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Town of Dartmouth

Council Minutes

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Siemens Meter

The matter of repairing the Siemens meter on hand or obtaining a new one, was referred to the Water Com to report on.

A number of accounts were passed

Draft Act re Water & Sewerage

Drafts of amendments to the Water Act were submitted by Recorder Russell in accordance with instructions given by the Council; as follows:-

Sewer rates

A clause providing that, ^{On the cases of owners} whose properties are so situated that they are not able to connect their houses with the main sewer at a less angle than 70° owing to the main sewer not being in front of their property, then the Town construct the increased length of sewer, the principle to be applicable to past cases.

Sinking Fund

A clause providing that the sum of \$250. be assessed for each year as a Sinking Fund for the redemption of the Water Bonds.

Fund for extra ordinary expenditure

A clause providing that a sum be included in the estimates each year to establish a fund for any extra ordinary expense that may arise in connection with the Water Works.

After a lengthy discussion on motion of Councillor Williams & Moseley, it was resolved that a Special Com be appointed to consider the proposed changes in the Water Act & other amendments & report to the Council. Councillors Moseley, Forsyth & Ritchie were appointed as the Com.

Adjourned

C. F. Elliot
Town Clerk

Approved
A. J. Jenkins
Mayor

1/1/98

Dartmouth

Friday, Jan. 7th. 1898

The Council met this evening. Present, Mayor Johnston, Councillors Harrison, Bowes, Moseley, Ritchie, Forsyth & Williams also Recorder Russell. Minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed.

A. J. Jenkins
Poll Tax

The Finance Committee reported as follows:-
In answer to the letter of Mr. A. J. Jenkins, we find he was out of the country in 1896, and therefore should be exempt from poll tax during that year. We recommend that the money paid for 1896 be credited to him for the year 1897.

- D. Fraser's
claim 2. As regards the subject of Mr. Donald Fraser's claims we would recommend that he be paid \$1.05 being 15¢ per ton for 7 tons of stone. We find Mr. Fraser has been paid for all stone bought and delivered, with the exception of the 7 tons above mentioned. But as Mr. Fraser contends he sold 1000 tons of stone to be taken from the lot where the stone crusher now lies, and that as only about 800 tons were taken from there (the balance having been taken from another lot), we would recommend that 200 tons be bought from Mr. Fraser at 15¢ per ton, provided the same are ready for delivery without any quarrying, and that the town be allowed twelve months to take delivery. This offer is without prejudice, and only on condition that Mr. Fraser would be willing to accept this in full settlement of all his claims against the town.
- Poll Tax on
Persons assessed 3. We have given much thought to the question of poll tax exemption for persons assessed on real and personal property, but find it a very weighty matter, and are not yet in a position to report. The report was adopted.
- Water meter -
Siemens The Water Com. reported that they had examined the Water meter now on hand out of order & recommended that it be sent to the makers Siemens & Co. England for necessary repairs. Adopted.
- Council Room -
Charge for use of The Common Public Property to whom was referred the matter of charge for electric lighting the Council room when used by persons other than the Town Council or committees of the Council recommended that the fee in such cases be placed at 50 cents for each night. This report caused some discussion & on a vote being taken was adopted, Councils Bowes & Froyth opposing it the other councillors in the favor.
- Auditors
Annual Report The Auditor's report and financial statement for the town year ending Dec 31. 1897, having been read, it was resolved on motion of Councils Bowes & Froyth, that the accounts of the Town Clerk & Treasurer having been audited, & being found correct to the satisfaction of this Council be and the same are finally passed and allowed. It was decided to print the auditors report & statement with the Mayor's report as customary heretofore.
- On motion of C. Harrison & Bowes, resolved

Fence at R. Wambolt's property.

that the Street Com. have power to make an expense sufficient to repair the line fence on Portland Street fronting on the property occupied by Rich Wambolt, & that the repairs be made without delay from the fact that the said fence is now in a dangerous condition.

See Land Imp. Co Fence

On motion of the same it was resolved that the attention of the Land Improvement Co (Ltd) be called to the dangerous condition of their line fence on Canal St & further, that the Town Clerk be authorized to write them at once demanding that the necessary repairs be made without delay otherwise they will be held liable for any accident occurring through their negligence.

Victoria Square.

Letter read from Mr. Geo. Stairs enclosing deed of the property which he had dedicated to the Town as per his letter of Dec 15th last. Some of the subscribers wished to have the square called 'Victoria Square' this he thought a very good name. Mr. Stairs suggestion was agreed to and it was decided that the plot of land referred to be known in future as 'Victoria Square'.

W. L. Bishop's act passed

W. L. Bishop's act \$10.00 for ^{magnifying for} photos of town scenery was passed, and the Council

adjourned
Capt Elliot
Town Clerk

Approved
[Signature]
Mayor

17/11/98

Dartmouth

Monday Jan 17 1898

The Council met this evening, Present Mayor Johnston, Councillors Harrison Ritchie Bowles, Forsyth, Measeley & Williams.

Minutes of last meeting were read, & after a slight amendment were confirmed.

The Com. to whom was referred the proposed amendments and additions to the Water & Sewerage Act reported that they had had several meetings & given the subject their earnest consideration, & submitted the following for the consideration of the Council:-

1. Instead of the proposed \$250. for a Sinking Fund

Water Com report

Sinking Fund

the sum of \$1400 to be provided, to be used for the construction of new work. If the fund is found to accumulate beyond the necessities of such work, the surplus shall be used for the redemption of water and Sewerage bonds. This plan we believe will be superior to the proposed Sinking Fund as it will prevent the necessity of issuing new bonds.

Fund for
Cleaning Mains

2. In reference to the proposed fund for cleaning mains, &c we believe that such a contingency is in all probability so far in the future, that we deem it inexpedient to make any provision for that purpose, especially as in the foregoing clause we have included all the service will stand without increasing the rate.

Pipe rate on
Dwellings

3. Sec. 145 Sub-sec. b. of Cap. 50. Acts. 1895 to be amended so that all dwellings liable for Water Rates assessed over \$2000 shall pay on \$2000 a domestic rate, and on all excess of that amount a pipe rate.

Vacant Dwellings

4. Amend Cap. 38 (Consol. Water & Sewerage Act) Sec. 45 Sub-sec. E. by striking out the words "on the first day of May in the first line. These words are obviously not needed to carry out the true intent & meaning of this clause, as it was the intention & has been the practice not to charge the Domestic rate on vacant dwellings since the clause now amended came into force. The report was adopted.

Poll Tax on
persons assessed

The Finance Committee reported as follows:-
Your Committee to whom was referred the question as to whether it would be advisable to exempt persons from paying a Poll Tax, who are assessed on real or personal property, have given the matter every consideration, and find many difficulties in the way of such a change.

We find there are upwards of 500 persons assessed, who by such a change would be paying less than the ordinary poll tax payer, for instance a person assessed on \$50.00 worth of property would pay but .65 and have the right to vote, while the one paying a poll tax of \$2.00 would enjoy no such privilege.

Further, we find such a change would make a difference of over \$1000.00 in the revenue of the Town, and to raise this amount by a general assessment would mean an increase of from 6 to 8 cents on \$100.00, and would place an extra burden on manufactures, which we believe would not be in the interests of the Town. Report adopted.

Engine Co.
re hose, reels

Letter read from the Dist. Engine Co., asking the Council to put in the estimates, the sum of \$30. for the hire of horses to haul the reels for alarms and fires. Referred to the ~~next~~ ^{incoming} Council

Ferry Comⁿ
Comm^{rs} Weston

Letter read from Secy of Dist. Ferry Comⁿ giving notice that the time for which Comm^r Weston was appointed expires in Feb next & requesting the Council to appoint a successor in accordance with Cap. 83 Sec. 7 Acts of 1890. Referred to the incoming Council.

Revisors
appointed.

H. S. Congdon, Jas. S. Warner and Jas. D. McKenna were appointed revisors of Prov. Electoral Lists at the Salary of \$40.00 collectively.

Reform Club
Hall proposed
as a Town Hall

Councilman Harrison moved seconded by Councilman Powel, the following resolution; Resolved, That a committee from this Council be appointed to consider the advisability of purchasing the Reform Club Building with a view to converting it into a suitable Town Hall, the committee to have power to engage a competent builder to report upon the condition of the premises, & the preparing of a suitable floor plan by an Architect in order that the matter may be intelligently ~~discussed~~ ^{considered} by the Council, the cost not to exceed the sum of \$25. Councilmen Harrison, Powel & Mosley were appointed as the Com.

A number of accounts were passed & the Council adjourned,

Chas. Beech
Town Clerk

Approved
aff^r Mayor

4/2/98

Dartmouth
(Tuesday) Feb. 1 1898

The Council met this day at 5 pm Present Mayor Johnston, Councillors Ritchie, Mosley & Forsyth

~~Minutes of last meeting were read & approved~~

The Annual Election for a Mayor & three councillors one for each ward having been held this day, and the electoral returns having been read by the Town Clerk, it appeared

Municipal
Election

that the men mentioned had been
duly elected, all by acclamation, viz:

For Mayor:

Arthur C. Johnston

For Councillor Ward One

G. H. Wilson

For Councillor Ward Two

Frederick B. Bowes

For Councillor Ward Three

Henry Moseley

Railway
Convention.

Letter read from the Mayor of Halifax
asking that the Town send representatives
to a convention re proposed railway between
Shelburne and Halifax, to be held at City Hall
Halifax on 2nd day of February inst. On motion
The Mayor, Councilor Toroyth, & E. M. Wacker Post.
of the Board of Trade were appointed to represent
Dartmouth at the convention.

Adjourned

Chas. Eccles

Town Clerk

4/2/98

Approved
A. C. Johnston
Mayor

I, Arthur C. Johnston, do solemnly swear that I will be
faithful and bear ^{true} allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria.
So help me God.

Sworn before me, at Dartmouth,

this 1st day of February

A. D. 1898.



~~Stip. Magistrate for the Town of Dartmouth.~~

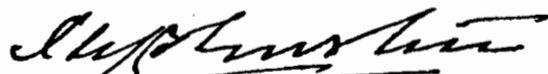
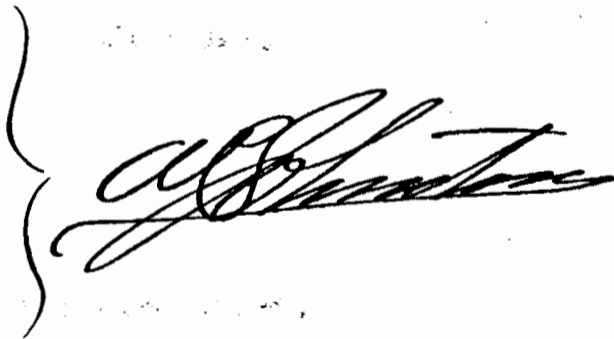
Judge District No. 1 & Justice of the Peace for the
County of Halifax

I, Arthur C. Johnston, do swear that I am duly qualified
as required by law for the office of Mayor of the Town of Dartmouth, and
that I will faithfully perform the duties of Mayor while I hold the office
to the best of my ability.

Sworn before me, at Dartmouth,

this 1st day of February

A. D. 1898.



~~Stip. Magistrate for the Town of Dartmouth.~~

Judge District No. 1 & Justice of the Peace for the County
of Halifax

TOWN OF DARTMOUTH. S. S.

We the undersigned,

G. Douglas Wilson.

Councillor elected for Ward One

Frederick C. Bowes.

Councillor elected for Ward Two.

Henry Moseley.

Councillor elected for Ward Three.

for the Town of Dartmouth, do severally swear that we will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

So help me God.

Sworn at Dartmouth,

this 4th day of Feb'y

A. D. 1898. before me.

[Signature]
Mayor.

G. Douglas Wilson
F. C. Bowes
Henry Moseley

We the undersigned,

G. Douglas Wilson,

Councillor elected for Ward One.

Frederick C. Bowes.

Councillor elected for Ward Two.

Henry Moseley,

Councillor elected for Ward Three.

for the Town of Dartmouth, do severally, solemnly swear that we are duly qualified as required by law for the office of Councillor for the Town of Dartmouth, and that we will faithfully perform the duties of Councillor while we hold office, to the best of our ability.

So help me God.

Sworn to at Dartmouth,

this 4th day of Feb'y

A. D. 1898. before me.

[Signature]
Mayor.

G. Douglas Wilson
F. C. Bowes
Henry Moseley

Dartmouth

(Friday) Feb. 4. 1898

The Town Council met this evening at 7.30 o'clock. Present Mayor Johnston, Councillors Ritchie, Forsyth, Williams, Wilson, Bowes & Moseley. Minutes of last two meetings were read and confirmed.

The Special Committee appointed to inquire into the condition of the Reform Club Hall with a view to converting the same into a Town Hall, reported that they had engaged the services of Mr. A. G. Gates to examine the property and report upon its condition and furnish an estimate of the cost of the proposed alterations. The Com. submitted this report for the consideration of the Council, with a plan of the property by H. G. Gates, architect. Mr. Gates report was as follows: "I have examined the Reform Club Hall and find the sills sound, and the outside, with the exception of the doors and corner pilasters, in good condition; the plastering is falling down and will have to be renewed, the roof is so covered with snow that I could not see what it was like. The proposed alterations and repairs and vault, including painting would cost about eight hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$825) new addition 21 x 37 about \$800. I do not think the Hall is any more suitable for a Town Hall than the present building." The papers were directed to be filed and the matter of obtaining the Reform Club Hall building for a Town Hall was dropped.

Reform Club Hall Report of Com.

Presdy Council appointed

Standing Committees appointed

Councilor Forsyth was appointed Presiding Councilor

Councilors Ritchie, Forsyth and Williams were appointed a Com. to nominate Standing Committees for the current year. The Com. retired and shortly after returned, recommending the following Standing Committees.

Com. on Finance:-	Councilors Moseley, Bowes, Forsyth
" Streets:-	" Forsyth, Williams, Ritchie
" Police & Licenses:-	" Moseley, Williams, Wilson
" Fire, Pumps & Wells:-	" Williams, Ritchie, Forsyth
" Poor & Lunatics:-	" Bowes, Wilson, Moseley
" Water & Sewerage:-	" Ritchie, Williams, Bowes

Ch. of committees appointed.	On motion of bouncers Moseley and Forsyth it was resolved that the report be adopted, and it was further resolved that the first named on the list of standing committees be chairman of that committee
N. J. Bunningham apptd. Ferry Comm.	On motion of bouncers Forsyth and Moseley Ritchie Dr. N. J. Bunningham was appointed Ferry Commis- sioner for the ensuing term of three years, in place of vice B. A. Weston, whose term had expired.
School Commrs apptd.	bouncers Moseley, Bowes and Forsyth were appointed School Commissioners. bouncers Wilson and Moseley were appointed Park Commissioners for the ensuing year.
James, St Water and Sewer extension asked for.	Letter was read from Res. Dr. P. W. Morrison asking that the water and sewerage system be extended up James Street, and stating that in the near future four or five houses would probably be built on that street. Referred to Water Com. to report upon.
Alex Dick & W. A. Hendry re plan of Town	Letter from Alex Dick and W. A. Hendry civil engineers, Halifax, asking if it was con- templated to make a survey and plan of the Town, they offered to do the work and would be able to furnish estimates of the probable cost. Referred to Street Committee to report upon.
Lord Strathcona re Photos	Letter was read from Lord Strathcona of London, acknowledging the receipt of twenty photographs of scenes in Dartmouth, forwarded him by the Mayor under a resolution passed some months ago by the Council. His letter was ordered to be filed.
Appeal Court	It was decided to hold the Assessment Appeal Court on Wednesday, March 2 nd at 7.30 p.m. bouncers Wilson ^{Bowes} and Moseley were appoint- ed members of the court.
Snow plough	The matter of obtaining a snow plough for use on the streets was referred to the Street Com. to report upon.
Letter from Mayor Johnston	The following letter from His Worship the Mayor was read: - "At this the commencement of another year of Town business, permit me to draw your attention to the following changes (which I suggest it would be in the interests of the Ratepayers to make). First I would most strongly urge that the duties of the Supt.

Letter
Mayor
Johnson

of Streets be clearly defined by By-laws. The present state of affairs as regards this office is unfair to all concerned. Unfair to your Supt. who has not the control of the streets which he should have, and certainly unfair to the Ratepayers who provide the salary, as in my opinion they are not getting as good value for their money as they otherwise would. The Supt. should be held responsible for keeping the streets in good order, and he should report to the Council in writing on the first day of every month what has been done during the past month, and what will be necessary in the future. This would keep the Council more in touch with the affairs of the Town (under this head) than they are at present, and would prove beneficial in many other respects. Not only is this course expedient, but if I read clause 17^b of cap 4, Acts of 1895, aught it is incumbent on the Council to define the duties by By-laws.

Second. From several years actual experience on the Street Committee, when the money was expended at times by the Committee at large, at other by the Councillor for his respective ward, I have come to the conclusion that by far the best way is the former, and that no money should be laid out in any part of the Town except by the consent of the majority of the Street Committee; this would do away with ward jealousies, and would give the Town the benefit of the wisdom of three Councillors in the spending of the money, instead of only one as at present, and will enable those portions of the Town most needing repairs to have them made, irrespective of what ward they are in.

Third. In the expenditure of moneys assessed by the Council for any Committee, it should be understood that simply because a certain amount is assessed in bloc, that, that does not mean that any portion of that money should be expended without a certain further vote of the Council. It would be wise in future, if every contemplated expenditure of moneys should first be submitted to the Council for their approval. This will enable the Council as a whole to know from time to time what every Committee is doing, and will reduce to a minimum the chance of overdrafts.

