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February 15th

For the Resolution

Ald Nock

Murphy

Scenaman

Arnway

Richardson 5

against it

Ald Egan

Brillay

Jennings

Pallister

Roche

Spence

Quagher

Dunbar 8

Clauses of  
Charter

passed.

Read 293, 294, 295, 296, Clauses which on being put are

The following Resolution is next introduced.

It was it has been brought to the notice of the Council that the City of Halifax is on all occasions taxed heavily to pay its proportion of County Expenses, and on such occasions, in doubt arises that the City is an independent part of the County. Therefore as the parliamentary district in which the City is situated has the privilege of sending three members to the Legislature to whom is intrusted the distribution of money granted for making roads or Highways within this district

Resolved that a Committee be appointed by this Council to confer with the representatives in Parliament of this district in order to obtain the City's proportion of the County grant, to be expended the present year for the repair and improvement of the great provincial roads which converge from the North and West of this City

Moved by Ald Roche seconded by Ald Jennings which on being put is passed unanimously

Committee Aldermen Roche, Jennings, Richardson

On motion the Council rise

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At a Special meeting of the City Council held this day  
Present: His Worship the Mayor Alderman Sorday, Prin, Dunbar, Meagher, Richardson, Egan  
Boyd, Nash, Seneman, Pallister, Conroy, Spence, Roche, Reilly, Jennings and  
Humphreys.

Read over proceedings of 15th Feb.

The City Council were summoned to continue the  
revision of the Charter.

of Edward Gault

Alderman Egan hands in Report of Committee on Petition

others for Sewers

Alderman Conroy submits memorial of John Northrop and

Committee of Public Accounts.

Alderman Prin hands in report of

His Worship the Mayor hands in fair copies of  
clauses of Charter passed at last meeting

August relative to Hospital

Also communication from Mayor Grand

relative to addresses to the Queen and Prince and Princess

Chief Justice relative to the Library

Also communication from His Honor the

reformatory.

Also Draft of Bill concerning a juvenile

Communication  
from His Honor  
the Chief  
Justice

Read communication from His Honor the Chief Justice  
submitted this day, when following Resolution is introduced.

Whereas His Honor the Chief Justice has generously  
offered to place at the disposal of the City Council for the free use of the Citizens a  
Library of upwards of 3000 volumes of valuable and standard works. And whereas  
the use of such a library is calculated to be of great advantage to the community  
by encouraging a taste for literature and useful knowledge.

Therefore resolved that the offer of His Honor  
be accepted and that the grateful thanks of this Council be tendered to His Honor  
for his very liberal and handsome donation, for the benefit of His fellow  
Citizens

Moved by Alderman Jennings seconded by Ald Conroy which on  
being put is passed and a copy of the same be transmitted to His Honor.

On motion the Committee is appointed to take  
charge of the same

Committee Alderman Prin, Richardson, Nash, Pallister, Conroy,  
Jennings

Petition of  
R Hill

Alderman Conroy hands in petition of R Hill for a sewer.

Read Bill for the establishment of a Juvenile  
Reformatory the same on being put is passed and ordered to be presented  
to the Legislature for adoption.

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Alderman Roche submits report of Committee of City Property

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Read petition of A Hill and others James  
Kerill and others, and John Northrop and others, for sewerage.  
On motion the same is referred to  
the Committee of Streets to report upon.

Read Report of Committee of Public Accounts submitted this day

Committee of Public Accounts  
Feb 11th 1864.

Report of  
Committee of  
Public  
Accounts

The Committee of Public Accounts met this day & PM  
Present Ald Forsey, Nichol, Callister & Magowan & Chairman examined and  
passed the following accounts of the undernamed branches of the public service.

Hospital Dept	\$ 36.25
M. F. Egan	
Wm Handick	43.92
" "	27.96
Jas Black	33.72
Senish & Mitchell	25.20
Mr McKensie	24.50
Wm Handick	41.92
Wm Stevens	5.30
Madaw Kelly	6.87
S. C. Nash & Co	1.30
A. W. McKensie	5.00
Donald & Walton	1.25
Thomas Walsh	1.85
S. C. Nash & Co	2.00
James Black	
	95
	\$ 357.99

When the following Resolution is introduced.

Resolved that the accounts presented by Committee of  
Public Accounts be ordered for payment

Moved by Ald. Dobie seconded by Alderman  
Callister which on being put is passed.

Read Report of Committee on Mr. Gault's petition  
On motion said report is adopted.

Report of the  
Committee of  
City Property  
submitted this day

Read Report of Committee of City Property sub

Halifax Feb 18th 1864

The Committee of City Property met this day. Present  
Ald. Nash, Senoman, Dumbor, Jennings, Roche.

