

**COMMITTEE  
FOR  
LAW SUITS.**



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20 Jan<sup>y</sup> 1841

A Committee for Law  
Suits, Bank of England,  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 1841

Present,

M<sup>r</sup> Heath

M<sup>r</sup> Gower

M<sup>r</sup> Pearse

M<sup>r</sup> Meguellin.

The Proceedings of the last  
Committee were read.

The Committee proceeded in  
the Examination of M<sup>r</sup> Lawrence's  
Accounts of Discounted Bills and  
Notes unpaid, and also of his  
Account of the deposited quarterly  
Loan Bills unpaid, and having  
completed the same, the following  
Report thereon was agreed to, <sup>be</sup> made  
to the Court of Directors.

viz:

The Committee for Law Suits  
Report to the Court of Directors

That the Committee have  
investigated the Accounts of the  
overdue Discounted Bills and Notes



Report on the  
overdue discounts  
Bills and Notes  
unpaid

unpaid, and it appears that the Balance of the Outstanding Debt (not written off to the Account of Profit and Loss) on the 30<sup>th</sup> June 1840 was £9394. 9. and in pursuance of the Order of the Court of the 15<sup>th</sup> July last, the Sum of £3916. 12. 10. was carried to the debit of Profit and Loss, reducing the Balance to £5477. 7. 11. which has been further increased up to the 31<sup>st</sup> December last to £5877. 8. 11. as will be shewn in the details.

There has been received in the last half year, upon the Accounts of Bankrupts or Insolvents, the Balances of which have from time to time been carried to the debit of the Account of Profit and Loss, the Sum of £3339. 3. which has been placed to the Credit of that Account in the General Ledger.

The Balance on the 30<sup>th</sup> June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 1836, was £250. 16. 9

On which has been received } - 50. 6. 1  
up to the 31<sup>st</sup> December last }  
leaving the Balance - £200. 10. 8  
which



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which, the Committee recommend should remain for the present, there being an expectation that the balance will be paid in full.

The Balance on the 30<sup>th</sup> June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 30<sup>th</sup> June 1837, was £3000.

On which has been received } — 48<sup>10</sup>.9  
up to the 31<sup>st</sup> December last }  
leaving the Balance — £2951.9.3  
Of which it is recommended to be carried to the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss — 1000.—  
Balance remaining — £1951.9.3

The Balance on the 30<sup>th</sup> June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 31<sup>st</sup> December 1838, was — £249.16.7

On which, nothing has since been received. and the Comm<sup>rs</sup> recommend, that of the said balance, there be carried to the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss — 149.16.7  
Balance remaining — £100.—

The Balance on the 30<sup>th</sup> June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 30<sup>th</sup> June 1839 was £101.4.6. which Balance has since been received.

The



The Balance on the 30<sup>th</sup> June  
last of the Accounts which accu-  
mulated in the half year ending  
the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1839 was £ 800.<sup>0</sup>.<sup>0</sup>.<sup>9</sup>  
On which has been received } 34.<sup>16</sup>.<sup>8</sup>  
up to the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>. last -  
leaving the Balance £ 765.<sup>4</sup>.<sup>1</sup>

The Balance on the 30<sup>th</sup> June  
last of the Accounts which  
accumulated in the half year  
ending at that date was £ 1075.<sup>13</sup>.<sup>4</sup>  
on which, nothing has since  
been received.

The Committee recom-  
mend that both the above  
Balances should remain for  
the present, as they are likely  
to be paid in full.

There is one New Account  
since the 30<sup>th</sup> June last amount-  
ing to £ 634.<sup>15</sup>. - from which the  
Committee do not recommend any  
part to be written off, the Account  
being of so recent occurrence,  
and is also expected to be paid  
in full with Interest.

Per Cap -



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## Recapitulation

|  | Balances Out<br>Standing 30 <sup>th</sup> June<br>1840 | Receipts in the<br>½ year ending<br>31 <sup>st</sup> Dec <sup>r</sup> . 1840 | Balances Out<br>Standing 31 <sup>st</sup><br>December 1840 |
|--|--|--|--|
| Balances of the<br>½ year ending<br>31 <sup>st</sup> Dec <sup>r</sup> . 1836 | £ 250. 16. 9   | £ 50. 6. 1   | £ 200. 10. 8   |
| D <sup>r</sup> . 30 June 1837  | 3000. —. —   | 48. 10. 9  | 2951. 9. 3   |
| D <sup>r</sup> . 31 Dec <sup>r</sup> . 1838                                  | 249. 16. 7   | —  | 249. 16. 7   |
| D <sup>r</sup> . 30 June 1839  | 101. —. 6  | 101. —. 6  | —  |
| D <sup>r</sup> . 31 Dec <sup>r</sup> . " "                                   | 800. —. 9  | 34. 16. 8  | 765. 4. 1  |
| D <sup>r</sup> . 30 June 1840  | 1075. 13. 4  | —  | 1075. 13. 4  |
|  | £ 5477. 7. 11  | £ 234. 14. —   | £ 5242. 13. 11   |
| One new<br>Account into<br>½ year ending<br>31 Dec <sup>r</sup> . 1840       | 634. 15. —   | —  | 634. 15. —   |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | Balance Outstanding<br>31 Dec <sup>r</sup> . 1840      |  | £ 5877. 8. 11  |

Now recommended to be carried to  
the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| From the Balance of the<br>Account ending 30 <sup>th</sup> June 1837 | £ 1000. —  |
| D <sup>r</sup> . — 31 Dec <sup>r</sup> . 1838                        | 149. 16. 7 |

Which will reduce the Outstanding  
Balance (not written off to Profit & Loss) to

1149. 16. 7  
4727. 12. 4

Branch  
Banks

As respects the Debt at the  
Branches, there has been received  
in the last half Year, upon the  
Accounts of Bankrupts or Insolvents,  
the Balances of which have from  
time to time been carried to the debit  
of the Account of Profit & Loss

the



the Sum of £35.12.11. which has been placed to the Credit of that Account in the General Ledger.

The Balance of the Outstanding Debt (not written off to the Account of Profit and Loss) on the 30. June last was £375.18.9

viz:

At Newcastle £438.17.10

Which it is recommended should remain for the present

At Manchester £196.1.11

From which the Committee recommended to write off } 150.0.0

Balance remaining £46.1.11

At Leeds £6740.19.

received thereon in the 1/2 year } - 1976.12.2. 1976.12.2

Balance reduced at Leeds to } £4764.6.10

Which it is recommended should remain for the present

Balance at the Branches on the 31<sup>st</sup> December 1840 } £5399.6.7

now recommended to be carried to Profit & Loss from the Manchester Branch } 150.0.0

Which will reduce the Balance (not written off to Profit & Loss) to } £5249.6.7

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There is one new Account since the 30<sup>th</sup> June last at the Swansea Branch amounting to £135<sup>..</sup>19<sup>..</sup> - the whole of which has been received in the half year.

London  
Quarterly  
Loan Bills

Of the London Quarterly Loan Bills unpaid in 1834 and 1837 amounting to £56,875<sup>..</sup>3<sup>..</sup>1 there has been received at various periods £48,260<sup>..</sup>19<sup>..</sup>10. and the Balance amounting to £8,614<sup>..</sup>3<sup>..</sup>3 carried to the debit of Profit and Loss. This Balance was reduced by further Receipts up to 30 June last to £7,794<sup>..</sup>6. and altho' nothing has since been received thereon, it is expected that a considerable portion of this Balance will be paid.

Report concluded

No New Debt of this description has occurred since the year 1837.

(Signed) L. B. Heath  
Chairman

Bank of England  
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Mem: The above Report was read in Court and agreed to 21<sup>st</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup>. 1841



Mr. James Freshfield

attended the Committee - When  
 Forbes M<sup>r</sup>. Neill & Co. Letter dated the 9<sup>th</sup> January was read  
 a letter from them  
 and Mr. Freshfield from Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Forbes M<sup>r</sup>. Neill & Co. of  
 report.

overdue - £5484 10 11  
 not yet due - 123 10 11  
£5607 10 11

31 Clements Lane in reply to Mess<sup>rs</sup>.  
 Freshfield's Application to them  
 on the Subject of several Unpaid  
 Bills discounted by them amounting  
 to £5484<sup>10</sup> 1<sup>0</sup> 11. Some of which are  
 drawn on persons in Scotland who  
 cannot be found. - Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Forbes  
 M<sup>r</sup>. Neill & Co. stated that they had  
 received these Bills from Mr. Virtue  
 their Agent in Scotland in the  
 conscientious belief that they were  
 what he represented them to be -  
 Bills on his bona fide customers,  
 that they should proceed im-  
 mediately to Scotland to in-  
 vestigate the matter and secure  
 their property in Mr. Virtue's  
 hands and fully expected on their  
 return to be prepared to make  
 a satisfactory and definite  
 arrangement with the Bank

Mr. Freshfield informed the  
 Committee that Mr. M<sup>r</sup>. Neill had  
 not yet returned, but he expected  
 him



9<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1841 him daily and that he would  
20 immediately report on the case  
on obtaining the required informa-  
tion from him

Mr. Lawrence's List was  
Laid before the Committee and  
considered. viz.

P & J. W. Griffith, Wine Merchants,  
46 Pall Mall, discounters of 2 Bills  
of Exchange amounting to £422<sup>4</sup>/<sub>4</sub>  
overdue, accepted by John Winter,  
request the Bank to accept a  
Composition of 10% in the £. payable  
by six Instalments viz:  $\frac{2}{6}$  on the  
1<sup>st</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1842 and July 1842.  $\frac{1}{6}$  in  
Jan<sup>y</sup> & July 1843 &  $\frac{1}{6}$  in Jan<sup>y</sup> and  
July 1844.

Ordered

to be written  
to be Mr. Freshfield  
That Mr. Freshfield be  
requested to write to the Parties.

John Winter  
to be written  
to by Mr. Freshfield  
John Winter, Wine Merchant,  
& Duke Street St. James's, Acceptor  
of 2 Bills of Exchange, amounting  
to £422<sup>4</sup>/<sub>4</sub> overdue, drawn by P &  
J. W. Griffith, and discounted with  
them. — Application has been  
made to him without effect.

Ordered  
That Mr. Freshfield be requested  
to apply forthwith.



11 overdue £5484<sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub>  
 1 not due — 123<sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub>  
£ 5607<sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

Forbes M<sup>c</sup>Neill & Co.

Forbes M<sup>c</sup>Neill & Co., Horse Hair<sup>10</sup>  
 Seating & Patent Felt Manufacturers,  
 31 Clements Lane, Lombard Street,  
 Discounters of 11 Bills of Exchange,  
 overdue, amounting to £5484<sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub>.

and

Caleb Collins

Caleb Collins of Methurst Sussex,  
 Acceptor of a Bill of Exchange,  
 amounting to £358<sup>7</sup>/<sub>100</sub> 8. overdue,  
 drawn by Forbes M<sup>c</sup>Neill & Co.  
 and discounted with them.

Ordered,

to be written

to by Mr. Freshfield

That Mr. Freshfield be  
 requested to apply by Letter.

James Miller

James Miller, Merchant  
 Edinburgh, Acceptor of 2 Bills of  
 Exchange, amounting to £1391<sup>9</sup>/<sub>100</sub>—  
 overdue, drawn by Forbes M<sup>c</sup>Neill  
 & Co. and discounted with them.

James Brown

James Brown, Merchant  
 Edinburgh, Acceptor of 2 Bills of  
 Exchange, amounting to £1455<sup>13</sup>/<sub>100</sub>  
 overdue, drawn by Forbes M<sup>c</sup>Neill  
 & Co. and discounted with them.

Daniel Morison

Daniel Morison, Merchant,  
 Glasgow, Acceptor of a Bill of  
 Exchange, amounting to £417<sup>11</sup>/<sub>100</sub> 6  
 overdue, drawn by Forbes M<sup>c</sup>Neill  
 & Co. & discounted with them.

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Neil Morison, Merchant, Glasgow,  
Accepter of 2 Bills of Exchange  
amounting to £900<sup>11</sup> - overdue,  
drawn by Forbes M<sup>c</sup>Neill & Co. and  
Discounted with them.

Hector Beaton

Hector Beaton, Merchant,  
Glasgow, Accepter of a Bill  
of Exchange, amounting to £296<sup>16</sup>.  
overdue, drawn by Forbes M<sup>c</sup>Neill  
& Co. and discounted with them.

Ordered

to remain in  
Suspense till Mr.  
Freshfield's  
further Report  
That the matters relating  
to the Scotch Bills remain in  
Suspense, until Mr. Freshfield  
communicates again with Mr.  
M<sup>c</sup>Neill on his return.

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Wednesday 3<sup>d</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> 1841

Present,

Mr. Heath

Mr. Gower

Mr. Pearse

Mr. Wequelin

The Proceedings of the  
last Committee were read.

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The Chairman reported that since the last meeting, he had signed a recommendation for disbursements the payment of £7<sup>11</sup>. — being of Joshua Freeman £6<sup>11</sup>. — to Joshua Freeman for his

and Disbursements on attending the examination of John Kelly at James Barton. Maidstone for uttering a forged recommendation for £5. Bank of England Note, and payment. 15/- to James Barton for his

Expences on attending the examination of John Cox at Eton for uttering three forged £5. Bank of England Notes

Mr. Lawrence's List.

Mr. Lawrence's List was laid before the Committee and considered. viz:

Garry & Curtis Garry and Curtis, 8 Totten House Yard, Russia Merchants, Discounters of 5 Bills of Exchange, overdue, amounting to £7256<sup>11</sup> 7.1 and others not yet arrived at maturity.

