironmonger	61.	..10
John Crace	Painter	180.	3..3
Ann Draper	Plumber	104.	4..9
Lancelot Burton	Do	95.	18..2
Thomas Palmer	Plasterer	27.	14..4
William Rothwell	Do	3.	3..5
Pusannah Curtis	Glazier	63.	17..6
William Watson	Do	38.	19..7
Green & Pittatt	Glass Lights	8.	2..6
Henry Chasland	Upholsterer	64.	8..1
John Robins	Cabinet Maker	118.	7..9
School for the Blind	Path Line	6.	1..8
W. J. Sutton	Rope Makers	24.	..
John Mottraw	Coppersmith	9.	4..10
J. Cruickshank	Metal Path-maker	85.	..
William Callow	Turncock	..	18..
Thomas Hockley	Rubbish Carter	68.	11..
Henry Harrison	Attending Works	17.	10..
		£ 3415.	8..7

Resolved

approved  
to be presented  
to the Committee  
for the House of  
Servants.

That the above Bills be approved & presented  
to the Committee for the House & Servants for Payment.



The New Houses  
Offered to the Parties

Mr. Soane acquainted the Committee that he had offered the Houses building, in Princes Street to the respective Parties who had made application for them, on the Terms proposed by the Committee, but that he had as yet only received an Answer from Mr. Kaye. —

— No answer yet received.

Resolved,

a Special Meeting  
to be held.

That a special meeting of this Committee be held on Thursday evening after the Court to receive Mr. Soanes further Report on the above Business. —

A Tank to be  
made in the  
Front Court.

Mr. Soane reported agreeably to the Directions of the Committee, that it is quite practicable to make a Tank in the Front Court.

He was therefore directed to carry this measure into execution. —

Mr Soanes Report  
of a further communication from  
Mr Bentley, regarding  
the Old Jury Meeting.

Mr. Soane reported that he had acquainted Mr. Bentley, with the Committee's Answer to his Application as mentioned in a Minute of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ult<sup>o</sup>. which appeared to give satisfaction — But that he has since received a Letter from Mr. Bentley, proposing, that the Society under the Pastoral Care of Dr. Reed. — will surrender the Chapel in the Old Jury nine Months previous to the expiration of the Lease, for the Sum of £100. the Society paying Rent and Taxes to the full end of the Term. —

Also, that the Pews upon the Ground Floor of the Chapel are described to be the property of the Society; but the ends of the Pews, namely, the



Linings of the Walls, are thought to belong to the Bank - That these are intended to be removed, - unless the Bank order to the contrary, or desire to be paid for the same -

Resolved,

clerk Bentley  
proposal not  
acceded to -

That the Proposal for the Bank to pay £400. - to the said Society, for the surrender of the Chapel, previous to the Expiration of the Term for the same, be not acceded to; the Bank having no desire for so early a possession. -

But the  
Pews granted.

But that the ends of the Pews be readily granted for the use of the said Society. -

Key light of the  
vestibule to be  
removed -

The Sky light in the Vestibule near the Court Room Door, being very much out of repair, and in a dangerous state, it was agreed that it be taken away - And that the Vestibule be lighted by side Windows -

Reservoir of  
water at the  
Top of the Bank

Mr. Soane having reported that the making a Reservoir of Water at the top of the Bank, will be attended with great difficulty, and might not be found very useful,

not to be  
made -

It was agreed, that this measure be abandoned. -



the Governour.  
Raikes  
Thomson  
Winthrop  
Lang.  
Mildish  
Langley  
read.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 1809.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

Letter from Mr  
Morris.

A Letter from Mr Will<sup>m</sup> Morris of the  
Old Jewry, was read stating that he has in-  
curred some expence, by the progress of building  
by the Bank, in Lathbury. —

referred to Mr  
Soane.

Mr Morris's Letter was referred to Mr Soane.

Plan for altering  
the Sky light in the  
Vestibule approved.

Mr Soane presented a Plan, for altering the  
Sky light in the Vestibule near the Court Room  
Door, which was approved by the Committee. —

A Light to be intro-  
duced into the strong  
Closet in Gov<sup>r</sup> Room.

Mr Soane proposed to introduce a small  
light, in the center of the strong Closet in the  
Governour's Room, which the Committee approved,  
and directed to be carried into effect. —

Plan for appropri-  
ating the Ground be-  
hind the new Houses.

Mr Soane presented two Plans, for appro-  
priating the Ground behind the new Houses in  
Princes Street, lately purchased by the Bank:  
which having been inspected,

Two other  
Plans to be made.

Mr Soane was desired to make two other  
Plans, with a variation from 20 to 30 feet in each,  
in the allotment of Ground to the Houses in  
Princes Street. —

Three of the new  
Houses, offered to  
Tenants.

Mr Soane acquainted the Committee, that  
having offered three of the new Houses, to the London  
Dock Company, to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Thelluson Nephew & Co.  
and to Mr Kaye, respectively on the Terms agreed  
on



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on by this Committee - He had received the following Answers thereto. - viz.

"London Dock House

"June 13<sup>th</sup> 1809."

Extract from the Minutes of a Committee of  
Treasury of the London Dock Company held here  
this Day.

Proposal from  
the London Dock  
Company to take care  
of the House.

Present,

Beeston Long Esq<sup>r</sup> in the Chair.

Resolved,

That Mr. Alexander be directed to acquaint Mr. Soane that this Company do agree to take the House in Princes Street adjoining the Garden belonging to the Grocers Company at a Rent of Five hundred and twenty five Pounds per Annum; provided that the Directors of the Bank of England agree to erect such other additional Building in the rear of the present House as the Company may deem necessary - paying to them at the rate of Five Pounds 10<sup>cts</sup> per Annum upon the Money expended thereon And provided also an additional entrance from the Old Jewry be secured to the Company to the present House or any other Building that may be erected for the Company The said additional Building to be erected upon a Plan to be agreed upon between the Surveyors of the Bank of England and the London Dock Company.

Signed Geo. Robinson.

Resolved



Resolved,

— Mr. Alexander  
to Mr. Soane, to prepare  
a Plan of the additional  
Building, proposed  
to be erected

That Mr. Alexander and Mr. Soane  
prepare a Plan of the additional Building  
proposed in the above Minute, and of the Ground  
necessary for the same. —

From Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Thelluson & Co.

Sir,

Proposal from  
Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Thelluson & Co.  
to take one of the  
New Houses.

Altho' we think that the Rent of £320  
for the third house from the Grocer's Garden  
is high, yet we suppose that the Committee of  
Building have not fixed that rent without  
due consideration, and therefore we submit  
to it. —

But in finishing the House, we shall be  
to give some common instructions respecting  
a few Doors and Windows. And as we  
find that both a safe and Wine Cellar are  
wanting, we trust that the Committee will  
readily finish the lowermost third room  
behind as a Wine Cellar, and the room over  
that as a safe, excluding Timber from both,  
and with such Arches as you deem to be  
calculated for those purposes. We also wish  
that the front Cellar opposite to the Passage  
door below were carried further under the  
Street by a Couple of Yards. —

We are

Sir

24 June 1809 Your obedient Servants  
John Soane Esq<sup>r</sup> Thelluson, Nephew & Co.

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Resolved

That the requests in the above Letter be complied with, except that, which relates to carrying the front Cellar further under the Street.

From Mr. Kaye.

Sir

I have received your Letter informing me that the Committee of Building ask a Rent of £450. -<sup>per</sup> Annum for the House I have been in treaty for renting of the Bank. As that is a rent exceeding by, at least, one third what I expected the Bank would have required me to pay, and exceeding, in the same Proportion my estimation of the value of the accommodation the House affords, I must, however inconvenient, endeavour to provide for myself in some other situation, unless it shall be the pleasure of the Committee to reduce the rent nearer to my conception of the value of the premises. As the House will be very convenient to me in point of situation, I would give £350. -<sup>per</sup> Annum for it rather than have to remove to a greater distance, and I should hope upon consideration the Committee will let me have it at that rent. I will be much obliged to you to submit their Letter to the Committee to morrow, and to favor me with their determination.

