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January 26th

At an adjourned meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor & Aldermen Jas. Quinn, Wm. Cullock, S. Quinn, Richardson, Dunbar, Thomas Cash, Gossip, Murphy, Deenoman, Conway, Starr and Drillis

Read over proceedings of the 25th inst

Resolution rel. to a. Poll Tax

Alderman Conway hands in a Resolution by way of notice relating to establishing a Poll Tax

Com. from the Appraisers of Lockman St

Read communications from appraisers for extending Lockman Street "see file" where the following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that the letter from the appraisers just read be approved of and that they have leave to appraise the land set forth in the plan before the Council.

Moved by Alderman Conway seconded by Alderman Cash which on being put is passed.

Letter from J. L. Craigie.

Read Resolution No. 1 and amendment of 6th January.

Read letter from J. L. Craigie when Resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Council on hearing the letter of J. L. Craigie regard the Council accept the resignation of the officers held by John L. Craigie

Moved by Ald. Wm. Cullock seconded by Alderman Gossip which on being put is passed.

A motion to suspend the order of the day to take up the app. for sidewalks is negatived.

The order of the day is next proceeded with

Report of Com. of City Prison.

of Committee of City Prison "see file" is introduced

Read Annual report when following Resolution

Resolved that the Annual report of the City Prison Committee with appendix be received and printed in the Annual Report.

Moved by Ald. Jas. Quinn seconded by Ald. Starr which on being put is passed.

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The following Resolution is next introduced
 Resolved that a Committee be appointed to enquire into the present state of Prison discipline and make such suggestions, to this Council as they may seem to them desirable

Moved by Alderman Steph Dobin seconded by Alderman McCulloch which on being put is lost and the names being called for they appeared thus.

For the Resolutions
 Ald. Nash
 S. Dobin
 McCulloch

against it
 Ald. Deane
 Murphy, S. Dobin
 Starr, Foxway
 Symons, Richardson
 Drillis Dunbar
 Jessup 10

Comm. from Com. of Water Supply.

Read communication from Commissioners of Water Supply
 Office of Comms of Water Supply
 Halifax Oct 13th 1865

Sir
 I beg to acknowledge receipt of a Resolution from the City Council dated August 26th 1865 authorising the Comms of Water Supply to procure suitable premises to carry on the business of the Water Department and report to the Council.
 In accordance with the above Resolution I have now to report that every exertion has been made by advertising and otherwise to obtain suitable premises and the different properties under-mentioned have been offered for the annual rents named

1. Vacant Lot in Carrington Street by George Esso without buildings of any kind, annual rent £60.0.0
2. Part of the premises known as John's Dranery annual rent £200.0.0
3. Premises in Art's Lane owned by H. G. Fairbanks and formerly occupied as a dwelling annual rent £150.0.0

Within the last ten days three other properties have been offered namely

- No 4. The Large Lot with Building known as the old Sugar house between Marlton and Gurnee's Streets by W. S. Bell } Annual rent £ 120.0.0
- No 5 The Premises in Gulls Lane being part of the old Gasworks property by W. S. Bell } Annual rent £ 60.0.0
- No 6 A Store and yard with water by G. H. Mitchell } Annual rent £ 50.0.0

In each and all of the above tenders, the improvements or alterations made, must be made at the expense of the Water Department - but leases may be had for a term of years.

The premises at present occupied comprise an Office for the Commissioner a dwelling for the Superintendent, a workshop and forge and a considerable amount of room for storage. It has not been found possible to procure the same amount of accommodation in any place in the City.

The Commissioner deeming it essential to have at least the office and workshop together and to have them as near the centre of the City as possible have decided upon taking the premises in Gulls Lane, as the most eligible and all things considered much the lowest that have been offered. Possession of these premises cannot be had until the end of January 1866 but the Commissioner will be able to make some temporary arrangement until that date.

The Water Department says for the premises now occupied £ 130 per annum, and sublets part to the General Health Committee for £ 12.10.0 leaving the annual rental paid by the department for premises £ 117.10.0. & including an allowance to the Superintendent for a house which has always been provided for him heretofore, the annual expense for premises under the new arrangement will be £ 110.0.0 per annum. The cost of useful alterations will probably not exceed £ 30 or £ 40.

His Honorship }
the Mayor }

I have the honor
to be
Yours faithfully
W. S. Bell
Comr of Board

When the following Resolutions
 is introduced, Resolved that the letter from Council
 of Yater be received and adopted and
 that they be authorized to accept the offer of the property
 in Gelfe Lane providing the same can be had for
 a term of years

Moved by Mr. John Scanda
 by Alderman McFulloch which on being put it
 passed

On motion Council Rese

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A Special Meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor & Alderman James Dofin, Stephen Dobin, Richardson Dunbar Egnons, Cash, Ackhurst, Cassip, Murphy Deenoman, Roche Mumford and Starr.

