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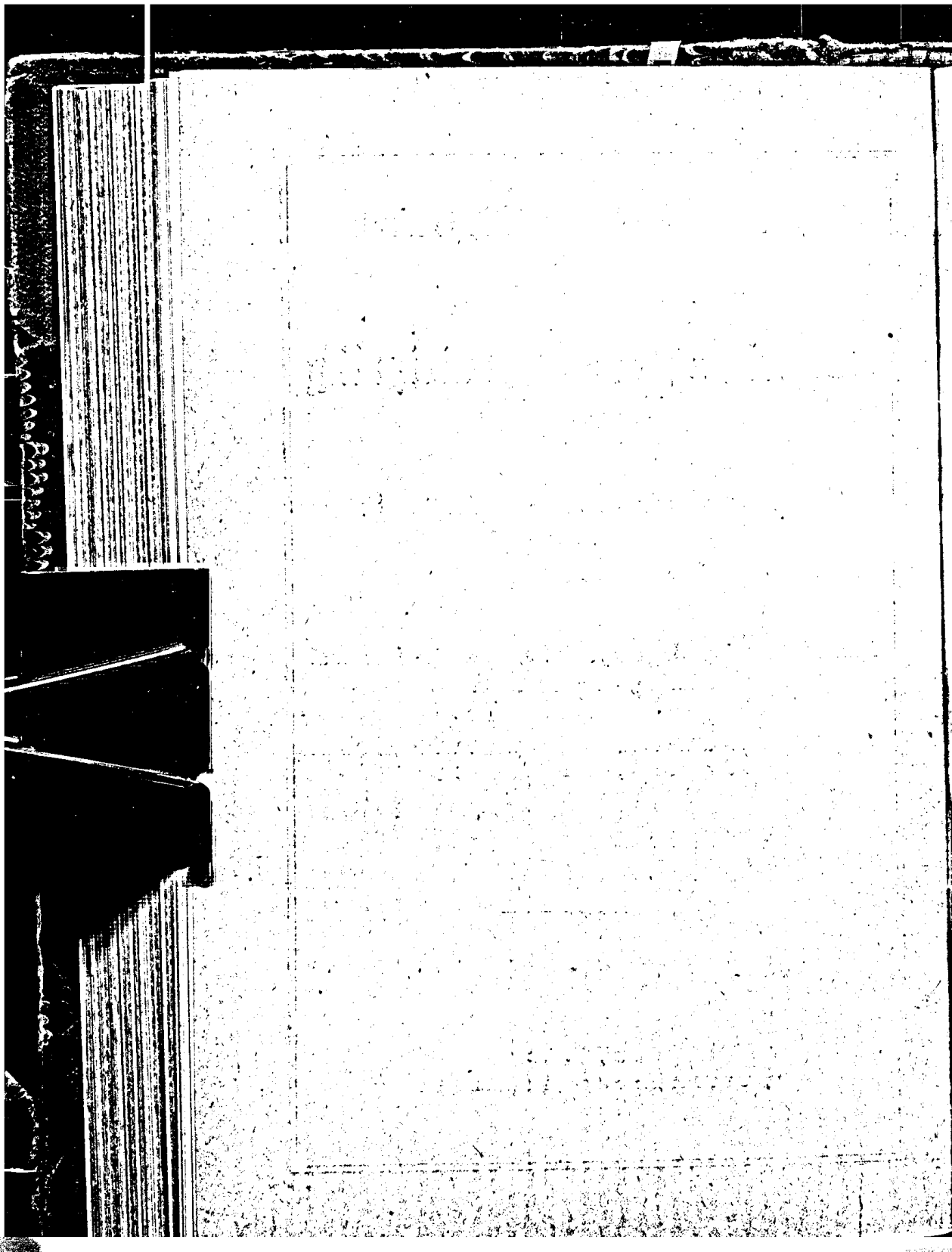
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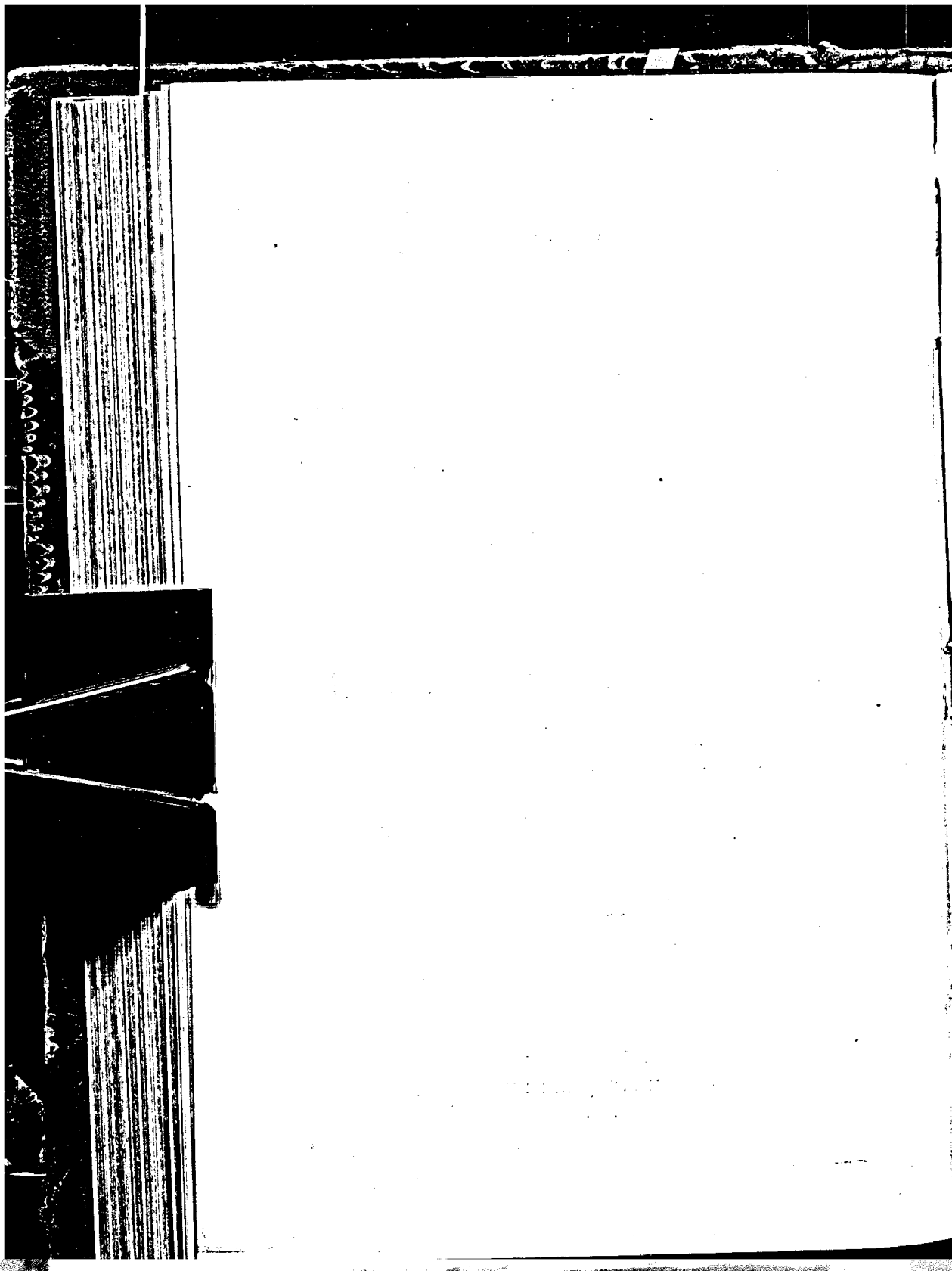
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COUNTY AUDITORS—S. S. SCOTT, W. C. BISHOP, Esqrs.
COUNTY TREASURER—W. H. WISWELL,

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1899.

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

Hospital for Insane—Negus, O'Leary, Johnston, Lydiard, Fleming, Munro.

Assessments—Madill, Hall, Burris, Hayes, O. Dauphiney, Thompson.

Road and Bridge—Henley, Stewart, Flemming, Webber, Sellers, Bartlett, I. Dauphiney.

License—Thompson, O'Leary, Scott, Lapierre, Gladwin, A. F. Smith.

Public Property—Butler, C. E. Smith, Vaughan, Thompson, Lydiard and Munro.

Finance—Shatford, McCallum, Burris, Madill, Henley, Hall.

Jury List—Bartlett, Negus, Butler.

Law Amendments—McCallum, Shatford, Madill, Henley, Sellers.

Poor—C. E. Smith, Cole, Walsh, Stewart, Gladwin, Raine.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

On Arbitration with the City and Dartmouth—The Warden, Councillors Negus, Shatford, and Fleming.

On Revision of the By-Laws—Councillors Butler, Fleming and Lydiard.

On Settlement with Dartmouth—Councillors Negus, Lydiard and Thompson.

On Conference with Dartmouth Board of Trade—The Warden, Councillors Lydiard, Shatford, Butler and Henley.

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COMMISSIONERS OF COURT HOUSE.

The Warden, Councillors A. Scott and J. H. Bartlett, Hon. Judge Weatherbe, Hon. J. W. Longley, (Attorney-General).

COUNTY OFFICERS, ETC.

Inspector of Licenses—D. W. B. Reid.

County Constables—Richard Burbridge, Chief; _____
Deputy Chief; Reuben C. Purcell, Geo. Wilson, Harry
N. Wright, George S. Innes, and Alex. W. Smith.

Keeper of County Jail—W. L. Malcolm. *Matron*—Mrs. T. A. Chambers.

Janitor of Court House—Alexander W. Smith.

Criers of Supreme Court—H. Hanson, J. W. Watt.

Stipendiary's Constable—Richard Burbridge.

Coroner's Constable—Joseph Spencer.

Keeper of Poor Farm—Jas. F. Turner.

Chairman Public Property Committee—N. E. Butler.

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—Jas. G. Foster, Esq.

Registrar of Probate—Henry T. Jones, Esq.

Deputy Registrar of Probate—Douglas Howe.

Vice-Admiralty Court Judge—The Chief Justice.

Registrar do.—Lewis W. Desbarres, Esq.

COUNTY COURT.

Judge—Hon. J. W. Johnston.

Clerk, &c.—S. H. Holmes, Esq.

Librarian of Law Library—Edw. Swanson.

Crier—W. G. Naylor.

The Court Room 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).

MUNICIPALITY OF HALIFAX COUNTY.

THE FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

TENTH MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

FIRST DAY.

HALIFAX, TUESDAY, JAN. 10TH, 1899.

The Councillors elected on the 15th Nov., 1898, were summoned by advertisement and special notice each to meet at the County Court House, Halifax, Tuesday, Jan. 10th, at noon, in the Council Room.

After assembling, the Clerk read Sections of the County Incorporation Act, by which he is Returning Officer and Chairman until after the election of a Warden.

The Roll was then called and shewed all the Councillors present, except D. Vaughan, elected for District 36.

The Clerk then proclaimed the following gentlemen duly elected, as shown by the Poll Books from the Presiding Officers:—

- District 7—Herring Cove—John Hayes.
- “ 8—Portuguese Cove—Hugh Munro.
- “ 9—Sambro—Chas. E. Smith.
- “ 10—Upper Prospect—James H. Walsh.
- “ 11—Hackett's Cove—Oswald Dauphiney.
- “ 12—French Village—Isaac Dauphiney.
- “ 13—Spryfield—Charles Raine.
- “ 14—N. W. Arm—H. M. McCallum.
- “ 15—Bedford—N. Edwd. Butler.
- “ 16—Hammond's Plains—Samuel Thompson, J.P.
- “ 17—Sackville—Jno. E. Flemming.
- “ 18—Waverley—B. C. Wilson, J.P.
- “ 19—Gay's River—Geo. H. Madill, J.P.
- “ 20—Meagher's Grant—Thomas Cole.

- District 21—Middle Musquodoboit—John Burris.
 “ 22—Upper Musquodoboit—Thos. S. Stewart.
 “ 23—Lower Prospect—J. H. Bartlett.
 “ 24—Moser’s River—Alex. F. Smith.
 “ 25—Sheet Harbor—Henry Hall.
 “ 26—Tangier—W. C. Henley.
 “ 27—Jeddore—Arthur Webber.
 “ 28—Chezzetcook—Danl. Lapierre.
 “ 29—Lawrencetown—James H. Sellars, J.P.
 “ 30—Preston—Thomas Johnson.
 “ 31—Cole Harbor—Samuel Lydiard.
 “ 32—Hubbard’s Cove—John E. Shatford, J.P.
 “ 33—Eastern Passage—Wm. F. Negus.
 “ 34—Salmon River—Thos. O’Leary, J.P.
 “ 35—Little River—A. H. Gladwin.
 “ 36—East Chezzetcook—David Vaughan.
 “ 38—Dover—Andrew Scott.

Each Councillor was then qualified by taking the Oath of Allegiance and Councillor’s Oath.

The Clerk remarked there were 15 new Councillors and fewer J.’s P. than heretofore, and stated the Council to be duly sworn.

He asked for nominations of Warden and Deputy Warden.

Ex-Warden Shatford declined nomination.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Walsh—

That W. C. Henley be Warden.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Flemming—

That B. C. Wilson be elected Warden.

The Clerk named Councillors Negus and Bartlett to count and register the ballots.

On the ballots being counted, there was found for B. C. Wilson 17, W. C. Henley—13 votes.

The Clerk declared Councillor Wilson duly elected Warden for the term of the Council.

The Warden was sworn into office and took the chair. After thanking the Council for the honor conferred on him, he said he hoped to perform, with their co-operation, the duties of the office satisfactorily.

Councillor Maddill was unanimously elected Deputy Warden, and thanked the Council for this expression of their confidence.

On motion, Councillors C. E. Smith, Fleming, Henley, Negus, Stewart and Walsh, were named a Committee to nominate the Standing Committees for the year. In amendment some other names were proposed, but withdrawn.

The Council adjourned to 2.30 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

JANUARY 10TH.

The Council met at 2.30. Present, the Warden and 29 Councillors.

Councillor Thompson, referring to those absent, hoped that the Rule regarding absentees would be strictly followed, and those over an hour late be not paid for that day.

The Minutes of Morning Session were read and confirmed.

Councillor Shatford referred to the custom of reading the Minutes of the last day of Semi-Annual Session previously.

The Clerk read the same as on pages 91-95 of the Minutes of 1898.

Councillor Shatford took exception to the Minutes as not giving the Clerk's commendation of the ex-Warden's satisfactory transaction of the County business, while in office.

The Clerk said neither had he reported the complimentary remarks of the several Councillors who had then spoken, as no written resolutions were passed. The Session had ended, and the whole proceeding was informal, but he would now repeat what he had then said in praise of the Warden, and did so.

Read, a letter from Judge Johnston, permitting the use of the Court Room until Thursday, when he would require it.

Some of the Councillors asked if he owned the Court House, and said a definite understanding should be had regarding the Council Room and the matter settled now.

The following Resolution was moved by Councillors Shatford and McCallum—

Whereas, it has been industriously circulated in a newspaper called the "Atlantic Weekly," and also in one of the city papers, by H. C. Congdon, that the Court House Commissioners, in repairing that building, exercised the most wasteful extravagance in performing the work, which cost thousands of dollars more than the work could be economically performed for;

And Whereas, a copy of the paper containing the above charges was sent to each Councillor elect, with a view to prejudice the new Council-

lors against the late Warden, and against whom all the above charges were directed;

Therefore Resolved, that this Council appoint a Committee of five of its members to investigate the charges so made, with power to send for persons and papers, and to report to this Council at an early date.

Ex-Warden Shatford defended the expenditure in a forcible manner. He said he hoped the Council would do him the justice of giving him an opportunity of answering the charges of having been extravagant. He had always endeavored to do his duty as Warden and Councillor. He then read the charges that had been made against him by the paper mentioned above. The object of the writer, he said, was to unduly influence the new Councillors, or that the statements were made in gross ignorance of the facts. He had obtained the written opinion of the Attorney-General as to whether he was legally qualified to act as Councillor. The letter was produced by him, and the opinion expressed was that his position was perfectly legal and proper until a legal tribunal had decided that he was disqualified. Under the opinion he claimed his right to sit and vote just the same as any other Councillor. He strongly urged that the Committee asked for be given the fullest privileges of inquiring into the charges of gross extravagance. He also submitted a letter from Judge Townsend, stating that he had not charged the Commission with extravagance in connection with the repairs to the Court House. He called the attention of the Council to the last report of the Court House Commissioners. That report, he said, recommended that certain repairs be made and the Council unanimously adopted the report. As Warden, he said, he was bound to act as one of the Commission. The Court House was in a wretched condition; room was absolutely needed for the Prothonotary to file his papers, and the sanitary condition was foul. The Commission obtained the services of a competent architect and the work was done by days work under his direction. No unnecessary work had been done. The members of the Commission visited the Court House almost every day, and he had come from his home every week to examine the work. He stood on his record during all these years as Councillor and Warden. He had always opposed extravagance, and instanced several matters where he had saved the County many hundreds of dollars. He had succeeded while Warden in settling the difficulty which arose between the County and City of Halifax and Town of Dartmouth. He had been instrumental also in settling with the Government the claim

against the County. What was the expense? The City of Halifax would pay 9-11ths of the total cost of the repairs, so that the County would only have to pay 2-11ths of the amount. In the face of this fact the statements of the "Atlantic Weekly" were extravagant and outrageous. The bills were carefully examined when work was done—every item was scrutinized. The Commission had not handled any of the money borrowed for repairs. The money was borrowed on debentures at 4 per cent. The County's share for interest on the expenditure was \$52 annually—about four cents on every \$1,000 valuation. The Court House is now in a sanitary condition as required by the Board of Health. The work has been commended by the Board and by representatives of the City Council. The Court House is not a modern building, and on that account the expenditure was large. He concluded by again asking the appointment of a Committee to investigate the charges made by the paper, and the Commission would then have a chance of showing that everything was fair and above board.

Councillor McCallum, in seconding the resolution, said that as an active member of the commission he would urge the appointment of the committee asked for. He had not read the articles published in the papers until lately. He regretted he had not done so before, as he could have corrected many mis-statements. He then spoke of the repairs, and said that if the work had been let by contract it would have cost much more.

The resolution passed, and the following were appointed to constitute the Committee, viz.: Councillors Bartlett, C. E. Smith, Sellars, Hall, and Thompson.

County License Inspector Reid reported on the applications for liquor licenses in the County. He recommended the following:—

— John Ahearn, hotel, Riverside House, St. Margaret's Bay Road, District 13.

Norah Hurley, shop, Upper Prospect, District 10.

Arthur Wyatt, hotel, Lakeview House, St. Margaret's Bay Road, District 13.

The petitions and certificates of all the above were strictly in accordance with License Act, and there were no objections made to their applications. He recommended the granting of all of them.

Councillor Walsh opposed the granting on various grounds of Mrs. Hurley's license, but on being put to a vote the Council granted it.

The Council granted Ahern's and Wyatt's licenses without opposition.

Read; a note from Councillor Vaughan, stating he was too ill to be present.

Councillor Walsh gave notice of reconsideration of the vote in favor of license to Mrs. Hurley.

Councillor Shatford read a letter from N. P. Christian, J. P., Upper Prospect, approving of granting her a license.

Council adjourned to Wednesday at 10.30 a. m.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JAN 11TH, 1899.