I am Sir

Tokenhouse Yard  
6<sup>th</sup> June 1809.

Your most obed.<sup>t</sup> Servant  
Joseph Kaye

Acceded to -  
except in one  
instance.

Letter from Mr  
Kaye, declining  
to take one of the  
new Houses, at the  
Bank, proposed for  
the same.



Resolved,

Resolutions on  
Mr. Kaye's Letter.

That Mr. Kaye be informed that the  
Committee cannot recede from the Terms on  
which they offered the House No. 5.

Mr. Thornton, Lewis  
& Hunter, declined  
the Houses, offered to  
them -

Mr. Soane reported that Mr. Thornton,  
Mr. Lewis and Mr. Hunter, had declined to take  
the new Houses, which had been respectively  
offered to them.

Resolved,

Allowances for  
Estimate Reports  
of the new Houses.

Mem<sup>o</sup>. The Governor  
on the 6 Sep 1809 signed  
an order for payment  
of £75 - which order  
was cancelled the  
3 Nov 1815 - and a  
new one given  
payable to Mr Soane.

That £25. be allowed to Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Pagnters  
for their Estimate and Report of the Rent -  
proper to be asked for the new Houses in  
Princes Street. also £25. to Mr. Chapman  
and £25. to Mr. Blackland for similar Services.

Adjourned till to morrow.

Mr. Governor  
Dep. Gov<sup>r</sup>  
Thornton  
Long

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 1809.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

Report of Mr Soane  
regarding Tenants  
of Houses in the  
Old Savoy.

Mr. Soane having suggested, that the Tenants  
of the Houses in the old Savoy, will expect  
six Months Notice to quit, previous to the  
expiration of the Leases on which they hold  
them - It was

Resolved,

Mr Soane to give  
the said Tenants  
Notice to quit.

That Mr. Soane be desired to give  
the said Tenants Notice to quit at Lady Day next.



Answers received  
from some of the  
Tenants of Houses  
in Token Ho. Yard.

Mr. Poane reported the answers which he had received from the undermentioned Tenants of Houses in Tokenhouse Yard - to whom offers have been made to take the same on Leases for 7 Years, on the Terms mentioned in a minute of the 5<sup>th</sup> April last. and on consideration of the same, it was,

Resolved,

That the Rent of the under mentioned Houses, be fixed, as follows. -

Rents of Houses  
in Token House  
Yard, fixed. -

- No. 1 Mr. John Williams £25. per Ann. To lay out in Repairs - £120
- 4 Mrs Sarah Vickers - To be allowed to remain at her present rent, till Lady Day, and Mr. Poane to give her fresh Notice to quit.
- 20 Mr. Peter Barlow - £40. per Ann<sup>m</sup> To lay out in repairs £100
- 21 Mr. John Beckett - To remain 12 Months from Michaelmas next - at £60 per Ann<sup>m</sup> as a Tenant at Will
- 22 Mr. Eliz. Howe - £45. as a Tenant at Will.
- 23 Mr. Duncan Taylor. £50. To lay out - £100
- 24 Mr. Leeming - 50. - - - - - 100
- 27 Mr. P. Serrill - 50. - - - - - 100
- S.W. Corner Mr. Smith - 65 - - - - - 100

Mr Governor  
Deputy Gov<sup>r</sup>  
Long.  
Committee adj.

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 1809. -

On Account of the Illness and absence of Mr. Poane, the Committee met and adjourned.

Wid.



Mr. Governor  
 Dep. Gov.<sup>r</sup>  
 Winthrop  
 Long  
 Manning it was.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August 1809.

Mr. Hase having stated that -  
 more room is wanted in the Inspectors Office,

Resolved,

Inspectors Office  
 to be enlarged.

That the said Office be enlarged, by -  
 taking in the Passage, and by covering in a small  
 space adjoining thereto

Report to be made  
 regard<sup>g</sup> the Officer  
 of the Guard's Room.

It being represented, that the room -  
 occupied by the Officer of the King's Guard, -  
 requires to be painted and repaired; Mr. Soane  
 was directed to report, what other room can  
 be appropriated for the Officers on Guard, until  
 the present room shall be again made fit for  
 their accommodation. -

Mr. Governor  
 Dep. Govern<sup>r</sup>  
 Thouten  
 Winthrop  
 Long and  
 Manning.

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August 1809.

The Minutes of the two last Meetings were

Minutes read, read.

Report on the  
 clean<sup>g</sup> of the Offi-  
 cer of the Guards  
 Room.

Mr Soane reported, that the Officers Guard  
 Room may be cleaned, without putting the Officers  
 who sleep therein, to any inconvenience; he was  
 therefore desired to execute the same.

Report on Mr  
 Morris's Letter.

Mr Soane also Reported, on Mr Morris's  
 Letter, which had been referred to him - and it was

Resolved, That £20 be granted to Mr Morris, in  
 consideration of the expence he has incurred by the  
 progress of the Bank's buildings, in Lottbury.

£20 granted  
 to Mr Morris.



Plan for appropriating  
along the Ground  
behind the New House  
in Princes Street.

Mr Soane presented a Plan for appropriating  
the ground, behind the Houses in Princes Street; with a  
variation from 20 to 30 feet, in the allotment of  
Ground to the said Houses. And it was Agreed,  
That a line of 30 feet should be drawn and  
acted on for these purposes.

A Place in the  
front Court, to be  
prepared for holding  
Cinders &c

Mr Soane proposed to the Committee, to prepare  
a Place, in the corner of the paved Court in front of  
the Bank, in which all the Cinders from every part  
of the House, may be deposited. The Committee ap-  
proved of the same.

Answers from  
Tenants of some  
of the Houses, in  
Token House Yard.

Mr Soane repeated the answers which he had  
received from the undermentioned Tenants of Houses,  
in Token House Yard; and after consideration of the  
same it was Resolved,

Rents of some  
of the said Houses,  
fixed.

That the rent of the undermentioned Houses  
be fixed, as follows. viz

Mr	Mr Manship	50 £ per Ann <sup>m</sup>	To lay out in repairs.
No 4 <sup>3</sup>	Mr Alderson	52. 10. 0	£ 120
28	Mr Leslie	45	100
29	Mr Blay	40	100

Committee to  
meet on the ques-  
tion of letting the  
Houses in Token  
House Yard.

The Committee Agreed to meet again,  
on Wednesday next. And to consider the expediency  
of letting the Houses in Token House Yard, on Leases,  
for 7 or 14 years; the latter, to be determinable, at the  
expiration of the first period, at the option of the  
Bank.



Mr Governor  
Deputy Governor  
Windsor  
Manning.

Wednesday 23<sup>d</sup> August 1809,

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Consideration of  
a proposed Minute

A Minute of the last Meeting was considered, regarding term for which it will be expedient to grant Leases of the Houses in Token House Yard. And it was

The said Minute confirmed.

Resolved, That agreeably to a Minute of this Committee, of the 3<sup>d</sup> May last, the said Houses be let on Leases, for 7 years.

Rebuilt the front  
of the Old Bullion  
Office & delayed -

Mr Soane Reported, that nothing can be done towards rebuilding the front of the Old Bullion Office, till the repairs of the Deposit Vaults shall be completed; which will be, in about a fortnight.

Mr Soane to  
prepare Plans for  
the same.

The Committee therefore directed Mr Soane to prepare Plans of Elevation, for that side of the Bullion Court; and to look out for an Office, into

And to provide  
an Office for the  
Clerks, who now  
work in the Old  
Bullion Office.

which the Clerks who now work in the Old Bullion Office may be removed, in order that the buildings in the Bullion Court may be completed.

