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Council Minutes

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Minutes
of
Dartmouth Town Council

from
May 23rd 1873

to
July 24th 1882

Dartmouth

Wednesday evening
January 23rd 1848

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present, Wm. H. Ficks, Warden
Counsell, Mott, Linnell, Turner, and Stairs.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Fire Committee reported that they had decided to obtain plans, and advertise for tenders for the Bell Tower, to be completed about 1st March next, and recommended that a bell of about 600 lbs be purchased and erected therein.

After some discussion it was resolved, on motion of Councillor Stairs, seconded by Councillor Mott.

Resolved, "That the Fire Committee are authorized to procure a bell as recommended by them, weighing about 600 lbs, for erection in tower of School House, the cost to be provided for out of the contingent fund if necessary."

Counsell, Linnell, Stairs, and Walker were appointed a Committee to confer with the Sheriffs on the general state of the Fire Department, and to prepare Byelaws, and suggest improvements.

The Chief Police appeared before the Council and requested that alterations be made to the lockup to give him more accommodation, as it was too small for his family to live in.

The matter was referred to the Police Committee to report on.

The Warden brought to the notice of the Council, the petition of Mrs. Black, who wished to be relieved from payment of taxes.

Referred to Poor Committee.

A letter was read from a Committee of Christ Church Vestry, stating that the Vestry would recommend to the Annual Church Meeting, to give to the Town a line extending along East Side of the Cemetery eight feet wide on the South Side, and twenty two on the North end, for the purpose of a road; all expenses of fencing, moving of graves or to be borne by the Town.
 Referred to the Street Committee.

A letter from Mrs. Werner, liquor seller, ^{was read,} stating that she intended to give up the sale of liquor, and asking the Council to return her a quarter license money. After some discussion the matter was referred to the License Committee to finally settle, and to return her an amount not exceeding one sixth of license fee.

Read letter from Gust^{and} Aid referring to a stone wall on Myrtle St.
 Referred to the Street Committee.

A letter was read from Wm. Wentzell asking to be remunerated for damage sustained by him in the removal of gravel from the public street in front of his property.
 Referred to Street Committee.

Council adjourned

Alfred Elliott

Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Wednesday evening

February 13. 1898

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening

Present: Hon. W. Weeks, Warden
Council: Mott, Turner, Walker, Stais and Campbell
and the Recorder.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Committee appointed to examine and report on the general state of the Fire Department, reported that the apparatus now in use is not sufficient for the needs of the town, and recommended that a Special Committee be appointed to obtain information relative to cost of a Steam Fire Engine.

On motion the report was received and the same committee, consisting of Council Stais, Walker, & Stannell were appointed to obtain information as to cost of a Steam Fire Engine, and report to the Council.

Tenders for proposed Bell Tower, for Fire Alarm, on Quail Street School House were received from John Walker \$398. G. H. Misenor \$490. J. G. Elliot \$494. Henry Watt \$510.

After a lengthy discussion, on motion of Council Turner seconded by Council Stais

Resolved: "That the Tenders received for erecting Bell Tower on School House be referred back to Fire Committee to ascertain whether some alteration may not be made to reduce the cost of construction"

The Recorder reported in the case of the County of Halifax vs. the Town of Dartmouth, relative to the School Assessment, that the case had been argued before the Supreme Court, owing to the judges opinion that the Court had no jurisdiction, the matter stands in the same position as it was before.

The Recorder gave his opinion in the matter of P. J. Kuhn's Bond, as follows:—

"I have examined all the papers and given my best consideration to this matter.

The Town Council in December 1873, were not legally empowered to purchase this property, but having obtained a deed of conveyance in fee simple the property became vested in them for a consideration therein specified, leaving a part thereof unpaid, for which the then Warden by solemn Act under the Incorporation Seal covenanted that the Town should pay to the said P. J. Kuhn his executors, administrators and assigns \$600. in five years at 6% payable half yearly.

On the 8th Sept. 1874. P. J. Kuhn in consideration of \$570 assigned his interest to Almon & Mackintosh who are the present claimants.

The conveyances, as well as assignment to Almon & Mackintosh were prepared by my predecessor.

The amended Act of Incorporation permits the Town to hold and transmit Real Estate.

It is my opinion that both in law and in equity the Town is legally bound to discharge its indebtedness to Almon & Mackintosh they being in the eye of the law innocent bona fide holders of the Towns Bond or Debenture, for which they appear to have given a valuable consideration."

(signed) Robt. Motton
Recorder.

The following Byelaw was read, adopted and ordered to be sent to the Governor and Council for approval.

Be it ordained by the Warden and Councillors of Dartmouth, in Town Council assembled, as follows:—

In case of absence of the Warden from the Town, or his incapacity from sickness or other causes, or of a vacancy in that office, such one of the Councillors, as the Council may direct shall discharge all the duties of Warden, and shall be clothed with

the same power as to signing all papers, documents, debentures, and checks in as full and ample a manner as possessed by the Warden, under the Act of Incorporation, amendments thereof, and laws and ordinances now or hereafter in force."

The following Bye law was read, adopted and ordered to be sent to the Governor and Council for approval

Be it ordained by the Warden and Councillors of Dartmouth in Town Council assembled, as follows:—

1. "All persons engaged in the cutting of ice on the lakes and rivers within the Town ^{of Dartmouth} shall forthwith provide, put down, and establish bushes, and other sufficient marks, to be placed not more than twenty feet apart, for defining such cutting, and shall continue the same so as to afford sufficient warning to the public of such cutting, and of the dangerous character of the ice and of the cutting.
2. Any person violating this ordinance shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding four dollars for every twenty four hours such violation shall continue, and in default of payment suffer imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty days.
3. Any person removing any such bush or other marks, while such cutting shall remain, or the ice continue dangerous, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding four dollars, and in default of payment to be imprisoned for a term not exceeding thirty days."
4. All penalties under this ordinance shall be recovered in Police Office at the suit of the Town of Dartmouth."

A letter was read from Miss Larna Johnston School teacher, asking for an increase in her salary.

On motion of Council Mott,

Resolved. "That Miss Johnston be granted an increase in her salary of thirty dollars."

An application from Robt. J. Wilson was read, asking to have the mortgage held by the Town on his property in Halifax released, and that he would pay the sum of four hundred dollars on the purchase of the Short Property.

The matter was referred to the Committee on Public Property.

A number of accounts were passed and ordered to be paid. and the Council adjourned.

Alfred Elliot.
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth

Monday, evening
February 25, 1878

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present, Councillors, Turner, Faneuil, Mott, Stairs, Walker, and Campbell.

The Warden being absent Council: Turner was appointed Chairman.

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

A Letter from Mr. Henry Elliot, archt. was read stating in answer to an enquiry that the Tower on the Paul St. School House in its present state was capable of sustaining a bell of 5 to 600 lbs. with a few necessary alterations at a cost of from \$50 to \$75. Referred to Fire Committee.

On motion of Counc. Mott, seconded by Counc. Turner.

Resolved. "That the thanks of the Town Council and Citizens of the Municipality of Dartmouth are hereby respectfully tendered to the Chairman of Firewards, the Fire Department, Union Engine Union Protection, and Fire Companies, and Police of the City of Halifax, for the generous, prompt, and efficient manner in which they responded to the call for aid on the night of the 18th day of February instant, on the occasion of the recent fire at J. C. Leadley's premises".

A Letter from the Building Committee of the Temperance Reform Club was read asking the Council to grant them a lot of land 60ft x 100ft on Wentworth St. in rear of Old Town Hall, for a Building Site.

After some discussion the matter was referred to the Committee on Public Property to report on.

An application was read from Mr. J. McKay principal of Schools, asking to be furnished desks and other apparatus required for the Schools, at a probable cost of \$22.25.

Letter from Policeman McLeenan was read asking for an increase of Salary.
Referred to Police Committee.

The Clerk having stated, that he had tendered Mr. Thomson atty for Mrs. Lanout with a cheque for \$26.78 being amount of purchase, less amount received for settlement of Humphrey property and cost of survey, and that the cheque was refused, as they claimed interest from date of purchase.
The matter was referred to the Committee on Water Supply.

Council adjourned.

James W. Turner
Chairman

Alfred Elliot

Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Friday evening

Mar. 8. 1848

A meeting of the Council was held this evening

Present. Wm. H. Weeks, Warden
Council: Mott, Farrell, Turner, Walker and Campbell,
with the Recorder.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Police Committee reported recommending that Policeman McEllan be granted an increase of forty dollars to his salary.

After some discussion it was resolved, on motion of Council Mott, seconded by Council Farrell

"That Policeman McEllan be granted an increase in his salary of thirty dollars per annum."

The Committee on Public Property reported, recommending that the Temperance Reform Club be granted a lease of the property desired by them for a Club House site for twenty one years at a nominal rent.

After some discussion it was resolved on motion, "That the Report of the Committee be adopted."

The Warden recommended to the Council that the Stone crusher owned by the Town be utilized and the roads in the northern part of the Town be repaired now while labor was cheap.

The matter was referred to the Street Committee.

Application from J. Ovinston for the vacant situation of Coal Measurer was read.

On motion of Council Farrell, resolved that the appointment be deferred till the Annual Appointment of Town Officers.

On motion of Council Mott, seconded by Council Turner

Resolved, "That the Council request the representatives of the County at Ottawa to obtain permission from the Dominion Government to have goods landed and stored in bond in the Town of Hartmouth."

On motion of Councilor Jewell, seconded by Councilor Mott,

Resolved, "That His Honor the Warden be authorized to draw a cheque for the sum of \$3419.11 and place the same in the hands of the Water Supply Committee, to complete the purchase of the Lanmont Property."

The Fire Committee were instructed to have the fire extinguisher placed in efficient order and to purchase necessary charges for the same.

The Recorder reported in reference to the disputed charge in the account of the Commissioners of Poor Asylum for 1846 that it had been referred to the solicitor of the Commissioners and himself to settle.

The Clerk was instructed to pay Messrs J. & G. Ritchie, Sole to Almon & Mackintosh, interest due on the Kuhn bond.

Council adjourned

Alfred Elliot
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Monday evening
March 25. 1878

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present. Wm. W. Weeks, Warden.
Councillors. Mott, Farrell, Turner, Walker and Campbell.
Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Firewards were instructed to place the six Fire Extinguishers owned by the Town in a state of efficiency, and to put them in charge of the Engine Co.

On motion of Council Mott, it was resolved that six respirators be purchased for the Fire Dept.

The Committee on Public Property were authorized to let or lease for a term of years the Lamont Mill Property.

The Clerk reported that Robt. J. Wilson had not paid the interest on the mortgage on the Short property due 1st Jan'y last. The matter was referred to the Recorder.

On motion of Council Mott, Mrs Behan janities of Schools was granted an increase of \$2. per month in her salary from Nov. 1/77 she having an additional room to clean and attend.

The New Bye Laws respecting
"Commercial Travellers and Agents."
"Cutting of Ice on Lakes &c."
"Cattle going at large."
"Absence of Warden."
having received the approval of the Lieut. Governor were directed to be published by Posters for the information of the Public.

