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OF THE

## Council of the Municipality

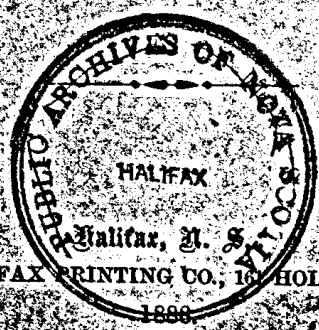
OF THE

### COUNTY OF HALIFAX, N. S.

Annual Meeting, January, 1888, and Semi-Annual Meeting, April, 1888.

B. W. CHIPMAN, ESQ., WARDEN.

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County Warden—B. W. CHIPMAN, Esq.  
County Clerk—W. H. WISWELL, Esq.  
County Stipendiary and Clerk of Licenses—J. L. GRIFFIN, Esq.  
County Auditors—JNO. E. ALBRO, F. G. WAINWRIGHT, Esqrs.  
County Treasurer—W. H. WISWELL, Esq.  
County Inspector of Licenses—D. W. B. REID, Esq.

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## STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1888.

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

*Public Accounts and Finances*—Councillors Shatford, Chase, Poole, O'Leary and Tupper.

*Public Property*—Councillors Wilson, Ryan, Bissett, Burgess, Himelman, and Chase.

*Licenses*—Councillors Burgess, Sellars, Cruickshank, Poole, Bishop, Fader, and D. Smith.

*Roads and Bridges*—Councillors Lawson, Himelman, O'Leary, Poole, Shatford, and Ryan.

*Assessments*—Councillors O'Leary, Parker, Blakeney, Fitzgerald, Fraser, and Croucher.

*Hospital for Insane*—Councillors Lawson, Himelman, N. Hays, Chase, Bissett, and Ryan.

*Law Amendments*—Councillors Shatford, Madill, Parker, Ross, and Tupper.

*Poor*—Councillors C. E. Smith, Lapierre, A. W. Smith, Longard, Thomas, and John Hays.

*Jury Lists*—Councillors Ryan, N. Hays, Himelman, Bissett, and Burgess.

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## SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

*On Settlement with the City and Dartmouth*—Councillors Lawson, Wilson, Shatford, and Ryan.

*On Poor Farm Buildings, &c.*—The Committee on Public Property.

*On Revising By-Laws*—Councillors Lawson, Ryan, Bissett, Himelman, and Shatford.

*On Settlement of City Debt*—Councillors Lawson, Wilson, and Shatford.

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## COMMISSIONERS OF COURT HOUSE.

The Warden, Councillors Wilson and Burgess, Hon. Judge Weatherbe,  
Hon. J. W. Longley, Atty. General.

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## COUNTY OFFICERS, ETC.

*County Constables*—Patrick E. Phelan (Chief), Louis Nickerson,  
George Dennafor, H. N. Wright, (City,) and John McLellan, Wm.  
McKenzie, and John McBain, (Dartmouth).

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

*Keeper of Court House*—Mrs. J. B. Sentell.

*Criers of Supreme Court*—Jas. S. McKay, Michl. Byrnes.

*Crier of County Court*—Chas. W. McGinn.

*Stipendiary Constable*—Patrick E. Phelan.

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## COUNTY OFFICIALS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

*High Sheriff*—Donald Archibald, Esq.

*Prothonotary and Clerk of the Crown*—S. H. Holmes, Esq.

*Registrar of Deeds*—A. J. White, Esq.

*Judge of Probate*—Hon. S. L. Shannon.

*Registrar of Probate*—Jas. G. Foster.

*Vice Admiralty Court Judge*—The Chief Justice.

*Registrar*—Lewis W. DesBarres.

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## COUNTY COURT.

*Judge*—Hon. J. W. Johnston.

*Clerk, &c.*—S. H. Holmes, Esq.

*Librarian of 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 daily, (Sundays and Holidays excepted.)

THE SECOND ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
FIFTH MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
OF THE  
COUNTY OF HALIFAX.

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FIRST DAY.

HALIFAX, January 10th, 1888.

In accordance with the Statute, and by advertisement, and special notices issued by the County Clerk, the Councillors for the several Polling Districts of Halifax County attended at the County Court House at 12 o'clock, noon, on Tuesday, the 10th day of January, 1888.

The Warden having taken the Chair, the Clerk called the Roll, and the following Councillors answered to their names :

District No.	7—John Hayes.
"	8—James Fitzgerald.
"	10—George J. Longard.
"	11—Thomas E. Chase.
"	12—James Croucher, Jr.
"	14—B. W. Chipman.
"	15—E. E. Burgess.
"	16—Norman Hays.
"	17—George Lawson.
"	18—Benj. C. Wilson.
"	19—George H. Madill.
"	20—Edward R. Poole.
"	21—John D. Tupper.
"	22—Thomas A. Parker.
"	23—Edmund Ryan.
"	24—Alexander W. Smith.
"	25—O. P. Fraser.
"	27—John A. Blakeney.

District No. 28—	Daniel Lapierre.
“	29—James H. Sellars.
“	30—Joseph Thomas.
“	31—John G. Bissett.
“	32—John E. Shatford.
“	33—Joseph Himelman.
“	34—Thomas O’Leary.
“	35—Henry Cruickshank.
“	36—Dennis Smith.
“	37—Henry Fader.

The absentees were Councillors Charles E. Smith, of District No. 9; Richard Bishop, of District No. 13; and John C. Ross, of District No. 26.

The first business was the appointment of a Clerk and Treasurer. On motion of Councillors Ryan and Bissett, Mr. W. H. Wiswell was re-elected at the same salary as last year.

The Warden, B. W. Chipman, Esq., addressing the Council, said that the present was the last year of the Council as now constituted, and reminded them how soon they must appeal to their electors. He wished them all a healthy and prosperous New Year. As the work of the Council in its limited sphere was somewhat routine he had not prepared any formal address, as it would largely have to be a repetition of the previous one. He would, however, give from memory some of the transactions which had been carried out during recess, and referred to some matters to come before the body. The loyal address, which the Council had passed to Her Majesty the Queen on her Jubilee celebration, had been forwarded to the Lieutenant-Governor, by him to the Governor-General, and thence to Her Majesty. He read a reply conveying the Queen’s thanks to the Council. The next matter His Honor said was not so satisfactory—it was the financial condition of the Municipality. The city had acted worse than contemptibly in their transactions with the county. The amount had been long due and the claims had been often passed, but the city fought the county off on technicalities. A special committee had the matter in hand, but no progress had been made. The Government had passed an Act By which the county was asked to pay the sum of \$5,000 per year and interest on the indebtedness of the county for Insane, Paupers, but even this could not be paid because the city would not pay up. Notwithstanding the city owes some \$39,000, they would not even make a payment on account. The Government had the power to keep back the county’s road money, and he believed that was the best thing that could happen, as it would bring matters to a crisis. He hoped the Council would ask the Government to step in and compel the city to pay the amount they owed, and have no more such trifling. The resolution authorizing the county to be taxed for the right of way of the Musquo-



doboit Railway had not been acted upon, as the arrangements for the building of the road had not progressed sufficiently to warrant such a step. The buildings at the Poor's Farm had been completed, and were now ready for occupancy, and he thought the thanks of the Council were due to the Committee, and especially to the Chairman, having the work under their supervision. The Inspector of Licenses had proved himself the right man in the right place. The Council would have a report from that official. By request of the Clerk and Treasurer he would recommend that the Legislature be applied to for power to call the meeting later in the month, so that matters could be facilitated. In concluding, the Warden hoped that matters to be brought before the Council would receive the attention they deserved, and be dealt with accordingly.

Councillor Shatford spoke on the county-city matters up to the present, submitting and explaining a proposition from the city for a basis of settlement. He had found Alderman Pearson reasonable and ready to do what was fair and right, but Alderman Lyons had been the reverse. He brought up all sorts of technicalities and quibbles, and Alderman McPherson seemed inclined to support Alderman Lyons. Councillor Shatford suggested that a Committee from the Council be appointed to wait on the Government to go over the accounts and learn what paupers now charged to Halifax County the Municipality is justly entitled to pay for, as it is known the County now pays for paupers in the Insane Hospital which should be charged to other counties, and make a readjustment with the Government. Then the county and the city could have a settlement, and matters be straightened out. He moved that the old Committee, consisting of himself, Councillors Lawson and Wilson, be appointed to wait on the Government and effect a readjustment of accounts, or offer a lump sum in settlement.

Councillor Ryan replied at length. He asked why the city had not paid something on account. The city had no right whatever to any fees from the county. The estimates were much too short every year, and the Finance Committee were deserving of censure for it. The city took advantage of everything they could devise, and was not deserving, or could it justly claim, any county fees. The estimates in future should be larger, so as to adequately cover the required appropriations.

Councillor Shatford made some remarks in reply.

Councillor Bissett seconded Councillor Shatford's motion for the Committee, which was carried.

The Clerk said the action of the city was wholly and altogether illegal. It had no right to open up any accounts in the assessment in any of those years on which the county had paid its proportion. There was a time for appeal, or objection and arbitration, but none of these courses had been taken, or even requested, by the city.

Councillor Lawson went over the matters in dispute at some length.

On motion of Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Burgess, Councillor Ryan was added to the Committee.

The Council then adjourned till 2.30 o'clock.

The following are the papers referred to by Councillor Shatford:

*The City of Halifax in Account for Annual Assessments with the Municipality of Halifax.*

1882.									Dr.
July 17.	To Amount of deduction on Settlement of Assessments, being the award on the Arbitration of 1881 Assessment rejected by the County Council as irregular and illegal.....					\$ 1578	52		
Due									
Oct. 31.	To Amount of Assessment for County purposes, as per Statement sent to the Mayor, June 12, 1882.....					19554	07		
1883.	To Assessment for this year, as per notice sent to the Mayor May 9th...	\$21360	32						
	By Cash to date.....	17176	09						
	Balance on above.....			\$ 4183		23			
1884.	To Assessment for 1884 as per Statement to the Mayor.....	23979	00						
Oct. 31.	By Cash to date.....	13398	26			\$10580	74		
1885.	To Amount of Assessment, as notified by the Mayor, June 30.....	\$25392	68						
Oct. 31.	By Cash to date.....	25509	24						Cr.
									\$ 116 56
1886.	To Assessment this year as per Statement to the Mayor, July 5.....	\$25914	80						
	LESS								
Oct. 5.	Rebate on Lunatics transferred to the several Corporations.....	7498	00						
	Nett Assessment.....	\$18416	30						
Oct. 31.	By Cash to date.....	12578	70						
						\$ 5837	60		
1887.									
Apr. 27.	By Cash to date on Account of above..							8500	00
						\$41734	16	\$8616	56
	Deduct Credits.....					8616	56.		
	Balance.....			\$33117		60			
1887.									
June 1.	To Assessment for 1887.....	\$10637	39						
Dec. 1.	By Cash this date.....	4113	63			6523	76		
	Total Dr. Balance.....			\$39641		36			

The above does not include interest on Balances of which the City was notified.

WM. H. WISWELL,  
County Treasurer.

*Estimates for Municipality of Halifax County for the years  
1882 to 1887.*

	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
1 Hospital for Insane.....	\$13000	\$14000	\$14000	\$14000	\$14500
2 County Jail.....	2250	2350	2250	3000	1800
3 County Court House.....	1095	1400	2000	2000	1800
4 { Clerk's Salary.....	1100	1600	1600	{ 1400 }	1600
{ Treasurer.....	1000				
5 Crier Supreme Court, etc.....	200	200	200	650	800
6 Chief Constable Webber or Phelan.	200	200	200	200	200
7 Constable Supreme Court.....	150	200	200	.....	.....
8 Constable Co. Court and expenses..	80	125	80	.....	.....
9 Grand Jury, Secretary, etc.....	250	250	300	300	250
10 Petit Juries, (supplementary).....	750	750	750	650.	500
11 Crown Witnesses.....	300	250	250	250	300
12 Sheriff's Accounts.....	175	200	200	250	360
13 Revisors of Jury Lists.....	175	150	150	.....	168
14 Coroners' Juries and expenses.....	350	350	400	400	450
15 Printing and Stationery.....	400	400	400	250	300
16 Auditors.....	40	40	40	40	40
17 Postage and Expressage.....	50	50	50	50	50
18 Councillors' Pay and Mileage..	700	850	900	950	890
19 Election expenses, 1882-6.....	200	.....	.....	.....	160
20 Contingent Fund.....	150	200	200	300	250
21 Accounts unpaid, 1879-80-81, etc...	1135	765	2000	2000	2800
22 Water Rates and Insurance.....	.....	500	.....	.....	.....
23 Stipendiary.....	.....	500	800	800	890
24 Interest Court House Loan.....	.....	625	1025	1050	1188
25 Loan and Interest, E. Burgess.....	.....	50	530	30	.....
26 Revisors and Assessors.....	250	.....	250	550	600
27 Bounties Wild Animals.....	.....	100	300	200	200
28 Sackville returned Taxes.....	.....	95	.....	.....	.....
29 Draw Bridges and Ferries.....	.....	.....	.....	50	100
30 Poor Farm.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	800
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>\$24000</b>	<b>\$26200</b>	<b>\$29075</b>	<b>\$29970</b>	<b>\$31606</b>
Assessment Schools.....	8214	9545	9545	9545	9545
<b>Grand total.....</b>	<b>\$32214</b>	<b>\$35745</b>	<b>\$38620</b>	<b>\$39515</b>	<b>\$41151</b>

(A.)

Item No. 1—Assessment for 188

This item is abandoned as being settled by arbitration of that year.

2. Contains following disputed items:—

1. Hospital for insane, which is settled as follows:—It is claimed by the Government of Nova Scotia that there is due from the County of Halifax, on acct. of this item in years 1882-3-4-5-6, a balance of \$35,969.17. The amount of this balance is disputed by the Halifax Council, and is to be under the subject of adjustment with said Government. It is agreed that the City of Halifax shall pay its proportion of the sum agreed upon upon such adjustment, so soon as the said adjustment is assessed, calculated upon the basis of the assessments of each of said years—due credit being given in

each year for such sums as the City of Halifax may have paid in the respective years.

2. County Jail, unobjectionable.
3. County Court House, unobjectionable.
4. Clerk and Treasurer's salary, unobjectionable.
5. Crier Supreme Court, “
6. Chief Constable of County, “
7. Constable Supreme Court, “
8. “ County Court, “
9. Grand Jury, Sec'y., &c., “
10. Petit Jury, “
11. Crown witnesses, “
12. Sheriff's Accounts, “
13. Revisors' Jury Lists, “
14. Coroners' Juries, &c., “
15. Printing and Stationery, “
16. Auditors, “
17. Postage and Expressage, “
18. Councillors pay, mileage, “
19. Election expenses, “
20. Contingent Fund, “
21. Accounts unpaid, to be struck off.
22. Water-rates and Insurance, “
23. Stipendiary, to be settled as follows:—Each year the total income of this office to be deducted from the amount of salary, and the balance to be paid by the city proportionably to the assessment of each of said years.
24. Interest Court House loan, unobjectionable.
25. Struck off.
26. Revisors, &c., struck off.
27. Bounties, struck out.
28. Struck out.
29. Struck out.
30. Poor Farm, struck out.

It is agreed that the City of Halifax shall be entitled to credit on each of the above items for its portion of any income received or chargeable by the County, or derivable from any of the said items or services.

The Joint Committee of the County of Halifax and City of Halifax, to adjust all matters in dispute, request Mr. Wiswell, to make up the accounts attached hereto upon the basis indicated in paper “A,” and furnish same to Committee. Also the valuations of the City and County for the respective years of 1882-3-4-5-6, upon which his calculation of the city's indebtedness was made.

## Afternoon Session.

WEDNESDAY, January 10th, 1888.

The Council met at 2.30 p. m. The Warden and 27 Councillors present.

The minutes of the morning session were read and passed.

On motion of Councillors Shatford and Lawson, it was

“Resolved, That the several Standing Committees of 1887 be continued and confirmed as amended for 1888.” Passed.

On motion, Patrick Phelan was re-appointed Chief County Constable, and a petition from him for an increase of salary was read and deferred.

Mrs. Sentell was re-appointed Janitrix of the Court House.

John E. Albro and F. G. Wainwright were appointed Auditors.

George Dinnaford was appointed County Constable.

Read, an application from Dr. Rigby for the position of Surgeon at the County Jail, offering to accept \$80 as salary. Deferred till Thursday.

The Clerk submitted and read the

### REPORT OF COUNTY STIPENDIARY FOR THE YEAR 1887.

*A Summary of Business and Receipts in the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court for the Year ended December 31st, 1887.*

Amt. of Convictions and Fines as per annexed statement.....	\$	623 00
“ Orders of Affiliations “ .....		170 00
Judgment Debts received and paid over to Plaintiffs in year 1887 respectively.....		1900 72
Debts collected by Chief County Constable on Executions from Magistrates in other Counties of the Province.		400 00
Writs and Judgments qtr. ending March 172, fees		\$63 90
“ “ June 209, “		89 00
“ “ Sept. 301, “		129 30
“ “ Dec. 257, “		109 07
Totals.....		939 \$391 27
Ferry License to Samuel Purcell.....	\$	1 00
“ W. A. Purcell.....		1 00
“ James Tracy.....		1 00
Pedler's License to George Grant.....		8 00
“ H. Lawson.....		10 00
“ Charles Graves.....		8 00
“ Rich. Burrows,(pack)		2 00
		31 00
		422 27
Cash for above paid to County Treasurer...\$		422 27
Total.....		\$3515 99

*Return of Convictions made by me, as County Stipendiary, from 1st January, 1887, to 31st December, 1887.*

PROSECUTOR.	DEFENDANT.	NATURE OF CHARGE.	Date of conviction	Convicting Justice.	Amt. of penalty.	When Paid.	To whom paid.	REMARKS.
Major Jamieson...	William Kilty ...	Contra License Act, 1886	Jan. 2.	J. Lester Griffin.	\$50 00	Not paid.		Went to jail.
Margaret Marriatt	Fredk. Drysdale ..	" "	Feb. 26.	" "	20 00	Feb. 26.	\$10 to informant & 10 to Co. Treas.	
D. W. B. Reid, Co. Inspector.	William Wilson...	" "	March 18.	" "	20 00	Not paid.		Distress warrant issued.
"	Daniel McCarthy..	" "	" 18.	" "	20 00	" "		Went to jail.
"	James Ward.....	" "	" 18.	" "	50 00	April 21.	D. W. B. Reid.	
"	John Lewis.....	" "	May 27.	" "	10 00	May 27.	"	
"	John Reyno.....	" "	June 8.	" "	50 00	June 8.	"	
"	Edward Hayes....	" "	" 8.	" "	20 00	" 8.	"	
"	Henry Findley....	" "	" 11.	" "	12 00	" 11.	"	
"	Alex. Marvin.....	" "	" 14.	" "	10 00	" 14.	"	
"	Benj. Gordon.....	" "	" 20.	" "	20 00	" 20.	"	
Charles Conrod...	Wm. York.....	Contra Fisheries Act....	July 11.	" "	5 00	Not paid.		Poor—no g'ds to levy on.
John Fitzgerald...	Rest. Hefner.....	" "	" 25.	" "	20 00	Aug. 31.	John Fitzgerald, Overseer Fishers	
D. W. B. Reid, Co. Inspector.	William Wilson...	Contra License Act, 1886	" 29.	" "	50 00	Not paid.		Distress warrant issued.
"	Charles Rogers...	" "	" 29.	" "	20 00	" "		Went to jail.
"	John Power.....	" "	" 29.	" "	20 00	July 29.	D. W. B. Reid.	
"	Edward Coolen....	" "	Aug. 26.	" "	50 00	Aug. 27.	"	
"	John Hurley.....	" "	" 26.	" "	20 00	" 27.	"	
"	John Duggan.....	" "	" 26.	" "	10 00	" 27.	"	
"	Benj. Buchanan...	" "	" 26.	" "	20 00	Not paid.		Warrant issued.
"	Wm. Roast.....	" "	" 31.	" "	50 20	Aug. 31.	"	
"	Wm. Roast.....	" "	" 31.	" "	20 00	" 31.	"	
"	John Walsh.....	" "	Sept. 9.	" "	50 00	Sept. 9.	"	
James Spears.....	John Fagan.....	Assault.....	" 21.	" "	2 00	Oct. 4.	Co. Treasurer.	
John Jones.....	John Moran.....	" "	Dec. 31.	" "	2 00	Dec. 31.	"	
Maria Jones.....	Peter Moran.....	" "	" 31.	" "	2 00	" 31.	"	
Charities Com'tee.	John P. Dominique	Bastardy.....	Oct. 14.	J. L. Griffin and Edmund Ryan	10 00	Oct. 14.	Charities Com.	
"	Geo. Stoddard.....	" "	" 14.	" "	80 00	" 14.	"	
"	— Phillips.....	" "	Nov. 2.	" "	80 00	Nov. 2.	"	
					\$793 00	Total amount of Convictions and Filiations.		

I certify the above a correct return.

