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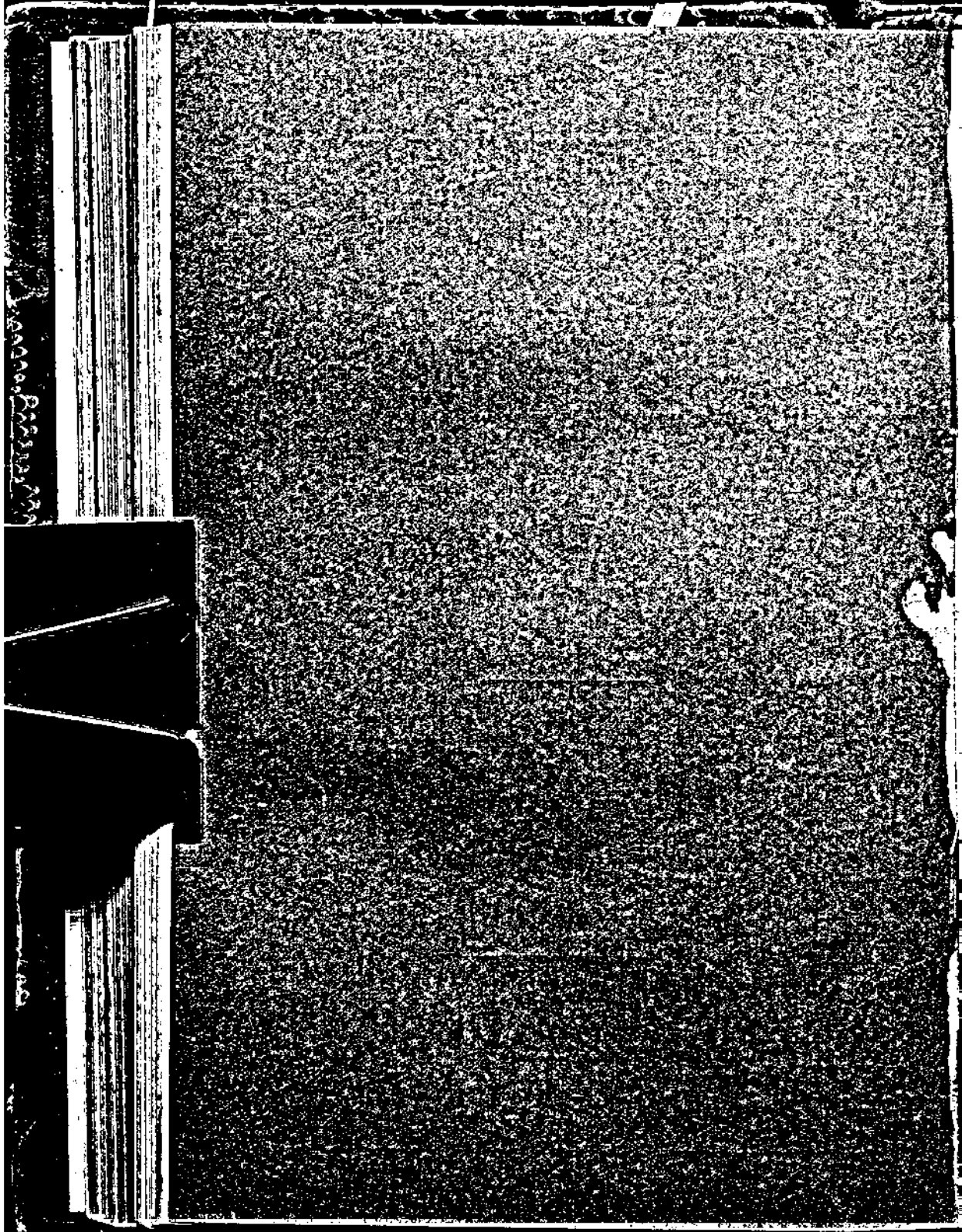
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April, 1900

BY THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY
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MUNICIPALITY OF HALIFAX COUNTY.

ANNUAL MEETING, JANUARY, 1900.

The county council met Tuesday morning in the county court house. There were present Warden Wilson and 28 councillors. The absent councillors were Captain Smith, and Mr. Hall. Two new councillors, Messrs. Moran and Billman took their seats. The following is the address in full, read by Warden Wilson:

Warden Wilson's Address.

Gentlemen of the municipal council of Halifax county: I am pleased to welcome you to this the first session of the second year for which you were elected to preside over the interests of Halifax county, and I wish you a prosperous new year.

Before calling your attention to the several matters which will engage your attention, it is fitting I should refer to the inroad death has made in our ranks since we last met here. Councillor Thompson, who represented district 16, was suddenly stricken down while attending divine service at Hammond's Plains in May last. For a number of years he was an efficient and active member of this council, a man of genial and happy disposition, slow to anger and never giving offence. He was a ready and fluent speaker and an ardent advocate for economy. Our sympathies are with the bereaved family.

I would also feelingly refer to the death of ex-Stipendiary Magistrate Griffin, which occurred at Dartmouth last summer. For several years he was an honored member of this council, and for a longer period filled the office of county stipendiary with credit to himself and satisfaction to the public, till failing in health necessitated his retirement from service. I can earnestly say "requiescat in pace."

A New Councillor.

You will welcome a new councillor from district 16, Lindsay Moran, and another from district 14, Councillor McCallum of that district having retired, a new election was ordered, resulting in the return of James Billman.

The usual duties of the session, in due order will be presented for your consideration and action, such as the appointment of county and district officers; the examination of the county accounts and finances for the past year and making provision for the one on which we have just entered, notable as the last year of the county. It is understood that there will be a revision of the provincial statutes at the coming session of our local legislature, and I trust this council will have some sound suggestions to offer in regard to acts more directly affecting the interests of the county, such as a more efficient and equitable assessment.

The licensing of pernicious merchants, the encouragement of temperance, the observance of sanitary laws, and any others which the many minds of this council may suggest.

I would call to your attention that early in the year representations were made to me that it was very desirable to have the county stipendiary hold court and administer the law in certain outlying districts which were too remote to admit of having the several cases brought before him in Halifax, and which for obvious reasons could not be satisfactorily dealt with by the local magistrate.

While having no precedent for sending the stipendiary into the country, the reasons advanced seemed so conclusive that I decided to take the responsibility, and I am pleased to advise you that the results were very satisfactory and fully justified the action, and I would suggest that if it meets your approval that a resolution be recorded authorizing similar action whenever the conditions justify it.

I have a communication to lay before you from the attorney of the executors of the late James Turner, former keeper of the County Poor's Farm, in reference to a matter which the committee on public property has not been able to satisfactorily settle, and I ask your early consideration of it.

New Road Act.

Considering that for about three generations our people have grown up and been educated in a road act or statute labor law, which knew no change, in all that time and had practically become engrafted in their ideas of road management, it was reasonable to anticipate much friction, and misapprehension might result on the introduction of an act in the new law brought into force in 1899. I am pleased to report that a very general effort was made to give the act a fair trial, and I believe also with a satisfactory measure of success.

A considerable revenue towards support of roads has been drawn in from heretofore unproductive sources and as the application of the law becomes better understood, this outside revenue will increase. As the annual grant from the government for road service seems to be a gradually dissolving view it is a matter of importance for us to consider when this association will cease altogether, and commence now to lay the foundation for an improved road service on an independent basis, prominent in which I consider will be the consolidation of our road system service, revenue and expenditure made under one general tax and management. Instead of the short road section administration as now prevails, which system is at best but the survival of an expedient method where the conditions were very different from now, and is lacking in economy and efficiency and entirely inadequate to the demands of the present time.

The object lesson in the use of machinery on the Bedford road last summer should convince the most skeptical that even in the rocky coast district of the county machinery can be applied with much benefit to the road and satisfaction to the taxpayers.

Wide Tires.

By inference to recent acts of the province you will observe that any county has the local option of enforcing wide tires on wheeled vehicles I wish this was compulsory over the whole province. However, I suggest that this council carefully consider the subject without prejudice and see if it may be adopted in Halifax county without injury to individual rights and, as I believe, with benefit to the community.

You will pardon me for so lengthy a reference to road matters, but there is still one more matter I would like to call your attention to—that is, the system of our drafts or road advances, in anticipation of next year's road reve-

nue, which is nothing more nor less than living beyond one's income. I have endeavored to discourage the practice as far as possible, and I ask councillors in future to keep within the limits of his yearly road fund. If it is found that the present road revenue is insufficient we have the remedy in our own hands and thus face the difficulty.

Since our last meeting the offices of county treasurer and clerk have been separated, and I think with advantage to the county, and I trust with relief and comfort to the former incumbent of the combined offices. The new auditors have assumed their duties on a method, quite an innovation on former practice, and we will have an opportunity in a few days of passing judgment on their work.

I am pleased to advise you that the county finances are comparatively in a very healthy condition. We have received during the year past, over \$3,000 of arrearages of taxes due previously to 1899, and for 1899 the taxes have been paid up much better than heretofore. One district, however, No. 14, considered one of the wealthy ones, too, is largely behind, but I refrain from any criticisms till the councillor of the district is heard from.

Praise for Stipendiary.

I would not omit complimentary reference to the valuable advice rendered during the year by Stipendiary McDougall, whose readiness at all times to be at the service of the county and the interest he has manifested in the welfare of the municipality are worthy of commendation and recognition.

Now, gentlemen, we are here for business; let us proceed to it with a will and see if we cannot shorten the session some two or three days as compared with previous ones, or say that of 1899.

License Inspector's Report.

The report of D. W. B. Reid, who served the first three months of this year as license inspector, was next read. The report showed that ten persons were summoned for violating the license act. Of the number eight were convicted and two dismissed. Fines amounting to \$161 were imposed, and \$85 was collected.

The report of S. J. Hiltz, the inspector for the balance of the year, was also presented. He reported having summoned 39 persons, 34 of whom were convicted and five dismissed. Fines amounting to \$1,050 were imposed, and \$486.90 was collected. The costs in connection with the cases amounted to \$209.91. The license inspector reported favorably on the licenses of John Ahearn and Arthur Wyatt, and the council granted them. He reported against granting a license to Mrs. Hurley, of Prospect, as she did not have the necessary number of names attach-

d to her application. The license was refused.

Richard Burbidge was re-appointed chief county constable.

The following were nominated to appoint standing committees—Councillors Henley, Webber, Negus, Isaac Dauphinee, Bartlett, Gladwin, Moran and Burris.

Councillor Smith drew attention to the salary of the treasurer, and Councillor Shatford said that on Thursday he would move to have the salary increased.

Thomas Notting, barrister, wrote the council in reference to a claim the estate of the late J. F. Turner, keeper of the county poor farm had against the county for two months' salary. The letter was deferred.

The Council by resolution, will enforce a fine of \$40 on the late Councillor McCallum, who would not tender his resignation in compliance with the law.

WEDNESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The municipal council resumed its sessions at 10.30 o'clock yesterday morning with the warden and 29 councillors present.

An application from Harry Wright, for appointment as county constable was read, but not seconded.

Rupert Purcell was appointed a county constable.

R. L. Borden, M. P., who was present, then brought up the subject of the erection of a bust of the late Sir John S. D. Thompson, which bust it was proposed to erect in the county court house. He emphasized the importance of revering the memory of Canada's deceased statesman in this way. The bust was the work of a Canadian artist, and would be a fitting tribute to the memory of the deceased.

The question was discussed at length and it was finally decided that the commissioners of the county court house should constitute a committee to take the matter in hand, and decide upon the most suitable spot to place the bust.

The report of Joseph Spencer, coroner's constable for the past year was read, in which he stated that he had attended to eighteen cases, which came within his province. He applied for re-appointment, and his application was granted.

Dr. Trenaman submitted his report as physician to the county jail. He stated that the sanitary condition of the jail was good, and told of the work done

During the Year.

He was re-appointed. The question of the proposition of the expenses of the

county court house and salaries of county officials which the county should bear was brought up and an extract was read from the minutes of the city council to the effect that the laws and privileges committee had had a conference with councillors on the proportion the city should bear of the expense. The report of the laws and privileges committee was appended to the extract and stated that the city had agreed to pay the sum of \$400 per year towards the salaries of county officials. This had been acceptable to the members of the municipal council who were present at the conference, and an agreement had been reached to that effect.

Councillor Shatford denied that such was the case. He had been present at the conference, but was positive that no such agreement had been reached. He had mentioned \$500 per year as the amount the city should pay, but that was not acceptable to the representatives of the city council and the meeting adjourned without any action being taken.

The matter was adjourned until this morning when it will be the first business to be taken up.

The council then adjourned until this morning at 10.30.

The afternoon is being taken up with committee work, and this morning the standing committees will be appointed.

THURSDAY SESSION.

The Halifax municipal council resumed its session yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, in the county court room. The warden presided and all the councillors were present.

The report of the nominating committee was received and the following standing committees were nominated:

Hospital for Insane—Councillors Sellars, O'Leary, Walsh, Lydiard, Fleming and Munroe.

Assessments—Councillors Madill, Hall, Burris, Stewart, O. Dauphinee, Moren.

Road and bridges—Councillors Henley, Stewart, Fleming, Webber, Sellars, Bartlett J. Dauphinee.

License—Councillors O'Leary, Scott, Gladwin, Vaughan, Lapierre, Smith.

Public property—Councillors C. E. Smith, Lydiard, Billman, Munro, O. Dauphinee, Rains.

Finance—Councillors Shatford, Billman, Burns, C. E. Smith, Henley and Butler.

Jury Lists—Councillors Bartlett and Negus.

Law amendments—Councillors Negus, Shatford, Madill, Gladwin, Webber and Moren.

Poor—Councillors J. Dauphinee, A. F. Smith, Johnston, Cole, Hayes and Hall.

Councillor Bartlett moved that the report be received and adopted.

This was seconded by Councillor Vaughan, and passed unanimously.

Councillor Lydiard expressed a desire to resign from the public property committee. He had the most of the work to do last year, and asked to be relieved for reasons which he could explain.

Councillor Madill moved that the resignation be not accepted, and said an explanation would be in order.

Councillor Lydiard said he had neglected his business last year to attend to the work of the committee, and this year the council had again put him in to play second fiddle.

Councillor Butler said that during the year, Councillor Lydiard had done good work, and deserved the thanks of the council.

As the resignation was not seconded, it was not dealt with, and the council passed on to the next business which was the county treasurer's report, which was read as follows:

County Treasurer's Report.

The Municipality of Halifax County in Account with the Treasurer for the Year Ended December 31, 1899.

Expenditure.

County court house, current expenses	\$1,940.63	
County court house, interest on loan of 1882	868.75	
County court house, interest on loan of 1899	243.61	
		\$3,053.04
County jail, current expenses	2,686.74	
Judicial accounts, viz.: Grand jury and secre-		
.....	\$75.60	
Petit juries	599.26	
Special juries	216.00	
Sheriff's accounts	\$29.59	
Criminal prosecutions	740.10	
Crier's supreme court	900.00	
County court crier and jury	364.50	
		3,825.03
Coroner's inquest, \$30; medical examiner, \$484.35		514.35
County clerk, \$1,200.00; County treasurer, \$475; County councillors, two sessions		1,675.00
County stipendiary		1,420.80
Chief county constable, \$300; deputy county constable, \$50		350.00
Assessors, \$490; revisors of electoral lists, \$195		685.00
Collectors' commissions, 1897-98, 1899		1,106.30

Bounties, 18 bears, \$36; 122 wild cats, \$91.50		127.50
Inspector of licenses, S. Hiltz, on account		240.00
Advances for poor to districts and rates returned out of collections		259.90
Right of way for new road, arbitrators, etc..		57.30
Poor farm, current expenses, balance 1898-99	\$3,628.88	
Debtenture No. 6 and interest	650.00	
		4,178.88

Contingent account:

Legal expenses re legislation ..	\$42.00	
License fees returned, etc.	55.00	
Expenses road act suits and rate collections ..	45.83	
Expenses municipal election, district No. 16	6.00	
Commissioner of public charities on account insane	8,002.11	
Medical certificates for insane	111.04	
Expenses conveying insane to asylum	4.50	
		3,117.68

Bus subsidy, district No. 14		150.00
School grants - paid county grants to trustees, 121 school sections	\$8,221.06	
Paid interest on loan to pay do	19.23	
		3,240.29

Government road grant -paid four commissioners and 252 supervisors' returns		8,145.80
Custodian of draw bridges ..		70.00
Lakeview road - paid returns of supervisor..		1,000.00
Printing and stationery, Postcards, telegrams, etc.		443.59
To balance in Halifax Banking company	\$8,000.65	
In Union Bank of Halifax	201.50	
Cash in hand	582.37	
		\$3,784.54

551,256.44

Receipts.

By balance from account Dec. 31, 1898	\$6,473.57
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Assessments Received.

City of Halifax:		
Balance 1896-97	\$630.43	
Balance 1897-98	1,587.98	
Account 1898-99	2,078.93	
Account 1899-00	6,108.74	
		\$10,406.13

Town of Dartmouth, 1899	655.26	
County districts, 1897-98.	3,176.67	
County districts, 1899.....	17,486.40	
County jail from sale of oakum	281.25	20,663.97
County jail W. L. Mal- com, room rents, etc.	6.90	
Inspector of licenses from D. W. B. Reid, license fees		283.15
Court house subsidy...		350.00
County stipendiary:		300.00
Fees of office	318.25	
Fines in 9 cases	43.00	
Ferry licenses	5.00	
County poor farm:		368.25
From various districts	1,459.74	
Sale of 1 pair oxen.....	75.00	
Rents, board, etc.....	29.18	
Prothonotary:		1,554.92
Deposit special juries..	125.00	
Jury fines	23.40	
Received on account of sane patients		148.40
Government road and bridge grant—		141.00
From provincial cash- ier	8,859.68	
Lakeview road, district No. 17, special loan loan from provincial cashier	1,000.00	
From Theo. Larsen, lo- cal contribution	50.00	
		1,050.00
		<u>\$4,182.86</u>
		51,156.43

Dec. 21. By balance at
credit of county..... 8,784.52

Appended to the report was the fol-
lowing statement of W. C. Bishop and
S. S. Scott, auditors:

"We have examined the books, docu-
ments and vouchers representing the
foregoing statement of the treasurer of
the county of Halifax, and certify to
their correctness."

On motion of Councillor Gladwin and
seconded by Councillor Fleming, the re-
port was received and adopted.

Treasurer Archibald's Salary.

Councillor Shatford moved the follow-
ing resolution, which was seconded by
Councillor Johnson:

"Whereas, Mr. Parker Archibald was
appointed county treasurer in April
last, and entered upon the duties
with a salary of five hundred
dollars, under the impression that it
would not occupy over half his time,
and that he might make the defi-
ciency of salary up at some other
work, but finding that his entire time
or nearly so, is occupied with the busi-
ness of the office, therefore,

Resolved, that in view of the extra
time and labor involved, that this coun-
cil do grant him an increase of \$200
to commence April 1st, 1900."

In moving the resolution, Councillor
Shatford said that when he gave notice
of motion, he had intended to make the
amount of the proposed increase \$300
instead of \$200, but as that did not
seem to meet with the approval of some
members of the council, he changed the
amount to \$200.

Councillor C. E. Smith moved in
amendment, that the amount of in-
crease be \$100, and that it commence
with the year 1900. This was second-
ed by Councillor Henley, and passed by
a vote of 16 to 12.

Councillor Shatford called for names,
which resulted in the following:

Yea:—Councillor Scott, Lydiard, Sel-
lars, Burns, Bartlett, Walsh, C. E.
Smith, O. Dauphinee, J. Dauphinee,
Henley, Billman, Webber, Stewart, La-
Pierre, Vaughan, Hall.—16.

Nay:—Councillors A. F. Smith,
Rayne, Fleming, Gladwin, Moren,
O'Leary, Butler, Hayes, Shatford,
Madill, Johnson, Cole.—12.

The Auditor's Report.

The auditor's report on the county
treasurer's accounts was presented as
follows:

Gentlemen,—We beg to submit for
your consideration the report of our
work as auditors for the municipality
for the year ending December 30th,
1899. We have examined the books,
documents and vouchers submitted to
us by Mr. Wiswell from January 1st
to April 20th and by Mr. Archibald
from April 20th to December 30th and
found them to be correct. The assess-
ment books cannot at this date be fully
reported on owing to the treasurer
not having a number of the books
from the collectors, and as some
others were not received until the last
days of the year it is impossible for
him to have them ready in time for
this meeting; the matter will have to
be deferred until the March meeting
of the council. We would suggest that
the council instruct collectors to have
the books returned to the treasurer
not later than December 15th in each
year, so as to enable him to have them
ready for the auditors to examine and
report on in time for the January
meeting.

W. G. BISHOP,
J. LOVITT.

The Poor Farm.

Re the Poor Farm, we are of the
opinion that there should be a system
for ordering goods for the institution
and for checking the same when re-
ceived and would respectfully suggest

that a duplicate order book be given to the superintendent for his use and that he certify upon the bill that the goods have been received and that the prices are correct and satisfactory excepting where goods are supplied by contract in which case the prices should be checked by the county clerk who also should check the calculations of the items and certify the same for payment by the treasurer. We would further suggest that the county clerk be empowered to obtain voucher forms of a uniform paper style and size and that all bills against the municipality be made out upon such forms thereby securing convenience neatness and uniformity. The report was passed.

A. Dickie's Telephone Line.

The following resolution was read by Councillor Webber and seconded by Councillor Stewart:

Whereas permission of this council has been asked by Alfred Dickie for the erection and maintenance of telephone poles along the Eastern shore road in district 27 in this municipality between Musquodoboit Harbor and Ship Harbor;

And whereas, the proposed line in the opinion of this council could be of great benefit to the residents of said district;

Therefore resolved that this council hereby grants permission to Alfred Dickie to construct, erect and maintain a telephone line along the side of said Eastern Passage road between the places herein before mentioned upon the following conditions:

That said poles shall not be placed so as to interfere with the public rights or convenience in connection with said road; also that where the wires cross the road, the poles shall be of sufficient heights to carry the wires so as not to interfere with public traffic; also that when in the opinion of the supervisor of the road district that it is desirable to replace any of the said poles then the same shall be without delay replaced by the said Alfred Dickie to the satisfaction of said supervisor and in default of his so doing after reasonable notice by supervisor then the said supervisor may do so at the expense of the said Alfred Dickie or his successors, and provided also that the permission hereby given is subject to the right, privileges and franchises now existing.

The resolution carried unanimously and the council adjourned until 2.30.

Public Property Committee.

The council resumed its business at 2.30 o'clock with the warden in the chair, and all the councillors present.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved. The report of the committee on public property was read as follows:

Warden and Councillors, Municipality of County of Halifax:

Your committee on public property after carefully considering the claims of Mrs. Turner of the poor farm for two months' additional pay viz: May and June for \$58.34, beg leave to suggest that this sum be not paid as both Mr. and Mrs. Turner in the presence of four of the committee agreed to leave the institution on May 1st, 1899, their salary to end on that date. Notwithstanding the fact that Mr. McDougall who was deputized by the warden and chairman to wait on Mr. and Mrs. Turner when they were on the point of leaving the institution at a moment's notice and make arrangements for them to remain till we were in a position to replace them. Mr. McDougall promised Mr. and Mrs. Turner pay up to the last of June and it is for this two months' that now Mrs. Turner threatens suit. Your committee are of the opinion that on account of the great discrepancies in the amount of goods and supplies received and accounted for during the last four months of Mr. and Mrs. Turner's supervision, that before any money is paid to Mrs. Turner that a committee of the council be appointed to deal with this particular case so as to put the new committee in a position to start in with a clear sheet, all of which is respectfully submitted. EDWARD BUTLER, Chairman.

It was decided that the report should lay over until a conference be held with Mrs. Turner.

\$2,000 for a New Road.

Councillor C. E. Smith moved the following resolution which was seconded by Councillor J. H. Bartlett:

"That this council ask the provincial government for the loan of \$2,000 for the purpose of building a new road from Pennant to Terrence Bay, the same having been laid out by the provincial engineer."

The resolution was unanimously carried.

County Court House Expenses.

The question of the proportion of court house expenses which should be paid by the county council was then brought up. The account of the conference held between the municipality's committee and the public accounts' committee from the city council was read at Wednesday morning's session.

The warden read a report giving fresh information on the point. There was considerable discussion, one of the councillors suggesting that the council sell the court house, and take up quarters either in Middle Musquodoboit or Dartmouth. After discussion, Councillor Butler moved, and Councillor Henley seconded the following resolution:

Resolved that the report of the committee appointed to meet the city council's committee, he referred to the arbitration committee to propose a resolution which this council can approve and have the same presented to the city officials and if approved that the same be then signed by both parties thereto. This resolution was passed unanimously and the matter was then disposed of.

It was decided to extend the time for receiving petitions until Friday.

A Claim for Damages.

J. L. Barnhill, acting as solicitor for W. H. McDonald, wrote to the council claiming the sum of \$100 damages sustained by Mr. McDonald through the loss of his horse and injury to his wagon on October 21st last, which he claimed was caused by the road near McDonald's barn, Fall River, being in a dangerous condition. The communication was laid on the table.

Cattle Roaming at Large.

A number of residents of Bedford petitioned the council to take some steps to obviate the nuisance caused by cattle running at large on the roads etc., greatly to the inconvenience of residents of Bedford. They also objected to the noise caused by the clanging of the cow bells and requested the council to enforce the by-laws under chapter 3 of the acts of 1895 section 100, subsections 18, 19, 31 and 32, and also asked that a by-law be framed that no bells shall be hung on cows west of Sackville river bridge.

Councillor Butler moved and Councillor Henley seconded the following motion: "That this council give authority to district 15 (Bedford) to prevent cattle from running at large and that a pound be erected at the expense of the district. Carried unanimously.

The warden said the mayor of Dartmouth had asked him to request that the council send representatives to Dartmouth to discuss the question of wide tires with the Dartmouth council. The matter was laid over.

Miscellaneous Matters.

S. S. Scott and W. C. Bishop were re-appointed municipal auditors for the ensuing year.

The county clerk said he had received a bill for constable fees in a case where subpoenas out of the supreme court had been served by policemen of the city instead of the county constables as they should have been. It was decided that the bill be not paid on motion of Councillor Butler seconded by Councillor Henley.

The question of the tax exemption at present enjoyed by the Acadia sugar refinery was taken up on an application that the exemption be not allowed after it expires in April. It was decided that nothing at present could be done.

The health officer in Eastern Passage reported that the health of that district was good. His report was received.

Poor Farm Report.

The report of the superintendent of the poor farm was read as follows:

To the Municipality of Halifax County: In presenting my report for the past eight months, I would say there are at the poor farm, 63 inmates of which 32 are males and 29 females and two boys. Admitted during the past eight months, 9. Discharged 6, died 3. Report of health, fairly good. There are five employees, two males and three females. The crops have been fair; potatoes 370 bushels; turnips 165 bushels; carrots, parsnips, pumpkins and beans, fair; also 2 1-2 barrels of sour krout and a few dozen green cabbages. Hay 12 tons off farm, 4 tons from Mrs. Causley oat fodder, 2 tons; livestock, 4 cows, 2 horses, 2 pigs. We killed two cows on the farm, weighing in all 880 pounds; also 3 pigs weighing 920 pounds. Land improved—the acre which was reported to have been improved last year. We improved the same by breaking up about one-third and removing the stone. Expect to have it ready for planting in the spring.

Dry goods on hand—mens pants, 7 pairs; men's coats, 5; men's vests, 6; men's undershirts, 10; top shirts, 21; drawers, 6 pairs; women's under garments, 19; sheets, 14; pillow slips, 45; cottonade, 28 yards; shaker, 5 yards; towelling, 30 yards; dress goods, 40 yards; Oxford, 33 yards; apron goods, 11 yards; white cotton, 15 yards; ticking, 45 yards; grey cotton, 20 yards; flannelette, 30 yards; Galatea, 10 yards; grey homespun, 20 yards; women's hose, 30 pairs; men's Sox, 18 pairs; caps, 7; spoils, 11 dozen.

Shoes on hand, 6 pairs; provisions on hand, 1 1-2 barrel of flour; rolled oats, 1-2 barrel; sugar, 100 pounds; rice, 75 pounds; herring, 3-4 barrel; tea, 1-2

chest; pork, 300 pounds; lard, 15 pounds.

The list of lumber and what it is used for is as follows:

2,000 feet 1 inch hemlock, for repairing barn.

193 feet tongue and groove spruce, door for barn.

336 feet 3 x 4 studding, for barn.

89 feet planed pine casings, for doors for insane ward.

125 feet 2 x 4 studding, for partition in insane ward.

127 feet planed pine, for repairs in house and making cupboard and table and bench.

400 feet flooring, for pauper ward.

277 feet tongue and groove, for partition in insane ward.

The report was received and referred to the committee on public property.

Dr. Finn, as medical examiner for the year, submitted a very brief report of the work done by him in which he stated that he had attended to 83 cases and had held 11 autopsies, receiving as fees for his work, the sum of \$416. He expressed his satisfaction at the manner in which Mr. Joseph Spencer, the coroner constable, had attended to his duties during the year. This report was received.

Council's Visit to The Herald Office.

The municipal council adjourned to accept the invitation of The Herald to visit the premises where this paper is printed and make a thorough inspection of the wonderful typesetting machines and the fast Cox duplex and other presses. They were astonished and pleased with what they saw, and expressed surprise that such a complete and up-to-date plant should be found in Halifax. The typesetting machines proved a great attraction. Each councillor gave his name and address to the operator and a few seconds later received it, set up in neat letters by the latest process in solid metal. These lines of type will be preserved by the councillors as souvenirs of their visit to the offices of "The twentieth century newspaper." From the composing room the councillors went to the press rooms where they saw the immense Cox duplex press turning out thousands of copies of The Halifax Herald at the rate of 100 per minute. The whole process was explained to them from the time the paper leaves the large web until it is delivered, printed, pasted, folded and counted, ready to go out to tens of thousands of its readers. They were very much pleased with what they saw and ex-

pressed their satisfaction at the manner in which The Herald and The Mail are made ready for their readers.

