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Read Communication from Chairman
of Water Supply of 12th September, (See file)

Communication
from the Commrs
with Sheriff (See file)

Read Communication from Commissioners

On motion the said Communications—
are referred to a Special Committee to report upon.

Committee Alderman Compton, Nash
ackhurst, Freeman, Roome and Kaye.

Report of Committee
on Extra Services
of Recorder

Read Report of Committee on Extra
Services of Recorder and Mr Barry's Petition

The Committee to whom were referred
the Petition of John L Barry Esquire and the resolution of the Council—
relative to His Honor the Recorder, beg leave to report that Mr Barry
appeared before them and shewed the extra amount of labour which
he had performed in assessing for Poll Tax. Recommend that he be
paid the sum of Fifty pounds, having discharged his duty faithfully
and satisfactorily.

And further that His Honor the Recorder receive the sum
of Seventy five pounds which they think he is fully entitled too for Extra
services relative to transfer of Water Works, Railway memorials and other
matters which the Committee believe were not within the limits of his duty
as Recorder

Your Committee would further Recommend that in future the
Salary of His Honor the Recorder be fixed at Three Hundred pounds
or such sum as would enable him to devote his whole time to the duties
of his office, or all events as would prevent the necessity of coming to
the Committee for compensation for any extra services—all of which
they beg to submit to the judgement of the Council.

W. J. Coleman
Chairman

Res to pay His
Honor the Recorder
& Mr Barry for
extra services

introduced

When following Resolution No 4 is

Resolved that the report of the Committee
on Petition of John L Barry and Resolution of Committee referring to
His Honor the Recorder be received and adopted in so far as it relates to
the extra remuneration recommended to the officers named therein
and that His Worship do draw cheques in favor of those officers—
for the sums named, moved by Alderman James Duggan and
seconded by Alderman ackhurst, which on being put is passed

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Report of the
Committee
on
Temperance

— Read Report of Committee on Temperance. —

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition on Temperance &c, beg leave to report that after having carefully considered the same they have come to the conclusion that it is ~~in~~ the power of this Council with the already existing laws to do much

In the first place the evasions of the laws by Liquor sellers on Sundays, they think may be partially prevented by a little more exertions of the Mayor and alderman in conjunction with the Marshall and his force and from observations of many such of the evil commences as early as 5 or 6 o'clock Sunday morning and all events before 9 o'clock so that by church hour parties are seen intoxicated rolling through the streets this the committee think may in part be avoided by the Mayor and aldermen occasionally making it their duty or business to rise early on Sunday morning and ascertain that the Marshall and his staff are upon the lookout in certain localities and where they see parties constantly going in and coming out of Liquor shops, find out what they are doing, & take with a supervision of this kind, the committee think that the disorders of the Sabbath caused by liquor traffic will be much abated.

As to that portion of the petition relative to selling without License the committee are of the opinion that when parties have many of the signs and appertinances generally found in such places and persons are seen going and coming from them intoxicated, that such should be desired sufficient evidence that those parties are evading the law and would suggest if the Law already does not give them the power to punish such, they should apply for such powers at the first opportunity. Further the committee are of opinion that it is the true interest of all concerned the Petitioners as well as the Liquor dealers that the law of closing places where liquor is sold was not permitted beyond 10 o'clock especially on Saturday as much of the evil arises in many cases from the late hours permitted to keep open such places, thus holding out inducements to youth after business hours instead of walking about for an hour after closing their shops, to a gain enclose themselves in a close unhealthy room drinking, smoking and carousing even in many cases beyond hours of 11 o'clock.

The committee would fair hope that for the purpose of doing away the excuse of many that it is necessary for the poor that shops should be open on Saturday evening later than other nights, because on Saturday generally wages are paid that Citizens in general who now pay wages on Monday, as by this Saturday would adopt the system of paying either Friday or Monday, as by this system they think much of the evil attending Sunday practices would be avoided, more especially if paid on Monday as in that case there would be but little left on the Saturday following to spend for Liquor.

As to that part of the petition asking for separations of sale of Liquor and Groceries in the same store or dwelling it is difficult to know or to state where to draw a line and at present this Council have no power to act in such away, they would

Recommend—

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Committee on
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Recommend the petitioners themselves to prepare such an application to the whole Province, as they deem most suitable for such purpose and present to the next assembly, and this Committee do not think such an act prepared for the whole Province would have any opposition from our Civic body, that part of Petition relating to the Servants in places where liquor is sold would be an interference with private rights and the Committee cannot therefore touch it.

