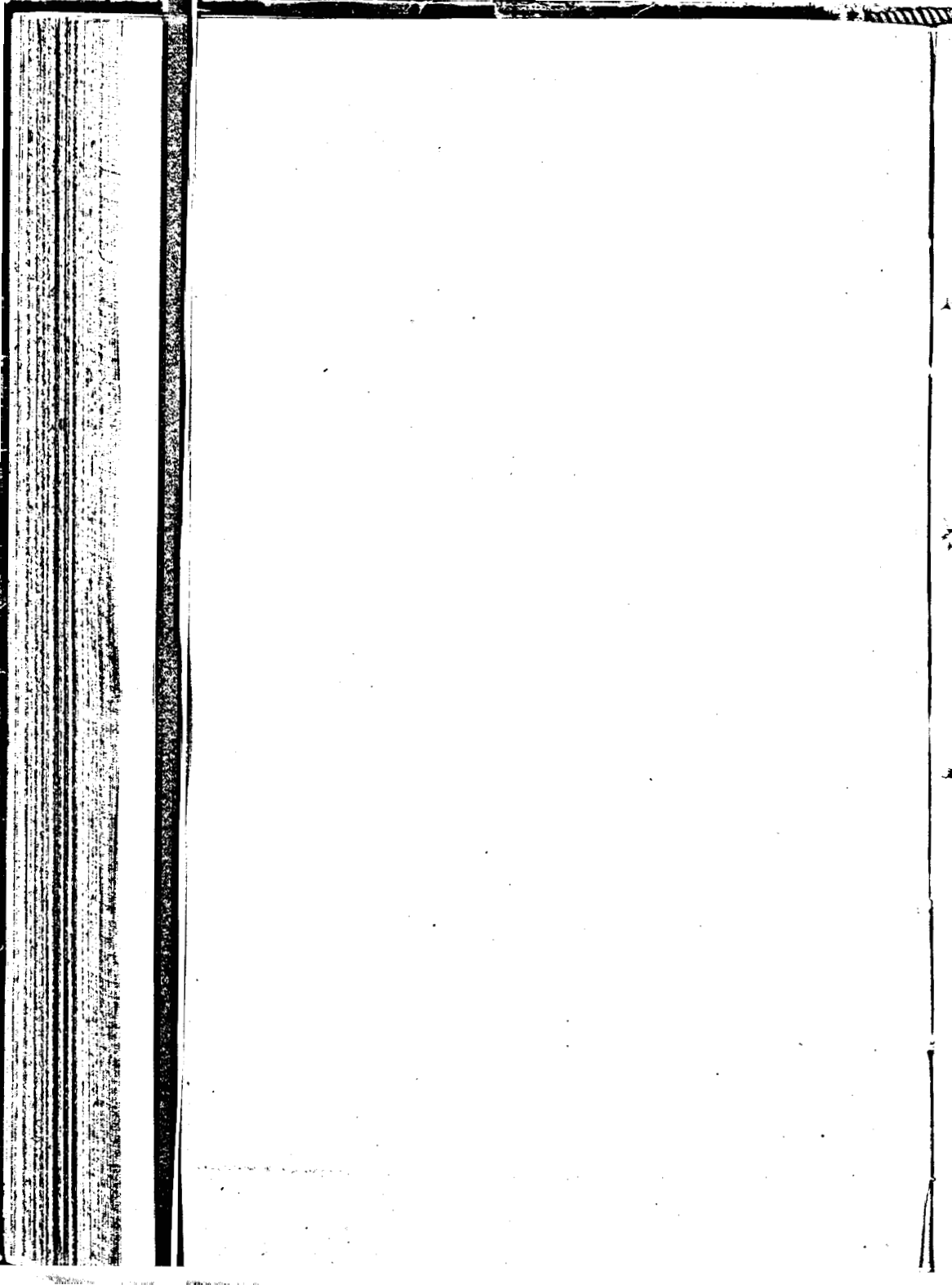


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Council Minutes

January 1882



Minutes and Reports

OF THE

COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY

OF

The County of Halifax, N. S.

SPECIAL MEETING, JUNE 15th, 1881,

—AND—

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING,

January, 1882.

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County Warden—DONALD ARCHIBALD, Esq., J. P.
County Clerk—W. H. WISWELL.
County Treasurer—WILLIAM EVANS, J. P.
County Stipendiary—WILLIAM EVANS, J. P.
County Clerk of Licenses—WILLIAM EVANS, J. P.
County Auditors—HON. P. C. HILL,
D. HENRY STARR.

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1882.

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Councillors Gould, Bissett, Fancy, Dean, Wilson.

* * * The first named on each Committee is Chairman, and the Warden is, *ex officio*, a member of all Committees.

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SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

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Committee on Nominations.

Councillors Chipman, Leslie, Tupper, Shatford and Bissett.

Committee to Confer with Government on Court House.

The Warden, Councillors Chipman, Griffin, Ryan, N. Hays, Jr.

Committee on Charge against Treasurer.

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Committee to Appoint Officers District 17.

Councillors Wilson, Burgess and N. Hays, Jr.

Committee on Affairs of District No. 17.

Councillors N. Hays, James E. Shatford, Himelman, Griffin and Wilson.

Committee on Criers' Appointment.

Councillors Guild, Bissett and Madill.

Municipality of the Co. of Halifax.

A SPECIAL MEETING

—OF THE—

COUNTY COUNCIL,

In accordance with a requisition to the Warden, was held at the Court House, Halifax, on Wednesday, the 15th June, 1881, at 10 o'clock, a.m., in order to appoint the Supervisors of Roads, and otherwise to carry into effect the Statute concerning "Roads and Bridges," passed at last session of the Legislature, and other necessary business.

The Warden having taken the Chair, the roll was called. Present—Councillors John Hays, Fitzgerald, Hubley, John E. Shatford, Chipman, Bnrgess, N. Hays, Madill, Dillman, Tupper, Dean, Ryan, Leslie, Guild, Lapierre, Griffin, Bissett, Jas. E. Shatford, Rowlings, Himelman—21.

The Requisition signed by 13 Councillors and the notice calling the meeting was read and approved.

Letters from Councillors unable to be present were read.

The Warden addressed the meeting on the business to be done; he said that the chief duty was to appoint the four Supervisors of Roads for the County, as Messrs. Pugh, Stairs and Harrington, on being duly notified by the Clerk, had replied in writing, declining, for reasons given, to act as such. Some matters connected with the City Assessment and smallpox cases in Dartmouth required immediate action. He explained the course taken by him in reference to his ruling as to the vote respecting the appointment of Supervisors as being in accordance with Parliamentary practice and the Council's Bye-Laws, the press having censured the steps taken at the May meeting.

The Clerk read the notices sent and replied to by Messrs. Pugh, Harrington and Stairs.

On motion, the correspondence was ordered to lie on the table.

The provisions of the recent Statute on Roads and Bridges were discussed at length.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and James E. Shatford—

"Resolved, That the Roads and Bridges Committee do retire and divide the Municipality into four Road sections for the purpose of expending the Government grant."

Passed.

Read, letter from Judge Johnson, stating that the accommodation expected for business of his Court not being yet provided, he should, in order to effect the County judicial business, have to ask the Judges of the Supreme Court to amerce the County for the funds needed to add to or alter the present Court House.

On motion, the letter was referred to Committee on Public Property.

Read, a letter from the Mayor of Halifax, objecting to the mode and amount of County Assessment on the City, which he deemed to be excessive; asking for arbitration thereon, and naming William Taylor, Esq., as the City's Arbitrator.

The Warden read Section 90 of the County Incorporation Act, bearing on the subject of disputed assessment and the remedy.

On motion, D. Farrell, Esq., was proposed as Arbitrator for the County. Discussion followed, and the vote being adverse and a number of Councillors absent, Councillor Ryan gave notice of reconsideration at afternoon Session.

The Warden mentioned that proceedings had been begun in the suit of Thomas Neville against the Municipality, claiming damages (\$500) for a horse said to have been fatally injured by falling through a defective bridge in District No. 8 in March. He had endorsed the County Clerk's retaining the Attorney-General to defend, as otherwise the suit would have gone against the County by default, and also afford a precedent for more litigation.

The Clerk and Councillors Hays and Fitzgerald explained particulars, which went to show that this was an attempt to make the County liable for a worn-out animal, etc.

On motion, the action of the Clerk and Warden was confirmed.

The County Assessment was then discussed. The Clerk reported that as last year, the City authorities had delayed the whole assessment over seven weeks by not giving the valuation of real and personal estate, though notified as the law requires. The Mayor was three times notified, and finally informed that the previous year's statement would be taken. The Recorder had then named the valuation as \$14,468,520, which was much less than heretofore; and had also raised objections to the City's proportion and to items in the Estimate. In District 17 the books for 1879 and 1880 were not returned, but the councillor said a distraint had been issued last Spring. So far no money had been paid on it—at least to Treasurer—and it seemed impossible to get Collector, Justice, Constable, or Councillor to do anything. The deficit to be added to this year would be \$229.00. Upper Prospect was also largely in arrears, and the people refused to pay. The Municipality of Dartmouth had given the valuation requested. A few Districts had paid up fully, but most all were in arrears yet. On making up the District valuations, sixteen (16) showed a large falling off in real and personal estate, and fourteen (14) an increase. The following is a comparative statement of the whole, which will shew the values for 1881, and the increase or decrease, compared with the valuations of 1880:—

Districts showing a Decrease,

No.	District.	Valuation.	Decrease.
7	Herring Cove.....	\$34,225	\$ 1,600
8	Portuguese Cove.....	23,655	6,167
9	Sambro.....	20,715	113
12	French Village.....	40,255	2,085
13	Spryfield.....	32,295	1,990
15	Bedford.....	85,950	10,160
17	Sackville.....	95,871	11,325
18	Waverly.....	61,705	8,830
20	Meagher's Grant.....	46,365	3,135
22	Upper Musquodoboit.....	95,463	1,129
24	Salmon River.....	37,007	2,477
27	Jeddore.....	90,955	15,525

No.	District	Valuation.	Decrease.
28	Chezzetcook.....	68,660	1,955
33	Eastern Passage.....	66,760	1,560
34	Salmon River.....	45,562	9,233
35	Little River.....	40,598	7,262

Districts showing an Increase.

No.	District.	Valuation.	Increase.
10	Upper Prospect.....	\$ 61,355	\$ 7,834
11	Indian Harbor.....	58,975	2,050
14	N. W. Arm.....	172,825	11,070
16	Hammond's Plains.....	44,467	1,659
19	Gay's River.....	80,926	613
21	Middle Musquodoboit.....	115,805	7,945
23	Lower Prospect.....	23,697	1,774
25	Sheet Harbor.....	23,660	340
26	Tangier.....	68,438	932
29	Lawrencetown.....	55,225	1,325
30	Preston.....	35,304	1,907
31	Dartmouth.....	157,547	9,912
32	Hubbard's Cove.....	69,435	680
36	Musquodoboit Harbor.....	70,848	809

The returns for Dartmouth show a decrease of \$12,965, the assessment for this year being \$1,307,485; for Halifax, a decrease of \$1,227,535, the figures being for 1880, \$15,696,055; for 1881, \$14,468,520. The total decrease shown by the rest of the County is \$36,697, the assessment value being \$1,965,547. The total decrease shown by the County, including Halifax and Dartmouth, is \$1,277,197, the total valuation being \$17,741,552.

A discussion followed, and a motion was submitted by Councillors James E. Shatford and Ryan to send those assessment books back for revision which showed such large decreases as \$9,000 to \$15,000. "It was contended that as the City and Dartmouth had been notified of the amount they would have to pay, based on the figures received, any amendment might render the assessment on the City of Halifax and Dartmouth illegal, and the motion being withdrawn, it was resolved to let the matter pass this year.

The Treasurer's list of deficits of District Assessments for 1880 was submitted and read. The Clerk said that probably these amounts would be reduced by further payments before he should make up the rate for the current year, and asked for instructions thereon.

Moved by Councillor James E. Shatford, seconded by Councillor E. Ryan, and "Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to prepare the Assessment Rolls and forward them to the several Districts."

Passed.

Councillor John E. Shatford (Chairman) submitted the

Report of Committee on Supervisal Sections.

To the Warden and County Council:

Your Committee appointed to divide this County recommend that—
Section No. 1 comprise the following districts: Nos. 24, 25, 26, 29, and 34, with a total mileage of 260 miles.

Section No. 2—Districts Nos. 28, 29, 30, 31, 33 and 36; total mileage of 294½ miles.

Section No. 3—Districts Nos. 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 35; total mileage of 389 miles.

Section No. 4—Districts Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, 23, 13, 11, 12, 32, 16, 17, 15, and 14; total mileage of 344 miles.

Signed by Jno. E. Shatford, Chairman, and all the Committee.

On motion, the Report was received and adopted.

Moved by Councillors Ryan and Tupper, and

"Resolved, That this Council do appoint four Supervisors of Roads and Bridges for this County."

Passed.

The Council adjourned to 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

JUNE 15, 1881.

The Council resumed at 2 o'clock; Warden and 19 present.

The Minutes were read up to appointment of Arbitrator.

In reconsideration, Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor John E. Shatford, moved—

"That Dominick Farrell, Esq., J. P., be Arbitrator for the County in the matter of County Assessment on the City."

Some of the Councillors proposed that the Arbitrator be chosen outside of the City and Dartmouth.

Francis Webber, J. P., of Sackville, was nominated.

This amendment, on being put, was lost. The original motion then passed by a large majority.

The Clerk was directed to notify and swear in D. Farrell, Esq., without delay, and to inform the City and Government of this appointment.

The pay of Supervisors was discussed, and it was moved by Councillors Leslie and Madill—

"That the pay of the Supervisors be \$1.50 per day and 5 per cent. on the Government allowance."

Moved in amendment by Councillors James E. Shatford and Ryan—

"Resolved, That the Supervisors of Roads for this County be paid ten per cent. on the amount to be expended by them."

The amendment passed.

The Warden submitted applications and nominations from John Grant, A. Hefler, D. M. Laren and others for the position of Supervisor. The votes showed the following results:

On motion of Councillors Leslie and Guild, (which passed), William Hay, of Tangier; was appointed for Supervisal Section No. 1.

On motion of Councillors Griffin and Lrpierre, Donald McLaren, of Chezzetcook, was appointed to Supervisal Section 2.

On motion of Councillors Madill and Dillman, Thomas A. Parker of Musquodoboit, was appointed to Supervisal Section 3.

Councillors Burgess and Griffin proposed A. Hefler for Section 4.

On motion in amendment by Councillors John E. Shatford and Ryan, and passed, Edwin B. Hubleby, St. Margaret's Bay, was appointed to Supervisal Section 4.

The expense and inconvenience generally resulting from cases of violation of the License Law having to be tried at Halifax led to discussion on appointment of District Clerks of License.

On motion of Councillors Leslie and Ryan—

"Resolved, That J. Fraser Torrance, Esq., be Clerk of License for Districts Nos. 24, 25, 26 and 34."

Passed.

The Committee on Public Property reported, by their Chairman, Councillor Griffin, that they had considered Judge Johnston's letter regarding extension of accommodation for his Court, but there being no funds at present at their disposal for the necessary improvements, and this session being about to close, they were obliged to defer further action to another session.

On motion, the Report was adopted.

The Clerk quoted the Law requiring all Justices of Peace to forward Returns of Convictions and asked the Councillors to notify all active Magistrates that the Local Statutes were received, and to make their Returns by 1st October.

Several Councillors stated that their Overseers of Poor had been charged for each pauper at the Poor House \$2 per week, and wished information thereon. The Clerk referred them to May Report of Council, page 47, where the Board of Public Charities in letter to him state that the charge would be \$1.50 only.

Councillors Chipman and Hays moved the following:—

“Whereas, It is the custom for all Officers in the Civil Service to have a few days vacation each year, and there is no provision in the Bye-Laws therefor.

“Resolved, That the Clerk and Treasurer of this Council have a week in each year for that purpose.

Passed.

The Clerk and Treasurer tendered their thanks for the privilege.

The Treasurer asked instructions in cases where informal and incomplete warrants for fees of witnesses were drawn on him by magistrates, and gave several instances. Mentioned a case (Constables fees \$23.93) before Justice Torrance as being irregular, and the warrant refused by him. Quoted R. S., Chap. 117, Sec. 50: Parties convicted having property, all expenses can be recovered by levy on said property. In the Queen vs. Mason, where the County paid the costs, Mr. Torrance had taken no steps, though knowing that Mason was well able to pay, and had even admitted that the County had lost the costs through his own oversight. His own charges were excessive, being for mileage and fees as witness \$20.93, while for same distance and fees the Constable, A. McPhee, was paid only \$13.60. Witnesses McMullin, Hilchey, and Clattenbury, \$7.30 each. Justice Torrance had prosecuted Mrs. Gilfoy, of Ecum Secum, for violation of License Law, but had asked him as Stipendiary to issue warrants for parties in Guysboro County, and only surnames were given in a number. The refusal to pay Police-men witnesses fees was founded on the authority, which he held in writing from the Chief Justice and Judge Ritchie. The recent decision of the Council to pay Mr. Torrance's claim for costs \$10.05 in the Queen vs. Murphy, which seemed a contradiction of the first part of the committee's report thereon, had made it uncertain what course he should adopt, as he was anxious to protect the county from overcharges and irregular claims.

Councillor Griffin and others considered that until a change could be effected in existing legislation, magistrates warrants, made strictly after legal forms and requirements, must be paid.

Councillor John E. Shatford moved that no warrants be paid until investigated by the Council. (Not seconded)

Moved by Councillors Himelman and Leslie,

Resolved, “That the warrant of Justice Torrance, in favor of D. Farnell, drawn on the Treasurer, be referred to the Committee on Finance.”

Passed.

The fees in the License and other cases brought up were left to the Treasurer to settle at his discretion, after consulting the proper statutes relating thereto.

The Clerk asked information as to the kind, number and nature of Supervisor's Blanks and instructions. He was granted leave to prepare all and such as may be necessary, and in such form as he found to suit best.

On motion the Council adjourned *sine die*.

Minutes of Emergency Meetings.

JUNE 23RD, 1881.

It being necessary to give effect to the Bye-Laws relating to Licenses for Pedlers, Hawkers, and Auctioneers. the Warden called a meeting of Councillors. Messrs. Chipman, Ryan and Burgess attended, and the Clerk and Treasurer also.

1. Moved by Councillor Burgess, seconded by Councillor Chipman.—

“Resolved, That William Evans be Clerk of License for issuing all or any kind of licenses in the Municipality.”

Passed.

2. “Resolved, That the license fees shall be as follows:—For Pedlers carrying a pack, not more than Five nor less than Two Dollars per year; and for Hawkers and others with waggons, etc., not less than Eight nor more than Twenty Dollars.”

Passed.

3. “Resolved, That in every such license issued it shall be distinctly stated that no liquors can be sold thereunder. Any party who shall infringe this regulation shall, in addition to the legal penalty in such case, forfeit such license.”

In the matter of the Arbitration between the City and County, in reference to employment of Counsel—Resolved, on motion of Councillors Ryan and Chipman—

“That, if necessary, the Arbitrator for the County, D. Farrell, Esq., is authorized to consult the Hon. the Attorney General.”

Passed.

Committee adjourned.

AUGUST 9TH, 1881.

Present—The Warden, Councillors Burgess, Ryan, Chipman and Clerk.

Read letter from the Dartmouth Town Council (August 5th), requesting the co-operation of the County Council in an investigation as to the cause of out break of smallpox at Dartmouth in July.

Moved by Councillors Ryan and Chipman:—

“Resolved, That Councillors Bissett and Griffin be a Committee to confer with the Board of Health of Dartmouth, with a view to investigate the cause of smallpox in that Town, and that the Clerk do notify the several parties of said appointment.”

Passed.

The Clerk desired instructions as to completing the Assessment Roll of District No. 17, withheld until now on account of large deficit, &c.

“Resolved, That the Clerk add the deficit as it now stands, complete the roll, and forward it to the district for collection.

Submitted a sketch plan of proposed alterations in County Court Room as approved by the Judge. The Clerk was instructed to ascertain the cost of the same, but no alterations to be undertaken until approved by County Council.

Meeting adjourned.

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING

—OF THE—

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

—OF THE—

COUNTY OF HALIFAX.

HALIFAX, Tuesday, Jan. 10th, 1882

In accordance with the County Incorporation Act and special notices, the County Council assembled in the West Court Room of the County Court House at 10 a. m. The Warden took the Chair, and the Clerk called the roll. There were present Councillors Jno. Hays, Fitzgerald, Tough, Hubley, Umlah, Chipman, Burgess N. Hays, J. Madill, Dillman, Tupper, Dean, Ryan Leslie Lapierre, Crooks, Griffen, Bissett, Jno. E. Shatford, Himelman, O'Leary and Rowlings—22.

The Clerk produced the Poll Book for District No. 18, read the Presiding Officer's return, and declared B. C. Wilson, Esq., J. P., duly elected Councillor by acclamation, who was sworn in and signed the Roll.

The Minutes of Special Meeting of Council held June 15th, and of Emergency Meetings of Councillors called by the Warden June 23rd and August 9th (as printed herein, pages 5 to 10), were read and adopted.

The Warden then addressed the Council as follows :—

GENTLEMEN OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

The second year of our Municipality has now closed, and in entering upon the third allow me to congratulate you upon the manner in which the whole work of the Council has been performed during the last year, I trust that the same friendly feeling and unanimity of action will characterize all our proceedings in the future as in the past.

The reports of last regular meeting are in your hands, and the Clerk having read a Report of the special meeting called in June last, you will see that we were notified by the City Clerk to appoint an arbitrator to act with one appointed by the City Council, to decide what proportion of the county assessment should be borne by the city. The award of the arbitrators is now on the table, and will be submitted for your consideration. At the same meeting the appointment of Supervisors of Roads and Bridges for the county was made; such Supervisors have each made a Report of the condition of the Roads in their respective districts, and also a detailed statement of expenditure for the last year. These reports will also be submitted to you.

Having received a letter from the Clerk of the Town Council of Dartmouth, asking us to appoint a committee to co-operate with a committee of their body to investigate into the cause of small pox in Dartmouth, last spring. I called an emergency meeting in August last, when Councillors Bissett and Griffen were appointed a Committee to represent this Municipality. A Report of this Committee will be forwarded during the Session, and of the emergency meeting called to give effect to the bye-laws relating to Hawkers and Pedlars, and to state definitely the cost of such licenses.

Owing to the absence of the Councillor for District 18, beyond the time required

by law, I ordered a proclamation to be issued for an election to fill the vacancy which resulted in the return of B. C. Wilson, Esq., by acclamation.

The Committee on Jury Lists have been in session since we last met, and have performed the duty required of them by the Statute. Their Report will be laid before you. One very important matter which should be carefully considered at this meeting is that of County Assessments, in which great irregularity is found to exist, some districts lowering the rate twenty-five per cent. from the previous year, while other districts have increased the rate; I think it very necessary that some better system should be adopted, either by the appointment of County Assessors, or otherwise, by which a uniform mode of assessment could be adopted.

