

for their very valuable services as Committee of Firewardens for the management of Pumps and wells in this City

The Mayor likewise submitted the following Memorial from the Halifax Steam Boat Company which is read:

"To His Worship the Mayor and the Council of the City of Halifax:

The Memorial of the Halifax Steam Boat Company,  
Respectfully Sheweth,

That they find it to be the intention of your Worshipful Board to require them in future to pay an Annual Rent of Fifty Pounds for the use of the water required for the purpose of landing the passengers, carriages, cattle &c proceeding to and from the Country in their Boats.

Your Memorialists respectfully beg leave to state, for your consideration, that they have been incorporated since the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventeen, at which time and at different subsequent periods, they have expended on the premises above mentioned, and in the construction of Boats Wharves, and other buildings very large sums of money. That they have for many years had two Steamers, at all times in readiness to ply on the Ferry, and their movements have been conducted with a degree of regularity which has afforded every accommodation to the public, and has conducted greatly to increase the value and rents of property, both public and private, in the vicinity of the landing in this City.

Your Memorialists beg leave further to state, that from the date of their incorporation in the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventeen, up to the present hour, the continual heavy calls for money to extend their works, and keep their Boats in an efficient state, have been such that they have never had the means of making a dividend to the Stockholders.

Your Memorialists respectfully beg leave to call the attention of your Worshipful Board to the foregoing statements, and on consideration of the benefits resulting to the public from their establishment and expenditures, from which your Memorialists have derived no remuneration, they confidently rely on the justice and liberality of your Worship to allow them to continue to occupy the Public Water at the Market Slip, as heretofore, at a rent merely nominal.

And as in duty bound they will ever pray &c &c

By order of the Company (Signed) Tho Dogge President.

Halifax 27<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>r</sup> 1841.



When on Motion it is unanimously  
Resolved, That the property now occupied by the Steam Boat Company  
be leased to them for one year from the first day of October  
next at Twenty five pounds.

The City Council then adjourned till tomorrow

Wm. King  
Mayor

— Halifax September 29<sup>th</sup> 1841. —

At a Meeting of the City Council held this day Present,  
Alderman Williamson, W. G. Anderson, Edward Allison, Alexander  
Keith, William Stovv jr, William Caldwell, Andrew MacKenlay  
Esquires, and Sifcan Clarke Esquire.

Absent, Aldermen Henny, Ferman, Duffus, W. J. Starr and J. C. Starr.  
A. M. Uniacke, Hon. Mr. Starr, Hon. Hugh Bell, Conrad West and John  
Steel Esquires.

On Motion it is  
Resolved, That Alderman Williamson take the Chair.

On Motion it is  
Resolved, That the City Council adjourn to meet again on  
a new Summons

Wm. King  
Mayor



Halifax October 11<sup>th</sup> 1811

Messrs John Howe, J. J. Sawyer, Joshua Lee, William Stoy Junr, Andrew Richardson, Charles W. Hill, William Caldwell, William N. Milward, Robert Romans, John Eason, Conrad West, Adam Hemmeon, John Longard, Alexr. G. Fraser and William A. Silver having taken and subscribed the Oath prescribed by Law are this day sworn into office as Firewardens of the City of Halifax.

Stephen Quincy  
Mayor

Halifax October 12<sup>th</sup> 1811

At a Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Fremair, Duffus, Williamson, and Starr. W. G. Anderson, Edward Allison, Alexander Keith, William Stoy Junr, A. M. Uniacke, Hon. J. L. Starr, Hon Hugh Bell, A. MacStinlay, C. West, Adam Hemmeon, Sepuan Clarke and John Steele Esquires

The City Council were summoned to elect an Alderman for Ward No 5 and for the transaction of other business.

Mr. Adam Hemmeon having been returned as Common Councilman for Ward No 5, is this day sworn into office.

Mr. Archibald Sinclair is appointed Firewarden for Ward No 3 in room of A. M. Uniacke Esquire, who has already served, and declines acting.

The City Council next proceeds to elect an Alderman for Ward No 5 in place of William J. Starr.

A Ballot is taken when there appeared

For Andrew MacStinlay Esquire 13.

For Conrad West Esquire 2

and one Blank. Mr. MacStinlay was accordingly elected Alderman for Ward No 5, and was sworn into office.

The Committee appointed to draw up a Code of Orders and Regulations for the government of the City Marshal and City Constables submitted the following:



The Committee to whom was referred the Regulations to be made for the guidance and direction of the City Marshal and City Constables, have given their best attention to this subject and have to submit the following

Regulations

— for the consideration of the Council.