The Recorder was instructed to convey to Janet Kenny the property belonging to her held in trust by the Overseers of the Poor.

The new Fire Alarm Bell, ordered, having arrived, the Fire Committee were authorized to place the same on the tower of the Quail St. School House without unnecessary delay. (Height of bell 87 ft 10 in 38 in diam.)

Letter was read from John Brandis, asking that an Hotel License be granted him.
Referred to License Committee.

Letter read from John Harris, Justice, asking the Council to take steps to place him in possession of the property recently occupied by Saml. Hunt. Referred to Recorder.

Letter read from John Bowes in complaining of an overflow of water from a street drain on his land.
Referred to Street Committee.

Letter read from D. E. R. Lecain asking payment of a bill for medicines supplied to Patrick Behan, a pauper. Referred to Overseers of Poor.

Letter read from John Coenston, stating that he had established a Soup Kitchen, and asking the patronage of the Council by giving tickets to families in want.
Referred to Overseers of Poor.

A number of accounts were passed and ordered to be paid.

Council adjourned

Alfred Elliot
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Friday evening
April 5th 1848

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present. Wm. H. Weeks, Warden.
Councillors, Mott, Faull, Turner, Campbell
Walker and Staw, and the Recorder.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Recorder reported relative to John Brand's application for an Hotel License, that under the Law, the usual license only could be granted. He also reported relative to interest due by R. J. Wilson, that he had communicated with him, and laid on the table a letter from Mr. Wilson stating that he was unable to pay the interest on the mortgage, and asking if arrangements could not be made to relieve him of it.

After some discussion it was resolved on motion of Coun. Staw, seconded by Coun. Faull, "That the matter of the short property and the collection of interest due by Mr. Wilson, be referred to the committee on Public Property with power to deal with the matter and settle it in the interests of the Town."

Letter was read from Lamont and McDonalds notifying the Town that they would give up possession of the Lamont Property on 1st May next.

On motion of Coun. Turner seconded by Coun. Staw Resolved, "That the property recently purchased from Mrs. Lamont be immediately insured, and that the property be advertised to let or leased as soon as possible."

Coun. Staw Ch. of Steam Fire Engine Com. presented their report, which was read and on motion referred to same Committee, with instructions to consult experts and further report.

Letter from Indian Clerk Clerk of the Peace was read, enclosing copy of a resolution passed by the Court of Sessions appointing a Committee of three to meet a Committee of the Council to arrange a settlement of the County School Assessment matter. Referred to a Committee consisting of Councilors Favell, Stairs, Turner, and the Recorder.

A statement showing the Receipts and Expenditures of the Town for the year ending 31st Dec. 1898 was laid on the table by the Clerk. Referred to Finance Committee with instructions to have same published for public information.

The Recorder was instructed to notify parties encroaching on Public Blocks to vacate the same without delay.

On motion of Councilor Mott. Resolved - That John Walkers tender of \$285 be accepted for alterations to School House Tower for the Fire Alarm Bell.

The Recorder reported relative to the S. Hart Property, that he would recommend, that if Harris would pay the Town's claim against Hart to give him possession of the property. Referred to Officers of Poor.

J. W. Allison was appointed Auditor of Public Accounts, in place of W. K. Angwin, who declined the Office.

A number of accounts were passed and ordered to be paid.

Council adjourned to Wednesday evening next at 7.30 o'clock.

Alfred Elliot
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Wednesday evening

April 10th 1878.

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening.
Present Hon. H. Weeks, Warden.
Councillors Mott, Sumner, Fanill, Campbell, Staus
and Walker, and the Recorder.

Minutes of last Meeting read and confirmed.

Discussion ensued relative to the erection of the
new fire bell.

On motion of Council Staus, seconded by Council
Sumner, Resolved, "That the Committee on the Fire bell
be requested to ask for tenders for a suitable tower for
fire bell and drying hose at the Engine House,
according to plans now prepared, and that the plan
of putting bell upon School House be abandoned."

Letter was read from the New Jersey Rubber
Hose Co. Referred to Fire Committee.

Committee on Public Property were requested to
report relative to repairs required by Lockup
Building.

Letter from Nephew Clarke Clerk of the Peace was
read requesting to be furnished with a statement
of the latest valuation of assessable property for the
purpose of apportioning the County Assessment.

It was resolved that notice to the public be
given by poster that all manure, ashes, &c be removed
from yards, outhouses, &c, and the same cleaned and
whitewashed by the 1st day of May next.

Petition from residents of Dawson St. for a
Drain and Street Lamp was read.

Referred to Street Committee.

Council adjourned

Alfred Elliot
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Wednesday evening

April 14. 1878

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present. Am. B. Neek, Warden
Coun^{rs} Mott, Turner, Farrell, Stairs and Campbell.
Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Coun^r Turner, Ch. Street Committee reported that a surveyor had been engaged to run the line of the Street between the Kempton & Boland Properties, and that he would report to the Council.

Officers for the ensuing Municipal Election were appointed as follows: ---

Ward I

Alex. Lloyd	Presiding Officer
John Glendinning	Inspector
Chas Young	Clerk

Ward II

Coun ^r Walker	Presiding Officer
J. R. Ormon	Inspector
Walter Breighton	Clerk

Ward III

J. J. Hyde	Presiding Officer
Jas. Wall	Inspector
Frank Hyde	Clerk

Polling places as follows: ---

Ward I	Warner Wainsons Paint Shop
Ward II	John Wall
Ward III	Engine House

The Auditors Report on the Finances of the Town for the year ending Nov. 31. 1878. was read, the Statement of Receipts and Expenditures was referred to a Committee consisting of Coun^{rs} Farrell, Turner and Stairs, to have printed and distributed to the Ratepayers.

The Estimates for the ensuing year were then taken up and discussed.

On motion of Council Turner, seconded by Faull. Resolved - "That the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars be placed in the Estimates for the ensuing year for Street Services, and also toward purchasing a Steam engine and Boiler for Stone Crusher."

Council adjourned until Thursday evening next at 7.30 o'clock.

Alfred Elliot.
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth

Thursday evening
April 18. 1878.

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present: Wm. W. Weeks, Warden.
Councillors, Mott, Turner, Faull, Campbell, Walker, and Stairs.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

A letter was read from Russell Johnson Iron Co. of Yarmouth, relating to prices of Steam Fire Engines. After some discussion, on the subject of a Steam Fire Engine, it was resolved, on motion of Councillor Turner, seconded by Councilor Walker. "That the sum of Four thousand dollars for the purchase of a Steam Fire Engine and Hose be recommended to the Ratepayers at Annual Town Meeting, and that the sum of One thousand dollars be paid annually."

On motion of Councilor Stairs, seconded by Councilor Mott. Resolved, "That the Town Meeting be asked to authorize an extra-ordinary expenditure of eight hundred ^{and fifty} dollars for the erection of a Bell Tower, and Drying Tower for hose - on Engine House, and for repairs to main floor of

building, payments to be made in same manner as for Steam Fire Engine; that is divided over four years"

Council Campbell moved, seconded by Council Walker, "That three thousand dollars be put in the estimates to pay the interest on fifty thousand dollars that may be required for the purpose of getting the water into the Town".

The motion was put and declared lost Council Campbell & Walker voting for, and Council Mott, Farrell and Turner against the motion.

On motion of Council Mott Resolved, "That the Clerk be authorized to have the Estimates for the ensuing year printed together with the Statement of the Finances for the year ending 31st March 1878"

Council adjourned,
 A. P. Elliot,
 Town Clerk.

Dartmouth
 Monday evening
 April 29. 1878

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present. Wm. H. Weeks, Esq. M.D. Warden
 Council Mott, Farrell, Turner, Stans, Walker
 Campbell.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Committee on Public Property were instructed to place a man in charge of the Lamont Mill Property until the property was let.

Counc^r Turner Chairman of Committee on Public Property reported that the Recorder had been instructed to foreclose mortgage on Short Property and also mortgage on property in Halifax given by Robt. J. Wilson as security for purchase of the Short Property.

Letter from John Bowes relative to an overflow of water from a street drain on his property, and a letter from Edward Bowes offering gravel for sale, and asking employment as Superintendent of Streets. Were read and referred to Street Committee.

An application from Miss Sarah Allen was read asking for employment as School Teacher. Referred to School Committee.

Counc^r Turner Ch. Street and Public Property Committees, read his report on the work done in those Departments for the past year.

Report was adopted.

A number of accounts were passed and ordered to be paid. Council adjourned.

Wm. Elliot. Town Clerk

Town of Dartmouth, S.S.

I William W. Weeks do solemnly swear that I will be faithful, and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria. So help me God. (sgd) Wm W. Weeks.
Sworn at Halifax, this ninth day of
May, A.D. 1878, before me. (sgd) James Thomson, Custos²³

I William W. Weeks do swear that I am duly qualified as required by Law for the Office of Warden, and that I am seized or possessed as the Owner in my own right, and for my own use and benefit, of real and personal estate in the Town of Dartmouth of the value of One thousand dollars, beyond the amount of my just debts, and that I have not obtained the same by fraud or collusion to qualify myself for Office, and I swear that I will faithfully perform the duties of Warden, while I hold the Office with diligence and impartiality to the best of my ability.
Sworn at Halifax, this ninth day of ²³ 5 So help me God
May, A.D. 1878, before me. (sgd) Wm W. Weeks
(sgd) James Thomson³
Custos

Town of Dartmouth's Ist.

We the undersigned

Thomas L. Dewolf
Councillor elected for Ward No. OneLuther Steins
Councillor elected for Ward No TwoFrederick Scarfe
Councillor elected for Ward No Threefor the Town of Dartmouth do severally
solemnly swear that we will be faith-
ful and bear true allegiance to Her
Majesty Queen Victoria.
So help me God.Sworn to before me at
Dartmouth on the
Ninth day of May
A.D. 1878 by the above
named

Thomas L. Dewolf

Thomas L. Dewolf
Luther Steins
Frederick Scarfe

Frederick Scarfe

Luther Steins

Town of Dartmouth

We

Thomas L. Dewolf

Luther Stearns

Fredrick Scarfe

do severally swear that we are duly qualified as required by Law for the Office of Councillor that we are seized or possessed as the owner in my own right and for my own use and benefit of real or personal estate in the Town of Dartmouth of the value of one thousand dollars beyond the amount of my just debts; and that I have not obtained the same by fraud or collusion to qualify myself for office, and I swear that I will faithfully perform the duties of Councillor while I hold the office with diligence and impartiality to the best of my ability.

So help me God

Sworn to before me
 at Dartmouth on the
 Smith day of May
 A.D. 1878 by the above
 named

Thomas L. Dewolf

Luther Stearns

Fredrick Scarfe

Thomas L. Dewolf
 Luther Stearns
 Fredrick Scarfe

W. H. Weeks

Notary

Dartmouth
Thursday afternoon
May 9. 1848

J. L. Dewolf, Luther Sterns, and Frederick Scarfe Esqrs. the Councillors elect for the ensuing term were sworn in to day by the Warden at 3 p.m. in presence of Councillors Campbell and Stairs.