The Council met at 10.30. Warden and 29 Councillors present. The previous Minutes were read.

The reconsideration of Mrs. Hurley's license succeeded. After discussion the vote was again taken, and names asked to be recorded as follows:—

For granting — Councillors Shatford, Bartlett, Burris, Thompson, A. F. Smith, O'Leary, Hayes, Cole, Munro, Johnson, Wilson, 11.

Against — Councillors Scott, Negus, Lydiard, Fleming, Walsh, Lapierre, Gladwin, Raine, J. Dauphiney, O. Dauphiney, 10.

The Warden submitted a letter from the Board of Trade of Dartmouth, relative to the advisability of a division of the County as regards representation in the Federal and Local Parliament, and stating that a committee would be glad to meet a committee of the County Council, or in a body, to discuss the matter. The letter was fyled for future action.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and O. Dauphiney, and—

Resolved, That Councillors Bartlett and Scott be the two Court House Commissioners. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and O. Dauphiney—

That Harry Wright be a County Constable for the present year Passed.

The Treasurer laid on the table his account of receipts and expenditure for the year ended December 31, 1898, with the Auditors' report thereon.

The account was recommended to be printed and distributed as heretofore, and the Auditor's report was received and adopted on motion of Councillors Partlett and Madill.

On motion, Deputy Warden Maddill and Councillor O'Leary were added to the Investigating Court House Committee.

Applications were received from the former Auditors, from Janitor Smith, Coroner's Constable Spencer, Dr. Trenaman, Physician to the Jail, Chief Constable Burbridge, Deputy Chief Constable Smith, all for reappointment. Also from D. McDougall, for County Constable, Geo. S. Innes for Chief Constable, R. C. Purcell, Deputy Chief Constable, A. W. Purcell, Coroner's Constable, J. W. Turner, Keeper of Poor's Farm.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and Butler—

That the appointment of Auditors be deferred till Saturday.

Councillor Shatford explained that this was to ascertain what the duties of an Auditor were. He thought about one evening had been given to the work. The Clerk said they had a monthly audit and final balance of accounts, in all 14 attendances. The resolution passed.

Read, the Report of the Revisors of Assessments, and a tabulated statement of each District's valuation compared with those of 1898.

Moved by Councillors Smith and Gladwin—

That the report be referred to a Committee to report on before further action, etc.

This was withdrawn, and it was moved by Councillors Madill and Negus—

That the report of the Board of Revisors of Assessments be received and adopted. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and Negus—

That Alex. W. Smith be appointed janitor of the Court House at the usual salary. Passed.

By Councillors Shatford and Bartlett—

That Joseph Spencer be Coroner's Constable. Passed.

The Clerk, in reply to enquiry whether another Coroner's Constable was required, said it was neither necessary nor

advisable. When more than one held office there was apt to be an unseemly squabble for possession of the body on which a Coroner's inquest was held, and referred to the Herring Cove inquest. Mr. A. W. Purcell, who was neither Coroner's nor County Constable, went there without authority accompanied by two strangers and demanded the bodies. The Coroner refused, unless the expenses incurred for interment were paid. Purcell returned, and next day got an order from the Clerk for the bodies, and had received them with the coffins, etc., to be sent to Cape Breton, but had not yet paid for the latter.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and Bartlett—

That Richard Burbidge be appointed Chief Constable for ensuing year at same salary. Passed.

Councillor Sellars stated, that in order to complete the Report and Accounts of the Committee of Public Property, it would be necessary for him and Councillor Negus to go to the Poor Farm.

The Council adjourned to 2.30 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 11.

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

The Minutes of the Morning Session were read and passed.

Submitted a letter and circulars from Cragg Brothers, respecting the Typewriter as an efficient machine should the Committee require one.

The Clerk said that it would be of no use unless a person were engaged to operate it.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and Madill—

That D. McDougall be appointed a County Constable for this year. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Madill and Bartlett—

That Janitor Smith be re-appointed for present year Deputy Chief Constable at the same salary as last year.

The motion was strongly opposed by Councillor Shatford. Reference was made to the same office as held by Haverstock

and which proved ineffective, and that the salary might be saved. Councillor Shatford also considered that the Janitor should attend solely to Court House duties.

Moved by Councillors McCallum and Butler—

That Reuben C. Purcell be appointed Deputy Chief County Constable for present year at salary of \$50.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and Madill in amendment—

That Purcell be a County Constable without salary. Passed.

Submitted the Annual Report of W. L. Malcolm, Keeper of the County Jail, with Schedule of Commitments for the year, stating the offences, number of persons committed, etc.

Moved by Councillors O'Leary and Lydiard—

That the Jailor's Report be referred to the Committee on Public Property. Passed.

Read, the Report of Jas. F. Turner, Supt. of the Poor's Farm, stating the crops raised in the year 1898, the stock and materials on hand and health of inmates, &c. Referred to Public Property Committee.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and Shatford—

That Councillors Sellars and Negus be authorized to visit the Poor's Farm to-morrow, with the view of receiving from the Supt. of that Institution all information possible respecting the finances, &c., and report upon its condition. The Council to furnish the visitors with team.

Passed.

Read, Report of Dr. Trenaman, Physician to the County Jail for the year ended Dec. 31st., 1898.

Moved by Councillors Madill and Thompson—

That the Report be received and adopted. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and C. E. Smith—

That Dr. Trenaman be re-appointed Surgeon to the County Jail for ensuing year, at the usual salary (\$75.00). Passed.

Read, the Report for year 1898 of Dr. N. F. Cunningham, Physician to the County Poor's Farm. Referred to Public Property Committee.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Negus—

That Dr. Cunningham be appointed Physician to the Poor's Farm for the present year, at the usual salary (\$90). Passed.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and Walsh—

That in view of the absence of John Jollimore (the present Collector) from District 23, Zachariah Jollimore be appointed Collector for said District for present year, with power to collect the balance of rates for 1898.
Passed.

Moved by Councillors A. F. Smith and Lydiard—

That the South Line of Road Section No. 3 in District 24 be changed from the School House to P. H. Moser's Barn, South.
Passed.

Read, the Report of Joseph Lloy, Custodian of Rocky Run Draw Bridge between Districts 28-29, that it is much in need of repairs, especially the approaches. Its present condition is dangerous. The water is so high that boats cannot pass under it. Councillor Sellars' end is all right. Referred to the Councillor for District 28.

The Committee on Nominating Standing Committees for 1899 submitted their Report, which was read each separately and passed as follows:—

Hospital for Insane—Negus, O'Leary, Johnson, Lydiard, Fleming, Munroe.

Assessment—Madill, Hall, Burris, Hays, O. Dauphiney, Thompson.

Roads and Bridges—Henley, Stewart, Flemming, Webber, Sellers, Bartlett, J. Dauphiney.

License—Thompson, O'Leary, Scott, Lapierre, Gladwin and A. Smith.

Public Property—Butler, C. E. Smith, Vaughan, Thompson, Lydiard, Munroe.

Finance—Shatford, McCallum, Burris, Madill, Henley, Hall.

Jury List—Bartlett, Negus, Butler.

Law Amendments—McCallum, Shatford, Madill, Henley, Sellars.

Poor—C. E. Smith, Cole, Walsh, Raine, Stewart, Gladwin.

A letter from Judge Johnston was read, expressing his readiness to meet the wishes of the Council for the use of his Court Room if another room was provided in which to hold his Court.

The Council appreciated his offer, and it was decided to offer him the Admiralty Court Room as fitted up.

The Warden called attention to the daily use of gas in

the Book Vault of the Registrar of Deeds, and it was moved by Councillors Thomson and Butler—

That in the opinion of this Council it is judicious that the Records Vault be lighted by electricity or some light other than gas, and that this resolution be communicated to the Court House Commissioners. Passed.

The Clerk remarked that at present there was no proper means of combating fire in the Court House, Jail or Poor Farm, and the Insurance Companies granting the Policies had frequently referred to this want, especially in respect to the Poor Farm.

Read, a letter from John Eckersley to Councillor Fleming, referring to the necessity of better Road facilities between Bedford and Lake View, District 17. A Bridge at Rocky Lake was approved by the Council, but no money voted, and a road suggested and approved by Provincial Engineer two miles long from Lake View to the Rifle Range, as the Cobequid Road was impassible, and it was stated that \$1000 was available for the purpose. In the discussion thereon it was not made clear where or in whose keeping this \$1000 was at present.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Scott—

That the matter of a new Road in District 17 be referred to the Road and Bridge Committee. Passed.

Submitted Report of the Arbitrators with plan of new Road from a point on the Seward Road to the new Cole Harbour Road in District 33, and giving the measurements of land of owners through which it runs, and the cost with fencing as follows:—

Wm. Himmelman.....	\$ 5 50	
Robt. Fraser.....	24 25	
Peter DeYoung.....	19 58	
Wm. DeYoung.....	23 97	
Jno. Himelman.....	17 00	Total \$90 50

Moved by Councillors Negus and A. F. Smith—

That the Report of the Arbitrators on the Seward Road be referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

The following Petitions for Roads were submitted and read, viz:—

Distriat 22, for a Precept for a short piece of Road from Main Coach Road to David Brown's, about half a mile along the east side of Blackie Dean's lands—22 names.

District 18, for a Precept for opening a Road between Fall River and Long Lake Settlement over an unauthorized road leading from the Old Cobequid Road in District 18 to the I. C. Railway Platform at Long Lake, and which would benefit the new Settlement now progressing there.

District 24, a Petition from George Cameron and Thomas Englehutt, of Moser's River, endorsed by 32 of the Ratepayers, for a right-of-way from their dwellings through lands of Solomon Fancy and others along the Lake Road at present used as a winter road.

District 35, for the renovation of the Bridge between the Grant Road and the Main Post Road, and called Rourke's Bridge, which is in an unsafe and dangerous condition, and property owners on each side of the river are deprived of the means of communication in consequence. Signed by 31 Ratepayers, who ask that the Council refer the matter to the Government for immediate completion.

District 26, Petition from inhabitants of Mooseland and Moose River Mines for a grant by the Council of \$1,000 for the construction of a Carriage Road to connect those two Sections in a direct line, being 3 miles. At present the distance between the two points is nine miles. The Petition has 125 names to it.

All the foregoing were referred to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Moved by Councillors Flemming and Henley—

Resolved, That this Council request the Provincial Government to borrow a sum not to exceed One Thousand Dollars for the construction of the Road between Lake View and Bedford, said sum to be borrowed and expended under the terms and conditions which applied to the special loan procured by the County Council through the Provincial Government in the year 1897.

Moved by Councillors Walsh and C. E. Smith—

That three hundred dollars be added to the Resolution of Councillor Flemming for the opening of a new Road in District No. 10.

On motion, both resolutions were referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Submitted and read a letter from R. T. Smith, of Musquodoboit Harbour, claiming \$100 damages for loss of Horse, Wagon and Harness, and narrow escape from drowning of Mrs. Smith and child at the Iron Bridge in District 36. He states that the horse took fright at the holes in the Bridge, and backed against the rail, which gave way, and the

team and occupants were thrown into the water 10 feet below. The bridge was unsafe, and the Committee had neglected to have it repaired till next day, 28th April, 1898. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

Read, a letter from J. A. Knight, solicitor for Wm. Willis, Bedford, asking payment for gravel supplied to Jas. Rolfe, Overseer of Highways in 1895, who confirms the bill, amounting to \$14.25, but at the time stated that there were no funds left to pay it. Councillor Donaldson also agreed to have it paid. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

The Council adjourned to Thursday, 10.30 a. m.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, JAN. 12TH, 1899.

The Council met at 10.30 a. m. The Warden and 29 Councillors present. Minutes of last meeting confirmed.

Read, a petition from a large number of inhabitants of Districts 29 and 33, in regard to the road over Cole Harbour Dyke, which, if constructed, would be a great convenience to the public. That in 1878 the Dyke Company, at their own expense, spanned the open space with a bridge, and kindly, with other property owners, allowed the people the privilege of using this route. A few years ago the bridge became unsafe, and the present owner removed the plank-ing, thus the benefit to the people of saving about 12 to 15 miles travel to reach either district ceased. By the Dyke Road only 5 miles need be traversed to reach the same points. The present owner of the Dyke, and the property owners through which the road would pass, would grant a free right of way. Length of the road less than a mile. They ask the Committee to have the matter placed under the Bridge Act, so that the Government may build the bridge. On motion, it was referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Read, a letter from A. B. Gray, District 15, stating that Alex. Hefler, Overseer of Roads, had trespassed on his property last year, in June, by opening gravel pits and damaging and disfiguring the front of said property. He was notified verbally and in writing to desist from removing the material to repair the highway to Bedford, but continued to do so. Gray claims to be recompensed for the damage. On motion, referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

Moved by Councillors A. F. Smith and Lydiard—

That the south line of Road Section No. 3, in District 24, be changed from the school house to P. H. Moser's barn, south. Passed.

Submitted and read a Memorial from a number of the principal property-owners in Bedford, District No. 15, calling the attention of the Council to the fact that many and continual encroachments, (some quite recent) have been made on the public roads in and near Bedford, and that nothing has been done to remedy the evil. They request that necessary steps be taken to have the lines of these roads rectified and the roads restored to their proper width. Reference was made to the Statutes, which showed that the width of the Great Roads was 66 feet, and other highways, except where less width was specially allowed, 60 feet.

Councillor Butler strongly supported the petition, and seconded by Councillor C. E. Smith, moved the following resolution:—

Whereas, The present condition of the Great Roads of the Municipality of the County of Halifax as regards the location of boundaries are in a pitiable condition;

And Whereas, encroachments are continually made to an alarming extent, so that in many parts it is impossible for two teams to pass;

And Whereas, the Road Overseers cannot report these encroachments, having nothing to guide them in arriving at exact measurements,

Therefore Resolved, That this Council appoint a Committee, with power to employ the proper person or persons to accurately define the said Roads.

Be it also Resolved, That Councillors C. E. Smith, O'Leary and Butler, be the Committee for attending to this matter. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Isaac Dauphinee and Walsh—

That the portion of Road in District 12 leading from Main Post Road to James Redmond's house be made a Road Section, and be named Section 1 ½. Passed.

The Treasurer presented Accounts connected with the Medical Examination Commitment and conveyance from Amherst to Mount Hope of Miss Annie Hamilton, who is insane, of Sackville, District 17, viz., Dr. Bliss and Dr. McQueen, \$8.00 each, Constable's fees and expenses, \$13.17, and Magistrate's fees, 75c.

On motion, these charges were referred to the Committee on Insane for enquiry.

The Council adjourned to 2.30 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

JANUARY 12TH.

The Council met at 2.30 p.m. The Warden and 29 Councillors present. The Minutes of Morning Session were adopted.

Read, a letter from A. C. Johnstone, Secretary of the Board of Trade, Dartmouth, relative to the desirability of a change in the representation of the County of Halifax in the Local and Federal Legislatures, by which a better division of East and West Halifax could be secured, and suggesting a conference either of the County and Town Councils, or of a Committee of each to discuss and report on the subject.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and O'Leary—

That a Committee of five Councillors be appointed to meet with a Committee from the Dartmouth Board of Trade to discuss the question of separate representation for the Eastern portion of Halifax County in our Parliaments. Passed.

Moved by Councillors O'Leary and A. F. Smith—

Resolved, That Councillors C. E. Smith, Hall, Lydiard, Shatford and Stewart, be a Committee to confer with the Dartmouth Committee on County representation. Passed.

The Warden said he had had a conference with Judge Johnston about the use of the Court Room, and the Judge has agreed to allow the Council the use of the room whenever required at this session.

The following resolution, moved by Councillors Bartlett and Thompson, was unanimously passed:—

Whereas, The Warden having advised this Council that he has succeeded in making very amicable arrangements with Judge Johnston in reference to the occupation of the County Court Room by the County Council during its present session, and has assured us that the Judge expressed his desire to accommodate us even at discomfort to himself,

Therefore Resolved, That this Council desires to express its appreciation of the courtesy and consideration exercised by Judge Johnston, and further that a copy of this resolution be communicated to his honor.

The following Resolution, moved by Councillors Walsh and O. Dauphinee, was passed:—

Resolved, That a padded room be fitted up in the County Jail for the purpose of temporarily placing insane persons from Halifax County until they can be transferred to Mount Hope Asylum.

With reference to the Bridge asked for by residents of District 35, moved by Councillors Gladwin and Hall—

That the bridge between the Guysboro Road and Meagher's Grant Road be placed under the Bridge Act of 1883 and the amendments thereto. Rejected.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and Burris—

That Dennis Brophy be Revisor for District 23 in place of John Jollimore, present Revisor, who has left the District. Said D. Brophy to do the duty of Revisor for present year. Passed.

Councillor Henley introduced the subject of the new Road Act (Chap. 67, 1898,) and commented adversely on a number of the sections as being unworkable and requiring amendment. The discussion occupied the remainder of the afternoon by Councillors Shatford (who wished an explanation of what the "balance" in section 3 referred to meant) and Thompson, Madill, C. E. Smith, Bartlett, Burris, and others. The Warden explained several of the sections.

Some of the Councillors said that changes had been made in the original act by the Legislature which were not sanctioned by the Council. Those changes were made in sections 8, 12, 15, 29, 30, and 31 of the Act.

The Council adjourned to 10.30 a. m., the roll to be called, and then adjourn for committee work till Saturday.

FOURTH DAY.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 1899.

The Council met at 10 30, the Warden and 28 Councillors present. The Minutes of last meeting were read and accepted.

The Council then adjourned to Saturday at 10.30 a.m.

About 23 of the Councillors were conveyed by teams to the Poor Farm on a visit of inspection, returning in the afternoon.

FIFTH DAY.

SATURDAY, JAN. 14, 1899.

The Council met at 10.30 a.m., the Warden and 29 Councillors present.

Read, the Financial Report of D. W. B. Reid, License Inspector, shewing Receipts and expenses of his Office for the year 1898, and Tabulated Statement of Prosecutions.

Moved by Councillors Butler and O'Leary—

That the License Inspector's Report be adopted. Passed.

With reference to the uncollected fines, Mr. Reid said the greater part would probably be collected.

Mr. Reid tendered his resignation of the office as follows:

HALIFAX, JAN. 14TH, 1899.

To the Warden of the County of Halifax.

SIR,—By the Liquor License Act of 1886, under which I was appointed to the office of Chief Inspector of License, my appointment was during good behaviour, and I was liable to be removed only for cause shown and on a majority vote of the Council.

As you are aware, a resolution was passed at the last Session of the Council, asking me to resign. Although no specific charges of any kind were then or have ever been made against me in regard to my performance of the duties of my office, and no opportunity has ever been given me of meeting any charges, I have deemed it undesirable that I should continue to hold the office against the wishes of the Council.

Its duties are of such a character as to require the moral support of the best men in the County, and I feel that I should be greatly hampered were the attitude of the Council hostile to me.

Whoever fills the office honestly and fairly, as I have endeavored to do, requires the fullest support of every member of the Council.

In view of the resolution above referred to, I may possibly not be able to count upon such support. I beg therefore to place in your hands my resignation of the office of Chief Inspector of Licenses for the Municipality of the County of Halifax, to be dealt with as the Council may deem best.

Believe me, very obediently yours,

D. W. B. REID.

On motion, the consideration of the resignation was deferred by the Council till Monday next.