At yesterday morning's session, the council accepted the offer of The Herald to publish a special edition giving a complete account of the entire proceeding of the sessions.

This edition, besides going to all the regular subscribers of The Herald will be sent to every one of the 4,000 municipal electors of Halifax county as soon after the council adjourns as the reports can be put in type. This speedy delivery of a large edition is made possible by The Herald's fast presses and complete plant and will enable the electors to keep fully abreast of the discussions and proceedings of the council, thereby creating an interest in that body and popularizing it to an extent never before enjoyed.

FRIDAY SESSION.

The county council resumed its sessions at 10:30 yesterday morning. There was some little delay in the councillors' arrival, so consequently the meeting did not open sharp on time. There were no absentees. The minutes of yesterday afternoon's session were read and allowed to stand as recorded.

Councillor Shatford said he had had an interview with the recorder and he thought if the municipal council would accept \$400 a year from the city as its percentage of the expenses of the court house, all other questions could be settled. He submitted the following resolution, which he asked the warden to read to the councillors.

The County Court House.

Whereas, the city of Halifax has paid to the municipality of Halifax many years its proper portion, viz., nine-elevenths, for the support and maintenance of the county court house and jail and the interest on the debt of the court house; and,

Whereas, the said city now repudiates its liability to pay any portion of said interest and claims it has no interest in said court house, but the same belongs to this municipality alone. While, on the contrary, this council has always been of opinion that said city was interested in said property to the extent of nine-elevenths; therefore,

Resolved, that this council maintain that said city is liable to this municipality for nine-elevenths of said interest, and is of opinion that said city is owner of said court house and jail in proportion to the amount which they have contributed to the construction and maintenance of the same, and if necessary to vest said interest in it this council will assist said city to ob-

tain an act of the legislature vesting said interest in them.

Further resolved, that in the opinion of this council that the control and management of said buildings should be vested in a committee or trustees to be appointed by this council and said city being the parties who are compelled to pay any expenditure, and that an act of the legislature be obtained for that purpose at its next session.

Further resolved, that a committee composed of the warden and Councilors Shatford and Fleming be a committee to finally settle all difficulties between the municipality and said city and report at the next meeting of the council in April next.

There was considerable discussion on the resolution, some of the councilors being of the opinion that its passage would involve the municipality in difficulties with the city.

Councillor Shatford explained that the resolution merely recognized the city's right to what it was paying for. As a corporation the city had no claim upon the court house, and its only interest in it was held by the city as a part of the municipality. He felt sure that no complications would arise should the resolution be passed.

After further discussion, Councillor Shatford moved the adoption of the resolution, which was seconded by Councillor J. H. Bartlett.

Councillor Henley said this matter was the most important which ever came before the municipal council. It appeared to him that the council was giving something away for which they got nothing in return. He favored the securing of legal advice on the question before voting on it.

Councillor Shatford said there was no fear of the difficulties hinted at by Councillor Henley. The resolution only recognized the city's ownership of nine-elevenths of the court house.

The resolution was finally passed unanimously and a copy will be sent to the city.

The Liquor Law.

A letter was received from Rev. W. W. McNairn, complaining that he had furnished county liquor inspector Hiltz with the names of persons who violated the liquor law and witnesses who could be subpoenaed for the same. In spite of this Rev. Mr. McNairn said that the inspector had not prosecuted the case. He asked that a good temperance man appointed to the position.

Warden Wilson said he had had a conference with the inspector and that he had said he had been made a fool

of so often that he deemed it advisable to obtain good grounds before he presented liquor cases.

Councillor Fleming moved and Councillor Gladwin seconded a motion to the effect that the matter be referred to a special committee to investigate, said committee to be composed of Councilors Negus, Butler and Bartlett. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentation of Petitions.

Ratepayers of district 22 petitioned that the road from Terrence Bay bridge to Prospect road via Brookside be placed under the care of district 22 where it can be better provided for. At present the road is under the control of district 13, and that district has an easy home miles of road to look after than it can attend to. The road is now in a deplorable condition.

A similar petition was received from the ratepayers of the same district, asking that the portion of road from Prospect Bridge to St. Margaret's Bay road be transferred from district 13 to district 10.

Residents of district No. 10 asked that a portion of the road from Prospect Bridge and the straw house be transferred from district 13 to district 10.

These petitions referred to the care of the roads and were signed by all the ratepayers of the different districts.

They were all referred to the road and bridge committee.

Councillor Negus asked to be relieved from the committee to investigate charges against Inspector Hiltz, Councillor Webber was substituted.

Councillor Billman moved and Councillor C. E. Smith seconded a motion asking that the bridge from Chocolate Lake on the Spryfield road, district 14, be placed under the bridge act of 1883, and the amendments thereto. Passed unanimously.

Two petitions were read from the residents of Ship Harbor and Musquodoboit respectively were read. The petitioners asked that a direct road be established between both places. At present persons in either place have to go 22 miles out of their way to reach the other place. This would be done away with if a direct road were established. They cited numerous arguments in support of their petitions. The petitions were referred to the road and bridge committee on motion of Councillor Butler, seconded by Councillor Henley.

Aid for New Roads.

District No. 3 applied for \$200 to build a new piece of road. On motion

of Councillor Fleming, seconded by Councillor Burris the application was granted.

Councillor Negus moved that the new road from Cole Harbor to Murray Gate on the Turner road in district 23, be constituted a new road section known as section 9. This was seconded by Councillor Fleming and carried.

It was moved by Councillor Munro and seconded by Councillor Henley that this council request the provincial government for a loan of \$200, the same to be expended on the completion of the road running from Duncan's Cove to the Ketch Harbor road, the said road having been laid out and surveyed under the direction of the provincial engineer. The motion was passed. The council then adjourned.

THE AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session opened at 2:30 o'clock, with all the councillors present. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Councillor Hall moved and Councillor C. E. Smith seconded the motion that the council ask the provincial government for the loan of \$500 to build a new road from Lower Sheet Harbor to William Wamboldt's at Sheet Harbor passage, known as the missing link, the same having been laid out by the provincial engineer.

Councillor Shatford said that while he would not offer any strenuous objection to the motion he would warn the council that in time they would have no road money left at all if they continued to disburse it so freely.

Councillor Hall explained that the proposed new road was absolutely necessary. It would be a great convenience to fully 60 families. Part of the road had been recently opened, but there had not been sufficient money to extend it, and that was what the present loan was required for.

Councillor Shatford again rose to object to the expenditure. If it were continued the road money would be all eaten up in interest.

Councillor Henley proposed that the resolution be referred to the roads and bridge committee.

Councillor Hall said he preferred to have the matter dealt with by the whole council instead of referring it to the committee.

Councillor Henley moved and Councillor O'Leary seconded the motion that the motion of Councillor Hall be referred to the road and bridge committee. This was passed, Councillor Hall alone voting against it.

Reports of Joseph Lloy, custodian of the Rocky Run drawbridge, and of A. Innis, custodian of the drawbridge at

Lake Porter, were referred to the road and bridge committee.

Joseph Henneberry applied for re-appointment as superintendent of the Cole's Harbor poor farm, and was appointed on motion of Councillor Negus, seconded by Councillor Gladwin.

The warden thought the council should make arrangements to visit the poor farm some day soon and suggested that they should go Monday or Tuesday.

County Poor Farm.

Dr. Cunningham, physician of the county poor farm, reported as follows: Warden and Council of Halifax County:

Gentlemen,—in placing before you my annual report of affairs at the county poors' farm I beg to say that the condition of the inmates is one of health and comfort. There has been no epidemic among them, and no serious illness during the past year. I have to report five deaths during 1899, as follows: Epilepsy, 1; phthisis, 3; no diagnosis, 1.

I beg leave in the sanitary interests of the institution to recommend the construction of a drain or sewer for the purposes of carrying off wash and slop water. This drain to be connected with the kitchen of the main building by a lead pipe and well trapped. At present there is an open drain or trench in which in winter the water freezes and over flows, leaving a large amount of objectionable material to decay and poison the atmosphere in spring and summer.

Respectfully submitted,

N. F. CUNNINGHAM, M. D.

Dr. Cunningham also filed an application for re-appointment. Dr. M. A. B. Smith, of Dartmouth, also applied for position as physician to the county poor farm.

Councillor Lydlard moved and Councillor Negus seconded motion that Dr. Cunningham be re-appointed. This motion was carried unanimously.

Repairs on Road.

A petition from ratepayers of district 28 in reference to small repairs on the roads was referred to the roads and bridges committee.

G. S. Canfield, supervisor of roads for district 15, submitted a lengthy report in which he stated that the new road law had not been fully carried out. The road masters were considerably bothered by several ratepayers who took upon themselves the supervising of the road. The roads, drains, crossways and bridges are in a fair state of repair, and it now remains to have the

roadbed attended to, which in my opinion needs a good coat of hard gravel, and to get this requires a lot of hard work. I would therefore suggest that the rate in 1900 for this section should be 35 cents. There has been considerable annoyance in reference to the roadlines in different parts, and he asked the council to consider the matter of the bye streets in Rockingham and Bedford, and that lines be made. He also suggested that a penalty of \$20 be provided for persons who encroach on the roads with fences, etc., or that in default of payment they be imprisoned for not less than 60 days, unless in the case of building where the person who is to build notifies the council to the effect that he is about to build or renew fences, and shall ask the council for the line of the highway. On being so notified the commissioner of roads or streets shall immediately make an agreement with the proprietor of the fences as to the line. In the event of the commissioner not being able to come to any agreement with the property owner the council shall decide between them.

The report was finally referred to the roads and bridges committee.

County Rates Deficits.

The warden read the following statement of the deficits in the county rates for the year ending December 31, 1899:

District.	Assessed, 1899.	Amount paid to Dec. 31, '99.	Deficit.
No. 7	\$225.83	\$225.34	\$0.52
No. 8	212.74	189.24	43.50
No. 9	201.67	197.89	3.87
No. 10	396.84	230.42	76.42
No. 11	387.89	387.89	....
No. 12	839.02	38.74	2.08
No. 13	801.60	280.84	20.76
No. 14	1,134.19	1,102.49	80.70
No. 15	1,608.43	1,162.37	444.06
No. 16	872.74	363.16	9.58
No. 17	1,268.79	1,137.31	131.48
No. 18	814.48	744.44	70.04
No. 19	730.23	716.25	13.98
No. 20	430.68	302.81	127.87
No. 21	1,058.56	1,056.19	4.37
No. 22	923.42	924.22	5.20
No. 23	143.55	86.34	58.21
No. 24	537.30	561.99	22.31
No. 25	849.06	786.14	62.22
No. 26	659.00	658.49	.51
No. 27	819.01	912.63	6.28
No. 28	594.53	539.65	4.88
No. 29	468.41	464.41	....
No. 30	238.55	276.02	22.57
No. 31	1,321.51	1,130.04	191.47
No. 32	628.76	624.56	2.70
No. 33	613.99	611.13	2.37
No. 34	523.52	488.09	40.43
No. 35	314.91	192.00	122.91
No. 36	727.57	721.93	5.59
No. 38	173.11	102.23	70.88
Total	19,094.92	17,486.40	1,608.52

The statement was referred to the assessment committee.

A number of the ratepayers of district 15 sent in a petition asking that the boundaries of the public landing dock on the shore of Bedford Basin at Prince's Lodge, granted to the county in 183, be defined, as no trace of the old boundaries can be found.

Councillor Shatford moved and Councillor Fleming seconded a motion that the matter be referred to a committee consisting of Councillors Butler, Fleming and Billman. The motion carried and the council adjourned until 10:30 this morning.

SATURDAY SESSION.

The municipal council resumed its sessions at 10:30 Saturday morning. After the minutes of Friday afternoon's meeting had been read and approved the warden read the following letter which had been received by Stipendiary McDougall from Sergeant Major Allen, of the Royal Engineers: J. A. V. McDougall:

Dear Sir,—Have not yet received any communication respecting the consent for imperial authorities placing a line of telephones between Sambro and Pennant Point. I shall be glad if you would kindly notify Major Roberts R. E., superintendent of signals, as to how the matter stands as he is anxious to report on the matter. I informed him that I had conferred with you and that the county warden would communicate with us direct but up to the present nothing has been received. W. ALLEN, Company Sergeant Major R. E. director of signals.

On motion of Councillor C. E. Smith, seconded by Councillor Butler, it was decided that the communication from the imperial authorities in reference to telephone station at Pennant Point be granted in so far as any privileges this council has authority to grant.

A communication was read from R. L. Borden, M. P., inviting the warden and councillors to dine with him at the Halifax hotel on Monday evening at 7:15 o'clock. The invitation was accepted.

County Clerk Wiswell's Report.

It was decided that the appointment of district officers would be the business for Monday afternoon's session.

County Clerk Wiswell made a lengthy report, dealing with matters of the year, principally with legislation which had been effected.

He said that during the year there had been considerable discussion as to the amount Dartmouth should con-

tribute on the old debt. A committee from the council has been appointed to confer with the Dartmouth council to see what amount they would be willing to pay. As a result of this conference, the sum of \$1,000 had been decided on. It was found, however, that before any special payment could be made, legislation must be secured to permit it. As soon as the provincial house meets, this legislation will be secured and the amount paid. Meanwhile interest is being charged at the rate of six per cent.

Care of Insane.

In reference to the care of the insane, the clerk said that there was a painful lack of method in the manner in which patients were sent to the insane asylum. The original intention was that patients who had friends who were able to do so should be provided for by them and in order to secure this it was necessary that before patients were admitted a rigorous inquiry should be made into their circumstances. This had been suggested by him on several occasions but had never been acted upon and as a result, he had often found in the accounts of the insane asylum names of patients whom he did not know were in there. In this case, he was obliged to dispute the accounts which proceedings often entailed considerable inconvenience and annoyance to all parties concerned. It would be much easier if the original plan was faithfully adhered to. Magistrates were appointed in various parts of the county and it was part of their duty to make reports in reference to these patients and see if they can arrange to pay anything towards their support in the institution. It was quite plain that this was not done and the council should take steps to see if the magistrates were remiss in their duty. On one occasion when he desired to secure information in reference to patients he had sent to Dr. Hattie for it, and that gentleman promptly furnished it. Had it not been for that, he would not have been able to find out about them. It was desirable to have public returns made in reference to patients so the accounts might be properly checked. The county should look carefully into this matter as last year they found that their accounts were much too large and on investigation, he had found that the county had been over-charged to the extent of \$115. He had obtained a rebate of this amount. He also thought that the fees charged by doctors for the examinations of patients should be

charged to the districts instead of to the county. There was nothing in the act in reference to the care of the insane which warranted the charge being made a county charge.

Councillors Madill and Shatford also expressed themselves as decidedly of the opinion that the fees should be charged to the different districts instead of to the county.

The clerk also said that he was of the opinion that the county was paying too much for clothing for insane patients. When the county kept the patients he thought their friends should provide their clothing for them.

The New Road Act.

Passing on to the new road act, the clerk said that the assessment of 30 cents on the \$100 road money was too small; 40 cents would be about the proper amount. Another improvement which could well be made was the lowering of the age limit from 13 years to 16 years so that every 16 year old boy should do his share of roadwork. More good work would be done if the latter age were adopted. Then there was no small amount of dissatisfaction as to the way road moneys were collected, and in some districts there is a positive failure to pursue delinquents. It was left to the discretion of the supervisors of roads and in many cases, the delinquents openly defied him.

The supervisors in some cases were very backward about making returns. The law provided that returns should all be in by October, but many of them were not in yet.

He also referred briefly to matters pertaining to the court house.

County Assessment.

In reference to county assessment, he said the system of making up the assessment rolls was very bad. The act required that the rolls be made up from the school sections, but this was bad as the names came in without any alphabetical arrangement. The rolls came in from the school trustees and in order to make the rolls up right, entailed considerable unnecessary work.

The system of valuing property was also very bad. Some properties were valued far too highly, while others were assessed correspondingly low.

Councillor Shatford said the clerk was referring to the Young property at St. Margaret's Bay. The newspapers had stated that this property had been sold for \$300,000 to a syndicate. This was not the case and the property was not nearly so valuable as the

newspapers asserted and it was assessed at practically its full value. Continuing, the clerk said the whole system of levying county taxes was faulty. The lien law was especially so. Under the present conditions the council could enforce the lien law on non-residents, but could not enforce it on residents. The tax schedules were also very poor. He suggested that instead of these schedules the assessors be provided with suitable books with perforated stubs so that they could leave their assessment slip with the householder and return the stubs to the office. The act also stated that property should be assessed at its actual cash value and this phrase was to say the least, capable of misconstruction.

Councillor Henley asked what is the actual cash value of a property and how is it to be determined. If, as alleged, the Young property was only assessed at \$15,000 and yet was supposed to be valued at \$300,000, it was plain there was something wrong somewhere.

Councillor Shattford said if the Young property was sold for cash tomorrow, it would not bring more than \$1,000 over the assessed value.

Councillor Henley said the matter was a very important one. He knew of other properties which were wrongly assessed, and he knew that the Young property was doubled it would garet's Bay property. He also knew of a property at Musquodoboit harbor worth fully \$50,000 which was assessed at only \$5,000.

Councillor I. Dauphine said if the amount of the assessment on the Young property was doubled it would then be too low.

A Change is Necessary.

Councillor Butler said a change was absolutely necessary.

The clerk continuing said the business was conducted in a very loose manner and he instanced cases where properties had paid no taxes for several years. The revisors cost the county \$150 and did no work. Another matter which should be arranged was the question of collecting taxes from unsettled estates where it was difficult to prove ownership and when different heirs of properties would deny any liability for taxes on those properties. He thought in such cases the county treasurer should have the power to sue.

Then the income tax required attention. Out of 31 districts in the county, only 4 or 5 reported any income tax. He also reported that he

found great difficulty in getting constables to do their work properly as far as collecting taxes was concerned. The council then adjourned until 10.30 Monday morning.

MONDAY, JANUARY 15TH.

The municipal council met yesterday morning at 10.30. The minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved, after which the list of district officers was read as follows. The list was adopted on motion of the councillors representing the different districts.

District No. 7.—Herring Cove.

Councillor—John Hayes.
Assessors—James Delouchry, James Hanrahan, pilot.
Overseers—Wm. T. Adams, Phillip Power, John Hanigan, jr.
Constable—John S. Adams.
Collector of County Rates—Silvester Adams.
Overseers of Poor—Charles T. Thomas, John Mahon, Henry Brown.
Health Officers—Francis Reyno, John Dempsey, Jr.; William Gorman, Sr. Edward Dempsey.

Ferguson's Cove.

Overseer—James Hanrahan, Jr.
Constable—James Brooks.

Purcell's Cove.

Overseer—William White, pilot.
Constable—Richard Purcell.

Queen's Quarries.

Overseer—Wm. Keefe.
Constable—James Keefe.

Spryfield.

Overseer—Thomas Whittaker.
Constable—Charles Oakley.
Supervisor of Roads—William Brackett.

Presiding officer—Edward S. Hayes.

District 8.—Portuguese Cove.

Councillor—Hugh Munroe.
Assessors—Christopher Purcell, John Fegan.
Collector—Peter Whelan.
Constables—Lewis Fleming, Mack Martin, Ferguson O'Neil, Samuel Pettipas, Joseph J. Johnson, William Holland.

Road Overseers—Charles Pettipas, Portuguese Cove; Charles Holland, Duncan's Cove; Richard Fleming, Ketch Harbor, John Myatt; Ketch Harbor; James Pettipas, Bear Cove.

Overseers of Poor—Lawrence Bowers, Bernard Johnson, James Flaherty.
Board of Health—James Sadler,

Thomas J. Holland, Edward Johnson,
Edward Myatt.

Fence Viewer—Henry Quan, William
Fleming, (1st).

Sanitary Inspector—Peter White.

Presiding Officer—Francis H. Mar-
tin.

Supervisor—Charles O'Neil.

District No. 9.—Sambro.

Councillor—Charles E. Smith.

Road Masters:—

Sambro North—Patrick Rodgers.

Sambro South—C. W. Hart.

Sambro Creek—James H. Smith.

Coot Cove—Harvey Findlay.

Pennant South—Joseph Tough.

Long Cove—Joseph Marryatt.

Ball Rock—William Finck.

Sandy Cove—William Nickerson.

Constables—Alexander Cook, William
Hamilton, George V. Gray.

Fence Viewers—Andrew Twohig,
John Finck.

Assessors—E. T. Hart, George H.
Marryat.

Overseers of Poor—C. W. Hart; Wil-
liam Marryatt; William Nickerson.

Collector—James W. Henneberry.

Presiding Officer—C. W. Hart.

Board of Health—Angus Gray, Daniel
Smith, Henry Smith, George Schnair.

Revisor—John E. Tough.

Sanitary Inspector—Andrew Twohig.

Supervisor—C. W. Hart.

District No. 10.—Upper Prospect.

Councillor—James H. Walsh.

Collector—Michael C. Walsh.

Assessors—Charles D. Christian, Jo-
seph Mason.

Overseers of Poor—George B. Chris-
tian, Thos. Sheehan, Jr., David Burk.
Burk.

Road Overseers:—

Section 1.—James W. Power.

Section 2.—Clarence W. Christian.

Section 3.—James T. Hardiman.

Section 4.—William Wagner.

Kell Point—Joseph Beck.

Shag Bay—Alfred Colliar.

Health Officers—George Mason, Rob-
ert Hearn, John Selig, Samuel B.
Hardiman.

Constables—Reginald Meehan, Clem-
ent Cooley, Thomas Ham.

Presiding Officer—N. P. Christian.

Supervisor—Gregory Walsh.

District No. 11.—Hackett's Cove.

Councillor—Oswald Dauphinee.

Presiding Officer—Edward Grono.

Collector—James Cornelius, Sr.

Assessors—Wesley Crooks, James
Inor.

Overseers of Poor—William Corne-
lius, John Gates, Amos Corkum.

Overseers of Statute Labor:—

Section 1.—Edward Moore.

Section 2.—James Boutillier.

Section 3.—John Moser.

Section 4.—George Covey.

Section 5.—Horatio Inor.

Section 6.—George Covey.

Section 7.—Burton Richardson.

Section 8.—William Jollimore.

Section 9.—Amos Garrison.

Section 10.—Henry Crooks.

Section 11.—Hebbert Miller.

Constables—Lawson Innis, George A.
Garrison, Marcus Garrison, Lemuel
Richardson, John Fraleck, James Fra-
ser.

Health Officers—John Miller, Daniel
Leavy, John Richardson, Richard
Crooks.

Fence Viewers—John Holland, Cyrus
Covey, Amos Garrison, Robert Innis,
Supervisor—Amos Corkum.

District No. 12.—French Village.

Councillor—Isaac Dauphinee.

Assessors—John Croucher, Elias
Dauphinee.

Collector—Isaac Croucher.

Overseers Statute Labor:—

Section 1.—Salem Dauphinee.

Section 1½.—Edmond Redmond.

Section 2.—John Boutillier.

Section 3.—Nathan Hubley.

Section 4.—Alfred Worgor.

Section 5.—Stephen Dauphinee.

Section 6.—David Grono.

Section 7.—Albert J. Boutillier.

Section 8.—Nehemiah Dorey.

Section 9.—Lewis J. Boutillier.

Section 10.—James Slawenwhite.

Section 11.—Isaac Hirschman.

Section 12.—John Johnson.

Section 13.—Norman C. Boutillier.

Constables—Nathan Hubley, Willis
Hubley, David Bremner, William H.
Boutillier, John Smith, Elias Dauphin-
ee, James Slawenwhite, Samuel J.
Boutillier.

Fence Viewers—John R. Umlah, Ed-
mond Deal, Lindsay Hubley, Edward
Dauphinee, Joseph Smith.

Lumber Surveyors—Charles Brung-
wick, James Slawenwhite, Neal Mc-
Donald.

Health Officers—Abraham Burchill,
Henry Garrison, G. W. Smith, Isaac J.
Boutillier.

Overseers of Poor—Edmond Deal,
Henry Garrison, Elias Dauphinee.

Presiding Officer—Abraham Burchill.

Supervisor—Edward Mason.

District No. 13.—Spryfield.

Councillor—Charles W. Raine.

Assessors—William Umlah, John
Merlin.

Presiding officer—William H. Dart.

Collector—George Carmichael.

Health officers—Archibald Kidston,

George Brown, William Umlah, Alex Drysdale.

Overseers of poor—George Carmichael, Richard Bishop, Benjamin Brunt.

Overseers of statute labor—

Section No. 1—James Raine.

Section No. 2—Arthur Lock.

Section No. 3—Alex Drysdale.

Section No. 4—James Umlah.

Section No. 5—William Umlah.

Section No. 7—Alex. Marryatt.

Section No. 8—John Drydale.

Section No. 9—Archibald Kidston.

Section No. 10—Charles Merlin.

Section No. 11—Carter Yeadon.

Constable—William Arnold.

Fence viewer—Alex Drysdale.

Supervisor—Richard Bishop.

District No. 14.—North West Arm.

Councillor—James Billman.

Assessors—George Piers, Frederick West.

Collector—Levi Deal.

Health officers—George Piers, William Deal, Joseph McLeave, Henry Piers.

Overseers of poor—Joseph M. Leave, William Deal, John Milson.

Fence Viewer—Peter A. Marrcott.

Overseers of Statute Labor—Tannery light station to arm bridge—A. Geizer.

Arm bridge to Mackintosh bridge—Robert Drysdale.

Arm bridge to Canal bridge—Joseph McLeave.

Supervisor of roads—William Toppie.

Presiding officer—George Piers.

Constables—James Jollimore, A. Geizer.

District No. 15.—Bedford.

Councillor—N. E. Butler.

Returning Officer—D. M. Strong.

Collector—G. VanBuskirk.

Assessors—A. Studd, F. A. Ronan.

Health Officers—Dr. Morton, George H. Fleiding, Chris Davison, W. A. Emmerson.

Poor Commissioners—D. M. Story, J. P. Cox, Alex. Doyle.

Fence Viewers—R. Richardson, Chas. Boutilier, William Spain.

Constable—John Tolson.

Sanitary Inspector—Frank Wiltshire.

Supervisor of Roads—Alex McNeil.

Roadmasters—John Strachan, Tannery Bridge to Prince's Lodge; J. E. Roy, Prince's Lodge to Sackville River; Walter Oakes, Moir's Mill to Catholic Chapel.

Lumber Surveyors—W. Richardson, Andrew Archibald.

Appraisers—J. E. Dewolf, J. Daniels, George Canfield.

District No. 16.—Hammond's Plains.

Councillor—Lindsay Moren.

Presiding Officer—Henry Schmidt.

Collector of Rates—Samuel Eisenhauer.

Assessors—Frank Thompson, Rufus Marsman.

Road Masters:—

Section 1.—Henry Haverstock Jr.

Section 2.—Amos Bezanson.

Section 3.—Stewart Lucas.

Section 4.—Edward Thompson.

Section 5.—Albert David.

Section 6.—Thomas Jones.

Section 7.—Alonzo Haverstock.

Section 8.—John Green.

Constables—William Burns, Samuel Willey, David Oliver, Francis Jackson, Enos David.

Overseers of Poor—Fred Schmidt, Ernest Bezanson, William Shea.

Sanitary Inspector—Tremain Thompson.

Fence Viewers—William Shea, Albert Haverstock.

District Clerk—Frank Thompson.

Supervisor—Henry Haverstock, Sr.

District No. 17.—Sackville.

Councillor—Ino. S. Fleming.

Presiding Officer—James D. Webber.

Assessors—Charles Peverill, Thomas Hamilton.

Road Masters:—

Section 1.—John Tolson.

Section 2.—Charles Barrett.

Section 3.—Clifford Wier.

Section 4.—Walter Bambrick.

Section 5.—Augustus Fenerty.

Section 6.—William Peverill.

Section 7.—Elijah Thomas.

Section 8.—James Maxwell.

Section 9.—Charles Barrett.

Section 10.—David Shunaman.

Section 11.—William Stone.

Section 12.—William Miller.

Section 13.—James Adam.

Section 14.—Harold Silver.

Section 15.—Charles Peverill.

Constables—Arthur Peverill, John Tolson, William Nickerson, Clifford Wier.

Surveyor of Lumber—William Dean.

Pound Keeper—Richard Peverill.

Overseers of Poor—Charles Peverill, Elijah Thomas, Robert Fenerty, David Nickerson.

Sanitary Inspector—John R. Ellis.

Health Wardens—John Peverill, William Nelson, James Mason.

Fence Viewers—Arthur Peverill, Isaac Boutilier, Walter Bambrick.

District Clerk—Elijah Thomas.

Collector of Taxes—Grey Schultz.

Road Supervisor—Robert Fenerty.

District No. 18.—Waverley.

Councillor—R. C. Wilson.

Presiding Officer—Peter Spriggs.

Assessors—John E. McDonald, John McDowall.

Overseers of Poor—A. R. Tullock, M. D. Goff, W. C. Morrison.

Constables—Thomas Skerry, Joseph Day, Samuel Stevens, George Miller, William A. H. McDonald, Robert Wright, Alfred Horne, William Callan.

Fence Viewers—John Skerry, John Kelly, Robert Ledwidge.

Surveyors of Wood, Lumber, etc.—Alex. Stephen, John Kelly, Robert Leighton, I. E. McDonald.

Health Wardens—P. C. Doyle, I. E. McDonald, Peter Spriggs, Fred L. Fultz.

Health Inspector—Albert Stuart.

Keeper of Scales—James A. Hurley.