Garry, Curtis, Hay & Co. Garry, Curtis, Hay & Co. of Riga, Drawers of 3 Bills of Exchange overdue, amounting to £4496<sup>11</sup> 15.3. accepted by Neilson & Co., Kirkland, Leven, and Discounted with Garry & Curtis.

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Nielson &amp; Co

Nielson & Co. Kirkland Leven,  
Acceptors of 5 Bills of Exchange, overdue,  
amounting to £725<sup>6</sup>/<sub>7</sub>. 1. Two of  
which are drawn by Garry & Curtis,  
and three are drawn by Garry,  
Curtis, Hay & Co. and discounted  
with Garry & Curtis.

Resolved

referred to Mr.  
Freshfield

That the above three cases  
be referred to Mr. Freshfield.

Geo: Kent &amp; Co

George Kent & Co. Falcon Square  
Bristol. Merchants, Discounters of  
a Bill of Exchange, overdue, amounting  
to £284<sup>10</sup>/<sub>10</sub>. and others not yet arrived  
at maturity

Resolved

referred to

That this case also be  
referred to Mr. Freshfield.

Charles Hitchen

Charles Hitchen of Sheffield,  
Acceptor of a Bill of Exchange  
overdue, amounting to £284<sup>10</sup>/<sub>10</sub>.  
drawn by George Kent & Co. and  
discounted with them

and

Joseph Sharp

Joseph Sharp of Bermondsey,  
Carrier, Acceptor of a Bill of Exchange,  
overdue, amounting to £419<sup>2</sup>/<sub>2</sub>. drawn  
by Heasley Brothers, Bermondsey, and  
discounted with them.



Resolved,

That if no answer be received from the parties in the above two cases by tomorrow's post, Mr. Freshfield be directed to apply.

Mr. Freshfield being in attendance, the following Report from him on the Case of Forbes, Mac Neill & Co, was read viz:

"New Bank Building  
" 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1841

"Dear Sir,

Mr. Freshfield's  
Report on the  
Case of Forbes  
Mac Neill & Co  
Bankrupts

"I beg to report that I have made some enquiry into the affairs of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Forbes Mac Neill & Co, and regret that they are very unsatisfactory.

"It appears that Mr. Mac Neill separated from his Partner Mr. Wells in the Spring of last year and he states that he was left with heavy claims upon him arising from the default of that Gentleman. — To pay these Mr. Mac Neill seems to have raised money by a system of accommodation with a person named Virtue in  
"Ed



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'Edinburgh. This man was the Agent  
 'of MacNeill employed in the Sale  
 'of Horsehair, felt and Provisions  
 'and Virtue furnished to Mr. Mac  
 'Neill the Bills discounted with  
 'the Bank. — There are about the  
 'same amount of Bills of the  
 'same character now held by Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
 'Smith, Payne & Smiths. — In  
 'September last Mr. MacNeill  
 'executed an assignment of debts  
 'and goods to Virtue to indemnify  
 'him against the Bills in question,  
 'and this property now constitutes  
 'all the Estate of Mr. MacNeill.  
 'Mr. MacNeill states that all the  
 'other debts he owes are under  
 '£200, and it is one of these creditors  
 'who has struck the docket, but  
 'there is a person named Forbes a  
 'creditor of the old firm who holds  
 'acceptances for £2000 totally un-  
 'provided for — This deed was there-  
 'fore an improvident and impro-  
 'per arrangement as excluding  
 'in toto a large creditor and  
 'cannot fail to be called in question

"It appears to me very doubtful  
 "if the deed in which the Bank  
 "were not at all consulted well

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operate as an Indemnity to them  
in law — and second if the property  
comprised in it is sufficient, and  
3<sup>d</sup> if Virtue can be trusted suppo-  
sing the property to be realised.

In respect to the Bills the  
prospect of recovering any thing is  
very poor for it appears that they  
are not so much accommodation  
Bills as swindling Bills. Mr  
Mac Mill asserts that he did  
not know their character but you  
will collect from the accompany-  
ing letter of Craig & Co. that the  
acceptor of some of them tho'  
described as a Merchant was a  
Clerk of Virtue's and has absconded.  
Independent of the grave obser-  
vations arising on this fact  
it also occasions <sup>great</sup> apprehension  
of the Security, for if Virtue had  
Security for these Bills there was  
no occasion for his Clerk to abscond.

Upon the whole I recom-  
mend the Bank to prove their  
debt and concurs with Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Smith, Payne & Smiths in  
appointing an Assignee as it is  
not right to leave the concern  
in the hands of persons having  
the



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"the very small interest which the  
existing Creditors possess. -

"I am Dear Sir

"your very faithful  
"Serv<sup>t</sup>

(signed) "J<sup>as</sup> Freshfield Esq<sup>r</sup>,"

"S. B. Heath Esq<sup>r</sup>."

Resolved,

A Power to be  
sealed to Mr.  
Lawrence to  
vote in the choice  
of Assignees in  
the Bankruptcy  
of Messrs M<sup>r</sup> Neill & Forbes

That M<sup>r</sup> Freshfield be  
directed to prepare a Power of  
Attorney to Mr. Lawrence author-  
izing him to vote in the choice  
of Assignees in the Bankruptcy  
of Messrs M<sup>r</sup> Neill & Forbes, to be ready  
for the Court of Directors to  
morrow the 4<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> instant.

The following Report of  
M<sup>r</sup> Freshfield on the Case of  
Report on the Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garry and Curtis, was  
case of Mess<sup>rs</sup> also read. viz:  
Garry & Curtis

"Dear Sir,

"In reference to the  
"Banks claims on Bills discounted  
"by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garry & Curtis I beg to report,  
"that the Bank hold Bills on  
"Nielson & Co. who are Flax Spinners  
"at Leven near Dundee for £9106. 17/4  
"and on Mess<sup>rs</sup> Baxter and Stuart,  
"also



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"also Flax Spinners for £3034, 10. -  
"on the 26<sup>th</sup> January I sent protests  
"of 3 Bills on Mess<sup>rs</sup> Nielson & Co.  
"to Sir Jas G. Craig & Co, directing  
"them to do what might be ne-  
"cessary to protect the Bank's  
"interest - and on Saturday, the  
"30<sup>th</sup> January I received from them  
"a letter enclosing a copy of one  
"from Mr. Gordon, referring to the  
"concerns of that House, and also  
"of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Baxter and Stuart,  
"which I now transmit - The  
"writer stated, that the entire  
"property of Baxter & Stuart, was  
"mortgaged to the Bank of Scotland,  
"and the entire property of Nielson  
"to the British Linen Company:  
"but he thought these Banks  
"would enable the Parties to pay  
" $\frac{2}{6}$  in the £. to their other Creditors.

"On the same Day Mr. Stuart  
"the Son of one of the Partners  
"in the House of Baxter & Stuart  
"came to Town and proposed that  
"a sum of £1500. should be raised  
"and paid to the Creditors rateably  
"which would give about  $\frac{3}{6}$  in  
"the £. After much discussion he  
"made a written offer to pay the  
"Bank  $\frac{5}{6}$  in the £. This offer I sent



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"Sent by the same Post to Sir Jas.  
"G. Craig & Co. for their report.

"On Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February  
"I received from Sir J. G. Craig & Co.  
"a minute of the proceedings at  
"a meeting of the Creditors of  
"Nielson & Co. held at Dundee by  
"which it appears that they offered  
"their Creditors of in the L. at  
"3. 6. and 9 months with Security  
"for the last Instalment - This  
"offer was referred to a Committee  
"of Creditors whose Report is  
"expected to be made this Week  
"and I now transmit - Copy of  
"this Minute - Copy of a letter  
"of Mr. Ker the Solicitor of the Parties  
"in Dundee and Copy of a letter  
"from Mr. Landell a Merchant  
"there addressed to Mr. Curtis  
"all recommending this offer to  
"be accepted.

"Mr. Curtis states that  
"Nielson & Co. were <sup>in</sup> good credit -  
"that the Agent of his Riga House  
"was there last month and received  
"from them an order for Glas to  
"the amount of £8000. and that they  
"generally bought to the extent of  
"£30,000. in the Season - that he  
"gave them 9 months credit, they



"they drew at 3 Months and these  
"Bills were twice renewed.

"As respects Baster & Guaris  
"I collect that the Bills are for an  
"old Debt Mr. Curtis states that he  
"had a Survey of their Mills some  
"Years ago when they were valued  
"at £14000. and the Bank of Scotland  
"having a Security for £5000. he  
"took a Security behind them for  
"another £5000. but the property  
"proves insufficient.

"I am dear Sir  
"your very faithful Ser.  
(signed) Jas. Freshfield Esq.

"J. B. Heath Esq. New Bank Buildings  
"3 Feb. 1841"  
"P. T. O."

a fiat has been  
issued against  
them

"I have made no reference  
"to Garro & Curtis because a fiat  
"has been issued against them  
"and the Bank will take their  
"chance with the other creditors  
"and there is therefore no question  
"of discretion to be decided on —  
"but I fear the dividend will be  
"exceedingly small — from the  
"nature of the Accounts between  
"the London & Riga Firms it is  
"im-



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"impossible to judge accurately  
 "what the Dividend will be, as  
 "many Bills will go to Riza &  
 "Rank exclusively there - on the  
 "other hand remittances may come  
 "from thence to London before they  
 "hear of the failure which will  
 "materially alter the position  
 "of the Estate."

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Baxter  
 Stuart & Co's offer  
 4 5/2 in the L.

and  
 Mess<sup>rs</sup> Neilson  
 & Co's offer of 6/2  
 in the L.

to remain for the  
 present in the  
 hands of Mr.  
 Freshfield.

In respect to the offer of  
 5/2 in the L. by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Baxter  
 & Stuart & Co. & of 6/2 in the L. by  
 Mess<sup>rs</sup> Neilson and Co. the Committee  
 agreed that the matter should, for  
 the present remain in the hands  
 of Mr. Freshfield, to concert with  
 the other parties interested and to  
 report thereon.

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Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> 1841

Present,

Mr. Heath

Mr. Gower

Mr. Pearse

Mr. Weguelin.

The Proceedings of the  
 Last Committee were read. Depositions



8<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> 1844

Mr. James Freshfield attended  
the Committee.

Depositions  
ag<sup>st</sup> Jas. Cox for  
uttering 3 forged  
£5. Bank of England  
Notes in Bucks.

Depositions were read against  
James Cox for uttering three forged  
£5. Bank of England Notes in  
Buckinghamshire

Ordered

to be prosecuted

That the said James Cox  
be prosecuted.

Mr. Lawrence laid before  
the Committee the following  
Case. viz:

Thos. Legg & Son's

Thomas Legg and Son of  
Bermondsey, Woolstaplers, dis-  
counted of seven Bills of Exchange  
overdue amounting to £2689.3.1  
and on which 18/5 in the Pound  
has been received; request the  
Bank will grant them a  
deduction of 5 1/2 in the Pound  
from their last dividend, being  
the same allowance that all  
their other Creditors have agreed  
to.

Request

granted

The request of Thomas Legg  
and Son was granted.

Mess<sup>rs</sup>



8<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> 1841  
 Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield's  
 Report.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield reported  
 the result of Applications to the  
 following persons for payment  
 of overdue Bills of Exchange. viz:

Mess<sup>rs</sup> J. and T. W. Griffiths  
 of Pall Mall, drawers of two Bills  
 amounting to £422.4. - accepted  
 by John Winter after 10/- in the  
 Pound by instalments of 2/6 in  
 January 1842, 2/6 in the following  
 July - 1/6 in each of the two  
 next succeeding half years  
 and 1/6 in each of the two half  
 years next following; They  
 propose that the two last in-  
 stalments of 1/- each, shall be  
 secured to the satisfaction of the  
 Creditors and the whole com-  
 position further secured by  
 Mess<sup>rs</sup> Griffiths carrying on  
 their Business under the  
 Inspectorship of three of their  
 principal Creditors - the Creditors  
 also to be entitled to one half  
 of the profits of the Business  
 carried on under such Inspector-  
 ship.

John Winter's  
 offer

John Winter of Duke Street  
 P. Larous's Acceptor of the two  
 last



mentioned Bills, offers 5/- in the pound on the amount of such Bills

Resolved,

both cases referred to Mess<sup>rs</sup> To Mr. Freshfield with a recommendation to act in concert with the other Creditors

That the above cases be referred to Mr. Freshfield with a recommendation to act in concert with the other Creditors

Chas Hitchen

Charles Hitchen of Sheffield Acceptor of an overdue Bill for £28/10/- drawn by Mess<sup>rs</sup> George Kent & Co is unable to pay the Amount, in consequence of the failure of the Drawers. The Bill is half for goods and half accommodation, Hitchen having furnished the Drawer with a Blank Stamp.

Mr. Lawrence To See The Trustees and communicate with Mr. Freshfield

In this case Mr. Lawrence was directed to see the Trustees, and communicate with Mr. Freshfield.