Another matter which requires special attention is the Reports of the Overseers of Poor for the past year. Great irregularity exists in some districts no Reports whatever have been made, while in others the Poor and County rates have been paid to the County Treasurer together, making no distinction. To remedy this, I would consider it necessary to change the bye-laws, and order that all moneys assessed and collected for poor rates be given over by the collector to the County Treasurer, and placed by him to the credit of the District, and such sums can be drawn as required by an order from the Overseers. But the most important matter that you will have to consider is our financial condition as a Municipality. The indebtedness of the City of Halifax instead of decreasing, is rapidly increasing. The city officials collect the county taxes from the ratepayers of the city, but instead of paying them over to the County Treasurer they use the money for other purposes, and the County has to meet its indebtedness as best it can. The result is that the County is involved in heavy liabilities (principally on account of the city) which it is unable to pay. Application has repeatedly been made to the City Officials for even a small portion of the amount due for the past year, but in every instance the request has been denied. The question now arises, how long can this state of matters continue? I feel that the time has arrived when something must be done. The treasury is now empty. The officials have not been paid for the last quarter, a large portion of the Jail supplies remain unpaid, and many other debts have been incurred which we are unable to liquidate. Everything is in confusion simply because the city declines to pay over its share of taxes. It is very plain that some different arrangement must be adopted between the municipalities. And I would suggest that a Committee be at once appointed to take the matter into consideration, and propose to the Council some solution of the difficulties in which we find ourselves involved.

In the Dartmouth matter an appeal was taken by the Town Council of Dartmouth against the decision of our Courts, and the case has been argued before the Supreme Court of Canada, but no decision has yet been delivered by the Judges.

The subject of increased Court Room accommodation will again be pressed upon your attention by the Judges of the Supreme and County Courts, and you will be called upon to decide whether or not the Act passed last Session of the Legislature, for that purpose shall be carried into effect. Many other matters of less importance you will be called upon to consider during the present Session.

Applications had been received for the several County offices. The Clerk stated that the number for County Constables was smaller than heretofore, and none from Dartmouth.

On motion of Councillors Jno. E. Shatford and Leslie, W. H. Wiswell was re-elected County Clerk.

On motion of the same. Wm. Evans, Esq., was re-elected County Treasurer.

Passed.

The salaries and bonds to be same in amount as last year.

Wm. Evans, Esq., J. P., to be Stipendiary Magistrate and County Clerk of License.

Passed.

On motion of Councillors Griffin and Ryan, Dr. Thos. Trenaman was re-elected Surgeon to the County Jail.

Passed.

On motion, Thomas A. James and John Sullivan were appointed County Constables.

Moved by Councillors Griffin and Ryan—

“That Michael Byrnes be the County Constable and Crier of the County Court for the present year.”

Passed.

The Clerk suggested that it was desirable to name a fixed salary for this office At first the yearly pay was about \$50. The County Court business rapidly increased, and in 1877 this was changed to \$1.00 per day during Sessions, and not to exceed \$75.00 per annum. Then \$1.00 per day was named without a limit, while only \$75.00 was placed in the estimate. The amount paid in 1879 was \$100; 1880, \$116; 1881, \$125, shewing a steady increase. Moreover, the position of Crier in the County Court was combined with that of Crier of the Supreme Court, which was an anomaly, both Courts often sitting at the same time.

The remuneration was referred to the Finance Committee.

Councillor Ryan called attention to the Statute respecting a salaried County Constable, a position held by D. Webber, who was again an applicant. The position was now only that of Constable to the Stipendiary, with little work or responsibility, whereas it should be that of Chief Constable, as intended at first, and acted on by the Quarter Sessions

During the discussion, Chap. 23, Sections 18 to 26, R. S., 4th Series, was quoted, relating to duties, bond &c.

Moved by Councillors John E. Shatford and Leslie :—

"Resolved, That Danl. Webber be Chief County Constable for present year under all the stipulations heretofore imposed on such office."

Passed.

On motion, J. B. Sentell was re-appointed Keeper of County Court House for the present year.

Councillor Jno. E. Shatford adverted to the great increase in the illicit sale of intoxicants in several Districts, and the necessity of appointing Clerks of License. The Warden said it was opportune to do so if desired.

On motion, C. L. Whitman was appointed Clerk of License for District 32.

Respecting the auditing of accounts of 1881, the Warden mentioned that Hon. P. C. Hill was performing the duty, but the Law required two Auditors. He submitted a letter from J. C. P. Frazee, stating his resignation from inability to attend. The Clerk read Sections 40-42 of County Act 1879, concerning Auditors and their duties. There being no applications for the vacancy, the Warden was authorized to make enquiry and report as soon as possible.

Moved by Councillors Himelman and N. Hayes, Jr. :—

"Resolved, That this Council appoint a Special Committee to nominate the Standing Committees for 1882 and report at next meeting; and that the Committee be Councillors Chipman, Leslie, Tupper, Shatford and Bissett."

Passed.

The financial condition of the County was referred to by the Warden and discussed.

Councillor Jno. E. Shatford then addressed the Council on the subject of finances of the County, and moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Councillor Hubley :—

"whereas, This Council is so embarrassed in consequence of the City of Halifax not paying its proportion of County rates, since the inauguration of the County Incorporation Act, the members of the Council feel themselves no longer able to carry on the affairs of the County with the limited means at their command, having to meet all the liabilities of the County out of the small portion of the County rates paid by the Rural Districts.

And whereas, The City of Halifax compares in wealth and population nearly 17-20ths of the whole County, and the city authorities have collected and appropriated to the use of the city the County's proportion of the rates so collected, and as the city receives in proportion to its assessed value in County expenditure, 17-20ths or more of the County rates, and have up to the present time neglected to hand over to the County their proportion of the County rates collected by them.

And whereas, 17-20ths of the inmates of the County Jail are from the city, and the city's proportion of the County, and 17-20ths of the Court House are used for purposes within the city limits (be it for city or county). For the last three years the city has contributed nothing towards the support and keeping in order of either the Jail or Court House, or for any other County purpose :

Therefore resolved, That this Council notify His Worship the Mayor of the city that if prompt and satisfactory arrangements are not arrived at within ten days from the time of the receipt of said notice by His Worship the Mayor, this Council will be obliged, through want of funds, to discharge all County officers under the control of

the Municipality, and allow the County Jail and County Court House to take care of themselves, or throw open the Jail and close the Court House until such time as financial matters can be adjusted between the City and County authorities, and in case such a settlement be not effected within the 10 days, then this Council do carry out the foregoing resolution."

Councillor Griffin strongly objected to the course recommended, as also did others. Councillor Ryan proposed that the Warden and Chairman consult a legal adviser, and review the matter with the Attorney-General who had stated that the Recorder said that when a loan could be effected by the city they would be in a position to pay. The resolution was then ordered to lie on the table until the Finance Committee's Report is submitted.

The following amendment was then moved by Councillor Rowlings, seconded by Councillor Burgess, and passed:—

"Resolved, That a committee consisting of the Warden, Councillors Ryan and Griffin be appointed to confer with the Mayor and get security or a guarantee that the amount due by the city to the County will be settled at an early day."

A third resolution by Councillor Lapierre and John Hayes, "that notice be given the city authorities that if the whole amount due the County be not paid by 1st April legal proceedings would be taken," was withdrawn.

Councillor Himelman referred to the delay in presentation of the Treasurer's Report and Accounts, which the Bye-Laws require to be in the hands of each Councillor at this meeting, and moved—

"That the Council adjourn till to-morrow at 10 o'clock, so that some of the Committees could prepare their reports.

Passed.

The Council then adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11TH.

The Council met at 10 o'clock. Present, the Warden and 26 Councillors.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Warden stated that he had seen the Mayor and would have an interview with him to-day regarding the debt due the County.

Read a letter from Councillor D. W. Archibald stating his inability to attend at this session, and referring to the necessity of some changes in the recent Statute on Roads and Bridges, etc.

On motion of Councillors Shatford and Lapierre, the letter was referred to Law Amendment Committee.

A letter from Geo. H. Marryatt, Overseer of the Poor of District No. 9, regarding some land which he wished to dispose of, in which a Pauper had an interest, was referred to the Committee on Poor.

Read a letter from F. H. Bell, Esq., of this city, regarding a debt due him by Justice Torrance of \$1.50, for which he held an order on County Treasurer, who had refused payment on account of some informality.

On motion it was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Read a letter from the Secretary of the Halifax Law Club asking for the use of one of the Court Rooms one evening per week for discussions.

Ordered that the letter lie on the table and the Clerk acknowledge its receipt.

The Warden having to be absent Councillor James E. Shatford took the chair.

A letter was read from Professor Lawson and others, being a committee appointed by the rate-payers of Section 17, complaining of excessive taxes, and requesting that an investigation be made and something be done to keep them from paying such heavy taxes. The first clause of the letter stated that this unjust taxation apparently arose from the fact that the officials of the County Council had failed to enforce the collection of taxes from certain individuals in past years, and that the arrears, instead of being recovered in the manner provided by the Act, had been re-imposed as an additional tax upon the District. This led to considerable discussion. A number of

the Councillors thought that the charge was a very grave one, and should be fully investigated.

On motion, it was referred to a special committee, consisting of Councillors N. Hays, James E. Shatford, Griffin, Himelman, and Wilson.

The Clerk explained fully the history of the matter from which it appeared that there had been large deficits in the district for a number of years. The present trouble was chargeable to the local officials, and the difficulty of getting information or returns from any of them. He had withheld the Assessment Roll for 1881 three months to admit of the large deficit of \$229, being reduced by collections, but was finally obliged to add it and send the Book, etc., to the Councillor for the Collector.

The Clerk read the Award of the two arbitrators and the umpire in the disputed assessment question between the city and county of Halifax. It recites that the estimate for 1881 to be assessed on the whole county exclusive of school rates, was \$20,693 to which amount the May meeting added \$300 for contingencies, making a total of \$20,993. After considering the law and papers submitted to them, they award that the following should be withdrawn from the above estimate of the amount towards which the city of Halifax should contribute its *pro rata* relative proportion with the rest of the county on the assessed value of its property, viz.:

Councillors' Travelling Fees.....	\$700.00	
Revisors.....	198.00	
Contingent Fund.....	450.00	
	\$300.00	
Less above.....	69.48	230.52

Making.....	\$ 1,578 52
Which, deducted from.....	20,993.00

Leaves.....\$19,414.48

for County assessment purposes in which the city is interested.

The whole assessed valuation of property within the county of Halifax is \$17,741,552, made up of \$14,468,520 in the city, \$1,374,855 in Dartmouth, and \$1,965,547 outside the city and Dartmouth. They find the *pro rata* proportion to be paid by the city to be \$15,832.25, leaving a balance of \$5,160.75 to be borne by the other parts of the municipality. Were the matter within the scope of the arbitration, they see no objection to the suggestion of the county arbitrator that the Municipal Council should be at liberty to reserve the sums to be assessed for contingent purposes when collected for municipal contingencies, leaving county contingencies in excess of the estimate to be levied under a future assessment. This award was signed by Mr. Wm. Taylor, City Arbitrator, and Mr. Israel Longworth Umpire. Mr. D. Farrell, County Arbitrator, did not concur in the deduction of travelling fees from the amount to be paid by the city, as the services of the Councillors were for the good of the city as well as the county.

In the discussion on the Award, Councillor Himelman wished it referred to a special committee. Other Councillors disagreed with this motion, as they said the arbitrators had decided, and nothing could change their decision unless it was the Legislature.

Ordered to lie on the table, on motion of Councillors James E. Shatford and Ryan.

The Clerk read Report of the Surgeon to the County Jail for 1881.

The Surgeon states that some of those who had been confined in the Jail here were persons suffering from delirium tremens, and he suggests that straight jackets be purchased to be used in such cases; also suggests that some outdoor employment, such as breaking stone, be provided for those sentenced under conviction. The sanitary condition of the Jail was satisfactory and there had been very few cases of sickness during the year.

On motion of Councillors Burgess and Wilson the Report was referred to Committee on Public Property.

The Warden submitted Reports of Wm. Hay Section No. 1, Donald McLaren Section No. 2, Thos. A. Parker Section No. 3, and Edwin B. Hubley Section No. 4, (the several County Supervisors of Roads and Bridges) each of whom gave satisfactory explanations of the work performed and accounts of the manner in which they had distributed the money placed in their charge. The bad state of the bridges was com-

plained of in all the reports; money enough for either Roads or Bridges had not been placed in the hands of the Supervisors, one of whom advises that a bill be introduced into the Legislature for necessary changes.

On motion of Councillors N. Hays and Himelman the Reports were ordered to be sent to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

The Clerk reported that the greater portion of the Government Grant had been expended as appropriated by the Council, but with the consent of some of the Councillors a larger expenditure had been made in a few Districts by taking from others. He submitted the Supervisor's Accounts in which were a number of omissions and errors, and stated that there was a balance still in the Provincial Treasurer's hands to meet their Commissions and unrepresented Drafts in the hands of contractors.

The Supervisor's Accounts were ordered to be referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

The Council adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met at 2 o'clock, the Warden and 23 Councillors present.

Minutes of Morning Session read and confirmed.

Councillor Jno. E. Shatford asked whether this was necessary. Most Corporations had only the whole day's proceedings read at succeeding meeting.

The Warden said the Bye-Laws required Minutes to be read at every meeting, but a vote of Council could suspend this course.

The Warden reported verbally, that the Committee appointed to interview the Mayor had been courteously received by His Worship and the City Treasurer, who expressed their wish to comply with the requirements of the County Council. The Mayor requested a copy of the Resolutions respecting the City indebtedness, which he would lay before the City Council this afternoon at half-past 2 o'clock, and the Clerk had forwarded the copies asked for.

Read letter from F. H. Bell, Solicitor for J. F. Torrance, Esq., J. P., asking why the County Treasurer should refuse to pay costs in a Prosecution of one Berrigan, which failed from insufficient evidence. The costs (\$14.00) had been taxed in Supreme Court as the Statute provides, but the County Treasurer still refused payment.

The Clerk called attention to the increasing demands of the Districts on the Treasury for similar cases, and to the anomaly that while those Districts are credited in full with all fines and fees collected, the County at large had to bear the expense, of failure to convict, or of committal, and keep of Prisoners in the Jail. These expenses ought to be a set off against the losing District in Penal Statute convictions.

On motion of Councillors Shatford and Ryan—

Resolved, That the letter from F. H. Bell in reference to expenses incurred in the prosecution of parties at Tangier for violation of License Law, be referred to Finance Committee.

Passed.

The Warden submitted the Report of Committee for Conference with Dartmouth Committee on Smallpox Investigation.

To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of the County of Halifax:

The Report of Committee on Conference to investigate the cause of Smallpox in District 31. Your Committee beg leave to report that they met with the Committee of the Town of Dartmouth, and after discussing the whole matter and obtaining necessary information, it was resolved to draw up a Petition to the Dominion Government on the subject.

The petition has not yet been submitted to your Committee, but may be ready in a few days, when it will be laid before this Council.

All of which your Committee respectfully submit,

JOHN G. BISSETT,
J. LESTER GRIFFIN.

Read letter from County Treasurer respecting a statement made by Councillor Himmelman, that \$18.00 paid in by Collector District 33 for part of rates of 1880 had not been credited, and asking that such charge be investigated.

Comments and explanations were made by Councillors Himelman, Jas E. Shatford, Ryan, Jno. Shatford, Warden, Clerk, and others.

On motion, Councillors Guild, Ryan and Chipman were appointed a Committee to investigate and report on the matter.

Read letter from John Shiers, Esq., J.P., enclosing a Bill for \$265. Con-

stables costs of conveying Edward Glazebrook from District 33 to County Jail. The latter was convicted for an assault, fined and refused to pay. The facts were given and the Council asked to direct the Treasurer to pay, he having refused.

Read Section 60, Chap. 117, R.S., under which the course pointed out is that the Magistrate make a legal warrant on the County Treasurer for such expenses. This had not been done, and on motion the letter was laid on table.

Read a letter from County Clerk Oct. 1880 to County Clerk of Colchester, asking payment for expenses of George Maclean, an insane Pauper from Salmon River District, sent from County Jail to Truro, and delivered by Constable Webber to Justices Pitblado and Eaton with said Account in August last.

The Clerk detailed particulars of the case, and mentioned that Maclean had since been sent to Hospital for Insane, chargeable to Colchester. Webber had not been repaid his expenditure.

Read reply from Hugh McKenzie, Esq., County Clerk, Colchester, stating that Overseers of Poor, Salmon River, disputed the Account on account of non-residence, and advising that litigation be deferred until Maclean's settlement be determined.

Moved by Councillors Jno E. Shatford and Wilson--

Resolved, That the amount (\$17.00) due by the Municipality of Colchester for conveying Geo. Maclean, an insane Pauper, to Truro, be again demanded, and that the Warden of Colchester be notified that if such bill be not paid forthwith, this Council will institute legal proceedings for the same.

Passed.

On motion of Councillors Himelman and Guild it was ordered that Constable Webber's expenses in the foregoing matter be paid by this Council.

The following resolution was moved by Councillor Shatford and seconded by Councillor Hubley :--

Whereas, The necessity of having a legal adviser appointed to advise the Council in all matters coming under its jurisdiction, has hitherto been felt;

Therefore resolved, That the Council now appoint a legal gentleman to that position to have the same powers as the Recorder of the Town of Dartmouth now possesses.

The motion was fully discussed and the duties of the Recorder stated.

It was moved in amendment by Councillors Griffin and Rowlings "That no legal adviser be appointed until the resignation of the Honorable the Attorney General."

Carried.

Read a letter from the Halifax Law Club requesting the use of one of the Court rooms one evening each week.

On motion the letter was ordered to lie on the table.

Read a letter from T. Shatford, Milltown, relative to Statute Labor requiring to be done in a Section of District 27, where life and property were not safe, &c.

The letter was referred to Councillor Guild.

A bill amounting to \$69.75 from Sheriff Bell, for fees for certifying Revised Lists, summoning and board of Juries, &c., was submitted by the Warden, and, on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance

The subject of the falling off in the valuations of several Districts was mentioned by the Warden, and discussed.

The following resolution was moved by Councillor Ryan and seconded by Councillor Griffin :--

Whereas, It has been brought to the notice of this Council that there has been, as will be seen by the assessment rolls of last year, a large reduction in the assessed value of several of the Districts, while other Districts have increased in valuation.

Resolved, That the assessment Committee investigate the mode of assessment throughout this Municipality and the cause of so large a reduction in some districts, and report to the Council at an early day.

Passed.

The Council, on motion, adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12.

The Council met this morning at 10 o'clock. The Warden and 27 Councillors present.

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

A letter from the Secretary of the Law Club asking for a conference with the Council relative to the Club's application for the use of one of the court rooms was read and laid on the table, the Council having decided not to allow the use of the rooms. Councillor Jno. E. Shatford expressed himself in favor of granting the request. The Clerk was directed to acknowledge the letter.

Read letter dated Oct. 15th, 1881, from Dr. Adlington, J. P. of Sackville, stating proceedings in Warrant of Distraint issued by him against defaulters in District 17, for 1880. He reports the constable (Tolson) as liable to the legal fine for dereliction of duty, and states that only \$20.70 had been collected, of which the said Constable had paid him only \$3.36, and balance to the Councillor instead of himself or the Collector.

Read also Collector Fenerty's report for 1881 of Rate Roll not being received until Oct. 6th, and his proceedings thereafter. Also Clerks Memo, shewing \$94.00 still uncollected, for which a Warrant of Distraint had issued.

Moved by Councillors Jas E. Shatford and Ryan, "That these documents from No. 17 relating to Taxation be referred to the Special Committee appointed yesterday."

Carried.

The Warden submitted the return of the Point Pleasant and Ferguson's Cove Ferryman. During the year he had carried 1,365 passengers, of whom 160 were carried free, and the others, at the rate of 7 cents per head, paid \$22.88.

The Clerk reported that license had been issued to him for current year, and asked that the Councillors get the Returns of Ferries in other districts.

Councillor Jno. E. Shatford, referring to Public Accounts, said they were not yet ready, and that Mr. Hill was unable to attend to the auditing to-day.

The Clerk said he had spoken to several persons, who were competent to audit the Accounts, that the Act required that the County should have two Auditors, and that Mr. D. H. Starr had sent in an application for the position vacated by Mr. Fraze.

The Warden submitted the application.

Councillor Ryan suggested deferring the matter, as there might be others who would apply.

Moved by Councillors Wilson and Burgess—

"That Mr. D. H. Starr be appointed County Auditor in place of Mr. J. C. P. Fraze, resigned, and retained for same position for 1882."

Carried.

Mr. Starr being present was sworn in under the Special Oath by the Clerk.

On motion of Councillors Jno. E. Shatford and N. Hays, Jr., John Sullivan and John Murphy were appointed County Constables for 1882.

Councillor Burgess, Chairman of the Committee on Licenses, reported, that during the year licenses were granted to Thomas Ward, Dist. 14 Robt. Allen, H. N. Wright, and Thomas Beach, Dist. 15; James H. Power, Dist. 10, for a year, and to H. B. Sellon, Dist. 15, for six months up to May, 1882.

On motion the Report was adopted.

The Warden submitted a letter from Judge Johnson, of the County Court, asking for additional court room accommodation, and that the Council do carry into effect the Act of 1881, relating thereto, by appointing Commissioners and asking the Government to do the same.

On motion referred to the Committee on Public Property.

Councillor B. W. Chipman, Chairman of the Committee on Jury Lists, reported as follows:

On Tuesday, 16th September, 1881, Councillors B. W. Chipman, E. Ryan, J. L. Griffin, E. E. Burgess, attended at the Court House and obtained all information necessary to make up the list of names of the Grand, Petit, and Special Jurors for the next two years, and from which their names should be drawn, they exercised all due care and diligence in the work, so as to have the lists accurate and complete, accord-

ing to the statute, and having duly certified the lists, they are now on file in the Prothonotary's office. The time occupied in the work was one hundred and eleven days, (111), for which the law allows one dollar and fifty cents per day (\$1.50).

Councillor Tupper, being unable to attend, the amount was divided between the above named Councillors in attendance.

(Sgd.)

B. W. CHIPMAN, *Chairman.*
EDWARD RYAN,
J. LESTER GRIFFIN,
E. E. BURGESS,
JOHN D. TUPPER.

In connection therewith, read returns of jury fines and fees by J. F. L. Parsons, Esq., Prothonotary, (Sept. 1st to Dec. 31st). Amount received and paid over to County Treasurer, \$33.60. Also report that from the decease of late M. J. Wilkins, (Aug. 16) to Sept. 1st, Mr. Craigen, acting Prothonotary, received no fees.

Read letters from Dr. A. N. Cunningham, of Dartmouth, claiming payment of his services in connection with Smallpox, in District 31, in 1881, the account having been audited and passed by the Council in May. The Clerk had replied, explaining that the County was not in funds, and that litigation was not likely for reasons given to succeed. The Treasurer would pay out of first available funds.

Councillor John E. Shatford objected that the charges were payable by the city, as the Lovett family, who took the disease into District 31, in 1881, the account having been audited and passed by the Council in May. The Clerk had replied, explaining that the County was not in funds, and that litigation was not likely for reasons given to succeed. The Treasurer would pay out of first available funds.

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Councillor Bissett explained that the amounts directly connected with the removal, etc., of the Lovett's, \$17 50 had been paid in April. The doctors account was for attendance and quarantine arrangements of the other patients. The \$17.50 the clerk is to collect from the city. The account was ordered to be paid, as the Clerk's reply had stated.

The Warden having referred to appointment of District Officers, it was moved by Councillors Griffin and Burgess:—

Resolved, That the Councillors of the several districts be prepared to forward "their lists of officers to-morrow forenoon."

Councillor Crooks stated that during his absence from the Council last May there had been a change made in the boundary of the road and bridge sections of Districts 28 and 29, which was inconvenient and unjust for the latter and also illegal. Only the Legislature could alter the boundaries of Districts.

The motion referred to was read. (See minutes 1881, page 89). It was moved by Councillors Wilson and Crook.

Resolved, That the resolution passed 7th May, 1882, in reference to the division boundary in Districts 28 and 29, be amended by expunging the following words: "that each Council keep up half as his proportion."

Carried.