Four. I think a better way than that which at present exists of paying accounts might be devised. As you are aware at every meeting of Council a large number of bills, signed by the several committees, are presented for payment. These accounts may represent the work of several months and the longer they remain unrepresented the more difficult it is to properly supervise them. To obviate this, I would suggest that in future all accounts be rendered monthly and passed only at the first meeting of the Council in every month (except when this course might entail a hardship) and that the clerk lay on the table a detailed statement of the bills so presented.

In submitting these suggestions for your consideration I do so with the hope that some, if not all of them, will be found worthy of your approval, and that if they are adopted they may prove of benefit to the Town at large.

Referred to Committee consisting of Councilors Moseley, Ritchie & Wilson to consider and report upon. Councilors Forsyth and Moseley moved that the Ferry Commission be asked to appoint a committee to confer with a Com. of this Council re. the proposed new Town Hall. Councilors Ritchie and Forsyth were appointed as the committee.

New Town Hall

New Cemetery

The matter of purchasing a piece of land for a new cemetery was referred to the Public Property Com. with instructions to report thereon at next meeting if possible.

Estimates

Estimates for the current year were referred to the several standing committees to prepare and submit to the Council at its next meeting.

Town Officers appointed

The following Town Officers were appointed:

Deputy Ship Magistrate & Recorder	Wm. R. Foster
Chief of Police, Pound Keeper, Health Warden	Wm. McKenzie
Policeman, Pound Keeper, Health Warden	Daniel Brennan
Auditors	Geo. Foot & W. Brighton
Firewards	Comdr. Williams, H. G. Wherry & B. Dares
Fire Constables	J. J. Settle, John Brook
Public Weighers	R. Simmonds, W. Colerane, J. S. Elliot
Public Measure	Thos. Hales
Surveyor of Lumber	John Short
Keeper South and Pound	Geo. Vick

Sanitary Inspectors appointed

On motion of Councilors Williams & Ritchie, Wm. McKenzie & D. Brennan were appointed Sanitary Inspectors to act and have jurisdiction within and throughout the limits of the Town of Dartmouth for the year ending February 1899.

Town Officers to be sworn in

Ordered that the Town Officers be notified to attend at the Town Hall on Monday next at 7 o'clock to be sworn into office.

Adjourned.
Capt. Elliot
Town Clerk

2/24/98
Approved
[Signature]
Mayor

Dartmouth
(Monday) Feb 21. 1898.

The Council met this evening at 7:31 p.m. Present Mayor Johnston, Councilors Moseley, Ritchie, Forsyth, Williams, Bowes and Wilson also Deputy Recorder Foster.

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

New Cemetery

The Street and Public Property Com. reported as follows: 1. In reference to the matter of a new cemetery your Com. have considered the matter carefully and report in favor of purchasing a site somewhere outside the Town proper, and have in view a property which could be purchased at a reasonable price.

Snow Plough

2. In regard to the matter of getting a snow plough your Com. have carefully considered the proposal and beg leave to report that owing to inequalities in the width and impediments on the sidewalks, they deem it would not be advisable to attempt the experiment. The first clause was referred back to the Com. for further consideration, and the second clause was adopted.

Estimates for Streets &c

The Com. recommended the following estimates for 1898: -
For Streets \$3517.⁰⁰ Street Lighting \$725.⁰⁰ Pub. Property \$75.⁰⁰
The consideration of these estimates was deferred.

James St. Water & Sewer Extension

The Water Com. reported that they had considered Dr. Morrison's request for the extension of the water and sewer mains on James St. and recommended that it be carried out. The Supt. reported that the distance from Portland St. to Dr. Morrison's residence was 500 feet, and estimated the cost of laying a 4" water pipe and a 9" sewer pipe.

at \$540.⁰⁰. The Com. thought it would be a safe investment for the Town as shown by the above statement of cost.

Hydrants The Supt. having suggested the placing of 3 more hydrants on the advice at the following places - one at the corner of Luarrell and Edward Sts, at the corner of Kentworth and Luarrell Sts. and one on Albert St. The Com. recommended that the work be done.

Lathe

The Supt. having asked for a small lathe, the Com. recommended that it be got at a cost not to exceed \$30.⁰⁰.

Mayor

Johnston's letter

The Com. appointed to report on the suggestions of His Worship the Mayor read at the last meeting of the Council, reported that they had carefully considered the different clauses as follows:-

Supt. of Streets

1. Re. duties of Superintendent of Streets
In reference to clause 170 of chapter 4, Acts of 1895 the Com. respectfully advise that the resolution of the Council dated Oct. 15, 1897 be incorporated in the By. laws of the Town with the addition that all reports of the Supt. of Streets be made in writing not later than the third day of each month.

Street Expend.

2. The Com. do not consider it judicious at present to recommend any change in the method in which the money for the Street Com. is expended.

Overdrafts on Estimates

3. The Com. cannot recommend the carrying out of this clause as His Worship the Mayor has the opportunity of preventing overdrafts on any work in course of completion should the amount of money allocated to the Com. in charge of such work be all expended.

Paying acct.

4. The Com. are unable to see the wisdom of this clause as in the opinion of the Com. it would entail a lot of unnecessary work on the part of the Town to look, and any benefit to be derived therefrom would not be sufficient to advise its adoption at the present time. This report was adopted.

Rubber coats

for U.P.C.

Letter was received from the Capt. U.P.C. requesting that the Council purchase one dozen rubber coats for the use of the Company at fires. On motion it was decided to comply with their request.

Allan McDonald

Letter was read from Lyons & Tobin, solicitors for Allan McDonald, applying on his behalf for the sum of \$102.⁰⁰, being the surplus proceeds of sale of Allan McDonald's land, sold in January last, under the Lien Law.

for taxes of 1895. Referred to Recorder for his opinion thereon. On motion of Councils. Barnes and Moseley, it was resolved that the Town Clerk be authorized to pay over the money to Lyons & Ikin when the Recorder gave his opinion in the matter, if he decided that Allan McDonald was the owner of the property.

Town bonds

Letter read from J. C. Mackintosh offering to furnish the Town with any money required on debentures this year, at the lowest possible terms. Ordered to be filed.

C. H. Supper's assessment

Letter from Jos. A. Chisholm, solicitor for Sir C. H. Supper, giving notice of appeal from the valuation assessed on his property this year. As the application came too late to lay before the Court of Appeal, it was decided to give Mr. Chisholm a hearing on behalf of Sir C. H. S. at a future meeting of the Council.

Accts passed

A number of accounts were passed for payment.

Engine Co.
re. Streets

Letter was read from Secy. Dartmouth Engine Co. calling attention to the dangerous and disgraceful condition of the streets after a snow storm and stating that some of the streets were impassable after the last storm. He also stated that the Co. had been notified by the Town Clerk that all the lights should be turned off when the Engine House was not in use, but they thought that the light in the Engine Room should burn all night, as in case of fire it would be a great convenience for any one who was in a hurry to ring the fire bell. Referred to the Street Com.

Ferry Comⁿ

appoint Comⁿ

re. Town Hall

Letter was read from Dartmouth Ferry Comⁿ stating that Councils. Troop and Allison were appointed a Comⁿ from that Commission to confer with the Comⁿ appointed by the Council in the matter of the proposed new Town Hall. Ordered to be filed.

Herbert Munro

Deaf Mute

Letter read from J. Fedron, Principal Deaf and Dumb Institution, requesting the Mayor to sign an admission order for one Herbert Munro, who is a pupil in that institution and whose parents are residents of Dartmouth. Referred to Recorder for his opinion thereon as to the liability of the Town in the matter.

E. Light Co's
bill

The Electric Light Co's bill for January was submitted by the Comⁿ on Public Property. Also a report from the Chief of Police of lights out during the month of January was read. Owing to the number of lights out the Comⁿ did not see their way clear to pass the bill. The

papers were referred to the Com. to require into and report upon.

Roll for Stone Breaker.

On motion of Councillors Williams and Moseley the Street Committee were authorized to purchase a new rubber belt for the stone breaker at a sum not to exceed \$50.00

Wm. Webber appointed Policeman

On motion of Councillors Forsyth and Ritchie it was resolved that William Webber be appointed Police man for the ensuing year.

Pulp Mill Exemption from Taxes asked for

A Letter was read from Drysdale and McInnis acting on behalf of the promoters of a company who propose to establish a pulp and paper manufacturing industry in the town, on the land property, owned by the Building Society, from whom the company had secured the option of the land and water power. The company would have a capital of not less than \$300,000 and would employ from 200 to 300 men. They asked that the Council obtain legislation to exempt the les. from municipal taxation for 50 years.

Mr. McInnis and Mr. J. W. Allison being present, were granted a hearing in support of the application.

Mr. J. M. Heeks being present, obtained permission to speak, and stated that he objected to the granting exemption of taxes on principle and in this case, as the matter of tax exemption on so large an industry would be very small in proportion to the expenses of management.

On motion of Councillors Wilson and Forsyth it was resolved that the application be referred to a special Com. of four Councillors. The following were appointed as the committee - Councillors Moseley, Bowes, Forsyth and Ritchie to consider the matter and report thereon.

The Council adjourned until Wednesday next at 4.30 p.m.

Approved
2/2/98
W. Forsyth

Town Clerk

Dartmouth.

(Wednesday) Feb. 23. 1898.

A special meeting of the Council was held this day at 4.30 p.m. Present. The Mayor, Councillors Ritchie, Foley, Williams, Noseley, Bowes and Wilson, also Deputy Recorder Foster.

Pulp Mill.

Draft of legislation to empower the Town to grant the proposed pulp and paper manufactory an exemption from taxation, was submitted by the Com. to whom the matter was referred at the last meeting. Various amendments and additions to the draft were made and it was finally passed and adopted as follows:-

Draft Act..

"Whereas it is contemplated to establish a company for the purpose of erecting buildings and machinery for the manufacture of pulp and paper in the Town of Dartmouth, upon property formerly belonging to the Inland Navigation Company, and now owned by the Nova Scotia Building Society:-

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

1. Any pulp and paper manufactory to be erected on the said property at Dartmouth, the buildings, machinery, stock and all other the personal property connected therewith shall be exempt from taxation for a period of thirty years.

2. And the said company shall pay into the funds of the Town for municipal purposes, the sum of \$150.00 annually for thirty years, in lieu of any tax on Real Estate.

3. Provided that the said company shall not engage in any other business than the manufacture and sale of pulp and paper, nor shall any of the lands, buildings, wharves or any other the property of the said company, be used for any other purpose outside of the said business of manufacturing and selling pulp and paper. Provided that if any part of the property is leased or used by other parties, such property shall be assessed in the same way as all other property in the Town.

4. Provided also that such manufactory shall be erected and in operation within three years from the passing of this Act.

5. Provided also that a sum of not less than Two Hundred Thousand Dollars shall be expended in the construction of such manufactory and buildings and the acquisitions of such Real Estate, and that the proposed company shall

employ at their works at Dartmouth at least one hundred men not less than eleven months in every year during such term."

b. The provisions of this chapter with regard to exemption from taxation shall not be construed to apply to dwelling houses to be erected on said property, nor to any personal property contained therein, nor to any sum or sums to be levied for the purposes of the water and sewerage service of the Town."

It was ordered that the draft Act be forwarded to the Legislature now in session for their approval.

Adjourned

Capt. Elliot

Town Clerk

Approved
3/3/98
[Signature]
Mayor

Dartmouth

(Friday) Feb. 25. 1898.

The Council met this day at 7.30 p.m. Present Mayor Johnston, Councillors Moseley, Ritchie, Forsyth and Wilson, also Deputy Recorder Foster.

The Mayor stated that he had addressed the following letter to Deputy Recorder Foster:-
"Kindly give me your opinion in the margin on the following facts:- Councillor Bowes, who is Jas. Bowes & Son did work for the Town while a councillor, as shown by the following account. His term as councillor expired on Feb. 1st last. He was re-elected to the Council, and is now a member of the same. Has his seat become vacant (through the contracting of this bill) under sec. 59, chap. 4, Acts of 1895 and subsec. c of same clause? If not, is the Council justified in paying the same?" The account referred to was for an Assessment Roll Book \$4.00 dated Dec. 31. 1897.

Deputy Recorder Foster's reply was as follows:- "It appears that J. B. Bowes as Jas. Bowes & Son was directly interested in a contract with the Town of Dartmouth at the time of his nomination. Under the provisions of sec. 59 of the Towns Incorporation Act, his nomination was void and his seat is therefore vacant."

Whereupon it was then moved by Councillor Forsyth, seconded by Councillor Ritchie that an election be held on Tuesday, March 15th for the election of a councillor for Ward II. to fill the seat vacated by J. B. Bowes, and that the poll be held at the Town Hall.

Councillor Bowes
seat vacant

Election Ward
II

Appeal Court

Councillor Ritchie was appointed a member of the Appeal Court in place of Mr. Bowes.

The following amendment to the last clause of the draft Act. passed at the last meeting, in reference to the Pulp mill was agreed to - "And the said company shall pay into the funds of the Town, the sum of \$300. Annually for thirty years, in lieu of any tax on Real Estate or Protection rates"

Approved
3/3/98
[Signature]
Mayor

Adjourned

Accy Secy
Town Clerk

Dartmouth,

(Thursday) March 3. 1898

The Council met this day at 7.30 pm
Present, Mayor Johnston, Councillors Ritchie Forsyth, Williams, Wilson & Mosley

Minutes of meeting held Feb 21 & 23 were read & confirmed. Minutes of meeting held 25th Feb. were read and amended by striking out the clause re. draft act relating to pulp mill, the minutes as amended were approved.

C. H. Trupper's Assessment

* Mr. J. A. Chisholm being present was given a hearing re. appeal of Sir C. H. Trupper from this year's assessment on his property, but not being fully informed as to properties owned by his client, on motion the matter was deferred in order to give him time to communicate with Sir Chas. Herbert.

The Council granted the appeal as it appeared to their satisfaction that the notice having been sent to the appellants residence at Victoria B.C. he could not put in his appeal within the 14 days as the law provides.

E. Light Co's bill

The Public Propy Com, to whom was referred the bill of the Electric Light Co. for Jan. last together with the report of the Chief of Police thereon as to lights out during the month, recommended that the bill be paid, less the sum of \$1.75, being amt of fines as per agreement (Clause 13) for lights out on Jan. 18 & 24th. The Chief of Police reports that all the lights were timed off at 10.30 pm on the night of Jan 11 which was the fourth day after full moon. There

seems to have been some misunderstanding as to notice given by the Town of this which was telephoned by the Chief of Police to the Electric Light Station. He also reports 17 lights out on the 23rd Jan, being the result of a severe storm on that date which broke down several of the wires. The Com. advised that under the circumstances, no claim for deduction be made in these cases. This report was adopted.

Street Lights

Ordered that the Police be notified to report all lights not burning when they should be under the contract.

Public Meeting re. purchase Stagner prop'y

Letter read from the Secy of the Dart. Ferry Comⁿ requesting that the necessary steps be taken to convene a public meeting of the Ratepayers of the Town of Dartmouth under Sec. 4 Cap. 50 Acts of 1897 to ratify the issue of bonds to the extent of \$13,000 for the purchase of the Stagner property in Halifax for ferry purposes. On motion Resolved That a meeting of the Ratepayers be called to be held at the Reform Club Hall on Friday, March 18 next at 8 pm.

Ch. A. Club re. Regatta

Letter read from the Ch. A. Club asking that a sum not less than \$200 be placed in the estimates this year towards the expenses of a Regatta proposed to be held this year. Referred to Finance Com.

J. J. Bowser

Letter read from J. J. Bowser complaining that water from Maple St brook overflowed his property. Referred to Street Com.

Axe & Ladder Co.

Letter read from Axe & Ladder Co asking for a donation of \$20 towards expenses of hauling the ladder cart to and from fairs, & also for 15 oil quits. The fire committee stated they were willing to add \$20.00 for hauling the ladder cart and \$24.00 for oil quits for this company, the estimate as amended was agreed to & referred to the Finance Com.

J. Bowser's acct. passed

J. Bowser's ac^t 4th was passed.

Five Constables apptd

H. B. Gentles, Jas O'Toole & Alex Bryson were appointed Fire Constables, & to be notified to attend on Monday next at 7.30 pm to be sworn in.

Duties of
Supt. of Streets

Bylaw

The complete bylaw re. duties of Supt. of Streets as passed at meeting of 21 Feb. last was read and confirmed and the clerk was directed to send a copy thereof to His Honor the Lieut. Governor in Council for approval.

Approved
25/3/98
W. J. [Signature]

Adjournd until
Monday next at 7:30
p.m. Ref. Sec. Ist.
J. J. [Signature]

Estimates

Read report from the Chairman of the School Board stating that the amount required for School purposes this year was \$10,210. also read reports of the several standing committees to wit on Streets & Pub. Property, Fire pumps & Wells, Poor & Lunatics, and Police & Estimates for the current year. The latter were referred to the Finance Com. to consider and report upon.

Dartmouth

(Monday) March 7, 1898.

Pursuant to adjournment the council met this day at 7:30 p.m. Present Mayor Johnston, Councillors Ritchie, Forsyth, Williams, Proseley and Kilson.

The report of the Finance Com. relative to estimates for the current year was read.

Letter was read from Fred. Walker stating that he was not satisfied with the decision of the Court of Appeal in his case, and asking that the Council consider his assessment for the current year. The clerk was directed to reply thereto to the effect that his appeal had been decided by the Court of Appeal and the Council had no power to interfere with their decision.

County Rates
(old acct.)