Joseph Sharp

Joseph Sharp of Bermondsey Currier Acceptor of an overdue Bill for £41/2/- drawn by Heasley Brothers & Co is unable to meet his engagements in consequence of the Bankruptcy of the Drawers and has called a meeting of his



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Mr. Lawrence to  
attend the meeting  
of his Creditors

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Gibson  
Craig & Co. on

the proposed  
Composition

of Neilson & Co.

his Creditors for Wednesday next

Mr. Lawrence was directed  
to attend the meeting

A Letter was read from

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Gibson Craig & Co.

with a Minute of the Report  
of the Committee of Neilson & Co's

Creditors recommending that in

addition to the 6% in the Pound

Neilson & Company should be  
required to pay £1000. per Annum

for four years, being equal to 2%  
in the £. -

This Case was further  
referred further postponed until Mr. Freshfield  
to Mr. Freshfield shall have seen Mr. Peter, who  
it appears is coming to Town

Letters were read by Mr.  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Gibson, Freshfield from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Gibson  
Craig & Co. on the Case of Forbes  
Case of Forbes

Mr. Neil & others  
to remain in the  
hands of Mr.  
Freshfield

Mr. Neil & others, when the

Committee directed that the Case

remain for the present in the

hands of Mr. Freshfield. Mr. M<sup>r</sup>. Neil  
having proceeded to Scotland to endeavour to effect an  
arrangement through the instrumentality of his Family.

A Statement of the affairs  
of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Baister and Stuart was  
read and postponed consideration



A Statement of the Affairs of until Mess<sup>rs</sup> Trushfield shall have ascertained the course intended to be pursued in this case by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Sanderson & Co.

Resolved,

Directions to Mr. Lawrence as to the Report on future on unpaid Bills That the Principal of the Discount Office (Mr. Lawrence) be instructed, that henceforward he is to report to the Law Committee upon any case of unpaid acceptance which appears to him to require the immediate attention of the Committee, and generally, after the Court in every Week, to report to the Chairman or some Member of the Committee upon every Bill that has remained unpaid during the past Week.

A Copy of this Minute was given to Mr. Lawrence  
11<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> 1841  
J.M.

17 Feb. 1841

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Wednesday 17 Feb: 1841

Present

Mr. Heath  
Mr. Gower  
Mr. Pearse

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.



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Mr Lawrence's List was  
laid before the Committee  
and considered. viz:

George Kent's  
Proposed Com-  
position

George Kent of Falcon Square  
Bristol Merchant, Discounter  
of 41 Bills of Exchange, amounting  
to £906.6.1. — His Inspectors  
request the Bank will accept  
a Sum of £600. Payable by three  
Instalments, viz: £200. at 4 Months  
£200 at 8 Months and 200. at  
12 Months; they undertaking to  
guarantee this Sum upon the  
Bank returning to them the  
unpaid Bills.

accorded to

The Committee accorded to  
the Request, but directed Mr.  
Lawrence to make better Terms  
if possible

Mr. Freshfield attended  
the Committee and reported  
that he had addressed Letters to  
Baxter & Stuart, Sir James Craig &c. of Edinburgh,  
and their Sureties stating that the Bank will not  
consent to release Baxter and  
Stuart and their Sureties without  
head



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without  
 $\frac{7}{6}$  in the L.

at least  $\frac{7}{6}$  in the L. — on their  
debt. — and in the Case of  
Nielsen & Co. authorising Sir  
La<sup>rd</sup> Craig & Co. to consent on the  
Part of the Bank to the proposed  
Composition of  $\frac{7}{6}$  in the L. —  
to be paid by Installments, part  
with Security.

The proposed  
Composition  
of  $\frac{7}{6}$  in the  
L. of Nielsen  
& Co. — has been  
assented to by

Mr. Freshfield  
conditionally

The Compromise in both  
Cases to be conditional on the  
procuring the consent of the other  
Creditors to the Bills.

Mr. Freshfield also said  
that the other London Creditors  
had adopted the same course.

22 March  
1841

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1841

Present

Mr. Heath

Mr. Gower

The Proceedings of the  
last Committee were read

The



22 Mar: 1841

The composition  
Deed with  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Neilson & Co.  
to be signed by  
the Secretary

The Chairman reported that in accordance with the Minute of the last meeting, an agreement dated the 23<sup>rd</sup> February, prepared by Mr. Freshfield had, with his sanction, been signed by the Secretary on the Part of the Bank, accepting the offered composition of  $\frac{7}{8}$  in the £. by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Neilson & Co. viz: 6/- in the £. payable by Bills at 3. 6. and 9 Months, from 1<sup>st</sup> March 1841 satisfactory Security to be given for the payment of the last instalment; the remaining  $\frac{1}{8}$  in the £. to be paid by four equal instalments on the 1<sup>st</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1842, 1<sup>st</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1843, 1<sup>st</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1844, and 1<sup>st</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1845. The Company's Bills to be granted for these Instalments; a clause is also inserted in the Agreement, reserving the rights against third Parties.

Reports having been received from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield of the 11<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> March, the Chairman stated, that, at the suggestion of the Solicitors, he had directed proceedings to be commenced



Rev. Caleb Collins  
to be provided  
against

against the Rev. Caleb Collins  
acceptor of a Bill drawn by Forbes  
Mac Neil & Co. for £358.7.8, Mr. Collins,  
after several assurances of payment  
from time to time, having stated  
his present inability to meet  
the demand.

Messrs. Wilkinson

and

James Fry to

be again written

to by Mr. Freshfield

Messrs. Freshfield had also  
been directed to write again to  
Messrs. Wilkinson for payment  
of their Acceptances for £940. and  
£860. respectively. And to Mr.  
James Fry for the payment of his  
acceptance of the Bill drawn by  
Messrs. Keasley Brothers for £36.4.  
these parties having made no  
reply to the first application

Mt. Lawrence's  
List.

The following List of Mr.  
Lawrence was then read, viz:

Edw. Duckworth  
and others

Edward Duckworth of  
Liverpool, Acceptor of a Bill  
for £194.10.4. drawn by John  
Wright of Liverpool and dis-  
counted with George Kent  
& Co. whose Trustees request the  
Bank to accept £37.10. in Cash &  
a Bill for £160. drawn, accepted &  
indorsed by the same parties.

and

John



22<sup>nd</sup> March

John Wright

John Wright of Liverpool,  
 1841 Drawer of a Bill for £194..10..4,  
 accepted by Edward Duckworth  
 of Liverpool and discounted with  
 George Kent & Co. as above

request of the  
 Trustees agreed  
 to.

The Chairman stated that  
 he had agreed to the above request.

Joseph Sharp's

Joseph Sharp of Whites  
 Grounds, Bermondsey Acceptor  
 of a Bill for £419..2. discounted  
 with Keasley Brothers Requests  
 the Bank will agree with all  
 his other Creditors to receive  
 payment by 11 equal Instal-  
 ments, viz: 5/- in the £. on the  
 6<sup>th</sup> June, 5/- on the 6<sup>th</sup> Septem<sup>r</sup>,  
 5/- on the 6<sup>th</sup> December 1841 and  
 5/- on the 6<sup>th</sup> March 1842. The  
 Business to be conducted under  
 the inspection of Mr. Robert  
 Brooks bank of Long Lane, Mr.  
 Tho<sup>s</sup> Lawrence Jew: and Mr.  
 request agreed John Billiter.)

to.

The Chairman also stated  
 that he had complied with  
 this request.

The Committee approved of the  
 whole of the above proceedings.

upon



Upon Reading Reports from  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield of the 18<sup>th</sup>  
and 20<sup>th</sup> March,

Resolved,

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
be requested to make an  
appointment with Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Wilkinson & Sons in respect to  
to arrange with Mess<sup>rs</sup> the non payment of two Bills  
of Exchange accepted by them,  
and to report the result.

That the contemplated  
payment to be made by  
Baxter and Stuart on the  
the time for 1<sup>st</sup> April, be extended, at  
Baxter & Stuart's  
payment ex- their request, to the 1<sup>st</sup> May,  
tended for a but that they be pressed to  
Month. pay all the Law Charges.

That the request of Mr.  
Syndall a Solicitor of  
La<sup>rd</sup> Barlow a Bankrupt, Birmingham for the Bank  
his certificate to sign the Certificate of James  
not to be signed Barlow a Bankrupt, be  
declined, it being contrary



22<sup>nd</sup> March  
1841

To the Rules of the Bank to  
Sign a Certificate until a  
Dividend shall have been paid.

The Action ag<sup>st</sup>  
The Rev<sup>d</sup>. Caleb  
Collins to take its  
course.

That the action com-  
menced against the Rev<sup>d</sup>.  
Caleb Collins, take its course

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
be requested to endeavour to  
make a Satisfactory arrange-  
ment with Mr. James Fry in  
respect to his unpaid acceptance  
of £136<sup>ns</sup> 4<sup>d</sup>. —

Mr. Lawrence was  
directed to attend the meeting  
to prove the  
Bank's Debt  
of the Creditors of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garry  
in Garry Martin and Curtis which is fixed  
Bankruptcy for the 23<sup>d</sup> Instant, to prove  
the Debt on behalf of the Bank

In reference to the Minute  
of the 6<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> last, Mr. Gray  
attended and produced a Statement  
from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield of the  
Receipt of £114<sup>ns</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> on account  
of Costs due to the Bank in  
various Suits; of which £25<sup>ns</sup> 19<sup>d</sup> 10<sup>d</sup>  
is a receipt (in full) of the City  
of



22 March of London, as Costs of sale of a <sup>311</sup>  
1841 portion of the Bank Buildings

It also appeared that Costs  
of their progress of Suit in other Cases were in  
towards taxation & progress of being taxed and  
are expected to be paid in due  
course.

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
had, after considerable trouble  
and Payment got an order for payment  
by the London Joint Stock  
Bank of the taxed Costs, but  
had purposely delayed applying  
to the London and Westminster  
Bank till they had settled  
with the other, lest they should  
combine.

2<sup>nd</sup> April  
1841

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1841

Present

Mr. Heath

Mr. Pearse

Mr. Huguelin

The Proceedings of the  
last Committee were read.

De



2<sup>nd</sup> April  
1841

Depositions having been  
read against John Evans for  
uttering a forged L<sup>d</sup>. Bank of  
England Note in Surrey and  
John Evans attempting to utter a Second  
for uttering a and Mr. Freshfield's Opinion  
forged L<sup>d</sup>. Bank  
Note in Surrey having been taken thereon,

Ordered,

That the said John Evans  
be prosecuted.  
to be prosecuted

The following Report  
from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield being  
read. viz:

"Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg  
to report that the under-  
report of mentioned persons who were  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield ordered by the Committee to be  
on various prosecuted for uttering forged  
prosecutions Notes have been severally tried  
for uttering and convicted of that offence at  
forged Notes the recent assizes for the under-  
mentioned places, with the ex-  
ception of the last who pleaded  
guilty."



" James Cox — Bucks

" John Kelly — Kent

" Joseph Harris — Shropshire

" John Easthope Collingwood  
Warwickshire

" Thomas Midmer, Sussex.

" In the prosecution  
" against Joseph Harris (who  
" received sentence of transpor-  
" tation for life) the prisoner was  
" apprehended by a person named  
" Wm Rodenhurst a Malster  
" and High Constable of Ellesmere  
" who pursued him on horseback  
" for several miles, and took him  
" after a very severe personal  
" conflict in which he shewed  
" great courage and sustained  
" considerable injury. Mr. Baron  
" Gurney on the trial of the  
" Prisoner commended in high  
" terms the conduct of Rodenhurst  
" and expressed his regret that  
" an act of Parliament recently  
" passed empowering the Judges to  
" award recompence to parties  
" causing the apprehension of



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1841

"Officers did not extend to the  
Case before him and concluded  
by expressing a strong opinion  
that the case was one deserv-  
ing the liberal consideration  
of the Bank.

"Under these circum-  
stances we beg to recommend  
that a Sum of Ten Guineas  
should be awarded to Mr.  
Rodenhurst in pursuance  
of the recommendation of the  
Judge.

New Bank Buildings  
29<sup>th</sup> March 1841,

Wm Rodenhurst  
a Witness in  
the prosecution  
of Joseph  
Harris to be  
presented  
with £10. 10.

An Application from  
Mr Rodenhurst himself  
having also been read. The  
Committee

Resolved,

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
be requested to present the  
said William Rodenhurst  
with the sum of Ten Guineas.

Mr Lawrence's  
List.

Mr Lawrence's List  
was laid before the Committee  
and Considered. -

viz



viz.

James Fry of Berrondsey,  
 James Fry Currier, Acceptor of a Bill for  
 will be made £136.4. discounted with Keadley,  
 a Bankrupt. Brothers — Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
 report that his liabilities are  
 about £2000. and that he has  
 not nor is likely to have any  
 assets to meet the above  
 claims beyond a sum of  
 about £130. which he is in ex-  
 pectation of receiving from  
 Keadley's Estate. Mr. Warren  
 has filed an Affidavit of Debt  
 in order to make him a  
 Bankrupt.

James Wilkinson and  
 Sons, Acceptors of 2 Bills,  
 amounting to £1800. discount-  
 ed with Garry & Curtis.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield report  
 that they have written to them,  
 and made several appointments  
 for interviews but that they have  
 not kept any of the appointments  
 so made.

James Wilkinson and Sons to be  
 proceeded against Resolved, That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield be  
 directed to proceed against James  
 Wilkinson & Sons.

John



2 April 1841

John Dalgluish, Discounter  
of a Bill for £757. 13. accepted  
by James Patterson. His Solicitors,  
Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Oliverson, Denby & Laire  
Case to Stand over.

State that no mode for finally  
closing his concerns has yet  
been agreed upon, but this will  
be done in a short time either  
through the Gazette or in some  
other way, which the Creditors  
may deem to be more consis-  
tent with their Interest, and  
that the Bank will of course  
be consulted on the subject.

This case was allowed  
to stand over.

James Patterson James Patterson, Acceptor  
to be sued of a Bill for £757. 13. discounted

with John Dalgluish, Mess<sup>rs</sup>.  
Freshfield Report that they  
have written to him for  
payment, but that no  
answer has been returned

Resolved

That the said James  
Patterson be sued.

