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City Prison.

1	Thomas Lee	\$ 2. 25
2	Jordan & Thomson	1. 48
3	William Brown	" 75
4	John Ansew	3. 60
5	Joseph Mulcahy	1. 05
6	Charles Barnstedd	26. 29
7	E. Kenny	4. 00
8	Thomas Kennedy	2. 80
9	Charles Barnstedd	3. 62
10	David Stan & Sons	3. 00
11	Edward Dillon	" 75
12	W. K. Reynolds	. 50
13	John Robin Mc	24. 00
14	W. Meagher	29. 50
15	Thomas Durney	2. 82
16	H. Morieth	1. 75
17	John Hepler	10. 00
18	Thomas Hughes	10. 50
		\$ 128. 66. c

all which is respectfully submitted.

Committee Room 5th June 1861.

W. H. Richey

Submitted this day on motion
the same is adopted and His Worship the Mayor authorised to
draw cheques for the amounts therein contained

alderman Conway hands in report
of Committee appointed relative to Mr. Beaton's Petition. Received

Appointment of
a Grand Assessor
for Ward No 5
The City Council next proceed to
appoint a Ward assessor for Ward No 5 in place of Mr. Martin
Mcagher absent from the City.
On motion Mr Robert Graham
is unanimously elected Ward assessor for Ward No 5.

Report and estimate
from Board of
Fire Wards of 1861

Read report and estimate from
Board of Fire Wards of May 4th 1861.

To John L. Gregg Esq.
City Clerk

Sir,
I am directed by the
Chairman of the Board of Fire Wards to transmit you for
information of his Worship the Mayor and City Council the
estimate for the present year passed last evening at a meeting of the
Board.

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Estimate of Fire department

For Engine Service	\$1200.00
— Pumps & Wells	200.00
— Tanks	800.00
— Secretary	60.00
— Contingent Fund	100.00
— Keeper of Engine House and Supervision of	100.00
— Supervision of Horse	80.00
— Ladders	100.00
	<u>\$2640.00</u>

I have the Honor to be yours, respectfully,
Robert Fayler
(Signed) Secty. Board of Firewards

On motion the same is received
and referred to the Committee of Public accounts.

Communications
from His Honor the Recorder
the Recorder at Mr. Black's property in Water Street
rel to Blacks in reference thereto. (See file)
Property

Read communication from His Honor the Recorder relative to the recent dispute of Line of Street. with Bill of Law references-
rel to Blacks in reference thereto. (See file)

next introduced.

The following resolution (No 1) is-

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to define the duties of the Recorder, moved by alderman James Duggan, seconded by alderman Kaye, which on being put is passed

Committee, alderman Hill, Jr. Duggan & Nash

a second time

Read ordinance relative to Junk Shops

Read said ordinance a third time -

A motion is made that the Blank be filled up with \$80.00. Amendment that the blank be filled up with \$40.00. which amendment on being put there appeared for the same 7 against it 7 and the Mayor, being called upon for his casting vote gives it against the amendment.

The blank is therefore filled up with \$80.00

On motion the same is ordered to be fairly engrossed and transmitted to the Honorable the Executive Council for approval.

Read communication from Provisional Secretary, approving of By Law relative to gaugers of oil.
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An Ordinance of the City of Halifax relative to Gaugers of Oil, passed May 15th 1861.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Alderman of the City of Halifax in Common Council convened

Ordinances set to Gaugers of Oil

— Gaugers of Oil — Whereas it is found that the Number of Gaugers of Oil for this City is insufficient for the requirements of the Community.

Be it therefore ordained that immediately after the passing of this Ordinance in the present year and on the fifteenth day of October in each succeeding year the City Council shall have power to elect in addition to the present number of Oil Gaugers for the City two or more Oil Gaugers.

Letter from Provincial Secy office

Provincial Secretary's Office.
To His Worship, The Mayor, of the City of Halifax
15th May 1861.

Sir— The ordinance of the City of Halifax relative to Gaugers of Oil, which was transmitted in the City Clerk's letter of the 22nd April last having been approved by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in Council, is herewith returned to you by His Excellency's Command

I have the honor to be, Sir,
your obedient servant,
(Signed) Wm. H. Keating
Deputy Secretary

Report of our Committee set to Fire Dept.