J. LESTER GRIFFIN, County Stipendiary.

The Clerk also presented the Account of the County Treasurer, and the Auditors' Report thereon.

Appeals and notices of Appeals from County Assessment were read from W. H. Gibson, District 14; A. C. Johnston, Dartmouth; Madame Mahoney, Sherwood, District 15; Councillor Bissett; Geo. Francklyn, District 18, and others, and were referred to the Committee on Assessment.

Councillor Wilson requested that after adjournment the Councillors would visit the Jail. He stated that the Poor Farm at Cole Harbor had been completed, and the Town of Dartmouth had inquired as to the cost of keeping Paupers at the Farm.

A long discussion then took place, participated in by Councillors Shatford, Wilson, Himelman, Ryan, Lawson, Tupper, Logan, and others, as to how the Poor Farm charges should be made. No decision reached.

The Council adjourned to Wednesday morning at 10.30 o'clock.

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## SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, January 11th, 1888.

The Council met at 10.30 a. m. The Warden and 27 Councillors present.

The Minutes of Tuesday afternoon were approved.

Councillors Ross and Bishop arrived and took their seats.

Read, application from Chief County Constable P. E. Phelan for appointment as County Detective. On motion granted.

A conversation took place relative to the bond required by law to be given by Chief County Constable.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Bissett—

“*Resolved*, That the Warden demand from the Chief County Constable a bond of \$400 for the faithful performance of his duty, &c.” Passed.

The Clerk said the Statute required that Officer's Bond to be for \$2000, and that the sum being so large, the Chief Constable was unable last year to get sureties. He suggested legislation to be got to alter the sum. Also, that the officer make returns of the services and fees of his office, which was approved.

Read. letter from Provincial Secretary in reply to one from County Clerk asking for a meeting, and stating his willingness to have a conference with the Committee on the Accounts for the City and Government.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and Bissett—

"Resolved, That the Committee do confer with the City's Committee be a Committee to meet the Provincial Government to adjust the Asylum affairs, and that Councillor Ryan be added thereto." Passed.

The County Treasurer submitted the Report of the County Auditors, covering the Statement of Receipts and Expenditures for the year ended December 31st, 1887, printed copies of which were delivered to the Councillors. In reply to Councillor Ryan, the Clerk said that, as legally advised, the Treasurer's bond held good until the sureties (Messrs. J. S. Maclean and Willoughby Anderson) withdrew, deceased, or were otherwise discharged.

Read,

### REPORT OF COUNTY AUDITORS.

We have examined the books and vouchers of the County Treasurer for the year ending December 31st, and have much pleasure in reporting the same to be correct, and that his arduous duties, which appear to increase annually, have been most carefully and correctly performed. The balance of \$7,450.36, as per account herewith admitted, is at the credit of the Municipality in the Halifax Bank.

Sd. JOHN E. ALBRO,  
F. G. WAINWRIGHT.

Read,

### THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1887.

#### EXPENDITURE.

Paid Commissioners Public Charities on account Insane Paupers, 1886.....		\$3000 00
" on account Lunacy Certificates. 1886-7.....		100 00
" on account of Public Schools, 1886, and Grants for May and October, 1887.....		8658 70
" Superintendent of Education, for loan in May, 1887.....		4175 00
" County Jail expenditure, (on account).....		2513 45
" County Court House expenditure.....		1515 88
" interest on Court House loan, 1886-7.....		1075 00
" on account Judicial expenses, viz. :		
Crier and Constables Supreme Court.....	\$ 600 00	
Grand Jury and Secretary.....	317 00	
Petit and Special Juries.....	790 90	
Crown Witnesses, 1885-6-7.....	481 56	
High Sheriff's accounts, 1886-7, (in part).....	264 97	
County Court Crier.....	200 00	
Criminal Prosecutions, Sundry Expenses.....	53 75	
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County Stipendiary, salary.....	\$ 800 00	2708 18
County Constable, ".....	200 00	
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County Treasurer.....	\$ 500 00	1000 00
County Clerk.....	1100 00	
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		1600 00



Paid Coroners' Juries and Medical Evidence, (in part).....	530 25
" Contingent Expenses.....	230 74
" Printing, Stationery, Advertising.....	265 49
" Warden and Councillors and Mileage.....	1035 05
" County Auditors for 1886.....	40 00
" Revisors and Assessors, 1885-6-7.....	481 86
" Collector's Commissions, balances 1886 and on account 1887.....	912 19
" bounties on Wild Animals.....	184 00
" Poor Rates, repaid to Overseers Poor for 1887.....	34 00
" Legal Expenses Dartmouth suits, etc.....	525 00
" expended on Roads, etc., out of fines.....	113 52
" Draw-Bridge Keepers.....	85 00
Government Grant for Roads and Bridges: Paid balances 1886, and expended 1887.....	9225 54
Poor Farm—cost of building and sundry expenses.....	5007 50
	<u>\$45016 35</u>
Balance carried down.....	7450 36
	<u><u>\$52466 71</u></u>

## RECEIPTS.

By balance in full from last account, Dec. 31, 1887.....	\$2199 06
City of Halifax, on account assessments due for previous years.....	\$12613 63
Town of Dartmouth, amount for 1887, in full, for County Rates.....	684 21
Received deficit of District Assessments of 1886 to June, 1887.....	\$ 1557 68
District Assessments, 1887, paid in by 31 Districts to Dec. 31st.....	17010 82
	<u>18568 50</u>
Superintendent of Education, loan to pay May School Grants, 1887.....	4175 00
Pedlers', Auctioneers' and Ferry Licenses, per County Stipendiary.....	31 00
Stipendiary for Fees collected in his office, 1887....	391 27
Government Grant toward expenses Court House, 1887.....	300 00
County Clerk's Fees received for Certificates.....	5 00
County Jail, rent of Debtors' Room, Deserters, etc	64 53
Received on account of maintenance Insane Pa- tients.....	16 00
Fines paid in per Stipendiary and other Magistrates	63 40
Government Road Grant for 1887.....	12004 00
Less repaid on account of Bridges, and interest thereon.....	<u>2798 89</u>
Net sum to be expended.....	9205 11
For Debentures for Poor Farm Buildings and Pre- liminary Expenses.....	\$ 4000 00
From Inspector of Licenses to meet Casual Ex- penses, etc.....	150 00
	<u>50267 65</u>
	<u><u>\$52466 71</u></u>
By balance carried down.....	\$ 7450 36

The Treasurer took up the Dr. side of the Account, and went through the several items, explaining details. The Council would

understand that the Account was for Cash Disbursements only. The very short time between the end of the year and this Session precluded obtaining the outstanding claims. So far, the payments made would show that the Estimate fully covered some services, and fell largely short of meeting others.

Briefly, there was sufficient to meet the expenses of the Jail, Court House, Salaries, Bounties, Interest, Supt. Education, Contingent Expenses, Roads and Bridges, (except for extra advances, which were large, but re-payable with interest out of next Grant.) But there was not enough to pay for Insane, Lunacy Certificates, Juries, and costs of Criminal Prosecutions generally, Councillors' Indemnity, Coroners' Juries, Revisors and Assessors, School Grants, Legal Expenses, &c. Owing to want of funds at times, he had been compelled to obtain Loans until funds began to come in; and money which might have been paid to the Government had to be taken for other purposes. In consequence of the outcry at the sudden rise in the County Rates last year, he had issued an explanatory circular, which in most Districts satisfied the Rate-payers, though not in Musquodoboit and one or two others. Recommended the cessation of Bounties, and legislation to secure Jury Fees in Civil Suits.

The time for adjournment having come, the Council, on motion, adjourned till 2.30 p.m.

## Afternoon Session.

WEDNESDAY, January 11th, 1888.

The Council met at 2.30. The Warden and 29 Councillors present. Morning Minutes read and passed as correct. The Clerk said that applications for Licenses to sell Liquors should have been submitted yesterday, and then determined. Four legal gentlemen in the City Council had so decided. Read Sections 25, 67, of chapter 3, Acts of 1886, in proof. Also asked which Assessment Roll, that of last year or of 1888 should be used, in order to verify the signatures of the Rate-payers. The general opinion of the Council was, that either Roll could be used by the Inspector.

The Treasurer completed the exposition of his yearly account, taking up the Credit side. He said the payments by the City were not made weekly all last year, thus contravening the law. He had received at the close of the year, \$4,113.00. None of the payments were on last year's assessment. The unpaid Rates from Districts were about \$2,000.00. Dartmouth had paid its assessment in full. The remaining credits need no explanation, as they appeared changed in other Reports. Of the large Balance in hand 31st Dec., he had paid the Government on account of Insane for past years \$4,000. The remainder would be all absorbed in payment of Councillors this

Session, Legal Expenses Dartmouth case, &c., and various liabilities for previous years. There were accounts for Fittings and Furnishing at Poor Farm of nearly \$1100 unprovided for. Some discussion followed on these points, which were allowed to stand undecided at present.

On motion, the Reports of the County Auditors and the Accounts of the Treasurer were received and adopted.

Councillor Wilson submitted the

#### REPORT OF THE KEEPER OF THE COUNTY JAIL FOR 1887.

I beg respectfully to report that for the year beginning Jan. 1st and ending December 31st, 1887, there were 175 criminals, 121 debtors, in jail, a decrease of 31 criminals, and an increase of 12 debtors, or a total decrease of 19 persons from the previous year. The largest number of prisoners in jail at any one time during the year was 24. Annexed are statements showing the various crimes for which prisoners were committed during the year. There were quite a number of prisoners committed in 1886, who were not discharged until 1887, one prisoner, Sarah Beals, was in jail the whole year of 1887, and is still in jail. During the year there were 296 persons committed to jail of which there were:—

From the City Court.....	185
Supreme and County Courts.....	54
Magistrates Courts.....	36
Dartmouth.....	21

The amount of monies received for boarding merchant sailors, deserters of H. M. service, and room rent, was \$64.05. The sanitary condition of the jail has been generally good, and little sickness excepting among those committed temporarily from the City Court for drunkenness, of which there were for the year 25. The conduct of the prisoners was generally good.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Larceny.....	21	2	23
Bastardy.....	6	0	6
Assaults.....	29	2	31
Vagrancy.....	1	1	2
Rape.....	3	0	3
Murder.....	4	0	4
Forgery.....	3	0	3
Drunkenness.....	21	4	25
Overholding.....	2	0	2
Disorderly conduct.....	6	0	6
Burglary and larceny.....	9	1	10
Threatening language.....	0	2	2
Highway robbery.....	2	0	2
Deserting vessels.....	6	0	6
Indecent assault.....	2	0	2
Deserting H. M. S.....	5	0	2
Stowaways.....	6	0	6
Disturbing religious services.....	2	0	2
Refusing duty on shipboard.....	8	0	8
Selling liquor without license.....	5	1	6
Illicit distilling.....	1	0	1
Obtaining money under false pretences.....	2	0	2
Obtaining goods under false pretences.....	1	0	1
Breach of Sunday ordinance.....	3	0	3
Indecent exposure.....	2	0	2
Neglecting to support family.....	2	0	2
Escaping from St. Patrick's Home.....	1	0	1
Escaping from Industrial School.....	1	0	1
Being inmates house ill-fame.....	0	4	4
Placing stones horse railway track.....	1	0	1
Having distilling apparatus in possession.....	1	0	1
	157	18	175

(Signed) THOS. A. CHAMBERS, *Jailor.*

On motion, the Jailor's Report was adopted, and referred to the Committee on Public Property.

The Financial Statement of the County Inspector of Licenses was read, and on motion of Councillors Poole and Shatford, was received and adopted.

#### REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF LICENSES FOR 1887.

*To His Worship the Warden and Municipal Council for the County of Halifax:*

As Inspector of License in and for the County of Halifax, I beg leave to submit the following Financial Report for the year 1887:

The total cash receipts for the year, as shown in detailed statement of License duties and fines, amount to....	\$1064 50
The convictions obtained but not collected, together with costs thereon, amount to.....	432 43
About one-half of which will probably be collected.	
In four cases the parties have served or are now serving their term of imprisonment.	
The total expenses for the year, including salary of Inspector, amounts to.....	732 17
In addition to the above there has been advanced for costs as shown by account.....	152 43
Total.....	\$ 884 60
My account with details is annexed, showing a balance to the credit of the county of.....	179 60
	<u>\$1064 25</u>

*Receipts from all sources of License Inspector for the year 1887.*

Duty on the following Licenses granted :

Thomas Beech—hotel license.....	\$112 50
Patrick Conley       “.....	112 50
Thomas Ward         “.....	115 50
James H. Power—shop license.....	75 00
Fines collected as shown in account.....	572 00
Deposit on applications for license.....	80 00
	<u>\$1064 50</u>

*Detailed Statement of Expenditure of License Inspector for County of Halifax, 1887.*

Paid Eaton, Parsons & Beckwith.....	\$ 72 50
“ Chronicle.....	9 62
“ Herald.....	7 50
“ Chief County Constable.....	16 00
“ for postage, stationery, &c.....	7 50
“ team, coach, car fare, travelling expenses, recording office, &c.....	191 77
“ salary from Feb, 23 to Dec. 31, 1887.....	429 28
“ costs on cases dismissed.....	152 43
	<u>\$884 60</u>

All of which is respectfully submitted,

D. W. B. REID,

*Inspector of Licenses for Halifax County.*

HALIFAX, Jan. 10, 1888.

Return of Proceedings of Inspector of Licenses, A. D. 1887.

Names of Persons Prosecuted.	Residence.	Before Whom.	Date.	Result.	Fine Imposed.	Costs Not Paid.	Fine Collected.	REMARKS.
William Wilson...	St. Margaret's B. R.	J. Lester Griffin, Stipendiary.	Mar. 18.	Convicted	\$20 00	\$14 00	.....	Warrant of Distress issued.
James Ward.....	Bedford.....	" "	" 18.	"	50 00	.....	\$50 00	
Daniel McCarthy..	Windsor Junction.	" "	" 18.	"	20 00	5 72	.....	Went to jail.
John Hawes.....	Tangier.....	Wm. Hays & J. W. Henly, J.P.	April 6.	"	50 00	20 80	.....	" "
John Lewis.....	Windsor Road.....	J. Lester Griffin, Stipendiary.	May 27.	"	10 00	.....	10 00	
John Reyno.....	Herring Cove.....	" "	June 8.	"	50 00	.....	50 00	
Edward Hayes....	".....	" "	" 8.	"	20 00	.....	20 00	
Alex. Morvin.....	Passage Road.....	" "	" 8.	"	10 00	.....	10 00	
Henry Findley...	Preston Road.....	" "	" 11.	"	12 00	.....	12 00	
Ben. Gordon.....	".....	" "	" 22.	"	20 00	.....	20 00	
Alex. Watt.....	Sheet Harbor.....	John Kirker & T. O'Leary, J.P.	" 15.	"	50 00	29 96	.....	Warrant of Commitment issued, and let off by Constable.
William Wilson...	St. Margaret's B. R.	J. Lester Griffin, Stipendiary.	July 29.	"	50 00	14 31	.....	Warrant of Distress issued.
Charles Rodgers..	".....	" "	" 29.	"	20 00	8 80	.....	Went to jail.
Sarah Covey.....	Hackett's Cove...	" "	" 29.	Dismissed	.....	1 40	.....	
John Power.....	Portuguese Cove...	" "	" 29.	Convicted	20 00	.....	20 00	
Edward Coolen...	Upper Prospect...	" "	Aug. 25.	"	50 00	.....	50 00	
Benj. Buchannan..	".....	" "	" 25.	"	20 00	16 44	.....	Warrant of Commitment issued.
John Hurley.....	".....	" "	" 26.	"	20 00	.....	20 00	
John Duggan.....	".....	" "	" 26.	"	10 00	.....	10 00	
William Roast....	East Chezzetcook.	" "	" 31.	"	50 00	.....	50 00	
".....	".....	" "	" 31.	"	20 00	.....	20 00	
Thomas Walsh....	Beaver Bank.....	" "	Sept. 9.	"	50 00	8 74	.....	
Francis Glawson..	Salmon River.....	John Kirker & T. O'Leary, J.P.	Oct. 10.	"	60 00	.....	60 00	
Michael Killeen..	Sheet Harbor.....	" "	" 11.	"	50 80	.....	50 00	
Ellenor Guilfooy.	Smith Cove.....	" "	" 12.	"	50 0	.....	50 00	
John A. Watt.....	Sheet Harbor.....	" "	" 12.	"	50 00	35 04	.....	Now in jail on commitment.
John Englehut...	Harrigan Cove.....	" "	" 12.	"	20 00	.....	20 00	
Wm. Roderick....	Preston Road.....	J. Lester Griffin, Stipendiary.	Nov. 19.	Dismissed	.....	7 72	.....	
					\$852 00	\$152 43	\$572 00	

The following petitions were read, and on motion of the Councillors of the Districts interested, referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges :—From Ratepayers of Bay of Islands, District 24, asking for a road at that place ; from Ratepayers of District 25, asking for the laying out of a road between Lochaber and Lakeside gold mine ; from Ratepayers of Mitchell Bay, District 24, for a road at that place ; and from Oyster Pond, District 27, asking for a change there in the road section.

The Warden read a numerously signed petition from District 38, complaining of much inconvenience and serious loss to the people there through parties in other districts coming in vessels and cutting and taking away sea manure. The matter, being beyond the jurisdiction of the Council, was dropped, after discussion and reference to the Dominion and Local Laws thereon.

County License Inspector D. W. B. Reid verbally reported that there were eight applicants for licenses to sell liquor, most of whom had failed to comply with the requirements of the Act, in regard to signatures, etc. He was instructed to make a written report, and the matter will be the first business Thursday morning.

Councillor Wilson said that his committee would provide conveyances for members of the Council desiring to visit the Poor Farm, and wished to be informed, to-morrow, how many would go.

The Council adjourned, to meet at 10.30 o'clock Thursday morning.

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## THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, Jan'y. 12th, 1888.

The Council assembled at 10.30 a.m. The Warden and 29 Councillors present. The Minutes of Wednesday read and confirmed.

Read, a memorial from ratepayers of District No. 8, stating that the mail road from Halibut Bay to Herring Cove, in District No. 7, is in a very bad state, while that from Herring Cove to Mackintosh Bridge is in first-class condition, and that they did not get a fair share of road money. Referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Submitted, Report of Dr. Thos. R. Trenaman, physician to the County Jail, that the health of the inmates during the year had been good, and the sanitary condition of the building perfect. On motion of Councillors Bissett and Ryan, the Report was received and adopted.

Submitted, applications for the Surgeoncy of the Jail for 1888 from Dr. Rigby, offering to do the work for \$80. Also from Dr. Trenaman for the same position. It was stated that the latter supplied all the prescriptions *gratis*.

"The following applications have been received:—

- District 13—Wm. Wilson, Hawthorne House, Hotel.  
 " 36—Wm. Roast, East Chezzetcook, Shop.  
 " 10—James H. Power, Upper Prospect, Shop.  
 " 10—Edward Coolen, " "  
 " 25—M. C. Killeen, 7 Mile House, Sheet Harbor, Hotel.  
 " 15—Thos. Beech, Bellevue, Bedford, Hotel.  
 " 15—H. N. Paw, St. Elmo, Rockingham, Hotel.  
 " 14—Thos. Ward, 3 Mile House, Bedford Road, Hotel.

Upon examining the petitions, I find that Wm. Wilson and Wm. Roast have complied with the provisions of the Act, and I would recommend that their licenses be granted. The petitions of James H. Power, Edward Coolen, Thomas Beech, and H. N. Paw have not sufficient signatures thereto. Thos. Ward has died since his application was received. The petition of M. C. Killeen is not according to the requirements of the law. First, it does not state the kind of license wanted. Second, it does not give the approximate distance from the premises which license is asked for to residence or property of the persons signing the petition, as required by section 16 of the Act. Third, the genuineness of all the signatures has not been established on oath, as required by section 12, and I have not been able to obtain assessment roll, and cannot report fully. The granting of a license to M. C. Killeen has been objected to, on the following grounds:—That the premises are not situated so as to be a convenient house of entertainment; that he has been selling liquor for a number of years without a license, and has been convicted for violation of the Act only a few months ago; that the granting of a license in this district would be the source of many evils and sad disorder. All of which is fully shown in the prayers and petitions of the ratepayers and members of Stronghold Division, S. of T.; also of Rev. D. P. McMenamin, P.P., and Rev. Samuel Rosborough, which are presented with the application and this report."

Moved by Councillors Wilson and O'Leary, and

"*Resolved*, That the applications of Wm. Wilson, District 13, and Wm. Roast, District 36, for Licenses to sell spirituous liquors, they having complied with the Statute, be granted, and that all the others who have not so complied be not considered."

Moved in amendment by Councillors Himelman and Longard, and

"*Resolved*, That no Licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in the County of Halifax for the present year."

The amendment was lost and the resolution carried.

Moved by Councillors N. Hays and Burgess—

"That the ten dollars paid by Thomas Ward, deceased, for fees on Liquor License, be refunded to his widow."—Passed.

