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County of Halifax

Council Minutes

January 1883

MINUTES AND REPORTS

OF THE

Council of the Municipality

OF

THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX, N. S.

*Emergency Meeting, August 26, 1882, and Fourth
Annual Meeting, January, 1883.*

B. W. CHIPMAN, ESQ., WARDEN.

W. H. WISWELL, CLERK.

HALIFAX, N. S. :
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Municipality of the County of Halifax.

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County Warden—B. W. CHIPMAN, Esq.

County Clerk and Treasurer—W. H. WISWELL, Esq.

County Stipendiary and Clerk of Licenses—

J. L. GRIFFIN, Esq.

County Auditors—JOHN E. ALBRO, D. HENRY STARR, Esqrs.

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1883.

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

Public Accounts and Finance.—Councillors Shatford, Wilson, Leslie, Guild and N. Hays.

Public Property.—Councillors Lawson, Ryan, Bissett, Burgess, Himmelman and Longard.

Licenses.—Councillors Burgess, McPhee, Cruickshank, Sibley, Munroe and Conrad.

Roads and Bridges.—Councillors Shatford, Leslie, Tupper, Wilson and Guild.

Assessments.—Councillors O'Leary, Dean, Hubley, McPhee and Fitzgerald.

Lunatic Asylum.—Councillors Lawson, Himmelman, N. Hays, Bissett and Ryan.

Law Amendments.—Councillors Wilson, Leslie, Tupper, Shatford and O'Leary.

Poor.—Councillors Dean, McLaren, Cruickshank, Munroe and Sibley.

Jury Lists.—Councillors Wilson, Ryan and Shatford.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

Committee on Nominations.—Councillors Shatford, Leslie, Tupper, Guild and Wilson.

Commissioners of the Court House.—The Warden, Councillors Lawson and Ryan, Hon. Judge Thompson, Hon. Judge Weatherbe.

Municipality of Halifax County, 1883.

COUNTY OFFICERS, &c.

County Constables.—Patrick Monaghan, (Chief), M. Byrnes, Jno. Sullivan, Thomas A. James, R. J. Lehan, (Dartmouth), Jno. McLellan, and Jno. McBain, (Dartmouth.)

Keeper of County Jail.—Thos. A. Chambers.

Keeper of Court House.—J. B. Sentell.

Crier Supreme Court.—Jno. Murphy.

Constable County Court.—Michael Byrnes.

Stipendiary's Constable.—Patk. Monaghan.

* * * The Offices of the County Clerk, Treasurer, Stipendiary Clerk of License and Chief Constable, have been removed to the new addition to the Court House, south end.

COUNTY OFFICIALS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

High Sheriff.—Joseph Bell, Esq.

Prothonotary.—S. H. Holmes, Esq.

Registrar of Deeds.—W. H. Keating, Esq.

Judge of Probate.—Hon. S. L. Shannon.

Registrar of Probate—Wm. Howe, Esq.

COUNTY COURT.

Judge.—Hon. J. W. Johnston.

Clerk, &c.—S. H. Holmes, Esq.

Librarian, &c., Law Library.—Geo. A. Allison, Esq.

The Court Rooms and Offices of the above are in the Court House, and the hours of business of most of the foregoing officials are from 10 to 4 o'clock. Sundays and Holidays excepted.

ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

THIRD MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

OF THE

COUNTY OF HALIFAX.

In pursuance of the requirements of the County Incorporation Act and the special summons of the County Clerk, the Councillors elect for the several Polling Districts of Halifax County attended at the County Court House in the new County Court Room on Tuesday, January 9th, 1883, at noon. The Councillors for Districts 24 and 28 had not arrived.

The Clerk read the Sections of the Act, and amendments thereto, relating to the course of procedure at this meeting, and briefly addressed those present, welcoming the old and new members; also referred to the absence of the Treasurer, William Evans, Esq., who had been called away to another life since the last Session of the Council. Protests had been, or would be, entered against the returns made by the Presiding Officers of Districts 16, 20, 23 and 30, but, as the Returning Officers had notified him of the election of the candidates present, he considered that the County Court took cognizance of all matters relating to Controverted Elections, and he should, therefore, swear in the Councillors now attending for that purpose.

The returns from the various Districts showed the following to be elected, viz.:

- District 7—Herring Cove—John Hays.
- “ 8—Portuguese Cove—Jas. Fitzgerald.
- “ 9—Sambro—Chas. E. Smith.
- “ 10—Upper Prospect—George J. Longard.
- “ 11—Hackett's Cove—Wm. Munro.
- “ 12—French Village—Alvin Hubbley.
- “ 13—Spryfield—Geo. Umlah.
- “ 14—N. W. Arm—B. W. Chipman.
- “ 15—Bedford—E. E. Burgess.
- “ 16—Hammond Plains—Norman Hays.
- “ 17—Sackville—Professor Lawson.
- “ 18—Waverley—B. C. Wilson.
- “ 19—Gay's River—Arch McPhee.
- “ 20—Meagher's Grant—Ezekiel Sibley.
- “ 21—Middle Musquodoboit—J. D. Tupper.
- “ 22—Upper “ —Adam Dean.
- “ 23—Lower Prospect—Edmund Ryan.
- “ 24—Moser's River—John U. Smith.
- “ 25—Sheet Harbor—Angus Cruikshanks.
- “ 26—Tangier—George A. Leslie.
- “ 27—Jeddore—Wm Guild.
- “ 28—Chez-etcook—John McLaren.
- “ 29—Lawrencetown—Charles Conrad.
- “ 30—Preston—Richard Croud.
- “ 31—Cole Harbor—John G. Bissett.
- “ 32—Hubbard's Cove—John G. Shatford.
- “ 33—Eastern Passage—Jos. Himmelman.
- “ 34—Salmon River—Thomas O'Leary.
- “ 35—Little River—Donald Archibald.
- “ 36—Musquodoboit Harbor—Dennis Smith.

The Clerk then administered the Oath of Allegiance and Councillors' Oath to each of the above (except J. U. Smith and J. McLaren, absent), and thereafter took the Chair, called the meeting to order, and requested the meeting to nominate a Warden.

Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Shatford, nominated Councillor B. W. Chipman as Warden.

The Clerk said the election would be by ballot if there were other nominations, or if but one, by acclamation.

Councillor N. Hays, seconded by Councillor Wilson, nominated Councillor J. E. Shatford.

Both gentlemen tendered their acknowledgments, and Councillor Shatford said that if Councillor Chipman was willing to serve he would retire in his favor, as he had not sought a nomination and the election should be by unanimous vote.

Councillor Lawson suggested that the mover and seconder also withdraw their nomination, which was done, and the Clerk declared Councillor Chipman duly elected Warden by acclamation, the Council duly constituted and organized for business. The Warden was then sworn into office.

His Honor the Warden briefly thanked the Council, and hoped to fulfil the duties required of him impartially and to the satisfaction of all parties, and trusted that, as heretofore, harmony and kindly feeling would prevail in their Sessions.

The meeting adjourned to half-past two p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

TUESDAY, January 9th, 1883.

The Council met at 2.30; the Warden and 27 Councillors present.

The Warden said the minutes of last Session and those of the Emergency Meeting would be read. Several Councillors thought the former unnecessary as they were in the printed Reports.

The minutes of the Emergency Meeting of August 26th were read by the Clerk as follows:—

MINUTES OF EMERGENCY MEETING,

Held August 26th, 1883.

The offices of County Treasurer, County Stipendiary and Clerk of License having, by the decease of William Evans, Esq., become vacant, the Warden, acting under Clause 18, Amended County Incorporation Act, 1880, called an Emergency Meeting of Councillors the above date. Present—Councillors Ryan, Bissett and Griffin, the Warden in the Chair.

The County Clerk being ill, the minutes were taken by Councillor Griffin, as Secretary, at the Clerk's office, Court House.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Bissett, and

"Resolved, That W. H. Wiswell be County Treasurer *pro tem*, with power to receive and pay all monies, till first meeting of Council." Passed.

"Resolved, That the Halifax Banking Company be notified to receive deposits and pay checks drawn by W. H. Wiswell as Treasurer *pro tem*." Passed.

"Resolved, That the Provincial Treasurer be notified of the appointment and instructed to pay the Road monies for the County of Halifax to W. H. Wiswell, as Treasurer *pro tem*, and to receive vouchers for the same through him." Passed.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Bissett, and

"Resolved, That J. L. Griffin, Esq., J.P., be Stipendiary Magistrate and Clerk of License *pro tem*." Passed.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Bissett, and

"Resolved, That the County Auditors do audit the accounts of the late County Treasurer to the present date." Passed.

"Resolved, That the Treasurer appointed *pro tem* be requested to furnish the Bonds required by law." Passed.

"Resolved, That the Treasurer elected (W. H. Wiswell) be directed to take charge of all keys, books and papers belonging to the Municipality of the County of Halifax formerly in the possession of the late Treasurer." Passed.

The meeting then adjourned.

(Sgd.) J. L. GRIFFIN,

Secretary.

(Sgd.)

DONALD ARCHIBALD,

Warden, &c.

Councillor Shatford objected to the copy of the minutes as not being from the original, which, he said, had been taken down in pencil and afterwards re-written in ink. He desired the Clerk to give some definite explanations in regard to them.

The Clerk said that he was too ill at the time to attend, and the minutes received by him were in ink, written by the Secretary, Mr. Griffin, and signed by the Warden, whose rough copy, made in pencil, was also enclosed to him.

Councillors Ryan and Bissett asserted the correctness of the minutes; they were taken correctly in ink before leaving the room by Mr. Griffin, and were word for word the proceedings of the meeting.

The minutes, as read, were then put by the Warden and passed as authentic.

On motion, W. H. Wiswell was re-elected County Clerk at the same salary as last year.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor John Hays—

"Resolved, That Mr. Griffin be appointed Stipendiary Magistrate."

Councillor Shatford said that as this was a matter requiring careful consideration, involving a salary for an office hitherto taken for the fees, the question should be deferred. No Stipendiary had been appointed after Mr. Shiels until Mr. Evans, in the first year of the Municipality, offered to take it without salary and for the fees only.

Councillor Ryan replied and stated that Mr. Evans had been paid a salary of \$1000, part of which was for his services as Stipendiary and balance as Treasurer.

Councillor Shatford said such had never been the case, and that no record could be found in the minutes of the Quarter Sessions or the Municipality of such an arrangement.

Councillor Lawson thought that the question of salary should be settled before appointing any officers.

After some further discussion it was moved by Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Munro—

"Resolved, That the question of appointment of a County Stipendiary and everything connected therewith be taken up on Thursday morning." Carried.

Applications for the office of County Treasurer were read from Mr. David Archibald, Mr. Adam C. Fyfe and the County Clerk, Mr. Wiswell, who was acting *pro tem*, and in reply to a question by Councillor Himelman said he could, with assistance, continue to do the work if the offices were amalgamated, as had been proposed, provided the salary was a fair one.

A lively discussion followed on the subject of salary. Councillor Shatford and others named \$600 as little enough; the former Treasurer was paid \$1200 and then reduced to \$1000. It was decided to combine the two offices.

Councillor Lawson suggested a Finance Clerk.

Councillor Wilson moved that the question be taken.

Moved by Councillor N. Hays, seconded by Councillor Burgess—

"Resolved, That W. H. Wiswell, Esq., present County Clerk, perform the office of County Treasurer in addition to his present office; and

"Further Resolved, That the additional salary be five hundred dollars per annum." Carried unanimously.

The Warden suggested the appointment of a Committee to nominate the Standing Committees for the year.

On motion, the following were appointed as such Committee :—Councillors Jno. E. Shatford, Leslie, Tupper, Guild, Wilson, to report at to-morrow morning's session.

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

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, January 10th, 1883.

The Council met at 10 a.m. The roll was called. Present—the Warden and 26 Councillors.

The minutes of yesterday were read and confirmed.

The Clerk mentioned that Councillors Smith, District 24, and McLaren, District 28, were present. These gentlemen were then sworn in and took their seats.

Councillor Shatford submitted the Report of the Committee on Standing Committees, recommending the following :—

Public Accounts and Finance.—Councillors Shatford, Wilson, Leslie, Guild and N. Hays.

Public Property.—Councillors Lawson, Ryan, Bissett, Burgess, Himmelman and Longard.

Licenses.—Councillors Burgess, McPhee, Cruickshank, Sibley, Munroe and Conrad.

Roads and Bridges.—Councillors Shatford, Leslie, Tupper, Wilson and Guild.

Assessments.—Councillors O'Leary, Dean, Hub'ey, McPhee and Fitzgerald.

Lunatic Asylum.—Councillors Lawson, Himmelman, N. Hays, Bissett and Ryan.

Law Amendments.—Councillors Wilson, Leslie, Tupper, Shatford and O'Leary.

Poor.—Councillors Dean, McLaren, Cruickshank, Munroe and Sibley.

The Chairman, in reply to inquiry why Committee on Jury Lists was omitted, said that the Committee did not deem it advisable to nominate that Committee from the Council ; they did not think a Councillor should receive any emoluments whatever, and members of Jury List Committee received \$1.50 per day while acting. It was not necessary at present to appoint other parties.

The Clerk said that the law required the appointment of an annual Committee of J. F.'s to attend to filling vacancies, rectifying errors, and drawing Juries ; also, a general revision once in two years. He read Sections 4, 5, 6, of Chap. 92, R. S., 4th Series ; also, from Incorporation Act, &c.

After a lengthy discussion it was decided that the Warden consult the Attorney-General and obtain his opinion whether a Councillor could hold his seat while being a member of the Jury List Committee.

The appointment of such Committee was therefore deferred.

The names of each Standing Committee was read separately and passed.

The report as a whole was then received and adopted.

The Warden submitted the Treasurer's Accounts and Abstracts therewith connected, for the whole year. Also expressed satisfaction at the early and prompt delivery of these papers, of which each Councillor had received a copy.

The Warden then asked the Clerk to read the Annual Report of *Receipts and Expenditure.*

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

*The Municipality of Halifax County in account with the Treasurer,
January 1st to December 31st, 1882.*

EXPENDITURE.

Paid Commissioners of Public Charities, on account of Insane Patients, 1879-81		\$34,000.00
Public Schools, balances for 1881, and grants for May and October Term		7,126.34
Loan from Supt. Education, May 1882		4,107.00
Roads and Bridges, Government Grant, 1882	\$10,113.62	
Do. out of Fines and License Fees 1882	715.06	10,828.68
County Jail, balance due on 1881 accounts	1,092.98	
Do. account Expenditure this year	2,053.22	3,146.20
Court House Balance 1881, and account for 1882		1,193.37
Supreme Court Constables, Criers, etc., etc.	527.00	
Do. Petit Jurors, 1882	736.90	
Do. Grand Jurors, Secretary, and Constables	291.00	
Do. Crown Witnesses in part	77.05	
Sheriff's Accounts, balance 1881 and for 1882	149.92	1,781.87
County Court, sundry expenses		131.48
Coroners' Juries, and expenses	294.00	
Medical Evidences and Lunacy Certificates	278.00	572.00
Warden and Councillors' Pay and Mileage		789.70
Poor Rates unpaid District Treasurers		351.84
General Expenses, salaries Clerks, etc., due 1881	552.13	
" " Treasurer's, Clerk's, etc., 1882	1,874.81	2,426.94
Miscellaneous Accounts, balance 1881 and for 1882		282.80
Municipal Election Expenses to date		143.24
Collectors' Commissions, paid on account		325.53
Revisors of Electoral Lists, 1882		204.00
Assessors' Pay, 1882		216.00
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		\$67,576.64
Balance carried down		2,203.73
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		\$69,780.67

RECEIPTS.

Cash Balance of Account for 1881		\$ 1,207.66
Received from City of Halifax for Assessments 1873-81.....		\$43,405.75
On Deficits of District Assessments. 1880, 1881	\$ 673.80	
District Assessments of 1882, in part	8,294.69	
Poor Rates paid to Cr. of District.....	365.83	9,334.32
Loan from Superintendent of Education to pay May School Grants, 1882.....		4,107.00
Jury Fees received from Prothonotary		175.40
On account Paying Patients in the Hospital for Insane this year		223.25
For License duties, \$300; Pedlers' do., \$8 00.		308.00
Loan for County exigencies from E. E. Burgess, Esq., May 1, 1882		500.00
Magistrates' Fines from Justices in various Dis- tricts during the year		115.00
From County Jail, received from T. A. Cham- bers for rent of Debtors' Rooms, etc.....		84.87
For County Seal, and from W. Evans, Stipen- diary		33.50
Government of Nova Scotia, for Road Grant of 1882 and previous balance		10,285.92
		<u>\$68,573.01</u>
		69,780.67
By Balance brought down.....		\$2 203.73

Amount now available, \$1,752.85, for general purposes.

STATEMENT OF BALANCE.

In Halifax Bank.....	\$1,752.85
Due by late Treasurer.....	278.58
Road Grant on hand.....	172.30
	<u>\$2,203.73</u>

Halifax, 31 December, 1882.

W. H. WISWELL,
Treasurer pro tem.

P. C. HILL,
D. H. STARR,
Auditors.

The statement of the Treasurer's account, as audited, was read and explained in detail by the Clerk. It showed the total receipts to Dec. 31, 1882, to be \$68,573.01, and expenditure \$67,576.64, leaving a balance of \$2,203 73. not counting late Treasurer's Dr. balance. There were, however, many outstanding accounts, which will far more than consume this balance.

After some enquiries and remarks by several Councillors, it was moved by Councillor Lawson, seconded by Councillor Bissett—

"That the Treasurer's accounts and accompanying documents be referred to the Finance Committee." Carried.

Applications for Jail Surgeoncy, Chief Constable and County Constables were submitted.

On motion of Councillors Shatford and Sibley, Dr. Trenaman was re-elected Surgeon of the County Jail.

Read applications of Daniel Webber and P. Monaghan for Chief County Constable.

On motion, P. Monaghan was re-appointed for current year at same salary.

The following were separately voted in as County Constables, viz.: Michael Byrnes (for County Court), Thomas A. James, John Sullivan, R. J. Lehan (Dartmouth), John McLellan (Dartmouth).

On motion of Councillors Wilson and Burgess, D. H. Starr, Esq., was appointed County Auditor.

Councillor Ryan nominated Mr. Wm. McKerron as second auditor; the Warden mentioned John E. Albro as a suitable person.

On motion of Councillors Shatford and N. Hays, John E. Albro, Esq., was appointed as the second Auditor.

The Warden submitted a letter from the Town Clerk of Dartmouth enclosing an account for expenses of Board of Health there in smallpox cases 1882, amounting to \$701.54, in which was included a claim of M. Downey for damaged clothing, &c., during quarantine; payment declined until the County Council should consult their legal adviser thereon. The Dartmouth Council request to be reimbursed the amount paid out by them.

After discussion on the subject it was moved by Councillors Wilson and Burgess—

"Resolved, That the Dartmouth smallpox papers be referred to the Finance Committee." Carried.

The following resolution was moved by Councillors Shatford and Himelman—

"Resolved, That the Clerk of the Council address a letter to J. N. Ritchie, Esq., Q.C., Counsel in the Dartmouth School matter, requesting him to attend at this Council and present a full statement of how the matter now stands and what probability there is of getting the money." Carried.

Council adjourned to 2.30 p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met at 2.30. Present—Warden and 28 Councillors.

Minutes were read and approved after Clerk mentioning omission of Warden's thanks in reading minutes of yesterday.

Clerk read copy of letter sent Mr. Ritchie and latter's reply, saying he would attend Thursday at 10 a.m.

Councillor Lawson, referring to order of the day for Thursday, suggested that the Clerk notify Mr. Ritchie to attend at 11 a.m.

Read application of John McBain for position of County Constable.

On motion of Councillors Himelman and Ryan, John McBain was appointed a County Constable for current year.

The Warden presented Treasurer's Statement of Assessments, Collections and Deficits for past year: also, balances of 1881 of the out Districts of the Municipality. The Clerk read and commented on the several items referring to the subject of assessments generally and the several Statutes bearing thereon.

Abstract of Assessments 1882.—Rates Collected 1881-82, and Deficits January 9, 1883.

Districts.	Col. 1881.	Assessed.	Col.	Deficits.
7.....		\$165 93	\$160 48	\$ 5 45
8.....	\$ 56 79	144 27	55 62	88 65
9.....		98 46	85 39	3 07
10.....	118 64	369 09	87 42	281 67
11.....	80	283 95	283 95	.....
12.....		186 91	185 49	1 42
13.....	5 50	154 11	143 62	10 49
14.....	185 53	792 58	585 41	207 17
15.....	58 40	476 90	284 47	192 43
16.....	65 00	219 93	204 57	15 36
17.....	1880 53 24	506 19	457 39	48 80
.....	1881 42 72			
18.....		285 78	258 60	27 18
19.....		188 65	355 63	33 02
20.....		214 91	213 52	1 39
21.....		542 48	535 53	6 95
22.....		456 07	423 75	32 32
23.....	14 62	118 85	99 62	19 23
24.....	8 60	180 69	166 14	14 55
25.....		296 82	281 53	15 29
26.....	47 12	344 10	323 10	21 00
27.....		431 92	424 08	7 84
28.....	2 00	328 37	322 63	5 74
29.....	1 30	256 74	255 83	91
30.....		156 33	154 39	1 94
31.....	10 86	663 12	604 89	58 23
32.....		301 19	300 03	1 06
33.....		314 59	310 90	3 69
34.....		240 25	234 50	5 75
35.....		183 70	173 18	10 52
36.....	2 62	319 98	313 03	6 95
	\$620 56	\$9442 86	\$8294 69	\$1128 17

The greater part of the afternoon was occupied in discussions, and explanations by Councillors whose Districts showed large deficits.

Councillor Longard stated why so much was due from District 10, and defended his District from the charge of repudiation and unwillingness to pay which he complained appeared in the minutes of Council in past years. When the accounts were adjusted properly and the law duly enforced so that every rate payer be compelled to fulfil it, there would be no trouble about the collection, and he would promise a better state of things hereafter.