Read Report of Special Committee Relative to the Fire Department Submitted this day.

The Committee appointed by resolution of the City on the 10th day of May last to take measures for the protection of the City from fire, until the City Council should make some permanent provision for that object, beg leave to report as follows—

The Committee lost no time in taking such steps, as were in their power the evening being far advanced when they were first appointed, they placed a watchman in charge of each engine house for the night with orders to give the alarm in case of fire breaking out, on a subsequent evening they met at the engine house on the Parade, a number of volunteers who came forward to tender their services, to the number of about 130, and who volunteered in parties, varying from 16 to 24 to the various engines, and who elected from among themselves officers for each division, and in whose charge the engines have since remained all of which is respectfully submitted

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Motion is made that the report be received and the Committee be discharged.

Read Resolution of 10th May 1861. appointing said Committee.

The motion is then Passed

Read, alderman Conways Resolution relative to a paid Fire Brigade, as entered last meeting, when on motion, alderman Conway has leave to withdraw his Resolution

The following resolution no. 2 is next introduced.

Whereas in answer to the advertisement issued by the City calling upon Citizens to come forward and Enrol themselves as firemen, 137 Citizens whose names are here to attached, have so enrolled themselves. Therefore be it resolved that they be elected by this Council as City Firemen and allowed the privileges attached by law to their office, moved by alderman James Duggan, Seconded by alderman Leahy, to which the following amendment is introduced.

Resolved that the names submitted by alderman Duggan, as a Company for taking charge of Engines, and forming an Engine Company, with the office appointed by themselves, be confirmed as an Engine Company, to do the duties of such and receive the privileges attached to such. Moved by alderman Nash, Seconded by alderman John Duggan.

Names of the Citizens

The names of the Firemen are next introduced read over, and the amendment put when there appeared for the same, 5 against it 8, and the names being called for they appeared thus

For the amendment		against it	
alderman Roome	_____	alderman Conway	Karpe
Mo Duggan	_____	McCallloch	Jennings
Nash	_____	Cooleman	Leahy
Barnstead	_____	James Duggan	Walsh
Hill	5 _____		8 _____

The original resolution is therefore passed

The following resolution no 3, is next introduced

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Whereas 137 citizens have been this day elected as Firemen for the City— Resolved that the Captains be instructed to ascertain without delay whether any one of Said Citizens are under 21 years of age, and report to this Council— and Be it further Resolved that Said Captain, as soon as they have formed a Code of By laws transmit the same to this Council for approval. Moved by alderman James Duggan, seconded by alderman Kaye, which on being put is passed

The following Resolution No. 4, is next introduced

Whereas 30 Citizens have in answer to the advertisement of this Council enrolled their names in the City Clerks office, as axe Firemen Therefore be it Resolved that Said Citizens, be now elected as axemen for the City and allowed the privileges attached by Law to Said Office, Moved by alderman James Duggan seconded by alderman Leahy which on being put is passed.

The following Resolution No. 5, is next introduced

Whereas 30 Citizens have this day been elected as axe Firemen for the City— Be it Resolved that their Captain be instructed to report to this Council, without delay, whether any one of Said Citizens is under the age of 21 years, and be it further resolved that Said Captain shall as soon as a code of by laws are adopted by Said axemen transmit the same to this Council for approval— moved by alderman James Duggan seconded by alderman M. Culloch, which on being put is passed

The following resolution No. 6, is next introduced,

Resolved that notice be inserted in the papers advertising for the City, that applications will be received at the office of the City Clerk until day of June from persons wishing to apply for the office of Guager of oil moved by alderman Conway, seconded by alderman Roome to which the following amendment is introduced

Resolved that the resolution Relative to Guager of Oil, lay on the table until October next, moved by alderman Nash, seconded by alderman Jennings, which amendment on being put is passed 9 voting for the same and 3 against it.

The Resolution is then put and lost Alderman Conway gives notice of reconsideration

The following resolution No. 7 is next introduced

Resolution re. Guagers of Oil

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Resolved that this Council do authorize the Committee of City Prison to employ a competent person to take charge of the horse lately purchased to do such work as the Committee might deem most advisable and that the salary do not exceed dollars per annum moved by Alderman Barnstead seconded by Alderman Nash, which on being put is passed.