Collector of Taxes—A. R. Tullock.

Pound Keeper—John Annand.

Supervisor of Roads—John McDowall.

Road Masters:—

Section 1.—Thomas Skerry.

Section 2.—Edward Miller.

Section 3.—M. D. Goff.

Section 4.—W. C. Morrison.

Section 5.—William Laing.

Section 6.—S. Stevens.

Section 7.—John Holland.

Section 8.—Christopher King.

District No. 19.—Gay's River.

Councillor—George H. Madill.

Overseers of Roads:—

Section 1.—Samuel Geddes.

Section 2.—Oliver Simpson.

Section 3.—John McPhee.

Section 4.—Robert Logan.

Section 5.—James Keyes.

Section 6.—James Mitchell.

Section 7.—Robinson Woodworth.

Section 8.—John Cleary.

Section 9.—George Butler.

Section 10.—Walter Elliot.

Section 11.—Alex. McWilliams.

Section 12.—Samuel Moore.

Section 13.—James Wilson.

Section 14.—Lorenzo Wilson.

Section 15.—Robert Newman.

Section 16.—Edward Isenor.

Section 17.—John McKenzie.

Section 18.—George T. Cook.

Section 19.—Robert Isenor.

Collector—John Merson.

Overseers of Poor—James F. Walker,

William Annand, Isaac Isenor.

Fence Viewers—James Keys, James

Rankins.

Surveyors of Lumber—William An-

and, Alexander Woodworth, George

T. Cook.

Constables—Oliver Simpson, Clarence

Keys, Samuel G. M. Michael.

Assessors—William Annand, Fred-

erick Gordon.

Board of Health—William Annand,

John T. Kerr, Edward Isenor, George

T. Cook.

Sanitary Inspector—Isaac Logan.

Cattle Reeve—Jacob Grono.

Supervisor of Roads—Wm. Blades,

Returning Officer—William Annand.

District No. 20.—Meagher's Grant.

Councillor—Thomas Cole.

Presiding Officer—Sidney Dickey.

Overseers Poor—Wm. Streach, James Grant, Charles Grant.

Assessors—Alexander Hurey, J. D. Bayer.

Constables—George Dunbrack, Charles Miller, Arthur Cruickshank.

Fence Viewers—Sidney Dickey, Joseph Seaton, George Dunbrack, John Seaton.

Lumber Surveyors—Charles Grant, Leander Logan, J. D. Bayer.

Surveyors of Logs—John Kerr, Leander Logan.

Health Officers—J. D. Bayer, Sidney Dickey, Joseph Seaton, John Seaton.

Sanitary Inspector—J. D. Bayer.

Collector of County and Poor Rates—Joseph Seaton.

Section 14—James G. Kerr.

Section 15—Michael Smith.

Supervisor of Roads—Sidney Dickey.

Road Overseers:—

Section 1—Robert Dunbrack.

Section 2—John Seaton.

Section 3—Thomas Rourke.

Section 4—James Grant.

Section 5—John Gilbert.

Section 6—Alex. Streach, sr.

Section 7—Levi Hurley.

Section 8—Christopher Dillman.

Section 9—Alex. Dillman, jr.

Section 10—John Cole.

Section 11—Arthur Cruickshank.

Section 12—James Lively.

Section 13—Edwin Hirtle.

District 21.—Middle Musquodoboit.

Councillor—John Burris.

Roadmasters:—

Section 1—John Guild.

Section 2—Frank Guild.

Section 3—John Fox.

Section 4—Burton Fox.

Section 5—Alex. Logan.

Section 6—Burton Hays.

Section 7—Alfred Scott.

Section 8—Adam Archibald.

Section 9—Reuben Ellis.

Section 10—Samuel P. White.

Section 11—Alex. D. Reid.

Section 12—Henry Lindsay.

Section 13—Albert Higgins.

Section 14—Duncan Higgins.

Section 15—Henry Miller.

Section 16—William Dickey.

Section 17—Henry Archibald.

Section 18—William Logan, jr.

Section 19—William Leck.

Section 20—Nathan Sargent.

Section 21—George Sargent.

Section 22—William Taylor.
 Section 23—Samuel Ervin.
 Section 24—E. H. McNutt.
 Supervisor of Roads—J. Watson McCurdy.

Assessors—M. H. Guild, William H. Gladwin, Jr.
 Collector of Rates—William Sedgwick.

Board of Health—Walter McCurdy, Andrew McGregor, J. W. Dickie, Chas. H. Morris, M.D.

Sanitary Inspector—George B. Phalen.

Overseers of Poor—Frank Guild, Wm. McCurdy, Robert Kaulback.

Surveyors of Logs, Wood and Lumber—Joseph P. Taylor, Frank H. Taylor, Edward Marks, George McFetridge.
 Fence Viewers—George Bell, Wm. J. Archibald, Wm. Logan Jr.

Constables—Robert McCurdy, George Sargent, Matthew Higgins, Charles Tupper, Joseph Bruce, Robert McGunigle.

Keeper of Scales—A. B. Shaw.
 Presiding Officer—Wm. Bentley.
 To swear in officers—Walter McCurdy, J. P.

District 22—Upper Musquodoboit.

Councillor—Thomas E. Stewart.
 Presiding Officer—James Kent, J. P.
 Collector of Rates—Samuel Hutchinson, sr.

Assessors—John Redman, Charles G. Henry.

Overseers of Poor—Alex. I. Clark, Wm. Holman, George Hamilton.
 Fence Viewers—Tupper Stewart, Frank Fraser, David Brown.

District Clerk—F. W. Henry.
 Constables—F. W. Kent, George Horton, Albert Fisher, C. E. Holman, Geo. Jennings, S. W. Hutchinson.

Board of Health—John G. Dechman, J. D. Henry, J. F. Parker, Sidney Archibald.

Sanitary Inspector—Dr. M. G. Archibald.

Surveyor of Logs, Wood and Lumber—John Redmond, sr., Neil Archibald, Ernest Chaplain.

Road Masters of Statute Labor:—

Section 1—J. H. Chaplain.
 Section 2—Barry Hamilton.
 Section 3—John Hamilton.
 Section 4—Alex. McKenzie.
 Section 5—T. P. Dean.
 Section 6—Charles E. Stewart.
 Section 7—Andrew Redman.
 Section 8—K. Henry.
 Section 9—Sidney Archibald.
 Section 10—Neil Archibald.
 Section 11—Michael Flemming.
 Section 12—Samuel McKenzie.
 Section 13—David Fisher.
 Section 14—George Dean.
 Section 15—George Lemon.

Section 16—James Holman.

Section 17—James Benike.

Section 18—Daniel Milne.

Section 19—Edwin Little.

Section 20—James Redman.

Section 21—John Redden.

Section 22—Wm. J. Miller.

Section 23—Robert Miller.

Section 24—Wm. Fraser.

Section 25—Alex. Fraser.

Section 26—Norman Deal.

Section 27—J. J. Watson.

Section 28—John Butcher.

Section 29—Wm. Butcher.

Section 30—George Fraser.

Keeper of Scales—Edgar Hill, J.P.

To swear in officers and prepare statute labor list—J. G. Reynolds, J.P.

District No. 23—Terrence Bay.

Councillor—J. H. Bartlett.

Assessors—Jno. P. Slaunwhite, Chas. Slaunwhite, sr.

Overseers of Poor—Thomas Slaunwhite, Edward Wheatley, Dennis Brophy.

Constables—Joseph Umlah, Charles Slaunwhite, Jr., George Slaunwhite (Dennis).

Overseers of Statute Labor:—

Section 1—Michael Slaunwhite.

Section 2—Thomas Blake.

Section 3—Edward Slaunwhite (Fras.).

Supervisor of Roads—Daniel Slaunwhite (Edwd.).

Board of Health—Jno. P. Slaunwhite, Dennis Brophy, Edwd. Wheatly, Chas. Slaunwhite, sr.

Presiding Officer—Jeremiah Slaunwhite, J. P.

Fence Viewer—Peter Slaunwhite.

Collector—William Gerard.

District No. 24—Smith's Cove.

Councillor—Alex F. Smith.

Assessors—Wm. G. Smith, Thomas E. Smith.

Collector—David H. Moser.

Road Masters:—

Section 1—John Turner.

Section 2—Jasper Moser.

Section 3—William G. Pye.

Section 4—Walter W. Smith.

Section 5—Edward N. Smith.

Section 6—Henry Pye.

Section 7—Henry Worthen.

Section 8—Isalah Carver.

Section 9—George Pace.

Supervisor of Roads—Daniel H. Moser.

Overseers of Poor—Edwin Moser, Solomon Fancy, J. A. Moser.

Constables—Wm. Fraser, Thomas Irvin, Thomas J. Smith, Sydney Pye, James Smith.

Surveyors of Lumber and Scales of Logs—O. P. Fraser, Paul Cameron, Matt McMann, George Shellnut.

Fence Viewers—Levi Hartling, Wm. 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, Robert Sample, Isaac Wambold.

Fence Viewers—Robert Routledge, John Behie.

Road Masters:—

Section 1.—William Beeswanger.

Section 2.—Robert Routledge.

Section 3.—W. H. Munroe.

Section 4.—Charles Wambold.

Section 5.—Norman Verge.

Section 6.—John Behie.

Section 7.—Martin Cruickshank.

Section 8.—Nathan Boutillier Jr.

Section 9.—George F. Grant.

Constables—James Westhaver, William Munroe, Aaron Rood, Robert Routledge, Thomas Hall, Henry Richards, John Murphy, Robert Boutillier.

Surveyors of Logs and Lumber—August McDonald, James McG. Cruickshank, Edward Quellman, James A. Lindsay, Thomas A. Baker, Andrew McDonald, P. J. Murphy, Archibald Hall, Michael Milligan, William Knight, D. J. Coady.

Ferryman—William Lowe, Sheet Harbor; John Wessell, 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. Cruickshank, T. H. Hall.

Assessors—Edward Quillinan, Sam'l Behie.

Sanitary Inspector—M. McFarlane, J. P.

Supervisor of Roads—James A. Lindsay.

Collector County and Poor Rate—John W. Hall.

District No. 26.—Tangier.

Councillor—Charles Henley.

Presiding Officer—Samuel H. Henley.

Assessors—Samuel H. Henley, Benjamin Keating.

Collector of Poor and County Rates—George H. Conrod.

Overseers of Poor—John M. Flaherty, George E. Hawes, William Hilly Sr.

Constables—Willoughby Mason, Geo. Murphy, James Jennings, William Zwicker, Jason Keating, Charles Murphy, Charles A. Josey, Alfred N. Leslie.

Surveyors of Wood, Logs and Lumber—Thomas Hilly, Archibald W. Prest, Charles W. Josey, Alex. Mason.

Fence Viewers—John A. Gerrard,

John A. Josey, Peter Mason, John Beaver Sr., Frank Martin.

Overseers of Statute Labor:—

Section 1.—Samuel McCarthy.

Section 2.—Isaac J. Leslie.

Section 3.—Edward Sturmy.

Section 4.—Edward White.

Section 5.—James R. Josey.

Section 6.—Edward Cameron.

Section 7.—Robert Gaston.

Section 8.—

Section 9.—John S. Clattenburg.

Section 10.—William Butler.

Section 11.—James W. Murphy.

Section 12.—William Davis.

Section 13.—James Fahle.

Section 14.—(Gerrard's Island)—John McCarthy.

Section 15.—William McPherson.

Section 16.—James Andrews.

Section 17.—(Mooseland)—Archibald W. Prest.

Board of Health—Robert Mason, Daniel R. Josey, Isaac Leslie, Alexander Clawson.

Sanitary Inspector—John J. Mason.

Ferryman—John T. Abriel, Gerrard's Island; William Tracy, Ship Harbor.

Supervisor of Roads—Matthew Gaston.

District No. 27—Jeddore.

Councillor—Arthur Webber.

Overseers of Poor—George Smith, William Elsan, William J. Myers.

Health Officers—Dr. G. A. Jamison, Walter Siteman, Albert Worneil, Dennis Williams.

Sanitary Inspector—Enos Baker, J. P.

Collector of County and Poor Rates—Howard Webber.

Presiding Officer—George A. Jamison.

Assessors—Robert J. Stevens, Conrad Marks.

Surveyor of Lumber, Logs and Wood—Olando Myers, Alex. Smith, Geo. Marks, George Mitchell, Amos Webber.

Fence Viewers—Ruben Smith, James L. Myers, Enos Baker, Ebenezer Hamans, Joseph Kent, Conrad Marks.

Constables—William Mosher, Gideon Blakeney, James L. Myers, John W. Webber, Amos Webber.

Custodian at Jeddore Bridge—Albert Wornall.

Supervisor of Roads—George W. Mitchell.

Overseers of Statute Labor:—

Section 1.—Ronald Byers.

Section 2.—Donald Smith.

Section 3.—George Mosher.

Section 4.—Thomas Grant.

Section 5.—John McGregor.

Section 6.—Samuel Kent.

Section 7.—John Hawkins.

Section 8.—Robert Dooks.

Section 9.—Peter Maskel.
 Section 10.—Zacariah Harpell.
 Section 11.—James H. Myers.
 Section 12.—Daniel Blakeney, Sr.
 Section 13.—Daniel Wornell.
 Section 14.—Provost Jennix.
 Section 15.—Stephen Jennix.
 Section 16.—William Jennix.
 Section 17.—George Arnold.
 Section 18.—Isaac Hopkins.
 Section 19.—James M. Webber.
 Section 20.—Albert Webber.
 Section 21.—William Webber.
 Section 22.—J. R. Webber.
 Section 23.—Levi Russell.
 Section 24.—Joseph Parker.
 Section 25.—James DeBay.
 Section 26.—R. Hutts.
 Section 27.—John M. Marks.
 Section 28.—Hector Siteman.
 Section 29.—Winnie Mitchell.

District No. 28—West Chezzetcook.

Councillor—D. Lapierre.
 Overseers of Statute Labor:—
 Section 1.—Lemuel Graham.
 Section 2.—George Graham.
 Section 3.—Joseph Gaetz.
 Section 4.—George Niforth.
 Section 5.—Charles Conrod.
 Section 6.—Martin Julian.
 Section 7.—Dennis Bonin.
 Section 8.—James Lapierre.
 Section 9.—James Bellefontaine.
 Section 10.—John Ferguson.
 Section 11.—Joseph Bellefontaine.
 Section 12.—Dennis Murphy.
 Section 13.—Michael Romoe.
 Section 14.—Joseph Myette.
 Section 15.—Frederick Mannette.
 Section 16.—Frederick Lapierre.
 Overseers of Poor—James Ferguson,
 Daniel Romoe, Thomas Gaetz.
 Constables—Andrew Petipas, Walter
 Niforth, Thomas Julian, James La-
 pierre.
 Collector of County Rates—Joseph
 Foucher.
 Fence Viewers—James Gaetz, Ed-
 ward Niforth.
 Appraisers of Damage—Michael Ro-
 moe, Joseph Myette.
 Board of Health—William Bonin,
 Charles Wolfe, Charles Conrod, James
 Bellefontaine.
 Assessors—Thomas Lapierre, Thos.
 Gaetz.
 Keeper of Canterbury Bridge—Geo.
 Myette.
 Supervisor of Roads—Dennis Myette.

District No. 29—Lawrencetown.

Councillor—James H. Sellars.
 Assessors—Freemen Sellars, George
 Lloy.
 Collector of Rates—William Naugle.
 Road Masters:—
 Section 1.—William Wiseman.

Section 2.—James Misener.
 Section 3.—John McDonald.
 Section 4.—James Goolworthy.
 Section 5.—James Dares Sr.
 Section 6.—Neil McInnes.
 Section 7.—George Lloy.
 Section 8.—Daniel Murphy.
 Overseers of Poor—Henry Naugle,
 Decbrisay Conrod, Edmund Conrod.
 Constables—Elias Hiltz, Bert Con-
 rod, Fitz Crook, Thomas Crowell.
 Board of Health—Freeman Sellars,
 William Conrod, Thomas A. Naugle,
 John T. Hiltz.
 Health Inspector—William Naugle.
 Fence Viewers—Joseph Lloy, William
 Conrod.
 Custodian of Drawbridge—Joseph
 Lloy.
 Presiding Officer—John McDonald.
 Supervisor of Roads—Freeman Sel-
 lars.

District No. 30—Preston.

Councillor—Thomas Johnson.
 Assessors—Dennis Deloughry, Stuart
 Innis.
 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, Wil-
 liam Davidson.
 Keeper of Drawbridge—Stuart Innis.
 Overseers of Statute Labor:—
 Section 1.—John Glasgow.
 Section 2.—William Shaw.
 Section 3.—Josiah Misener.
 Section 4.—Henry Rent.
 Section 5.—John Brooks.
 Section 6.—John Wiseman.
 Section 7.—George Crawley.
 Section 8.—Robert Williams.
 Section 9.—John Thompson.
 Section 10.—John Johnson.
 Section 11.—John Smith.
 Fence Viewers—Edward Turner,
 Shedrick Ross, Daniel Clayton.
 Appraisers of Damage—George
 Carter, Peter Clayton, Simeon Downey.
 Constables—Samuel Williams, John
 Nelson, Jr., Rhesa Davidson, Daniel
 Downey, Henry Downey, George Bish-
 op, Joseph Turner.
 Supervisor of Roads—Dennis De-
 loughry.

District No. 31—Cole Harbor.

Councillor—S. W. Lydiard.
 Presiding Officer—Henry Watson.
 Assessors—John A. Beck, William
 McKenzie.
 Collector County Rates—Andrew Tur-
 ner.
 Overseers of Poor—Gordon Kuhn,
 Benjamin Clark, John Crook.

Constables—George Stone, Arthur Giles, Gavin Grant.

Fence Viewers—George Walker, John Morash, William Keizer.

Health Inspector—Robert Settle, sr.
Board of Health—Thomas Harrison, Archibald Manly, Raphael Lapierre, Frederick Bissett.

Swearing town officers—S. W. Lydard, J. P.

Road Masters:—

Section 1—John Dillman.

Section 2—Albert Shaffleburg.

Section 3—Walter Boutillier.

Section 4—Thomas Seeman.

Section 5—Gordon Kuhn.

Section 6—Joseph McDonald.

Section 7—Robert Turner.

Section 8—William Cannon.

Section 9—John Cooper.

Section 10—Charles Fairfax.

Section 11—Reuben Ernst.

Section 12—Alexander Innis.

Section 13—Alexander Settle.

Section 14—Alexander McLean.

Section 15—Gavin Grant.

Section 16—Norman Morash.

Section 17—George Ritchie.

Section 18—Arthur Brennan.

Section 19—William Cole, sr.

Section 20—John Elliott.

Section 21—John Hartien.

Section 22—Edward Morash.

Section 23—Enos Conrod.

Section 24—Charles Drummond.

Section 25—John H. Strum.

Supervisor of Roads—Frederick W. Cooper.

District No. 32—Hubbard's Cove.

Councillor—John E. Shafford.

Assessors—John Gibbons, Peter D. Dauphinee.

Collector—Peter F. Boutillier.

Overseers of Poor—Caleb Hubley, Peter D. Dauphinee, Henry Conrod.

Overseers Roads:

Section 1—Elijah Smith.

Section 2—Wm. J. Boutillier.

Section 3—Hibbard Hubley.

Section 4—Hezekiah Brigley.

Section 5—Henry Conrod.

Section 6—Lambert Conrod.

Martin's Point—Isaac J. Boutillier.

Boutillier's Point—Simeon Boutillier.

Conrod's Road—James Conrod.

Schwartz's Road—Jas. Schwartz.

East side of Hubbard's Cove—Simon Dauphinee.

Constables—Lambert Conrod, Morton Mason, Jas. E. Conrod, Gilbert Keane, Hibbard Hubley, Alexander Boutillier, Rand Gibbons, John Ryno.

Health Inspector—Dr. Adlington.

Board of Health—Caleb Hubley, Alex Conrod, Wm. Kennedy.

Fence Viewers—George Brigley, Abel Boutillier.

Surveyors of Logs and Lumber—E. H. Young, B. F. Young, George J. Young, F. W. Corbett, Rand Gibbons, Peter F. Boutillier, John Webber, Andrew J. Boutillier.

Presiding Officer—Peter D. Dauphinee.
Supervisor of Roads—George L. Keans.

District No. 33—Eastern Passage.

Councillor—W. F. Negus.

Presiding officer—Daniel A. Moser.

Collector—Nelson Negus.

Assessors—Francis McDonald, James Moser, William Icaton.

Road Supervisor—Jeremiah Cleary.

Road Masters:—

Section 1—Edward Trider.

Section 2—William Wells.

Section 3—William Himelman.

Section 4—John Smith.

Section 5—John Goreham.

Section 6—George F. Bowes.

Section 8—Benjamin Hines.

Section 9—James Murray, jr.

Section 10—David Hennebery.

Section 11—James Finlay.

Sanitary Inspector—John Byrne, sr.

Board of Health—Simon Gregoire, Lewis Himelman, Alvin Hemeon, Thos. Edwards, jr.

Constables—George Morash, George Horne, Lewis Kelly, Charles Walsh, Henry Conrod.

Fence Viewers—William Naugle, Andrew Conrod, James Conrod.

District No. 34—Salmon River.

Councillor—Thomas O'Leary.

Presiding Officer—Henry L. Balcom.

Assessors—John T. Warren and Chas. Hartling.

Collector of Poor and County Rates

—John O'Leary, sr.

Road Masters:—

Section 1—Robinson Brenton.

Section 2—John Cameron.

Section 3—William Hartling.

Section 4—Matthew Gallagher.

Section 5—Dick Conroy.

Section 6—Charles Darr.

Section 7—Bob Jewers.

Section 8—Will O'Leary.

Section 9—Charles Beaver.

Section 10—Alexander Jewers.

Supervisor of Roads—Hector Smiley.
Constables—James Kirker, Ernest Gallagher, James Johnson, Murdock Meloney.

Overseers of Poor—John Kirker, jr., Henry Barkhouse, Tom P. Hartling.

Fence Viewers—Matthew Gallagher, John O'Leary, sr.

Board of Health—Henry Balcom, Theodora Smith, Darlus Snow, Dr. Dunlap.

Sanitary Inspector—Dr. Dunlap.

District No. 35—Little River.

Councillor—A. H. Gladwin.
 Overseers of Statute Labor:—
 Section 1—Henry Cruickshanks.
 Section 2—Henry Grant.
 Section 3—George Brown.
 Section 4—Clifford Rhind.
 Section 5—Alexander McMullen.
 Section 6—Harvey Cole.
 Section 7—Prescott Dean.
 Section 8—William Wise.
 Constables—Charles Hurley, Arthur Killen, Harvey Cole.
 Surveyor of Lumber, Logs and Wood—Edward Howe.
 Overseers of Poor—Joseph Wallace, Samuel Burris, Charles Oglivie.
 Assessors of Rates—Robert Oglivie, Allen Oglivie.
 Board of Health—John Oglivie, Cameron McMullen, W. R. Oglivie, Allison Brown.
 Appraisers of Damages—A. K. Sibley, John Oglivie, Edward Cruickshanks.
 Fence Viewers—Alexander McMullen, Alexander Taylor, John Fisher.
 Revisor—Prescott Dean.
 Collector of Rates—Henry Cruickshanks.
 District Clerk—Charles Oglivie.
 Supervisor of Roads—Arthur Killen.
 Presiding Officer—W. R. Oglivie.

District No. 36—East Chezzetcook.

Councillor—David Vaughan.
 Overseers of Highways:
 Section 1—William Usher.
 Section 2—George Bayer, of John.
 Section 3—Samuel Gaetz.
 Section 4—William Bayer.
 Section 5—Edward Young.
 Section 6—George Myra.
 Section 7—Phillip Young.
 Section 8—Samuel Colbright.
 Section 9—Joseph Gaetz.
 Section 10—Charles Myatt.
 Section 11—J. Howe Keizer.
 Section 12—Matthew Daly.
 Section 13—Andrew Crawford.
 Section 14—Dinnis Smith, Jr.
 Section 15—Edward Conrod.
 Section 16—Jacob Conrod.
 Section 17—John Conrod, of John.
 Section 18—Wallace Duckshire.
 Section 19—Archibald Crawford.
 Overseers of Poor—Thomas Smith, James Keiser, William Usher.
 Constables—William Usher, George Gaetz, Azariah Veinot, James Owens, Justen Colford, J. Howe Keizer.
 Assessors—Alexander McInnes, J.P.; James Keizer.
 Health Officers—Alexander McInnes, J. P.; Jacob Conrod, Edward Conrod, Jr., David Power, Jr.
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Weighters of Hay and Straw—E. S. Guld, J. E. Rollings.
 Presiding Officer—James Keizer.
 Supervisors of Lumber—Samuel Blakeley, Amos Guld.
 Fence Viewers—Andrew Gaetz, Matthew Conrod, Hubert Greenough.
 Collector—George Guld.
 Revisor—James Chisholm.
 Supervisor—Dennis Smith Sr.
 Keeper of Drawbridge—A. S. Innes, Porter's Lake.

District No. 38—Dover.

Councillor—Andrew A. Scott.
 Assessors—James Fader, J. P., East Dover; Lawson Morash, West Dover.
 Overseers of Roads:—
 Section 1., Bayside—Martin Fader.
 Section 2, McGrath's Cove—William Forhan.
 Section 3, Larry's Cove—Noah Morash.
 Section 4, East Dover—Thomas Graves.
 Section 5, West Dover—Nicholas Berringer.
 Section 6, New Road—Michael Morash.
 Constables—Bayside, Norman Fader; East Dover, John Hornish, Elijah Myra; West Dover, Abraham Cleveland; New Road Section, Isaac Morash.
 Board of Health—East Dover, Noah Morash, Elijah Myra; West Dover, Abraham Cleveland, Nicholas Berringer.
 Fence Viewers—East Dover, Joseph Tanner; West Dover, Simon Cleveland.
 Overseers of Poor—East Dover, Noah Morash; West Dover, Lawson Morash, William Baker.
 Sanitary Inspector—James Fader, J.P.
 Presiding Officer—Henry Fader.
 Collector—William Baker.
 Revisor—Noah Morash.
 Supervisor of Roads—Joseph J. Scott.
 Councillor Butler moved, seconded by Councillor Henley, that in the opinion of this council the amount of remuneration received by the ferryman for ferry service at Gerard's Island, Pope's Harbor is inadequate to efficiently carry on said service and this council would strongly recommend government of Nova Scotia to increase the said remuneration by \$30. This motion was carried.
 Councillor Webber moved the following resolution which was seconded by Councillor Henley:
 Whereas in the opinion of this council, it is desirable to express our sincere appreciation of the loyalty and patriotism displayed by the men of this province in particular and Canada

in general, who have volunteered to serve the empire in South Africa and

Whereas this council desires to express in a tangible form its gratitude to the brave volunteers, therefore

Resolved that this council do hereby express its sincere appreciation of the same, and further

Resolved that the sum of \$50 be forwarded to The Halifax Herald fund for the dependants of Nova Scotia volunteers for the Transvaal.

Councillor Bartlett moved in amendment that the sum of \$100 be voted. This was seconded by Councillor Hayes.

Councillor Henley said if the councillors desired to increase the amount they could do so by private subscriptions. The amendment was put and lost. The motion was then put and carried.

On motion of Councillor Fleming, seconded by Councillor Gladwin, it was decided that the new road leading from Lakeview to Bedford should be included in road section 15.

The report of the committee on the hospital for the insane was then read as follows:

That there were admitted to the hospital for insane during the year, chargeable to the municipality, 8 patients—Males, Herbert A. Fenerty, Geo. Latter, William Bonang; Females, Olive Harvey, Margaret A. Saddler, Mrs. Crooks, Annie Harpell, Mrs. Mary Perry.

There were discharged 3 males—Jas. Frazer, William Yeadon, William Bonang; 2 females, removed by death—Libbie Johnston and Margaret A. Saddler.

There are 24 persons still remaining in hospital, December 31, 1899—Males, Nicholas Power, W. D. Stoddard, Chas. Robinson, James M. Young, W. W. Worthen, Alexander Faulkner, Monson Warner, Herbert Fennerty, David Slaughenwhite, George Latter; Females—Susan McKenzie, Mary Gaul, Rebecca Tough, Susan Conrod, Mary Boutiller, Mary L. McKenzie, Elizabeth Webber, Annie Hamilton, Emma Mosher, Olive Harvey, Mrs. Crooks, Annie Harpell, Mrs. Mary Perry and Gertrude Farrell.

Your committee report that the accounts of all pauper patients at the hospital have been examined and find that a balance of \$39.16 remains unpaid on account of not getting the last return in time to ascertain the amount.

Your committee would draw the attention of this council to the failure of the several committees of justices for examining the friends or relatives

of lunatics before committing them to the hospital for insane, to forward to the clerk the proper forms of details as required on their part.

The amount placed in the estimates for cost of insane paupers last year was \$3,000, but it exceeded this amount by \$330, making a total of \$3,330, and not less than that sum should be provided this year. In the opinion of the committee, some patients chargeable to the county, at the hospital, might be transferred to the Poor farm.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES H. SELLARS.
S. W. LYDIARD.
THOMAS O'LEARY.
JOHN S. FLEMING.
JAMES H. WALSH.
HUGH MUNROE.

The report was received, after which the council adjourned to 10.30 Tuesday morning.

TUESDAY SESSION.

The municipal council resumed its sessions Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock. The minutes of Monday afternoon's session were read and approved.

Councillor Shatford brought up the question of the amount granted by the council to The Herald fund for the South African contingent. He made an earnest appeal to have the amount made \$100 instead of \$50. He would not make any motion to that effect but would merely make a suggestion. The county could well afford to make the amount \$100.

Councillor Lydiard said that the council was perfectly justified in making the amount \$50. If they wanted to make it \$100 they could do so by private subscriptions.