Councillor Lawson entered very fully into the financial condition of District 17: Referring to the memorial presented last year, and the Special Committee's report, he said that the District would be found entitled to a credit (since the Municipality assumed control) for taxes collected after the Rate Rolls were issued and credited to General Account instead of to the District.

The finances of other Districts were given by the Warden, Councillors Wilson, Fitzgerald, Burgess, N. Hays, Ryan, Longard, Dean, Sibley, Shatford, Himelman, and others. It was shewn by the Clerk that a few Districts had always paid in full

—(notably District 11)—where, in consequence of the vigilance of the Councillor and collector, every cent was paid 1880-1-2.

The following resolution was passed on motion of Councillor Dr. Lawson, seconded by Councillor Shatford—

“That a Committee be appointed to ascertain definitely the total amount of taxes received from the rate-payers of District 17 which had been added to the assessments of successive years since the incorporation of the County Council, and credited to the general County fund instead of to the District.” Carried.

Committee named were Councillors Lawson, Wilson, Shatford and Norman Hays.

The Council adjourned till 10 a.m. Thursday.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, January 11, 1883.

Council met at 10 o'clock. Warden and 28 Councillors present.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

The Warden stated that the Session adjourning so late last evening prevented his seeing the Attorney General with reference to the Committee on Jury Lists. He had, however, obtained the opinion of the late Attorney General given to another Municipality, that it was perfectly legal to appoint such Committee, and thought it was advisable to appoint Councillors on a paid Committee.

J. N. Ritchie, Esq., Q.C., Counsel for the County in the Dartmouth case, being present, gave a verbal exposition of the suit up to the present time, and stated that the writ of mandamus which he would hand to the Clerk contained the whole of the details of the case, which had now been decided three times in our Courts, so far as the issue of the writ and some other points were concerned, but that the case might still be renewed on its merits, as the Town Council had now determined. The decision of the Supreme Court at Halifax had been appealed from to the Supreme Court of Canada; that the Supreme Court had decided the mandamus ordered by the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia should issue, requiring the Town of Dartmouth to shew cause why they should not be required to pay \$15,976 assessed on them by the County. This stage of proceedings was on the docket for the present sitting of the Supreme Court here. Mr. Ritchie showed that there were only two courses open for the Town of Dartmouth to pursue—to dispute the right of the Supreme Court of Canada to order the issue of the mandamus or dispute the case itself. They were evidently going to follow the same line previously taken, with the ultimate object of appealing to the Privy Council of England.

By some it was thought that a consultation between the County and the Town of Dartmouth might end this expensive legal war, and the matter will probably result in an arbitration.

Mr. Ritchie replied to various questions in explanation put by Councillors and the Clerk as to the chances of legislation which might be had to settle the matter; also as to the credits to be given to Dartmouth.

The Clerk said a settlement in some way was of the utmost fiscal importance, as every year the County was assessed, the large amount apportioned to Dartmouth not being received left the County short in funds about \$3,500 on School Rates, and, as the payment of these was imperative, the amount of such deficiency was taken from current funds otherwise taxed. The annual estimate did not provide for this misappropriation; consequently, in a year or so more, the Municipality would be bankrupt.

John E. Albro attended, and the Auditor's Oath was administered to him by the Clerk.

Councillor Wilson stated that the gold miners at Montague wished to notify the Council that a man named Brady had got a license within the proclaimed district.

Several Councillors explained that they did not believe the house was within the district mentioned, and the matter was allowed to drop.

The Warden submitted claim of Hants County expenses in a felony case in 1881, and the accounts of the Hospital for the Insane for the year, \$20,405.00; Sheriff Bell, \$85; W. D. Bentley, coal, \$128; A. C. Fife, \$35, auditing late Treasurer's accounts; Crown Witnesses, disputed items, \$13.80; Steamer "M. A. Starr," passage of insane pauper sent from County Jail to Port Hastings, \$19.10, Thompson & Graham, legal expenses, \$138.32; J. N. & T. Ritchie, paid Counsel at Ottawa, \$175; Gas Company, for extra gas at Court House, \$63.50.

On motion of Councillors Shatford and Sibley—

"Resolved, That the accounts now before the Council be all referred to the Committee on Finance to be reported upon." Passed.

It was moved that the order of the day, being appointment of a Stipendiary Magistrate, be taken up.

The discussion was opened by Councillor Ryan. He thought that a Stipendiary was a necessary official; shewed that the City, as a part of County, required him, and would pay seventeen-twentieths of the expense in the assessment for it; also that the saving by the union of the offices of Clerk and Treasurer would cover the salary.

Councillor Shatford strongly opposed the appointment; it was not at all essential, and the out Districts were not benefitted, though called upon to pay their share of the salary, and already overburdened with taxes. Was not personally opposed to Mr. Griffin, but thought many Magistrates could be found willing to take the position for the fees, the County to furnish room, etc., free. He entered fully into the bearings of the whole subject.

Councillor Longard said he could not support the measure. He wished to have economy, to avoid all waste, and have a reduction of taxes now paid by the poor people of the shore Districts.

Councillor Hubley said it should be ascertained whether some J. P. would not take the office for the fees. It was wrong to create a new salary.

Councillor Wilson reviewed the arguments, and enquired whether in making this appointment the County would be in any way liable in a legal point of view, etc.

Councillors Hays, Guild, Tupper, and others also gave their opinions.

It was then moved and seconded—

"That J. L. Griffin be appointed Stipendiary for the current year." Passed unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Fitzgerald, and

"Resolved, That the Stipendiary receive \$800 per year, and make a quarterly return of all fees received by him to the County Treasurer."

The mover explained that the fees would amount to at least over \$450; therefore the County would only be paying the Stipendiary \$350.

Councillors Gould, Dean, Himelman and Shatford spoke against his receiving any salary.

Councillor N. Hays, seconded by Councillor Wilson, moved as an amendment—

"That the Stipendiary receive in full for his remuneration \$700, all fees to revert to the County."

Which was lost by the following vote:—

For—Councillors Ryan, Bissett, Lawson McLaren, J. Hays, D. Smith, Croud, Fitzgerald, O'Leary, Cruickshank, McPhee, N. Hays, Wilson, Chas E. Smith—14.

Against—Councillors Leslie, Himelman, Sibley, Shatford, Longard, Umlah, Conrad, Munro, John U. Smith, Hubley, Burgess, Tupper, Gould, Dean—14.

The vote being a tie, there was some question as to how it should be decided, and the County Clerk read Section 16, Amendend Act 1880, which states that all ties should be decided in the negative.

The Warden had not voted at all, it not being clear whether he was entitled to do so or not.

Councillor Ryan gives notice that he will move on Friday morning the reconsideration of the vote just taken

The Warden mentioned the necessity for the appointment of District Officers for 1883, and also that the several Committees prepare their Reports this p m.

Moved by Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Leslie—

"Resolved, That the appointment of District Officers be taken up Friday morning at 11 o'clock."

Mr D. H. Starr was sworn in as Auditor for the current year.

The Council then adjourned till 2.30 p.m.

The various Committees met at 2 30 o'clock and commenced their Reports, examination of accounts, etc.

FOURTH DAY.

FRIDAY, January 12th, 1883.

The Council met at 10 a.m. Present- the Warden and 26 Councillors.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Smith, the vote on the Stipendiary Magistrate's salary was reconsidered.

Councillor Ryan moved, seconded by Councillor Fitzgerald, the original Resolution, that the salary be \$800.

This, after brief discussion, was dropped.

Councillor N. Hays moved, seconded by Councillor Charles E. Smith -

"That the salary be \$600, the fees to go into the Treasury of the County."

The vote thereon shewed—

For the Motion—Councillors Ryan, Bissett, Lawson, McLaren, J. Hays, D. Smith, Croud, Fitzgerald, O'Leary, Cruickshank, McPhee, J. U. Smith, N. Hays and C. E. Smith—14

Against it—Councillors Himelman, Sibley, Shatford, Longard, Hubley, Umlah, Munro, Conrad, Tupper, Guild and Dean—11.

The Warden declared the motion as carried.

Councillor Ryan proposed that the Clerk be County Clerk of Licenses.

Councillor Hubley said the Clerk was already overburdened with work and could not do the duty.

The Stipendiary Magistrate was then, on motion of Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor N. Hays, appointed Clerk of Licenses without fees.

A letter from the Superintendent of Education was read stating that the assessment for School purposes in the County, exclusive of the City, would be \$9,545.10 for the current year

The Clerk explained the basis on which this assessment was levied and the cause of the increase. The Public Instruction Act (Chap. 32, R.S.) stated that the amount to be raised annually by each County was 30 cents per head of its population as ascertained by the census returns, and apportioned according to the individual valuations. Up to the recent census Halifax County, apart from the City, but including Dartmouth, had to raise \$8,214 yearly. The census of 1881 makes the amount as now stated, or over \$1,300 more. The Council had no option but to order the amount to be assessed.

On motion the letter was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Clerk read the following papers, viz :

1. Letter from ex-Councillor Madill, with report of survey of McHeffey Hill Road.
 2. A petition from the inhabitants of Shubenacadie asking that the old road over the McHeffey Hill remain open ; handed in by Councillor McPhee. On motion, it was referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.
 3. Petition from Allan J. McCurdy, Middle Musquodoboit, asking that a Committee be appointed to lay out a post road across the lands of Mr David McKeen. Referred to Road and Bridges Committee.
 4. Petition from David Perren, District 22, showed that he had no road to connect with the main road, and asked for statute labor on his road for the present year. Referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.
- Councillor N. Hays handed in a petition from residents of Hammond's Plains, stating they had built a saw mill three miles from the main road, and asking a grant to improve the road to the mill. Referred to Roads and Bridges Committee.

Councillor Lawson brought up the subject of destroying wild animals. He stated that during the past summer, about Hammond Plains, Bedford, and adjoining districts, bears had visited nearly every farm, causing great destruction to sheep and other domestic animals. People were also afraid to go out of their houses. He moved that \$20 be paid to any person who shall kill a wild bear in the County, on oath.

Councillor Cruikshanks thought it would not work in this County, as he could go into the woods every day and shoot a bear, they were becoming so numerous. He thought the price of the skin was sufficient reward for any person.

Councillor Shatford moved that the bounty be \$5 on bears and \$1 on wild cats, the snout of the animal to be produced to the Treasurer with a statement as to how and where it was killed.

Councillor Tupper said it was surprising the large number of bears in his district this year, and that they had done a large amount of damage.

Councillor Dean thought no bounty should be given; he knew of a bear being killed in his district and the man had got \$14 for the skin.

Councillor O'Leary thought the bounty would not increase the scarcity of bears, as they would be shot without a bounty being paid. He also thought that some of those bears were two-legged ones.

After some further discussion it was resolved on motion of Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Hubley, that the bounty for killing a bear be \$5 and a wild cat \$1; the snout of the animal to be produced to the Treasurer, with a sworn statement of the facts.

A letter from Judge Thompson, Secretary of the Court House Commission, asking to assign the council certain rooms in the building, was read and accepted.

The appointment of district officers was proceeded with and the officers appointed for all the districts from No. 7 to No. 36.

The Council adjourned till Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

FIFTH DAY.

SATURDAY, Jany. 13th, 1883.

The Council met at 10 a. m. Warden and 27 Councillors present. Minutes approved.

A conversation took place relative to the bounty on wild animals passed yesterday. It was decided that it be confined to animals killed in Halifax County only, and the same be paid for cubs as well as bears.

Moved by Councillor Lawson, seconded by Councillor Ryan, and

“Resolved, That the Secretary distribute handbills throughout the County, announcing rewards for destruction of wild animals.” Passed.

Discussion followed on the subject of stray animals.

Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Sibley, moved—

“That in the Bye-Laws relating to animals, sheep and goats be added to Sec. 2, and the fine be one dollar.” Passed.

The Warden called for the Lists of District Poor Assessments. The following were received, and each being put to vote was passed:

Herring Cove.....	\$ 30
Sambro.....	10
Upper Prospect.....	50
Indian Harbor.....	100

N. W. Arm.....	\$150
Sackville.....	200
Waverley.....	300
Upper Musquodoboit.....	70
Lower Prospect.....	15
Jeddore.....	100
Chezzetcook.....	100
Preston.....	40
Dartmouth.....	180
Eastern Passage.....	200
Musquodoboit Harbor.....	50

Councillor Lawson, Chairman of Special Committee on Overcharges in Assessment of District 17, submitted the following Report :

Report of Committee on Overcharge in District No. 17.

13TH JANUARY, 1883.

The Committee have examined the Treasurer's books, and, with his assistance, have prepared a statement of the re-assessments in District 17 since the organization of the Municipality, and beg to report as follows :—

In the year 1880 the total amount assessed on the District was.....	\$541 66
Being at the rate of 50 cents on the hundred dollars, the regular rate that year being 42 cents.	
Of this sum there was paid up to June, 1881, the sum of.....	306 83
Leaving a deficiency uncollected of.....	\$234 83

To meet this deficiency the sum of \$225.00 was added on to the assessment of the District for the following year, 1881, raising the rate from the normal percentage of 43 cents to 68 cents. But subsequently the sum of \$53.24 was received by the Treasurer on account of the year 1880, and has not been credited to the District.

In the year 1881 the assessment amounted to.....	\$658 44
Being at the rate of 68 cents, as already stated.	
The total amount collected was.....	634 48
Leaving a deficiency of.....	\$23 96
To meet this deficiency the sum of.....	65 83

was added to the assessment of 1882, the rate being raised from 46 to 53 cents— thus making an overcharge upon the District of..... \$41 87

It appears from the above that the amount that remains to be credited to District No. 17, in accordance with Report of Committee of 14th January, 1882, is as follows :

Amount collected for 1880 after re-assessment.....	\$53 24
Amount over-assessed in 1882.....	41 87
	\$95 11

In regard to the large amount of assessment that appears as uncollected for 1880, the Committee have been informed by the Treasurer that he understands certain sums were collected by the Collector and Constable, but as these have not been paid into the Treasurer, the Committee cannot recommend that the District be credited with them. The amount of uncollected taxes for 1880 still apparently due is \$181.59. If any portion of this should be recovered it will fall to be credited to the District.

GEORGE LAWSON, *Chairman*,
JOHN E. SHATFORD,
B. C. WILSON,
NORMAN HAYS.

There followed a long discussion on the subject of collection of arrears of Taxes, in which Councillors Longard, Tupper, Dean, Shatford, Ryan, Lawson, O'Leary, Hayes, Fitzgerald, Hubley took part, and various suggestions were made as to their collection.

Councillor Lawson moved that where arrears of taxes remain uncollected when the time for re-assessment arrives they shall in future be added to the taxes of the several individuals in arrears instead of being charged against the District generally, and that necessary legislation may be obtained.

The Clerk read Sections of the General and Local Assessment Act (1862) and County Incorporation Act relating to deficits, also as to the remedy for enforcing payment from defaulters, which if carried out would render further legislation unnecessary.

On motion of Councillor Norman Hays, seconded by Councillor Lawson, that the following resolution be added to the By-Laws—

"Resolved, That in view of the risk of life and property caused by the carelessness of the drivers of unloaded barrel and box teams leaving their ladders projecting from their sleds while unloaded, and the travelling public often getting valuable sleds destroyed, a fine of \$2 be imposed, recoverable before a J. P. for the County, with costs for every offence, said fine to go into the County Treasury." Passed.

On motion of Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Burgess—

"Resolved, That the Clerk of the County be directed to notify specially the respective Collectors of Poor Taxes to collect the tax of \$1 per head upon all dogs of all persons keeping more than one dog, and \$1.50 for every bitch, as also 50 cts. for every dog found or known to have been going at large, as defined in the By-Laws." Passed.

The Warden submitted a letter from Wm. McKenzie, Preston Road, asking that the stones placed in front of his property when the Road work was being done be removed. Councillor Bissett explained the matter. The letter was ordered to lie on the table.

The Clerk handed in and read a letter from John Murphy, Crier of the Courts, stating the extra duties he had to perform, and asking for an increase of salary. On motion, it was ordered to lie on the table.

Councillor Guild, seconded by Councillor Tupper, moved—

"That Councillors Wilson and Shatford be the two Commissioners for the Court House for the current year."

Councillor Shatford declined, and it was decided to defer the subject till next meeting.

The Warden asked that the Committee on Jury Lists be named by the Committee on Nominations.

In order that Committees might report, the Council adjourned to 2.30 o'clock on Monday, 15th inst.

SIXTH DAY.

MONDAY, January 15th A.M.

The Council met at 2.30. Warden and 25 Councillors present.

Read note from Councillor Guild, stating his being unexpectedly called home on account of illness.

Councillor Shatford, Chairman, reported the names of B. C. Wilson, E. Ryan, and J. Shatford as the Committee to revise Jury Lists. The report was adopted.

Councillor Lawson (Chairman,) submitted the Report of the Committee on Lunatic Asylum, which was read.

Report of Committee on Lunatic Asylum.

HALIFAX COUNTY PATIENTS IN PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE.

COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBER, COURT HOUSE,
Halifax, 15th January, 1883.

The Committee find, from lists furnished by the authorities, on request of the Clerk of the Council, that the number of patients chargeable to the County who were discharged or died during the year was 23, but there is no distinction in the list between those discharged and those who died in the Institution. The list of admissions shows the names of 34 persons, of whom 20 were males and 14 females. In 1881 the total number of admissions was 23, so that there is an increase in 1882 of 11. The Committee have not been able as yet to ascertain definitely the actual number of patients now in the Hospital chargeable to the County, but have taken means to obtain the information.

The case of James Pearson, an inmate of the Hospital, was brought before the Committee by Councillor Tupper. It appears that Pearson was discharged in June last as a recovered patient, but still remains in the Asylum. The Committee recommend that he be removed to the Poor House, and that Councillor Tupper be requested to take such steps as may be necessary to effect the removal without further delay.

The Committee have been informed that the maintenance of patients in the Hospital for which their friends or relatives have become responsible is not in all cases regularly paid. In order to ensure regularity in the collection of such payments in future the Committee recommend that the Treasurer be instructed to open accounts in his books against all parties who have given bonds for patients, and that bills be rendered and applications for payment made regularly as amounts become due; also, that a statement of all balances due on such accounts be periodically laid before the Council at their meetings.

GEORGE LAWSON, *Chairman*,
JOSEPH HIMELMAN,
JOHN G. BISSETT,
EDMUND RYAN,
NORMAN HAYS.

APPENDIX TO REPORT.

Since the Report was presented to the Council the Committee have received lists of the patients in the Hospital at 31st December, 1882, which show the following total numbers :—

Male Patients.....	55
Female Patients.....	53
Total	108

They have also received a detailed list of patients discharged and died during the year, the numbers of which are as follows :—

Males Discharged.....	8
Females Discharged.....	9
Total number discharged.....	17

Males Died.....	4
Females Died.....	3
Total died during year.....	7

Total number discharged and died.....	24
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The Committee have likewise been furnished with a list of the patients in Hospital at 1st January, 1882, shewing :—

Males.....	47
Females.....	51
Total.....	98
Number at 31st December, 1882.....	108
Increase in year 1882.....	10

The Committee have directed the Clerk of Council to put the documents referred to on file for future reference.

HALIFAX COUNTY PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE DECEMBER 31st, 1882.

MALES.

William Graham.	Thomas F. Knight.	James C. Woodworth.
Patrick Harmony.	James A. Allan.	James McCormack.
Samuel Fowler.	William Caldwell.	Dougald McKay.
James Pearson.	Samuel Foster.	William Pettipaw.
John McCarthy.	Charles Brodie.	Charles Thompson.
Henry Lappin.	Thomas Lynch.	Newton S. Strong.
Luke Warren.	Thomas Roland.	Charles W. Thompson.
John Kennedy.	Christopher Norwood.	Michael Meagher.
William Williams.	Michael O'Hearn.	Berkeley Bond.
William McAllice.	Nicholas Power.	John Barry.
James Todd.	Daniel Callahan.	Patrick J. Ead.
Richard Barry.	James Purcell.	Peter Finlay.
Michael Brennan.	Chas. M. Nolan.	Timothy Sullivan.
Dennis Moriarty.	William Albert Williams.	John Tobin.
Charles Dunbrack.	Benjamin Umlah.	Arthur F. Lloyd.
Joseph Groggett.	Charles E. Evans.	James Findlay.
John J. Dunn.	Henry Ascott.	William O'Leary.
John W. Stewart.	William Stowell.	
Lawrence Hickey.	Michael Lauchlin.	

FEMALES.

Mary Ann King.	Caroline Watson.	Emily Mosher.
Margaret Grant.	E. A. Thomas.	Annie McLeod.
Margaret Ferguson.	Mary Delaney.	Margaret Sawler.
Mary Ann Kennedy.	Mary A. Flowers.	Mary Swindles.
Mary Hennessey.	Margaret Norris.	Isabella Graham.
Catherine Coolan.	Ellen Hubley.	Margaret Fanheot.
Catherine Houseman.	Jane Green.	Elizabeth Allan.
Mary Boutilier.	Eleanor Gilfooy.	Janet Cole.
Isabella Gillis.	Jane Caldwell.	Emma Royffee.
Susan McKenzie.	Mary Doyle.	Mary Kennedy.
Johanna McKenna.	Maria Norris.	Eva Whidden.
Mary E. Morgan.	Bridget Dunlay.	Elizabeth Gott.
Elizabeth Foster.	Elizabeth Savage.	Maria McGlone.
Charlotte Knowles.	Eliza Boutilier.	Flora Hartnett.
Catherine Hayes (col'd).	Joanna Durward.	Bridget Nixon.
Elizabeth Pye.	Fanny Forbes.	Caroline Moore.
Catherine Reddy.	Catherine Colford.	Ellen McLean.
Ellen J. Wall.	Esther S. Godfrey.	

PATIENTS DISCHARGED AND DIED IN 1882.

MALES.

Feb'y 18. George Campbell, died.
 April 3. Andrew Griswold.
 4. Chas. Mitchell, died.
 June 20. James Potter, died.
 Aug. 4. Alex. Caithness, died.
 18. William H. Goreham.
 Sept. 1. Edward Jacob Mesmer.
 26. George Grant
 Oct. 20. John Bushell.
 22. Michael Burns.
 Andrew McMillan.
 Geo. Crewe.