The City Marshal shall attend the City Council, and the City or Mayor's Court whenever they shall meet, and at all times be at the command of the Mayor, or Officer presiding at the Police Court. — he shall daily (and oftener if necessary) report to the Mayor or officiating Alderman all causes of complaint brought to his notice either by the Constables, or other persons, to have the superintendance of the City Constables to see that they are in regular attendance at the proper time, and strictly discharge their several duties, and should he have any cause of dissatisfaction or complaint against either of the Constables, he shall immediately make the same known to the Mayor or presiding Alderman.

One Police together with one Ward Constable in rotation shall be on night duty, to be in attendance at the Police Office at 7 o'clock in the evening, and to remain on duty until 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock the following morning when they are to be relieved by the two other Police Constables. The Constables on night duty are to have the various offices put in order by half past eight o'clock A.M.

All the constables including those relieved at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock, to be in attendance at the Police Office by a quarter to Ten o'clock A.M. (at the latest) and not to leave the office except on duty without permission.

Each Ward Constable will go through his Ward twice a day at least, notice especially all nuisances in Yards or Streets and incumbrances in the streets with the names of the several persons who may be liable therefor, breaches of the Licence Law and Lord's Day Act, disorderly houses, violation of the Regulations made for Truckmen, particularly as to occupying other stands than those allotted, carts, Trucks and Heds not marked as required, disorderly driving Trucking without Licences, as also to impound all cows and horses going at large, to seize all pigs running at large and have the same condemned and sold, in going their daily rounds to have a careful supervision of wells and pumps, report any out of order, also to prevent filling of casks at the pumps, quell all riots, and use all other means in their power



for the preservation of the quiet and good order of the City. They will immediately after visiting their respective wards report to the City Marshal the state of the ward.

The Constables will hold themselves in readiness to attend any person calling upon them either by day or night for the discharge of their duty as constables in arresting riotous, disorderly and loud characters, common beggars, drunkards, and other offenders against the law, and bring them before the Mayor if between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P.M. after 4 o'clock to place all offenders in the Lockup room until the Mayor's office opens the next morning when the same to be reported and the offender brought up for examination by the Constable by whom they were arrested.

Should any Constable get into any difficulty or trouble in the discharge of his duty after office hours he is to apply to the Alderman of his ward for advice and in his absence to any other Alderman, and be guided by his instructions.

In the event of fire breaking out the Police Constables shall immediately inform the Mayor, and the Ward Constable the Alderman of his ward, and place themselves under their direction.

The Police Constables must have their names, and the Ward Constables their number and Ward painted on a Tin plate, which plate must be placed in some conspicuous part of the front of the House in which he resides.

The Constables are constantly to wear the dress appointed for them, and to carry their staff of office when on duty and at night.

No Constable will be permitted to engage in any duty unconnected with their office, unless by special permission.

Halifax October 12<sup>th</sup> 1841 (Signed) Nican Clarke  
(Signed) Edward Allison

when on motion the same is adopted, and Fifty copies ordered to be printed.

The Committee appointed on the 27<sup>th</sup> ultimo to draw up regulations for the government of Cartmen and Truckmen submit the following which after being read over clause by clause is adopted:

The following Regulations for the good and orderly government of Cartmen and Truckmen within the City of Halifax, and for regulating the rates and prices of carriages are submitted for the consideration of the City Council



— October 12<sup>th</sup> —

by the Committee appointed for that purpose.

1<sup>st</sup> That from and after the first day of November next no person shall drive any Cart, Truck, Sled or Carriage for the transportation of any Goods, wares, and merchandise, or other things whatsoever, within the City of Halifax, for hire or wages, unless he shall be licensed as a Truckman on penalty of Twenty Shillings for each offence. And that no person shall be entitled to receive a License who shall be a Shopkeeper, Farmer, or have or follow any other trade or occupation and shall not actually reside within the City and produce a written testimonial of his good character with the names of the parties willing to be his Sureties. Licenses to be granted on application to the Mayor or presiding Alderman.

2<sup>nd</sup> That on granting such License, the person obtaining the same shall execute a Bond to the City of Halifax, himself in the sum of Twenty pounds, and two good Sureties each in the sum of Ten pounds, conditioned for his orderly driving and the security and safe conveyance of such articles as he may be required to transport, and also for the strict and due observance of the laws now in force and of the Regulations made or to be made for the government of Truckmen.

