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The following resolution is introduced

Resolution rel:
to Employment of
the 4 Extra Constables

Resolved that the four additional Constables be employed under the directions of His Worship the Mayor during the Sabbath in perambulating the City North, South, Common and Centre of the City, which on being put is passed,

The City Council next proceed to take up report of Commisioners of Streets relative to tenders for cutting down Barrack Street. Read the following report

Report of
Comrs of Streets rel:
to Tenders, Cutting
down Barrack Street

Extract from Minutes of Commisioners of Streets 10 October 1852

The Commisioners of Streets met this day Six Tenders were received as follows.

1 Forbes Black for the sum of	£125. 0. 0
2 James Flinn	590. 0. 0
3 Patrick Stokes	495. 0. 0
4 Patrick Brennan	272. 10. 0
5 Henry Fanning	350. 0. 0
6 John Goley	271. 0. 0

John Goley's tender being for the lowest sum, it is resolved that John Goley's tender be accepted and that the contract be immediately entered into the proper security being taken for the completion of the work

True Copy

Signed H. J. Clarke

City Clerk

The following resolution is introduced

Resolution rel:
Tender for cutting
down Barrack Street

Resolved that the tender of John Goley for cutting down Barrack Street for the sum of £271. 0. 0 be accepted he giving security for faithfully carrying out and completing said work. Security to be given subject to the approval of the Commisioners of Streets, which on being put is passed,

The City Council next proceed to finish the appointments of the various Committees for ensuing year, when the following appointments are made,

Committee

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Committee of City Property

Ward No 1	Alderman	Adams
Ward No 2	d.	Noble
Ward No 3	d.	Gibson
Ward No 4	d.	O'Veil
Ward No 5	d.	Shimmings
Ward No 6	d.	Wing

Public Accounts

Ward No 1	Alderman	Tower
Ward No 2	d.	Scott
Ward No 3	d.	Gibson
Ward No 4	d.	Essex
Ward No 5	d.	Nugent
Ward No 6	d.	Wright

Cemetery

Alderman	Scott
d.	Adams
d.	Egan
d.	Gibson
d.	Davie
d.	Wing
d.	Shimmings

Senders

Ward No 1	Alderman	W. Anderson
Ward No 2	d.	Noble
Ward No 3	d.	Primrose
Ward No 4	d.	O'Veil
Ward No 5	d.	Nugent
Ward No 6	d.	Wright

Hackney Carriages

Alderman	Primrose
d.	Davie
d.	Nugent
d.	Noble

Committees
for
ensuing Year

Read following reports of Keeper of Powder Magazine of 23 September and 15 October

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To the Commissioners of City Property
Gentlemen

I beg respectfully to inform
you that the City Powder Magazine is in want of the following
repairs, The Steps in front of the door, the lead on the roof,
and the ceiling inside of the building is falling down,
Requesting Your immediate atten-
tion to the above

I am Gentlemen

Your obed^t Servant

Signed Samuel Marshall
Keeper of the Powder Magazine
Halifax N.S. 15 October 1852

To the Committee of City Property
Gentlemen

I beg respectfully to acquaint
you that the Powder Magazine is in want of the following
repairs viz. The lining inside of the roof is falling down
The tinic has started off a portion of the roof outside,
The Steps outside has fallen down, Requesting Your
immediate attention to the above

I am Gentlemen

Your Humble and obed^t Servant

Signed Samuel Marshall
Keeper of the Powder Magazine, Richmond

When on Motion same is referred
to the Committee of City Property to meet tomorrow

On Motion Council rise

W. Keith Mayor

Reports of
Saml. Marshall
rel: to Powder
Magazine

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Provincial Secretary's Office
October 15th 1852

Sir

Governors
Approval of
Recorder

I have it in command from the Lieutenant Governor to convey to You His Excellency's Approval of Peamish Murdoch Esquire as the Recorder of the City for the ensuing Year and to name eleven o'clock tomorrow as the hour for swearing him in

Shave the honor to be

J. J. Clarke Esq
n n n n

Yrs
Your obedient Servant
Signed Joseph Howe

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Recorder Sworn

Peamish Murdoch Esq sworn into Office as Recorder in presence of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor

Constable Sworn

John Young having taken the Oath of Office prescribed by law, is this day sworn into Office as Constable for the City.