Moved by Councillors Fraser and A. W. Smith—



"*Resolved*, That the salary of the Inspector of Licenses be Five Hundred Dollars for the year 1888."—Passed.

Read Report of Committee on Public Property, as submitted by Councillor Wilson, Chairman, together with Report of the Jail Surgeon. Its consideration was postponed to Friday morning, then to be the order of the day.

Councillors Shatford and Hays moved that the visit of the Council to the Poores' Farm be deferred to the Spring Session.—Passed.

Councillors Lawson and Poole moved that the Committee provide a team to convey such of the Councillors as may be desirous of visiting the Poores' Farm.—Passed.

Councillors Himelman requested the attention of the Council, before adjourning, to requirements of the Main Road which passes along the Sea Beach in District 33. By the recent heavy gales, the greater portion was washed away, so as to be impassable. He applied to the Provincial Secretary, who sent Provincial Engineer Murphy to examine and report upon it, but Government could do nothing toward repairs. Thereafter consulted some of the Council, and thought best to do the work and arrange at this Session for a loan. Had expended \$400, and it would probably take as much, or more, to finish it. He desired the concurrence of the Council.

The Warden suggested similar course to be taken as with the Road required last year in his District—a stated percentage of the whole Road grant to be voted to District 33, in addition to the regular allotment.

The further consideration was deferred, and the Council then adjourned to 10.30 Friday. All Committees were requested to meet this afternoon, to prepare their Reports.

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## FOURTH DAY.

FRIDAY, Jan. 13th, 1888.

The Council met at 10.30 a.m. The Warden and 29 Councillors present. Minutes of yesterday afternoon approved. A Petition from E. L. Fenerty and 20 others, in N. W. Arm (District 14), asking permission to change a small portion of the Road near the Halifax Manufacturing Co.'s Mills as an improvement, without cost to the County, &c. Deferred for further information of several Councillors. The order of the day was then introduced.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY.

1. The County Property as represented by the Court House and

Jail building has been kept in repair at much less cost than for the past few years. The inevitable Plumber's bill, from which there seems no escape, forms the largest item for repairs.

2. The wall on the south side of the Jail yard, which it was anticipated to repair, has been passed over with a possible view to erecting something more permanent than a wooden fence, provided the Provincial Government can be induced to participate in the expense, and in connection therewith your committee propose to confer with the Local Government on the subject, so as to report at the April meeting, which will be in time for the supplementary estimate if the Council then decide on any special action. We beg to refer the Council to the reports of the Keeper of the Jail and Jail Surgeon, which have been read and approved.

3. The Poors' Farm has demanded the largest amount of attention from your committee. In consequence of the precautions observed by the Provincial Government, and as demanded by the Statute relating to such asylums, your committee found the season considerably advanced before getting matters into definite working order. In course of time, however, all these details were arranged to the satisfaction of the Government, and three buildings, arranged in accordance with plans and suggestions furnished by Dr. Reid, of the Hospital for the Insane, were erected under the personal supervision of the several members of the committee, and of the experts sent there for the purpose from time to time, and your committee are enabled to congratulate the Council upon the faithful and substantial work performed, and general finish and completion of the buildings in a satisfactory manner, and strictly in accordance with the requirements of the plans and specifications; and, what is more, without any demand or charge for extras, which your committee believe to be almost without precedent in the history of the construction of any public buildings in this County, if not in the whole Province.

4. When the buildings were completed and handed over by the contractor, we deemed it prudent to insure them, which was done for \$4,000, at  $1\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. for three years, and for the protection and preservation of the buildings, found it necessary to place some one in charge, and made arrangements with Mr. James F. Turner to take the position of keeper, with his wife as matron, at the rate of \$300 per year (for the both) for the time being. Mr. Turner's position to be confirmed, or his successor named by this Council; but judging from his management during the time he has been there, your committee have every confidence in recommending him as the right man in the right place, and a most desirable person for the situation.

5. Your committee also beg to report that the institution has been visited by several members of the Local Government, and inspected by Dr. Reid, of the Hospital for the Insane, all of whom commented very favorably upon its general adaptability for the purpose intended, and also that it has been visited by deputations from

other Counties purposing to provide like accommodation, being advised by the Local Government to inspect and take pattern from this as a model establishment.

6. Your committee also beg to explain that the cost of grounds, buildings, and small incidental expenses, has absorbed the full amount of the \$6,000 raised by debentures; and when the buildings were taken over, we found ourselves without funds to furnish or equip the institution, while, for the protection of the premises, some provision was imperatively and immediately necessary. Wherefore your committee, with the concurrence of the Warden, made arrangements with several parties for a limited amount of necessary supplies, such as stoves, bedding, furniture, provisions, etc., sufficient for present necessities, which can be supplemented at such times as increased occupancy may demand. The bills for these are in the hands of the Treasurer, and will be laid before you, and will demand at your hands some means for liquidating them. With a view to making some provision for the coming year, we had an acre or two of ground broken up and sowed to oats, so as to prepare it for vegetables next spring. We regret to report, too, that owing to the depreciated fences, and the place being more or less exposed through building operations and neighboring cattle breaking in, and no one specially in charge, that the crop of hay was less than the preceding year.

7. Your Committee would recommend that the Council appoint Commissioners of Poor Farm, or the present Committee on Public Property be authorized to act in that capacity, with power to manage the Institution, to decide and discriminate in regard to admission, arrange for transfer of harmless Insane from the Hospital to the Farm, negotiate with Dartmouth or any other applicants for maintenance for persons not a charge upon the County, and to do and perform all other acts necessary for the proper and efficient economical management of the institution. There are as yet but two or three inmates, in consequence, we presume, of the several Overseers of Poor not knowing on what conditions or at what price they would be admitted.

8. The committee felt that the success of the Farm depends not only upon its efficient management, but also upon the cordial support and approval of the whole County; and, without assuming the responsibility of defining any given plan of support, they have formulated a chapter of suggestions to which they invite the attention of the Council, and ask their co-operation in devising some plan which will give the greatest general satisfaction. For the information of those who have not visited the farm, your committee will state:—It is situated six miles from Dartmouth, in District 31. The grounds cover some 300 acres, mostly in forest, about 50 acres of which are covered with a fine, clear growth of hardwood, probably superior in quality to anything within fifteen or twenty miles of

the city. A quantity of ground is cleared, and under cultivation, sufficient for all purposes for some time to come, and is well sheltered. An unfailing brook runs through the property, and close in front of the buildings. The buildings are two stories high, three in number, and connected with covered ways.

The Report was considered by clauses. Nos. 1, 2, 3, passed. On the latter, Councillor Lawson moved that the thanks of the Council be conveyed to the Committee for the active and efficient manner in which they have discharged their duties in the erection and completion of the Buildings.—Seconded and passed.

Remarks were made as to the management, and enquiry as to the ability of the present keeper to oversee the Farm, the Paupers, and the harmless Insane, when placed therein.

Councillors Lawson and Burgess moved—

“That paragraph 4 be approved, and the Committee empowered to continue a temporary manager till April Session.”—Passed.

Clauses 5 and 6 passed. On clause 7—Moved by Councillors Lawson and Shatford—

“That the Committee on Public Property be appointed to take charge under such Rules as may from time to time be imposed by this Council.”—Passed.

Moved by Councillors Wilson and Lawson—

“That a Committee be appointed to draw up Regulations for the admission, discharge, support, employment, and conduct of Paupers, the duties of Officers, and other matters pertaining to the actual management of the Poor's Farm.”

The Committee named were Councillors Wilson, the Warden, N. Hays, Ryan, and Lawson.—Passed.

In connection with clause 8, the suggestions were read as follows:—

To meet the existing provisions in regard to the support of poor, it becomes incumbent to name some price at which inmates will be maintained in the Poores' Farm, as otherwise the respective Districts would hesitate to send their poor there. What it will cost is an unknown quantity to us. Information received from Yarmouth, Annapolis and Hants, shows that at the start the average cost was about \$1 per week per inmate, gradually decreasing in two or three years to 75 cents, 65 cents, and as low as 53 cents per inmate. 1st—From this it would seem consistent to name \$1 per week per inmate as the maximum price, subject to such rebate as the test of year's running expenses showed it to have cost less than that amount. This, however, would have the tendency to have all the very old and helpless sent to the Farm, and all such as were capable of doing any labor would be farmed out at home. To obviate this, it might be

proposed as, 2nd—That all inmates be received at a nominal charge of 50 cents per week, to be paid by the District sending them, and the balance, whatever it might be, to be borne by the County. This method would also have a tendency to check any undue desire of Districts to send inmates there, thinking they might as well send them as they paid the taxes; or, 3rd—Make the whole County one poor district, and the whole County contribute equally towards the support. This method has been adopted by Hants, Annapolis, and Yarmouth, as they found the system of separate or district support too cumbersome and unsatisfactory to maintain, and adopted the whole County system, which resulted much more satisfactorily.

A long and animated discussion followed, in which Councillors Shatford, Ryan, Wilson, Lawson, Tupper, Parker, O'Leary, Bissett, Madill, Poole, Longard, Hays, Sellars, Himelman, and others, took part, the main point being to decide whether maintenance should be a County or District charge.

Moved by Councillors Himelman and Croucher—

“That the maintenance of the Paupers at the Poores' Farm be a County charge.”

Moved in amendment by Councillors Fitzgerald and John Hays—

“That the Farm Buildings, Furniture, and Keeper's Salary, be a County charge, and the Poor from each District be a District charge at \$1.00 per week.”

The amendment was carried.

The Bills for Supplies, &c., were referred to Committee on Finance, to examine and report upon.

The Council adjourned to 2.30 p.m.

## Afternoon Session.

FRIDAY, January 13th, 1888.

The Council met at 2.30. Present, the Warden and 28 Councillors.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

In reply to enquiry, the Clerk said that Vose's sureties had paid \$250, the rest would be forthcoming.

With reference to Bills against the Poor Farm, the Treasurer said a number more had come in. The Chairman had left with him a Statement, which was read.

### EXPLANATORY MEMO. IN RE POORS' FARM SUPPLIES, &c.

When purchasing the furniture and supplies for Poores' Farm,

the Committee sent lists to the principal dealers, asking them to offer prices, stating it was competitive.

When the prices were received, the Committee went round personally and selected such articles from the parties as were lowest in the several tenders or offers, rejecting such as were higher in any article. This course was pursued in all purchases except those furnished by Chipman Bros., which were of such a mixed and general character and aggregate of small articles, that competitive prices were not practicable.

The Council should consider that in no other County where Poores' Farms are established was less than \$8000 raised on loan. Hants borrowed \$8000 and assessed for \$1200, making \$9200 in all. Yarmouth institute cost several thousands more than this. The Committee asked for \$8000 and got but \$6000. Had we been allowed the \$8000, we could have had the place thoroughly completed and equipped, and \$500 left to the good. Consequently the Council, in passing on those accounts, should remember that we are, after all, some \$2000 less than that of any other County in the Province.

In asking for supplies for the Poores' House, (that is, for current supplies of provisions, &c.,) the Committee purpose to ask for competition, but in the past we did not ask for tenders beyond what limited provisions were necessary to carry till the institution is placed in working order. A few small articles were purchased of Mr. H. C. Walker, which were of such limited amount that tenders were not practicable. We only gave the authority to get those necessary supplies till 31st Dec.

*Mattrasses.*—The Committee ordered 25 mattrasses from a Mr. J. Woods, of District 31, his price being less than we were able to obtain elsewhere. Through some error, another person sent 25 mattrasses of inferior quality to the Poor House, but they were not ordered by the Committee, nor so far as we can learn do the Committee know on what authority they were sent there, nor have we recommended their payment.

*Chairs.*—50 were purchased; this is but 17 to each house—not too many.

*Horse, wagon and harness.*—(An express harness.) We had to get a cart harness or breeching besides. The horse is able to plough alone (narrow), or any work in the place; is a young, stout, able animal, and very tractable.

Councillors Ryan and Parker moved as follows:—

“*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to make payment of Bills for Supplies to the Poor Farm out of the \$675.00 now in his hands to credit of the License Inspector.”—Passed.

The Treasurer said the Resolution placed him in a dilemma. When the special payments were made, which would include the

pay of Councillors for this Session, the balance shown in his account would all be absorbed. In any case, the vote fell short, as \$675.00 would not pay \$1,055.00, the amount due for Poor's Farm Accounts. A loan would be needed.

The Warden called for Lists of District Officers. Meantime, the following votes of amounts to be assessed for the Support of the Poor during the year 1888, were moved by the Councillor of each District, seconded and passed:—

For District No. 10, by Councillor Longard,	Thirty Dollars.
“ 12,	“ Croucher, Fifteen Dollars.
“ 21,	“ Tupper, Forty Dollars.
“ 22,	“ Parker, Fifty Dollars.
“ 27,	“ Blakeney, Sixty Dollars.
“ 31,	“ Bissett, One Hundred and Seventy-Five Dollars.
“ 32, by Councillor Shatford,	Eighty Dollars.
“ 38,	“ Fader, Twenty-Five Dollars.

The Lists of District Officers from No. 7 to No. 38 District, with the exception of that for District No. 9, were checked and filed by the Clerk. The Warden asked what should be done with them.

It was moved by Councillors Parker and O'Leary, and

“*Resolved*, That the Lists of District Officers to serve for the year 1888 in this Municipality, as received from each Councillor, be passed *en bloc*.”—Carried.

On motion, the Council adjourned to Saturday, at 10.30 a.m.

## FIFTH DAY.

SATURDAY, Jan. 14th, 1888.

The Council met at 11 o'clock. Present—The Warden and 29 Councillors. The Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed. Councillor Chas. E. Smith, District 9, took his seat, having returned from sea.

Councillor John Hays submitted the

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPPORT OF POOR.

Your Committee regret to say, that in consequence of the absence of about half of the returns from the several Districts they are compelled to make a very imperfect report. This being the complaint every year, as presented by this committee, they would recommend that the County Clerk impress it upon the several Coun-

cillors, that in future all reports from the Districts be in in time to come before the committee. Your committee have to congratulate the Committee on Public Property on the success of their arduous labors in connection with the Poor Farm, and express the hope that in the end, the Farm will conduce to the comfort of our indigent and infirm people without entailing too much expense on either County or District.

The table annexed gives a summary of the Returns to hand at present:—

District.	Balance on hand, 1886.	Collected 1887.	Expended 1887.	From other sources,	Balance on hand, 1887.	Amount to be assessed 1888.	Due on account of Paupers.
7.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10.....	.....	\$19 00	\$19 00	.....	.....	\$30 00	.....
11.....	\$4 79	52 73	36 70	.....	\$20 82	.....	.....
12.....	34 41	15 89	23 72	.....	26 58	15 00	.....
13.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
15.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
16.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
17.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 37	.....	.....
18.....	92 87	106 00	132 58	.....	72 00	100 00	.....
19.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
20.....	20 00	75 00	88 55	.....	6 95	.....	.....
21.....	59 10	77 10	70 55	.....	3 85	40 00	.....
22.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
23.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
24.....	.....	52 62	35 50	.....	3 92	.....	.....
25.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
26.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
27.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
28.....	74 36	.....	20 00	.....	54 36	.....	.....
29.....	78 87	.....	9 07	.....	60 80	.....	.....
30.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
31.....	44 00	179 00	150 47	.....	1 50	.....	.....
32.....	.....	58 87	49 86	.....	6 73	.....	.....
33.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
34.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
35.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
36.....	.....	74 00	40 90	.....	33 10	.....	.....
37.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
38.....	30 80	.....	15 00	.....	15 80	25 00	.....

(Sgd.)

JNO. HAYES,  
 GEO. J. LONGARD,  
 DANL. LAPIERRE,  
 ALEX. W. SMITH,  
 JOSEPH THOMAS.

The Clerk said there was great remissness on all kinds of Returns, and that a table of Fines for neglect would be advisable.  
 On motion, the Report was received and adopted.



Councillor O'Leary, Chairman, submitted the

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENTS.

Your committee beg to report as follows:—

In the case of appeal from taxes on the Sherwood property, now owned by the Sacred Heart Convent, they being a teaching body, and section 5 of the Municipal Assessment Act exempts the property of all the institutions of learning from taxes, we therefore recommend that the appeal be sustained.

John G. Bissett's letter being a notice of an appeal, your committee cannot act on the matter until it comes before them in legal form.

In the matter of appeal from Mr. Gibson, District No. 14, we recommend that the Clerk notify Mr. Gibson and the Assessors of District No. 14 to meet your committee at the April Session.

Your committee find that the following Districts have decreased in valuations very much since 1887-8 : 10, 16, 17, 19, 22, 27, 28, 30, 31 and 36. The annexed sheet shows the decrease for each District, and also the increase in other Districts. We recommend that the Clerk send the rolls back to the Assessors of the above named Districts, and if they do not increase the valuations, or show why the decrease took place, that new Assessors be appointed, and that the first Assessors receive no pay for what they have done.

Many of the Councillors were late in sending their rolls in, some not being in yet. Such neglect on the part of the Councillors delays the business of the Council; and your committee trust that each Councillor will see that his Assessment roll comes to the Clerk as early as the law directs. Should the rolls from Nos. 7 and 22 Districts show a decrease when the Clerk receives them, your committee recommend that they be returned to the Assessors under the same instructions as other Districts showing a decrease.

(Sgd.)

THOMAS O'LEARY, Chairman.  
O. P. FRASER,  
JAS. CROUCHER,  
JNO. BLAKENEY,  
JAMES FITZGERALD,

*Statement of Valuations in each District of Halifax County, showing  
the Increase and Decrease for the Years 1887 and 1888.*

No.	Valuations, 1888.	Valuations, 1887.	Decrease, 1888.	Increase. 1888.
7.....	Roll not in.			
8.....	\$ 28,400	\$ 30,100	\$ 1,700	.....
9.....	23,737	23,100	.....	\$ 6 37
10.....	49,385	50,705	1,320	.....
11.....	59,385	57,640	.....	1,745
12.....	36,655	39,990	335	.....
13.....	31,621	31,527	.....	94
14.....	206,975	133,025	.....	73,950
15.....	95,200	88,775	.....	6,425
16.....	40,630	46,935	6,305	.....
17.....	106,500	116,610	10,110	.....
18.....	73,090	73,145	36	.....
19.....	76,868	84,233	7,264	.....
20.....	54,050	53,709	.....	341
21.....	124,980	121,860	.....	3,120
22.....	97,626	100,017	2,391	.....
23.....	22,860	23,430	476	.....
24.....	Roll not in.			
25.....	94,785	86,780	.....	8,005
26.....	78,815	80,135	320	.....
27.....	97,089	108,969	11,880	.....
28.....	69,195	70,940	1,740	.....
29.....	58,015	55,999	.....	2,016
30.....	28,405	29,506	1,011	.....
31.....	147,425	152,920	5,495	.....
32.....	71,740	72,395	655	.....
33.....	72,100	72,050	.....	50
34.....	51,021	52,235	214	.....
35.....	38,615	38,469	.....	146
36.....	68,304	70,631	2,327	.....
38.....	21,135	20,550	.....	585
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			\$56,234	\$97 115
				56,234
				<hr/>
				\$40.871

Increase over 1887.....

The Report was read clause by clause, and discussed at length. At the Warden's suggestion, the Statement of Values was read in detail, and the Councillor for each District shewing a decrease in the Assessment Roll for this year, made explanations so far as were known to him.

In some Districts there did not appear to be good reasons for the reduction.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Shatford—

“Resolved, That Councillor Bissett's petition in reference to over-valuation of Cole Harbour Dyke Company be referred to Committee on Assessment, to be dealt with at the April meeting, and the Assessors of said District be notified to appear before said Committee.”

On motion of Councillors Himelman and Shatford, it was

“Resolved, That all Assessment Rolls which show a decrease of

\$2,000 and upwards be returned to the Assessors of the several Districts for correction or explanation."

After remarks made by Councillor Sellars, the motion was carried.

The Districts referred to are Nos. 16, 17, 19, 22, 27, 31, 36.

On motion, the Report, as amended, was adopted.

Hon. Provincial Secretary being present, was invited to a seat beside the Warden.

Councillor Himelman brought up the subject of the destruction of the Beach Road in his District, and asked for a special appropriation towards its repair.

It was Resolved, on motion of Councillors Shatford and Burgess, that the sum of \$400 be borrowed on the credit of the Municipality to extend over a period of eight years, the interest and a sinking fund to be paid in eight annual instalments out of the Road appropriation for District No. 33.

By request, Hon. Mr. Fielding addressed the Council. He referred to the prevailing mode of Road expenditure by the Mileage and District system as decidedly bad, and needing reform. While each District looks after and limits its work and grant to its own real or supposed requirements, others will be overlooked, and the outlay will not be for the general good, but prove in many localities a failure. Councillors should be neighbourly, and make concessions where they could. It was true the Government Road Grant was small, but it was all that under the present finances of the Province could be given by the Legislature for that service, and this County got a fair share of it. Councillor Himelman's road was in a bad way but he would have to get it put in order, in faith that the means would be provided.