Robert



Robt. M. Clelland  
to be written  
to again by  
Messrs Freshfield

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Robert M. Clelland Drawer of  
a Bill for £757.13. accepted by  
James Patterson & discounted  
with John Dalgleish. — Messrs  
Freshfield Report that they  
have written to him for payment,  
but that no answer has been  
returned.

Resolved

That Messrs Freshfield  
be directed to write again to  
Robert M. Clelland.

John Hall's  
request

agreed to, but  
to be asked for  
Security.

John Hall & Co. Discounters,  
of a Bill for £1640. 8. 6, accepted  
by Thomas Ryan & Sons, request  
the indulgence of the Bank to  
allow them to pay half on the  
15<sup>th</sup> June and the remainder  
on the 15<sup>th</sup> September 1841 with  
Interest.

The Committee agreed  
thereto, but directed Mr. Lawrence  
to ask the Parties for Security.

Thomas Danby's

Thomas Danby, Acceptor  
of a Bill for £697.14. discounted  
with



2 April 1841 with John Rawdon & Co. request  
 the Bank to accept a Composition  
 request of 10/- in the L. payable by  
 agreed to with two Instalments of 5/- each  
 the usual at 3 & 6 Months. viz: 5/- on  
 consents the 11<sup>th</sup> of July, and 5/- on the  
 11<sup>th</sup> October 1841, his other creditors  
 having agreed to the same.

Resolved

That the request be  
 agreed to if the other creditors  
 consent.

James Barton's Disbursements in the month  
 for March of March for attending at  
 Lewes to give evidence in  
 the prosecution of Thomas  
 Midmer for uttering a  
 forged Bank Note, (£5..19..6.  
 recommended were recommended to the  
 for payment Governor for payment.

Joshua Freeman's Dis-  
 bursements (£25..19..-) for the  
 Disbursements month of March for attending to  
 for March give evidence on the trials in the  
 County of various persons for



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recommended  
for payment

uttering forged Bank Notes, were  
also recommended to the Governor  
for payment.

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"At a Court of Directors at  
"the Bank on Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup>  
"April 1841.

"The following Gentlemen  
"were appointed for the Year  
"ensuing, - A Committee for  
"Law Suits, for the purpose of  
"ordering what prosecutions,  
"shall be commenced and  
"giving such directions for  
"the management of them  
"and the retaining of Counsel  
"and preferring Indictments,  
"as they may Judge expe-  
"dient; and also to consider  
"the State of the unpaid Bills  
"and Notes, agreeably to the  
"recommendation of the  
"Committee as approved by  
"the Court the 21<sup>th</sup> March 1840."

Mr. Heath      Mr. Prescott  
Mr. Hanson      and  
Mr. Mitchell      Mr. Barclay  
John Watts Esq.



3. May 1841

Monday 3. May 1841

Present

Mr. Heath

Mr. Hanson

Mr. Mitchell

Mr. Prescott

Mr. Barclay

The Proceedings of the  
last Committee were read.

A Report dated <sup>the</sup> 7. April,  
was read from Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield  
John Evans convicted of ut- stating that John Evans had been  
tering a forged tried at the Central Criminal  
note Court before Mr. Justice Patteson  
for uttering a forged £5. Bank  
of England Note, and had been  
convicted and sentenced to trans-  
portation for life.

The following Lists pre-  
sented by Mr. Lawrence dated  
the 13 & 27<sup>th</sup> April were then  
considered. viz:

13<sup>th</sup> April 1841

John Rowdon's

John Rowdon of Mincing  
Lane Wholesale Grocer Discountier.

of



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of a Bill for £697<sup>14</sup>s. accepted by  
Thomas Danby requests the Bank  
will accept a Composition of 10/-  
in the £. - payable by 3 Instalments.  
viz: 6/- on the 29<sup>th</sup> May next; 2/- in  
3 Months from that date, and 2/-  
in 5 Months from the same date.  
Security to be given on or before the  
29<sup>th</sup> May for the latter, and all  
money received until payment  
of the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Instalments to be  
placed in the hands of Trustees:  
he also engages to pay 1/- more  
should his debts be collected  
without considerable loss, all  
his other Creditors have agreed  
to the same.

request  
allowed

The request was allowed.

Tho<sup>s</sup>. Ashmore's

Thomas Ashmore of  
Crosby Hall Chambers, Discount  
of 6 Bills amounting to £3852.15.  
requests the Bank will accept a  
Composition of 5/- in the £. pay-  
able by 4 Instalments. viz: 2/-  
in 1 Month, 1/- in 4 Months,  
1/- in 8 Months, and 1/- in 12  
Months.

request  
allowed

The request was allowed.



3. May 1841

W. Hammond of Rotherhithe  
 W. Hammond's Oil Merchant, Acceptor of 3  
 Bills amounting to £1800,  
 discounted with Thomas Ashmore  
 requests the Bank will accept  
 a Composition of  $\frac{7}{6}$  in the  
 £. payable by 3 Instalments.  
 viz: 3/ in Cash immediately,  
 2/6 in 3 Months, and 2/ in 5  
 Months.

Request allowed

The request was allowed.

S. Hammond's S. Hammond of Dartford,  
 Acceptor of 2 Bills amounting  
 to £1337, 15. discounted with Thomas  
 Ashmore, requests the Bank  
 will accept a Composition of  
 $\frac{7}{6}$  in the £. payable as the pre-  
 ceding.

Request allowed

The request was allowed

Tho<sup>d</sup> Gurnell's Thomas Gurnell of Dartford,  
 Acceptor of a Bill for £715.-  
 discounted with Thomas Ashmore  
 requests the Bank will accept  
 a Composition of  $\frac{7}{6}$  in the £.  
 payable as the preceding

request allowed

The request was allowed.



Robert Cochrane's Robert Cochrane of Dublin,  
Supposed Drawer of a Bill for  
£460. accepted by James Patterson  
and discounted with John Dalglisch,  
has been written to for Payment,  
and an answer received from a  
Mr. Rob<sup>t</sup>. Cochrane stating that  
he knows nothing whatever  
of it, having drawn no such  
bill, neither does he know Mr.  
James Patterson, and if the Bank  
requires any reference to himself,  
he begs to refer them to the Royal  
Bank of Ireland: the Letter was  
delivered to him, as there is no  
other Robert Cochrane in the  
Dublin Directory.

case referred  
to Mr. Freshfield

requesting  
that he will  
proceed.

Resolved

That this Case be referred  
to Mr. Freshfield with a  
request that he will proceed.

Wm Blenkin's  
proposed com-  
position agreed  
to

William Blenkin of Hull  
Grocer, Acceptor of a Bill for  
£1040.4.- discounted with John  
Rawdon & Co. submits a Copy of  
a Deed for a Composition of 11/-  
in the L. payable by 3 Instalments.



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viz: 6/6 on the 1<sup>st</sup> of July next  
2/6 on the 1<sup>st</sup> November, and 2/6  
on the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1842

The Committee agreed thereto.

C<sup>r</sup>. Bolton & Son's  
case referred to

Christopher Bolton & Son  
of Hull, Merchants, Acceptors  
of a Bill for £413.3. - discounted  
with Garry & Curtis

Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield

The Committee referred  
this case to Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield.

List of 27 April 1841

John Dalgliech's  
request

John Dalgliech of 3 Pancras  
Lane, Linen Merchant, Discounted  
of 2 Bills amounting to £1217.13. -  
requests the Bank will accept  
a Composition of 8/4<sup>d</sup> in the  
£. half to be paid in Cash,  
and the remainder by his  
Note of hand at 3 Months.  
His other Creditors have  
assented to the same.

agreed to, and  
referred to Mr.  
Freshfield

to complete

The Committee agreed  
thereto, but referred to Mr. Freshfield  
to see that the discharge is drawn  
up in such a manner as to in-  
validate it in case a preference in  
any way is given to any Creditor.



James Fry's  
request

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James Fry of White's Ground,  
Bromondsey, Currier, Acceptor  
of a Bill for £134<sup>n</sup>4. discounted  
with Keasley Brothers, requests  
the Bank will accept a Com-  
position of 1/2 in the L. in  
Cash. His other Creditors have  
assented to the same

agreed to with  
the foregoing  
proviso

The Committee agreed thereto,  
but with the foregoing proviso.

Edw. Middleton's

Edward Middleton of  
High Street, Islington, Grocer,  
Acceptor of a Bill for £160. dis-  
counted with John Hancock & Co.  
requests the Bank will accept  
a Composition of 10/2 in the L.  
half to be paid in Cash and  
the remainder on the 25<sup>th</sup> of next  
May. His other Creditors have  
assented to the same.

request agreed  
to, with the  
foregoing pro-  
viso

The Committee agreed  
thereto, but with the foregoing  
proviso.

Mr. Lawrence then laid  
before the Committee the following  
Report from Messrs. Freshfield. viz:



3 May 1841

New Bank  
Buildings 1. May 1841

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield 1 Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg to  
Report on the accompanying letter  
Case of James received from the Solicitors of  
Patterson Mr. Patterson against whom  
they are proceeding to recover  
the amount of two Bills of  
Exchange for £757. 13. and £460.  
accepted by him and that they  
are in a Situation to sign  
Judgment against Mr. Patterson  
and also to issue a fiat in  
Bankruptcy against him if  
the Committee think it advisable.

D<sup>o</sup> on the Case 2 Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield also  
of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Wilkinson beg to report that they are also  
in a Situation to obtain a  
final Judgment against  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Wilkinson in the action  
brought against them for the  
amount of the two Bills of  
Exchange for £460. and £940.  
and that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Wilkinson are  
also in a Situation to be made  
Bankrupts; but that Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Wilkinson have assured them  
that they are utterly unable to

Say



"pay any part of the claim of the  
"Bank and that they have addressed  
"a statement to the Governor on  
"the subject."

Resolved,

In James Patterson's  
case - Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Freshfield to

advise the  
Committee

That in the case of James  
Patterson Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield be  
requested to see Mess<sup>rs</sup> Simpson  
and Cobb to ascertain the date of  
the Warrant of Attorney mentioned  
in their Letter of the 27<sup>th</sup> April,  
and to advise the Committee  
whether it is desirable under the  
circumstances to incur the  
expences of a fiat.

Resolved,

In Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Milkinson's Case  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
to endeavour to  
effect a Compo-  
-sition

That the Case of Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Milkinson be referred back to  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield recommending  
him to endeavour to effect a  
composition at £50. per annum  
for two years.

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Wednesday 26 May 1841

Present,

Mr. Heath

Mr. Hanson

Mr. Mitchell

Mr. Prescott.

The Proceedings of the  
Last Committee were read

Mr. Lawrence's List was  
laid before the Committee and  
considered, viz:

Christopher Hall's  
Request,

Christopher Hall of  
Piccadilly Upholsterer accep-  
tor of two Bills amounting to  
£663.10. - requests the Signature  
of the Bank of England to his  
Certificate.

complied with  
conditionally

The Committee agreed thereto  
when all the other Creditors have  
Signed.

John Hancock & Co's

Request

John Hancock & Co. of Broad  
Street Hill wholesale Grocers,  
discounters of two Bills amount-  
ing to £1040. request the  
Bank will accept a Composition  
of



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of 9% in the L. namely 5% on the  
31<sup>st</sup> Inst. 2% at 2 months, & 2% at  
11 Months, the last instalment  
to be secured, their other Creditors  
having agreed to the same.

agreed to

The Committee agreed thereto

James Lowndes

James Lowndes of  
Newcastle, Acceptor of a  
Bill for £1000. discounted with  
Thomas Maltby & Son, states  
that he has at present been  
unable to make arrangements  
with the Assignees of Maltby  
& Son, but has reason to think  
that their Estate will pay 7%  
in the L. & wishes the Bank  
would inspect his Account  
with Maltby & Son: he has a  
family of seven children, & he is  
suffering great misery from  
the suspense he is kept in.

To pay a Sum  
down & the remain-  
der by Instalments

The Committee directed  
that Mr Lowndes be asked to pay  
£100 more, and to make up the  
residue at the rate of £100. per  
Month.

The



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Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield's  
Report on vari-  
ous cases

The following Report from  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield was laid before  
the Committee by M<sup>r</sup> Lawrence

"New Bank Buildings  
May 25<sup>th</sup> 1841

"Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg to report a  
Letter from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Darleys & Colvill  
of Dublin on the Subject of the  
Proceedings against M<sup>r</sup> Cochran  
stating his total inability to  
pay the amount of his Bill &  
offering a Composition of £45.  
on the total Sum due — It appears  
that Cochran resides at a place  
called Skerres about 15 Miles  
from Dublin & that there are  
other Proceedings in the Courts  
of Ireland against him.

Darleys & Colvill  
to make the best  
Settlement in  
their Power.

"We recommend that  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Darleys & Colvill who  
are Solicitors for the Bank of  
Ireland should be authorized  
to make the best Settlement  
in their Power."

The Committee agreed  
thereto and directed that Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Freshfield be requested to report  
on the same as soon as possible

"Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg also to report  
that they have seen Mess<sup>rs</sup> Simpson  
& Cobb The Sol<sup>rs</sup> for M<sup>r</sup> Patterson



James Patterson's  
Case

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"I have procured from them the  
"accompanying Statement of Mr.  
"Patterson's affairs - they have also  
"seen Mess<sup>rs</sup> Bowman & May  
"Principal Creditors of Patterson  
"who state that upon full consi-  
"deration & after discussion between  
"themselves & other Creditors they  
"came to the Conclusion that  
"Patterson's Representations were  
"correct & that no advantage  
"could result from adopting any  
"proceedings against him.