\$100.00. with Prison Fare

On motion the blank is filled up with

Report of Com.
Committee on Hydrant

Hydrant. from Seaton's Corner

Read report of Committee on removal

To His Worship, The Mayor
and Alderman of the City of Halifax,

Gentlemen,

The Subscribers Respectfully Represent your Honorable Body that the necessity of a Hydrant at the Corner of Hollis and Duke Streets has ceased to exist in consequence of the alteration in the Character of the Buildings. Caused by the fire in Hollis and Granville streets, Wholly Stores and Warehouses have taken the place of dwellings and which are long supplied with water on the proprietors own account, that when the Hydrant was placed there numbers of poor families resided in the neighborhood and for Commercial purposes the Hydrant is not required but interferes with business by being placed at the Corner of a thoroughfare daily increasing in that locality and might be removed to some quarter of the City, or even in the same Ward "No. 4" that would be of the service at first intended, or done away with altogether as the wisdom of the Council may decide. The Subscribers likewise beg to remind the City Council that there is a large well where the Hydrant, now is placed formerly called the "Two Sisters" which if cleared out and proper cover placed thereon with a trap Hatch and placed under the Charge of the "Firewardens" could be of great service in case of a fire in the neighborhood. The Subscribers therefore trust that the Mayor and Alderman, will take into their Consideration the propriety of having the Hydrant removed, and the well established as an auxiliary for Fire purposes.

all of which is most respectfully submitted

For Report (See file)

John Esson

Mr. Kandick

David Starr & Sons.

Alv. McAbb

Joseph Bennett

Albro & Co.

E. K. Brown and others

Resolved that the Hydrant at the corner of Hollis and Duke Street be removed to the upper corner of Barrington and Duke Street in accordance with the report. Moved by Alderman Coleman seconded by Alderman McCulloch, which on being put is passed.

The following resolution no. 9 is next

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Whereas it is the opinion of this Council that one or more Extra Constables are required for the purpose of assisting our present force in preserving the peace of the City, inasmuch that riots are of daily occurrence in the northern portion of the City. Resolved therefore that His Worship the Mayor be requested to appoint such Extra Constables, without delay. Moved by alderman Conway, Seconded by alderman Roome, which on being put is lost. 6 voting for the Same and 9 against it.

alderman Conway gives notice of reconsideration

Com from Geo
D. Barry

Read communication from J. D. Barry and others for a Sewer in Lockman Street

On motion the Same is referred to the Street Committee

The following Resolution, No. 10, is next introduced

Resolved that His Excellency the Admiral in Command be respectfully requested to suspend the permission to seamen and marines of H. M. Ships to be on Shore on Sundays. Moved by alderman Hill Seconded by alderman Jennings, which on being put is passed.

Alderman Nash submits a Resolution by way of notice relative to Prices of the Fire Wards

On Motion The Council Rise

June 11th

Robert Graham is this day sworn into office as Ward assessor for Ward No. 5 in place of Martin Maher, who is absent from the City, in presence of His Worship, the Mayor

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At a special meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Hill, John Duggan, Nash, McCullloch, Walsh James Duggan, Evens Ackhurst, Colman, Conway, Roome, Richey, Jennings and Kaye.

The City Council were Summoned to receive the reports of the various Committees, and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of 10th June 1861

Alderman Richey Chairman. Submits Report of Committee of Laws and privileges Received

Alderman Richey Chairman Submits Report of Committee of Tenders. The same is received.

Alderman Hill hands in Report of Street Committee Received

Alderman Evens presents Petition of John Duffess and others for a sewer in Hollis Street. Received.

Alderman Ackhurst hands in Report of Committee appointed to obtain site for Hay Market.

His Worship the Mayor. Submits communication from F. G. Fegan Esq. Secretary to the Admiral.

Also communication from Samuel P. Fairbanks Esq. Commissioner of Crown Lands, relative to Waterlot applied for by Mr Dupe.

Also communication from Edward Dougherty Secretary of Ace Fire Company. enclosing a copy of their by laws.

Also communication from Provincial Secretary sanctioning By Law regarding Junk Shops.

Also communication from Edward Leahy Esq.

Also by Law relative to Bum Boats.

Alderman Nash. Submits Memorial of J. B. Strong relative to his taxes passed.

The City Council next proceed to take up Alderman Conways Notice of Reconsideration of No. 9 Resolution Submitted last meeting.