FEMALES.

Feb'y 28. Mary A. Mahony.
 May 2. Mary Routledge
 22. Charlotte Allison, died.
 July 3. Mary Isnor.
 Aug. 8. Julia Flynn, died.
 18. Agnes Carson.
 18. Mary J. Power.
 Oct. 2. Alice Thompson.
 Nov. 31. Mary S. Belcher
 31. Mary E. Hart.
 Dec. 10. Jane McNichol died
 22. Harriet McPherson.

Councillor Tupper, in reference to James Pearson, a patient reported as relieved, said he had had him removed to Podrs' Asylum that day.

Councillor Ryan explained how patients were admitted, and the measures taken to prevent the County being charged with non-residents, &c.

On motion of Councillors Hubley and Shatford, the report was adopted.

Councillor McLaren asked leave of absence on account of his father's severe illness. Granted.

Ex-Councillor Fancy was requested to sit in the Council.

Councillor Lawson (Chairman,) submitted Report of Committee on Public Property, which was read, discussed, and on motion of Councillors Shatford and Hubley, received and adopted.

Report of Committee on Public Property.

COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBER,
 Halifax, 15th January, 1883.

The Committee on Public Property have considered the several documents and matters remitted to them, and beg to report as follows:—

The Report on the County Jail by Mr. Thomas A. Chambers, Jailor, for the year ending 31st December, 1882, shows that the total number of prisoners during the year was 295, viz.: criminals, 163; debtors, 132; total, 295. At 31st December, 1882, there were 4 criminals and no debtors in the Jail. The largest number of prisoners in Jail at any one time during the year was 24. The total number of commitments, including debtors, was 372, showing a decrease of 95 as compared with the number (467) of the previous year. There were

Committed from the City Court of Halifax.....	255
“ “ “ Supreme and County Courts.....	63
“ “ “ Dartmouth Municipality.....	13
“ “ “ County Magistrates.....	41
Total.....	372

The Jailor reports the sanitary condition of the Jail as good, the most sickness and trouble resulting from prisoners temporarily committed from the City Court under charges of drunkenness—the number of such cases for the year being 34.

The total amount of monies received for room rent and for boarding military deserters during the year is \$84.89, showing an increase of \$14.79 over the previous year.

The Report of the Jail Physician (Thomas Trenaman, M.D.) on the sanitary condition of the Jail and its inmates is appended hereto, and the Committee are pleased to find it so satisfactory.

During the year 1882 the members of the Committee on Public Property then in office—viz., Councillors Griffin, Ryan, Bissett, Chipman, Himelman, and Burgess—visited the Jail in turn, each Councillor undertaking the duty for a month at a time in

rotation. All report that during their several periods of visitation they found the Jail in good order in every respect. No complaints were made by prisoners either in reference to their food or their treatment by the Jailor. Mr. Chambers was found to be regular and assiduous in his duties, strict in discipline, courteous to visitors, and ever ready to afford information or explanation in regard to any matters which the visiting members of Committee found it necessary to enquire into.

During the present sitting of the Council the newly appointed Committee visited the Jail, examined its condition, saw the inmates, and received information from the Jailor in answer to enquiries on various points relative the building and management. The Committee have the satisfaction to report that they found the Female Ward vacant, there being no female prisoners; also, that the debtors' quarters were entirely unoccupied. There are at present five prisoners in the Jail, viz., 3 military and 2 civilian criminals.

With a view to protection of the property from fire, the Committee recommend that a hydrant be provided, which may be attached to the water pipe already laid in the Jail yard, with hose suitable for use in case of fire. Public attention having been very generally called to recent lamentable losses of life arising from the imperfect means provided for the exit of persons from public buildings, the Committee thought it was their duty to personally examine the Jail in order to ascertain what would be the probable result in the event of fire taking place there. The Jail is a substantial brick and stone building: both the outer and cell walls and the exit doors of the criminal wards are of incombustible material, but the point of exit from these practically fireproof wards, containing themselves but little combustible material, is at the front part of the building, where there are wooden stairways, wooden flooring, and other woodwork: so that, in event of a fire originating in the kitchen or basement of the Jail, the only points of exit would be likely to be shut off, the windows of the criminal wards being strongly barred. In these circumstances it became necessary to enquire in what way prisoners might be removed in event of fire. They might probably be taken up through the roof if the fire should not reach that part. After a careful examination of the building the Committee have arrived at the conclusion that the best remedy would be to open a safety door in the outer south wall of the Debtors' Room, to reach which door ladders would be placed on emergency on the outside—this safety door to be sufficiently strong, and so secured with a lock to open only on the outside, that there would be no danger of the escape of prisoners. The Committee therefore, recommend that an architect be consulted in reference to this recommendation, and that, if approved of and found practicable, it be carried out, the necessary ladders to reach the safety door to be provided and kept in the Court House, so as to be out of the way of prisoners. It is not without hesitation that the Committee suggest this, or would suggest any alteration, lest it might lead to conflict of authority.

Their attention has been given to Chapter 14 of the Provincial Legislative Acts of 1881, which provides that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make regulations in reference to the mode of confinement in Jails, prescribing the diet and treatment of prisoners, precautions to prevent escape, employment of hard labor prisoners beyond and within prison limits, and supervision by officers; and that such regulations shall supersede and repeal all Bye-Laws of any Municipality which may be inconsistent therewith. The Committee, after fully considering the Chapter above quoted, and reflecting upon the important trust to which it relates recommend to the Council that the Provincial Government be requested either prescribe the necessary regulations and assume the management of the Jail, or else to bring in an Act at the approaching Session of the Legislature to repeal Chapter 14 of the Acts of 1881, and thus enable the County Council, or its Committee on Public Property, to discharge the duties which they have hitherto performed without any question arising as to the extent of their authority or the legality of their proceedings.

GEORGE LAWSON, *Chairman*,
EDMUND RYAN,
JOHN G. BISSETT,
E. E. BURGESS,
JOSEPH H. ELMAN,
GEO. J. LONGARD.

REPORT OF DR. TRENAMAN, SURGEON TO JAIL.

75 HOLLIS STREET,
Halifax, Jan'y 1st, 1883.

To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax:

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

During the term just ended thirty prisoners have been under treatment for various ailments, some requiring but a single visit, others needing a lengthy period of visitation. As in the past, many of those who came under treatment were sufferers from the effects of excessive drinking, while a larger number suffered from other diseases, likewise contracted before entering the Jail. One, a soldier of H. M. 101st regiment, who had contracted acute rheumatism while awaiting trial, was, at the request of the military authorities, on my certificate, and by permission of the Attorney General, removed to the Military Hospital for treatment, and by them produced at the time for trial.

The Jail building has been kept in a cleanly and healthy condition. The wards and cells have been well scrubbed, scraped and whitewashed, and the whole well ventilated. The beds and bedding are clean and the food has been of good quality and well cooked.

I have to record the uniform kindness of the Jailor and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Chambers, in providing suitable food and in making poultices, etc., for the sick when needed.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

THOS. TRENAMAN, M.D.,
Physician to the County Jail.

Councillor Himelman suggested that Law Amendment Committee take charge of the recommendation that the Government assume the management or else define the functions of the present Committee on Public Property, but no motion was made on subject.

Councillor O'Leary (Chairman,) presented the Report of the Committee on Assessments, which was read.

Report of Committee on Assessment.

To the Worshipful Warden and Members of this Council:

Your Committee on Assessment beg leave to report as follows :-

They were handed a letter from Dr. Terman, in which he states that his property is valued too high. Your Committee, after carefully considering the matter, recommend that the Clerk be asked to write to Dr. Terman, advising him to confer with the assessors of his district as to the valuation of his property, and if, after the assessment is made, the Dr. still finds his property valued in excess of others, he can appeal in the usual way.

The members of this body are aware that the County Clerk has had to give a great deal of his time to appeal cases, when, as Mr. Wiswell says, he should be otherwise employed.

Your Committee are of opinion that the same thing will be occurring again, unless there be a remedy. They therefore recommend that a Court of Appeal, consisting of the Assessors and Councillor, be established in each district, whereby appeal cases can be settled.

Your Committee also beg to state that, in comparing the assessment of 1882 with that of 1881, they find a great decrease of valuations in several districts, while in others they have increased more or less. Your Committee feel sure that great injustice will still be done by the assessors of districts where the valuations decrease to those other districts in which the valuations have not gone down.

To arrive at an equitable valuation, your Committee recommend that a general assessor be appointed for the County, to confer with the local assessors of the vari-

ous districts, so as to secure a fair and uniform valuation of all taxable property in the County, and that this Council adopt the report of the general assessor as a standard of value, to which they can refer from year to year.

Your Committee also wish to say that in looking over the assessment rolls they found some of the assessors' books in a very bad state, and upon enquiry learned that they had been sent to the Clerk in that condition. They were blotted, blurred and torn in such a way that it was almost impossible to understand them.

Your Committee recommend that the Councillors advise their assessors to use every precaution to have their books returned to the Clerk in a neat and legible condition, and to instruct the assessors not to assess property from which the taxes cannot be collected.

All of which, with a statement showing the decrease of valuations in several districts, is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS O'LEARY,
JAMES FITZGERALD,
ARCH'D. MCPHEE,
ALVAN HUBLEY,
ADAM DEAN.

STATEMENT OF DECREASED VALUATIONS IN THE FOLLOWING DISTRICTS:

District.	
10.....	\$4235 00
13.....	833 00
14.....	14325 00
16.....	800 00
17.....	1141 00
18.....	1775 00
30.....	1396 00
31.....	3698 00
32.....	4080 00
33.....	1165 00
35.....	676 00
36.....	4353 00

The Clerk also read in connection a statement of arrears of Taxes in various Districts for the past year.

Conversation ensued on the best way of arriving at correct valuations, as there seemed to be no proper standard by which to regulate assessments. Some Councillors objected to the amount of decrease stated as being made on valuations in their Districts. Councillor O'Leary said the comparisons were between the years 1881 and 1882, and would be found correct.

Councillor Longard said valuations in District 10 had been for several years too high, and must be reduced by \$10,000 at least. Councillor Ryan mentioned the necessity of a better mode of affixing valuations, and proposed that County Assessors be appointed as allowed by Law, Cap. 21, Sections 75, 76, R. S., was read. The Clerk said that this course was adopted at the inception of the Municipal System in Ontario and some parts of New Brunswick. The yearly assessments thereafter were based upon the standard thus obtained by the local assessors. In this County the valuations were constantly fluctuating in most of the Districts, and the tendency in some was to depress them with a view to paying lower taxes. Other Districts had to bear the additional burden, and it was a fallacy to suppose that lowering the valuations decreased the rates—the result was just the opposite.

Several Councillors expressed the opinion that the assessors were inadequately paid, and could not be expected to give their full time and labor to fulfil the extensive duty required of them.

The Clerk read the sections of the General Assessment Act, and also those in the Local Act of 1862, bearing upon the subject.

It was moved by Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Sibley,

"Resolved, that the report be amended by striking out the clause relating to general assessors." Passed.

Moved by Councillors Ryan and Bissett, that the Report of the Committee on Assessment be received and adopted. Passed as amended.

Read letter from H. N. Wright, Bedford, complaining of being largely over-valued last year, and asking a reduction.

After some explanation by Councillor Burgess, it was moved by Councillors Himelman and Ryan,

"Resolved, that the letter of H. N. Wright be referred to Committee on Assessments, to be reported on at next Session." Passed.

Councillor Dean (Chairman,) submitted Report of the Committee on Poor, and Statement of Accounts so far as received. He explained that no Statistics of Poor were sent, and so few Districts had reported that the Committee could not complete their work.

Report of Committee on Poor.

Your 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 Assessors of many of the Districts have not made Returns and Financial Reports for the year 1881 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 Treasurer of the Overseers of the Poor in each District by the Collector of Poor and County Rates, who will take their vouchers for the same, signed by said Treasurer, and the same to be handed over to the Clerk on or before the 30th day of December, A.D. 1883.

ADAM DEAN,
ANGUS CRUICKSHANKS,
WILLIAM MUNRO,
EZEKIEL SIBLEY,
JOHN McLAREN.

POOR ASSESSMENTS.

Districts.	Col. 1881.	Expended.	On hand.
7.....	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00	....
11.....	150.84	125.72	\$25.12
12.....	....	....	51.00
13.....	....	1.50	20.86
18.....	433.66	356.27	77.69
21.....	189.70	189.70	....
22.....	127.83	77.60	50.23
23.....	62.48	37.96	24.52
24.....	85.25	48.00	37.25
27.....	112.58	105.05	7.55
29.....	45.93	15.50	30.43
30.....	78.66	35.80	42.86
31.....	119.96	89.18	110.78
32.....	118.16	118.16
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36.....	56.76	58.75	1.99

It was mentioned that the Collector, District 34, Poor Rates, had taken some P. E. I. Bank Notes and wished to know who should bear the loss. It was decided that he arrange the matter with the Overseers of Poor.

On motion, the report on Poor was received and adopted.

On motion of Councillors Burgess and Wilson—

“Resolved, That District 15 be assessed for Poor \$25.” Passed.

On motion of Councillors Shatford and Sibley—

“Resolved, That District No. 32 be assessed \$30 for Poor Rates for 1883.”

Passed.

Councillor Shatford (Chairman) presented the Report of Committee on Finance, also the Estimate for the year 1883. He explained the necessity for all accounts to be handed in at the close of the year. A large number had only been received since the beginning of this Session.

Report of Finance Committee.

Your Committee beg to report that they have examined the accounts of the County Treasurer *pro tem* and find them correct, showing a balance to the credit of the municipality, on Dec. 30th, of \$2,293.73 to meet accounts largely in excess of that amount. They recommend for payment the accounts of Adam C. Fife, Thompson & Graham, steamer M. A. Starr, Sheriff Bell, J. N. & T. Ritchie (cash paid for counsel at Ottawa), John Sullivan, and W. D. Bentley & Co. (coal), the amount of which will be found in the statement of liabilities published below. We cannot recommend the payment of the account from the municipality of Hants, not admitting Halifax's liability; nor the account of Mr. M. Downey for articles destroyed in his house to prevent the spread of small-pox; nor the account from the Board of Health in Dartmouth, as that town is now heavily indebted to the municipality. Respecting the account from the Hospital for Insane, your committee report the county not in funds to pay it, and they do not consider the whole of the claim due by the county. They recommend its adjustment in such a way as to show what part of it the county has a legal right to pay. The auditor's report on the accounts of the late County Treasurer was examined by your Committee. It shows a balance to the credit of the county at the time of his death of \$4,712.98. The balance in the Halifax Bank at that date was \$4,474.40, leaving a balance due of \$278.58, which it appears he expended on account of his salary for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1882. Your committee recommend that his salary be allowed to the end of said quarter. Your Committee present the following as the

ESTIMATE FOR 1883.

Hospital for Insane.....	\$13,000.00
County Jail.....	2,250.00
County Court House.....	1,100.00
Clerk's Salary.....	1,100.00
Treasurer's Salary.....	500.00
Crier of Supreme Court.....	200.00
Chief Constable.....	200.00
Constable Supreme Court.....	150.00
“ County “.....	80.00
Grand Jury, Secretary, etc.....	250.00
Petit Juries (supplementary).....	750.00
Crown Witnesses.....	250.00
Sheriff's Accounts.....	175.00
Revisors of Jury Lists.....	150.00
Coroner's Juries and expenses.....	350.00
Printing and Stationery.....	400.00
Auditors.....	40.00

Postage and Expressage.....	50.00
County Councillors' pay and mileage.....	800.00
Revisors.....	250.00
Contingent Fund.....	150.00
Sundry accounts unpaid.....	1,000.00
Interest on Court House.....	625.00
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	\$23,820.00
School assessment required by law.....	9,545.00
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Total.....	\$33,365.00

LIABILITIES.

The liabilities of the County up to Jan. 1st, 1883, were as follows :

Water Rates.....	\$ 175.00
Rent of Temperance Hall for County Court at Musquodoboit.....	12.00
E. E. Burgess, money borrowed and interest.....	520.00
Medical and Coroner's accounts unpaid.....	245.00
Thompson & Graham.....	138.32
Adam Fife.....	35.00
John Sullivan.....	13.50
Sheriff Bell.....	82.85
J. N. & T. Ritchie.....	175.00
S. S. M. A. Starr.....	19.10
Town of Dartmouth (Board of Health).....	701.54
Late Treasurer (balance).....	250.00
Interest on Court House.....	625.00
W. D. Bentley & Co.....	128.00
Hospital for Insane.....	20,406.00
Public Schools.....	173.32
Printing and Stationery.....	141.00
County Jail balance.....	147.78
Collectors of Poor Rates.....	362.00
Revisors and Assessors.....	90.00
Collectors County Rates.....	94.00
Road Grant.....	172.30
Election Expenses.....	33.00
Auditors.....	40.00
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Total.....	\$ 24,773.71

To meet these liabilities there was at the beginning of 1883 to the credit of the county, as shown by the Treasurer's accounts, the sum of \$2,203.73, out of which the Councillors are to be paid. There is also a liability of between \$7,000 or \$8,000 due the Provincial Government for moneys advanced by it on account of the Dartmouth debt, which the Government has agreed to wait for till the Dartmouth account is settled. Your Committee express surprise and regret at the tardiness with which the city pays over moneys collected for the county, and recommend the making of some arrangement as to payment to obviate this difficulty. They also recommend that more prompt and stringent means be taken to collect arrears on the assessment rolls, and that the law be carried out to the letter in each defaulting district. The subjoined statement shows the amount due the county and unpaid on January 1st, 1883, from all sources, to which is added the \$2,203.73 above referred to, thus showing a full statement of the county's assets at the first of the year:—

Balance on hand.....	\$2,203.73
Due by the city.....	19,554.07
Due by rural districts on account of assessment, 1882.....	1,128.00
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	\$22,885.80

To which is to be added about \$25,000 due by Dartmouth and now in dispute at law.

(Signed) JNO. E. SHATFORD,
Chairman.

The Report was read and discussed.

Councillors Himelman and Ryan referred to the Dartmouth indebtedness and the necessity of getting a speedy settlement in some way. *The amount should appear as an Asset.*

The Clerk stated that the non-payment by Dartmouth of the amount assessed annually for County and School Rates was rolling up a large deficit for the County. Over \$3,000 had to be paid in consequence yearly out of funds for specific purposes to make up the amount due to the Schools throughout the Rural Districts. The only way in which the Municipality had so far been able to pay pressing demands was by allowing the Government Accounts for Lunatics, &c., to go unpaid. There was now due the Government about \$27,500, with no available funds to meet it. Dartmouth's debt could only be considered as a Suspense Account.

Councillor Lawson suggested that a full statement of the County's Liabilities and Assets was necessary. The Chairman said the Statement at the end of the Report was of that nature, but Dartmouth's account being unsettled there was little use in placing it there at present.

Councillor Tupper said that judging from the long list of unpaid accounts in this Statement, the Estimate would largely fail to meet the ordinary bills of the year. He moved, seconded by Councillor Ryan—

“Resolved, That One Thousand Dollars be added to the Estimate for unpaid accounts.” The resolution passed.

The Report thus amended was received and adopted.

Councillor Burgess (Chairman) submitted the Report of Committee on Licenses, which was read.

Report of Committee on Licenses.

Your Committee beg to report as follows:—

Having examined the Petitions for License for the sale of Spirituous Liquors received from Thomas Ward, District 14, Robert Allan, Thomas Beech, H. N. Wright, District 15, B. W. Haley, James Ward, and John Lewis, District 17, Albert Mahoney and Thomas Brady, District 31, David Vaughan, District 36, and finding that they had complied with the Law, your Committee recommend that License be granted to each of them.

Your Committee respectfully suggest to the Council the advisability of giving them the power to use their discretion to grant a License during the recess of your Honorable Council to any person whom they may deem worthy to hold a License, provided that the Law is complied with by the same, in all respects. Such Licenses to terminate on 1st May, and to be also approved by the Councillor of the District in which the parties apply.

(Signed) E. E. BURGESS, *Chairman.*
ARCH'D. MCPHEE,
ANGUS CRUICKSHANKS,
WILLIAM MUNRO,
EZEKIEL SIBLEY,
CHARLES CONRAD.

A short discussion followed relative to violations of the License Law, during which it was shewn that a great number of persons sold liquors openly without license or penalty, as many in one District as 15.

Councillor Hubley asked whether detectives could not be employed to discover and report where liquors were illegally sold.

The Committee's report was accepted and passed.

The Council then adjourned until 10 a. m. Tuesday 16th.

SEVENTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

TUESDAY, JAN. 16, 1883.

The Council met at 10 A.M. Present the Warden and 24 Councillors.

Minutes read and confirmed.

Councillor Longard after explanation introduced the resolution he referred to yesterday, which was seconded by Councillor Fitzgerald, viz:—

Resolved, that legislation be requested altering the scale of Statute Labor, so that rate-payers liable for five (5) days work, be reduced to four days, and the same reduction be made throughout the scale. Also, that Mail Carriers be liable for labor as other rate-payers, and that an earlier date be fixed as the latest within which work shall be done or money expended on repairs of roads."

The Clerk pointed out the inequality of the Scale, and the wide intervals between the valuations, with only the same work for the extremes. Thus, while a man assessed on \$198 valuation, was only liable for one day; another whose valuation was \$201, was liable for three days, and up to \$400 was not required to do more than than three days, and so on all through. The amount of labor should be apportioned on an even progression, say of fifty dollars or less.

Some discussion followed, and the resolution, on motion of Councillors Hubley and Shatford, was referred to Law Amendment Committee.

Councillor N. Hays called attention to a letter reflecting on Councillor Croud, and containing a protest by certain parties in District 30.

The Warden read the letter signed Samuel McKay, complaining of Councillor Croud's election as obnoxious to the white people of said District, and asking that they be relieved by the Council from serving in any office to which he might nominate them, &c.