A Meeting of the Council was held immediately afterwards. Minutes of last meeting read & confirmed.

On motion of Counr. Stairs, it was resolved that the Council at an adjourned meeting proceed to elect the Officers of the Town in the usual manner.

Council adjourned to meet Friday evening at 7.30 o'clk.

Wm. Elliot
Town Clerk

Dartmouth
Friday evening
May 10th 1848

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present. Wm. W. Weeks. Warden.
Counrs. Campbell, Walker, Stairs, Dewolf, Sterns, and Scarfe, and the Recorder.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Standing Committees for the ensuing year were appointed as follows:—

Public Account	Counrs.	Stairs
Finance & Auditing		Dewolf
		Sterns

Schools & Public Property - and Tenders.	} Council	Walker
		Campbell
		Stairs
Licenses & Police	} Council	Stems
		Scafe
Roads & Streets	} Council	Dewolf
		Campbell
		Walker
		Scafe

Town Officers,
for the ensuing year were elected as follows:-

Stipendiary Magistrate & Recorder	} Robt. Motton Esq. J.P.	
Town Clerk & Treasurer & Clerk of License	} Alfred Elliot	
Jurymen	} Council	Walker
		Wm. Elliot
		John R. Graham
		J. E. Lawlor
		Edw. Wheddy
		Walton Wilson
	Alan McDonald	
	Edw. Burchell	
Health Wardens	} Council	Campbell
		Walker
		Scafe
Overseers of Poor	} Council	Dewolf
		Stems
		Stairs
Clerks of Markets & Inspectors of Weights & Measures	} J. W. Graft	John McBain
		Peter McKenna
Surveyors of Lumber	} G. A. Wisener	Wm. Glendinning
		Jas. Stewart
		John Power

Highways of Kay & Shaw	J. B. Lawlor
	D. G. Farrell
Measures of Coal, Wood, Grain, &c	J. R. Patterson (Sup ^r),
	John Misener
	S. M. Kearney
	John Odenstrom
Police Constables	Wm. Leahan (Chf),
	J. McLellan
Round Keepers	Police men
Town Assessor	Gas. R. Omond
Assessors: Ward One	John Glendinning
" Two	G. G. Elliot
" Three	John J. Walker

A letter was read from Arch. J. McDonald applying for the situation of Chief of Police.

A letter was read from S. A. Chesley Sol^r for Chris. Dant, relative to taxes on his property. Referred to Finance Committee.

A letter was read from B. W. Eaton, Sol^r for J. Bosson of Halifax, claiming satisfaction for an act of John Thim Driver of his Oil Wagon.

Referred to the Recorder to report on.

A letter was read from David J. Power, Asst. Dep. Marshal N.Y. Police, claiming the reward offered by the Council for the arrest and conviction of the persons concerned in setting fire to the old grist mill Dartmouth Cove. Referred to Police Com to report on.

A letter from Hepean Blake, Clerk of the Peace notifying the Council of the amount required to be assessed on the Town the present year for County purposes.

On motion, Resolved, "That the letter be allowed to lie on the table until next meeting in order that the old committee may report."

Council Stairs was requested to ask Messrs. Turner and Farrell, members of old committee to serve with the Committee to be appointed.

A letter from J. R. Patterson, ^{was read} asking the Council to pay a part of his wages as night watchman, as the amount he received from private persons was too small to pay him for the work.

Referred to the Police Com. to report on.

Letters from Thos. Farrell and J. W. Bain, were read, applying for the situation of Supt. of Streets.

Referred to Street Com.

Council adjourned to Saturday evening at 7.30 o'clk.

Wm. Elliot. Corpn. Clerk.

Dartmouth

May 11. 1848

Saturday evening,

A meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present, Wm. H. Weeks Esq. Warden
Counse Campbell, Walker, Stairs, Dewolf, Steens and
Searge, and the Recorder.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

John W. Bain was appointed Surveyor of Lumber in place of G. A. Misenor, who declined to serve.

Counse Stairs reported relative to the County School Assessment matter as follows:—

"The Committee appointed by Council to meet Committee appointed by Sessions have to report that nothing definite towards a settlement has been done. They met the Committee of Sessions, and after considerable discussion upon the matter in which your committee held to the opinion which has always been expressed by the Council. There was a sub-committee appointed by request of the members of Sessions, consisting of themselves only to meet the government to ascertain if a basis for a settlement could not be arrived at.

Your Committee would mention that they would not act with the members of Sessions in meeting Government, as they considered it would not be in the interests of the Town for them to do so."

By James W. Turner
John A. Stairs.

On motion the Report was received. Council Stairs also reported that Messrs. Turner and Farrell, members of old committee agreed to act with new committee of the Council to be appointed.

On motion, Council Stairs, Dewolf and Walker, were appointed the committee to adjust the difficulty with the County relative to School Assessment.

On motion of Council Stairs seconded by Council Scarfe, Resolved - "Whereas at the last annual meeting the Ratepayers by a vote of the majority present authorized as an extra-ordinary expenditure the sum of ^{Two} thousand dollars for the purchase of a Steam Fire Engine, hose, &c. and the sum of Eight hundred and fifty dollars for the erection of Bell, and Hose Raising Tower, and such repairs as might be needed to present Engine House, to make it fit to keep Steam Fire Engine in. Be it therefore resolved, under Sec. 42 of the charter, that the amount be raised in four annual instalments of One thousand and two hundred and twelve dollars respectively; and that this Council authorize the imposition of a rate to meet such extra-ordinary expenditure, for each year until the whole amount is paid."

On motion of Council Stairs, seconded by Council Scarfe, Resolved, - "Whereas at the last annual meeting, the Ratepayers by a vote of the majority present authorized as an extra-ordinary expenditure the sum of two

hundred dollars for widening the Street known as Chapel Lane. Be it therefore resolved under section forty two of the charter that the required amount be raised this year, and that this Council authorize the imposition of a rate to meet such extra-ordinary expenditure."

Some discussion then ensued relative to repairs to Engine House, and proposed Bell Tower. On motion of Counc. Staw, seconded by Counc. Dewolf, Resolved, "That a Committee of three to be named, be appointed to enquire into the state of the engine house, whether it be in a fit state to receive a Steam Fire Engine, and to find out and report to Council at as early a date as possible what arrangements are needed for care of Steamer such as keeping frost out, and all other matters requisite for engine house, and bell tower." Counc. Walker, Scarfe, and Campbell were appointed as the Committee.

A letter was read from W. Gondon Esq County Insp. of Schools, expressing his satisfaction with the correctness and neatness of the returns from the Dartmouth Schools for term ending Apr. 30/98, and that the returns were commended by the Board of Commissioners for West Hants. The Warden directed that the letter be acknowledged and published.

Council adjourned

Alfred Elliot
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Wednesday evening

May 15th 1878

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present: Wm. H. Weeks, Warden
 Council, Campbell, Walker, Stans, Stans, and Scafe.
 Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Engine House Committee reported as follows:— We the Engine House Committee have examined the Engine House and found the floor from the centre wall north, and the North, East, and part of the West sill in a bad condition, and it is unfit to bear the weight of a Steam Engine without repairing, and we request that the work be done as soon as possible as the tower cannot be built until the East sill be made good. We are also of opinion that the Building can be sufficiently heated by the furnace in the tower and a stove in the west end.

W. C. Walker
 (sgd) } J. Scafe
 } J. Campbell

On motion of Council Scafe the report was adopted.

After some discussion relative to repairs to Engine House, Resolved, On motion of Council Stans seconded by Council Stans. "Whereas, it is deemed advisable to have the work for Bell, and Drying Tower tendered for with the repairs that are required to Engine House, Be it resolved, that the Committee on Engine House, instruct the Town Clerk to call for tenders for both works by the 20th inst. at 4 p.m."

The persons appointed ^{at last meeting} to serve as Fire Constables having declined to act, the following were appointed:
 Geo. Pawley
 Geo. A. Pyke
 J. G. Stevens
 John Ritchie
 John Elliot jr

On motion of Council Searge, the Clerk was directed to notify Town Assessor to proceed with the assessment of the Real and Personal Property in the town immediately.

Council Sterns gave notice of motion as follows: — "That the Warden call the Police and License Committee together once a month, or oftener if necessary for the better ordering of affairs in that department."

Council Campbell gave notice of motion as follows: — "That in future the Ratepayers or such of them as may elect to do so be allowed to pay their taxes in quarterly payments."

The Clerk was directed to write to Clerk of the Peace, requesting him to inform the Council of amount due by Dartmouth for County Rates, separate from School Rates.

Read letter from G. A. Misener relative to J. Saugher an imbecile, Referred to Overseers of Poor.

Council adjourned to Monday next at 7.30 o'clock p.m.

Alfred Elliott
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Monday evening
May 20. 1878

A Meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present, Wm. H. Weeks, Warden,
Council Sterns, Walker, Campbell, Sterns and Searge
and the Recorder.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Report of Police Committee was read, as follows:—

The Police Committee beg leave to report relative to application of David J. Power for the reward offered by the Council for the apprehension and conviction of the parties concerned in setting fire to the old grist mill, that having considered the matter they beg to recommend that the amount of the reward, viz, One hundred dollars be paid.

With regard to the application of John Patterson night watchman for remuneration they would recommend that he be granted one hundred dollars per annum, payable monthly, provided he gives up all day duties, to be sworn in as an 'extra constable' and be under the direction of the Police Committee."

After some discussion the report was adopted.

Report of Street Committee was read, as follows:—

Your Committee beg to report, having met and examined the various applications from parties for the situation of Supt. of Streets, and have appointed Thomas Tammell to that Office, and now request the Council to confirm the same.

They further request the Council to place the sum of five hundred dollars to their credit to be drawn upon in the same form and manner as last year so that they may be enabled to proceed with the various works required without delay.

They have also to report in reference to the application of John Bowes respecting the overflow of water from the road on his premises, that they consider he has a just cause of complaint, and recommend that if permission can be procured from owners of land contiguous to canal that a drain be constructed to carry off said waste water.

They have also to request to be furnished with all plans and information relating to the boundaries

of the streets and roads as several cases of disputed boundary lines have already been brought before your Committee, and which they will require to investigate."

The Report was received.

On motion of Counc^r. Scarfe, the appointment of Thos. Jewell as Supt. of streets was confirmed.

After some discussion as to repairs to Streets, it was resolved on motion of Counc^r. Stans, seconded by Counc^r. Stens, "Resolved, that the sum of five hundred dollars as requested in the Report of Street Committee, be placed to their credit for general Street purposes."

On motion of Counc^r. Stans, Resolved, that the clauses in report of Street Committee, referring to overflow of water from road on John Bowls land be adopted.