Moved by Councillors Fleming and Gladwin—

That in consideration of the proposal for the new Road from Lake View to Bedford, be it *Resolved*, that this Council recognize the desirability of said Road and authorize a Precept to be granted to lay out said Road. And as it is reported the sum of \$1000 is somewhere available under the

authority of Engineer Murphy, this Council expresses its willingness (if said sum is available) that it be appropriated for the building of said Road, provided that such money does not come out of the County Grant.

Moved by Councillors Flemming and Lydiard—

That the application for the sanction of the Council for the new Road from Lake View to Bedford be deferred to a later date, in order to consult Engineer Murphy. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and Thompson—

That George Wilson be a County Constable for the year 1899. Passed.

By Councillors Negus and Scott—

That George S. Innes be a County Constable for the present year. Passed.

By Councillors Shatford and Bartlett—

Resolved, That we appoint no more County Constables this session. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Munro and Bartlett—

That Dennis Purcell be appointed Revisor in District No. 8 for this year, to enter on his duties as soon as required, in place of Wm. Johnston, who has left the District. Passed.

Read, the Report of Charles Murphy, custodian of the Canterbury draw bridge, between Districts 28 and 29. The bridge is in a dangerous condition. The under timbers are rotten. The south side of the bridge has sagged 8 inches. The planking is gone in many places, and a team broke through last spring. The custodian says the bridge should be rebuilt. On motion, referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

The following communication was read from Messrs. Wade and Paton, of Bridgewater—

We wish to inform you that at the approaching session of the Legislature we purpose applying for an act incorporating certain parties into a joint stock company for the purpose, amongst others, of generating and distributing electricity for lighting, power, etc., through the counties of Annapolis, Kings, Hants, and Halifax, from a central station or stations operated by water power, and that we will ask that said company be given the right of operating and maintaining lines of wire through said counties for the transmission of their current; also for such rights for the creation and maintenance of their water power as may be found necessary.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and Walsh, and—

Resolved, That the communication re privileges for electrical transmission, etc., on being read to the Council, said Council do hereby express their willingness to further consider the matter when brought before them in a more intelligible light.

Submitted, the Report of the Committee on Public Property relating to over charges in contract supplies, 1898. It was read as a whole and passed.

Moved by Councillors Fleming and Henley—

Resolved, That this Council request the Provincial Government to borrow a sum not to exceed \$1000 for the construction of the road between Lakeview and Bedford, said sum to be borrowed and expended under the terms and conditions which applied to the special loan procured by this County Council through the Provincial Government in the year 1887.

On motion, referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Moved by Councillors Walsh and Madill—

That Councillor Walsh's resolution regarding the borrowing of \$300 be referred to the Road and Bridge Committee. Passed.

Submitted, Return of Precept for the road round Publicover's Hill in District 24, with report and plan of the Committee, who state that the cost of right-of-way through property of Matthew Publicover's—

Garden and Cultivated Land would be.....	\$70 00
And Strip of Uncultivated Land	5 00
For George Jewer's Land	5 00
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Total	\$80 00

The printed copy of the Treasurer's Account of Receipts and Expenditure for the year 1898 was delivered to each Councillor.

COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT, 1898.

EXPENDITURE.

County Court House, for current expenses.....	\$1151 69	
" " Interest on Loan of 1882.....	1103 75	
	<hr/>	\$ 2255 44
County Jail, on account of current expenses 1898.....		2411 62
Judicial Accounts, viz:—Grand Jury and Secretary.....	107 30	
Petit Juries.....	720 49	
Special Juries.....	123 00	
County Court Jury.....	12 00	
Crown Prosecutions.....	1459 91	
High Sheriff's accounts.....	958 00	
Jury List Committee.....	192 09	
Supreme and County Court Criers.....	1200 00	
	<hr/>	4772 70
Coroners' Inquest (\$107 00) and Medical Examiners (\$428.30)		535 30
Printing, Stationery and Advertising.....		513 20
County Clerk, \$1100; County Treasurer, \$500.....		1600 01
Warden and Thirty Councillors—Two Sessions.....		1317 30
County Stipendiary, salary 12 months.....		850 00
Chief County Constable, \$300; and Deputy Constable, \$50.		350 00
Assessors, \$479.00; and Board of Revisors, 1898, \$129.00...		608 90
Revisors of Electoral Lists, 1897-98, on account.....		204 00
Collectors' Commissions 1897-98, on account.....		997 30
Insane Paupers at Hospital for Insane.....	3341 32	
Certificates for Admission of Insane.....	15 00	
	<hr/>	3356 32
Board of Health for Accounts, 1897, as voted.....		249 57
Bounties on Wild Cats and Bears—122 Wild Cats, 18 Bears.		127 50
Advances for Poor and Rates returned out of collections....		315 93
Poor Farm Debenture, paid off and interest on remainder..		550 00
Poor Farm, current expenditure for 1898, and balance 1897.		4269 98
Contingent Account for Legal Advice.....	35 00	
Amount voted for assistance Clerk and Treasurer..	100 00	
Bus Service, 12 months, District 14, 1898.....	150 00	
	<hr/>	285 00
Expenses of Municipal Elections, Nov. 15th, 1898.....		196 98
Public School Grants, 1897-98.....		8532 27
Roads and Bridges, balances 1897 and 1898 and overdraws..	11397 95	
Custodians of Drawbridges, 1898.....	70 00	
	<hr/>	11467 95
Postages, Telegrams and Expressage.....		55 48
County Auditors of Treasurer's Books and Accounts.....		40 00
	<hr/>	45862 75
Balance at credit of County.....		6473 57
	<hr/>	\$52336 32

RECEIPTS.

By balance from last account, Jan. 1st, 1898.....		\$8,457 35
Assessments collected 1898, viz:—		
Deficits in County Rates, 1896-97	\$ 3069 54	
Received from 31 Districts for 1898.....	16698 37	
	<hr/>	\$19,767 91
City of Halifax—		
Balances of Assessments, 1897-98.....	3461 06	
Received on acct. 1898, Assessment.....	7381 19	
	<hr/>	10842 25
Town of Dartmouth in full for 1898, Assessment..		655 00
Collected on account of Insane Patients.....		265 30
Court House Subsidy, N. S. Government.....		300 00
County Stipendiary—		
For Fees of Office for 12 months.....		402 91
County Jail—		
Received from Room Rent, Deserters, etc....		24 90
County Poor Farm—		
Received from Districts on account, 1897..		2094 20
Judicial Returns, viz:—		
From Sheriff on acct. of forfeited Bail Bond.	60 00	
On account of Special Juries.....	75 00	
	<hr/>	135 00
Special deposit, per Councillor Bissett, for Dis-		
trict 27, an Affiliation Case, paid less costs...		63 60
Jury Fines received from Prothonotary.....		10 00
Government Road and Bridge Grant, 1898—		
Received from Provincial Cashier ...		9236 90
Clerk of License—		
For Ferry Licenses, 1898	4 00	
For Peddlers' Licenses.....	45 00	
County Stipendiary and J.'s P.—		
Fines in various Criminal Offences.....	32 00	
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		\$52,336 32
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By balance in Halifax Banking Co.....	\$6,473 57	
E. & O. E.		

WM. H. WISWELL,

County Treasurer.

Examined and compared with books and vouchers,
and found correct.

F. G. WAINWRIGHT, } County Auditors.
JNO. E. ALBRO. }

The Report of the Committee on Public Property for the year ended Dec. 31st, 1898, was submitted and read. Also Financial Statement for the Poor Farm.

On motion, the report was unanimously adopted.

The Clerk reported that only a few Lists of District Officers to be appointed on Monday had been handed in.

Afternoon Session.

JANUARY 14.

The Council met at 2.30. Present, the Warden and 29 Councillors. The Minutes of the Morning Session were read and confirmed.

The appointment of County Auditors, deferred to this day, was taken up. The Applications already received, were from Jno. E. Albro, T. G. Wainwright (former Auditors), W. C. Bishop, S. S. Scott, J. W. Bennett and W. H. Studd.

The Clerk said as this matter had been deferred in order that information as to Auditors' duties could be had, those of County Auditors were plainly set forth in County Incorporation Act, Sections 44, 45, viz:—

It shall be the duty of the municipality auditors to examine and audit the accounts of the treasurer, and all other accounts of the council or corporation, or in which the municipality is concerned; and all such accounts as may be referred to them by the council for special examination, and report as instructed; and it shall be the duty of the council to refer to them all such accounts, and their duty faithfully to report thereon without needless delay.—R. S., cap. 56, s. 45.

The municipality auditors shall have authority to call for all books and vouchers they may deem necessary for elucidating any account laid before them. No account shall be allowed or passed by the council until the same is audited and reported upon by the municipality auditors. The council may make such compensation to the municipality auditors as they may think right and proper from time to time. The auditors shall perform the duties required by this section in the office of the municipal treasurer, or in such other place as the council may direct.

Moved by Councillors Hall and Butler—

That the applications for auditors be referred to a select committee composed of Councillors Shatford, Butler, Lydiard, and I. Dauphiney.

Passed.

Read, application of Jas. F. Turner, Superintendent of the Poor Farm, for re-appointment to that position, and Mrs. Turner as Matron, for the present year. On motion, referred to Public Property Committee.

The Treasurer submitted an account from S. A. Marshall for sundry repairs to the exterior of the County Jail last Fall, \$110.10; also an account from Farquhar Bros. of \$131.14 for plumbers' work at the Jail. They had not been paid, not being certified. The Warden explained that the work was necessary, and had been done under sanction of Committee of Public Property. Referred to Finance Committee.

In reference to action taken respecting the Pedler's License By-Law, passed last year, the Clerk said that he had transmitted it to the Governor and Council, who sanctioned it. But in a test case brought by Mr. Hart, of Sambro, it was shewn to be defective, and could not be legally enforced. Three Licenses had been issued only, which may have to be cancelled and the fee returned.

Moved by Councillors Henley and C. E. Smith, and

Resolved, That in view of the Pedlers' Act of 1898, which was printed in the Minutes of Council. Believing the said Act to be defective, and having proved abortive, conflicting with the Statutes, be it

Resolved, That the amount of the License Fees paid by James Davis and other claimants be refunded. Passed.

The Treasurer said Davis had not yet applied for a return of the License fee. Possibly, the parties may have had some advantage over others by having the License in their keeping for a year.

Read, a Memorial, signed by Judge Johnstone and all the principal legal firms in the city, asking and recommending an increase of pay for the County Court Crier. The Memorial states that the large volume of Criminal business now delegated to the County Court necessitates the almost daily attendance of the Crier, and so interferes with his time as to render it impossible to undertake any other means of income. That his work is equal to and indeed in excess of that of the Criers of the Supreme Court, who are each paid \$450 and fees; and they consider it would only be justice to Mr. Naylor to place him on a par as regards salary with them, in order that he may have means of support.

It was moved by Councillors Negus and Henley—

That the Petition or Memorial of the Barristers of this city, as well as a further recommendation from Judge Johnstone, be not received. Passed.

The Council adjourned to Monday, 16th, at 10.30 a. m.

SIXTH DAY.

MONDAY, JAN. 16TH, 1899.

The Council met at 10.30 a. m. Present, the Warden and 29 Councillors. Saturday p. m. minutes were read and confirmed.

The Warden referred to the Pedlers' License Act being

unworkable, and commended it to the attention of the Law Amendment Committee so as to have a new measure framed which would obviate the difficulties in the last one. The law relative to Revisors' of Assessments demanded some changes also. At present it had to be carried out.

The resignation of Inspector Reid was considered.
 Moved by Councillors Butler and J. Dauphiney—

That Mr. Reid's resignation be accepted.

This and an amendment were both lost.
 Then moved by Councillors Henley and C. E. Smith—

That the resignation of D. W. B. Reid, License Inspector for the County of Halifax, be accepted, but in view of the duties to be by him completed, said resignation not to take effect until the first day of April next, and in the meantime applications for said position be received by the County Clerk, to be dealt with at the next session of Council.

Passed.

On motion of Councillors Hayes and Gladwin—

John Brown was appointed Fence Viewer for District No. 7 for 1899.

Councillor Butler referred to the unprotected state of property in his District from tramps and bad characters. The owners of houses, who left them to reside in the city in winter, were subject to have them broken into and furniture, etc., stolen or destroyed.

City Recorder W. F. McCoy asked permission to speak on the same matter, and shewed that the properties temporarily vacated, especially in the lower part of the District, had been burglarized. There was no certain protection, and from time to time robberies had taken place and the robbers got away with their booty before a constable could be got quickly to trace and follow them. The local constables in fact would not act, because no provision was made for their expenses and time. He urged that a special constable be appointed, with a salary, who would watch for and secure the depredators.

Moved by Councillors Butler and McCallum—

That R. Purcell be paid the sum of Fifty Dollars as Deputy Chief County Constable for the current year.

Passed.

Submitted and read, the Report of County Stipendiary McDougall for the year 1898, with memo. of fees and fines. Also, his Report as Clerk of License, same period. Passed.

The Clerk said that the Reports do not show by any means all the work the Stipendiary performed, such as giving legal instructions to County Officials as to their duty and in cases of prosecution, in saving the Municipality the expenses of appeals. There had also been from 30 to 50 per cent. reduction in civil causes, making the office fees less.

Read, a letter from J. A. McKinnon, Attorney for A. W. Purcell, to the County Clerk and Treasurer, claiming that in remarks made by the latter in re the Herring Cove Coroner's inquest, he had stated that Mr. Purcell was not competent to hold the office of Coroner's Constable, as he and his assistants were under the influence of liquor and caused a disturbance, and were refused the bodies on that account; and further stated that he went without authority, though Mr. Purcell went there as Undertaker at the request of relatives in Halifax, etc.

Request was made that the letter be laid before the Council and the statements which prejudiced them against appointing him withdrawn. Unless the slanderous statements were withdrawn an action would be brought.

The Clerk explained that he did not say that Purcell was drunk, but that the Coroner there had stated that the men who went with him were partly so, and they demanded the bodies and were refused, because they would not pay the expense of coffins provided. Purcell had no order, as he admits that he had none, but had to come to the Clerk next day for it, etc. As the Council fully understood the case, it was moved by Councillors O'Leary and Negus—

That the letter to the Clerk from J. A. McKinnon, Esq., be laid on the table. Passed.

The Council adjourned to 2.30 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

JANUARY 16TH.

The Council met at 2.30 p. m. The Warden and 28 Councillors present. The Minutes of Morning Session were read and confirmed.

Submitted, accounts from Drs. Bliss, \$8.00, and McQueen, \$8.00, of Amherst, for medical examination of Miss Hamilton, of Sackville, pronounced insane, also for constables' expenses conveying her to Mount Hope Hospital, \$13.00.

On motion of Councillors Butler and Henley—
Referred to Committee on Insane.

The Committee on appointment of County Auditors reported recommending Messrs. S. S. Scott and W. C. Bishop as suitable persons for the office. The report was adopted.

Some remarks were made as to the amount to be paid for their services.

Councillor Thompson said the amount was stated in the By-Laws not to exceed \$20 each per annum, which was accordingly decided to be their fee.

The order for this Session being the appointment of District Officers for 1899, the written Nomination Lists were submitted, moved by the Councillor for each District and seconded, read by the Clerk and passed (with the exception of District 8, not received) from District 7 to District 38, as follows:—

LIST OF DISTRICT OFFICERS FOR THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX FOR THE YEAR 1899.

DISTRICT No. 7—Herring Cove.

Councillor—John Hayes. Assessors—William Beazley, Herring Cove (Pilot), James Delukry. Overseers of Statute Labor—William F. Adams, John Power, Mc. Son. Constable—John S. Adams. Collector of County Rates—Charles H. Thomas. Board of Health—John Brown, jr., George Oakley, James Brackett, Frank Hayes. Presiding Officer—Edward S. Hayes, Charley Thomas, and Wm. Conway, jr.

FERGUSON'S COVE.—Overseer S. Labor—Edward White. Constable—Wm. McLellan, jr. Fence Viewer—John Brown.

PURCELL'S COVE.—Overseer of Statute Labor—Richard Purcell. Constable—John Smith.

QUEEN'S QUARRIES.—Overseer Statute Labor—Wm. Keefe. Constable—James Keefe.

SPRYFIELD.—Overseer Statute Labor—Walter Drysdale. Constable—Alonzo Brunt. Supervisor of Roads—Wm. Brackett.

DISTRICT No. 8—Portuguese Cove.

Councillor—Hugh Munroe. Assessors—John Johnson, sr., Bear Cove; Francis H. Martin, Ketch Harbor. Collector—Peter Whalen. Constables—Daniel Flemming, Ketch Harbor; Francis Martin 2nd, Ketch Harbor; Ferguson O'Neil, 2nd, Portuguese Cove; Christopher Purcell, 2nd, Portuguese Cove; Edward J. Johnson, Bear Cove; Michael Johnson, Duncan's Cove. Road Overseers—William Flemming, 1st, Ketch Harbour; Frederick Martin, Ketch Harbour; Peter White, Portuguese Cove; John W. Holland, Duncan's Cove; Joseph Johnson, Bear Cove. Overseers of Poor—Christopher Purcell, Portuguese Cove; Daniel Robinson, Bear Cove; William Flemming, 2nd, Ketch Harbour. Board of Health—James Sadler, Portuguese Cove; Thomas J. Holland, Duncan's Cove; Andrew Scallion, Halibut Bay; James Pegan, Ketch Harbour. Fence Viewers—James Flaherty, Ketch Harbour; Henry Quan, Portuguese Cove. Sanitary Inspector—James Pettipaw, Bear Cove. Presiding Officer—Francis H. Martin, Ketch Harbour. Supervisor—Charles O'Neil, Ketch Harbour.

DISTRICT No. 9--Sambro

Councillor—Charles E. Smith. Road Overseers—Sambro North, Patrick Rodgers; Sambro South, C. W. Smith; Sambro Creek, James H. Smith; Coot Cove, Harvey Findley; Pennant South, Charles Schnair; Pennant North, Joseph Tough; Long Cove, Joseph Marryatt; Ball Rock, William Finck; Sandy Cove, Wm. Nickerson. Constables—Alexander Cook, William Hamilton, George V. Gray. Fence Viewers—Andrew Twohig, John Finck. Assessors—James W. Henneberry, George H. Marryatt. Overseers of Poor—C. W. Hart, William Marryatt, William Nickerson. Collector—James M. Henneberry. Presiding Officer, C. W. Hart. Board of Health—Angus Gray, Daniel Smith, Henry Smith and George Schnair. Revisor—John E. Tough. Sanitary Inspector—Andrew Twohig.

DISTRICT No 10 - Upper Prospect.

Councillor—Jas. H. Walsh. Collector—Michael C. Walsh. Assessors—Richard Christian, Jas. A. Coolen. Overseers of Poor—Edward Wagner, Michael J. Duggan, Jas. H. Power. Road Overseers—Sec. 1, Jas. Kavanagh; Sec. 2, Wm J. Christian (John's son); Sec. 3, Joseph White; Sec. 4, John J. Hardiman; Kelly's Point, Herbert Noonan; Shag Bay, Adam Redmond. Health Officers—Thomas Tobin, Wm. Shea, Samuel A. Hardiman, Wm Coolen. Constables—Samuel Mihan, George Mason, Patrick M. Duggan. Presiding Officer—Clarence W. Christian. Supervisor—Gregory Walsh.

DISTRICT No 11—Hackett's Cove.