Councillor Croud explained that he sat in the Council legally, and as his right and duty, being sent there by a majority of voters, some of whom he believed were his white friends. That his color should not be an objection, as he could not obviate that. This was a free country, and he supposed that any proper and lawful course he should take for the good of the District would be considered by the Council as fairly as that of any other Councillor, and so carried out.

Councillors O'Leary, Shatford, Lawson and Longard having commented on the matter, it was on motion of Councillors Lawson and J. E. Shatford—

Resolved, That if there is any ground for protest there is a course of law open, and that the Council did not see any reason for relieving the inhabitants of the Districts of their legal duties." Passed.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and Himelman—

"That the salaries of Treasurer and Stipendiary, as fixed by the Council, commence from the time they were appointed *pro tem*." Passed.

Moved by Councillors Hubley and Munro, and—

"Resolved, That every process issued out of the Stipendiary's Court be stamped or initialed by the County Clerk before going into the hands of a constable or any other officer appointed to serve or execute it, and that quarterly returns be made to the Clerk under oath." Passed.

The Warden submitted an account of the Gas Company for extra gas consumed while the work was being hurried through in the Court Rooms—\$63.50.

Councillor Shatford, referring to the lateness of the reception of many accounts, moved the following Resolution, seconded by Councillor Sibley—

"Resolved, That the County Clerk insert a notice in one of the city papers one month previously that all accounts intended to be paid be rendered not later than 31st December, and those rendered after that date to lay over for another year." Passed.

The Clerk stated that the time fixed by law was 31st Decr., and that this was too late. Deducting the two Sundays and New Year's Day, but 5 days were left the Treasurer and Auditors to go through the whole year's business, examine and balance all accounts, and no correct statement of the Municipality's affairs could be had for the January Session of the Council. The largest account—that for the Insane—was not received heretofore till the Council broke up.

The Warden submitted a letter from Henry Wright relative to over-valuation of his property in District 15. After remarks by the Councillor of the District it was referred to Assessment Committee.

Read a letter from County Clerk, St. Mary's District, Guysboro, stating that no action had yet been taken about change of boundary line between that County and Halifax.

The Warden submitted a circular letter from Superintendent of the Blind Asylum asking for returns of blind children in each District; also letter from City Clerk to County Clerk stating a Minute of City Council to authorize their Treasurer to pay part of Assessment for 1882.

The County Treasurer said nothing had yet been received by him since May last, and that it was desirable to make such changes in the Local Act of 1862 as would place the city on the same footing or connitions as the Out Districts, in most of which distraints were issued after 1st November.

In reference to a letter submitted and read Friday from John Kelly, Secretary to Board of Works, referring to a claim of the Government for a large balance (\$5819.09) said to be due by the County for City Insane Paupers, transferred under Statute of 1863 to the County, and for another balance of \$610.

The Clerk said the Sessions had had these claims demanded of them, but had neither paid or admitted them as far as he could discover in the records. Neither do they appear as a liability in the Books of Account. Read also a letter from R. T. Murray, Secretary to the Board of Public Charities, calling attention to the large amount now due for Pauper Insane, and asking payment.

The Clerk mentioned that it was desirable that whatever adjustment of this account was to be undertaken should proceed at once. In the case of James Pearson and six others transferred to Poor's Asylum, some deduction should be made.

Moved by Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Lawson—

"That the letter from the Commissioners of Public Charities, &c., be referred to Committee on Finance." Passed.

Councillor Shatford (Chairman) presented Report of the Committee on Roads and Bridges, which was read.

Report of Committee on Roads and Bridges.

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

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee have examined the various petitions and requests laid before them, and beg to report as follows :

The petition of Allan T. McCurdy we recommend that the Council grant a precept to lay out a post road as directed by Chap. 44, Fourth Series, Revised Statutes, the petitioner, by his memorial, agreeing to bear all expenses connected therewith.

In regard to the petition of the parties interested in the Haverstock Mills, your Committee report that this Council is not in a position to grant money under such conditions, but would refer the petitioners to the Councillor of the District, who alone is in a position to consider their case.

Referring to the petition of David Dalrymple and others, the Committee recommend that the old road be not shut up; also that the petition of David Perrior be granted.

Respecting the request of Elias Grono, of District No. 11, and Deblois Fultz, of District 17, your Committee are not in a position in any way to remedy their complaints, and would refer them to the Councillors or Supervisors of their respective districts to have their Road Grants used for the purposes referred to.

Your Committee recommend that the prayer of the petition of John Kelly and others of District No. 18 be granted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN E. SHATFORD, *Chairman.*
B. C. WILSON.
JOHN D. TUPPER.

Halifax, Jan. 15, 1883.

Discussion ensued relative to the bad condition of many of the bridges.

The Clerk referred particularly to Lake Porter and Bedford Bridges. The former was a subject of much complaint, as the draw could not be used and was an obstruction to vessels requiring to pass. Bedford Bridge had been reported unsafe by Mr. Murphy, Provincial Engineer, and his estimate for a new bridge, which he said must be built, was \$1,000.

Councillors Shatford and others considered that most of the bridges necessary could be built very much less by local parties under Councillors' direction.

Councillor Lawson explained the kind of bridge proposed, and the great traffic passing that way.

On motion the Report of the Committee was passed.

The Reports of Road Supervisors were handed in for Districts 10 and 15.

The Chairman said the number received was so small the Committee did not report on them.

Moved by Councillors O'Leary and Fitzgerald—

"Resolved, That all Supervisors' Reports be left with the Clerk to be handed to the Road and Bridge Committee to report upon at the April Session." Passed.

Moved by Councillor Shatford—

"Whereas, In some of the districts in this county the Councillors have been obliged, in consequence of bridges giving way and roads becoming impassable, to order repairs to be made on such bridges and roads;

"And Whereas, The Government did not feel themselves at liberty to make advances for such expenditure;

"Therefore Resolved, That this Council request the Government to make such advances on account of the road grant for 1883, said advances to come out of the appropriations for the districts in which such advances are expended." Passed.

It was mentioned that Hon. W. S. Fielding, M.E.C., had requested each Councillor to furnish him with brief details respecting roads and bridges in his district as information to lay before the House.

It was moved by Councillor O'Leary, seconded by Councillor N. Hays—

"Resolved, That Notices heretofore attached to valuation lists when posted up in districts after assessments are made, be changed to read "That the appellant appeal to the Court of Appeal of the district, instead of to the County Clerk."

On motion, referred to Committee on Law Amendments.

Council adjourned to 2 o'clock p. m.

FINAL SESSION.

Council met at 2 o'clock. Warden and 24 Councillors present. Minutes were read and approved.

The Treasurer submitted the pay sheet for Councillors.

The Chairman of Law Amendment Committee presented their Report, which was read.

Moved by Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Ryan—

“That the Report be taken up and passed or amended clause by clause.” Passed.

The 1st clause was read as follows:—

“The Committee on Law Amendments recommend, first, that in extending the road grant the Supervisor in each district, with the advice of the Councillor, be allowed discretionary power”

2. That the Government be requested to increase the commutation for statute labor from 50 cents to 75 cents per day, as being more in accord with the existing valuation of labor. Also, that Chap. 46, R.S., be amended so that for a property valuation of \$200 to \$400 the liability shall be two days instead of three days, and that every succeeding valuation thereafter enumerated shall be reduced one day each till it comes to \$1,000. Passed.

3. That the law be amended so that in case bridges require immediate repairs at a season when there are no funds in hand provision can be made to meet the emergency either by a loan from the Provincial Exchequer, in anticipation of the coming Road Grant, or by authorizing the District through its Councillor, with the approval of the Warden, to borrow the money needed, such loan not to exceed a sum equal to two-thirds the amount of the last apportionment to such District. Passed.

4. The Committee consider the legislation asked for in Councillor Lawson's resolution anent arrearages of taxes injudicious. Passed.

5. That the Government be asked to order that jury fees now deposited with the Prothonotary, which eventually revert to the County, shall in future be deposited with the County Treasurer instead of the Prothonotary, the Treasurer giving an acknowledgment for the same, which shall be sufficient authority to the Prothonotary for issuing the process. Passed.

6. That the appointment of Jailor be vested in the Municipality instead of the Sheriff. Passed.

7. That the Surveyors of Highways be sworn into office at the same time as other District officers, and thereupon assume the duties of their office.

8. That while it is consistent to exempt mail couriers from poll tax of two days' statute labor, they should be liable for that portion imposed by valuation. Passed.

9. That a by-law be framed to prevent the erection of a slaughter house within two hundred yards of any dwelling house, or within fifty yards of any highway, under a penalty of \$40, as provided in section 17, chapter 30, Revised Statutes; and in case of existing slaughter houses, the proprietors shall be compelled to use such disinfectants as will prevent dangerous and offensive effluvia arising from their places, under the same penalty as above mentioned.

A lengthy discussion followed. Councillor Longard disapproved present system; the money spent by the Supervisor of District 10 was spent illegally, as he explained. Thought 1st clause should be struck out.

Councillors Himelman, Shatford and others considered that the system should be abolished; it was too costly, inconvenient and unsuitable.

Councillor Shatford said the way it worked in this and Lunenburg Counties some persons made \$4 per day.

Several Councillors said as the Councillor of the District was responsible to the people the management and outlay for Roads and Bridges might safely be left to him.

Councillor Bissett thought there was a general evasion of the law.

Councillor Wilson said the law was very imperfect, but thought some Legislators were pledged to go back to old political system.

Councillor Ryan said there was great room for fraud and deception; Supervisors could not tell how the work is done while absent.

Councillor Hubley said that there seemed to be no fixed plan about the matter. The last changes were made owing to false reports that Councillors put in Supervisors to suit their own ends, etc.

Councillor Tupper said the people in his District had changed their opinion about it, and considered much more work was done, and better done, for the money last year. Councillor Fitzgerald and others also approved present mode.

Moved by Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Sibley (moved as amendment to Clause 1) -

"*Resolved*, That the Provincial Government be asked to abolish the system of Supervisors of Roads as at present, and legislate so as to have the money expended by Commissioners appointed by the Councillors for the respective Districts as they may think best, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Provincial Government." Passed.

Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 were severally read and passed as written.

Clause 9 was read, and after some explanations by Councillor Wilson as to slaughter houses at Waverly, it passed.

The Report as amended then passed as a whole.

Moved by Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Bissett :

"*Resolved*, That this Council recommend to the Legislature that the Road Act be so amended as to require men over 60 years of age to be liable for statute labour for any valuation of property in excess of \$500, instead of \$1,000 as at present." Passed.

The Treasurer said that some change was absolutely needed in regard to the way the grant was paid to the County, more especially in the amount of security and keeping the accounts.

The following resolution, moved by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor O'Leary, was read and passed unanimously :-

"*Whereas*, Since the meeting of this Council in April last we have to deplore the loss of our esteemed, beloved and particular friend William Evans, Esq., Stipendiary Magistrate and County Treasurer ;

"*Resolved*, That this Council now assembled express their sincere regret for the loss of our beloved friend ;

"*And further Resolved*, That the County Clerk convey a copy of this resolution to his bereaved widow."

The Clerk said the law required the new Council to fix the pay of Warden and Councillors, and read the sections in relation thereto. The Legislature had changed the limit from \$1 00 to \$2 00 per day, mileage as before, 5 cents each way. Also said in making up the pay roll he had not included Sunday. A resolution of a former Council had done so, but it was clearly illegal. The Statute said "actual attendance," and that the Clerk should make up the account from his record of attendance, which was, of course, the Roll Book—all fines to be deducted from such pay.

After some discussion by Councillor Tupper and others, it was decided that no payment should be made for Sunday

Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Burgess, and

"*Resolved* That the remuneration of the Warden be \$2 per day besides the \$50 provided by law, and that the remuneration of the Councillors be \$2 per day while in session, and travelling fees, as the law provides." Passed.

Moved by Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Hubley :

"*Resolved*, That our Counsel, Mr. Ritchie, be urged by the Warden to hasten the proceedings in the Dartmouth case, and endeavour to have the matter pushed with all possible speed in order that the end may be reached." Passed.

Moved by Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Shatford :

"*Resolved*, That Councillors Lawson and Ryan be appointed Commissioners of the Court House by this Council, as required by law, for the current year." Passed.

The Warden, as Chairman, reported verbally the arrangements and work upon the Court House and new addition thereto, with the expenditure to present time and work remaining to be done, debentures, interest, and distribution of offices," &c.

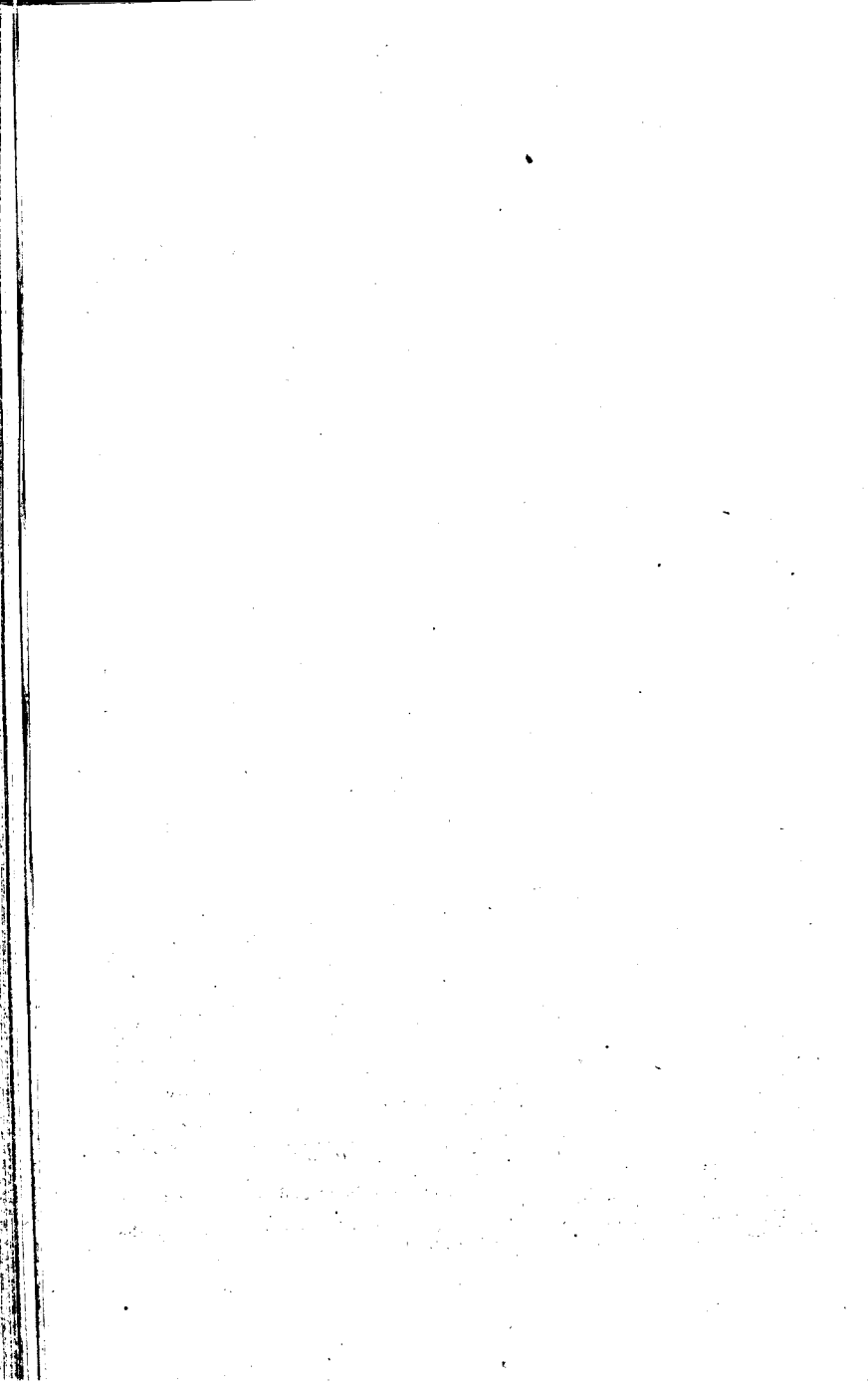
Moved by Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Bissett :

"*Resolved*, That the Report of the Building Committee in connection with the Court House and Council Chamber be accepted and furnished by the Warden, and recorded in the Minutes of this Session of the Council." Passed.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and Wilson--

"*Resolved*, That the Minutes of this Session be printed and distributed to the Councillors as heretofore." Passed.

The Councillors present were then paid for attendance and mileage by the Treasurer, and the Council adjourned to April next.



AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND THE COUNTY INCORPORATION ACT OF 1879.

[*Passed the 19th day of April, A. D. 1883.*]

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

1. All the road and bridge moneys granted by the Legislature to the several Municipalities shall be appropriated and apportioned by the Municipal Councils, and shall be expended in the manner hereinafter provided.

2. The Council of each Municipality shall in each year at the half-yearly meeting by resolution determine whether such moneys shall be expended under the inspection of Supervisors of roads and bridges or by Commissioners.

3. A copy of such resolution, certified by the Warden and Clerk of the Municipality, and under the corporate seal of the Municipality shall be forwarded to the Provincial Secretary within ten days after the passage of such resolution.

4. In case the Council determine that such moneys shall be expended under the inspection of Supervisors, the Council shall appoint such number of Supervisors as they may deem necessary, not exceeding one for each polling district in the Municipality, and when more than one shall be appointed the Council shall define the district allotted to each.

5. The Supervisors shall lay out such moneys in such places and for such purposes in repairing the roads and bridges within the Municipality as the Council shall direct and where the Council shall appropriate the same.

6. 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.

7. In case the Council determine, as provided in the second section of this Act, that the road and bridge moneys shall be expended by Commissioners, the Warden shall from time to time, on the recommendation of the Councillors of the respective polling districts, appoint new Commissioners for superintending the expenditure of such moneys, and on like recommendation may remove them and appoint others in their places. In districts having three councillors, the recommendation of a majority shall prevail. If the majority cannot agree, the Warden shall have power to appoint Commissioners without such new recommendation, and he shall have the same power in cases where there are two new councillors who cannot agree.

8. The Commissioners shall lay out such moneys in such places and for such purposes as may be stated in their commissions, and all commissions under this Act shall be issued by the clerk of the Municipality, countersigned by the Warden, and shall be as nearly as may be in the form of schedule "A" to this Act.

9. All such moneys shall be expended by the Commissioner or Supervisor, by days' work or by tender and contract, or by contract after sale by public auction, as to him may seem most advantageous.

10. The Supervisor or Commissioner shall render accounts, under date, as nearly as may be, in the form of Schedule "B" to this Act—of all expenditures made by him in said polling district, which accounts, accompanied by the original contracts and vouchers for all expenditures included therein, shall be filed in the office of the

Treasurer of the Municipality, and there kept until transmitted to the office of the Provincial Secretary. The oath required by this section shall be administered by any Justice of the Peace, without fee.

11. If two Justices of the Peace for the district shall certify to the warden or clerk, that the work upon any road or bridge has not been faithfully performed, or that any contract has not been faithfully executed, the Commissioner or Supervisor shall not draw the money entrusted to him to expend, but the warden shall thereupon appoint a committee of three councillors to investigate the complaint, and if in the opinion of a majority, such work has not been faithfully performed, then the council, at its regular meeting, or at a special meeting, which may be called for that purpose, shall inquire into the expenditure of the money upon such road or bridge, the performance of the labor, and the execution of the contract, when one has been entered into, notwithstanding the same may have been performed to the satisfaction of the Commissioner or Supervisor, which sum only he shall receive, and in that event the Commissioner or Supervisor shall be relieved from all further liability except for the sum awarded by the council, and in case the amount mentioned in the contract has been paid, the Commissioner or Supervisor may recover the same by action, as in case of debt, for the benefit of the roads and bridges of the Municipality.

12. Where it may be necessary or expedient to procure materials for the repairs of the roads, the Supervisor or Commissioner, if from the absence or obstinacy of the owner or possessor of the soil, no agreement can be made with him, may enter with workmen, carts, carriages and horses, upon any unimproved lands, and therefrom, for the repair of the road, dig up and carry away, stones, clay and gravel, and cut down and carry away trees, except ornamental or fruit trees, bushes, logs, poles and brushwood, in a manner least prejudicial to the owners of said lands, and the damage done thereby shall be appraised by three disinterested freeholders, nominated by the nearest Justice of the Peace for the purpose, and the sum appraised shall be paid by the Commissioner or Supervisor to the owner of the soil, if demanded, within three months after.

13. There shall not be employed in any one day more than forty labourers to work under one Commissioner or Supervisor; and the wages of labourers shall be paid in cash only.

14. For every ten labourers daily employed by one Commissioner or Supervisor he may employ a foreman, who shall work with the labourers and take charge of those put under his directions, and shall work with and superintend the labourers generally in the absence of the Commissioner or Supervisor.

15. When any contract shall exceed eighty dollars the Supervisor or Commissioner shall receive from the contractor sufficient security to the satisfaction of a Councillor of the district for the faithful performance of the work.

16. The Council shall, from time to time, determine the remuneration to be paid to Commissioners and Supervisors, and the amount that shall be paid per day to foreman and labourers, and for teams, horses, oxen, carts, drivers, ploughs, &c., &c., &c.

17. The road and bridge moneys granted by the Legislature to the Municipality may be drawn from the Provincial Treasury by the order of the Treasurer of the Municipality, 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 Municipality be drawn at any one time.

18. The Treasurer of the Municipality shall file in the Provincial Secretary's office a bond with sufficient sureties, to be approved of by the Warden, for an amount equal to one-half the road and bridge grant for the Municipality and until such bond is filed no part of the grant shall be paid by the Provincial Secretary.

19. After the first instalment of the grant is drawn every subsequent draft shall be accompanied by a detailed statement of the expenditure of the money previously drawn, with vouchers therefor annexed, without which no money shall be paid by

the Provincial Secretary, and on or before the tenth day of January in each year, the Treasurer of every Municipality in the Province shall transmit to the Provincial Secretary a full account of all moneys received and disbursed by him on road and bridge account for the year preceding, 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.

20. The Treasurer shall keep all moneys 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.

21. All payments under this Act shall be made by the Treasurer, upon the order of the Supervisor or Commissioner, as the case may be, countersigned by a Councillor of the district. Such order shall be as nearly as may be in the form of Schedule "C" to this Act.