The Clerk, referring to the various divisions of the Districts for Polling, Statute Labour, School and other purposes, mentioned a number of instances of disputes between Assessors, Revisors and Trustees, and requested that at an early day a topographical chart of the county be prepared, on which all boundaries should be correctly laid down.

Councillors Chipman and John Hays mentioned a difficulty in determining the location of certain ratepayers who had heretofore paid taxes in No. 7, and had also been put on the roll of No. 14. It was suggested that the Councillors apply to the Legislature for an act to establish the boundary as they may agree upon.

The following resolutions were moved, seconded, and passed:—

"That an additional Overseer of Roads be appointed in District 34, to have jurisdiction from Main Post Road to Archibald's Gold Mines."

"In District 12, that Section No. 2 be divided into sub-section No. 1, Boutillier's line to Pine Gate; No. 2 Pine Gate to Umlah's Road."

"In District 32, Road Section No. 1, to be extended to Chapel Hill instead of Hubbard's Bridge, as formerly."

"In District 33, that the section from York's corner to Hartlin's be divided into two road sections, and that Temperance Hall Gate be the boundary."

"In District 28 a new road section by dividing the present one, to be from Bel-fountain's corner to Canterbury Bridge, and from the Chapel to John Connors' Bridge."

The Warden read a letter from Col. Laurie, dated Victoria, B. C., November 19,

tendering his resignation as Councillor, and regretting that his present position compelled him to sever his connection with the municipality.

The subject of balances due by Districts for County rates was brought up. Councillors Ryan and Shatford moved that the Clerk be instructed to prepare a detailed statement of all unpaid county rates up to Dec. 31st, 1881, and submit the same with the name of each District to the Council at the earliest possible moment, in order that action may be taken with a view to have the same collected at an early day.

Passed.

The Clerk stated that he had already prepared the list and placed it with the Warden, who presented the same, which was read as follows:—

A statement of County Rates assessed, collected and due from Rural Districts, Halifax County, to December 31st, 1880.

No. of District.	Name of Collector.	Amount Assessed.	Amount Paid in.	Deficiency.
7	Edward Hayes.....	147 57	144 91	2 62
8	Simon Mackie.....	130 49	63 08	67 40
9	Patrick Twohig.....	89 09	88 48	0 61
10	Patrick Dugan, Jr.....	324 18	114 94	209 24
11	James Cornelius.....	254 57	253 71	0 86
12	Edmund Deal.....	168 42	168 42
13	John Umlah.....	138 91	129 65	9 26
14	Chas. E. Percy.....	760 44	484 23	276 21
15	Edward Boutillier.....	396 95	301 89	95 06
16	Amos Bezanson.....	195 53	182 47	13 08
17	Wink. Fenerty.....	658 44	564 18	94 26
18	G. L. Marshall.....	265 93	254 77	11 16
19	John Wilson.....	388 60	379 36	18 24
20	Peter Tully.....	199 88	196 33	3 55
21	P. R. Clarke.....	498 74	495 49	3 25
22	F. W. Henry.....	414 92	387 87	27 05
23	Samuel Blackburn.....	102 30	61 20	41 10
24	Daniel Cameron.....	159 86	144 90	14 96
25	T. B. Simonson.....	274 61	255 88	18 73
26	Leonard Conrad.....	343 42	281 33	62 09
27	John D. Mitchell.....	391 41	391 41
28	George Lapierre.....	295 48	286 87	8 81
29	James H. Sellars.....	237 97	237 97
30	Joseph Evans.....	153 57	149 33	4 24
31	John McDonald.....	802 98	779 24	23 04
32	P. F. Boutillier.....	299 40	298 21	1 19
33	Peter Himmelman.....	287 79	283 04	4 75
34	James Whitman, Senr.....	196 35	184 27	12 08
35	John Grant.....	174 60	169 70	4 90
36	Albert Gaetz.....	354 56	337 93	16 63

\$9116 96 \$8072 59 \$1044 37

Total Amount of Balances due County, not including

City and Town of Dartmouth..... \$1,044 37

The Clerk reported that the aggregate deficit was much less than last year. He had notified all Districts in October, and also advertised that the Collectors would issue distrains after December 1st, and this course had been adopted in several Districts

On motion of Councillors John E. Shatford and Ryan

Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to enforce the law in all districts where there are defaulters and to employ constables and officers to any extent to proceed to each district and levy for all overdue rates and collect the same, also to pay such officers or persons all necessary fees out of the County fund

Passed

Councillor B. W. Chipman, Chairman, submitted the Report of Special Committee on Standing Committees.

The Committee on Standing Committees recommended the appointing of the following named:—

Public Accounts and Finance.—Messrs. John E. Shatford, B. W. Chipman, G. A. Leslie, J. L. Griffin, and N. Hays.

Public Property and Tenders.—Messrs. J. I. Griffin, Edward Ryan, John G. Bissett, B. W. Chipman, Joseph Himmelman, E. E. Burgess.

Licenses.—Messrs. James E. Shatford, James Crook, George Madill, E. E. Burgess, W. B. Christian, George Rowlings.

Roads and Bridges.—Messrs. John E. Shatford, G. A. Leslie, George Madill, J. D. Tupper, John G. Bissett.

Assessment.—Messrs. Wm. Guild, Adam Dean, John Hays, Thomas O'Leary, and A. Hubley.

Lunatic Asylum.—Messrs. B. W. Chipman, E. Ryan, George Rowlings, J. L. Griffin, and Joseph Himmelman.

Law Amendments.—Messrs. James E. Shatford, G. A. Leslie, B. C. Wilson, J. L. Griffin, and John E. Shatford.

Jury Lists.—Messrs. Edmund Ryan, John Lapierre, Joseph Himmelman, E. E. Burgess, and J. L. Griffin.

Poor.—Messrs. Wm. Guild, John G. Bissett, Solomon Fancy, Adam Dean and B. C. Wilson.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and James E. Shatford the report was adopted.
The Council then adjourned to 2 o'clock, P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

JANUARY 12TH, 1882.

The Council met at 2 P. M. Present the Warden and 25 Councillors.

The minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Read a petition of P. W. Maskill and others at West Jeddore asking for aid for a new road.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Guild—

"Resolved, That the petition of inhabitants of Jeddore asking aid for a new road do lie on the table."

Passed.

Read a petition from certain inhabitants of West Jeddore asking for a change in the Statute labor sections, so that the road grant and labor may be expended to more advantage, &c.

Moved by Councillors Guild and Burgess—

"Resolved, That No. 4 Road Section begin at Big Brook, West Jeddore, and end at the Hall, and that No. 5 Road Section begin at the Hall, and end at Stephen Harpell's west line."

Passed.

Read a petition from twenty inhabitants of Ferguson's Cove, asking for a new road from Matthew Lynch's to main road

On motion it was first referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges. In amendment—

"Resolved, That this Council order a precept in conformity with Section 2, Chap. 44 Rev. Statutes, and that William McLennan and James Conway be appointed to lay out the said road and report to this Council at its meeting in May."

Passed.

In order to allow Committees to meet, Council then adjourned to 10 next day.

FOURTH DAY

FRIDAY, Jan. 13th, 1882.

The Council met at 10.30 a. m.

Present—the Warden and 26 Councillors. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The lists of District Officers for 1882 were handed in by their respective Councillors, whereupon it was moved by Councillors Griffin and Tupper—

“That the lists of Township Officers for the several Districts do pass as submitted to the Council.”

Passed.

Councillor Rowlings, Chairman, submitted the Report of Committee on Poor.

Report of Committee on Poor.

Your Committee beg to submit the returns of the Overseers of the Poor for 1881, as far as received at present :—

Dist.	Balance on hand, 1881.	Collected of assessment, 1881.	Total.	Expended.	Cash Balance on hand, 1881.
7	\$28.56	\$60.00	\$88.56	\$10.50	\$78.06
11	27.43	105.68	133.11	83.63	49.48
12	27.03	89.75	116.83	95.75	21.08
13	47.50		47.50	25.14	22.36
17			No assessment.		
18	185.52	254.77	440.59	311.89	129.70
19		62.58	62.58	50.73	11.85
20	44.92		44.92		44.92
21	100.03		100.03	65.67	34.36
22	64.72	134.17	198.89	150.89	48.00
24		138.15	138.15	111.35	26.80
25	64.09	128.00	192.09	167.12	24.97
26		159.28	159.28	83.45	75.83
29	19.62	62.06	82.58	36.65	45.93
30	43.41	41.17	84.58	35.00	49.58
31	7.86	193.80	201.66	167.93	33.73
32	7.22	204.94	212.16	194.40	17.76
33	7.16	109.37	116.53	68.70	47.83
36	57.50	70.00	127.50	56.71	70.79

The Committee recommend that there be collected from all the Districts, Statistics of the Poor in each, according to a form to be prepared by the Clerk, containing necessary information for the Council at its Annual Session next year.

They also regret that the Overseers of many of the Districts have not made returns and financial reports for the year 1880 or the present year, and would recommend that if these delinquents do not, after another notice, forward their accounts, the Clerk be authorized to put in force the penalty stated in the Statute.

They further recommend that all monies assessed and collected for the Poor in the several Districts be paid to the County Treasurer, and drawn by the Treasurer of the Overseers of Poor or his order when approved by the Councillor of the District, of the vouchers being sent to the County Clerk.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE ROWLINGS, *Chairman.*

JOHN G. BISSETT.

JAMES FITZGERALD.

WM. GUILD.

ADAM DEAN, not agreeing to the last Clause.

A protracted discussion followed on the assessment and disposition of District Poor Rates. The Clerk pointed out that the course hitherto pursued was illegal as well as unsatisfactory, in the payment of monies and keeping the accounts. The law said the Clerk or Treasurer should not be an Overseer himself, and that the former should be paid, and read Chap. 33, Sections 43-47, Rev. Stat., 4th Series.

Moved by Jas. E. Shatford, seconded by Alvan Hubley.

"Resolved, That the portion of the Report on Poor relating to paying all monies into the County Treasury be struck out."

Passed.

Moved by John Lapierre, seconded by J. L. Griffin.

"Resolved, That the Report on Poor as amended be received and adopted."

Passed.

Councillor Guild, Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee on Assessment.

Report of Committee on Assessment.

To the Worshipful Warden and Members of this Council:

After carefully examining the letters and documents of the several persons appealing from their assessments, we beg leave to report as follows:

1. In the cases of Mary A. Prockwell and Duncan Waddell, we have to say that their appeals are not in legal form, and we therefore recommend that their assessments be sustained.

2. In the case of Isaac Dauphney, of District 12, who has made oath that he does not own the property for which he has been paying taxes, we therefore recommend that the Assessors of said District be notified by their Councillor to be sure to assess the rightful owner of said property.

3. In the case of Edward B. Sutcliffe, your Committee beg to say that we made particular enquiries about this case, and that we were shown a map of the lot of land on which the taxes had been levied and collected. We, therefore, in justice to the assessors and appellant, recommend that both parties be notified to appear before your Committee on Assessment at the next May meeting to show cause for and against said assessment.

We also beg leave to recommend that the Councillors of those Districts in which the amounts of valuation of property has decreased so much be asked to explain the causes thereof.

We also beg leave to suggest that some system be adopted by this Council whereby the Assessors for the several Districts be paid according to the labor performed.

All of which we humbly submit to your Council.

WM. GUILD,
THOS. O'LEARY,
ALVAN HUBLEY,
JOHN HAYES,
ADAM DEAN.

A long discussion followed by Councillors Jas. E. Shatford, Ryan, Chipman, Hayes, the Warden, Himelman, Lupierre, Bissett, Tupper, Dean, Wilson, O'Leary, Rowings, Griffin, Jno. E. Shatford, on the duty and remuneration of Assessors issuing notices, &c.

It was moved by Councillors Himelman and N. Hays—

"That the Report be adopted."

Subsequently withdrawn.

The Clerk having asked whether valuation notices should be printed for the

Assessors this year, it was moved by Councillor G. H. Madill and seconded by Councillor Wm. Guild, and

"Resolved, That the resolution passed last year requiring Assessors to deliver such notices be rescinded."

Passed.

The following resolution was moved by Councillors Wilson and O'Leary—

"Resolved, That the Clerk of the County do instruct the several Assessors to post up in three conspicuous places in the District a list of valuations, with a notice that all appeals therefrom be made within 15 days to the County Clerk."

Passed.

It was moved by Councillors John E. Shatford and Ryan, and

"Resolved, That this Council, at this meeting, do appoint three General Assessors, one for each Road Supervisal Section as laid down last year, and that these Assessors meet with the local Assessors in each District, and that they be paid \$1.00 per day while employed."

The motion was fully discussed, and it was then moved in amendment by Councillor Wm. Guild, seconded by Councillor W. B. Christian, and

"Resolved, That the decision thereon be deferred until May meeting."

Carried.

Councillor Guild (Chairman) submitted the Report of Committee on matter between Councillor Himelman and County Treasurer :—

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Halifax, now in Session :

The Committee nominated to investigate certain charges made by Councillor Himelman against the County Treasurer report as follows :—

After hearing the statement made by Councillor Himelman, and also the Treasurer's explanations, and carefully examining the books and papers in connection therewith, we find nothing wrong in the Treasurer's accounts, and entirely exonerate him from any charges made.

Your Committee are of opinion that Councillor Himelman made the charge in open Council through a misunderstanding, and it would be only just to the Treasurer that he should demand a suitable apology in open Council.

WM. GUILD,
B. W. CHIPMAN,
EDMUND RYAN.

Councillor Himelman objected to the Report, as he had stated what was correct in respect to the Roll for District 33 and the Treasurer, and should not be asked to apologize; he did not think what he said could be called a charge.

Several Councillors replied that they considered the statements of Councillor Himelman were a grave charge against the Treasurer, and having been publicly reported, it was necessary that the refutation should be publicly made and published.

Councillor Himelman said if he had hurt the feelings of the Treasurer, or said anything which seemed like a serious charge against him, he was sorry and willing to retract it.

On motion, the Council adjourned to 2 o'clock p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

JANUARY 13th.

The Council met at 2.30 p. m.; the Warden and 24 Councillors present.

Minutes of Morning Session read and adopted.

Read, a letter from the City Clerk, enclosing an abstract from Minutes of City Council 11th inst., stating that "the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay to the County Treasurer out of first available funds in his hands from three to five

thousand dollars on account of the indebtedness of the City to the County of Halifax."

On motion of Councillors John E. Shatford and Burgess, it was

"Resolved, That the communication from the City Council be laid on the table."

Read, a petition from Augustus Hamilton and other inhabitants of District 22, stating that a number of them reside on new farms between Guysboro' Road and a road leading to D. M. Dean's mills (distance two (2) miles), with no connecting road but through the woods or fields, and asking to do their statute labor on a road now laid out in the section.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Jas. E. Shatford—

"Resolved, That the prayer of the petition be granted."

The Chairman (Councillor Chipman) presented

Report of Committee on Lunatics.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Halifax:

The Committee on Lunatic Asylum beg to report as follows:

Since last return in January, 1881, there have been admitted to the Hospital for Insane, in accordance with the requirements of the Law and the By-Laws, twenty-three (23) patients—12 males and 11 females. Of the males, one (William Stowell) who had been admitted in 1880 and transferred to Lunenburg County under the statement made in the affidavit then taken was, on investigation held by the Board of Public Charities, found to be chargeable to Halifax County, and re-transferred from Lunenburg County; one was chargeable to the Province and two to other Counties—leaving nine (9) for whom the County is chargeable.

Of males admitted in 1881, one (1) was relieved and two (2) died at the Hospital. Of those admitted in previous years, three (3) were cured, six (6) died. There were three (3) re-admissions of females in 1881; four (4) were cured, one (1) died; and of those admitted in former years, six (6) were cured and two (2) died. The total number of patients discharged is therefore twenty-five (25) by death and otherwise this year. The number of patients for whose maintenance this County was liable on December 31st, 1881, is ninety-seven (97), which is thirteen (13) less than in 1880.

The Committee, under the crippled state of the County finances, have not been able to make a payment on account to the Government. The liability goes on increasing, and, in the absence of the account current to 31st December, 1881, which is not yet received, may be estimated at about \$40,000.

The Committee, with Wm. Taylor, Esq., attended at the office of the Board of Public Charities at various times in reference to rectification of the accounts. A number of the patients named in the Report of May last to be struck off as wrongly charged were shewn, by evidence in documents filed there, to be really chargeable to the County. A few are still undecided, and a further meeting will be required to determine their settlement. A partial Report made up by Mr. Taylor accompanies this Report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

B. W. CHIPMAN, *Chairman.*
EDMUND RYAN,
JOSEPH HIMELMAN,
J. LESTER GRIFFIN,
GEORGE ROWLINGS.

Moved by Councillors Lapierre and John E. Shatford—

"That the Report be received and adopted."

Passed.

Read, the Report and letter of William Taylor above referred to, mentioning difficulties in the way of his giving more time to the investigation, the readiness of

the Board of Public Charities at all times to afford all information and enter into the examinations respecting the accounts or settlements of patients charged to the County, and the results already arrived at so far as the enquiry had gone. He recommends that the remainder of the doubtful cases be disposed of and settled first, and then that the Council initiate the usual course for completing those already reported, thereafter taking up the subsequent cases and ascertaining the correctness or incorrectness of the charges by bringing each case regularly before the Board of Public Charities.

On motion, this Report was ordered to lie on the table at present, and the Clerk to acknowledge its receipt.

Councillor John E. Shatford (Chairman) submitted the

Report of Committee on Roads and Bridges.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Halifax :

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Roads and Bridges have examined the reports and accounts submitted by the several Supervisors of Roads, &c., for this County, and find a great deficiency in some of the reports and accounts. In one case, that of Section No. 3, there is no statement made by the Supervisor to show whether the amounts are overdrawn or not, and we are unable to comment thereon. Your Committee are of opinion, from information received, that the system of expending Road monies by Supervisors, as at present, has given general dissatisfaction throughout the Municipality. In some Districts the money has been entirely wasted; persons have been paid on contracts the past year as high as four dollars per day, and in many cases persons were known to club together, so that there could be no competition at auction sales, the Supervisors thereby being compelled to pay large amounts for small contracts. We are of opinion that this trouble is largely due to the extent of the Road Sections, and we would recommend that the law be so amended as to enable the Council to apportion the Road and Bridge Grant, as heretofore, among the several Districts, and allow each Polling District a Supervisor of Highways.

With respect to the petition of Peter W. Maskill, J. P., and others, of West Jeddore, your Committee think they have no jurisdiction in such matters, and therefore recommend that the said petition be referred to the Councillor for District No. 27.

Your Committee would recommend that the petition of William McLawlan and others of Ferguson's Cove be referred to the Councillor for District No. 7, and that he inform the aggrieved person the proper course to pursue to obtain a right of way to the public road.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN E. SHATFORD, *Chairman.*
 GEO. A. LESLIE.
 JOHN D. TUPPER.
 W. B. CHRISTIAN.
 GEO. H. MADILL.

After brief discussion, the Report was received and adopted, on motion of Councillors Hubley and Burgess.

Councillor Himelman referred to and explained the necessity of a change in the Bye-Law respecting sea manure, and moved the following resolution, seconded by Councillor Bissett—

Resolved, That Clause 2 of Bye-Law on getting sea manure be amended by adding the following words: "Five feet" above high water mark."

After explanations and discussion, the resolution was considered unnecessary, and did not pass.

The Council adjourned to 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

FIFTH DAY.

SATURDAY, 14TH JANUARY, 1882.

The Council met at 10 o'clock. The Warden and 23 Councillors present. The minutes were read and passed.

Read correspondence with Provincial Secretary relating to Blank Forms for Supervisors of Road. The Clerk said that the Form prepared by him was approved by the Government and issued. Subsequently the Provincial Secretary furnished another form by which contracts for days' works can be made. The Legislature would modify the system at its first Session.

On motion, the correspondence was ordered to be laid on the table.

Read correspondence between the Clerk and Provincial Secretary June 1st and Oct. 3rd, relative to charges against Andrew Drillio, J. P.

In reply to the enquiry of the Clerk on behalf of the Special Committee of the Council, the Provincial Secretary stated the investigation asked for by the Council had not been made; that Mr. Drillio's resignation had been tendered and accepted before any steps had been taken to find out whether the charges were correct. No effort was made to obtain the return or payment of the monies he had collected for Fines, the Government not deeming it their duty to proceed, but the County still had their recourse against him under the law.

Councillors Fancy and O'Leary said the collection now would be difficult, and it was doubtful whether anything would be paid.

It was moved, seconded and passed that the correspondence be laid on the table. (Councillor N. Hays, Jr.) Chairman submitted the

Report of Committee on Memorial of Ratepayers of District 17.

To the Worshipful Warden and Gentlemen of the County Council:

The Committee appointed to investigate certain charges preferred against the local officers of District No. 17, beg leave to report as follows, viz:—

There appeared before the Committee Professor Lawson and John Corbin, Esq., of District 17, who gave the Committee a full explanation of the financial position of said District in reference to County matters.

Your Committee was surprised to learn that it has been the practice of the Collector of said District to hand over the funds collected by him to the Councillor instead of paying it over to the County Treasurer; and the result has been, that quite a sum now remains in his hands that ought long ago to have found its way into the Treasury of the County.

Mr. Corbin made it appear to the Committee that it has been the practice of the County officials to receive from the ratepayers of said District taxes which had already been added to the next year's assessment and instead of giving credit to the District for these amounts so collected they were credited to the general County fund, which we consider unfair to the taxpayers of said District, and recommend to this Council that the amounts so collected since our organization be credited to said District in the next year's assessment.

Your Committee also recommend that His Worship the Warden instruct the County Clerk to at once notify Councillor Hamilton to immediately forward the assessment rolls for 1879 and '80, and render a financial statement of the County affairs of said District, together with what funds he may now hold belonging to the County, or the fines will be imposed as the law directs in default of so doing. Also the Treasurer to take immediate action against the Collector and his bondsman for 1880 for all monies collected and not paid into the County Treasury; the same to apply to Constable Tolson for neglecting to pay over money to the Collector and paying it to the Councillor, which monies he collected under Warrant of Distraint.

NORMAN HAYS,
JAMES E. SHATFORD,
JOSEPH HIMELMAN,
J. LESTER GRIFFIN,
B. C. WILSON.

Moved by Councillors O'Leary and Lapierre, and passed—
 "That the Report of Committee on financial affairs of District 17 be adopted."
 Councillor Griffin (Chairman) submitted the

Report of Committee on Public Property.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Halifax :

Your Committee visited the Jail regularly, weekly and monthly in turn, and found the premises carefully dealt with clean and in good order, and the jailor attentive.

Your Committee has from time to time given instructions when necessary for the repairs of the Jail and Court House buildings and the fence around the same.

Your Committee having examined the Jailor's Reports, find them correct.

The summary shews the number of criminals from May 1st to Dec. 31st
 to be..... 198
 Number of debtors..... 136
 At present there are 10 criminals and 5 debtors in the Jail. The largest number of prisoners at any one time during the year was 26.
 During the year the number of committals was..... 467
 Of these there were from the City Court..... 267
 From the County Court and by Magistrates..... 78
 " Supreme Court..... 90
 " Dartmouth Courts..... 32

The sanitary condition of the Jail and its inmates has been good throughout the year. The only source of income was for room rent from debtors and from the Imperial Government for board of military deserters which amounted to \$70, and was paid to the County Treasurer.

In reference to the letter of His Honor Judge Johnstone, submitted to the special Sessions, for the more extensive accommodation for the County Courts, your Committee report that we had a meeting with the Judges of the Supreme Court and also with Judge Johnstone, and recommend that this Council do appoint Commissioners to confer with Commissioners to be appointed by the Government, to proceed at an early day to make the necessary improvements required to Court House.

Your Committee held an investigation in reference to the escape of prisoners, a special report of which is hereby annexed.