Petition of Edw<sup>d</sup>  
Noone.

On reading a Petition from Edward Noone, Parish Clerk of St. Margaret's, Lothbury -

£5.5.0 Allowed  
him - & also the  
same sum An-  
nually. -

Ordered, That Five Guineas be granted to the said Edward Noone; and also 5 Guineas per Annum from Midsummer last, while he shall continue in the Office of Parish Clerk of St. Margaret's Lothbury; in consideration of his Emoluments having decreased, by Houses being taken down for the improvement of the Bank: but that  
this



this allowance, be not granted to his Successor. —

our Governour  
Deputie Govt.  
Winthrop.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 1809.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

Minutes read.

our Soane laid the following Bills before

Bills laid before  
the Committes. vizt

Thomas Grundy	— Mason —	£ 1671-11-9
Thomas Payden & Son	— Bricklayers. —	358-19-9
Richard Martyn H <sup>c</sup>	— Carpenter. —	2359-6-7
William Colcott	— Do —	92-7-7
Ann Draper	— Plumber —	178-13-0
Lancelot Burton	— Do —	60-11-3
Susanna Curtis	— Glazier —	124-15-11
Thomas Palmer	— Plaisterer —	396-9-9.
John Grace	— Painter —	204-10-5
Edw <sup>d</sup> . Hoister H <sup>c</sup>	— Ironmonger	369-2-2
Cutter H <sup>c</sup>	— Do —	23-2-9
Larkin & Lade	— Bell Hangers	30-4-0
William Gibson	— Blind maker	40-10-6
Blapland & Sons	— Upholsterers —	91-14-11
Henry Wilson	— Pump maker	8-19-6
Tho <sup>s</sup> Hockley sr	— Rubbish Carters	162-13-10
Baldy Weston	— Charcoal —	2-12-6
William Callow	— Turn Cock —	1-9-0
Birch Rhode H <sup>c</sup>	— Tar Oil H <sup>c</sup> —	33-7-0
Trustees of London Bridge Water Works	— Plum Pipe —	16-19-1
Henry Harrison	— Attend the Works	33-2-1

£ 6261-3-4

Resolved,



Bills to be  
presented for pay-  
ment.

Resolved, That the foregoing Bills be approved; &  
that they be presented to the Committee for the House  
and Servants, for payment.

Reports of persons  
who have performed  
Extra Duties.

The Board stated to the Committee, that  
the persons undermentioned, had very meritoriously  
exerted themselves, under his direction, and had  
attended at extra hours, during various altera-  
tions in the interior of the Bank. viz

Summs granted  
to several persons  
for certain Duties.

Ordered, That the undermentioned Gratuities  
be granted to them, for their exertions and extra  
attendances.

To Walter Payne	Clerk of the Works	£ 25.
Mamoy Hunt	Foreman of the Carpenters	10
Henry Harrison	Dr of the Bricklayers	10
Alex <sup>r</sup> Roseberry	Dr of the Masons	5.
Joseph Buck	Dr of the Plasterers.	5.

Report of Works  
now in hand.

The Board presented an Account of the  
Works in hand, to be inserted in the Committee's  
quarterly Report, to the Court of Directors. —

the Governor  
Lieut Gov.  
Thomson,  
Mellisham  
Harmen.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Octo<sup>r</sup> 1809.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were  
read.

Old to 3 per Cent  
Office to be repaired  
for the £4 & 5 per Cent  
Annuities.

Resolved, That the Office, formerly used for the  
Annuities, be repaired, and put  
into the same state, as the Office adjoining  
thereto; for the £4 and £5 per Cent Annuities.

On



On reading a Letter from Mr Serrill,

Resolved,

Mr Serrill to be  
Tenant of a House  
in Token Ho Yard

That Mr P. Serrill be admitted a Tenant  
of the House No 4 - Token House Yard, at Lady Day next;  
at the rent of £55 per Annum, on a Lease for 7 Years,  
and to lay out £120 in repairs.

On reading a Letter from Mr Charles Wright,

Letter from Mr  
Ch Wright - requesting  
an allowance  
for repairs - on account  
of the expences he has  
been subjected to

requesting the Bank to allow him the sum of £66-1-6  
for repairs, in consequence of the adjoining Houses  
having been taken down by the Bank - and Mr  
Soane having reported thereon,

Resolved.

Not to be  
complied with.

That Mr Wright's request be not com-  
plied with -

The Bank to be  
illuminated on  
the 25<sup>th</sup> October.

The Committee directed Mr Soane, to  
prepare for illuminating the front of the Bank,  
and the Gateways, on each side of the House, on  
the 25<sup>th</sup> of October next: But, that no Paintings be  
introduced, on that occasion. -

Mr Soane laid the following Letter before  
the Committee -

Warwick Street 19<sup>th</sup> Sept 1809

Sir.

Letter from  
Messrs Shelleys

Messrs Shelleys, our wish to be ac-  
commodated with Counting Houses attached  
to the dwelling House, either the Centre Building  
or the one adjoining the Dock Company, which  
you think would be most convenient: they  
require



require one room, about 25 feet long, and width  
 in proportion - & proper height - and over that,  
 another room - same size divided in two with  
 sky light only, the whole standing on arches,  
 for Coal and Wine Cellars and Water Closet  
 placed somewhere on the premises. I shall  
 be ready to attend and give you any further  
 information. I am &c<sup>o</sup> John Robins  
 To John Saurby

Resolution on  
 Messrs. Shillupens  
 Letter ✓

Resolved, That Messrs. Shillupens be permitted  
 to have the House No 2 - instead of No 3 - but that  
 no additional Buildings be allowed to be erec-  
 ted, higher than the Basement Story of the  
 House. -

Resolved,

Report to the  
 Court of Direc-  
 tors. —

That the following Report be  
 presented to the Court of Directors, viz<sup>t</sup> -

The Committee of Building have  
 to express their concern to the Court of Directors  
 that they omitted to make a report at the  
 end of <sup>the</sup> last Quarter. They therefore will  
 now include the Business of the Committee  
 from Lady Day, to the present time. -

The Committee have examined the  
 Bills for the new & old Buildings and have  
 referred them to the Committee for  
 the



Report con-  
tinued. —

the House and Servants, for payment. — 139

Agreeably to an intimation given in their last report, the Tenants of the Houses belonging to the Bank in Token House Yard, whose Leases have expired have been offered the Premises in their respective occupations on a repairing Lease for 7 years at an increased Rent and most of them have acceded thereto.

The Tenants of the Houses belonging to the Bank in the Old Sewry, have received notice to quit at Lady Day next. And it is intended to offer these Premises to the said Tenants respectively on Building or Repairing Leases for 21 years. —

In conformity with the measures which have been adopted by the Committee to guard as much as possible against the effects of Fire, another Tank has been made in the front Court, and to remedy the inconvenience and hazard of depositing the Cinders from the different Offices in several places, some of which are not proper for them, a General Repository has been made for them, in the front Court, which communicates with the Stair Case near the Gate porters' Lodge. —

The



Report con-  
tinued. —

The Rent which the Committee proposed to be asked for each of the 5 Houses building in Princes Street, having been appraised by the Court, Two of the said Houses have been let, accordingly, and are completing that they may be occupied. And it has been agreed that 30 Feet of Ground behind them shall be inclosed, for the accommodation of the said Houses. —

Additional Room having been much wanted for the £4 per cent and £5 per cent Offices, the Committee have had the Office formerly used for the £3 per cent Consolidated Dividends, repaired, and it is now advantageously occupied by the £5 per cent. —

The Committee have not yet settled a plan to employ the Porters belonging to the Bank in cleaning the Windows of the House in order to reduce the expence, which is now incurred for this work, and to obtain additional persons for the Watch Duty; — but they have not lost sight of this object, and will give it consideration. —

The following is a Statement of the works now in execution viz:

New



Report contin.