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February 19<sup>th</sup> was passed and His Worship the Mayor requested to draw checks for the same amount £5.5.0

Resolved that notice be inserted in the newspapers that the Cities Brick Building on the Market Wharf will be at their disposal on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May next and that the Committee of City Property will be ready to treat with parties desirous to rent the same until 1<sup>st</sup> April if not then rented, will be let at auction

The Committee recommend Chairman to ask permission of the Council to let the City Properties by private contract if that mode be found most advantageous.

When following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that this Council grant the privilege to the Committee of City Property to advertise the letting of the City Property either by private contract or at auction, whichever they may deem most advantageous to the interests of the City.

Moved by Alderman Coche seconded by Alderman Peller which on being put is passed.

Read communication from Major Nugent relative to

18<sup>th</sup> February 1864

Communication from Major Nugent del to Hospital

Hospital

Sir

I am directed by His Excellency Mr General Doyle to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 13<sup>th</sup> inst giving cover to the minutes of City Council with reference to the City Hospital and in reply have the honor to request that you will convey His Excellency's best thanks to the Council for their liberal and obliging offer, and inform them that our sick list having within the last few days considerably decreased, and the pressure for Hospital accommodation, consequently now no longer existing the use of the City Hospital so considerably offered will not be necessary.

I am further to add, Mr General Doyle desires to express to you his best thanks for the assistance and cooperation afforded him by your Worship in bringing this subject before the City Council.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient

Servant

J. M. Nugent

Acting Secy

His Worship  
The Mayor

Communication from Major Erans del to address to Her Majesty

Read communication from Major Erans relative to address to Her Majesty and the Prince and Princess of Wales.

Government Secy

Whitehall 13<sup>th</sup> Feb 1864

Sir

I am directed by His Excellency the Administrator of the Government to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date transmitting the addresses which the City Council have passed their most Gracious

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Majesty the Queen and to their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales which His Excellency will not fail to forward, with the assurance of the devoted loyalty and attachment of the City Council, to Her Majesty and the Royal Family

I am your obt. Servt

Wm Evans  
Private Secretary

Read Report of Committee on Sewerage

Committee Room  
Halifax 13 Feb 1864

Report of  
Committee  
on  
Sewerage

The Committee to whom was referred the draft of Sewerage Bill met this day Present Alderman Senaman, Richardson, Nash Richey & Arn was on motion Alderman Conway was appointed Chairman after discussing the necessity of a Sewerage Bill the following Resolution was introduced

Resolved that this Committee affirms the principle that the construction of Sewerage should be placed in the hands of Commissioners not members of the City Council but responsible thereto and it is considered by them that this work might be conveniently performed by the Commissioners of Water Supply

to which the following amendment is put. Resolved that the foregoing Resolution be referred to the Council which on being put is passed  
The following Resolution is then moved

That a clause be inserted in the new Sewerage Act requiring the appointment of an Engineer by whom a survey of the existing sewerage shall be made and a complete plan of the sewerage to be constructed, provided so that the whole work may be done upon or system of which the existing sewerage shall form part so far as practicable which on being put is passed.

also Resolved that provision be made in the new sewerage act for the payment of current interest upon the debentures to be issued and the ultimate redemption of the loan by a general pound rate upon the actual or estimated rental of premises opposite or near to which sewer is laid  
which on being put is passed

Respectfully submitted  
Jeremiah Conway

Then following Resolution is introduced

That application be made to the Legislature for power to raise by loan thirty thousand pounds, for the purpose of sewerage in the City of Halifax

Moved by Alderman Richey seconded by Alderman Egaw which on being put is passed

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February 19 as entered above to which the following amendment is introduced.

Resolved that the Committee of Trust have full power to carry into effect the provisions of the new sewerage act  
Moved by Alderman Alderman Conway seconded by Ald Roche which amendment on being put is carried 11 voting for the same and against it and the names being called they appeared thus.

For the Resolution Amendment		against it
Ald Nash	Trueman	Ald Murphy
Stamford	Egan	Richardson
Sunday	Conway	Spence
Rickey	Jennings	Robin
Pallister	Boggs	Roche 5
Dunbar	12	

See minute book for error

Read Resolution as introduced in Report of Committee on Sewerage, which on being put is passed.

The following Resolution is next introduced

Resolved that the Resolutions passed upon be incorporated in the Bill introduced by His Honor the Recorder and that he be requested to so frame his Bill as to suit those views as expressed

Moved by Ald. Nash seconded by Ald Jennings which on being put is passed

Board of Health

Read clause 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297 clauses which on being put are passed.