Read over proceeding 26th January 1866

Report of City Prison.

Alderman Roche Chairman hands in Report of City Prison for January with Report

Letter from Recorder

Alderman Cash & Alderman Roche hands in letter from Recorder relative to costs in case of Gas Company of the City.

Report of Laws and Privileges

Alderman Roche hands in Report of Laws & Privileges relative to Bonds of City Officers

Report of Com of Water Supply

His Worship the Mayor hands in Quarterly Report of Commissioners of Public Asylum, Also letter from Council Westmeath relative to drainage.

Letter from Messrs Boggs & Ross

Also letter from Solicitor General Solicitor of the Thomas Money del to drainage done his premises by a drain, Also letter from Messrs Boggs & Ross requesting payment of accounts for 1865 and 1864, 1865

Report of Com of City Prison

Also accounts from & Chaigens against the City and Guard of Gaol. Read Report of Committee of City Prison with accounts & file when the following Resolution is introduced.

Resolved that the accounts for the City Prison for the month of January 1866 amounting to 463²²/₁₀₀ having been examined by the Committee and found correct His Worship the Mayor be requested to draw on the Treasury for the amount

Moved by Ald. Roche seconded by Alderman Dunbar which upon being put is passed

Report of Com. of Laws & Privileges

Read Report of Committee of Laws & Privileges when the following Resolution is introduced

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Resolved that the Report of the Committee of Laws & Privileges be received and adopted
Moved by Alderman Roche seconded by Alderman Richardson to which the following amendment is introduced

Resolved that the Report of the Committee of Laws & Privileges be received with the exception of that clause in reference to the City Treasurer's Security

Moved by Ald. Wash seconded by Ald. Murphy which on being put is passed, and the names being called for the yeas and nays thus.

For the amendment
Ald. Ashhurst
Wash & Dobin
Deenahan & Connors
Murphy & Dunbar
Hempford

against it
Ald. S. Dobin
Roche
Deharan
Blair
Cossip S.

The following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that forthwith all the Officers who are by law required to give Bonds be required to do so, and that His Honor the Recorder be requested to furnish the necessary papers to carry out the same

Moved by Alderman Wash seconded by Ald. Dunbar which on being put is passed

The following Resolution is next introduced

The City Clerk	\$1000
Asst. City Clerk	800
Clk of License	4000
Clk. Marshall	1000
Clk of Streets	2000
Health Inspector	500

Resolved that the above named officers be requested to furnish satisfactory security in the amounts as entered above

Moved by Alderman Wash seconded by Ald. S. Dobin which on being put is passed

Alderman Wash hands in Plans of Sewerage for the City with report from Mr. Kelly C. C.

The following Resolution is introduced

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Resolved that the Report on
beverages just read be printed and that five hundred
copies of the report shall be printed in pamphlet form
by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman ^{Moved} McElloch
which on being put is passed.

The following
Resolution is next introduced
Resolved that notices be
given in the papers advertising for the City that
applications will be received until the 17th day of
February instant from persons willing to fill the
Office of Clerk of the Board of Health.

Moved by Alderman
Elihu Dobin, seconded by Alderman McElloch
which on being put is passed.

The following
Resolution is next introduced
Resolved that His
Worship the Mayor be requested to draw a cheque
and pay the costs of suit Gas Company & City

Moved
by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman Eliu Dobin
which on being put is passed.

Report of Com. of
Lenders

Read Report of
Committee of Lenders see file. when following Resolution
is introduced.

That the Report of the Committee
of Lenders be received and adopted.

Moved by Ald
Eliu Dobin seconded by Ald Eliu Dobin
which on being put is passed.

Report of the
City Clerk.

Read Annual report
of the City Clerk. No motion. The same is received and
ordered to be printed with the other annual reports.

The following
Resolution is next introduced
Whereas the interests
and accommodation of the Citizens requires that Barr St
and Leonard Court should become Public Streets
and be under the control of the civic authorities and
Whereas there are certain owners of property in the
said streets who have not dedicated the same to the
City and who claim to hold the right to portions
of the streets and to occupy the same.

Be it therefore
Resolved

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Resolved that three competent persons be appointed to appraise the damages to be paid to those whose lands may be taken up to form the said streets, or to widen or improve the same as directed by the City Charter.

Moved by Ald Nash seconded by Alderman Pennaman which on being put is lost 3 voting for the same and 8 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus

For the Resolution
Ald Nash
Pennaman
Dunbar 3

against it
Ald Robin Benson
" J. Robin Richardson
McGulloch Sparr
Roche Cassin 8

No motion Council rise

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February 12th

At a special meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor, Alderman James Dobin, McFulloch, Stephen Dobin, Richardson, Dunbar, Symons, Kash, Cossup, Murphy, Deenaman, Roche, Fuller, Conway, Mumford Starr and Drillis

Read over proceedings of 7th inst.