In answer to Councillor Tupper, Councillor Himelman said that to change the road back from the Beach would increase its length greatly and interfere with the main traffic, also involve a large outlay for right of way.

The Council adjourned to 2.30 p.m.

## Afternoon Session.

The Council met at 2.30. The Warden and 30 Councillors present. Also, Hon. W. S. Fielding, Provincial Secretary. Minutes of Morning Session were accepted.

Hon. Senator Power asked to be heard on behalf of Thomas Beech, of Bedford, who had applied for a Hotel Liquor License, and was refused, from the insufficient number of Ratepayers' and other Signatures. The Senator said that Beech was not aware that the law required the signatures of electors under the new Franchise Act, or he could have obtained them. He suggested, and asked that

the Council extend or continue Beech's License till their April Session, and in the meantime the proper number of names could be got. If he failed in this, then his License to be cancelled.

Councillor Ryan quoted the Statute relating to issue of Licenses. Moved by Councillors Shatford and Burgess—

"Whereas, The application of Mr Thomas Beach for a License was reported by the Inspector as one that was not in all respects in accordance with Law; and it having been shown to this Council that the discrepancy in the application was not entirely Mr. Beach's fault;

"Therefore Resolved, That this Council do grant Mr. Beach a license, upon condition that he comply with the Law in every respect, and produce to this Council a certificate that he has done so, at the April meeting. If not, his license to be then cancelled."

The Resolution was put, 12 voted for and 13 against it. It was therefore lost.

Councillor Lawson (Chairman) presented the

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSANE.

The Committee on Hospital for Insane recommend, as suggested at a meeting of a Committee with members of the Provincial Government, in reference to arrearages on account of pauper patients in the Hospital for Insane, that the Council adopt the following Resolution :—

"Whereas, It appears to this Council that certain pauper patients in the Hospital for Insane have been improperly charged in the past, and in some cases still continue to be charged, for maintenance to the Municipality of Halifax County ;

"Therefore Resolved, That the Council direct the Committee on Hospital to request the Hon. Commissioner of Works and Mines to make necessary investigation to determine in case of each patient the Municipality, if any, to which such patients are legally chargeable, in accordance with provisions of Sections 23 and 24 of Chapter 38, Revised Statutes, and Chapter 5, Section 1, of Acts of 49 Victoria, 1886."

The Committee have before them accounts from Department of Public Works of claims against the County for insane patients up to 31st December, 1887, showing \$4,802.51 due for the year, which, in view of the necessary investigation required by the preceding Resolution, the Committee did not deem it necessary to examine.

Subjoined to this report is a list of such patients, classified into two groups :—Those who were charged to the County before the separation was made between those chargeable to County, City and Dartmouth ; and those charged to the County since the separation. The Municipality to which, so far as can be ascertained, the respective patients are chargeable, or the Counties whence they came, are

stated in each case ; also, those of whom the County has no data or records. Signed by

GEO. LAWSON, Chairman.  
J. HIMMELMAN,  
T. E. CHASE,  
N. HAYS,  
J. G. BISSETT,  
E. RYAN.

*Names of Patients Charged to County before Separation from City.*

William Saunders .....	Newfoundland.
James Wade.....	No record—Poor House.
William Williams .....	Colchester—by Sheriff.
Madeline Blyth.....	Doubtful.
Catherine Boutilier .....	Lunenburg.
Elizabeth A. Thomas .....	Hants.
Harriet McPherson.....	Cape Breton.
Annie McLeod.....	" "
Henry Lappin .....	Shelburne.
Patrick Harmony .....	A wanderer.
William Graham.....	Scotland—Poor House.
John McCarthy.....	St Stephen's, N. B.
John Kennedy.....	No record—Poor House.
Luke Warren .....	" " "
James Carey.....	" " "
William McAllice.....	" " "
Joseph Grogget.....	" " "
James Purcell .....	" " "
Charles M. Nolan.....	" " "
Michael Brennan.....	" " "
John W. Stewart.....	St. John, N. B. "
Daniel Callighan.....	No record
James A. Dunn .....	" " —by Sheriff.
John Connors .....	" " "
Charles Surnan .....	" " "
John Murgatroid.....	New York.
Jeremiah Ritcey .....	LaHave.
Mary Kennedy .....	No record—Poor House.
Margaret Ferguson .....	" " "
Louisa Street .....	" " "
Isabella Gillis .....	Cape Breton.
Mary Hennesy.....	No record—Poor House.
Johanna McKenna.....	" " "
Elizabeth Foster.....	" " "
Catherine Hays.....	" " "
Eleanor Gilfoy.....	" " "
Mary Swindell.....	Colchester—by Sheriff.

Caroline Watson .....	Colchester—by Sheriff.
William Petipas.....	Bay of Islands, Nfld.
Annie McDonald.....	No papers.
John Cody.....	Cape Breton.
Dugald McKay.....	Gabarus, C. B.
Douglas Crane.....	Hants—by Sheriff.
John Styles.....	No record.
James Stoneman.....	“ “
Robert Graves .....	Lunenburg.

*Charged to County since Separation.*

Timothy Sullivan.....	City.
John McCarthy.....	“
John Kennedy.....	“
John Barry.....	“
John Murgatroid.....	City or Province.
John Connors .....	“ “
Dugald McKay.....	Province.
Mary A. Fraser .....	Dartmouth.
Emily Witcher.....	“
James Stoneman .....	Province.
Robert J. Graves.....	Lunenburg.

On motion of Councillors Lawson and Wilson,  
 “Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Hospital for  
 Insane be received and adopted, and the Resolution embraced  
 therein be passed by the Council.”—Carried.

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## SIXTH DAY.

MONDAY, Jany. 16th, 1888.

The Council met at 2 o'clock. The Warden and 28 Councillors present. Minutes of Saturday afternoon were read and accepted.

The Warden said he had no further business to introduce, and if the several Committees could report now the Session could close to-night.

Deputy Warden Shatford submitted the

### REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

1. Your Committee have had laid before them the following accounts:—Sheriff's account, \$280, which they recommend to be paid, the Sheriff having made a small deduction in his accounts, leaving \$280.00. Also, a claim from Robert Sedgewick, Q. C., for

\$509.00, which your Committee think very exorbitant, and would recommend that Mr. Sedgewick be interviewed by this Committee, in order to ascertain if this bill cannot be reduced. Printers' bills, \$42.83, the payment of which we recommend. Also, a bill for \$30.90, for services performed by one Denaford for the Courts, and which the Government claimed they paid, and is justly and fairly due by us. We therefore recommend that the said bill of \$30.90 be paid to the order of the Hon. Attorney General.

2. Next is a large number of bills for 'supplies, furniture, provisions, horse, waggon, harness, etc., etc., all for the Poores' Farm, amounting to \$1055.62. Your Committee cannot pass over these accounts without expressing their belief that they are extravagant and some exorbitant. They therefore recommend that these bills be read before the Council for the information of Councillors who are not conversant with them.

3. Your Committee cannot help again expressing their astonishment, as well as regret, that the City of Halifax should so unjustly and illegally retain the County Rates received by them, thereby preventing the City from paying the claims on the County. They are of opinion that the Legislature should enact some legislation to obviate this long-existing difficulty between the City and County.

4. Annexed is the Treasurer's account, which shows a balance of \$7,450.36 to the credit of the Municipality on the 31st day of December, \$4,000.00 of which has been paid since that date to the Charities Board. In consequence of not arriving at a satisfactory settlement with the City of Halifax, it is impossible to come at any correct estimate as to what the assets of the County really are. It may be put in the following form :—

In the Treasury 31st Dec., 1887, as per Treasurer's acct....	\$7,450 36
We claim the City owes us, as near as can be estimated	
at present .....	39,000 00
Deficits due on Assessment Rolls for 1887. ....	2,030 00
	\$48,480 36

LIABILITIES.

Our present liabilities are as follows :—

The Government claim from us on account of	
Charities Board, an unadjusted account....	\$35,969 17
Bills due on the Poor Farm, per Schedule.....	1,055 62
Legal claims against the County .....	509 25
Printer's Bills .....	42 83
Sheriff's Bills .....	280 00
Due Constable, payable to the order of Atty.	
General .....	30 90
	37,887 77
Balance to meet unsettled claims.....	\$10,592 59

## ESTIMATES FOR 1888.

*To be Assessed on the whole County of Halifax, including the City.*

	<i>Original.</i>	<i>Amended.</i>
The County Jail.....	\$2750	\$2750
“ Court House, deducting Gov't allowance.....	1600	1600
“ Clerk and Treasurer .....	1600	1600
“ Criers and Constables of Supreme and County Courts.....	600	800
“ County Constable .....	200	200
“ Grand Jury and Secretary .....	320	350
“ Petit and Special Jurors.....	700	700
“ Crown Witnesses .....	500	500
“ Sheriff's Accounts.....	300	300
“ Coroners' Juries and Expenses.....	450	550
“ Printing and Stationery .....	300	350
“ Postage and Expressage.....	60	60
“ Auditors.....	40	40
“ Warden and Councillors' Pay.....	1000	1000
“ Contingent Fund .....	300	300
“ Interest on Court House .....	1100	1100
“ Stipendiary Magistrate.....	800	800
“ Revising of Jury Lists.....	175	175
Election Expenses, Councillors.....	200	200
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	\$12995	\$13375

*Less probable Income :*

Stipendiary Magistrate.....	350	350
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	\$12645	\$13025

*Services to be Assessed on the County, exclusive of the City.*

Insane Paupers of the County.....	\$3,800 00	\$4,000 00
Revisors and Assessors .. .. .	500 00	650 00
Legal Expenses .....	40 00	40 00
Poors' Farm, Instalment and Interest .....	850 00	850 00
Interest on Poors' Farm Loan .....	260 00	260 00
Inspector of Licenses.....	500 00	500 00
Ferries and Draw Bridges.....	100 00	100 00
Poors' Farm bills unpaid. ....	1,055 62	1,055 62
Provisions for Poors' Farm.....	400 00	400 00
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	7,505 62	7,855 62



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Credit probable income—

From Inspector of Licenses...\$600 00		
Balance do. acct. 1887... 679 00	1,279 00	1,279 00
	<u>6,226 52</u>	<u>6,576 62</u>
Nett amount .....	6,226 52	6,576 62
To which must be added for Public Schools of the County .....	8,350 00	8,350 00
	<u>\$14,576 62</u>	<u>\$14,925 62</u>

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) JOHN E. SHATFORD,  
E. R. POOLE,  
\*JOHN D. TUPPER.

The Report was read in clauses and discussed.

On the item of R. Sedgewick's account, Councillor Norman Hays said he had conferred with Mr. Sedgewick, whom he had found willing to make a liberal reduction, reducing the bill to \$400. He, therefore, seconded by Councillor Chase, moved

"That this Council authorize the Treasurer to pay Mr. Robert Sedgewick Four Hundred Dollars, as a consideration in full for his services to the County, he having this day agreed to accept that amount."—Passed.

The Bills for the Poors' Farm were read in detail and commented on, but no objections were presented.

John Wilson's Bill.....	\$ 3 38
John Woods' " .....	43 50
Thomas Gorman's Bill.....	26 50
Ezekiel Bissett.....	4 00
John Wisdom & Son .....	2 64
R. D. Turner, for Milk .....	1 44
William Turner's Bill .....	14 00
Enos Weynot's " .....	10 00
John G. Bissett's " .....	23 22
William McV. Smith.....	20 00
H. G. Walker's Bill.....	17 51
John Stevens' " .....	40 00
F. Scarf's " .....	18 00
Peter Spriggs' " .....	17 50
Chipman's " .....	264 29

\* Dr. Chase concurs in the above Report with the exception of the clause relating to the Poors' Farm accounts.

John Wilson's Bill .....	\$52 48
A. Stephen & Son .....	190 00
A. B. Temple.....	185 00
W. H. Green .....	2 50
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	\$937 01
J. E. Wilson's Bill.....	118 61
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Total provided for Poor Farm .....	\$1055 62

On clause 4, on motion of Councillor Lawson, the claim by the City was placed at the amount stated in the account rendered and verified by the County Treasurer, and from which no reduction has as yet been agreed upon, and which includes the last payment received from the City, \$39,646. The Treasurer said that the Interest on the Balances of the several years which make up that sum was not included, and would amount to nearly \$4000 more.

The City had repaidiated the Interest, but as by their delay in paying up the County were made liable for interest to the Government—it should be in equity collected from the City.

The motion of Councillor Lawson was seconded and passed.

On clause 5, the Treasurer said the Claim for Insane by the Government was only up to Dec. 31st, 1886. There was the subsequent current account for Lunatics still running on. Also, that the Statement of Liabilities was merely an approximation. There were many Bills not received, owing to the early meeting of the Council.

The estimates for 1888 were read, and each item separately discussed.

By motion the following amendments were made :

In Services on Joint Account, City and County Court House, \$1900, less \$300 from Govt., nett \$1600; Criers, \$800; Grand Jury and Sec'y., \$350; Coroners Acct., \$550; Printing and Stationery, \$350. Add Election Expenses of Council, \$200, making the aggregate of Joint Assessment, \$13,025.

In services for County only the item of Insane Paupers was increased to \$4000; Revisors and Assessors to \$650; Poor Farm Instalment, \$850, making the aggregate, \$14,926.62, (with schools).

In the credits, the Treasurer said that putting in \$679 as Credit from License Inspector, would be counting it twice, as the \$500 for his salary, and \$150 received from him were already placed in the 1887 Accounts of the Treasurer.

The amendments were agreed to, and on motion of Councillors Croucher and Shatford, the whole Report of Finance Committee, as amended, was received and adopted.

Councillor N. Hayes asked if the \$500 for the bond in the case of Vose had been paid. If not, he would move that the full amount be collected. The Sheriff explained that \$250 had been paid, and the rest was certain to be. He explained cause of delay.

Councillor Shatford submitted the

### REPORT OF LAW AMENDMENT COMMITTEE.

1. Your Committee having taken into consideration the question of the time violators of the License Law should be imprisoned where and when the fines are not paid, and they have come to the conclusion that the term is too short, and that many County delinquents prefer serving in jail 30 days to paying \$50. They therefore beg to ask the Legislature to make the term Three Months instead. They believe that if such a change was made, the fines would in many cases be paid where they are not under the present term of 30 days, many persons preferring to serve their time out in jail.

2. Your Committee also beg to ask the Legislature to change and re-enact chap. 58, 7th sec., and sub-sections of the Fifth Series of the Revised Statutes, respecting County Assessment, so that all non-resident property within a Polling District be assessed in the District in which it lies for County purposes, the provisions of that chapter having for the last two years made a material change in the County Assessments in many Districts, to the detriment of the County.

3. Your Committee further beg to ask of the Legislature to enact such legislation as will obviate the existing difficulty between the County and City in the matter of County Rates and the collection thereof. As it may be asked that some proposals in that direction should come from the County, the County Clerk will be instructed to draw up, or assist a Committee of the Legislature, or any other Committee, in formulating any Act that may be necessary to pass in that behalf. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN E. SHATFORD,  
JOHN D. TUPPER,  
JOHN C. ROSS,  
GEO. H. MADILL,  
T. A. PARKER.

On motion, the Report was received and adopted.

Read, Report of J. W. Turner, Supt. of the Poor's Farm, as follows:

#### COLE HARBOR POORS' FARM, Jany. 16th, 1888.

James F. Turner, Keeper, took charge of Farm Sept. 15th, 1887. Found gates and fences broken down, and sixteen head of cattle pasturing on Farm. Repaired fence and gates, and with much trouble expelled said cattle from off the premises.

Received the key from the Committee on the 6th day of Oct.,

and took full charge. Found the three cottages as would be expected, after the mason's trowel and brush, very much in need of scrubbing and cleaning. All of which was done by the matron and myself.

Procured stoves from the City Oct. 12. Got to work arranging them and fitting them up, with no small difficulty in cutting and fitting the pipe and elbows to their several windings and respective places, twelve in number. Found kitchen and dining-room void of necessary arrangements, such as closets and sideboards, tables, &c. Made two dining-tables, fifteen feet long by three feet six inches wide, one pantry closet, and pantry shelving. Carried the wood on shoulder, and thoroughly dried the three cottages so as to make them habitable up to the 8th day of Dec. At this date the weather became cold, and all fuel being exhausted within carrying reach, I procured a neighbor with his team to draw me some wood, which I had chopped in the woods.

Since Jan. 3, being supplied with a horse, I borrowed my good Christian neighbor's sled and hauled my own wood.

I have two inmates at the present date, one from District No. 18, the other from No. 33. A colored man from No. 18 remained with me but four days. One of these men, McFee, can tend his own fire, the other is completely decrepid, he is useless.

I have kept a correct account of every item received in the institution, which my books can show.

I have thirty signatures in the Visiting Book from important visitors, and I should suppose three times that number from this settlement or the adjoining ones.

There are numerous other things which might be reported if time and space would permit.

Your ob'd. Servant,

JAS. F. TURNER.

The Warden submitted List of Officers for District No. 9, which was passed.

Read a petition from a large number of Ratepayers against opening the road across Cole Harbor Dyke. After some remarks and explanations, on motion of Councillors Sellers and Bissett, the petition was received and further action deferred.

Read, also, the following Report from the Committee appointed to lay out said road under precept issued last session :—

SALMON RIVER, COUNTY OF HALIFAX,  
Polling District No. 34,  
10th June, 1887.

We, the undersigned, a Committee appointed by the Municipal Council, at its meeting in April last, on the Petition of Jacob Hartling and others, praying for a Right of Way and Road leading

from Beaver Harbor to Sheet Harbor Passage, through lands owned by Caroline Curry and others, as heretofore used and travelled over by petitioners, beg leave, in obedience to the precept to us directed, to report, that we proceeded to the place in dispute, and have marked off and staked what, in our opinion, we deemed necessary and proper, viz., that the said road shall commence at the Main Post Road, at or near Jacob Hartling's house, and running from thence along the road as at present, at a width of thirty feet, until it reaches the west line of Caroline Curry's land, thence through lands of H. Hawbolt and A. Cameron, until it comes to the old Road at Beaver Harbor Back Cove, so called, leading to Sheet Harbor Passage. That the land through which said road will pass is unproductive, and wilderness land, and will, in all probability, remain in such state for years to come; and that in consequence thereof, we are of opinion that one dollar be awarded for same. All of which is respectfully submitted to the Council.

JOHN KIRKER,  
JAMES McLEOD,  
J. H. WHITMAN.

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

“That the Report of Committee appointed to lay out road from Beaver Harbor to Sheet Harbor Passage, in accordance with precept granted last Session, be approved and confirmed.”

“Resolved, That Angus Cruickshanks, William Malay, and Angus McDonald, be appointed a Committee to lay out the road asked for in the petition of J. F. McKenzie and others, of District No. 25, in accordance with the precept granted.”

Councillor Lawson (Chairman) submitted the

#### REPORT OF THE ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges recommend that the petition of George Hartling and others, not having the requisite number of Ratepayers, be not granted. The Committee could not recommend the granting of the petition of residents of District 22, to lay out a road from Moose River Gold Mines to the Iceland Road, about four miles, it not having the requisite number of names. The Committee are of opinion that the matter of the petition from District No. 8, complaining that the mail road is getting very bad from Halibut Bay to Herring Cove, is in the hands of the Councillor for the District, and suggest that he endeavor to remedy the cause of complaint. The Committee recommend that the petition of Ratepayers of District 27, requesting a road section changed, be granted, and that a precept be granted for a new road from Lochaber, in District 25, to the Lakeside gold mines. The Committee also recommend that the prayer of a petition from 29 residents of Bay

of Islands, in District 24, requesting the Council to grant and lay out a new road from Joseph Worthen's to the present highway, and thence to Jewer's Island, which is only separated by a small creek, be granted.

On motion of Councillors Smith and O'Leary, the report was adopted.

Moved by Councillors A. W. Smith and O'Leary, "That Henry Romkey, Thomas Smith and George Hartling, be a Committee to lay out the road in District 24, as recommended."—Passed.

Read, letter from Mr. Fenerty, of District 14, asking that he be allowed to make a change in the St. Margaret's Bay road. He proposed to make a new section of road for a part he wished to take possession of, and the former would be made satisfactory to the Council. A petition from residents of District 14 was also read, praying that permission be given for the change; and Councillor Bishop reported having examined the locality and could see no objection nor reason why the petition should not be granted for the benefit of all parties.

On motion, it was decided that, on the new road being furnished to the satisfaction of a Committee of the Council to be appointed for that purpose, the land occupied by the old road be given over to Mr. Fenerty. The Warden and Councillors Bishop and Shatford were appointed a Committee to examine the new road and authorize the transfer of the old road to Mr. Fenerty when the work was completed under the conditions.

Councillor Hayes, seconded by Councillor O'Leary, moved that, in view of the dissatisfaction existing in reference to charges made upon the County by Assessors for Districts, each District bear the expense of its own Assessors. The motion, on being put, was lost.