Postponed

This Case was postponed  
in consequence of Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Freshfield's opinion.

The Rev<sup>d</sup> Caleb  
Collins proposes  
to pay by Instal-  
ments

"Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg also to  
"report a proposal from The  
"Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Collins Acceptor of a  
"Bill drawn by Forbes MacNeill  
"&c. for £360. To pay £60. down  
"& the remainder at £60. per  
"Annum half yearly - Mr. Collins  
"is a Clergyman & an execution  
"either into his house or against  
"his living would no doubt en-  
"force the immediate payment  
"but would ruin him in means  
"& credit. - Mess<sup>rs</sup> F. submit  
"it



26<sup>th</sup> May 1841 "it as a Case of Charity - they have  
 "urged Mr. Collins to get Security  
 "but he has not been able - If the  
 "Bank give him time he would  
 "insure his life."

agreed to  
 conditionally.

The Committee agreed  
 thereto and directed that Mr. Collins  
 be required to give notes and  
 insure his life as proposed.

<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> June 1841 Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June 1841

Present,

Mr. Heath

Mr. Hanson

Mr. Mitchell

Mr. Prescott

The Proceedings of the  
 last Committee were read.

The following Report of  
 Mess<sup>rs</sup> J & C Freshfield being read

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
 Report on the  
 case of Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
 Wilkinson

viz: "Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg to  
 "report to the Committee that they  
 "have seen Mr. Wilkinson on the  
 "subject of the proposed arrange-  
 "ment with him, but that Mr.  
 "Wilkinson states he has already  
 "claims



29<sup>th</sup> June 1841 "claims on him to so large an 56  
"amount independent of that  
"of the Bank which he has no  
"funds to meet and for which  
"all his exertions are pledged,  
"that he does not see any means  
"of making any provision for  
"the claim of the Bank and that  
"he is unwilling under such  
"circumstances to enter into  
"an engagement which he  
"cannot perform. — Under these  
"circumstances Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield  
"have been unable to carry  
"the desire of the Committee  
"into effect and the matter  
"remains as before.

who cannot en-  
ter into any  
engagement

" new Bank Buildings  
" 26 May 1841 "

Proceedings against  
them to stand  
over sine die

The Chairman informed  
the Committee, that having  
(on the 27<sup>th</sup> May) taken the opinion  
of the Court of Directors thereon,  
he had directed the proceedings  
against Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Wilkinson to stand  
over sine die.

The Committee approved  
thereof.

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The Chairman informed the Committee that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield having sent a Statement of a proposed arrangement with Mess<sup>rs</sup> Bolton & Son, Merchants at Hull, Acceptors of a Bill for £413.3. discounted for Garry & Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield, Curtis, in which a composition is offered of  $7\frac{1}{6}$  in the L. — he had been induced on the recommendation of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield <sup>agree to</sup> to the Terms proposed. — since which however he had received a further report from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield on the case. viz:

" 26 June 1841

Reports on the  
case of Bolton  
& Sons

" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield submit  
" a Letter from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Bolton  
" and Sons to the Solicitors of  
" Sanderson & Co., stating their  
" inability to pay more than  
"  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in the L. on their debts  
" instead of  $7\frac{1}{6}$  as before agreed.  
" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Sanderson & Co. it appears  
" accede to the alteration & as  
" they have investigated the  
" affairs Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield recom-  
" mend that the Bank should  
" do



Their offered composition of  $\frac{7}{12}$  in the £. agreed to.

"do the same, particularly as their claim is not large. The proposal as to the  $\frac{7}{12}$  is to pay half in 4 Months & half in 8 Months.

The Chairman stated that, under the circumstances, he had agreed to accept the  $\frac{7}{12}$  as proposed.

The Committee approved thereof.

Messrs Freshfield's Bill for Law Charges examined.

Messrs James R Charles Freshfield's Bill for Law Charges amounting to £2305. 1. 1. for the half year ending the 31<sup>st</sup> March last, having been taken into consideration, and the following Abstract thereof having been examined. viz:

Abstract



# Abstract of Messrs P & C Freshfields' Bill for six Months to 31<sup>st</sup> Mar: 1841

| Charges for   | Business  | Attendance          | Stipend to Counsel  | Incidental Charges               | Total                         |
|---|---|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Respecting the appeal of the London Joint Stock Bank to the House of Lords against the Order of the Master of the Rolls - - - | 2 <sup>9</sup>                                    | 3 <sup>10</sup>     | 6 <sup>8</sup>      | 1 <sup>17</sup> folio 1          | 8 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>8</sup> |
| Chancery - - - - - 10 Suits - - -   | 18 <sup>16</sup> 6                                | 14 <sup>3</sup> 4   | 6 <sup>13</sup> 6   | 14 <sup>7</sup> 6 folio 3/4      | 54 <sup>10</sup> 10           |
| Exchequer - - - - - 36 " - - -  | 39 <sup>16</sup> 8                                | 33 <sup>-</sup> -   | 17 <sup>16</sup> -  | 12 <sup>19</sup> 9 folio 7/16    | 103 <sup>12</sup> 5           |
| Common Law - - - - - 6 " - - -  | 38 <sup>7</sup> 6                                 | 25 <sup>19</sup> 8  | 18 <sup>1</sup> -   | 16 <sup>8</sup> 10 folio 17/16   | 98 <sup>17</sup> -            |
| Criminal Prosecutions - - - 8 Persons - - -   | 339 <sup>6</sup> -                                | 130 <sup>14</sup> 8 | 166 <sup>10</sup> - | 531 <sup>18</sup> 7 folio 27/16  | 1168 <sup>9</sup> 3           |
| Measures to detect forgeries &c - - - - -   | 10 <sup>5</sup> 10                                | 30 <sup>1</sup> -   | -                   | 2 <sup>10</sup> - folio 7/16     | 42 <sup>16</sup> 10           |
| Respecting the Estate of M <sup>r</sup> John Baker - - -  | 121 <sup>15</sup> 10                              | 19 <sup>10</sup> 8  | 2 <sup>7</sup> -    | 9 <sup>19</sup> 8 folio 85/96    | 153 <sup>13</sup> 2           |
| Respecting the purchase by the City of London of the Western End of Bank Buildings - - -                                      | 3 <sup>11</sup> 8                                 | 7 <sup>9</sup> 8    | -                   | 5 <sup>6</sup> folio 92/32       | 11 <sup>6</sup> 10            |
| Respecting Branch Banks - - - - -   | 15 <sup>13</sup> 8                                | 3 <sup>13</sup> 8   | 4 <sup>9</sup> -    | 72 <sup>8</sup> 2 folio 94/96    | 96 <sup>4</sup> 6             |
| Respecting the application of certain American Houses to the Bank for assistance - - -  | 72 <sup>1</sup> 8                                 | 77 <sup>7</sup> 4   | 27 <sup>12</sup> 6  | 3 <sup>14</sup> 8 folio 97/118   | 180 <sup>16</sup> 2           |
| General Business - - - - -  | 143 <sup>19</sup> 2                               | 147 <sup>-</sup> 4  | 12 <sup>6</sup> -   | 83 <sup>15</sup> 11 folio 10/180 | 387 <sup>1</sup> 5            |
|   | £ 806 <sup>3</sup> 6                              | 492 <sup>10</sup> 4 | 256 <sup>1</sup> 8  | 750 <sup>5</sup> 7               | 2305 <sup>1</sup> 1           |
| Abstracted & analyzed by  | Deduct money received by the Solicitors - - - - - |                     |                     |                                  | 456 <sup>11</sup> 2           |
| G. C. Gray (Dep <sup>y</sup> Acc <sup>t</sup> )   | Deduct, by error at folio 9 - - - - -             |                     |                     |                                  | 1848 <sup>9</sup> 11          |
|   |   |                     |                     |                                  | 10                            |
|   |   |                     |                     |                                  | £ 1847 <sup>19</sup> 11       |



The Committee examined the Deputy Accountant, and being satisfied with his report as to the charges having been made in the present Bill, according to the usual rate, agreed on the following Report to the Court:

viz:

Report on the  
Solicitors' Bill  
for Law Charges

The Committee for Law Suits,  
Report to the Court of Directors

That they have investigated Messrs. Jas<sup>d</sup> & Charles Freshfield's Bill for Law Charges from Michaelmas Term 1840 to 31 March last, amounting to £2305<sup>1</sup> 1<sup>1</sup>, and they find it to be composed of the following particulars. viz:

Further expenses attendant on the appeal to the House of Lords by the London Joint Stock Bank, against the order of the Master of the Rolls — £ 8<sup>2</sup> 8

Expenses attendant on 10 Suits in Chancery — 54<sup>1</sup> 10

Do. on 36 Suits in the Court of Exchequer — 103<sup>12</sup> 5  
carried forward — £ 165<sup>15</sup> 11



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Brought forward — £165<sup>15</sup>11  
Expences attendant on 6  
Suits at Common Law — 98<sup>17</sup>—

D<sup>o</sup>. on Criminal Prosecu-  
tions against 8 Persons. viz:

1 for forging Powers of  
Attorney for the Transfer  
of Stock. — transported  
for life — £226<sup>2</sup>8

1 for the forgery of a  
Cheque on the Bank.  
acquitted. — 117<sup>4</sup>4

6 for the uttering &c. of  
forged Bank Notes of  
whom 2 were ordered  
to be transported for  
life 3 for various  
periods, and one  
18 Months Imprisonment. — 825<sup>6</sup>3  
1168<sup>9</sup>3

Expences consequent on  
Measures taken to detect  
frauds and Forgeries on  
the Bank — 52<sup>16</sup>10

D<sup>o</sup>. respecting the Sale of  
the Estate of Mr. John Baker — 153<sup>13</sup>2

D<sup>o</sup>. respecting the purchase  
by the City of London of the  
Western end of Bank Buildings — 11<sup>6</sup>10

D<sup>o</sup>. respecting the purchase  
of a House at Newcastle  
upon Tyne — 96<sup>4</sup>6  
Carried forward — £1737<sup>3</sup>6



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Brought forward £1737.3.6

Do. respecting the Debts  
due to the Bank from  
certain American Houses. viz:

Miss Geo. Wildes & Co. £99.18.6

— Tho. Wilson & Co. — 66.5.10

— T. Wiggins & Co. — 14.11.10

120.16.2

General Business — 387.1.5

£ 2305.1.1

Deduct Money received by  
the Solicitors for Costs &c. 457.1.2

Balance due to the Solicitors, 1847.19.11

In the foregoing Amount of  
£2305.1.1. the charge for drawing  
Briefs &c. and other General  
Business is £806.3.6

For personal Attendance 492.10.4

£ 1298.13.10

For Money advanced  
In fees to Counsel £256.1.8

Incidental Charges — 750.5.7

1006.7.3

£ 2305.1.1

In reference to Sums due to  
the Bank for costs of Suit &c. the  
Committee have directed the Deputy  
Accountant to open an Account  
of each case in a Book to be kept  
for that purpose, and to credit each  
Account respectively as Sums are  
received



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received. The Solicitors have been directed to apply to the several parties for payment, and from the Sum of £457<sup>1</sup> 1<sup>2</sup> having been received for costs in the present Bill, the Committee have reason to hope that the Regulation will have the desired effect, and that various debts of this Class now due to the Bank will eventually be paid.

The Sum of £180<sup>16</sup> 2<sup>2</sup> the Amount of Expenses consequent on the advances to certain American Houses, is recommended to be apportioned to the debit of those Houses respectively.

The Committee have examined the Deputy Accountant, and being satisfied from his Report that the several Charges have been made according to the usual rate, they recommend to the Court of Directors that the Sum of £1847<sup>19</sup> 11<sup>11</sup> be paid to Mess<sup>rs</sup> J<sup>r</sup> & Ch<sup>r</sup> Freshfield being the Balance of their present Bill for Law Charges to the 31<sup>st</sup> March last.

Mem. Read in Court  
and the Balance  
ordered to be paid  
1<sup>st</sup> July 1841

Bank of England  
29<sup>th</sup> June 1841

(signed) J. B. Heath  
Chairman.



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Mr. Lawrence having reported that the 1<sup>st</sup> Instalments of Neilson & Co. and Baxter & Stuart were considerably overdue and unpaid, the Committee directed 1<sup>st</sup> Instalments that Application be made to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield in respect thereof — and that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield be also reminded of the Minute of the Committee of the 26<sup>th</sup> May last, in the case of Robert Cochran.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield to be applied to and to be reminded of the case of Robert Cochran.

30<sup>th</sup> June

The following Report of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield being read, viz:

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield Report that the Rev<sup>d</sup> C. Collins acceptor of a Bill drawn by Forbes Mac Neil for £358. 7. 8. of whom the Committee agreed to accept payment by Instalments of £60. per Annum has not paid the first £60. and now states that another Creditor has an execution in his House. — Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield fearing that some other Creditor might gain a preference by the Bank's delay put this



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his Living se-  
questered.

"this question to Mr. Collins directly  
 "and he assured them there was  
 "no Judgment against him and  
 "that he would apprise them if  
 "any one proceeded against him  
 "to obtain a Judgment and Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
 "Freshfield afterwards in giving  
 "him time wrote to this effect  
 "(see Letter). As it appears that  
 "there is a Judgment and execution  
 "upon it Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield im-  
 "mediately sent down a Seques-  
 "tration against his living, fearing  
 "that further Creditors might in-  
 "tervene.

approved

The Committee approved  
 thereof.