The warden said he felt some hesitancy in asking the council to make the amount \$100. If it was reconsidered and the motion to make it \$100 failed it would reflect upon the council. He suggested that the matter be deferred to later in the session.

The clerk read the report of the license committee as follows:

License Committee Report.

The warden and members of the municipal council:

Upon enquiry of the county clerk, your committee were informed that the amended by-law relating to pedlars and hawkers licenses had been submitted to the governor and council and is now in force. But so far no pedlars or hawkers have applied to the treasurer or clerk for a license. And there are no reports of any being pros-

scuted for selling their wares without the license required by law, although the land is filled with foreign pedlars and hawkers during the summer months.

TOM. O'LEARY.
A. H. GLADWIN.
DANIEL LAPIERRE.
DAVID VAUGHAN.
A. F. SMITH.

The clerk read the by-law respecting pedlars which was passed in 1898:

For pedlar with two horses or other draw animal and vehicle, \$25.

If with one horse or other draught animal and vehicle, \$15.

If with hand-cart or vehicle otherwise propelled, \$8.

If with pack, bag, basket or package, carried by applicant, \$8.

Foreigners or persons domiciled as producing their wares outside of the province shall pay \$50 in addition to the foregoing schedule.

Such licensed person who shall fail to exhibit such license on demand of any rate-payer or county official shall

Any person who transacts business forfeit the sum of \$5.

as a pedlar without a license shall upon conviction be fined not more than double the fee required for a license and in default of payment shall be committed to the county jail for a period not longer than 30 days.

Persons peddling or hawking goods under this by-law shall carry their name and number of their license in a conspicuous place upon their vehicle or pack under a penalty of \$5 for each offence.

Some of the councillors said they were not aware that the by-law had been passed.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Fleming that the report of the license committee be received and adopted. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Henley and Stewart that the sum of \$50 be assessed in district 26 in the county of Halifax for the support of the poor for the present year. Passed.

\$1,500 For a New Road.

Moved by Councillors Stewart and Henley that the sum of \$150 be assessed in district No. 22 in the county of Halifax for the support of the poor for the present year. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Stewart and Burris resolved that this council ask the provincial government for the loan of \$1500 dollars for the purpose of constructing a new road between Mooseland road and Moose river gold mines the same having had a precept granted and survey made. Referred to the road and bridge committee.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and A. F. Smith that this council vote the sum of \$50 to defray the expenses of clergymen officiating at burial or religious services at the Poor farm for the year 1900. Passed.

The clerk read an account from Dr. Gow for professional attendance and for the services of two nurses for attendance on a family at Spryfield. The accounts amounted to \$59, Dr. Gow's being \$37 and those of the nurses \$22.

Dr. Gow was present and explained the accounts.

Councillors Negus and Fleming moved that the accounts be referred to the finance committee.

Moved by Councillors Negus and C. E. Smith:

Whereas the sum of \$1,000 has been granted by the provincial government for the purpose of buying road machines for this county;

And whereas a large number of these districts are unable to use the said machines;

Therefore resolved that the said government be respectfully asked to provide a stone crusher for the benefit of those districts which are unable to use the said road machines.

This resolution drew out considerable discussion but was finally passed on division.

Councillor Shatford called for names and the result was as follows:

For, Lydiard, A. W. Smith, Raine, Negus, Fleming Moran, Gladwin, Sellers, Madill, Butler, Hayes, Munro, Hall, C. E. Smith, Vaughan, Webber and Billman, 17.

Against—Burris, Lapierre, Johnson, Stewart, Cole, I. Dauphney, A. Dauphney, Walsh, Bartlett, Scott and Shatford, 11.

The following additional district officers were appointed:

Moved by Councillors Stewart and Hall that Raymond Fisk be supervisor for roads in district No. 22. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and Bartlett that the sum of \$170 be assessed on district 32 for the care of the poor for 1900. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Wilson and Negus that the sum of \$40 be assessed on district 18 for support of the poor for 1900. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Hall and Stewart that \$200 be assessed for support of poor in district 25 for 1900. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Madill and Burris that the sum of \$50 be assessed on district 19 for the support of the poor. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Negus and

Fleming that the sum of \$125 be assessed in district 33 for support of poor for 1900.—Passed.

The report of supervisors of roads for district 32 was referred to the road and bridge committee.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and O. Dauphinee that \$75 be assessed in district 23 for support of poor for present year. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Isaac Dauphinee and Webber that \$10 be assessed in district 12 for the maintenance of the poor for the present year. Passed.

A report was received from Walter McCurdy, board of health clerk, for district 21, stating that the health of the section was good and the services of the board had not been called upon.

Public Properties.

The following report was read from the members of the public properties committee showing the work done during the year:

December 10, 1899.

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

Gentlemen,—Your committee on public property beg leave to submit the following report:

1. That during the past year, notwithstanding the decrease of grant to poor's farm, and the number of old accounts which were paid, together with extras that will not have to be duplicated for year, your committee is in a position to present a small balance to the credit of that institution.

2. That your committee are unanimously of the opinion that the appointment of Mr. and Mrs. Henneberry as superintendent and matron of the said poor farm has been eminently satisfactory to the committee, and they have proven to be painstaking, and untiring in their duties.

3. Many of the accounts have been practically lessened, notably flour from 13 to 9 barrels per month, a saving of about 48 barrels per year. Boots and shoes have been reduced by about \$50. Groceries have been reduced by about \$275 for year. Yet all inmates are perfectly satisfied with both food and attention.

4. The number of bags and barrels which have been used in the institution for the past twelve years has been very large. These have all been sold, and no monies have ever been put to the credit of the county, this amount in that length would add up to about \$200.

5. About 1000 yards of cottons and cloths were sent to the institution at the first of the year, and after the re-

turning of the late matron, only about 300 yards of this amount could be accounted for, which necessitated the duplication of the order.

6. That quite a number of the inmates have been employed in clearing rocks off of about one acre of land, and putting it in condition for planting next spring.

7. The jail has been run in a careful and judicious manner. It is clean and well ventilated, and your committee agree that Mr. Malcom is the right man in the right place. Your committee refer the council to the various reports which have been handed in. All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. EDWARD BUTLER,
S. W. LYDIARD,
O. E. SMITH,
DAVID VAUGHAN,
HUGH MUNRO,

County Poor Farm.

Account of expenditure of Halifax county poor's farm for the year ending December 31, 1899:

Groceries and provisions.....	\$1,178.25
Dry goods and clothing	308.85
Boots and shoes	99.90
Beef ..	395.82
Printing ..	50.92
Doctor's salary ..	90.00
Hardware, paints, oils and chairs ..	74.00
Lumber, lime, etc. (\$21.31 from 1896) ..	71.65
Employees' pay ..	695.06
Making clothes (\$6 from 1898)..	37.50
Purchase of horse, \$115; and harness, \$42.50 ..	157.50
Hay and straw ..	90.44
Potatoes (33 bush of these for seed) ..	78.60
Blacksmith ..	24.78
Account of Mrs. Green ..	11.20
Account of George Lavers ..	4.00
Fire extinguishers (3) ..	42.50
Insurance (3 years) ..	97.50
Iron bedsteads (from 1897)....	54.00
Sewing machine ..	35.00
Account for blankets (from 1898)	120.15
New bathtub ..	10.00
Crockeryware (from 1898) ..	6.32
Superphosphate ..	10.00
Seed oats ..	6.00
Seeds ..	2.64
Fresh fish ..	9.39
Keeper's salary ..	350.00
Chairman and vice chairman salary ..	50.00
Sundries ..	77.99

\$4,219.59

Account of income of county poor's farm for the year ending December 31, 1899:

Insane, 1254 weeks at \$2 week..\$2,508.00

District, 1458 weeks, 1 day at 75c per week	1,093.61
Dartmouth, 510 weeks, 6 days, at \$1.30 per week	664.14
Sale of yoke of oxen	75.00
Sale of barrels and bags	19.60
Pasturing horse one month	2.00
Two births	16.00
Sale of 2 hides	5.78
Sale of 1 calf skin .....	.46
Board of Daisy Barr	7.00
Board of Miss Thornton	2.60
Board of Miss Henneberry	1.25
Proceeds of farmers' boiler (per J. G. Bissett)75
Balance in favor of institution (from 1898)	419.13
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	\$4,815.26

SUMMARY.

Income	\$4,815.26
Expenditure	4,177.09

Balance in favor of institution \$638.17
 The report was adopted on motion of Councillors Negus and Henley.
 Moved by Councillors Walsh and Vaughan that \$16 be assessed on district 10 for the purpose of paying a deficit now due from 1897. Passed.
 Moved by Councillors Madill and Burris that the warden and Councillors Bartlett and Billman be court house commissioners for the year. Passed.
 Council adjourned to 2:30.
 The council immediately after meeting in the afternoon adjourned to meet this morning. The afternoon was spent in committee work.

WEDNESDAY SESSION.

The municipal council resumed its session Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock. After reading the minutes the clerk read the report of the assessment committee as follows:

Report of committee on assessments for 1900:

We have examined the assessment rolls and append the statement of increases and decreases in the several districts as compared with 1899.

We find an aggregate increase over 1899 of \$27,483.

According to statements made to the committee we are led to believe that some of the properties, more especially the lumber properties in districts 25 and 32, are very much undervalued.

In district 34 we note a large increase in mining property, but consider the valuation very low as compared with actual cost. In district 19 we have a decrease of over \$5,000, and as there appears to the councillor no sufficient reason for this, we recommend that the clerk ask an explanation of the assessors.

We would further recommend that where there is any great change in assessment of districts and especially where there has been a decline in values, that the assessors be requested to give written explanations accompanying the roll.

GEORGE H. MADILL,
 JOHN BURRIS,
 OSWALD DAUPHINEE,
 T. E. STEWART,
 HENRY HALL,
 LINDSEY MOREN.

Assessment Valuation.

Statement of total valuations as given in the assessment rolls from district No. 7 to No. 38, for 1899 and 1900:

District.	Valuations.		Inc.	Dec.
	1899.	1900.		
7	\$26,833	\$23,820	.....	\$3,063
8	21,260	22,130	.....	870
9	23,970	25,287	.....	1,317
10	27,620	25,435	.....	2,185
11	45,935	47,310	.....	1,325
12	42,365	42,573	.....	208
13	34,382	34,798	.....	416
14	126,435	128,390	.....	1,955
15	169,050	177,243	.....	8,193
16	44,114	45,126	.....	1,012
17	133,451	137,015	.....	3,564
18	96,882	101,650	.....	4,768
19	91,256	88,924	.....	2,332
20	48,590	48,845	.....	255
21	129,060	129,285	.....	225
22	113,330	112,705	.....	625
23	14,335	13,855	.....	480
24	65,883	53,420	.....	12,463
25	94,235	87,580	.....	6,655
26	78,290	77,718	.....	572
27	113,220	111,000	.....	2,220
28	69,360	69,585	.....	225
29	68,300	67,855	.....	445
30	27,000	28,115	.....	1,115
31	172,960	177,035	.....	4,075
32	78,345	83,200	.....	4,855
33	74,750	73,404	.....	1,346
34	62,808	62,178	.....	630
35	39,358	39,015	.....	343
36	89,620	91,594	.....	1,974
38	19,180	18,945	.....	235
			\$53,936	\$26,453
			\$26,453	
Net Increase			\$27,483	

Councillor Henley said it would be an opportune time for the assessors to explain the large amount of decrease in the valuation of some districts. He did not understand why these decreases should be.

Councillor Fleming thought an explanation should be given to why some of the property of Mt. St. Vincent's college should be exempt from taxation. In his district there was a farm and a rectory in connection with the St. Vincent property both of which were taxed while other property of Mt. St. Vincent was not taxed.

Councillor Shatford said if under existing circumstances the council passed any resolution to tax church property it would make a mistake.

Councillor Negus said he did not think it just that a large church property like Mt. St. Vincent should be exempt while a small church manse in distant parts of the county should be made to pay taxes.

Councillor Shatford said he was not in favor of exempting any church property, but still in the face of the law which at present exempts church property it would be unwise for the council to pass any resolution referring to it.

Moved by Councillors Shatford and Bartlett:

Whereas the assessors or district No. 7 have left off the assessment roll for that district certain visible property belonging to one of the assessors and,

Whereas no good reasons have been given for such an act, therefore,

Resolved that the value of such property be placed on the roll for that district and that this council authorize the clerk to place the same on the roll and call upon Mr. Baisley to show any reason why he did not place the same in the roll and further,

Resolved that if Mr. Baisley can show that he pays taxes in any other district for said property, then this resolution to be annulled. Passed.

The report of the assessors was adopted on motion of Councillor Bartlett.

Moved by Councillors Webber and Henley that the statute labor road sections in district 27 be changed and the bounds be defined and numbered as per the schedule annexed. Passed.

List of Road Sections, District 27.

- 1—From Bayer's bridge to Lake, south to Kidd's bridge.
- 2—From Kidd's bridge east to Guild's sluice.
- 3—From main road, south to Narrows bridge.
- 4—From Narrows bridge to Thomas Williams' south line.
- 5—From Thomas Williams' south line to Ostree lake bridge.
- 6—Ostree lake bridge to Hawkins' beach.
- 7—From Hawkins' beach to Duck pond.
- 8—From Duck pond to Temperance hall.
- 9—From Temperance hall to Shelberd road bridge, Bowser road, west to lake.
- 10—From Shelberd road bridge to main road.
- 11—From Guild's sluice to Salmon river bridge.

12—From main road all on Myer's Point.

13—From Salmon river bridge to Mill dam, Oyster pond.

14—Mitchell's mills, east to Henn's bridge, south to Baptist church.

15—From Baptist church to William Jennex's.

16—From William Jennex's to Leonard Harpell's south line.

17—From Leonard Harpell's south line to Clifford Arnold's brook.

18—From Clifford Arnold's brook to Reuben Jennex's place.

19—From Henn's bridge, east to Porcupine brook, north to Succor brook.

20—From Porcupine brook, east to Beach hill, south to Fox Den and Alex. Arnold's.

21—From Fox Den to John H. Webber's.

22—From John H. Webber's to George Stoddard's.

23—From Mary's river bridge, east to Still Water bridge.

24—Still Water bridge to Thomas Webber's.

25—From William Palmer's bridge to Long Cove.

26—Thomas Webber's, east to Still Water bridge.

27—Still Water bridge and Ritchie's Cove to Dr. Jamison's south line.

28—Dr. Jamison's south line to cross roads.

29—From Cross roads on main road to Little river bridge south to Albert Shelnut's.

Miscellaneous Business.

The clerk read a letter from Attorney-General Longley advising the council that the act of last session chapter 25 relating to juries was brought into operation on January 1st, and requesting the council to appoint a revising committee.

Moved by Councillors Madill and Burris that the revisors of jury lists receive \$2 per day and travelling expenses. Passed.

Moved by Councillors O. Dauphinee and Bartlett that William Covey Sr., be appointed overseer for road section 4 in district 11 instead of George Covey.

Moved by Councillors Sellars and Madill that Janitor A. W. Smith be appointed constable within the court house without salary. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Webber and Butler:

Whereas the assessor of district 27 who makes up the three very long lists of rate payers is entitled for his work to the larger part of the assessors' pay, therefore,

Resolved that the said maker of the lists be paid twelve dollars and Passed.
 Passed.

A. W. Smith applied for re-appointment as janitor of the court house for the ensuing year.

Moved by Councillors Bartlett and Butler that A. W. Smith be janitor of the court house during the pleasure of this council. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Madill and O'Leary that Janitor Smith receive \$500 per year and this to be final. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Butler and Billman that Harry Wright be appointed county constable for the year 1900 without salary. Passed.

The warden read a letter from Thos. Notting, solicitor in re, the claim brought by Mr. and Mrs. Turner, former keepers of the Poor farm, in which Mr. Notting said he was to collect the full amount due under the terms of the contract made with Mr. McDougall, acting on behalf of the committee.

After considerable discussion it was moved by Councillors Bartlett and Gladwin that Mrs. Turner, ex-matron of the Poor farm, be paid four months' salary as per agreement with the committee. Passed.

The clerk brought up the matter of the meeting between a committee of the council and the Dartmouth board of trade. The council's committee had not yet been discharged.

The council then adjourned until 10.30 this morning. Yesterday afternoon's session being devoted to committee work.

THURSDAY SESSION.

The municipal council resumed its sessions yesterday morning at 10.30. The minutes of Wednesday afternoon's session were read and approved.

The following sums were ordered to be assessed on the districts named for the support of the poor:

District 14.....	\$50
District 16.....	90
District 11.....	45
District 8.....	45
District 29.....	20
District 30.....	60

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Henley that the warden be authorized to procure counsel to defend suit of Turner vs Municipality of Halifax County if said action should be commenced. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Webber and Gladwin that Councillors Lydiard, Smith and Negus be appointed a com-

mittee to act with the warden for the purpose of investigating the reason or reasons for the refusal of any councillor who shall refuse to countersign the returns of the road supervisor whereby the county treasurer would be obliged to withhold the government grant. Passed.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Lydiard:

Whereas there having been no rules or by-laws at the county Poor farm whereby the keeper of said institution can have guidance in the burial of the dead of that institution,

Therefore resolved that the keeper of county Poor farm shall on the decease of any inmate immediately notify the overseers of poor for said district and in the event of any district not making claim for removal within a time not to exceed 48 hours then the keeper is hereby authorized to have the same burial take place at the county Poor farm and the same shall be chargeable to the district to the amount of \$2. Passed.

Supervisors' Report.

The following report of the supervisor of public roads for district No. 9 for the past year was read and received and on motion referred to the road and bridge committee:

Report of supervisor of public roads for district 9, year 1899:

Am't. of municipal grant.....	\$160.00
Am't. of statute labor.....	189.00
Am't. of statute labor not collect ed.....	3.23

I regret to state that owing to the condition of the roads I had to make a small overdraw of \$7.77. The roads are only in a fair state of repair as they have been made narrow by big stones which should be removed. I have made 6 extra bridges since the number was given to the council. They total 25 feet in length. I would suggest that the rate of road tax be changed from 30 cents to 40 cents per \$100, also that the age of those liable to do statute labor be 18 instead of 18 years. I would also strongly recommend that district No. 9 take over that portion of road now in district 3 from Grand lake bridge to George Merlin's, a distance of 1 1/4 miles. Also that portion of the road from Clay hill in district No. 9 to Charles Martin's in district No. 8 as I am confident with the allowance granted these portions of road can be kept in better repair under the control of No. 9 district. They are at the extreme ends of districts 8 and 13 and are more used by district 9 than either.

The committee appointed to confer with the town of Dartmouth in reference to improved representation for the eastern part of the county in the local legislature reported as follows:

The committee appointed to confer with the town of Dartmouth in reference to improved representation for the eastern part of the county in the local legislature beg to report that they had a conference on the 17th instant, and the following resolution was unanimously approved:

"That for the better representation of the county of Halifax in the provincial legislature it is desirable that the county be divided into two ridings,

That the eastern riding including all of the county east of Halifax harbor and Bedford basin shall elect its own representative or representatives and that the western riding, including all west of the harbor and basin shall elect its own representative or representatives" and we would respectfully suggest that a similar resolution be approved by this council and that a copy of the same be forwarded to the Dartmouth town council for co-operative action in bringing the same to the notice of the legislature.

B. C. WILSON.
J. E. SHATFORD.
C. W. LYDIARD.
W. CHARLES HENLEY.
M. EDWARD BUTLER.

The report was adopted unanimously. Councillor I. Dauphinee reported that the committee on poor was not ready to report owing to the dilatory manner in which reports came in from the overseers of the different districts. He asked that the report be held over until the April session.

Stipendiary's Report.

The report of the stipendiary magistrate was received as follows and was adopted unanimously:

Fees collected for quarter ending—	
March 31, 1899.....	\$63.60
June 30, 1899.....	77.05
September 30, 1899.....	89.40
December 31, 1899.....	83.80
	—
	313.85
Fees received Hill et al.....	4.40
	—
	\$318.25

No. of trials and convictions (Hiquor cases).....	35.00
No. of trials and convictions (other cases).....	17
Fines paid license inspector.....	400.00
Fines paid county treas.....	25.00
Ferry licenses issued, 5.....	5.00
The magistrate would beg to state	

that in explanation of the reduction in the amount of fees from the previous year that as in other courts both of superior and inferior jurisdiction, the number of civil processes issued has for the past three years steadily diminished. Also that it was the practice of his predecessor in all criminal matters to charge up the fees invariable to the municipality which, while it made the amount of fees received by the office considerably larger, yet was of no benefit to the municipality. The fees of very few such cases have been thus charged during the past year. Mention may also be made of the fact that in all cases of indictable offences, no magistrates' fees are allowed by the criminal code, and consequently the municipality receives no financial benefit therefrom.

During the year many complaints, such as difficulties between husband and wife, troubles between neighbors have been disposed of without issuing the usual papers. An amicable settlement of such complaints was not only for the benefit of the persons interested and the communities in which they reside, but also resulted in a saving to the municipality of a considerable amount which it would be necessary to expend in constables' fees.

Over a hundred processes were issued against defaulters under the road act. Most of these cases were settled without payment of magistrates' fees as the principal object arrived at was to compel obedience to the requirements of the act, and it is expected that in consequence of the action taken, there will be fewer defaulters this year. JOHN McDUGALL.

Stipendiary magistrate.

Attached to the report was the the stipendiary's return of convictions during the year.

Moved by Councillors I. Dauphinee and Webber that the councillors pay for the present session be \$2 per day and mileage, and that the treasurer be authorized to pay the same. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Webber and I. Dauphinee that Justices Dr. George A. Jameson and P. W. Maskell be commissioners for examining lunatics for admission to the asylum. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Henley and Hall that Robert H. Sample and J. W. McFarlane be appointed justices to sign papers of friends of insane persons for admission to the hospital for the insane for the present year. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Henley and Hall that Robert H. Sample be appointed to swear in offices for district No. 25 in the county of Halifax. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Henley and Smith whereas this council is of the opinion that in the interests of law and order the stipendiary magistrate should hold court in different districts along the eastern shore of this county.

Resolved that the said stipendiary magistrate is hereby directed to hold court in such districts of the eastern shore of this county as the warden may deem advisable in the months of July and November of this year. Passed.

Finance Committee.

The report of the finance committee was read as follows:

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

Gentlemen,—Your committee on finance beg leave to submit the following report.

In connection with the claim of Mr. Reid, late liquor license inspector, your committee find that Mr. Reid owes the county \$69. The county owes Mr. Reid \$35.82, leaving a balance due by Mr. Reid to the county, \$33.18.

The report of Liquor License Inspector Hiltz is recommended for adoption although through ignorance of the law and his duties he has neglected to produce a single voucher for any of the disbursements. Your committee would strongly recommend that in future all vouchers be handed in with report, and all monies collected be remitted within one week to the county treasurer who will pay all bills after being initialed by inspector.

The account presented by Dr. Gow against the county should not be considered as your committee are of the opinion that it would be establishing a very bad precedent, your committee consider this purely a district matter with which the councillor and his overseers of the poor should deal and settle to the best interest of their district.

ESTIMATES 1900.

City, County and Dartmouth.

County court house.....	\$1,350.00
Interest on debentures.....	1,000.00
Court house sinking fund.....	350.00
Court jail current expenses....	2,500.00
Grand and petit juries.....	1,000.00
Sheriff.....	1,000.00
Expenses crown prosecutions.	1,000.00
Clerk and treasurer.....	575.00
Coroner and med. examiners.	550.00
Printing and stationery.....	500.00
Criers, supreme court.....	900.00
Criers, county court.....	400.00
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	11,125.00

Less gov. grant to court house.	300.00
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	10,825.00

County Alone.

Warden and councillors' pay..	1,500.00
Stipendiary.....	925.00
Clerk and treasurer.....	1,225.00
Chief constable.....	300.00
Schools.....	8,600.00
Insane hospital and lunacy certificates.....	3,100.00
County Poor farm—interest on debentures.....	625.00
County Poor farm—current expenses.....	1,500.00
Revisors and assessors.....	700.00
Drawbridges and bus line....	220.00
Postage, health and incidentals.....	50.00
Bounties.....	125.00
Auditors.....	40.00
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	18,810.00

Less	
Probable fees, stipendiary office.....	\$ 400.00
Unexpected balances...5,500.00	5,900.00
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	\$12,910.00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. E. SMITH.
W. CHARLES HENLEY.
JAMES BILLMAN.
JOHN E. SHATFORD.
JOHN BURRIS.
M. EDWARD BUTLER.

It was decided that the amount for interest on debentures be made \$1,150 instead of \$1,000.

The report was passed as amended. Moved by Councillors Henley and Stewart that no poll tax be added to the county rates this year. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Henley and C. E. Smith that the clerk and treasurer assess upon the county the amount of the estimates for 1900 reported by the committee on finance at this session for the present year with costs of collection added thereto. Passed.

A Special Committee.

The following report of the special committee appointed to investigate charges against License Inspector Hiltz beg leave to submit the following motion of Councillors Bartlett and Fleming:

Warden and Councillor of the Municipality, Halifax Co.:

The special committee appointed to enquire into charges made by W. W. McNairn against License Inspector Hiltz beg leave to submit the following:

That Mr. Hiltz appeared before your

committee; that the only reason he had for neither answering Mr. McNairn's letter or visiting the place was that he wanted to wait till after the session of council as he was led to believe that a stipendiary magistrate would be appointed for that section of the county and the expenses of either bringing a magistrate down or of bringing the parties up to the city would be saved.

Your committee agree that the inspector should not have ignored Mr. McNairn in this matter but should have advised him why he delayed in the fulfilment of his duty.

Councillor Cole reported that by not subpoenaing one out of three witnesses whose names were given to the inspector a conviction was lost, and thereby the county was put to the expenses of the prosecution.

Your committee think that in this case as there were two prosecutions and only three witnesses, that the inspector made a very serious mistake. All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. EDWARD BUTLER.
ARTHUR WEBBER.
J. H. BARTLETT.

Moved by Councillors Burris and Stewart that William M. Sedgwick, Walter McCurdy, and John H. Taylor be commissioners to examine lunatics for admission to the Insane Asylum. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Billman and Shatford that the sinking fund on the loan of \$7,000 due on court house be placed in the Halifax Banking Co's bank on interest until the 20 years are expired. Passed.

The Council adjourned.

FRIDAY SESSION.

The municipal council resumed its sessions Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock. The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

Moved by Councillors Webber and Isaac Dauphinee that Councillors Lydford, C. E. Smith and the clerk be a committee to see that the proposed amendments to the county road act be carried through at the next session of the legislators. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Madill and Burris that the customary amount of \$50 as salary be paid the chairman and vice chairman of the public property committee. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Butler and Henley:

Whereas, the law in regard to pedlars' license has been approved by the governor and council and is now in force, but this being a county ordinance

and not published in the statutes very few are cognizant of such a law or know where to obtain information respecting it,

Therefore resolved that this council authorize the clerk to have printed a number of posters calling attention to the law, its provisions and penalties and forward them to the several councillors to be posted up in their respective districts and further that a suitable number of copies of the law be printed and distributed for the information of the public and particularly for the magistrates of the county who may have occasion to deal with it. Passed.

The following amounts were ordered to be assessed on the districts named for the support of poor for the year of 1900.

District 20.....	\$100.00
District 7	40.00
District 15.....	50.00
Roads and bridges	

The reports of the committee on roads and bridges was submitted as follows:

Roads and Bridges.

The committee on roads and bridges beg to report as follows:

Whereas a petition from district 23 relative to the adding to that district a portion of road from district 13 this committee would say that they have no legal jurisdiction in such matters. The matter however has been amicably settled by the councillors interested.

Relative to the petitions from districts 23, 10 and 38 of a similar nature to the above, we have only to state that the point at issue has been likewise satisfactorily settled by the respective councillors.

Re the petitions from districts 21 and 27 asking for a precept to lay out a piece of new road between Ship Harbor and Murchyville. We, your committee, beg to recommend the granting of said precept with the proviso: that if said road be built, no part of the cost either for construction or interest shall be a municipal charge. Further that Messrs. Ezeriah Weeks, James Marks and Edward Marks be authorized to lay out said road.

Re the resolution from Councillors Hall and C. E. Smith asking for \$500 from the provincial government for the purpose of laying out a new road in district 25. We would recommend the adoption of said resolution with the condition: that in view of the amount being secured no portion of said amount or interest shall be chargeable to the municipality.

Re the resolution from Councillors Stewart and Burris, asking the pro-

vincial government for the loan of \$1500 for the purpose of laying out a new road between Mooseland road and Moose river gold mines. We recommend the adoption of the resolution with the same proviso as in similar cases already alluded to viz: that no portion of said loan or interest become a municipal charge.

Appended herewith is a general summary of the different supervisors' reports, which speaks for itself.

District 25 shows no returns whatever, and we therefore recommend that means be taken and the legal penalty collected from the supervisor of district 25--unless he make said returns before next session of council. We would also further state that several roadmasters' returns are in a very poor condition.

Your committee would beg to recommend that this council deem it advisable, that section 2 chapter 87 revised statutes of highway labor be amended by striking out the figures 13 and substituting therefore the figures 16. Passed.

Statute Labor Exemptions.

And further that any male person over 60 years of age be exempted in the sum of \$200 for statute labor purposes i. e. that all male persons over 60 years of age shall be liable for statute labor, when they are assessed in excess of \$200. Passed.

And we would recommend that 35 p. c. be the rate in lieu of 30 as last year. Passed.