Councillor—Oswald Dauphinee. Presiding Officer—Edward Grono. Collector of Rates—James Cornelius, sr. Assessors—Wesley Crooks, James Isnor. Overseers of Poor—William Cornelius, John Gates, Amos Corkum. Overseers of Statute Labor—Sec. 1, Lawson Pace; Sec. 2, John Gates; Sec. 3, John Moser; Sec. 4, George Covey; Sec. 5, Horatio Isnor; Sec. 6, George Covey; Sec. 7, Burton Richardson; Sec. 8, William Jollimore; Sec. 9, Amos Garrison; Sec. 10, Henry Crooks; Sec. 11, Hibbert Miller. Constables—James Manuel, George A. Garrison, Lemuel Richardson, John Fralic and Marcus Garrison. Health Officers—John Miller, Daniel Leary, John Richardson, Richard Crooks. Fence Viewers—John Holland, Cyrus Covey, Amos Garrison, Robert Innis. Lumber Surveyor—James Isnor. Supervisor—Amos Corkum.

DISTRICT No. 12—French Village

Councillor Isaac Dauphinee. Assessors—John Croucher, Elias Dauphinee. Collector—Isaac Croucher. Overseers of Statute Labor—Sec. 1, Salem Dauphinee. Sec. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$, Edmund Redmond; Sec. 2, John Umlah; Sec. 3, Archibald D. Boutillier; Sec. 4, Alfred Worger; Sec. 5, Stephen Dauphinee; Sec. 6, David Grono; Sec. 7, Albert J. Boutillier; Sec. 8, Nehemiah Dorey; Sec. 9, Lewis J. Boutillier; Sec. 10, James Slauenwhite; Sec. 11, Isaac Hirshman; Sec. 12, John Johnson; Sec. 13, Norman C. Boutillier. Constables—Willis Hubley, David Bremner, Wm. H. Boutillier, John Smith, Silas Dauphinee, James Slauenwhite, Samuel J. Boutillier. Fence Viewers—John R. Umlah, Edmund Deal, George T. Boutillier, Edward Dauphinee, Joseph Smith. Lumber Surveyors—Charles Brunswick, James Slauenwhite, Neal McDonald. Health Officers—Abraham Burchill, Henry Garrison, G. W. Smith, Isaac J. Boutillier. Overseers of Poor—Edmund Deal, Henry Garrison, Elias Dauphinee. Presiding Officer—Abraham Burchill. Supervisor—Edward Mason.

DISTRICT No 13—Spryfield.

Councillor—Charles Raine. Assessors—Wm. Umlah, John Merlin. Presiding Officer, Wm. H. Dart. Collector—George Carmichael. Health Officers—Archibald Kidston, George Brown, Wm. Umlah, Alex. Drysdale. Overseers of

Poor—George Carmichael, Benjamin Brunt, Richard Bishop. Overseers of Statute Labor—Spryfield, John Drysdale; Prospect Road, Wm. Umlah, Samuel White, James Umlah; St. Margaret's Bay Road, Arthur Lock; Green Head, Alex. Drysdale; Terrance Bay Road, Richard Yeadon; Sambro Road, Archibald Kidston, Charles Merlin. Constables—Wm. Arnold, George Brown. Fence Viewer—George Carmichael. Supervisor of Roads—Richard Bishop.

DISTRICT No. 14—N. W. Arm

Councillor—H. M. McCallum. Assessors—George Piers, R. MacIlreith. Collector—Wm. Murray. Health Officers—George Piers, Wm. Deal, R. J. Waugh, Alonzo Norris. Overseers of Poor—J. McAloney, P. Kehoe, R. MacIlreith. Fence Viewer—M. Kehoe. Overseers of Statute Labor—Tannery Light Station to Geizer's Hill—Arm Bridge to McIntosh Bridge—Robert Drysdale; Arm Bridge to Canal Bridge, R. Kehoe. Supervisor of Roads—P. Kehoe. Presiding Officer—George Piers. Constables—James Jollimore, A. Geizer.

DISTRICT No. 15—Bedford.

Councillor—N. E. Butler. Returning Officer—D. M. Story. Collector—George Van Buskirk. Revisor—H. V. Wier. Assessors—W. Studd, A. Archibald. Health Officers—Dr. Morton, J. E. DeWolf, Charles Davidson, George H. Fielding. Appraisers—George Canfield, J. E. DeWolf, Alex. Doyle. Fence Viewers—Jas. Rolfe, R. Richardson, J. H. Boutilier. Poor Overseers—D. M. Story, Rev. Mr. Dixon, J. P. Cox. Constable—J. Tolson. Sanitary Inspector—A. Archibald. Lumber Surveyor—W. Richardson. Supervisor of Roads—Geo. Canfield. Roadmen—Alfred Bayer, from Tannery to 7-Mile House; Alex. Heffler from 7-Mile House to Sackville Bridge; George Langeburg, Moir's Mills to Catholic Chapel, Hammond's Plains.

DISTRICT No. 16—Hammond's Plains.

Councillor—Samuel Thompson. Presiding Officer—H. A. Schmidt. Collector of Rates—Samuel Eisenhauer. Assessors—Frank Thompson, George H. Lucas. Road Masters—Sec. 1, Henry Haverstock, jr.; Sec. 2, Nathaniel Melvin; Sec. 3, George Lucas; Sec. 4, Edward Thompson; Sec. 5, John Allison; Sec. 6, John Marsman; Sec. 7, Lindsay Morin; Sec. 8, John Green. Constables—Alonzo Haverstock, Francis Jackson, Samuel Wiley, James Lucas, jr., Garvey Haverstock, William Burns. Overseers of Poor—Benjamin Thomas, James M. Haverstock, Ephraim Haverstock. Board of Health—Sanitary Inspector—Tren aine Thomson, Henry Schmidt, Wm. Haverstock, Amos Thomas, Frank Thompson. Fence Viewers—Wm. Shea, Albert Haverstock. District Clerk—Frank Thompson. Supervisor of Roads—Henry Haverstock.

DISTRICT No. 17—Sackville.

Councillor—John S. Fleming. Presiding Officer—James D. Webber. Assessors—Charles Peveril, Fred. Grove. Overseers of Highways—Sec. 1, William Willis; Sec. 2, Charles Barrett; Sec. 3, Clifford Wier; Sec. 4, Walter Bambrick; Sec. 5, Augustus Fenerty; Sec. 6, William Peveril; Sec. 7, Elijah Thomas; Sec. 8, James Maxwell; Sec. 9, Benjamin Dean; Sec. 10, David Shunaman; Sec. 11, William Stone; Sec. 12, Wm. Miller; Sec. 13, George Allen; Sec. 14, James McGrath; Sec. 15, John Eckersley. Constables—Arthur Peveril, John Tolson, William Nickleson, Clifford Wier. Surveyor of Lumber—Nathan Ellis. Poundkeeper—Richard Peveril. Overseers of Poor—John Tolson, Elijah Thomas, Thomas Hamilton. Health Wardens—Harold Church, William Harris, Robert Fenerty, Frank Lewis. Sanitary Inspector—John R. Ellis. Fence Viewers—John Peveril, A. S. Wright, Walter Bambrick. District Clerk—Allison Calkins. Collector of Taxes—Grey Shultz. Revisor—Thos. Hamilton. Road Supervisor—Robert Fenerty.

DISTRICT No 18—Waverley.

Presiding Officer—Peter Spriggs. Councillor—B. C. Wilson. Assessors—John McDowell and John E. McDonald. Overseers of the Poor—A. R. Tullock, M. D. Goff, W. C. Morrison. Con-ables—Thos. Skerry, Albert Stuart, Joseph Day, John Bambrick, George Miller, Wm. H. McDonald, Robert Wright, Alfred Horne. Fence Viewers—John Skerry, John Kelly, Donatus Bennery, Robert Ledwidge. Surveyors of Wood, Logs and Lumber—Albert Stuart, Alex. Stephen, John Kelly, Robert Leighton, John E. McDonald. Health Wardens—P. C. Doyle, Wm. Cantfield, Peter Spriggs, J. E. McDonald, Fred Fultz. Health Inspector—Albert Stuart. Keeper of Scales—A. J. Crosby. Collector of Taxes—A. R. Tullock. Pound Keeper—John Annand. Road Masters—Sec. 1, Thos. Skerry; Sec. 2, Edward Miller; Sec. 3, M. D. Goff; Sec. 4, W. C. Morrison; Sec. 5, Wm. Laing; Sec. 6, Samuel Stevens; Sec. 7, Wm. Wrin; Sec. 8, Christopher King. Supervisor of Roads—John McDowell.

DISTRICT No. 19—Gay's River.

Councillor—Geo. H. Madill. Overseers of Roads—Sec. 1, Samuel Geddes; Sec. 2, Oliver Simpson; Sec. 3, John McPhee; Sec. 4, Robert Logan; Sec. 5, James Keys; Sec. 7, Robison Woodworth; Sec. 8, John Cleary; Sec. 9, George Butler; Sec. 10, Walter Elliott; Sec. 11, Alex. Williams; Sec. 12, Samuel Moore; Sec. 13, James Wilson; Sec. 15, Robert Newman; Sec. 16, Edward Isenor; Sec. 17, John McKenzie; Sec. 18, George T. Cook; Sec. 19, Robert Isenor. Cat le Reeve—Peter Grono. Collector—John Merson. Overseers of Poor—James F. Walker, William Annand and Isaac Isenor. Fence Viewers—James Keys and James Rankin. Surveyors of Lumber—William Annand, Alexander Woodworth and George T. Cook. Constables—Oliver Simpson, Clarence Keys and Samuel G. McMichael. Assessors—William Annand and William J. Tays. Board of Health—William Annand, John T. Kerr, Edward Isenor and George T. Cook. Sanitary Inspector—Robert H. Killough. Supervisor of Roads—William Blades. Presiding Officer—William Annand.

DISTRICT No. 20—Meagher's Grant

Councillor—Thos. Cole. Presiding Officer—Lewis L. Grant. Overseers of Poor—Wm. Grant, (Miles' Son), Isaac Dillman, Joseph Wilks. Assessors—Alexander Hurley, J. D. Bayer. Constables—Joseph Wilks, Andrew Killough, Alexander Miller. Fence Viewers—Sidney Dickey, A. K. Sibley, Joseph Seeton. Lumber Surveyors—A. K. Sibley, Miles Grant, James Hirtle. Surveyors of Logs—John Kerr, Leander Logan. Health Officers—J. D. Bayer, A. K. Sibley, Sidney Dickey, Joseph Seeton. Sanitary Inspector—J. D. Bayer. Collector County and Poor Rates—James Murphy. Road Overseers—Sec. 1, C. A. Dickey; Sec. 2, John Kerr; Sec. 3, J. Howe Roberts; Sec. 4, Isaac Dillman; Sec. 5, John Gilbert; Sec. 6, Alexander Streach, sr.; Sec. 7, Lewis L. Grant; Sec. 8, Christopher Dillman; Sec. 9, Thomas Murphy; Sec. 10, Alexander Cole; Sec. 11, Arthur Cruickshank; Sec. 12, James Lively; Sec. 13, Alexander McDougall; Sec. 14, James G. Kerr; Sec. 15, Michael Smith. Superintendent of Roads—Sydney Dickie.

DISTRICT No 21—Middle Musquodoboit.

Councillor—John Burris. Road Masters—Sec. 1, Lorenzo Reid; Sec. 2, Francis Guild; Sec. 3, Wm. Gladwin, Jr.; Sec. 4, Elgin Murchy; Sec. 5, Geo. Scott; Sec. 6, Wm. Mills; Sec. 7, Alfred Scott; Sec. 8, Arnold Gladwin; Sec. 9, Reuben Ellis; Sec. 10, Samuel White; Sec. 11, Albert McCurdy; Sec. 12, Henry Lindsay; Sec. 13, Albert Higgins; Sec. 14, Spurgeon McCabe; Sec. 15, Geo. Murchy; Sec. 16, C. D. Joudrey; Sec. 17, Lewis Bates; Sec. 18, H. A. Murphy; Sec. 19, Nathan Sargent; Sec. 20, Geo. H. Taylor; Sec. 21, Burton

Lawson; Sec. 23, Samuel Ervin; Sec. 24, E. H. McNutt. Supervisor of Roads—J. Watson McCurdy. Assessors—Matthew H. Guild, Wm. H. Gladwin, jr. Collector—Samuel Hanna. Board of Health—Walter McCurdy, J. W. Dickie, Chas. H. Morris, M.D., Wm. Bentley. Sanitary Inspector—George Phalen. Overseers of Poor—Francis Guild, Wm. McCurdy, Robert Kaulback. Surveyors of Logs, Wood and Lumber—George B. Phalen, Frank H. Taylor, Edward Marks. Fence Viewers—Geo. Bell, Wm. J. Archibald, Wm. Logan, jr. Constables—Robert McGunnigle, Robert McCurdy, George Sargent, H. A. Murphy, Matt. Higgins, Charles Tupper. Presiding Officer—Wm. Bentley. To Swear in Officers—Walter McCurdy, J.P. Keeper of Scales—A. B. Shaw.

DISTRICT No 22 -Upper Musquodoboit.

Councillor—Thos. E. Stewart. Presiding Officer—James Kent, J. P. Collector of Rates—Wm. Horton. Assessors—John Redman, sr., F. W. Henry. Overseers of Poor—Wm. Dechman, C. S. Reynolds, A. I. Clark. Fence Viewers—Edwin Little, Sidney Archibald, John Hamilton. District Clerk—F. W. Henry. Constables—Fenwick Kent, John G. Dechman, Albert Fisher, Wm. Fraser, William Reid, C. E. Holman. Board of Health—James D. Henry, Geo. Hamilton, John Dechman, sr., J. F. Parker. Sanitary Inspector—Samuel Hutchinson, sr. To swear in officers and prepare Statute Labor List—J. G. Reynolds, J. P. Surveyors of Logs, Lumber and Wood—John Redman, sr., Neil Archibald, Ernest Chaplain. Roadmasters of Statute Labor—Sec. 1, Blackie Dean; Sec. 2, Barry Hamilton; Sec. 3, Edmund Hamilton; Sec. 4, Ira Dean; Sec. 5, Albert Fisher; Sec. 6, John Stewart; Sec. 7, Jefferson Stewart; Sec. 8, Murdoch Henry; Sec. 9, Raymond Fisk; Sec. 10, John Burnett; Sec. 11, David Weeks; Sec. 12, Thomas Fleming; Sec. 13, John Gould; Sec. 14, George Dean; Sec. 15, Gordon Farnell; Sec. 16, James McFtridge; Sec. 17, James Benvie; Sec. 18, Jonathan Archibald; Sec. 19, John Dechman; Sec. 20, Sidney Fraser; Sec. 21, Wm. Redden; Sec. 22, Edwin Horn; Sec. 23, Chisholm Nelson; Sec. 24, John Erskine; Sec. 25, Wm. Butcher, jr.; Sec. 26, C. A. Maynard; Sec. 27, Benj. Hutchinson; Sec. 28, John Watson, jr.; Sec. 29, Wm. G. Butcher; Sec. 30, Peter McNab. Keeper of Scales—Edgar Hill, J. P. Road Supervisor—Fenwick Kent.

DISTRICT No. 23 -Terence Bay.

Councillor—John H. Bartlett. Assessors—Jno. P. Slauenwhite and Charles Slauenwhite. Overseers of the Poor—Samuel Slauenwhite, Joseph Umlah, Dennis Brophy. Constables—Joseph Umlah, Thomas Norris, Charles Slauenwhite, jr. Overseers of Statute Labor—Sec. 1, James Slauenwhite (Jacob); Sec. 2, Thomas Blake; Sec. 3, Thos. Norris. Supervisor of Roads—Daniel Slauenwhite. Board of Health—Jno. P. Slauenwhite, Dennis Brophy, Edwd. Wheatley, Charles Slauenwhite, sr. Presiding Officer—Jeremiah Slauenwhite. Fence Viewer—Joseph Umlah. Collector—Zechariah Jollimore. Revisor—D Brophy.

DISTRICT No. 24—Smith's Cove

Councillor—Alex. F. Smith. Assessors—Wm. G. Smith, Thomas E. Smith. Collector—Phillip H. Moser. Overseers of Roads—Sec. 1, John Turner; Sec. 2, Jasper Moser; Sec. 3, William G. Pye; Sec. 4, Walter W. Smith; Sec. 5, Edwd. N. Smith; Sec. 6, Henry Pye; Sec. 7, George Hartling; Sec. 8, Isaiah Carver; Sec. 9, Geo. Pace. Supervisor of Roads—Daniel H. Moser. Overseers of Poor—Edwin Moser, Solomon Fancy, J. A. Moser. Constables—William Fraser, William Parlee, Thomas J. Smith, Sydney Pye, Thomas Irvin. Surveyors of Lumber and Scalors of Logs—O. P. Fraser, Daniel Cameron, Matthew McMan, George Shellnut. Fence Viewers—Levi Hartling, William E. Romkey. Board of Health, James Kerr, George Hartling, John Romkey, Neil Oicle. Presiding Officer—Edward Moser.

DISTRICT No 25—Sheet Harbor

Councillor—Henry Hall. Presiding Officer—F. McMillan, M.D. Overseers of Poor—William Lowe, Robt. Sample, Isaac Wambold. Fence Viewers—Robt. Routledge, John Behie. Road Overseers—Sec. 1, William Beeswanger; Sec. 2, Wm. Fahie; Sec. 3, Robert Routledge; Sec. 4, Martin E. Murphy; Sec. 5, Jas. Wambold, sr.; Sec. 6, Norman Verge; Sec. 7, John Behie; Sec. 8, Martin Cruickshanks; Sec. 9, Albert Boutilier; Sec. 10, George F. Grant. Constables—James Westhaver, Wm. Munroe, Aaron Road, Robt. Routledge, Thomas Hall, Henry Richards, John Murphy, Robt. Boutilier. Surveyors of Logs and Lumber—Angus McDonald, James McG Cruickshanks, Thomas A. Baker, Andrew McDonald, Patrick J. Murphy, Archibald Hall, Michael Nell gan, Wm. Knight, Daniel J. Coady. Ferry-men—William Lowe, Sheet Harbor; John Wessel, Sober Island. Board of Health—F. McMillan, M.D.; J. M. Gourley, M.D.; Daniel Chisholm, Edward Brownell. Measurers of Wood and Coal—James McG. Cruickshanks, Thos. Hall. Sanitary Inspector—M. McFarlane. Assessors—Edward Quillinan Thos. Hall. Collector County and Poor Rates—John W. Hall. Supervisor of Roads—Wm. Lowe.

DISTRICT No 26—Tangier

Councillor—W. C. Henley. Presiding Officer—Samuel H. Henley. Assessors—Samuel H. Henley, Walter Mitchell. Collector of Poor and County Rates—George H. Conrad. Overseers of Poor—Peter Mason, John M. Flaherty, George Hawes. Constables—Matthew Gaston, Willoughby Mason, George Murphy, William Zwicker, Jason Keating, Alfred N. Leslie, Alex. Logan, Charles A. Josey. Surveyors of Wood, Logs and Lumber—Thomas Hilchey, Archibald Prest, Charles W. Josey. Fence Viewers—John A. Gerrard, Ernest Mason, John Beaver, sr., John A. Josey. Overseers of Statute Labor—Sec. 1, Samuel McCarthy; Sec. 2, Isaac Leslie; Sec. 3, Charles A. Henley; Sec. 4, Edw. White; Sec. 5, Gasper Hawes; Sec. 6, Edward Cameron; Sec. 7, Robert Gaston; Sec. 8, George Murphy; Sec. 9, Alexander Glawson; Sec. 10, William Butler, jr.; Sec. 11, Louis Murphy; Sec. 12, Frank Martin; Sec. 13, James Fahie; Sec. 14, John A. Gerrard; Sec. 15, Joseph A. Mason; Sec. 16, James Andrews, (Mooseland); Sec. 17, Gasper Prest. Board of Health—Robert Mason, Daniel R. Josey, Theodore Leslie, Mike O'Bryan. Sanitary Inspector—John J. Mason. Ferry-men—John T. Abriel, Gerrard's Island; Mrs. James Tracey, Ship Harbor.