Letter was read from County Clerk Kiswell claiming that the sum of \$3302.⁰⁰ was due the Municipality of Halifax County for the balance due on old County Rates per statement rendered by them 3 years ago. They request a settlement so that the matter can be reported to the Municipal Council at its next session to be held March 23rd. The letter was referred to the Finance Com. to investigate the matter and report.

Accounts
passed.

The following accounts were passed for payment:-
Mrs. Behan \$4.00 Mrs. J. L. Walker \$5.00

Expend. of Poor funds

A discussion took place as to the propriety of the Poor Com. making cash payments to persons applying for relief, and it was resolved on motion of Councillor Trevelyan seconded by Councillor Ritchie that the bill for Mrs. Behan be paid, but that the Poor Com. be instructed that in future no assistance be given in cash.

Fire Constables

James O'Toole and Alex. Bryson, Fire Constables appointed at last meeting having declined to serve, the appointment of others to fill the vacancy was deferred until next meeting so that the consent of persons willing to act may be obtained before making the appointment.

Regatta Fund

President Pyke and Secretary Skatt of the Obecton A. A. Club being present on motion the order of business was suspended, and they were given a hearing in support of their application for a grant toward the funds of their club. It was decided to include \$100.00 in the estimates towards the Regatta Fund.

Estimates

The Finance Committee's report was then taken up. The report was as follows:-

Balance due Union Bank	4319.42	
Less cash on hand	<u>6.32</u>	
	4313.10	
Deduct S. F. Engine repairs included in above amt, to be assessed for next year.	<u>1205.00</u>	3108.
Schools		10210.
County Rates		660.
Streets		3487.
Regatta Fund		100.
Ordering Streets		200.
Public Property		75.
Lighting		1725.
Poor		1071.
Lunatics		1716.
Fire Department		967.
Bumps and Wells		60.
Police		1581.
License Inspector	Salary 60.00 Legal expenses 40.00	100.
Salaries:-		
Stipendiary Magistrate	600.	
Town Clerk	1050.	
Assistant Clerk	150.	
messenger	104.	
Assessors	300.	
Auditors	<u>100.</u>	2284.

Estimates

Grants to Reading Room and Park.		350.
Public Health.		70.
Interest	on Bonds. 680. less pd by Schools. 207 on overdraft. 80.	553.
Victoria Park.		150.
Tree planting on streets.		50.
Contingent		540.
Exemptions -	Fire School & Widows 800. Discounts 175. Allow for non-collection 150.	1125.
		<u>\$ 30182.</u>

Revenue

Taxes overdue 1896 and 1897.	3064	
Poll Tax.	1300	
Union Bank Tax.	150.	
Fines	150.	
Court Fees.	425.	
Licenses	350.	
Common Rent.	50.	
Dog Tax.	170.	5659.
Net amount to be assessed on Real and Personal Property		<u>\$ 24523.</u>

From the Assessment Returns it appears that the value of property within the Town is as follows:-

Real.	1413935.
Personal.	415635.
Total.	<u>\$ 1829570.</u>

Value of property liable for School Rates:-

Halifax City	169300.
Outside District	58000.
	<u>227300.</u>

Less

Value of property whose owners reside

in Halifax	95725.	
in other school sections	9750.	105475.
		<u>121825.</u>

Total for School Rate \$ 1951395.

The Rate for School purposes on the above valuations will be .52¢ per \$100 and will amount to, on \$121825 and Poll \$100. 733.50

The Rate for the Town will be \$1.30 per \$100 on \$1829570. 23783.50

\$ 24517.00

Your Com. would recommend that the above rates be levied for the current year.

On motion the report was adopted and the estimates confirmed.

On motion of bouncers Moseley and Forsyth Resolved: - That the Assessment Roll as finally passed by the Court of Appeal and completed and now laid before the Council be, and the same is, hereby confirmed and that the Council authorize the levying and collection of Tax rate levied rates for the current year of One Dollar and thirty cents per \$100.00 on the assessed value as per Assessment Roll which Assessment Roll and Rate are hereby confirmed.

Tax rate levied rates

Further Resolved: - That the rate to be levied and collected for the current year on property in the City of Halifax and other School Sections, be 52¢ per \$100.00

School Rate.

Further Resolved: - That the Poll Tax of \$2.00 as provided by law be ordered to be levied and collected and the Poll Tax Book now produced be approved and confirmed.

Poll Tax

Street Lights "out"

The report of the Chief of Police relative to street lights out during the month of February was read and referred to the Public Property Committee.

The Council then adjourned.

Capt. Elliot
Town Clerk

Approved
25/3/98
[Signature]
Mayor

TOWN OF DARTMOUTH. S. S.

I the undersigned.

Frederick C. Bowes.

Councillor elected for Ward Two.

for the Town of Dartmouth, do solemnly swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

So help me God.

Sworn at Dartmouth,
this 18th day of March
A.D. 1898, before me.


Mayor.



I the undersigned.

Frederick C. Bowes.

Councillor elected for Ward Two.

for the Town of Dartmouth, do solemnly swear that I am duly qualified as required by law for the office of Councillor for the Town of Dartmouth, and that I will faithfully perform the duties of Councillor while I hold office, to the best of my ability.

So help me God.

Sworn to at Dartmouth,
this 18th day of March
A.D. 1898. before me.


Mayor.



Dartmouth, N. S.

(Friday) March 25, 1898.

The Council met this day at 7:30 p.m. Present Mayor Johnston, Councillors Ritchie, Foreyth, Williams, Wilson, Bowes and Moseley, also Deputy Recorder Foster. Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Council. Bowes was appointed a School Commissioner, and to all the vacancies on the standing committees.

Finance Com. reported re old County Rates that this matter had received their careful attention and some progress had been made, but as the claim is an old one and quite a large amount is involved, the Com. wish for further time to investigate the matter.

Re the Herald Cos bill for advertising, the committee advised that it be settled, less 50%, which they were led to believe will be agreed to by them. This report was adopted.

Public Property Com. reported that they had considered the report of the Chief of Police respecting lights out for the month of February, referred to them and recommended that the sum of \$7.25 for 29 lights out at 25¢ be deducted from the Electric Light Cos bill for the month of February. As to the lights in the Engine House, the cost had been reduced from \$9.02 in January to \$5.02 in February per mem. annexed to report, and the Com. advised that the intention to remove the lights and substitute oil lamps, be not carried out, but to allow the present system of lighting to remain to see what the cost will be during the ensuing months.

Deputy Recorder Foster reported re Herbert Munro that he was of opinion that he had a legal settlement in the Town of Dartmouth under the provisions of chap. 95, sec. 5 R. S. Action thereon was deferred and he was requested to furnish the Council with his opinion as to the liability of the town to pay for the maintenance of said Herbert Munro at the institution for the deaf and dumb.

Letter was read from N. S. Building Society intimating that the person to whom they had bonded the Canal property at Dartmouth, with a view to the purchase of the same, and erection thereon of a pulp and paper mill was Wm. Lochholm, Esq. of Halifax.

Council Bowes
App'd School
Comm. &c.

Herald Cos

Street Lights
"out"

Engine Ho.
Lights

Herbert Munro

Pulp Mill
Canal Property

Pulp Mill

Letter read from Wm. Whicholm, Esq. of Halifax stating that he had secured the Nova Scotia Building Society's property at the mill bore for the purpose of establishing a Pulp and Paper Mill thereon, he wished the exemption from taxation granted by the council and confirmed by the Nova Scotia Legislature, granted exclusively to him, by resolution of the council, in order to assist him in forming a company for the said purpose, whereupon the following resolution was moved by Council Moseley, seconded by Council Bowes:

Whereas it appears by a letter under date of Mar. 18/98. from Chas. W. Longard, Esq. Secy. of the N. S. Building Society, that William Whicholm Esq. of the City of Halifax, merchant, is the party to whom the mill bore property in the Town of Dartmouth is bonded for the purpose of establishing a Pulp and Paper Mill there. And whereas the said William Whicholm by a letter under date of March 21. 1898 has requested to have the exemption from taxation, granted by the Town Council and confirmed by the Nova Scotia Legislature, granted exclusively to him. Be it therefore resolved, that the exemption from taxation adopted by resolution of this Council at a meeting held on the 23rd day of February last past, and confirmed by Act of the Local Legislature passed at the last session, be granted exclusively to William Whicholm of the City of Halifax, merchant, in order to assist him in forming a company for establishing a Pulp and Paper Mill in the Town of Dartmouth. This resolution was unanimously adopted.

St Peter's I.A.B. Socy
Assessment

Letter was read from St Peter's I. A. B. Socy requesting permission to appeal from the assessment of \$4100. on their hall, alleging that the notice of valuation was not received in time to appeal. They thought that the matter of taxation on their hall had been settled by the Council last year. President Hutchinson of that Socy, being present on motion the order of business was suspended, and he was granted a hearing. He said that the Socy were willing to pay the full tax on \$1500. on the value of that portion of their hall used for public purposes as placed by the assessors last year. The matter was referred to the Finance Com. to inquire into and report.

- Mineral Water Works Dartmouth Mineral Water Works, stating that they intend to start a factory for the manufacture of soda water and temperate drinks, on Prince St. and requesting that the water system be extended to their premises. Referred to Water Com. to report on.
- J.D. McKenna complaint of Myers Cabman. Letter was read from J. D. McKenna complaining that John Myers, cabman, had on several occasions used abusive and provoking language to him, and requested that the matter be investigated. Referred to License Com. to report on.
- St. Patrick's Home etc re boy Woods. A number of accounts were passed for payment. An account from St. Patrick's Home for maintenance of boy Woods, committed there some months ago, was referred to Finance Com.
- Allan McDonald surplus proceeds Tax Sale. Deputy Recorder Foster submitted as his report a copy of order granted by the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, directing the Council to pay over to Allan McDonald \$102.39 for surplus proceeds of sale of his property under the lien law for taxes due by him for 1895. On motion of Councilors Moseley and Wilson it was resolved that the decision of the Supreme Court dated March 11/98 be received and adopted and that the amount \$102.39 be paid over to Mr. Allan McDonald.
- H. for Insane adm. of patients. Discussion took place relative to the procedure in admitting patients to the Hospital for Insane from the Town, and it was resolved on motion of Councilors Forsyth and Ritchie, that the matter of admitting patients, in future, to the Hospital for Insane, who are about to become a charge upon the Town, be referred to the Poor Com. to arrange expeditions and economical means for doing so.
- Tree planting. On the matter of tree planting on streets it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the Mayor and Clerk to give public notice that the Council was now ready to receive applications under the Act.
- Reading Room Director. Councilor Wilson was appointed to the vacancy on the Reading Room Directorate.
- Regatta Com. His Worship the Mayor was appointed as the Town Council's representative on the Regatta Committee in connection with the C.A.A. Club.
- Fire Constables. W. Wilson & Wm. Wallace were appointed Fire Constables.

Govt Railways
Official Guide

Application having been made by Mr R. W. Arnold, compiler of the Official Guide used by the Dominion Government Railway System, for a description of the Town of Dartmouth. The Mayor was authorized to draw up the same and forward to that gentleman.

Adjourned.

Capt. Secior
Town Clerk

Approved
4/4/98
Mayor

Dartmouth N.S.

(Monday) April 4 1898.

The Town Council met this day at 7 30 p.m. Present Mayor Whistone, Councillors Ritchie, Forsyth and Williams, Moseley, Bowes and Wilson also Deputy Recorder Foster.

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

M. Kenna's complaint
against
Myers, Cabman

The Licence Com. submitted the following report: - 1. The Com. have investigated the charge preferred by J. W. McKenna against John Myers of date March 25. 1898, and beg to report that they find the charge of abusive language proved, and recommend that Mrs. L. Myers, who is the holder of the Hackman's Licence, be notified that should the offence be repeated, the Com. will consider the advisability of cancelling the licence.

Hackmen:
Licences,
Stands,

2. The Com. recommend that all Hackmen be requested to renew their Licence for the current year at once. It is also recommended that no Hackmen be allowed to stand in any other position than in single file on each side of Portland Street and running east from R. R. track, and if at the expiration of two months, this system does not work satisfactorily, separate positions be allotted to each Hackman.

Inspection

3. The Com. also recommend that all licensed Hackmen be notified that in future the "Hackman's Regulations" will be strictly enforced, and that each Hackman must appear before the Licence Com. at the Town Hall for inspection, when notified by the Town Clerk in writing. This report was adopted.

The Water Committee submitted the following report: -

Mineral
Water Works
extension on
Prince St.

Your committee, to whom was referred the letter of Mr. O'Neil, manager of the Mineral Water Works, to be established on Prince St. have had an interview with him and beg to report that he is willing to take the water and pay 15¢ per 1000 gallons, with a minimum rate of \$25.00 per year for water used, in addition to the pipe rate on the property occupied. It will be necessary to extend the 1 inch main pipe now on the street some 130 feet to make the connection. Supt. Bishop estimates the cost of this extension at \$131.56.

James St.
extension.

2. James St. Water & Sewer Extension. Your com. would recommend that tenders be asked for the trenching required for this extension, by advertisement in the local paper up to the 13th day of April instant for tenders to be sent in.

Turn off
Notice.

3. Your com. would recommend that notice in the usual way be given that the water will be turned off the premises of users on the 15th instant, if the Water Rates due for the half year ending May 1, 1898, be not paid on or before the last mentioned date.

Proposed
extension
Beech & Rose
Sts.

4. Some of the property owners on Beech and Rose Streets have asked that the water mains be extended on Beech St. northerly to Rose St. and on Rose St. easterly from Beech St. as far as R. B. McElmon's. Supt. Bishop has estimated the cost of the Beech St. extension at \$216.15 and the Rose St. extension at \$95.42. Total \$327.46. There are four houses on these streets which will take the water, which at \$4.50 each will amount to \$18.00 or nearly 6% on the cost.

House connections

5. We would also recommend that tenders be asked for water service trenching required this year for house connections, in same way and up to same date as set out in clause 2 of this report.

Lead pipe

6. We would recommend that your com. be authorized to purchase 1000 lbs of 1/2 inch lead pipe for service connections also 25 corporation cocks, which your committee think will be sufficient for this year's requirements.

Mineral
Water Works.

On motion of brnner Wilson seconded by brnner Grayth it was resolved that the clause in report of Water Com. re O'Neil's application for water be referred back to the Water Com. with the recommendation that if O'Neil will make the connection, to the satisfaction of the com., with the Towns water service, himself, that he be exempt from

Water Rates for one year. The other clauses in the report were adopted with the exception of the 4th clause which was referred back to the Com. for further information.

Dwellings
without fresh
air inlets to
sewers

Supt. Bishop reported that in accordance with a request from the Mayor re private sewers entering dwellings without traps or fresh air inlets that he found the following dwellings without those fixtures - E. M. Walker New house Water St. B. A. Weston, Portland St. Mrs. S. A. Kent, Portland St. Aelfa Elliot, Pleasant St. Miss Murphy, cor. Portland and Mainland St. W. J. Watt, Ockerlongy St.

This report was referred to the Water Com. to report upon.

Street Lights
out.

Read a report from the Chief of Police re street lights out during the month of March. Referred to the Public Property Com. to report upon.

Ferry Loan
\$13,000

Read letter from Dartmouth Ferry Commission stating that the following resolution was passed at a meeting of that body held on March 31st: - "Whereas there may be some doubt as to the legality of the vote taken of the citizens at the Town of Dartmouth meeting held March 18, 1898, Resolved that if, in the opinion of the Town Council, the vote was not legal, then they be requested to call another Town meeting at the earliest possible date to vote again on the question." Councilor Forsyth moved, seconded by Councilor Bowes that a public meeting be called on April 15th 1898 (Monday) at 8 p.m. at Reform Club Hall, for the purpose of voting upon the proposed loan of \$13,000 for Ferry purposes. On the motion being put Councilors Forsyth, Bowes and Wilson voted for Councilors Moseley, Ritchie and Williams against. The Mayor giving the casting vote in favor of the resolution, and the motion thus carried.

Brighton Ave

Letters were read from Mrs. Brighton, com. plaining of the condition of Brighton Avenue, and that piles of manure were placed thereon. Both letters were referred to the Street Com. to report upon.

Tree planting

Letter was read from Mr. Archibald Kalfmiller, offering trees suitable for street planting. Ordered to be filed.

Letters were read from Mrs. A. B. Johnston, and

M. J. Gagar making application for trees to be planted
fronting their properties, under the recent legislation.
These letters were referred to the Street Com. to carry out the
requests contained therein, and it was understood that
the tree planting would be under the direction of the Street
Committee.

School Board.

Application read from the School Board for
the amount of \$2500.00 on account of school estimate
for the current year. On motion the amount was granted.

Electric Light
Co's acct.

Letter read from Manager Griffin of the Electric
Light Company objecting to the deduction made in the
Electric Light Company's bill for February, and stating
that the lights out on Feb. 1st and 23rd as reported by
the Chief of Police was occasioned not on account of
any neglect on the part of the Company or Manager, but
on account of the severity of the storm and the way the
lights are suspended across the streets. He asked
the privilege of appearing before the Council at such time
as may be convenient, to enable him to explain the matter.
On motion it was resolved to grant him a hearing at the
next meeting.

Ins. on
Town Buildings

The clerk reported that the insurance on the
Town Hall, Lockup, Engine House and Fire Apparatus
expired on the 8th instant. He was authorized to renew the
insurance at the best possible rate, with power to change
the company if he found it advisable to do so.

Hauling Engine
Hose Reels.

The Clerk was authorized to ask for tenders for
hauling Steam Fire Engine and Hose Reels to fires, and
to notify property owners on Duarell Street, between
Duarell St. Water and King Streets, to make provision to dispose of
storm water from their dwellings, by carrying same into
the main sewer, within thirty days.