New Daving and Repairing the Deposit Vaults  
Altering the Sky-light in the Lobby.  
A Receipt as an Addition to the Inspectors  
Office. —

Finishing the House for the London Dock  
Company & for Mr. Kaye in Princes Street.  
and sundry small works and common  
Repairs. —

Bank of England }  
4. Oct. 1809. — }

Resolved,

Committee  
to meet. —

That this Committee meet again  
on Wednesday the 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. at 1/2 past One o'clock.

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 1809.

Mr Govd.  
Deputy Govd.  
Barke.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Ordered,

Commission to  
be paid to Mr  
Loane.

That Five hundred and sixteen pounds,  
eleven shillings and seven pence, be paid to Mr  
Loane for his Commission of £5 per Cent on £  
being the amount of Bills for work done from Lady

— and six  
months Salary  
to the Clerk of the  
Works.

Day to Michaelmas 1809. And also £50 to the Clerk  
of the Works, from the 25<sup>th</sup> of March to the 29<sup>th</sup> of Sep-  
tember 1809. making together £566<sup>11</sup>/<sub>7</sub>. —

Resolved



Windows to be  
made outside of the  
Specie Vault.

Resolved, That Windows be made, at the outside  
of the Specie Vault, for the occasional circulation  
of fresh air.

Mr Bankhart shall  
give up his House  
in Token House Yard.

Mr Soane reported, that Mr Ben Hart shall  
wishes to give up the House he occupies (No 31  
Token House Yard) at Christmas next; to which  
the Committee Agreed.

A Plan, for cover-  
ing the upper part  
of the Armoury, into  
a Place for the Watch-  
men to sleep in.

Mr Soane presented a Plan, to show  
that the upper part of the Armoury (which was  
intended for the Wardrobe of the Bank Regiment) /  
may be converted into a place for the Watchmen  
to sleep in, when off duty; by which means the  
inconvenience of their sleeping, in different parts  
of the Bank, would be remedied.

Resolved,

Resolution  
thereon.

That this measure be carried into  
effect, provided Colonel Manning & Captain  
Long, the Commanding Officers of the Bank Regi-  
ments, have no objection thereto.

Mr Gov. & Deputy  
Mr Thornton.  
Long  
Manning  
Mellish.

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> Novemb. 1809.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Proposals for a part  
of the Premises &  
Ground-purchased  
from the Armourers  
Company

Mr Soane reported, that Proposals had been  
made to him, for part of the Premises and Ground, lately  
purchased from the Armourers and Brasier's Com-  
pany, on Leases, for 21 Years.

Resolved



Resolved,

Mr Soane to prepare a Plan for a Division of the said Ground - And

That Mr Soane prepare a Plan, for the Division of the Premises and Ground, before mentioned: And that he associate Messrs Alexander and Pilkington, himself with the Surveyors, with himself, for the purpose of considering and reporting - the Rent it will be proper to ask for the said Premises and Ground, on lease for 21 years,

and Mr Soane and Pilkington, to propose terms for letting the same.

Resolved,

The Old Printing Office to be cleared as soon as possible.

That Mr Soane be directed to have the Old Printing Office cleared, as soon as possible: And that if the new Printing Office shall be insufficient for the present printing & engraving Bank notes, the Room now used as a Music Room, be fitted for the accommodation of the new Printing Office; agreeably to the Plan, presented 7<sup>th</sup> July 1808.

And the present Music Room to be attached to the new Office if necessary.

Resolved,

A Bust of His Majesty, to be procured.

That Mr Soane be desired to procure a Bust, in marble, of His Majesty; to be placed in the new Lobby.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 1809.

Mr Governor Depy Gov. Sir P. Bouverie Mr Manning Mellish Langley.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read. Mr Soane proposed, that the following Sums be paid to the Persons, who attended the late Illumination, in commemoration of His Majesty's entering on the 50<sup>th</sup> Year of His Reign; and for expences connected with this Attendance. vizt

Gratuities proposed for the Persons who attended the late Illumination.

To



Sum granted	To Mr Holdsworth - City Marshall	£ 5. 5. 0
to the persons who attended at the late Ministration.	To Mr Walden - Deputy Do	5. 5. 0
	To Mr Leadbetter - Marshall's Man	1. 1. 0
	To Walter Payne - Surveyor's Clerk	10. 10. 0
	To Henry Harrison Foreman of Bricklayers	5. 5. 0
	To Mr Hunt - Do - of Carpenters	5. 5. 0
an additional allowance, of 46 to each Constable was granted, on the 7 <sup>th</sup> March 1752. an order to £5. 2. 6 signed by the Governor for the same.	To 36 Constables, <sup>at 46 Ea</sup> from the Mansion House	3. 15. 0
	To 10 - Do - Do from the Eagle Office	1. 5. 0
	To 1 - Do - Do from the Royal Exchange	0. 2. 6.
	To 1 - Principal Constable, to Superintendent	0. 7. 6
	To Dinner - as per Bill	15. 11. 6
		<u>£ 53. 12. 6</u>

- and order to be paid.

The Committee agreed thereto - and the Governor signed an Order for the above amount.

Report of the disposal of the Gold Bills held on account of the Arm<sup>rs</sup> & Braziers Comp<sup>y</sup>.

The Chief Cashier Reported, that the Exchange Bills held by the Bank, on account of the Armourers and Braziers's Company, were sold, by order of the Deputy Governor; and the Proceeds disposed of, in the following manner.

The sum of £8500, was paid into the Court of Chancery; and £1844<sup>10</sup>. 1, the balance, was paid to James Chaplin Esq, Warden of the Armourers's and Braziers's Company.

Mr Soane laid the following Bills, before

Bills laid before the Committee viz<sup>t</sup> the same.

Thos. Poynder & Son	Bricklayers	£ 582 <sup>16</sup> . 0
Thomas Barnes	Do	9 <sup>5</sup> . 9
Swinton & Martyn	Carpenters	1972 <sup>10</sup> . -
Will <sup>m</sup> Colcott	Do	27. 4. -
Mess <sup>rs</sup> Poynters	Do	17. 5. -
		<u>£ 2609 - -</u>
	Carry forward	£ 2609 - -



Contin'd.	Thomas Grundy	Mason	987. 0 0
	William Allen	Do	381. 0 0
	Sam Draper	Plumber	255. 12 0
	Lancelot Burton	Do	152. 14 0
	Thomas Palmer	Plasterer	259. 15 0
	John Grace	Painter	197. 16 0
	William Watson	Do	180. 0 0
	William Watson	Glazier	49. 17 0
	Susanna Curtis	Do	110. 10 0
	Sarah Jandall (for the Estate of Th <sup>o</sup> Hockley Esq)	Rubbish Carters	126. 19 0
	Cutter H <sup>o</sup>	Ironmongers	117. 14 0
	C. Foster H <sup>o</sup>	Do	172. 19 0
	J <sup>o</sup> . Cruickshanks	Metal Sashmaker	122. 3 0
	John Mottram	Copper Smith	73. 9 0
	Th <sup>o</sup> . Marriott	Iron Wanger	29. 19 0
	W <sup>o</sup> . J. Sutton	Rope makers	38. 2 0
	Henry Blackland	Upholsterer	100. 9 0
	Kent & Sons	Do	7. 19 0
	Will <sup>m</sup> Callow	Turn Cock	1. 15 0
	Joseph Batho	Pavior	645. 14 0
	Josiah Matthews	Timber	753. 8 0
	Tyson & Sharp	Slaters	0 16 0
	Bowen & Torant	Paperhangers	41. 12 0
	Nath <sup>l</sup> Wright	Surveying & Building H <sup>o</sup>	63. 6 0
	John Holt	Virtualer	69. 2 0
	Henry Harrison	Attend <sup>o</sup> of Works	28. 16 0

£ — 7,577. 6. 0

Resolved



Resolved,

— He presented  
for payment.