22. Where money is to be expended after sale at auction, or by tender and contract, the Supervisor or Commissioner shall give notice thereof by advertisement posted up ten days previously in at least five of the most public places in the district.

23. Any person who removes or defaces any advertisement, notice or account, posted by a Councillor, Supervisor or Commissioner, or other person under the provisions of this Act, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than ten, nor more than eighty dollars—which penalty may be recovered by any person suing for the same before any two Justices of the Peace; and when recovered shall belong half to the Crown for the purpose of the Municipality, and half to the person suing for the same.

24. All contracts under this Act shall be, as nearly as may be, in the form of Schedule "D" to this Act.

25. All contractors under this Act shall, before receiving payment for any work or any order for such payment, make oath to the faithful performance of the contract, and such oath shall be, as nearly as may be, in the form of Schedule "E" to this Act.

26. It shall not be lawful for any Councillor, or his partner or clerk, or any one in his employment, to act as Supervisor or Commissioner, or to be interested directly or indirectly in any contract under this Act.

27. It shall be the duty of every Councillor to obtain from the Supervisor or Commissioner of his district who shall be bound to furnish the same, copies of all accounts of the expenditure of the road and bridge moneys in his district, and such copies shall be posted in some conspicuous public place, or if that cannot conveniently be done, shall be at all reasonable times open to the inspection of any qualified elector of the district who wishes to examine the same.

28. In any matter or thing not herein provided for, the Council may make bye-laws to regulate the expenditure of the road and bridge moneys, and such bye-laws, if not inconsistent with this Act, or with any other law of the Province, when approved of by the Governor in Council, shall have the force of law.

29. The Council shall from time to time, as occasion shall require, select one of its members as a Deputy Warden, to act in the absence or illness of the Warden, and such member when notified in writing by the Clerk of the Municipality, and any three Councillors, that the Warden is absent or unable to fulfil his duties, shall have all the power and authority of the Warden.

30. Section eighty-three of chapter one of the Acts of 1879 is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor—83. The Warden, Councillors and Officers acting under them shall be entitled to the protection afforded to constables under any of the Statutes of this Province, and also to the protection afforded Justices of the Peace, when acting in the capacity of Justices of the Peace.

31. In case of the destruction or of damage to any bridge after the moneys apportioned have been expended, or if the sum remaining unexpended is not sufficient to meet the emergency, the Warden may if authorized by any law of the Council, borrow on the credit of the Municipality, a sum sufficient to construct or repair such bridge, not to exceed the amount fixed by the Bye-law—the money when borrowed shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Municipality, and shall be expended under the provisions of this Act. All sums so borrowed with the interest thereon shall be a first charge upon the next appropriation of money by the Legislature to the Municipality, and shall be repaid by the Treasurer out of such moneys before any other charges shall be paid.

32. Section 20 of the County Incorporation Act of 1879 is hereby amended by inserting the words "or in case of a vacancy occurring from any other cause" between the words "sworn" and the "Warden" in the fourth line of said section.

33. Section 16 of chapter 1 of the Acts of 1881 is amended by adding thereto the following words: "Provided the Judge of the County Court shall have jurisdiction to try any electoral petition in any city or incorporated town situate within the boundaries of the Municipality or Municipal District, notwithstanding that such city or incorporated town is exempted from the jurisdiction of the Municipality.

34. Section twenty-nine of the County Incorporation Act of 1879, so far as concerns the Municipality of Chester in the County of Lunenburg is hereby amended by striking out the words "the first Tuesday of May," and substituting in lieu thereof the words "Third Tuesday of April."

35. Section twenty-nine of the County Incorporation Act of 1879, so far as concerns the County and Municipality of Kings, and Municipalities of Guysboro' and St. Mary's is hereby amended by striking out the words "the first Tuesday of May," and substituting in lieu thereof, "the last Tuesday of April."

36. Chapter 45 of the Revised Statutes, fourth series, excepting section fourteen, the first six sections of chapter one of the Acts of 1881, chapter one of the Acts of 1882, excepting clauses 15, 16, 17, 19, and all other laws inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed.

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Council Minutes

April 1883

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

FIRST DAY.

TUESDAY, April 17, 1883.

Pursuant to special notice from the Clerk, and in accordance with the Statute, the County Council met at the Court House, in the County Court Room, at 10 o'clock Tuesday, April 17. Present—the Warden (B. W. Chipman, Esq.) and Councillors John Hayes, Fitzgerald, C. E. Smith, Longard, Munro, Hubley, Burgess, N. Hayes, Lawson, Wilson, McPhee, Tupper, Dean, Ryan, Cruikshank, Leslie, Guild, McLaren, Conrad, Croud, Bissett, Himelman, Shatford, O'Leary, D. Smith.

The Clerk reported that an election had been called by the Warden in District 35 for a Councillor to fill the vacancy made by the absence of Donald Archibald, Esq. from the Province. He also produced the Presiding Officer's return and notice that H. Cruikshank had been elected by acclamation. Mr. Cruikshank, being present, was duly sworn in by the Clerk and declared to be the duly qualified Councillor for District 35.

The Warden then briefly addressed the Council. He had not much to report since last session. Referred to the finances of the County as requiring augmentation, and to the Road Grant being nearly as much as last year, Halifax getting about \$1500 more than its proportion, as being in greater need from various causes. The general grant for the Province was much less this year than formerly. The Dartmouth case had been again before the Supreme Court, and had, as before, terminated in favor of the County, but no money could yet be obtained from that quarter. The principal business of the session would be the apportionment of the Road Grant under the Amended Act of Incorporation, 1883, a copy of which, nearly correct, would be submitted at this Session.

Read a letter from Councillor Umlah, District 13, stating his desire to be excused from attendance this session on account of illness. Granted.

The minutes of last day of previous session were read, and discussion on various matters therein followed, chiefly in regard to appeals on assessment referred to in Report of Committee on Assessments. The Clerk, on request, read that Report.

Thereafter moved by Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Lawson—
"That the minutes of last day of last session be approved." Passed.

The Clerk presented and read the Report of His Honor the County Judge, as follows :—

HALIFAX, SS.

IN THE COUNTY COURT, 1883.

In the matter of the Petition in the Controversed Election for Section 20, Meaghers Grant, Municipality of Halifax.

EDWARD R. POOLE, *Petitioner.*

vs.

EZEKIEL SIBLEY and PETER TULLY, *Respondents.*

I, James W. Johnstone, Judge of the County Court for District No. 1, County of Halifax, and Judge in the Election Court for the Municipality of Halifax, do hereby in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 18, cap. 1, of the Acts of 1881, entitled "An Act further to amend the County Incorporation Act of 1879," certify to the Municipality of the County of Halifax :

That I have tried the above petition, complaining of the Election and Return of Ezekiel Sibley as Councillor for District No. 20, Meagher's Grant, and claiming the seat for the Petitioner, Edward R. Poole, and have as the result of such trial determined that the Election and Return of the Respondent, Ezekiel Sibley was illegal and void, and that he was not entitled to be returned as Member or Councillor to represent said district in the Municipal Council ; and I have further determined that the said Petitioner, Edward R. Poole, is not entitled to the seat, and that the Election for said district was void, and that the said district is now unrepresented.

All which I certify this thirty-first day of March, Anno Domini 1883.

J. W. JOHNSTON,
Judge County Court, &c.

The Clerk reported verbally his own doings in connection as required by law (Amended Act 1881, Sec. 20) ; that he had attended and given evidence at the Election Court at Four-Mile-House in the case of Poole vs. Sibley (Meagher's Grant District Election case), and on receiving the Judge's report he had informed the Warden of the decision, and that there was no provision in the Act of Incorporation for a new election in the District under the circumstances, and the respondent would most likely appeal. He did appeal, and the Attorney General, on being consulted, said that would suspend the election until the Superior Court gave decision. He had therefore notified Councillor Sibley to attend the present session, and applied to the Legislature to amend the clause relating to elections so that the Warden could issue a warrant in any case where a District was without a Councillor. The necessary change had been made, and would be found in the Amended Act of 1883.

The Warden submitted a petition from District 12, handed in by Councillor Hubley ; also, a petition presented by Councillor Dean from J. Deekman, District 22, for his statute labor on his own road.

After these were read it was moved by Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Wilson—

"Resolved, That these and all other petitions on Roads and Bridges be referred to the Committee thereon." Passed.

Councillor Shatford gave notice of a resolution which he would move after the Amended Act receives the Governor's assent.

Councillor McLaren presented a petition from a large number of inhabitants of District 28 asking leave to extend a road partly opened as far as Three Fathom Harbor. A plan of the section with the road laid down was submitted. A counter petition was submitted from W. Graham and other proprietors of land through which the road would run. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

Councillor McPhee presented a petition from over a hundred inhabitants of Shubenacadie and Gay's River for leave to lay out a new road to avoid a dangerous railway crossing and shorten the distance to next station, &c. The Councillor sub-

mitted a plan, and strongly supported the proposed alteration. In reply to Councillor Shatford he said the expense of laying out would be guaranteed, and not come against the County.

Councillor Tupper said care should be taken as to damages, and that the consent of the Hants County Council would be required.

After some further discussion the matter was referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

The Warden submitted the amendments to the Act of Incorporation passed in the present session of the Legislature.

The Clerk mentioned that owing to the necessity of supplying the Warden's place and functions during his absence or incapacity he had applied to the County members to insert a clause for the appointment of a Deputy Warden, which had been done.

The Clerk read the Act as it appears on page 35.

Councillor Shatford was requested to submit his motion in the afternoon:

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

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council resumed at 2 p.m. Present—the Warden and 26 Councillors.

The minutes of the morning session were approved.

Councillor Shatford read copy of the resolution which he intended to move as mentioned in the morning.

Councillors Lawson and Himelman gave notices of amendments which they would move to the resolution.

Read correspondence from the Treasurer of West Hants, *in re* the Queen vs. Kelly *alias* Smith, asking payment of judicial expenses amounting to \$80.60. This included ———'s Queen's Counsel's bill for \$22, which Councillor Ryan objected to as unwarranted and unusual in preliminary examinations before a J. P.

It was mentioned by Councillor Shatford that the late Treasurer objected to these accounts as irregular and not a just claim.

Councillor Wilson, who had enquired into the details of the case while at Windsor, explained how the affair was mixed up between Lunenburg, Hants, and Halifax Counties.

After considerable discussion and explanation of the legal course to be pursued, the whole subject and account was referred to the Finance Committee, with power to obtain legal opinion thereon and report to this Council.

Councillor Ryan spoke upon the necessity of transmitting all accounts against the Municipality to be investigated and passed upon. He referred to the Dartmouth smallpox bills as still lying over; they should, if legitimate, be assessed upon the County.

Councillor Shatford explained that part of that account was disputed, being M. Downey's account for damages, and that Mr. Russell, the Recorder of Dartmouth, had advised non-payment of that amount until the Council should consult its legal adviser.

Councillor Hubley said that Dartmouth had a right to pay their taxes independent of any claims they may have of the nature stated.

Read a petition from Councillor D. Smith and others at East Chezzetcook for a road through the gold mines in that section. On motion, it was referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Councillor Dean submitted grants of right of way in District 22, from Sydney Hamilton and others, from Hamilton's on the Guysboro' Road to Dean's Mill, etc.; and another from James Fraser in exchange for the old section, and being part of the road leading from Jenning's Mill to Carriboo gold mines, to commence from Hyde's Dam and run thence to said gold mines, etc.

On motion, it was

"Resolved, That the two grants of the Musquodoboit Road sections above stated be executed and recorded at the expense of the County." Passed.

The Warden, on behalf of the County Stipendiary, submitted a report of receipts by him from processes and fees in his Court, which amounted from September 1st to December 31st to \$78.70, and from 1st January to 31st March to \$49.70. The report, on motion of Councillors Himelman and Hubley, was referred to the Finance Committee.

Some discussion took place on the emoluments of the Stipendiary's office, but without any action being taken thereon.

Councillor Ryan said that the returns shewed that the large receipts which were supposed and stated to be in connection with the office did not exist, and as such statements had been reported in the press, these should have equal circulation.

Councillor Shatford said that the emoluments did certainly exhibit a large decrease, but he could substantiate his previous statements as to amount of fees accruing to late official as nearly \$500.

Councillor Hubley said the return proved what had been before stated, that the County would pay the larger portion of the salary, and for that reason the office should be dispensed with.

Councillor Umlah by letter asked for the appointment of John Brunt *vice* Benjamin Brunt as Overseer of Highways in District 13. Granted.

At the request of Councillor McPhee, notice of resolution was tabled respecting a bridge required near Elmsdale, leading into Hants County, and the advisability of granting \$500 for the purpose, in order to secure convenient location, was recommended.

The Jailor's Report was read and referred to the Committee on Public Property.

Councillor Hubley enquired as to the time of payment of Grand Jurors.

The Clerk said that for the past ten or twelve years they had been paid in the Fall, when discharged, as there was little funds in hand in the Spring, and the amount had to be assessed. He had been, at the instance of Mr. Louis Fairbanks, summoned before the present Grand Jury, and the law referred to which requires them to be paid as other Jurors.

The several sections were collated and read.

It was resolved to pay the Grand Jurors when their accounts were presented, if the Treasurer is in funds.

A letter was read from Mr. H. D. McKenzie, asking the return of balance of money paid by him on account of maintenance in Hospital for Insane of Mr. C. W. Thompson, who had recently died there. On motion the Clerk was authorized to repay the balance to the party entitled to receive it.

The Council adjourned till 10 a.m. Wednesday.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, April 18th, 1883.

The Council met at 10 a.m. Warden and 27 Councillors present.

The minutes of previous meeting were read.

Several Councillors alluded to incorrect reports in the newspapers respecting increase of Road Grant to this County.

Councillor Ryan thought more publicity should be given to the meetings and proceedings of the Council, and that so little patronage was given to the press by the Council that they were not disposed to send reporters.

The Clerk said that the Act prescribed two modes of summoning the Council (he had chosen the least expensive), and that tenders had been invited for the minutes from all the press, and the lowest taken at some inconvenience owing to embarrassments of the contractors. The Legislature being in session and other causes prevented the attendance of press reporters at this time.

After some further remarks the minutes were adopted.

Read petition from Henry Aker, District 29, asking leave to perform his statute labor on his own road.

Also, petition from Thomas Mersom and others for same object.

Petition from S. and W. Purcell, ferrymen at Point Pleasant, asking grant of forty dollars per annum toward Point Pleasant Ferry.

Councillor Cruikshank stated that the ferryman at Sheet Harbour desired a grant of \$20, as formerly made by the Quarter Sessions.

After some explanations it was moved by Councillor Cruikshank, seconded by Councillor O'Leary, and

"Resolved, That the sum of \$20 be granted toward Sheet Harbor Ferry for the year."

The Warden called attention to the Bye-Laws concerning Ferries and Ferry-men, which required them to take out a yearly license under seal, and make a report to the Council.

The Clerk said the only persons who had complied with the regulations were the Messrs. Purcell at Point Pleasant Ferry. They had formerly been granted \$40 by the Sessions. Ex-Councillor Archibald had asked in 1881 to devote \$25 to the Sheet Harbour Ferry, to be paid out of District fines and fees, which was allowed.

On motion of Councillors Himelman and Hubley, the Petition and Councillor Cruikshank's resolution for a grant to same party was referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

The Warden submitted Petition from Benjamin Gordon, Porter's Lake for a License to sell Liquors at his Tavern, which brought up the subject of granting such Licenses. The License duty had been fixed in January at \$30.

Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor McPhee, moved—

"That Licenses for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors be granted for the present year."

Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Conrad, in amendment, moved—

"That no Licenses for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors be granted in the County of Halifax for the present year."

The subject of Licenses and the granting or not granting them was very fully discussed by Councillors McPhee, Shatford, Longard, Hubley, Himelman, Lawson, Ryan, and others.

Councillor McPhee said he would give notice of Resolution that every man who drinks liquor be fined, and then the liquor sellers could take their own course.

The Warden put the amendment, which was lost—17 to 6.

Names being called for, there appeared—

For the Amendment—Councillors Himelman, Tupper, Conrad, Sibley, and Fitzgerald—6.

Against it—Councillors Ryan, McPhee, Bissett, Lawson, Shatford, McLaren, Jno. Hays, D. Smith, Longard, Croud, Munro, O'Leary, A. Cruikshank, Leslie, John U. Smith, Burgess, and Charles E. Smith—17.

The original motion was then put and carried.

Simon Whynock was appointed Overseer Roads, District 32, *vice* J. D.

The Clerk read Petitions for License from James H. Power, John D. Duggan, and Edward Coolen, all of District No. 10.

Read a letter from John H. Anderson, J. P., of District 36, against granting a License to D. Vaughan, on account of interference with work, Sabbath breaking, &c., on the part of Miners at the Gold Mines from liquor being sold there.

Councillor D. Smith explained the reasons for Mr. Anderson's objections.

Moved by Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Lawson, and—

"*Resolved*, That all Petitions and Letters respecting Licenses be referred to the License Committee." Passed.

Councillor Ryan submitted a Resolution regarding a Bill now before the Legislature for a Road through Districts 14 and 7, along the North-West Arm.

The Warden explained that this was a road much required along the shore on the West side of the Arm, direct to Herring Cove, and there to connect with the main road. It was proposed by a number of private parties as a convenient highway by which to reach the several coves along the shore, and for a carriage drive. They would raise the money to lay out and build the Road, which would be a public benefit, and enhance the value of property in the Districts. Being a property holder in 14, he was favourable to the project. The Bill was for a commission to be appointed to carry out the object, and the sanction of the County Council was sought to confirm and strengthen the undertaking. The land required was comparatively worthless.

Councillors Shatford, McPhee, Himmelman, Tupper, Lawson, Guild and others discussed the matter, and it was thought that the whole authority and responsibility of dealing with it laid with the Council, and could be settled by them, as had been done in similar cases outside City limits by the Quarter Sessions, unless there was something special or not at present known in regard to the intentions of the parties asking the privilege.

The Clerk read Section 2 of Chapter 43, and Section 13, Chapter 44, Revised Statutes, covering the points referred to, and giving the necessary powers to the Council for opening new roads, etc.

It was then moved by Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Lawson, and

"*Resolved*, Certain parties being desirous of opening a road on the West side of North-West Arm, and placing it under a Commission, to authorize which a Bill is now before the Legislature, this Council do not see any reason to object to such action, but approve of the same, provided it does not conflict with private interests or involve expense to the County." Passed, and a copy directed to be sent by the Clerk to Hon. Attorney General.

To enable the several Committees to report, the Council adjourned, on motion, to 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, April 19, 1883.

The Council met at 2 p.m. Present—the Warden and 26 Councillors.

The minutes were read and passed.

The Clerk referred to vacancies in lists of District Officers, and mentioned changes in the Act by which Overseers of Poor and of Highways do not begin duty till May 1st in each year (Chap. vii., 1882).

On motion of the Councillors of the several Districts, the following changes and appointments were made:—Levi Longard was appointed Overseer for District No. 12, Jacob Robinson for Clam Harbor District, in place of Adam Stoddard; Richard Richardson for West Jeddore District, instead of James Arnold; Samuel White in Section 11, District 21; and Samuel More in Section 15, District 21. Ebenezer Homans was appointed Constable in Jeddore District.

The Warden submitted and read a copy of the Bill which had been sent to the

Legislature regarding the opening of the road along the West Shore of the North-West Arm.

Councillor Shatford said that there were several objectionable features in the Bill as interfering with private rights, and Bye-Laws might be made excluding even the owners.

Councillor Lawson said that, although assenting to the measure, he was glad that the resolution contained restrictions, as there were certain parties who might not be willing to make concessions.

Councillor Ryan was in favor of the Bill for the construction of the road under the legislation asked for.

The Warden said that some thousands of dollars would be spent by private persons, and it would be only right that they should have some control over it, and also regulate the use of it.

Councillor Lawson thought that a few words should be added, such as "subject to the approval of the Council." It would be necessary as a check.

Councillor Himelman said he would vote for it provided that the clause making the road public was more definite and extended.

The matter was left with the Warden, who said it was so late in the Session the Bill might not pass.

A letter was read from Mr. Maurice Downey, asking that his claim for damages resulting from small-pox in his house at Dartmouth be re-considered. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Councillor Ryan thought the Chairman of that Committee did not fully understand the position and particulars relating to this account.

Councillor Shatford said he knew all about it, having conferred with the Stipendiary of Dartmouth, who had referred the Bill to this Council, recommending that it be not paid till submitted to its legal adviser. The charges seemed excessive and Mr. Downey might be satisfied with half the amount.

The Clerk submitted petitions for Liquor Licenses in favor of David Vaughan, District 36, with letter from John H. Anderson, J.P., of said District against granting it to him; from District 23 in favor of Samuel Blackburne, for free License, and James Brady, District 31, to which some parties had objected as being in a proclaimed Gold District. These were all referred to Committee on Licenses.

Councillor Dean submitted

Report of Committee on Poor.

"Since January the following Accounts have been received:—

District.	Collected.	Expended.	On hand.
20	\$44.92	\$25.30	\$19.62
25	190.63	112.93	77.10

The Committee draw the attention of the Council to the change in the law in regard to the appointment of Overseers as named in the Statutes of 1882 by which their appointment is to date from the first day of May in each year, and their duties are then to commence." Sgd. A. DEAN, *Chairman*.

The report was adopted.

Moved by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Hays—

"That the sum of \$25 be assessed in District 36, in addition to what had been voted for 1883." Passed.

Moved by Councillor Conrod—

"That \$50 be assessed in District No. 29, for the support of the poor for the ensuing year." Passed.

"Resolved, That \$75 instead of \$100 be assessed in District No. 27 for the support of the poor." Passed.

Moved by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Leslie—

"That the sum of \$35 be assessed in District No. 27 for the support of the poor for the present year." Passed.

"Resolved, That the vote passed at the January meeting to assess \$15 on District No. 23, for the support of the poor for 1883 be rescinded." Passed.