<sup>st</sup>  
 21<sup>st</sup> July 1841

<sup>d</sup>  
 Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 1841

Present

Mr. Heath

Mr. Hanson

Mr. Mitchell

Mr. Prescott

Mr. Barclay

The Proceedings of the  
 last Committee were read.



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The Chairman reported that he had on the 8<sup>th</sup> July, at the recommendation of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield, given his consent to the sealing of a Power of Attorney to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Meguelin & Gladstone to recover the debt due to the Bank from the Riga firm of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garry, (Curtis) Hay & Co — but that in consequence of the absence of Mr. Meguelin, Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield had, in lieu of the above, prepared another Power of Attorney to Mr. George Armistead of the House of Mitchell & Co. of Riga, which they recommended should be passed under the Bank Seal to morrow

Power of Attorney sealed to George Armistead to recover debts, at Riga under the Bankruptcy of Garry, Curtis, Hay & Co.

The Committee approved thereof.

The Committee proceeded in the Examination of Mr. Lawrence's Accounts of discounted Bills & Notes counted Bills and Notes unpaid, and having completed the same, agreed on the following Report to be made to the Court of Directors viz:

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The Committee for Laid Suits  
Report to the Court of Directors,

That the Committee have  
Report to the Court on the investigated the Accounts of the  
discounted Bills unpaid, and it appears that the  
Balance of the Outstanding Debt  
(not written off to the Account of  
Profit and Loss) on the 31<sup>st</sup> December  
1840 was £5877<sup>8</sup> 11<sup>11</sup> and in pursu-  
ance of the order of the Court of the  
21<sup>st</sup> January last, the Sum of  
£1149<sup>16</sup> 7<sup>7</sup> was carried to the debit  
of Profit and Loss, reducing the  
Balance to £4727<sup>12</sup> 4<sup>4</sup>, which has been  
further increased up to the 30<sup>th</sup> June  
last to £31,949<sup>11</sup> 1<sup>1</sup> as will be shown  
in the details.

There has been received in  
the last half year upon the Accounts  
of Bankrupts or Insolvents, the Balance  
of which have from time to time  
been carried to the debit of the  
Account of profit and Loss, the  
Sum of £1677<sup>5</sup> 10<sup>10</sup> which has been  
placed to the credit of that Account  
in the General Ledger.

The Balance on the 31<sup>st</sup> December  
last of the Accounts which accu-  
mulated in the half year ending  
the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1836 was £200<sup>10</sup> 8<sup>8</sup>

On which has been received } -39<sup>...</sup> 8<sup>8</sup>  
up to the 30<sup>th</sup> June last }  
leaving the Balance £161<sup>10</sup> 8<sup>8</sup>  
which Balance, it is recommended  
should remain for the present.

The Balance on the 31<sup>st</sup> December  
last of the Accounts which accumulated  
in



in the half year ending the 30 June 1837. was £1951.7.3

On which has been received }  
up to the 30<sup>th</sup> June last. } 370.10.7  
leaving the Balance }  
of which it is recommended to } 1580.18.8  
be carried to the debit of the }  
Account of profit & loss. } 720.18.8  
Balance remaining } 800.0.0

The Balance on the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> last  
of the Accounts which accumulated  
in the half year ending the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>  
1838, was £100.

On which has been received }  
up to the 30<sup>th</sup> June last } 5.14.5  
leaving the Balance } 94.5.7

The Balance on the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> last  
of the Accounts which accu-  
mulated in the half year ending  
the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1839, was £765.4.1

On which has been received }  
up to the 30<sup>th</sup> June last } 21.17.2  
leaving the Balance } 740.6.11

The Committee recommend  
that the above two Balances be  
allowed to remain for the present,  
the greater part thereof being ex-  
pected to be received.

The Balance on the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>  
last of the Accounts which accu-  
mulated in the half year ending  
the 30<sup>th</sup> June 1840, was £1075.13.4

On which has been received }  
up to the 30<sup>th</sup> June last } 356.12.6  
leaving the Balance } 719.0.10  
of which it is recommended to be carried to }  
the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss } 219.0.10  
Balance remaining } 500.0.0



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The Balance on the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> last  
of the Accounts which accumulated  
in the  $\frac{1}{2}$  year ending at that date was £634.15.

On which has been received } 335.18.6  
up to the 30<sup>th</sup> June last

leaving the Balance £298.16.6

which it is recommended should  
remain for the present, the whole  
being expected to be received.

There are 10 New Accounts  
since the 31<sup>st</sup> December last amount-  
ing to £32,342.16.5

On which has been received } 3,988.3.10  
up to the 30<sup>th</sup> June last

leaving the Balance £28,354.12.7

Of which it is recommended

Recapitulation to be carried to the debit of } 10,944.1.~  
of London Accounts the Account of profit and Loss }  
Balance remaining £17,410.11.7

| Balances of the<br>$\frac{1}{2}$ year ending<br>31 <sup>st</sup> Dec <sup>r</sup> 1836 | Balances Out-<br>standing 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec <sup>r</sup><br>1840 | Receipts in the<br>$\frac{1}{2}$ year ending<br>30 June 1841 | Balances Out-<br>standing 30 <sup>th</sup><br>June 1841 |
|--|---|--|---|
| £ 200.10.8   |   | £ 39.~.8   | £ 161.10.~  |
| D <sup>r</sup> 30 June 1837  | 1951.9.3  | 370.10.7   | 1580.18.8   |
| D <sup>r</sup> 31 Dec <sup>r</sup> 1838  | 100.~.~   | 5.14.5   | 94.5.7  |
| D <sup>r</sup> 31 Dec <sup>r</sup> 1839  | 765.4.1   | 24.17.2  | 740.6.11  |
| D <sup>r</sup> 30 June 1840  | 1075.13.4   | 356.12.6   | 719.~.10  |
| D <sup>r</sup> 31 Dec <sup>r</sup> 1840  | 634.15.~  | 335.18.6   | 298.16.6  |
|  | £ 4727.12.4   | £ 1132.13.10   | £ 3594.18.6   |
| 10 New Accounts<br>in the $\frac{1}{2}$ year ending<br>30 <sup>th</sup> June 1841      | 32342.16.5  | 3988.3.10  | 28354.12.7  |
| Total Balance Outstanding 30 June 1841   |   |  | £ 31949.11.1  |
| Now recommended to be carried to the Acc <sup>t</sup><br>of profit and Loss            |   |  | 11944.~.6   |

Which will reduce the Balance (not  
written off to profit and Loss) to } £20,005.10.7

At



At the Branches there has been <sup>70</sup>  
received in the last half year, upon the  
Accounts of Bankrupts or Insolvents,  
the Balances of which have from time  
to time been carried to the debit of the  
Account of Profit and Loss, the Sum  
of £112. 3. 2. which has been placed  
to the Credit of that Account in  
the general Ledger.

The Balance of the Outstanding  
Debt (not written off to the Account  
of Profit & Loss) on the 31<sup>st</sup> December last  
was

£ 5399. 6. 7

Of which was carried to Profit  
and Loss by the order of Court } 150. 0. 0  
of the 21<sup>st</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> last

Reducing the Balance to £ 5249. 6. 7  
viz:

At Newcastle £ 438. 17. 10

At Manchester - 46. 1. 11

On which two Accounts  
nothing has since been received

At Leeds £ 11764. 6. 10

received thereon in  
the half year } 1052. 3. 11 - 1052. 3. 11

Balance remaining

at Leeds £ 3712. 2. 11

Balance at the Branches £ 11177. 2. 8

which the Committee recommend  
should remain for the present, a  
great part thereof being expected  
to be received.

The Committee have further to  
remark that no new Account has  
occurred at the Branches during the  
last half year  
Bank of England  
21 July 1841

(signed) J. B. Heath  
Chairman

Mem: The Report  
was read in Court  
and agreed to on  
the 22 July 1841.  
S.M.



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Mr Lawrence's List was  
laid before the Committee and  
considered. viz:

Bradley & Son

Bradley & Son of Manchester,  
Drawers of 2 Bills of Exchange  
amounting to £723.15. discounted  
with Whitmore, Wells & Whitmore.

Smith & Lockett

Smith and Lockett of  
Manchester, Acceptors of a Bill  
of Exchange for £467.10. - overdue,  
drawn by Bradley & Son and  
discounted with Whitmore  
Wells and Whitmore.

and

William Glover

William Glover of Manchester,  
Acceptor of a Bill of Exchange  
for £256.5. overdue, drawn by  
Bradley & Son, and discounted  
with Whitmore, Wells and  
Whitmore.

Resolved,

to be written to  
by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
be desired to write to the above  
Parties.

Alexander Robertson  
& Son

Alexander Robertson, Son  
& Co. of Watling Street Linen Manu-  
facturers, Discounters of a Bill of  
Exchange for £1000. overdue, drawn  
by William Dawson & Co. and accepted  
by Robert Lee Dawson & Co.

The



The usual Notice  
of a fiat to be  
given.

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The Parties having since paid other  
Bills, the Committee directed that  
the usual 21 days Notice of a fiat  
be given

Robt Lee Dawson  
& Co.

Robert Lee Dawson & Co. of  
Liverpool, Merchants, Acceptors  
of a Bill of Exchange for £1000.  
overdue, drawn by Wm Dawson  
& Co. and discounted with Alex.  
Robertson, Son & Co.

William Dawson  
& Co.

William Dawson & Co. of  
Baltimore, Drawers of a Bill  
of Exchange for £1000. overdue,  
accepted by Robert Lee Dawson  
& Co. & discounted with Alex.  
Robertson, Son & Co.

and  
David P. Reisch

David P. Reisch, Endorser  
of a Bill of Exchange for £1000.  
drawn by William Dawson & Co.  
accepted by Robert Lee Dawson  
& Co. and Discounted with  
Alexander Robertson, Son & Co.

Ordered,

to be written to  
by Messrs. Freshfield

That Messrs. Freshfield  
be directed to apply by Letter  
to all the above Parties.

Cooper



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Cooper Brothers &amp; Co.

Cooper Brothers & Co. of Haverton  
Mills, Bradford, Wiltshire,  
Discounters at the Bristol Branch  
of 5 Bills of Exchange amounting  
to £684.13.6. overdue.

Resolved,

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
to communicate  
with Mr. Cooper

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
be directed to communicate  
with Mr. Cooper, he being in  
Town.

H &amp; A. Wood

H & A. Wood of 11 Basinghall  
Street, Woollen Factors, drawers  
of 4 Bills and Endorsers of one  
amounting to £684.13.6. overdue,  
and discounted with Cooper  
Brothers & Co.

W &amp; J. Walton

W & J. Walton of Gerard  
Street, Soho, Woollen drapers  
Acceptors of one Bill & drawers  
of another amounting to  
£254.18.6. and discounted with  
Cooper Brothers & Co.

Scarratt and  
Pantington.

Scarratt and Pantington  
of Snow Hill Woollen drapers  
Acceptors of a Bill of Exchange  
for £212.3. — overdue, drawn by  
H & A. Wood & Discounted with  
Cooper Brothers & Co.

and

Ch<sup>r</sup> Brocklesby

Charles Brocklesby, Newmarket  
Street Oxford Street, Tailor, Acceptor  
of



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of a Bill of Exchange for £82. 7. 6.  
overdue, drawn by W & S. Walton,  
and discounted with Cooper Brothers  
& Co.

Ordered,

to be applied to by  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield be  
directed to apply to all the  
above Parties. —

Octavius Wood

Octavius Wood of King Street,  
Cheapside, Acceptor of a Bill of  
Exchange for £160. 8. — overdue,  
drawn by H. & A. Wood, and  
discounted with Cooper Brothers  
& Co.

to be applied to by  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
at the end of a  
Week.

In this Case, Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
were directed to apply to the  
Parties at the end of a Week.

Ch<sup>l</sup> H. Weigall  
Charles H. Weigall of  
Conduit Street, Bond Street,  
Tailor, Acceptor of a Bill of  
Exchange for £57. 4. overdue,  
drawn by H & A. Wood, and  
Discounted with Cooper Brothers  
& Co.

to be applied to by  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
for immediate  
Settlement

Ordered, That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
be requested to apply for imme-  
diate settlement.

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The following Report from  
Messrs Jas & Ch<sup>r</sup> Freshfield, being  
read, viz:

New Bank Building  
21<sup>th</sup> July 1841

Report of Messrs<sup>m</sup>  
Freshfield on  
the Cases of  
Baxter & Stuart  
Neilson & Co

"Messrs<sup>m</sup> Freshfield beg to  
Report with reference to the  
Cases of Baxter and Stuart and  
Neilson & Co. that in consequence  
of the Assignees of Messrs<sup>m</sup> Garry  
and Curtis the Drawers of the  
several bills declining to consent  
to the Bank accepting the com-  
positions offered by Messrs<sup>m</sup> Baxter  
& Stuart and Neilson & Company-  
without the authority of the  
Court of Review in Bankruptcy,  
it became necessary to present  
a petition to the Court of  
Review for that purpose. That  
petition came on to be heard,  
and an order was obtained on  
Friday last and on the same  
day Messrs<sup>m</sup> Freshfield wrote  
to Sir Gibson Craig & Co. on the  
subject apprising them of the  
steps taken and requesting  
them immediately to obtain  
and to transmit the form of  
consent requisite in Scotland, pre-  
paratory to payment of the dividend  
and Messrs<sup>m</sup> Freshfield are in daily

and

" et



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"expectation of hearing from them  
"what has been done.