DISTRICT No 27—Jeddore.

Councillor—Arthur Webber. Overseers of Poor—George Smith, William Eison, William J. Myers. Health Officers—George A. Jamieson, Walter Siteman, Albert Warnell, Dennis Williams. Sanitary Inspector—Enos Baker, J. P. Assessors—Robert Steven, Conrad Marks. Collector—Walter Stoddard. Presiding Officer—George A. Jamieson. Surveyors of Lumber, Logs and Wood—Orlando Myers, Alexander Smith, George Marks, George Mitchell, Amos Webber. Fence Viewers—Reuben Smith, James L. Myers, Enos Baker, Ebenezer Homans, Henry Newcombe, Joseph Kent. Overseers of Statute Labor—Musquodoboit Harbor—Sections 1, Ronald Byers; 2, Donald Smith; 3, George Mosher; 4, Thomas Grant; 5, John McGregor; 6, Samuel D. Kent; 7, John Hawkins. Jeddore West—1, Robert A. Dooks; 2, Henry Guild; 3, William Harpell; 4, John Myers; 5, John Myers, of John East Jeddore—1, Daniel Warnell; 2, Provost Jennix; 3, Stephen Jennix; 4, William Jennix; 5, Eli Baker; 6, Arthur Guild. Lakeville—1, James M. Webber; 2, Albert Webber; 3, William Webber. Clam Harbor—1, John R. Webber; 2, John B. Homans. Owl's Head—1, David Palmer; 2, Angus Debay; 3, Richard Hutt. Ship Harbour—1, John M. Marks; 2, Hector Siteman; 3, Whinnee Mitchell. Constables—William Mosher, Gideon Blakeney, James L. Myers, John W. Webber and Amos Webber. Custodian of Jeddore Bridge—Albert Warnell. Road Supervisor—George W. Mitchell.

DISTRICT No. 28—West Chezsetcook

Councillor—D. Lapierre. Overseers of Statute Labor—Sec. 1, Lemm Graham ; 2, George Graham ; 3, Martin Gaetz ; 4, George Nieforth ; 5, Edward Nieforth ; 6, Robert Wolfe ; 7, Isaac Lapierre ; 8, Ephrem Lapierre ; 9, James Bellefontaine ; 10, James Ferguson ; 11, Paul Bellefontaine ; 12, William Myette ; 13, Michael Romo ; 14, Joseph Myette ; 15, Frederick Mannett ; 16, Frederick Lapierre. Overseers of Poor—Thomas Leslie, Daniel Romo, James Ferguson. Constables—Andrew Petipas, Walter Nieforth, Thomas Julian, James Lapierre. Collector of County Rates—Joseph Foucher. Fence Viewers—James Gaetz, Edward Nieforth. Appraisers of Damage—Michael Romo, Joseph Myette. Board of Health—William Bonin, William Lapierre, Charles Wolfe, Daniel Fillis. Assessors—James Gaetz, Simon Lapierre. Keeper of Canterbury Bridge—Geo. Myett. Road Supervisor—Dennis Myette.

DISTRICT No 29—Lawrencetown.

Councillor—James H. Sellars. Assessors—Henry Merson and Freeman Sellars. Collector of Rates—William Naugle. Road Masters—Road Sec. 1, George Lapierre ; 2, Freeman Sellars ; 3, Frederick Monivan ; 4, James Goldsworthy ; 5, James Dares ; 6, Neil McInnes ; 7, Nelson Leslie ; 8, Daniel Murphy. Constables—Elias Hiltz, George Patterson, William Crook, William Hiltz. Overseers of Poor—James Misener, Desbrisay Conrod, George Lloy. Fence Viewers—Henry Naugle and Joseph Day. Board of Health—William Conrod, Thomas Naugle, William Naugle, Albert Leslie. Sanitary Inspector—Albert Leslie. Custodian of Draw Bridge—Joseph Lloy. Presiding Officer—John McDonald. Supervisor of Roads—Alex. Conrod.

DISTRICT No 30—Preston.

Councillor—Thomas Johnson. Assessors—Dennis Deloughry, Stuart Innes. Collector—George Diggs. Presiding Officer—Dennis Deloughry. Overseers of Poor—John Glasgow, John Davidson, Nelson Winder. Health Officers—Samuel Williams, John Nelson, jr., David Smith, William Davidson. Keeper of Draw Bridge—Stuart Innes. Overseers of Statute Labor—Sec. 1, John Glasgow ; 2, Benjamin Mannette ; 3, Stuart Innes ; 4, John Davidson ; 5, John Brooks ; 6, John Wiseman ; 7, George Crawley ; 8, Robert Williams, jr. ; 9, John Thompson ; 10, Peter Williams ; 11, John Smith. Constables—Samuel Williams, John Nelson, jr., Rhesa Davidson, Daniel Downey, Henry Downey, Joseph Turner. Supervisor of Roads—Dennis Deloughry.

DISTRICT No. 31—Cole Harbor.

Councillor—S. W. Lydiard. Assessors—John A. Beck, William McKenzie. Presiding Officer—Henry Watson. Collector—Andrew Turner. Overseers of Poor—Arthur Beck, Gordon Kuhn, John Crooks. Swearing Town Officers—S. W. Lydiard, William McKenzie. Overseers of Roads—Sections 1, John Dillman ; 2, James Flynn ; 3, Walter Boutillier ; 4, J. William McIntosh, jr. ; 5, Daniel Donovan ; 6, Joseph McDonald ; 7, Robert Turner ; 8, Ephraim Lapierre ; 9, Frederick Cooper, sr. ; 10, Charles Fairfax ; 11, Reuben Ernst ; 12, William Eisnor ; 13, Alexander Settle ; 14, Alexander McLean ; 15, Gavin Grant ; 16, Newton Kuhn ; 17, George Ritchie ; 18, Colin McDonald ; 19, William Cole, sr. ; 20, William Sawler, jr. ; 21, John Hartlen ; 22, Edward Moreash ; 23, Enos Conrad ; 24, Charles Drummond ; 25, John H. Shrum. Constables—Thomas Norris, George Stone, John Bundy, Arthur Giles. Fence Viewers—John Farquharson, Charles Shaffleburg, Enos Whynock. Health Officers—Thomas Harrison, George Hawkins, Archibald Manley, William Marks. Health Inspector—Robert Settle, sr.

DISTRICT No 32 - Hubbard's Cove

Councillor—John E. Shatford. Assessors—John Gibbons, Peter D. Dauphinee. Collector County Rates—P. F. Boutillier. Overseers Poor—Caleb Hubley, Peter D. Dauphinee, Henry Conrod. Overseers Roads—Elisha Smith, Sec. 1, Wm. F. Boutillier; 2, Hibbard Hubley; 3, Hezekiah Brigley; 4, Henry Conrod; 5, George L. Keans. Mason's Point, I. Rafuse; Boutillier's Point, Simeon Boutillier; Conrad's Road, James E. Conrad; Schwartz Settlement, James Schwartz; East side Hubbard's Cove, Simon Dauphinee. Constables—Lambert Conrad, John Ryno, Jas. E. Conrol, Gilbert Keans, Jno. J. Brigley, Hibbart Hubley, Alex. Boutillier, Rand Gibbons. Health Officers—Dr. Adlington, Inspector, Caleb Hubley, Alex. Conrad, Wm. Kennedy. Fence Viewers—George Brigley, Abel Boutillier. Surveyors of Lumber—E. H. Young, B. F. Young, jr., George J. Young, Fred Corbett, Wm. Kilpatrick, Rand Gibbons, Peter F. Boutillier. Presiding Officer—Peter D. Dauphinee.

DISTRICT No. 33 - Eastern Passage.

Councillor—W. F. Negus. Presiding Officer—Daniel A. Moser. Collector—Nelson Negus. Overseers of Poor—Francis McDonald, James Moser, Wm. Icc-ton. Constables—George Moreash, Lewis Kelley, George Horne, Charles Walsh. Road Overseers—Sections 1, Edward Trider; 2, Wm. Wells; 3, Alexander Duns-worth; 4, John Smith; 5, John Goreham; 6, George F. Bowes; 7, Thomas Con-rod; 8, Benjamin Hines; 9, David Heneberry. Fence Viewers—Wm. Naugle, Andrew Conrod, James Conrod. Sanitary Inspector—John Byrne, sr. Board of Health—Simon Gregoire, Lewis Himmelman, Alvin Hemeon, Thomas Edwards, jr. Assessors—Francis McDonald, James Moser. Supervisor of Roads—Jere-miah Cleary.

DISTRICT No. 34—Salmon River.

Councillor—Thos. O'Leary. Presiding Officer—Henry J. Balcom. Assess-ors—John T. Warren and Wm. Pye. Collector of Poor and County Rates—John O'Leary, sr. Road Masters—John Cameron, Beaver Harbor; Leonard Whitman, West Salmon River; Matthew Gallagher, East Salmon River; Professor Dick, Dufferin Mines Road; Edmund Smiley, Main Road to Smiley's Shore; Robert Jewers, West Quoddy; Charles Shiers, Harrigan Cove; Alexander Jewers, Snow's Island. Constables—James Kirker, James Cameron, Wm. St. Clair, Robert Jewers. Overseers of Poor—Darius Snow, James P. Balcom, Leonard Whitman. Fence Viewers—Charles Darr, William Smiley, Andrew Shiers. Board of Health—Henry J. Balcom, George Smith, W. H. Atkins, Hector Smiley. Sani-tary Inspector—Dr. Dunlap. Supervisor of Roads—Edward Balcom.

DISTRICT No 35—Little River.

Councillor—A. H. Gladwin. Overseers of Statute Labor—Sec. 1, William Rhind; 2, Allen Ogilvie; 3, Winfield Cole; 4, Hiram Scott; 5, Alex. McMullin; 6, Edward Howe; 7, Geo. Ogilvie and Arthur Scott. Constables—Chas. Hurley, Robert Ogilvie, Wm. Rhind. Surveyor of Lumber, Logs and Wood—Joseph Wallace. Overseers of Poor—Edward Cruikshanks, Archibald McLennan, John Ogilvie. Assessors of Rates—Charles Hurley, Prescott Dean. Board of Health—Geo. Brown, Geo. Cole, Charles Ogilvie, Joseph Wallace. Appraisers of Dam-ages—Allen Ogilvie, John Fisher, George Brown. Fence Viewers—Henry Grant, Edward Cruikshanks, Robert Ogilvie. Revisor—Prescott Dean. Collector of Rates, Henry Cruikshanks. Presiding Officer—William Ogilvie. District Clerk—Edward Howe. Road Supervisor—Arthur Killen.

DISTRICT No 36 - East Chezzetcook.

Councillor—David Vaughan. Overseers of Highways—Sec. 1, Jas. Ritcoy; 2, George Bayers, of John; 3, Samuel Gaetz; 4, William Baver; 5, Edward Young; 6, George Myra; 7, William Anderson, sr; 8, George Gaetz; 9, Joseph

Gaetz; 10, John Myatt; 11, J. Howe Keizer; 12, Matthew Daly; 13, Morris Colford; 14, Dennis Smith, jr.; 15, Andrew Conrod; 16, Jacob Conrod; 17, Reuben Conrod; 18, Nathaniel Malcolm; 19, Archibald Crawford. Overseers of Poor—Lewis Hatt, James Greenough, Albert Gaetz. Constables—William Usher, Havelock Sibley, Azariah Veinot, James Owens, Justin Colford, J. Howe Keizer. Assessors—Alexander McInnes, J. P., George Keizer. Health Inspector—Alexander McInnes, J. P. Weighers of Hay and Straw—E. S. Guild, J. E. Rollings. Presiding Officer—James Keizer. Keeper of Draw Porter's Lake—A. S. Innes. Surveyor of Lumber—John Kidd. Fence Viewers—Andrew Gaetz, Matthew Conrod, John Anderson, sr. Collector—Thomas Smith. Health Officers—Jacob Conrod, Edward Conrod, jr., William Bonn, sr., R. J. Stoddard. Supervisor—Dennis Smith, sr.

DISTRICT No 38—East Dover

Councillor—Andrew Scott. Assessor—East Dover, James Fader, J.P.; West Dover, James Moreash, jr. Overseers of Roads—Bayside, Norman Fader; McGrath's Cove, Thomas McGrath; Larry's Cove, Noah Moreash; East Dover, Thomas Graves; West Dover, Alfred Moreash; New Road Section, Horatio Zink. Constables—West Dover, Abraham Cleveland, Isaac Moreash; East Dover, John Harnish, Elijah Myra. Board of Health—Charles Scott, Abraham Cleveland, Noah Moreash, Lawson Moreash. Fence Viewers—East Dover, Elijah Myra; West Dover, Lawson Moreash. Overseers of Poor—East Dover, Noah Moreash; West Dover, William Baker, Lawson Moreash. Sanitary Inspector—James Fader, J.P. Presiding Officer—Henry Fader. Collector—William Baker. Supervisor of Roads—Joseph J. Scott.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Sellars—

That Section 2 in division of Roads in District 33 be from York's Corner to Cole Harbor road; and that Section 3 be from Joseph Hutt's gate to the Church on Cole Harbor Road. Passed.

Submitted and read the return of Precept, with report and plan of Road in District 24, issued last year.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and A. F. Smith—

That the Precept for District 24 be referred to Road and Bridge Committee. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Madill and Bartlett—

That the Bridges across Gay's River, between Halifax and Colchester Counties, known as the Cook and Annand Bridges, be placed under the Bridge Act of 1883, and Amendments thereto. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Madill and Bartlett—

That the Elmsdale Bridge between Halifax and Hants Counties be placed under the Bridge Act of 1883 and Amendments thereto. Passed.

Councillor Madill explained the necessity for having these Bridges constructed speedily, the expense to be borne between the Counties named. Delay had been caused waiting for Colchester and Hants to take action.

The Council adjourned to 10.30 a.m. Tuesday for Committee work.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, Jan. 17th.

The Council met at 10.30 a.m. Present, the Warden and 29 Councillors.

The Minutes of Monday, p.m. were read and confirmed. The Council then adjourned to attend to Reports of Committees.

Afternoon Session.

JAN. 17th.

The Council met, the Warden and 29 Councillors present.

After roll-call, the Council adjourned to 10.30 a.m. Wednesday, to allow the several Committees to meet and prepare their Reports.

SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 18TH, A. M.

The Council met at 10.30 a. m. All present.

Councillors Thomson and Fleming moved the following resolution—

Whereas, A resolution was passed in this Council in March last, as recorded on page 95 of the Reports, to the effect that the Warden and Clerk be authorized to confer with the authorities of Dartmouth regarding the debt due by said Corporation to this Municipality;

Therefore resolved, That the late Warden and Clerk be called upon to report to this Council the result of their efforts in this respect.

The Clerk said he had notified the Mayor and Clerk of Dartmouth of the appointment named above, and read a letter to the Mayor and one to the Town Clerk of Dartmouth stating the amount as \$3,302.30 without interest, and requesting speedy settlement of the same.

Moved by Councillors Butler and Fleming—

That a Committee be appointed to confer with the Dartmouth authorities about the settlement of our claim, and that Councillors Negus, Lydiard, and Thompson be the Committee, with power to make settlement, and report at next session of this Council. Passed.

Submitted, the Report of the Finance Committee, which was read clause by clause and passed. Also, the Estimates

for next assessment on joint account of City, County, and Dartmouth, and for County separately for 1899.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

The Committee appointed to confer with the Dartmouth Board of Trade on the matter of a change in County representation, etc., reported as follows:—

Your Committee appointed to confer with the Dartmouth Board of Trade to discuss the advisability of having representation in the Dominion Parliament and Local Legislature, by a County representative independent of the City of Halifax,

Wish to say that after most carefully considering the matter they would recommend to this Council their most favorable opinion on such representation, and would further recommend that this Council take such action as will bring this matter before the proper tribunal, and that a Committee from this Council be appointed to confer with a Committee from the Dartmouth Town Council, to prepare such memorial as said Committee may in their opinion deem most essential to the said interests.

(Sgd.) C. E. SMITH, *Chairman*.
S. W. LYDIARD,
J. E. SHATFORD,
T. E. STEWART,
HENRY HALL.

Moved by Councillors Henley and Dauphinee—

That the report of the Committee appointed to confer with Dartmouth Board of Trade be received and adopted, and that a Committee of this Council be appointed in accordance with said report. Passed.

The Committee named were the Warden, Councillors Lydiard, Shatford, Butler, and Henley.

The subject of reduction of the license fees in the Liquor License Act was discussed freely, and it was moved by Councillor Walsh, seconded by Councillor Bartlett—

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Council, Section 6 of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 1895, should be amended, so far as the same relates to the Municipality of Halifax County, as follows:—

That the words "one hundred and fifty dollars" in sub-section 1 of said section be struck out, and the following words added thereto: "Not less than seventy-five dollars nor more than one hundred and fifty dollars, as the County Council may determine."

That the words "one hundred dollars" in sub-section 2 of said section be struck out and the following words added thereto: "Not less than fifty dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, as the County Council may determine."

Further resolved, That application be made at the next meeting of the Legislature of Nova Scotia for an Act to amend the said sections as herein provided.

The motion was put and lost.

Submitted the Report of the new Committee on Public

Property dealing with matters of the Poor Farm, which was read and passed clause by clause.

Moved by Councillors Fleming and Gladwin—

That the Report of Committee on Public Property be accepted as a whole. Passed.

In regard to Telephone connection, it was stated that a Line to the Farm might be constructed for \$50 or \$60 a mile. Fire extinguishers would cost about \$15 or \$17.50 each.

Councillor Shatford commented on the condition and management of affairs at the Poor Farm as unsatisfactory, according to complaints from time to time, and moved, seconded by Councillor Thompson, as follows:—

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Property be authorized to negotiate a sale of the Poor Farm at Cole Harbour and report to this Council at its next meeting what progress they have made if any in effecting a sale. Passed.

In reference to the Bridge asked for by people of Districts 29 and 33, and petition for a right of way in connection, it was moved by Councillors Negus and Sellars—

That the Bridge across the outlet at Cole Harbour Dyke be placed under the Bridge Act of 1883 and amendments thereto. Passed.

The Petition was referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

The Committee on Investigation of the expenditure by the Commissioners of the Court House of \$7,000 upon repairs, etc., submitted their report, which was adopted.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Henley—

That the new Statute Labor Act be read clause by clause and fully discussed, so that some action be taken to rid this County of an Act that is most disastrous and not at all commendable to this County's interest, and is so bungled that no decided legal opinion can be given.