The committee also recommends that section 11 of the act be amended by providing that a penalty of \$20 be imposed on a supervisor failing to make return to the county treasurer within the time specified in section 25 of said act, provided, however, he shall not be liable to pay such penalty if he proves to the satisfaction of the stipendiary magistrate or the justice or justices before whom the case may be tried, that such failure to make a general return was caused by the neglect or refusal of any of the roadmasters to furnish him with information necessary to enable him to make such general returns, the said supervisor also to be liable to a penalty of \$20 should he fail to perform any other duty imposed on him by this act, and the roadmaster be liable to a penalty of \$10, should he fail or neglect to perform any duty imposed on him by this act. All penalties imposed by this act on the supervisor or roadmaster shall be collected by the county treasurer in the name of the municipality as a private debt.

The committee recommends that

section 21 of the act be amended by inserting a provision that all or any person refusing or failing to attend to clear a passage through the snow or remove the same after being duly notified by the roadmaster of the section shall incur a penalty of \$2 to be collected by the supervisor in the name of the municipality,

Also that no resident shall be liable for more than sixteen hours' work in clearing the snow from the road in any one winter, and any labor over and above said sixteen hours performed by any resident, shall be credited to him in his road tax for that year.

Re the report of supervisor of district 9 in which he asks that a portion of road now in district 13 be added to district 9, we beg to state that as before stated, we have no control in such matters, and that the only solution of the difficulty is an amicable settlement between the respective councillors. Passed.

With respect to the communication from Andrew Rourke, re a dangerous bridge in district 35, we, your committee do recommend that the said bridge be placed under the bridge act of 1883 and amendments thereto. Passed.

And further, we would recommend that the roadmasters be compelled to make out returns of their respective road sections to the supervisor, no provision having been made heretofore. All of which is respectfully submitted.

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

Report of Roadmasters.

District No. 7--one return not in balance in good order.

District No. 8--returns all in, good order.

District No. 9--returns all in, good order.

District No. 10--returns all in, good order.

District 11--Returns all in, fair order.

District 12--returns all in, good order.

District 13--nine overseers appointed and summary showing 25 roadmasters.

District 14--returns all in, good order.

District 15--returns all in, bad order.

District 16--returns all in, good order.

District 17--returns all in, fair order.

District 18--returns all in, good order.

District 19—returns all in, good order.

District 20—returns all in, good order.

District 21—14 returns in, 10 not in.

District 22—returns all in, good order.

District 23—returns all in, good order.

District 24—returns all in, good order.

District 25—no return in.

District 26—returns all in, good order.

District 27—returns all in, fair order.

District 28—returns all in, fair order.

District 29—returns all in, fair order.

District 30—returns all in, good order.

District 31—returns all in, good order.

District 32—returns all in, good order.

District 33—returns all in, good order.

District 34—2 more returns than roadmasters appointed.

District 35—returns all in, good order.

District 36—returns call in, fair order.

District 38—no summary from supervisor.

SUPERVISORS' RETURNS, 1899.

Supervisor.	Dist.	Poll tax.	Property tax.	Total.	Paid in Cash.	Paid by Labor.	Unpaid.
Wm. Brackett	7	\$143	\$71.45	\$214.45	\$77.98	\$134.57	\$1.00
Charles O'Neil	8	101	55.60	156.60	2.28	151.07	3.25
Charles W. Hart	9	124	62.79	192.79	22.53	167.03	3.23
Gregory Walsh	10	...	.....	.....	.....	63.70	2.55
Amos Corkum	11	189	104.96	303.96	.....	294.54	9.32
Ed Mason	12	171	128.00	297.00	40.15	256.85	.....
Rich. Bishop	13	82	106.20	187.20	62.31	132.64	2.25
Pat Kehoe	14	125	357.39	482.39	332.83	111.91	37.65
George S. Canfield	15	144	503.35	647.35	450.76	82.31	114.28
Henry Haverstock	16	147	122.06	269.06	.....	264.24	4.82
Robert Fenerty	17	213	345.19	558.19	163.28	361.46	33.45
John McDowell	18	161	254.39	416.39	117.88	246.61	50.90
Wm. Blades	19	119	239.06	368.06	16.20	341.86	.....
Sid. Dickie	20	102	140.65	242.65	7.44	225.24	10.27
J. W. McCurdy	21	181	383.74	564.76	107.67	453.84	3.75
Raymond Fisk	22	243	303.95	546.95	74.41	470.86	1.68
Daniel Slaunwhite	23	89	37.64	126.64	14.68	111.34	.62
Dan H. Moser	24	221	165.42	386.42	128.77	245.17	12.48
Wm. Lowe	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Matt Gaston	26	345	222.43	567.43	77.54	454.89	35.20
George Mitchell	27	526	325.61	851.61	63.23	733.39	54.99
Denis Myett	28	339	190.13	529.13	14.53	491.08	23.52
Alex. Conrod	29	112	165.95	277.95	30.51	236.36	11.08
Dennis Delaughy	30	142	72.90	212.90	16.40	189.50	8.00
F. W. Cooper	31	382	457.12	839.12	420.91	393.57	24.64
G. W. Keans	32	230	214.64	444.64	.....	440.64	4.00
Jer. Cleary	33	214	203.70	417.70	71.20	332.15	14.35
Hector Smiley	34	286	168.23	454.23	154.92	251.40	47.91
Arthur Killen	35	54	115.33	169.33	5.03	164.30	.....
Denis Smith	36	360	244.29	604.29	67.07	492.99	44.23
J. J. Scott	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	110.60	1.00

There was considerable discussion on the report, and it was decided to strike out the section censuring the road supervisor of district 15 as Councillor Butler made a reasonable explanation of the deficit in that district. Moved by Councillor Shatford that the rate of assessment for road work be 30 cents per \$100 instead of 35 cents. The amendment was lost and

the councillor called for names which resulted as follows:

Yea: Scott, Raine, Bartlett, Walsh, Shatford, Lapierre—6.
Nay: the warden, Negus, Lydlard, A. W. Smith, C. E. Smith, Fleming, Moren, Sellars, Burris, Madill, Vaughan, Henley, I. and O. Dauphinee, Webber, Butler, Stewart, Gladwin, Hayes, Munro, Johnson, Cole, Billman—23.

The council then adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The council resumed its business at 2 o'clock. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Moved by Councillors A. F. Smith and Fleming that the warden appoint a committee of three councillors to enquire into and report at next session regarding the action of a certain individual in fencing and taking possession of an old road in section 19, district 31 which old road may be required by the district at a further date. Passed.

The warden appointed Messrs. Negus, Fleming and Moran as the committee.

Moved by Councillors Henley and O'Leary:

Whereas by act of legislature in 1899, a new district was created out of districts 21 and 22 forming a new municipal district thereby adding to the municipal expenses as also increasing the number of councillors already considered too many and making our council cumbersome, and further,

Whereas there has been no dissatisfaction or inconvenience in managing the affairs of the said districts, etc.,

Therefore resolved that in the opinion of this council such creation of a new district is entirely uncalled for and unnecessary and we would respectfully ask the legislature to repeal said chapter 64 of 1899 leaving the districts 21 and 22 as heretofore. Passed.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Cole that there having arisen an opinion in this council that the present incumbent of the office of liquor license inspector not having satisfied this council of the proper discharge of duties pertaining to said office, therefore,

Resolved that the said Inspector, Mr. Hiltz be requested to hand in his resignation at the April session. Passed.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Madill that that portion of the road, and bridge report relating to snow shovelling be struck out. Passed.

Law Amendments Committee.

The law amendments committee submitted the following report which was adopted unanimously:

To the warden and councillors of the municipality of Halifax Co.:

Your committee on law amendments beg leave to submit the following:

That section 45 of chapter 1 of the acts of 1895 be amended as follows:

So far as it relates to Halifax county, by striking out all the words from the word "in" in the 1st line to word "all" in the 2nd line and inserting the words "chapter 1 of", and by striking out all the words from the word "of" 4th line to the word "shall" in 5th line and insert the following "municipality of Halifax county."

That section 2 of chapter 67 of the acts of 1898 be amended as follows: The figure 18 on the first line be changed to 16:

That section 7 of chapter 67 of the acts of 1898 be amended as follows: Between the word "highway" on the 3rd line and the word "to" on the 4th line, and insert, "by himself or substitute said substitute to be approved by roadmaster."

That section 14 of chapter 67 of the acts of 1898 be amended as follows: That figure 18 on the 5th line be changed to 16.

That appendix A or chapter 67 of the acts of 1898 be amended as follows: Strike out all words from the word "tax" on the 7th line to the word "and" on the 8th line and insert the words "three days" instead of the words "one week" on the 9th line.

We would recommend that the government be asked to add another section to chapter 67 of the acts of 1898 as follows: Each roadmaster be required to swear to the returns, he makes to his supervisor.

We would also recommend that the government be again urged to make the following amendment to section 11 of chapter 36 of the revised statutes, viz: Between the word "father" on the first line and the word "grandfather" on the same line and insert the word "brother."

Your committee would also recommend that for the better carrying out of the collection of the tax against delinquents that blank forms of general and special warrants be added to the appendix of chapter 67 of the acts of 1899 through legislature.

W. F. NEGUS.

LINDSAY MOREN.

ARTHUR WEBBER.

ARTHUR GLADWIN.

JOHN. E. SHATFORD.

GEO. H. MADILL.

Moved by Councillors Fleming and Seilers that the legislature be asked to amend the county incorporations act in so far as relates to the county of Halifax, that the dates of the first or annual meeting of this

council be changed to the third Tuesday in January instead of the second as now prevails. The motion was lost 16 to 9.

Appreciation of The Herald.

"Moved by Councillors Negus and Henley and passed unanimously that this council express its complete satisfaction at the fair, impartial, complete and accurate reports of the council's proceedings which have appeared in The Halifax Herald."

Moved by Councillors Henley and C. E. Smith that the next meeting of this council be fixed for the last Wednesday in March next, the same as last year. Passed.

The council then adjourned, after the heaviest session for some time.

APRIL SESSION.

The April session of the county council opened Wednesday, 28th March, at noon, in the court house. There were present:—Warden Wilson, in the chair, County Clerk Wiswell and twenty-nine councillors, Councillor C. E. Smith being the only absentee.

After roll call the minutes of last meeting were read, after which Warden Wilson read the following opening address:—

Warden Wilson's Address.

Gentlemen of the Municipal Council:—Allow me to welcome you to this the fourth session of this council.

So far as I can forecast, there is very little to do beyond arranging road matter, and I would suggest that any member having anything to offer in this line will present it promptly, in order that the committee on roads and bridges may at once proceed with their deliberations. The provincial legislature has been pleased to approve the amendments to the road act, as suggested by this council in January. A short permissive act was also placed on the statutes, authorizing the council to exempt certain roads or sections of roads in any one or more districts from the operation of the general road act, and place the same under control of a commission with powers to repair and maintain such road. Another bill has also received approval, known as the "small bridge act," with the details of which I am not familiar further than that it admits of bridges costing less than \$500 to be placed under the bridge act. No doubt this will open

the door for many applicants. I may merely suggest—"don't all speak at once." The amount to the credit of the county, under the original road and bridge service for the current year, is \$8,978.94. The legislature has also seen fit to further amend the county incorporations act, curtailing still further the powers originally vested in the county council, and it begins to look as if the time is approaching when our occupation will be gone, unless it may be to assess the county and pay the bills, and when that time does arrive I anticipate there will not be much scrambling for seats, in the "parliament of the county," as The Halifax Herald was pleased to term it.

Gentlemen,—In the interests of the rate-payers and in the interests of many members of the council who can ill afford to leave their business at this season of the year, I bespeak a prompt attention to business, thus insuring a short session. We are ready to proceed.

It was then moved by Councillor Shafford, and seconded by Councillor Dauphinee,—that William Kirkpatrick be a surveyor of lumber for district number 32, for the year 1900. Passed.

Continuation of Guarantee Bond.

The following communication from Alfred J. Bell was then read and adopted:

B. C. Wilson, Warden, Halifax County: Sir,—Re guarantee bond number 02436, P. Archibald, county treasurer, I beg to advise you that my company has decided to continue this bond without the necessity of any one countersigning the cheques. I am very pleased to give you this information.

ALFRED J. BELL.

It was then suggested by Councillor Lydiard that a committee be appointed to go over the reports each day before they are printed. The warden promised to give the subject his attention.

County Clerk Wiswell read a communication from the secretary of the provincial board of health, relating to vaccination for small pox, and inviting the attention and co-operation of the county council in preventing the spread of the disease.

Moved by Warden Wilson, seconded by Councillor Fleming, that, David Annand be appointed constable for district 18, and also appointed roadmaster for road section number 6, in said district, in place of William Stevens, who is unable to fill these positions. Passed.

Moved by Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Bartlett, and carried. That Abraham Cleveland, West Dover, be appointed road master in place of Nicholas Berringer; Manuel Morash, West Dover, fence viewer in place of Simon Cleveland; Henry Fader, East Dover, supervisor, in place of Joseph A. Scott, and David S. McGrath, East Dover, road master, in section No. 2, McGrath's Cove, in place of William Foran.

Moved by Councillor Fleming, seconded by Councillor Negus, and carried.—That Arthur Kelsey be appointed constable for district number 17.

The council then adjourned till 2:30 in the afternoon.

Afternoon Session.

The Council resumed its afternoon session at 2:30, the Warden and 29 Councillors being present.

The Warden presented a number of resolutions relative to the appointment of district officers.

It was moved by Councillor Gladwin and seconded by Councillor Sellars, that Charles Hurley be appointed Overseer of the poor for district 35. Passed.

Appointments.

Moved by Councillor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Henley and passed, that road section No. 1, district No. 22, be extended east to the county line.

Moved by Councillor Henley, seconded by Councillor Stewart, and passed, that George Murphy, of Tangier, be appointed road master to fill the vacancy in road section No. 8, district No. 26.

Moved by Councillor Henley, seconded by Councillor Stewart, and passed, that Samuel H. Henley be appointed road master for Spry Bay district, vice Edward White, who expects to be absent.

Moved by Councillor Vaughan, seconded by Councillor Henley and passed, that Harry Power be appointed road master for section 2, district No. 36, George Byers being unable to attend.

Moved by Councillor Burris, seconded by Councillor Gladwin and passed, that Harry Grant be appointed road master in section No. 22, district No. 21, in place of William Taylor, removed.

Moved by Councillor Sellars, seconded by Councillor Negus and passed, that George Patterson be appointed road master for district No. 29.

Moved by Councillor Gladwin, seconded by Councillor Negus, and passed, that Robert Ogilvie be road master in section 8, district 35.

Moved by Councillor Fleming, seconded by Councillor Gladwin, and passed, that John D. Miller, of Long Lake, be appointed road master for road section No 16.

Moved by Councillor O'Leary, seconded by Councillor Hall, and passed, that Thomas P. Hartling, district No. 34, be appointed road master in place of William O'Leary.

Moved by Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Madill, and passed, that J. Roberts be appointed road overseer for district No. 20, section 3, in place of Thomas Rourke, for the present year.

Moved by Councillor A. F. Smith, seconded by Councillor Henley, and passed, that Russell Kaiser be appointed constable for district No. 24.

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor O'Leary and passed, that Thomas P. Hall be appointed road master in section 2, district 25.

Moved by Councillor O'Leary, seconded by Councillor Butler and passed, that Wallace Smiley be appointed constable for district 34.

Moved by Councillor Raine, seconded by Councillor Fleming, and passed, that John W. Umlah be appointed assessor for district No. 13, in place of John Murlan.

Road Obstructions.

The following is the full report of special committee appointed to inquire into the obstructions on road in section 19, district 31.

Halifax County Court House.

March 23, 1900.

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

Your committee appointed to inquire regarding the action of a certain individual in fencing and taking possession of an old road in section 19, district 31; beg to report as follows:—

Your committee met in Dartmouth, on Saturday, March 24th. We then went out to the aforesaid piece of road. We there met the road master of sec-

tion 19. We saw the remains of an old fence on the south side of the old road, and we also saw where the old road had been enclosed by a wire fence.

We learned by inquiry that Henry Baker, who owns the property adjoining the south side of the aforesaid old road, never owned any property across the said road—that is to say, to the north of it, therefore, it is the opinion of your committee that the said Henry Baker never had, nor has any right or claim whatever to fence or enclose the aforesaid road.

And further, we would recommend to this council that steps be taken to compel the said Henry Baker to remove the fence he has put across the said road, and also any other obstructions he may place there hereafter as it is the opinion of your committee that the said road may be of material benefit, at some future time, to road section 19, to which it belongs.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

W. F. NEGUS,
LINDSEY MOREN,
JOHN S. FLEMING.

Road Obstructions.

The following is the full report of special committee appointed to inquire into the obstructions on road in section 19, district 31,

Halifax County Court House,
March 28, 1900.

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

Your committee appointed to inquire regarding the action of a certain individual in fencing and taking possession of an old road in section 19, district 31; beg to report as follows:—

Your committee met in Dartmouth, on Saturday, March 24th. We then went out to the aforesaid piece of road. We there met the road master of section 19. We saw the remains of an old fence on the south side of the old road, and we also saw where the old road had been enclosed by a wire fence.

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Baker never had, nor has any right or claim whatever to fence or enclose the aforesaid road.

And further, we would recommend to this council that steps be taken to compel the said Henry Baker to remove the fence he has put across the said road, and also any other obstructions he may place there hereafter as it is the opinion of your committee that the said road may be of material benefit, at some future time, to road section 19, to which it belongs.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

W. F. NEGUS,
LINDSEY MOREN,
JOHN S. FLEMING.

Moved by Councillor Butler, seconded by Councillor O'Leary and passed, that the report of special committee appointed to enquire into obstructions placed on a certain road in district 31, section 19, be received and adopted; that immediate steps be taken to enforce the recommendations of said committee; that the fence erected by Mr. Baker be removed and also that all obstructions and encroachments by said Mr. Baker be removed.

County Court Convictions.

A report was then read from Judge Johnston's court, giving a list of persons convicted in said court between April, 1899, and 22nd March, 190, and the offences for which they were convicted. It was then moved by Councillor Raine, seconded by Councillor Fleming, and passed, that Richard Myra be appointed road master for section No. 2, district 13, in place of Arthur Locke.

Increase Asked for Auditors.

A letter was read from W. Scott and W. C. Bishop, auditors for the previous year, who certified the accounts to be correct. The auditors thanked the committee for reappointing them for the coming year, and requested an increase in their fees, which has heretofore been \$50 each.

Appointments.

Moved by Councillor Butler, seconded by Councillor O'Leary and passed, that George Canfield be appointed weigher and measurer for district 15.

Moved by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor O'Leary, and passed, that Arnold Wyde be appointed health officer for district 15, in place of W. A. Emmerson, who has left the district.

Moved by Councillor Walsh, seconded by Councillor Bartlett, and passed, that Joseph Doherty be revisor for district No. 19, for coming year.

Moved by Councillor Henley, seconded by Councillor Webber, and passed, that Robert Mason be appointed revisor of electoral lists for district No. 26, in the county of Halifax, for the coming year.

Moved by Councillor Vaughan, seconded by Councillor Webber, and passed, that James Chisholm be appointed revisor for district No. 36 in the county of Halifax, for the coming year.

Moved by Councillor Webber, seconded by Councillor Henley, and passed, that Henry Guild be appointed revisor of electoral lists, district No. 27, in the county of Halifax, for the coming year.

Moved by Councillor A. F. Smith, seconded by Councillor Moren, and passed, that Solomon Fancy be appointed revisor for district No. 24 for the coming year.

Moved by Councillor Lapierre, seconded by Councillor Munroe and passed, that Simon Lapierre be revisor for district No. 28, for year 1901.

Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Gladwin and passed, that Thomas Hamilton be revisor for district No. 17 for the ensuing year.

Moved by Councillor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Henley and passed, that Noah Morash be electoral revisor for district No. 38 for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Lapierre, and passed, that Joseph Evans be revisor for district No. 30, for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Sellars, seconded by Councillor Gladwin, and passed, that John McDonald be appointed revisor, for electoral lists, district No. 29, for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Gladwin, seconded by Councillor Fleming and passed, that Prescott can be revisor for district No. 35 for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Dauphinee, and passed, that John P. Webber be electoral revisor, district No. 32, for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Negus, seconded by Councillor Lydiard and passed, that George F. Bowes be appointed revisor for district No. 32 for the ensuing year.

Moved by Councillor Bartlett, seconded by Councillor Madill, and passed, that Dennis Brophy be revisor for district No. 23 for the ensuing year.

Moved by Councillor Hayes, seconded by Councillor Butler, and passed, that Jeffrey Gorman be revisor for district No. 7 for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Mebber and passed, that Edward Quillman be appointed revisor for district No. 25 for 1901.

Moved by Councillor O'Leary, seconded by Councillor Butler and passed, that Edward H. Balcom be revisor of electoral lists for district No. 34 for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Butler, seconded by Councillor Hayes, and passed, that H. V. Wier be electoral revisor, district No. 15, for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Moren, seconded by Councillor Fleming and passed, that Albert Haverstock be appointed revisor for district No. 16, for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Madill, and passed, that J. D. Bayer be appointed revisor for districts 19 and 20, to revise electoral lists for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Oswald Dauphinee, seconded by Councillor Isaac Dauphinee and passed, that Wesley Crooks be appointed electoral revisor, district No. 11, for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Isaac Dauphinee, seconded by Councillor Oswald Dauphinee, and passed, that Alfred Vorger be appointed electoral revisor for district No. 12.

Moved by Councillor Burns, seconded by Councillor Madill and passed, that J. Watson McCurdy be revisor of electoral lists, district No. 21, for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Madill, seconded by Councillor Bartlett and passed, that Isaac Logan and F. P. Blades be revisors, district No. 9, for the ensuing year.

Moved by Councillor Lydiard, seconded by Councillor A. F. Smith and passed, that Henry Watson and Robt. Settle be appointed revisors, district No. 31, for 1900.

Moved by Councillor Munroe, seconded by Councillor Hayes and passed, that Dennis Purcell be revisor, district No. 8, for 1901.

Moved by Councillor Hurris, seconded by Councillor Fleming and passed, that Archibald Kidson be appointed revisor for district No. 13 for 1901.

Appointment of License Inspector.

Councillors Henley and Shatford here had an argument as to whether the appointment of license inspector was a yearly or a permanent one, the at-

torney-general having given his decision as to its being yearly. The debate was called off until the law was produced.

Revision of the Reports.

The warden then appointed a committee of three, consisting of Councillors Lydiard, Henley and Butler, to revise the reports of council proceedings before the same are printed.

New Roads Required.

A communication was read from the inhabitants of district No. 33, Eastern Passage, begging the council to lay out and open up a road for the use of the inhabitants residing in an isolated part of said district, and also for the use of the general public, from road known as the Soward's road. Councillor Negus moved that this go to the roads and bridges committee, the property owned by William Ice-ton, across some barren land to connect a Councillor Madill also spoke on the subject. Councillor Negus' motion was then seconded by Councillor Gladwin and carried.

A petition was read from the electors and residents of district No. 27, for a grant of \$200 towards the survey of a new road in place of one destroyed by recent storms; the new road to commence at or near the Methodist church and extend to a point beyond Standford Williams' house, where the old road has not been destroyed. The grant was also asked in order to continue a bridge already surveyed, to connect section 6 and 7, to discontinue thereby the use of Hawking's Beach, also obstructed by the sea. The petitioners requested the council to appoint a committee or survey party as follows: John Gaetz, sr., James Webber and David Blakeney. This was also referred to the roads and bridges committee.

Increase in Crier's Salary.

A letter was then read from Judge Johnston re increasing the salary of the county court crier. Councillor Walsh spoke strongly against the increase and said that more care ought to be observed in disposing of other people's money.

Councillor Henley said that the salaries of the supreme and county court criers ought to be equal, but he was not in favor of granting the increase. Councillor Madill thought that if the increase would stop at the \$50 he would favor it, but not unless. Councillor

Lydiard said that if the judge was so leniently inclined he ought to pay the increase himself, as his leniency tended towards the encouragement of prisoners.

It was then moved by Councillor O'Leary and seconded by Councillor Hall, that the county court crier's salary be increased by \$50. The motion was lost by 17 to 8.

Council then adjourned until 10:30 Thursday morning.

The county council resumed its sittings at 10:30 Thursday morning, 29th March: Present—Warden Wilson, County Clerk Wiswell, and 29 councillors.

Copies of the road act recently passed by the legislature were distributed. Minutes of last meeting were then read and approved.

Appointments.

It was moved by Councillor Billman, seconded by Councillor Webber and passed, that E. Lawson Fenerty be appointed revisor for district No. 14.

Moved by Councillor C. E. Smith, seconded by Councillor Bartlett, and passed, that John E. Tough be appointed revisor for district No. 9.

Moved by Councillor O'Leary, seconded by Councillor Hall, and resolved,—That Quoddy bridge in district No. 34, be placed under the new bridge act of 1900—for rebuilding.

Moved by Councillor Henley, seconded by Councillor C. E. Smith, and passed, that Mooseland statute labor road section be changed and bounds defined as follows: from the residence of Thomas Jackson to the River Lake bridge recently built.

Moved by Councillor Fleming, seconded by Councillor Negus and passed; that the sum of \$50 be assessed in district No. 17 for support of poor in said district.

Moved by Councillor Charles Raine, seconded by Councillor A. F. Smith and passed; that William Umlah be appointed road master for section No. 6, in district No. 13, instead of Samuel White.

Moved by Councillor Fleming, seconded by Councillor A. H. Gladwin, and passed; that the bridge known as the Plank bridge, on the Beaver Bank road in district No. 17, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Webber, seconded by Councillor Hall and passed; that the sum of \$100, be assessed on

district No. 27 for the support of poor of the said district for the year 1900, as voted by the overseers of the poor of district No. 27.

Moved by Councillor Charles Raine, seconded by Councillor A. F. Smith, and passed; that William Bishop be appointed overseer of roads for section No. 1 in district No. 13, instead of James Raine, who is about to leave the district.

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor O'Leary and passed; that road sections Nos. 3 and 4 in district No. 25, be made one road section.

Bridges to Come Under New Act.

Moved by Councillor O'Leary, seconded by Councillor Butler and resolved; that the bridge known as Turner's bridge in district No. 34 be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Webber and passed; that Little West River bridge on Spry Bay road be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Butler, seconded by Councillor Moran and passed; that the bridge on Hammond Plains' road, known as Kearney bridge, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Fleming, seconded by Councillor Gladwin, and passed; that the bridge on the Windsor road, district No. 17, known as the Halfway house bridge, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Negus, seconded by Councillor Fleming and passed; that the bridge known as the Creek bridge, near the Catholic chapel in district No. 33, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Gladwin, seconded by Councillor Fleming and passed; that the bridge called the Rourke bridge in district No. 35, be put under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Oswald Dauphinee, seconded by Councillor Bartlett, and passed; that the bridge on the road from Peggy's Cove to West Dover, known as Crook's bridge, be put under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Lydiard, seconded by Councillor Negus and passed; that the old Preston road bridge, in district No. 31, be placed under the new bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor A. A. Scott, seconded by Councillor Oswald Dauphinee and passed; that the bridge known as Mullin's Brook bridge, also Walsh Brook bridge, also Black Duck

river bridge be placed under the small bridges act of 1900; also moved and seconded by the same and passed; that Flake bridge be placed under the same act.

Moved by Councillor Webber, seconded by Councillor Hall and passed; that Salmon River bridge and Navy Pool bridge at Jeddore, district No. 27, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Munro, seconded by Councillor Henley and passed; that the bridge at Ketch harbor, in district No. 8, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Isaac Dauphinee seconded by Councillor Webber and passed; that John Umiah, residing at the junction of Prospect and Margaret's Bay roads, perform his statute labor on the Prospect road and the Margaret's Bay road in alternate years—the labor for 1900 to be performed on the Prospect road.

Moved by Councillor Henley, seconded by Councillor Webber and passed; that the two bridges at the head of Ship Harbor, in districts No. 26 and 27, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor C. E. Smith, seconded by Councillor Lydiard and passed; that the bridge known as Long Cove bridge, in district No. 9, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Bartlett, seconded by Councillor Madill and passed; that the bridge known as Daniel Slaunwhite's bridge, district No. 23, be placed under the small bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Sellars, seconded by Councillor Lapierre and passed; that the bridge known as Rooky Run bridge, on the division line between districts Nos. 28 and 29, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Burris, seconded by Councillor Madill and passed; that the bridge near Robert Higgins, in section 14, district 21, be placed under the new small bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor J. H. Sellars, seconded by Councillor Lydiard and passed; that the bridge on Salem river, on the Lawrence town road, on the division line between districts Nos 29 and 30, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Isaac Dauphinee, seconded by Councillor Oswald Dauphinee and passed; that the bridge called Prince Albert, on the road leading from Forks of Road to French Village to Wooden Bridge, district 12, come under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Henley, and passed; that bridge in section No. 1, known as College Lake bridge; bridge in section 14, known as Rocky Brook bridge; bridge in section 20, at Tumble's Mill; bridge in section 28, known as Jenning's bridge; bridge in section 27, known as Matheson's bridge; in section 22, known as Moose River bridge, on the Moosehead road, in district 22, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Vaughan, seconded by Councillor C. E. Smith and passed; that Bond's bridge, at Porter's Lake and Gaetz bridge at head of Chezzetcook, and Solder's bridge at Chezzetcook, district 36, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

New Bridges.

Moved by Councillor Walsh, seconded by Councillor Smith and passed; that the supervisor for district 10, be permitted to build a bridge 15 feet wide, at the place called Hardiman's bridge, at Upper Prospect.

Indian Famine Fund.

The following resolution was then moved by Councillor Henley, and seconded by Councillor Stewart:

"Whereas, millions of our fellow-subjects are in danger of starvation, and prompt and generous assistance is besought to provide for the wants and widespread and incalculable distress in India;

And, whereas, multitudes in those lands over which waves the British flag have hearkened to the piteous cry of despair of the unfortunate victims, and have sought to some extent to assuage the awful suffering.