Rob<sup>d</sup> Cochrane

"Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg also  
"to report that they have three  
"times written to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Darleys  
"and Colvill of Dublin on the  
"Subject of the Bank's Claim on  
"Cochrane and they enclose the last  
"letter received from them, from  
"which it is to be inferred that  
"there is a difficulty on the part  
"of Mr. Cochrane in obtaining  
"even the small sum agreed to  
"be paid.

Ordered,

To make a fresh  
Application to  
Rob<sup>d</sup> Cochrane.

That a fresh application  
be made to Mr. Cochrane through  
the Dublin Solicitors.

<sup>th</sup>  
27 Sep: 1841

<sup>th</sup>  
Monday 27. September 1841

Present

Mr. Heath

Mr. Prescott

Mr. Barclay.

The Proceedings of the last  
Committee were read



27 Sep: 1841

Mr. Lawrence laid  
before the Committee Reports  
from Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield dated  
the 28<sup>th</sup> July and 25 Sept: 1841. viz:

Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield's  
Report

Ch<sup>s</sup>. Brocklesby

has paid his debt

Cooper Brothers

a meeting of  
their creditors  
to be held

" Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield beg<sup>to</sup>  
Report that in pursuance of the  
" directions of the Committee they  
" wrote to Mr. Charles Brocklesby  
" for payment of a Bill of Exchange  
" for £82.7.6. drawn by W. & J. Walton  
" and discounted with Cooper & Co.  
" and that they have since obtained  
" from Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Brocklesby the sum  
" of £82.13. the amount of Principal  
" and Interest due upon the above  
" Bill together with the notarial  
" expenses.

" That they have written  
" to Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Cooper Brothers, at  
" Bradford - and Mr. Cooper one  
" of the Partners in London for  
" payment of Five Bills of  
" Exchange amounting to £634.13.6  
" discounted with them and have  
" received an answer from Mess<sup>rs</sup>.  
" Cooper stating that a meeting  
" of their Creditors will be held  
" in London on Thursday next the  
" 29<sup>th</sup> Instant.

Resolved



Resolved,

Hobhouse & Co.  
have failed  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Cooper to  
be written to for  
particulars

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Hobhouse having  
failed, Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield be directed  
to write to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Cooper for parti-  
culars

H & A. Wood

"Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg also  
to report that they have written  
to Mess<sup>rs</sup> H and A. Wood the  
Drawers of four and endorser  
of one of the last mentioned Bills  
and have received an answer  
from them stating that they  
are about within a few days  
to lay a Statement before their  
Creditors.

will lay a  
Statement  
before their  
Creditors.

have become Bankrupt.

Mr. Lawrence stated that  
these Parties had become Bankrupt.

Scarratt and  
Partington's  
offer to be  
accepted

"Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg also  
to report that a similar letter  
has been received from Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Scarratt and Partington, the  
Acceptors of one of the five Bills  
last mentioned promising a  
Statement of their affairs in a  
few days

Resolved, That if the other Creditors take  
the 15% in the £. (stated by Mr. Lawrence to  
have been offered in this case) the Bank will  
accept it also.

Mess<sup>rs</sup>



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W & J. Walton

" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg also  
" to report that a meeting of the  
" Creditors of Mess<sup>rs</sup> W and J. Walton  
" Acceptors of one, and drawers of  
" another of the Bills in question  
" will be held at the Guildhall  
" Coffee House to morrow the  
" 29<sup>th</sup> Inst at three o'clock."

The Bank will  
agree to what  
the other Creditors  
do

In this case the Committee  
determined to agree to what the  
other Creditors do.

Mr Wergall's

" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg also  
" to report that Mr Wergall the  
" Acceptor of another of the Bills  
" in question has called on them  
" and states his inability to pay  
" the Bill at present but offering  
" a New Bill guaranteed by his  
" Brother in law whom he repre-  
" sents as a Man of Property

offer acceded to  
if better cannot  
be done

The Committee agreed to  
accede to this proposal if better  
cannot be done.

A. Robertson  
& Son

Bill paid

" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg also  
" to report that Mess<sup>rs</sup> A. Robertson  
" and Son have not taken up the  
" £1000. Bill of Exchange drawn by  
" Wm Dawson & Co. and indorsed by  
" them and that notice under the  
" Act



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"Act preparatory to making them  
"Bankrupts has been given and  
"that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield are also  
"proceeding against them.

"That they have written to  
"Mess<sup>rs</sup> R. L. Dawson & Co. the  
"Acceptors of the last mentioned  
"Bill and that they have received  
"an answer from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Dawson,  
"Solicitors stating that a  
"meeting of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Dawson's  
"Creditors will be held at their  
"Office to morrow the 29<sup>th</sup> Instant  
"at one o'clock.

"That they have written  
"to Mess<sup>rs</sup> W. Dawson & Co. of  
"Baltimore the drawers and  
"Mr. D. P. Reisch of the same  
"place the endorses of the above  
"Bill

Mr. Lawrence stated that  
the above Bill had been paid.

"Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield also  
"Report that they have written  
"to the Solicitors of the Bank at  
"Dublin directing them to use  
"their utmost endeavours to pro-  
"cure a speedy settlement with  
"Mr. Cochrane respecting the Bill  
"drawn by him for £460. - "Mess<sup>rs</sup>

R. L. Dawson

the Bill paid

W. Dawson & Co.

the Bill paid

D. P. Reisch

the Bill paid

Mr Cochrane

to make a speedy  
Settlement



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in the cases of  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Bradley  
& Son

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Smith and  
Locket

Will<sup>m</sup> Glover

" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg also to  
Report that they have written  
" to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Bradley & Son of  
" Manchester, drawers of two  
" Bills for £723.15. - and they  
" have received an Answer stating  
" that they are insolvent.

" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield have  
" also written to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Smith  
" and Locket of Manchester  
" acceptors of one of the last  
" mentioned Bills and that a  
" similar answer has been  
" received from them.

" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield have  
" also written to William  
" Glover of Manchester acceptor  
" of the other of the two last  
" mentioned Bills but have  
" received no Answer from  
" him

Mr. Freshfield  
to apply again  
In the above three cases, the  
Committee agreed that Mr.  
Freshfield should apply again

Mr. Freshfield's  
Report  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Robertson  
have paid their  
Bill.

" New Bank Buildings  
" 25<sup>th</sup> September 1841  
" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg to  
" Report that since the date of their  
" last report Mess<sup>rs</sup> Robertson have  
" paid the amount of their Bill for  
" £1000. referred to therein

Mess<sup>rs</sup>



Rob<sup>t</sup>. Cochran

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"Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg further  
"to report that no communication  
"has been received from Mr. Robert  
"Cochran of Dublin and they fear  
"that further proceedings would  
"not be attended with <sup>any</sup> beneficial  
"result

to be looked after  
as opportunity  
offers

The Committee agreed  
that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield be di-  
rected to make a memorandum  
of this case and to enquire about  
it as opportunity offers.

Mr. Glover's  
affairs to be in-  
vestigated

"Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg  
"further to report that Mr. Glover  
"to whom they applied for pay-  
"ment of a Bill of Exchange for  
"£256.5. is stated to be in insol-  
"vent circumstances and that  
"his affairs are under investi-  
"gation by his creditors,

and  
to wait the  
result.

The Committee agreed to  
wait the result.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Dudden

and

Mr. Amos

and

"Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg also  
"to report that they have com-  
"menced an action against Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
"Dudden of Coventry Street to  
"enforce payment of a Bill for  
"£264.8. - as also against Mr.  
"Amos for payment of a Bill of

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'Exchange for £179.17.2 - Both  
'these parties have entered into the  
'usual Bond with two sureties  
'either to pay the debt or render  
'themselves to prison, and the  
'proceedings against them are  
'in progress.

and

"Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield beg  
"further to report that they  
"have taken a Judgment ag<sup>t</sup>.

Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Saunders & Co.

"Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Saunders & Co. of Hull  
"for the amount of a Bill  
"for £750. as directed under

proceedings are  
in progress in  
the above three  
cases

"which the Bank will be in a  
"condition to enforce payment  
"on the 24<sup>th</sup> October next."

Mr. Lawrence's List of  
this date was laid before the  
Committee and considered. viz:

Duncan Bruce

Duncan Bruce, Drawer  
of a Bill for £936.7. - accepted  
by Robert Lee Dawson & Co. given  
as collateral security by Coll<sup>s</sup>  
Thompson & Harris for their loan  
of £12000.

to be pressed

by M<sup>r</sup>. Freshfield

Resolved,  
That Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield  
be requested to make a pressing  
Application to Duncan Bruce.



Rich<sup>d</sup>. Musgrave

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Richard Musgrave of Birmingham<sup>on</sup>

Wollen-draper, Acceptor of 3 Bills, amount<sup>g</sup>  
to £736..14.. drawn by A. & A. Wood, and  
given as collateral Security by Colls  
Thompson & Harris - viz £274..3/ for their  
Loan of £6000; £277..9.. for their Loan  
of £5500 & £185..2/ for their Loan of £12000.  
Makes his inability to procure a Surety  
for his proposed Composition of  $\frac{2}{3}$  for the  
£ (as was agreed to by the Com<sup>tee</sup> of the  
25<sup>th</sup> August last) he now proposes, as  
the best offer he can make to his -  
Creditors, a Composition upon the  
terms already agreed to by most of his  
Creditors, except that in lieu of the  
Composition being secured, the first  
instalment should be paid down, and  
that he should give his own Promissory  
Note for the 2 remaining instalments  
Resolved

his renewed pro-  
posal

Mr. Lawrence

see  
to the result of  
the Application  
to the other  
Creditors

That M<sup>r</sup>. Lawrence be

directed to see the result of the  
application to the other Creditors

Banes & Lobden of Friday St.

Banes & Lobden's

Warehousemen, drawers of 3 Bills amount<sup>g</sup>  
to £505..7/- given as collateral Security  
by

do



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by Whitmore Mills & Co. for their Loan of £12000, have had a meeting of their Creditors, and they have agreed to take a Composition of 9/ in the £ payable at 4, 8, and 12 Months, the last to be secured

## Resolved

proposed Composition agreed to conditionally

That the Composition be agreed to if all the other Creditors accept it

Mr. Lallemand

Mr. Lallemand of Oxford St. Acceptor of one of the above bills for £100. 1/-

## Resolved,

Messrs Freshfield to proceed against <sup>him</sup> ~~him~~ immediately

That Messrs Freshfield be directed to proceed against him immediately

Thos Holmes & Sons

Thomas Holmes & Sons of Friday Street, silk gauze manufacturers, Acceptor of one of the above bills for £152. 1/-

## Resolved

Messrs Freshfield to proceed against them immediately

That Messrs Freshfield be directed to proceed against him immediately

William Broome, of Oxford Street



W<sup>m</sup> Broome Street Nosier, Acceptor of one of the above Bills for £164.9.

The Bank will wait the Report of the Accountant  
The Com<sup>tee</sup> agreed to wait the Report of the Accountant of the Accountant

Daniel Broadhurst & Sons  
Dan<sup>l</sup> Broadhurst of Manchester, Drawers of a Bill for and Sons' case £137.8. accepted by John Tapp, of Stockport, and given as Collateral Security by Whitmore Mills & Co. for their loan of £12000,

Resolved

to be referred to the Manchester Agent.

That Mr. Lawrence be directed to refer to the Agent at Manchester

John Tapp of Stockport  
John Tapp's Acceptor of the above bill, states that he has been compelled to stop pay<sup>mt</sup>, but with the assistance of his Creditors he shortly hopes to be in a situation to pay the bill in full

Resolved,

To be referred to the Manchester Agent.

That Mr. Lawrence be directed to refer this case also to the Agent at Manchester

S. Leigh Sotheby, of Wellington Street



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 of a Bill for £250, drawn by & discounted  
 S. Leigh with Thomas Burgon  
 Sotheby

Resolved,

to deposit

great coins as

Security

That Mr. Lawrence be directed  
 to write to Mr. Sotheby, desiring him  
 to deposit the "Greek coins" as Security

Hancock & Chese's

Hancock & Chese of Carl St.  
 Kinsbury, Wholesale Druggists, Acceptors  
 of a bill for £270, 14, drawn by &  
 discounted with Thomas Burgon, having  
 paid £100 on acc't, request the Bank  
 will allow them 2 months to pay the  
 balance

Resolved

request granted

That the time requested  
 be allowed

John Burgon & Son

John Burgon & Son, of  
 Bucklersbury, Hardwaremen, Acceptors  
 of a bill for £198, 17, 3, drawn by  
 and discounted with Thomas Burgon

The Bank will  
 wait a week

In this case the Committee  
 agreed, to wait a week

Thomas S. Keap, of Manchester  
 Acceptor



Thos. Heap's  
case

Acceptor of a bill for £270..2.. - drawn  
by Bradley & Son of Manchester, and  
given as collateral security by Whitmore  
Mills & Co. for their loan of £12000.

referred to the  
Manchester  
Agent

Resolved,

That this case be referred by  
Mr. Lawrence to the Agent at Manchester.

Mellor & Heap's  
case

Mellor & Heap, of Leeds, near  
Manchester, Acceptors of a bill for £181..2..5  
drawn by Bradley & Son, and discounted  
with Daintry, Ryle & Co. at the Manchester  
Branch Bank, Mr. Mellor states that his  
Partner, Mr. Heap has been made a Bankrupt  
and as affairs have not yet been arranged  
between himself, and his Assignees, he is  
unable to pay the amount at present,  
but if time is allowed him he has no  
doubt he shall be able to pay the amt.  
of his Bill in full with Interest, and  
charges -

Resolved,

referred to the  
Manchester Agent

That this case also be referred  
by Mr. Lawrence to the Agent at Manch<sup>r</sup>.