The motion led to a prolonged discussion by different Councillors, terminating in the presentation by Councillor Henley of certain amendments to the Road Act of 1898, viz.:
An Act to Amend Chap. 67 of the Acts of 1898, entitled an Act to Amend Chapter 47 Revised Statutes of Highway Labor, so far as it relates to the County of Halifax.
Be it enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly as follows:—

1. Section 8 of chapter 67 of the Acts of 1898 is hereby amended by striking out the words beginning with "Supervisor" on the second line of said section, and ending with the word "one" on the third line.

2. Section 11 of said Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "any" on the first line of said section and ending with the word "and" on the second line thereof; and striking out the word "fines" on the fourth line of the said section, and substituting therefor the word "fine."

3. Section 12 of said Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "Supervisor" on the third line, and the word "Supervisors" on the seventh line of said section and substituting therefor the words "Municipal Councillors."

4. Section 13 of said Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "Supervisors" in the first line thereof and substituting therefor the words "Municipal Councillors."

5. Section 14 of said Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "Supervisors" on the first line of said section and substituting therefor the words "Municipal Councillors."

6. Section 15 of said Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "Supervisor" in the first line thereof and substituting therefor the words "Municipal Councillor," and striking out the word "County" in the second line and substituting therefor the word "County," and striking out the word "Supervisor" in the seventh line of said section, and substituting therefor the words "Road Master," and also by striking out all the words in said section after and including the word "and" in the thirteenth line thereof.

7. Section 16 of said Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "Supervisor" in the first line thereof, and substituting the words "Road Master."

8. Section 17 of said Act is hereby repealed.

9. Section 20 is hereby amended by striking out the word "Supervisor" in the first line thereof, and substituting therefor the words "Municipal Councillor," and striking out the word "Council" in the eleventh line of said section, and substituting therefor the words "Municipal Councillor," and by striking out the words "and Supervisor" in the eleventh and twelfth lines of said section.

10. Section 23 of said Act is hereby amended by striking out the words "and Supervisor" in the third line thereof.

11. Section 25 of said Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "Supervisor" on the first line, and substituting therefor the words "Municipal Councillor," and by striking out the word "Supervisor" in the eighth and tenth lines of said section, and substituting therefor the words "Road Master."

12. Section 29 of the said Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "Supervisor" in the second and third lines, and substituting the words "Road Master" therefor.

13. Section 29 of said Act is hereby repealed.

14. Section 30 of said Act is hereby amended by striking out the word "Supervisor" on the first and last lines thereof, and substituting the words "Municipal Councillor" therefor.

15. Section 32 of said Act is hereby repealed.

16. The duties which by the said Act are to be performed by the Supervisor of Roads for each District within the Municipality of Halifax County shall hereafter be performed by the Municipal Councillor of each District.

Moved by Councillor Henley, and seconded—

Whereas, in the opinion of this Council the Municipal Councillors should have control of all monies expended on the roads of their respec-

tive Districts, they being able to expend and control the same in a more judicious and economical manner than can be done by Supervisors ;

Therefore resolved, That this Council request the members of the Local Legislature for the County of Halifax to introduce and have passed the accompanying proposed Act at the next session of the Legislature of Nova Scotia.

Further resolved, That the said proposed Act, or a copy thereof, be sent to the members for this County in said Legislature, with a copy of this resolution.

Moved by Councillors O'Leary and Sellars—

Resolved, That the Provincial Legislature be asked to repeal Sections 2 and 3, Chapter 21, of amended Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1893, respecting Aldermen and Councillors' qualification relating to the signing of Liquor Licenses, etc.

Referred to the Law Amendment Committee.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Butler in amendment—

That the matter of amendments to the new Road Act be deferred till next year, and thus afford a year's practical trial of the Act before asking the Legislature to make any changes or amendments.

The amendment was lost 16 to 10. The resolution carried 17 to 10.

The Council adjourned to 2.30 p. m.

Afternoon Session.

JAN. 18TH, 1899.

The Council met at 2.30. The Warden and 29 Councillors present. The Morning Minutes were adopted.

The following report was received from the Chairman of the Joint Committee of this Council and Dartmouth Board of Trade—

At the meeting of the Joint Committee of the City Council and Dartmouth Board of Trade, held to-day to consider a change in the mode of representation of this County in the Federal and Provincial Parliaments, the following resolution was adopted unanimously :—

Resolved, That in the opinion of the Joint Committee it is desirable that a change in the mode of representation of the City and County of Halifax in both Local and Federal Parliaments be made, and that the change should give to the Municipality of the County of Halifax and Dartmouth representation independent of the City of Halifax.

Further resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Municipal Council, and to the Dartmouth Board of Trade and the Council of the Town of Dartmouth.

Adopted.

Read, a long letter from Judge Johnston, expressing surprise at the refusal of the Council to give an increase of salary to the Crier of the County Court, W. G. Naylor, notwithstanding the request and recommendation of himself and all the barristers in the city. Also stating the services and constant attendance of the Crier and the satisfaction he gives. The salary is too small to support his family, and his court duties so arduous that he is precluded from any other employment. The judge asks the Council to reconsider their action, and place Naylor on the same financial footing as the other Criers.

It was decided that the Warden reply to the letter.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Oswald Dauphinee—

That henceforth no application from any County official for increase of pay be considered by this Council, unless made by such official in writing, and the written resignation of such official, which may be accepted in case the application for increase is not favorably considered. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and O. Dauphinee—

Whereas, The sum of seven thousand dollars has been incurred in repairs to the County Court House at Halifax during the past year ;

And whereas, It is necessary that legislation be obtained for the purpose of authorizing the borrowing of said sum in order to pay the said indebtedness so incurred ;

Therefore resolved, That this Council request the Governor-in-Council of Nova Scotia to pass an Act authorizing the borrowing of said sum for the purpose of paying the said indebtedness in connection with said repairs. Passed.

Read, the Report of A. Stewart Innes, custodian of draw bridge at Porter's Lake, who says the draw is in good order, but the approaches to the bridge have been washed away by heavy freshets, and should be attended to early next spring. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

The Treasurer reported that he had been repeatedly asked to pay the Special Jurors referred to in 1898, and that since this session the foreman had notified him that they would wait upon the judges in a body and obtain an order to compel the Municipality to pay the fees. Action deferred to next day.

The Council adjourned to Thursday, 19th January.

EIGHTH DAY.

THURSDAY, JAN. 19, 1899.

The Council met at 10.30 a.m., the Warden and 29 Councillors present.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and passed.

In regard to Special Jurors fees, it was moved by Councillors Butler and Lydiard—

That the claims against the County for Special Jurors be paid and thereby save the County the costs of litigation. Passed.

Submitted the Report of Committee on Licenses. Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Negus—

That the Report of the Committee on Licenses be referred to the Law Amendment Committee, with recommendation of having amendments made to the Pedlers' Act. Passed.

Submitted and read the Report of the Committee on Insane, which was read clause by clause. On clause 4—
Moved by Councillors Bartlett and Madill—

That the Clerk enquire as to the correctness of the Bill from Cumberland County for Insane Patient.

On clause 5—Moved by Councillors Butler and Henley—

That the authorities at Mount Hope be instructed not to admit any Patient without the authority of the Committee named by the Council.

The Report then passed as a whole.

Moved by Councillors O'Leary and Stewart—

That a Committee be appointed to enquire into the matter of the Separation of the Offices of Clerk and Treasurer, with power to receive applications for vacant position, and that Councillors McCallum, Lydiard, Butler, Shatford and Madill, be said Committee, and report at next meeting of Council. Passed.

The Clerk reported business yet to be done, as J. P.'s for admission of Insane, Poll Tax, Arbitration Committee, Assessment of Estimates, Road Tax and Pay of Supervisor and Road Masters, Poor Assessment, Law Amendments, etc.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and Shatford—

That Justices McDougall, Dow and Harrington, be Commissioners for admission of Insane persons to Mount Hope Asylum. Passed.

By Councillors Henley and Hall—

That Robt. H. Semple and M. McFarlane be appointed justices to sign papers of insane persons for admission to the Hospital for Insane for the present year. Passed.

By Councillors Burris and Madill—

That Wm. Sedgewick and Walter McCurdy be Commissioners for examining lunatics for admission to the Asylum. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Madill and Burris—

That no poll tax be added to the County rates this year. Passed.

The following amounts for support of poor, moved by the several Councillors of the District, were voted to be assessed this year, viz. :—

District 22.....	\$140 00
“ 26.....	150 00
“ 14.....	25 00
“ 27.....	100 00
“ 33.....	120 00

Moved by Councillors Webber and Hall—

That Geo. W. Mitchell be appointed Supervisor instead of Amos Webber previously appointed, for District 27. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Sellars—

That six dollars be assessed on District 33 for cost of arbitration on Soward Road. Passed.

Discussion followed on the rate to be collected for road tax under the Road Act of 1898.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and Walsh—

That for road purposes, in pursuance of the new Statute Labor Bill, the amount of thirty cents on the hundred dollars be assessed on all real and personal property within the Municipality for the present year.

Moved in amendment by Councillors Fleming and Hall—

That thirty-five cents per hundred be assessed for road purposes.

The amendment was lost, and the original resolution carried.

The Council adjourned to 2.30 p. m.

Afternoon Session.

THURSDAY, JAN. 19, 1899.

The Council met at 2.30 p. m. The Warden and 29 Councillors present. The Morning Minutes were read and adopted.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Henley—

That the Warden and Councillors Negus, Shatford, and Fleming, be the Committee on Arbitration with the City and Dartmouth for the current year. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Thompson and Cole—

That notice of reconsideration of Councillors Henley and Smith's resolution to Road amendments be given, owing to the fact that several Councillors did not fully understand the purport of it.

Action deferred till reported on by Law Amendment Committee.

Moved by Councillors Henley and C. E. Smith—

Resolved, That the Report of Committee on Poor be deferred this session, owing to accounts not being in from the Keeper of the Poor Farm, said Report to lay over until next session of this Council. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and J. Dauphiney—

That Councillors C. E. Smith and Henley be added to the Committee already appointed to consider the advisability of separating the two offices now held by Clerk Wiswell. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Butler and Negus—

That this Council give authority to the Clerk to sue delinquents for taxes where collectors refuse to do so. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Lapierre and Smith—

That Dennis Myette be Supervisor for District 23 this year. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Henley and C. E. Smith, and

Resolved, That the Clerk and Treasurer assess upon the County the amount of the Estimates for 1899, reported by the Committee on Finance at this Session for the present year, with the costs of collection to be added thereto. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Henley and Webber, and

Resolved, That Walter Mitchell, of Ship Harbor, having been assessed

in two Districts (26 and 27) last year, that the amount paid Collector of Rates in the latter District be refunded, and the amount to be charged half to each of the said Districts. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Webber and Hall—

That Geo. A. Jamieson, M.D., J.P., and P. W. Maskill, J.P., be appointed Justices for Admission of Patients to the Hospital for Insane. Passed.

The Clerk reported that he had conferred with members of the Government Revisors of the Statutes in regard to amendments to various Municipal laws requiring revision, and had met them by request to explain and suggest necessary changes. The Legislature would meet early in February, but the revision would not be completed in time for its next Session. The By-Laws of this County needed revision and amendment as soon as possible. Referred to Committee on Law Amendments.

On motion, the Council adjourned to Friday, at 10.30.

TENTH DAY.

FRIDAY, JAN. 20TH, 1899.

The Council met at 10.30 a. m. Present, the Warden and 29 Councillors. The Minutes of Thursday, p. m., were read and confirmed.

In reference to the office of the Clerk and Treasurer, it was moved by Councillors Henley and Gladwin—

That after hearing the statement of the County Clerk regarding dividing the offices of Clerk and Treasurer at once, the Committee in deference to his wish, do hereby discharge the Committee appointed in connection therewith, and decide to make the appointment of Treasurer at once.

The Clerk said, that on reconsidering the subject, an immediate appointment of a Treasurer presented some difficulties for want of an office room and time to transfer and close the business. He would name and pay Mr. Parker Archibald to assist him until next session, if that arrangement would be acceptable to the Council.

It was moved by Councillors O'Leary and Stewart—

That Parker Archibald be appointed an assistant to the County Treasurer and Clerk until next meeting of the Council. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Burris and Butler—

That the Councillors' pay for the present session be two dollars per day and mileage, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.
Passed.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Henley—

That the Clerk be instructed to have the Minutes of this Session of Council published as heretofore.
Passed.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and Madill—

That the next meeting of this Council be fixed for the last Wednesday in March next, the same as last year.
Passed.

Moved by Councillors Fleming and Gladwin—

That Robert Fenerty be appointed Supervisor for District No. 17.
Passed.

Moved by Councillors O. Dauphiney and J. Dauphiney—

That Edward Mason be appointed Supervisor for District 12 for the ensuing year.
Passed.

Moved by Councillors Stewart and O'Leary—

That Fenwick Kent be Supervisor for District No. 22, Halifax County.
Passed.

By Councillors O. Dauphiney and J. Dauphiney—

That Amos Corkum be appointed Supervisor for District No. 11.
Passed.

Moved by Councillors Gladwin and Fleming—

That the Road Masters get One Dollar per day.
Passed.

The following amounts to be assessed for Support of Poor were moved by the Councillor for each District, seconded and passed, viz.:—

District No. 8—Sixty Dollars.

District No. 25—Two Hundred Dollars.

District No. 33—One Hundred and Twenty Dollars.

Submitted and read, the Report of the Committee on Law Amendments clause by clause.

The Report was discussed, and it was moved by Councilors C. E. Smith and Henley—

That the Report, so far as relates to the last two clauses, be attended to by the Clerk, so that the same may come before this Session of the Legislature. Passed.

On motion, the Report was passed as a whole.
The Council adjourned to 2.30 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

FRIDAY, JAN. 20, 1899.

The Council met at 2.30 p.m. The Warden and 28 Councillors present.

The Minutes of Morning Session were read and confirmed.
Moved by Councillors O'Leary and Gladwin—

That a Committee consisting of Councillors Butler, Fleming and Lydiard, be appointed, with authority to revise the By-Laws.

Councillors Sellars and Negus were added, and the resolution then passed.

Moved by Councillors Gladwin and Hall—

That the Supervisors pay be One Dollar Twenty-Five Cents per day without commission. Passed.

Submitted and read, the final Report of the Public Property Committee, which was received and adopted.

Moved by Councillors Negus and O'Leary—

That the Public Property Committee be authorized to advertise for Applications for Keeper of the Poor Farm, which will be vacant first of May, and that applications with all necessary information as far as references and ability be reported by the Committee at next Session. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Lydiard—

That James Findlay be appointed Road Master for Section 10, District 33, for ensuing year. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Fleming and Gladwin—

That John D. Miller, Arthur Wilson, and John Lindsay, be appointed to survey and lay out the road from Long Lake to Cobequid Road.

Submitted and read, the Report of Committee on Roads and Bridges. It was then read clause by clause, and on motion, adopted as a whole.

The tabulated Statement of Statute Labor throughout the County was then read and adopted.

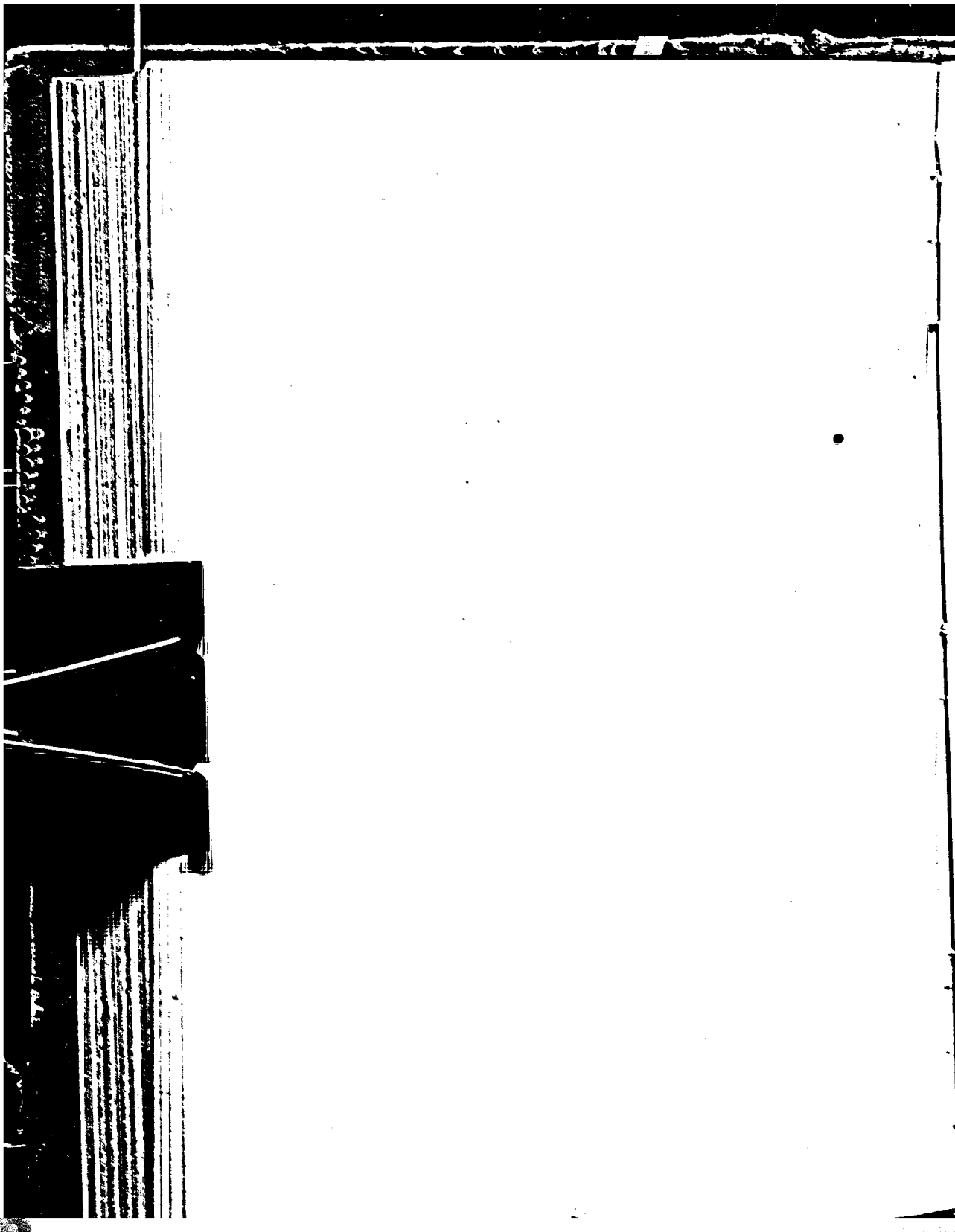
Moved by Councillors O'Leary and Lydiard—

That Councillor Vaughan, who has been prevented through illness from attending the Council, be absolved from the Fine for non-attendance, as imposed by the By-Laws. Passed.

The Warden announced that he had no other business to present, and if none offered, adjournment would be in order.

On motion, the Council adjourned to meet on Wednesday, March 29th, 1899.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.



REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, &c.

(Referred to in the foregoing Minutes.)

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF LICENSES ON APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSES FOR 1899.

GENTLEMEN,—

I beg leave to submit the following Report on applications for License^s to Sell Spirituous and Intoxicating Liquors for ensuing license year.

The following applications have been received in accordance with the Liquor License Act of 1895 and Amendments thereto, namely:—

John Ahearn, Hotel, Riverside House, St. Margaret's Bay Road, District No. 12.