That the foregoing Bills be approved, & presented to the Committee for the House & Servants, for payment.

— Division of the  
said Bills—into  
New & Old Work.

Mr Soane Reported, that, out of £7577<sup>6</sup> 0 0 the amount of the before mentioned Bills; the sum of £2691 0 0 is for work done at the New Houses, and in Princes Street. And

Account of Works  
now carrying on,

He presented the following Sketch of the principal Works, now carrying on. — viz<sup>t</sup>

New Buildings.	}	Finishing the Insides of The Dock House, and of that let to Mr Kaye.
Old — do —		}
	Fitting up, different Offices.	
	Alterations & Repairs of different parts of the Bank.	

Report of Messrs  
Soane, Alexander  
& Pilkington, on  
the Premises in  
the Old Sewry.

Mr Soane presented the following Report,  
Agreeably to a Minute of the last Committee

To the Committee of Building of the  
Bank of England. 18<sup>th</sup> Novemb<sup>r</sup>. 1809.

Sirs.

Pursuant to the directions we had the honor to receive from you, of the 8<sup>th</sup> Inst. we have surveyed, and minutely examined the dwelling Houses, and the Chapel at the back of the same, situated in the Old Sewry, and in consequence, We beg leave to give it, at our opinion, that



that the Method to make the greatest present annual income is,

To Let the Premises, on repairing Leases, for 21 Years, in the following manner.

- 1<sup>st</sup> The Northernmost House (marked **A**) at far South as the Party Wall, at a Rent of £40 per Annum, the Lessee to expend not less in substantial Repair, than £200.
- 2<sup>d</sup> The Middle House (marked **B**) with so much of the Meeting House as will be left, west of the Division Wall on the Plan, the Bank paying half the expence of such Wall - at a Rent of £180 per Annum, the Lessee to expend in Repairs, £800.
- 3<sup>d</sup> The 2 Tenements now used as Old Houses at a Rent of £40 per Annum; the Lessee to expend in Repair, £200.

But we beg to add our Opinion that we consider the Premises as nearly worn out, and that perhaps it will not suit other than the present Tenants to take them, who, in many cases will imprudently take Old Houses, and expend large Sums upon them, for the mere benefit of personal local value.

Under this view, - I may perhaps be expected of us further to Report, that if the Premises be pulled down, and the Ground let on a Building Lease, for sixty one Years, setting  
back



back 5 Feet from the Street - We value that Ground, at £150 per annum. -

Signed - Daniel Alexander.  
William Pilkington  
John Soane.

Plan of communication from the Old Sewer, to the back of the new Houses.

Mr Soane presented a Plan of the Ground, for the Passage of communication from the Old Sewer, to the back parts of the new Houses in Princes Street; which the Committee approved.

a plan to be prepared for dividing the Ground, behind the new Houses.

And Mr Soane was directed to prepare a Plan for the Division of the said Ground, to each of the 5 new Houses; to be considered, on Wednesday next.

Apartment to be provided for the 2<sup>d</sup> Door Keeper.

Also, to look out for Apartments, for James Kingstone, the 2<sup>d</sup> Door Keeper; and to report the same to the next Committee.

Mr Gov. & Dep. Gov.  
Raikes,  
Channing,  
Mullist,  
Harman &  
Langley.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Decem. 1809.

The Minutes of the last Meeting, were read.

Apartment for 2<sup>d</sup> Door Keeper, cannot at present be provided.

Mr Soane reported, that until the Old Printing Office shall be cleared, he cannot provide Apartments for the 2<sup>d</sup> Door Keeper.

3 Plans presented for dividing the Ground, at the back of the new Houses.

Mr Soane presented 3 Plans, for the Division of the <sup>back</sup> Ground to each of the 5 new Houses in Princes Street. On which it was Agreed,

That



a Plan approved for dividing the Ground behind the New Houses.

That the said Ground be divided by straight Lines agreeably to Plan No. 1 drawn from each of the said Houses, till they meet the passage of communication from Meeting House Yard: And that the Tenants to the respective Houses be allowed to build Counting Houses thereon to the height of 10 feet from the level of the Ground floor, on such Plans, as shall be approved by this Committee. Also, *I understand that of Mr Soane.*

Counting Houses allowed to be built, by the Tenants on approved Plans.

Miss Shellepours to have the House No 3. —

That Miss Shellepours be admitted as Tenant of the House No 3 - agreeably to their Letter of the 17<sup>th</sup> Ult<sup>o</sup> - now read; and subject to the preceding Minute.

Resolutions on the Report of Mrs Soane, Alexander & Co -

Resolved, That, agreeably to the Report of Messrs - Alexander, Pilkington & Soane entered on the Minutes of the last Committee -

Miss Christie to have the offer of the northernmost House No

The northernmost House in the Old Sewry marked **A** / as far south as the party wall, be offered to Miss Christie, on a repairing Lease for 21 Years, at £40 per Annum: the Lessee to expend, in substantial repairs not less than £200.

Miss Mello Read & Co offered the middle House

That the middle House (marked **B** / with as much of the Meeting House as will be left, West, of the Division Wall, on the Plan, be offered on a repairing Lease for 21 Years, to Messrs Mello Read & Co; at a Rent of £180 per Ann<sup>um</sup>: the Lessee to expend in



in repairs £ 800.

— And the Tenements  
used as Alms Houses  
to be let, at a cer-  
tain Rent &c

And that the 2 Tenements now used as  
Alms Houses, be offered, on a Repairing Lease, for  
21 Years, at a Rent of £ 40 per Annum: the Lessee to  
expnd. in repairs, £ 200.

Mr Governour  
D<sup>y</sup> & G<sup>o</sup>

Mr Raikes

Long &

Manning.

Resolved,

Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> Decem<sup>r</sup>. 1809.

Quarterly Re-  
port, to the Court  
of Directors.

to the Court of Directors.

That the following Report be made

The Committee of Building have to  
Report, to the Court,

That the Bills for the present Quarter,  
have been examined, the amount of which is, as  
follows.

For the Old Buildings - - - - - £ 4886-6-0

For the New D<sup>y</sup> - - - - - 2691-0-0

£ 7577-6-0

These Bills have been referred to the Committee  
for the House and Servants, for payment.

The purchase of the Estate in the Old Sewry  
having been completed, the Chequer Bills, for  
the amount of the said purchases, which were

held



Report, con-  
tinued

held by the Bank, on account of the Armourers and  
Brasier's Company, have been sold, and the Proceeds  
thereof disposed of, in the following manner, vizt.

£ 8500- paid into the Court of Chancery. &

1844-10-1. the Balance, paid to John Chaplin Esq  
Recorder Warden of the Armourers & Brasiers  
Company. -

Proposals having been made to Mr Soane, for part  
of the above Premises and Ground - the Committee  
directed him to confer with Messrs Alexander and  
Pilkington, two other Surveyors, for the purpose of  
considering and Reporting, the Rent it will be proper  
to ask, for the same. And, on their Report, it has been  
Agreed,

To offer the Northmost House, in the Old  
Jury, as far South, as the Party Wall, on a Repairing  
Lease, for 21 Years, at £40 per Annum; the Lessee to  
expend, in substantial Repairs, not less, than £200.

To offer the middle House, with as much of  
the meeting House as will be left, West, of the Division  
Wall, on the Plan, on a Repairing Lease, for 21 Years,  
at a Rent of £180 per Annum: the Lessee to expend in  
Repairs £800.

And to offer the two Tenements now used as  
Alms Houses, on a Repairing Lease, for 21 Years, at a  
Rent of £40 per Annum: the Lessee to expend, in Repairs  
£200. -

The Committee have also Agreed,  
That



Report contin<sup>d</sup>.