Duarell St.
Storm water
from Dwelling

Adjourned

Capt. E. J. [Signature]
Town Clerk

Approved
[Signature]
Mayor

15/11/98

Dartmouth
(Friday) April 15. 1898

The Council met this day at 7.30 p. m. Present Mayor Johnston, Councillors Ritchie, Forsyth, Williams, Moseley, Bowes and Nelson, also Deputy Recorder Foster. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Herbert Munro

Deputy Rec. Foster reported in reference to Herbert Munro, a pupil at the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, that the Town was liable for his maintenance under the provisions of the statute relating to that institution. On motion of Councillors Forsyth and Bowes it was resolved that the Mayor be authorized to sign the certificate of admission in his case.

St. Peter's I. A. B. Socy
Assessment

The Finance Com. reported as follows:—
"Your Com. on Finance to whom was referred the letter from St. Peter's I. A. B. Socy. beg to recommend that the assessors last year having valued that portion of their hall used by the public at \$1500. that the valuation be placed this year at the same figure, It appearing from Recorder Russell's opinion given in 1896, that that portion of the property used for the purposes of the Society is exempt from taxation under their Act of Incorporation."
This report was adopted.

Mineral
Water, Works

The Water Com's report was read, as follows:—
"Since our last report your Com. have had a letter from Mr. J. O'Neil, in which he offers to pay the interest at the usual rate, on the cost of the proposed water main extension to the Mineral Water Works on Prince St. in addition to the special rate for water used, of 15¢ per 1000 gallons, with \$25 as a minimum rate. Mrs. J. W. Bishop, the owner of the house adjoining, has also applied for the water, which will give a steady income of \$4.50 per year from this house, in addition to the receipts from the Mineral Water Works. In view of this your Com. would now advise that the extension be made without further delay."

Lead Pipe

"Tenders having been asked for the supply of 1/2 inch lead pipe required this year, your Com. would recommend that the tender of

James St. extension.

J. Simmonds & Co. at \$4.72 per 100 lbs. being the lowest, be accepted.

The following tenders were received. For trenching required for sewers and water extensions on James Street.

	S.R. per cubic yd.	S.L. per cu. yd.	Earth per yd.	Rate per ft.
H. M. Small	2.50	1.50	30	
A. Awalt	2.50	.60	30	.05
M. Graham	2.40	.40	09	.04

For House Service, water trenching:-

H. M. Small	rates as above			
A. Awalt	2.50	.50	27	.05
M. Graham	2.40	.40	09	.04

Mr. M. Graham's tender for both services being the lowest, your Com. would recommend that it be accepted, and that he be notified to proceed with the work at once, and to give security for the fulfilment of the contract. This report was adopted.

Brighton Ave repairs

The report of the Street Com. was as follows:-

1. Re. condition of Brighton Avenue, your Com. will commence work at once on that street.
2. Re. complaint of Mrs. Brighton about depositing manure on side of the road, the manure has been removed, and is only deposited when roads are so heavy as to prevent horses from drawing full loads up the hill, and is removed as soon as horses can return.

Watering Streets

3. Re. Watering Streets. your Com. advertised for tenders at same time as advertising for horses for Fire Engine and Hose Reels, and received only one tender, that of Edward Wamer. As there seems to be some misapprehension in reference to this matter, your Com. beg that the matter be further referred to them.

Tree planting

4. Re. trees for streets your Com. have not located anything suitable for our purpose yet, but expect to have the information in a few days. This report was adopted.

Brodie Prop'y

Letter was read from H. B. Studd, Trustee Estate late James Brodie, stating that he contemplated opening up the Brodie property and selling it in lots. He had a plan prepared with streets laid off to the width of 50 feet, and wanted to know if this width was up to the requirements. He also called the attention of the Council to the dumping of rubbish along the front of this property by the Rope works Company and thought that this did not add to the value of the property. This letter was referred to the Street Committee.

Acts passed.

A number of acts were passed for payment.

Electric Light Co's
acct.

With regard to the Electric Light Co's bill for lighting for the month of March, Mr. Griffin, Manager for the company, was present, and on motion was given a hearing. He claimed on behalf of the company, that under the agreement it was not right to impose a fine for lights out when caused by storms, as it was hard to keep the lights in order in stormy weather, when the same were suspended across the streets on wires.

Ferry - purchase
of Stagner property

The Mayor reported that there was no need of holding a public meeting, owing to difficulties which had arisen in connection with the title of the property proposed to be purchased in Halifax City for ferry purposes. Whereupon on motion of Councilor Skilton, seconded by Councilor Forsyth, the following resolution was adopted: "Whereas it has come to the notice of the members of this Council that at a meeting of the Ferry Commission held yesterday, it was ascertained that the title of the Stagner property was not good at the present time, and whereas, a meeting of the rate-payers of this town has been called for Monday, the 18th day of April, 1898, therefore resolved, that the notices of said meeting be declared null and void, and the meeting be indefinitely postponed."

Victoria Band
Concert

Application having been read from Hon. Daneson, Bandmaster of Victoria Band, Dartmouth, to allow a concert proposed to be given by them, to be held under the auspices and patronage of the Mayor and Town Council of Dartmouth, it was resolved, on motion, that the request be granted.

Hose ordered
400 ft.

On motion of Councilor Williams it was resolved that tenders be called for 400 ft. of Maltese Cross Brand hose, and ten rubber coats, pattern to be approved of by the Fire Committee.

Oil suits

The Fire Com. were authorized to purchase oil suits for the Ladder Co. and to procure two suitable hook ladders for that company.

Ladders

Adjourned

Wm. Elliot
Town Clerk

Approved
Wm. Elliot
Mayor

12/5/98

Dartmouth

(Thursday) May 12. 1898.

The Council met this day at 7.30 p.m. Present Mayor Johnston, Councilors Ritchie, Foreyth and Williams, Wilson, Bowes and Moseley.

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Tree planting

The Street Com. reported as follows: - 1. We have ordered trees from Chase & Buckling, Truro, to the number of forty-two, which are expected daily.

Stone breaker

The stone crusher has been stopped for a few days owing to the breaking of the moveable jaw, a new one was ordered from Yarmouth, and the breaker is at work again. Street repairs are progressing rapidly.

Lockup repairs

3. The Com. have also attended to some needed repairs at the Lockup. 4. In reference to the letter of Mr. Studd, complaining that Dartmouth Ropeworks Co. dumping in front of their property

Prodic propy

would say that the street at this point is considerably higher than the property, and cannot see that material placed there can do any harm, as something would have to be placed there to level up the road.

Watering Streets

5. The Com. would also recommend that E. Starnes's tender for Watering Streets at 50 per hour be accepted. This report was adopted.

Mineral Water Works (Faulkner)

The Water Com. reported as follows: - 1. That contractor Graham has completed the extension of the water service to the Mineral Water Works on Prince St. The cost of the trenching will not exceed \$50.00 owing to much less work being met with than was anticipated.

Judge Mara

2. Your Com. beg to recommend that Messrs. Judge and Mara, watermen, be supplied with water for the year commencing May 1/98 at the rate of .15 per 1000 gallons, with a minimum rate of \$40. This rate has been agreed to by them.

Siemens Meter

The Siemens meter used last year to measure water for them, having been sent to the makers in England for repairs, has been returned and is now ready to be put in position. The cost of the repairs will not exceed \$28.00

Mineral Water Co. (Faulkner)

3. The Atlantic Mineral Water Company, W. Faulkner, proprietors, have applied for water to be put in the W. B. brig building on Water St. to be used for manufacturing purposes; and your Com. would recommend that they be charged a special rate of \$30.00 per year for water used by them.

Finances Water bill

4. Your Com. submit herewith a statement of Receipts and Expenditure

for the water year ending May 1. 1898. by which it will be seen that the receipts for the year have been \$8103.90, being \$311.40 more than estimated. The expenditure, including an adverse balance of \$120.33 at the beginning of the year, was \$8069.49, leaving a balance to the credit of the account of \$34.41. Your Com. beg to call attention to the large amount due for instalments on Sewer Frontage and interest thereon, as follows:-

	Instals.	Interest.
Due August 1. 1897.	767.74.	584.14
" January 1. 1898.	1050.32.	863.75
Total	\$1818.06	\$1447.89

Your Com. would recommend that vigorous steps be taken to collect these overdue amounts as quite a large proportion includes instalments due from 3 to 5 years. This report was adopted with the exception of the 3rd clause, in place of which it was resolved, on motion of Councillors Frey and Kilson, "that water be supplied the Atlantic Mineral Water Co. by meter at the rate of .15¢ per 1000 gallons, with a minimum charge of \$25⁰⁰ per year."

Mineral
Water Co.
(Faulkner)

Hose 400ft.

Rubber boats

Hauling Engine
& Reels

The Fire Com. reported as follows:- Your Com. beg to recommend the acceptance of Messrs. Austin Bros. tender to supply 400 ft. Maltese x brand hose at \$1.10 per ft. also the acceptance of their offer to supply 10 Rubber boats (double) for the Com. to cost \$4.50 each. Mr. Edward Warner's tender being the lowest received for hauling Engine and Hose Reels, your Com. advise the acceptance of same. His offer is coupled with the Street Watering service, which has been awarded him by the Street Com. and the rates for hauling engine and reels are as follows:- For fires and alarms .50¢ per hour any time horses are employed during the water service. After hours and Sundays \$2.50 for each fire and alarm. Hauling hose reels \$1.50 each reel. This report was adopted.

Supt. Sts. Report

Limatics-

Adm. of

The Supt. of Streets report for the month of April to the Com. on Streets, was laid on the table by them. The Com. on Poor and Lunatics recommended that the Town Clerk be authorized to notify the medical doctors of the Town that no certificate for the admission of patients to the Insane Asylum will be considered by this Council unless the Town Clerk has been notified previous to such admission.

Medical Officer.

Your Com. also recommend that the Town Medical Officer be notified, and requested to sign certificates for the admission of patients to the Insane Asylum as one of the two physicians required by law, free of charge, to this Town, when requested to do so by the Town Clerk. This was adopted.

Mrs. M. G. Wright's property

Letter was read from W. P. Burton, Trustee for Mrs. M. G. Wright, enclosing a bill for \$45.00 for alleged damages to Mrs. Wright's property on the Windmill Road, caused by overflow of water from the gutter on said property. This was referred to the Street Com. to report upon.

Hosp. for Insane rate for female patients increased

Letter was read from Hospital for Insane notifying the Council that on and after the 1st of April, the cost of maintenance of female patients in that Hospital would be at the rate of \$2.50 per week instead of \$2.00 as heretofore.

J. Bowden Junk Dealer

Letter read from John Bowden, complaining that the police had stopped him from purchasing old metal from the Marine Slip, and complaining that other people were allowed to buy junk in Dartmouth without a license. Referred to the License Com. to report on.

S. M. Brookfield Conference with

Letter read from S. M. Brookfield, stating that he would like to discuss a matter with the Council and asking that a Com. be appointed to confer with him on the subject. The following Com. were appointed: - His Worship the Mayor, Councilors, Frayth and Moseley.

Messenger O. Toole

Letter was read from Messenger O. Toole requesting an increase in his salary. Referred to Finance Com.

Fence Wilson's Lane

Letter read from J. K. Jenkins, agent for Rott Miller, calling attention to the state of the fence on Wilson's Lane, it having fallen down by the building up of the street, and asking that a retaining wall be built to remedy the present state of affairs. Referred to Street Com.

Miller property

Report from Chief of Police relative to Electric

St Lights out

Street Lights out during the month of April, was read, and referred to Public Property Com.

Pub. Weighers apptd

The following were appointed as Public Weighers: Sutherland, Jas. S. Warner, and Saml. Thomson.

Pleasant St.

A number of accounts were passed for payment. Councilor Wilson called attention to the fact that the land offered last year by B. H. Eaton, for the widening of Pleasant St. corner of Canal, had since been purchased by Saml. Hamblet who was willing to sell the

came to widen the street. He suggested that the matter be again looked into before buildings were erected on the lot.

Poll Tax

It was resolved to call the assessors attention to the fact that names of persons liable to pay Poll Tax should be added to the list previous to the first of June next.

Victoria Park

The Mayor called the attention of the Street Com. to the fact that, under the agreement with the donors of the land comprising "Victoria Park", the town should lay out ^{on it this year} the sum of \$150. The Street Com. said that they would direct the Supt. to draw up a report as to the best way of improving the lot of land.

The Council then adjourned.

Wm Elliot
Clerk

Approved
3/6/98
Wm Elliot
Mayor

Dartmouth.

(Friday) June 3. 1895

The Council met this day at 7:30 p.m. Present Mayor Johnston, Councillors Forsyth, Ritchie, Williams, Moreley, Bowles and Wilson, also Deputy Recorder Foster. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Messenger O'Toole

Finance Com. reported that they had considered the application of the messenger for an increase of salary, but could not recommend that the same be granted as no provision had been made in the estimates. This report was adopted.

Mrs. M. G. Wright
Property

Street Com. reported that Recorder Russell had been written to in the Burton matter, (Mrs. M. G. Wright's claim) and the Electric Light account, but had not yet been heard from. They further reported

Wilson's Lane
Widening of

that Councillors Williams and Forsyth had waited upon Mr. Jenkins, agent for the Robt. Miller property and broached the subject of obtaining a strip of land for the widening of Wilson St, but did not receive much encouragement. Mr. Jenkins stated that the property had been offered to the Town free some time ago and had not been accepted, and the owner did not feel disposed to renew the offer. The Supt. of Streets was instructed to remedy

Wilson's Lane
Fence

the damage ^{to fence} complained of. This report was adopted. The Com. appointed to confer with a Com.

New Town Hall from the Ferry Commission to discuss the advisability and desirability of building a new Town Hall to be jointly occupied by the Ferry Commission and Town Council. reported that they had met and talked over the project at some length but there seemed to be no desire on the part of the Commission's Com. to further such a scheme, they professing to see no good end to be served by such an amalgamation. The Com. however ^{believes that such a step would be in the interest of the town, and trust the Commission} may take a different view of the matter from that taken by the Committee. This report was adopted.

Street Lights
out

Chief of Police reported that the following lights were out one hour after having been reported at the Electric Light Station by a Town Officer on May 18 and 19th - Light corner of Portland and Dundas Sts. Light corner of Stairs and Water Sts. Referred to the Public Property Com.

Est. Alex. Lynch
Taxes

Letter read from Mrs. Harriet Lynch asking that \$4⁰⁰ paid by her on account of taxes due for the year 1897 by the Estate of the late Alex. Lynch, be returned to her. On motion of Councillors. Bowes and Williams it was resolved that the money be refunded.

Johnston Ave
Pr. Arthur
Park - repairs

Letter read from Mr. Frank Eden, asking that the street leading to Prince Arthur's Park from the Lake Harbor Road be repaired, as the same was in a very bad condition. Referred to the Street Com. to report upon.

Brighton Ave

Letter was read from Miss A. M. Brighton, complaining that the roadway and sidewalks near their property was very much in need of repair. Referred to the Street Com.

Dart. Park
fence Stairs

Letter read from Dartmouth Park Commission asking the Council to have the ground between the cemetery and Stairs St. enclosed by a suitable fence and retaining wall on Stairs St. The Park Commission would then extend the Park fence to join the cemetery fence which would very much improve the appearance of both properties. Referred to Public Property Com. to report on.

Albert St.
sidewalk

Letter read from A. Wisdom, complaining that the sidewalk in front of Mrs. Wisdom's property on Albert St. was very low and that the wash from the street runs onto her property, forming puddles on street after heavy rains. Referred to the Street Com.

Letter was read from Colin MacN^{making application} on

Dart Rowing
Club.

behalf of a number of citizens who were desirous of erecting a boat house for the use of amateur rowers of the Town, applied for the ~~use of a portion of the public dock property~~ ^{for the use} of a portion of the public dock property at the foot of Church St. ^{at a nominal rental} Referred to the Public Property Com.

J. M. Weeks
Sewer Rates

Letter read from J. M. Weeks objecting to the sewer rates charged him for his property on North St., claiming that owing to the peculiar situation of his property the sewer was of no use to him, and to connect with it on North St. would require an outlay so great as to make it entirely beyond his means, and would be altogether unjust to him. He was willing to meet the Water Com. on the matter with a view to compromise. Referred to the Com. on Water and Sewerage.

Auditors Report

The Auditors reported that they had audited the books of the Town Clerk and Treasurer to April 30. 1898. and found everything in order and correct.

J. M. Brookfield
Conference with

The Mayor reported verbally that the Com. appointed to confer with Mr. Brookfield had had a conference with him, but were not yet prepared to submit a report on the matter under consideration.

Vacant Lots
& Dumps

The Mayor called the attention of the Council to the unsightly condition of various vacant lots in the Town which were being used as dumps for all kinds of rubbish. The matter was referred to the Public Property Com. to look into and see if suitable places could not be provided for the depositing of rubbish.

Herbert Munro

Bill from the Deaf and Dumb Institution for \$45.00 for maintenance of Herbert Munro was passed and ordered to be paid, also a number of other accounts.

Mrs. Morrison
Lunatic

Bill from Dr. Smith \$5.00 for lunacy certificates for Mrs. J. H. Morrison was considered, but it appearing that Mrs. Morrison had no settlement in Dartmouth but had in the City of Halifax, such being admitted by the authorities there, the bill was rejected and it was decided to inform Dr. Smith that the Town did not acknowledge any liability in the case.