The Report of the Surgeon of the Jail is also annexed, and your Committee would recommend that one or two strait jackets be provided for the use in cases of delirium tremens.

Your Committee direct the attention of the County Council to Chap. 14 Local Statutes, 1881, under which the functions of your Committee will in future be nearly altogether superseded. Section 1st places the management of all matters now attended to by Jail Committee, as regards diet, discipline labor, and all matters relating to the treatment of prisoners, in the hands of the Lieutenant Governor in Council. Section 2 gives a qualified and subordinate control to some person or persons not named. And the final clause takes from Municipalities all power to enforce their own regulations, and repeal all Bye-Laws relating to the County Jail which may be inconsistent with the rest of the Act.

Your Committee therefore scarcely know what their future duties may be; but no steps being yet taken by the proper authorities, they will continue for the present to fulfil those left to them.

All of which your Committee respectfully submit.

J. LESTER GRIFFIN, *Chairman.*
 EDMUND RYAN.
 JOHN G. BISSETT.
 B. W. CHIPMAN.
 NORMAN HAYS.
 JOSEPH HIMELMAN.

Surgeon's Report.

HALIFAX, JANUARY 1ST, 1882.

GENTLEMEN,—I have to report for your information the sanitary condition of the County Jail its inmates and surroundings, as follows :

No cases of severe illness have arisen among the prisoners confined in the Jail during the term just ended, although ailments of a minor nature have been numerous, and have all readily yielded to the treatment employed.

There has been the usual number of commitments for drunkenness and its effects; some of the cases being of a very serious kind, and more fitted for hospital treatment than prison discipline. These have been treated as well as the means available would permit, though not without much anxiety and responsibility as well, to the Jailor as myself. In this connection I would ask your Council to add to the prison furniture one or two good strait jackets for use in cases of *delirium tremens*.

The Jail building and yards have been kept in a cleanly condition, and the wards and cells well white-washed and scrubbed.

As a means of improving the moral as well as the physical condition of the prisoners I would suggest that some kind of out-door employment, such as breaking stone, be provided for those sentenced under conviction. This would carry with it some show of punishment, and provide against some of the minor ailments, before mentioned, which attend long periods of close confinement.

I have to make mention of the kindly assistance rendered in some of the more severe cases, by the Jailor and his wife, as well as by the Assistant.

All of which is respectfully submitted by your obedient servant,

THOS. TRENAMAN, M. D.,
Jail Surgeon.

The several recommendations were fully discussed, especially the clause concerning additional accommodation for the County and other Courts.

Moved by Councillors Jno. E. Shatford and Hays, and

"Resolved, That the Report of Committee on Public Property be received and adopted."

Moved in amendment by Councillors Jas. E. Shatford and Tupper—

"Resolved, That the clause in the Report of Committee on Public Property relative to an increase of Court Room accommodation, be struck out."

The Warden put the amendment, which was lost, and the original resolution on being put, was carried.

Names were called for, when there appeared—

For the Resolution: Jno. E. Shatford, N. Hays, Jr., Himelman, Dillman, Tough, Crooks Fancy, Jno. Hays, Lapierre, Bissett, Burgess, Wilson, Griffin, Ryan, Rowlings, Chipman—16.

Against: Jas. E. Shatford, Tupper, Gu'd, Hubley, Madi'l, Fitzgerald, Umlah, Dean—8.

In order to give effect to the Act for County Court accommodation passed 1881, it was moved by Councillors Jno. E. Shatford and Lapierre—

"Resolved, That Dominick Farrell, J. P., and Alex. Stephen, J. P., be appointed by this Council as the two Commissioners to be appointed by this Municipality, together with the Warden."

There was considerable discussion, and the general opinion was in favor of nominating two Councillors.

It was moved by Councillors Rowlings and Guild—

"Resolved, That J. L. Griffin and B. W. Chipman be the Commissioners for the new building for County purposes."

The first resolution being dropped, this was passed.

Moved by Councillors Guild and Jas. E. Shatford—

"Resolved, That the Warden, with Councillors Chipman, Griffin, Ryan, and N. Hays, Jr., be the Committee to confer with the Government with regard to the amount to be contributed by the Province toward the enlargement of the County Court House."

Passed.

The clauses of the Act relating to the foregoing objects were read. (See Cap. 26 Statutes 1881, Sections 2 and 6.)

The Clerk mentioned that the officers for all Districts except No. 17, had been received, and passed.

On motion of Councillors N. Hays and Himelman—

"Resolved, That this Council appoint the District officers for District No. 17, and that Councillors Wilson, Burgess and Hays be a Committee to prepare the List.

Passed.

The Warden submitted an account from J. N. & T. Ritchie, for cash paid charges by Counsel and Advocate for the County at Ottawa in the Dartmouth Appeal, \$175.00. The Clerk stated that no written decision had yet been received, though the case had been argued in October last.

The Council adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. Wednesday.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, A.M., January 17th.

The Council met at 10 a. m. Present—the Warden and 24 Councillors. The Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and James E. Shatford, Hon. P. C. Hill was appointed Auditor for the present year.

The Warden submitted the account of the Auditor for last year, \$50. Reference to the Bye-Laws shewed that the amount fixed for the Auditors' pay was \$20 each, which sum was ordered to be paid.

Councillor James E. Shatford, Chairman, presented the

Report of Law Amendment Committee.

To the Worshipful the Warden and Council of the Municipality of the County of Halifax:

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee beg leave to recommend that the Government be asked to amend the Law so that—

1st. The Councillors shall apportion the Road money for each District, and that the same be expended under the supervision of a Supervisor appointed by the Council of the Municipality—one Supervisor for each District.

2nd. That a clause be placed on the Statutes requiring the City to pay their proportion of the County Councillors' pay and travelling expenses, as the work done by the Councillors is largely for the benefit of the City.

3rd. That the appointment of Jailor be vested in the Municipality of the County instead of by the Sheriff, as at present.

All of which your Committee respectfully submit.

JAMES E. SHATFORD,
B. C. WILSON,
J. L. GRIFFIN,
GEO. A. LESLIE,
JOHN E. SHATFORD.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Guild, the Report was received and adopted.

Moved by Councillors Fancy and O'Leary—

"Whereas, In our opinion, there has been \$25 of the Road monies belonging to District 24 illegally spent in some other District;

"Therefore Resolved, That the Districts which received said \$25 do refund the same to District 24, as apportioned by the Council."

On motion of Councillors James E. Shatford and Ryan—

"Resolved, That the resolution referring to Road Expenditure in District 24 be referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges."

Passed.

Councillors Lapierre and Griffin moved—

"That the Statute Labor of the inhabitants on the bye road in District 28, leading to Bonins and Lake Porter, be granted them."

Passed.

Moved by Councillors Bissett and Leslie—

"That Lake Loon Road District be extended to Rice's Brook."

Passed.

Moved by Councillors Griffin and Guild—

"Whereas, A bye-road in District 30, to the extent of three miles, is without any Statute Labor thereon;

"Resolved, That the same be a Statute Labor District from Griffin's Corner to road near Hall's, and that the inhabitants residing on said road be allowed their Statute Labor thereon."

Passed.

Moved by Councillors James E. Shatford and Ryan—

"Resolved, That Councillor Burgess be Chairman of Committee on Licenses, and that Councillor Griffin be upon that Committee instead of James E. Shatford."

Passed.

The following resolution was moved by Councillor Griffin, seconded by Councillor Guild—

"Whereas, This Council recognizes with much satisfaction the manner in which the County Clerk is conducting the increased business of the Municipality;

"Therefore Resolved, That this Council do increase the salary of the Clerk to Eleven Hundred Dollars per annum, this amount to pay for all assistance he may require.

Passed unanimously.

The Clerk called attention to the Bye-Laws No. II. and III. and the County Incorporation Act 1879, Section 33, respecting fines for Councillors absent from the legal and special meetings without reasonable excuses sent to him or the Warden. It was requisite to have the Bye-Laws thereon carried out, or a resolution passed exempting absences or cancelling the fines of which he had to keep an account.

Moved by Councillors Hamilton and Wilson—

"That the law be carried out with regard to fines for non-attendance without reasonable excuse."

Passed.

After brief discussion on the best time for semi-annual session, it was moved by Councillors Madill and Guild and

"Resolved, That the Legislature be asked to change the time of the semi-annual meeting of this Council to the third Tuesday in April instead of May, as heretofore, and that this be embodied in the Report of the Law Amendment Committee."

Passed unanimously.

The Warden referred to the Dartmouth case, which had been twice given in favor of the County and appealed by the Dartmouth Town Council. The case had been argued at Ottawa before the Supreme Court of Canada.

Read, a letter from the County's Counsel and advocate, Mr. Gormally, stating the argument, and that the Court had reserved judgment in the matter. The decision would be delivered at next term and forwarded.

After some discussion on the subject, it was moved by Councillors James E. Shatford and Griffin—

"Resolved, That His Worship the Warden be instructed to appeal the suit now pending in the Supreme Court of Canada if adverse to this Council."

Moved in amendment by Councillors John E. Shatford and Ryan—

"Resolved, That the foregoing resolution lie over until to-morrow's meeting, and be then discussed."

The amendment was carried.

Moved by Councillors Himelman and Leslie—

"Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to investigate the matter of

Criers of the County and Supreme Courts, and that the Committee consist of Councillors Guild, Bissett and Madill."

Passed.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The County Council met at 2.30 o'clock. Present, the Warden and 22 Councillors.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Clerk reported interview with Nepean Clarke, Esq., relative to Dartmouth case, and position of Council with regard to appointment of Criers. As to the bearing of the law upon the Case, the County had the undoubted legal right to collect the claim now pending. The appointment of Criers lies with the Judge of the Court requiring them, but the County had the right to fix the amount and time of payment of salary. It was incompatible for one person to perform the two services, when both Courts were in session at the same time.

The Warden submitted papers received from Board of Health for District 31, being a letter from Dr. Wickwire, and affidavits of Constable Leahan and others, respecting bedding of smallpox patients on board barque "Bayne," thrown overboard while quarantined July last. Also a Memorial to His Excellency the Governor-General asking an investigation, and that Government repay the expenses caused by outbreak of smallpox at that time in Dartmouth, if it shall be found that the Dominion officials were to blame. The County Council were asked to concur, but no reference was made to them in the Memorial.

After discussion, and explanations by Councillor Bissett, it was moved by Councillor Jno. E. Shatford, seconded by Councillor Himelman—

"Resolved, That the Warden and Clerk sign the Dartmouth petition on behalf of this Municipality when the same is amended, so as to include the said Corporation."

Carried.

On enquiry and discussion as to the amount to be charged this year for liquor licenses, it was

Moved by J. L. Griffin, seconded by Edmund Ryan.

"Resolved, That should license be granted for the ensuing year, the fee be thirty dollars."

Carried.

In relation to Assessors fees, Councillor Himelman moved the following resolution—

"Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Assessors of each Polling district in the County of Halifax one dollar per day for such extra service, as they claim to have performed, rendering their bills for the same; said bills to be certified by the Councillor for each District in which such extra services are performed."

Seconded by Councillor Leslie and discussed. Section 12 of County Assessment Act was cited.

Councillor John E. Shatford, seconded by Councillor Ryan, moved—

"That the Resolution now before the Council be deferred until this day three months."

Carried.

Moved by Councillor N. Hays, and seconded by Councillor Dean—

"Resolved, That the Poor Rates be apportioned by each Councillor for his District for the present year, and handed in to the Clerk."

Passed.

The following amounts were voted for the districts named:—

District 7, \$75; 9, \$80; 10, \$50; 11, \$100; 12, \$70; 17, \$50; 18, \$300; 22, \$63; 23, \$15; 24, \$50; 25, \$150; 26, \$150; 27, \$100; 28, \$125; 29, \$80; 30, \$30; 31, \$150; 32, \$65; 33, \$135; 34, \$—.

The said amounts to be assessed by the Clerk at the same time as the County Rates.

Councillor Norman Hays stated that in consequence of the action of the owner or assignee of Moir's mills keeping the dam closed, a portion of the Kearney Road leading to Hammond's Plains had been and continues overflowed, and damage to the extent of \$200 and upwards done. Travellers had to wade through the water, and many complaints were being made. He wished information as to proceedings.

Councillor Burgess gave some facts in connection, and said he had complained to the assignee, who had treated the matter with indifference and neglected to remedy the cause of damage.

The Warden read Sections 11 and 15, Chapter 43, on the duty of Overseers of Roads.

The Council adjourned to 2 o'clock a. m. Wednesday.

SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, January 18th.

The Council met at 10 a. m. Present—the Warden and 25 Councillors.

The minutes of last meeting were approved.

The Clerk requested that any requisitions for assessment for poor not before made be handed in and passed; also, that the Councillors for districts which had not forwarded accounts for poor should notify the Overseers of the penalty for neglect.

On motion of Councillors Leslie and N. Hays, Jr.—

“Resolved, That William Hall, Esq., of Sheet Harbor, be Clerk of License for Districts No. 24, 25, 26, and 34 for current year.”

Passed.

Councillor Guild (Chairman) submitted

Report on Appointment of Criers, etc.

The Special Committee appointed to consider the feasibility of reducing the expenditure for Court Criers report that the appointments were made by the heads of the different Courts, but salaries were fixed by the Council. The salaries for these officers were, for the Supreme Court, \$250; Court in Equity, \$200; and for the County Court, \$75. But the last was changed to \$1 per day for each day actually employed, which amounted to \$120 last year, making in all \$570. In addition to this the Criers receive 25 cents for every case entered in the different Courts, which amounted to \$300 last year in the County Court alone. The Committee recommend that Michael Byrnes' appointment as Crier of the County Court be cancelled; that he be appointed County Constable for that Court at a salary of \$80 per year, and that the salaries for Supreme and Equity Courts be reduced to \$200 and \$100 respectively, in consideration of the fees received.

Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Shatford, proposed—

“That the \$80 for M. Byrnes be erased from the Report.”

In amendment it was moved by Councillor Griffin, seconded by Councillor Fitzgerald—

“That the Report be adopted.”

The amendment passed.

The Clerk pointed out an error in the Report in regard to the Equity Court. That Court had no Crier, and the \$200 mentioned was placed in the estimates

annually to cover services of Constables for attendance and processes issued out of any of the Courts, and was not a fixed salary.

Councillor John E. Shatford (Chairman) submitted

Report of Finance Committee.

ASSETS.

Your Committee beg to report as follows:

That they have examined the Treasurer's accounts and find them correct. They find the balance in the treasury December 31st, 1881, to be.....\$ 1,207 66
They also find that the City is indebted to the County, according to the award of the Arbitrators for 1881..... 43,086 75
Due by Rural Districts, as per Assessment Roll..... 1,268 69

Total Assets of the County, paid and unpaid.....\$45,563 10

LIABILITIES.

We find, on examination, that the present liabilities of the County are as follows:—

Sundry Accounts due on account of Jail.....	\$ 1,151 10
" " " " County Court House....	652 04
" " " " Coroners' and Medical Accounts.....	320 00
" " " " Printing and Stationery.....	96 22
" " " " Assessor's and Revisers.....	93 00
Due County Councillors and Warden.....	74 00
" County Clerk, one quarter's Salary to Dec. 31st, 1881..	250 00
" County Constable Webber.....	50 00
" Supreme Court.....	135 50
" On Contingencies and Miscellaneous Accounts.....	360 02
" Lunatic Asylum.....	40,542 80
" Fines and Forfeitures to credit of Districts, to be paid on Roads and Bridges Account.....	964 98
	<u>\$44,689 66</u>

Balance Cr. County.....£873 44

1st. Your Committee have not taken into account the amounts due from the Municipality of Dartmouth, as it is now pending the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada. They have also not considered the amount of \$6,107 advanced by the Government on account of the indebtedness of Dartmouth, as they (the Government) agreed to wait until the amount was recovered from Dartmouth. Your Committee have been unable to recommend any payment on account of the indebtedness to the Asylum for Insane, nor will they be able to do so until the amount due from the City of Halifax is paid. Your Committee recommend that other bills due be paid as soon as the Treasurer is in funds.

Your Committee deplore the crippled financial state of the County owing to the large amounts due from Halifax and Dartmouth, and would recommend prompt legal measures to be taken if not paid within a reasonable time.

We have examined the papers respecting the claim of J. Fraser Torrance against the County presented by F. H. Bell, asking for costs in a license suit; and, from information before us, we are unable to decide in the matter until J. F. Torrance sends to this Council all papers in connection with the trial.

With respect to the order for \$1.50 presented by F. H. Bell, we recommend that the same be paid by the Treasurer. It appears to your Committee that J. Fraser Torrance has retained one-half of the fine (\$10.00) collected by him, as Clerk of License, of Daniel Cameron, of Moser's River, for violation of the license law. Your Committee cannot understand why Mr. Torrance, as Clerk of License, can retain any portion of fines for himself as prosecutor. Your Committee would suggest that the County Treasurer be instructed to ask J. Fraser Torrance to remit said amount (ten dollars) to be deposited in the County money.

Your Committee would also beg to bring to the notice of the Council that the cost of Crown witnesses in cases instituted by J. Fraser Torrance has cost the County one hundred and eighty-seven dollars and sixteen cents, while all the rest of the County, including the City, for similar cases has cost only eighty-six dollars and seventy cents. Mr. Torrance has also drawn on the Treasurer for costs of Constables conveying prisoners from Tangier for the sum of seventy-nine dollars and ninety-eight cents, while the rest of the County has cost for the same purpose only eight dollars and thirty-six cents. We recommend that the sum of thirty-four dollars and sixteen cents, being expenses in suit instituted by J. Fraser Torrance against the County Treasurer, be paid out of the funds in the Treasury to the credit of District No. 26.

It will be seen by the annexed schedule of the estimates for the ensuing year that the sum of \$24,000 is required, to which must be added \$8,214.00 for schools, making in all \$32,214.00. The amount is something in excess of last year owing to several items not being provided for in previous years and a large increase in the Jail accounts, Crown Witnesses, Coroner's Juries, and Lunatic Certificates, etc.

JOHN E. SHATFORD, *Chairman*,
B. W. CHIPMAN,
J. L. GRIFFIN,
G. A. LESLIE,
NORMAN HAYS.

ESTIMATES FOR 1882.

	As Submitted.	As Amended.
Hospital for Insane.....	\$13,000 00	\$13,000 00
County Jail.....	2,250 00	2,250 00
County Court House.....	1,095 00	1,095 00
Clerk's Salary.....	1,100 00	1,100 00
Treasurer.....	1,000 00	1,000 00
Crier Supreme Court.....	250 00	200 00
Chief Constable Webber.....	200 00	200 00
Constables Supreme Court.....	200 00	150 00
Constable County Court.....	100 00	80 00
Grand Jury, Secretary, etc.....	250 00	250 00
Petit Juries (Supplementary).....	650 00	750 00
Crown Witnesses.....	200 00	300 00
Sheriff's Accounts.....	175 00	175 00
Revisors of Jury Lists.....	175 00	175 00
Coroner's Juries and expenses.....	350 00	350 00
Printing and Stationery.....	450 00	400 00
Auditors.....	40 00	40 00
Postage and Expressage.....	50 00	50 00
County Councillors' pay and mileage.....	700 00	700 00
Revisors.....	250 00	250 00
Election Expenses, 1882.....	250 00	200 00
Contingent Fund.....	150 00	150 00
Accounts unpaid, 1879, 1880, 1881.....	1,135 00	1,135 00
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		\$24,000 00
To which is to be added for School Assessment, as required by law.....		8,214 00
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Total Assessment.....		\$32,214 00

JOHN E. SHATFORD,
Chairman.

Halifax, January 17th, 1882.

The Report was generally discussed. Several Councillors complained of the late presentation of the Accounts and Estimate, by which no opportunity was af-

forded for examining or comparing them. The Bye-Law was read, which requires that the Treasurer shall have all accounts made up to 31st December for the annual meeting, and a copy in the hands of each Councillor. The Estimate was amended by separate votes as follows: Crier, Supreme Court, to be \$200 instead of \$2.50. Constables, do, \$150, instead of \$200. Constable of County Court to be \$80. Petit Juries increased to \$7.50. Crown witnesses to be \$300. Printing and Stationery, \$400. Election Expenses, \$200. The rest of the items to be as named by the Committee.

On motion the Estimate as amended passed *nem. con.*

Moved by Councillors Burgess and Ryan—

Resolved, That the Report of the Finance Committee be received and adopted. Passed.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Griffin.

Whereas, This Council has learned that the City Council intend to submit a bill to the Legislature, to enable them to pay off their floating debt:—

Therefore Resolved that the Government be asked to insert a clause in the City Council's proposed Act, which will compel the city to pay their indebtedness to the Municipality of the County of Halifax, out of the amount to be funded under the Act.

On motion, referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

The Clerk read copy of letter dated September 21, sent to the Chairman of the City Board of Works, in reference to the exorbitant charge for use of water and fire protection for the Jail (115) and Court House, (\$175, which was illegal as well as excessive.

The Grand Jury had reported that they considered the rates excessive and recommended that the same be reduced by a more moderate valuation in future, but had taken no further steps. The Municipality had instructed the Clerk to settle the claim up to the time when the Sessions ceased to have the management, and to ask for a reduction of the rates from May, 1880.

Read in reply a communication from the City Board of Works, adhering to the bill for water for the Court House and Jail.

On motion, referred to the Committee on Public Property for further action.

Moved by Councillors John E. Shatford and Himelman—

"That the Clerk be instructed to call the attention of the Supervisors of Roads for District No. 1 to the state of the Kearney Road, overflowed by Moir, Son & Co."

In amendment, moved by Councillors Griffin and N. Hays, Jr.—

Resolved, That this Council give instructions to the Superiours of Roads, Section No. 1, to take immediate action against the assignee of Moir, Son & Co. for obstruction of Kearney Road by the overflow from their mills."

The amendment passed.

Moved by Councillors Fancy and Leslie—

Whereas, A new line was run between the Counties of Halifax and Guysboro' within the past six years, which conflicts with the boundary given in the Assessment Roll for District 24, and said boundary has not been altered or modified in said Roll;

Therefore Resolved, That this Council correspond with the Council of St. Mary's District, Guysboro', to know if they will agree to change the County line as follows, viz.: Starting at Ecum Secum and running North to the old line eighteen miles; thence West at right angles with said line till it meets the new line."