The Recorder reported relative to matters which had been referred to him as follows:—

"Referring to the letter of solicitors of J. Bosson threatening an action against the Town, I have to report that having enquired into the circumstances, in my opinion Mr. Bosson has no cause of action against the Town, and therefore I cannot recommend a settlement of his demand. On the subject of Mrs. Darts taxes as set forth in the letter of Sd. Chesley Esq. her solicitor I am not in a position to report definitely, as I have not yet been able to obtain inspection of the trust deed. Whenever I have examined the deed I will file my opinion with the Town Clerk."

(Sgd) Robt. Molton
Recorder

Counc^r. Campbell moved, seconded by Counc^r. Walker. "That in future the Ratepayers or such of them, as may elect to do so be allowed to pay their taxes in quarterly payments"

The Recorder's opinion, being requested, he said

That the Assessment Law could not be altered unless an act of the Legislature was obtained to legalize such alteration.

After some discussion, resolved, on motion of Council Stairs, "that the resolution just moved by Council Campbell, lay on the table, to be discussed at a future day."

On motion of Council Stairs seconded by Council Scarfe, Resolved, "that the Warden call the Police and License Committee together once a month, or oftener if necessary, for the better ordering of affairs in that department."

Thos. K. Scarfe was appointed Fire Constable.

Committee on Revision of Byelaws was appointed as follows:—

Council Stairs, Stairs, and Scarfe, with the Recorder.

On motion of Council Scarfe, seconded by Council Stairs, Resolved, "that as only one tender has been sent in for the erection of Bell Tower and repairs to the Engine House, that the same be not opened by this Council, but that the Committee be instructed to advertise for tenders, without any limitation except as to time, say ten days, and report the result to this Council."

On motion of Council Stairs, seconded by Council Scarfe, Resolved, "that when this Council adjourns it stand adjourned until 29th inst. and that the consideration of the Steam Fire Engine be put upon the order of the day, to be considered in committee of the whole."

The Clerk was requested to invite Engineers and others to attend to give their views respecting a Steam Fire Engine for the Town.

Council adjourned, *Wm. Elliot*
Small

Dartmouth

Monday evening
May 27 1878

A meeting of the Council was held this evening.
Present. Wm. H. Weeks, Warden. Council: Campbell,
Walker, Stanis Dewolf, Steus, and Scarfe.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.
On motion the order of the day was suspended,
and Council resolved into Committee of the whole to
discuss the Steam Fire Engine Question.

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After Committee adjourned, on motion of
Council Scarfe, seconded by Council Dewolf,
Resolved, "that the Warden express the thanks of the
Council to the gentlemen present at meeting of
Committee for the valuable information furnished
on the subject of Steam Fire Engines."

Letter from Jas. W. Ball was read suggesting
that an asphalt floor instead of a wooden one be
adopted for the Engine House, and offering to
furnish estimate of cost, &c.
Referred to Engine House Committee.

Letter read from John Patterson private night
watchman, declining to act as watchman for the
Town, on conditions voted by Council. Laid on the table.

Letter read from Miss Hunt, asking permission
to use the colored School room on Sabbath afternoons
for a Sabbath School for colored children.
Referred to School Committee.

Letter read from L. P. Fairbanks offering to
the town lakes "Loon" and "Cranberry" for Water supply
purposes, after some discussion relative thereto,
Council Campbell gave notice of motion as follows:
"That a Committee be appointed to arrange with
reference to Lake Loon purchase, and general
supply of water to Town" Council adjd. Alfs. Elliot
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Tuesday evening
June 4. 1878.

A meeting of the Council was held this evening.
Present. Wm. W. Weeks. Warden
Council. Campbell, Walker, Stairs, Searge, Stearns
and the Recorder.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The ~~Street~~ ^{Engine House} Committee submitted their report which was read.

They reported adversely to the proposition to lay a cement or asphalt floor in the Engine House. The Committee also reported that three tenders had been received for the Erection of Bell Tower, &c. and recommended that Mr. John Walker tender of \$745, being the lowest, be accepted, and that a contract be forthwith entered into with him, and that the work be proceeded with immediately.

On motion the report was adopted.

The School Committee reported as follows:
The School Committee beg leave to make the following report:— Miss Burtin School Teacher having applied for leave of absence for two months from the end of the holidays, your committee recommend that that leave be granted. Miss Burtin as requested. Miss. Hume, a teacher in the new school house, who is a very deserving and painstaking, and doing good work, her salary at present is ninety dollars per ann. which amount is the Government Grant. Your committee would recommend to the Council that Miss Hume be granted ninety dollars per ann. from the Town in addition to the Govt. allowance. With regard to prizes for the School children, your committee would state that the sum of fifty dollars

is usually voted for that purpose, and would respectfully recommend that, that sum be voted for prizes for the present year."

On motion of Coun^r Scarfe, seconded by Coun^r Staus. Resolved "That the report of School Committee recommending that Miss. Kurnie's Salary be increased to One hundred and eighty dollars per annu, and that the sum of fifty dollars be granted for ^{school} prizes, be hereby agreed to."

The matter of repairs to Lockup building was referred to Committee on Public Property to report on.

W. Deane Agent Silsby Manfg. Co. of Seneca Falls N.Y. appeared before the Council, and made a proposal to sell to the Town a Steam Fire Engine and Hose Reel. He recommended a fourth size Engine as most suitable for the needs of the Town. Price of Engine and Reel to be \$300. in cash on delivery. Consideration of the matter was deferred until Wednesday evg. next at 7.30 o'clk.

An abstract of the Laws in force relating to Sale of intoxicating liquors was submitted by the Recorder, at the request of the License Committee.

On motion of Coun^r Scarfe, seconded by Coun^r Staus. Resolved, "That the abstract from the laws in force for the sale of intoxicating liquors as submitted by the Recorder, be printed and attached to the Licenses granted within the Town."

On motion of Coun^r Campbell, seconded by Coun^r Scarfe, Resolved, "That a committee be appointed to enquire with reference to Lake Loon purchase, and general supply of water to Town."

Coun^r Dewolf, Campbell, and Walker, were appointed such committee.

The Recorder reported that a writ had been served on the Town at the suit of Almon & Mackintosh for interest on the Kuhn bond.

After considerable discussion, on motion of Council
Stairs, seconded by Council Scarfe,
Resolved: "That the Recorder be instructed to defend
the Town at the suit of Almon et al."

Council Campbell, gave notice that he would move at
next meeting, "That the resolution passed authorizing
the Recorder to defend the suit of Almon et al, be reconsidered."

The Recorder reported that the short property
was to be sold under foreclosure of mortgage given by
R. J. Wilson to J. B. Richardson on the 6th July next.
Council Walker and Campbell were appointed to
attend the sale and bid for the property in the interests
of the Town. (\$2200 being the sum named.)

Letter read from P. G. Gray Solr to Mr Drake
relative to Taxes. Referred to Recorder.

Letter read from Alex. Floy respecting suit
against him for violation of License Law.
Laid on the table.

Letter read from Hugh Kartsborne offering
to deed to the Town a piece of land which would
extend Dundas St to Canal St.
Referred to Street Committee to report on.

Letter from John Wolf read praying that steps
be taken to open a street near his property which
was obstructed by a fence being placed across it.
Referred to Street Committee to report on.

Letter ^{read} from Lewis P. Fairbank respecting his
taxes for year 1874. Consideration of letter
deferred.

Council adjourned to meet Wednesday
evening at 7.30 o'clock

Alfred Elliott
Town Clerk

Dartmouth
June 5th 1848

An adjourned meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present, Wm. H. Keck, Warden,
Council Campbell, Walker, Stairs, Steins, and Scarfe
with the Recorder.

Moved by Council Steins, seconded by Council Campbell, "that the purchase of a Steam Fire Engine be deferred." The motion was put and declared lost two voting for, three against.

On motion of Council Stairs seconded by Council Walker, Resolved "That if the Sibley Company will accept the sum of three thousand two hundred and fifty dollars for the Steam Fire Engine and Reel, as described and specified in their proposition to the Council, that their offer be accepted on the terms named"

(Mr. Denme Agent of the Sibley Manf. Co. appeared before the Council and stated he would accept the offer according to the terms of the foregoing resolution.)

Council Stairs, Walker, and Scarfe voted for the above resolution and Council Campbell and Walker against.

On motion of Council Scarfe, seconded by Council Walker, Resolved, "That three hundred feet of Carbotic Rubber Hose, be ordered from the New York Gutta Percha & Rubber Co. and that Council Stairs and Walker be a Committee to arrange for the same."

Council adjourned

A. J. Elliot

Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Friday evening
June 14. 1878.

A meeting of the Town Council was held this evening.

Present, Am. W. Weeks, Warden,
Council, Campbell, Walker, Shaw, Stearns, and Scarfe.
Minutes of meetings held June 4th. & 5th. read
and confirmed.

A minority report of the Committee on Lake Loon signed by Council Campbell was read, as follows:—

"The Committee appointed to enquire with reference to purchase of Lake Loon, beg to report that having examined into the matter, they would recommend that the Council purchase Lake Loon for purposes of Water Supply for the Town, provided a valid title can be given by the present holder. Your Committee would also recommend that an offer be made for the property."

On motion consideration of the matter was defeated as Council Dewolf one of the Committee was absent.

The Street Committee reported as follows:—
"Your Committee having examined the road on the East side of the Trust Lake referred to in the letter of L. P. Fairbanks, they have in concert with the said L. P. Fairbanks, located the same starting from Mr. Glendinning's Ice House, which was taken as the Western side of said road, and taking the centre between said house and the Eastern fence as a starting point and the centre of the road at the point near Hopkining Cove as the terminus and joining the same by a curve bending towards the land having a deviation in the centre of ten feet from the straight cord line, joining the said extreme terminal points the road being thirty three feet on either side of said line. Your Committee have also enquired into the case of encroachment on the West side of said Lake as complained of by L. P. Fairbanks, and consider that as the land has been fenced as at present for nearly forty

years therefore your Committee cannot advise any steps being taken therein."

On motion the report was received, and the Clerk was instructed to write Mr. Fairbanks, for more information respecting the line of properties fronting on street on West side of Lake referred to in Committee's report.

An application was read from Arthur Millard and Jas. Hindlay, for the situation of Engineers for the Steam Fire Engine. Referred to Committee on Fire Dept.

On motion of Councilor Staus seconded by Councilor Scarfe. Resolved. "That the Committee appointed to secure the hose from the New York Gutta Percha & Rubber, order six hundred feet instead of three hundred as authorized at a previous meeting."

On motion of Councilor Scarfe, seconded by Councilor Staus Resolved "That a Committee composed of three Councilors, the Chairman of Firewards, and Capt of Engine Company be appointed to enquire into the numerical efficiency, organization, discipline and distribution of the entire Fire Dept, also what additions and changes will become necessary in view of the addition of the Steam Fire Engine and Hose Reel to the establishment, also to examine and report the efficiency of the present apparatus of the Department, likewise the advisability of establishing a code of alarm signals and report thereon."

Councilor Scarfe, Staus, and Campbell were appointed to the Committee.

Application was read from Mrs. Giles, praying that the sum of nine dollars be paid back to her which amount was alleged to be in a purse lost by her and picked up by John Bundy, Jr. who was brought before the Police Court convicted of stealing the purse and fined ^{twelve} ~~five~~ dollars.