And, whereas assistance must be continued for at least some three or four months, and in the endeavor to accomplish this it is requisite that contributions from every conceivable direction be made in that behalf;

Therefore resolved, that this council realizes the importance and urgency of such appeal for help, and hereby contribute the sum of fifty dollars from the general funds of this municipality towards said relief, and authorize the treasurer to pay the same for said purpose to The Herald relief fund." This was passed unanimously.

Petition Against Pound.

A petition was then read from seventy-four residents of the village of Bedford, praying the council to reconsider its decision to establish a pound in the district. Laid on the table.

Moved by Councillor Shatford, seconded by Councillor Oswald Dauphinee and passed; that any district in the county of Halifax, may erect at their own expense a pound, and operate it at the expense of the district for the purpose of preventing cows and other animals from running at large and becoming a nuisance to the said district.

Moved by Councillor Madill, seconded by Councillor Burris and passed; that the bridge known as the Mrs. Williams' bridge, in district 19, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Henley, seconded by Councillor C. E. Smith and passed; that Mushaboom bridge, between Spry Bay and Sheet Harbor; bridge near the residence of M. L. Henley; three bridges at the head of Spry Harbor; bridge near William Stewart's; bridges known as Bollong's Brook; bridges at the head of Pope's Harbor; bridge at Pleasant Harbor, known as Beaver's Brook—all in district 26, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Walsh, seconded by Councillor Isaac Dauphinee and passed; that Canal bridge, of Upper Prospect be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Webber and passed; that bridge in district 25, known as Halfway Brook bridge be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Committee to Examine Provincial Secretary's Books.

Moved by Councillor Henley, seconded by Councillor C. E. Smith: Whereas, this council has reason to suspect, and does suspect, that the local legislature of this province, sets apart annually not only a certain appropriation for the opening up of new roads, but sets apart also a grant for special purposes for the repairing of old roads; and whereas, it is believed only certain districts of this county participate in allotments of said moneys, and that in the opinion of this council no money should be expended in any district without the knowledge of this council; therefore, be it resolved, that a committee of three

members of this council be appointed by the warden to proceed to the provincial secretary's office, for the purpose of examining the books and handing in to the road and bridge committee a report of all special road and bridge grants of the various districts, and names of commissioners.

The warden named as committee the following—Councillors Lydiard, Henley and Butler.

Council adjourned till 2:30.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session opened at 2:30, thirty councillors present. Owing to the indisposition of Warden Wilson, Deputy Warden Madill took the chair. The morning minutes were read and approved, after which it was moved by Isaac Dauphinee, seconded by Councillor Moren, and passed; that the bridge on Hammonds Plains' road, districts 12 and 16, known as Still Water bridge, be brought under the bridge act of 1900.

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded bridge, be brought under the bridge by Councillor Webber and passed; that the bridge known as Main River Bridge, on Beaver Dam road in district No. 25, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Expensive Constabulary.

Moved by Councillor Henley, seconded by Councillor Butler; that a number of the councillors of this council have a suspicion, rightly or wrongly, that the chief county constable and liquor license inspector are not working together in harmony in their official capacities; And whereas, it is the opinion of this council that some explanation should be given of the conduct of said officials; and whereas, it is believed that unnecessary expense is from time to time incurred and the county suffering loss thereby. Therefore, be it resolved, That this council express its abhorrence and condemnation of such actions on the part of its officers, and the same be called upon to explain their charges on Saturday forenoon next. In presenting this resolution, Councillor Henley deprecated the way things were being carried on between the inspector and county constable, and said that unnecessary expenses were charged when arrests were made, which could be very much reduced. He said he thought the council was too optimistic in its dealing with such things and a little more pessimism would do no harm. Councillor

Butler heartily concurred in these remarks and the motion was passed unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Sellar, seconded by Councillor Burris and passed; that the bridge on a road leading from Mineville to Preston, be placed under the bridge act of 1900; also the bridge over Mill Brook so-called, near Charles Crowell, all in district 29, be placed under the bridge act of 1900.

Poors' Farm.

Moved by Councillor Negus, seconded by Councillor Stewart and passed; that the sum of \$67 be voted for the purpose of employing a night watchman at the Poors' Farm for the remainder of the present year.

Auditors' Increase.

Moved by Councillor Shaford, seconded by Councillor Isaac Dauphinee: That, the two auditors receive \$25 each for their services per year in place of \$20 as formerly. Councillor Henley objected, saying that the work had been just as well done by other auditors, and that it should not be paid. Councillor Lydiard here moved that each councillor receive \$5 a day, saying that the general order of things at present was to ask for money. (Laughter.)

Councillor Gladwin then moved in amendment, seconded by Councillor Oswald Dauphinee: That the auditors' pay be \$20 each, the same as before. The amendment was passed.

Governor Laybolt's Island.

A petition was read from John Laybolt, a resident of Ship Harbor, praying that a grant be made sufficient to repair the bridge from his residence on an island to the mainland. The petition was numerously signed. A prolonged discussion pro and con this petition took place, between Councillors Smith, Bartlett, Shaford, Negus and others.

Councillor Webber then moved, seconded by Councillor Hall;—That the bridge known as Laybolt's bridge, at Ship Harbor, in district 27, be placed under the bridge act of 1900. This motion was lost on a standing vote of 25 to 4.

The county council resumed its sitting on Friday morning, 30th March, at 10:30, Deputy Warden Madill in the chair, and 28 councillors being present. Warden Wilson was unable to attend, owing to continued indisposition. After roll call the minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Moved by Councillor Lapierre, seconded by Councillor Shatford, passed; That the road running from Frank Lapierre's at West Chezzetcook to Lake Brook, in district 28, form part of road section 7, in said district.

Moved by Councillor Webber, seconded by Councillor Hall and passed: that Mark Mitchell be road master for road section 18, in district 27, instead of Isaac Hopkins, who is unable to attend, and that David Richardson be road master for road section 23, district 27, instead of James DeBay, who cannot act.

Unsatisfactory Assessments.

On a discussion coming up re assessments, complaints were made that the assessments in certain districts were too high, whereas, some were falling off. Councillor Butler said that the assessments in his district were entirely too high in proportion to others. Councillor Walsh said the same for his district. Councillor Shatford said he thought the general assessors ought to go over the districts, with the local assessors, who would instruct them as to the valuation, etc. Deputy Warden Madill thought more uniformity desirable.

Councillor Walsh said that if the general assessors' duties were performed as in the past two years, their services could well be dispensed with. County Clerk Wiswell stated that the assessment on some districts was the same as it was in 1876, and said something must be wrong, as, otherwise, it did not say much for the progress of the county. Councillor Shatford said that, as far as regarded fishing properties, they were not as valuable as they were ten years ago.

On motion, the council adjourned till 10:30 Saturday morning, in order to go into committees.

The council resumed its sittings on Saturday morning, 31st March, at 10.30, Deputy Warden Madill in the chair. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Moved by Councillor Burris, seconded by Councillor Sellars and passed,—That the bridge near Edward Marks, section 6, district 21, be placed under the smaller bridge Act of 1900.

A report was then read from the committee appointed to look into the matter of a public landing on the west side of Bedford Basin. The committee reported that a landing could be located, but that the services of an engineer would be required, and they suggested

that the necessary means be employed to locate said property, as it would be a county benefit. On motion of Councillor Negus, seconded by Councillor Gladwin, this matter was referred to the roads and bridges committee.

Moved by Councillor Raine, seconded by Councillor A. F. Smith, and passed,—That Arthur Marriott be appointed overseer for section 7, instead of Alexander Marriott.

A report was read from the committee appointed to view and examine into the propriety and necessity of a proposed right of way and section of road from the main road to the lake shore, through the lands of Solomon Fancy and others, on the west side of Moser's River in district 24, and the expenses of said right of way in making said road. Committee reported they had viewed and examined into the said propriety and necessity, and that they considered the right of way necessary. They also specified the amount of damages which should be paid to the several proprietors whose property suffered from fencing, etc. The report and precept from it were passed.

A petition was read from Richard Burbidge, Chief County Constable, stating that Simeon Hiltz, of Lawrencetown, Halifax County, chief inspector of licenses, was charged with the execution of the powers vested in him by the liquor license act 1895, and that he was guilty of several serious misdemeanors and malfeances of office, in making public certain information; in accepting portions of fines from persons fined for breaking the liquor act; in suffering liquor found with prosecuted parties to remain with them instead of confiscating it; in refusing to prosecute parties after due evidence had been forthcoming; in paying out public moneys to spies and informers, contrary to law. Petitioner prayed the council to take such action in the premises as would enable him to prove the charges.

The Inspector's Reply.

Inspector Hiltz being present, denied having ever received any money to clear parties of a fine, nor was any compromise made by him. In regard to not confiscating liquors he said that in no case except one did he leave any liquor, and that one exception was when he had no means of taking it away. He denied emphatically the charges of refusing to prosecute and of paying out money illegally to spies, etc. He also said that the

county constable had refused to go to a certain place for an arrest unless he received \$36—instead of the legal fees. On one occasion, in making an arrest at the mines, he had failed to take the right man, but had picked up a wrong man on the return journey. He, (Hiltz), said he was in a very unpleasant position owing to the refusal of the constable to act for the legal moneys.

Councillor Shatford proposed that the county constable's salary be withheld until such time as he had produced a full statement of all fees paid into his hands, in accordance with resolution passed by the council at its January session.

Remarks were made by Councillors Henley, Bartlett, Smith, Shatford and others to the same effect. Councillor Henley said that if the county constable received mileage in addition to his fees, then the inspector was also entitled to such expenses. Councillor Shatford argued that the constable was entitled to such extra fees.

An Animated Discussion.

Here a very animated discussion took place. Councillor Henley said that the constable was entitled to but his fees, (12c. per mile) and nothing else except his salary. Councillor Lydlard wanted to know for what the constable received his salary of \$300, if he was entitled to the other fees and expenses. Here, on Sheet Harbor being unfavorably mentioned, Councillor Hall objected to that district being dragged into the debate in such a way, as it was thereby shown in a very bad light, and he (Councillor Hall), thought that other districts ought to receive their share of abuse, as Sheet Harbor was quite as respectable as the other districts.

Councillor Lydlard asked (as a new member), how the council had been run for the past number of years, with all these petty squabbles and questions cropping up. He wanted to know how the business had been carried on. Councillor Henley then read the law re constable's fees, and said it must be followed. He objected to taking up so much time, but said they must confine themselves to the law. Councillor Shatford rose to remark, but was interrupted. Councillor Henley said that if wrong had been done for ten years, that was no reason why right should not be done now.

An Investigating Committee.

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

resolved,—That a committee of seven councillors be appointed to investigate the charges made against Inspector Hiltz, and that the committee consist of Councillors Shatford (chairman), Lydlard, O'Leary, Burris, Billman, Butler, and Gladwin.

With this was combined the resolution (moved by Councillor Walsh and seconded by Councillor Oswald Dauphinee,—That the committee appointed to investigate the charges against Inspector Hiltz also investigate the charges made against Chief County Constable Burbidge. Both motions were carried. The council then adjourned till 10:30 Monday morning.

The council resumed its sittings at 10:30, Monday morning, 2nd April, Warden Wilson in the chair. After roll call the minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Councillor Shatford states that of the committee appointed to visit the provincial secretary's office and examine into the accounts re special grants, etc., only one member had gone, and he wanted to know the reason. Councillor Henley said that two members had gone.

Councillor Lydlard (chairman of the committee), reported that, on his visiting the provincial secretary, he was unable to gain much information, owing to the closing of the house on that day. He stated, however, that the provincial secretary had promised to furnish all possible information as soon as the rush of legislative business was over.

Councillor Henley (chairman of the road and bridge committee) on being called upon to report, stated that his committee would be ready on Tuesday. Dartmouth—Sackville road.

It was then moved by Warden Wilson, seconded by Councillor Fleming, and passed,—That the road from Dartmouth to Waverley, and from Waverley to the Sackville road, covering about fourteen miles, be placed under a commission, in accordance with the act in such cases passed in 1900—said commission to be composed of Frederick Cooper, of Montague; St. Clair Ruggles, of Waverley; and Witorn Morrell, of Sackville, district 17—with powers to maintain said road as by such statute provided. Also resolved that if the said commission shall not succeed in making arrangements for maintenance of said road, to them satisfactory, by the 12th day of May next ensuing, for a period within the limitations of the act, then the authority

intended to be hereby granted to the said commission shall cease for this year, and the general law of the county shall prevail, and the different road sections of said road shall be maintained and operated by the several supervisors and road masters, the same as if this authority had not been granted.

It was moved by Councillor C. E. Smith, seconded by Councillor Raine, and passed,—That the bridge known as Grand Forks bridge, between district 9 and 13, be placed under the new bridge act of 1900.

There being no more general business for the morning, the council then adjourned until ten o'clock Tuesday morning, in order that the work of the committees be pushed forward as rapidly as possible.

License Inspector Investigation.

In the afternoon, instead of a council session, the charges and counter charges between chief county constable Burbidge and license inspector Hiltz came up for the consideration of the committee appointed to try the case. All the members of the committee were present, and a number of the council and public. Considerable evidence was taken and the matter was thoroughly sifted. The committee then retired to consider their decision, said decision to be handed into the council Tuesday morning.

The council met on Tuesday morning, April 3rd at ten o'clock, Warden Wilson in the chair. After the reading and adoption of Monday's minutes, it was moved by Councillor Webber, seconded by Councillor Oswald Dauphinee, and passed; that the councillors' pay for the present session be \$2 per day and mileage, and that the treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

County Court Crier's Salary.

The warden then brought up the matter of the salary of the county court crier and the place of meeting. He said that he had prevailed on Judge Johnston to allow them the use of the present room, but they might some day, under pressure, find themselves without a place of meeting.

Letter from Judge Johnston.

Then then read a letter from Judge Johnston, advising the necessity of an increase in the crier's salary. He stated

that the crier was very hard worked and that his salary was not adequate to the duties performed. His honor suggested an increase of \$100 per year in the crier's salary.

Report of Roads and Bridges Committee.

A report was read from the committee on roads and bridges. This was passed in sections. The report was as follows: "With respect to the petition from district No. 27, re the construction of a new piece of road; your committee beg to state, that we accede to the prayer of said petition by recommending the government, to consider the same, with the proviso, however, that if the amount asked for be granted, neither principal nor interest shall be chargeable to the municipality.

Re the petition from district No. 33, asking for a precept to lay out a piece of new road in said district, we would recommend the granting thereof, with the understanding that the municipal funds either for the right of way or construction of said road shall be granted therefor, and that James Hawkins, Francis McDonald and Irwin Turner be named a committee to lay out said road.

Re the report of the committee appointed to investigate the site of a public landing on the west side of Bedford Basin; your committee state:—"That we recommend the services of an engineer to locate the same, but the expenses incurred shall be chargeable to the district.

Re the summary of statute labor from the supervisor of district 25, we beg to state that the belated report has been received, consequently the penalty imposed on January last should not be exacted.

We herewith give a list of the amounts fairly due each district from the sum granted by the government for roads and bridges:

District 7	...	\$110.14
District 8	...	126.12
District 9	...	140.46
District 10	...	129.14
District 11	...	200.73
District 12	...	361.42
District 13	...	332.52
District 14	...	102.16
District 15	...	41.72
District 16	...	307.42
District 17	...	359.78
District 18	...	403.50
District 19	...	389.01
District 20	...	408.99

District 21	546.86
District 22	613.55
District 23	81.78
District 24	220.32
District 25	458.60
District 26	637.16
District 27	523.25
District 28	213.81
District 29	314.34
District 30	292.95
District 31	387.62
District 32	188.28
District 33	203.77
District 34	224.33
District 35	204.36
District 36	291.46
District 38	163.79
Total	\$8,978.94

All of which is respectfully submitted,
(Signed.)

W. CHARLES HENLEY,
J. H. BARTLETT,
ISAAC DAUPHINEE,
ARTHUR WEBBER,
JAMES H. SELLAR,
THOMAS E. STEWART,
JOHN S. FLEMING,
ISAAC DAUPHINEE,

Exception Taken to Report.

Councillor C. E. Smith took exception to district No. 9 having \$20 taken from it, and he wanted the committee to state the reason, and called upon the chairman of the committee. Here Councillor Henley, (chairman) rose and said that while he could explain, he thought the commissioner from the western section, Councillor Isaac Dauphinee or Bartlett, could explain better. Councillor Bartlett said that Councillor Smith having received a considerable government grant for his road, he was not entitled to as large a sum from the council. Councillor Dauphinee said Councillor Smith's road did not need as much as the others. Councillor Smith said the people of district 9, did just as much work as any other district, and that a lot had been done for which no claim had been sent in. He said that the explanation afforded was not satisfactory. Councillor Henley stated that Councillor Smith's district had received \$1,000—for opening up a new road, but had instead used it in repairing old roads. Councillor Smith declared the money was all spent on a new road, and not one dollar on an old road.

Councillor Haine said he was even in a worse position than Councillor Smith. Councillor Shatford considered that the council ought to leave him more than they had done for his road on account of the damage done by the storm. He said he had expended \$25 of his own money on the road, and it was disgraceful that he had only received \$3.60 more than last year. He charged the committee with looking after their own interests to too great an extent. He stated that every dollar allowed him would not put the road into a proper state. Councillor Henley was surprised at Councillor Shatford's complaint, and said that he (Councillor Shatford) had only last year expressed his satisfaction at the arrangements. He said Councillor Shatford's complaints about bad roads were all bunkum. He stated that he himself would take a trip over Councillor Shatford's road and see for himself. If any man in the council had no reason to complain that was Councillor Shatford. With regard to the \$20 decrease in Councillor Smith's district, he prayed the council to grant the committee power to re-consider the grants, and if any incorrecction, to make the same good, on account of Councillor Smith's explanation being satisfactory.

Councillor Lydiard said some councillors had stated that they had special pieces of roads. In regard to his (Councillor Lydiard's) roads, they were all "special," being all very bad. He would ask Councillor Shatford to drive over Preston road (his spring two or three trips, and he (Councillor Lydiard) would guarantee that Councillor Shatford would not be able to take his seat in the council again for a long time, but would be an invalid for life.

A Lively Debate.

Councillor Shatford declared that the statement of Councillor Henley that his remarks were all bunkum, was not true, that he was making a true statement re the condition of his road. Councillor Isaac Dauphinee wanted to know where the money was to come from if all claimed an increase. Here Warden Wilson said that, in view of Councillors Smith and Shatford's districts in being short, he was perfectly willing to forego the increase allowed his own district and pass it on to the others.

Councillor Madill said that his road was just as bad as the others, but he did not complain of the roads and bridges committee. He then moved that the report be adopted.

Councillor Henley moved in amendment, seconded by Councillor Bartlett, that the report be sent back to the road committee for re-adjustment of district 9.

Moved by Councillor Butler, seconded by Councillor O'Leary and passed; that the road from Tannery bridge to Sackville river bridge be placed under a commission in accordance with act passed by the late session of legislature, and that the commissioners be Alex. McNeil, John Strachan and J. E. Roy.

Crier's Salary Fixed.

With regard to the crier's salary and Judge Johnston's letter, it was moved by Councillor Henley, seconded by Councillor Madill and passed; that the county court crier's salary be fixed at \$400.

Inspector vs. Constable.

The report of the committee appointed to enquire into the charges against Inspector Hiltz and Constable Burbidge, was then read. In regard to the five charges against the inspector, charge (a) was not proven; charges (b) and (c) were admitted by the inspector; charge (d) was positively proven by Rev. Mr. Fisher's evidence. Charge (e) could not be explained by the inspector and the committee was of the opinion that a serious violation of the law had occurred, and gave their decision that Mr. Hiltz, chief inspector of licenses, was not a fit man to occupy the position.

In the charges by Inspector Hiltz vs. Constable Burbidge, the committee found that the charges were not sustained, and they were of opinion that all orders should come from the inspector, and not from the constable. It was here moved by Councillor Madill, seconded by Councillor Billman and passed; that the report of investigating committee appointed to deal with charges preferred against liquor license inspector by Chief County Constable Burbidge be received and adopted.

A lengthy debate here took place on the subject of fixing the fees chargeable by the constable, taken part in by Councillors Lydiard, Shatford, Negus, Madill and others.

Councillor Negus said that Constable Burbidge over and over again ignored the council and although he had been frequently asked for a statement of his expenses, he had refused to furnish it. Councillor Madill said there was something radically wrong with

the constable business, and was of the opinion that more district officers should be employed instead of bringing down the constable from Halifax. Councillor Madill said he would support a resolution to the effect that if the constable refused to furnish a list of his expenses, then he should not receive \$300 salary.

After some further remarks council adjourned until two o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Sittings were resumed at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon, Warden Wilson in the chair.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Wilson and passed; that the bridge known as the Day bridge in district No. 30, be placed under New Bridge Act 1900.

Moved by Councillor Negus, seconded by Councillor Gladwin; that the pay for man and team (one horse) be \$1 per day each in expending government grant, except in cases of skilled labor, and further that the road master receive \$1.25 per day. Passed.

Moved by Councillor Butler, seconded by Councillor Moran and passed; that the road known as Kearney road from Birch Cove to Roman Catholic chapel be placed under control of the councillor of district 16, for the current year, arrangements as heretofore.

An application was read from Michael Lapierre, applying for the position of county constable in the municipality of Halifax county, without stipend.

After some discussion this application was, on motion, laid upon the table.

Moved by Councillor Gladwin, seconded by Councillor Burris, and passed; that the treasurer be instructed to call upon the former overseer of the poor for district 31, for an accounting of the poor fund for 1898, and paying over of all balances to present overseers.

Here Warden Wilson expressed his objection to the council's taking such a length of time in its deliberations, saying that the sessions ought to have been closed on Saturday, and he expressed the desire that the sessions close at this sitting.

Moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor O'Leary and passed; that the road from Little river bridge to Beaver Dam bridge in district 25, a distance of 12 miles, be placed under a commission in accordance with the act on such cases passed in 1900. The said commission to consist of Martin

Cruikshanks, Henry Richards and Daniel Curry, with powers to maintain said road as such statute provides.

The report on the poor was then read and adopted. It was as follows:

Report of Poors Committee.

His Honor the Warden, and Municipal Councillors in and for the municipality of Halifax County:

The committee on Poor, beg leave to submit herewith for your consideration their report for the year ending December 31st, 1899.

They would urgently request the councillors to make every effort to have returns from their respective districts presented each year. No returns have been filed in regard to the following districts,—14, 15, 17, 19, 21, 22, 34, 35, 36, and 37. The committee would also recommend that returns be made out on the forms supplied by the municipality. It is impossible for the committee to ascertain correctly the state of the accounts in some districts.

(Signed)

ISAAC DAUPHINEE,
HENRY HALL,
THOMAS COLE,
THOMAS JOHNSON,
JOHN HAYES,
A. F. SMITH.

Revised Road and Bridge Grants.

The committee on roads and bridges having revised their distribution list reported the same as follows:

District 7	\$109.58
District 8	125.64
District 9	160.46
District 10	123.58
District 11	198.91
District 12	359.74
District 13	357.52
District 14	101.52
District 15	41.24
District 16	305.74
District 17	358.43
District 18	401.50
District 19	386.97
District 20	405.73
District 21	543.42
District 22	609.35
District 23	81.46
District 24	225.16
District 25	456.20
District 26	640.00
District 27	519.95
District 28	203.57
District 29	312.98
District 30	291.15
District 31	385.14

District 32	187.16
District 33	202.69
District 34	223.51
District 35	203.22
District 36	289.62
District 38	162.75

On motion of Councillor Gladwin, seconded by Councillor Negus, this amended report was adopted.

Moved by Councillor Butler, seconded by Councillor Moran and passed; that the road section No. 3, district 15, be divided, and that section 3 begin at Moir's Mills and extend to the top of Moody's Hill. That section 4 begin at top of Moody's Hill and extend to Roman Catholic chapel. Also resolved, that James Melvin be appointed road master for section 4.

Liquor License Inspector.

A prolonged discussion then took place on the subject of the resignation of the liquor license inspector. Councillors Shatford and Madill said the inspector's resignation should be handed in at once, and that he be given four or five months to settle up in. Council Butler was against any such time being allowed.

It was moved by Councillor Gladwin, seconded by Councillor Billman, that, if the present incumbent of office of liquor license inspector, Mr. Hiltz does not hand in his resignation before the adjournment of the council the warden be instructed to take the necessary action immediately to procure his dismissal.

Councillor Madill was in favor of Inspector Hiltz receiving three or four months' work and salary provided he gave in his resignation at once. Councillor Lydiard concurred in this. The motion was then put and carried.

Change of Allotments.

Moved by Councillor Sellers, seconded by Councillor Lydiard and passed; Whereas, a section of road in district No. 31, being the outlet from district No. 29, to the Harvey road, there being no statute labor on said road, and being about three and a half miles in length. Therefore, resolved, that the county clerk is hereby authorized to take from the allotment of government road grant to district No. 31, the sum of \$21, and add the said amount to the allotment of district No. 29, to be expended by the supervisor of said district No. 29, together with such other sum as may be agreed upon by the councillor and supervisor of district No. 29 for the repair of said road.

RETURNS FROM OVERSEERS OF POOR FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1899.

DISTRICT.	Amount as- sessed 1899.	Balance from last account.	Collector's Commission.	Received from other sources.	Paid on ac- count Paupers.	Due on ac- count Paupers.	Amount to be as- sessed 1900.	Balance on Hand.	Received from Collectors.
No 7. Herring Cove	\$50 00		\$3 45		\$50 00	\$15 00	\$40 00		\$49 00
8. Portuguese Cove	64 16		3 68		43 88			\$7 71	54 25
9. Sambro		\$12 13	3 35		39 00			17 23	47 05
10. Upper Prospect							18 37		
11. Hackett's Cove	32 62	\$3 32	1 62	\$0 00	121 75				32 62
12. French Village			3 80		64 15		10 00	3 13	76 08
13. Spryfield	24 56			8 79					6 42
14. North West Arm			No report.						
15. Bedford	67 67	17 43			67 50			9 92	50 00
16. Hammond's Plains	80 04	20 36	3 87		94 12		90 00	1 96	77 63
17. Sackville			No report.						
18. Waverley	100 00	115 05	5 30		78 50	48 36		137 23	105 98
19. Gay's River			No report.						
20. Meagher's Grant	75 00			7 40	80 40	6 50	100 00		73 00
21. Middle Musquodobolt			No report.						
22. Upper Musquodobolt			No report.						
23. Lower Prospect	104 58	24 70	5 50		111 43	57 20	75 00		59 23
24. Moser's River			No paupers						
25. Sheet Harbor		39 02			228 00		200 00	9 02	198 00
26. Tangier			7 90		132 14		50 00	17 32	157 86
27. Jeddore	100 00		7 55	55 00	132 08		100 00	76 58	151 21
28. Chezzetcook	70 63	5 47	3 43		41 10			39 61	68 67
29. Lawrencetown	23 51	72 05	87	9 30	43 85		20 00	60 24	23 31
30. Preston	54 00		1 75		17 00		60 00		
31. Cole Harbor		129 27		17 48	45 65			101 10	
32. Hubbard's Cove			6 19	15 00	153 81	20 18	175 00		123 32
33. Eastern Passage	127 64	18 48	6 35	20 00	140 50		120 00	18 67	127 04
34. Salmon River			No paupers.						
35. Little River			No paupers.						
36. East Chezzetcook			3 28		54 74	61 90	85 00	7 70	54 74
38. Dover	65 72								

Adjournment.

It was then moved to exonerate those members who had unavoidably been absent from one or more sessions of the council, and upon being put, the motion was carried unanimously. The council then adjourned until January 1901.

Municipality of the County of Halifax,

1900.

COUNTY WARDEN.....	B. C. WILSON.
DEPUTY WARDEN.....	GEO. H. MADILL.
COUNTY CLERK.....	W. H. WISWELL.
COUNTY STIPENDIARY AND CLERK OF LICENSES.....	JOHN. N. V. McDOUG- GALL.
COUNTY AUDITORS.....	S. S. SCOTT, W. C. BISHOP.
COUNTY TREASURER.....	PARKER ARCHIBALD.

COUNTY OFFICERS, ETC.

<i>Inspector of Licenses</i>	Simeon Hiltz,
<i>Chief County Constable</i>	Richard Burbridge,
<i>Constables</i>	Reuben C. Purcell,
	Harry N. Wright,
	George S. Innes,
	Alex. W. Smith.
<i>Keeper of County Jail</i>	W. L. Malcolm.
<i>Matron</i>	Mrs. T. A. Chambers.
<i>Janitor of Court House</i>	Alexander W. Smith.
<i>Criers of Supreme Court</i>	H. Hanson, J. W. Watt.
<i>Stipendiary's Constable</i>	Richard Burbridge.
<i>Coroner's Constable</i>	Joseph Spencer.
<i>Keeper of Poor Farm</i>	J. M. Henneberry.
<i>Chairman Public Property Committee</i>	S. W. Lydiard.

BY-LAWS, &c.,

OF THE

Municipality of Halifax County, N. S.

As revised by the Municipal Council and passed at the Semi-Annual Session thereof at Halifax, April 11th, (A.D.) 1889.

COUNCILLORS.

I. Any person duly elected as a Councillor and who refuses or neglects to act as such shall pay a penalty of Twenty Dollars.

II. Each Councillor for non-attendance at the regular meetings of the Council without leave from the Warden, or in case of sickness, shall forfeit and pay Two Dollars per day, unless excused by a resolution of the Council.

III. The Clerk of the Council shall prosecute in all cases where Fines and penalties are incurred in violation of the By-Laws, or of any resolution of the Council.

ORDER OF COUNCIL MEETINGS.

IV. The Clerk shall notify the Councillors of the time of meeting on the first day of every meeting of Councillors and for all meetings during the Session of Council, the time shall be fixed at the time of adjournment.