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Clerks of Market
Constables Sworn

Charles Nolan and James Byrnes having taken the oath of Office prescribed by law are this day sworn into Office as Clerks of the Market for the City, in presence of His Worship the Mayor

Constables Sworn

James Nam, Patrick Caulfield, Garretto Cotter, Andrew MacIntyre, William Roddick and John Steele having taken the oath of Office prescribed by law, are this day sworn into Office as Constables for the City

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Constables Sworn

Donald Fraser and David Evans having taken the oath of Office prescribed by law, are this day sworn into Office as Constables for the City, in presence of His Worship the Mayor

A. K. Keith Mayor

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen Anderson, Tower, Adams, Noble, Scott, Salter, Morrissey, Gibson, Dumrose, Egan, O'Neil, Davis, Winnings, Nugent, Woodill, Knight, King and Longard,

The City Council were summoned to appoint two City Clerks agreeably to the Act, a Board of Health, a Weigher and Measurer of Salt and Grain, to take into consideration the various matters standing over from last meeting, and the transaction of other business,

Read over proceedings of last Meeting, as also of swearing into Office of William Murdock Esq as Recorder of the City,

Memorial of Tho Shee & Chas Wallis Fire Tax due them

Alderman Egan submits Memorial of Thomas Shee and Charles Wallis relative to balance due them upon the Fire Tax, which on Motion is received,

Mem: P. Letson & others Gas Lamp Ward No 1

Alderman Adams submits Memorial of Philip Letson and others for a Gas Lamp in Ward No 1 which on Motion is received,

Report of Committee Fees Carriers of Fish

Alderman Nugent submits Report of Committee on subject of prices for cleaning and carrying Fish by carriers, which on Motion is received,

Mem: John Shaffer repairs in Argyle Street

Alderman Davis submits Memorial of John Shaffer and others relative to repairs carrying on in Argyle Street, which on Motion is received

Mem: Math: Martin rel: to Work done at Dylkes Bridge

Alderman Nugent submits Memorial of Matthew Martin relative to work done at Dylkes Bridge which on Motion is received

Mem: J. Flinn & others Truckmen of the City

Alderman Longard submits Memorial of Patrick Flinn and others Truckmen of the City, which on Motion is received

Mem: Jas Malcom Gas Post in Grafton Street

Alderman Scott submits Memorial of James Malcom and others for a Gas post in Grafton Street which on Motion is received

Alderman

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Report of Comm^{rs}
of Streets rel: to cutting
down Barrack St

Alderman Salter Chairman of Commissioners of Streets, submits report of Commissioners of Streets relative to cutting down Barrack Street, which on Motion is received,

Application. Well
in Campbell Town

Alderman Knight submits an application for further aid to complete a Well in Campbell Town,

City Copepor
Will^{ms} McWay
elected

The City Council next proceed to elect two City Copepor agreeably to the Act, read over the various applications and the names being called for they stood thus for William Mackay 16 and William Roche 1. Mr William Mackay having received a clear majority of votes is duly elected one of the City Copepor, according to Law,

City Copepor
Will^{ms} Roche
elected

The names are again taken for the other City Copepor when there appeared for William Roche 16 Francis DeLain 2. Mr William Roche having received a clear majority of votes is duly elected one of the City Copepor according to Law

Mr^s William Mackay and William Roche having received a majority of votes are duly elected City Copepor agreeably to Law

Board of Health
elected

The City Council next proceed to elect the Members of the Board of Health for ensuing year, when the following Gentlemen are duly elected to that Office

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|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| — For Ward No 1 — | — For Ward No 4 — |
| Thomas Ioste | John Shaffer |
| A. J. Ritchie | George Isles Jun ^r |
| — For Ward No 2 — | — For Ward No 5 — |
| Samuel Caldwell | C. D. Hunter |
| James Fielding | Henry S Hill |
| — For Ward No 3 — | — For Ward No 6 — |
| George McVergie | Robert Davis |
| Ned Withrow | Joshua Brush |