Consideration deferred until next meeting.

Petition from Allan McDonald & others was read, praying that a road leading from Cole Harbour Rd. to Waynard Lake be improved. Referred to Street Committee.

The Warden suggested that a Committee be appointed to investigate into the cause of the deterioration of the Quail St. School House.

On motion the Committee on Public Property were requested to report on the matter.

A number of accounts were passed and the Council adjourned.

Alfred Elliot
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth

Monday evening
June 24 1878

A meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present, Wm. W. Weeks, Warden,
Council Campbell, Walker, Dewolf, Scaife and Stems.
Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Report of Committee on Fire Dept. was read. On motion the Report was received.

The Report was read clause by clause and adopted after being amended by striking out the clause recommending that the Fire Company be increased by five men.

Letter was read from Mr. John Forbes, stating in answer to application, that the Star Manufacturing Co. would hire a Steam Engine & Boiler to run the Stone Crusher for the sum of fifty dollars annually. Referred to Street Committee.

Letter read from Edward Brown, offering screened gravel for sale at 28¢ per ton.
Referred to Street Committee.

Letter read from John Suttow, applying for assistance to enable Mrs. Lambley to go back to England, she being in indigent circumstances, and likely to become a charge on the Town.

On motion of Counc. Searge, seconded by Counc. Walker, Resolved, "That the sum of ten dollars be placed in the hands of Poor Committee for the purpose of assisting Mrs. Lambley to leave the Province for England, and that application be made to the Provincial Secretary for the return of the same, she being only a transient pauper."

Committee on Lake Loon reported in favor of the purchase of said Lake for water supply purposes, On motion report was received.

Counc. DeWolf gave notice of motion as follows Resolved "That the Recorder be instructed to offer two thousand dollars for the Canal Company's property at Lake Loon outlet and along the stream leading out of same to Lake Charles, provided he finds the title to be good and valid."

Letter read from Mrs. Stewart applying for a Street Lamp near her residence Passage St.
Referred to Com. on Public Property.

Council adjourned to next Friday week to order to take up the question of improved ferry accommodation.

Alfred Elliot
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Friday evening
July 5. 1878

A meeting of the Council was held this evening
Present Wm. H. Weeks, Warden
Coun^{rs} Walker, Campbell, Stairs, Steins,
Scarfe, and the Recorder,
Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Regulations relative to night watchman's duties
and proposal of John R. Patterson to act as night
watchman was laid on the table by Coun^r Steins,
On motion of Coun^r Scarfe, seconded by Coun^r Walker,
the Regulations were adopted; and Patterson was
appointed at sixty dollars per annum, payable quarterly.

Letter from Mr. Metzger was read, complaining that
injury had been done his property by the Supt. of Streets
cutting into an embankment. Refd to Street Com.

Coun^r Stairs moved seconded by Coun^r Scarfe,
"Whereas, under an execution issued in the cause of
the Town of Dartmouth, vs. B. H. Hornsby, on judgment
obtained in the magistrates Court for wages due
the Town, and a levy having been made by one of
the constables of the Town on a horse and wagon
supposed to be the property of B. H. Hornsby, which
were replevied by Mr. Weaver of Halifax, Omnibus
Proprietor, and whereas, the Recorder reports
that he is satisfied the horse and wagon belong to
Weaver, and that the writ cannot be successfully
defended. Be it therefore resolved, That the
Recorder be requested to effect a settlement of
the suit in question, and to report to next meeting
of Council the terms upon which the said suit
can be settled." passed.

Deed of dedication from Hugh Walthorne for
extension of Dundas Street, was laid on the table.

On motion of Coun^r Scarfe, seconded by Coun^r Stairs, Resolved, "That the Warden be hereby authorized to sign the deed of gift for land for the extension of Dundas Street towards the Dartmouth Cove, and that any error that may be found in the description of said land be first corrected, also that the 18th Sec. of Byelaw on Streets be suspended in the above case."

Petition from R. C. Howe and others was read requesting that a Street Lamp be placed on Prince Edward Street, and that the sidewalks be repaired.

Letter from R. W. Hunt was read complaining that plants placed in the Public Cemetery had been destroyed by unknown parties, and praying that steps be taken to put a stop to it. Ref^d to Pub. Prop^y Com^{tee}

On motion of Coun^r Stairs, seconded by Coun^r Walker, Resolved, "That the Committee on Public Property be instructed to enquire into the management of the Town Cemetery and report, making such suggestions in connection therewith, as may be deemed advisable for the guidance of the Council."

On motion of Coun^r Scarfe, seconded by Coun^r Stairs Resolved, "That as Messrs. Millard and Findlay have not accepted the proposal of the Council for taking charge of the Steam Fire Engine, that the recommendation of the Fire Committee suggesting that the said Engine be placed in charge of the Capt. of Engine Company who has agreed to accept the said charge on behalf of the Department, and that this Council will defray any reasonable charges in connection therewith."

~~On motion of Coun^r Stairs,~~ ^{moved} seconded by Coun^r Walker, Resolved, "That His Honor the Recorder be requested to make such a statement upon the Record of Police trials, as will enable Mess. Giles

to obtain the money lost by her, and obtained by a verdict from a colored lad who stole the purse in which it was contained"

On motion of Council Scarfe, Resolved in amendment, "That the matter be referred to the Police Committee to report on."

Letter read from L. P. Fairbanks in reference to taxes & expenses collected from him in 1894.
Referred to Finance Com.

Council Campbell moved, seconded by Council Walker, "That the Recorder be instructed to withdraw the defence in the case of Hmon & MacKintosh vs The Town of Dartmouth."

The motion was not carried.

The matter of repairs to Upper Canal Bridge (flume) on motion of Council Stairs, was referred to Street Com. Recorder to examine into and report.

The Fire Dept. requested through Council Scarfe, that the partition between their meeting room & the ante-room be removed so as to give them more space for their meetings.

Referred to Com. on Public Property.

Council Stairs, Stearns, and Walker were appointed as Com. on Taxes for the current year.

Council adjourned

Alfred Elliot
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Wednesday evening
July 10th 1878

A meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present, Wm. H. Weeks, Warden,
Council Campbell, Walker, Staus, Sterns and
Scarfe, and the Recorder.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

On motion of Council Campbell, seconded by
Council Sterns, Resolved, "That Messrs. Willard
and Findlay be engaged as engineers for the Steam
Fire Engine on the conditions contained in the
Report of Fire Committee, and on the terms
contained in their letter* submitted to the Council
this evening, payable quarterly, and that the
Recorder be instructed to prepare a bond in
connection therewith." (* Mr. Wright's letter, terms \$200 per annum)

Council Walker, Scarfe, Staus, with the
Recorder, were appointed as the Court of Appeal
and Revision to hear and decide on all appeals
against the Assessment of the current year, to be
held on Friday 26th day of July inst. at 2 o'clock
p. m.

On motion of Council Staus, seconded by Council
Scarfe, Resolved "That the offer of the Halifax
Banking Co. to loan the sum needed to purchase
Steam Fire Engine, &c. be accepted, and that the
Recorder be requested to draft the necessary bonds.

On motion of Council Scarfe, seconded by Walker
Resolved "That the sum of five hundred dollars be
placed to the credit of the Street Committee, to be
drawn upon for current charges as heretofore."

Council adjourned, to meet Friday
evening next at 7:30 o'clock.
Wm. H. Weeks
Down Bleck

Dartmouth

Friday evening
July 12th 1878

An adjourned meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present, Wm. H. Week, Warden
Councillors, Stair, Walker, Scarfe, Steens, &
DeWolf.

The Com. on Fire Dept. reported,
that the Sibley Steam Fire Engine having arrived,
they on the 11th July, fully tested said Engine, and found
it in every particular satisfactory, and recommend
that the Council accept the Engine, and settle with the
Agent, in accordance with the terms of the agreement
with him.

On motion the report was received and adopted.
(For record of trial see Report, dated July 12/78)

On motion of Council Scarfe, Resolved,
"That the Ch. of Firewards (Comm^{rs} Walker) and the
Recorder be a committee to prepare, and submit
to the Council a code of laws, to govern the whole
Fire Dept."

The Fire Dept. Com. were instructed to negotiate
with the Engine & Axe & Ladder Companies, relative
to combining both companies under one captain
and report to the Council.

Comm^{rs} Walker reported that the Short property had
been bid in by Comm^{rs} Campbell for the Town at
\$2000.

On motion of Comm^{rs} Scarfe, seconded by Comm^{rs} Walker
Resolved, "That the Recorder be instructed to perfect
the title and negotiate the sale of the Short property
provided, that the sum of \$2000 can be procured
for the same."

The clerk was instructed to renew the insurance on the Short Property when the same shall expire.

Letter was read from Gordon Kuhn offering \$20 for the grass on the Short property. Refd to Com. on Public Property.

Councilor Scarfe gave notice of motion as follows:—
"That the Clerk do notify Mr. Waddell, that the Town is prepared to accept the portion of land offered for widening the Chapel Lane, and that the Warden be instructed to pay the sum required to complete the said purchase, as soon as the Recorder is prepared to certify the correctness of the deed"

Com. on Public Property reported that the East South & West sides of the Quail St. School House was in great need of shingling, & recommended that the work be done, if possible, by tender.

Report referred back to Com. for further consideration.

On motion, Council adjourned to meet Tuesday evening next at 7.30 o'clock, to discuss the propriety of taking a vote of the Ratepayers to ask the Legislature to authorize the Town to establish a public ferry.

Alfred Elliot
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Tuesday evening
July 16th 1848.

A meeting of the Council was held this evening
Present, Wm. H. Weeks, Warden
Councillors, Campbell, Walker, Stairs, Dewolf
Sterns and Scarfe, and the Recorder
Minutes of meetings of July 10th & 12th read
and confirmed

Com. on Public Property reported that they intended to make the necessary repairs to outside of Quail St. School House, by repairing and putting on new clapboards wherever required and not shingle the side walls at present.
Report was adopted.

Street Com. reported in reference to Mr. Nentzel's claim for damages to his property, that having fully investigated the case, consider that Mr. Nentzel has no claim on the Town, Report adopted.
See Report dated July 16. 1848.
The Com. also reported that a new segment for the Stone Crusher was required to replace one broken, and recommended that an order be given to Messrs. Symonds to do the work. After discussion it was decided to send to the makers of the Crusher in England for a new segment.

Letter read from Daniel McDonald, offering to sell Victoria Mine Coal at \$4 per chald. if taken from Wharf at once.
Referred to School Com. with power to act.

Letter read from Jas. C. Wilson offering \$1800 Cash for the Short Property.
On motion of Council Searge, seconded by Council Searge. Resolved "That the offer of Jas. C. Wilson of eighteen hundred dollars, Cash be referred to Messrs. Walker and Sterns, associated with His Honor the Recorder, to do the best that can be done regarding the sale, not to be sold except for Cash, nor for less than the offer of Jas. C. Wilson."

Letter from Robt. J. Wilson relative to the Short Property read, and referred to Com. on Public Property to report on.