3<sup>d</sup> That the sum of Two pounds shall be paid for each and every License, on the granting of such License, and that the said sum of Two pounds shall thereafter be paid annually, and no License shall entitle any Truckman to employ more than one horse, Cart, Truck or Sled, which License shall expire on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September in each year.

4<sup>th</sup> That every Licensed Truckman shall, on taking out his License, be provided by the City with a printed copy of the regulations and Rates and prices of Carriages, now or hereafter to be established.

5<sup>th</sup> That every Licensed Truckman must be provided with a proper Box Cart and Sled, in addition to a Truck, and on default thereof shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding Ten Shillings, and also have his License suspended until so provided.

6<sup>th</sup> That every Licensed Truckman shall cause the Initial letter of his Christian name and his surname at full length, and also the number of his License to be painted in large and legible characters upon each side of his Cart, Truck or Sled, on the square or after part of the Shaft of such



Truck or Cart, and upon the curve of the runners of such Sled, and so continue the same, on penalty of five Shillings for every day that he shall drive his Cart, Truck or Sled, without having his name and number so painted thereon.

7<sup>th</sup> That the Mayor or presiding Alderman, on the granting of each and every License, shall appoint the Stand of the person so to be licensed, and that all Trucks, Carts and Sleds when not employed must be placed and kept, during working hours, at the several Stands allotted to their respective proprietors, and any Truckman taking up any other Stand than that to which he shall be appointed shall forfeit and pay a fine of Ten Shillings for each and every offence.

8<sup>th</sup> That if any licensed Truckman, being on his Stand, shall refuse or neglect to cart, Truck, or employ his Horse and Cart, Truck, or Sled within the said City of Halifax, for any person when requested, he shall for each offence forfeit and pay the sum of Ten Shillings.

9<sup>th</sup> That no Truckman shall, while driving through the City sit on his Truck Cart or Sled under a penalty of Five Shillings for every offence.

10<sup>th</sup> That no person under the age of sixteen years shall be permitted to drive a Truck, Cart or Sled for hire, and that the License holder of such Truck Cart or Sled shall be answerable and accountable for the good conduct and behaviour of such driver as he may employ and the observance of all the Regulations made or to be made relative to Truckmen; and any driver of such Cart Truck or Sled who may be guilty of drunkenness shall be dismissed and forfeit and pay the sum of Five Shillings, and the license of such Truck Cart or Sled shall be suspended or forfeited according to the nature of the offence of such driver.

11<sup>th</sup> That no licensed Truckman or driver shall drive his horse faster than at a slow or easy trot in or through any part of the City, under the penalty of Ten Shillings for each offence.

12<sup>th</sup> That every licensed Truckman shall be compelled to drive his own Horse, except in case of sickness, or permission in writing from the Mayor or presiding Alderman, under a penalty of Five Shillings for every days offence.

13<sup>th</sup> That any Truckman who shall refuse or neglect immediately to obey any call for any public duty to be made on him by the Mayor or any one of the Aldermen or City Council, shall

(forfeit)



forfeit and pay the sum of Ten Shillings, and his License shall be suspended for such time as the Mayor or presiding Alderman shall think proper.

14<sup>th</sup> That if any Licensed Truckman shall neglect to occupy his Stand, or cease to truck for the space of one month shall be considered as having resigned his License and shall not be entitled to Truck until he shall apply for and obtain a new license, unless prevented by sickness or other unavoidable accident.

15<sup>th</sup> That no Truckman shall leave his Horse and Cart Truck or Sled without a driver, or shall feed his Horse (except from a Nose Bag) in any one of the public Streets, Lanes, or squares of the City under the penalty of a fine not exceeding Ten Shillings for every offence.

16<sup>th</sup> That no Truckman shall water his Horse at any of the public pumps or wells in the City under the penalty of five Shillings for each offence.

17<sup>th</sup> That if any Truckman whose License shall have been taken away or suspended shall drive any Cart Truck or Sled within the City, without obtaining permission, or a new License therefor, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of Ten Shillings for each and every day that he shall so offend.

18<sup>th</sup> That every Licensed Truckman shall have affixed to the harness used for the purpose of drawing his Sled or Sleigh, at the least two good open bells or four round bells, such as are commonly used on Sleighs.

19<sup>th</sup> That every Truckman driving his Cart Truck or Sled shall leave the centre of the Street on his right hand side under a penalty of Ten Shillings.