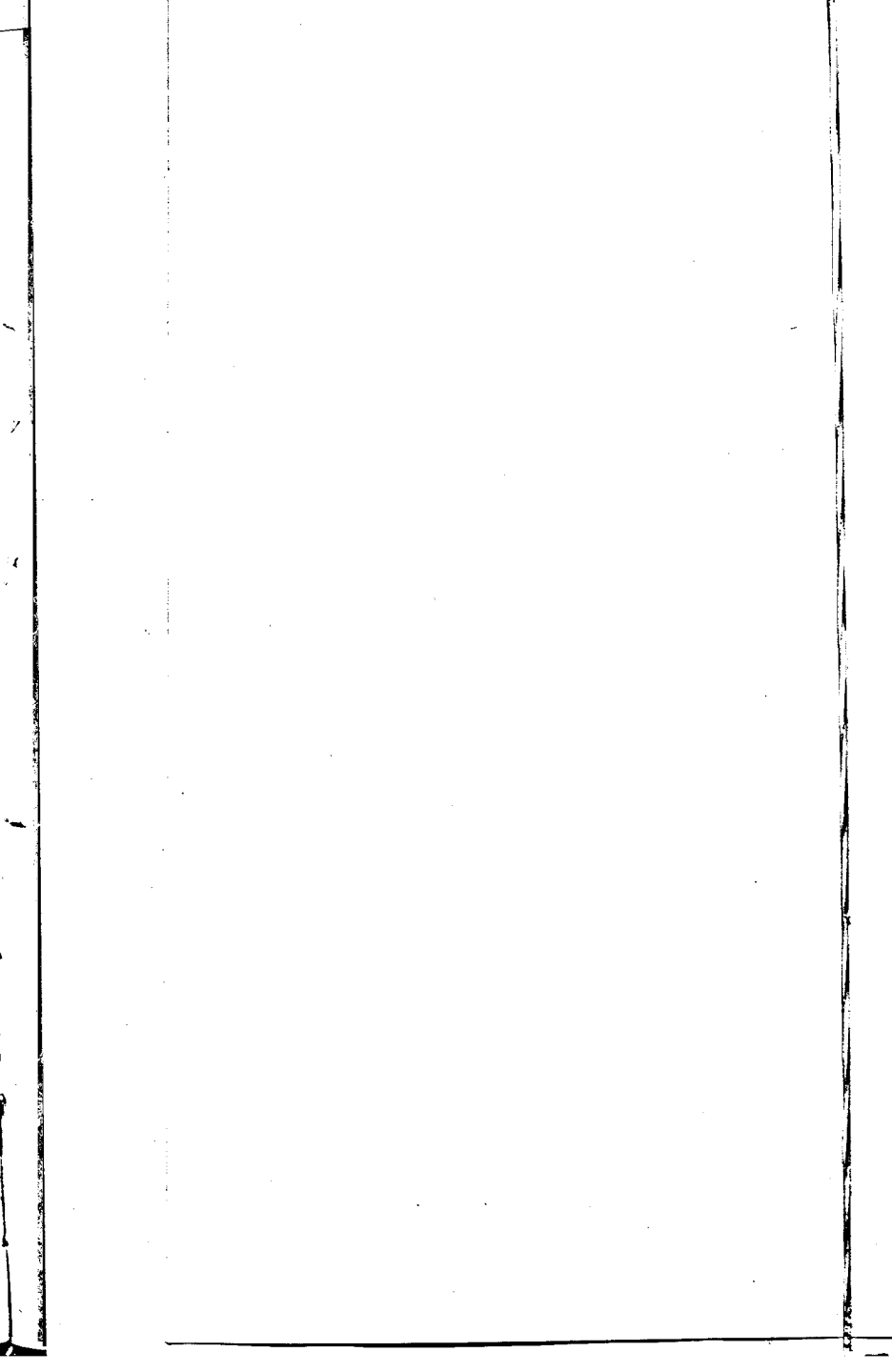
Passed.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Griffin it was

Resolved, That the Minutes of the present Session, with those of the Special Session, be printed and distributed to the Councillors when ready."

The Clerk said the Pay Roll had been made up for Councillors' pay and mileage, and handed to the Treasurer with the warrant.

The Council then adjourned to meet in May or April.



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County of Halifax

Council Minutes

April 1882

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING
—OF THE—
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
—OF THE—
COUNTY OF HALIFAX.

TUESDAY, April 18th, 1882.

Pursuant to the Amendments to the County Incorporation Act, and Official Notices, the Municipal Council met in the County Court Room at 10 A. M. The Roll was called, present 22 Councillors.

The County Clerk informed the Council that the Warden was unexpectedly absent, being detained by heavy storms in Manitoba while he had gone on a visit, fully expecting to be present at this meeting. Also mentioned reception of notes from Councillors who could not attend until to-morrow, and stated briefly the business to be done.

Read Section 4 Chap. I. Acts 1879, which provides that a Chairman may be appointed during absence of Warden.

It was moved and seconded "that Councillor B. W. Chipman be Chairman."

Councillor Chipman declined, and nominated Councillor James E. Shafford, seconded by Councillor Ryan, which, being put, passed unanimously.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and expressed his sense of the honor which he said was unexpected, and he would have to call upon the Clerk to furnish the necessary programme of matters to be attended to.

The Minutes of last day of January Session were read.

Councillor Ryan remarked that in the Report of Committee on appointment of Criers and Constables of the Courts, the salary of Crier of Supreme Court had been reduced under the supposition that he received pay also as Crier of the Equity Court, which was not the case.

The Clerk read the Report of the Committee and said that \$200 only had been placed in the Estimate and passed for the reason that such officers received a large amount of fees also.

The Minutes were then approved.

The amendments to the Acts of 1879, '80 and '81 respecting Roads and Bridges. Councillors' pay, Semi-Annual Session, &c. were read, explained and commented on. Further discussion was deferred till afternoon.

Read letter from Dan'l. Webber tendering his resignation of the office of Chief County Constable.

Submitted applications for that position from W. J. Jenny, George S. Innis and Patrick Monaghan.

Moved by E. Ryan, and seconded by E. E. Burgess—

Resolved, That the resignation of Chief Constable Webber be received and accepted."

Passed

Moved by Edmund Ryan, seconded by J. L. Griffin—

Resolved, That the appointment of County Constable be taken up to-morrow at 11 o'clock, and that all applicants be then present with recommendations.

Passed.

Read, a petition from residents of District No. 17, asking that Mr. John Ellis, who was appointed Constable, be relieved from his duties and that a substitute be appointed. The charge is requested on the ground that Mr. Ellis is the only blacksmith in that locality, and consequently his services cannot well be spared.

On motion of Councillors Hamilton and Wilson it was

“Resolved, That Mr. Joseph Hefler be appointed Constable in place of Mr. Ellis.”
Passed.

Read, a petition from Jas. B. Laidlaw, of Waverley, asking to be reimbursed the sum of \$200, the amount of costs of a suit at law in which he has been engaged with Thomas J. Wallace. It seems that certain property belonging to Mr. Wallace was sold under a warrant of distraint for the collection of taxes. The property was purchased by Mr. Laidlaw. About 12 months afterward Mr. Wallace recovered the property with a writ of replevin. When the matter was taken to the Court it was decided against Mr. Laidlaw.

Moved by Councillor John F. Shatford, seconded by Councillor C. E. Burgess—
“Resolved, That the petition of James B. Laidlaw be allowed to lie on the table.”
Passed.

Councillor John E. Shatford gave notice of his intention to bring before the Council to-morrow afternoon—

1st. Our financial position in regard to the City.

2d. To call for a report of progress made in collecting the arrears due on assessment rolls of 1881 by various Districts.

Notice accepted and filed.

Read, a memorial from the present Overseers of Poor in District No. 17 (Sackville) reciting that the former Overseers had been defeated in a suit undertaken by them, and the costs taxed (\$197 87) were required to be paid immediately. A public meeting of ratepayers had decided to act on advice of counsel as to whether these costs should be paid, and if so to ask the County Council to authorize the assessment on the District of Poor Rates to meet the claim. This request they now preferred.

Moved by Councillor Joseph Hamilton seconded by Councillor C. E. Burgess—

“Resolved, That the sum of \$200 be assessed on District 17 to pay expenses in lawsuit of Overseers of Poor vs McKenzie.”

On motion of Councillors D. W. Archibald and Ryan, John McPhail was added to the list of Constables for District No. 25.

Petitions were submitted from Henry Aker and Jasper McDonald and others in District 29, who lived some distance from the main road, and wished to put their statute labor on their own roads.

On motion, referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

The Council then adjourned till 3 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

JANUARY 18TH, 1882.

Council met at 3 P. M. 26 Councillors present.

The Chairman, Jas. E. Shatford, announced the business to be the appointment of Road Supervisors and other matters contained in Amended County Act of last Session of the Legislature.

Minutes of morning Session were confirmed.

Moved by Councillors Leslie and Himelman—

“That this Council appoint one Supervisor for each Polling District in the County of Halifax.”

Passed.

Councillor Jno. E. Shatford suggested that previous to making the appointments of the Supervisors their pay should be settled.

Councillor D. W. Archibald favored 5 per cent. on the outlay and \$1.00 per day while engaged overseeing the work.

A discussion followed on the mode of paying the percentage.

The Clerk said that by paying on the whole allotment as last year, a considerably larger addition was made to Supervisors' allowances.

Councillor Ryan shewed that ten per cent. had been paid on the ten per cent. commission without an equivalent, in consequence of paying on the appropriations, instead of on amount actually expended.

On this being made clear, it was moved by Councillors Rowlings and D. W. Archibald, and

Resolved, That the pay of the Road Supervisors be \$1 per day for every day actually employed, and 5 per cent. on the amount expended.

Passed 15 to 3.

Councillor N. Hays asked whether any one nominated was at liberty to refuse the office or would be obliged to serve

The Clerk read Sec. 46 County Incorporation Act, stating that persons appointed to any office by the Council and refusing to be sworn or to serve, or for neglect of duty, were liable to a penalty of from \$8 to \$80.00, unless exempted.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Jno. E. Shatford—

Wm H. Ryan was appointed Collector of Poor and County Rates for District 23, vice Samuel Blackburn, and Dennis Ryan Presiding Officer.

On motion of the Councillors of the several Districts, duly seconded and put to vote, the following were appointed Supervisors of Roads for the present year :

District 7—John Reyno.

- " 8—Francis Munroe.
- " 9—Geo. H. Marryatt.
- " 10—Wm. McGrath.
- " 11—Elias Grono.
- " 12—Edwin Hubly.
- " 13—John Verlin.
- " 14—Patrick Kehoe.
- " 15—Andrew Heffler.
- " 16—Pierce Byrns.
- " 17—Deblois Fultz.
- " 18—John E. McDonald.
- " 19—Robt. H. Killough.
- " 20—Geo Sibley.
- " 21—D. W. B. Reid.
- " 22—T. A. Parker.
- " 23—Jno F Slannwhite.
- " 24—Alex. W. Smith.
- " 25—Isaac Curry of Sheet Harbour.
- " 26—Chas. Leslie of Spry Bay.
- " 27—Wm. Warnell.
- " 28—Donald McLaren.
- " 29—Jas. H. Sellars.
- " 30—Samuel McKay.
- " 31—Chas. Bissett of Cole Harbour.
- " 32—Jas. Hubly
- " 33—Peter Moser.
- " 34—John Kirker.
- " 35—John Taylor.
- " 36—Isaac Gatez.

The following District Officers were in like manner appointed :

PRESIDING OFFICERS.

District 9, Andrew Gray.

- " 11, Robt. Munro, vice Wm Munro, removed from District.
- " 32, George Dauphiney, of Head of St. Margaret's Bay.
- " 17, Francis Webber, Esq., of Sackville.

OVERSEERS OF HIGHWAYS.

District 31, David Eisner, vice Wm. Orman, over age ; Hugh Morash, in place of Jno. Rosa

- " 19, John Benjamin, Section No. 5, vice John Merson.
- " 33, A. J. Newcomb, vice George Horn, removed from District ; also, Frederick Naugle, vice G. J. Richardson, removing elsewhere.
- " 25, Sidney Smith, in place of Ronald McDonald, for East River Section.
- " 8, Lawrence Johnson, of Halibut Bay.

District 21, William Archibald for Section No. 1; Thomas Hu-ley, Section 4. vice W. Kaulback, left the District.

" 22, Robert Sutherland.

" 33, Alex. Gaetz, on divided Section, Musquodoboit School-house to Richard-son's; James Bayers, Richardson's to Gilbert's, inclusive - Jas. Conrod (Peter's son), Graft Beach to Luckey's Point; Edward Conrod, Luckey's Point to Deep Cove.

" 18, Albert Stewart, vice John Wilson, leaving the District,

" 32, Jacob Conrod, for Conrod's Settlement.

Wm. Hall, of Sheet Harbor, was reported as having been sworn in Clerk of License for Districts 24, 25, 26, and 34, vice J. F. Torrance, Esq., whose term expired in January.

The Clerk stated that the County Treasurer desired to know whether, having already given a sufficient Bond to the County, it was absolutely necessary to give a Bond additional for the Road Grant to the Government. On reference to the Act of 1882, Section 9, it was found that the law required this to be done.

After short discussion, it was moved by Councillors Chipman and Griffin—

"That the Road monies be placed to the credit of the County in the Union Bank."

Moved in amendment by Councillors John E. Shatford and Archibald—

"That the monies drawn from the Government by the Treasurer be deposited in the Halifax Bank, and a separate book be kept therefor."

The amendment was carried by 12 to 6

Moved by Councillors Rowlings and Griffin—

"Resolved, That the proposed road between Petpiswick Harbor and Chezzetcook, through the gold mines, be placed on the Minutes of this Council as a public road."

The Council deferred action on this until to-morrow, in order to look up the law on the subject.

Read, petition of David Vaughan, endorsed by ratepayers District No. 36, for license to sell liquors; also submitted, similar petition from Thomas Ward, District 14; Thomas Beech and Robert Allen, District 15; James Ward and Bernard W. Haley, District 17; Albert Mahoney and John Bradley, (Waverly Road), District 31.

On motion, the whole of said petitions were referred to the Committee on Licenses to examine and report upon.

Read, an affidavit of Wm. Pace, District No. 11, respecting over-valuation of his property by Assessors of said District.

On motion, it was referred to Committee on Assessments.

Moved by Councillors Lapierre and Madill—

"That the three Districts of Seaforth and the adjoining one of Three Fathom Harbor be united to shovel snow from the Rocky Run Road to Bridge.

It was moved, seconded and passed that the above resolution be considered to-morrow.

On motion of Councillors Crooks and Ryan —

"Resolved, That the amount voted in January for Poor in District 29 be not assessed, there being no Poor in the District at present "

Passed.

Moved by Councillors N. Hays and Himelman—

"That \$30 be assessed on District 16 for support of the Poor."

Passed.

Moved by Councillors

"That the West River Statute Labor District, so called, in Polling District No. 25, shall be extended to Little River, so called upon the Musquodoboit Road, and to West River Bridge, so called, upon the Pope's Harbor Road; that the East River District so called, shall extend to Isaac Curry's Bridge upon Lochabar Road."

Passed.

Moved by Councillors Guild and O'Leary--

"Resolved, That the bounds of Road Section 3 West Jeddore be from Main Post Road to Shell Bird Brook Bridge, including Branch Road to Blacksmith's shop; that No. 4 Section bounds be from Shell Bird Brook Bridge to Hall instead of the bounds as passed at the meeting in January."

Passed.

The Clerk reported having prepared the Law Amendments recommended at January Session, and some others in reference to City indebtedness and necessary

changes to be made respecting valuations and a definite time for the payment of its assessment, and submitted them to the Hon. Atty. General and County members.

The amendments asked for by the County Council were all granted except the Valuation clause for the City in the Local Act 1862, (which remains as before), and the appointment of Turnkey and Keeper of County Jail.

The Council adjourned to meet Wednesday morning.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, April 19th, 1882.

The Council met at 10 o'clock. 29 Councillors present.

The Chairman enquired as to his term of office, and the Council without a motion desired that he preside during this Session.

The Minutes of last meeting were read, up to motion of Councillor Lapierre for the union of 3 Statute Labour Districts for clearance of snow. On the reconsideration after discussion the Councillor withdrew the motion. The Minutes were thereafter completed and adopted.

The Chairman submitted for discussion Councillor Rowlings' motion for a second Polling Place in District 36. The Councillor said he had found on enquiry that neither the Sheriff or the Council had jurisdiction in the matter, and consented to withdraw his resolution.

The Chairman referred to the appointment of a Chief County Constable, the applicants being present. The Clerk read the application of W. J. Jenny with a recommendation from the Mayor W. Dunbar and others. Applications from Geo. S. Innes, and of Patrick Monaghan, with a requisition numerously signed in his favour. It was decided that the election be by ballot. On the ballot being counted there were 24 votes for Monaghan, 7 for Jenny, 1 for Innis. There being 32 ballots and only 28 Councillors present, Councillor Jno. E. Slatford and others expressed disapprobation, and the ballot was taken a second time. The vote was then found to be—Monaghan 21, Jenny 7, Innes 1. The Chairman declared P. Monaghan duly elected. The Clerk said that under the Statute a Bond would be required for \$2000. The salary was \$200, and the Treasurer needed the services of the officer at once.

The Chairman submitted following resolution omitted yesterday. Moved by Councillors O'Leary and Jno. Hays—

"That Neil Kirker be added to the list of Constables for District 34."

Passed.

On motion, Charles Leslie be Overseer of Statute Labour in Section 2 and George Prest Overseer in Section 15 in District 26, vice George Leslie, Jr., and A. R. Higgins, absent from the District.

Passed.

Moved by Councillor George Rowlings, seconded by Councillor J. L. Griffin—

Resolved, That John H. Anderson be appointed to lay out the proposed road between Petpiswick Harbor and Chezzetcook through the Mines.

In reply to the suggestion of Councillor Ryan that some steps be taken regarding the addition to the Court House, a letter addressed to Hon. Provincial Secretary was read asking that a time be named for a conference between the Government and the Committee of the Council on the Funds to be provided: also of the Special Commissioners for the erection of the Building. Hon. Mr. Holmes being absent no reply had been received. Councillor Ryan understood from Hon. Attorney General, that a meeting would be held at an early day, and recommended that the Clerk address a note to him fixing a time, so that a report could be made to the Council at this Session.

Read a Petition from Geo. Jamieson, Esq., J. P., and others, asking that a portion of the Statute Labour to be performed by Frederick Eisan of Ship Harbor and his sons, be allowed to be done on their own road leading to the main road. On motion of Councillors Guild and Griffin the prayer of the Petition is granted.

The subject of unpaid Taxes was discussed. The following statement was submitted and read by the Clerk:—

Memo. of Deficiencies in the various Districts of the Municipality of the County of Halifax, to 17th day of April 1882, for 1881.

District.	Cy. Rate.	Poor Rate.	
7.....			\$ 2.66
8.....			66.41
9.....			0.61
10.....			209.24
11.....			0.86
13.....			5.76
14.....	\$213.73	\$121.73	335.46
15.....			98.60
16.....			22.30
17.....for 1880,	\$176.93		63.86
18.....			11.16
19.....			18.24
20.....			3.53
21.....			3.25
22.....			9.73
23.....	38.52	6.64	45.16
24.....			6.36
25.....			5.20
26.....			3.81
27.....			9.42
28.....			6.81
30.....			4.24
32.....			1.19
33.....			4.75
34.....			12.08
35.....			4.90
36.....			14.01
Totals.....	\$176.93	\$128.37	\$969.62
Deduct Poor Rates.....			128.37
Net amount due for 1881.....			\$841.25

The statement was discussed at length. Councillor Jno. E. Shatford commented strongly on the large amounts still owing by Districts 8, 10, 14, 15, 17 and 23, upon which the Council should have satisfactory reasons for non-collection.

The Clerk said Distraints had been made out and letters requesting prompt and effective proceedings sent to Councillors.

Councillors Chipman, Burgess and Ryan stated reasons why the collections had not been made, but expected the greater part would be got in before the Rolls for 1882 were made up.

Councillor Christian said that parties in his District (No. 1^o) refused payment because so many there evaded payment in years past, and those who like himself did pay were much more largely taxed in consequence. If the new assessment was withheld till say July he could get in considerable, but there was no money now to be got.

The County Clerk remarked that the state of affairs concerning Assessments was not only a source of loss and dissatisfaction, but of injustice to those Districts which by special effort annually paid up all demands upon them. It was unfair and unjust to these that the taxes received from them should be taken to meet the requirements of delinquent Districts for Schools, Lunatics, Roads and Bridges, Assessors, Revisors etc., while their rates were uncollected and payment refused.

Councillor Jno. Shatford inferred that the fault laid largely with Collectors, and local officers not doing their duty was evident.

Councillor Bissett said that in District 31 this year every cent was paid up, which had not been the case for years. This result was due to the energy and perseverance of the Collector, Mr. McDonald.

Councillors Jno. E. Shatford and Griffin moved—

“That the County Treasurer at once take the necessary steps to collect all arrears of the various Assessment Rolls.”

After discussion the motion was withdrawn.

It was then moved by Councillors Jno. E. Shatford and Griffin, and

Resolved, That in Districts largely in arrears for County Rates, the amounts of Credits for Fines and Fees of said Districts be deducted from their deficits before next Assessment is made, and when said arrears are paid so much may then be placed to credit of said District."

Councillor Ryan objected, and proposed that a notice of such motion be given for next Session, and then acted upon.

The Clerk pointed out the expediency of the Resolution from the fact that the greater portion of these Fines and Fees had accumulated under the Quarter Sessions, who in 1879 reduced the County Assessment by \$6000 (that sum being in hand) thus leaving the amounts to the credit of the several Districts unprovided for, and placing the obligation of paying them upon this Corporation, which was now doing so out of current receipts from the Annual Assessments for general purposes.

Several Councillors adverted to the impolicy of the common system of paying Collectors their commission on the amounts from time to time paid in by them.

Moved by B. C. Wilson, seconded by E. E. Burgess—

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed not to allow any Collector to retain his commission for amounts collected until such Collector has complied with the law in regard to the collection of all available Taxes.

Passed.

The Council adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, April 20th, 1882.

Council met at 10.30. Chairman and 23 Councillors present.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Councillor Lapierre said, referring to balance of Rates in his District, that all that could be collected was got. Some parties had removed, others were absent, etc.

Read a letter from the Warden dated Brandon, Manitoba, April 6th, regretting his absence, being delayed by storms from leaving in time. Recommending procedure in reference to City indebtedness, and trusting the Chairman would act for him in conference with Government Commissioners in regard to addition to Court House, etc.

Two Petitions for Licenses were referred to License Committee for investigation and the Resolution fixing the License Fee at \$30, passed January Session, was read.

The Council not having yet passed upon the issue of Liquor Licenses for the current year, it was moved by Councillors Ryan and Christian—

Resolved, That Licenses for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors be granted."

Passed.

Read, a summary of Report of the Jailer: Commitments for Term ended 31st March, 1882. Criminals 37; Debtors 40; total 77. From City Court 22; Supreme and County Court 16; Magistrates 2; total 40. Largest number of prisoners in Jail at any one time, 20. Amount received for Room Rent and paid County Treasurer, \$17.50. Number now in Jail: Criminals 15; Debtors 3; total 15. Quite a number of those committed before January remained in Jail all winter. Health of inmates generally good.

(Sgd.)

THOS. A. CHAMBERS, Jailer.

Halifax, April 18th, 1882.

Moved by Councillors Jno. E. Shatford and Ryan, and

Resolved, That the Report be received and adopted."

Read a letter from R. T. Murray, Secretary to Board of Public Charities, Feb. 9th, containing an extract from the Report of the Committee of the House of Assembly on Humane Institutions, 1881, strongly "recommending that all Transient Paupers be immediately removed to the Poor's Asylum, and that the Government notify the various Municipalities in the Province of the necessity of complying therewith."

After some discussion on the object of this proposal and in regard to Tramp and Vagrants, it was on motion of Councillors Shatford and Macill—

Resolved. That the recommendation of the Committee on Humane Institutions respecting Transient Paupers be not acted upon until this Council obtain further information on the subject."

Passed.

Read a letter from Hon. Atty. General enclosing a Memorial from F. H. Cunningham, now in the County Jail, addressed to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, complaining of the ventilation, food, restriction of limits, and regulations of that Institution.

Moved by Councillors N. Hays and Griffin, and resolved, That the Memorial of Francis H. Cunningham, confined in Jail, etc., be referred to the Jail Committee for inquiry and report to this Council.

Passed

Read the Report of the Committee on Assessments as follows:—

To the Worshipful Warden and members of this Council:

Your Committee on Assessment beg leave to report as follows:

In the case of E. B. Sutcliffe, who appealed from his assessment of 1881, we have to say that the matter was satisfactorily settled.

In the case of Wm Pace, John Lowe, William Webb, John C. Ross, and Archibald Borgall we have to say—From the fact of the Assessors of the District being the legal appraisers of properties and also from information received from reliable men of the several Districts, we beg to recommend that their assessment be sustained.