That the Ground, behind the 5 new Houses, building by the Bank in Princes Street, be divided by straight Lines (Agreeably to Plan) drawn from each House, till they meet the Passage of Communication, from Meeting House Yard. And that the Tenants of the respective Houses be allowed to build Counting Houses thereon, to the height of ten feet from the level of the Ground Floor; on such Plans, as shall be approved by the Committee.

The Committee have directed Mr Soane to provide Apartments for the accommodation of some of the Secretary's, and for the second Door-keeper, when the Old Printing Office shall be cleared.

The following Works, are now in execution  
New Buildings. Finishing the insides of the Houses taken by the Land and Dock Company of St Lukes.

Old Dr — Preparing for rebuilding the Old Bullion Office.

Fitting up different Offices.

Alterations & Repairs of different parts of the Bank

Bank. 20 Dec. 1809



Mr Gov. & Dep't Gov.  
Mr Parker  
Mr Long &  
Mr Manning.

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 1860

The Committee met, and adjourned to  
this day fortnight. —

Mr Gov. & Dep't Gov.  
Mr Thorton,  
Mr Manning  
Mr Harman.

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 1860

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Mr Messers  
relinquish the  
House No 3.

Mr Soane reported, that Mr Messers Shellupson  
relinquished taking the House No 3, in Princes Street;  
and could not determine on taking the House No 2, till  
they knew in what manner the ground behind it, might  
be appropriated for a Country House.

— and cannot  
yet determine on  
taking No 2.

Mr Manning ap-  
plied for the House  
No 3.

Mr Manning now made application, for  
the House No 3.

A New plan  
proposed, & agreed  
to for dividing the  
Ground, behind  
the new Houses.

Mr Soane brought several Plans, which he  
had formerly presented, shewing the proposed disposition  
of the ground, behind the new Houses; and also a New  
Plan, for another disposition of the said ground; which  
in his opinion would make the most of it, and be  
most convenient for the Tenants of the said Houses.  
This latter Plan was approved by the Committee.

Mr Cheeseman  
offered to take  
House No 4.

Mr Soane reported, that Mr Messers Smith,  
Cheeseman Esq had offered to take the new House, No 4,  
at a rent of £340 per Annum - But this, being £20  
lower, than had been fixed by the Committee; their  
Offer was not accepted. —

— Not accepted

Mr



Applications from  
Mr Bowden & Mr  
Bischoff for the  
House No 31 - at the  
Corner of Token House  
Yard -

Mr Soane acquainted the Committee, that he had received several Applications for the House No 31, at the Corner of Token House Yard; among which, Mr Bowden had offered to take it, at £85 per Ann<sup>m</sup> and to lay out £150 in Repairs, as proposed by the Committee. Also, that Mr Bischoff had offered £100 per Ann<sup>m</sup> and to lay out £300 - to convert it into a Warehouse for the sale of Wooden Goods, with a Door & Crane to raise and take in Packages.

Mr Bowden's  
Offer accepted.

The Committee considered, that this latter appropriation of the House, would be found very inconvenient; & eventually less productive, than if it was let, at the first mentioned terms: And therefore agreed, That Mr Bowden's Offer be accepted.

Account of all  
the Stoves in the  
Basement Story

- Mr Soane presented the undermentioned
- Account of the Stoves in the Basement Story
- No. 1. A Stove under the Library } Entrance by D.  
to dry the same, generally } down the Library  
lighted. } Stairs from Lottbury  
Court.
  - No. 2. A Stove in the No 3 Office } Entrance thro' the  
Consol. Transfer Office, } Store Cellar from  
occasionally lighted } Lottbury Court.
  - No. 3. A Stove in the Consol. } Entrance down  
Dividend Office. } the Steps from the  
occasionally lighted } Vestibule in Bartholomew  
Lane.
  - No. 4. A Stove in the Bank }  
Stock Office, occasionally }  
lighted. } Do.

No. 5.



- continued. No. 5 a Stove in the Four<sup>th</sup> Office, always lighted } Entrance down the Steps from the Vestibule in Bartholomew Lane.
- No. 6 a Stove in the Five<sup>th</sup> Office, always lighted } Entrance down the Steps by the Porters Lodge in Front Courch
- No. 7 a Stove in the Reduced Office, always lighted } Entrance down the Steps from the Front Courch by the Water Closets.

Mr Governor  
 Dep<sup>y</sup> Gov  
 Thornton  
 Lang.  
 Alderman  
 Harman  
 Langley.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1810

The Minutes of the last meeting were read

The following letter was read viz:

Letter from Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
 Manning & Co  
 Henry to take  
 House No 3.

Fenchurch Street  
 Jan<sup>y</sup> 18. 1810

Sirs

Apprehending it to be your intention to grant leases of your newly erected Houses in Princes Buildings, we beg leave to propose ourselves as <sup>your</sup> tenants for No. 3 on the following terms;

"The House and Offices to be completely fitted in all things, including Marble Chimney pieces in at least three of the chief rooms, with as little delay as possible. —

"A lease to be granted for 35 years to commence from the 24<sup>th</sup> June next, provided the House should be finished by that time, & to be determinable at the expiration of every 7 years, at our Option.   
 The



Letter from  
Manning & Co.  
continued.

"The Rent to be £320 p<sup>o</sup>. Annuum  
clear of all Taxes, except the Property  
tax, ground rent (if any) & risk by Fire.

"The Tenants to keep the House  
in repair unless in case of Fire, when  
the landlords are to rebuild; & till  
rebuild, the Rent to cease.

"The Meeting House behind to  
be taken down (conformably to a plan  
already prepared) before the commencement  
of the Term.

"The lease to contain a Clause  
enabling us, at any time hereafter,  
to build Counting Houses, under the  
direction of your own Surveyor, for  
which we should pay an additional  
Rent after the Rate of 5 p<sup>o</sup>. Cent on  
the Money to be expended."

As it cannot be left an Object  
with you, than it is with us, that the  
House should be made habitable as soon  
as possible, we should in case you approve  
our proposals, solicit your immediate  
directions to your Architect for its completion,  
with all the dispatch the Season will  
admit. —

Waiting the favor of your determination  
We have the honor to subscribe ourselves  
Sirs  
Your obedient & most humble Servants  
Manning & Co.

Edw. Gos. & Deputy Gov.  
of the North of  
England.



Resolution on  
Messrs Manning  
& Co's Letter.

Resolved, That the foregoing Terms, for taking the House No 3, be accepted; they being such as were proposed by the Committee; except, that the Lease be for 21 years only, as fixed by the Committee. And that the Rent and Lease commence from the quarter day, <sup>next</sup> after the completion of the said House.

The Houses in  
Princes Street to  
be Insured.

Resolved, That the Bank do insure each of the 5 Houses in Princes Street; and that a Clause be inserted in each of the Leases, to provide for the same.

Mr Soane to ac-  
quaint Messrs Shel-  
lupson with the  
Committee's deter-  
mination on the  
division of the  
ground, at the end  
of the House No 2.

Mr Soane having reported a Conversation with Messrs Shellupson, on the subject of the Ground for Counting Houses, behind the House No 2, which they have divided as they proposed to take - He was directed to acquaint Messrs Shellupson, that the Committee can make no alteration in the Plan for the said Ground, which they have formerly Agreed to; an Outline of which Mr Soane was requested to send to Messrs Shellupson.

Messrs Mello, Pead  
& Co offer to take  
the whole of the  
Premises, in the  
old Survey.