Pleasant St.
Widening of

~~Bowles~~ ^{Ritchie} Council. Wilson moved, seconded by Council the following: "Whereas it has been brought to the notice of this Council that the strip of land offered to the Town in 1897 by B. B. Eaton for the widening of Pleasant Street, has been purchased by S. B. Hambolt, and whereas, Mr. Hambolt has signified his willingness to sell the said strip of land to the Town. Therefore resolved, that this Council authorize the bonding of the strip of land in question, to the Town, and a committee of two members of the Council be appointed to interview Mr. Eaton as to the purchase of the balance of the land not used for street purposes." On being put the motion was lost. Councils. Wilson and Ritchie voting for. Bowes, Moseley and Williams against.

Approved
John Forsyth
acting Mayor

Adjourned.

Capt Elliot
Clerk

Dartmouth, N. S.

(Wednesday) June 22, 1898

The Council met this day at 7.30 p.m. Present Acting Mayor Forsyth, Councils. Williams, Ritchie, Bowes, Moseley and Wilson, also ~~Deputy~~ Recorder Russell.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Com. on Water and Sewerage reported as follows: - 1. That they had considered Supt. Bishop's report, referred to them at a recent meeting of the Council, showing list of dwellings connected with main sewers which do not have connected with the main house drain an inlet pipe for the admission of fresh air, and find that in nearly all the cases mentioned the owners have complied with the regulations by putting in the proper air inlet pipes.

2. With regard to Mr. J. M. Weeks's letter referred to them, in which he asks for a hearing with a view to a reduction in the sewer rates charged him in connection with his property situated on the corner of North and King Streets, the Com. have consulted with His Honor the Recorder with respect thereto, and are advised by him that Mr. Weeks can be granted a hearing before the Assessment Appeal Court as in other cases.

House Sewers
air inlets.

J. M. Weeks -
sewer rates.

G.A. Hunt - Damages

3. Your Com. have received the annexed letter from Mr. Geo. A. Hunt, and having enquired into the matter complained of, beg to recommend that Mr. Hunt be paid the sum of Fifty Dollars in full of any past or prospective damages to his property by reason of the overflow of water from any defective culvert or sewer.

Special Rates Changes

4. Your Com. beg to recommend that the following changes be made in the schedule of special rates hitherto in force - viz. The rate for H. b. to be reduced from \$4.00 to \$3.00 each per annum. The rate for building purposes to be .25 per \$100.00 on the cost of the building, instead of .20 per 1000 cubic ft. for stables or any other buildings not enumerated in the schedule the minimum rate for use of water shall be \$2.00 instead of \$1.00 as heretofore.

A. Hutchinson Plasterer's Shop

5. In view of the new rate for building purposes, your Com. would recommend that the special rate granted several years ago to Mr. A. Hutchinson for his plasterer's shop be abolished.

W. b.'s Compulsory use recommended.

6. The reduction in the rate above recommended for H. b. will temporarily lessen the revenue by about \$150. but your Com. believe that this sum will be more than made up this year by the increased number of these ^{houses paying the domestic rate} conveniences coming into use encouraged by the reduced rate, will ere long bring up the revenue again to the old amount and in future result in an increase besides improving the sanitary condition of the Town. Your Com. would recommend that regulations be made compelling the use of H. b.'s in the closely built up portions of the Town.

Dahlia St. extension.

7. Your Com. would recommend that the water and sewer mains be extended along Dahlia St. to Beech St. 535 ft. petitioned for by a number of property owners on this street. The cost of the extension, as estimated by Supt. Bishop would be \$859.00 The sewer frontage rates will pay the whole cost of the work. The revenue is estimated at \$36.00. There are eight dwellings on the proposed extension and nearly all will take the water. This being both a sewer and water extension payment of the Domestic Rate is compulsory.

Water Service Estimate 1898-9

8. Estimates for year commencing May 1. 1898.
Maintenance
May 1. 1898 Balance 37
Interest on Bonded Debt 63 54
" Overdraft at Bank 70

General Repairs	37.	
Printing & advertising	30.	
bat hire	20.	
Superintendent's Salary	475.	
Clerk & Treasurer	200.	
Assistant Clerk	100.	
New work	400.	
Sundries	25.	\$ 80.11.

1550

Revenue.

Overduerates previous years	700.
Special Rates - Ferry	550.
Hospital for Insane	200.
Sugar Refinery	200.
Int. on meters	31.50
Halifax Graving Dock Co.	40.
Int. on meters	7.
N. B. Railway	135.
Judge and Maria	100.
Robt. Moseley	40.
Douglas Co.	25.
Marheon's Mill	30.
N. Evans & Son	25.
Christ Church	25.
Artemas Eisen	12.
Schools	20.
Miss J. H. Emerson	12.
Chandries	4.
Garber & Co.	2.
Fish house	2.
N. B. (100 x 3)	450.
Horses & Cows	130.
Shops	73.50.
Lodge & Bank	4.
Barber shops	12.
Hose	110.
Interest on Sinking Fund	515.
Interest on Sewer Portage	700.
Sale of Grass	15.
Hydrant Rate	
\$178.015 @ 15¢	267.
	\$3736.00
	\$4436.00

Estimated maintenance	80 11.
Revenue	4436.
Bal. to be assessed on Domestic and Pipe valuations	<u>83575.</u>

Total valuation on pipe lines other than dwellings	\$338 425.
" " of dwellings	\$697 400.

Water Rates
fixed.

Your Com. would recommend that the rates to be levied on the above valuations be as follows:-

Domestic or Dwelling rate	45 ^c per \$100
Pipe Rate	20 ^c " " \$100
Hydrant Rate	15 ^c " " \$100

This report was adopted

The Street Committee reported as follows:-

J. Eden

re. Repairs to
Johnston
Brixton Ave.

1. Re. Frank Eden's letter. Your Com. did not take this road into consideration when making out their estimates but will make what repairs are possible with the limited funds on hand.

Cemetery fence
Stairs St.

2. Re. Park Commissioners request to have land between cemetery and Stairs St. fenced, the Com. think that this is desirable, but as the funds of the Public Property Com. are about expended, they cannot recommend that the work be done this year.

Dart. Rowing
Club.

3. Re. Mr. G. McNab's request for a lease of a part of the public dock at Church St. we would recommend that a lease be given at \$1.00 per year, if it is legal to let the dock

Brixton Ave.

4. Re. Miss A. M. Brixton's complaint in reference to state of foot path on Brixton Avenue, your Com. have expended all the money they have for this street.

Albert St.

A. Wisdom's complaint

5. Re. Mr. A. Wisdom's complaint of overflow on Albert St. the Water Com. contemplate putting water and sewerage through this street, which will remedy the evil.

Recorder's opinion
re. Electric light Co.
Lights "out"

Following are the Recorder's reports in reference to collecting fines from Electric Light Co. for "outs" and to alleged overflow upon Mrs. M. G. Wright's property. "I am of opinion that the deduction of .25^c an hour for lights out, provided for in clause 13, is not subject to any qualification as to storms &c., the meaning of the clause being that the town is to pay only for what it gets and that .25^c per hour is made by agreement the value of what it fails to get when the light for any reason is not afforded."

- Recorder's opinion re Mrs. M. G. Wright's claim. Re. Mrs. M. G. Wright's claim: - I understand the facts as to this to be that the Town has done nothing to cause any increased flow of water over the property, and that the place where it flows is that appointed by nature. Under these circumstances I cannot see that the Town is under any obligation in the matter.
- Brighton Ave. Letter was read from Miss Brighton complaining of the condition of Brighton Avenue, claiming that it was very much in need of repair. Referred to Street Com.
- Lake Road repairs On motion of Councillors Moseley & Bowes the condition of the roadway leading from Brighton Avenue to the First Lake was referred to the Street Com. with the request that they ^{road} would be put in order previous to the celebration of the Town's Natal Day in August next.
- Mrs. M. Marks Sewer frontage Letter was read from Mrs. Mary Marks objecting to the payment of sewer frontage on her property, Pine St. on the ground that the ^{main sewer} ~~sewer~~ was too high to drain her property. Referred to Water Com. to report upon.
- Myrtle St. Sidewalk. Letter was read from Alex. Hutchinson requesting the Town to build up the sidewalk on the south side of Myrtle St., alleging that all the water from Pine and Myrtle Streets flows into his cellar. Referred to Street Com.
- P. McKenna Sewer rates Mr. H. R. Foster, being present, on motion the order of business was suspended, and he was given a hearing on behalf of Mr. Peter McKenna ^{who protested against payment of} sewer rates on Wilson St. Mr. Foster was requested to put the claim in writing and the matter was referred to the Water Com. to report upon.
- Box Land Imp. Co. Fence Canal St. In the matter of fence fronting the Halifax Land Improvement Co's property to the ~~eastward~~ eastward of the Lower Canal Bridge, on motion the clerk was directed to notify the owners to have the said land fenced in within ten days, under the provision of clause 184 of the Towns Incorporation Act.
- So. End Pound The matter of renewing the fence at the south end pound was discussed and action thereon deferred, the Police Com. were, in the meantime, requested to see that steps be taken to enforce the by-law relative to cattle going at large.
- Auditors report. Acts passed The Auditors statement of Receipts and Expenditure to the end of May was laid on the table and ordered to be filed. A number of bills were passed for payment. On motion of Councillors Williams and Moseley the

Meeting Ratepayers
called, re
\$900. for
Water extension

following resolution was unanimously adopted:-
Resolved that the Council recommend to
the Ratepayers the borrowing of \$800. being the balance
of the sum authorized by Chapter 50 of the Acts of
1897 for Water and Sewerage, and that a meeting
of the Ratepayers be held on July 8th at which
such recommendation be voted upon.

G.A. Hunt's
claim for
damages.

The following is Mr. Geo. A. Hunt's letter
annexed to the Water Committee's report. "In view
of what I have suffered in loss of rents and damage
caused by the overflow on account of defect in the
sewer pipes and in connection with my premises,
I beg to submit that I should be exempt from
payment of the sewerage. I have lost two
years rent of one house, amounting to \$240.00 and
have suffered much other damage from the water
backing up on my premises. The loss and
damage above mentioned has all taken place
since the time the arbitrators met and decided
upon damage which arose previously."

The Council then adjourned.

Approved
A. Johnston
Mayor

Wm. E. Eccles
Clerk

4/17/98

Dartmouth N.S.

(Monday) July 4. 1898.

Town Council met this day at 7.30 p.m.
Present Mayor Johnston, Councilors Ritchie, Forryth,
Moseley, Bines and Wilson, also Recorder Russell.
Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Dump cor.
King & Boaggs
Sts.

Letter was read from W.S. Brighton calling
attention to the dump at the corner of King and Boaggs Sts.
stating that the place had long been an eyesore and a
menace to the health of the neighborhood, and that the
garbage extended well out to what might be the middle
of the street. Referred to the Street Com.

Albert St.
Sewer extension

Read petition signed by residents of
Albert St. Jas. Jappell, Mrs. Corstun, Jas. Wiltz and
J. H. Wentzell, protesting against any extension of the
sewer mains in that street. Referred to Water Com.

Albert St
Water extension

Letter read from J. W. Wentzell, requesting that the water main be extended on Albert St. sufficient to supply his dwelling with water, stating that he did not require nor want sewerage and objecting to any sewer extension on that street. Referred to Water Com. to report on.

G. A. Hunt's
claim.

The matter of the decision of the Council to pay Geo. A. Hunt \$50.00 for damages sustained by him in consequence of the overflow of water on Portland St. opposite his dwelling, was taken up and discussed. The Mayor pointed out that the award made by the arbitrators in 1894 allowed him \$100.00 for damages previously sustained by him and which might be sustained in the future in consequence of the overflow on ^{his property} that street. After some discussion the matter was referred to the Recorder for his opinion thereon.

Bicycle Bylaw
re
Lanterns

On motion the Recorder was instructed to draft a bye-law ^{providing} that all bicycles ridden within the Town shall be furnished with a lighted lantern at night under the provisions of section 296, sub. section 10 of the Towns Incorporation Act of 1895, and submit the same at next meeting of Council.

Diphtheria cases
at

J. A. Sellars

and
John Bauld's

In the matter of certain diphtheria cases at the houses of Jas. A. Sellars on Crestline St. and John Bauld on Portland St, the Mayor reported that the houses had been quarantined and that watchmen had been put on. In the case of John Bauld, who was prevented from going into his house, he had agreed that he should be reimbursed the amount of his board, owing to his forced absence from his residence during the continuance of the case. On application of the physician in charge of the case, to the Mayor, who reported that the family were unable to pay for the antitoxine, it was unanimously agreed that the antitoxine be furnished at the expense of the Board of Health, and the action of the Mayor otherwise in the above case was confirmed.

Adjourned

Geo. Elliot
Town Clerk

Approved
28/7/98
Mayor

Dartmouth, N. S.

Thursday July 28. 1898.

Town Council met this day at 4.30 pm.

Present Mayor Johnston, Councils Moseley, Forsyth, Williams, Ritchie, Bowes and Nelson, also Recorder Russell. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Water Committee reported as follows:-
1. Tenders having been asked for trenching for water and sewer pipe for the proposed water and sewer extension on Dahlia St., the following were received:- For trenching M. Graham ^{with solid rock horse rock} 45 2.40 45 percent yd.
A. Aowset 26 2.50 1.50 ^{handpan} 75

W.S. Extension
Dahlia St.
Tenders for
Trenching

Water pipe

For 6" Water pipe - Douglas & Co. \$39.00 per short ton
Londonbury Iron Co. 33.00 per long ton
Dartmouth Iron Foundry 40.00 " "

Drain pipe

For Drain pipe:-
Brookfield Bros. 9 inch 12 inch
19 1/2 30 per ft
J.A.S. Dewolfe Bros. 20 33 " "
Standard Drain Pipe Co. 17 1/3 26 " "

All delivered at Dartmouth. The last quotation is for carload lots. Your Com. would recommend that the tenders of the Londonbury Iron Co. for the water pipe, and the Standard Drain Pipe Co. for the sewer pipe be accepted, also that the tender of A. Aowset for the trenching on Dahlia St. be accepted, his offer being the lowest, as the work on that street will be nearly all in earth.

McKenna's
Sewer rates

2. In reference to the application of Mr. Peter McKenna referred to your Com. to grant him some concession on his sewer rates, on the ground that the cellar of his property at the corner of Wilson and Inarrell Streets cannot be drained, he alleging that the construction of the sewer on Wilson St. cut off the drainage from his property, and that the water overflowed the cellar and yard at every storm. Upon investigation, your Com. find that Mr. McKenna appealed from the amount charged him for sewer rates, and that his claim was heard by the Assessment Court of Appeal on June 6. 1894, and he was allowed a deduction from his sewer rates of 25% equal to \$24.17 on Wilson St. on the very ground that he now appeals on. Supt. Bishop, having taken the levels, reports that the sewer on Wilson St. is in line with the

south end of Mr. McKenna's property is one ft. three inches below the bottom of the cellar. Your Com., in view of these facts, cannot recommend that any further concession be made to Mr. McKenna in the premises.

J. W. Wentzell -
Water Supply
Albert St.

In reference to the letter referred to your Com. from Mr. J. W. Wentzell, of Albert St. making application for the water to be supplied to his residence on that street, your Com. beg to report that it would require an extension from the end of the main now laid on that street, of 85 ft. to Mr. Wentzell's residence, and cannot recommend that the water pipe be extended on that street unless the sewer pipe is also extended, and owing to the lay of the land it would be impossible to extend the main sewer in any other way than through private properties in order to reach the sewer outlet on Maitland St. Mr. Wentzell is willing to have the sewer extension made past his property, and will give permission to go through his land lying on the north side of that street, provided that he is exempt from sewer rates. This your Com. cannot recommend as it would mean an exemption of over \$500. Mr. Wentzell owning 524 ft. of frontage on both sides of Albert St. An outlet can be found for the sewer through any of the other properties on this street, and through Mr. Hambel's property lying between these properties and Maitland St. The owners of these properties are all willing to give permission, free, to carry the sewer through their properties. The Water Act provides that the water supplied to houses shall be carried at the public expense from the mains to the side line of the street, when it shall seem expedient to the Town Council to do so, or when required by the owner in writing, of any house opposite to which the main is laid, but Mr. Wentzell does not come under the provisions of this Act, as his house is situated 85 ft. from the end of the main on that street. A notice has been received from him, dated July 18. 1898, giving notice and making a demand that the water be supplied him on Albert St., if this is not done he will hold the Town responsible for any loss, damage or expense he may be put to if the demand is not complied with. Under the circumstances your Committee cannot recommend the extension for the reasons given above and also for another very important reason, to wit: - that there are not funds available for the purpose, as will be seen per memos annexed. When sufficient funds are available, your Com. would advise that the extension be made.

Mrs. M. Marks
Sewer Rates

4. In reference to the letter of Mrs. Mary Marks, referred to your Com. objecting to the payment of sewer rates on her property, Pine St. on the ground that the sewer was too high to drain the property, your Com. beg to report that they directed Supt. Bishop to take measurements and levels in connection with this property, and find that the sewer in line with the south side of her property is 3 ft. 3 inches below the kitchen floor in the basement of the house. Your Com. cannot therefore see any reason why any reduction from the sewer rates should be made on this property.

Tenders for Grass

5. Your Com. having asked for tenders for the grass on the Town land at Lamont Lake, two were received, one from Wm. Turner, \$16.00 one from John Brook \$12.00 Your Com. have accepted the tender of the former and notified him accordingly. This report was adopted.