20<sup>th</sup> That when the driver of any Cart Truck or Sled attempts to pass another Cart Truck or Sled or any carriage having its head in the same direction, such driver shall take care to pass on the right side of such Cart Truck Sled or Carriage so as to leave a sufficient way open on his left hand for the Cart Truck, Sled, or Carriage which he is about to pass, under a penalty of Ten Shillings.

21<sup>st</sup> That whenever any Cart Truck or Sled shall at any time stop whether loaded or unloaded on any of the Streets of the City, the same shall not be placed nearer to the centre of the Street than Eighteen inches, under a penalty of Ten Shillings.

22<sup>d</sup> That the following shall be the table of Rates and prices of Truckage payable to, or to be demanded by the Truckmen







— October 12<sup>th</sup> —

Call of one credible witness.

(Signed) Stephen Clarke

(Signed) Edward Allison

Resolved, That Alderman Williamson, Messrs Story and Allison  
be a Committee to appoint the Stands. On Motion it is

On Motion it is Resolved, That Alderman Williamson,  
Alderman MacKinlay & Hon. H. Bell, be a Committee to  
appoint and select Five Constables for each Ward, and  
have them sworn into office.

Read the following Petition from the Butchers on the  
subject of Slaughter Houses.

To His Worship the Mayor and the Members of the City  
Council

The Petition of John Murphy and others, Butchers

Respectfully sheweth:

That in consequence of an Act of the Assembly, passed in  
the Year 1834, Your petitioners have been compelled at great  
expense and inconvenience to carry all their cattle includ-  
ing small meat to a considerable distance beyond the City  
for the purpose of Slaying. That in consequence of this  
regulation the meat is much deteriorated in quality,  
and your petitioners compelled to increase the price of it, in  
order to cover the great expense to which they are at present  
subjected. That in order to obviate this Your petitioners are  
desirous of being permitted to kill their small cattle at  
Slaughter Houses erected on the wharves of this City which  
cannot be attended with any inconvenience or loss to any  
persons, but with great advantage to your petitioners. That  
your petitioners have been instructed that the regulation  
of all matters connected with the City are under the  
exclusive control of Your Worship, and are therefore in-  
duced humbly to solicit permission to erect such Buildings  
upon the wharves of the City, for the aforementioned purpose of  
Slaying their small cattle and without any reference to the  
larger species of animals, and that your petitioners have  
already had the offer of a wharf for this purpose at the south  
extreme of the City proper, which will be well adapted  
for the purpose and is sufficiently removed to prevent any  
kind of annoyance whatever.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray &c



(Signed) John Murphy  
 Henry Anderson  
 Thomas Casey  
 Andrew Hunter  
 William Murphy jun  
 John Punch  
 David D. Rier  
 Michael Murphy

(Signed) Dennis Murphy  
 Patrick Murphy  
 Luke Conway  
 Sam Thompson  
 Wm Murphy senior  
 Andrew "Saul"

When on motion it is Resolved, That Alderman Fremain, Hon. H. Bell, Messrs Veniacke, Allison and West be a Committee to enquire on the subject of Slaughter Houses and report on the same.

Stephen Binney  
 Mayor

— Halifax October 15<sup>th</sup> 1871 —

Michael Graham sworn into office as City Constable to serve and execute all summons, Warrants &c. directed to him by the City Treasurer.

Archibald Sinclair having taken and subscribed the oath prescribed by law is this day sworn into office as a Forewarden of the City.

Stephen Binney  
 Mayor

— October 19<sup>th</sup> 1871 —

The following Price of Bread was set this day and ordered to be in force on Friday next, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Instant:

One penny half penny Loaf of Stone Wheaten Flour w <sup>th</sup> weigh	9	9
Three penny ditto ditto ditto	1	3 2
Two penny ditto ditto ditto	2	6 5
One Shilling ditto ditto ditto	4	12 11

Stephen Binney  
 Mayor







Gazetted Nova Scotia no longer retains the enviable position of being considered second in importance to Canada, among the Provinces of British North America.

From the high character your Excellency has attained by your Services as Ambassador at the Courts of the most enlightened Nations of the World, and from your knowledge and experience in American affairs, as well as well as the firm reliance we place in the wisdom of the present Administrators of the Government of our Parent Kingdom, we confidently anticipate that the measures you will adopt for the management and tranquillity of Canada (the most important portion of your Dominion) as well as of the other British Provinces on this Continent, will redound to your own honor, and conduce to the happiness and prosperity of the people.

