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ROAD FROM ST. JOHN'S TO POUCH COVE.

Six hundred and fifty perches of this road have been gravelled and finished in a very satisfactory manner, and five hundred perches of side drains cleared and scoured. Eight bridges built, covered with flags.

LOCAL ROADS.
TORBAY SECTION.

Road from Torbay to Bauleen.—One and three quarter miles of this road is completely finished, and gravelled, twelve feet wide in the centre, the side drains being formed sixteen feet apart. For a distance of twenty perches the road was raised five feet high, with embankments and retaining walls formed of rubble stone and sods; eight cross drains were made, covered with flags.

Larkin's Road.—Twenty-one perches gravelled, two cross drains built and the side drains deepened and scoured for a distance of eighteen perches.

Road leading to Power and Snellgrove's.—Eighteen perches of new road made, bog boughed and longered, and the road gravelled nine feet wide.

Road towards Kyran Whelan's.—Twenty perches made and gravelled, and two cross drains built, covered with flags.

Road by Bradburry's and Charles Tapper's.—This road has been filled and gravelled for a distance of sixty perches from the main road; the filling has been laid on to a height of two feet over the greater portion of the road, and two large cross drains were made, covered with flags. On that portion of the road towards Tapper's eighteen perches were gravelled, the large stones and boulders removed and the side drains deepened.

This road still requires considerable outlay to put it in a thoroughly repaired condition.

Whitty's Road.—From Waterman's House to Tapper's Cove Road, a distance of forty perches has been gravelled. The large stones and boulders have been removed by blasting. Two large cross drains covered with flags, and two bridges covered with plank, have been constructed. The road is now in very good order for the above distance.

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Martin's Road.—This road has been widened for a distance of ten perches by the removal of John Martin's fence, and forty perches made and thoroughly gravelled, side drains deepened and scoured, and a large cross drain constructed, covered with flags. This road is now finished from the main road to the dwelling house of William Martin.

Collins's Road.—For a distance of fifteen perches the land has been raised two and a half feet high, and side drains formed; one cross drain covered with flags built, and all the loose stones and rubbish that formerly encumbered the road removed.

Road to Mahon's land, South Side.—Twenty perches of new road made and gravelled, twelve feet wide, side drains formed on both sides of the road, and two cross drains built.

White's Road.—Twelve perches of the road gravelled, side drains cleared and covered.

Road towards Hickey's and others.—The grant for this road has been applied toward building a new bridge, twenty feet long by nine feet wide. The bridge is constructed in a very substantial manner with stone abutments, and railed.

Road towards the farms of Barron and others.—Twenty-five perches gravelled and side drains cleared and scoured.

Road by Morry's and Malone's.—The whole length of the road (forty-four perches) has been thoroughly repaired and gravelled.

Road to the farms of Grace and others.—Twenty-four perches of new road made and gravelled, nine feet wide, two stone cross drains constructed.

Codner's Road, from Torbay Bridge.—Twenty-five perches gravelled and two stone cross drains built.

Bridge at Torbay Beach has been put in a good state of repair.

Road by Morry's to the Beach.—The total length to this road (eighty perches) has been thoroughly gravelled, the side drains deepened and scoured and three large stone cross drains constructed. A very substantial retaining wall has been built, thirty-four long by five feet high, and railed; several of the large rocks and boulders in the centre of road had to be removed by blasting. I would recommend a further grant of

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one hundred and twenty dollars, to connect this road with the Beach road near the bridge.

Road by Finn's and Redmond's.—Thirty-six perches of this road have been completed towards the fishing room.

Road to fishing room of James Goss and others.—Eighteen perches from the main road have been finished.

Ellard's Road.—Twenty-two perches gravelled and two stone cross drain's built. The side drains, for a distance of eighteen perches, have been deepened and scoured.

Road to North Pond.—Thirty perches gravelled, and all the large stones removed. This road is now passable for wheeled vehicles to North Pond.

Road to farms of Michael Byrne and others.—Eighteen perches of new road made over a bog, which was first boughed and longered, and gravelled nine feet wide.

Manning's Hill.—A passage has been opened up this hill, through a solid rock, thirty-five feet long, nine feet wide and five feet deep, containing fifty-nine cubic yards of rock cutting. The stone thrown out by the blast (about four tons) were broken and applied towards raising the road between the cutting and the main road, and thereby making the ascent much easier. A further grant of eighty dollars will complete this road and improve the road towards the farms.

The improvement made on this hill has been for many years required, as it now enables horses with heavy loads to pass over with ease, instead of making a circuit of a mile to reach the top, as heretofore.

Tapper's Cove Road.—A new bridge, forty feet long, has been built over a stream at the termination of the road in Tapper's Cove. The construction of the bridge is a decided improvement in this locality, as the Cove is the only place in Torbay from which a boat can be launched with safety, in a heavy sea.

A bridge or plank road sixty feet long has also been constructed on this road over a dangerous gulch formed by a land slip which carried away a considerable portion of the roadway, leaving only four feet of a passage. This was the first attended to when the work commenced in the spring. Both bridges have been constructed in a very substantial manner, and railed. Considerable improvements have also been made