The Committee would in conclusion say that much of what is complained of by the Petitioners is too true but the law in many cases does not permit the Council to interfere at the same time they are ready at all times to act in conjunction with all well disposed fellow citizens in seeking to uphold and carry out the present laws and would only ask petitioners so far as they can themselves join with this body to aid and assist them upon all occasions in upholding the law. much evil is complained of by Hotels and Boarding Houses, being permitted to keep their Bars open on Sunday. The Committee would suggest that a more strict supervision be kept upon those places and if found evading the law the highest penalty be inflicted and further that the present law be most strictly enforced regarding the hour of closing

(signed)

John D. Nash.

Chairman

On motion said report is received —
adopted, and acted upon as far as practicable

Communication
from Secretary of
International
Exhibition

of international Exhibition of 1862.

Read communication from Secretary

at Temperance Hall, (see file)

Read resolution passed at a meeting held

confer with the commissioners.

On motion a Committee is appointed to

Committee alderman, John Duggan,
McCulloch, Ackworth, Brennan, Roome, and Richey.

On Motion the Council Rise

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At a Special meeting of the City Council held this day Present alderman Hill, Compton, Jas Duggan, Barnstead, Walsh, Leaky, Jas Duggan, Ackhurst, Roome, Richey, Jennings, and Kaye, In the absence of the Mayor, alderman Richey is Called to the Chair

Read over proceedings of the 23rd of September 1861.

alderman Walsh hands in report of Committee Common. Received
alderman Roome in absence of alderman Chairman. hands in Report of Committee on Water tariff &c.

alderman Ackhurst hands in report from Committee on International Exhibition of 1862,

alderman Ackhurst hands Submits a Petition from Charles Carey relative to injuries received at a Fire on the 12th January 1861.

alderman Hill, hands in a Petition from Patrick Connors, relative to Drain in Seymour Street,

alderman Hill hands in Petition, of Patrick Connolly and others for a Well, received,

alderman Walsh hands in a memorial of James Wallace, relative to his taxes received,

alderman James Duggan Reports from Committee of Streets on Petition of S. Gray Esquire and others, received,

alderman Richey in absence of the Mayor hands in a communication from late Water Company received

also communication from Secretary of International Exhibition received,

also communication from Colonel Meyers relative to his taxes received,

Read report of Committee on Water Tariff &c.

Report of Committee on Water Tariff

The Committee to whom was referred the report of Water Commissioners and Tariff met on 25th Instant Present alderman Kaye, Roome, Ackhurst, Memman, Compton, and Nash by invitation also present Commissioners Bell and Barry after sundry suggestions by all parties they left, it to the Commissioners to make out their own Tariff which they submitted to the Committee and the Committee would respectfully suggest to the Council, that the report of Commissioners which is hereto annexed be adopted -

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along the line of which the pipes (water pipes) run or shall run during the course of the present or the coming year unless laid off in Building lots, shall be Exempt from the tariff just read, but any house situated on farm property shall be charged at the same rate as other houses—according to rental and that the report on Water Tariff and in all other particulars adopted, moved by alderman James Duggan, seconded by alderman Hoys, which on being put is passed, unanimously.

take the communication from Secretary of International Exhibition—
(see file)

International Health Committee,

The order of the day is suspended to

alderman Roome hands in Report from

On motion the same is received—

introduced

The following Resolution No 2 is intro-

Refer to the
Committee to confer
with the Commrs
International Exhibition

Resolved that the report of the Committee appointed to confer with the Commissioners of International Exhibition be adopted, and that the Gentlemen whose names were mentioned in the report be requested to act as a Committee with power to add to their number moved by alderman Ackhurst seconded by alderman John Duggan,

Chair,

His Worship the Mayor takes the

introduced,

And following amendment is—

International Exhibition suggesting the appointment of Five—
Gentlemen, as a committee to act in conjunction with the Commissioners be it resolved that in the place of Five the number be fifteen and the following Gentlemen be that Committee, (for Committee see file)

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Horticultural
and
Agricultural Committee Alderman Kaye
Lefebvre
Jennings

Preservation of
Fruits Committee Geo McKenzie,
Alexr. Wilson

Furs Committee Alderman Coleman
Doctor Gilpin
Dan Roman.

Fish Committee Wm J. Foundsend
D. Kefferman.

Natural
History Committee J. R. Willis
Andrew Downs.

Minerals Committee Alderman Mc Culloch,
J. Outram

Stone
Department Committee Robert Davis,
George Lang.

Which amendment on being put is passed.

Report of the
City Architect

His Worship the Mayor submits report
from City Architect on motion the same is received.

The order of the day is suspended to
take up report of Committee of Streets.

Report of the
Committee of
Streets

Streets Office
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On Reading the Extract, from minutes of the City Council
Referring to the Committee of Streets, the Petition of Samuel Gray,
and others relative to the drain in Dresden Row.