A letter was read from the Provincial Secretary, respecting the reconstruction of a Bridge over the East River, Sheet Harbor, which was by Resolution on Thursday placed under the Bridge Act. A long discussion took place with reference to the Bridge Act, and Councillor Himelman moved to adjourn until next morning, as the hour was getting late, but the Warden said there was but little more business to be done, and it might as well be finished that evening. The motion was withdrawn, and further action in the Bridge matter was suspended until the April meeting.

A motion relating to the employment of a Surveyor, if necessary, to define the boundaries between Districts 29, 30 and 31, was introduced by Councillors Sellars and Bissett. It was decided that the matter lay over until the April meeting.

The Clerk said that though the surveys of boundaries had been made for eight or nine District, at a cost to the County of nearly \$200, he had never seen a report, plan, or any information respecting them.

Councillor Madill presented for inspection Mr. Malcolm McL. Logan's Report to the Hon. Attorney General, with his field book, in connection with such surveys. It was moved by Councillors Poole and Madill—

*“Resolved, That all the properties within the District lines, as surveyed and set off by the County Surveyor, by the request of this Council, and by authority of the Provincial Parliament, be assessed and collected by those Districts.”*

The subject was deferred till April Session.

On motion, it was

*“Resolved, That the Minutes of the Council be printed as customary.”—Passed.*

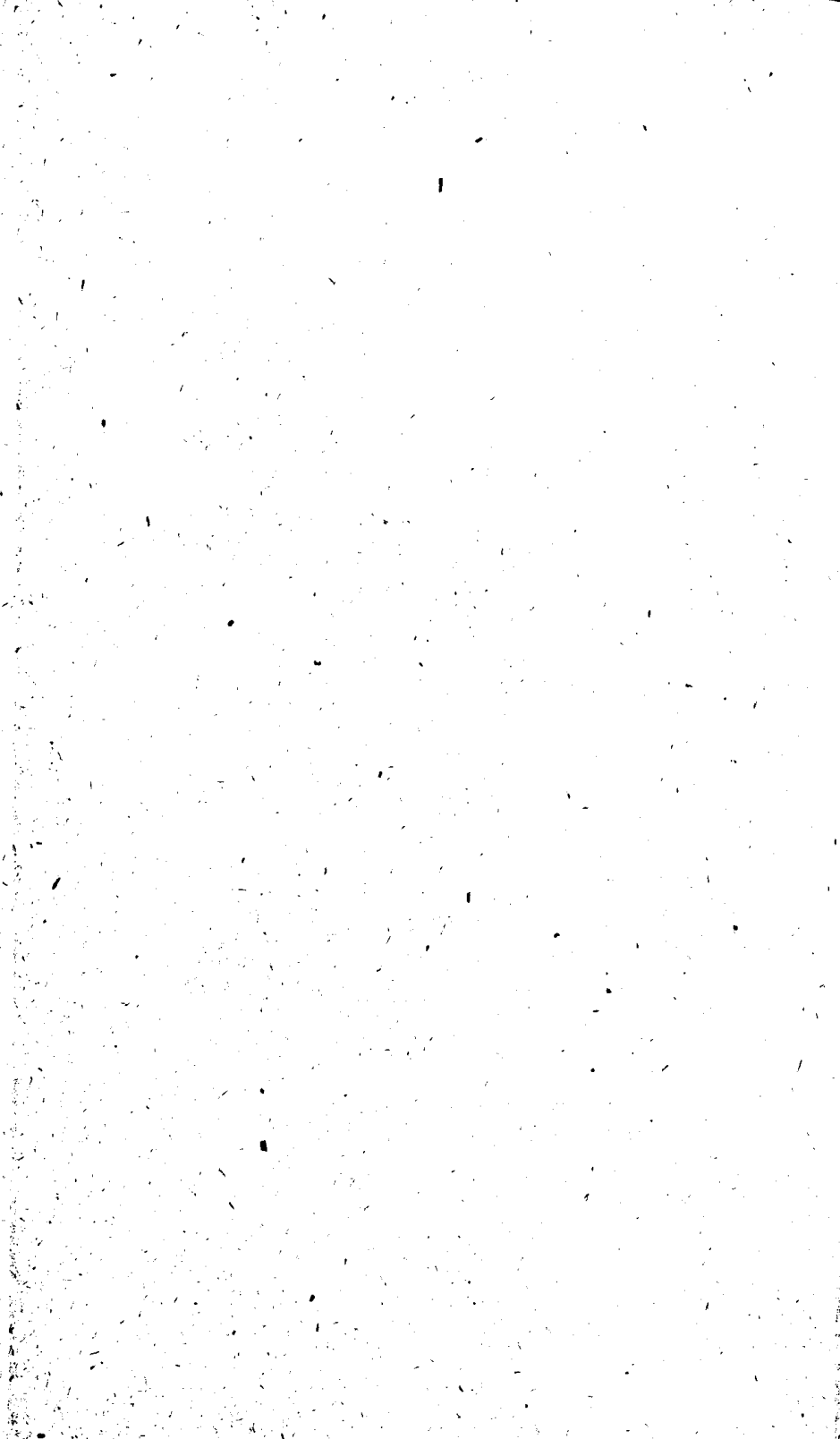
Read, a memorial from Joseph Thomas, T. G. Scotland, Wm. Johnstone and Thomas McDonald, setting forth, that in the month of May last, they had been put to great expense and trouble by reason of the unaccountable death of Cyrus Slaughter, of Preston, in Lake Eagle. They did not know to whom to apply, but engaged Counsel and had a thorough investigation, which extended over five days. The memorialists are now being pressed for payment of the expenses, which they believe should be borne by the Municipality. They prayed that the Council would favorably consider the prayer of the petition, and would assume the payment of the expenses incurred. Accompanying the memorial was a memo. which showed the expenses to have been \$51, besides an amount due in the Stipendiary's office. Of the \$51, \$44 was due to J. T. Bulmer, the remaining \$7 having been paid witnesses. The memorial was referred to the Finance Committee to report on at the next meeting.

Moved by Councillors Lawson and Madill, and

*“Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the Councillors in attendance the usual allowance of \$2 per day—seven days' attendance—and that Councillors who had been prevented by urgent duties from attending be excused and relieved of any fines that might be incurred by non-attendance.”—Passed.*

The Council then adjourned to meet the Third Tuesday in April next.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.





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THE SECOND SEMI-ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE  
FIFTH MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
OF THE  
COUNTY OF HALIFAX.

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FIRST DAY.

HALIFAX, TUESDAY, April 17, 1888.

The Municipal Council, pursuant to adjournment, Jan. 16th, 1888, met at the County Court House, this day, at 10 o'clock, a.m. The Warden and all the Councillors, except J. C. Ross, Esq., were present at Roll-call. The Warden having taken the Chair, the Minutes of the last meeting of the Annual Session were read and confirmed.

The Warden addressed the Council on the business to be done this Session, which, he said, was largely a continuance of the subjects of last meeting. The distribution of the Road Grant of 1888 would demand much discrimination and care. He then detailed the progress made by the Committees on City Assessments over-due, and progress effected in reference to legislation. He referred to the fact that a new Council would be elected in the autumn, and that he intended to retire from the representation of the District for which he has hitherto been elected. He considered that the term for Councillorship should be four years instead of two, as now, and thought legislation should be had to effect that change. He said that in his District, No. 14, North-West Arm, an Assessment had been made for the first time for City Water Works, which had hitherto escaped taxation. In all former years the property and works held by the City in this District had escaped taxation altogether, but the School Trustees thought it should be assessed the same as all other property. They fixed the valuation at \$60,000, upon which an assessment was made.

G. P. Henry, School Secretary, was present, and at the request of the Warden, gave an explanation in connection therewith. He said he understood the whole cost of the water works was about \$800,000, of which \$200,000 would be outside the city limits. The City authorities proposed \$30,000 as the amount to be taxed, instead of \$50,000.

After a long discussion, the Council concluded that they had no right to interfere with the Assessors' valuation, and it was finally resolved that the matter be submitted to the Assessors, who would be in attendance this afternoon.

A petition was read from Constable Louis Nickerson, asking to be reimbursed the expenses of prosecuting parties who assaulted him at Sambro. On motion of Councillors Parker and C. E. Smith, it was Resolved to pay the bill, which amounted to \$13.30.

A petition was read, which was laid over from the last session, asking the County to pay the expenses of the investigation into the drowning of Cyrus Slaughter in Lake Eagle. The bill amounts to \$53.10. On motion, it was referred to the Finance Committee for enquiry whether such claim could be entertained, and to report thereon.

The Council then adjourned till 2.30 p.m.

## Afternoon Session.

TUESDAY, April 7th, 1888.

The Council resumed at 2.30, twenty-nine Councillors being present. The statement of the Road and Bridge Grant for the year 1888, with repayments, etc., was submitted. It showed:—

Total Grant for 1888.....	\$12,004 00	
Less Interest Bridge Account.....	1,766 91	
		\$10,237 09
To Paid Union Bank, fourth instalment loan (small bridges).....	\$ 1,000 00	
To 12 months' interest on \$3,000.....	180 00	
		\$ 1,180 00
Net sum to be expended.....		\$ 9,057 00
Last year the Net Grant was.....		9,205 00

On motion of Councillors Jno. Hays and D. Smith, a resolution voting \$75 for the poor of District No. 7, was passed.

On motion of Councillors Parker and N. Hays, a resolution was passed, providing that \$150 be added to the district assessment of District No. 22 for Support of Poor.

The bill submitted to the House of Assembly by the City for the

separation of the City from the County, was read, and the County Clerk explained that he had prepared and delivered to the Chairman of the Assembly Committee on Local Bills a number of facts and arguments against the Bill, which was one-sided, and greatly adverse to County objects and interests. The Bill would not pass at this session. Had also in the Upper House obtained modifications in the "Town's Corporation Act."

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Himelman, it was resolved:

*Whereas*, the City of Halifax is seeking legislation to separate financially the City from the County; also, to give them full power and control of all county buildings without the city—such as the County Court House, Jail, etc.; also, power to tax the ratepayers throughout the County for the maintenance of such buildings, together with all expenses accruing therefrom, without giving the County outside the City any representation in the City Council;

*And Whereas*, it has always been the opinion of this Council that the City of Halifax should be represented in the Municipal Council, who have on different occasions expressed by resolution opinions to that effect, such representatives to be elected from the citizens outside the City Council;

*Therefore Resolved*, that this Council is of opinion that such separation would be detrimental to the tax-payers of this County, and would give universal dissatisfaction throughout the Municipality.—Passed unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor C. J. Bissett, and—

*Resolved*, That \$18.00 be assessed for support of Poor in District 23.—Passed.

A letter was read from Justice Townshend, enclosing the presentment of the Grand Jury, concerning Grand Jury Lists and other matters, as follows, the Judge concurring in the principal statements:

HALIFAX, 12th April, 1888.

B. W. CHIPMAN, Esq.,

*Warden Municipality County Halifax.*

SIR,—I beg to enclose the presentment of the Grand Jury for this County, made during the present term of the Council, and request the attention of yourself and the Council to several important matters therein referred to. I beg to especially mention the defective mode in which the Jury Lists have apparently been revised, and to concur in the remarks of the Grand Jury. It has been the cause of some delay, a good deal of expense to the Municipality, and an obstruction to the speedy administration of Justice.

As you are one of the Commissioners of the Court House, I have also to request that you will bring to the notice of the other Commissioners the complaint of the Grand Jury in regard to the room in

which they conduct their deliberations; and I certainly concur with them that better accommodation should be made for them as well as the witnesses.

I have the honour to be your obdt. servt.

CHARLES J. TOWNSHEND.

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GRAND JURY ROOM,  
Halifax, March 29th, 1888.

In closing their labors for the present term, the Grand Jury beg to thank your Lordship for your courtesy and consideration, as well as for your care in instructing them in points of Law, which have enabled them to give a more careful consideration to the duties entrusted to them.

The Grand Jury beg to call the attention of the Court to the hardship many of them have labored under in being called away without sufficient time to arrange for their business during their absence therefrom. They would particularly call attention to the careless manner in which the Grand Juries have been drawn the past two years, when so many were drawn who were well known to be exempt. A little more care in placing the names would have prevented any difficulty. We might instance the past year, when a Grand Jury of fourteen were called upon, to find thirteen of their number unanimous before they could find a true Bill in any case. They trust that if the Law is defective in this matter it will be remedied, and that if neglect or carelessness has been the cause, that the blame may be placed where it belongs, and such steps taken as may prevent the like occurrence.

They would note the fact that Halifax and Dartmouth has to furnish the entire Grand Jury, notwithstanding there are so many eligible men within the fifteen-mile limit.

They would request, for the guidance of future Grand Juries, that the necessary rules for their guidance be printed or placed in their possession, and thus prevent conflicting opinions as to their duties and privileges.

There is one matter, perhaps not within the province of the Grand Jury, but they cannot help suggesting that the interests of justice would be as well served, and the witnesses feelings spared, if in criminal assault cases the Officers of the Court and the Jury only were present when the testimony was being taken.

The Grand Jury would also call attention to the fact that the room which has been assigned them is entirely unfit for the purpose. Being used for so many purposes, it cannot be kept in the state it should be for the deliberations of the Grand Jury. It has neither accommodations for the witnesses within easy distance, or places where the hats or coats of the Jurymen can be disposed of, to say nothing of the bad ventilation, without admitting the weather.

They would recommend that in the interests of justice, and the health and comfort of their successors, that more convenient rooms be assigned the Grand Jury.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. DEVINE,  
*Secretary.*

J. E. BUTLER,  
*Foreman.*

On motion, the matter was referred to the Committee on Jury Lists to consider and report upon.

Read, letter from Thomas Fyshe, relative to his assessment in District 14. The letter stated, that as Mr. Fyshe had given up the property, he did not consider he was liable for the taxes for this year. Referred to the County Clerk and Assessors to rectify.

The following Petitions respecting Road extensions and changes were read, and referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges:—

From District No. 33, from Wm. Iceton and others for a Road from Eastern Passage back to Barren Road. Also, a counter Petition.

District No. 21, to appoint M. McJ. Logan and Jas. Watson to lay out a new connecting road of one mile near T. Nelson's and Peter Brown's, to avoid a ravine, &c., on route to Moose River Gold Mines.

On motion of the Councillors of the Districts named, the following officers were appointed:—

In District 33—John Himelman, Presiding Officer, *vice* Jno. A. Shiers, Esq., over age; and George Morash to be Constable in said District.

District 32—Peter D. Dauphinee to be Presiding Officer.

District 13—Geo. W. Marryatt and Alex. Fraser, to be Overseers of Statute Labor for Harrietsfield Road.

Read, Petition from certain Inhabitants District 25, praying that steps be allowed for closing the old road known as the Tracy Road in District 35, and an order to that end be granted.

On motion, the prayer of the petition passed.

Read, Petition of Joseph Isenor and others for a new Road in District 19 (Geo. Logan's to Gay's River Road), and—

“*Resolved*, That Jno. K. Andrews, Esq., and Isaac Isenor, be a Committee to lay out said Road half mile in length.—Passed.

Read, Petition of Frederic Redman and others, in District 22, asking for leave to lay out the Road in District 22, from Guysboro Road to Chaplain Settlement, and that Wm. F. Redman and Henry Dean do lay out the same.

On motion, the Petition was received, and a precept ordered to be issued therefor.

Read, a Petition from Thos. Wilkes and others, in Meagher's

Grant, for a new Road to Richard Dunbrack's. Also, a counter Petition, numerously signed, asking the Council not to grant the right to construct said Road. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

Read, Petition from District 24 for a new Section of Road to be opened at Mitchell's Bay.

On motion, referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Moved by Councillors Himelman and Sellars,

"That a Committee, consisting of Alexander Morash, Gasper McDonald, and George Bowes, sr., be appointed to define the boundary lines between Districts 29, 31 and 33, and that they be empowered to employ a Surveyor, if necessary, and the expenses necessarily incurred to accomplish the same be paid out of the County Funds."

After considerable discussion, and consulting the Statute relating to Boundary Lines, action thereon was deferred till next Annual Session (January, 1889.)

Councillor Bissett, in reference to the notice of appeal of Valuation Assessment of the Cole Harbor Dyke Company's Property, District 29, said he had arranged the matter, and the appeal had been withdrawn.

The Council adjourned to 10 a.m., Wednesday.

## SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, April 18, 1888.

The Council met at 10 a.m., present the Warden and 29 Councillors, including J. C. Ross, Esq., who had arrived.

The Minutes of yesterday were confirmed.

The Treasurer submitted statements received from the Assessors, to whom the Assessment Rolls for 1888 had been returned. Also, the Rolls, as partly amended by them for Districts No. 16, 17, 19, 22, 26, 31 and 36. Some other Districts, which showed a smaller decrease than \$2,000, had been withheld, and had rectified a few errors. The explanations were read and considered at length, and the whole matter of defective and careless valuations discussed. The Treasurer said that, notwithstanding the Assessors were now better paid, the returns from many of the Districts were very badly made up, and the Franchise returns were not properly attended to.

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On motion of Councillors Cruickshank and Madill,

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to refund the amount to Wm. R. Ogilvie paid by him, assessed in District 20.—Passed.

The Treasurer said an affidavit stating the facts would be required from the claimant.

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Referred to the Assessors and Councillors Burgess and N. Hays.

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Canterbury Bridge Keeper, District 28, sends no report. Warnell and Innes ask for increase of pay, as the amount last year is too small.

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The Treasurer submitted accounts of District Nominees engaged in assisting Mr. Logan in those surveys, viz., District 18, John E. McDonald, \$~~20~~.00; District 19, James E. Annand, \$27.00. The time was certified by the Surveyor. The Treasurer said there were three other bills—Districts 36, 22 and 26, not certified.

A long discussion took place in connection with the boundaries. The Clerk read the law relating to them, which showed that legislative sanction was necessary, and stated there were no funds for paying the bills, and nothing for them in the Estimate.

Councillors Lawson and N. Hayes moved

“That the bills in question be referred to the Finance Committee, with power to authorize payment.”—Passed.

Councillor Poole's Resolution also passed.

On motion of Councillors C. E. Smith and Fitzgerald,

“Resolved, That the Bridge known as Basin Bridge, between Ketch Harbour and Sambro, be placed under the Bridge Act.”

And by Councillors Madill and Cruickshank,

“That the Bridge across Gay's River, known as Cook's Bridge, be placed under the Government Bridge Act.”—Passed.

On motion, a Committee was appointed, consisting of Councillors Sellars, D. Smith, Lapierre and Thomas, to consider and report upon the remuneration to be allowed the Custodians of the several Draw Bridges in the County.

Submitted and Read, a Petition from the people of the East side of Ship Harbour for a road two miles long, to be laid out from John Fahey's along the Shore to James Tracey's, and that James Tracey and James A. Cowan be appointed to lay out the same. On motion the request was granted.

The following motions for Assessments for support of Poor were passed. On motion of Councillors A. W. Smith and O'Leary, on District 24, Sixty Dollars; by Councillors Ross and Fraser, on District 26, One Hundred Dollars; by Councillors Fraser and O'Leary, on District 25, One Hundred and Seventy-Five Dollars; by Councillors Poole and Chase, on District 20, Seventy-Five Dollars.

On motion of Councillors Blakeney and Fader, Josiah Myers and Lewis Hill were appointed Surveyors of Lumber in District 27.

Moved by Councillors Lawson and N. Hays,

“That the Council adjourn to Thursday morning at 10 a.m., to enable the Committees to meet this afternoon for furtherance of business.”—Passed.

The Council then adjourned, and several Committees met during the afternoon, as above.

## THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

The Council met at 10 a.m., present the Warden and 28 Councillors. The Minutes of Wednesday were read and adopted.

The Warden submitted the Report of Committee on Draw Bridge Custodians:—

Whereas, the matter of arranging for the pay of Custodians of Draw Bridges being left to the Councillors of the Districts in which those Bridges are located, we recommend that the sum of \$15 be paid to each of the three Custodians of Draw Bridges, viz.: Innes Bridge, Canterbury Bridge, and Rocky Run Bridge; and that they make an Annual Report to the Council, giving a detailed statement of the work done, etc."

(Sgd.) J. H. SELLARS, Chairman,  
DENNIS SMITH,  
JOS. THOMAS,  
DANL. LAPIERRE.

Councillor Bissett presented a bill from Mackintosh & McInnes, claiming a balance on a bill of extras, for work done to the Court House building, for \$441 45, against the Commissioners of the Court House, in 1883.

The Warden explained that the claim was made for alterations in the new addition to the building in the Clerk's and the Stipendiary's Rooms. These were to be fitted up as a County Council Room, but owing to some changes in the plan, the space was too limited. It was then decided to give the room to the Clerk and Treasurer, and put in a counter and closet for papers, instead of the Council's fittings. The bill at first was for \$600 or so; but the Warden thought the claim extravagant, and offered to close for \$200, the balance in Commissioners' hands. This was refused, but they reduced the amount to present sum. Finally, the Commissioners were sued in the Supreme Court, (and the Architect having previously certified the work,) the Court gave judgment for the claimants. The Commissioners had thought of appealing to the Higher Court, but so far refrained, in order to consult the Council. There was some funds in the hands of the Commissioners, and if the Council would arrange for the balance, it might be as well to pay.