On motion of Council Searge, Resolved,
"That the Recorder be instructed to enquire into the rights and

titles of all parties owning land adjoining the lower canal bridge."

On motion of Coun^r Severy, seconded by Coun^r Walker, Resolved, "That the Clerk do notify Mr. Maddell that the Town is prepared to accept the portion of land offered for widening the Chapel Lane, and that the Warden be instructed to pay the sum required to complete the said purchase as soon as the Recorder is prepared to certify the correctness of the deed."

The matter of insurance on Steam Fire Engine and Building was referred to Fire Dept. Com.

Coun^r Newby moved seconded by Coun^r Campbell the following resolution—

"Whereas the harbor of Halifax divides the Eastern and Western sections of the County of Halifax, and the passage way across should be as free and unobstructed as possible.

And Whereas, the present limited ferry accommodation is inadequate to meet the wants of the travelling public, and the requirement of traffic, and Whereas the future growth and prosperity of the Town of Dartmouth would be largely facilitated by increased ferry accommodation with the City of Halifax.

And Whereas, the required ferry accommodation will be most easily obtained if the ferry were conducted for, and in the interest of the public, than by its being run by a company, whose main object is to make money for its proprietors.

And Whereas the City of Halifax would share as well as the Town of Dartmouth in the many indirect advantages that would be the result of enlarged and increased ferry accommodation.

Therefore resolved, That a Committee of three from this Council be appointed to confer with the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Halifax.

on the expediency of the City of Halifax and the Municipality of Dartmouth becoming joint owners of the pier connecting the two towns.

And further resolved; that His Worship the Warden of Dartmouth be respectfully requested to call a meeting of the Ratepayers of the Municipality to consider the advisability and practicability of the Municipality, either alone or in conjunction with the City of Halifax obtaining the management and control of the pier across the harbor with a view of enlarging and increasing the accommodation and that the Warden be respectfully requested at that or a subsequent meeting to take steps necessary to obtain by vote or otherwise the views of the ratepayers, and to avoid delay.

Be it therefore resolved, that a list be opened with proper heading, and same produced at the meeting to be convened, for signatures, and afterwards placed in the Town Clerk's Office during the hours from 9 am to 8 pm. the following day, excepting meal hours, and that Ratepayers be requested to call and register their names for or against the carrying out and fulfilment of the proposed and much needed improved pier, and result of such vote if favorable be submitted to the Legislature with a petition praying that the necessary legislation be passed to enable the scheme to be carried out."

On motion resolved, that the resolution moved by Council Dewolf be discussed to night.

After a long debate the motion passed, Council Dewolf, Campbell and Walker voting for Council Stairs, Scarfe and Sterns, against, the Warden, giving casting vote in favor of resolution. Council Dewolf, the Warden & Council Sterns were appointed the Committee.

Council adjourned,

Alex. Elliot

John Clerk

Dartmouth
 Monday evening
 July 29 1878

A meeting of the Council was held this evening.
 Present, Council Stais, Walker, Campbell, Scarfe &
 Stens, and the Recorder.

Council Stais was appointed Chairman
 Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Council Scarfe reported verbally relative to work
 being done on streets, and that an order had been
 sent to England for the casting for Stone Crusher.
 Report adopted.

Council Walker and Stens reported relative to Short
 Property as follows:—"The Committee appointed to
 dispose of the Short Property, beg leave to report that Mr.
 Judson Baker has agreed to take the property at
 two thousand dollars, cash, in all probability the
 purchase will be completed in a day or two. After
 payment of the mortgage, interest, and expenses the
 Recorder will apply to the Court for payment to the
 Town of Dartmouth of the surplus proceeds."
 Report adopted.

The Assessment Roll for the Current Year was
 laid on the table by the Clerk, showing a total
 valuation of Real and Personal Property of \$1345655.

The Estimates for the Current Year were then taken
 up and adopted as follows:—

Revenue.		Expenditure.	
Police	\$400.	Streets	inc. part pay on engine for Cudde's \$1600
Common	100	Schools	inc. interest exp. to Quail's \$600
Schools	Govt Grant \$1200. C. Clerk's Fee 130 1330	Fire Dept.	bal on engine house \$1000 \$200 Engineers 200
Licenses		Police	1200
Wack \$15. Auction \$20.		SALARIES	1150
Tax \$45. Liquor \$640.	740	Yoor	1250
Taxes \$2870.		Toid	\$ 12.650

	Paid \$2870		Paid \$12650
Poundage	30	Lamps	600
Poll Tax \$1215	..	Pumps & Wells	150
Sup. Fire Eng ^s 185	1030	Interest	950
Boq Tax	100	County Rates	1500
Iron Hall Rents	100	Contingent exp	888
Proceeds Short Property	..	Allowance for	
balance, (Sur)	600	non-col. & disct.	430
Cash on hand Apr 1/78 1212		Supplementary	
	<u>\$5942</u>	Estimates	
Steam Fire Engine & Hoic	1000	Just instal, one fourth	1000
Bell Tower &c	212	" " " "	212
Land for widening Chapel Lane	200		
			<u>\$18580</u>
Less Revenue			5942
			<u>\$12638</u>

On motion of Council Searge, seconded by Council Stearns, "Resolved," That the Assessment for the Current Year for the respective wards of the Town as completed under Sec. 30 of the Assessment Byelaw and now presented to this Council, be approved by the Council, as required by Law.

On motion of Council Searge, seconded by Council Stearns "Resolved," That this Council authorize the levying and collection of rates for the Current Year of six pence four cents on the one hundred dollars on the assessed value as per Assessment Roll for the Current Year, and which Assessment Roll and Rate are hereby confirmed.

On motion of Council Searge, seconded by Council Stearns "Resolved," That the Poll Tax as provided by Sec 7 Chap 11 of Provincial Acts for 1847 entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Town of Dartmouth," be ordered to be levied and collected, and the Poll Tax Book, is hereby approved and confirmed.

On motion of Council Searge, seconded by Council Stearns "Resolved," That the Assessment Roll of The Outlying

District for school purposes be confirmed and the rate of thirty cents on the One hundred dollars, on the assessed value, be the rate to be levied and collected for the Current Year."

Council adjourned
 A. P. Elliot.
 Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Friday evening
 August 16th 1848.

A meeting of the Council was held this evening,
 Present, Councilors Stairs, Storns, Scarfe, Walker,
 Newell, & Campbell.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Committee on Fire Dept. reported, that it having been found necessary to employ horses to draw the Steam Fire Engine to fires, they called for tenders to do the work for one year; the Committee recommend that a small wheeled cart with a cogal. cask be obtained to furnish fresh water for the use of the Steam Fire Engine at fires.

The report was adopted.

A tender from W. W. Greene was read, offering to furnish a pair of horses to take Engine to fires at four dollars for each and every alarm.

On motion Mr. Greene's tender was referred to Fire Dept. Com. with authority to act, and to report.

The Finance Committee reported relative to L. P. Fairbank's claim for repayment of taxes (part) paid by him in 1844; that they could not recommend that the sum requested by Mr. Fairbank be refunded to him.

Report adopted.

The Recorder submitted a report ^{relative} to the bridge over Flume at Upper Canal Falls, that the present owner of the property, J. M. Chase Esq. is bound to maintain and uphold said bridge. (See Report dated Aug. 7. 1878) Report was read and no motion adopted.

Council Dewolf moved seconded by Council Campbell, Resolved, "That the Recorder be instructed to offer \$2000 for the Canal Company property at Lake Loon outlet, and along the stream leading out of same to Lake Charles, provided he finds the title to be good and valid."

Council Scarfe moved in amendment seconded by Council Sterns, "Whereas the Recorder having reported that the title to Loon Lake is one of the most complicated within the Province, and that it would take a large amount of labor, research and time to investigate; and whereas, the town at present is in possession of a water supply of sufficient capacity for the next thirty years; and whereas there has been no effort yet made to ascertain the amount of claims that other parties may have in connection with the stream running out of Lamoine Lake; therefore Resolved, That before this Council incur any further expense for water supply, that steps be taken to make available for the purposes of the town the reservoirs at present in their possession."

The amendment passed.

On motion of Council Walker seconded by Council Campbell, Resolved, "Whereas on the 20th day of May last John Bundy Jr. of Preston was fined \$12⁰⁰ for stealing a purse containing money belonging to Jessie Giles, and whereas; the Recorder and Council Walker before whom the case was tried have certified that the fine of \$12 was imposed with the intention of making restitution of \$9 of the amount to Mrs Giles. Be it therefore resolved; that the Town Clerk be authorized to return Mrs. Giles the sum of nine dollars."

A draft of Byelaws, relating to Fire Dept was submitted by the Recorder, read and referred to Fire Dept. Comd

The Clerk was instructed to ascertain what amount of expense had been incurred by the Town for the support of the late Saml West, a pauper, and report.

Time for payment of Dog Tax was extended to 26th August, after that date parties to be proceeded against and the law strictly enforced.

Letter ^{read} from Foster & Foster, Solrs for A.R. Corbin claiming damages for injuries sustained by him in falling over a pile of earth near the Quail St Pump (as alleged.) Referred to Recorder to reply to.

Petition read from Ratepayers of Bishop St. asking that a well and Lamp be placed on that Street. Referred to Com. on Public Property to report on at next meeting.

On motion of Coun^{rs} Campbell, seconded by Coun^{er} Dewolf, Resolved, That a Committee of three councillors and the Warden be appointed to ascertain and report to the Council at as early a date as possible the nature and amount of the claims made by parties using the water flowing from Lamont Lake. Coun^{rs} Campbell, Dewolf, and Sterns were appointed as the Coun^{rs} on such committee.

A number of accounts were passed, and the Council adjourned.

Wm. Elliot
Coron. Clerk

Dartmouth

Friday evening. Sep. 27. 1878

A meeting of the Council was held this evening. Present. Wm. H. Hicks, Gardner, George Campbell, Walker, Stern, Stans, Scarfe, and the Recorder. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed, after being amended by inserting the word "Special" before Fire Dept. Com. in the clause referring to that Committee's Report, and the words "Town Clerk" being struck out and the word "Warden" inserted in resolution referring to payment of nine dollars to Mrs. Giles.

Council Scarfe reported that bridge over flume at Upper Canal Bridge, had been reconstructed & that cost of same was in hands of Clerk; that the Street Com. had received casting for stone crusher from England but had not used crusher since, owing to scarcity of water. That the amount of appropriation for Street work had been expended, and requested a further appropriation of \$500. On motion Report was received.

Special Com. on Fire Dept. reported that order had been given for water cart, to Wm. Murray of Kealipap whose tender was the lowest, and that the Com. was not ready to report with regard to hire of horses to draw Steam Fire Engine to Fires.

On motion of Council Stans, seconded by Council Scarfe, Resolved. Whereas the Recorder has reported that the Council is not liable for the repairing of the bridge over mill flume on Bridge St. the repairs for which report of Street Com. state have been done, the cost of same in hands of Clerk, Resolved, "That the Recorder instruct the Clerk how to proceed in the matter to obtain from Wm. J. Graser the amount of repairs."