We respectfully tender our sincere wishes for Your Excellency's health, and for the successful termination of those arduous and difficult duties which you are now about to assume.

By appointment of the City Council in their name, and in behalf of the Citizens of Halifax.

(Signed) *Stephen Princes*  
Mayor

Resolved, That the Address be presented by His Worship the Mayor, and <sup>that</sup> the whole of the City Council accompanied by the Recorder and the City Marshal attend in a Body.

Resolved, That the City Council attend His Worship the Mayor on the landing of His Excellency The Governor General.

Resolved, That the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance or Bye Law to regulate the Market Place and the use of the waters thereto adjoining belonging to the City of Halifax" be published in the Royal Gazette.

The Council then adjourned  
*Stephen Princes*  
Mayor



Halifax October 26<sup>th</sup> 1841

The following Apize of Bread was set this day and ordered to be in force on Friday next the 28<sup>th</sup> Instant.

One penny half penny Loaf of Rye & Wheat Flour is to weigh	9	14
Three penny do do do do	1	3 13
Six penny do do do do	2	7 11
One Shilling do do do do	4	15 6

Attest  
John P. King  
Mayor

Halifax October 27<sup>th</sup> 1841

The following Letter was this day received from the Deputy Secretary of the Province.

Provincial Secretarys Office  
Halifax October 26<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Sir

I have it in command from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to signify to you for the information of His Worship the Mayor and the Council of the City of Halifax, that an Ordinance or Bye Law, made in City Council, entitled An Ordinance or Bye Law, to regulate the Market Step and the use of the waters there adjoining belonging to the City of Halifax has been disallowed by His Excellency by and with the advice of the Executive Council of this Province.

I have the honor to be  
Sir

Your most obedient

humble servant

(Signed) John Whidden

To  
James Stewart Clarke Esq  
City Clerk &c  
Halifax



Halifax November 9<sup>th</sup> 1844.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day pursuant to Notice

Present

His Worship the Mayor.  
Aldermen Fernain, Williamson and MacSintlay.  
W. G. Anderson, W. Caldwell, A. M. Uniacke, Hon. H. Bell.  
A. Munroe, G. West and A. Clarke Esquers.

Absent

Alderman Drifus	of	Alderman Starr	of
Alderman Kenney	of	Edward Allison Esq.	of
Alex. Keith Esq.	of	William Stoyf Esq.	of
John Steele Esquers	of		

Mr. Joseph Jennings having been returned as a Common Councillor from Ward No. 4, appeared, and having taken and subscribed the oaths prescribed by law, is this day sworn into office as a City Councillor for Ward No. 4.

The Mayor calls the attention of the Council to the regulations relative to Truckmen, so far as they relate to not granting Licenses to Shopkeepers and those following other Trades and occupations

Resolved, That the regulations be strictly adhered to.

Read a letter from Thomas McKie recommending that a License be granted to Ellen Hurley the widow of the late Thomas Hurley, Truckman; when it is

Resolved, That a Trucking License be granted to Mrs. Hurley.

His Worship the Mayor calls the attention of the City Council to the Ordinance or Bye Law to regulate the Market Ship, and the use of the waters thereto adjoining belonging to the City of Halifax; which was not returned disallowed by the Lieutenant within three Months, as prescribed by law.

The Hon. H. Bell moved that the Resolution passed by the City Council on the 25<sup>th</sup> ultimo directing that the Ordinance or Bye Law to regulate the Market Ship and the use of the waters thereto adjoining, belonging to the City of Halifax should be published in the Royal Gazette, be rescinded. The vote being put there appeared

For the motion to rescind 3

Against it 8

So the motion to rescind is lost, and the following Ordinance directed to



November 9<sup>th</sup>

be published in the Royal Gazette

— An Ordinance —  
— or Bye Law —

To regulate the Market  
Slip, and the use of the waters thereto adjoining, belonging  
to the City of Halifax.

Be it Ordained, by the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Councilmen, of the City of Halifax,  
That from, and immediately after the passing of this  
Ordinance, all Vessels or Boats, lying at the Market Slip, or in  
the waters to the Northward of the Market Wharf, shall be under  
the direction of such person or persons as may from time to time  
be appointed by the City Council, who shall have the super-  
intendance thereof, and the Owner, Master, or other person having  
charge of any such Vessels or Boats, who shall disobey the orders  
of the person or persons appointed to the superintendance as  
aforesaid, touching the lying, fastening, berth or removal, of any  
such Vessels or Boats, shall for each and every offence, forfeit  
and pay a sum not exceeding Forty Shillings.