On motion, the matter was referred to the Committee on Public Property to examine and report upon.

Submitted a Petition from the inhabitants of Districts 29, 31 and 33, in reference to a Road across Cole Harbor Dyke, which was deferred from last Session. After some conversation and details by the Councillors of those Districts, it was

*Resolved*, That the Petition be laid over till next Session.

A communication was read from Councillor B. C. Wilson, in regard to a suit brought against the Constable in his District by T. J. Wallace, for an alleged false seizure of property for taxes, and given against the Constable by the County Court Judge.

On motion of Councillors Shatford and Burgess, it was

*Resolved*, That the case of Wallace vs. Stewart, for a seizure of County Rates, at No. 18 District, be referred to a Committee, consisting of Councillors Ryan, Burgess, Hayes, and Wilson.—Passed.

On motion of Councillors Lapierre and Smith, Simon Lapierre was appointed Presiding Officer for District 28, at the Municipal Elections.

On motion of Councillors D. Smith and Jno. Hayes, Robert Innis was appointed Keeper of the Porter's Lake Draw Bridge.

On motion of Councillors Lapierre and J. Hayes, George Myatt was appointed Keeper of the Canterbury Bridge for the present year.

On motion of Councillors Sellars and Madill, Joseph Lloy was appointed Custodian of Rocky Run Bridge.

On motion of Councillors Blakeney and Fader, Albert Warnell was appointed Keeper of the Jeddore Draw Bridge, at a salary of \$20.

On motion of Councillors Parker and Fraser,

*Resolved*, That the Bridge known as "Archibald's," in District 22, be placed under the Government Bridge Act of 1883.—Passed.

By Councillors N. Hays and Burgess,

*Resolved*, That the Bridge known as "Wright's" Bridge, over Lower Pockwock, be placed under the Bridge Act.—Passed.

The Clerk said that it would be advisable to have the definition of the Boundary lines of the Districts lately surveyed laid down on a diagram, or in some other way fyled for reference. At present he was quite in the dark as to their location.

Moved by Councillors Poole and Madill, and

*Resolved*, That a copy of the map of the District lines, as now defined and established by this Council, shall be provided from the Crown Land Office for the benefit and information of the Clerk of this County.—Passed.

The subject of having a legal adviser for the Municipality was brought up on a motion by Councillors Hayes and Shatford—"That in view of this Council being from time to time drawn into litigation,

"*Therefore Resolved*, That this Council appoint a Solicitor yearly, believing the same to be necessary and for the best interests of the County."

This was discussed at length by the Council, and the necessity and economy of the measure advocated. Councillors Himelman and Ryan offered, in amendment, a Resolution,

"That the question of employing an Attorney for this Council be deferred until the next January Session of the Council."

On the amendment being put, there appeared for it, 12; against

it, 12.—Lost. The original Resolution was then put and also lost, the vote being 13 to 13.

Counoillor Ryan, Chairman, presented the

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVISING JURY LISTS.

Your Committee beg to Report that we met for the Revision of the Lists on Monday, the 6th day of February. We completed the said Lists, and handed them over to the Prothonotary. On the 10th day of April we met to hear and consider any exception that might be taken thereto. None being offered, the Lists were duly signed, confirmed, and handed over to the Prothonotary, in accordance with the Statute. Your Committee beg to report further, that they found the duties involved extensive and exacting, but, nevertheless believe the work has been efficiently performed. Your Committee regret to have to report that, notwithstanding their very best efforts to select men lawfully qualified to fill the responsible position of jurymen, our labors have been met by the Foreman of the Grand Jury, with a disposition to fault-finding, upon grounds in many instances of mere conjecture. Not only have these statements gone through the press over the country, but in the foreman's presentment to his Lordship Judge Townshend, statements are made that are at variance with truth. They state in that presentment, and state it as a fact, that notwithstanding there are many men eligible within the fifteen mile limit, Halifax and Dartmouth has to furnish the entire Grand Jury. This we emphatically deny, as every man qualified within the fifteen mile limit has been entered on the List as Jurymen, without any exception that we are cognizant of. Your Committee beg to recommend that the Government should devise some means by which this army of exemptions should cease being replenished, otherwise greater difficulty will be experienced in selecting men qualified under the present Statutes to fill the position of Jurymen.

(Sgd.) E. RYAN, Chairman,  
JOHN G. BISSETT,  
NORMAN HAYES,  
E. E. BURGESS,  
JOS. HIMELMAN.

The Clerk submitted a number of Bills against the Poor Farm for Supplies, etc

On motion, they were referred to the Finance Committee to report upon.

The Clerk mentioned the constantly increasing expenses of Court Trials and Officers. The Chief Justice had complained of the want of Constables and Criers, and had requested that he should appoint

such, independent of the Council, as formerly, confining the expenditure, however, to the amount now voted by the Council. One Crier had been ill, and the County Court Crier refused duty in the other Courts. The excitement and interest in the Peeper Case rendered one, two, or three Constables necessary, but otherwise the present number was quite enough. Action thereon was deferred.

Councillor Longard referred to the proposed visit in January to see the Poor Farm being put off on account of bad weather, and asked if it was to take place before the present Council should adjourn.

Councillor Ryan proposed that the visit be made, and on motion of Councillors Shatford and Chase, it was resolved that the Council adjourn till 2 p.m. to-morrow, and that the Committee on Poor Farm provide teams to convey the Councillors to the Farm, leaving the City at 9 o'clock a.m. Friday. Passed.

The Council then adjourned till 2 p.m. Friday.

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## FOURTH DAY.

FRIDAY, April 20, 1888.

The Council met at 2.30 p.m., the Warden and 29 Councillors present. Minutes of Thursday confirmed.

Councillor Wilson adverted to Councillor Poole's resolution respecting the establishment of District boundaries. He was absent through illness, and could not object. So far as the survey between Districts 18 and 20 was made, there was dissatisfaction, especially in the village of Oldham, which was cut in two by it. The old lines had been undisturbed for 25 years, and the new boundary would cause much inconvenience. He moved that a Committee be appointed to enquire into the matter before closing it.

Councillor Poole replied, stating that the survey merely revived the old laid out lines, and that the assessments for some years had been illegal, while several properties were not assessed at all, from the boundaries being undetermined.

Several Councillors raised the point of order, that the matter had been passed upon, and could not be recalled.

Councillor Shatford said the Warden's ruling should be taken as to accepting or rejecting the Resolution.

The Warden decided that it was in order; some objections being made to this, the vote was taken and the Chair sustained. It was then moved by Councillors Wilson and Burgess, and

*Resolved*, That so far as the lines between Districts 18 and 20,

as surveyed by M. Logan ; that the same be not confirmed, nor the old boundaries ignored, until the parties interested shall have an opportunity allowed for an investigation, and their respective reasons for and against had a hearing ; and that Councillors Ryan, Tupper, and Madill be a Committee to examine the matter, and decide which line—the old one heretofore acted upon, or the new one run out by M. Logan—shall be established, the Committee's decision to be final and binding upon the two Districts, and to be given within three months." The motion was carried by 15 to 7.

On motion of the Councillors of the Districts named, the following appointments were voted and passed :—

District 26, Abram Gerrard to be Overseer of Roads instead of William McKenzie.

District 38, Thomas Lynch to be Cattle Reeve.

Albert Stuart was appointed Presiding Officer for District 18.

District 21, Robt. McFatrige, to be Overseer of road section No. 6; Watson McCurdy to be Collector of rates and taxes, and Robt. A. Logan to be Presiding Officer.

John G. Webber and G. Blakeney, District 27, to be Constables.

On motion of Councillors Ross and A. W. Smith,

"Resolved, That the bridge on Newcombe's Brook on the new road to be opened, be placed under the Bridge Act." Passed.

Councillor Lawson and Chairman submitted the

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The Committee considered the following petitions for precepts for the opening of new roads, heard Councillors from the several Districts respecting the same, and beg to recommend as follows to the Council :—

(1) Petition for the opening of a road from Cope's Hill, on the Mooseland Road, to the Moose River gold mines, and thence back to the said Mooseland Road, to a point about half a mile west of Reuben Miller's farm, on the said road—extending about seven miles. The Committee recommend that the request be granted, and a precept issued to George Archibald and Jonah Jennings to lay out the new road.

(2) A petition from District 22 for a road from the Guysboro Road, in Chaplain section, to Frederick Redmond's. The Committee recommend that the request be granted, and a precept issued to Henry Deans and W. F. Redmond to lay out the road.

(3) A petition of ratepayers and residents of Meagher's Grant for a new road, beginning at the road near the Baptist Meeting House, and running towards the late William Dunbrack's about three-quarters of a mile, the object being to shorten the distance and avoid an almost inaccessible hill. The road would run through three ownerships,



one of whom would give the right free. A counter petition against the granting of a precept for the proposed road, alleging that the road would be a great expense and inconvenience to owners of land, and a convenience only to Richard Dunbrack, who has the use of the road used by his father and great-grandfather, and further that the proposed road is unnecessary, and would cause a diversion of trade. The Committee recommend that, under the circumstances, the application for the new road be not granted.

(4) A petition from 26 ratepayers of District 24 for a road from James Jewars' and Edward Jewars' field to the present highway, about 300 yards, there being no other means of reaching the public road, except by water. The Committee recommend that this request be granted, and that a precept be issued to James M. Smith and Joseph Ashton to lay out the road.

(5) A petition from District 21 for a precept to Malcolm M. Logan, of Middle Musquodoboit, and James Watson, of Moose River gold mines, as Commissioners to lay out a new line of road from Middle Musquodoboit to Moose River gold mines, such road to start from the present road at the top of the hill opposite Thos. Nelson's, and keeping north-east of the aforesaid road; and north-east of Peter Brown's to again connect with the present road—a length of about one mile, so as to shorten the distance and avoid a deep ravine between Nelson's and Brown's on the present road. The Committee recommend that the precept be granted to the parties named.

(6) A petition of the inhabitants of Dutch Settlement, District 19, for a new road from George Logan's gate north to the Gay's River Road, a length of about half a mile. The Committee recommend that the petition be granted, and a precept issued for the laying out of the said road to the parties named.

(7) A petition from 60 inhabitants of Eastern Passage, District 38, for a road for the settlers residing about a mile from the Eastern Passage Road, said road to extend from the property of William I. Ceton to the Barron Road, at the south line of John Himmelman's, a length of about one mile and a quarter, according to a plan accompanying the petition. Read also, a letter from the petitioners giving further explanation; also, a petition from 51 inhabitants against the granting of the road, on the ground of its being unnecessary, and would cross the land of 13 inhabitants, and would extend to the long distance of two miles, whereas the present road is only three-quarters of a mile long, and is in a straight course. After examining the plan produced, and hearing Councillor Himelman, and fully considering the whole circumstances, the Committee recommend that the petition be not granted.

(8) A petition of the inhabitants of District 35, for the closing of an unused road known as the Old Tracey Road, beginning at the point where the Little River Road intersects the said Tracey Road,

and ending at where it terminates, on land owned by John Cruickshanks. The Committee recommend that the portion of road described be authorized to be closed.

(9) The Committee had submitted to them by the Clerk of the Council the following statement of Road and Bridge Grant for the year 1886, with repayments and deductions, showing an available balance for the year of \$9,057.09.

Total Grant for 1888.....	\$12,004 00	
Less Interest Bridge Account.....	1,766 91	
		<u>\$10,237 09</u>
To Paid Union Bank, 4th Instalment on Loan (Small Bridges).....	\$ 1,000 00	
12 Months' Interest on \$3,000.....	180 00	
		<u>\$1,180 00</u>
Net sum to be expended.....		\$9,057 09
Last year, the net Grant was \$9,205.		

(10) The Committee were furnished by the several members of the Council with information respecting the condition of the Roads and Bridges in the several Districts, and the requirements of the same; and after much consideration, agreed to recommend the following appropriation for the year :—

*Appropriation of the Road Grant for 1888.*

No. of District.	Amount.
7.....	\$ 89
8.....	104
9.....	79
10.....	79
11.....	188
12.....	301
13.....	319
14.....	122
15.....	96
16.....	237
17.....	399
18.....	354
19.....	365
20.....	481
21.....	529
22.....	669
23.....	49
24.....	228
25.....	379
26.....	504
27.....	539
28.....	189

29.....	267
30.....	335
31.....	452
32.....	243
33.....	393
34.....	301
35.....	362
36.....	260
38.....	125

Total..... \$9,057

(Sgd.) GEORGE LAWSON, Chairman,  
E. R. POOLE,  
JOSEPH HIMELMAN,  
EDWARD RYAN,  
THOMAS O'LEARY,  
JNO. E. SHATFORD.

On motion of Councillors Lawson and Shatford, the Report, after brief discussion, was received and adopted.

Councillor O'Leary, Chairman, presented the following

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENTS.

Your Committee recommend that Mr. Gibson's appeal from Assessment on property occupied by him in District No. 14 be sustained. Your Committee also recommend that if Mr. Heffler makes a statement, under oath, of the value of his property, that the Clerk then deal with the case as the law directs. The annexed sheet shows the amount of deficits in Taxes due by the several Districts up to April 1885:—

District No.	Amount.
7.....	\$ 6 20
8.....	83 86
9, Uncollectable.....	3 24
10.....	67 16
12, Uncollectable.....	6 34
14.....	199 24
15.....	81 89
16.....	13 05
17.....	14 37
18.....	24 01
19.....	31 31
20.....	48 51
21.....	62 93
22.....	9 55

23.....	\$66 89
26.....	41 39
27.....	44 20
28.....	7 45
29, Uncollectable.....	70
31.....	109 30
32.....	8 24
33, Uncollectable.....	2 71
34.....	14 14
36, Uncollectable.....	4 00
38, Uncollectable.....	2 83
Total.....	<u>\$898 50</u>

(Sgd.) T. O'LEARY, Chairman.

Explanations were made by several Councillors respecting the deficits, so far as known to them, and by the Treasurer, from which the following are given in brief:—District 7—Balance uncollectable. District 8—Warrant has not been executed, will be re-issued and rates largely paid out of fishery bounties, etc. District 10—Similar results. District 14—Some cannot be collected, warrant will secure largest part. District 15—The exemption of Convent Property amounts to \$35, the warrant still running for remainder. District 16—Part will be got. District 17—Parties absent, and others nothing to pay. District 18—Largely uncollectable, past experience in enforcing warrant deters collection. District 19—Principally due by residents in adjoining Counties; the law is lame for enforcing payment from non-residents; Collector will levy on personals in 1888. District 20—The Collector makes no explanation, part of the deficit is his commission retained. District 21—This, after deducting Collector's commission, will leave uncollected \$5.93. District 22—Not collected. District 23—Councillor says most all will be got. Districts 26 and 27—Warrants may secure part. District 28—Cannot be collected. District 31—This amount, besides a few rates uncollectable, is for the most part deductions of School Rates, payable to the Town of Dartmouth, as decided by result of County Suit against the Town. District 32—Absentees and wrong assessment. District 34—Part may be got. District 36—Cannot be got. Districts 11, 13, 24, 25, 30, and 35, paid up in full.

The Treasurer stated that the absolute deficit would be about the usual ratio for the year.

On motion, the Report was received and adopted.

The Treasurer regretted that there were no funds to pay the Sessional allowance. If to be paid now, he would have to borrow from other sources, and replace as funds came in from the City liability, etc.

The Council adjourned to Saturday, 10 a.m.

## FIFTH DAY.

SATURDAY, April 21, 1888.

The Council met at 10 a.m., present, the Warden and 29 Councillors. Yesterday's Minutes were approved.

The Clerk said that the Statutes required the appointment of a Committee on Arbitration for Assessments.

On motion of Councillors Chase and Tupper,

*Resolved*, That Councillors Lawson, Ryan and N. Hays, be an Arbitration Committee on matters of Assessment between the Municipality and the City, and Dartmouth.—Passed.

Councillor Shatford submitted the following

### REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee beg to Report that they have obtained from the Treasurer the amount of Receipts and Disbursements since the 31st of December, 1887, and find that since that time the Receipts have been from various sources as therein shown, \$10,907.27. This includes the balance in the hands of the Treasurer on the 31st December, 1887. The Disbursements show that the various sums paid out amount to \$11,578.47, thereby showing a deficit of \$671.20, and the Petit Jury to be paid in a few days some \$400. There are no visible means at present of obtaining funds to meet the deficit, unless from the City, paying over the money due the County under the new arrangement as they collect it, which they are bound by law to do.

Your Committee, in making up the Estimates last January for 1888, provided about the average for Crown witnesses, Sheriff's accounts, and Jury fees. They find that the Preeper-Doyle trial and Jury expenses connected therewith, have taken much more than they usually provided for the whole service for past years. In consequence thereof, they find themselves obliged to supplement the Estimates to an amount sufficient to cover expenses of that trial. They, therefore, submit that the sum of \$1,500 be added to the items of Crown witnesses, Jury fees, and Sheriff's accounts. Your Committee regret that the City Council have not come to some arrangement with the County respecting the old debt, as it was anticipated they would do when a Committee of the two Municipalities were appointed for that purpose. They hope, however, that they will pay over the County's proportion of rates under the new arrangements. Your Committee had laid before them a number of bills. They have come to the conclusion to defer the consideration of these bills until the January meeting of Council, for the reason that there

are no funds in the Treasury to pay them until the end of the year. These will, therefore, have to be laid over until January next.

(Sgd.) JNO. E. SHATFORD, Chairman,  
E. R. POOLE,  
J. D. TUPPER,  
THOMAS O'LEARY,  
THOMAS E. CHASE.

The Treasurer said that he had required to borrow for a short time the amount shown as over-paid. The comparison of Estimate and Expenditure last year showed that the Estimate, while sufficient for some services, fell largely short on others, which should be provided for this year, viz.:—Jail \$30, Grand Jury \$41, Petit Jury \$333, Sheriff \$164, Witnesses \$24, Criminal Prosecutions \$82, Coroners \$145, County Council \$185, Draw Bridges and Boundary Lines \$137, Lunatics \$1002.51, Medical Certificates, etc., \$275; besides the Poor Farm accounts ordered to be paid in January Session. And no provision was made for Interest due the Government. The Council would require to pass Resolutions for the payment of the \$20,000 to the Government which the City, under the Act of this Session, were to raise by Debentures. Also to authorize the Supplementary Estimate to borrow enough to pay Poor Farm expenses, and to pay Sessional expenses.

The subject of the City's indebtedness was discussed, and the possibility of litigation to recover the balances and interest due to the County thereon up to 1886.

On motion of Councillors Shatford and N. Hays,

*Resolved*, That the Council authorize the Warden to employ an Attorney and sue the City for the balance due to the County.—Passed.

Moved by Councillors Ryan and Bissett,

"That the Treasurer pay whatever money he receives from the City, on account of the Act passed by the Legislature, at its last Session, amounting to \$20,000, immediately over to the Government on account of the County's indebtedness to the Government."—Passed.

On motion of Councillors Hays and Madill, the Clerk and Treasurer was authorized to add the Supplementary Estimates of \$1,500 to the original Estimates made in January, and assess the same on the County as the Law directs.—Passed.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Bissett, it was

*Resolved*, That the Warden and Treasurer borrow \$1,000, to be expended on the Poor Farm, the amount to be a funded debt on the Poor's Farm on the Municipality, and to be paid as the present funded debt.—Passed.

On motion of Councillors Shatford and Ryan, the Report of the Finance Committee passed as a whole.

The Warden submitted the following

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY.

Your Committee, in reporting at this Session of the Council, beg to call your attention to the necessity of making provision for certain unavoidable expenditures in connection with the Court House, Jail premises and Poores' Farm. The changes and repairs in the Court House rendered necessary for the proper protection of public documents, etc., required an expenditure of about \$400. On the Jail premises, the fence on the southern side, to which the attention of your Committee has been repeatedly called during the past two years, cannot, with safety, be longer deferred. The property on the other side (the Governor's garden) is vested in the Province, and the Local Government necessarily bear a portion of the expense. An interview was had, and we referred to the Provincial Engineer, who proposed a plan and estimate for a brick wall. This is unquestionably the best kind of a fence, being more durable and serviceable, and not very much more expensive than a wooden one. The provision necessary for this will be somewhere about \$600. The Poores' Farm has been fairly launched into working order, there being during the first quarter 13 occupants—6 from the County and 7 from Dartmouth. The Committee have received from Dr. Reid, of the Insane Asylum, a list of over 23 persons now in that institution eligible for removal to the Poores' Farm. The proper settlement of several of these is a disputed matter, and our Committee consider it injudicious to receive such until their nativity or settlement is adjusted. It is doubtful if we can make those persons chargeable on Districts. Besides this, we found it was necessary to have a suitable yard or field at the Farm, enclosed with a high fence, in order to allow proper airing and outside exercise, without danger of the inmates straying away or escaping. This could not be put up in the winter time, but arrangements have been made and the material ordered for the fence, to be completed immediately the frost permits of sinking the posts, and we will probably be ready to take over the inmates by the 1st of May. The Keeper presents a Report up to 31st March, showing 13 inmates. Of these, 1 from District 18, and 1 from District 23, have been there since 1887; 2 from District 22, and 1 from District 31, were admitted in February; and 1 from District 33, and 7 from Dartmouth in March. District 18 has paid up all charges to 21st March. No other District has yet paid anything. Tenders for supplies were asked for, for the Institution, for one year, from 1st April, 1888, and the offer of E. M. Walker, of Dartmouth, was accepted, as being the lowest and most satisfactory. An inven-

tory of provisions and general household supplies on hand at the end of the quarter amounts to \$180, and of horse, cow, vehicle, etc., \$247, as assets on hand. For proper maintenance and stocking of the farm, a list of requisites is herewith annexed, amounting to an estimated sum of \$250, and for additional conveniences, arrangements, etc., \$200, from which we recapitulate thus:—For Court House, say, \$400; for Poors' Farm, \$450, making a total of \$850, for which your Committee ask the Council to make provision; and in view of the fact, that so far as can be seen, this will be all the extraordinary expenses which will arise against the County for several years to come, they offer the suggestion, leaving it with the Council to consider whether it would not be judicious, under the circumstances, to hire \$1,000, with repayment to extend over a period of four years.