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The Committee gave the matter their best consideration — and are of opinion that the grievance complained of by the petitioners ought in the judgement, of the Committee be remedied in a Satisfactory manner, and they would therefore respectfully recommend to the City Council, the continuation of the sewer through the Catholic Cemetery — just finished by Mr. H. Peters, to be extended either in Brick or Stone — through Dresden Row to the corner of Rottenburg Street, which would Effectually relieve the petitioners, and would become part of any system of Sewerage hereafter, introduced in that locality.

(Signed)

F. C. Hill, — Chairman
James Duggan, —
Joseph Kays, —

Res- relative to
the petition of
Sam. Gray

Resolved that the Report of the Street Committee on the Petition of Samuel Gray and others for a drain in Dresden Row be received and that the Street Committee be authorized to carry out the same without delay by Contract or otherwise as may be deemed most advisable by them moved by alderman Hill seconded by alderman Compton, which on being put is passed.

The following Resolution No 4 is next —
introduced

Res- to appoint
Alderman Kays
in place of Ald
Jennings as
Polling Officer

Whereas Alderman Jennings of Ward No 6 has been appointed Polling Officer for the Election to be held in said Ward on the first of October next and has stated in his place in this Council that he is now very much indisposed and in all probability, will be unable on that day to discharge the duty which this Council, has imposed upon him — therefore be it resolved that should such an emergency arise, the Mayor be authorized to appoint Alderman Kays to preside at such election, moved by alderman James Duggan, seconded by alderman Nash, which on being put is passed —

The following Resolution No 5 is next —
Introduced,

Resolved that the report of Commissioners of Water Works as amended with Scale of Tariff be printed in the papers which advertize for the City, moved by alderman Nash seconded by alderman Duggan

The order of the day is suspended to — allow the ordinance relative to Tin Trumpets, to be read,

The Same is read a 1st Time.

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Continued to his Taxes. (see file)

Petition of Jas Wallace re. his taxes
Committee to report upon Ackhurst, Crommaman, Leahy, and Jennings.
Submitted this day is referred to same Committee. (see file)

Read Petition of Charles Carey (see file)
Introduced.

Res. to give Charles Carey the sum of one hundred dollars

Resolved that the Petition of Charles Carey be received and the sum of one hundred dollars be given to him to assist him through the coming winter, the sum to be paid in the hands of the Chairman of Fire Wards and paid to him weekly moved by alderman Nash seconded by alderman Barnstead.

an amendment is made that the sum be Fifty Dollars, which amendment on being put there appeared for the same, 5, against it 6, and the names being called for they appeared thus.

For the amendment	against it.
alderman James Duggan	alderman Roome,
John Duggan	Nash
Richey	Barnstead,
Jennings	Compton,
Walsh.	Leahy
	Ackhurst, 6.
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The original Resolution is therefore passed.

Read communication from the directors of the late Water Company.

Read communication from directors of the Board of Commissioners Water Supply Halifax Sept 26th 1861.

Sir
Your letter of the 24th instant together with the accompanying Extract, of the minutes of the City Council, in reference to the item of assessment charged in the late Water Company's account was laid before the board of Directors to day and in reply I am directed to inform you that Henry Yeomans, Esquire is appointed arbitrator in behalf of the said Halifax Water Company to act with Mr. Doull, at any time or place which may be agreed upon and due notice given.

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

I have the honor to be, Sir
Your obedient servant.
P. Borden,
Secy of the late
Halifax Water Company

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When following Resolution No 7 is
on hearing read the communication
from the Secretary of the late Water Company naming Henry Gromans
as an arbitrator to act with John Dull Resquire, on the admitted item
in their account

Resolved that the Council acquiesce
in said appointment and that His Honor the Recorder, be instructed
to submit the same on behalf of this Council moved by alderman Richey
seconded by alderman Nash, which on being put is passed.

Read Report of Committee of Common.

Report of the
Committee
of Common

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The Committee of Common beg leave to Report, that previous
to their going out of office they feel it their duty to state, that as several
of the Roads crossing the Common, are in a very bad state of repair the
Committee being unable to expend any thing on them during the past year
they would suggest to the Council that as those Roads are the main outlets
from the City they ought to be taken in Charge by the Street Committee and
repaired.

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During the last year several improvements have been made by
the Committee, on the Common, the Pond has been cleaned out, enlarged
and embanked, thus obtaining a large lot of Good manure for the fields
a new dam made and also a drain crossing the road leading to cemetery
to prevent the overflow of Water, this Road has also been recently repaired
at a small expense, part of the material required for filling up having
been supplied by the Committee (Streets) and when covered with a Coat
of ground will be a good Road. many improvements contemplated by the
Committee, such as the planting of additional Trees, making walks &c
had to be abandoned this year for want of Funds, but as the debt due
by the Common will be all paid off next May one instalment only being
due, a larger amount of Funds will be at the disposal of the new
Committee of Common, for carrying out those suggestions

The Committee before concluding would bring to the notice
of the Council the large amount of work done this year, on the Common by
the military authorities in grubbing and Draining large patches of Common
and also by the offers made to this Committee of assistance and
co-operation by the general for the improvements of the grounds, all of
which is respectfully submitted

(Signed)

Thomas Walsh,

Chairman

When on motion said report is received
and lie on the table for future consideration

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Honor the Recorder, are appointed to prepare an address to Major Genl. Trollope,
Committee.