Your Committee also recommend that this Council devise some mode to settle disputes arising in the various Districts with respect to appeals coming before your Committee. Those appeals are certified before a Justice of the Peace, but in view of the fact that these Assessors are men appointed and bound by oath to do justice to each and every one, your Committee could not feel justified in accepting one individual oath, and that on his own property. We, therefore, suggest in order to remedy this defect, some mode be adopted whereby difficulties arising in future may be disposed to before the Assessment Rolls are forwarded to the Clerk. Your Committee therefore, recommend that the Councillor and Assessors of the District be the parties to settle those appeals in future.

All of which we respectfully submit, together with a statement of increase and decrease of valuations in each District as compared with last year.

WM. GUILD,
THOS. O'LEARY,
JOHN HAYES,
ALVAN HUBBY,
ADAM DEAN.

Also read "A Statement of increase and decrease in valuations in the several Districts, 1882.

STATEMENT OF INCREASE AND DECREASE OF VALUATIONS IN THE SEVERAL DISTRICTS FOR 1882.

Total Valuations.	Increase.	Decrease.
7.....	\$ 603 00.....	
8.....	4,875 01.....	
9.....	620 00.....	
10.....		\$ 5,793 00
11.....	2,620 00.....	
12.....	215 00.....	
13.....		833 00
14.....		16,325 00
15.....	6,700 00.....	
16.....		1,100 00
17.....		1 141 00
18.....		2,775 00
19.....		516 00

Total Valuation.	Increase.	Decrease.
20.....	227 00.....	
21.....	1 854 00.....	
22.....	1,530 00.....	
23.....	2 075 00.....	
24.....	503 00.....	
25.....	780 10.....	
26.....	5,465 0.....	
27.....	625 00.....	
28.....	1,10 00.....	
29.....	450 00.....	
30.....		1,396 00
31.....		13,558 00
32.....		4,080 00
33.....	1,510 00.....	
34.....	6,448 10.....	
35.....		686 00
36.....		4,353 00

A lengthy conversation ensued on the causes of the large falling off in valuations in some districts. The Councillors explained that some few years past a large increase was made to the value of real estate, which had now been reduced, and that while unproductive property near the city was very highly rated, the rural districts, further off and more valuable, remained stationary.

The Clerk called special attention to the want of care and proper enquiry as to the mode of making up the valuations by the Assessors. Many errors crept into the rolls, and they were frequently made up in the most loose and slovenly way. The Statutes and special instructions on all these points were always sent with the Assessment Books to the Assessors, Revisors and Collectors, but were too often passed over. Names were omitted and exemptions overlooked, Alphabetical arrangement and school sections were not attended to. Widows' property was not entered in some districts, so as to be definite. There was also difficulty and loss of taxes with regard to moveable property, such as lumber, vessels, fish, quartz, &c., and gave instances. He thought a remedy would be found in selecting the best men for such positions, and paying them equitably.

Chairman submitted memo. of available portion of the Road Grant as follows :

Amount deducting instalment and interest due Government on advances, 1879.....	\$10,160 92
LESS OVERDRAWN, 1881.	
Thomas Mason, District 32.....	\$20 98
James Fleming, District 8.....	20 00
J. Yeadon, District 13.....	12 90
D. W. Laren, District 30.....	15 00
	68 88
Nett amount to be appropriated.....	\$10,092 04

Commissioner John E. Shatford, Chairman, presented the

Report of Committee on Roads and Bridges.

To the Chairman and Councillors of the Municipality of the County of Halifax :

GENTLEMEN,—YOUR Committee on Roads and Bridges have carefully deliberated on the sub-division of the Provincial Grants for the Road and Bridge service in this Municipality for the present year, and beg herewith to submit a Road Scale, which we trust will meet your approval.

Your Committee having examined the papers referred to us, would recommend that the prayers of the several petitioners, viz.: Edward and James Redmond, District 12, Jasper McDonald and others, District 29, John Dechman, District 22, and Henry Aker, District 29, be granted.

With respect to the resolution of Councillors Fancy and O'Leary moved on January 17th last past, and referred to your Committee, we are of opinion that the expenditure was wholly in the power of the Supervisor of Roads, and it is a matter over which the Council has no control.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN E. SHATFORD, *Chairman.*
JOHN P. TUPPER,
GEO. A. LESLIE,
JOHN G. BISSETT,
GEO. H. MADILL.

ROAD AND BRIDGE SCALE, 1882, (rate \$6.00 per mile).

No. of District	No. of Miles.	Rate per Mile	Amount of Mileage	Extra for Bad Bridges.	Total.	Remarks.
7	15	\$6 00	\$ 90 00	\$ 32 00	\$122 00	
8	19	6 00	114 00	32 00	146 00	\$20.00 spent.
9	10	6 00	60 00	32 00	92 00	
10	15	6 00	90 00	35 00	125 00	
11	40	6 00	240 00	90 00	330 00	
12	40½	6 00	243 00	60 00	303 00	
13	46	6 00	276 00	45 00	321 00	\$129.00 spent.
14	9½	6 00	57 00	30 00	87 00	
15	16	6 00	96 00	20 00	116 00	
16	32	6 00	192 00	90 00	282 00	
17	52	6 00	312 00	30 00	342 00	
18	40	6 00	240 00	100 00	340 00	
19	58	6 00	348 00	250 00	598 00	
20	61	6 00	366 00	100 00	466 00	
21	90	6 00	540 00	250 00	790 00	
22	105	6 00	630 00	100 00	730 00	
23	7	6 00	42 00	10 00	52 00	
24	34	6 00	204 00	70 00	274 00	
25	45	6 00	270 00	220 00	490 00	
26	66	6 00	396 00	220 00	616 00	
27	80	6 00	480 00	220 00	700 00	
28	30	6 00	180 00	85 00	265 00	
29	31	6 00	186 00	100 00	286 00	
30	53	6 00	318 00	75 00	393 00	\$15.00 spent.
31	62	6 00	372 00	120 00	492 00	
32	22	6 00	132 00	120 00	252 00	\$20.98 spent.
33	37	6 00	222 00	60 00	282 00	
34	19	6 00	114 00	70 00	184 00	
35	32	6 00	192 00	120 00	312 00	
36	40½	6 00	243 00	60 00	303 00	
Icelandic Settlement					69 92	

\$10,160 92

The Report and Road Scale were considered.

Commissioner O'Leary mentioned mileage of his district as 20 instead of 19 miles, but was content to let it stand as it was.

Commissioner N. Hays thought there was not sufficient care exercised in making up the mileage, which was much less for his district (16). Some means should be used to measure the distances accurately, and get at a fairer allotment of the money.

Commissioner John Shatford made some explanations in regard to the basis adopted by the Committee and reasons for allowing some districts a small amount more than others for bridges and special demands.

Councillor D. W. Archibald and others said that the Committee deserved the thanks of the Council for the pains and trouble they had taken to distribute the grant equitably.

On motion the Report was received and adopted unanimously.

Read a petition submitted by Councillor Madill from certain Ratepayers of District 19, for leave to alter part of the road leading from McHefley's Hill, the object being to have the road laid out more conveniently for the residents and general public, and close up present public road. The petitioners offer to bear all expense of the right of way, &c.

The Clerk read the Sections of the Revised Statutes bearing on the subject. (Chap. 44, Sections)

On motion of Councillors Madill and Shatford, resolved—"That the prayer of the petition from District 19 to alter road over McHefley's Hill be granted, and that Isaac Logan, Peter McDonald and Terence Carroll be appointed to lay out said road in accordance with the petition."

Passed.

Read a note from Deputy Provincial Secretary to the Clerk, asking for a return of Magistrates deceased, removed from, or resigned, in Halifax County during the past year. The Clerk requested Councillors to supply him with information asked for.

Read a petition from parties interested in gold mining at Kellogg, Halifax County, asking for a road to be laid out and opened, if possible, thence to the main road, so that the enterprise might be more rapidly and successfully developed, &c. Councillor D. W. Archibald gave some information as to the length of the required road. From Kellogg by shortest route to main road was 5 miles, with 2 bridges needed; another way was 9 miles from Sheet Harbour, and no bridge required.

Read the following copy of the Act further to amend the County Incorporation Act, 1879.

(Passed the 10th day of March, A. D. 1882.)

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly, as follows :

1. Section One, Chapter One, of the Acts of 1881, is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor: No part of the grants which may be made by the Legislature, from time to time, to the several Counties of the Province for the road and bridge service, shall be expended under Commission, or by Commissioners, but the monies so granted shall be appropriated by the Council of the respective Municipalities, and shall thereafter be expended under the inspection of Supervisors of Roads and Bridges.

2. The County Council shall have power to appoint such number of Supervisors of Roads and Bridges as they may deem necessary, not exceeding one for each Polling District in each Municipality; and when more than one shall be appointed the Council shall define the districts allotted to each.

3. Every Supervisor shall, at each regular meeting of the Council, make a report in writing upon the condition of the roads and bridges within his district, and advise what appropriation will, in his judgment, be necessary for their repair and maintenance.

4. The Supervisors shall be paid for their services such remuneration as the Council shall from time to time determine.

5. The Supervisor shall lay out the monies granted by the Legislature in such places and for such purposes in repairing the roads and the bridges within Municipality as the Council shall direct, and where they shall appropriate the sum.

6. Section Three of Chapter One of the Acts of 1881 is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor: All the road and bridge monies granted by the Legislature, from time to time, shall be expended by tender and contract, or after competition by public auction, and by contract entered into thereafter, excepting in cases when a bridge or road has suddenly become impassable and requires immediate repairs, or in cases when, from the nature of the work, it cannot be let by public auction or by tender and contract, when the Supervisor shall have power

if in his opinion the amount to be expended shall not exceed twenty dollars, with the approval of the Councillor for the District, to do such work by day's work or by private contract; but in such case he shall render a particular statement, under oath, of such expenditure, with his reason therefor.

7. Section Six, Chapter One, of the Acts of 1881 is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor: The road and bridge monies granted by the Legislature to each Municipality may be drawn from the Provincial Treasury, by the order of the County Treasurer, countersigned by the Warden, in such amounts, from time to time, as may be found necessary; but in no case shall more than one-fourth of the whole grant to any County be drawn at one time.

8. Such monies shall be paid out by the County Treasurer on road returns, duly attested to by the persons performing the work, certified to by the Supervisor; and in cases when the labor has been performed by day's work or by private contract, then on returns certified by the Supervisor, with the particular account and reasons therefor, referred to in Section Six of this Act.

9. The County Treasurer shall file in the Provincial Secretary's office a Bond, with sufficient sureties, to be approved of by the Warden, for the amount of the road and bridge grant for the County, and until such Bond is filed no part of the grant shall be paid by the Provincial Secretary. 10. After the first instalment of the County grant is drawn, every subsequent draft shall be accompanied by a detailed statement of the expenditure previously drawn, with the vouchers therefor annexed, without which no money shall be paid by the Provincial Secretary, and on the thirty-first day of December in each year, the Treasurer of every County in the Province shall transmit to the Provincial Secretary a full account of all monies received and disbursed by him on road and bridge account for the year, which shall be filed in the Provincial Secretary's office, to be laid before the Committee of Public Accounts at the next session of the Legislature.

11. The Supervisors shall render an account in duplicate of all expenditures made by them, one copy of which is to be filed in the office of the County Treasurer, and the other copy shall be filed with the Clerk of the Municipality.

12. Except when the contract exceeds the sum of one hundred dollars, no sureties shall be required for the performance of the same.

13. The County Treasurer shall keep all monies drawn from the Provincial Treasury for road and bridge service separate and apart from any other funds of the Municipality, and shall not pay out the same for any other purpose.

14. It is hereby enacted and declared that the provisions of Section 90 of the County Incorporation Act of 1879 do not, and shall not, authorize any arbitrators or umpire, who may be appointed under said Section, to enquire into or determine upon any of the details or items included in the amount to be assessed on any incorporated County or District.

15. Section 32 of Chapter One of the Acts of 1879 is hereby amended by striking out the words "not to exceed one dollar per day," and inserting in lieu thereof, "not to exceed two dollars per day."

16. Section Twenty-nine of Chapter One of the Acts of 1879, so far as concerns the County of Halifax, is hereby amended by striking out the words, "on the first Tuesday of May," and substituting in lieu thereof the words, "third Tuesday of April."

17. When any lands shall hereafter be taken for railway purposes, under the provisions of Chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, 3rd Series, or of any part of said Chapter, or of any Act in amendment thereof, and a disagreement shall arise as to what proportion of the assessment for such lands to be levied under Section 24 of said Chapter shall be borne by any incorporated Town or Towns, or City, within the limits of the County in which said lands lie, such proportion shall be fixed and determined by three arbitrators, to be appointed by a Judge of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia; and such arbitrators shall be appointed by any such Judge on the application of any owner of land taken for railway purposes within the County, or of any person representing the County or representing any such City or Town, or on application of the Attorney General. The arbitrators shall be paid, out of the general County assessment of the County in which such lands lie, such fees for their services shall be taxed by a Judge of the Supreme Court, not, however, to exceed \$4.00 for each day of actual attendance, and actual travelling expenses.

18. Section Four of Chapter One, Acts of 1881, and all parts of Chapter 45, Revised Statutes, fourth Series, "Of the expenditure of monies on Roads," inconsistent with this Act, are hereby repealed.

19. Commissioners of Streets whose term of office shall have expired shall be eligible for re-appointment, but shall not be obliged to act.

The forms are here omitted, being published otherwise.

Councillor John E. Skaftford submitted the following resolution:

"Resolved, That in view of the funeral of His Grace the late Archbishop of Halifax, taking place to-morrow, this Council adjourn to-day, to meet to-morrow at 2 o'clock, in order to afford Councillors an opportunity of attending the funeral, as well as out of respect for the memory of the departed Prelate."

He referred in appropriate terms to the high character and widely known ability and virtues of His Grace the late Archbishop Hannan, and felt that out of sympathy with those of the Councillors who were lamenting the loss of the Head of their Church, and as a public duty, the course proposed should be adopted.

Councillor Chipman seconded the resolution and spoke feelingly of the deceased Prelate, quoting from his recent speech at the dinner of the Irish Society, his appreciation of the earnest labors and successes of the ministers of other denominations than his own, &c. The resolution was put by the Chairman, who also alluded to the kindly disposition and earnest labours of the Archbishop, and the general regret shewn at his decease.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Councillor Ryan in an eloquent and feeling manner thanked the mover, seconder and Councillors for their expressions of sympathy, respect, and appreciation of one who was to him and to the large body of peop'le who were sorrowing for his loss, a father and an affectionate friend and counsellor.

Councillor Griffin also expressed thanks on behalf of himself and fellow-Councillors to the Council for their sympathy and token of respect in so kindly adopting and passing the motion.

The Council adjourned till 2.30 p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met at 2.30 p. m. Chairman and 22 Councillors present.

Minutes read and confirmed.

Read a petition from F. J. Tremaine and 16 others composing the Argyle Gold Mining Co. praying that in order to aid in developing said mines and making further explorations at Kellogg in District 25, the McPhee (wood) road so called be extended about 3 miles, and that a committee be appointed under a precept to examine and report thereon.

Moved by D. W. Archibald, seconded by John E. Shatford—

Resolved, That the petition of the Argyle Gold Mining Co. so called, relative to the laying out of a new road, be returned to said petitioners, as the petition does not contain the signatures of twenty freeholders of the District or County as required by Chapter 44, Revised Statutes, 4th Series.

Passed.

Submitted and read, the Memorial of the Town Council of Dartmouth to His Excellency the Governor-General praying an investigation into the causes of outbreak of small-pox there last year, supposed to be through carelessness or neglect of Dominion officials.

This was an amended copy of the Memorial on same subject presented at January Session asking the concurrence of the County Council, but not naming the Municipality or its Officials as memorialists. The present document rectifies the omission.

It was moved by Councillors Himelman and Griffin—

Resolved, That the Memorial of the Dartmouth Town Council respecting the case of small-pox, be signed by the Warden and Clerk of this Municipal Council and forwarded."

Passed.

Submitted and read, an account amounting to \$869.05, expenses incurred by the Board of Health, Dartmouth, for hospital, medical attendance and quarantine outlay connected with the small-pox cases referred to in the aforesaid Memorial.

The expenses seem to have arisen in consequence of the disregard of quarantine regulations by the ship "Bayne" from which a quantity of infected bedding had been thrown into Halifax Harbour, and floating ashore on the Eastern side was the presumptive cause of small-pox in Dartmouth.

Discussion arose as to the liability of the Municipality. The Clerk said these charges had not been audited, and that no vouchers were forwarded. The amount was considered excessive. Read Sections 6, 7, 12, Chap. 29 R. S., as to position of the County in such matters.

Moved by Councillors Jno. E. Shatford and Christian—

"*Resolved*, That the bill for small pox expenses from Dartmouth be allowed to lie on the table."

Moved in amendment by Councillors Ryan and Chipman—

"*Resolved*, That the account from the Board of Health, Dartmouth, in reference to small-pox charges be referred to the Finance Committee to report upon at next meeting in January."

The amendment passed.

Read a note from the Hon. Atty. General in reply to the Clerk regretting that absence of Prov. Secretary delayed a meeting of Committee on Court House, but that he and Judge Weatherbe would be glad to meet the Commissioners at any time.

The Clerk was instructed to name 3 o'clock to-morrow as a suitable time for a conference.

Read correspondence between the County Clerk and counsel at Ottawa in the Dartmouth appeal case. The Court would give decision on 28th inst. which would be mailed thereafter.

After some remarks by several Councillors, it was moved by Councillors Ryan and Chipman—

"*Resolved*, That in case the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in the appeal now pending between this Municipality and Dartmouth be adverse to the former, the Warden of the County take the requisite steps for an appeal to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in England."

Passed.

Councillor Burgess (Chairman) presented the

Report of Committee on Licenses.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Halifax:

Your Committee after examining the petition of John Brady of Portobello Road, do hereby recommend that he obtain license for the ensuing year for the sale of spirituous liquors. Also recommend that David Vaughan, of East Chezzetcook, obtain license for the ensuing year for the sale of spirituous liquors. Also recommend James Ward, of Sackville, to obtain license for the ensuing year for the sale of spirituous liquors. Also recommend that Albert Mahony, of Preston Road, to obtain a license for the ensuing year, on condition that he comply with the law for the sale of spirituous liquors. Also recommend that Robert Allen, of Bedford Road, obtain a license for the ensuing year for the sale of spirituous liquors. Also recommend that Thomas Beech, of Bedford, obtain a license for the ensuing year for the sale of spirituous liquors. Also recommend that Thomas Ward, of 3 Mile House, obtain a license for the ensuing year for the sale of spirituous liquors.

E. E. BURGESS, *Chairman.*

W. B. CHRISTIAN,

JAMES CROOK,

J. LESTER GRIFFIN,

GEO. H. MADILL.

Passed.

Remarks were made on the large number of parties selling liquor without license in various Districts of the County. In reply to a question, the Clerk said the two-third majority of ratepayers required by law referred to Districts not to any township or section of a District. The law could scarcely include non-residents also.

Moved by Councillors Tough and Hays—

"*Resolved*, That all licenses granted by this Council shall expire on 30th April in each year."

This was discussed and the resolution of former Council read which named 31st May as the time of expiry of licenses. On being put the motion was lost.

On motion of Councillors Hamilton and Lean, Joseph Ellis was appointed District Clerk of License for District No. 17.

Moved by Councillors Leslie and Lapierre—

“Resolved, That this Council authorize the Committee on Licenses to grant licenses to applicants complying with the law, between this and the next meeting of Council.”

Passed.

Councillor Chipman (Chairman) submitted the

Report of Committee on Lunatics.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Halifax:

The Committee on Lunatic Asylum beg to report as follows:—

Since last return in January, 1882, there have been admitted to the Hospital for the Insane, in accordance with the requirements of the law and the bye-laws, eleven (11) patients, only one of whom on examination has been found able to pay; one should be chargeable to Antigonish County. On learning that a number of patients have sufficiently recovered to be removed elsewhere, and so far as your Committee know they having no friends to take charge of them, application has been made to the Commissioners of Public Charities to have them placed in the Poor Asylum. Names are: Henry Lappin, Luke Warren, James Todd, Isabel Gillis, Julia Flynn, Cath. Colford. These are chargeable to the City of Halifax; James Pearson is chargeable to Musquodoboit, and Dougall McKay, whose settlement is undetermined as yet, to find which an investigation has been requested of the Chairman of the Board of Charities. The investigation begun by Wm. Taylor, Esq., has been suspended in consequence of his being unable to attend to it. The results so far have shewn that the parties named in his last report are really chargeable to this County, as shewn by records and documents in the Commissioner's office. The Committee are of opinion that further investigation is unnecessary, except in cases of more recent date. We notice on examination of the accounts rendered that the charges for clothing and sundries over and above board are larger than would seem warranted, and it would be well to make some enquiries to see if such charges cannot be curtailed or limited in future, and some reductions made on past accounts. Not having the accounts before us at the January meeting we were unable to form a correct estimate; we find now that the amount will considerably exceed the estimate then made.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

B. W. CHIPMAN, *Chairman.*

J. LESTER GRIFFIN,

JOSEPH HIMELMAN,

EDMUND RYAN.

The Report passed.

Moved by Councillors Fancy and Archibald—

“Resolved, That Road District Smith's Cove, be divided as follows, viz., the line to start from George Smith's (Sr.) barn and run north on the line between Romkey and Publicover, and extent east so as to take in Pace and Pye at Ecum Secum.”

Passed.

Moved by the same—

“That John U. Smith be Road Overseer instead of Wm. Pye; George Jewers Road Overseer in place of Henry Worthen; Alex. W. Smith Road Overseer for Smith's Cove West; John Berrigan and John Fraser, Fence Viewers.”

Passed.

The Clerk submitted a bill of Bowes & Sons, \$8.50, against Revisors of Polling Districts 31 and 33 for printing Electoral Lists, with a note from P. McNab, Revisor.

The bill was objected to as unauthorized and not necessary. All the Districts should post the names of voters in writing in accordance with instructions sent by the Clerk.

Councillor Bissett said he had been asked to hand in the bill, but did not sanction it. There were over 800 electors in the roll, and the Revisors thought it better to print the names.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and Christian—

“Resolved, That the bill for printing Electoral Lists of Revisal, Section No. 17, be not received.”

Passed.

Submitted a bill from James McCarthy (recommended by the Grand Jury) amounting to \$14.00 for 14 days' attendance on that body.

The Chairman enquired as to time of the appointment.

The Clerk said that the Grand Jury had consulted no official or Committee of the Council, and McCarthy was not a County Constable. Understood that the Sheriff had made the appointment. Mr. Sentell formerly attended on the Grand Jury as Constable. Last Grand Jury (1881) had no Constable.

Read Section 46 73, Cap. XII, Co. Incorporation Act, which transfers all appointments of officers to the Municipal Council.

Moved by Councillors Ryan and Chipman—

“That the account of James McCarthy be not received.”

Passed.

The Clerk said it was necessary in order to save misunderstanding, that the amount to be paid the Secretary to the Grand Jury for this year be decided by the Council. Last year \$25 was allowed to include attendance as Grand Juror.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Chipman—

“Resolved, That the Secretary to the Grand Jury receive \$10 for that service.”

Passed.

Submitted a bill from the Assessors of District No. 22 for one dollar each, extra pay; from Assessors of District 31 for \$10.00, and Assessors of District 24 for \$4.00 extra.

Objections were made to these demands by a number of Councillors, as the law fixed the amount, and all districts might claim extras, and the large ones were really entitled to extra pay.

The Clerk pointed out that three Assessors in any District was illegal under the Local Act of 1862, and though a resolution of Council in 1880 allowed three if wanted, this was a direct contravention of the Statute.

The Councillors for the three Districts explained the extra time and labor.

