

must have had metal of some sort.

Any description of our streets in the early days would be incomplete without reference to the Bullock Drays which were so frequently to be seen on them. Farmers from the surrounding district on certain days brought in their produce and took back their stores. Through the mud of winter time, no other conveyance was possible.

The teams generally consisted of about six to eight bullocks, but often more. They were often left with an indifferent watch when the driver was doing his business. Although as a rule quiet and even somnolent, sometimes the bullocks took a fancy for a run. They were not easily stopped, and it was a great joy to the youngsters when a team got away.

#### WATER LYING:

In the winter, a great deal of water lay in parts of the town site. One lake stretched from Mason Struthers' corner to Tuam Street and Manchester Street. Deep ditches were dug in various streets to relieve this condition.

Moorhouse Avenue and that part now occupied by the Roman Catholic Cathedral was swamp. Traffic was confined in these parts to small boys like myself who jumped from niggerhead to niggerhead on their lawful or unlawful occasions.