Read, in connection, a letter from Dr. N. F. Cunningham, Dartmouth, offering his services as Physician, and stating terms therefor, for Visiting, to Inspect, and for Treating Patients, etc., once a week, \$100 for first year; Extra visits for emergencies or accidents, \$4.00; Drugs to be ordered at the Druggists as required.

(Sgd.) B. C. WILSON, Chairman.

The Report, re-read in sections, was fully discussed. The employment of a Medical Visitor was left to the discretion of the Committee; and the code of Instructions for Commissioners, Keeper and Inmates, which were drawn up by the Special Committee, was submitted and approved. (See pages 71 and 72.)

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Himelman, the Reports passed as a whole.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Bissett,

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer pay the Councillors \$2.00 per day during the Session, and mileage, and that the absent Councillors be exonerated from fines.—Passed.

On motion of Councillors Himelman and Hays,

*Resolved*, That the Minutes of this Session be printed, as heretofore.—Passed.

On motion, the Council adjourned *sine die*.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.





# HALIFAX COUNTY POORS' FARM.

## INSTRUCTIONS TO KEEPER.

1st.—The Keeper shall have entire control of the Institution in accordance with instructions received from the Commissioners, and define the duties of all Assistant Keepers or Overseers when any such are employed, and direct and instruct the inmates in the performance of such duties as they are mentally or physically capable of, and be responsible for the general welfare and protection of the Institution and property. The Matron's services shall be in harmony with the Keeper, and appertain more particularly to the care of the rooms and domestic matters and the female inmates.

2nd.—He shall admit inmates only on authority signed by the Chairman.

3rd.—In case any inmates are discharged, removed or are absent without leave for more than one week, he or she shall not be re-admitted, except on a new order as at first admitted.

4th.—He shall keep in books, provided for the purpose, a record of all inmates, their names, ages, religion, date of admission, to whom charged, or any other information of importance. Also, a visitors book of record, in which the names and addresses of all visitors are to be inscribed, also a record of all supplies and articles of all description received on the premises, and so far as known, whom from; as well as a list of all articles grown or produced on the Farm, and how disposed of. Also, a record of all insubordination, if any, on part of inmates, and what punishments or repressive measures were adopted.

5.—As regards Visitors, he shall afford such attention as the importance of the individual or circumstances or politeness demand, but shall not thereby neglect his other duties. He shall not allow persons or visitors about the premises unless they record their names and addresses.

6.—At the end of each year he shall make up a Report to the Commissioners for the County Council, embodying a list of all inmates during the year, with all information as to time of occupancy, age, etc. Also, discharges, removals, births or deaths, if any, as well as an inventory of all supplies, animals, plants, products, etc., up to end of such year.

7th.—He shall monthly, or from time to time as the case may

demand, give to the Visiting Commissioners, or forward to the County Clerk, a statement of articles required for the establishment, and get an order on the prescribed form.

8th.—In case of insubordination, or refusal of inmates to do as instructed, the keeper shall have authority to compel obedience by such punishment as solitary confinement, with or without food, for a limited period, but not to exceed 24 hours for any one offence, and in case of inmates not coming to their meals at the regular hours, and when called or notified so to do, they shall then lose such meal, and not be entitled to any thing till the next meal, but the keeper shall have discretionary power in cases of sick or very young or very old and infirm persons. In case of persistent and continued insubordination, the Keeper shall specially report the case to the Commissioners for their adjudication.

9th.—FOOD.—All Food served in the Institution shall be clean, sound and wholesome, and sufficiently varied to ensure health to the occupants.

It is advised that fish be especially served on two days in the week, one of which shall be Friday, and the other any day most convenient and economical.

That fresh meat be served at least once a week, when most convenient,

That soup or broth, or stew of some kind be served each day at dinner.

That porridge, oatmeal or cornmeal, be served at each breakfast.

That vegetables be served as frequently as circumstances will permit.

That in the use of bread, meat, tea, coffee, molasses, any special allowance to particular inmates, either in health or sickness, and the time and quantities allowed shall be subject to the discretion of the Keeper and Matron, as also the various appointments to several meals or individuals. Also, that the Keeper, Matron and Visiting Committee shall, from time to time, aid the advisory committee on such topics.

The foregoing Regulations and Instructions are to be delivered or a copy thereof to the Keeper of the Poores' Farm for his guidance.

B. C. WILSON,  
*Committee on Public Property.*

# LIST OF DISTRICT OFFICERS

FOR THE

COUNTY OF HALIFAX FOR THE YEAR 1888.

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## DISTRICT No. 7.

HERRING COVE. Overseer Statute Labor.—Thos. Hayes, Sr.  
Constable—Edward S. Hayes. Collector—Michael Sullivan. Re-  
visor—Edward Hayes (W.'s son). Overseers of Poor—Arch. Bracket,  
John Brown (G.'s son), Patrick Scallion. Fence Viewer—William  
Adams.

FERGUSON'S COVE. Overseer Statute Labor—Thomas Lynch.  
Constable—William Lynch. Fence Viewer—James Conway.

SPRYFIELD. Overseer Statute Labor—Thomas Roach. Con-  
stable—Charles Oakley.

PURCELL'S COVE. Overseer Statute Labor—Charles Purcell.  
Constable—Samuel Purcell (3rd).

QUEEN'S QUARRIES. Overseer Statute Labor—Patrick Keefe.  
Assessors—Thomas Delukery, Francis Henrion, Sr.

## DISTRICT No. 8.

Revisor—Moses Brooks.

Presiding Officer—Jeremiah Holland (2nd).

Collector—Francis McDonald.

Assessors—Christopher Purcell, Hugh Munro.

Overseers of Poor—Daniel Martin, Jeremiah Holland, John  
Sullivan.

Overseers of Public Landing—William Smith, Jeremiah Holland.

PORTUGUESE COVE. Overseers of Statute Labor—John White,  
Francis J. Purcell.

Constables—Patrick Power, Charles Petipas.

Fence Viewer—Edward Powers.

KETCH HARBOR. Overseers of Statute Labor—William Flemming,  
(1st), John Brooks.

Constables—Charles R. Martin, William Martin.

Fence Viewer—John O'Neil.

DUNCAN'S COVE. Overseer of Statute Labor—Jeremiah Holland.

Fence Viewer—Lawrence Johnson.

BEAR COVE. Overseer of Statute Labor—James Johnson.

Constable—William Johnson, (3rd).

Fence Viewer—Joseph Johnson.

### DISTRICT No. 9.

Overseers of Roads—John J. Smith, Sambro South ; Benjamin Smith, Sambro North ; Caleb Gray, Creek ; George Findley, sr., Coot Cove ; Andrew Twohig, Pennant ; John Schnair, Long Cove ; George Schnair, East Pennant ; Henry Smith, Ball Rock.

Constables—Samuel Smith, Joseph Marryatt, James G. Smith.

Overseers of Poor—George H. Marryatt, Isaac Gray, Lewis H. Gray.

Fence Viewer—Simon Vaughn.

Assessors—Rufus Gray, Charles Twohig.

Collector—James H. Henneberry.

Revisor—John E. Tough.

Presiding Officer—Andrew Gray, jr.

### DISTRICT No. 10.

Collector of County and Poor Rates—Clarence Christian.

Assessors—Joseph D. Merlin, John D. Christian.

Road Overseers—George Mason, No. 1, Prospect ; Patrick Dugan, jr., No. 2, do. ; Michael Kavanagh, No. 3, do. ; James T. Redmond, Shag Bay ; Alex. Noonan, Kelly's Point ; George Selig, Ferry Road.

Constables—Michael Walsh (son of Wm.), William P. Christian (son of John P.), James Kavanagh.

Overseers of Poor—Samuel Christian, James A. Coolen, George Merlin.

Presiding Officer—N. P. Christian.

Revisor—Lawrence Saul.

Health Officer—Wm. B. Christian.

In charge of Public Landings—Patrick W. Christian.

### DISTRICT No. 11

Presiding Officer—Robert Munro.

Revisor—Robert Munro.

Collector—James Cornelius.

Assessors—James E. Grono, Judson J. Hubley.

Surveyors of Highways—James W. Fraser, William J. Cornelius, John Grono, Peter B. Isnor, Amos Corkum, Samuel Richardson, Harvey Manuel, Norman Covey.

Constables—William Miller, William J. Cornelius, James E. Grono, George C. Allen, Amos Corkum, Walter Garrison, Rupert Daubin.

Overseers of Poor—Peter B. Isnor, John W. Richardson, William J. Cornelius.

Fence Viewers—Isaiah Cornelius, William Grono, (2nd), George Covey, James L. Richardson, Rupert Daubin.

Pound Keeper—John Grono.

### DISTRICT No. 12.

Assessors—John R. Umlah, Simon P. Boutilier, Isaac Dauphney.  
Collector—Peter J. Boutilier.

Revisor—Isaac Croucher.

Presiding Officer—Alfred Woger,

Overseers of Poor—Edmond Deal, Henry Garrison, John Longard.

Overseers of Statute Labor—Edmund Redmond, Neil McDonald, Edmund Deal, Abraham Burchill, John Awalt, Francis Frederick, Jeremiah Tanner, Isaac Joe Boutilier, Stephen Smith, James Slaughenwhite, Peter Brunswick, jr., John Johnson, Freeman Boutilier.

Constables—William Joe Boutilier, William Collishaw, Peter Dauphney, jr., Levi Hubley, John M. Boutilier, Isaac Connolly, George A. Dauphney, Samuel J. R. Boutilier, John Slaughenwhite, Norman Boutilier.

Fence Viewers—Benjamin Barkhouse, George P. Boutilier, Isaac Murphy, Stephen Longard, John Smith, James Swallow.

### DISTRICT No. 13.

Overseers of Poor—Benjamin Brunt, John Merlin, Charles Marriott, Secretary.

Overseers of Statute Labor—William Umlah, Brookside; Robert A. Yeadon, Turn's Bay Road; Charles Drysdale, Green Head; John W. Umlah, Beech Hill; George S. Umlah, Spryfield; George W. Marriott, Alex. Fraser, Harrietsfield.

Constables—Albert Marriott, Alfred Drysdale, Charles Raine.

Collector of County Rates—John Drysdale, Green Head.

Assessors—John W. Umlah, Robert A. Yeadon.  
 Presiding Officer—John W. Umlah.  
 Revisor—George Marriott.

## DISTRICT No. 14.

Assessors—E. L. Fenerty, Robert Pickford.  
 Collector—Peter J. Gephard.  
 Overseers Statute Labor—Three-Mile House to N. W. Arm Bridge,  
 Amos Geizer; Arm Bridge to McIntosh Bridge, Andrew Yeadon;  
 N. W. Arm Bridge to Canal Bridge, Joseph McCleave; Lower Arm,  
 Robert Innis, Amos Slauenwhite; South Side Chocolate Lake, John  
 Rose.  
 Fence Viewer—George Deal.  
 Constables—Wm. Purcell, Fred West.  
 Board of Health—J. Billman, Chas. Bennett, G. P. Henry.  
 Hog Reeve—George Deal.  
 Overseers of Poor—Geo. P. Henry, P. J. Gephard.  
 Presiding Officer—E. L. Fenerty.

## DISTRICT No. 15.

Assessors—Alfred Bayers, Richard Richardson.  
 Collector of Taxes—James Doyle.  
 Revisor—Thomas Payne.  
 Presiding Officer—Robert Allen.  
 Surveyor of Lumber—James Archibald.  
 Overseers of Poor—Andrew Hefler, Jeremiah Daniels, Robert  
 Allen.  
 Health Officer—Joseph Starr.  
 Constables—Edward Boutilier, Raymond Bayers, Alfred Tolston.  
 Fence Viewers—Thomas Mitchel, Dougald McEachren.  
 Pound Keeper—George Room.  
 Appraisers of Damages—W. Y. Gray, J. A. R. Wier.  
 Overseers of Statute Labor—From 3 Mile House to 7 Mile House,  
 J. C. N. Paw; from 7 Mile House to Sackville Bridge, James Doyle;  
 from Piers' Mill, so called, to Kearney's Road, Walter Oaks.  
 Board of Health—Joseph Archibald, Andrew Hefler, J. E.  
 Warner.

## DISTRICT No. 16.

Presiding Officer—Henry Schmidt.  
 Revisor—Amos Bezanson.  
 Assessors—James Schmidt, Freeman Haverstock, James Kehoe.  
 Collector of Rates—Samuel Isenor.

Overseers of Statute Labor—James Havestock, sr., Pierce Byrnes, Henry Locus, David Anderson, George Langille, Reuben David.

Constables—Samuel Isenor, George Mason, jr., Samuel Whyly, Jamus Locus.

Overseers of Poor—Amos Bezanson, Secty., William Shay, George Mason, jr.

Fence Viewers—William Schmidt, Michael Shay.

### DISTRICT No. 17.

Presiding Officer—Elias Calkin, Old Windsor Road.

Revisor—Francis Webber, J. P., Old Windsor Road.

Collector—Charles Fenerty New Windsor Road.

Assessors—John Davies, New Windsor Road; C. Peverill, Old Windsor Road; David A. Nicholson, Beaver Bank.

Overseers of Roads—Section 1, Sackville Iron Bridge to Twelve Mile Corner, also Lilly Lake Road, Robert Ward, Lower Fork; 2, New Windsor Road from Lower Fork to Conly Road, Robert Barrett; 3, New Windsor Road, from Conley Road to Upper Fork, including Cross Road to Beaver Bank Road and Jubilee Road, George Barrett; 4, From Upper Fork to Mrs. Whitman's Gate, Walter Bambrick; 5, From Mrs. Whitman's Gate to Hants County Line, John Lewis; 6, Old Windsor Road, from Lower Fork to Conley Road, Charles Peverill; 7, Old Windsor Road, from Conley Road to Upper Fork, including Gulliver's Lane, David Pulsifer; 8, Old Springfield Road, Robert Patton; 9, Beaver Bank (lower section) Benjamin Dean; 10, Beaver Bank Road (upper section), David Shuneman; 11, Old Cobequid Road, from Railway Fork to Railway Line, John Williams; 12, From Rail Road to Fletcher's, John A. Robertson; 13, Road South-east Railway, near Bedford Basin, William McGrath; 14, Border Section, between Districts Nos. 17 and 18, John A. Robertson.

Constables—John Peverill, Lower Sackville; Joseph Hefler, Middle Sackville; Joseph Robertson, Lower Sackville.

Fence Viewers—Samuel Weston, Springfield; George Fultz, Lower Fork.

Surveyor of Lumber—Nathan Ellfs, Middle Sackville.

Pound Keeper—Richard Peverill, Lower Sackville.

Overseers of Poor—C. H. Kerr, Thirteen Mile House; Gray Schultz, Old Windsor Road.

### DISTRICT No. 18.

Revisor—John Stephen.

Assessors—Wm. M. King; John E. McDonald.

Overseers of Poor—John Stephen, A. R. Tullock, A. B. Temple.



Collector of Rates—John Stephen.

Keeper of Scales—John Lingley.

Constables—Gasper Osborne, John E. McDonald, Albert Stuart, M. Tobin, Jas. Skerry, jr., Wm. Morrison.

Fence Viewers—Wm. M. King, Jas. Skerry, Andrew Horne.

Surveyors of Wood, &c.—Albert Stuart, Jas. Rutherford, Dennis Ryan, Wm. Cantfield.

Surveyors of Highways—Sec. No. 1, James Skerry, jr. ; No. 2, Albert Stuart ; No. 3, Wm. M. King ; No. 4, John Furgesson ; No. 5, Patrick Doyle ; No. 6, Jas Rutherford ; No. 7, Andrew Horne ; No. 8, John E. McDonald ; No. 9, James Otto ; No. 11, Wm. Wrin ; No. 12, Edmund Thomas.

Board of Health—Peter Sprigs, A. B. Temple, John E. Hardiman.  
Presiding Officer—Albert Stuart.

### DISTRICT No. 19.

Overseers of Roads—Section No. 1, Thomas Logan ; Sec. 2, Israel Keys ; Sec. 3, Norman Logan ; Sec. 4, Robert Logan ; Sec. 5, James Dowling ; Sec. 6, William McGeorge ; Sec. 7, Robinson Woodworth ; Sec. 8, John Jodrey ; Sec. 9, Samuel McMullen ; Sec. 10, James Rankins ; Sec. 11, Alexander McWilliams ; Sec. 12, Robert Jas. Moore ; Sec. 13, James Wilson, jr. ; Sec. 14, Sylvanus Corbett ; Sec. 15, Robert Newman ; Sec. 16, Isaac Isenor ; Sec. 17, George Fleming.

Assessors—James E. Annand, Norman Logan.

Revisors—John Merson, Robert H. Killough.

Overseers of Poor—Terrence Carroll, John Merson, James McDonald.

Fence Viewers—James Woodworth, John Benjamin.

Surveyors of Lumber—William Annand, George Cook.

Constables—Gordon McKeen, William McGeorge, Daniel Isenor, Edward Isenor.

Cattle Reeve—James Grono.

Collector—John K. Andrews.

Presiding Officer—John K. Andrews.

### DISTRICT No. 20.

Presiding Officer—Thomas Wilkes, Esq.

Constables—James Dunbrack, of John 2nd, Thomas Cole, Robert Dunbrack, of John of C's., George Miller, Arthur Cruickshank.

Revisor—John McMullen, of Joseph.

Assessors—John Dunbrack, of John 2nd, John Milne.

Collector—John McMullen, of James.

Overseers of Poor—Sidney Dickey, George Sibley, John Seeton.

Treasurer—James Murphy.

Surveyors of Lumber—John Ledwidge, Miles Grant, D. B. Bayers, George Tulley, Edwin Hirtle.

Scalor of Logs—Alexander Hurley.

Fence Viewers—John Dunbrack, of Charles, William McLean.

Appraisers—Duncan B. Bayers, Joseph B. Seeton.

Overseers of Roads—Sec. No. 1, Andrew Dickey ; Sec. 2, Sidney Dickey ; Sec. 3, James Dunbrack, of John 2nd ; Sec. 4, Alex. Cole ; Sec. 5, James Streath ; Sec. 6, John Gilbert ; Sec. 7, John Dilman ; Sec. 8, John McMullen, of Jas. ; Sec. 9, James Wyse ; Sec. 10, Arthur Cruickshank ; Sec. 11, George Butler ; Sec. 13, Jas. G. Kerr ; Sec. 13, Michael Smith, Sec. 14, Daniel McDougall ; Sec. 15, John Ledwidge ; Sec. 16, Henry Reeves.

#### DISTRICT No. 21.

Overseers of Roads—Sec. 1, William J. Archibald ; Sec. 2, Watson McCurdy ; Sec. 3, William Logan ; Sec. 4, Joseph P. Taylor ; Sec. 5, John McFatridge ; Sec. 6, Robt. McFatridge ; Sec. 7, Alex. J. Reid ; Sec. 8, James Watson ; Sec. 9, Arthur Gladwin ; Sec. 10, Reuben Ellis ; Sec. 11, Samuel P. White ; Sec. 12, Archibald McFatridge ; Sec. 13, Adam Fleck ; Sec. 14, William McLean ; Sec. 15, Ephraim Scott ; Sec. 16, William J. McMullen ; Sec. 17, George Bell ; Sec. 18, William Taylor ; Sec. 19, John McFatridge ; Sec. 20, Robert Ervin ; Sec. 21, William Leck ; Sec. 22, Henry Morris ; Sec. 23, Arthur Higgins.

Overseers of Poor—Robt. A. Logan, Francis Guild, William McCurdy.

Surveyors of Lumber—James Murphy, James Murchey, David Nelson.

Constables—Hugh J. Reid, George Bell, W. J. McMullin, Adam McLeod.

Fence Viewers—George Dickey, Esq., William McCurdy, George Bell, Samuel Dickey.

Revisor—George McLeod.