Mr Soane informed the Committee, that Messrs Mello Pead & Co wish to take the whole of the Ground and Premises, which it has been Agreed should be let, in three distinct Parcels; and that they had offered Terms for the same - On which it was Agreed,

Resolution  
thereon -

That Messrs Mello & Pead may have the middle House, with as much of the Vesting House as will be left, West of the Division Wall, on the Plan; and also the two Tenements now used as Alms Houses;



on the Terms which have been fixed by the Committee

Chief Committee  
Offer to take the  
Northmost  
House in the Old  
Sewry accepted.

And, That Miss Christies Offer to take the Northmost House, as far South as the party wall, on a repairing Lease for 21 Years, at £40 per Annum, and to spend £200 in repairs, be accepted.

An additional  
Door to be made  
in the Lobby

Mr Soane was directed to make an additional Door in the Lobby.

Shop above to the  
water Closets to be  
glazed.

To Glaze the Passage leading to the water Closets.

The Accountants  
General Office  
to be glazed higher  
than at present

And also, to raise the Glazed work of the Office used by the Accountants General of the Court of Chancery, in the £8 per Cent. Dividend Office.

The Music Room  
added to the new  
Printing Office.

It having been found necessary to add the Music Room to the new Printing Office, it was considered, that the present Magazine, which is near the said Room, will not be secure. It was therefore

Resolved, That a Room on the top of the Bank, at the Magazine to be removed, to the N. W. Corner, be fitted up, very securely, to receive the Ammunition belonging to the Bank Regiments.

Instructions to  
Mr Soane -

The following Instructions were given to Mr Soane -

To report  
every occasion on  
which he is called  
to act - to this Com-  
mittee.

That on every occasion in which he may be called to act, on the Order of the Governor or, Deputy Governor, or any Director of his Houses - he do report the same to this Committee, at its Meeting next after each of every such transaction.

Chief Smith Christ-  
mas & agree to  
take of House No  
4. -

Mr Soane acquainted the Committee, that Miss Smith Christmas had agreed to take the House, No 4, in Princes St. on the Terms proposed by the Bank -



Mr Governor  
Drs Gov.  
Thornton  
Long &  
Manning.  
Mills & Co.

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Feby. 1810

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The Writing Room  
with the new Printing  
Press to be taken  
away.

Resolved, That the Writing Room, adjoining the new  
Printing Office be taken away, and thrown into the  
Storekeeper's Room, for drying Bank Notes &c.

The Brewer's Room  
to be converted into  
a Writing Room.

That the Brewer's Room be enlarged, and  
fitted for a Writing Room.

A Room in the new  
Office, to be fitted  
for an Engraver's  
Room.

That the Room fitted to be a part of the  
Storekeeper's Room for Bank Notes, be fitted (and enlarged  
if necessary) for the Engraver's Room.

Two Rooms to be  
fitted for the Brewer  
or his Assistant's  
Office.

That two Rooms, adjoining Mr Bentley's  
Office, be fitted for the Brewer and his Assistant.

The present Library  
in the Old Accountants  
Office, when completed  
to be fitted for the  
Storekeeper.

And that when the Library to the Old  
Accountants Office, shall be removed to the place  
now preparing for it, contiguous to that Office, the  
Old Library be appropriated & fitted for the Storekeeper;  
it being large & of convenient access.

It was also

The Secretary's  
Office to be re-  
moved.

Resolved, That the Secretary's Office be removed to  
the Accountants Drawing Office.

The Accountants  
Drawing Office  
to be removed.

That the Accountants Drawing Office  
be removed to the two Rooms, occupied by the Chequer  
and Upper Chancery Clerks; till a larger Office can be  
provided for the Drawing Office; or for a permanency,  
if the two Rooms be found sufficiently capacious.

That



The Eschequer Office  
to be removed: Also  
the Investigator's  
Office.

That the Eschequer Clerks be removed to the  
Secretary's inner Office; and the Investigators to the  
Secretary's outer Office.

Upper Chancery  
Office to be removed.

And that the Upper Chancery be removed to  
the Investigator's Office; and if found convenient, that  
a communication be opened, with the Lower Chancery Office.

a Place for the  
Secretary's Apartments -

Mr Soane reported, that the Rooms lately  
occupied by the Bank Note Printing Office, and the Rooms  
adjoining thereto, might be appropriated, as Apartments  
for the Secretary - and

and for Apartments  
for the 2<sup>d</sup>  
Doorkeeper.

That if the Attic over the Printing Office,  
(which was constructed to be a temporary Building)  
is allowed to remain, the same might be appropriated  
as apartments for the 2<sup>d</sup>. Doorkeeper.

Agreed to -  
Plans for fitting  
them, to be prepared

The Committee Agreed thereto - and  
directed Mr Soane to prepare Plans for fitting up  
these Apartments.

Mr. Thellusson  
Agreed to take a  
House No 2.

Mr Soane further reported, that Mr. Thellusson  
had agreed to take the House No 2. in  
Princes Street, on the terms proposed by the Committee.

Mr Governor  
Sept 4<sup>th</sup>.  
+ Long  
+ Manning  
+ Thornton  
+ Harman.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 1810

The Minutes of the last meeting  
were read

Mr. Soane laid the following Bills  
before the Committee.

viz:



Bills laid before the Committee	Thomas Poynder & Son Bricklayer	£ 190. 6. -
	Richard Martyr, Jr. Carpenter	312 6. 8. -
	William Colcott D <sup>o</sup>	22. 13. -
	Thomas Grundy Mason	887. - - -
	Thomas Palmer Plasterer	634. 8. -
	William Good Plumber	19. 14. -
	Lancelot Burton D <sup>o</sup>	20. 19. -
	William Watson Painter	26. - - -
	William Watson Glazier	197. 5. -
	Susannah Curtis D <sup>o</sup>	112. - - -
	Edw <sup>d</sup> Foster Ironmonger	78. 12. -
	William Bailey D <sup>o</sup>	33. 5. -
	Stephen Gault Stove Maker	5. - - -
	James Cruckshanks Metal Sashmaker	104. 2. -
	Thomas Russell Smith	532. 2. -
	Thomas Russell <sup>Mach<sup>y</sup> D<sup>o</sup> 1809</sup> D <sup>o</sup>	541. 11. -
	D <sup>o</sup> <sup>July 1810</sup> D <sup>o</sup>	262. 12. -
	Henry Blasland Upholsterer	38. 2. -
	George Allen D <sup>o</sup>	118. 19. -
	David Bruce D <sup>o</sup>	175. 6. -
	Fossick & Matthews Tinner	50. 15. -
	Burkitt & Hudson Paper Hangers	10. - - -
	William Pells Wire Worker	16. - - -
	Bristow & Sons Engine-makers	170. 10. -
	James Tate Paper Hanger	3. 14. - -
	J. Bramate & Son Engine-maker	6. 10. - -
	Baldy & Weston Charcoal	2. 5. - -
	W <sup>m</sup> & J. Sutton Rope-maker	24. 1. - -
	Tho. Mackley Rubbish-Carter	119. 19. -
	William Callow Turncock	7. - - -
	Henry Harrison, attending the Works	29. 12. -
		<u>£ 7559. 3. -</u>

Resolved



## Resolved

The foregoing Bills  
approved & ordered  
for payment.

That the foregoing Bills be approved  
and presented to the Committee for the House  
and Servants for payment.

Separate Amount  
of New & Old Work.

Mr. Lane reported that out of £7559.3...  
the amount of the before-mentioned Bills: the  
Sum of £2649.1... is for work done at the new  
House in Princes Street.

Letter from  
Messrs. Mellor, Read  
& Co.