A motion by Councillors Griffin and Burgess to allow the amounts asked for by Districts 22, 31, 24 and 22 was lost.

Subsequently the Bills were granted.

Read letter from the Depty. Prov. Secretary requesting statement of Receipts and Expenditures of the County for 1881, for the Legislature.

The Clerk stated that he had furnished the statements as required.

Read a note from S. Tobin, Esq., Secy. of Committee of Management of Archbishop Hannan's funeral, assigning a place in the funeral cortege for the County Council next to the City Council.

On motion, the Council adjourned to 2 p. m. Friday.

FOURTH DAY.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, April 21st, 1882.

The Council met at 2.30.

Present— Chairman and 23 Councillors.

Minutes of last Session read and confirmed.

The Chairman having to attend with the Committee on Court House improvement a conference with the Government requested Councillor Leslie to take the Chair.

Submitted and read, a lengthy communication from Alex. Wilson, a prisoner in the County Jail, committed for neglecting his family, complaining of illegal arrest and injustice in being treated as a vagrant and sentenced upon false charges to two months' imprisonment. He denies the charges and asks for redress.

Councillor Tupper said that he and Justice McCurdy were the committing Magistrates, and had ample grounds for the course they took. The evidence of a number of respectable persons was taken, which showed that Wilson was idle, unwilling to work for his family, who suffered in consequence. For three years the people of the District (21) had largely supported the family. This winter being severe, Mr. Tupper himself raised 150 lbs. of meat and a large quantity of bread and took it out to Wilson's house, with much labor; found Wilson doing nothing, and the wife and children destitute. As an instance of his idleness and mismanagement, he allowed the hay on his farm, about 4 tons, to remain uncut and go to destruction. The family were finally removed to more comfortable quarters and provided for by the inhabitants of District 21. Wilson was then tried and sent here.

On motion—

"Resolved, That the letter of Alex. Wilson, late teacher in the Icelandic Settlement, be thrown out."

Passed.

Councillor Jno. E. Shatford (Chairman) presented the Report of the Committee on Finance.

Report of Financial Committee.

Your Committee beg to report as follows:—

With regard to our financial position we find nothing new or special to report since last January meeting. We regret not having received any money on account of the City's indebtedness to the County, and very much regret to find by reference to the Treasurer's books and accounts that the County is so low in funds that he is utterly unable to meet half the obligations now pressing upon him.

We find that all the funds now in the Treasurer's hands does not exceed \$740, while the pressing demands against him at present exceeds \$1,200, not to speak of the bills coming due every day. In view of soon getting the amount due the County by the City and under the authority given us in May, 1881, by the Government to borrow \$1,000, for pressing financial wants of the County,

We therefore under and by the authority thus granted recommend that the Warden or Treasurer, as the case may be, be authorized to borrow \$500 to pay pressing demands, said \$500 to be paid not later than the 10th day of December, 1882.

Halifax, April 20th, 1882.

JOHN E. SHATFORD, *Chairman.*
B. W. CHIPMAN,
D. W. ARCHIBALD,
GEO. A. LESLIE.

The Clerk said that the amount recommended to be borrowed (\$500) was quite too small to meet pressing arrears of 1881, and pay current legal demands for Juries, Witnesses, Coroners, etc., which must be paid on pre-emption, and other services.

The Chairman said the Treasurer thought \$500 would do, as the City would probably pay a portion of its debt in May.

The Clerk said that the Municipality had not acted upon the Order in Council

formerly given allowing the Warden to borrow One Thousand Dollars for emergencies. The Order was submitted and read. Councillor Burgess offered to loan the amount required at six per cent. interest. This was agreed to.

Moved by Councillors Wilson and Hubley

"That the Report of the Finance Committee be received and adopted."

Passed.

An account from Sheriff Bell was submitted and read, consisting of charges for conveying criminals to Dorchester Penitentiary and for expenses of board for Jurors detained until verdicts were reported, etc. Total \$80.65 for quarter ended 31st March. Some remarks on the large cost for these items were made, and the Bill was referred to the Finance Committee for audit.

The Clerk submitted a Memo. received from the Foreman and Secretary of the Grand Jury in March Term for fines for certain absentees and a recommendation for Constables' attendance to be paid.

He explained that for some years past, such fines were through some negligence of the authorities largely uncollected. Last year though there were a large number of absentees, and some who never attended the Grand Jury at all, the Sheriff when called upon reported that no fines had been paid.

On motion of Councillors John E. Shatford and Hubley—

"Resolved, That with reference to the fines for absent G and Jurors, the Warden and Clerk be authorized to take such action as may secure the payment of said fines, if possible, and report the result to this Council in January next."

Passed.

The Clerk requested that as the Council might not have another Session till January, he should be furnished with instructions in reference to the time of making up the annual assessment, and more especially as to the time fixed for forwarding the Rolls to the Collectors, adding last year's deficits, &c.

Councillor Christian asked that the Assessment Roll for his District be delayed to the middle of July, if possible, so that in the meantime opportunity might be had to collect all arrears of former assessment could be obtained and paid in to reduce the deficits.

On motion of Councillors Shatford and Hubley—

"Resolved, That all arrears of County assessments not paid in by the 16th day of June next be added to the rates of the Districts owing the same, and after that date the books be made up and sent out, as soon as completed, by the Clerk to the several Collectors."

Passed.

The regular Chairman having returned, took the Chair, and reported the result of conference with the Government as follows:—

Report of Committee on Conference with the Government respecting funds for addition to Court House.

The Committee were graciously received by Hon. Attorney-General, Hon. Commissioner of Works and Mines, and Hon. J. F. Stairs, the only members of the Executive in town, and discussed the subject of proportion of cost of the new addition to the Court House, which the Province should contribute, as these improvements were more especially demanded in consequence of the limited accommodation now existing for Provincial business. In reply to the Attorney-General's enquiry as to the amount the Government had paid towards the present building, they had stated it to be one-third, but that ever since its erection, the cost of sustaining and managing the building and offices therein had been altogether borne by the County. The Committee urged that in future a portion of this annual expense should be borne by the Government. Hon. Mr. Creelman was not favorable to this suggestion, but the Attorney-General was disposed to recommend it. The Committee had requested the Hon. Attorney-General to state the intentions or views of the Government in writing, and he had acceded to this. Councillor Ryan said it was requested that the County Clerk furnish to the Hon. Attorney-General a statement of the yearly cost of the outlay for the Court House.

The letter of the Hon. Attorney-General was then read :-

HALIFAX, 21st April, 1882.

GENTLEMEN —The members of the N. S. Government, now in the city, after consultation with you have decided to recommend to their colleagues to assent to one-third of the cost of the required improvements in the Halifax Court House being borne by the Province in accordance with the principle established in relation to the construction of the building. They will present to their colleagues the request which you have made of a more liberal provision, but cannot at present give any assurance with regard to it.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JNO. S. D. THOMPSON,
Attorney-General.

To the Committee of the Halifax County Council on the subject of Court House Improvements.

On motion of Councillors Hubley and Lapierre—
The Report was approved and adopted.

The Clerk reported that he had endeavoured to carry out the resolution passed in January respecting the account due by Colchester County for expenses paid by this County for George Maclean, an insane pauper. Correspondence and enquiry showed that he was now in Mount Hope Asylum first charged to Colchester, but repudiated and now said to have his settlement in Cumberland. An investigation by the Government will determine this point, when another effort will be made to collect the bill. It was, however, a relief to the County to get rid of him as reported.

Clerk reported that Councillors' pay had been amended by Section 13 of the Act passed last Session of the Legislature. The original Act (Section 32, 1873) limited the amount to \$1 per day and mileage, 5 cents each way. The recent amendment stated it as not to exceed "\$2 per day," the mileage as before. Before giving the pay list to Treasurer, it was necessary to know the decision of the Council.

It was moved by Councillors Griffin and Himelman—

"That the pay of the Councillors be two dollars per day while in Session."

Passed.

Councillor Chipman submitted a petition from John Rose and others in District 14, asking that their Statute labor be allowed on their own road.

Moved by Councillors Chipman and Shatford—

"That the petitioners of District 14 be allowed to do their Statute labor on the road to their own homes, south side of Chocolate Lake, and that John Rose be overseer for that Section."

Passed.

In reply to the Chairman the Clerk said there was no special business, except the Report of the Committee on Public Property, and motion to print the Minutes.

Councillor Griffin said his Committee had not had time to prepare their report, and moved that the Council adjourn to 10 o'clock to-morrow, seconded by Councillor Chipman.

The motion was opposed by several Councillors who wished to leave for home.

Councillor Jno. E. Shatford said that the expense to the County for the report would be \$60, and moved that in amendment an evening Session be held at 7½ o'clock.

On the first motion being put, it was lost by a vote of 12 to 10.

On motion to adjourn to 7½ o'clock this evening, the vote stood 11 to 11. The Chairman gave the casting vote for the motion.

The Council adjourned to 7½ o'clock, p.m.

EVENING SESSION.

The Council met at 7.30 p.m.

Present—Chairman and 24 Councillors.

Reading of Minutes was waived.

Councillor Burgess was granted leave of absence.

Councillor Griffin (Chairman) presented

Report of Committee on Public Property.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Halifax, April Session, 1888:—

Your Committee visited the jail regularly, found the premises clean and orderly, and the jailor and assistant attentive. Having examined the Jailor's Reports, they find them carefully made up, and correct. The sanitary condition of the jail and its inmates has been good during this quarter, as shewn by reference to the visiting Physician's books and report.

Your Committee having examined into a complaint of John G. McKie, preferred against Mr. Chambers for an assault said to have been committed on the 8th day of February last. From the evidence produced they are of the opinion that there was no wilful assault committed, and that the complainant has been troublesome, disorderly and not willing to comply with prison discipline, and have therefore dismissed the complaint.

In reference to the memorial of Francis H. Cunningham addressed to His Honor A. G. Archibald Lieutenant-Governor,—

Your Committee in visiting the Debtor's Room on all occasions whenever a complaint was made, more particularly by the said memorialist, has caused ventilation to be made, as he required, also repairs to the water closet, and any other reasonable request he desired to be granted.

Your Committee having examined the quality of the diet given to the prisoners, find that it is as good as at any time under the management of the Quarter Sessions, whose rules were adopted by the instructions of this Council.

Your Committee cannot make distinctions as to the quantity of food required by the said memorialist, nor remedy at present the smallness of the room.

Your Committee would call the attention of the Council to Chapter 14 of the Local Statutes, 1881, under which their functions will at any time in future be nearly altogether superseded. Section First places the management of all matters now attended to by Jail Committee as regards diet, discipline, labor and all matters relating to the treatment of prisoners in the hands of the Lieutenant Governor in Council. Section Two gives a qualified and subordinate control to some person or persons not named. And the final clause takes from Municipalities all power to enforce their own regulations, and repeals all Bye Laws relating to the County Jail, which may be inconsistent with the rest of the Act.

All of which your Committee respectfully submit.

J. LESTER GRIFFIN, *Chairman.*
JOSEPH HIMELMAN,
EDMUND RYAN.
JOHN G. BISSETT,
B. W. CHIPMAN,
E. E. BURGESS.

Some remarks were made on the Report, and it was suggested that the Surgeon's Report be appended as a corroboration of the healthy condition of the premises.

Moved by Councillors Ryan and Chipman—

"Resolved, That the Report of Committee on Public Property be received and adopted, and that the Clerk of the Council copy the latter part of the same, referring to F. H. Cunningham's complaint respecting food, ventilation, &c., in jail, and send said copy to Attorney-General."

Passed.

Moved by Councillors Griffin and D. W. Archibald—

"Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to have the Minutes of this Session of Council printed."

Passed.

The Chairman referred to the election of Councillors in November, and expressed his intention of not offering again for his District, on account of ill-health and other reasons. In Sessions seven years, and since the new organization, he had endeavoured to have the affairs of the District financially and otherwise in a satisfactory condition as at present, and in saying farewell to his fellow-Councillors, he could not forget the harmony and pleasant associations he had experienced, and desired to express his thanks and good wishes for the future.

Councillors Ryan, Archibald, Chipman, Hubley and the Clerk trusted that he

would be recruited in health and change his decision, so as to resume his place in the new Council.

Councillor D. W. Archibald highly commended the assiduous care and attention to the services of the County shewn by those members of the several Committees who were nearest town, especially that on Public Property and Insane.

Councillors Chipman, Ryan and Griffin replied briefly and expressed their thanks.

Councillor D. W. Archibald being requested to take the Chair.

It was moved, seconded and passed unanimously—

“That the thanks of this Council be given to our esteemed Chairman, James E. Shatford, Esq., for the able and impartial way in which he had presided and conducted its affairs during the present Session.”

Councillor Shatford tendered his thanks for the courtesy and co-operation of the Council in getting through the business.

Moved by Councillors Himelman and Tough—

“Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to the Warden for the able and diligent manner in which he has discharged his duty during his term of office, and that this Council express their regret for his absence from among them during the present Session.”

Passed unanimously.

On motion, the Council adjourned *sine die*.

List of District Officers

—FOR THE—

COUNTY OF HALIFAX,

For the Year 1881.

District No. 7.

HERRING COVE.—*Constable*, George Brown. *Overseer of Statute Labor*, Michael Sullivan. *Assessors*, William Brackett and Francis Henrion. *Overseers of the Poor*, Charles Thomas, Geoffrey O'Gorman and William McLennan. *Revisor*, Edward Hayes. *Collector*, Edward S. Hayes.

FERGUSON'S COVE.—*Overseer of Statute Labor*, John Beverly. *Constable*, William Curran.

PURCELL'S COVE.—*Overseer of Statute Labor*, Benjamin Purcell. *Constable*, Charles Purcell.

SPRYFIELD.—*Overseer of Statute Labor*, Thomas Roach. *Constable*, Richard Roach.

District No. 8.

Presiding Officer, Francis Munro, Esq., J.P. *Revisor*, Francis Munro, Esq., J.P. *Collector*, John Burk. *Assessors*, John Whalen, Francis Purcell. *Overseers of the Poor*, James Gallahar, Isa Petipas, Wm. Johnson,

KETCH HARBOR.—*Overseers of Statute Labor*, John O'Neil, East Side, Peter Connors, West Side, and Lawrence Johnson, Halibut Bay. *Constables*, James Flaharty, Emanuel Fagan. *Fence Viewer*, Richard Martin, 1st.

PORTUGUES COVE.—*Overseers of Statute Labor*, John White, Francis Purcell, 2nd. *Constables*, Charles O'Neil, 2nd, Henry Quan. *Fence Viewer*, Edward Bowers. *Overseers of Public Landing*, John Sullivan, Samuel Petipas.

DUNCAN'S COVE.—*Overseer of Statute Labor*, Charles Holland. *Constable*, Thomas McNeil. *Fence Viewer*, Jeremiah Holland.

BEAR COVE.—*Overseer of Statute Labor*, James Petipas. *Constable*, Andrew Scallion. *Fence Viewer*, George Johnson.

District No. 9.

Assessors—Charles Smith, Andrew Twohiz. *Collector*—Patrick Twohig. *Overseers of Poor*—George H. Marryatt, Ben. Smith, Richard Nickerson. *Overseers of Roads*—Robert Greenwood, Sambro North; Daniel Smith, Sambro South; Gideon Smith, Creek; George Findlay, Coot Cove; James Tough, Pennant; Simon Vaughan, Long Cove; George Snair, East Pennant; Henry Smith, Ball Rock. *Constables*—Jerry Gray, James Smith, Pennant, Lewis Nickerson, Sambro South; Stephen Smith, Sambro South. *Fence Viewer*—A. Tough. *Revisor*—Jacob H. Marryatt. *Presiding Officer*, Andrew Gray.

District No. 10.

Assessors—John P. Chisholm, John Hurley, Thomas Connors. *Road Overseers*—Thomas Tobin, Thomas Christian, Michael Shea, Joseph Mason. *Constables*—John T. Duggan, Patrick A. Duggan, George Merlin, John Hornish, East Dover. *Revisors* Jas. A. Coolin, Laurence Saul. *Presiding Officer*—N. P. Christian. *Overseers of Poor*—John D. Christian, Edward Coolin, Michael Mullins.

EAST DOVER.—*Road Overseers*—Thos. Coolin, Aaron Miray.

SHAD BAY.—*Road Overseer*—Charles Coolin.

KELLY'S POINT.—*Road Overseer*—Timothy Noonan. *Collector*—Michael Cavanagh.

District No. 11.

Surveyors of Highways, Abraham Publicover, Wesley Crooks, Jas. L. Richardson, John H. Garrison, Frederick Boutilier, Abraham Vaughan, John Gates, Jr., Joseph Westhaver. *Constables*, James Zink, Daniel Morash, James Adams, George A. Garrison, Benjamin Covey, Jas. Edward Grono, William Cornelius, John Holland, Edwd. Moor. *Fence Viewers*, Albert Johnson, John Innis, Hezekiah Johnson, James Richardson, Sr., Josiah Covey, Henry Beninger, James W. Fraser, William Pace. *Health Officers*, James J. Cornelius, William Grono, 2nd, George Frail. *Overseers of Poor*, John H. Garrison, John Umlah, Robert Innis. *Assessors*, Peter B. Isnor, Elias Grono. *Collector of Poor and County Rates*, James J. Cornelius. *Presiding Officer*, Robert Munro, Esq. *Revisor*, Robert Munro. *Clerk of License*, John Fraser, Sr.

District No. 12.

Assessors, George Smith, Ephraim Rafuse, Edwin Hubly. *Road Overseers*, Samuel J. Boutilier, Norman Boutilier, Samuel Shatford, Charles Brunswick, Edward Dauphney, Peter J. Boutilier, Alfred Worger, Neil McDonald, John Awalt, William J. Boutilier, Edward Johnston, James Swallow. *Fence Viewers*, Thomas Trueman, Isaac Harshman, Freeman Boutilier, Jacob Slaunwhite, John J. Hubly, Albert P. Boutilier, Levi Longard, Peter G. Boutilier, David Brimmer, Benjamin C. Boutilier, Archibald Boutilier. *Collector of Poor and County Taxes*, Edmund Deal. *Overseers of Poor*, George Maling, John Conley, Edmund D. al. *Constables*, William Mason, Stephen Dauphney, Esrom Garrison, Samuel J. Boutilier, John Umlah, Junr., Edmund Dea, William Smeltzer, George Fraser, James Johnston. *Lumber Surveyors*, Ambrose Hubly, George F. Boutilier, Neil McDonald. *Revisor*, James Croucher, Junr., J. P. *Presiding Officer*, Alfred Worger.

District No. 13.

Assessors, Alexander Fraser, Jr., William Dart. *Overseers of the Poor*, John Umlah, James Marriott and James Drysdale. *Collector of Poor and County Rates*, John Umlah. *Overseers of Statute Labor*, John G. Yeadon, J. P., Terrence Bay Road, William Umlah, Brookside; Charles Drysdale, Green Head; Richard Bishop, Beech Hill; William L. Umlah, Goodwood; John Umlah, Spryfield; James Yeadon, Harrietsfield; Benjamin Brunt, Harrietsfield. *Constables*, John W. Umlah, George Marriott and Richard Bishop. *Presiding Officer*, George W. Marriott.

District No. 14.

Assessors, E. L. Fenerty and Peter Gebhard. *Collector*, Charles E. Piercy. *Overseers of Statute Labor*, William Deal, 3-Mile House to North-West Arm Bridge; Andrew Yeadon, North-West Arm Bridge to McIntosh Bridge; Patrick Kehu, North-West Arm Bridge to Canall Bridge; John Jolleymore, Lower Arm and Lawson's Mills. *Fence Viewer*, George Deal. *Constables*, James Keddy, Jr., Amos Geizer, David J. Boutilier. *Health Officers*, D. Keating and O. Warner. *Hog Reeve*, Joseph McCleave. *Revisor*, Peter Gebhard. *Overseers of the Poor*, Richard Deal, John Doull, Peter Gebhard. *Presiding Officer*, John E. Hosterman.

District No. 15.

Revisor, Thomas Payne. *Assessors*, Thomas Donaldson, James Doyle. *Collector*, Edward Boutilier. *Overseers of Roads*, Thomas Donaldson, from 3-Mile to 7-Mile House, Andrew Hefler, from 7-Mile House to Sackville Bridge; Patrick Grenan, from

Piers Mill to Kenny Road *Health Officers*, Jeremiah Daniels and Robert Allen. *Overseer of Poor*, John Gray, Thomas Beech, Isaac Mason. *Constables*, John Purcell, George Haws, Samuel Hefler, John Musgrave. *Fence Viewer*, Walter Oaks. *Surveyor of Lumber*, James Archibald. *Presiding Officer*, Edward Frizzell.

District No. 16.

Revisor, Henry Schmidt. *Assessors*, James Schmidt, Samuel Thomson. *Collector*, Samuel Isenor. *Overseers*, James Haverstock, James MacGowans, Alexander Emerson, David Wright, Henry Locus, Pierce Byrns. *Constables*, Samuel Isenor, James Locus, Micheal Byrns. Samuel Whyly, James McKelvie. *Overseers of Poor*, Amos Bezanson, Thomas Gillan, George Mason. *Fence Viewers*, Vernon Melvin, Nathaniel Melvin. *Presiding Officer*, Henry Schmidt, Esq.

District No. 17.

Presiding Officer, Francis Webber, J. P. *Revisors*, John G. Corbin, Francis Webber. *Assessors*, Nathan Ellis, John Bambuck, John Rassly. *Collector*, Winkworth G. Fenerty. *Overseers of Highways*, Section No. 1, Augustus Fenerty; No. 2, Alex. Mollison; No. 3, William Kelsig; No. 4, Robert Barratt, No. 5, John G. Corbin; No. 6, Walter Byrns; No. 7, Joseph Hefler; No. 8, Thomas Patton, No. 9, Richard Barratt; No. 10, Moses Nelson, No. 11, C. F. Miller; No. 12, John A. Robinson; No. 13, Michael Kehoe; No. 14, Fleming Smith. *Constables*, Robert Patton, Charles McGuire, Thomas Walsh, Joseph Robinson, Jos. Hefler. *Fence Viewers*, Albert Tolson, George Fultz and John G. Corbin. *Overseers of Poor*, Wesley Prepper and DeB. Fultz. *Surveyor of Lumber*, Nathan Ellis, *Health Officers*, Dr. A. Addlington, A. F. Church. *Clerk of License*, Joseph Ellis.

District No. 18.

Presiding Officer, John Lingley, Esq. *Overseers of Poor*, Geo. I. Marshall, Henry E. Taylor, John E. McDonald. *Assessors*, Henry E. Taylor, John E. McDonald, Wm. King. *Collector*, Geo. L. Marshall. *Weigher of Hay, &c.*, John Lingley, Esq. *Revisor*, John Lingley, Esq. *Constables*, John E. McDonald, Jas. E. Vandergraft, John Skerry, Jr., James Reeves, Robert Parnell. *Fence Viewers*, William Goff, John McDowell, William King, A. B. Temple. *Surveyors of Lumber*, James Otto, Joseph Keyes, Wm. Goff. *Health Officers*, Jas. B. Laidlaw, Kenneth McKenzie. *Surveyors of Highways*, Section No. 1, from Wm Leonard's to Waverley Corner, Jas. Skerry, Jr., No. 2, from Waverley Corner to Old Episcopal Church, Albert Stuart; No. 3, from Old Church to Grand Lake Inn, Wm. King; No. 4, Grand Lake Inn to County Line, Charles Todd; No. 5, Alexander Laing's to Oldham and half-way to Goff's, Patrick Doyle; No. 6, J. Wilson's Inn to Rutherford's Sawmill, Peter Spriggs; No. 7, Rutherford's Mill to African Chapel, John McDowell; No. 8, African Chapel to District line and half-way to Oldham, John E. McDonald; No. 9, Waverley Corner to Bridge on Old Cobequid Road, James Otto, No. 10, Old Cobequid Road, John Kelly; No. 11, from Donahoe's Corner to Second Railway Crossing towards Bedford, Edmund Thomas; No. 12, from First Lake to Canal Bridge, Williard Miller.