Moved by Councillor Tupper, seconded by Councillor Dean—

"That Samuel White be Overseer of Roads in Section 11, District 21, and also that Samuel More be an Overseer in Section 15, District 21, and that \$75 be voted for poor purposes in District 21." Passed.

Moved by Prof. Lawson—

"That a vote of \$200 for the support of the poor in District 17, passed at the January meeting of the Council, be reduced to \$160." Passed.

Moved—

"That \$25 additional be added to the support of the poor in District 15 for the present year." Passed.

Moved—

"That \$25 be collected for the support of the poor in District 12 for 1883." Passed.

The Clerk submitted an account from Sheriff Bell for expenses of prisoners taken to Dorchester Penitentiary last winter; also, for the same service for prisoners sentenced in March term, and for expenses of Election Court (Meagher's Grant case). Referred to Finance Committee.

Councillor Shatford said that the Sheriff had complained of being charged rent for his office by the Court House Commissioners, and asked whether this was legal or could be collected.

Read a petition from the inhabitants of Shoal Bay (District 26) for protection against parties taking lobsters by hand-traps and dipper nets, and throwing gurrey and other offensive matter into the water and driving the lobsters away. The Council considered that they had no jurisdiction in the case.

Councillor Himelman enquired whether, in accordance with a resolution passed in January, the Commissioners of the Court House had made a report of the work and expenditure on the Court House and the new addition thereto, or when such report and the accounts would be laid before the Council.

The Warden replied that he had made only a verbal statement last session, but the work not being quite completed it was thought advisable for the carpenters and others to go on at once, and when all was done the Secretary, Hon. Judge Thompson, would make up the accounts and report.

Councillor O'Leary (Chairman) submitted the

Report of Committee on Assessments.

There appeared before your Committee two appeals from District No. 11 setting forth under affidavit that the appellants were excessively rated, and that redress be sought through your worshipful body. Your Committee have examined these appeals and procured evidence that in their judgment leads to the decision that the Assessments be sustained.

In comparing the Assessments of 1882 with those of 1883 they found most of the books in a much better state and more legible than heretofore, but financially a few of them are in a bad condition, while others are looking better than last year. The accompanying List will shew the state of affairs, which the Clerk will submit and read.

The members of this body are aware that your Committee have always recommended that Boards of Appeal be established in each district whereby appeals can be settled without incurring the expense of bringing the assessors and appellants before your Committee. It seems that such a Board as was recommended would not be recognized as legal. Your Committee wish to say that most appeal cases that came before it were settled by information received from the Councillor of the district. Your Committee now feel that such a course is not legal, and hereafter, unless a Board of Appeal be established in each district, your Committee, in justice to all parties, must bring the assessors and appellants before them, that they may know why the assessment must not be sustained. Your Committee again recommend that

a Board of Appeal be established in each district, to consist of the Councillor of the district with two of the nearest magistrates." (Sgd.)

THOS. O'LEARY, *Chairman.*
 JAMES FITZGERALD.
 ALVAN HUBLEY.
 ADAM DEAN.
 ARCH'D. McPHEE.

In connection with the report the Committee presented a statement comparing the valuation for assessment in the various Districts in 1883 with that of 1882, and showing the amount paid in of last year's taxes and the sum now due from each District, as under :

District Assessments, 1883.

Comparative Valuations, 1882-3.				Dist. Deficits, April 6th.			
District.	1882.	1883.	Increase.	Decrease.	January.	Paid in.	Due now.
7	34.830	35.190	.360	....	5 45	3 34	2 11
8	28.530	30 005	1.525	....	88 65	33 74	54 91
9	21.335	21.848	.513	....	5 77	....	1 87
10	55.560	57.425	1.565	....	281 67	4 81	276 86
11	61.595	68.900	7.305	....	....	....	....
12	40.470	40.050	....	.420	1 42	....	1 42
13	31.462	30.768	....	.694	10 49	3 00	7 49
14	156.500	154.900	....	1 600	207 17	82 20	125 07
15	92.650	85.300	....	7.350	192 43	32 64	119 93
16	43.667	44.338	.671	....	15 36	....	5 36
17	95.730	109.695	13 965	....	48 80	28 50	20 30
18	58 930	61.250	2.320	....	27 18	....	27 18
19	80.808	81.179	.372	....	33 02	6 00	27 02
20	46 592	50.719	4.127	....	1 39	....	1 39
21	117.740	115.857	....	1,883	6 95	....	6 95
22	96.993	94.733	....	2,260	32 32	30 01	1 72
23	25.772	26 118	.346	....	19 23	....	19 23
24	37.510	38.381	.871	....	14 55	10 96	3 59
25	64 440	68.270	3.830	....	15 29	....	15 29
26	73.903	73.452	....	.451	21 00	12 60	8 40
27	91.580	89 905	....	1.675	7 84	....	7 84
28	69.670	67.715	....	1.955	5 74	3 91	1 83
29	55.675	55.200	....	475	91	....	.90
30	33.908	31.295	....	2.613	1 94	....	1 94
31	143.849	139.450	....	4.399	58 23	....	58 23
32	65.355	65.250	....	105	1 16	....	1 16
33	68.270	68.550	.280	....	3 69	....	3 69
34	52 010	52 184	.174	....	15 75	10 00	5 75
35	39.912	36.741	....	3.171	10 52	9 00	1 52
36	66.595	67.858	1.363	....	6 95	....	6 95
Totals	1.951.741	1.961.601	39.886	30.026	\$1,128 17	\$270 71	\$816 80

The Councillors for those Districts showing the largest deficits explained the causes to be falling off in mill and mining property, and depreciation of property generally.

Councillor Longard said he would do his best to collect the very large amount due by District No. 10.

The Clerk said distraints had been issued but not yet returned for all Districts.

The Clerk said that the Collectors' commission would materially reduce the amount to come in and the deficits in several Districts, but that the disproportion of decrease was much too great and should be rectified. In one District alone (No. 17) the increase was over \$13,000, while the aggregate increase in the County was

\$9,000, the large reduction in so many sections cutting down all the increased valuations of several Districts.

Councillor Lawson said Councillors whose Districts shewed large falling off should state the reasons definitely, and they should be recorded in the minutes.

Councillor Bissett submitted the Act for the Dartmouth Refinery, which exempts that large property, hitherto taxed, from all taxation, cutting down largely valuations in District 30.

After discussion by Councillors O'Leary, Guild, Ryan, Hubley, Shatford, and Lawson, the last section of the Report was again read and commented upon. On motion thereafter, the Report on Assessments passed.

The Council adjourned till 10 a.m. Friday.

FOURTH DAY.

FRIDAY, April 20th, 1883.

The Council met at 10 a.m. The Warden and 27 Councillors present.

The minutes were read and confirmed.

The Clerk submitted Sheriff Bell's accounts, \$51.89, for conveyance of prisoners to Dorchester Penitentiary, and for expenses of Election Court at Four-Mile-House, in *Poole vs. Sibley*, \$25.

In reply to enquiry the Clerk said that the Court sat from 11 a. m. to 6 p. m., say one day.

Several Councillors considered the charge exorbitant.

On motion, these papers were referred to the Finance Committee.

Councillor Shatford introduced the following resolution, and went at length into arguments in support of it:—

"Whereas, By an Act of the Legislature Municipal Councils have to decide as to the way in which the Road moneys are to be expended, as well as to regulate the remuneration of laborers and Commissioners;

"Therefore Resolved, That the monies granted by the Legislature for Roads and Bridges in this Municipality be expended by Commissioners in conformity with the provisions of the Act passed by the Legislature 1883, and that the Commissioners receive as remuneration for their services one dollar per day and 5% commission on amounts expended by them.

2. "That laborers receive, not to exceed, one dollar per day for an able-bodied man. That an ox and cart with driver receive \$1.50 per day, and that a pair of oxen or horse and team with driver receive \$2.00 per day; a day to mean 10 working hours."

Seconded by Councillor Tupper.

An amendment by Councillors Himelman and Conrad was submitted limiting the number of Commissioners and naming lower rates for labor and teams, &c.

After some discussion Councillor Conrad having stated that he did not concur in the first part of the motion, the Warden put Councillor Shatford's resolution.

On motion it was decided that it be considered clause by clause.

It was moved by Councillor Norman Hays, seconded by Councillor Leslie, in regard to the first clause—

"That as the Legislature has made the expenditure of Road and Bridge monies optional with the Council as to the appointment of Commissioners and Supervisors;

"Therefore Resolved, That the same be expended by Supervisors under the direction of the Councillor for each District."

The motion elicited a lengthy debate, some Councillors being in favor of such

mode of expenditure. Councillors Norman Hays, Shatford, Ryan, Hubley, Dean, Tupper, Bissett, O'Leary, Wilson, Longard, Conrad, Himelman, Fitzgerald, and others took part.

On the amendment being put and names called there were for the motion to have Supervisors:—Councillors Guild, Leslie, N. Hays, Tupper, Dean, O'Leary, H. Cruikshank, Conrad, A. Cruikshank, Fitzgerald, Sibley, Lawson, Croud—13.

Against it—Councillors Chipman, Ryan, Bissett, McPhee, Shatford, Himelman, Munro, Hubley, J. U. Smith, Burgess, D. Smith, Longard, John Hays, Wilson—14.

Councillor Tupper gave notice of reconsideration for Saturday morning.

The Warden requested leave to be absent for the rest of the session, having to leave the city, and that the Deputy Warden be appointed as provided by the Amended Act. Leave was granted.

Moved by Councillor Leslie, seconded by Councillor Guild—

"*Resolved*, That Councillor John E. Shatford be Deputy Warden of this Municipality for the present time." Passed unanimously.

The Warden thanked the Council and expressed his satisfaction with the proceedings since the Session began.

Leave of absence was granted to Councillors Wilson and N. Hays, Jr.

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

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met at 2 o'clock. Present—the Deputy Warden and 25 Councillors.

The Deputy Warden was sworn into office by the Clerk, and briefly thanked the Council for the honor conferred by their unanimous vote.

The minutes were read and confirmed.

The discussion on the 2nd section of Councillor Shatford's resolution was resumed, and it was moved by Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Guild—

"*Resolved*, That the Commissioner or Supervisor shall receive not to exceed one dollar per day for every day while actually employed, and 5% on all monies expended." Passed.

Moved by Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Lawson—

"*Resolved*, That every laborer receive one dollar per day."

Councillor Longard and others discussed the question whether it was needful to confine the rate to that sum. He could not obtain labor in his District of a Supervisor and good men under \$1.25, as he had to get them from outside. Some thought labor could be obtained lower than \$1.00.

The Clerk pointed out that the Schedule B required the Supervisor under oath to obtain the best labor at the lowest rates.

The clause passed.

The 3rd clause, relating to animal labor, was moved.

A long discussion took place thereon by Councillors Himelman, Tupper, Lawson, Dean, Hubley, Ryan, O'Leary, Bissett, and others in regard to the price of teams, whether oxen or horses, and with or without drivers.

Councillors Himelman and Lawson moved that: for a single ox and cart the rate is not to exceed 75 cents per day; for pair of oxen and cart, not to exceed \$1.00 per day; horse and cart, not to exceed \$1.00 per day; plough, not to exceed 50 cents per day.

Councillor Longard objected to these limitations, as it was impossible for him to procure animal labor in his District at these rates.

After further discussion the motion passed.

By consent of the Council the following words were added to the first part of the motion, viz.:

"That whilst Supervisors and Commissioners shall in all cases procure the best available labor in the District, and at the lowest rate of wages or remuneration, the charge for thoroughly efficient and well-fed horses and oxen shall in no case exceed the following rates." (See rates as before stated).

Moved by Councillor Dean, seconded by Councillor Himelman—

"That the balance of \$29.45 due Thomas A. Parker, Supervisor of District 22 last year for extra expenditure, be allowed, and be deducted from amount allotted to said District for the present year." Passed.

On motion, Edwin Kerr to be Overseer of Roads District 20, in place of Daniel McDougall, removed from the District.

On motion, James McG. Smith to be Overseer of Roads in place of A. W. Smith, and that Aaron Hebb be Overseer in District 24, and that Wm. J. Tays to be Overseer District 19, in place of Henry Leeks, who is about to leave the District.

The Deputy Warden submitted the Report of Committee on Roads and Bridges and the Road Scale annexed, which were read and discussed.

Report of Committee on Roads and Bridges.

To the Worshipful the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of the County of Halifax.

GENTLEMEN,—

1. Your Committee having carefully examined the several petitions and papers referred to us, beg to recommend that the prayer of the petition of George Conrad and others, East Chezzetcook, be granted, and that James Smith, James Richards and John Anderson, Senr., be instructed to lay out the road referred to in said petition under Chapter 44, Revised Statutes, 4th Series.

We also recommend that James Crook and Joseph McDonald be instructed to lay out the road asked for in the petition of John Lapierre, J. P., and others at Three Fathom Harbor.

2. We also recommend that Thomas Merson and others, District No. 29, Henry Aker of Lawrencetown, Jeremiah Tanner and others East side Margaret's Bay, and John Dechman 1st, Upper Musquodoboit, be allowed to perform Statute labour as per their several petitions.

3. We also recommend that the old road referred to in the petition of James and Alexander S. Mitchell, District No. 27, be closed under Chapter 48, Revised Statutes, 4th Series.

4. Your Committee does not feel justified in dealing with the petition of William Annand and others of Gay's River and vicinity until the Municipal Council of East Hants has been communicated with in regard to the bridge referred to in said petition; and we suggest that the County Clerk correspond with the Warden of East Hants with a view to getting the opinion of the Municipal Council of East Hants in the matter.

5. From information received we cannot recommend that any action be taken on the petition of James Reaman and others.

We recommend that the Ferry-men at North West Arm and Sheet Harbor be paid out of the County funds the sum of Twenty Dollars to each ferry for the present year on the requirements of the law being fulfilled.

6. Your Committee having carefully examined the reports of the several Supervisors of Roads for 1882, we are led to believe that a much larger Road fund is required than we have at our disposal to put the Roads and smaller Bridges in this County in a fairly passable condition; and since by a Bill passed at the last sitting of the Legislature monies can be drawn for the erection of the larger Bridges, we have carefully made and herewith submit a Road scale showing a subdivision of the Government Road Grant which we trust will meet the approval of the Council.

7. As certain Councillors express dissatisfaction with the measurements of Roads as given by their predecessors, we would suggest that the Scale of distances be amended at the January meeting in 1884, and that each Councillor be prepared to give all necessary information leading to the adoption of an equitable Road Scale.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN E. SHATFORD, *Chairman.*
G. A. LESLIE.
WM. GUILD.
JOHN D. TUPPER.
B. C. WILSON.

ROAD AND BRIDGE SCALE 1883.

No. of District.	No. of Miles.	Rate per Mile	Amt. of Mileage.	Extra for Roads and Bridges.	Total.
7	14	\$5 00	\$ 70 00	\$ 30 00	\$ 100 00
8	20	5 00	100 00	35 00	135 00
9	14	5 00	70 00	25 00	95 00
10	23	5 00	115 00	45 00	160 00
11	40	5 00	200 00	80 00	280 00
12	41½	5 00	207 50	65 00	272 50
13	48	5 00	240 00	55 00	295 00
14	9½	5 00	47 50	75 00	122 50
15	16	5 00	80 00	10 00	90 00
16	35	5 00	175 00	130 00	305 00
17	53	5 00	265 00	60 00	325 00
18	46	5 00	230 00	195 00	425 00
19	51	5 00	255 00	190 00	445 00
20	61	5 00	305 00	130 00	435 00
21	93	5 00	465 00	210 50	675 50
22	105	5 00	525 00	165 00	690 00
23	7½	5 00	37 50	10 00	47 50
24	31	5 00	155 00	85 00	240 00
25	55	5 00	275 00	220 00	495 00
26	67	5 00	335 00	260 00	595 00
27	87	5 00	435 00	240 00	675 00
28	23	5 00	115 00	90 00	205 00
29	36½	5 00	182 50	100 00	282 50
30	53	5 00	265 00	90 00	355 00
31	63½	5 00	317 50	125 00	442 50
32	22½	5 00	112 50	200 00	312 50
33	43	5 00	215 00	65 00	280 00
34	20	5 00	100 00	90 00	190 00
35	33	5 00	165 00	150 00	315 00
3 6	45½	5 00	227 50	80 00	307 50
Icelandic Settlement.....					54 00
Amt. Government allowance.....					\$9,647 00

* More than half expended.

† Large amount of this expended.

It was moved and seconded—

“That the Report be read section by section.”

The 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sections passed.

On the 4th Section, Councillor McPhee objected, and proposed an amendment to grant the prayer of the petition; also exhibited a Plan of the proposed alteration of the Road in his District.

Several Councillors favored the proposed change.

Councillor Hubley submitted Resolution, seconded by Councillor N. Hays, Jr.:

"Resolved in amendment to said clause, that a committee consisting of Isaac Logan, Robert Logan and Cameron McDonald be appointed and instructed to lay out the proposed Road under Chap. 44, Rev. Statutes, 4th Series." Amendment passed.

The 5th and 6th clauses were passed. The 7th clause was discussed.

Councillor Lawson, seconded by Councillor O'Leary, moved—

"That the length of strictly public Roads (that is Roads termed first and second class) in each District, and the number, sizes and positions of Bridges not less than 20 feet span chargeable upon the Municipality be given, but that private Roads, or Roads upon which merely statute labour has been allowed, shall not be included in the returns by Councillors." Passed.

Moved by Councillor Hubley, seconded by Councillor N. Hays, Jr., and

"Resolved, That should an accident occur to any Bridge or public Road after the several amounts allotted have been expended, the Warden shall have such power vested in him as is specified in Section 31 of the Amended Act of 1883." Passed.

Moved by Councillor Lawson, seconded by Councillor Ryan, and

"Resolved, That the amount so borrowed shall not exceed 25 per cent. of the amount appropriated during the preceding year to the District, and that this resolution be embodied as a Bye-Law of the Council." Passed.

The Clerk stated that the Estimate passed at January Session required to be amended by adding additional amounts for—

Lunatics.....	\$725.00
Loan to be repaid.....	550.00
Stipendiary's Salary, 16 months.....	850.00
Court House, heating and gas.....	350.00
Sackville District, return taxes.....	95.00
Smallpox Expenses, District 31.....	700.00
Bounty Wild Animals.....	100.00
Water Rates due.....	475.00

Moved by Councillors Lawson and O'Leary—

"That the several bills for which provision had still to be made be referred to Finance Committee." Passed.

The Council adjourned to meet next day at 10 a.m.

FIFTH DAY.

FINAL SESSION.

SATURDAY, April 21st.

The Council met at 10 a. m. Present, the Deputy Warden and 24 Councillors.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and passed.

The notice of motion given by Councillor Tupper being in order, it was moved by Councillor Tupper, seconded by Councillor N. Hays, Jr.,—

"Resolved, That the motion respecting appointment of Supervisors be reconsidered."

In amendment, moved by Councillors Himelman and Hubley—

"Resolved, That the motion passed concerning appointment of Commissioners be not reconsidered."

The amendment on being put, was carried by 13 to 12.

Councillor Tupper referring to his motion respecting rebuilding Sedgwick's Bridge, District 21, said he had conferred with Hon. Mr. Fielding, who informed him "that all Bridges to be renovated required to be passed upon by the Municipal Councils in order to come under the provisions of the Bridge Act just passed by the Legislature."

The Deputy Warden said motions on that subject would now be received.

It was therefore moved by Councillors Tupper and Guild—

1. "That the Government be requested to place under the operation of the Act respecting Bridges the Bridge known as Sedgwick's Bridge in District 21, Middle Musquodoboit." Passed.

The following were similarly voted upon and passed by the Council, viz. :—

2. By Councillors Longard and Bissett—Shad Bay River Bridge (now a wreck), District 10; 35 feet from abutment to abutment over a deep river navigable for loaded boats.

3. By Councillors Burgess and Hays—Lower Sackville River Bridge (known as Bedford Bridge); span about 50 feet between Districts 15 and 17.

4. By Councillors N. Hays and Guild—Upper Sackville River Bridge, between Districts 16 and 17; 50 feet span; at present impassable.

5. By Councillors McPhee and Ryan—Gay's River Bridge, so called, in District 19.

6. By Councillors A. Cruikshank and Leslie—The bridge over the East River at Sheet Harbor.

7. By Councillors McLaren and Conrad—Canterbury Bridge, so called, between Districts 28 and 29.

8. By Councillors Guild and Leslie—The bridge known as Salmon River Bridge, Jeddore, District 27.

9. Also, the bridge at Ship Harbor, in same District.

10. By Councillors D. Smith and Croud—The bridge known as Porter's Lake Bridge, in District 36.

The Clerk was requested to have the foregoing submitted at an early day to the Government.

The Deputy Warden (Chairman) submitted Report of the Committee on Finance, which was read by the Clerk, as follows :—

Report of Committee on Finance.

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

GENTLEMEN,—

Your Committee beg to report that they have to submit the account of the Treasurer for Receipts and Expenditures for the period elapsed since the January Session, (for which there are Vouchers in detail), and the statements are hereto annexed :

1. At the January Sessions the Estimate was amended by a vote of One Thousand Dollars to pay past due accounts of previous year. but provision will still have to be made for some additional services created by the Council at that Session, and taking place too late for your Committee to act upon. They therefore beg to recommend that provision be made for the following Services, viz. :

Asylum, \$725 : Interest due Burgess, \$50.....	\$775.00
Stipendiary and Expenses	500.00
Extra expenses on Court House.....	300.00
Water Rates and Insurance	500.00
Sackville Balance.....	95.00
For Bounty, &c.....	100.00

\$2270.00

Sum already voted..... 1000.00

\$1270.00

2. Therefore, in addition to the \$1000 already voted, your Committee recommend that \$1270 be added to the Estimates; adding the \$1000 voted last January will be in all \$2270 in addition to the Estimates as recommended and passed by the Council last January.

3. With reference to the claim of the Municipality of West Hants, your Committee can only say that they do not consider themselves liable for the amount claimed, as the whole thing originated, and all the proceedings were taken outside this Municipality; that they are only liable for costs after the "thief from Halifax," so-called, came to or was secured by the Jailor of Halifax. Your Committee did not come to this conclusion without a legal adviser.