The following Letter from Messrs. Mellor,  
Read and Lancaster, was read, viz:

Old. Jewry 5 March 1810

Sir,

"We have been favoured with your  
"Letter, informing us that the Committee of  
"Building of the Bank of England did not  
"accept the Proposal, which we had made,  
"but that they were willing to grant us a  
"Lease of the Premises, exclusive of the part  
"of the meeting-house before described, and  
"the dwelling-house, which we now occupy.  
"This dwelling-house is the only part of the  
"Buildings, which is in tenantable Repair,  
"and it has been maintained by us in this  
"State for many Years past at considerable  
"expence. It is likewise the only part, in  
"which we might possibly continue to transact  
"Business, while the necessary alterations were  
"making in the other parts. We are, on this  
"account, under the necessity of declining to  
"take the Lease proposed, though we should  
not



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"object to a Lease of the entire Premises at the  
 "Valuation made by the Committee. We shall  
 "feel much disappointed in the failure of a  
 "negotiation for continuing on a spot, where  
 "the Business of our House has been conducted  
 "upwards of forty Years, - but if, on further  
 "consideration, The Gentlemen of the Committee  
 "should not be induced to alter the  
 "Proposals, we shall be much obliged to  
 "them if they will do us the favor, to  
 "permit us to remain in our present  
 "situation as long as they can without  
 "inconvenience, as we really have not at  
 "this time a prospect of any other. -  
 "We request the favor of you to lay this Letter  
 "before the Committee, and are,

Sir

"Your most obedient Servants  
 "Mello, Pead & Lancaster -"

John Poane Esq<sup>r</sup>

Resolved,

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Mello, Pead and  
 Lancaster, be, for the present, permitted to  
 remain in their present Situation: except  
 that a part of the Meeting House be taken down immediately  
 after the 25<sup>th</sup> Inst. in order to complete the new Houses.

Mr Poane presented the undermentioned Plans,  
 agreeably to a Minute of the last Committee. viz<sup>t</sup>.

A Plan for fitting up the Apartments, for  
 the

Resolution  
 on Mello Pead  
 & Lancaster  
 Letter.

A Plan  
 for the Sect<sup>n</sup>  
 Apartments  
 presented.



the accommodation of the Secretary. And

Plan of Apartments

A Plan for fitting up the Apartments, to be pro-  
vided for the 2<sup>d</sup> Door Keeper, & the 2<sup>d</sup> Door Keeper.

Both Plans approved.

Both of which were approved, and ordered to be carried  
into immediate execution.

Plans for Counting  
Houses behind Shop  
Shelton's & Mann-  
ings Houses -

Mr Soane also presented a Plan for Direction  
of Counting Houses behind the two new Houses in Princes  
Street to be occupied by Messrs Manning & Kellett &c.

Approved. The Shelton &c. which were approved by the Committee.

Ordered.

Water closet to  
be provided for  
Officers on Guard.

That a Water Closet be provided for the  
Officers of the King's Guard, in the passage leading to  
the Guard Room; instead of the present Water Closet  
appropriated for the said Officers. -

Maj. Gen. & Dep. Gen.  
Sir R. Keane,  
Mr Thornton,  
Mr Long &  
Mr Manning.

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 1810

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

On hearing a Report from Mr Soane, &  
reading a Letter from Miss Christie - It was

Resolved, That Messrs Kellett, Peard &c. be ad-  
mitted Tenants, of the Northmoor House, and also  
the Middle House bound to the Atlas Houses, & so  
much of the the Meeting House, as will be left,  
West, of the Division Wall on the Plan, on a  
Repairing Lease for 21 Years, at a clear Annual  
Rent of £220. and to lay out in repairs £1000.

Messrs Peard &c  
to be admitted  
Tenants of Pre-  
mises in the Old  
Sury.

And That Miss Christie be per-  
mitted to take the two Tenements, formerly used  
as

Miss Christie to  
have part of the  
Premises in the  
Old Sury.



at Atlas House, on a Lease for 21 Years, at a clear  
rent of £60 per Annum; the Bank doing the repairs —

Mr Gov. & Dep't Gov.  
Mr Thornton  
Langt  
Manning

Tuesday 3<sup>d</sup> April 1810

Reference from  
the Court concern-  
ing the Chief  
of Dep't Account-  
tants con-  
sidered.

Chief ac-  
countant willing  
to give up his  
House.

Chief Account-  
tants permitted to give  
up his House.

— and a part  
of it to be approp-  
riate for a Secy's Office  
and part for  
the Secretary.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

A Reference being made to a Report of  
the Committee of Treasury to the Court, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of  
February 1809, in which an opinion was expressed,  
"that instead of having Houses for the Chief Ac-  
countant and his Deputy, it will be more conve-  
nient to have only one of them within the Bank;  
and in order, to have one of the Secretaries, instead  
of the other Accountant." — And the Committee  
having heard from the Chief Accountant, that  
he is willing to give up his House, for the accom-  
modation of the business of the Bank, if it shall  
be the pleasure of the Committee, to permit him  
so to do; It was Resolved,

That the Chief Accountant be permitted  
to give up the House which he has occupied within  
the Bank; — that the ground floor be converted  
into an Office for the Secretary, and the Basement  
story and upper stories, be appropriated as  
apartments for the Secretary. It was also  
Resolved,

That in consequence of the preceding  
The Regulation, the Minutes of former Committees,  
regarding



The Minutes directed regarding the removal of the Accountants Drawing Office, to make room for the Secretaries, and the removal of the Drawing Office, to make room for the Secretaries, and the appropriation part of the Old Printing Office, fitting up Apartments for the Secretary, in the rooms in, as Apartments for the Secretaries, to be rescinded.

Resolved, That the following Report be made to the Quarterly Report to the Court. Committee of Building 4<sup>th</sup> April 1810.

The Committee have to report to the Court of Directors,

That the Bills for the present Quarter have been examined; the amount of which, is,

For the Old Buildings	£ 4910, 2..
For the New Houses	2659, 1..
	<u>£ 7559, 3..</u>

These Bills have been referred to the Committee for the House & Servants for payment.

The offers which the Committee have made of the Ground and Premises in the Old Jewry, have been accepted on the Terms mentioned in the Committee's last Report.

The five New Houses in Princes Street have been let, on the Terms formerly reported to the Court; and they are in preparation to be occupied by the respective Tenants.

For the purpose of providing for the greater accommodation of a part of the Business of the



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Report cont. The Bank, the following new Arrangement of  
Offices has been agreed to —

viz:

Mr. Brewer's Room (the Mould-maker)  
to be fitted for a Wetting Room, for the new  
Printing Office. —

Two Rooms near the Old Accountants  
Office to be fitted for Mr. Brewer and his  
Assistant. —

The Cachet Clerks to be removed to  
the Secretary's Inner Office. —

The Investigators, to the Secretary's  
Outer Office: and

The Upper Chancery Clerks to be removed  
to the Investigator's Office; and if found  
convenient, a communication to be made, with  
the Lower Chancery Office.

It is also proposed, that when the Library  
to the old Accountants's Office, shall be removed  
to the Place now preparing for it, contiguous  
to that Office; the Old Library be appropriated  
and fitted for the Storekeeper; it being large and  
of convenient access. —

Also that the Attic over the old Printing  
Office, be fitted as apartments for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Door-keeper

The Magazine for the Bank Regiments —  
having been thought to be too near the New  
Printing



Printing Office, since the music Room has been added thereto, another Magazine has been fitted, and the Ammunition has been placed therein, at the Top of the Bank.

A Reference being made to a Report of the Committee of Treasury, to the Court on the 15<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1809 in which an opinion was expressed "that instead of having Houses for the Chief Accountant and his Deputy, it will be more convenient to have only one of them within the Bank; and more so to have one of the Secretaries instead of the <sup>other</sup> Accountant" and the Committee having heard from the Chief Accountant that he is willing to give up his House for the accommodation of the Business of the Bank, if it shall be the Pleasure of the Committee to permit him so to do, it has been Resolved,

That the Chief Accountant be permitted to give up the House which he has occupied within the Bank; that the Ground Floor be converted into an Office for the Secretary, and the Basement Story and upper Stories be appropriated as Apartments for the Secretary.