Assessors of Rates—Robert A Logan, Thomas Guild.

Collector of Rates—Watson McCurdy.

Presiding Officer—Robt. A. Logan.

#### DISTRICT No. 22.

Overseers of Poor—William Archibald, 3rd ; John G. Reynolds, Edmund Henry.

Constables—Arthur Kent, John Redmond, Neil Archibald, Frank Henry, George Kent, Orlo Geddes.

Collector of Rates—William Henry.  
 Assessors—Wm. Horton, T. P. Dean.  
 Surveyors of Lumber—Edward Hamilton, Harrison Holman,  
 John Barron.  
 Surveyors of Logs—James D. D. Henry, William F. Redman.  
 Fence Viewers—Frank Henry, William Horton, George Kent.  
 Health Officer—William Pearson, M. D.  
 District Clerk—Saml. J. Henry.  
 Presiding Officer—David Archibald, Esq.  
 Cattle Reeves—Charles Henry, Daniel Ross.  
 Pound Keeper—Edmund Henry.  
 To Swear in Town Officers—John G. Reynolds, Esq.  
 Revisor—G. H. Parker.  
 Overseers of Highways—Nos, 1, Sidney Hamilton ; 2, William  
 Lemond ; 3, Orlo Geddes ; 4, James Dean, 4th ; 5, George Stewart ;  
 6, Samuel Archibald ; 7, Charles Stewart ; 8, James McFatridge ;  
 9, Edwin Diller ; 10, William Butcher ; 11, Sidney Archibald ; 12  
 William Drady ; 13, Richard Farnell ; 14, David Fisher ; 15, Ben-  
 jamin Hutchison ; 16, Horton Watson ; 17, David Archibald ; 18,  
 James Benvie ; 19, John Redman ; 20, John Redden ; 21, Robert  
 Miller ; 22, John Dechman ; 24, Robt. Wright ; 26, John Dechman ;  
 26, Kidson Henry ; 27, Augustus Hamilton ; 28, Alexr. Flemming ;  
 29, Gordon Farnell.

#### DISTRICT No. 23.

Assessors—John P. Slaunwhite, Dennis Ryan.  
 Revisor—Wm. H. Ryan.  
 Collector of Rates—Michael Rice.  
 Fence Viewer—John P. Slaunwhite.  
 Overseers of Public Property and Public Landing—John P.  
 Slaunwhite, James W. Slaunwhite, Peter Jollimore.  
 Presiding Officer—Michael Rice.  
 Constables—John Jollimore, Turn's Bay ; Alfred O'Brien, Lower  
 Prospect.  
 Overseers of Statute Labor—Edward Slaunwhite, (Edward's son),  
 Turn's Bay, District No. 1 ; Daniel Slaunwhite, (Edward's son),  
 District No. 2 ; George Coolen, Lower Prospect.  
 Overseers of Poor—Dennis Ryan, James W. Slaunwhite, Peter  
 Jollimore.

#### DISTRICT No. 24.

Fence Viewers—William G. Pye, James U. Smith.  
 Assessors—Joseph Ashton, Thomas J. Smith.  
 Collector—David H. Moser.  
 Overseers of Statute Labor—Section No. 1, Joseph Miers ; Sec. 2,

Jasper Moser ; Sec. 3, Zaree W. Pye ; Sec. 4, Jas. McG. Smith ; Sec. 5, David Smith ; Sec. 6, Henry Pye ; Sec. 7, George Hartling ; Sec. 8. Louis Kindervater.

Overseers of Poor—Ephraim Moser, Solomon Fancy.

Lumber and Log Surveyors—Daniel Cameron, Matthew McMan, Solomon Fancy.

Presiding Officer—Edward Moser.

Constables—William H. Jewers, Alexander Pye, Edwin Moser, William Fancy.

Health Officers—George Hartling, J. P., Andrew Drillio, Enos Moser.

#### DISTRICT No. 25.

Presiding Officer—John F. McKenzie, J. P.

Revisor—Edward Quillinan.

Collector—Finlay McMillan, M. D.

Assessors—James A. Lindsay, William Lowe.

Overseers of Poor—Thos. A. Baker, Hugh Dunn, William Sutherland.

Health Officer—Finlay McMillan, M. D.

Pound Keeper—Thomas Hall.

Fence Viewers—William Rutledge, William Sutherland.

Road Overseers—Sec. 1, P. P. McArty ; Sec. 2, Ronald McDonald ; Sec. 3, William Lowe ; Sec. 4, John Verge ; Sec. 5, William Wambold ; Sec. 6, John Power ; Sec. 7, Daniel Farrel ; Sec. 8, Michael Killen.

Constables—William Knight, Daniel Farrel, Patrick Coady, Robert Sampell, Andrew McDonald, Aaron Roode, John Verge, Isaac Wambold.

Surveyors of Lumber—Thomas A. Baker, Andrew McDonald, P. J. Murphy, Angus McDonald, James A. Lindsay, Abijah Scott, James H. Burns.

#### DISTRICT No. 26.

Assessors—George Hilchie, Henry McKenzie.

Collector—Geo. Conrod.

Revisor—Henry Leslie.

Presiding Officer—D. T. Leslie.

Overseers of Poor—Robert Gaston, John Hutt, George Leslie, jr.

Constables—Alex. Mason, Jas. Jennings, Charles Percival, Geo. Leslie, jr., Gasper Leslie, D. R. Josey, Cons. Henley, Alfred McKenzie, William Myers, Peter Coffee, George Player, Thomas Borgle, Thomas Hilchie, M. C. Davidson, Josiah Clattenburg, Hiram Hilchie, George Hilchie, Gregory Murphy, William Power, Charles Murphy.

Surveyors of Wood and Measurers of Lumber—James P. Miller, Thomas Hilchie.

Fence Viewers—D. R. Josey, Abram Gerrard, James Jennings, Thomas Borgle, Thomas Hilchie.

Overseers of Statute Labor—Thomas Hilchie for Mooseland ; Sec. No. 1, William McCarthy ; Sec. 2, Charles Leslie ; Sec. 3, W. Henley, sr. ; Sec. 4, Thomas Hawes ; Sec. 5, William Myers ; Sec. 6, George Conrod ; Sec. 7, Abram Gerrard ; Sec. 8, Alexander Hart ; Sec. 9, Anthony Cooper ; Sec. 10, George Hilchie ; Sec. 11, Benjamin Newcomb ; Sec. 12, William E. Murphy ; Sec. 13, George Cameron, Jonathan Irving, Mooseland Mines.

### DISTRICT No. 27.

Overseers of Statute Labor—Musquodoboit, Harbor Section No. 1, Charles Slade ; Sec. 2, George Mosher ; Sec. 3, George A. Mosher ; Sec. 4, Amos Slaughenwhite ; Sec. 5, John Hawkins ; Sec. 6, John Gaetz, jr. Jeddore Head, West, Sec. 1, John Warnold ; Sec. 2, Colin Myers, (M.'s son) ; Sec. 3, Joseph Dooks ; Sec. 4, Gordon Blakeney ; Sec. 8, Jeremiah Harpel, jr. Jeddore Head, East, Sec. 1, James Myers ; Sec. 2, John W. Mitchell ; Sec. 3, James Foley ; Sec. 4, ; Sec. 5, Isaac Hopkins. Hartlin's Settlement, Stephen Jennex. Lakeville, Sec. 1, Henry Webber ; Sec. 2, David McPherson ; Sec. 3, Samuel Webber. Clam Harbor, Sec. 1, Frederick Stoddard ; Sec. 2, William Homans, jr. Owl's Head, Sec. 1, David Palmer ; Sec. 2, John Debay. Ship Harbor, Sec. 1, Lawrence Markes ; Sec. 2, Capt. John Siteman ; Sec. 3, James Eisan.

Constables—Richard Stevens, John Mosher, Henry Bowser, Albert Slaughenwhite, Peter A. Harpell, Henry Guild, Benjamin Faulkner, Joseph Day, James Myers (son of James), Colin Mitchell (son of Colin), George Arnold, John Marks, George Newcomb, Ebenezer Homans, John W. Webber, Gardner Wilson, John G. Webber, George Blakeney.

Fence Viewers—John Williams, Henry Newcomb, Colin Mitchell, Josiah Myers, John Smith, James Arnold, John Jennix.

Overseers of Poor—Charles M. Dean, John Faulkner, Stephen Jennex.

Assessors—Robert J. Stevens, Conrad Marks, Peter W. Maskell.

Revisor—Henry S. Guild.

Presiding Officer—George A. Jamieson, M. D.

Surveyors of Lumber—Andrew Mitchell, William Robson, Josiah Myers, Lewis Hill.

Health Officer—George A. Jamieson, M. D.

Collector of Rates—John D. Mitchell.

Bridge Keeper—Albert Warnell.

## DISTRICT No. 28.

Overseers of Statute Labor—Section 1. From William Graham's to Main Road, Henry Myrey. 2. From David Graham's to Main Road, George Ogilvie. 3. From Rocky Run Bridge to Gaetz's Bridge, Seaforth, Andrew Leslie. 4. From Gaetz's Bridge to Lapierre's line, John Niforth. 5. From Isaac Lapierre's to George Conrod's, John Ferguson. 6. Back Road, from Niforth's to Main Road, Charles Niforth. 7. From Prosper Lapierre's to John Conrad's Bridge, Jeremiah Fillis. 8. Lake Road, Francis Lapierre. 9. From Martin Lapierre's to Dyke, John Julien. 10. From John Conrad's Bridge to Church Gate, Benjamin Bellfountain. 11. From Main Road to Canterbury Bridge, Charles Bellfountain. 12. From Church Gate to Clergy's Bridge, and back to west end of New Road, Dennis Murphy. 13. From Clergy's Bridge to Harvey's Road, Michael Romo. 14. Shore Road, Oliver Bonnevie. 15. From Main Road to Oliver Myett's, Dominick Murphy.

Overseers of Poor—John Conrod, John's son; Joseph Wolfe, James Gaetz, Edward's son.

Assessors of County Rates—Wm. Myette; John Julien, Joseph's son; James Gaetz, Edward's son.

Collector—Lawrence Bellfountain.

Constables—James Lapierre, Lawrence Bellfountain, George Pettipas, Charles Niforth.

Fence Viewers—Charles Bellfountain, Frank Bellfountain.

Appraisers of Damages—John Conrod, John's son; Joseph Wolfe.

Revisor—Simon Lapierre, Joseph's son.

Presiding Officer—George Lapierre.

Keeper of Canterbury Bridge—George Myatt.

## DISTRICT No. 29.

Overseers of Statute Labor—Road Section No. 1. James T. Sellers, from Salmon River to Minerville Road. Sec. 2. Isaac Sellars, Charles R. Conrad's house to Minerville Road. Sec. 3. William Conrod, West Mouse Road to Dowerfield. Sec. 4. Joseph Lloy, Dowerfield to Rocky Run Bridge. Sec. 5. Patrick Daly, Minerville Road to W. Shaw's barn. Sec. 6. Daniel Dares, Shaw's barn to Canterbury Bridge. Sec. 7. George Clark, Canterbury Road to District Line. Sec. 8. James Goolworthy, jr., Canterbury Road and Merson's N. Line. Sec. 9. David Bauld, Merson's N. Line to G. Hay's barn. Sec. 10. Benjamin Deal, Monivan's Corner to District Line.

Constables—Thos. Gammon, Desbrisay Conrad, George Leslie, jr.

Overseers of Poor—George Hawkins, Gasper Leslie, John Lloy.

Assessors—Albert Leslie, John McDonald.

Fence Viewers—Patrick Conrod, George Lapierre.  
 Appraisers of Damages—Samuel Hiltz, Adam Leslie, Daniel  
 Murphy.

Revisor—John McDonald.

Presiding Officer—John McDonald.

Collector of Rates—James T. Sellars.

Keeper of Rocky Run Bridge—Joseph Lloy.

### DISTRICT No. 30.

Overseers of Roads—From Salmon River Bridge to Partridge  
 River, John George Glasgow, jr.; Partridge River to Salmon River,  
 David Cooper; Salmon River to Porter's Lake, Adam Griswell;  
 Main Post Road to Brown's Bridge, Horatio Davidson; Old Preston  
 Road, near Griffin's, to Main Post Road, John Nelson; Griffin's Cor-  
 ner, old road, to New Road, Joseph Smith; Frog Lake Road, John  
 Ewing; Upper O'Brien Street, John Dilloway; Lower O'Brien  
 Street, John Brown; Lake Eagle Road, John Johnson; Salmon River  
 Bridge, Old Road to Nelson's, James Colly; Ernest Mills to Hall's  
 New Road, Samuel Smith; Hall's Corner to Mrs. Kane's, William  
 Kane.

Appraisers of Damages—John Davidson, John Williams, Daniel  
 Johnson and George Carter.

Fence Viewers—Thomas Johnson, George Diggs and Benjamin  
 Gordon.

Constables—Daniel Downey, John Nelson, George Diggs and  
 Horatio Davidson.

Assessors—John Davidson, Charles Carter.

Overseers of Poor—Joseph Evans, Thomas Crawley, Benjamin  
 Gordon.

Collector of Rates—George Thomas.

Pound Keeper—George Thomas.

Revisor—Joseph Evans.

Presiding Officer—John Davidson.

### DISTRICT No. 31.

Assessors—James Farquharson, J. P., Daniel Brennan, Robert  
 Settle, jr.

Collector—Joseph Giles.

Overseers of Poor—Daniel Donovan, Alexander Hutchinson, jr.  
 John Settle.

Revisors—James Farquharson, J. P., 31, John Morash 31.

Overseers of Roads—Section No. 1. James Myles. Sec. 2. Albert  
 Shuffleburg. Sec. 3. Edwin Lethbridge. Sec. 4. Thomas Fisher.

Sec. 5. Judson Baker. Sec. 6. Alexander Hutchinson, jr. Sec. 7. William McKenzie. Sec. 8. Gore Montague. Sec. 9. James McDonald. Sec. 10. Henry Sparks. Sec. 11. Samuel Cribby. Sec. 12. William Eisnor. Sec. 13. John Hirtle. Sec. 14. Aubrey Hunt. Sec. 15. Artemus Eisnor. Sec. 16. John Lapiere. Sec. 17. John M. Watson. Sec. 18. Daniel Brennan. Sec. 19. John Giles. Sec. 20. Charles Lydiard. Sec. 21. John Settle. Sec. 22. Alexander Morash. Sec. 23. Enos Conrod.

Constables—William Farquharson, Alexander Niforth, Robert Bainbridge.

Fence Viewers—Edwd. Morash, Henry Giles, Robert Humphrey.  
Presiding Officer—James Farquharson.

### DISTRICT No. 32.

Assessors—John P. Webber, John Schwartz, Francis Mason.

Collector—P. F. Boutilier.

Revisor—John Mason.

Overseers of Roads—Thomas Mason, John B. Boutilier, Edmund Colp, Thomas Kennedy, Simon Colp, George L. Keans. Schwartz's Settlement—John Schwartz. Conrad Settlement—James Conrad. Boutilier's Point—William Boutilier, sr. Mason's Point—Samuel Mason. Slaughenwhite's Point—John Fader.

Constables—Lambert Conrad, Robert Colp, Zekiah Brigley, John N. Boutilier, Simon Colp, William Weaver, Thomas Dorey, William Boutilier, jr., Henry Conrad, John Reyno.

Overseers of Poor—Peter D. Dauphinee, John P. Webber, Ronald McAchern.

Fence Viewers—Ephraim Hubley, John D. Wynock, James Garrison, Nathaniel Mason.

Health Officer—James Conrad.

Presiding Officer—Peter D. Dauphinee.

### DISTRICT No. 33.

Assessors—Francis McDonald, Richard Bowes.

Collector of Rates—John Himelman.

Overseers of Statute Labor—William Heneberry, Frederick Perin, Lewis Himelman, James Hawkins, William Naugle, William Moser, Richard Bowes, Francis McDonald, John Smith.

Constables—James Myers, John Horn, jr., Lewis Romkey, George Williams, William Bowes, James Moser, George Morash.

Fence Viewers—Peter Moser, James Bowes, Enos DeYoung.

Board of Health—William Dunworth, Edward Trider, Thomas Heneberry, Alvin Hemeon.



Overseers of Poor—Francis McDonald, Enos DeYoung, George Bowes, sr.

Revisor—Daniel A. Moser.

Presiding Officer—John Himelman.

#### DISTRICT No. 34.

Presiding Officer—Wm. Romans.

Assessors—Henry Hartling, John T. Warren.

Collector—Edward O'Leary.

Overseers of Statute Labor—John Cameron, Beaver Harbor; Thomas Hartling, Salmon River West; Charles Diggins, Salmon River East; Alexander Gammon, West Quoddy; John O'Leary, sr., East Quoddy; George Snow, Snow's Island; Frederick Shiers, Harrigan Cove; Daniel Hattie, from Glawson's Shore to Branch Road of Dufferin Mines.

Constables—Neil Kirker, Alexander Gammon, Matthew Gallagher, and Leonard Whitman.

Overseers of Poor—James H. Whitman, Henry J. Balcom, J.P., John Kirker, J. P.

Revisor—John Kirker, J.P.. Fence Viewers—Wm. Smiley, sr., Lewis Hartling.

#### DISTRICT No. 35.

Road Overseers—Section No. 1, Arthur Killen; Sec. 2, Lemon Grant; Sec. 3, James Brown; Sec. 4, George Cruickshank; Sec. 5, John McWilliams; Sec. 6, Albert Higgins; Sec. 7, George W. Cole, Alexander Taylor.

Constables—Robert Ogilvie, John Ogilvie, George Cruickshank.

Fence Viewers—Prescott Dean, Alexander Taylor, James Brown.

Appraisers of Damages—Alex. McMullin, Thomas McMullin, A. G. Ogilvie, Samuel Burris.

Assessors of Rates—Edward Cruickshank, George W. Cole.

Collector of Rates—John W. Grant.

Revisor—Alexander McMullin.

Presiding Officer—A. G. Ogilvie.

District Clerk—Geo W. Cole.

#### DISTRICT No. 36.

Overseers of Statute Labor—East Petpiswick, Sec. 1, from David Power's, sr., house, to Kidd's Bridge, and head Musquodoboit Harbor to Rowling's Corner, including D. Power's, sr., David Power, jr.; Sec. 2, from Manse to James Bayers', Petpeswick, George Bayers;

Sec. 3, School-house to head of Smelt Brook, Alexander Gaetz; Sec. 4, Smelt Brook to Gilbert's Hill, including Gilbert's, James Bayers; Sec. 5, Gilbert's Hill to Chas. Clergy's, Charles Clergy; Sec. 6, Charles Clergy's to Seashore, William Bayers. West Petpiswick, Sec. 7, John Young's to Deep Cove, William Anderson, jr.; Sec. 8, Deep Cove to Little River, Samuel Ogilvie. Chezzetcook, Sec. 9, Long Bridge to Kaizer's store, William Wournell, jr.; Sec. 10, Kaizer's store to DeLukery's Bridge, John Myett; Sec. 11, DeLukery's Bridge to Lake Porter, Howe Kaizer; Sec. 12, Conrad's Settlement, Matthew Daly; Sec. 14, Larry Petipas' to Deep Cove, Dennis Smith, jr.; Sec. 15, Deep Cove to DeLukery's Point, John Conrad; Sec. 16, DeLukery's Point to Graff Beach, Jas. Conrad; Sec. 17, Chezzetcook Road to Port Peswick Harbor, John Conrad, jr.; Sec. 18, Crawford's Bridge to Gaetz's Camp, Archd. Crawford; Sec. 19, from Main Post Road to East Chezzetcook, through gold mines to main road, Petpiswick, John Weston.

Constables—Josiah Ferguson, James Owens, James Richards, Justin Colford, William Wournell, jr.; James McKinlay, Samuel Ogilvie, Alex. Gaetz.

Fence Viewers—John Conrad (Peter's son), James Ritcey, Capt. W. Wournell, Samuel Gaetz, Joseph Young, George Conrad.

Surveyors of Lumber—John Kidd, Alexander McInnis.

Revisor—John Anderson, sr.

Assessors—James Kaizer, George Kaizer, David Power, sr.

Collector—William Roast.

Presiding Officer—Capt. Wm. Wournell.

Overseers of Poor—Charles Conrad, Martin Gaetz, Samuel Gaetz.

Keeper Porter's Lake Bridge—Robt. Innes.

### DISTRICT No. 38.

Revisor—David Duggan.

Fence Viewers—Edward Morash, sr., Joseph Tanner.

Assessors—David McGrath, James Morash, jr.

Constables—John Hornish, James E. Zink.

Road Overseers—John McGrath, Cove Road, east side; Andrew W. Scott, east side; Martin Fader, Bay side; James S. Morash, Michael Morash, West Dover.

Collector of County and Poor Rates—William Baker.

Overseers of Poor—Robert Connors, sr., James Morash, sr., Noah Morash.

Presiding Officer—Norman Fader, Bay side.

Constable—Michael Morash.

Cattle Reeve—Thomas Lynch.