The same is again read. When the following amendment is introduced

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to take up the whole subject of the duties and organization of the Police force, with Power to call for persons and papers and to open

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Communications with the civic authorities in other places for the purpose of ascertaining the most improved Police system adopted in the Present day. Moved by alderman Hill, Seconded by alderman Jennings

Law from G. G.
Fegan Secy to Fegan Esqr. Secretary to the admiral relative to seamen on shore
Admiral Jellicoe Sunday
Seaman,

Read communication from G. G.

The amendment is then put when appeared for the same 7 and against it 8 Amendment lost

The Original resolution is then put and passed 8 voting for the same. 7 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus

For The Resolution	Against it
alderman Roome	Alderman McCulloch.
Barnstead,	Coleman
Nash	Hill
Conway	Evans,
Jno Duggan	Jennings
Rickleby	Jas Duggan
Walsh	Kays
Ackhurst. 8	7

Alderman Hill, gives notice of a Resolution by way of notice relative to duties of Police.

Alderman Hill hands in a Petition from Peter Amley and others for a Sewer.

On motion the same is received

Alderman James Duggan hands in a Resolution by way of notice relative to gauges of oil.

Read report of Committee of

Report of Com.
Committee of Laws
& Privileges

Laws and Privileges Submitted this day.
The Committee of Laws and Privileges having had referred to them the report of Proceedings at Public Meetings of the Citizens, held this year in consequence of the proposed assessment of the City of Halifax, for the interest, upon one Hundred Thousand pounds, part of the loan raised by the Province for the construction of Railways, beg leave to Report

That in connexion with the Resolutions and Proceedings of such Public Meetings, they have carefully considered the recent act of the Legislature and the means to be employed by this Council for preventing a measure brought with so much injury and injustice to the City from becoming a Law— your Committee have traced the History of the Commession of the City of Halifax with Government of the Province for purpose

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of Opening up Railway Communication between Nova Scotia & the neighboring Provinces in the various resolutions and addresses of Public Meetings of the City Council and of the Provincial Legislature as well as in the enactments which have been passed during the last ten years, by all of which consistently construed, the position taken by the City Council and Citizens of Halifax is fully sustained, and it is placed beyond the reach of question or quibble, that they have never by word, act or intention, offered to contribute this amount for the construction of Railways restricted to merely land traffic, nor to any that would stop short of connecting this City by continuous lines of Rail with the frontier of New Brunswick and the Harbours of Pictou and Victoria Beach while it is evident that the grand stimulus by which they were originally impelled to pledge the resources of the City was the hope of Connection with the remunerative trade of Canada.

These important documents have with the valuable protests of the dissenting members of Legislative Council and of His Worship The Mayor, been transcribed under the direction of your Committee, and a careful abstract of them has been prepared by His Honor the Recorder with a view to placing them in the hands of the person or persons to whom may be entrusted the representative to the imperial authority of the grievance of which the Citizens complain. Your Committee recommend that the abstract together with such portions of the documents themselves as may serve to give a full, clear, and yet sufficient view of the whole question between the City of Halifax and the Legislature, be printed and that copies be forwarded to numerous Gentlemen of influential position now in London who have formerly resided in Halifax, and become interested in its welfare and who would doubtless be willing in a matter so important to constitute a deputation to the Colonial office in behalf of the City.

Your Committee further recommend that with one of these Gentlemen — and they would take the liberty of suggesting the name of Thomas R. Gassie Esquire, consignment should be immediately entered into to ascertain whether he would be willing to accept the office of Special agent for the City in this matter and that in the event of his consenting so to act any delegation from this City be delayed until advised by him that it would be desirable to the agents thus appointed the whole of the documents prepared by your Committee should in their opinion be committed being first duly certified by the proper officers, in order that he may be fully prepared to instruct Council, should that be necessary, as for any exigency that may arise in the discharge of his duties. — Your Committee also recommend that a Memorial to Her Majesty the Queen, be prepared, stating in brief and explicit terms, the true position of the City of Halifax with regard to its pledges for Railway construction, the absence of all joint liability to the taxation, now sought to be imposed, and the great financial embarrassment which the threatened passage of the act has wholly occasioned and its becoming actual law would largely increase and that His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor be respectfully requested to transmit such memorial with the act, when it is forwarded to England for the sanction of Her Majesty.