The City Council next proceed to elect a Weigher and Measurer of Salt and Grain, Read over the various applications the names are then taken when there appeared for Full 7, Cullen 4, And^r Smith 1, Preslow 2, Duckley 3, LeGue 1 and rather having a clear majority of votes, the names are again

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Measurer of Salt & Weigher of Sully appointed

again taken when there appeared as follows for Sully 10
Cullen 5. Buckley 1. Under Smith 1. Brewster 1. McWilliam 1
Having received a clear majority of votes, is duly elected
to said Office

Resolution re: Persons opening the Office of Measurer of Salt & Weigher appointed on Subject

On Motion a Committee is appointed to enquire and report upon the impropriety and illegality of persons having discharged the duties of Measurer and Weigher of Salt and Grain, they never having been appointed to that Office and report their whole proceedings to this Council, which on being put is passed

On Motion Aldermen Scott, Egan and Gibson are appointed the Committee

Read following Petition of P. Murphy and John E. Cummings relative to a Drain in Lower Water Street
Adopted 11/27/52

This Worship the Mayor
and City Council

Memorial of P. Murphy & others Drain in Lower Water Street

We most respectfully call your attention to the present state of the drains adjoining our property in Lower Water Street as a very great grievance, as after every rain our cellars are overflowed with water, caused by the surface water, together with the water from the three drains leading from Mr. Freeman's property, all these returning in our cellars in consequence of Mr. Freeman stopping the mouth of the outlet. We cannot make use of our cellars without this grievance is removed, therefore your immediate attention to the same will very much oblige yours

Respectfully
Signed P. Murphy
John E. Cummings

The following resolution is introduced

Resolution re: to above

Resolved that said Petition be referred to the Commissioners of Streets, that they be requested to examine into the various proceedings which have heretofore taken place relative to the drain alluded to and make their report, which on being put is passed

Petition John Liswell and others Ward 105 March over

On Motion the Petition of John Liswell and others for a Drain in Ward 105 March over,

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The following Statement of Supplies required for the use of Bridewell Establishment is submitted,

Statement of Supplies for Bridewell

Wanted for Bridewell. Oct 14th 1852

Winter apparel for men, 18 Sackets, 18 pair Trowsers, 90 yards Country Homespun Cloth, 12 Coz Shirts will require 90 yards Cotton, we would need some Course Hats

Winter apparel for Women, 12 Bed Gowns, and 12 Petticoats will require 60 yards Country Homespun Cloth as above, 120 yards Cambrugh for Shirts, bed Sackets, Sacket lining & 1/4th Sewing Thread, 4 Papers Cotton Balls for mending old clothes, 6 Pair Blankets and 18 Rugs,

9 Chaldron Coal and 4 Cord Wood will serve until April 1853

If we had about 2 Cord Shaps Wood, would give employment for the Women and would give be wore for clothing another season.

We require from 150 to 200 ton of Stone to break for Winter employment

The following resolution is introduced

Resolution rel. Supplies for Bridewell

Resolved that notice be given that Tenders will be received for the supply of the above articles, which on being put is passed

Notice for Comtee to take Charge of Bridewell

Alderman Nugent gives notice that at the next meeting of Council he will move for a Committee to take charge of (in aid of the Commissioner of the month) the Bridewell Establishment

City Clerks Bond

The following Bond of the City Clerk having been submitted to the City Council the same is approved of

Know all men by these presents that We James Stewart Clarke of the City of Halifax and Province of Nova Scotia City Clerk as Principal and Nepow Clarke of the same place Barrister and William L Black of the same place Merchant as sureties are held and firmly bound to the City of Halifax in the sum of Five Hundred pounds of lawful money of Nova Scotia, to be paid to the said City of Halifax, for which payment well and truly to be made We bind ourselves, and any two of us, and each one of us, our