Camillus Fawcett's

Camillus Fawcett, of May's  
Buildings Woollen draper, Acceptor of

pro

two



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proposed  
composition

two bills, amounting to £733. 17. -  
drawn by N & A Wood & discounted with  
Cooper Brothers & Co; at the Bristol Branch  
Bank, & of another bill for £116. 10. -  
given as collateral security by Colls,  
Thompson & Harris, for their Loan of  
£12000, request the Bank will accept  
a Composition of  $17\frac{1}{6}\%$  in the £, payable  
by instalments viz: 5 $\frac{1}{2}\%$  at 6 months, 5 $\frac{1}{2}\%$   
at 12 months, 5 $\frac{1}{2}\%$  at 18 months, & 2 $\frac{1}{2}\%$  at  
24 months from the 7<sup>th</sup> August 1841; his  
other Creditors have agreed to the same

agreed to

The Committee agreed to  
the proposed arrangement.

John Winter's

John Winter of Duke Street  
St James, Wine Merchant, Acceptor of  
2 Bills amounting to £422. 14. - drawn  
by and discounted with P. & T. W. Griffith,  
requests the Bank will accept a  
Composition of  $6\frac{1}{2}\%$  in the £, such Compos:  
to be paid before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October  
1841. His other Creditors have agreed to  
the same -

offer accepted

The Committee agreed to  
accept the terms offered

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The following Letter from  
 Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield  
 with

"Dear Sir,

Bolton & Son's  
 composition  
 due

The within

"I hand you herewith  
 "a composition deed of Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Bolton  
 "& Son of Hull, to which the Bank have  
 "agreed, and it is to be executed, and returned  
 "to Hull, by Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Saunderson, when  
 "the money will be paid, the Parties  
 "will be satisfied with your execution  
 "on behalf of the Bank

"I am dear Sir

"Yours faithfully

(signed, "Jas Freshfield Esq

"New Bank Buildings

"1<sup>st</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1841

"Jno: Knight Esq

The Chairman informed  
 the Com<sup>tee</sup> that in the absence of the  
 Secretary, he had given directions for  
 the Dep<sup>y</sup> Secretary to sign the Deed  
 above mentioned on behalf of the Bank,  
 and it was accordingly signed & returned  
 to Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup>  
 Inst.

to be signed by  
 The Deputy  
 Secretary

Depositions



27 Sep. 1841

Depositions were read against Samuel Whapham for uttering 3 forged £10 Bank of England Notes as <sup>th</sup> Samuel Whapham for uttering forged Notes in Midd.

when the Chairman informed the Committee, that agreeing with Mr. James Freshfield that the case was a very clear one, he had directed that the said Samuel Whapham be prosecuted

to be prosecuted The Committee approved thereof

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield have since reported that the Prisoner was fully committed for trial on the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant.

Depositions were also read against Thomas Gardener as <sup>th</sup> Thomas Gardener for uttering a forged £5. Bank of England Note in Hertfordshire

Mr. Freshfield having been consulted in this case, and appearing that the prisoner's Identity cannot be certainly made out

not to be prosecuted

The Committee agreed that the said Thomas Gardener be not prosecuted.



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Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1841

Present,

Mr. Heath

Mr. Hanson

Mr. Prescott

The Proceedings of the  
last Court were read.

The following Report of  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield being read viz.

" New Bank Building

" 19<sup>th</sup> October 1841

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield's  
Report.

" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg to report,

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Cooper  
have been made  
Bankrupts

" That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Cooper have been  
" made Bankrupts.

Mr. Weigall is  
keeping out of  
the way

" Mr. Weigall is keeping out  
" of the way to avoid his Creditors.

Bradley & Son  
can make no  
proposition

" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Bradley and Son of  
" Manchester state that they  
" can make no proposition.

Smith & Lockett  
intend to offer  
a Composition

" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Smith and Lockett  
" of Manchester state that they were  
" only waiting for the appointment  
" of Assignees under Dainton and  
" Ryles.



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"Dykes Bankruptcy in order to  
"offer a composition of 10% in  
"the L. as originally proposed.

Duncan Bruce  
has taken no  
steps for  
payment  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
to proceed.

"Mr. Duncan Bruce has  
"taken no steps in consequence  
"of their application to that  
"Gentleman for payment of  
"his Bill of exchange for  
"£936.7. -

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Dudden  
propose a  
composition

"In the Case of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Dudden  
"their Solicitor Mr. Arden pro-  
"poses to pay the Bank and  
"other Bill holders the Balance  
"due deducting the dividends  
"payable by the other parties to  
"the Bills provided the same  
"does not exceed 12% in the  
"pound on the Amount, by  
"instalments at 3, 6, and 9  
"months and for which they  
"will give security on their  
"Stock in trade. This is in fact  
"no Security"

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
to proceed

The Chairman informed  
the Committee that in the Cases of  
Duncan Bruce and Mess<sup>rs</sup> Dudden,  
he had directed Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield to proceed  
The Committee approved thereof.



Messrs Freshfield reported that Samuel Whapham, who was prosecuted at the Central Criminal Court has pleaded guilty for uttering forged Bank Notes, had pleaded guilty, and that the Court had deferred passing sentence until the ensuing Sessions.

The Chairman informed the Committee that on the 30<sup>th</sup> October he had read Copies of Depositions against John Miller for uttering a forged Bank Note in Yorkshire — Also Depositions against George Chariman for uttering a forged £5. Note at Geo. Chariman Brighton. — neither of which parties were recommended by Mr. Freshfield to be prosecuted.

And Mr. Freshfield's Opinion appearing to him to be just, — the Chairman stated that The Bank will be did not think the Cases to be not interfere such as the Bank ought to interfere in.

The Committee approved thereof.

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M. Lawrence's  
ListM<sup>r</sup>. Lawrence's List  
was laid before the Committee  
and considered. vii.

John Wright

John Wright of Liverpool  
Drawer of a Bill for £160. and  
Edward Duckworth, Acceptor  
of the same, have been repeatedly  
written to, but no answer has  
been received.to have the usual  
21 Days NoticeOrdered, That Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield  
be directed to give them the  
usual 21 days notice.John Silvester  
to be written  
to by Mess<sup>rs</sup>.  
FreshfieldJohn Silvester of Colchester,  
Acceptor of a Bill for £17..14.. -  
discounted with Cooper Brothers  
& Co. has been twice written to,  
but no answer has been receivedOrdered, That Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield  
be directed to write.

Bradley &amp; Son

Bradley and Son of  
Manchester, Drawers of 2 Bills  
discounted with Whitmore, Wells  
& Co. and 3 Bills discounted with  
Dainton, Ryle & Co. amounting to  
£1834..9..5. - The Agent at Man-  
chester states that they are al-



altogether Bad, and that they<sup>96</sup>  
have no direct liabilities.

Ordered,

to have the usual  
21 Days Notice

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield  
be directed to give the 21 days  
Notice, after a Preliminary Letter.

Mellor & Heape

Mellor and Heape of Man-  
chester, Acceptors of a Bill for  
£181.2.5. discounted with  
Dainty Ryle & Co. The Agent  
at Manchester states that they  
are solvent through Mellor's  
property.

Mr. Reid to  
communicate  
with them

Ordered  
That Mr. Reid be di-  
rected to communicate with  
the Parties and if the Answer  
is not satisfactory, Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Freshfield be desired to apply.

J. C. Ridge's

J. C. Ridge of Manchester,  
Acceptor of a Bill for £651.12.  
discounted with Dainty Ryle  
& Co. In a Letter addressed to the  
Agent at Manchester, his Solicitor  
states that all his Creditors have  
agreed to accept a Composition of  $\frac{4}{6}$   
in the £. to be paid immediately  
in Cash

Composition  
agreed to.

Smith



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Smith and Lockett of Manchester  
 Acceptors of a Bill discounted with  
 Smith & Lockett Whitmore, Wells &c. and 3 Bills  
 discounted with Dainton Pyle  
 &c. amounting to £1694.10.4.  
 The Agent at Manchester states  
 that they are offering 10% in the  
 Composition  
 agreed to. L. which all the Trade Creditors  
 he believes have agreed to take.

### Ordered

That in the above two  
 cases, Mr. Reid be directed to  
 agree to the proposed Compositions  
 on the part of the Bank if all  
 the Creditors consent to the Pro-  
 posals.

Wm Amos: William Amos of Walbrook  
 Acceptor of a Bill for £179.17.2  
 discounted with Thomas Burgon  
 requests the Bank will agree  
 with his other Creditors in ac-  
 cepting a Composition of 5% in  
 the L. payable at 4 & 8 Months  
 from the 15<sup>th</sup> October.  
 Composition  
 agreed to

The Committee agreed thereto,  
 all the other Creditors consenting.



J. H. Coules

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J. H. Coules of Gloucester,  
Tanner, Acceptor of a Bill for  
£239.1. - discounted with Kinsley  
Brothers, requests the Bank will  
accept a Composition of 6/8 in  
the £. to be paid immediately  
in Cash. his other Creditors  
have agreed to the same.

Composition  
agreed to

The Committee agreed thereto  
through the Agent at Gloucester,  
on the usual Conditions.

W. P. & C. Dudden

W. P. & C. Dudden of Coventry  
Street, Woollen Drapers, Acceptors  
of 2 Bills, amounting to £389.8. -  
discounted with Cooper, Brothers  
& Co. at the Bristol Branch,  
request the Bank will suspend  
proceedings against them, and  
accept a proposal of 11/2 in the £. -  
which the Trade Creditors have  
resolved to accept.

Resolved

Composition  
agreed to under

the direction agreed to, if all the Creditors  
Messrs. Freshfield Consent and if the Bank Charges  
are paid, these having been



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incurred thro' the Conduct of the insolvents: this arrangement to be subject to Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfields' opinion who are directed to act for the best.

John Burgon  
& Son

John Burgon & Son of Buck-  
hurstbury, Acceptors of 2 Bills  
amounting to £397.14.6 discounted  
with Thomas Burgon state that  
they have sufficient assets to pay  
all their Creditors & to leave a  
Surplus, if sufficient time be  
afforded them to realize their Stock  
require time which is of a nature (being chiefly  
Flints) that requires much time  
in working off  
which the must

Specify

The Committee directed  
Mr. Lawrence to ask the  
Parties to specify the time they  
want.

Stephen Rogers

Stephen Rogers of Bristol  
Drawer of a Bill for £294.6.6.  
retained by the Agent at Bristol,  
has assigned his effects in trust  
to his Creditors who state that a  
Dividend of  $\frac{4}{5}$  in the £. will be  
paid to all his Creditors who sign  
the Deed.

The



composition  
agreed to

The Committee agreed to accept  
the Dividend on £294..6..6.

J. C. White has  
returned no answer

J. C. White of Bath Acceptor  
of the above Bill has been written  
to for payment, but no answer has  
been received.

Benjamin Arons of Chancery  
Lane Furrier, discount of a  
Bill for £200. and  
and

Wm Champion & Co.

William Champion & Co. of  
Friday Street Furriers Acceptors  
of the same, have been written to  
for payment but no answer  
has been received.

The above two  
cases postponed  
for the present

These Cases were suspended  
until the Insolvents' Proposal  
is received

Wm Speakman's

William Speakman of  
Salford, Acceptor of a Bill for  
£287.5..6 discounted with  
Daintry Ryle & Co. at the  
Manchester Branch requests the  
Bank will accept a Composition  
of  $\frac{2}{6}$  in the £. his other Creditors  
having agreed thereto.

The



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Composition  
agreed to

The same was agreed to  
on the usual Conditions.

Chas<sup>d</sup>. H. Weigall of Conduit  
C. H. Weigall's Street Tailor, Acceptor of a Bill  
for £57.4. discounted with Cooper  
Brothers &c. at the Bristol Branch,  
requests the Bank will accept a  
Composition of  $15\frac{1}{2}\%$  in the £. at  
3. 6. 9. 12. <sup>15</sup> & 18 Months to be secured  
by his own Notes of hand.

Composition  
agreed to.

The same was agreed to on  
the usual Conditions.

Mr. Lawrence laid before  
the Committee a Report from  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield. viz:

" New Bank Buildings  
" 10<sup>th</sup> Nov: 1841

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield's  
Report.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield first report  
on the Cases of M<sup>r</sup>. Weigall and  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Dudden, which are al-  
ready disposed of in the above  
list of Mr. Lawrence

" Mess<sup>rs</sup> Freshfield beg also to  
" report that they have been in-  
" formed by Mr. Lawrence that he  
" has received the several Amounts  
" of the Bills to which Mr. Lallemand

" and



"and Mr. Holmes (against whom  
 "actions are pending at the suit  
 "of the Bank) are parties from  
 "persons against whom no  
 "proceedings have been taken  
 "and Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield will  
 "be glad to know if it is the  
 "wish of the Committee that the  
 "proceedings against the above  
 "parties should be continued to  
 "obtain the costs incurred and  
 "to which the Bank are entitled."

The Costs of Suit  
 of Mr. Lallier and  
 and  
 Mr. Holmes

Resolved

to be obtained out  
 of the Balance in  
 the Hands of the  
 Chief Cashier

That the costs to be obtained  
 of Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Freshfield approve of  
 it out of the Balance in the  
 Hands of the Chief Cashier.

6<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1841

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1841

Present

Mr. Heath

Mr. Hanson

Mr. Prescott

Mr. Barclay.

The Proceedings of the last  
 Committee were read. Depositions