Arthur Wyatt, Hotel, Lakeview House, St. Margaret's Bay Road, District No. 13.

Norah Hurley, Shop, Upper Prospect, District No. 10.

The petitions and certificates of all the above applications are strictly in accordance with the License Act, and there has been no objections made to their applications or to the granting of a license to them.

The houses and premises of the applicants are in good condition and well kept. So far as I am aware the houses are patronized by a good class of people.

I believe the applicants to be persons of good character and fit and proper persons for which they are seeking a license.

John Ahearn and Norah Hurley, I believe to be the owners of the business. (I cannot say regarding Arthur Wyatt), and they all having complied with the requirements of the Act, I recommend the granting to them their respective licenses.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. W. B. REID,

Inspector of Licenses.

HALIFAX, January 10th, 1899.

Financial Report of the County Inspector of Licenses for 1898.

GENTLEMEN,—

I beg leave to submit the following Financial Report for the year 1898:—

Total Cash receipts for the year, as shown in detailed statement of License Duties and Fines collected.....	\$250 00
Total Expenses for the year, as shown in detailed statement, and paper showing proceedings of year, which shows costs not collected. Also, travelling expenses. All amounting, with Salary of Inspector, to.....	\$699 23
Balance in favor of Municipality.....	\$150 77

During the year 34 cases were prosecuted, of which 25 were convicted and 9 were dismissed.

Of the 25 convicted, 16 paid in full, 1 was committed to jail, and most of the others have expressed a willingness to pay if they were given time. I believe a greater part of the unpaid Fines may be collected.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. W. B. REID,

*Inspector of Licenses in and for the
Municipality of the County of Halifax.*

Receipts from all Sources for 1898.

Duty on Licenses granted—

John Ahearn, Riverside House.....	\$140 00
Charles Rogers, Florence Hotel.....	140 00
Arthur Wyatt, Lakeview House.....	140 00
Fines collected, as shown in proceedings of year.....	400 00

Deposits on Application—

John Ahearn.....	\$10 00
Arthur Wyatt.....	10 00
Norah Hurley.....	10 00
	30 00

Total Receipts..... \$850 00

Detailed Statement of Expenditure of Inspector of Licenses for 1898

Paid Morning Herald for Advertising.....	\$ 4 50
“ Morning Chronicle “.....	6 00
Congdon & Outhit, Legal Services.....	55 00
Postage, Stationery, Telegrams and Telephones.....	3 20
Chief County Constable Burbidge.....	6 20
Constable Thomas Hall.....	1 00
James H. Whitman, Team.....	2 25
Mr. Hartling, “.....	1 00
George Richards, “.....	75
W. H. Greene, “.....	6 75
Metropolitan Stables, “.....	20 75
Costs in Suits not Collected.....	148 64
Travelling Expenses.....	143 19
Inspector's Salary.....	300 00

Total..... \$699 23

Return of Proceedings of License Inspector for the Year 1898.

Names of Persons Prosecuted.	Residence.	Before Whom.	Date.	Result.	Fine Impos'd	Costs not P'd.	Fine Coll'ct'd	Remarks.
George Preeper.....	Guysborough Road.....	John McDougall.....	Jany. 10	Dismissed.	.....	813 41	.....
John F. Gough.....	Three Mile House.....	".....	" 19	Convicted.	\$35 00	.....	\$35 00	
John F. Gough.....	".....	".....	April 25	"	30 00	.....	30 00	
Michael Connors.....	Shad Bay.....	".....	" 26	"	20 00	1 65	20 00	
Bernard Connors.....	".....	".....	" 26	Dismissed.	.....	3 00	.....
Benjamin Buchanan.....	Upper Prospect.....	".....	" 26	Convicted.	25 00	.....	25 00	
Edward Creighton.....	Bedford.....	".....	" 27	"	.....	.....	25 00	
Joseph Hosking.....	Waverley.....	".....	" 27	Dismissed.	.....	7 80	.....
Nellie Shehan.....	Windsor Junction.....	".....	" 27	Convicted.	20 00	.....	20 00	
Edward Kennedy.....	Preston Road.....	".....	May 21	"	20 00	.....	20 00	
Edward Creighton.....	Bedford.....	".....	" 27	"	20 00	.....	20 00	
Benjamin Buchanan.....	Upper Prospect.....	".....	" 27	"	25 00	.....	25 00	
Thomas Leaman.....	Waverley Road.....	".....	" 28	"	25 00	.....	25 00	
Henry McDonald.....	".....	".....	" 28	"	20 00	.....	20 00	
Joseph Hosking.....	Waverley.....	".....	June 4	Dismissed.	.....	4 50	.....
John Shannahan.....	St. Margaret's Bay.....	".....	" 7	Convicted.	25 00	.....	25 00	
Benjamin Buchanan.....	Upper Prospect.....	".....	" 17	"	25 00	10 60	.....	Warrant issued.
John F. Gough.....	Three Mile House.....	".....	July 19	"	25 00	.....	25 00	
Michael Connors.....	Shad Bay.....	".....	Aug. 31	"	25 00	12 10	.....	Promised to pay if warrant
Bernard Connors.....	".....	".....	" 21	Dismissed.	.....	4 90	.....	was not issued, but has
J. G. White.....	St. Margaret's Bay Road.....	".....	Sept. 1	Convicted.	30 00	.....	30 00	not yet.
Andrew Conrod.....	West Chezetook.....	".....	Oct. 6	"	50 00	13 10	.....	Went to Jail.
John F. Gough.....	Three Mile House.....	".....	" 24	"	30 00	.....	30 00	
Nellie Shehan.....	Windsor Junction.....	".....	" 26	Dismissed.	.....	8 10	.....
John Shannahan.....	St. Margaret's Bay.....	".....	" 28	"	.....	10 40	.....	Warrant issued.
John Gregoire.....	Ferguson's Cove.....	".....	Dec. 23	Convicted.	50 00	6 40	.....
Thomas Shehan.....	Sheet Harbour.....	R. H. Sample & W. C. Henley	" 27	Convicted.	20 00	.....	1 80	
Andrew Behie.....	".....	".....	" 27	Dismissed.	.....	5 88	.....
William McKiel.....	".....	".....	" 27	Dismissed.	.....	6 90	.....
John A. McDonald.....	Harrigan Cove.....	John Kirker & T. DeLuery	" 28	Convicted.	20 00	.....	20 00	
Henry Verge.....	Sheet Harbour.....	R. H. Sample & W. C. Henley	" 30	"	50 00	8 10	.....
Samuel Kenney.....	".....	".....	Jan. 5/99	"	21 00	6 10	.....	In Jail.
Charles Arnburg.....	".....	".....	"	"	50 00	10 90	
Daniel McMillen.....	Salmon River.....	".....	"	"	50 00	13 00	do.
					\$746 00	\$148 64	\$400 00	

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE JAILOR OF THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX FOR THE YEAR 1898.

To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax Connty.

GENTLEMEN,—

I beg herewith to submit my Report of the Commitments for the County Jail during the year ending December 31st, 1898.

For the year beginning January 1st and ending this date, there were—Criminals, 266; Debtors, 69, showing an increase of 56 Criminals, and 1 Debtor, making a total increase of 57 more than the previous year.

At the present date, there are 20 Criminals and 1 Debtor in the Jail.

The largest number of Prisoners in the Jail at one time during the year was 33.

There were also a number of Prisoners committed in 1897 who were not discharged until 1898.

The Jail has been kept full the greater part of the year, so many Prisoners having been sentenced for Petty Larceny and other crimes. I would again ask your honorable body to consider some way of employing those undergoing sentence in Jail.

Annexed are statements showing the various crimes for which Prisoners were committed during the year.

During the year there were 335 persons committed to Jail, for which there were from

City Court.....	216
Magistrate's Court.....	48
Supreme and County Courts.....	47
Municipality of Dartmouth.....	24

Total..... 335

The amount of monies received for Room Rent and Boarding Deserters from ships was \$24.90.

The Sanitary condition of the Jail has been generally good, and little sickness, excepting among those committed temporarily for drunkenness and insanity; these, with other cases of sickness of various forms, were always promptly looked after by the attending physician.

The conduct of the prisoners has been generally good.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. L. MALCOM,
Jailor.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 31st, 1898.

Return of the number of Criminal Prisoners committed for each
offence during the year ending Dec. 31st, 1898 :—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Rape.....	1	..	1
Arson.....	3	..	3
Assault.....	24	6	30
Larceny.....	59	5	64
Threats.....	2	..	2
Perjury.....	3	..	3
Bastardy.....	7	..	7
Vagrancy.....	2	1	3
Stowaways.....	1	..	1

Black mail	I	..	I
Manslaughter	6	..	6
Unsound Mind	I	I	2
Crown Witness	I	..	I
Indecent Assault	2	..	2
Drunkenness, etc.	34	5	39
Escaping from Prison	3	..	3
Burglary and Larceny	14	..	14
Using abusive Language	2	I	3
Committing an Indecent Act .....	..	2	2
Wilfully Damaging Property	7	I	8
Wilfully Wounding Cattle	I	..	I
Neglecting Wife and Family	8	..	8
Fraudulently Selling Property	I	..	I
Burglary with Intent to Steal	9	..	9
Being an Inmate of a Bawdy House	I	3	4
Disorderly Conduct on the Streets	9	I	10
Violating the Fishing Act	I	..	I
Violating Liquor License Act	2	..	2
Obtaining Goods Under False Pretences	2	..	2
Violating Compulsory School Act	2	..	2
Unlawfully Engaging in Servile Labor	I	..	I
Shooting with intent to Commit Murder	I	..	I
Unlawfully Offering For Sale Lottery Tickets	I	..	I
Violating the Inland Revenue Act	I	..	I
Deserting and Refusing Duty on Ships	II	..	II
Unlawfully Obstructing Passengers on the Street	4	..	4
Wilfully Placing Dynamite Under a House	I	..	I
Unlawfully Swimming in the Harbour	3	..	3
Carrying a Weapon Dangerous to the Public Peace	I	..	I
Neglecting to Keep a Register of Boarding Infants .....	..	I	I
Neglecting to Obtain Assistance at Child-birth .....	..	I	I
Resisting a Peace Officer in Discharge of his Duty	4	I	5
	237	29	266

WM. L. MALCOM.

Jailor.

REPORT OF THE JAIL PHYSICIAN.

I beg to submit my Report as Physician to the County Jail, for the year 1898, just ended.

There has been the usual number of cases of ordinary indisposition requiring treatment to a greater or less extent, but fortunately, few cases of serious sickness occurred during the year. The subjects of alcoholism, though not so many as in some previous years, yet supplied the cases needing most attention. All did well under treatment, and no bad results followed in any case.

There were two persons of unsound mind committed to the Jail for safe keeping. One of these was sent to the Hospital for the Insane at Mount Hope, the other to the County Poor Farm, as best suiting their particular needs.

In the month of March, a prisoner, far advanced in pregnancy, was

removed, by consent, to the Lying-in-Wards of the Halifax Poor Asylum.

With all the convicted prisoners, committed to Dorchester Penitentiary, must go forward "Clean Bills of Health," certificates of their freedom from any contagious or infectious sickness. I have accordingly supplied such certificates as follows:--

April 5th, to Owen Russell and Norman Thompson.

May 24th, " William Wilson.

July 11th, " Frederick Churchill.

Aug. 19th, " Edward Connors, Henry Birkenhead,
Alex. Fraser, Thos. McCormick, and
James Mullins.

Oct. 8th, " Andrew Beals and Lall Hill.

Nov. 5th, " Edward Walsh.

During the year, the Sanitary condition of the Jail building and its surroundings has been good. The new plumbing fixtures of last year have proved their efficiency and utility, and the automatic closets then introduced work most satisfactorily.

The wards, cells and corridors have been kept clean and well lime-washed; the food supplied has been of good quality and well cooked, and the resident officers have been considerate of and attentive to the needs of the prisoners.

To the Jailor, Mr. Malcom; the Matron, Mrs. Chambers; and Turnkey, Mr. Gaetz; my thanks are due for intelligent assistance in the care of the sick.

Respectfully submitted.

THOMAS TRENAMAN, M.D.

Physician to the County Jail.

REPORT OF THE CORONER'S CONSTABLE FOR THE YEAR 1898.

GENTLEMEN,—

I beg to submit the following Report for the year 1898:—

There have been seventy deaths during the year in the City of Halifax and Town of Dartmouth, which would come within the Province of the Coroner's Constable. The number, by months, have been as follows:—

January, 6	May, 6	September, 11
February, 4	June, 7	October, 8
March, 2	July, 11	November, 2
April, 0	August 7	December, 6
	Total, 70	

Of the above, I attended twenty, the remaining fifty having been attended by other parties upon the certificate of the Medical Examiner. There were also several deaths outside of Halifax and Dartmouth, of which I had no notice or information until I read of them in the daily newspapers. Among these latter were two cases of drowning at Devil's Island; two similar cases at Herring Cove; and one death by accident at Rockingham. These latter five were attended by other parties upon certificates given in each case by some Justice of the Peace.

Thanking you for favours conferred during the past year,

I am,

Yours respectfully,

JOSEPH SPENCER,

Coroner's Constable.

REPORT OF COUNTY POOR FARM PHYSICIAN.

In presenting my Report for the past year, I beg to say that the health of the inmates of the County Poors Farm has been excellent. No epidemic has visited the Institution and the death rate has been less than any previous year.

Total number of deaths for the year 1898, three—Phthisis, 1; Heart Disease, 1; Dysentery, 1.

The different buildings have been kept clean and comfortable, the beds are clean and the straw changed frequently. The food is nutritious and well prepared.

Yours, etc.,

N. F. CUNNINGHAM, M.D.

DARTMOUTH, Jan. 6th, 1899.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY FOR THE YEAR 1898.

The Committee in presenting their Report, would refer to the Jailor's and Surgeon's Reports on the County Prison.

The Poor Farm so far has been conducted fairly well. There has been quite an improvement. A large piece of ground has been broken during the last summer, although the stones have not all been cleared off. They will be removed in the spring and a new road opened up through the farm. All of this that has been done, has been without extra expense to the County, as the Paupers do the most of the work.

There has been an increase in the number of weeks' board for the harmless insane, which, if had to be paid for at Mount Hope, would be very much higher.

There has been a decrease in the number of weeks' board from Districts, but an increase from Dartmouth.

The annexed sheets will give you the Income and Expenditure for the year, all of which we are happy to say, will show a nice balance to the credit of the County.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAS. H. SELLARS.

WM. F. NEGUS.

B. C. WILSON.

H. M. McCALLUM.

Account of Expenditure of Halifax County Poors Farm for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1898.

Dry Goods and Clothing.....	\$ 444 69
Groceries and Provisions.....	1450 46
Boots and Shoes.....	140 50
Beef.....	544 92
Printing.....	30 63
Doctor's Salary.....	90 00
Hardware.....	71 63
Employees' Pay.....	599 00
Lumber.....	25 79
Making Clothes.....	42 65
Purchase of Oxen.....	74 00
Hay and Straw.....	72 93
Iron Bedsteads.....	15 75
Interest on Debentures.....	12 50
Potatoes.....	13 75
Repairs on Waggons, etc.....	45 30
Blacksmith.....	30 41
Chairman and Vice-Chairman's Salary.....	50 00
Keeper's Salary.....	350 00
Sundries.....	72 02

\$4176 93

*Account of Income of County Poors Farm for the Year ending
Dec. 31st, 1898.*

	Weeks.	Days.		
Insane.....	1416	4	at \$2.00 per week.....	\$2833 15
District	1354	2	" 75 "	1015 71
Dartmouth .	510	1	" \$1.30 "	663 20
Sale of Yoke of Oxen.....				84 00
Total.....				<u>\$4596 06</u>

SUMMARY.

Income	\$4596 06
Expenditure	<u>4176 93</u>
Balance in favor of Institution	\$419 13

REPORT OF THE KEEPER OF THE POORS' FARM, 1898.

I beg leave to submit my report for the past year: There are 65 patients at the Poors' Farm, of which thirty are males, thirty-five females, three boys and three girls. There has been no sickness. The report of health has been good. There were three deaths—one insane and two sane. There are five employees—two males, three females. The crops have been fair. The potatoes rotted, but we had a large increase of produce, which the following will show: 18 tons of hay, 2 tons of straw, 350 bushels of turnips, 150 bushels parsnips, two barrels of sour krout; corn, peas, beans, cucumbers, used green off the farm in abundance. Live stock—Five cows, three pigs, one pair oxen, one horse. Land improved—One acre; quantity of rock is large, but still some remain. Yoke of oxen, \$94.00, sold; 1 yoke bought, \$74.00. Shoes on hand, none; women's undergarments 26, shirts 16 pairs, pillow cases 29, sheets 13 pairs, 10 pairs pants, jumpers none, 6 straight jackets, 20 pairs blankets, 10 yards flannel, 8 yards apron goods, straw sacks, 6 women's underclothing, 20 pairs women's hose, 1 piece fleecy cotton, 12 pairs socks, 12 pairs mittens.

J. F. TURNER,

Keeper County Poors' Farm.

**STATEMENT OF STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATE'S
OFFICE, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31ST, 1898.**

Fees collected for quarter ending March 31st, 1898.....	\$ 79 66
“ “ “ June 30th, 1898.....	123 40
“ “ “ Sept. 30th, 1898.....	104 20
“ “ “ Dec. 31st, 1899.....	95 65
	\$402 91
No. of Trials and Convictions (liquor cases)....	19
“ “ (other cases)	26
Fines paid Inspector of Licenses	\$380 00
“ County Treasurer.....	32 00

This does not represent all the cases that have been dealt with by the Magistrate. In addition were the cases which were dismissed, and also the cases in which preliminary examinations were held with a view of sending them for trial by the Supreme Court.

Enquiries were made concerning the number of civil processes issued out of the different courts, and it was ascertained that last year between thirty and fifty per cent. less processes were issued out of those courts. The business therefore of the Stipendiary Magistrate's office in civil matters during the past year has been proportionately good, though not as large as was expected.

JOHN McDOUGALL,
Stip. Magistrate.

LICENSE FEES RECEIVED BY CLERK OF LICENSE FOR 1898.

Pedlar's License to B. Benson & Co.....	\$15 00
“ James Davis.....	15 00
“ I. Rauchback.....	15 00
Ferry License to R. H. Edwards.....	1 00
“ Charles Purcell.....	1 00
“ R. J. Purcell.....	1 00
“ J. T. Abriel.....	1 00
	\$49 00

JOHN McDOUGALL,
Clerk of License.

Stipendiary's Return of Convictions.