And be it Ordained, That no Vessel or Boat shall be or continue  
at the Market Slip, or in the waters to the Northward of the  
Market Wharf, during any one voyage, or trip thereto, beyond  
the period that the Superintendent may, under approval of His  
Worship the Mayor, and such Alderman, or others of the City Coun-  
cil, as may be in attendance at the Public Office on the business  
of the City, direct, under a penalty of not more than Ten Shillings  
for each day.

And be it Ordained, That no more than two vessels shall be allowed to  
lie abreast at one and the same time in the waters aforesaid;  
and the Master, owner, or other person having charge of and who  
shall lay his vessel alongside two vessels which have previously  
occupied the water, shall forfeit and pay a penalty of Ten Shillings.

And be it Ordained, That the Dockage or Wharfage of Vessels or Boats at  
the Slip, or in the waters aforesaid, shall be as follows:

For every undecked Boat or Vessel, not being a pleasure or Ferry Boat, under eight Tons burthen, nine pence	} 9
For every Vessel or Boat, decked or undecked, over eight and under fifteen Tons, one Shilling	} 1
For every vessel over fifteen and under twenty Tons one Shilling and three pence	} 1/3
For every Vessel over twenty Tons and under thirty Tons, one Shilling and six pence	} 1/6







Halifax November 10<sup>th</sup> 1841

The following Assize of Bread was set this day and ordered to be in force on Friday next the 12<sup>th</sup> Instant

One penny half penny Loaf of fine wheaten Flour is to weigh	9	9
Three penny ditto ditto do	1	3 2
Six penny ditto ditto do	2	6 5
One Shilling ditto ditto do	4	12 11

Robert Currier  
Mayor

Halifax November 19<sup>th</sup> 1841

At a Meeting of the City Council held this day  
Present, His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Kenny, Tennant,  
Duffus, Williamson, Mac Sunday and Starr.

H. G. Anderson, Edmund Allison, Alexander Keith, Wm Story  
W. Caldwell, A. M. Uniacke, Hon. H. Bell, Joseph Jennings,  
Adam Munroe, Conrad West, A. Clarke and John Steele  
Esquires

Absent, Andrew M. Uniacke Esquire, Fined 2/6

The Mayor informs the Council that he had called them together in consequence of the following communication from the Hon. J. B. Uniacke and L. O. Doyle Esquire on behalf of the Truckmen of the City:-

Halifax 11 November 1841

Sir

Having been applied to professionally by a body of our Fellow Citizens, Truckmen of Halifax, who necessarily suffering in common with other classes of the community by the present depression, feel the present rate of the License in the sum as well as the mode of payment a severe and burdensome tax upon their exertions and industry. We have on their behalf to solicit an opportunity of being heard before your Worship and the Board of Common Councils on the subject of their complaints:- a request usual in cases where the claims of so large a portion of the civic constituency seek to impress themselves upon the consideration of their Representatives.

We have the honor to be, Your Obedient Servants

His Worship the Mayor

(Signed)

James B. Uniacke  
L. O. Doyle



The Hon. Solicitor General and J. C. Doyle Esquire appeared on behalf of the Truckmen of the City, and having objected to the Regulations for their Government on the ground of the illegality of the Tax it is

Resolved, That the Regulations be suspended for the present.

On Motion of Mr. Armistead it is Resolved, That the Regulations for the Government of Truckmen be referred to the Recorder to report what clauses if any, are contrary to Law.

A Letter from Sir Henry B. Munby Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward Island, complaining of the enormous charges made by James T. Magee to him when in the City of Halifax for carriage hire &c, and a Memorial from William K. Parker keeper of the Halifax Hotel, praying that the Council would establish a scale of prices for Hacks, Cabs &c, are read.

As the Council were not in possession of power to regulate Hacks and other Carriages, no action was had thereon.

His Worship the Mayor calls the attention of the Council to the vacancies in the Firewards, when on motion it is Resolved, That Mr. Henry Mignowitz be a Fireward for Ward No 4, vice Thomas S. Tobin who refuses to serve.

Resolved, That Mr. John T. Wainwright be a Fireward for Ward No 5, vice George P. Lawson who refuses to serve.

The following Letter from John Howe Esquire Chairman of Firewards, and the accompanying Memorial of William Caldwell and other Officers of the Union Engine Company, are read, when on Motion it is

Resolved, That the request of the memorialists be complied with.