Old County Rates

The Finance Com. report was read as follows: - Your Com. on Finance beg to report that they have enquired into the claim of the County of Halifax for a balance due for County Rates for the years 1875 to 1886, both inclusive, as per letter from the County Clerk, dated March 3, 1898, referred to your Committee. Your Com. find that a statement was rendered the Town Dec. 29, 1897, claiming as due the County by the Town \$4414.³⁴, which was disputed by the Town and allowed to rest until May 26, 1898, when another statement was rendered, claiming \$3302.⁰⁰ Amounts have been charged in the account for non-collection which should not be fairly chargeable, and other amounts for expenses in certain small pot cases paid by the Town, not credited. Your Com. would recommend that, in order that a settlement be arrived at of this long standing and disputed account, the County Council be offered 50% of their claim of \$3302, which would be \$1651.⁰⁰ in full settlement thereof, and if this be accepted that the amount be paid this year and assessed for one half next year, and the other half the following year, or assessed for in such other amounts as will not increase the rate of taxation. After some discussion this report was ordered to lie on the table.

J. Bowden
Complaint

The report of the License Com. was read as follows: - Your Com. have looked into the matter complained of by John

Powden, licensed junk dealer, and it is their opinion that Sec. 40 Town By-laws, is not comprehensive in as much as it does not prohibit the purchasing of junk in the town with teams, or by other persons who do not keep a shop. Your com. recommend that His Honor the Recorder be requested to have said Sec. of By-laws revised so as to have the desired effect, and also to prohibit by said By-law, the purchasing of junk from minors without the consent of their parents or guardians.

So. End Pound

2. The com. beg to report re. Southend Pound, that they have instructed the Police to impound all cattle found going at large, and in the event of the Police not being able to impound said cattle, that the owners be prosecuted in the Police Court for the offence.

Wagonmen Inspection of

3. The com. inspected the Licensed Wagoners of the Town at the Town Hall on July 4th per notification, and found them in a fairly creditable condition. Some, however, were passed conditionally, the owners being notified to have numbers placed on wagons, and to procure proper badges for drivers at an early date. The com. have pleasure in stating that this inspection is an innovation and trust that in future it will become a periodical event.

The first clause was referred to the Recorder to report upon, the other two clauses were adopted.

School Estimate

Letter was read from Chairman of School Board requesting payment of \$2605.00 being balance of school estimate up to June 30, 1898. Resolved to pay the amount when the Town is in funds.

So. End Pound

Letter read from G. J. Troop, asking that the fence surrounding the Southend pound be put in order. The Clerk was directed to acknowledge receipt of his letter.

Sanatic a/c

Letter read from A. S. Hunt, accountant Hospital for Insane, asking for payment of their account not later than Sept. 1st next, and if a remittance was not received, then they would draw on the Town at thirty days. Referred to Finance com. to report upon.

Rose St. extension of

Petition read from a large portion of ratepayers of Austinville praying that Rose St. be opened east to meet the Common Road near Mr. L. Baus's residence. Referred to Street Committee to report upon.

Special Police

Matter of appointing Special Police for "Natal Day" was left with the Mayor and Police Committee to arrange.

G. G. Dustan
Dahlia St.
Sewer

Letter read from G. G. Dustan, objecting to the extension of the sewer on Dahlia St. fronting his property. On the ground that the sewer was of no use to him. Ordered to be filed.

Dom. Educational
Ass'n

On motion of Council. Moseley, it was decided to invite the Dominion Educational Association, which will meet in Halifax on the 2nd of August, next, to join the Town's celebration of our "Natal Day" on the 4th of August. The Clerk was directed to send a suitably worded invitation to Supervisor Mackay, Secretary of the Association.

Town Wharf
Molt St.

The Fire Com. were authorized to ask for tenders for placing a curbing around the Town wharf on the public dock south of Scarpio Mill. A number of accounts were passed for payment.

: Adjourned

Accepted
Town Clerk

Approved
Mayor

5/8/98

Dartmouth.

Friday Aug. 5. 1898.

Town Council met this day at 7.30 p.m. Present Mayor Johnson, Councilors Moseley, Ritchie, Williams, Paves and Wilson, also Recorder Russell. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

J. W. Wentzell
re Sewer
Albert St.

Letter was read from J. W. Wentzell, offering to furnish the Town with the necessary funds, clear of interest, in order to get the water to his residence on Albert St. cost of the same to be deducted from his general taxes when they become due, with the understanding that the town allows him the customary two and one-half (2 1/2%) per cent discount for prompt settlement. After some discussion the matter was referred to the Recorder for his opinion as to the authority of the Council to borrow money from private individuals.

Building Society
Land, Kings St.

The Clerk was directed to notify the Town Society.

Building Socy owners of the vacant land at the corner of King and Boggs Streets, to fence in the same under the provisions of section 184 of the Towns Incorporation Act of 1895, and the Street Com. were instructed to have the dump reported on that street, levelled off and graded.

b.a.a. Club
re.
Regatta

On motion of bouncers Bowes and Williams the following resolution was unanimously agreed to: -
Whereas, the objects Amateur Athletic Club have for a number of years passed, held an annual Regatta and other sports, which have greatly conduced to the benefit of the Town of Dartmouth.

And whereas the holding of such sports has imposed a great deal of labor upon the members of the said club.

Therefore resolved, that this council desires to put on record its appreciation of the efforts of the club and its recognition of the great service that they have done the Town.

Resolved further, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Town clerk to the Secretary of the said club.

Approved
24/8/98
[Signature]
Mayor

Adjourned

[Signature]
Town Clerk

Dartmouth

(Tuesday) Aug. 23. 1898.

The Town Council met this day at 7.30 p.m. Present Mayor Johnson bouncers Ritchie, Wilson, Foreyok and Moseley. also Recorder Russell. Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

Auditors report

Auditors reported that they had audited the accounts of the Town clerk and Treasurer to the first of August, and found the same in order and correct and submitted the financial statement to the same date duly certified. This statement was ordered to be filed

b.a.a. Club

Letter was read from b.a.a. club submitting a detailed statement of receipts and expenditure connected with the natal day celebration, and calling attention to a deficit amounting to \$61.00 and asking the council to aid by paying off

this deficit. After some discussion the following resolution was moved by Councillor Forsyth, seconded by Councillor Wilson and adopted: - Whereas it has been brought to the notice of this Council that the Committee in charge of the Regatta and Natal Day celebration, show a deficit of sixty-one dollars by their statements and vouchers submitted to this Council, and, whereas, this Council fully recognizes the benefit derived by the Town by said Regatta and Natal Day celebration, therefore resolved that a further grant of \$50. be made by this Council to aid the Committee in settling said deficit.

J. W. Wentzell
re. Water extension
Albert St.

Letters were received from J. W. Wentzell, demanding the extension of the water and sewer system to his dwelling on Albert St. accompanied by a petition from the property owners on that street that the water be extended to Mr. Wentzell's residence. On motion of Councillors Forsyth and Ritchie, the following resolution was adopted: - Resolved that J. W. Wentzell's letter be placed on file, and the clerk be instructed to inform him that the Council cannot, at present, comply with his request, but will do so at the earliest possible moment.

Stempel Fire
Extinguisher

Letter was read from Black and Meagher, agents for the Stempel Fire Extinguishing Co. offering to supply three machines to the town for the sum of \$15. The matter was referred to the Fire Committee to report on.

P. McKenna
re. Land
Cor. Wilson &
Quarrell Sts.

Letter was read from Peter McKenna calling attention to the disgraceful condition of the lot of land corner of Wilson and Quarrell Streets, stating that the same was dangerous to public health and to the surrounding property. Sanitary Inspector McKenzie reported on this matter as follows: - In compliance with ^{the} Mayor's request to investigate the complaint of Mr. Peter McKenna respecting the deposit of sewerage and other offensive matter on the vacant lot owned by Mr. John Lavelle on Wilson St, I beg to report that I found a quantity of offensive matter oozing out from under the bank and forming pools on the surface, which emitted an offensive odor.

Mr. McKenna claimed that the offensive matter came from a break in the sewer. I carefully examined the manholes at the junction of Duarrell and Wilson Sts and also the one at the junction of Portland and Wilson Sts. and as near as I could judge all the sewerage leaving the former passes through the latter. This would indicate that the sewer is not broken. In my opinion, owing to the unusually wet weather, the water from the adjoining yards leaks through the moist ground under the street, and mixing with the offensive matter already on this lot, forms the filthy pools mentioned. I would recommend that a drain be excavated across this lot, filled with small stones and covered over with earth. This, in my opinion, would abate the nuisance. I would also recommend that the lot be fenced so as to prevent the dumping of offensive matter from the street."

J. Lawlor -
notice to

It was then resolved on motion of Councilors Ritchie and Forsyth that Mr. John Lawlor be requested by the Council to run a drain through his property, corner of Wilson and Duarrell Streets, in order to remove the offensive matter lying there, and also to fence the property to prevent further dumping there.

Water Deb.
\$1200
authorized.

On motion of Councilors Ritchie and Forsyth it was resolved that His Worship the Mayor, be and is hereby authorized and instructed to issue Town Debentures to the amount of twelve hundred dollars under the authority of cap. 50 of the Act of 1897 for the purpose of paying for water and sewerage extensions now under construction, as per estimate submitted to this Council at a previous meeting. The said debentures to be dated July 1, 1898, to be redeemable in twenty years, and bear interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, and to be sold for the best rate obtainable therefor.

\$400 for
New Work -
Water etc

Also resolved on motion of the same. That the sum of four hundred dollars included in the assessment for Water Maintenance this year under the head of new work authorized by sec. 6 cap. 68 Act of 1898, be transferred to the credit of the Water Construction Acct. for the purpose of paying for the extensions authorized this year.

Building Society
Land. Reinst.

Letter was read from Nova Scotia Building Society

stating that they would be pleased to comply with the request of the Town to fence their property at the corner of Boggs and King Streets.

John White

sewer frontage

Letter read from John White stating that he had been overcharged on sewer frontage on Myrtle St. and objecting to pay the full frontage charged him on his property. Dahlia St. on the ground that the level of his property prevented him from draining into the sewer on that street. Referred to the Water Com. to report on.

Fire Hydrants.

Read report from Supt. Bishop that, as far as he was aware, the fire hydrants were all in good working order, the drains to some of them would need some trifling repairs before the cold weather sets in, would be attended to in the proper season. Ordered to be filed.

Union Bank

interest on
over drafts.

Letter read from agent of the Union Bank, in Dartmouth, stating that he could not do better than charge 6 percent on the balances against the Town at the end of each day. Referred to the Finance Com. to report upon.

W. L. Bares' offer
of land for St.

The Street Com. reported that they had interviewed Mr. W. L. Bares in regard to the land required for a street through his property as petitioned for by a number of ratepayers. Mr. Bares wants \$300. for the land required or would submit the matter to arbitration. The Com. cannot advise the expenditure of any such sum for that purpose. This report was adopted.

Backmen's fares.

The mayor having suggested that lists of Backman's fares be placed on the ferry boat for public information, the matter was referred to the License Com. to report on.

New Town Hall.

The following matters were referred to the Committee on Public Property to report upon:- Proposed new Town Hall and plan of Town.

Plan of Town.

Bicycles

Bylaw re lights.

Council. Wilson moved, seconded by Council Forsyth, the following:- Whereas complaints have been made as to the existing danger to pedestrians by bicycles being driven on the streets of the Town at night, without having lights attached, and whereas this Council fully recognize the danger

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to pedestrians, and desires to have the matter immediately remedied. Therefore resolved that His Honor the Recorder be requested to draw up a by-law at once, making every bicycle rider driving at night without a light liable to a penalty, and further resolved that application be made to the Governor-in-Council to have said by-law approved as soon as possible.

Approved
11/9/98
Mayor

Adjourned
Cep. Secy.
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth N.S.

Wednesday Sept. 7, 1898

Town Council met this day at 7.30 p.m.

Present Mayor Johnstone, Councilors Moseley, Forsyth, Ritchie, Williams and Wilson, also Recorder Russell. Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

John White
re
Sewer Frontage

The Water Committee reported as follows -
Re Mr. John White's letter referred to them, which they have inquired into and beg to report 1. that the matter of the Dublin St. frontage be referred to the Court of Appeal with the recommendation that Mr. White be allowed the same deduction of 50% (on a portion of the frontage on said street) which had been allowed other property owners on that street, viz - J. I. Bowser, R. Bowser and John Gray.
2. As to the Myrtle St. frontage, it seems that Mr. White has been charged for frontage on the south side of this street for land which has been reserved for a street, as shown by a plan of the property, and that his deed only gives him 107 ft 6 inches, which distance he should pay for, instead of 160 ft. that he has been charged with. The street referred to, running south off of Myrtle St., has not been accepted by the Town.

Water Works
Supplies.

3. your committee would recommend the purchase of the following supplies: 1/2 ton of lead, 100 small bolts for stand pipes, 8 bbls. of cement. This report was adopted.

Hackmen's
Fares.

The License Committee reported as follows -
1. your Com. would recommend that the Ferry Commission be requested to have a list of Hackman's fares framed and

placed on each of the Ferry Steamers. The Com. request that four typewritten copies of Hackman's fees be sent to the Commission at once.

Hack Stand
at Ferry.

2. The Com. also recommend that the Ferry Commission be notified to keep the street at the Hack Stand, near the Reading Room, in better condition than it has been in of late.

Hackmen
re. Badges.

3. The Com. have instructed the Chief of Police to report to the Committee, all licensed Hackmen driving without their badges, or not having proper numbers on their hacks, or not keeping their hacks in good condition. The first clause was referred back to the Com. for further consideration, and the other two clauses of the report were adopted.

Water extension
Forbes house
Brixton Ave.

Letter was read from G. L. Thorne, executor of the Turner Estate, asking that the water system be extended to the Forbes House, on Brixton Avenue, also a letter from Henry Romano, who proposes to purchase the property, making the same request, and offering to pay the interest on the cost of the work, which he understood would be about \$500. These letters were received and the following motion, moved by Councilors Wilson and Ritchie, was adopted - Whereas, applications having been received by this Council, from Henry Romano, and J. W. Wentzell, for water extensions to their respective properties, and, whereas, Mr. Romano and Mr. Wentzell both offer to pay the interest on the cost of said respective extensions, therefore resolved that the money be procured for the extension of both water and sewer to Mr. Wentzell, and for water to Mr. Romano, and the Water Com. be empowered to carry on said extensions as soon as possible.

Water & Sewer
extension
Albert St.

On motion of Councilors Forsyth and Ritchie it was further resolved that a meeting of the Ratepayers be called on the 19th day of Sept. at 8 o'clock for the purpose of authorizing the borrowing of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars for the purpose of extending the water on Brixton Avenue and the water and sewerage on Albert St.

Diphtheria case
E. Watson's

Letter was read from Dr. Wilson in reference to the recent diphtheria case in the house of Edward Watson of Dartmouth, stating that he had reported

the case as soon as he was assured that it was really a case of diphtheria. The letter was ordered to be filed.

Mrs. M. G. Wright
re. Fairfield
property.

Letter was read from W. P. Burton, Trustee for Mrs. M. G. Wright, ^{owner of the Fairfield property} calling attention again to the damage sustained by this property by reason of overflow of water from the street and alleging certain defects in the service drain and gutters. Referred to Street Com. to report upon.

R. Moseley
re. obstruction
to street.

Letter read from Pearson & Covert, Solrs for Mr. Robt. Moseley, claiming compensation from the Town for the employees of the Town improperly obstructing the street in front of his paint works for two days. The clerk was directed to acknowledge same and to express the regret of the Town Council and to explain that there was no intention on the part of the town employees to cause Mr. Moseley any annoyance or inconvenience in the matter.

J. Lawlor
re. land
Cor. Wilson &
Quarrell Sts.

Letter read from R. G. Finn, Solr for John Lawlor, calling attention to the unsanitary condition of his property situated at the corner of Wilson and Quarrell Streets, alleging that the present condition of the property in question is due to the leak in the sewer pipe causing the contents to be emptied upon his property. This letter was referred to the Water Com. to deal with.

G. G. Duxton
re. Sewer Rates

Letter read from G. G. Duxton protesting against the charge of \$1.00 per foot sewer frontage being made against him for his property fronting on Dahlia St. and asking that his case might be heard before the Court of Appeal. Letter was referred to the Court of Appeal to deal with and Mr. Duxton to be notified as to date of meeting.

Dumping
ground.

Letter was read from N. Evans offering his wharf at the Mill Cove for the purpose of a dumping ground. Referred to Public Property Com. to report upon.

Mrs. J. W. Bishop
re. Comrod's
outbuildings.

Letter read from Mrs. J. W. Bishop complaining of the condition of the outbuildings on the property of Mr. Wm. Comrod, adjoining hers. The Sanitary Inspector's report thereon was read as follows, and adopted: -
I beg to report that I have investigated the complaint of Mrs. J. W. Bishop and that I found a new vault erected on Mr. Comrod's grounds about 20 ft. from Mrs. Bishop's dwelling. I found the vault and building connected with it reasonably clean and in good order. Mrs. Bishop's residence is on lower ground, and when the wind is

blowing from the northwest, and the windows are open. I have no doubt there would be a disagreeable odor. I understand that the real complaint is that the building in question is erected too near Mrs. Bishop's residence, and not that there is anything dangerous to the public health there. In my opinion it is a private dispute between the parties in which the health authorities are not obliged to interfere.

Bicycles.

Bylaw, re. lights.

A number of accounts were passed for payment. Councillors Wilson and Foreyth moved the following resolution, tabled at the last meeting:—
 Whereas complaints have been made as to the existing danger to pedestrians, by bicycles being driven on the streets of the Town at night, without having lights attached, and whereas this Council fully recognizes the danger to pedestrians, and desires to have the matter immediately remedied, Therefore resolved, that his honor the Recorder, be requested to draw up a by-law at once, making every bicycle rider driving at night without a light liable to a penalty, and further, resolved that application be made to the Governor-in-Council to have said by-law approved as soon as possible. This motion was lost. Moved and seconded voting for, the other councillors against.