On motion of Council Scarfe, seconded by Council Walker Resolved, "That the sum of five hundred dollars asked

for by Street Com. in their report: for the general purposes of the streets, be placed to their credit to be drawn upon by them in the usual way as required."

On motion of Council Walker, seconded by Council Stans. Resolved, "That a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars be placed to the credit of a Special Committee consisting of the Fire Comd for the purpose of forming a pond at foot of Synott's Hill, and cleaning out pond back of Block House Hill, the work to be proceeded with at once."

On motion of Council Stans, seconded by Council Campbell, Resolved, "That a Committee be appointed to report on the best mode of improving the Common Property"

Councils Stans, Scarfe, and Campbell, were appointed the Committee.

On motion, the time for payment of taxes was extended to Oct. 15th next. Usual notice to be given.

On motion of Council Scarfe, seconded by Council Stans, Resolved, "That there be a standing committee appointed on the Fire Dept, and that Councils Scarfe, Stans, & Campbell in concert with the Ch. of Firewards Council Walker be said Committee."

The matter of placing patent Steam Beater in Engine House, Referred to Standing Committee on Fire Dept.

On motion, the Recorder was instructed to proceed against Saml. Warner to compel him to remove his fence which has been encroached on Windmill Road.

On motion of Council Stans, seconded by Council Scarfe, Resolved "That a Committee be appointed to define the duties and functions of the respective

Standing Committees, and report same to this Council at an early day."

Council Staw, Stearns, and Scarfe were appointed the Committee.

On motion of Council Staw, seconded by Council Scarfe, Resolved, "That the Recorder be instructed to prepare a Byelaw imposing a penalty, where owners of fowls, permit them to go at large."

Council Campbell moved "That a lamp be erected at the corner of Prince Edward & Belland St. & one on Belland St. opposite Star Mfg. Co. works." seconded by Council Stearns, but not carried, Council Campbell & Stearns voting for, and Scarfe Staw & Walker against. Council Campbell gave notice of reconsideration.

The Warden laid on the table a summons served on him in the case of Leahy (Mich^l) vs the Town of Dartmouth. Referred to Recorder to defend suit.

On motion resolved that the Gutta Serena & Rubber Co^s (of New York) bill for 600 ft. hose be paid (\$756.60/100)

The clerk was authorized to send order of admission for Coleman Fentow to Selye Louis Poor Asylum.

The Recorder reported respecting letter from Union Protection Co. as follows:—

"Referring to the question submitted to me with regard to the exemptions claimed by the Dartmouth Union Protection Co. I beg to report that from examination of the law, the members of the Protection Company are entitled to claim exemptions from ^{the payment of} the annual poll tax of two dollars."

On motion report was adopted and the Clerk instructed to act in accordance therewith.

A letter from Wm. Wentzell was read, complaining that gravel had again been removed from Street near his property by Supt. of Streets, causing the bank to cave in & offering to sell the property at a reasonable rate.
 Referred to Recorder.

An account from Nova Scotia Bank for \$15 for rent of safe deposit box, was ordered to be paid & Clerk instructed to return keys of same.

Council adjourned

Alfred Elliot
 Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Tuesday ~~Friday~~ evening
 Oct 22. 1878.

A meeting of the Council was held this evening.
 Present, Wm. H. Weeks - Exp. Warden
 Council Campbell, Walker, Staus, Struss and Scarfe,
 and the Recorder.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Fire Dept. Com. reported that they could not recommend the purchase of a heater for Engine House but would recommend that two soft coal base burners be purchased at a cost of about \$82 each and fitting up about \$25 more.

On motion of Council Scarfe, seconded by Council Staus Resolved, "That the report of Com. on Fire Dept. be received and adopted, and that the Committee be authorized to procure and set up the base burners in Engine House as soon as possible."

Fire Dept. Com. reported relative to clearing out ponds on Common; that they found there was a great deal more work to be done than was anticipated.

that they had pressed forward the work, & had expended about \$170. in removing the greater part of the mud from upper pond, & getting with a large quantity of stones, earth, &c. had arranged for the erection of a temporary fence on the roadside of pond. That owing to the large influx of water would recommend that further work thereon be postponed until next summer; that about 200 loads of mud had been sold, & that there was about 200 loads more to be disposed of. The Com. further reported that they had cleaned out the lower pond, made good the embankment & constructed a retaining wall & intended to dam the outlet so that the water would be retained to a depth of about three feet.

On motion report was received.

On motion of Council, Stated, Secinded by Council Searge, "Resolved" That the sum of one hundred & twenty dollars be placed to the credit of the Com on the Dept for the purpose of completing the reservoir ponds which are now in progress."

Letter was read from J. G. Elliot Secy of the Axe & Ladder Co. ~~announcing~~ ^{apronouncing} the resignation of the company. Also one from H. Matt. Capt of the company referring to the same subject, was read. After considerable discussion it was resolved on motion of Council Searge, "that the resignation of the Axe & Ladder Co. be accepted."

The Recorder handed in a release of actions, suits at law &c. from Joseph Harris owner of the property occupied by the late Saml. West, which the town had taken possession of.

The following Byelaw relating to fowls & other destructed birds going at large, was read and adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Governor in Council for approval.

Be it ordained by the Warden and Councillors of the Town of Dartmouth in Council assembled, as follows:—

"That whenever the owner or keeper of Crows or other destructive birds, shall permit such to go at large upon the streets of the Town, or stray into cultivated inclosures, doing damage therein, such owner or keeper thereof, may be summoned to appear before the Police Court and on conviction, shall be subject to a fine in like manner by the Byelaws of the Town: "Relative to Horses, Cows, Swine, Cotts, Oxen, Calves and Geese" section three."

The Recorder reported respecting the suit of Almon vs. Town of Dartmouth, that the case had been tried, but judgment had not yet been given.

On motion of Counc^r Stairs, seconded by Counc^r Scarfe "Resolved," That the Captain of the Fire Engine Company be instructed to make arrangements for the establishment of a company of ten men to be particularly denominated Axe & Ladder men, and have the charge of said apparatus, and also that when not required in that department, they shall be prepared to render any assistance that the Captain may require in any service connected with the Fire Department."

A letter was read from Earl of Buffum's Secy asking that an address which had been presented to His Excellency by the Town Council some few years since be accepted and slightly illuminated, as he wished to have it bound with a great number of others which he had received most of which were illuminated. After some discussion the matter was left in the hands of Counc^r Stairs & the Clerk to ascertain cost of illuminating the address.

On motion of Counc^r Scarfe, seconded by Counc^r Stairs "Resolved" That a Committee be appointed to communicate with the reception committee of Halifax to ascertain the arrangements that may be made in connection with the reception and stay of His Excellency the

Memorials of Lorne. The Governor General of the Dominion and His Royal Consort, and report to His Council.

The Warden, Comr. Stearns and Campbell were appointed the Committee.

A letter from B. A. Weston, Secy. of Union Protective Company, was read, asking for a donation to the funds of the Company, towards expense incurred in obtaining a maggon, &c. Referred to the Sept. Com. to report on.

The Street Committee were instructed to take charge of Public Rocks, and to report relative to encroachments on Rocks and Streets.

A Letter from D. G. R. Lecain was read asking for payment of an account for medicines supplied to a pauper some few years since, Referred to a Special Committee of three senior councillors to report on.

The Poor Com. were requested to report as to advisability of continuing the present arrangement with the Halifax Visiting Dispensary.

Letter from Chris. Burt asking for an extension of time for payment of taxes, read and referred to Com. on Taxes.

Letter from D. Farrell, relative to taxes on Betate late J. Murphy, read and referred to Com. on Taxes to report.

A proposition from Robt. Waddell, stating that upon the Town agreeing to pay him two hundred dollars, for the property required to widen Chapel Lane, and moving back the fence to the new line, he would consent to the property being taken for the use intended.

On motion of Comr. Stearns, seconded by Comr. Walker Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to consent to Robt. Waddell's proposition, and that His Honor the Recorder take the necessary steps to complete

the purchase of the property without further delay.

Order of dedication of streets on the property formerly known as the Boggs Estate dated May 31, 1869, was read; Referred to Street Committee to report relative to certain streets which had not been opened.

The Recorder was requested to report at next meeting, with regard to the properties bordering on Wilson's Lane, which was suspected to be greatly encroached upon.

After some discussion on matters connected with the streets, the Council adjourned,

Alex. Elliot
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Wednesday evening
October 30th 1848

A meeting of the Council was held this evening
Present: Wm. H. Weeks, Warden,
Councilors: Campbell, Walker, Stairs, Sterns, & Scarfa,
and the Recorder,
Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

On motion the order of the day was suspended, when Mr. Vandervoort Map Agent, appeared before the Council, and submitted a proof copy of a plan of the Town he was soliciting subscribers for.

On motion, Resolved, "That three copies of the plan of the Town be ordered from Mr. Vandervoort in addition to the one already subscribed for by the Warden, two copies to be mounted on rollers and two in dedicated form."

The Street Committee's Report, relative to unopened streets on Miss. Ross's lands, public docks, encroachment on streets, &c, was read, & on motion received and adopted, (see report dated Oct. 30/95)

On motion of Council Stairs, seconded by Council Stairs Resolved, "That notice be sent to all owners of fences obstructing the streets named in report of Committee of Streets of this date to remove all such obstructions within fourteen days."

On motion of Council Stairs, seconded by Council Stairs Resolved, "That notice be sent to Wm. J. Frazer and Prof. Ross to remove all buildings and obstructions other than fences off the bounds of Hogfette Street within thirty days."

On motion of Council Stairs, seconded by Council Stairs Resolved "That notice be sent to J. M. Beck; that owing to the Building erected by the Dartmouth Boating Club, having ceased to be used for the purpose that was intended when it was erected; the Council consider all engagements entered into by them with said Club to be cancelled and that he be requested to remove the said obstruction within three months"

On motion Sec. 11 of Bye Law 2. was suspended; when on motion of Council Stairs, seconded by Council Stairs; it was resolved; "That the Street Committee do engage a properly qualified surveyor to survey and define the bounds of the various streets of the Town where necessary."

Council Searge, Stairs, Stems, & Walker voting for and Council Campbell against the resolution.

Committee on Fire Dept. reported, relative to application from Union Protection Co. for a donation; that they could not recommend the

granting of any money as a donation to the said company for the purchase of apparatus over which the Town would not have control, and besides it would be establishing a precedent which it would not be advisable to follow.

On motion, the report was received, and after some discussion referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

The Overseers of Poor reported, that a letter having been received from J. B. Liddell, Secy, Poor's Asylum Comrs, requesting payment of eighty dollars; which had been collected from the reputed father of a bastard child by one Mary Green, now in the Asylum; & ^{they} recommended that the amount be paid over to Mr. Liddell after deducting the sum of \$15 which amount had been paid for the same woman's support in 1844; provided it was the opinion of the Recorder, that the woman had no settlement in Dartmouth.