V.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1.—Roll to be called.

2.—If a quorum present, Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

3.—Unfinished business laid over from last meeting.

4.—Any business before the Council that the Warden thinks fit to take up, or give precedence to.

VI. The Warden together with the Clerk shall arrange to take up such business as they may deem most necessary as the business of the Council proceeds.

VII. It shall be the privilege of the Warden to bring before the Council any important matter he may have in charge except when any question is actually under discussion.

VIII. The Warden or Chairman shall preserve order and endeavour to have all business conducted to a speedy result. Nothing shall be spoken of but the business before the Council until the Chair is vacated.

IX. The Warden or Chairman shall state every subject clearly to the Council. Should no Councillor speak upon it he shall ask "Are you ready for the question?" If no objection is made, he shall put the question.

X. The Warden's decision on points of order shall not be debatable unless entertaining doubts upon the subject, he invites discussion. He may speak to points of order in preference to other Councillors rising from his seat for that purpose, and shall decide questions of order subject to an appeal to the Council by any two Councillors. On such appeal no Councillor shall speak more than once.

XI. When an appeal is made from his decision he shall put the question: "Shall the Chair be sustained?"

XII. It shall be the duty and privilege of any Committee to call to order a member who violates any regulation or rule of order.

XIII. - A motion must be seconded and afterwards repeated from the Chair or read aloud before it is debated.

XIV. All resolutions must be submitted in writing.

XV. No Councillor shall speak more than twice upon any subject or question, and the originator of the motion shall have the general reply. The Council may give any member leave to speak oftener.

XVI. While the Council is sitting and any Councillor is speaking, no member shall be allowed to speak so as to interrupt him, unless it be to speak to order, or ask the Chairman for leave to explain. Leave to explain shall only permit the explanation of an actual misunderstanding of language.

XVII. When any Councillor intends to speak he must rise and respectfully address the Chair, and confine himself to the question under debate. He must avoid personalities and unbecoming language, and sit down when he has finished. If more than one rises at a time, the Chairman shall determine who was up first, and the member named by him may speak.

XVIII. No Councillor shall remain standing while another is speaking.

XIX. When any Councillor speaks to order the question of order must be decided before the subject under discussion is proceeded with.

XX. When any question is called for, and a division demanded, the Councillors voting in the affirmative shall rise.

XXI. When a motion is made and seconded it must be determined by the question being put, unless it is withdrawn by the mover or an adjournment moved.

XXII. When any motion is put from the Chair and an amendment is moved thereto, no amendment to such amendment shall be allowed.

XXIII. An amendment to a resolution shall be put from the Chair and decided first, and the original resolution shall not be put, unless the amendment is decided in the negative.

XXIV. On an amendment to "strike out and insert," the paragraph to be amended shall first be read as it stands, then the words proposed to be struck out and those to be inserted; and finally the paragraph as it would stand if so amended.

XXV. Any question decided by the Council shall be open for reconsideration at a future meeting; notice being given at the time the vote is first taken.

XXVI. When a Councillor is called to order he shall keep his seat until the point is determined.

XXVII. If any Councillor, in speaking, impeach the motives of another Councillor, or treat him with personal disrespect, or pass between him and the Chair while he is speaking, or use unbecoming language, or wilfully violate any of the regulations or rules of order, he shall be deemed guilty of a violation of order, and may be censured by the Chairman.

XXVIII. If a Councillor shall deem himself personally aggrieved by a decision of the Chair, he, seconded by another Councillor, may appeal from such decision to the Council.

XXIX. Any conversation which is calculated to disturb a Councillor while speaking, or hinder the transaction of business, shall be deemed a violation of order and, if persisted in, shall receive censure.

XXX. Each member shall be heard in his place touching any charge brought against him as such or any motion by which his private interests may be affected, but shall withdraw before the Council proceed thereon.

XXXI. When any question is decided by vote, the names or numbers of those voting, both in the affirmative and negative, shall be entered in the Minutes, if required by any three Councillors.

XXXII. When a vote is being taken on any subject or matter before the Council, every Councillor present shall vote thereon except excused therefrom by the Council.

XXXIII. When any Councillor presents a petition he shall acquaint the Council with its purport, and shall ask leave for it to be read.

XXXIV. When any question is before the Council, the only motions in order shall be:—

1st—To adjourn.

2nd—To lay on the table,

3rd—To postpone indefinitely.

4th—To postpone to a definite period.

5th—To amend; or

6th—To refer; but no Councillor shall be permitted more than one motion during the discussion of the same subject.

XXXV. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order except in the following cases:—

1st—When a member is in possession of the floor.

2nd—While the yeas and nays are being called.

3rd—While the members are voting.

4th—When adjournment was the last preceding motion.

XXXVI.—The following questions shall be decided without debate:—

1st—A motion to adjourn, when to adjourn simply.

2nd—A motion to lay on the table, when claiming privilege over another motion.

3rd—A motion to re-consider.

4th—All motions as to priority of business, or taking up particular business.

5th—Applications for leave to speak more than the prescribed number of times.

XXXVII. When the Council make any order or express any decision, the form of such order or decision shall be "Resolved," or "Ordered," or any other word, so that the meaning be clear."

XXXVIII. Councillors not present at Roll Call may have their names entered on by notifying the Clerk, if not more than 30 minutes late.

XXXIX. All, or any persons, not Councillors, or officials, attending meetings of Council merely as spectators, or otherwise, shall observe silence and order. Any such persons interrupting the proceedings of the Council, being called to order by the Warden or Chairman, and failing to comply, shall be ordered to leave the room.

XL. No Councillor shall leave the Council while in session for more than half an hour, without the permission of the Warden or Chairman. Special Committees may retire to transact business on the Chairman of such obtaining permission of the Chair.

XLI. No books, papers, or documents of any kind shall, on any pretence, by any person, be taken from the office of the Municipal Clerk, except by the authority of the Clerk of the Council.

XLII. The Clerk of the Council shall be empowered to have printed and to issue copies of the By-Laws regulating the gathering of Sea Manure, or any other By-Laws of the Council, to any Councillor applying for the same, for the purpose of posting up through their respective districts, and also to have printed a complete copy of the whole By-Laws of the Council in pamphlet form, to be supplied to each Councillor.

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL.

I. Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Council annually as follows:—

- 1.—Committee on Public Accounts and Finance.
- 2.—Committee on Tenders and Public Property.
- 3.—Committee on Licenses.
- 4.—Committee on Roads and Bridges.
- 5.—Committee on Assessments.
- 6.—Committee on Lunatics.
- 7.—Committee on Law Amendments.
- 8.—Committee on Jury Lists.
- 9.—Committee on Poor.

II. Special or Select Committees may be appointed, on motion, at any time.

III. The Clerk shall notify the Councillor first named on any Committee of his appointment, and furnish him with a copy of the Resolution appointing such Committee. Such Councillor shall be the convener and Chairman thereof.

IV. The Warden shall be, *ex officio*, a member of all the Standing Committees of the Council.

V. No Committees shall meet while the Council is in Session, unless by leave to retire from the Warden, who shall first ascertain that a quorum will thereafter be present before granting permission.

VI. The Report of any Committee shall be in writing, and signed by the Chairman when unanimous; but when there is a difference of opinion, the Report shall be signed by all who concur in it. The minority may also report their views in writing to the Council if they see fit, which report shall be signed by all concurring in it.

Duties of Committees.

FINANCE AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Public Accounts and Finance to examine accounts referred to them by the Council, and report thereon; to prepare Estimates, and submit proposals for the raising of money by Assessment, Loans, Bonds or otherwise; and further, to enforce the collection of all debts due to this Corporation, and to provide the necessary Books of Account and reference and all blank forms required.

TENDERS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Tenders and Public Property to examine and report on all tenders received for the performance of any Public Work, or for the loan of money; and they shall have control over and take charge of, all Property of the Municipality, and have supervision of the same as respects the purchase, sale, leasing and management thereof, and may incur expenditure on current Account, not exceeding Fifty Dollars, for any one service, reporting the same at next meeting.

THE COMMITTEE ON LICENCES.

Shall have referred to them all matters relating to licensing Ferrymen, the licensing of Auctioneers or hawkers of goods, as well as any matters arising out of the sale of intoxicating liquors by license that may be referred to them.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The duties of this Committee on Roads and Bridges shall be to have referred to them all petitions and matters respecting changing road districts, for requiring precepts to lay out new roads, for altering roads, repairing roads or Bridges, all road accounts for dividing, or sub-dividing the Road Grant from the Government, and all matters connected with roads and Statute labor.

ASSESSMENTS.

The Committee on Assessments shall take charge of all such matters relating to Assessment or County Rates as may be referred to them by the Council and report thereon to the Council.

LUNATICS.

The Committee on Lunatics shall inspect all accounts against the Municipality for Insane patients, and shall investigate all amounts due by Insane patients charged against the County and report to the Council.

LAW AMENDMENTS.

The duty of this Committee shall be to suggest any amendments the Council may think necessary in the interests of the Municipality, or for the working thereof and to urge the Legislature to amend or repeal such acts or parts of Acts, as shall be for the interest of the Municipality, and to report their recommendations to the Council.

JURY LISTS.

The duty of this Committee shall be to revise the Jury Lists in accordance with the requirements of the Law, as it may exist from time to time, and to report any special matter to the Council requiring action by said Council.

SUPPORT OF POOR.

This Committee shall have referred to them all matters connected with the Poor Returns from the various districts, and report upon the same.

CORPORATION SEAL.

I. The County Seal now in possession of the Clerk shall be attached to or its impress be made on all deeds or documents to which the Corporation is a party, and for which a seal is required, and which shall be signed by the Warden and Clerk.

II. All Licenses or Certificates or documents requiring said Seal for the purpose of authentication shall bear the impress of said Seal.

III. Any person requiring the County Seal to be affixed to any Certificate or document for the purpose of authentication shall pay to the Clerk the following fees, viz.: - For any document to be used outside the Province, \$2.50; to be used within the Province, \$1.50; if to be used within the Corporation, \$1.00.

4. No charge shall be made for the Seal for Certificates of appointments of County or District Officers required in a Court of Law.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

I. The election of County Officers shall be by ballot.

THE WARDEN.

II. The Warden shall have power to call upon a Committee to be nominated by him and meet at any time, to whom can be referred any matters of emergency.

III. The Warden shall take charge of the Bonds of the Clerk and Treasurer, the same to be handed over to the keeping of each succeeding Warden of the Municipality.

THE COUNTY CLERK AND TREASURER.

Shall perform their duties as laid down in the Municipal Corporation Act and amendments thereto, and shall deposit the monies belonging to the Municipality in the Bank of the Halifax Banking Company, and keep an account with said Bank until otherwise ordered by the Council. The said account shall be kept in the name of the Municipality of Halifax County.

He shall at each Annual Meeting of the Council in January, present a full statement of the receipts and disbursements for the County for the fiscal year ending 31st December, and a copy of the same shall be furnished to each Councillor.

COUNTY AUDITORS.

The duties of the Auditors shall be to audit all accounts submitted to them for that purpose, and especially the Treasurer's Annual accounts and report to the Council upon the same. They shall receive a sum not to exceed Twenty Dollars each for the year.

ACCOUNTS AND FORMS.

I. The County Clerk shall have printed and keep on hand for the use of the Municipality a sufficient number of blank forms required for the several services.

II. All claims against the Municipality as are by Statute payable on presentation, or at a stated time must be accompanied by the prescribed legal order Certificate or Warrant.

FINES, PENALTIES AND FORFEITURES.

I. The Clerk of the Council shall proceed against all District Officers refusing to take the Oath of Office after being duly notified, and also against those who, having taken the Oath, refuse or neglect to act, provided such persons are qualified to serve in said offices, and shall impose such fines as the law directs.

II. All fines, fees, and forfeitures collected by Justices of the Peace, shall be paid to the County Treasurer, and by him placed to the credit of the District wherein collected, to be used for the benefit of the Roads and Bridges of said District unless otherwise provided by Law.

ASSESSMENTS FOR POOR.

I. The amount to be assessed for Poor, if any required, shall be voted at any meeting of the Council on application of each District Councillor, and entered on the Assessment Roll by the Clerk; the rates to be all collected by 31st October.

II. For all rates then unpaid the Collector shall make up a list of defaulters attested to before a Justice of the Peace and a Warrant of Distraint shall be issued against the parties as the Law provides.

SPECIAL DUTIES OF CLERK.

The Clerk of the Council is to proceed against all District Officers refusing or neglecting to take the Oath of Office after being duly notified, and also against those who having taken the oath refuse to act, provided such persons are qualified to serve in such office, and he shall impose such fines as the law directs.

In the usual notice in the newspapers calling the Council together, there shall be added that "Petitions be received not later than the third day of Session."

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

COLLECTION OF RATES, SHORTAGES.

All deficits of rates remaining on the Assessment Rolls of the respective Districts at the end of each year, shall be added to the next year's assessment for the said Districts.

ENFORCEMENT OF RATES.

A sufficient number of Constables to be sent to any defaulting District where taxes have not been paid, the charges therefor in excess of their fees to be assessed upon the District the next year.

QUIET OR HARMLESS INSANE.

The Board of Charities to be requested to take such steps from time to time as may be necessary to remove from the Hospital for Insane all Patients chargeable to Halifax County who are reported by the Superintendent as suitable for removal to the County Poor House; the Committee on Lunatics to assist in carrying out this object.

DISTRICT POLICE CONSTABLES.

The Council may appoint Police Constables for any Town or Village their remuneration to be a charge upon the District within which they are appointed.

COLLECTORS.

I. All rates assessed upon any District of the County shall be collected by the District Collector, who shall notify the rate payers of the amounts due, and receive and pay the same to the County Treasurer, returning to him the Assessment Roll not later than the first day of October in each year.

II. For all rates then unpaid the Collector shall make up as the Statutes provides, a list of defaulters attested to and have issued against the parties a Warrant of Distraint.

III. On returning the Roll the Collector shall state in the column of Remarks the reasons why rates then uncollected have not been paid.

IV. The amount ordered to be levied on the District for the support of the Poor shall be collected and paid over to the Overseers of the Poor through their Treasurer, and his receipt therefor sent or handed to the County Treasurer by the Collector.

V. Before receiving the Roll for collection every Collector of County and Poor Rates shall give bonds with two Sureties, to be approved by the Councillor of the District, in a sum equal to double the amount of monies to be collected by him.

VI. Forms of said Bond to be furnished by the Clerk of the County and filed in his office when completed.

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

I. It shall be the duty of the Overseers of the Poor to notify the Councillor of the District of the amount, if any, required for their respective Districts, and to carry out the Statutes relating to the Poor, as modified by the County Incorporation Act.

II. Bonds shall be given by the Overseers of the Poor, or their Treasurer, with two Sureties in a sum equal to double the amount of money voted for the support of their Poor; forms of said Bonds to be furnished by the Clerk of the County, and filed with him when executed, approved by the District Councillor.

III. Their Treasurer shall pay out of the Assessment collected the commission allowed the Collector, and give him a receipt for all sums received.

HEALTH OFFICERS.

Shall be guided by and subject to Chapter IX of the Acts of 1888 and any amendments thereto, and their duties shall be in every respect in accordance with said Chapter, and also to carry out the requirements of Chapter 27 Revised Statutes, 5th Series and amendments thereto.

DISTRICT CLERKS.

Each District may appoint a District Clerk. His duties shall be to advertize any Public Meeting called by seven Rate payers of said District; to advertize any stray animal straying into his District away from its owner, the person having the animal on his premises paying said Clerk for advertizing in three places the sum of 25 cents, the owner when claiming the property and proving the same, to whatever cost may accrue in keeping the same until delivered up.

OVERSEERS OF PUBLIC LANDING, &c.

The Overseers of the Public Landing at Portuguese Cove are empowered by this Council to charge not less than 20 cents for all boats coming to said Landing with the intention of fishing, and the said Overseers shall keep the said Landing clear, so that everyone coming may have their boats hauled up in safety.

BY-LAWS RELATING TO ANIMALS.

Dogs.

I. Every fierce, malicious, or dangerous dog within the Municipality shall be kept muzzled or chained by the owner, and not be permitted to go at large. The owner shall pay a penalty of Four Dollars for violation of this regulation.

II. If any dog shall bite or attack any person or any cattle or sheep, the owner shall pay a penalty of Four Dollars.

III. Should any person keep a dog, a tax of one dollar per annum for each additional dog, and one dollar and fifty cents for each bitch, shall be paid to the Collector of County and Poor Rates by the owner. In case of refusal to pay the tax, the Collector shall sue for the same before any Justice of the Peace. The tax, when collected, shall be paid to the County Treasurer, and credited to the District in which the same is collected.

STUD HORSES, BULLS, &C.

No Stud Horses, Bulls, Swine or Rams shall be allowed to go at large in the County of Halifax.

The owners of such Stud Horses, Bulls over one year, Swine and Rams found going at large, contrary to law and in violation of the foregoing By-Law, shall be liable for such offence to the following fines, viz.:

For each Stud Horse.....	\$4 00
" Bull.....	2 00
" Swine.....	50
" Ram.....	1 00

Sheep shall not be allowed to run at large in Districts Nos. 18, 32, 33, 38, 17 and 31, under a penalty of 20 cents per head, to be collected in the same manner as other fines imposed under the By-Laws.

I. Whenever any animal is impounded, the pound-keeper, in case the owner of such animal is known to him, shall give the owner notice of such impounding as soon as practicable, and if within two days after said notice, the owner of said animal does not reclaim and remove it, and pay the forfeiture incurred, (or if the owner is unknown) within five days after such impounding of the animal, the Warden or the Councillor for the District shall issue an order for the sale at auction of such animal, and in such case the balance, if any, after deducting the forfeiture and expenses of sale, shall be paid to the owner, if applied for within three months from day of sale, and if not so applied for shall go to the use of the Municipality.

Before any animal impounded shall be released, the owner thereof or party applying for the release shall pay the following forfeiture, viz.:

For notice when given.....	\$0.50
Keeper unlocking pound.....	0.25
Keeper releasing the animal.....	0.25
For providing provender for the animal while in the pound, the regular charge as stated in the Revised Statutes, 4th Series; also expense of advertising.	

Miscellaneous By-Laws.

RIVER BANKS.

Owners of logs or timber of any kind driving the same in any River shall erect, or cause to be erected, on the turns and banks of such Rivers Shear-dams, Sluices, booms or some other means by which damage to private property will be prevented, under a penalty of Ten Dollars for each offence. Said fines and damages to be recovered before a Justice of the Peace in the County, on the oath of one creditable witness.

SEA MANURE.

I. No person shall be allowed to collect, pile, haul away or otherwise remove kelp or sea manure from the shores, coves, or beaches within the limits of the County of Halifax before sunrise or after sunset. Any person violating the foregoing regulations, shall be fined not less than two, or more than eight dollars to be recovered before any Justice of the Peace for the said County.

II. No person shall have a claim to sea manure unless properly piled six feet above high water mark in piles of at least one ordinary cart load.

III. Any person, other than the owner or his or her servant, who shall remove such sea manure, when so piled, shall be liable to the full amount or value of such manure, in addition to a fine of not more than four dollars for each and every offence, to be recovered as above mentioned.

IV. The above regulations shall not extend to take away or abridge any private rights or interest in any such shores or beaches.

FINES AND FORFEITURES.

All fines, fees and forfeitures collected by Justices of the Peace shall be paid to the County Treasurer, and by him be placed to the credit of the District wherein collected, to be used for the benefit of the Roads and Bridges of said District.

The Clerk of the Council shall proceed against all District Officers refusing or neglecting to take the oath of office after being duly notified, and also against those who, having taken the oath, refuse to act, provided such persons are qualified to serve in such office. He shall impose such fines as the law directs.

PEDDLERS AND AUCTIONEERS.

Peddlers who are not Rate Payers within the Province, and Auctioneers who are not Rate Payers within the Municipality shall be required to obtain a License before prosecuting their business as such Traders and Auctioneers within the Municipality.

Nothing herein shall be understood to include sales by authority of the Court of Probate, or by officers acting under authority of law, or of persons selling their own or their neighbour's goods or property in districts where they are Licensed Auctioneers.

The fee for peddling for residents and rate payers shall not exceed \$3.00 per annum, and for Auctioneers, resident and rate payers \$2.00 per annum, otherwise \$40.00 per annum.

Any person violating these regulations shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$20.00 to be recovered before a Justice of the Peace and applied according to law.

The License fees shall be as follows, viz :—For Peddlars carrying a pack, not more than Five nor less than Two dollars per year; and for Hawkers and others with waggons, &c., not less than Eight, nor more than Twenty dollars.

In every such License it shall be distinctly stated that no liquor can be sold thereunder. Any party who shall infringe this Regulation, shall in addition to the legal penalty in such cases, forfeit such License.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

I. The special fines and fees collected in each District shall be expended on the Roads and Bridges. The person expending the same shall be appointed by the District Councillor, and render an account under oath, accompanied by the certificate of said Councillor that the amount has been satisfactorily laid out for the Roads and Bridges; and the Treasurer is thereby authorized to pay said accounts to the extent of the amount at credit of the District.

II. The Councillor of each District shall receive from the County Clerk a copy of the Assessment Roll for the year and notices for the Overseers of Statute Labor to attend at a stated time and place, to be sworn in and copy their lists of rate payers in their several sections.

III. The Statute Labor returns, carefully and correctly made up, shall be submitted to the Councillors for the approval or correction and forward to the County Clerk as soon as the labor is performed in the sections, and not later than the 1st December. Penalty for neglect Two dollars.

The power to allow rate payers to place their Statute labor or any part of it on private roads or sideways shall be delegated to the Councillor of the District for the time being.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CUSTODIANS OF DRAW BRIBGES.

[BY PROVINCIAL ENGINEER.]

Custodians or Keepers of Draw Bridges, are required strictly to observe and carry out the following By-Laws.

1. The Bridge must always be kept in such order that teams, coaches and heavy loads may pass over it with safety.

2. No risk shall be run by allowing a team of any kind to pass over should the bridge be injured by accident or mishap; or if there is any doubt whatever of its being all right.

3. If there is anything the matter with the Bridge or machinery thereof that is beyond the means of the Keeper to at once repair, or replace he shall without delay to apply to the District Councillor and to the Overseer or Supervisor Roads, for advice and assistance.

4. The wrench handles for lifting the Bridge, or any other moveable implement or machinery belonging to the Bridge, shall be kept in the possession of the Keeper only.

5. The Draw shall be open by the Keeper to every party requiring boats and vessels to pass through day and night, for the purpose of navigation.

6. It shall be the duty of the Keeper to use every reasonable endeavor to see that every vessel passes through safely, agreeably to the Statutes of the Dominion or Province now in force, or which may be hereafter passed respecting the navigation, or working of Draw Bridges.

7. Any vessel passing through the Draw Bridge and injuring it in any part thereof through the neglect, carelessness, incompetency or wilfulness of the owner, master or party in charge, shall be reported forthwith to the Councillor of the District and the County Clerk.

8. During the time the Draw Bridge is open a temporary fence or chain, etc., shall be placed across each end of the Bridge so as to prevent any parties from driving or walking into the opening made by the draw being lifted or turned.

9. All parties in charge of vessels approaching the draw, shall be cautioned to moor or bring their vessels to anchor before passing through the draw.

10. The Keeper shall use every precaution necessary for the safety of the public, and of vessels going through, and the safety and preservation of the Bridge itself, so to prevent accidents or damages to persons or property.

11. Any person injuring or interfering with the Bridge and the implements or machinery of the draw are to be reported to the proper authorities, prosecuted and punished as the Law directs in Section 2, Chap. 51, N. S. Statutes. 1884.

DAM SON RIVERS, &c.

The Dams on the Musquodoboit River to be opened from 1st July to 1st October in each year. Any person convicted of shutting down said dams during the time above mentioned before the Justice of the Peace shall pay, a penalty not to exceed Forty dollars, said fine to go to the County Funds. A copy of this By-Law to be sent to the District through which the River runs, and at least three copies to be posted up in the District.

FERRIES.

I. The Ferries now existing in this Municipality shall be continued until otherwise superseded, and any new ones to be established shall come under the Rules and Regulations of existing Ferries. Those at present established are Point Pleasant, Sheet Harbour, Ship Harbour and Kelly's Point.

II. The established hours for Ferrymen running the aforesaid Ferries, shall be from sunrise to nine (9) o'clock at night.

III. They may carry passengers at any hour during the night for double fare.

IV. Every Ferryman in the Municipality shall provide himself with a License bearing the Seal of the Municipality and signed by the Clerk of License, and shall be subject in all respects and at all times to the provisions of Chapter 62 of the Revised Statutes, 5th Series.

V. The License shall be in force for one year, but may be granted for a longer period.

VI. In case of any vacancy occurring by the death of any Licensed Ferrymen such vacancy may be filled up and a new License granted by order of the Warden, subject to the approval of the Council at the next meeting thereof.

VII. There shall be allowed to every Licensed Ferryman within the limits of the Municipality for the following services the following fares, and no greater :—

Sheet Harbor—For every passenger.....	5 cents.
“ “ horse, wagon and driver.....	12 “
Point Pleasant to Purcell's Cove.....	7 “
Ship Harbor—For every foot passenger.....	7 “
And for any other Ferries the same proportion.	

PROJECTING WAGGON LADDERS.

In view of the risk of life and property, caused by the carelessness of drivers of unloaded barrel and box teams leaving their ladders projecting from their sleds while unloaded, and the travelling public often getting valuable sleds destroyed, a fine of \$2.00, with costs, for every offence, shall be imposed, recoverable before a Justice of the Peace for the County ; said fine to be paid to the County Treasurer.

Halifax County Poors' Farm.

ADMISSION OF PAUPERS.

No Pauper can be received at the Poor Farm, except on Application Forms signed by Overseers of Poor of his or her District. These Forms will be supplied by the County Clerk and are to be filed with him.

REGULATIONS IN REGARD TO VISITORS.

Ordinary visitors to the institution shall be admitted on Tuesdays and Saturdays only, and from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Ordained Clergymen, for giving spiritual advice or otherwise, shall be admitted any day or hour.

Visitors while on the premises shall be subject to the instructions and control of the Keeper.

Visitors shall have their names and addresses recorded in a book kept for the purpose. Persons refusing to record shall not be allowed to remain.

Visitors shall be at liberty to give inmates any donations or gifts of unobjectionable character; but the inmates are not allowed to importune visitors for such.

REGULATIONS FOR INMATES.

All persons, on being received as inmates, shall be examined by the Keeper or Matron, who shall see that they are properly cleansed, &c., and apportion them a bed, which the person must not change for any other without permission.

All inmates shall be subject to the control and orders of the Keeper and Matron, and all disobedience will be punished by deprivation of privileges or otherwise, in accordance with rules in such cases provided.

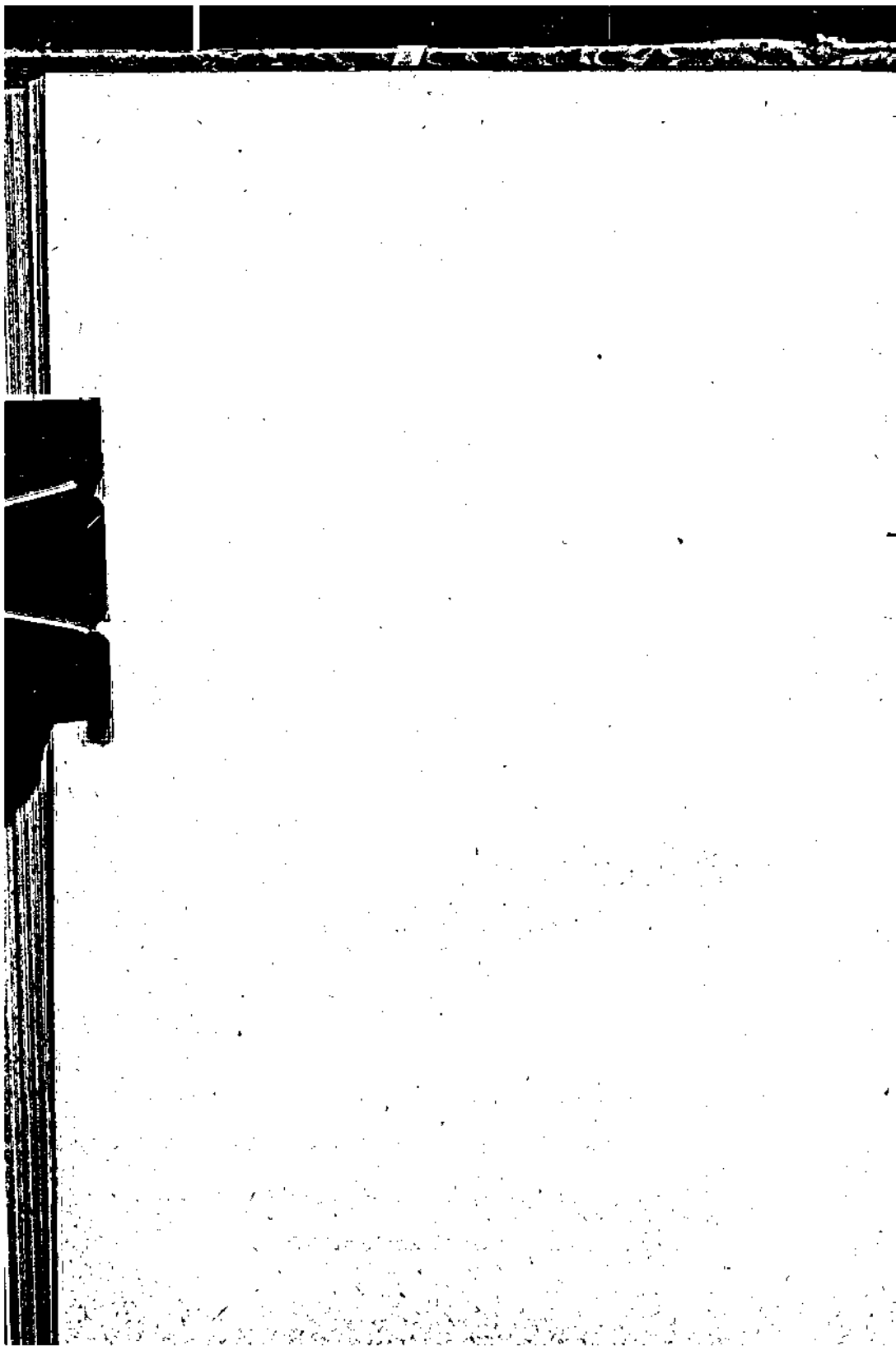
All inmates shall retire at night at such hour as from time to time by the Keeper directed, but in no case later than nine o'clock at night, and all lights shall then be extinguished; unless the Keeper shall in special cases direct otherwise.