4. Respecting the account of Maurice Downey, your Committee beg to report that they cannot recommend the payment of this until some vouchers or proof is produced as to its being in all respects a just one; and not having time now to send for persons and papers in order to a full investigation, they defer the further examination of said bill until the January meeting of the Council, when they will investigate and decide finally as to its being paid in full or in part.

5. Respecting the Dartmouth accounts, we recommend that the Clerk pay the same whenever Dartmouth pays their County rates in full, or whenever he is in funds to do so, providing Dartmouth make no deductions for any amount due them by the County—the Downey claim not to be included in the Dartmouth bills. Your Committee cannot understand why Dartmouth should make any deductions in their County Rates for bills of this nature; they should pay over their rates and collect their bills in the legal way.

6. With regard to the claim for Grand Jury Fees laid before your Committee, they beg to report that the Clerk be authorized to pay all Jury Fees in the usual way when properly vouched for.

7. Respecting the bill of Harry Wright for a room in his house to try the Controverted Election, Poole *vs.* Sibley, your Committee recommend that the Treasurer pay him Ten Dollars; they think that Ten Dollars is quite enough for the use of a room one day.

8. With regard to Sheriff Bell's bill for conveying prisoners to Dorchester and \$5 for attendance on County Judge at Four-Mile House, we recommend the Treasurer pay the same when in funds.

9. Respecting the Stipendiary's account or returns laid before us, we have no comments to make except to say that we observe that the fees taken in his office the three months of 1883 is much below the same period of the last quarter of 1882, the average being for the four months of 1882, \$19.68 per month, while for the three months of 1883 it was \$16.56 per month.

10. The Dartmouth Bills referred to in this Report are dated, 1881 for \$869.65; another dated 1882 for \$701.54, making together \$1570.59; from which is to be deducted the Downey bill of \$173.61, leaving the Dartmouth claim \$1396.98.

11. Subjoined is a statement of Treasurer for quarter ending March 31, 1883, showing a cash balance at the end of the quarter of \$962.96. Also a statement showing expenditure in detail for the same period.

12. Your Committee regret that they had so little time to make this Report, as the Council must be aware of the short time at their disposal, hence their not being able to go more fully into the different items.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.)

JOHN E. SHATFORD, *Chairman.*
NORMAN HAYS.
WM. GUILD.
G. A. LESLIE.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF TREASURER FOR QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31st, 1883.

Receipts.

City of Halifax	\$2000 00
Town of Dartmouth	500 00
Government of Nova Scotia, advance of grant.....	400 00
H. D. McKenzie	72 60
Peddlers' Licenses, etc.....	35 00
Deficits of 1882 Assessments, District—	
34.....	\$10 00
7.....	3 34
8.....	33 74
10.....	4 81
13.....	3 00
14.....	82 10
15.....	32 64
17.....	28 50
19.....	6 00
22.....	30 01
24.....	10 96
26.....	12 69
28.....	3 91
35.....	9 00
	270 61
Balance on hand January Session	2203 73
	Total Cash received.....\$5481 94
Deduct Government advances, reserved	400 00
	Available for general use.....\$5081 94
Amount of Expenditures, as per statement	4118 98
	Cash Balance.....\$962 69

Expenditure.

Paid Balance of Election Expenses	\$34 50
on Account Collectors' Commissions	69 06
Assessors for 1882	36 00
Revisors do.....	36 00
Coroners' Juries, 1883.....	66 00
Crown Witnesses, 1882	28 50
Court House—Fuel, Gas, Salaries, &c.....	496 50
County Jail—Balance 1882 account.....	147 78
Do. Supplies and Salaries, March quarter.....	322 36
Supreme Court Jurors, 1883.....	184 10
Sheriff's Account for 1882	82 85
County Court Constable, 1883	20 00
Miscellaneous Expenses, Postage, Constable, &c.....	13 78
Grand Jury on Account.....	15 70
Medical Doctors, on account of 1882.....	135 00
County Council Expenses, January.....	482 30
School Grants, 1882, on account.....	96 55
on account of Balance Road Grant, 1882.....	178 39
Bounty on Wild Cats 1883.....	25 00
Crier of Supreme Court, 1 quarter.....	50 00
John Sullivan, bal Crown Witnesses 1882.....	13 80
District 17, on account poor (additional).....	10 20
General Expenses 1882, including Balance of late Treasurer, Salaries of Clerk, Stipendiary, County Constable, etc., to March 31st.....	1304 70
Returned on account of Poor Rates Districts 17 and 14.....	269 91
	Total paid out.....\$4118 98

On motion, the Report was again read by sections.

The 1st, 2nd and 3rd clauses passed *nem. con.*

Some discussion took place on the 1st clause.

The Chairman and Treasurer explained the account as requiring more time to look into.

Councillor Ryan gave notice that he will move in January next for a Special Committee to investigate the claims of W. M. Downey for damage done to his property in connexion with the smallpox case in Dartmouth.

The Clerk said the Act provided that all disputed accounts should be transmitted to the County Auditors to enquire into and report upon. (See Acts of 1879, Chap. I, Sec.

The 5th and 6th clauses were passed.

The Clerk reported that Dartmouth had paid \$1,000 on account of County Rates.

The 7th clause was discussed at some length.

The Deputy Warden and several Councillors deemed H. N. Wright's bill for \$20 entirely too high, and it was moved that \$12 be voted.

The Clerk, replying to enquiry, said that the large room at Wright's had been occupied from 11 to 6 o'clock by the Election Court for one day. The Sheriff had hired the room, and also engaged it for another day, when the Judge should give his decision, but it was not then used.

On motion of Councillor Burgess, seconded by Councillor O'Leary, it was

"Resolved, That the charge of \$20 be allowed for H. N. Wright's account."

The 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th clauses passed without comment. The Report was then passed (as amended) as a whole.

Moved by Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Tupper, and

"Resolved, That the Municipal Clerk be instructed by this Council to notify our attorney in the suit between the Municipality and Dartmouth to use his utmost endeavors to collect the amounts due to the County as speedily as possible." Passed.

Councillor Lawson submitted and the Clerk read

Report of the Committee on Public Property.

HALIFAX, March 31st, 1883.

The Committee on Public Property have had under consideration again the best method of providing means whereby the prisoners might be cared for in case of fire. The Committee had a conference with Sheriff Bell on the subject, and visited the prison with him, and the arrangements proposed, of putting a moveable grating on one of the windows in the debtors' room, to be locked on the outside, with a hatchway also secured to permit the criminals in case of necessity to pass through the debtors' room, were approved of by the Sheriff as in every respect satisfactory. He likewise kindly consented to the request of the Committee to overlook the work when being done so as to see that everything would be secure against accidental escape of prisoners.

The Committee nominated His Worship the Warden and Councillor Ryan to take estimates and carry out the alterations as proposed, and also to obtain the necessary ladders and hydrant-hose.

These arrangements were made by the Committee at a meeting on 31st March, when there were present, His Worship the Warden and Councillors Lawson, Ryan, Bissett, Burgess and Himelman.

COURT HOUSE, 19th April, 1883.

The Committee met again on 19th April Present, Councillors Lawson, (Chairman), Ryan, Bissett, Burgess, Himelman, Longard.

Councillor Ryan reported that an estimate had been obtained from Mr. Margeson for making the proposed alteration on the barring of the Jail window for a fire escape, the cost of which would be about \$115.00, but its acceptance was deferred for the consideration of the Committee.

After fully considering the matter, and certain improvements that might be made in detail upon the plan first proposed, the matter was referred back with the Committee's suggestions to the Warden and Councillor Ryan, with full power to get the work done in a satisfactory manner and at as reasonable expenditure as possible; also to provide the hydrant-hose and ladders required, and recommended in former report. The Committee feel that it is unwise to incur any avoidable expenditure in the present state of the finances of the Municipality, but they have no hesitation in recommending the Council to approve of their action in this matter, the alteration appearing to them to be absolutely necessary and it should be carried out with as little delay as possible.

The Report of Thomas A. Chambers, Jailor, for the term from 1st January to 31st March, referred to the Committee, was examined by them, and they found the same satisfactory, and all the necessary details given apparently with care and fulness.

The Committee have likewise had before them the Report of the Jail Surgeon, Dr. Trenaman, which is appended hereto, and shows that the sanitary condition of the Jail is all that could be desired.

The Committee visited the Jail, along with a number of other members of the Council. They found it in a satisfactory state, and creditable to the Jailor in every respect. Certain repairs on the property will soon, however, be necessary, upon the details of which the Committee are not quite prepared to report at this meeting.

During the visit of the Committee to the Jail they were grieved to see a female patient in one of the cells labouring under an attack of *delirium tremens*, and they recommend that such patients should not be sent to Jail, but to the Hospital or some place where they can be safely secured and properly treated.

GEORGE LAWSON, *Chairman.*
JOSEPH HIMELMAN.
GEO. J. LONGARD.
EDMUND RYAN.
E. E. BURGESS
JOHN G. BISSETT.

Read, also, the Report of the Surgeon, Dr. Trenaman.

Surgeon's Report.

During the term just ended, the sanitary condition of the Jail and surroundings have been all that could be desired, and the health of the prisoners generally good. No case of a serious nature, nor any disease of an epidemic character, has occurred, only the usual number of ordinary complaints, which in most cases the patients take with them to Jail.

(Sgd.) THOS. TRENAMAN,
Jail Surgeon.

The Clerk said that some legislation was needed in regard to cases of delirium tremens. The parties were often those whose friends were able to pay but did not pay. The County was put to expense and the inmates of the Jail to great inconvenience for a class who were neither criminals nor debtors, but fitter subjects for the Hospital or an Inebriate Asylum, as often recommended by the Surgeon.

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

The Chairman of the License Committee asked for instructions respecting the issue of Licenses if required after the Council should adjourn.

Moved by Councillors Guild and Leslie, and

"Resolved, That the Committee on Licenses are authorized to grant licenses to all parties complying with the law; no license to be granted for a less term than 12 months." Passed.

Moved by Councillors Guild and Leslie—

"Resolved, That the Clerk be authorized to print the Minutes of this Session and transmit them to the Councillors." Passed.

Councillor Ryan stated that there was a resolution that the printing and stationery above \$50 should be obtained by tender. All the books, printing and stationery were purchased by the Clerk and Treasurer without the Committee on Public Property seeing the Tenders.

The Clerk said it was not possible to obtain tenders for some of the blanks or stationery as wanted, and would cost more to advertize than the articles wanted. The minutes were printed by tender. There was no resolution, but a Bye-Law that the Public Property Committee should not expend above \$50 without a vote of the Council.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor McPhee, and

"Resolved, That all printing be done by tender and contract, advertized for in the public press."

On being put the motion was lost.

Moved by Councillor Himelman, seconded by Councillor Munro, and

"Resolved, That the Clerk be authorized to pay the Councillors of this Municipality at this session \$2 per day for actual attendance and travelling expenses, 5 cts. per mile, as provided by law." Passed.

Moved by Councillor O'Leary, seconded by Councillor John Hays—

"Resolved, That Councillor Umlah be free and exonerated from all fines at this session of the Council." Passed.

There being no other business, on motion, the Council adjourned *sine die*.

LIST OF DISTRICT OFFICERS

FOR THE
COUNTY OF HALIFAX,
FOR THE YEAR 1883.

District No. 7.

HERRING COVE.

Overseer of Statute Labor—Michael Reyno.
Constable—George Brown.
Assessors—William Bracket, Francis Harrion.
Revisor—Edward Hays, son of William.
Collector of County and Poor Rates—Edward S. Hayes.

FERGUSON'S COVE.

Overseer of Statute Labor—John Beverly.
Constable—John Lynch.

PURCELL'S COVE.

Overseer Statute Labor—Chas. Purcell.
Constable—Samuel Purcell.

SPRYFIELD.

Overseer Statute Labor—William Thomas.
Constable—Alonzo Brunt.
Overseers of Poor—John Sullivan, James Conaway, William Gorman.

District No. 8.

Supervisor Roads and Bridges—Frances Munro.
Revisor—Frances Munro.
Presiding Officer—Frances Munro.
Collector—James Gallahar.
Assessors—Joseph Martin, Patrick Power.
Overseers Poor—Moses Brooks, Thomas Holland, John Sullivan.

KETCH HARBOR.

Overseers Roads—William Flemming 1st, John Connors.
Constables—Richard Flemming 2nd, Frances McDonald.
Fence Viewer—Lawrence Myet.

PORTUGUESE COVE.

Overseers of Roads—William Smith, Edward Bowers.
Constables—Hugh Munro, Benjamin Burk.
Overseers of Public Landing—Charles Petipas, James Power.
Fence Viewer—William Sadler.

DUNCAN'S COVE.

Overseer of Roads—Michael Welcher.
Fence Viewer—Jeremiah Holland.

REAR COVE.

Overseer of Roads—Daniel Johnson.
 Constable—John Johnson.
 Fence Viewer—George Johnson.

HALIBUT BAY.

Overseer of Roads—Andrew Scallion.

District No. 9.

Overseers of Roads—Joseph Gray, Sambro South; Robert Greenwood, Sambro North; Charles Gray, Creek; George Findley, Sr., Coot Cove; Joseph Gray, Pennant; Simon Vaughan, Long Cove; George Snair, East Pennant; Jeremiah Gray, Ball Rock.

Constables—Lewis Nickerson, Sambro South; Stephen Smith, Sambro North; James Smith, Pennant.

Fence Viewers—James Trueman; Sambro; Simeon Vaughan, Pennant.

Appraisers of Damages—John J. Gray, Sambro; Caleb Nickerson, Pennant; Henry Findley, Coot Cove

Overseers of Poor—George H. Marryatt, Pennant; Benjamin Smith, Sambro; Richard Nickerson, Coot Cove.

Assessors—Andrew Twohig, Isaac Gray.

Collector—Patrick Twohig.

Supervisor—George H. Marryatt.

Revisor—John Tough.

Presiding Officer—Andrew Gray, Jr.

District No. 10.

Assessor of Poor and County Rates—John D. Christian, Charles Coolen, Michael Beck

Collector—James H. Power.

Road Overseers—Jas. A. Coolen, Patrick Christian, (son of Wm.), Edward Walsh, Sr., Peter Ham, Kelly's Point; David Redmond, (son of David's, for Shad Bay; Noah Fader for Black Point; David Duggan and Henry Fader for East Dover; James Scott for McGrath's Cove.

Constables—Geo. Merlin, Edward Walsh, Jr., John Hornish and David McGrath for East Dover.

Revisors—James A. Coolen and Lawrence Saul.

Overseers of Poor—Samuel Christian, Joseph Merlin, Jr., and Joseph Tanner.

Presiding Officer—Nicholas P. Christian.

Health Officer—William B. Christian.

Clerk of License—William B. Christian.

District No. 11.

Assessors—James E. Shatford, Elias Grono.

Collector—James Cornelius.

Overseers of Roads—James Fraser, George R. Boutilier, Wm. Grono, Christopher Allan, John Garrison, John W. Richardson, Wesley Crooks, James Zinc.

Constables—William Hornish, William Cornelius, George Allan, James S. Richardson, Andrew Blakely, Rupert Daubin, Michael Morash.

Overseers of Poor—William Redmond, Peter Isnor, Edward Crooks.

Clerk of License—William Baker.

Revisor—Robert Munro.

Supervisor of Roads—Elias Grono.

Hog Reeves—James Johnson, John Fraser.

Presiding Officer—Robert Munro.

District No. 12.

Supervisor of Roads—Edwin Hubley.
 Presiding Officer—Alfred Worger.
 District Clerk—James Croucher, J.P.
 Clerk of License—Isaac Hubley.
 Revisor—James Croucher, J.P.
 Assessors—George Maling, E. S. Hubley, Judson Hubley.
 Collector of Poor and County Rates—Peter James Boutillier.
 Overseers of Poor—John Smith, Henry Garrison, Alfred Worger.
 Overseers of Roads—Norman Boutillier, William Wilson, George Maling, James Slaunwhite, Joseph Smith, Jeremiah Tanner, Edward Johnston, Isaac Croucher, John Awalt, Benjamin Barkhouse, Archibald Boutillier, Edward Redman, Levi Longard.
 Lumber Surveyors—Ambrose Hubley, George P. Boutillier, William Hubley.
 Constables—Freeman Boutillier, William Harshman, William Mason, Samuel J. K. Boutillier, Alfred Schnare, Norman Hubley, Joseph Burgoyne, John Johnston, Stephen Dauphney, Esrom Garrison, Abraham Birchill, James Redman, Harris Hubley.
 Fence Viewers—Ambrose Hubley, George Fraser, Elisha Smith, Isaac Dauphney, John M. Boutillier, Benjamin Collishaw, John J. Hubley, Charles Brunswick, Jacob Burgoyne, Joseph J. Boutillier, Elijah Smeltzer, Isaac F. Boutillier.

District No. 13.

Overseers of the Poor—James Drysdale, Thomas Drysdale, John Umlah.
 Overseers of Statute Labor—Wm. McGrath, Brookside; John G. Yeadon, J. P., Terrace Bay Road; John W. Umlah, Goodwood; John G. Drysdale, Greenhead; Joseph Hamilton, Beech Hill; John Umlah, Spryfield; John Brunt, Harrietsfield; James Yeadon, do.
 Constables—George W. Marriott, Richard Bishop.
 Assessors—William Dart, Alexander Fraser, Jr.
 Collector County Rates—John Umlah.
 Presiding Officer—George W. Marriott.

District No. 14.

Assessors—E. L. Fenerty, Peter Gehhard.
 Collector—Charles E. Piercy.
 Overseers Statute Labor—George Deal, Three-Mile-House to North-West Arm Bridge; Andrew Yeadon, North-West Arm Bridge to McIntosh's Bridge; Patrick Kehoe, North-West Arm to Canal Bridge; John Jollymore, Lower Arm and Lawson's Mills; John Rose, Margaret's Bay Road to Harrietsfield Road, south side Chocolate Lake.
 Fence Viewer—George Deal.
 Supervisor of Roads—Patrick Kehoe
 Constables—James Kiddy, Jr., David J. Boutillier, William Frye.
 Health Officer—D. Keating, O. Warner.
 Hog Reeve—Jas. McCleave.
 Revisor—Peter Gehhard.
 Overseers of Poor—Peter Gebhard, John E. Deal, G. P. Henry.
 Presiding Officer—John E. Hosterman.

District No. 15.

Assessors—Thomas S. Donaldson, James Doyle.
 Collector—Edward Boutillier.
 Revisor—Thomas Payne.
 Presiding Officer—J. A. R. Wier.
 Surveyor of Lumber—James Archibald.
 Overseers of Poor—Andrew Heffler, Robert Allen, Richard Richardson.
 Health Officer—Thomas Beech.
 Constables—John Purcell, George VanBuskirk.
 Fence Viewer—Joseph Archibald.
 Overseers of Roads—Edward Boutillier, from Three-Mile-House to Seven-Mile-House; Andrew Heffler, from Seven-Mile-House to Sackville Bridge; Patrick Grenan, from Piers' Mill to Kearney Road.

District No. 16.

Presiding Officer—Henry Schmidt.
 Revisor—Henry Schmidt.
 Assessors—James Schmidt, James Haverstock, Sr.
 Overseers of Roads—James Haverstock, Jr., Amos Bezanson, Edward Thomson,
 Henry Locus, James Allison, Jr., David Wright, Reuben David.
 Supervisor of Roads—Pierce Byrns.
 Overseers of Poor—Vernon Melvin George Mason, Sr., Thomas Gillan.
 Fence Viewers—Nathaniel Melvin, Peter Smith.

District No. 17.

Presiding Officer—Elias Calkins.
 Revisors—Francis Webber, John G. Corbin.
 Collector—Charles Fenerty.
 Assessors—William Yeomans, Nathan Ellis, Charles Miller.
 Overseers of Highways—Section 2, John Lewis. 2, Henry Bambrick. 3, Alexander
 Ford. 4, Alexander Flemming. 5, Edmund D. Meagher. 6, John Fultz. 7, Jud-
 son Pulsiver. 8, Thomas Patton. 9, Richard Barratt. 10, Moses Nelson. 11,
 Edward Stone. 12, John A. Robertson. 13, Michael Kehoe. 14, Fleming Smith.
 Constables—Robert Patton, Thomas Geddes, Joseph Robinson, William Yeomans,
 Jr., Walter Bambrick, David Pulsiver.
 Fence Viewers—Wesley Preeper, Samuel Weston.
 Surveyor of Lumber—Nathan Ellis.
 Health Officers—Dr. Ternan, A. F. Church.
 Clerk of License—Bennett Fultz.
 Overseers of Poor—Wesley Preeper, DeBlois Fultz.
 Pound Keeper—Richard Peveril.

District No. 18.

Presiding Officer—John Lingley.
 Overseers of Poor—J. E. McDonald, William King, John Stephens.
 Collector of Rates—John Stephens.
 Weigher of Hay and Keeper of Scales—John Lingley.
 Revisor—J. Lingley.
 Constables—John E. McDonald, William Morrison, James Reeves, John McDowell,
 James Fitzpatrick, George Marshall.
 Fence Viewers—William Goff, A. B. Temple, William King.
 Surveyors of Wood and Lumber—James Rutherford, William Goff, Joseph Wood.
 Health Officers—James B. Laidlaw, William Goff.
 Surveyors of Highways—Section 1, James Skerry, Jr. 2, Albert Stuart. 3, Wm.
 King. 4, George Nichols. 5, Patrick Doyle. 6, Peter Spriggs. 7, Martin Smith.
 8, John E. McDonald. 9, James Otto. 10, Wm. Wrin. 11, Edmund Thomas. 12,
 Aaron Williams, Jr.

District No. 19.