District No. 19.

Overseers of Highways No. 1, Thomas Logan; 2, Isaac Isenor, 3, Terrance Carroll; 4, Peter McDonald; 5, John Benjamin, 6, Robert Killough; 7, James Annand; 8, William Killough; 9, Archibald McMullin; 10, Samuel Rankins; 11, John McMichael; 12, Samuel Moore; 13, William Wilson; 14, Alexander Annand. *Constables*, Edward Isenor, Peter McPhee, James Annand, James McMichael. *Fence Viewers*, James Dowling, Peter McDonald, William McGeorge. *Assessors*, Norman Logan, James Annand. *Overseers of Poor*, James Dowling, John Verson, William Annand. *Revisors*, David Annand, Esq., Isaac Logan. *Collector of Rates*, John Wilson. *Clerk of License*, William McKeen. *Presiding Officer*, David Annand.

District No. 20.

Overseers of Roads, No. 1, James R. Dickey; 2, John Milne; 3, George Sibley; 3, Grant's Section, Miles Grant; 4, Thomas Cole; 5, Timothy Scott; 6, George Scott; 7, Alexander Dillman; 8, Peter Tully; 9, Isaac Tully; 10, Peter Milne; 11, James Mills; 13, Thomas Cox; 14, Patrick Stone; 15, Daniel McLaughall. *Constables*, George Scott, George Miller, A. Kent Sibley. *Overseers of Poor*, Timothy Scott, George Grant, John Milne. *Assessors of County Rates*, George Sibley, John Milner. *Collectors of County Rates*, Peter Tully. *Surveyors of Lumber*, Daniel Grant, J. D. Bayer. *Fence Viewers*, John Dunbrack, (Cnas. son) James Seeton. *Scalers of Logs*, A. K. Sibley, J. B. McLeod. *Revisor*, Ezekiel Sibley. *Presiding Officer*, Ezekiel Sibley, J. P.

District No. 21.

Overseers of Highways, Section 1, William Archibald; 2, John McEbin; 3, Thomas Hurley; 4, Alexander Murchy; 5, Allen McCurdy; 6, John Higgins; 5th; 7, John Millen; 8, Joan Higgins; 7th; 9, Robert McKettrudge; 10, Robert Reid; 11, Samuel P. White; 12, William Dickie; 13, James Murphy; 14, Arthur S. Gladwin; 15, Samuel Moore; 16, William Fox; 17, William Annand; 18, Berry Corbet; 19, John H. Taylor; 20, Robert Ervin; 21, Daniel Bell. *Fence Viewers*, George Dickey, George McLeod, William McCurdy, George Bell, Charles N. Spratt. *Overseers of Poor Rates*, John Higgins, 9th; John H. Taylor, Charles N. Spratt. *Revisors*, George McLeod. *Collector of County Rates*, P. R. Clark. *Constables*, Robert Ervin, Allen McCurdy, William J. McMullin, Robert McGunagal. *Surveyors of Lumber*, James Murphy, James Murchy, Robert Reid, David Nelson.

District No. 22.

Overseers of Highways, No. 1, James Gaston; 2, Richard Lemmon; 3, Charles Dean, 2nd; 4, James Dean, 4th; 5, Edward Stewart; 6, Raymond Fisk; 7, Charles Stewart; 8, William Horton; 9, Edwin Diller; 10, Philip Batcher; 11, William J. Archibald; 12, Samuel McKenzie; 13, Donald McKenzie; 14, John Gault; 15, Charles Fisher; 16, James Frasier, Sr.; 17, George Kent; 18, James Benvie; 19, John Redman; 20, Edward Horn; 21, Robert Miller; 22, John Deckman; 23, Robt. Sutherland; 24, William Bruce; 25, John Fisher; 26, Archibald G. Henry; 27, David Perrier. *Overseers of Poor*, William F. Redman, Charles McGunnigal, George Fisher, George H. Parker. *Constables*, James D. D. Henry, Alexander Fraser, Sr., William Bruce, William Deckman, Alexander Dean, John Matthias. *Collector of County and Poor Rates*, Frederick Henry. *Assessors of County and Poor Rates*, William Horton, Edmond Henry, Timothy P. Dean. *Scalers of Lumber*, Robert A. Henry, George Hamilton. *Clerks of Market*, David Archibald, Thomas A. Parker. *Surveyors of Lumber*, Berry Hamilton, John Reid, John Barron. *Scalers of Logs*, Robert Chaplin, William F. Bellamy, David Kent, John Redman, T. A. Parker. *Health Officer*, William Pearson, MD. *Fence Viewers*, George Stewart, Francis Henry, George Fisher, Alexander Redman, George Kent. *District Clerk*, James Henry, Sr. *Presiding Officer*, David Archibald. *Revisor*, George H. Parker, Jr. *To swear in District Officers*, T. A. Parker.

District No. 23.

Assessors, Michael Ryan, John P. Slaunwhite. *Collector Poor and County Rates*, William H. Ryan. *Overseers of Poor*, Dennis Ryan, James W. Slaunwhite. *Overseers of Highway Labor*, Josiah Slaunwhite, James Slaunwhite, William Mullins. *Constables*, Michael Rice, John P. Slaunwhite. *Fence Viewer*, John F. Slaunwhite. *Presiding Officer*, Dennis Ryan. *Revisor*, William H. Ryan.

District No. 24.

Assessors, Edward Moser, James M. Smith. *Collector*, Daniel Cameron. *Revisor*,

Alexander W. Smith, *Presiding Officer*, John U. Smith, *Road Overseers*, Harrigan Cove, Sub-district, No. 1, George McDonald, Sr.: Moser River, 2, David Moser; Moser River, 3, George W. Pye: Moser River, 4, Aaron Helby; Smith's Cove, 5, Henry Romkey; Ecum Secum, 6, George Jewers, Ecum Secum 7, Charles Jewers, Smith's Cove, West, 8, Alexander W. Smith. *Constables*, Charles McDonald, Andrew Moser, Joseph Ashron, George Hartling, Edward Low. *Overseers of Poor*, Charles W. Oden, Isaac Walters, Andrew Moser. *Lumber Surveyor*, John Low. *Fence Viewers*, John Berrigan, John Fraser.

District No. 25.

Assessors, James A. Lindsay, Edward Quillinan. *Collector*, Wm. Sutherland. *Overseers of Poor*, Wm. Hall, Sydney Smith, John Murphy, B. S. *Overseers of Roads*, E. R. District, Sydney Smith; Lochaber Dist., J. J. McCarty; Watts' Dist., George Lowe; Sheet Harbor Passage, Wm Wamboldt; Sober Island, Wm. Geddes; West River, S. Harbor, Wm. Sutherland; Faces Dist., Michael Redmond; Mushaboon Dist., Geo. Boutillier. *Constables*, Geo. F. Grant, Daniel Farnell, Wm. Knight Henry Hall, Wm. Tupper, Robt. Sample, Mayhew Creelman, Joseph Martin, O. P. Fraser, Patrick Cody, Sydney Smith, Samuel Grant. *Surveyors of Lumber, Timber and Logs*, A. T. Scott, Albion Ryan, Samuel Woodbury, James Hall, Wm. Tupper, John Hall, senr., Arch. Hall, E. H. Belmore, Edwd. Murray, T. B. Simonson, John F. McKenzie, T. A. Baker, Duncan McKenzie, Edwd. Quillinan, Andrew McDonald, Angus McDonald. *Revisor*, Edward Quillinan. *Presiding Officer at Municipal Elections*, John F. McKenzie. *Fence Viewers*, Daniel Quillinan, Peter Whitman, Hugh Dunn, Thos. Winters. *Pound Keeper*, Wm. Hall. *Hog Reeves*, Horton Hall, E. Tracey, John Behie, Alex. Thorpe, John McInnes, Robt. Sample.

Clerk of Licenses for Districts 25, 24, 26 and 34 (newly married). Wm. Hall, Sheet Harbour, vice J. F. Torrance (removed.)

District No. 26.

Assessors, George Leslie, Jr., Andrew Gaston. *Collector County and Poor Rates*, Leonard Conrad. *Revisor*, Henry Leslie. *Overseers of Poor*, William Hay, Henry Shelnut, Andrew Gaston. *Presiding Officer Municipal Elections*, William Hay. *Overseers Statute Labour*, No. 1, Samuel McCarthy; 2, George Leslie, Jr.; 3, Isaac Henley; 4, Thomas Hawse; 5, William Cameron; 6, George Conrad; 7, Charles Abril; 8, James P. Miller; 9, James Logan; 10, Jno. Borgal; 11, Owen Newcomb, Jr.; 12, Wm. Morphy; 13, Jonathan Irving; 14, Thomas Hilshey; 15, A. R. Higgins; 16, Stephen Snyder, Shoal Bay. *Constables*, Isaac Henley, Chas. Percival, Robert Gaston, Henry Geriard, Henry Feltham, Chas. Shelnut, Alex. Jackson, Jr., G. H. Jusey, James W. Ferguson, Alex. Mason, Patrick Coffee. *Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood*, Thomas Hilshey, James P. Miller. *Fence Viewers*, George Leslie, Jr., G. H. Jusey, Thomas Hilshey, James P. Miller. *Hog Reeves*, Wm. Cameron, George Mason, Martin Prest, John Borgal, Jr.

District No. 27.

Overseers of Roads, No. 1 Road Section, Musquodoboit Harbor, from Iron Bridge to George Smith's South line, John Faulkner; 2, from Main Post Road at George Smith's to Valen's place, Andrew Mosher; 3, from Valen's place to Oyster Pond Run, David Williams; 4, from Oyster Pond, including Pleasant Point and Oyster Pond, Fredric Slaughenwhite; 1, Head of Jeddore, from Salmon River Bridge to mouth of West Jeddore Road, John Warrall; 2, Myers' Point, Head of Jeddore, Daniel Blakely; 3, West Head of Jeddore, from blacksmith's shop to Wm. Faulkner's South line, Joseph Dooks, Jr.; 4, West Jeddore, from Big brook to "Hall," James Arnold; 5, West Jeddore, from "Hall" to Stephen Harpell's

South line, Daniel Baker; 1, East Head Jeddore, from Salmon River Bridge to Mitchell's Mills, James Myers; 2, East Jeddore, from Mrs. Newcomb's, including Wm. Mitchell's, to Smelt Brook, David Mitchell; 3, East Jeddore, from present main road around shore including all the inhabitants from Geo. Hill's to John Arnold's, George Hill; 4, East Jeddore, from Smelt brook to Freeman Palmer's South line, John Weston; 5, East Jeddore, from John Arno d's, Senr., North line to the late Isaac Hopkins, Isaac Hopkins, Senr.; 1, Upper Lakeville, William Faulkner; 2, Lower Lakeville, Jacob Webber; 3, Clam Bay, from John G. Webber's to John R. Webbers, William Webber; 1, Clam Harbor, from Mary's River to George Stoddard's West line, Adam Stoddard; 2, Clam Harbor, from Mary's River to John Fussell's inc usive, Jacob Robinson; 1, Owl's Head, Palmer's Settlement. David Palmer; 2, Owl's Head, Debay Settlement, James Debay; 1, Head of Ship Harbor, James Marks; 2, West side Ship Harbor, John Martin. *Constables*, Lawrence Marks, Jr., John Williams, Richard Stevens, John Baker, Capt. John Siteman. William Laybolt, John W. Webber, Elijah Blakney. David Mitchell, Colin I. Myers, Philip Mitchell, Gideon Blakely, Henry S. Guild, John Martin. *Fence Viewers*, John Siteman, Fred Bowser, John Laybolt, Wm. Robinson, Charles Slade, John Smith, David Blakney, Harris Corkum, John W. Mitchell. *Overseers of Poor*, Peter Myers, Stephen Jennox, Conrod Marks, John Faulkner. *Hog Reeves*, George Stoddard, Andrew Siteman, James Smith, Peter Hartlin, Isaac Myers. *Collector of Rates*, John D. Mitchell. *Presiding Officer*, Geo. A. Jamieson, M. D. *Assessors*, Robt. J. Stevens, Daniel B'akely, Jacob Robinson. *Revisor*, Peter W. Maskell. *Lumber Surveyors*, Andrew Mitchell, Wm. Robinson. *Health Officer*, Geo. A. Jamieson, M. D.

District No. 28.

Overseers of Roads, No. 1, John Romas, Shore road, from Coach road to Joseph Komax's; 2, Charles Robichau, coach road to chapel; 3, Luke Manette, from his place to coach road; 4, Alexander Belfontaine, from chapel to John Conrod's bridge, and to Porter's Lake; 5, Jeremiah Fillis, from John Conrod's bridge to Prosper Lapierre's; 6, James Conrod, from Martin Lapierre's to Dyke; 7, Thomas Gaetz, from Prosper Lapierre's to James Gaetz's; 8, Albert Gaetz, from James Gaetz's to Rocky Run bridge; 9, Charles Graham, from main road to David Graham's; 10, Charles Niforth, from John Niforth to main road; 11, John Gaetz, from William Graham's to main road; 12, Francis Murphy, from John Murphy's to Porter's Lake road. *Assessors of County Rates*, Joseph Myette, Simon Lapierre, George Niforth. *Collector Poor and County Rates*, George Lapierre. *Overseers of Poor*, Raymond Wolf, Andrew Niforth, Andrew Belfontaine. *Assessors of Poor Rates*, Charles Belfontaine, Martin Gaetz. *Constables*, Lewis Romas, George Lapierre, Thomas Niforth, George Crawford. *Fence Viewers*, William Bonin, Edward Niforth, Stephen Lapierre. *Appraisers of Damages*, Joseph Wolf, Joseph Gaetz, Simon Belfontaine. *Revisor*, Donald McLaren, J. P. *Presiding Officer*, Donald McLaren, J. P.

District No. 23.

Presiding Officer, James H. Sellars, J. P. *Revisor*, James H. Sellars, J. P. *Assessors*, John McDonald, Albert Leslie. *Collector of Rates*, James T. Sellars. *Overseers of Highways*, No. 1, Ephraim Corkum, from Salmon Hole road to Salmon River bridge; 2, Michael Hiltz, from Joseph Conrad's barn to Salmon Hole road; 3, Daniel Murphy, from head of Dower field to Salmon Hole road; 4, Gasper Leslie, from head of Dower field to Rocky Run bridge; 5, John Lloy, Jr., from George Lloy's to Henry Merson's North line; 6, Reubin Crowell, from Henry Merson's North line to Mill Brook; 7, Joseph Conrad, Jr., from Canterbury Bridge to William Shaw's barn; 8, James Clark, from Mill Brook to

Barnet's North line; 9, John Monaghan, from William Shaw's barn to Lawrence-town road. *Overseers of Poor*, Alexander T. Crook, George G. Hawkins, Samuel Hiltz. *Fence Viewers*, Reubin Sellars, James Dares, Jr., John Bremner, Jr. *Assessors of Damages*, James Hiltz, Sr., Adam Leslie, Charles Rowell. *Constables*, Thomas Gammon, John Hiltz, Colin McDonald, George Lloy, Jr., Thomas Merson, Jr., Daniel J. Dares, William Shaw, James Clark, Jr.

District No. 30.

Overseers of Roads, David Thompson, from Little Bridge near McKay's, to Patridge River; Samuel Clayton, from Patridge River to Salmon River; John Nelson, from main road, Preston, to Thompson's old road; John Delvery, Upper O'Brien's street; Charles Carter, Lower O'Brien's street; Richard Camery, Lake Eagle road; William Stuart, Frog Lake Road; George Cribby, old road, from Evans' Hill to Salmon River; Samuel Smith, from Ernest Bridge to Urdon Kane's; James Keizer, west side Porter's Lake; Robt. B. Innes, from Porter's Lake Bridge to Dry bridge; John Colly, from main road to Gabriel Hall's. *Appraisers of Damages*, Richard Saunders, Daniel Johnson John Brown, John Davidson, Jesse Parks. *Fence Viewers*, John Johnson, John Thompson, Jr., James Neal, Horatia Davidson, James Gordon. *Constables*, Joseph Evans, John Williams Rufus Conrad, Stewart Innes, Daniel Downey. *Hog Reeves*, Robert Williams, George Clayton, David Dear. *Pound Keeper*, George Thomas. *Assessors*, John Colly, John Davidson. *Collector of Poor and County Rates*, Joseph Evans. *Revisor*, James Kiezer. *Presiding Officer*, George Cribby. *Overseers of the Poor*, Richard Croud, William Brown.

District No. 31.

Assessors, Charles Bisset, Gordon Kuhr. *Collector*, John McDonald, J. P. *Overseers Statute Labour*, 1, David Eisnor; 2, Charles Shuffeburg; 3, Thomas Farrell; 4, Thomas Fisher, jr; 5, Gordon Kuhn; 6, Alex. Hutchinson; 7, Isaac Knock; 8, Henry Bell; 9, James Ready; 10, Alex. Bell; 11, Frederick Cooper, 12, Daniel Brennan; 13, Hugh Morash; 14, William O'Sullivan; 15, James A. McNab; 16, John Watson; 17, Henry Baker; 18, John Kuhn; 19, Alex. Morash, jr.; 20, Enos Conrod; 21, William Lawlor; 22, John Kuhn; 23, James Farquharson. *Constables*, William Eisnor, William McDonald, David Rutherford, Henry Conrod. *Overseers of Poor*, Daniel Donovan, William Skerry, John Morast. *Pound Keeper*, Judson Settle. *Health Wardens*, John G. Bisset, J. P., John McDonald, J. P., John O'Connor. *Presiding Officer*, James Farquharson. *Revisors Sec. 17*, Peter McNab, John Shiers, District 33 James Turner. *Fence Viewers*, Judson Baker, James Turner. *County Constable*, John McBain.

District No. 32.

Revisor, John Mason. *Presiding Officer*, George Dauphiney, St. Margaret's Bay. *Assessors County Rates*, Nathaniel Mason, James Hubley, John Webber. *Overseers of Poor*, Peter F. Boutillier, Ephraim Hubley, Neil C. McLean. *Overseers of Roads*, No. 1, Amos Hubley; 2, Simon Colp; 3, John D. Winock; 4, Edmund Colp; 5, Martin Boutillier; 6 (Boutillier's Point), William Boutillier; 7 (Mason's Point), Isaac Jollymore; 8, Thomas Mason. *Constables*, No. 1, Hector Dorey, William Trueman; 2, William Conrad, Simon Colp; 3, John Moren, Valentine Brigley, Thomas Kennedy; 4, Benjamin Boutillier, Benjamin Colp; 5, John B. Boutillier, David Grono, Amos Awalt; 5, John Mason, John Fader, jr., John C. Boutillier. *Collector of County Rates*, Peter F. Boutillier.

District No. 33.

Assessors, Lewis Turner, George Bowes. *Collector*, Peter Himelman. *Overseers of Statute Labour*, Mr. Skinner, John Heneberry, A. J. Newcomb, James Hawkins, Frederick Naugle, Thomas Negus, Daniel Moser, sr., James Bowes, John Smith, Francis McDonald. *Constables*, James Myres, Kenneth McKenzie, John DeYoung, Charles Hutt, Daniel Moser, jr., William Bowes, William Heneberry. *Fence Viewers*, Charles Hutt, Peter Moser. *Overseers of Poor*, John A. Shiers, Daniel Moser, sr., Peter Himelman. *Health Officers*, John Osborne, Peter DeYoung, Edward DeYoung.

District No. 34.

Assessors, James Hartling, jr., West Quoddy; William McLeod, Beaver Harbor; Thomas Hartling, Salmon River. *Collector*, John O'Leary, sr. *Overseers of Statute Labour*, Henry Hawbolt, Beaver Harbor; Gideon Hartling, Salmon River West; John Smiley, Salmon River East; Edward Archibald, from post road to gold mines; James Stewart, West Quoddy; Edward O'Leary, East Quoddy; George Snow, Snow's Island; Andrew Sheirs, Harrigan Cove. *Constables*, Leonard Whitman, jr., Alexander Gamman, Frederick Sheirs, Neil Kirker. *Overseers of Poor*, Capt. James McLeod, Capt. Francis Clawson, John Kirker. *Revisor*, John Kirker, J. P. *Presiding Officer*, William Romans.

District No. 35.

Overseers of Highways, No. 1, Edward Cruikshank; 2, William R. Ogilvie; 3, James Brown; 4, William Rhind; 5, Alex. McMullin; 6, Alexander Cole; 7, William G. Cole; 8, John Taylor. *Constables*, William Burris, Allison Brown, Peter Cruikshank. *Fence Viewers*, Alex. Taylor, John Taylor, Hugh Hurley. *Appraisors of Damages*, George Cole, Joseph Ogilvie. *Hog Reeve*, William Rhind. *District Clerk*, Wm. R. Ogilvie. *Revisor*, Wm. R. Ogilvie. *Overseers of Poor*, Wm. R. Ogilvie, Alexander Cole, William Rhind. *Treasurer of Poor Rates*, Wm. G. Cole. *Surveyors of Lumber*, Alexander McMullin, John Taylor, William R. Ogilvie. *Assessors of County and Poor Rates*, William Burris, Alexander Cole. *Collector of County Rates*, John Grant.

District No. 36.

Revisor, John Anderson, sr. *Assessors*, David B. Power, George Gaetz, George Kaiser. *Collector*, William Warner, sr. *Overseers of Statute Labour*, No. 1, from L. Bayers' barn to Kidd's bridge, and from head of Musquodobit harbor to Rowling's corner, Isaac Gaetz, jr.; 2, from manse to James Bayers, Petpeswick harbor, Michael Power, jr.; 3, from school house to Gilbert's Hill, East Petpeswick, Alex. Gaetz; 4, from Gilbert's hill to Charles Clergy's, John Anderson 3rd; 5, from Charles Clergy's to sea shore, George Myra; 6, west side of Petpeswick, from John Young's to Deep Cove, William Anderson, jr.; 7, from Deep Cove to Little River, James A. Anderson; 8, from Samuel Braden's to Long Bridge, Joseph Gaetz; 9, from Braden's to DeLukrey's bridge, Owen Redman; 10, from DeLukrey's bridge to Porter's Lake, Archibald Stuart; 11, Conrad's Settlement, including all the roads in said settlement, Nicholas Conrad; 12, from main post road to Larry Petipas', George Conrad; 13, from Larry Petipas to Deep Cove, William Misner; 14, from Deep Cove to Graff Beech, James Conrad, son of Peter; 15, from Chezzetcook road to Petpeswick harbor, James Conrad, sr.; 16, from

Crawford's bridge to Gaetz's camp, Archibald Crawford; 17, on divided section, from Musquodoboit school-house to Richardson's, Alex. Gaetz; 18, from Richardson's to Gilbert's inclusive, Jas. Bayers; 19, from Graff Beach to Luckey's Point, James Conrad (Peter's son); 20, from Luckey's Point to Deep Cove, Edward Conrad. *Constables*, Jeremiah Gaetz, Samuel Ogilvie, James Greenough, Samuel Braden, James Richards, William Roast. *Fence Viewers*, Samuel Gaetz, John Anderson, sr., Isaac Gaetz, jr., William Warner, jr., Edward Conrad, James Conrad (son of Peter). *Appraisers*, John Kidd, John H. Anderson, George Guild, Capt. William Warner, Justin Colford, Charles Conrad. *Lumber Surveyor*, John Kidd. *Overseers of Poor*, Isaac Gaetz, George Kaiser, Charles Conrad. *Presiding Officer*, Isaac Gaetz.