A bell will be rung in the morning as signal for rising, when all inmates (except very old or sick persons, who may be allowed special privileges at the discretion of the Keeper) shall rise, dress, and go to the Lavatories and wash, and be ready for breakfast when called by the bell.

Inmates refusing or neglecting to go to their meals at the designated hours or when summoned, shall not be entitled to get anything to eat till the next meal time.

The use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is prohibited on the premises.

All inmates able to perform labor shall employ themselves as the Keeper and Matron may direct.



BY-LAWS, &c.,

OF THE

Municipality of Halifax County, N. S.

As revised by the Municipal Council and passed at the Semi-Annual Session thereof at Halifax, April 11th, (A.D.) 1889.

COUNCILLORS.

- I. Any person duly elected as a Councillor and who refuses or neglects to act as such shall pay a penalty of Twenty Dollars.
- II. Each Councillor for non-attendance at the regular meetings of the Council without leave from the Warden, or in case of sickness, shall forfeit and pay Two Dollars per day, unless excused by a resolution of the Council.
- III. The Clerk of the Council shall prosecute in all cases where Fines and penalties are incurred in violation of the By-Laws, or of any resolution of the Council.

ORDER OF COUNCIL MEETINGS.

IV. The Clerk shall notify the Councillors of the time of meeting on the first day of every meeting of Councillors and for all meetings during the Session of Council, the time shall be fixed at the time of adjournment.

V. ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- 1.—Roll to be called.
- 2.—If a quorum present, Minutes of last meeting read and approved.
- 3.—Unfinished business laid over from last meeting.
- 4.—Any business before the Council that the Warden thinks fit to take up, or give precedence to.

VI. The Warden together with the Clerk shall arrange to take up such business as they may deem most necessary as the business of the Council proceeds.

VII. It shall be the privilege of the Warden to bring before the Council any important matter he may have in charge except when any question is actually under discussion.

VIII. The Warden or Chairman shall preserve order and endeavour to have all business conducted to a speedy result. Nothing shall be spoken of but the business before the Council until the Chair is vacated.

IX. The Warden or Chairman shall state every subject clearly to the Council. Should no Councillor speak upon it he shall ask "Are you ready for the question?" If no objection is made, he shall put the question.

X. The Warden's decision on points of order shall not be debatable unless entertaining doubts upon the subject, he invites discussion. He may speak to points of order in preference to other Councillors rising from his seat for that purpose, and shall decide questions of order subject to an appeal to the Council by any two Councillors. On such appeal no Councillor shall speak more than once.

XI. When an appeal is made from his decision he shall put the question: "Shall the Chair be sustained?"

XII. It shall be the duty and privilege of any Committee to call to order a member who violates any regulation or rule of order.

XIII. A motion must be seconded and afterwards repeated from the Chair or read aloud before it is debated.

XIV. All resolutions must be submitted in writing.

XV. No Councillor shall speak more than twice upon any subject or question, and the originator of the motion shall have the general reply. The Council may give any member leave to speak oftener.

XVI. While the Council is sitting and any Councillor is speaking, no member shall be allowed to speak so as to interrupt him, unless it be to speak to order, or ask the Chairman for leave to explain. Leave to explain shall only permit the explanation of an actual misunderstanding of language.

XVII. When any Councillor intends to speak he must rise and respectfully address the Chair, and confine himself to the question under debate. He must avoid personalities and unbecoming language, and sit down when he has finished. If more than one rises at a time, the Chairman shall determine who was up first, and the member named by him may speak.

XVIII. No Councillor shall remain standing while another is speaking.

XIX. When any Councillor speaks to order the question of order must be decided before the subject under discussion is proceeded with.

XX. When any question is called for, and a division demanded, the Councillors voting in the affirmative shall rise.

XXI. When a motion is made and seconded it must be determined by the question being put, unless it is withdrawn by the mover or an adjournment moved.

XXII. When any motion is put from the Chair and an amendment is moved thereto, no amendment to such amendment shall be allowed.

XXIII. An amendment to a resolution shall be put from the Chair and decided first, and the original resolution shall not be put, unless the amendment is decided in the negative.

XXIV. On an amendment to "strike out and insert," the paragraph to be amended shall first be read as it stands, then the words proposed to be struck out and those to be inserted; and finally the paragraph as it would stand if so amended.

XXV. Any question decided by the Council shall be open for reconsideration at a future meeting; notice being given at the time the vote is first taken.

XXVI. When a Councillor is called to order he shall keep his seat until the point is determined.

XXVII. If any Councillor, in speaking, impeach the motives of another Councillor, or treat him with personal disrespect, or pass between him and the Chair while he is speaking, or use unbecoming language, or wilfully violate any of the regulations or rules of order, he shall be deemed guilty of a violation of order, and may be censured by the Chairman.

XXVIII. If a Councillor shall deem himself personally aggrieved by a decision of the Chair, he, seconded by another Councillor, may appeal from such decision to the Council.

XXIX. Any conversation which is calculated to disturb a Councillor while speaking, or hinder the transaction of business, shall be deemed a violation of order and, if persisted in, shall receive censure.

XXX. Each member shall be heard in his place touching any charge brought against him as such or any motion by which his private interests may be affected, but shall withdraw before the Council proceed thereon.

XXXI. When any question is decided by vote, the names or numbers of those voting, both in the affirmative and negative, shall be entered in the Minutes, if required by any three Councillors.

XXXII. When a vote is being taken on any subject or matter before the Council, every Councillor present shall vote thereon except excused therefrom by the Council.

XXXIII. When any Councillor presents a petition he shall acquaint the Council with its purport, and shall ask leave for it to be read.

XXXIV. When any question is before the Council, the only motions in order shall be :—

1st—To adjourn.

2nd—To lay on the table.

3rd—To postpone indefinitely.

4th—To postpone to a definite period.

5th—To amend ; or

6th—To refer ; but no Councillor shall be permitted more than one motion during the discussion of the same subject.

XXXV. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order except in the following cases :—

1st—When a member is in possession of the floor.

2nd—While the yeas and nays are being called.

3rd—While the members are voting.

4th—When adjournment was the last preceding motion.

XXXVI.—The following questions shall be decided without debate :—

1st—A motion to adjourn, when to adjourn simply.

2nd—A motion to lay on the table, when claiming privilege over another motion.

3rd—A motion to re-consider.

4th—All motions as to priority of business, or taking up particular business.

5th—Applications for leave to speak more than the prescribed number of times.

XXXVII. When the Council make any order or express any decision, the form of such order or decision shall be "Resolved," or "Ordered," or any other word, so that the meaning be clear."

XXXVIII. Councillors not present at Roll Call may have their names entered on by notifying the Clerk, if not more than 30 minutes late.

XXXIX. All, or any persons, not Councillors, or officials, attending meetings of Council merely as spectators, or otherwise, shall observe silence and order. Any such persons interrupting the proceedings of the Council, being called to order by the Warden or Chairman, and failing to comply, shall be ordered to leave the room.

XL. No Councillor shall leave the Council while in session for more than half an hour, without the permission of the Warden or Chairman. Special Committees may retire to transact business on the Chairman of such obtaining permission of the Chair.

XLI. No books, papers, or documents of any kind shall, on any pretence, by any person, be taken from the office of the Municipal Clerk, except by the authority of the Clerk of the Council.

XLII. The Clerk of the Council shall be empowered to have printed and to issue copies of the By-Laws regulating the gathering of Sea Manure, or any other By-Laws of the Council, to any Councillor applying for the same, for the purpose of posting up through their respective districts, and also to have printed a complete copy of the whole By-Laws of the Council in pamphlet form, to be supplied to each Councillor.

COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL.

I. Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Council annually as follows:—

- 1.—Committee on Public Accounts and Finance.
- 2.—Committee on Tenders and Public Property.
- 3.—Committee on Licences.
- 4.—Committee on Roads and Bridges.
- 5.—Committee on Assessments.
- 6.—Committee on Lunatics.
- 7.—Committee on Law Amendments.
- 8.—Committee on Jury Lists.
- 9.—Committee on Poor.

II. Special or Select Committees may be appointed, on motion, at any time.

III. The Clerk shall notify the Councillor first named on any Committee of his appointment, and furnish him with a copy of the Resolution appointing such Committee. Such Councillor shall be the convener and Chairman thereof.

IV. The Warden shall be, *ex officio*, a member of all the Standing Committees of the Council.

V. No Committees shall meet while the Council is in Session, unless by leave to retire from the Warden, who shall first ascertain that a quorum will thereafter be present before granting permission.

VI. The Report of any Committee shall be in writing, and signed by the Chairman when unanimous; but when there is a difference of opinion, the Report shall be signed by all who concur in it. The minority may also report their views in writing to the Council if they see fit, which report shall be signed by all concurring in it.

Duties of Committees.

FINANCE AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Public Accounts and Finance to examine accounts referred to them by the Council, and report thereon; to prepare Estimates, and submit proposals for the raising of money by Assessment, Loans, Bonds or otherwise; and further, to enforce the collection of all debts due to this Corporation, and to provide the necessary Books of Account and reference and all blank forms required.

TENDERS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Tenders and Public Property to examine and report on all tenders received for the performance of any Public Work, or for the loan of money; and they shall have control over and take charge of, all Property of the Municipality, and have supervision of the same as respects the purchase, sale, leasing and management thereof, and may incur expenditure on current Account, not exceeding Fifty Dollars, for any one service, reporting the same at next meeting.

THE COMMITTEE ON LICENCES.

Shall have referred to them all matters relating to licensing Ferrymen, the licensing of Auctioneers or hawkers of goods, as well as any matters arising out of the sale of intoxicating liquors by license that may be referred to them.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The duties of this Committee on Roads and Bridges shall be to have referred to them all petitions and matters respecting changing road districts, for requiring precepts to lay out new roads, for altering roads, repairing roads or Bridges, all road accounts for dividing, or sub-dividing the Road Grant from the Government, and all matters connected with roads and Statute labor.

ASSESSMENTS.

The Committee on Assessments shall take charge of all such matters relating to Assessment or County Rates as may be referred to them by the Council and report thereon to the Council.

LUNATICS.

The Committee on Lunatics shall inspect all accounts against the Municipality for Insane patients, and shall investigate all amounts due by Insane patients charged against the County and report to the Council.

LAW AMENDMENTS.

The duty of this Committee shall be to suggest any amendments the Council may think necessary in the interests of the Municipality, or for the working thereof and to urge the Legislature to amend or repeal such acts or parts of Acts, as shall be for the interest of the Municipality, and to report their recommendations to the Council.

JURY LISTS.

The duty of this Committee shall be to revise the Jury Lists in accordance with the requirements of the Law, as it may exist from time to time, and to report any special matter to the Council requiring action by said Council.

SUPPORT OF POOR.

This Committee shall have referred to them all matters connected with the Poor Returns from the various districts, and report upon the same.

CORPORATION SEAL.

I. The County Seal now in possession of the Clerk shall be attached to or its impress be made on all deeds or documents to which the Corporation is a party, and for which a seal is required, and which shall be signed by the Warden and Clerk.

II. All Licenses or Certificates or documents requiring said Seal for the purpose of authentication shall bear the impress of said Seal.

III. Any person requiring the County Seal to be affixed to any Certificate or document for the purpose of authentication shall pay to the Clerk the following fees, viz. : - For any document to be used outside the Province, \$2.50; to be used within the Province, \$1.50; if to be used within the Corporation, \$1.00.

4. No charge shall be made for the Seal for Certificates of appointments of County or District Officers required in a Court of Law.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

I. The election of County Officers shall be by ballot.

THE WARDEN.

II. The Warden shall have power to call upon a Committee to be nominated by him and meet at any time, to whom can be referred any matters of emergency.

III. The Warden shall take charge of the Bonds of the Clerk and Treasurer, the same to be handed over to the keeping of each succeeding Warden of the Municipality.

THE COUNTY CLERK AND TREASURER.

Shall perform their duties as laid down in the Municipal Corporation Act and amendments thereto, and shall deposit the monies belonging to the Municipality in the Bank of the Halifax Banking Company, and keep an account with said Bank until otherwise ordered by the Council. The said account shall be kept in the name of the Municipality of Halifax County.

He shall at each Annual Meeting of the Council in January, present a full statement of the receipts and disbursements for the County for the fiscal year ending 31st December, and a copy of the same shall be furnished to each Councillor.

COUNTY AUDITORS.

The duties of the Auditors shall be to audit all accounts submitted to them for that purpose, and especially the Treasurer's Annual accounts and report to the Council upon the same. They shall receive a sum not to exceed Twenty Dollars each for the year.

ACCOUNTS AND FORMS.

I. The County Clerk shall have printed and keep on hand for the use of the Municipality a sufficient number of blank forms required for the several services.

II. All claims against the Municipality as are by Statute payable on presentation, or at a stated time must be accompanied by the prescribed legal order Certificate or Warrant.

FINES, PENALTIES AND FORFEITURES.

I. The Clerk of the Council shall proceed against all District Officers refusing to take the Oath of Office after being duly notified, and also against those who, having taken the Oath, refuse or neglect to act, provided such persons are qualified to serve in said offices, and shall impose such fines as the law directs.

II. All fines, fees, and forfeitures collected by Justices of the Peace, shall be paid to the County Treasurer, and by him placed to the credit of the District wherein collected; to be used for the benefit of the Roads and Bridges of said District unless otherwise provided by Law.

ASSESSMENTS FOR POOR.

I. The amount to be assessed for Poor, if any required, shall be voted at any meeting of the Council on application of each District Councillor, and entered on the Assessment Roll by the Clerk; the rates to be all collected by 31st October.

II. For all rates then unpaid the Collector shall make up a list of defaulters attested to before a Justice of the Peace and a Warrant of Distraint shall be issued against the parties as the Law provides.

SPECIAL DUTIES OF CLERK.

The Clerk of the Council is to proceed against all District Officers refusing or neglecting to take the Oath of Office after being duly notified, and also against those who having taken the oath refuse to act, provided such persons are qualified to serve in such office, and he shall impose such fines as the law directs.

In the usual notice in the newspapers calling the Council together, there shall be added that "Petitions be received not later than the third day of Session."

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

COLLECTION OF RATES, SHORTAGES.

All deficits of rates remaining on the Assessment Rolls of the respective Districts at the end of each year, shall be added to the next year's assessment for the said Districts.

ENFORCEMENT OF RATES.

A sufficient number of Constables to be sent to any defaulting District where taxes have not been paid, the charges therefor in excess of their fees to be assessed upon the District the next year.

QUIET OR HARMLESS INSANE.

The Board of Charities to be requested to take such steps from time to time as may be necessary to remove from the Hospital for Insane all Patients chargeable to Halifax County who are reported by the Superintendent as suitable for removal to the County Poor House; the Committee on Lunatics to assist in carrying out this object.

DISTRICT POLICE CONSTABLES.

The Council may appoint Police Constables for any Town or Village their remuneration to be a charge upon the District within which they are appointed.

COLLECTORS.

I. All rates assessed upon any District of the County shall be collected by the District Collector, who shall notify the rate payers of the amounts due, and receive and pay the same to the County Treasurer, returning to him the Assessment Roll not later than the first day of October in each year.

II. For all rates then unpaid the Collector shall make up as the Statutes provides, a list of defaulters attested to and have issued against the parties a Warrant of Distraint.

III. On returning the Roll the Collector shall state in the column of Remarks the reasons why rates then uncollected have not been paid.

IV. The amount ordered to be levied on the District for the support of the Poor shall be collected and paid over to the Overseers of the Poor through their Treasurer, and his receipt therefor sent or handed to the County Treasurer by the Collector.

V. Before receiving the Roll for collection every Collector of County and Poor Rates shall give bonds with two Sureties, to be approved by the Councillor of the District, in a sum equal to double the amount of monies to be collected by him.

VI. Forms of said Bond to be furnished by the Clerk of the County and filed in his office when completed.

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

I. It shall be the duty of the Overseers of the Poor to notify the Councillor of the District of the amount, if any, required for their respective Districts, and to carry out the Statutes relating to the Poor, as modified by the County Incorporation Act.

II. Bonds shall be given by the Overseers of the Poor, or their Treasurer, with two Sureties in a sum equal to double the amount of money voted for the support of their Poor; forms of said Bonds to be furnished by the Clerk of the County, and filed with him when executed, approved by the District Councillor.

III. Their Treasurer shall pay out of the Assessment collected the commission allowed the Collector, and give him a receipt for all sums received.

HEALTH OFFICERS.

Shall be guided by and subject to Chapter IX of the Acts of 1888 and any amendments thereto, and their duties shall be in every respect in accordance with said Chapter, and also to carry out the requirements of Chapter 27 Revised Statutes, 5th Series and amendments thereto.

DISTRICT CLERKS.

Each District may appoint a District Clerk. His duties shall be to advertise any Public Meeting called by seven Rate payers of said District; to advertise any stray animal straying into his District away from its owner, the person having the animal on his premises paying said Clerk for advertising in three places the sum of 25 cents, the owner when claiming the property and proving the same, to whatever cost may accrue in keeping the same until delivered up.

OVERSEERS OF PUBLIC LANDING, &c.

The Overseers of the Public Landing at Portuguese Cove are empowered by this Council to charge not less than 20 cents for all boats coming to said Landing with the intention of fishing, and the said Overseers shall keep the said Landing clear, so that everyone coming may have their boats hauled up in safety.

BY-LAWS RELATING TO ANIMALS.

Dogs.

I. Every fierce, malicious, or dangerous dog within the Municipality shall be kept muzzled or chained by the owner, and not be permitted to go at large. The owner shall pay a penalty of Four Dollars for violation of this regulation.

II. If any dog shall bite or attack any person or any cattle or sheep, the owner shall pay a penalty of Four Dollars.

III. Should any person keep a dog, a tax of one dollar per annum for each additional dog, and one dollar and fifty cents for each bitch, shall be paid to the Collector of County and Poor Rates by the owner. In case of refusal to pay the tax, the Collector shall sue for the same before any Justice of the Peace. The tax, when collected, shall be paid to the County Treasurer, and credited to the District in which the same is collected.

STUD HORSES, BULLS, &C.

No Stud Horses, Bulls, Swine or Rams shall be allowed to go at large in the County of Halifax.

The owners of such Stud Horses, Bulls over one year, Swine and Rams found going at large, contrary to law and in violation of the foregoing By-Law, shall be liable for such offence to the following fines, viz. :

For each Stud Horse.....	\$4 00
“ Bull.....	2 00
“ Swine.....	50
“ Ram.....	1 00

Sheep shall not be allowed to run at large in Districts Nos. 18, 32, 33, 38, 17 and 31, under a penalty of 20 cents per head, to be collected in the same manner as other fines imposed under the By-Laws.

I. Whenever any animal is impounded, the pound-keeper, in case the owner of such animal is known to him, shall give the owner notice of such impounding as soon as practicable, and if within two days after said notice, the owner of said animal does not reclaim and remove it, and pay the forfeiture incurred, (or if the owner is unknown) within five days after such impounding of the animal, the Warden or the Councillor for the District shall issue an order for the sale at auction of such animal, and in such case the balance, if any, after deducting the forfeiture and expenses of sale, shall be paid to the owner, if applied for within three months from day of sale, and if not so applied for shall go to the use of the Municipality.

Before any animal impounded shall be released, the owner thereof or party applying for the release shall pay the following forfeiture, viz. :

For notice when given.....	\$0.50
Keeper unlocking pound.....	0.25
Keeper releasing the animal.....	0.25
For providing provender for the animal while in the pound, the regular charge as stated in the Revised Statutes, 4th Series; also expense of advertising.	

Miscellaneous By-Laws.

RIVER BANKS.

Owners of logs or timber of any kind driving the same in any River shall erect, or cause to be erected, on the turns and banks of such Rivers Shear-dams, Sluices, booms or some other means by which damage to private property will be prevented, under a penalty of Ten Dollars for each offence. Said fines and damages to be recovered before a Justice of the Peace in the County, on the oath of one creditable witness.

SEA MANURE.

I. No person shall be allowed to collect, pile, haul away or otherwise remove kelp or sea manure from the shores, coves, or beaches within the limits of the County of Halifax before sunrise or after sunset. Any person violating the foregoing regulations, shall be fined not less than two, or more than eight dollars to be recovered before any Justice of the Peace for the said County.

II. No person shall have a claim to sea manure unless properly piled six feet above high water mark in piles of at least one ordinary cart load.

III. Any person, other than the owner or his or her servant, who shall remove such sea manure, when so piled, shall be liable to the full amount or value of such manure, in addition to a fine of not more than four dollars for each and every offence, to be recovered as above mentioned.

IV. The above regulations shall not extend to take away or abridge any private rights or interest in any such shores or beaches.

FINES AND FORFEITURES.

All fines, fees and forfeitures collected by Justices of the Peace shall be paid to the County Treasurer, and by him be placed to the credit of the District wherein collected, to be used for the benefit of the Roads and Bridges of said District.

The Clerk of the Council shall proceed against all District Officers refusing or neglecting to take the oath of office after being duly notified, and also against those who, having taken the oath, refuse to act, provided such persons are qualified to serve in such office. He shall impose such fines as the law directs.

PEDDLERS AND AUCTIONEERS.

Peddlers who are not Rate Payers within the Province, and Auctioneers who are not Rate Payers within the Municipality shall be required to obtain a License before prosecuting their business as such Traders and Auctioneers within the Municipality.

Nothing herein shall be understood to include sales by authority of the Court of Probate, or by officers acting under authority of law, or of persons selling their own or their neighbour's goods or property in districts where they are Licensed Auctioneers.

The fee for peddling for residents and rate payers shall not exceed \$8.00 per annum, and for Auctioneers, resident and rate payers \$2.00 per annum, otherwise \$40.00 per annum.

Any person violating these regulations shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$20.00 to be recovered before a Justice of the Peace and applied according to law.

The License fees shall be as follows, viz :—For Peddlars carrying a pack, not more than Five nor less than Two dollars per year; and for Hawkers and others with waggons, &c., not less than Eight, nor more than Twenty dollars.

In every such License it shall be distinctly stated that no liquor can be sold thereunder. Any party who shall infringe this Regulation, shall in addition to the legal penalty in such cases, forfeit such License.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

I. The special fines and fees collected in each District shall be expended on the Roads and Bridges. The person expending the same shall be appointed by the District Councillor, and render an account under oath, accompanied by the certificate of said Councillor that the amount has been satisfactorily laid out for the Roads and Bridges; and the Treasurer is thereby authorized to pay said accounts to the extent of the amount at credit of the District.

II. The Councillor of each District shall receive from the County Clerk a copy of the Assessment Roll for the year and notices for the Overseers of Statute Labor to attend at a stated time and place, to be sworn in and copy their lists of rate payers in their several sections.

III. The Statute Labor returns, carefully and correctly made up, shall be submitted to the Councillors for the approval or correction and forward to the County Clerk as soon as the labor is performed in the sections, and not later than the 1st December. Penalty for neglect Two dollars.

The power to allow rate payers to place their Statute labor or any part of it on private roads or sideways shall be delegated to the Councillor of the District for the time being.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CUSTODIANS OF DRAW BRIBGES.

[BY PROVINCIAL ENGINEER.]

Custodians or Keepers of Draw Bridges, are required strictly to observe and carry out the following By-Laws.

1. The Bridge must always be kept in such order that teams, coaches and heavy loads may pass over it with safety.
2. No risk shall be run by allowing a team of any kind to pass over should the bridge be injured by accident or mishap; or if there is any doubt whatever of its being all right.

3. If there is anything the matter with the Bridge or machinery thereof that is beyond the means of the Keeper to at once repair, or replace he shall without delay to apply to the District Councillor and to the Overseer or Supervisor Roads, for advice and assistance.

4. The wrench handles for lifting the Bridge, or any other moveable implement or machinery belonging to the Bridge, shall be kept in the possession of the Keeper only.

5. The Draw shall be open by the Keeper to every party requiring boats and vessels to pass through day and night, for the purpose of navigation.

6. It shall be the duty of the Keeper to use every reasonable endeavor to see that every vessel passes through safely, agreeably to the Statutes of the Dominion or Province now in force, or which may be hereafter passed respecting the navigation, or working of Draw Bridges.

7. Any vessel passing through the Draw Bridge and injuring it in any part thereof through the neglect, carelessness, incompetency or wilfulness of the owner, master or party in charge, shall be reported forthwith to the Councillor of the District and the County Clerk.

8. During the time the Draw Bridge is open a temporary fence or chain, etc., shall be placed across each end of the Bridge so as to prevent any parties from driving or walking into the opening made by the draw being lifted or turned.

9. All parties in charge of vessels approaching the draw, shall be cautioned to moor or bring their vessels to anchor before passing through the draw.

10. The Keeper shall use every precaution necessary for the safety of the public, and of vessels going through, and the safety and preservation of the Bridge itself, so to prevent accidents or damages to persons or property.

11. Any person injuring or interfering with the Bridge and the implements or machinery of the draw are to be reported to the proper authorities, prosecuted and punished as the Law directs in Section 2, Chap. 51, N. S. Statutes. 1884.

DAM SON RIVERS, &c.

The Dams on the Musquodoboit River to be opened from 1st July to 1st October in each year. Any person convicted of shutting down said dams during the time above mentioned before the Justice of the Peace shall pay a penalty not to exceed Forty dollars, said fine to go to the County Funds. A copy of this By-Law to be sent to the District through which the River runs, and at least three copies to be posted up in the District.

FERRIES.

I. The Ferries now existing in this Municipality shall be continued until otherwise superseded, and any new ones to be established shall come under the Rules and Regulations of existing Ferries. Those at present established are Point Pleasant, Sheet Harbour, Ship Harbour and Kelly's Point.

II. The established hours for Ferrymen running the aforesaid Ferries, shall be from sunrise to nine (9) o'clock at night.

III. They may carry passengers at any hour during the night for double fare.

IV. Every Ferryman in the Municipality shall provide himself with a License bearing the Seal of the Municipality and signed by the Clerk of License, and shall be subject in all respects and at all times to the provisions of Chapter 62 of the Revised Statutes, 5th Series.

V. The License shall be in force for one year, but may be granted for a longer period.

VI. In case of any vacancy occurring by the death of any Licensed Ferrymen, such vacancy may be filled up and a new License granted by order of the Warden, subject to the approval of the Council at the next meeting thereof.

VII. There shall be allowed to every Licensed Ferryman within the limits of the Municipality for the following services the following fares, and no greater:—

Sheet Harbor—For every passenger.....	5 cents.
" " horse, wagon and driver.....	12 "
Point Pleasant to Purcell's Cove.....	7 "
Ship Harbor—For every foot passenger.....	7 "

And for any other Ferries the same proportion.

PROJECTING WAGGON LADDERS.

In view of the risk of life and property, caused by the carelessness of drivers of unloaded barrel and box teams leaving their ladders projecting from their sleds while unloaded, and the travelling public often getting valuable sleds destroyed, a fine of \$2.00, with costs, for every offence, shall be imposed, recoverable before a Justice of the Peace for the County; said fine to be paid to the County Treasurer.

Halifax County Poores' Farm.

ADMISSION OF PAUPERS.

No Pauper can be received at the Poor Farm, except on Application Forms signed by Overseers of Poor of his or her District. These Forms will be supplied by the County Clerk and are to be filed with him.

REGULATIONS IN REGARD TO VISITORS.

Ordinary visitors to the institution shall be admitted on Tuesdays and Saturdays only, and from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Ordained Clergymen, for giving spiritual advice or otherwise, shall be admitted any day or hour.

Visitors while on the premises shall be subject to the instructions and control of the Keeper.

Visitors shall have their names and addresses recorded in a book kept for the purpose. Persons refusing to record shall not be allowed to remain.

Visitors shall be at liberty to give inmates any donations or gifts of unobjectionable character; but the inmates are not allowed to importune visitors for such.

REGULATIONS FOR INMATES.

All persons, on being received as inmates, shall be examined by the Keeper or Matron, who shall see that they are properly cleansed, &c., and apportion them a bed, which the person must not change for any other without permission.

All inmates shall be subject to the control and orders of the Keeper and Matron, and all disobedience will be punished by deprivation of privileges or otherwise, in accordance with rules in such cases provided.

All inmates shall retire at night at such hour as from time to time by the Keeper directed, but in no case later than nine o'clock at night, and all lights shall then be extinguished; unless the Keeper shall in special cases direct otherwise.

A bell will be rung in the morning as signal for rising, when all inmates (except very old or sick persons, who may be allowed special privileges at the discretion of the Keeper) shall rise, dress, and go to the Lavatories and wash, and be ready for breakfast when called by the bell.

Inmates refusing or neglecting to go to their meals at the designated hours or when summoned, shall not be entitled to get anything to eat till the next meal time.

The use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is prohibited on the premises.

All inmates able to perform labor shall employ themselves as the Keeper and Matron may direct.