On motion the report was received & after some discussion, it was resolved on motion of Comrs. Searge, seconded by Comrs. Stairs, "That in the matter of the letter of J. B. Liddell, Secy to Comrs of Poor's Asylum; as soon as His Honor the Mayor is assured by Mr. Liddell that the Town of Dartmouth is relieved from the support and maintenance of the woman Green and child, that he be requested to forward to Mr. Liddell the eighty dollars collected from the reputed father of the bastard child."

The Committee on Taxes reported with regard to application from O. Dart, that if he will not give a definite promise when he would be prepared to pay his taxes, that a judgment be taken out for the amount. With respect to D. Sawell's letter, alleging that the valuation on the Est. late of J. Murphy was too high; as the assessment notices were properly served, and no advantage taken of the Court of Appeals, they could not recommend that any deduction be made.

The Committee recommended that as there were now

four years taxes due on the Estate Allan McDonald.
 The Recorder be instructed to collect same if possible
 or judgment obtained to secure the amount.
 The Report was on motion adopted.

Councils Sterns reported respecting old address
 to Lord Dufferin, that as far as he could ascertain
 Mr. Whiston of Halifax, was the only person who could
 do the work, and he offered to ~~do~~ ~~the~~ ~~work~~ copy the
 address, with suitable ornamental letters in gold &
 color at the head, the titles, &c. to be done in old English,
 the body of the address to be plain writing; for the
 sum of thirty dollars.

On motion the Report was received.
 After some discussion, further consideration of
 the matter was deferred until next meeting.

The Committee to whom was referred D.G.H. Keenan's
 ap. for medicines supplied to a pauper in 1876 reported
 that as the Poor Committee did not pass the account
 at the time, they could not recommend that the bill be
 paid.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

An account from John Craig, was presented claiming
 four dollars for damages sustained by him, in having his
 fence torn down, by the Firemen, who put hose through
 his garden to get at a fire near his house.
 The account was rejected.

Letter from Jessie Giles, ^{was read} acquitting payment
 of a sum which had been imposed as a fine on
 one John Bundy for stealing her purse.

A Letter from Jas. Langshaw was read
 respecting his imbecile son, who was wandering
 about the Town with no place of abode.
 Referred to Overseers of Poor, with instructions
 to take immediate action.

Letter from C. W. Fairbank C.E. read in regard to survey made by him to widen street leading from East Side of Common past Kingston & Bolan properties.

Referred to Street Committee with instructions to act.

Letter read from Foster & Foster Solrs. for A. R. Corbin, claiming \$500 damages for injuries sustained by him in falling (as alleged) over some clay on one of the streets.

Referred to a committee consisting of Council Stans, Steins, & Dewolf to report on.

The case of the Robertson family in Poor's Asylum was referred to Overseers of Poor, to enquire into and report.

On motion Clerk was instructed to give Henry Watt late Capt. Axe & Ladder Co. a certificate of service.

Letter was read from the Dartmouth Debating Club asking for a reduction in the rent they were charged for the use of the Town Hall.

Referred to Public Property Committee to report on.

The Street Committee were requested to enquire in reference to a street which had been laid off between the Cloud & Albro properties, & report.

The following accounts were passed, and ordered to be paid:—

J. W. Allan \$42.05	W. McV. Smith \$9.25	G. M. Craig 45
Thos. Behan 1.90	J. C. Stevens 4.75	J. Brocksford 71.25
W. H. Stevens 3.15	J. C. Lawlor \$53.9	J. T. Wright 322
McDonald \$9.80	Wm. McCall 9.	White & Finnimore \$4.
J. Simons \$3.	Star Manly \$5.275	W. G. Walker 13.08
Wm. Elliot 3.	J. Farrell 3.60	W. Elliot 45
Edw. Giff's 8.	Wood & Co. 73.37	Alex. McKay 85
P. Brown 4.50	R. W. Leahan 2.85	W. S. Hall 13.55

J. Snoll	7.25	Rich. Synes	2.00	E. Bowes	4.45	
L. Holt	28.92	Tom Jones	10.04	W. Hopewell	26.25	
J. Walker	262.26	W. Marvin	7.	J. Wright	92.	
J. Campbell	2.88	A. Scarfe	30.49	Jas. Vort	1.	
A. Henderson	4.50	J. Stevens	4.60	Contingent	1.23	
					Total	\$ 842.88

The Warden reported that he had enquired from the Mayor of Halifax, and the Admiral, but could get no definite information, as to whether the Marquis of Lorne and H.R.H. the Princess Louise, were likely to visit this side of the Harbor.

The Council adjourned
 C. E. Elliot
 Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Friday morning
 Nov. 9 1848

A special meeting of the Council was held this morning.

Present: Wm. H. Weeks, Warden
 Council Campbell, Walker, Stais, Scarfe, Stevens & Dewolf and the Recorder.

Council Stais moved, seconded by Council Scarfe, "Resolved," that the Recorder be instructed to compromise the suits of G. Shields and J. C. Leadley vs. The Town of Dartmouth, by offering their solicitors on behalf of the town the sum of thirty dollars ^{each} for the taxed costs to settle, and if the offer was rejected to oppose the suits."

Moved in amendment by Council Walker, seconded by Council Campbell, "That the Recorder be instructed to settle the suits referred to by paying a sum not to exceed fifty dollars each for the costs."

Council Walker, Campbell, & Dewolf voting in favor of the amendment, Council Stais, Scarfe, & Stevens

against Amendment carried by Warden
giving casting vote.

Council adjourned.

Alfred Elliot

Town Clerk

Dartmouth

(Friday evening)
November 22nd 1848

A Special meeting of the Council was held
this evening.

Present, Wm. W. Weeks, Warden,
Council: Campbell, Walker, Stans, Dewolf, Stearns &
dearfe, and the Recorder.

A letter from the Mayor of Halifax was
read, asking the Council to take part in the procession
on the occasion of the landing of the Governor General,
the Marquis of Lorne and W. R. W. Princess Louise.

After some discussion the following resolution
was adopted.

"Resolved." That His Honor the Warden be instructed to
inform His Worship the Mayor of Halifax, that the Town
Council of Dartmouth owing to the lateness of the
invitation to join in the procession, which it is proposed
to accompany the Marquis of Lorne and Princess Louise
on the occasion of their official landing in Halifax,
are obliged to forego the pleasure of accepting such
invitation."

A deputation of citizens appeared before the
Council, to seek the cooperation of the Council in
arranging for an illumination on Monday evening
next, in honor of the Marquis of Lorne and Princess
Louise.

The Council declined to take part in the illumination,
as it was thought best to leave the matter to the citizens
to act as they saw fit.

Council adjourned.

Alfred Elliot

Town Clerk

Dartmouth

Wednesday evening

December 11. 1848.

A meeting of the Council was held this evening.

Present, Wm H. Weeks, Warden.

Councillors Campbell, Walker, Stiles, Scarfe, Sterns and the Recorder.

Minutes of last three meetings read and confirmed.

Com. on Lamont Steam Claims reported, that they had engaged Mr. Vanduskiuk to make a plan of the stream and report names of owners of rights on the stream; and that they had interviewed some of the parties who valued their rights at \$3500. of our com. were unable to ascertain the names of the other two owners. Mr. Vanduskiuk's plans & report were handed in by the Com, and laid on the table. On motion the reports were received.

Com. on Fire Dept. reported that they had placed two soft coal base burners in the Engine Room; and a beehive stove in the tower for drying purposes, which arrangement seems to be satisfactory. The Com. recommended that a grant of one hundred dollars be made to the Union Protection Company, towards the cost of their waggon, provided that a guarantee be given that the waggon becomes the property of the Town in event of the company being disbanded.

On motion report was received and adopted.

On motion of Council Sterns, seconded by Council Scarfe Resolved, "That the Police Com. be requested to instruct the policemen to attend to the fires in the Engine House as required, and make the necessary regulations in connection therewith."

Street Committee reported, that notices had been sent to all persons having obstructions on the streets dedicated to the Town by the Boygs family, and that negotiations were still pending. That surveys were being made of Water St., Windmill Road, Pittard St., from Bridge Westwardly, and the road over Mt. Thom.

which would be completed soon. The Com. also reported that the purchase of the land from Wm. Haddell, required to widen Chapel Lane, had been completed, work thereon had been commenced and they expected to have the same made available for the use of the public in a few days.

On motion report was received.

Com. on A. K. Corbin's claim reported that having examined into the circumstances of the case, they did not consider that Mr. Corbin had any claim against the Town.

On motion report was received and adopted, and the Recorder was instructed to answer Mep. Foster's letter.

Com. on Public Property reported respecting application from Debating Club for a reduction in the charge for rent of Town Hall, that having considered the matter, recommend that in this case the rate be reduced to two dollars per night, provided no admittance fee be charged, nor a collection taken up, when a charge is made, the usual rate of five dollars per night to be collected.

On motion report received and adopted.

The Recorder reported in the matter of the suit of the Town vs. Short et al. that through inadvertence the cause had not been entered on the docket at the last term of the Supreme Court, but would probably come up for trial next term.

The Recorder also reported that Mep. G. Shields and J. C. Leadley had agreed in writing to settle their suits pending on payment of fifty dollars to each in full of all damages and costs.

On motion the Warden was authorized to pay the said amounts.

A letter from J. C. Lawlor & others was read asking for the use of the Town Hall free of charge for the purpose of giving a concert in aid of the widow of the late John Rodgers, recently drowned at Cole Harbor, N. York. Referred to Committee on Public Property.

A letter was read from Judge James, complaining of the removal of gravel, &c. from the street which practice he alleged was damaging his property. Referred to Street Com.
 Letter was read from Sedgewick & Stewart Sol^{rs} for E. W. Hancock, stating that they had been retained to enter an action against the Town to recover the sum of fifty dollars paid by Mr. Hancock to the Town Clerk, April 6/78, as Commercial Traveller and Agents License. Referred to Recorder to report on at next meeting.

Letter was read from Wm. Wentzell, asking for compensation for gravel removed from street near his property. As the Council decided some months ago that Mr. Wentzell had no claim, the Clerk was instructed to inform him that the Council saw no reason to change their decision.

Letter from Warrimouth Engine Co. was read, requesting that the stipulated time of service required by law from members of the Engine Company be reduced from 16 years to 12 years. Referred to Com. on Fire Dept.
 The Recorder was instructed to take the necessary steps to collect surplus proceeds of sale of R. J. Wilsons property in Halifax, on which the Town holds a mortgage. The Warden suggested the propriety of making an appropriation or placing a sum in next years estimates to be given to the Central Board of Agriculture as a contribution to the prize list of the Exhibition to be held next year.

On motion of Counc^r Stairs. Resolved, "That in the matter of Almon et al. vs. the Town, for interest on the Kuhn bond that the Warden be authorized to pay amount of judgt & costs, viz. \$68.22."

At the suggestion of the Warden the Com. on Revising Byelaws were requested to take up the subject of the Public Schools, and frame such byelaws as are required for the government of the Schools, & report.

Council adjourned

Alfred Elliot

Town Clerk