Heirs

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Whereas at a Meeting of the City Council held on the fifteenth day of October instant, the said James Stewart Clarke was duly elected and appointed to the Office of City Clerk

Now the Condition of this obligation is such that if the said James Stewart Clarke shall well, truly and faithfully, perform, execute and discharge all the duties appertaining to the said Office of City Clerk, agreeably to law, and such Ordinances of the City Council as have been made or hereafter may be made relating thereto, and shall duly account for and without delay pay over to the City Treasurer all and every sum or sums of money which shall come into his hands as such City Clerk, and all moneys due to or belonging to the said City, which may be in his hands, or for which he may be accountable, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of
Wm. L. Cragg

Signed James S Clarke
Nepheau Clarke
W. L. Black

The following Bond of Assistant City Clerk having been submitted to the City Council the same is approved of

Know all men by these presents that I John L Cragg of Halifax and Province of Nova Scotia Gentleman as Principal and John Stewart and James Cochran merchants as Sureties are held and firmly bound to the said City of Halifax in the sum of Two hundred and fifty pounds of lawful money of the Province of Nova Scotia to be paid to the City of Halifax for which payment well and truly to be made, We bind ourselves and any two of us and each one of us, and our Heirs, Executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated this day of October in the year of Our Lord, One thousand, eight hundred and fifty two,

Whereas His Worship the Mayor and City

Assistant City Clerk's Bond

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City Council on the fifteenth day of October instant were pleased to elect and appoint the said John L. Cragg Assistant City Clerk

Now the condition of this obligation is such that if the said John L. Cragg shall well and truly execute and discharge all the duties of the Office of Assistant City Clerk for the City of Halifax according to the true intent and meaning of the Act passed in the General Assembly of this Province, entitled an Act concerning the City of Halifax passed the thirty first day of March, One thousand Eight Hundred and fifty one, and all other acts or Statutes of the Province and By-Laws of or Ordinances of the City Council or resolutions thereof that may be made relating thereto and shall duly account for and pay over without delay all City moneys or property, and all and every sum or sums of money which shall come into his hands as such Assistant City Clerk to the persons entitled or appointed by the City Council to receive the same. Then this obligation to be void otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue

Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of James S. Clarke
Signed. John L. Cragg
John Stewart
James Cochran

The following Bond of the City Marshal having been submitted to the City Council the same is approved of

Know all men by these presents that that Mr George Irwin of the City of Halifax and Province of Nova Scotia Gentleman as Principal and Thomas Fennerty of the said City Merchant and Maurice McSheath of the said City Tailor as sureties are held and firmly bound to the City of Halifax in the sum of one thousand pounds of lawful money of Nova Scotia that is to say, The said George Irwin as principal in the sum of Five Hundred pounds, and the said Thomas Fennerty and Maurice McSheath as sureties for the said George Irwin in the sum of Two hundred and fifty pounds each to be paid to the said City of Halifax, for which payment well and truly to be made We bind ourselves, and any two of us, and each one of us, our heirs, Executors and Administrators of each of us, jointly and severally firmly by these

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These presents sealed with our seals, and dated this day of October in the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and fifty two

Whereas at a Meeting of the City Council held on the fifteenth day of October Instant the said George Irwin was duly appointed to the Office of City Clerk Marshal for the said City

Now the Condition of this obligation is such that if the said George Irwin shall well and faithfully perform execute and discharge all the duties appertaining to the said Office of City Marshal agreeably to law, and such Ordinances of the said City Council, as have been made, or may be hereafter made relating thereto, and shall duly account for and pay over without delay agreeably to law, all and every Sum or Sums of money which shall come into his Hands as such City Marshal then this obligation to be null and void otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue

Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of James Clarke

Signed George Irwin The Tennynt M. McCreath

The Report of the Commissioners of Streets for excavating ~~Parade Street~~ a Drain in Albion Street is now submitted to the Council

Resolution of October 14th Board of Commissioners

Resolved that that portion of the balance which subscribers should pay be accounted for by the Ward amounting to \$8.11.7. and that the other half amounting to \$8.11.7 His Worship the Mayor be requested to draw on the Treasurer for. (For Particulars of Expenditure see Voucher 273. 274)