Overseers of Highways—Section 1, James Giddis. 2, Daniel Isenor. 3, Josiah
 Gilbert. 4, Peter McDonald. 5, James McHeffey. 6, Samuel McMichael. 7,
 W. J. Tays. 8, John Jodrey. 9, Archibald McMullen. 10, Michael Cleary. 11,
 George Flemming. 12, Samuel Moore. 13, James Wilson, Jr. 14, Silvanus Corbett.
 Constables—Thomas J. Isenor, Donald G. McDonald, Robert H. Kellough, Samuel
 Rankin.
 Fence Viewers—John Benjamin, Peter McDonald, William McGeorge.
 Appraisers of Damages—Isaac Logan, William Annand, David Gilbert.
 Assessors—William J. Tays, Joseph Isenor.
 Overseers of Pools—William McKeen, Martin Isenor, William Fraser.
 Revisors—Isaac Logan, Joel Corbett.
 Collector of Rates—John K. Andrews.
 Presiding Officer—John K. Andrews.

District No. 20.

Overseers of Roads—From James Bayer's to mouth of Harbor Road, Leander Logan. From John Kerr's south line, to William McBain's north line, John Kerr, From William McBain's north line to Ogelvie's Bridge, thence to Sibley's upper line, Miles Grant. From Grant's Bridge to Back Road, Alexander Hurley. From Ogelvie's Bridge to Stretch's Bridge, Alexander Stretch. From Bambrick's Road to Cox's upper line, George Scott. From Alexander Dillman's house to Main Road, Alexander Dillman. From Sibley's upper line to Nuttall's Brook, John McMullen. From mouth of Nuttall's Road to District line, and from Church to Matthew Bruce's, John Murphy. From Guysborough Road to Narrows Bridge and to District line, John Ogelvie. From James Murphy's south line to Thomas Cox's south line, Thomas Cox. From John Kerr's to District line, Edwin Kerr.

Constables—George Scott Arnold McBayne.

Overseers of Poor—John Miller, John Murphy and William McLean.

Assessors of County and Poor Rates—Duncan Bayers, Isaac Tully and Miles Grant.

Collector of County and Poor Rates—Joseph Seeton.

Fence Viewers—John Dunbrack (Chas. son) and James Seeton.

Revisors—George Grant and George Sibley.

Supervisor of Roads—Timothy Scott.

Presiding Officer—Peter Tully.

Surveyors of Lumber—Daniel Grant and James Tully.

Health Officer—D C Stewart

Scalers of Logs—A. K. Sibley, T. B. McLeod.

District No. 21.

Overseers of Highways—Section 1, Hugh G Reid. 2, Thomas Guild. 3, Alex. J. Reid. 4, Charles N. Sprott. 5, John A. McFatridge. 6, Robert Higgins, 2nd. 7, Henry Lindsay. 8, George Higgins, 3rd. 9, Wellington Archibald. 10, George Bruce, including Sec. 11. 12, Alex. Dickey. 13, James Murphy. 14, Malcom Logan 15, _____, 16, Robert Rhodes. 17, Porter Taylor. 18, Robert B. Taylor. 19, John McFatridge. 20, Samuel Ervin. 21, William Leck, Jr. 22, John Steddart (Moose River).

Constables—Robert Ervin, Allen McCurdy, William J. McMullen, Robert McGunigal.

Overseers of Poor—Charles N. Sprott, Dan. M. B. Reid, William Sedgwick.

Fence Viewers—George S. Dickey, William McCurdy, Charles N. Sprott, George Bell, Henry Lindsay.

Surveyors of Lumber—James Murphy, James Murchy, David Nelson, Robert Reid.

Assessors—John H. Taylor, Charles N. Sprott, William Dickey.

Revisor—George McLeod.

Collector of Poor and County Rates—P. R. Clarke.

District No. 22.

Overseers of Highways—Section 1, James Gaston. 2, William Lemmon. 3, Alex. Redman. 4, William Redman. 5, Edward Stewart. 6, William Henry, Jr. 7, Charles Stewart. 8, Samuel J. Henry. 9, Edwin Diller. 10, Philip Butcher. 11, William J. Archibald. 12, Samuel McKenzie. 13, Donald McKenzie. 14, David Fisher. 15, Archibald G. Fisher. 16, James Fraser. 17, William Archibald 3rd. 18, James Eenvie. 19, Alexander Higgins. 20, John Redden. 21, William Bryson. 22, William Cooper. 23, _____, 24, Fulton Fisher. 25, John Flemming. 26, Archibald G. Henry. 27, Augustus Hamilton.

Overseers of Poor—William F. Redman, Charles McGunnigal, George Fisher, George H. Parker.

Constables—James Henry, Alexander Fraser, Sr., George Kent, Alexander Dean, James Redman.

Collector of County and Poor Rates—Frederick W. Henry.

Assessors of Rates—William Horton, Edmund Henry, Timothy P. Dean.

Scalers of Leather—Robert A. Henry, George Hamilton.

Clerks of Market—James Muir, James Holman.

Surveyors of Lumber—Edward Hamilton, Neil Archibald, John Barron.
 Surveyors of Logs—William F. Redman, T. A. Parker, David Kent.
 Health Officer—William Pearson, MD.
 Fence Viewers—Moses Henry, Francis Henry, George Fisher, Arlo Geddes, George Kent.
 District Clerk—James Henry, Sr.
 Presiding Officer—David Archibald, J.P.
 Revisor—George H. Parker, Jr.
 To swear in District Officers—T. A. Parker, J.P.

District No. 23.

Overseers of Highway Labor—Richard Norris, James Slaunwhite, Josiah Slaunwhite, Michael Rice.
 Constables—Lorenzo O'Brien, John P. Slaunwhite.
 Revisor—William H. Ryan.
 Assessors—Michael Ryan, John P. Slaunwhite.
 Overseers of Poor—Dennis Ryan, William H. Ryan, James W. Slaunwhite.
 Collector County and Poor Rates—William H. Ryan.

District No. 24.

Assessors—Edward Moser, James McG. Smith.
 Collector—Daniel Cameron.
 Overseers of Statute Labor—Section 1, John Fraser, Sr. 2, David H. Moser. 3, William Pye. 4, James McG. Smith. 5, Henry Romkey. 6, John Pace. 7, Geo. Hartling. 8, Aaron Hebb.
 Constables—Edward Lowe, James Reer, Joseph Ashton, James U. Smith.
 Overseers of Poor—Isaac Walters, Ephraim Moser, James Keer.
 Presiding Officer—Matthias Moser.
 Revisor—Alex. W. Smith.
 Lumber and Log Surveyor—Daniel Cameron.
 Fence Overseer—William Pye.

District No. 25.

Assessors—Thomas A. Baker, William Perry.
 Collector—Orestus P. Fraser.
 Overseers of Poor—William Sutherland, Edward Hall.
 Revisor—Edward Quillinan.
 Presiding Officer—John F. McKenzie.
 Pound Keeper—David W. Archibald.
 Road Supervisor—Edwin H. Belmore.
 Overseers of Roads—West River, Sheet Harbor, Nathaniel McKiel. East River, Sheet Harbor, O. P. Fraser. Pace's District, Nicholas Redman. Mushaboon, George F. Boutillier. Sober Island, John Verge. Watts' Section, John McPhail. Sheet Harbor Passage, Henry Hurd. Lochaber District, Parker P. McCarty.
 Constables—John McPhail, Daniel Garnell, O. P. Fraser, Henry Hall, Patrick Coady.
 Surveyors of Lumber—T. A. Baker, Angus McDonald, Andrew McDonald, Edward Quillinan, J. F. McKenzie, Duncan McKenzie, Archibald Hall, Albion Ryan.
 Edward Murray, William Tupper, A. T. Scott.
 Fence Viewers—H. Dunn, William Rutledge.
 Hog Reeves—Andrew McDonald, David Richards.

District No. 26.

Assessors—P. J. Leslie, Gasper Clawson.
 Collector County and Poor Rates—Leonard Conrad.
 Revisor—Henry Leslie.
 Overseers of Poor—Wm. Hay, James E. Conrad, Henry Shelnett.

Returning Officer Municipal Elections—William Hay.

Overseers of Statute Labour—Section No. 1, Samuel McCarthy. 2, Chas. Leslie. 3, Cornelius Henley. 4, Thomas Hawse. 5 John Hilshey. 6 Matthew Gaston. 7, Charles Abril 8. Patrick Hughes. 9, Anthony Cooper. 10, John Mayers. 11, Stephen Snyder. 12, William Murphy. 13. Jonathan Irving. 14, Isaac Hilshey. 15, George Prest.

Constables—Isaac Henley, Isaac Leslie, George H. Jusey, West Boutilier, Daniel R. Jusey, Abram Gerrard, William Mayers, Wallace Gaston, Patrick Coffee, Joseph Hawse, James W. Ferguson, George Edwards, Josiah Clattenburg, Archibald Borgal, Philip Newcomb, James Tracey, Martin Prest.

Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood—William Hilshey, Sr., Thomas Hilshey.

Fence Viewers—Daniel R. Jusey, Abram Gerrard, George Mason, Thomas Borgal, James Hilshey.

Hog Reeves—Daniel R. Jusey, John Borgal, Jr.

District No. 27.

MUSQUODOBOIT HARBOR.

Overseers of Roads—Section 1, from Iron Bridge to George Smith's South line, John Faulkner. 2, from Main Post Road to Valen's place, Andrew Mosher. 3, from Valen's place, inclusive, to Oyster Pond Run, David Williams. 4, from Oyster Pond Run, including Pleasant Point, Frederick Slaughenwhite.

JEDDORE—HEAD AND WEST.

Section 1, from Salmon River Bridge to mouth of West Jeddore Road, John Myers. 2, from Myers' Point Head of Jeddore, Daniel Blakely. 3, from mouth of West Jeddore Road to Shellbird Brook Bridge, including Road to Blacksmith Shop, Joseph Dooks. 4, from Hall to Shellbird Brook Bridge, Richd. Richardson. 5, from Hall to Harpell's South line, David Blakely.

JEDDORE—HEAD AND EAST.

Section 1, from Salmon River Bridge to Mitchell's Mills, James Myers. 2, from Wm. Newcomb's, including Wm. Mitchell's, to Smelt Brook, George Hill. 3, from present Main Road around shore, including all inhabitants from Wm. Jennox to D. H. Webber's, Harris Corkum. 4, Smelt Brook to Arthur Guild's South line, John Weston. 5, from Arthur Guild's South line to late Isaac Hopkins, Isaac Hopkins.

UPPER LAKEVILLE.

Section 1, Upper Lakeville, from Settlement to Main Road, William Faulkner. 2, Main Road and Bye Roads, Jacob Webber. 3, from J. G. Webber's to J. R. Webber's, Clam Bay, Isaac Webber.

CLAM HARBOR.

Section 1, from Mary's River to G. Stoddard's west line, Jacob Robinson. 2, from Mary's River to J. Russell's, inclusive, Jacob Robinson.

OWL'S HEAD.

Section 1, Palmer's Settlement, David Palmer. 2, DeBay Settlement, James DeBay.

SHIP HARBOR.

Section 1, from Little River Ridge to mouth Jeddore Road so called, Azariah Weeks. 2, from mouth Jeddore Road so called, to Chapman's inclusive, John Martin. 3, from mouth Jeddore Road and west on said Road to Lake Bridge, James Eisson.

Constables—John Williams, Richard Stevens, John Eisson, John Baker, Capt. John Siteman, Wm. Laybolt, John W. Webber, Elijah Blakely, Gideon Blakely, Philip Mitchell, John Martin, Albert Warnell, Robert Dooks, Albert Myers, Ebenezer Homans.

Fence Viewers—John Siteman, Fred. Bowser, John Laybolt, Wm. Robinson, Charles Slade, John Smith, David Blakely, Harris Corkum, John W. Mitchell.

Overseers of Poor—Peter Myers, John Faulkner, Thomas Cooper, Mr. Siteman.

Collector of Rates—John D. Mitchell.

Presiding Officer—Geo. A. Jamison, M.D.

Assessors—Robt J. Stevens, Daniel Blakely, Jacob Robinson.
 Revisor—Peter W. Maskell.
 Surveyors of Lumber—Andrew Mitchell, Wm. Robinson.
 Health Officer—Geo. A. Jamison, M D.
 Supervisor of Roads and Bridges—William Warnell.

District No. 28.

Road Overseers—From William Graham's to Main Road, John Gaetz. From David Graham's to Main Road, Martin Graham. From Rocky Run Bridge to James Gaetz's Sr., Andrew Leslie. From James Gaetz's, Sr., to William Nyforth's, Geo. Nyforth. From James Gaetz's, Sr., to Prosper Lapiere's, James Gaetz, Jr. From Prosper Lapiere's to John Conrad's Bridge, Daniel Lapiere, Sr. From Dyke to Main Road, John Lapiere. From John Conrad's Bridge to Church Gate, George Crawford. From Porter's Lake Bridge to Harbor, Alexander Bellefontaine. From Church Gate to Clergy's Bridge, and from John Murphy's to end of New Road. From Clergy's Bridge to Coach Road, Joseph Roma (George). Shore Road Joseph Mayette, Jr. From Luke Mannette's to Main Road, Luke Mannette.

Overseers of Poor—Simon Julian, John Ferguson, Sr., Lawrence Bellefontaine.
 Assessors of County Rates—Joseph Gaetz, Anthony Faucher.
 Assessors of Poor Rates—William Murphy, Jacob Nyforth.
 Collector of Poor and County Rates and Treasurer—Joseph Mayette, Sr.
 Constables—Lewis Roma, Daniel Bellefontaine, Daniel Lapiere, Jr., James Conrad, son of Martin, Peter Hubley.
 Fence Viewers—Gabriel Murphy, Andrew Conrad, Gasper Conrad.
 Appraisors of Damages—Joseph Julian, Joseph Conrad, George Fillis.
 Presiding Officer—Donald McLaren, J. P.
 Revisor—Donald McLaren, J. P.
 Supervisor—Donald McLaren, J. P.

District No 29.

Assessors—Joseph Lloy, John McDonald.
 Overseers—Ephraim Corkum, John McDonald, Michael Hiltz, Daniel Murphy, George Hawkins, Elisha Crowell, Reuben Crowell, Joseph Conrad, James Clark.
 Constables—Thomas Gammon, John Monovan, Reuben Sellers, Joseph Beers, Gasper Leslie, George Lloy, James Dares, Daniel Dares.
 Overseers of Poor—Joseph Conrad, James T. Sellers, James Clarke.
 Revisor—Joseph Lloy.
 Supervisor—Michael Hiltz.
 Clerk of License—Samuel Hiltz.
 Tax Collector—James T Sellers.

District No. 30.

From Salmon River West to Patridge River, Samuel Clayton. From Patridge River to McKay's Bridge, Samuel McKay. From Porter's Lake to Gordon's, James Bishop. From West side Porter's Lake, Jesse Parks. From Lower O'Brien's street, John Brown. From Upper O'Brien's street, John Thompson, Jr. From Old Road from Partridge River to Thompson's, D. Deloughray. From Old Road from Partridge to Little Salmon River, John Wiseman. From Griffin's Corner to Hall's, John Colly. From Ernst Bridge to Widow Kane's, James Ernst.
 Appraisors of Damages—John Williams, John Williamson Benjamin Gordon.
 Fence Viewers—George Dear, James Neale, Robert B. Innes.
 Constables—Joseph Evans, John Nelson, Stewart Innes.
 Hog Reeves—John Glasgow, William Carvery.
 Pound Keeper—George Thomas.
 Assessors—John Colly, John Davidson.
 Revisor—J. L. Griffin.

District No. 31.

Assessors—James Farquharson, J.P., John Beck.

Collector—John McDonald, J.P.

Overseers of Poor—Daniel Donovan, William Skerry, John Morash.

Overseers of Roads—1, David Eignor. 2 Charles Shuffleburg 3, James Boutillier. 4, Thomas Fisher, Jr. 5, Judson Baker. 6, William B. McDonald. 7, Isaac Knock. 8, Henry Bell. 9, James Reddy. 10, Gare Montague. 11, Jenkin Price. 12, Dan'l Brennan. 13, Hugh Morash. 14, Wm. O'Sullivan. 15, James McVale. 16, John Watson. 17, Henry Baker. 18, Robert Settle. 19, Alexander Morash. 20, Enos Conrad. 21, Levi Hoy. 22, Edmund Cross. 23, Alexander Innes. 24, W. B. McDonald.

Constables—Isiah Doyle, Wm. B. McDonald, Robert Bainbridge, Lewis Morash, John A. McNab.

Fence Viewers—James Turner. Peter Farquharson.

Health Officers—John G. Bissett J.P., John McDonald, J.P., John O'Connor.

Revisors, No. 17—John A. Shiers, No. 33, James Turner, Henry Walker.

Presiding Officer—James Farquharson, J.P.

District No. 32.

Revisor—John Mason, Head St. Margaret's Bay.

Assessors of County Rates—Granville Chase. Martin J. Boutillier, David Dauphinee.

Collector of County and Poor Rates—Peter F. Boutillier.

Overseers of Poor—Peter F. Boutillier, John Wesson, Peter Dauphinee.

Overseers of Roads—Section 1, Amos Hubley. 2, Simon Colp. 3, Simon Whynock. 4, Edmund Colp. 5, Martin J. Boutillier. 6, Thomas Mason. Boutillier's Point, William Boutillier. Mason's Point, Francis Mason. Conrad's Settlement William Conrad. Schwartz Settlement, John Schwartz. East Side Hubbard's Cove, William Dauphinee.

Constables—Hector Dorey, Simon Colp, Valentine Brigley, Thomas Kennedy, Jr., John B. Boutillier, Amos Awalt, John C. Boutillier, Charles Graves.

Fence Viewers—Jacob Conrad, Hezekiah Brigley, John Mason.

Health Officer—A. W. Shatford.

Hog Reeve—John Gibbons.

District No. 33.

Presiding Officer—John A. Shiers, J.P.

Assessors—James Hawkins, John Fraser.

Collector—Peter Himelman.

Overseers of Statute Labor—James Finlay, William Henneberry, Judson Newcomb. Joseph Kelly, William Wells, Charles Hutt John Bowes, Sr., Geo. Bowes, Sr. John Smith, Francis McDonald.

Constables—George Morash, John DeYoung, Kenneth McKenzie, William Clarke, John Bowes, Jr., James Bowes, Charles Faulkner, Daniel Moser, Jr.

Fence Viewers—Charles Hutt, Peter Moser.

Overseers of Poor—John A. Shiers, Daniel Moser, Sr., Peter Himelman.

Health Officers—Charles Hutt, John Osborne, William Conrad.

District No. 34.

Assessors—James Hartling, West Quoddy; Thomas Hartling, Salmon River; William McLeod, Beaver Harbor.

Collector—John O'Leary, Sr.

Overseers of Statute Labor—Charles Whitman, Beaver Harbor; Samuel Hartling, West Salmon River; Michael Mackasey, East Salmon River; Edward Archibald, Post Road to Gold Mines; Abraham Harvey, West Quoddy; John Warren, Jr., East Quoddy; John Gammon, Snow's Island; Frederick Sheirs, Harrigan Cove.

Constables—William St. Clair, James Stewart, Niel Kirker, John O'Leary, Sr., Alexander Gammon.

Overseers of Poor—Chas. Whitman, Sr., Capt. Francis Glawson, John Kirker, J.P.

Presiding Officer—William Romans.

Revisor—John Kirker, J.P.

District No. 35.

Overseers of Road—Section 1, Edward Cruickshank. 2, W. R. Ogilvie. 3, James Brown. 4, William Rhind. 5, Allison Brown. 6, William Bruce. 7, John Grant. 8, Alexander Taylor.

Appraisors Damage—Joseph Ogilvie, Lemon Grant, Alexander Cole.

Constables—Andrew Rourk, Peter Cruickshank, George Cole.

Surveyors of Lumber—Alexander Taylor, Wm. R. Ogilvie, John McWilliams.

Fence Viewers—John Taylor, Alexander Taylor, Hugh Hurley.

Assessors of County Rates—Alexander Cole, William R. Ogilvie.

Collector—John Grant.

Overseers Poor—Alexander Taylor, George Cole.

Presiding Officer—William R. Ogilvie.

Town Clerk—William R. Ogilvie.

District No. 36.

Revisor—Isaac Gaetz, Jr.

Assessors—David B. Power, George G. Gaetz, George Kaizer.

Collector—William Roast.

Overseers Statute Labo—No. 1, from L. Bayers' barn to Kidd's Bridge, and from Head of Musquodoboit Harbor to Rowling's Corner, Isaac Gaetz, Jr. 2, from Manse to James Bayers', Petpisswick, Michael Power, Jr. 3, from School House to Smelt Brook, Alexander Gaetz. From Smelt Brook to Gilbert's Hill including Gilbert's, James Bayers. From Gilbert's Hill to Chas. Clergy, John Anderson. From Chas. Clergy to Seashore, William Bayers, son of William West Petpisswick.—From John Young's to Deep Cove, William Anderson, Jr. From Deep Cove to Little River, James Anderson. From Colford's Store to Long Bridge, William Warnwell, Jr. From Colford's Store to DeLukrey's Bridge, Owen Redman. From DeLukrey's Bridge to Lake Porter, George Kaizer. Conrad's Settlement, including all Roads—Peter Conrad, son of Peter. From Main Post Road to Larry Pettipas, George Conrad. From Larry Pettipas' to Deep Love, Joseph Meisnor, son of Henry. From Deep Cove to Graff Beach, John Conrad, son of Peter. From Chezzetcook Road to Petpisswick, George Conrad, son of Andrew. From Crawford's Bridge to Gaetz's Camp, Archibald Crawford.

Supervisor of Roads—Capt. William Wournell.

Constables—Jeremiah Gaetz, James Greenough, Samuel Gaetz, James Richards, James Owens, Samuel Braden, Justice Colford.

Overseers of Poor—John ConraT, son of George, Alexander Gaetz, Capt. William Wournell.

Fence Viewers—Samuel Gaetz, John Anderson, Sr., Isaac Gaetz, Jr., William Wournell, Jr., Edward Conrad, James Conrad, son of Peter.

Appraisors—John Kidd, John H. Anderson, George Guild Capt. William Wournell, Justice Colford, Charles Conrad.

Lumber Surveyor—John Kidd.

Presiding Officer—Isaac Gaetz, Jr.