Approved

[Signature]
 Mayor

Adjourned

[Signature]
 C. Elliot

Town Clerk

30/4/98

Dartmouth N.S.
(Monday) Sept. 19. 1898

Town Council met this day at 7.30 p.m. Present Mayor Johnston, Councilors Mosely, Forsyth, Ritchie, Williams, Bowes and Wilson, also Recorder Russell.

Letter was read from Secy. of Dartmouth Ferry Commission, dated Sept. 16th stating that at a special meeting of the Ferry Commission held on that day, the following by-law was adopted, and he had been instructed to forward the same to the Council for ratification.

Resolved: That the following By-law be, and the same is hereby made under the authority of Sec. 24, Chap. 37, of the Acts of 1894 -

No person not being the holder of a commutation ticket, or entitled to travel free on the Ferry, shall pass the gates or wicket of the Ferry, properly to go on board any boat of the Dartmouth Ferry Commission for the purpose of travelling on such boat without surrendering a ticket entitling such person to so travel or being on board any such boat for such purpose, shall refuse upon request from the Captain or Mate of such boat to deliver a ticket entitling him to so travel thereon.

On motion of Councilor Bowes the By-law was approved, and the clerk was directed to forward the same to the Governor and Council for their approval.

Adjourned

Wm. Elliot
Town Clerk

Approved
20/9/98
Mayor

Dartmouth N.S.
(Friday) Sept. 30. 1898.

Town Council met this day at 7.30 p.m. Present Mayor Johnston, Councilors Mosely, Forsyth, Williams, Ritchie, Bowes and Wilson, also Recorder Russell. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Water Committee reported as follows: -
1. That they called for tenders required for proposed extension on Brighton Avenue and Albert St. and the following were received: -

Ferry Bylaw
re.
Tickets.

Water Extension
Brighton Ave.
W. & S. Extension
Albert St.

Water & Sewer Extensions		Gravels	Loose Rock	Solid Rock
Brighton Avenue				
	M. Graham	29 ^c	45	2.40
	A. Awwalt	30	50	2.50
Brighton Ave Albert St.	A. Warner	27	50	2.50
Albert Street				
	M. Graham	35	45	2.40
	A. Awwalt	33	50	2.50
	A. Warner	27	50	2.50
Albert to Marlton St.				
	M. Graham	40	45	2.40

It being so late in the season your Com. would advise that the above trenching be let in three contracts, and that M. Graham be awarded the Brighton Avenue extension, Alex. Warner the Albert St. extension, and A. Awwalt the drain pipe line from Albert to Marlton Sts.

2. The Londonderry Iron Co. agreed to supply the water pipe, and the Standard Drain Pipe Co. of St. Johns P. D. the drain pipe at the prices paid them on the previous contract. Your Com. would recommend that the pipe required be obtained from them.

3. The Brighton Avenue extension will start from the bench main now laid on Tulip St. at the corner of Oak St. thence down Oak St. to Brighton Avenue and along Brighton Avenue to the Forbes House, 900 St. Your Com. would recommend that a bench pipe be laid in view of the fact that the main may in future be extended further along said Avenue, and that it would be desirable to put a hydrant in the vicinity of the Forbes House. For the Albert St. extension 96 ft. of 4 inch pipe will be required, as the 4 inch main is now laid on that street, and it is not probable that it will be extended further on this street. Two special castings, 6 off. 6 (single) will also be required.

4. For drain pipe the quantity required will be as follows: - For the Albert St. extension ft. of 12 inch pipe, and for the extension from Albert to Marlton streets, through the properties of Messrs. Holtz, Nicholson, Simpson, Rios and Hamblett ft. of 12 inch pipe.

5. Your Com. having arranged with the property owners through whose property this sewer will run, to connect with the outlet on Marlton St. that they

Water & Sewer
Extensions
Leighton Ave
&
Albert St.

would allow the sewer to go through their properties free of charge, with the understanding that they have the privilege to connect with the sewer on their own land free of any expense, and that they pay the usual rates for their several properties fronting on Albert, Portland and Mayland Streets. This has been embodied in an agreement drawn up by Recorder Russell and duly signed by the parties.

6. Your Com. would recommend that, in accordance with the vote of the ratepayers at the recent public meeting, that the Mayor be authorized to arrange with the Union Bank to supply funds to the extent of \$1000. to pay the cost of the above named extensions, until legislation can be obtained for authority to issue town debentures for the above amount.

J. Lawlor -
Land cor.
Wilson & Quar-
rell Sts.

7. With regard to the letter of R. G. Finn, solicitor for John Lawlor, referred to your Com. at the last meeting of Council, your Com. beg to report that they have not lost sight of the matter, but will report thereon at the next meeting of Council. This report was adopted.

Mrs. M. G. Wright
Complaint
re. Fairfield
property.

The Street Committee reported that they had examined the property alleged to be overflowed by water from Dawson St. and the recommendation contained in the Recorder's report is the finding of the Com.

Plan of Town

2. Re. plan of Town your Com. find there is going to be considerable difficulty in getting offers to do the work by contract. One gentleman, having a certificate showing him to be a capable man, offered to do the work for \$60. a month and estimated the time required to be about six months; he would require a helper, to be paid by the Town, of course.

New Town Hall

3. Your Com. have made very little progress in the matter of the Town Hall, but are considering the matter.

The first and third clauses of the report were adopted, the second clause was referred back to the Committee for ^{more} definite information.

Mrs. M. G. Wright
Recorder's
opinion.

The following is the opinion of the Recorder referred to in the Committee's report: Re. Burton claim. The only difficulty in advising upon this matter arises from the fact that there is no one, so far as I have been able to discover, who can state with certainty the facts bearing upon the matter at issue. It seems however, to be

reasonably certain that the Town has never done any thing to increase the flow of water from the street over Mr. Burton's land, and under these circumstances I have to advise that the claim be not entertained

Interest on Over Drafts.

Finance Committee reported that they had an interview with Mr. Thome, the cashier of the Union Bank, also the Directors of that bank, and at a meeting held on the 20th inst. they decided to reduce the rate of interest on overdrafts from 6% to 5% to date from Oct. 1. 1898. Adopted

Hackmer's regulations.

Committee on Police and Licenses reported 1. In regard to the request of the Council as to special distances laid down in the by. laws, your Com. after carefully considering the matter decided that in their opinion sec. 81 of the Hackmer's Regulations is sufficient information for the general public

Policeman Brennan

2. Your Com. have investigated the complaint made against Policeman ^{Dunnaway} (No. 2) and beg to report that there was not sufficient evidence to warrant them taking further action in the matter. Adopted

Wm. Graving Dock Co. Land King St.

Letter was read from Walford Graving Dock Co. stating that they would be most happy to comply with the request of the Council to put up a fence on the line of King St. and suggesting that the end of Boggs St. be fenced up to the line of King St. and not continue Boggs St. to the water. This would answer the purpose the Council had in view much better, and any time the Town wished it opened they would undertake to do so, and sign any form they would require. Clerk was directed to inform them that the Council have been advised that they have no power to allow the street to be fenced up.

G. G. Duxton Sewer Rates

Letter was read from G. G. Duxton setting forth certain reasons why he should not be charged sewer rates for his property fronting on Dahlen St. Referred to the Assessment Court of Appeal to deal with

R. Creeper License fee

Letter read from Robt. Creeper demanding that the amount of license fee paid in by him some months ago be refunded to him. Referred to License Committee

Mrs. Anne Misener Widow's exemp.

Letter read from Mrs. Annie Misener claiming

the usual deduction from taxes allowed by law to widows, on her property. Referred to Finance Com

Oland's Bonds

The matter of certain bonds given by Messrs. Oland and Sons some years ago to the Provincial Government in lieu of liquor license fee, was discussed and the collection thereof referred to the Finance Com

Auditors report.

Auditors reported that they had audited the books and accounts of the Town Clerk and Treasurer to Sept. 1st and found the same in order and correct; they also submitted statement of receipts and expenditure of the various accounts of the Town to above date.

Albert St. Sewer.

On motion of Councillors Wilson and Ritchie it was resolved that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign agreements in reference to the sewer running from Albert St. through the several properties referred to in the Water Committee's report.

Taxes - coll. of

On motion of Councillors Ritchie and Moseley resolved that the time limited for the payment of taxes be the 15th day of October next, after which date warrants of distress for the collection thereof to be issued under the Towns Incorporation Act of 1895 and amendments thereto.

Number of accounts were passed for payment.

Adjourned

Wm. Elliott
Town Clerk

Approved
[Signature]
Mayor

4/10/95

Dartmouth N. S.
Friday Nov. 4. 1898.

Town Council met this day at 7.30 p. m.
Present Mayor Johnston, Councilors Moseley, Bowes,
Forsyth, Ritchie, Williams and Wilson, also
Recorder Russell. Minutes of last meeting
were read and confirmed.

R. Preper
License.

License Com. reported that they had referred
the letter received from Robt. Preper, which was
referred to them at the last meeting, to Recorder Russell
for his opinion as to the legality of receiving the fee
for license. The Com. suggested that the By. laws
relative to the Hack and such licenses be revised
at an early date. The first clause of the report
was ordered to lie on the table, the last clause was
adopted and the Com. was requested to commence
the revision of the By. laws at once.

Mrs. G. A. Misener
exemp.

Finance Com. reported that they had carefully
considered the letter from Mrs. G. A. Misener, but as
the taxes were due before the death of her late husband,
they could not recommend the granting of her request.
This clause was adopted.

Oland's Bonds

The Com. referring to the
Oland bonds were of the opinion that the government
should collect the bonds, and they could not recommend
that the Council endeavor to collect the same by
involving the Town in a law suit. This clause
was signed by a majority of the Com., and a minority
report, signed by Councilor Forsyth was as follows:-
"Having carefully considered the Oland bond matter
I cannot see why the same should not be realized upon,
and if the Recorder's views upon the matter are the same
as expressed to the Council when the matter was last
before them, I recommend that the Recorder be in-
structed to collect the amount of the bonds at once."
Minority report was voted upon and rejected. Councilors
Forsyth and Ritchie voting for, the others against.
Majority report passed. Same vote reversed. On
motion of Councilors Forsyth and Ritchie it was then
resolved that application be made to the Government
for permission to sell the Oland bond for the benefit of
the Town, and for their consent that the name of the Attorney
General be used by the assignees of the Town.

Water & Sewer
Extensions.

The Water Com. reported as follows - The various sewer and water extensions ordered by your Council during the past summer have been proceeded with as fast as the weather and other circumstances permitted.

The water extension from Sulip St. down Oak St. and eastward by along to Brighton Avenue has been done, and connections made with the dwellings of Messrs. Henry, Romano, Robt. Farrell, Sr. and W. A. Cannon. Your Com. would recommend that a hydrant be ordered and put in at the end of the extension on Brighton Avenue. The water and sewer extension on James St. and Portland St. to the residence of Rev. P. M. Morrison has been completed. The water and sewer extension on Albert St. will be completed in another week. The first line selected to carry the sewer from Albert to Portland St. had to be abandoned owing to various objections raised by some of the property owners through whose lands the line would run. Other arrangements were made by your Com. with Mrs. Wisdom, Robt. Bissett and Saml. Simpson to carry the line through their properties, the agreement has been drawn up and signed by them and is annexed hereto for your approval.

Your Com. will require the following material to complete the work now in hand for house connections etc. 800 lbs. Pipe lead. 800 lbs. Lead pipe, 12 corporation cocks and 5 lbs. cement.

Report was adopted, and the agreement referred to in clause 2, was ratified.

Plan of Town.

The following report from the Street Com. was read and adopted - 1. Re Plan of the Town we have obtained from Mr. A. A. Henry of Halifax, Surveyor, an offer which appears to us to be exceedingly favorable, and which we recommend the acceptance of. Letter appended to this report.

Dumping Grounds.

2. Re public dump. Your Com. interviewed Mr. Evans and he agrees to keep dump levelled off and in good order, which we think is satisfactory, and therefore recommend that his offer be accepted.

New Town Hall.

3. Re Town Hall. your Com. have in view a property which we are trying to secure an option upon, and would claim your further indulgence for a short time. Council
Wilson dissented from the adoption of the first clause of the report.

Plan of Town

Following is the letter from Surveyor Henry referred to in the Com's report: - A plan that will include the municipality of Dartmouth, say 300 ft. to the south of the Lunatic

Asylum, and extending up the Harbor to say 4000 ft. beyond Stairs Ropewalk and back from the Harbor about 5000 ft. and about 7000 ft. on each side of the Ferry Dock, would give an area of 14000 x 5000 ft. = upwards of 2500 acres. This on a scale of 50 ft. to 1 in. would be a sheet of about 14 ft. x 24 ft. on a portfolio of 84 sheets 20 x 28 inches, with an index sheet 7 x 4 ft. on a scale of 80 ft. to an inch. The larger sheet will more than include the points mentioned in my interview with you. The owners names may appear on each lot and thus remove all doubt as to ownership for taxation purposes. The plan may be made in such a quality of paper as you may select English linen drawing paper is the best say Antiquarian paper, but the price is high, about a dollar a sheet. I agree to make the survey and prepare the plans above described for \$600. provided the corporation find stationery and chainmen. I propose that mode as I should often need an assistant for one quarter or half a day and if he were an employe of the Town he could make up his day working for the Town. I engage to have work completed within eighteen months from the time of commencement. This includes setting up a permanent standard line from which to fix all street lines, this line would also answer the purpose of a meridian line from which to estimate the annual declination of the magnetic needle. I may add that the value of the chainmen's labor would probably be about equal to a laboring man's wages for two months, but of course would run over a very much longer period.

cab stand
at Ferry

Letter was read from Dartmouth Ferry Com. requesting the Council to have the cab stand at the Ferry landing paved with granite and that the work be done by the Supt. of Streets at the expense of the Commission. Referred to Street Com. with instructions to carry out the work.

Electric Lights
"out".

Report read from Chief of Police that 4 electric street lights were out during the month of October. Referred to Street Com.

On motion of Councilors. Bowes and Moreley it was.

Assessors

appointed

resolved that Messrs. E. Scarce, A. S. Gates and Thos. Kottling be reappointed Town Assessors for 1898-99, and that the remuneration be as formerly \$300.00 for the year, the fee to cover all services required by law.

Halifax

Breweries

License

Number of bills were passed for payment.

The following letter was read from License Inspector McGeorge:— I beg respectfully to ask for the direction of your honorable Council respecting the failure of the Halifax Breweries to procure a license in accordance with the provisions of the liquor license Act. Some three years ago, I am instructed the Court decided that the wholesale clauses of the liquor license Act were good law, notwithstanding that the Halifax Breweries ignored the law, and continue to ignore it by neglecting to obtain a license which they can do by applying to the Council on or before Dec. 15th in any year, and by paying the license fee. For the past two years several suits were pending in the Supreme Court at Halifax in which the Breweries were instructed, and in which their liability for selling without license was argued and decided in favor of the Town. It did not seem wise then to bring more suits until the old ones were settled. The Town has succeeded in all these cases by a judgment of the full Court, which I am instructed by the Solrs. for the Town is the court of last resort in liquor matters. Your Council are aware that there is no license fund or other source from which expenses incurred in enforcing the Act could be drawn, and that such expenses, if incurred, would be a charge on the general revenue of the Town. I therefore considered it my duty before taking action against a powerful corporation like the Halifax Breweries, to ask for your direction and advice. On motion of Councils Bowes and Joseph it was resolved that the License Inspector of the Town be empowered to proceed with the cases against the Halifax Breweries, under the direction of this Council and His Honor the Recorder.

Barker property

encroachment

The matter of the encroachment of the fence fronting the Barker property on Lussell St. was referred to the Street Com. with instructions to take proceedings with a view to the removal of the said encroach.

ment under the direction of the Recorder.

Waste of Water

Dupt. of Water Works was instructed to make thorough inspection of the water fixtures throughout the town with a view to stop the great waste of water from bad fixtures, etc. and report thereon to the Council.

Water & Sewer act.

Certain amendments to the Water and Sewerage Act were referred to the Water Com. to report upon.

Legislation re -

The following matters were referred to His Honor the Recorder with instructions to procure the necessary legislation in time for the next session of the Legislature. viz -

Electric Light.

To empower the Town to borrow money to establish an electric light and gas plant,

Tramway.

Tramway franchise and Bonds authorized at the last public meeting for sewer and water extensions,

Water & Sewer extensions.

and power to borrow \$5000 for water and sewerage extensions required, subject to the approval of the ratepayers.

School Board

On motion of Councillors Moseley and Bowes it was resolved that the balance due the School Board up to June 30th last be paid.

Russell re. resig. of Stip. Magistrate

Read letter from Recorder Russell intimating that he proposed to resign the office of Stipendiary Magistrate stating that he could not consent to a stipend of only \$150 as the salary attaching to the Recordship. Referred to the Finance Com. to report on.

Adjourned

Capt. Elliot.
Town Clerk.

14/11/98
[Handwritten signatures]

Dartmouth N.S.

Tuesday Nov 10. 1898.

Town Council met this day at 7.30 p.m.

Present Mayor Johnston, Councillors Moseley, Forsyth, Ritchie, Williams, Bowes and Wilson, also Recorder Russell. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Finance Com. reported that they had considered the letter received from His Honor the Recorder, referred to them at the last meeting, and were of opinion that as the Town Council had no voice in the appointment of a Stipendiary Magistrate, it would be time to consider the salary of such an official when the appointment was made. On motion this report was adopted.