Halifax 15<sup>th</sup> November 1841

per

The accompanying Letter was presented to the Firewards at the Meeting which took place on Thursday last, and I was requested by them to transmit the same to Your Worship, and to state that they are of opinion that the suggestions of the Officers of the Engine Company, as respects the additional Hose required and the sinking of a Well on the Parade, are of importance to the Community, and hope that the necessary steps will be taken by Yourself and the Members of the Corporation to carry them into effect with as little delay as possible.

The remarks in reference to the employment of



November 19<sup>th</sup>

The Engines and Hose in filling the Tanks is well worthy the consideration of the Corporation, they should at all times be in order for immediate service. No. 1 Engine was a good deal injured in filling the Tank in George Street recently.

I rather think permission would have to be obtained for the sinking of a Well on the Parade.

I have the honor to be Your Worship's most  
Obedient humble servant

W<sup>m</sup> Washburn

(Signed) J. Howe

The Mayor

Chairman Firewards.

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Halifax November 10<sup>th</sup> 1841

The Officers of the Engine Company are desirous of bringing under the Notice of the Firewards the state of the Hose as attached to the Engines in charge of the Company and are of opinion that Nos. 4 & 5 would be more efficient if a few more lengths of Hose were added to those now in use, or to be in readiness in case of the old ones bursting at the time of Fire. No. 1 has at present 420 feet, would suggest that 4 new lengths be added the boxes for which are now in the Engine House. No. 4 & 5 have about 100 feet would require 5 additional lengths for each Engine.

There is also another subject to which we wish to draw your attention that is the evil and great damage received by the Engines & Hose when filling Tanks, as also the heavy expence which is now so very apparent that if some other mode could be adopted it would more materially serve the public Interest.

We would also suggest the propriety of a Well being sunk at the South East Corner of the Engine House to be for the benefit of the public as well as the Engine Company.

Which is respectfully submitted  
Your Obedient servants

W. Caldwell

R. A. Bigby

Frederick Hurmy

Benjamin Smithes

Henry Spike

Wm. Crawford

James Jackson.

John Howe Esquire

Chairman of Firewards.

P.S. The estimated Cost of Hose £100 - for the well £60.



On Motion it is Resolved, That Mr. Robert Richardson be added to the list of Firewardens for the City of Halifax.

A communication from A. Elliott Esquire, Naval Storekeeper, complaining of a nuisance caused by Mr. Ruggis' Distillery, is read, and referred to the Commissioners of Streets.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Council that agreeably to the provisions of "An Ordinance to regulate the Market Slip and the use of the waters thereof adjoining, belonging to the City of Halifax" which was published in the last Number of the "Royal Gazette," he appointed Mr. Francis Stevens, Superintendent (pro tem) who collected dockage fees of several vessels. One Matthew Fena having refused to pay Dockage was summoned to the Police Office to answer said refusal. Beames Murdock and Thomas B. Atkins Esquire appeared as Counsel for the Defendant, when in consequence of a motion having been made in the Supreme Court for a writ nisi to obtain a writ of certiorari.

Resolved, That the Mayor employ such Counsel as he may think necessary to assist the Recorder in the prosecution of this writ.

The Mayor called the attention of the Council to the state of the jail, and the necessity of employing an underkeeper: when on motion it is Resolved, That Alderman Duffus, Hon. H. Bell, Joseph Jennings, Adam Kemmeon, and Conrad West be a Committee to ascertain and report what regulations are required for the better government of the jail.

Alderman Freeman, Chairman of the Commissioners of Streets, calls the attention of the Council to a communication in the last Number of the "Acadian Recorder" signed "Commissioner of Ward No. 6" in reply to a communication in the preceding No. of said Newspaper signed "Enquirer" which being read, he commented upon.

On motion of A. M. Uniacke Esquire it is Unanimously Resolved, That the following Remarks be adopted and entered upon the journals.

The City Council have had under their consideration a publication in the "Acadian Recorder" dated the 13<sup>th</sup> November, reflecting upon some of the members of their body, signed by the "Commissioner of Ward No. 6," which they find upon investigation to contain statements not borne out by facts, they therefore cannot permit the publication to



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remain before the public uncontradicted.

The Council cannot close their remarks without expressing their entire disapprobation of such publications emanating from the members of the Board, as they consider it the duty of each member to bring before the Board any subject of complaint against members before appealing to the public.

The Council then adjourned till Thursday next at 2 O'clock.