Read 298th clause, when following amendment is introduced

That no party be allowed to enter a public sewer except water closets which amendment on being put is lost 6 voting for the same and 9 against, and the names being called for they appeared thus

For the amendment

Ald Nash	against it	Jennings
Murphy	Ald Dunbar	Pallister
Sunday	Conway	Richardson 9
Boggs	Trueman	
Roche	Egan	
Spence 6	Rickey	

Read 298 Clause which on being put is passed

Read clause 301, 300, 302, which on being put are passed.

Alderman Roche hands in a Resolution by way of notice

On motion the Council Rise

Board of Health  
Clauses of  
Charter

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At a special meeting of the City Council held this day Present  
 February 29th His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Lundy, Tobin, Dunbar, Macgillivray, Richardson, Egan, Nash,  
 Grehanan, Callister, Fenway, Hance, Roche, Mackay, Jennings and Wilmford.

The City Council were summoned to continue the  
 revision of the Statutes and the transaction of their business.

Read over proceedings 19th Feb.

His Worship the Mayor hands in a Bill  
 relative to finding the debt of the City

His Worship the Mayor brings to the notice of the  
 Council the subject of the disposal of some of the Hand Fire Engines.

Read extract from Report of Committee on

Subject of November 1863

Resolved that that part of the Report of Committee on  
 Fire Department recommending a sale of the Engines be adopted, and that a Committee  
 be appointed from the Council who shall have power in connection with the Fire  
 Wards to make the best sale of the Engines they can. Moved by Ald. Nash seconded  
 by Ald. Roche which on being put is passed, 9 voting for the same and 6 against  
 it. Committee Ald. Tobin, Richardson, Egan, Grehanan, Roche & Jennings.

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Resolved that the Treasurer be requested to furnish this  
 Council with an abstract of the items composing the amount proposed to be funded  
 and debentures issued to provide for the same, and from what source those debts  
 have arisen, Moved by Ald. Roche, seconded by Ald. Callister, which on being  
 put is passed.

Read act to authorize the finding of certain errors due by  
 the City of Halifax, on motion the same is ordered to be fairly engrossed and  
 presented to the Legislature for adoption.

On motion the order of the day is suspended  
 to take up petition of Wm. McClanahan, on motion the same is read and referred  
 to the Alderman of the Ward to report upon.

Council next consider the remaining clauses of the  
 nuisance act.

Read various clauses of said act which on being put are  
 passed.

Read Act concerning Fire Wards

On motion the same is passed and ordered to  
 be sent to the Legislature for approval.

— Assessment Act —

Read 315 clause which on being put is passed  
 as amended.

Extract from  
 Report of  
 Committee  
 Feb. 29th  
 Engines

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Charter

Read 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325,  
326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331. Clauses which on being put are passed.

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Resolved that no income derived from trade or profession shall be subject to taxation unless the same exceeds the sum of \$75 per annum.

Moved by Alderman Conway, seconded by Alderman Richardson which on being put is lost. 3rd time for the same and 3 against it, an amendment that the sum of £150 be inserted in the act is lost.

Clauses of  
Charter

Read clauses 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338,  
339, 340, 341, 342 which on being severally put are passed.

Ald Roche  
sets by way  
of notice

Alderman Roche lays on the table a resolution by way of notice relative to sewers.

Read remaining clauses of the act which on being put are passed.

Alderman Pichay gives notice of Reconsideration of Clause relative to income tax.

Alderman Denorn asks Resolution relative to better protection of our Citizens Submitted 27 Nov. and Read 25. Jan. and this day, is next taken up and read and on being put is passed 8 voting for the same and 2 against it.

On motion Council rise.



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March 11th

At a special meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Imlay, John Dunbar, Meagher, Richardson Egan, Bogg's, Nash, Senaman, Ballister Conway, James Roche, Richey Jennings and Mumford.

Read over proceedings of 29 Feb.

The City Council were summoned to proceed with the business standing over from previous meetings and the transaction of other business.

Alderman Richey chairman reports from Committee of City Prison.

Alderman Richardson hands in a memorandum of debts due by Board of Health.

Alderman Jennings reports from Special Committee on sale of Hand Fire Engines.

Alderman Roche submits memorial of Messrs McLean Campbell & Co relative to addition to Tobacco Factory.

Alderman Egan chairman hands in report of Committee on Mr. McFarrell's Petition, &c.

Alderman Senaman submits memorial of Christian Kelly relative to his building.

His Worship the Mayor submits statement from City Treasurer relative to amount to be funded by the City.