Signed W. Roche Chairman

When the Council authorize His Worship the Mayor to draw a check for \$24.11.7 in favour of Mr Pollock

Read the various returns of the Weighers

of Flour

Resolution rel: to Drain in Albion Street

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Return of Flour and Meal weighed by William Grant

Quarter ending	Number of Bands	Short Weight		Remarks
		Bbls	lbs	
31 December 1851	11,812	72	1377	The Short weight Bbls were either
31 March 1852	6,943	70	1413	filled up in the Store or on the
30 June 1852	13,297	122	1582	Wharf (Signed)
30 September 1852	11,488	111	1256	Wm Grant City Weigher
Total	43,540	375	5,628	

Return of Flour and Meal weighed by Samuel Cartier

Returns of
Flour Weighers

Quarter ending	Number of Bands	Short Weight		Remarks
		Bbls	lbs	
31 December 1851	12,667	91	798	The Short weight Bbls were filled
31 March 1852	5,577	193	2180	up either on Wharf or in Store
30 June 1852	12,068	130	1739	(Signed)
30 September 1852	9,373	121	1490	Samuel Cartier
Total	39,685	535	6207	

Return of Flour and Meal weighed by John Parker

Year ending	Number of Bands	Short Weight		Remarks
		Bbls	lbs	
From 15 Oct 1851 to 30 Sep 1852	31,514	2295		Expenses 157 (Signed) John Parker

Return of Flour and Meal weighed by John Winters

Time	Number of Bands	Short Weight		Remarks
		Bbls	lbs	
From 28 April to 14 Oct 1852	13,132	148	1724	The Bbls Short weight were filled up on the Wharf or in Store By John Winters City Weigher

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolution rel.
to Weighers of
Flour

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to see the Weighers of Flour and ascertain if an arrangement cannot be adopted by which the earnings of each Measurer be paid into the hands of some one person and then equally divided between them, which on being put is passed to voting for it and against it.

The following Gentlemen are next appointed the Committee. Aldermen Purrose, Noble and Selter

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Read following report of Commissioners
of Streets relative to cutting down Barrack Street

Extract from Minutes of Commissioners of
Streets 22 October 1852

Report of Com^{rs}
of Streets rel
to cutting down
Barrack Street

It having been brought to the notice of the
Commissioners of Streets by Alderman Morrissey that the party
who tendered for cutting down Barrack Street declined fulfilling
his engagement and it being also represented that the residents
in the Street, wished to have a lower grade adopted (say 12 feet)
instead of 8 feet it was unanimously resolved by the Commissioners
that the Council should be respectfully requested to adopt the
12 feet grade as being best adapted for the general interests
of the City.

A true Copy
Signed James Clarke
City Clerk

The following resolution is introduced

Resolutions rel
to cutting down
Barrack St.
& Sanderford

Resolved that the report of the Commissioners
of Streets relative to cutting down Barrack Street this day
submitted be adopted, which on being put is passed 14
voting for it and 2 against it.

Resolved that tenders be taken for
carrying into effect said work the same to be commenced
this fall, which on being put is passed 13 voting for it, and
2 against it.

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolution
rel: Fire Bell
Ward No 2

Resolved that the Chairman of Fire
Wards be requested to take tenders for the erection of a Post
for the Fire Bell in Ward No 2 lately destroyed by lightning
which on being put is passed

On Motion Council adjourn until
tomorrow at Two O'clock

A. K. Keith Mayor

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At an adjourned Meeting of the City Council held
this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen
, Galt, Galt, Morrissey, Gibson, Primrose,
Egan, O'Neil, Davis, Nugent, Woodell, Knight, King,
and Longard.

Read over proceedings of Yesterday,

Memorial of
Dr J. C. Anne
Surgeon of Bridewell

Alderman Morrissey submits Memorial of
Dr J. C. Anne Surgeon of Bridewell, which in Motion is
received.