(Signed) *Septimus King*

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Henry Mignowitz and Robert Richardson Esquires appeared, and having taken and subscribed the Oath required by law on this day sworn into office as Justices of the City of Halifax.



Halifax November 25<sup>th</sup> 1851

At a Meeting of the City Council held this day pursuant to adjournment.

Present, His Worship The Mayor, Aldermen Duffus Williamson and MacKenlay, W. G. Anderson, Edward Allison, Messrs Keith, William Story, M. Caldwell, J. M. Uniacke, Hon. H. Bell, Joseph Jennings, Adam Hemmison, Messrs John Steele Esquires

— Absent to be fined —

Alderman Kenny of Edward Allison Esquire of  
Alderman Fernan of Stephen Clarke Esq of  
Alderman Starr of

Read a Letter from Andrew Richardson Esquire Chairman of the Committee of Firewards in charge of pumps and wells, enclosing a Letter from W. & A. R. Young Esq<sup>r</sup> stating that they had been directed by the Alliance Insurance Company of London to subscribe Twenty five pounds towards making a Tank on the Grand Parade near the Engine House.

When on Motion of Hon. Mr. Bell it is Resolved, That the thanks of the City Council be given to Andrew Richardson Esq<sup>r</sup> for his satisfactory exertions in obtaining funds for a Tank on the Grand Parade.

The Mayor calls the attention of the Council to the Regulations for the Government of the Truckmen, which had lain over from last Meeting. When it is

Resolved That the consideration of the subject be further postponed.

The Mayor informs the Council that Mr. John J. Wainwright had refused to serve as a Fireward for No 5, and that he had appointed Mr. Daniel Starr to fill the vacancy, which appointment is confirmed by the Council.

The Mayor states that the use of the City Court House will be required for the purpose of holding an Election, when it is

Resolved, That the High Sheriff be requested to hold the Election in some other place.

On Motion of Alderman Williamson Resolved, That the Attorney and the Solicitor General be retained as Standing Counsel for the City.

Resolved, That Twenty five pounds Currency be presented



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to each of these Gentlemen as a retaining fee.

On motion of A. M. Uniacke Esq. it is Resolved, That an Address be presented by the City Council to the Commanding Officers of the 8<sup>th</sup> and of the 37<sup>th</sup> Regiments, on the occasion of their departure from the Province, thanking them for their exertions at Fines &c which addresses be signed by the Mayor on behalf of the City Council.

Resolved, That His Worship The Mayor, Hon. N. Bell and A. M. Uniacke Esquire be a Committee to prepare and present the Addresses.

On motion it is

Resolved, That Aldermen MacKintay, A. Hermon and C. West Esquires be a Committee to select a site for the Engine House near St Georges Church, and report at the next meeting.

The Council then adjourned till next Thursday at 2 O'clock

(Sgd) J. B. King



Halifax December 7<sup>th</sup> 1841

At a Meeting of the City Council held this evening Present His Worship The Mayor, Aldermen Henry Furman, Duffie, Williamson & MacKenzie.

H. G. Anderson Edward Allison Alex Keith W. Story, A. M. Uniacke, Hon W. Bell, Joseph Jennings, A. Hemmick and A. Clarke Esquires.

His Worship The Mayor lays before the Council the following Communication received this day from the Deputy Secretary of the Province relative to the Birth of a Prince which is read.

Provincial Secretary's Office  
Halifax 7<sup>th</sup> December 1841

Sir,

I have it in command from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to communicate to you, for the information of His Worship the Mayor and the City Council, that Her Most Gracious Majesty was safely delivered of a Prince on the 9<sup>th</sup> November last.

I have the honor to be

Yours

Your most obedient

humble servant

James S. Clarke Esq  
City Clerk &c  
Halifax

(Signed) John Whidden

When on Motion it is unanimously Resolved, That the City Council present an Address of congratulation to Her Most Gracious Majesty and Prince Albert on the Birth of His Royal Highness the Duke of Cornwall, and that His Worship the Mayor, Hon W. Bell, A. M. Uniacke Esquire and the Recorder be a Committee to draw up the same.

2<sup>d</sup> Resolved, unanimously, That in honor of the Birth of His Royal Highness the Duke of Cornwall, a Ball be given in the Provincial Building on Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> instant, and that the subscription for each Ticket be not less than Forty Shillings.

3<sup>d</sup> Resolved, unanimously, That Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> instant be observed as a public Holiday, and that the different Societies be requested to join in a procession with the Mayor and Corporation.

The Council then Adjourned.