The Committee of Common with His

Read report of Internal Health

Committee Room.
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Report of the
Internal
Health
Committee

The Internal Health committee having taken into consideration the memorial of Mr. James Spike regarding the additional amount of work which they have imposed on him in addition to the duties of his office, of health Inspector in superintending the men employed in sweeping the streets, keeping their time and looking after the carts, employed in the removal of ashes, and watering the streets and other duties all of which have been discharged, to the satisfaction of the Committee, who are of the opinion that the labour performed during the last six months, come under the designation of Extra Services for which the Committee beg leave to report, that they consider that the sum of thirty pounds would be a fair remuneration for the services referred to, all of which the Committee, leave to the consideration, of the Council.

(Signed) John McCulloch,
Chairman

Introduced,

When following resolution No 8 is

Res- to draw
Cheques in favor
of the Clerk of
Internal Health
Committee

Resolved that the report of internal Health Committee be received and adopted and that the Mayor be requested to draw cheques in favor of the Clerk and hand him as additional salary, moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman Roome, which on being put is passed,

Report of the
City Architect

this day.

Read report of City architect submitted

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To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council

Gentlemen

I beg leave to bring to your notice that notwithstanding the several notices given to Mr. Charles Robson and objections to his erecting a building in Granville Street according to a certain plan laid down by Mr. Elliot, he is progressing with said building according to said plans the north end of his building is principally of framed timber against the walls of Mr. McKinley's building in Yelder of brick walls which is a violation of the act passed April 1861. Chap 45 Sec 3rd. that all buildings hereafter erected shall be constructed of brick, stone

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September 27th or Iron in a certain district and that all party walls shall not be less
 Continued than twelve inches in thickness in which the north end of his building
 in not bricks walls, all of which I submit to your Honorable Board for
 your decision

(Signed)

Sam. Gent. your obt. Servt.
 B. De G. Marshall.
 City Architect

Introduced,

When following Resolution, No. 9 is

Res. to take legal
 action against
 Mr. Charles Robson

Whereas the City Architect has his
 day reported to this Council that Mr. Charles Robson the owner of
 a building now in course of erection in Granville Street and which
 in the discharge of his duty he upon one occasion before found it necessary
 to report as being about to be constructed, contrary to the provisions of the
 act, is still proceeding with said building in the manner already
 described, and which has been condemned by a vote of this Council

Therefore be it Resolved that His
 Honor the Recorder be instructed to take such legal action in this
 case as will prevent Mr. Robson from continuing the erection of said
 building until he shall have complied with the law moved by
 alderman James Duggan seconded by alderman Compton

A call of the Council is made

On motion the Council rise

October 2nd

Peter Smiley, John Eagan, Samuel Perrinaman,
 William Pallister, Matthew H. Richey, Coquinos, having this day
 taken and subscribed the oath of allegiance, the oath of office
 as also the oath of justice of the Peace for the City of Halifax are
 this day sworn into office, as aldermen for the City of Halifax

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at a special meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor and alderman John Duggan, Compton, Smlay, Nash, Mr. Colloch, James Duggan, Ackhurst Eagan, Pallister, Coleman, Pennaman, Roome, Leahy, Conway, Jennings, Kaye, and Richey

The City Council were summoned to receive the Petitions of Election for the different Wards and the transaction of other business last

Read over proceedings of 27th Sept. The petitions of Election of Mayor were Publicly read and the votes for each Candidate summed up as follows.

Return for Mayor Hill 329 Majority

Ward No	P. C Hill by	126 votes	William J Coleman	71 votes
2		83		7
3		133		107
4		69		34
5		245		96
6		32		14
		<u>658</u>		<u>329</u>
		329		
		329 Majority for P. C Hill Esqr.		

Philip Cartaret Hill is publicly declared Mayor of the City of Halifax for ensuing Year. His Worship the Mayor is Requested to leave the Chair,

Chair
alderman Coleman is called to the Chair
When on motion of Mr. Alderman Jennings seconded by Mr. Alderman Leakey a note of thanks is unanimously passed to His Worship, Samuel Caldwell Esquire Mayor, for the able, impartial and satisfactory manner in which he has performed the duties of Chief Magistrate for the past two years.

Note of thanks to Samuel Caldwell Esq.

His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair and returns thanks.