Also communication from Mr. Sutton relative to taking charge of Library.

Also communication from Mr. Rudolf relative to his taxes.

Also communication from Commissioners of Water Supply.

Also communication from Mr. Galiberton

Also communication from Mr. Galiberton relative to his Water Tax.

Read Report of Committee of City Prison.

Committee Room

2 March 1864

The Committee of City Prison met this day and examined the following accounts which having been found correct are now recommended to the City Council for payment.

1 B. Hill & Co	\$ 42.18
2 W. L. Evans	45.00
3 J. B. Kenny	27 5/2
4 W. Barnstead	14.85
5 Bogg's & Ross	9.10
6 J. Parker	16.00
	42.94

Cash purchased by Commissioners

Underkeeper

W. S. O'Brien 86.85

Aug. Bacon & Co 52

Thos. Durney 135

Brown Bros & Co 140

9.12

\$ 200.59

88.75

9.12

\$ 298.56

Jeremiah Conway

Report of the Committee of City Prison

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When following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that the accounts just read having reference to city Prison be approved of and paid, and that his Honor the Mayor be authorized to draw cheques for the same. Moved by Alderman Conway seconded by Alderman Dunbar, which on being put is passed.

Alderman Riehy withdraws his notice of reconsideration given at last meeting.

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Res: Rel to the Uniform of the Police

Resolved that the Winter uniforms provided for the Police and Night Watch be worn by them at all times when on duty, from such day in the fall to such day in the Spring as may be directed by the Mayor, and immediately after the discontinuance of such Winter uniform in the Spring, the Policemen shall deposit their overcoats with the City Marshal and the Watchmen with the Captain of the Watch, to be by them respectfully deposited in such place as may be provided therefor, with the approval of the Mayor, and kept in good order, until they are again ordered to be worn in the succeeding fall, and if at any time any portion of said uniforms shall be injured or defaced the Mayor or in his absence the presiding Alderman shall direct the same to be forthwith made good at the expense of such Policeman or Watchman unless he can show to the satisfaction of the Mayor or Presiding Alderman that such damage was done while in the discharge of his duty, and from causes over which he had no control, and not from carelessness or neglect.

Moved by Alderman Jennings seconded by Alderman Roche which on being put is passed.

Read Report of Committee on Petition of Mr. McFarren.

Report of the Committee on Petition of Mr. McFarren

A motion is made that the previous petition, be read to which the following amendment is introduced

Resolved that Mr. McFarren be allowed to proceed with the finishing of his building at corner of Angle and Perce Streets the Council being of opinion that the enforcement on the building act, is of such a nature as not to require the intervention of this Council Moved by Alderman Conway seconded by Ald. Magher, which on being put is lost 7 voting for the same and 9 against it, and the names being called for they appeared thus

- For the motion
- Ald. Benaman
- Edin
- Conway
- Richardson
- Roche
- Magher
- Stancel

- against it
- Ald. Nash
- Mumford
- Egan
- Jenlay
- Jennings
- Riehy
- Pattler
- Boggs
- Dunbar

The following Resolution is next introduced

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Resolved that Mr. McCarron be informed that this Council cannot comply with his request regarding the alterations made in his property moved by Ald. Nash, seconded by Ald. Jennings, which on being put is passed yeas 9 nays 1 for the same and yeas 1 nays 1.

Alderman Conway gives notice of Reconsideration

Read Report of Committee on Sale of Fire Engines

Read Report of Committee on Sale of Fire Engines on motion said report is adopted

The City Council next proceed to fill up the vacancy in office of Fire Wardens when the following Gentlemen are elected

Ward No 3

Ward 4

De Aramis

Adams, Mrs, Wm Long, Geo. Coisps.

Ward No 5

Ward No 6

Ed. Osseus

Samuel Caldwell

As. Conlon.

Mr. Smith

Garvie

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Believing that the interest of the Citizens needs some protection in connection with the consumption of Gas and the subject having been agitated to considerable extent for some time past, and believing that a short act will be necessary before any arrangement can be made.

Therefore Resolved that a Committee be appointed with His Honor the Recorder with power to prepare such act for the appointment of the necessary officers. Moved by Ald. Jennings seconded by Ald. Roche which on being put is passed.

Committee Ald. Jennings, Nash and Roche with Honor the Recorder.

Res. requesting the Treasurer to furnish the names of all parties whose taxes are not paid for 1862

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Resolved that His Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the City Treasurer to furnish this Council without delay with the names of all persons who have not paid their City Rates for the years 1862 and 1863 and whose names appear on the assessment books. Moved by Ald. Conway seconded by Ald. Jennings which on being put is passed.