Letter was read from Henry Baylis, David Barry and Alex. Brown, residents of Slater St. petitioning that some means be adopted by which the surplus water which flows into their back yards from the front street can be carried away as in wet weather their back yards are five or six inches deep in water in consequence of there being no culvert across the railway track at this point. The clerk was directed to write to Mr. Pottinger, Supt. of the N. B. R. requesting him to have a culvert made at this point to carry off the water complained about.

Letter was read from S. Publicover stating that he had expended \$5.00 in making the necessary repairs to the street in front of his residence on Maitland St. and requesting that he be refunded the amount so expended. Referred to Street Com. to report upon.

On motion it was resolved that the resolution adopted at the last meeting of the Council in reference to the letter received from License Inspector McKenzie be rescinded.

On motion of Councillors Forsyth and Bowes it was resolved that the License Inspector be instructed to proceed under the Act with the prosecution of the infringements against the Liquor License Act of 1886.

The following by-law relative to a 'Public Dumping Ground in the Town of Dartmouth' was adopted and ordered to be sent to the Governor in Council for approval.

Russell, re. resig. of Stip. Mag. Ship

H. Baylis et al. overflow of water

S. Publicover re. repairs Maitland St.

Halifax Breweries License

Dumping Ground Bylaw

Dumping Ground
By-law.

A place for the deposit of ashes and cleanings of yards and streets is hereby established on the eastern side of the extreme south end of King St. No person shall deposit any ashes or cleanings of yards, or rubbish of any kind, on any street, sidewalk, road, alley, or public square in the Town of Dartmouth. No person shall deposit any night soil or other offensive materials of any kind in the place so appointed.

School Board

Application read from Chairman of School Board asking payment of the sum of \$34.03 being the amount due the Board for the current year up to Oct. 31st last. Resolved that the request be complied with.

Adjourned.

Wm. G. G. G.
Town Clerk

Approved:
5/11/98
[Signature]

Dartmouth N.S.

Monday Dec. 5. 1898.

Town Council met this day at 7.30 p.m. Present Mayor Johnston, Councillors Moseley, Ritchie, Foreyth, Williams, Doves, and Wilson, also Recorder Russell. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed. The Street Committee reported that they had examined the claim of Stephen Publicover for \$5.00 for work done by him on Wainland St. and find that he had no valid claim. This report was adopted.

S. Publicover

Ferry Water
extension to
South Wharf.

Letter was read from Dartmouth Ferry Commission requesting that the water mains be extended from Water St. to their south wharf, and that a hydrant be placed there, the Ferry Commission agreeing to guarantee the payment to the Town of all expenses incurred in performing this work. The right of way had been granted by Mrs. Lawlor and G. G. Vanbuschick to lay the water pipe through their properties. Referred to Water Com.

Mrs. Glendinning
the Culvert
Hawthorne St.

Letter read from Mrs. Ann H. Glendinning claiming attention to the culvert which had been recently

placed across Hawthorne St. opposite her property and which carried the water from the opposite side of the street on to her property, doing considerable injury to the property, and requesting that the culvert be removed and the water allowed to take its natural course. Referred to Street Committee

Arwalt
re. crowbar.

Letter read from A. Arwalt complaining that Supt. Bishop had retained in his possession a certain crowbar, which he claimed was his property. Referred to Street Committee

E. W. Oland
assessment.

Letter read from E. W. Oland stating that he was assessed for personal property in Dackville in Oct. 1897, and also in Dartmouth in Nov. of same year when they were assessed by the Dartmouth assessors for the same property, and objecting to pay for the Dartmouth assessment. Referred to Finance Com.

Street Lights
"Out"

Report of Chief of Police re. lights out for the month of November was read and referred to Street Committee

J. Ritchie
re.
sewage

Letter read from John Ritchie stating that the water from the sewer on Portland St. ran into his cellar during heavy rains. Referred to Water Com.

Lawlor & McKenna
re.

land cor.
Wilson &
Quarrell St.

Messrs. John Lawlor and Peter McKenna being present were given a hearing in reference to a lot of land owned by the former, at the corner of Wilson and Quarrell Streets, both parties alleging that water flowed from a broken sewer pipe on Wilson St. over Mr. Lawlor's property, causing damage thereto. The matter was referred to the Water Com. with power to remove the cause of complaint at once.

W. M. Road &
Fairbanks St.
W. and S.
Extension.

Petition was read from a number of ratepayers and property owners on the Windmill Road and Fairbanks St. asking that the water and sewer mains be extended along the Windmill Road. Referred to Water Com. to report upon.

Sinking
Fund

Read report from Mayor pointing out that there was now to the credit of the Sewer Sinking Fund \$900.00 drawing interest at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. In view of the fact that this rate is likely to be reduced in the near future, he thought it would be in the interest of the Town if some more permanent investment, paying a better rate of interest could be obtained. He gave quotations from Banker

MacIntosh for certain municipal bonds which could be bought at a rate which would net from 3.82 to 4.16 per cent. Referred to Finance Com to report upon.

R. Peeper
License.

Re. letter received at a previous meeting from Robt. Peeper. Recorder Russell submitted his opinion thereon as follows: - "After careful inquiry, I find that Mr. Peeper's case is similar to that of Mr. Senor, in which the prosecution was dismissed as it was not covered by the by-law. The license fee was paid by Mr. Peeper under pressure from the policemen and if he was not at the time liable to penalty for the business he was doing, it can be recovered back. I recommend that it should be refunded, and that the by-law which is not very carefully drafted be revised." Matter was referred to the License Com to report upon.

Med. Officer
report.

Report read from Dr. Malcolm Town Medical Officer reporting that the Town for the last year has been in a good sanitary condition, to a large extent the usual zymotic diseases had been few in number, those of the diphtheria class were, so far as he could discover, brought into the Town. It must be satisfactory to the Town to learn that the stringent measures enforced have resulted in keeping this dreaded disease in bounds. He also applied for re-appointment as Medical Officer for the current year. His report was ordered to be filed and on motion he was re-appointed M.O. at a salary of \$20.00.

Waste of Water

Supt. Bishop reported that the following were wasting large quantities of water: Mrs. H. Greene's livery stable. There is a large quantity of water constantly flowing, taps are out of order and will not shut off. At Mrs. L. Weyer's stable and at J. Conrad's large quantities of water is constantly going to waste. At the Ferry the valve leaks badly that supplies the boats, in fact has always leaked. The tap near the boiler in the engine room is left open - this being a large tap and connections the waste of water here is very large. The hydrant in the Ferry grounds is also allowed to run all through the cold weather and is carried by a drain into the harbour."

The Clerk was directed to notify the parties complained of to stop the waste of water, also to call their attention to the water regulations, which impose a penalty for so doing.

Auditors report.

Auditors reported that they had examined the books of the Town Treasurer, and found the same in order and correct. They submitted a detailed statement of receipts and expenditure to the 31st October 1898. Ordered to be filed.

Byelaw re. Junk.

Junk By-law. Draft of amendments to this by-law submitted by his Honor the Recorder was referred to the Licence Com.

Legislation re. Electric Light &c.

Draft Acts submitted by the Recorder respecting Electric Light and Tramway, were read and referred to the Street and Public Property Com with the Recorder to report upon.

Legislation re. W. & S. extensions.

Draft of Act to enable the Town to borrow \$1000. for water and sewer extensions authorized at a public meeting held on Sept. 19. 1898. and a draft Act to enable the Town Council to issue debentures to the extent of \$5000. with the approval of the ratepayers, for water and sewer extensions to be required in the future, were read and referred to the Water Com to report upon.

School Rate. Hy. Lien for

Mayor reported that it would be expedient in the interests of the Town, and result in considerable saving each year, to obtain legislation to make the School Rate payable by property owners residing in Dartmouth and assessed on property in Halifax a lien on said property in the same manner as the lien for other taxes. Referred to Finance Com.

Poor Relief

Mayor recommended that in view of the applications made to the Poor Com in winter by people able bodied men, that a stone shed be established and they be given employment in breaking stone for the streets of the Town. Matter was referred to the Street Com. to report upon.

Adjourned.

Wm. Elliott
Town Clerk.

Approved
22/11/98
Wm. Elliott
Mayor

Dartmouth N.S.

Thursday, Dec 22, 1898.

Town Council met this day at 7.30 p.m.
 Present, Mayor Johnston, Councillors Wozley, Ritchie,
 Jones, ~~James~~ Williams, Nelson also Recorder Russell.
 Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Finance Committee reported as follows:-

E. N. Oland's
 Assessment.

1. Re letter from Mr. E. Oland objecting to being assessed on his personal property for the year 1898 on the ground that he was assessed for the same property in October 1897 in Sackville N.S. from whence he removed in November of same year. Your Com. beg to report that according to his own statement Mr. Oland removed to Dartmouth in Nov. 1897, where he has since resided, and they cannot recommend that his taxes be remitted as applied for by him for the following reasons:- It appears from the records of the Town Clerk that Mr. Oland did not appeal from the assessment at the proper time; that he and his family have resided in Dartmouth the whole of the past year and have received value for the taxes in the various services for which the said assessment was levied.

Sinking Fund.

2. Your Com. have considered the Mayor's report re. investment of money belonging to the Sewer Sinking Fund, now in the Union Bank, and would recommend that \$900. of this fund be invested in bonds of either of the following named towns:- Parrsboro, Windsor, Truro, New Glasgow and Sydney. These bonds bear 4 per cent interest and may be purchased at \$1.04 netting \$3.52 interest. In the purchase of the bonds preference to be given to the first named towns.

School Tax, H.
 Lien for

3. Your Com. would recommend that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to draw up a bill to be submitted to the Legislature, providing that the principle of the Dartmouth Lien Law for taxes be extended to include the school rates payable by residents of Dartmouth School Section on their properties in the City of Halifax and the outside districts in the school section of Dartmouth, not included in the town limits, and that before submitting such draft act he be requested to confer with the Mayor and Recorder of the City of Halifax with a view to having the same law apply to school rates on properties in Dartmouth payable to the City of Halifax. This report was adopted.

Mrs. Glendinning
 Culvert, New-
 Thorne St.

Street Committee reported as follows:-
 Re Mrs. H. Glendinning's letter complaining that the placing of a culvert on New Thorne St. caused water to flow on to her property to her injury, your Committee advise that the Clerk be instructed to write her that the said culvert will be attended to as she requests when spring opens.

Arnall's
 Crowbar.

As to Mr. Arnall's complaint that Supt. Bishop has a crow-bar belonging to him in his possession, your Com. beg to report that the Supt. affirms that the

Poor Relief & Done Died. Your Com. have considered the proposal to erect a stone shed to give employment to persons applying for relief, and recommend that in view of the fact that but a small number of persons would likely take advantage of the opportunity thus afforded, they do not think that the expense and trouble connected with it warrants the undertaking.

Legislation re Electric Lighting and Tramway. Your Com. have considered the proposed acts to enable the Town to borrow money for electric lighting and Public Tramway, and recommend the same for your approval and adoption. This report was adopted.

The Committee on Water and Sewerage submitted the following report; which was adopted -

Land Cor. Wilson & Luavrell St. 1. Re complaint of Mr. John Lawlor in reference to the water said to flow on his property, from Oakes St. your Com. have had two holes dug in this street to a depth two feet below the sewer main, in one of the holes water was found coming up out of the ground 15 inches below the sewer pipe, at this point a stone cover over an old drain 15 inches square crossing Oakes St. was found, to make sure that there was no water coming from a leaky or broken water pipe, your Com. had the water turned off, but still the water came flowing from the old drain, and your Com. have now no hesitation in saying that the water complained of by Mr. Lawlor does not come from either water or sewer pipes as alleged by him.

John Ritchie's Sewerage. In reference to a letter from Mr. John Ritchie, who complained that the water back up on his property, comes of Portland and Hawthorne St. from the main sewer on Portland St. your Com. have had this matter remedied to the satisfaction of the owner. 3. In reference to the extension of the water main from Oakes St. to the south dock of the Ferry Commission asked for by that corporation, your Com.

Ferry Water extension. have had the work done and a hydrant put in near the south dock to their satisfaction. The total cost of the work being \$236.⁰⁰. A bill of the same has been rendered to the Ferry Commission who will pay the amount before the end of the year.

W.M. Rd. & Fairbanks St. extension. 2. With regard to the petition from a number of the ratepayers residing on the Windmill Road asking for the extension of the water and sewer mains along that street, your Com. have given this matter some consideration, but as it would be a lengthy and expensive extension, your Com. have not had time since the last meeting to obtain an estimate of the work but will do so and report thereon as soon as possible.

Legislation re W. and S. extensions. 6. With regard to the draft acts authorizing the borrowing of \$1,000 for water purposes voted at a meeting of the ratepayers held last September, your Com. recommend the same for your approval. With regard to the bill authorizing \$5000 for water purposes, your Com. approve of the same with certain amendments as therein set forth and would further recommend that the bill be changed to provide for the borrowing of this sum of money annually for water and sewer extensions, with the proviso that the same be approved by the ratepayers.

Boogs St. Sewer outlet. 6. The wooden sewer outlet on Boogs St. was found to be in a bad condition and your Com. have had it covered with concrete, making a substantial job. 7. Your Com. have had two wooden posts and a railing placed in front of the fountain at the Ferry to protect same from damage by teams.

Drinking Fountain.

R. Preeper
License.

The License Committee reported as follows:—
Your Com. have inquired into the facts connected with Mr. Preeper's case and have had the assistance of the Recorder and the Chief of Police, the latter of whom was familiar with all the circumstances. It seems on more thorough inquiry into the facts of the case that Mr. Preeper's case was not similar to that of Mr. Benson which the Stipendiary Magistrate dismissed. In that case there was only a single transaction proved on which it was ruled that the evidence was not sufficient to prove the fact of the accused being a gambler or cellar, whereas in Mr. Preeper's case the sales have been continuous, and there is no doubt that his case came within the meaning of the law. The Com. recommend that the matter be again referred to the Recorder for his opinion in the light of these additional facts, which were not before him when the opinion referred to the Committee was given.

Byelaw
re. Junk.

Your Com. are advised by his honor the Recorder that the Towns Incorporation Act of 1895 does not authorize the Council to pass such a bye law relating to junk dealers as is desired. This being the case your Com. would advise that his honor the Recorder be instructed to draft an amendment to the Towns Incorporation Act authorizing Town Councils to pass all necessary bye laws regulating junk dealers and the sale of junk in the Town. This report was adopted.

Poor relief

The Committee on Poor and Lunatics recommended that in future no orders for provisions or fuel be given to men able to work, except in extreme cases. Applicants for relief to be given work at sawing or cutting wood at the Greenville School under the supervision of the janitor, or at snow shovelling. The said work to be paid for in cash when it is done at the rate of ten cents per hour. Your Com. will undertake to make satisfactory arrangements with the School Board and Street Com. to carry out this proposal. Adopted.

Auditors report.

The Auditors reported that they had audited the books and accounts of the Town Clerk and Treasurer, up to the 30th November, 1898, and found all in order and correct. Ordered to be filed.

D. Fraser's
claim.

The following letter was read from Donald Fraser and ordered to be filed:— I have received your letter of the 8th of January, 1898, to my solicitors Messrs. Halliday & McKay, Halifax, and I hereby accept your offer as contained therein, in full settlement of all claims or demands made by me, or on my behalf against the Town of Watkinson, and I further agree to deliver to the Town the 200 tons of stone mentioned in the above letter, at 15¢ per ton. The stone to be ready for delivery, without quarrying, and twelve months from this date will be allowed by me for the Town to take delivery of the same. I am quite willing that the stone be broken.

all on the premises for the town several years ago shall be taken away at any time and shall make no claim for rent or storage.

Assessment Roll.

On motion it was resolved that the time for filing the Assessment Roll for the ensuing year be extended to the 1st day of January next.

Revisors appointed

On motion of bouncers Wilson and Bowes it was resolved that J. D. McEgan, D. Longdon and Jas. Warner be appointed revisors of Electoral Lists at a salary of \$40 each collectively for 1899 lists.

Axe & Ladder grant.

On motion of bouncers Williams and Ritchie it was resolved that the Clerk be instructed to pay the Axe and Ladder let \$25.00 for hauling ladder waggons to fires.

Street Sweeper

At the suggestion of the Mayor the matter of obtaining a street sweeper for the town was referred to the Street Com. to ascertain the cost and report thereon.

Number of accounts were passed for payment. & the Council then Adjourned.

Capt. Eccot
Town Clerk

19/1/99
Approved
Mayor

Dartmouth N.S.

Thursday Jan. 19. 1899.

Town Council met this day at 7.30 to m.
Present Mayor, Johnston, bouncers. Mordey, Ritchie, Bowes, Percy Williams and Nelson.

Arwall's crow bar.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.
Letter was read from J. D. Bulmer Solr. for Archd. Arwall stating that he was instructed by Arwall to institute an action against the Town for the recovery of a crow bar claimed by Mr. Arwall to be his property. Referred to Water Com. to report upon.

Miss Spotts Salary

Letter was read from B. M. Hunt assistant clerk asking for an increase of salary. Referred to Finance Com.

Mrs. McLennan damage to her house

Letter was read from Mrs. Sophia McLennan complaining that the water had not been turned off from her house Ochterlong St. when the Supt. was notified to do so thereby resulting in considerable damage to her house in the breaking of the water pipes. Referred to Water Com. to report upon.

Drysdale & McInnes etc

Drysdale & McInnes' account for legal expenses in liquor prosecutions amounting to \$225.00 was submitted.