His Worship the Mayor submits to the Council
a Skeleton plan for a City Market, drawn out by Mr W. Findlay
when after some consideration the following resolutions are
introduced

Resolutions re:
Skeleton Plan
of City

Resolved that the Skeleton plan now submitted
to the City Council for a City Market be referred to a select
Committee, who are empowered to send for Mr Findlay, and
either adopt the present plan, or get Mr Findlay to prepare
a plan upon a larger scale, submit plans and specifications of
the same, and that the Committee report to the Council, as soon
as practicable, which on being put is passed unanimously.

Resolved that Aldermen Nugent, Egan, Galt
Davis and O'Neil be that Committee, which on being put is
passed,

Read following Petition of Watchmen to be
relieved from cleaning of Streets

Petition of
Night Watchmen

To the Worshipful the Mayor and Aldermen
of the City of Halifax
The Petition of the Night watchmen of the City
humbly sheweth that the City Council in the month of May
last, directed that the Watchmen during the summer months
should devote two hours each morning to sweeping the Streets
and Gutters of the City, that the Watch duty terminated there
at about three O'Clock, making the whole duty end at five
O'Clock, that the nights have now become so long and cold, and
the period of the Watch extended to five O'Clock, in consequence
of the lengthened time of duty, Your petitioners humbly pray
that your Worshipful Body would relieve them of the duty of
sweeping the Streets, Your petitioners are emboldened to prefer
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this request, as they believe that the additional duty was originally intended for the Summer months only and they believe that it requires to be brought to the notice of your Worshipful Body to have their prayer granted, and your Petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray

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(Signed) Donald Fraser
and 11 Others

Shew on Motion the same lies over until next meeting of Council

Read following report of the Commissioners of Streets relative to Assistant City Clerks services rendered to Board of Commissioners of Streets

Extract from Minutes of Commissioners of Streets 8 October 1852

Read following Letter from Mr Cragg Assistant City Clerk asking the Commissioners to recommend his claim for writing the minutes of Commissioners of Streets to the Council to be remunerated as they think just to the Commissioners of Streets for the City of Halifax

Extract from Com^{rs} of Streets rel. to City Clerk's Claim for Services

Gentlemen

Having discharged the duties of Clerk to your Board for the past three years, and as the duties of Assistant Clerk not only occupies the whole of my time during the hours of Office appropriated by law, but frequently until a late hour in the evening, the writing (of which there is considerable) connected with the Street Dept has to be done during those after hours. I have therefore been induced under the circumstances to lay the case before the Board. In hopes that you will be pleased to recommend to the Council to grant such sum as you in your judgment may think just for such services

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Jno. L. Cragg

Resolved that it is the opinion of the Commissioners of Streets, that Mr Cragg for performing this
estate

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Yees be printed and exhibited in the Markets in connexion with the By law having relation thereto

Signed Rich^d Murgent
Arch^d Scott
B^t Neil
Committee

When on Motion the said Report is adopted.

The subject of an application for further aid to complete a well in Ward No 5 is next taken up when the following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the sum of Four pounds be granted to complete the Well in Campbell Town, which on being put is passed

Resolution rel. to Pump Well in Campbell Town Ward 6

Read the following petition of Thomas Shea and Charles Wallis relative to balance due them on the Fire assessment

The Mayor and Aldermen of the Common Council of the City of Halifax

Memorial Shea + Wallis rel. to Fire Tax

May it please Your Worship and Gentlemen. We the undersigned memorialists would most respectfully represent that of the indemnity money accruing to them out of the Fire tax funds they have as yet received but seven shillings and six pence in the pound leaving a balance of two shillings and six pence in the pound still due, the payment of which the circumstances of Your Memorialists impel them most respectfully to request at as early a day as may be convenient to Your Honourable body. and we remain Your Worship and Gentlemen's

Most obedient Servants
Signed Thomas Shea
Charles Wallis

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When on Motion said Petition is referred to His Honor the Recorder upon as to the mode of Collection, which on being put is passed

Read following Memorial of John Shaffer and others relative to the State their Buildings are placed in by the work now undergoing in Argyle Street