Report of the Committee on Water Supply

Read Report of Committee on Rules and Ordinance relative to Water Supply.

The Committee to whom was referred the ordinances requested by Water Commissioners beg leave to report they see no reason why these ordinances may not be acted upon and become the Law in such cases

The Water Commissioners Mr. Bell was present and from conversation had with him and after having Mr. Bell's view on the whole matter beg leave (although not considered by the Chairman as part of the duty upon which they were sent out) to recommend the allowance of the most if not all of those by laws as represented the only matter of difference in the ordinances were the amount of fines they would if the Council see fit recommend the lowest sum named as a fine be not more than 7; the higher sum they are satisfied to remain as fixed by the ordinance

Respectfully Submitted

John D. Nash

Halifax Jan. 22/64

Read ordinance a third time

Read Rules of Water Commissioners on motion the same are adopted

A motion that the word fine and imprisonment be left out of the third clause of the ordinance is lost yeering for the same and yeagainsst it

On motion the ordinance is ordered to be fairly engrassed and presented to the Governor and Council for approval

Read communication from Commissioners of Water Supply submitted this day, when following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Water Commissioners be instructed to carry out the law as regards all water takes

Moved by Ald. Nash seconded by Ald. Conway which on being put is passed

Read Report of Committee on Petition of A. Dart

Resolved &c. Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> / 54

The Committee appointed in conjunction with the Water Commissioners to enquire into particulars relating to the Petition of Christopher Dart having reported to the Water Comptrolers office ascertained the following

The Contract was entered into on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of July 1853 and was to be completed by the first day of September following under a penalty of \$40 for every day after that date until its completion

It was not completed until the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Nov. being twelve weeks after the stipulated time

The penalty was not exacted Mr. Muir Supt. having been questioned on the following particulars made answer in substance as follows

That he could not say whether Mr. Dart lost money by the transaction or not. But had he (Dart) used more energy with his own and placed a larger number of men on the work he might have saved his own time in superintending also the expense of night watch and would not have been obstructed by a tenth part of the water which he had to contend with by prolonging the work into the wet season after the specified time for its completion

I am of opinion that the work as completed by Mr. Dart might be executed without loss for the sum specified

Signed by John P. Muir

The Water Commissioners state that they were not exact to the letter in requiring Mr. Dart's strict observance of the Contract

The Commissioners concur in what Mr. Dart states in his petition as to his having been much incommoded from an reflux of water from one of the City drains

Your Committee taking all the circumstances of the case as above stated into their consideration have come to the conclusion that they cannot in strict justice to the public recommend any further compensation to the Petitioner

John Mumford

Geo. Egan

" Nash

Report of the Committee on Petition of C. Dart

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Petition of  
John Gumb

against it.

On motion said report is adopted voting for the same and 4

Read petition of John Gumb.

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To His Worship the Mayor and  
Aldermen of City Council  
Gentlemen

This memorandum sheweth that I am  
the owner and occupier of a piece of Land at North West Arm and that the  
Water pipes cross said piece of Land and that in laying the pipes the Commissioners  
of Water Supply excavated brook for conveying off waste water and that said  
Commissioners left a large heap of rubbish and stone on the premises during the  
present summer through which cause it was unable to get any crop off that  
part of the Land although I applied repeatedly to the Commissioners to remove the  
same and that said removal and repairs to walkway not completed till the beginning  
of December and the water pipes burst this present summer in the middle of a piece  
of oak carrying them away and damaging the premises I would also beg leave  
to state that I have called on Mr. Wm. Sims Farmer and that he has seen the  
place several times during the summer and fall and has valued my damages  
as per Bill

Yours

John Gumb

On motion the same is referred to the Water Commissioners to report upon.

Read memorial of Christian Atty.

On motion the same is referred to the

<sup>of the Ward</sup>  
Alderman to Report upon.

Read memorial of Mr. Rudolph relative to his taxes and  
that of J. G. Halburton relative to his tax on Water.

On motion the same are referred to a

Committee of Taxes to report upon

Alderman Nash submits memorial of tenants

of City Property

On motion the same is referred to the Committee of City Property

On motion Council Rise

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Edward Brown sworn Fire Constable for Ward 5

Wm. Kibbit sworn Fire Constable for Ward 6

Adams Weir sworn Fire Constable for Ward 4

George Owsip sworn Fire Constable Ward 2

Henry Detwiler sworn Fire Constable Ward 3

Jos. Gordon sworn Fire Constable Ward 5

Frank Garvin sworn Fire Constable Ward 6

Sam Caldwell sworn Fire Constable Ward 6