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Respectfully Submitted
 M. H. Kichey
 (Signed) Chairman

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introduced, _____

Read be approved and adopted moved by alderman Conway seconded by alderman Erons. which on being put is passed.

When following Resolution No. 1. is

Resolved that the report first

introduced, _____

The following Resolution No. 2 is next.

Whereas the Directors of the Halifax Water Company have offered to dispose of the Property and Privileges of the Company to the City for the Sum of £50,000. and whereas loans to the amount of £700 have been offered to the City on debentures issuable under the act relative to Water Supply for the City of Halifax _____

Resolved that this Council agree to the price named by the Directors of the Company provided the several stock holder or stockholders to the amount of £50,000. be willing to accept City debentures for the amount of their respective Shares. and that His Worship the Mayor. be authorized to take the requisite means to ascertain the Values of the individual Shareholders upon the point. Moved by alderman Richey seconded by alderman Conway which on being put is passed. _____

Resolved that this Council

Report of Committee of Tenders submitted this day.

Read Report of Committee

No. 3. is introduced. _____

When following Resolution

Whereas tenders have been received from Messrs Hartly of New Glasgow and Fretwell of Dartmouth offering the Sum of £1000 for the Sidewalks Service of this City _____

Whereas tenders have been received from Messrs Hartly of New Glasgow and Fretwell of Dartmouth offering the Sum of £1000 for the Sidewalks Service of this City _____

Resolved that said tenders be accepted and the City Treasurer be instructed to issue debentures to those Gentlemen for the amounts offered respectively by them. such Debentures shall be drawn as to represent the Service for which they shall have been issued. Moved by alderman James Duggan seconded by alderman Hill. which on being put is passed. _____

Resolved that said tenders be accepted and the City Treasurer be instructed to issue debentures to those Gentlemen for the amounts offered respectively by them. such Debentures shall be drawn as to represent the Service for which they shall have been issued. Moved by alderman James Duggan seconded by alderman Hill. which on being put is passed. _____

and others, Submitted this _____

Read memorial of P. Smlay

is introduced _____

When following Resolution No. 4

Peter Smlay and others be referred to the Committee of Streets to report upon. Moved by alderman Hill. seconded by alderman Conway which on being put is passed. _____

Resolved that the memorial of Peter Smlay and others be referred to the Committee of Streets to report upon. Moved by alderman Hill. seconded by alderman Conway which on being put is passed. _____

Ord rel to Bann Boats a 1st time
Boats

Read ordinance relative to Bann

time _____

Read said ordinance a 2nd-

on motion - Council rise _____

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At a meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship The Mayor Alderman Hill, John Duggan Barnstead, Nash, McCulloch, James Duggan, Ackhurst, Conway, Roome, Leahy, Jennings and Kaye.

The City Council were summoned to take up communication from Water Company and transaction of other business

Read over proceedings of 24th June 1861—

Alderman Hill, Chairman submits Report of Committee of Public accounts—

Alderman John Duggan hands in Petition of Mr. Henderson and others relative to Supply of Lumber—
Received.

Alderman Nash, submits Petition of Temperance Hall, body on motion the same is received.

His Worship The Mayor submits Quarterly returns of Weighers of Flour.

also two communications from the Halifax Water Company.

Street Committee

Alderman James Duggan reports from

on motion the same is received—

His Worship The Mayor hands in a writ of Summons from P. Lynch Esqr at the Suit of W. P. Mahony—

also memorial from P. Lenoir and others against the constructing a drain.

Also communication from Mr. Lawson Esq. relative to Water Lot. applied for by Mr. Dupre.

Com from Water
Company's Office

28th June 1861. Also communication from same of 6th July 1861—
Submitted this day.

Water Company's Office

Halifax 28th 1861.

Sir,

Your letter of the 26th instant together with with the accompanying extract of the minutes of the City Council was laid before the board of directors of the Halifax Water Company to day and in reply I am directed to inform you. for the information of the City Council. that their Proposition. will be submitted to the Stockholders of the Water Company at their annual meeting to be held at this office on the 15th day of July next ensuing.

To John L. Cragg Esq.
City Clerk. &c &c

I have the Honor to be, Sir,
your obedient Servant
P. Borden, Secy. H. W. Company