Prosecutor.	Defendant.	Nature of Charge.
D. W. B. Reid...	J. F. Gough.....	Keeping Liquor for Sale
W. S. Dimock...	M. Neville.....	Assault
P. J. Kuhn.....	Wm. Wiseman	Destroying fence.....
		Petty trespass.....
Alice Whitty.....	Patrick Redmond.....	Assault
D. W. B. Reid...	John F. Gough.....	Keeping Liquor for Sale without License
"	Michael Connors	" " " "
"	Benj. Buchanan	" " " "
"	Ed. Creighton.....	" " " "
"	Nellie Sheehan	" " " "
"	Edward Kennedy.....	" " " "
"	Edward Creighton.....	" " " "
"	Benj. Buchanan.....	" " " "
"	Thos. Leaman.....	" " " "
"	Henry McDonald.....	" " " "
John W. Holland.	Mary J. Johnson.....	Threatening Language.....
D. W. B. Reid...	John Shannahan	Keeping Liquor for Sale without License
"	Benj. Buchanan.....	" " " "
Capt. Sal. Army	John Slade.....	Causing Disturbance at Birch Cove
"	Robert White.....	" " " "
Wm. Slauenwhite.	A. J. Slauenwhite	Assault
Eliz. Slauenwhite.	"	"
D. W. B. Reid...	John F. Gough.....	Keeping Liquor for Sale without License
Jason Keating...	Greg. J. Murphy.....	Assault
Charles Felles...	W. Purcell, J. H. Coolen.	"
Secy. Game Soc'y.	D. Burgoyne.....	Pursuing Deer contrary to Law
"	Sydney Boutilier.....	"
D. W. B. Reid...	M. Connors.....	Keeping Liquor for Sale without License
"	J. G. White.....	"
Cath. Anderson...	Ernest Anderson.....	Assault
Secy. Game Soc'y.	Peter Dauphiny	Pursuing Deer with intent to kill
P. Hayes.....	H. Reyno, Thos. Isaacs	Theft of Fruit
D. W. B. Reid...	Andrew Conrod	Selling Liquor without License
"	John F. Gough.....	Keeping Liquor for Sale
"	John Shannahan.....	Selling Liquor without License
Rich. J. Waugh...	Wm. J. Moon.....	Vagrancy
Bernard Dunn...	Clifford Collins	Unlawfully Riding on Cars
"	Fred. Blois.....	" " " "
"	Alf. Allen.....	" " " "
"	H. Allen.....	" " " "
"	Fred. Maling.....	" " " "
Charlotte Gross	Margaret Hill.....	Assault
John Annand...	Wm. Slakem, Fred. McLeod	Theft.
Alf. Oliver.....	Alex. Ford.....	Threatening Language.....

January 1st to December 31st, 1898.

Date of Conviction.	Convicting Magistrate.	Penalty.	Paid..	To Whom Paid Over.	Remarks.
Jan'y. 19, '98	John McDougall..	\$35 00	Paid.	D. W. B. Reid....	
Feb'y. 7	"	8 00	"	"	
" 28	"	No fine imposed.	"	"	
March 5	"	"	"	"	
" 25	"	10 00	Not pd.	"	Committed to Jail.
April 5	"	80 00	Paid.	D. W. B. Reid....	
" 26	"	20 00	"	"	
" 26	"	25 00	"	"	
" 27	"	25 00	"	"	
" 27	"	20 00	"	"	
May 21	"	20 00	"	"	
" 27	"	20 00	"	"	
" 27	"	25 00	"	"	
" 28	"	25 00	"	"	
" 28	"	25 00	"	"	
June 6	"	No fine imposed.	"	Recognizance to	keep the peace.
" 7	"	25 00	Paid.	D. W. B. Reid....	
" 17	"	25 00	Not pd.	"	
" 27	"	10 00	Paid.	"	
" 27	"	10 00	"	Co. Treasurer	
July 6	"	8 00	"	"	
" 6	"	2 00	"	"	
" 19	"	35 00	"	D. W. B. Reid....	
" 23	"	14 00	"	"	
" 29	"	2 00	"	Co. Treasurer	
Aug. 29	"	60 0	Not pd.	No Warrant	applied for.
" 29	"	60 00	"	"	"
" 31	"	30 00	"	"	
Sept. 1	"	30 0	Paid.	D. W. B. Reid....	
" 1	"	6 00	Not pd.	Accused left	Jurisdiction.
" 8	"	60 00	"	No Warrant	applied for.
" 23	"	No fine	"	"	
Oct. 6	"	50 00	Not pd.	D. W. B. Reid	Committed to Jail.
" 24	"	30 00	Paid.	"	
" 28	"	50 00	Not pd.	"	Warrant issued.
Nov. 11	"	5 00	"	"	Committed to Jail.
" 21	"	2 00	Paid.	Co. Treasurer	
" 21	"	2 00	"	"	
" 21	"	2 00	"	"	
" 21	"	2 00	"	"	
" 21	"	2 00	"	"	
Dec. 3	"	2 00	"	"	
" 27	"	Imprisonment.	"	"	Com: to Jail.
" 31	"	"	"	Recognizance to	keep the peace.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION, RE THE REPAIRS, ETC., TO THE COUNTY COURT HOUSE.

Your Committee are unanimously of the opinion that repairs and improvements were undoubtedly necessary, but at the same time we feel bound to express our unqualified disapproval of the costly material used, more especially with the quality of the brick utilized in the basement of said Court House. In this regard we feel convinced that brick at one-fourth of the cost of those used would have served the purpose equally well; and that had greater economy been exercised the cost would have been considerably diminished.

Also, your Committee feel it their duty to state, that in our opinion, the charges made by the "Atlantic Weekly" against ex-Warden Shatford were in a sense unwarranted, as we consider that whatever charges of extravagance were hurled at him personally should have been equally shared in or directed to the other commissioners.

Further, your Committee feel that, in deference to Janitor Smith, they can not close their report without stating that after diligent enquiry, they exonerate the said janitor from the charge of interference with the workmen engaged on the said Court House, as has been a leged.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. H. BARTLETT,
THOMAS O'LEARY,
JAMES H. SELLARS,
HENRY HALL,
GEORGE H. MADILL,
CHARLES E. SMITH,
SAMUEL THOMSON.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

To the Warden and Members of the Municipality of Halifax Co. :

The License Committee beg to report that they have examined the proposed bye-laws relating to Pedlar's' and Hawkers' for this Municipality, and that the same meets with their views as amended, and the proposed bye-laws have been handed to the Law Amendment Committee.

SAMUEL THOMSON,
A. F. SMITH,
A. H. GLADWIN,
THOS. O'LEARY,
ANDREW A. SCOTT,
DANIEL LAPIERRE.

Referred to Law Amendment Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITAL FOR INSANE FOR THE YEAR 1898.

Your Committee report as follows :—

That there were admitted to the Hospital for Insane during the year, chargeable to the Municipality, 5 Patients. Their names are as follows :—

MALES.

Herbert Fenerty
John Duggan

FEMALES.

Annie Hamilton
Ellinor Stoddart
Emma Moser

Two Males and three Females.

There were discharged four Males and five Females. The irnames are as follows:--

MALES.
Herbert Fenerty
William Geizer
William O'Leary
John S. Ogilvie

FEMALES.
Julia McCarthy
Eliza Marryatt
Lily Myers
Laura Bruce
Emma Stoddart
Bertha Maud Whitman

Your Committee report that the accounts for all Pauper Patients at the Hospital have been examined and found paid to Dec. 31st. 1898, as shown in the Treasurer's Account.

In regard to the account from Amherst, the only course we can recommend, is for it to be paid, provided the same be found just and correct.

We would draw the attention of the Council to the loose way Patients are admitted to the Hospital without examination by the proper authorities.

We would suggest that some arrangements should be made where-by the Government would endorse the County Doctor's Certificate, thereby saving the extra cost of a second examination. And also that the Clerk be authorized to collect any accounts that may be incurred by Insane Patients of other Counties that may be sent here and charged to this Municipality.

We regret to state the Hospital authorities have raised the Board of Female Patients to \$3.60 per week; but as it is the decision of the "powers that be," we can have no more to say in the matter.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. F. NEGUS.
S. W. LYDIARD.
JOHN S. FLEMING.
THOMAS O'LEARY.
HUGH MONROE.
THOMAS JOHNSON.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee approve of and recommend the payment of the following accounts: Farquhar Bros., S. Marshall, and the estate of W. H. Greene, Dartmouth.

Your Committee consider that amount paid Constable and Justices McFarlane and Sample, Sheet Harbour, sufficient.

We recommend referring the accounts of Dr. Bliss, Dr. McQuinn, and M. Walsh, to the Councillor for District No. 17.

On the annexed sheet we beg to submit the estimates for the present year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN E. SHATFORD,
W. CHAS. HENLEY,
HENRY HALL,
GEO. H. MADILL,
J. BURRIS,
H. M. MCCALLUM.

ESTIMATES FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HALIFAX AND TOWN OF
DARTMOUTH.

Current Expenses of Court House.....	\$ 1,350 00
Interest and Debentures on do.....	1,400 00
County Jail and Current Expenses.....	2,500 00
Grand and Petit Juries.....	1,000 00
For Sheriff.....	1,000 00
Crown Prosecutions, Expenses.....	1,000 00
Clerk and Treasurer.....	1,600 00
Coroners.....	500 00
Printing and Stationery.....	500 00
Criers of Supreme Court.....	900 00
Crier of County Court.....	300 00

	\$12,050 00
Less Government Grant to County Court House.....	300 00

\$11,750 00

FOR COUNTY ALONE.

For Warden and Councillors' Pay.....	1,300 00
Stipendiary.....	850 00
County Constables.....	350 00
Schools.....	8,600 00
Hospital for Insane.....	3,000 00
County Poor Farm Interest and Debentures.....	550 00
County Poor Farm Current Expenses.....	1,500 00
For Revisors and Assessors.....	700 00
Drawbridge, \$70; Bus Line, \$150; Ferries, \$40.....	260 00
Postage, Health, and Incidentals.....	40 00
Bounty on Wild Beasts.....	100 00
Auditors.....	40 05
Lunacy Certificates.....	75 00

	17,365 00
Less Estimate from County Stipendiary's Court.....	400 00

	16,965 00
And from unexpended balance, 1898 account.....	4,000 00

For County alone.....	12,965 00
City, County, and Dartmouth.....	11,750 00

\$24,715 00

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY RE
POOR FARM ACCOUNTS.

Your Committee, in examining the accounts of last year for Groceries, and comparing them with contract prices, find great discrepancies. That in many places prices are charged far in excess of contract prices. Now, as these accounts have been paid, to prevent repetition of said irregularities, we would suggest that all orders for supplies for Poor Farm or Jail be countersigned by one or more members of said Committee.

Respectfully submitted by Public Property Committee.

N. E. BUTLER.
C. E. SMITH.
SAMUEL THOMPSON.
HUGH MONROE.
S. W. LYDIARD.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AUDITORS.

We, the undersigned members of select Committee to report on names of Auditors, submit the following:—

S. S. Scott, W. C. Bishop.

B. C. WILSON
JOHN E. SHATFORD
S. W. LYDIARD
M. E. BUTLER
J. DAUPHINEE

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC PROPERTIES COMMITTEE RE KEEPER TURNER'S APPLICATION, &c.

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

GENTLEMEN,—

We, the undersigned members of the Public Properties Committee, beg leave to submit the following Report:—

That owing to the advanced age and partial incapacity, through sickness, of the present keeper, Mr. Turner, we recommend that he be asked to hand in his resignation, to take effect on May 1st, 1899, and that applications be received for said position.

Also, that on account of the distance between the City and Poor Farm, and the growing necessity of closer connection, this Committee is unanimously of the opinion that Telephone communication should be established, and that the Chairman procure the data as to probable cost of erecting poles and placing wire between Dartmouth and Poor Farm.

Also, that it is the opinion of this Committee that the Poor Farm be closed to any and all visitors between the hours of 6 p.m. and 9 a.m., from the 1st of May to 1st of October; and from 1st of October to 1st of May, 5 p.m. to 9 a.m.

Also, your Committee would suggest that some steps be taken with regard to procuring Fire Extinguishers for this building.

We have been informed that unless some action is taken in this matter, and there should be any loss, the Insurance Companies might object to paying over the amount of Insurance.

M. E. BUTLER, Chairman
CHARLES E. SMITH
SAMUEL THOMSON
S. W. LYDIARD
HUGH MUNROE

REPORT OF REVISORS OF ASSESSMENTS.

We, the Board of Revisors, beg leave to submit the following Report:

We met at the Court House on Nov. 29th, 1898, and decided to visit several of the Districts.

We visited 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 28, 29, 31, 33, 34, 38. We made slight changes in District 7, and added 5 per cent. to Districts 9 and 28. The other Shore Districts we found had just reasons for their decrease. In District 12 a Portable Mill has been removed which was assessed for \$1000, which accounts for their decrease. We made some changes, adding slightly to the District.

In comparison with last year, we find an increase over the Municipality of \$35,068.

We would recommend that one or more of the Board of Revisors be empowered to visit the several Districts, or as many of them as they may think proper, with the local Assessors, when they are doing their work, as we find it very hard to go through a District and form an opinion of their assessment in the limited time at our disposal.

WILSON MADILL
E. B. HUBLEY
H. J. BALCOM

*Tabulated Statement of Valuations contained in Assessment Rolls
for the Districts from No. 7 to No. 38 in the Municipality
of Halifax County for the Years 1898-9.*

No.	Total Value. 1898	Total Value. 1899.	Decrease.	Increase.
7	\$ 25220	\$ 26895	1675	.....
8	21643	21260	.....	383
9	23635	25063	1428	.....
10	29725	27600	.....	2125
11	47140	45985	.....	1155
12	42965	42415	.....	550
13	35471	34978	.....	493
14	125545	124535	.....	1010
15	172079	182693	10614	.....
16	44444	44114	.....	330
17	133 80	130321	.....	2759
18	94975	93741	.....	1846
19	92535	91256	.....	1279
20	51225	48960	.....	2165
21	124965	128060	3095	.....
22	111585	113330	1745	.....
23	14605	14865	260	.....
24	54810	55876	1066	.....
25	88970	94035	5065	.....
26	79765	78032	.....	1733
27	112130	113220	1090	.....
28	66810	71074	4264	.....
29	57750	58295	545	.....
30	24810	26920	1110	.....
31	172265	171610	.....	655
32	77795	78345	550	.....
33	74235	73710	.....	525
34	50307	62808	12501	.....
35	37590	39358	1768	.....
36	85190	90460	5270	.....
38	19050	19180	130	.....
		\$2229874	Incrse. \$52176	\$17108
			Decrs. \$17108	

Increase over 1898.....\$35068

REPORT OF LAW AMENDMENT COMMITTEE, 1899.

Your Committee on Law Amendments beg leave to submit the following Report:—

That the communication from Wade & Paton, of Bridgewater, which was read before the Council, was considered by your Committee, and they would recommend to the Council that the Clerk acknowledge receipt of the same.

That certain amendments to the new Road Act having passed the Council, your Committee would recommend the proposed amendments be sent to the Legislature for consideration.

We submit with this Report a draft of a Bye-Law in regard to Pedlars' Licenses, which your Committee would recommend to be substituted for the Bye-Law now in force.

In the opinion of the Committee, the Bye-Laws are in a very unsatisfactory state, and they would earnestly recommend that a Committee be appointed, to thoroughly revise the same and report at the April meeting of the Council; and that the Committee so appointed be empowered to employ Counsel to assist them in their work.

It is also recommended that Sec. 10 of Chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of N. S. be amended by inserting the word "brother" after the word "mother" on the first line of said section.

Also, that Sec. 1 of Chapter 21 of the Acts of 1898 be repealed at the next Session of the Legislature.

H. M. McCALLUM
J. H. SELLARS
W. CHARLES HENLEY
JOHN E. SHATFORD
GEO. H. MADILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

That in reference to the Canterbury Draw Bridge, Districts 28 and 29, no information being obtainable by the Committee, we refer the same to the Councillors of said Districts.

That the Petition from District 22, re the granting of a Precept for laying out a piece of new road, be granted.

That the Petition from District 24, asking that a Precept be granted for the laying out of new road be complied with, and that the parties named by the Councillor of said District be empowered to lay out said road.

That the Petition from District 17, asking for a Precept to lay out a piece of new road, be granted, and that the parties to lay out such road be appointed by the Councillor of the District.

That with reference to the Petition from Little River, we, the Committee, feel that it is not in our jurisdiction to deal with the matter, and refer the matter to the Councillors and Government.

That with reference to the Report of Joseph Lloy, Custodian of Rocky Run Draw Bridge, we, your Committee, consider it the duty of the Councillor of District 28 to attend to the matter, and make all necessary repairs.

That the Communication from R. K. Smith, Musquodoboit, with Bill attached, be not considered.

That the Report of Stuart Innes, Porter's Lake, re the approaches to Bridge, be attended to by the Councillor of the District.

That the Communication of A. B. Gray, re the Removal of road material from District 15, we advise the said A. B. Gray to consult the Law, as in such cases provided.

Also, the Communication of J. A. Knight, re Claim for material taken for Road purposes. We would recommend the said J. A. Knight to refer to the Law in such matters, and to consult the Councillor, as we consider all such claims should be paid by the District out of their Provincial allotment.

That the Petition from Districts 26, 21 and 22, having been considered by this Committee, we cannot recommend the prayer of said Petition, unless the amount asked for be provided by the Government, independently of the County Road Grant.

That the Report of the Arbitrators, re the Laying out Road in District 33, be passed by this Council, and your Committee would recommend the expense, incurred to be paid by the Government.

That in reference to Memorial from District 15, re Encroachments on Roads, we would refer the parties interested to the Revised Statutes for the Preservation of Roads, etc., etc.

That in respect to the Petition from Districts 29 and 33, we would recommend the Precept being granted on the following conditions: That a free right-of-way (in writing) be given by owners of land, without any charge for fencing, and that as soon as the Government guarantee the building of the Bridge required across the outlet at Cole Harbour, the Roads will be laid out, and that Freeman Sellars and Thomas A. Nogle be appointed to lay out said Road.

With respect to Statute Labor Returns, your Committee beg to state, that we cannot complete our Report without saying that more attention and care should be taken by the majority of Councillors before Statute Labor Returns are brought before the Council.

That the Requisition from District 17, re the Opening up of Lake-View Roads, be deferred and reported on by the Committee at the next meeting of Council.

Also, that the \$300 asked for District 10 by Councillor Walsh be similarly dealt with.

(Sgd.)

W. C. HENLEY
J. H. BARTLETT
ARTHUR WEBBER
ISAAC DAUPHINEE
J. H. SELLARS
THOS. E. STEWART
JOHN S. FLEMING

No. Dist.	Days Due.	Days Done.	Days not Done.	Remarks.
7	185	185	..	All in good order.
8	324	306	18	All in good order.
9	318	315	3	All in good order.
10	288	286	2	2 Returns not in, 2 incomprehensible.
11	462	462	..	All in good order.
12	546	540	6	All in good order.
13	287	287	..	All in good order.
14	...	...	..	One Return in (only).
15	...	...	..	Cannot be entertained by Committee.
16	495	485	10	One Return not in.
17	650	637	13	4 Returns not in.
18	536	526	10	Returns all in fair order.
19	619	604	15	One Return not in.
20	371	318	3	Returns all in good order.
21	890	890	..	Returns all in good order.
22	727	720	7	8 Returns not in.
23	261	232	29	Returns in good order.
24	663	654	9	Returns in good order.
25	947	841	103	One Return not in.
26	930	863	67	Returns all in and in fair order.
27	1581	1561	20	Returns all in and in good order.
28	1000	983	17	One Return not in, bal. in good order.
29	443	440	3	Returns all in and in good order.
30	337	322	15	Two Returns not in, bal. in fair order.
31	1182	1166	16	Five Returns not in, bal. in good order.
32	220	200	20	Eight Returns not in, bal. in good order.
33	681	681	..	One Return not in, bal. in good order.
34	493	429	64	One Return not in, bal. in good order.
35	306	295	11	Returns all in good order.
36	...	...	..	No Returns in, Councillor ill.
38	232	208	24	One Return not in, bal. in fair order.