The City Council were summoned to take up the business standing over and the transaction of other business.

Alderman Roche moves in a resolution by way of notice relative to sidewalks accounts.

Petition from Salter and Swining.

Read petition from Salter & Swining relative to keeping the harbor open, when the following resolution is introduced

Resolved that in answer to the application of the Merchants for aid from the City to enable them to make a passage through the ice at present formed in the harbor, and to keep the same open, they regret there are not funds at their disposal which they could apply to this purpose

Moved by Alderman Roche seconded by Ald Drillis to which the following amendment is introduced,

Whereas it is the interest of the citizens at large that the harbor should be kept open

Resolved that His Worship the Mayor and a committee of this Council be authorized to confer with such parties as may be willing to meet the expense of the same, with Brown to contribute one fourth of any expense that may be incurred

Moved by Alderman S. Dobin seconded by Alderman Starr which amendment on being put is lost 4 voting for the same and 11 against it and the names being called for they appeared, thus

For the amt
Ald Deenaman
S. Dobin
Conway
Starr 4

against it
Ald McFulloch, Roche
Drillis Richardson
Kash Cossup
Murphy Symons
Mumford Dunbar
James Dobin

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Taxation

Read Report of Committee
Halifax Nov. 18th 1865

The Committee of Rates and
Taxes met this day when the following papers
were submitted

1st. Letter from Ald. Murphy recommending Mrs. Anderson a widow residing in a house of Mr. Harris in Jacob Street for exemption from taxation on account of her indigent circumstances, the Committee are very desirous of affording relief in this case but as it is a legal estate only they can only refer the case to the Council for their sympathy

2nd Letter from G. Downes Esq. complaining that in 1864 he was a monthly tenant and considered himself not liable for taxation but that he has since been served with a warrant of distress. This case the Committee think a subject for the Recorder legal opinion

3rd. A letter from Mrs. Wallace who keeps a school which occupies a large portion of the house which she rents for that purpose. The Committee unanimously recommend that half Mrs. Wallace tax be admitted in consequence of her keeping a school.

4th. A letter from Mr. Ross Esq. in which he considered that he has been taxed for income from which he is exempted by law but did not know of the legal exemption until the fourteen days had expired the Committee considered if Mr. Ross filled in the proper appeal they would recommend that he be excused the lapse of time, and that his appeal be received

All of which the Committee submit
for the approval of the City Council
on behalf of the Committee

A. Roche Chrm

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introduced when following Resolutions is
Resolved that the Committee of Rates and
Taxes be received and adopted
Moved by Alderman [Name] seconded by Alderman [Name] to which the following
amendment is introduced

Resolved that the Report
of Rates & Taxes be referred to His Worship the Mayor
to act as in his judgment may be best
Moved by
Alderman [Name] seconded by Alderman [Name] which amendment on being put is lost and the
following amendment is introduced

Resolved that
that portion of the report of the Committee of Taxes
recommending the reduction of the taxes of Mrs Wallace
and Mr Anderson, and that alone be adopted which
amendment on being put is lost.

The original Resolution
is next put and passed 11 voting for the same and
four against it

Read letter from His Excellency General
[Name] to Mr. Morneys drain when following Resolution
is introduced

Moved that the letter from His Excellency
General be referred to the Street Committee.

Moved by
Ald. [Name] seconded by Ald. [Name]
which on being put is passed

Alderman [Name]
Resolution rel to a Supplementary Magistrate and a
sewerage Bill is next taken up and read, the same
being under discussion

The Council adjourn

February 10th

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Jas Dobin, Stephen Dobin, Richard Dumbas, Wash, Ackhurst, Crossin, Murphy, Deenoman, Roche, Allen, Conway Starr and Gillis

The City Council were summoned to take up the business standing over and the transaction of other business

Read over proceedings of 19 inst

Report of Com. of City Property

hands in Report of Committee of City Property relative to Storm Drain Engine house. Alderman Ackhurst

Report of Com. of Public Accounts

in Report of Committee of Public Accounts with two accounts subsequently handed in by the City Clerk. Alderman Roche hands

Report of Com. of Sunders

hands in Report of Committee of Sunders relative to Sewering sewerage report. Alderman Crossin

Petition from Thomas Mitchell

hands in petition from Thomas Mitchell rel to a drain. Alderman Dobin

Letter from Sup. of Streets

from Sup. of Streets relative to Mr. Mcgowney drain. Also memo of accounts due for sidewalks for 1865. Alderman Wash hands in letter

Letter from Mr. Bilby

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from Mr. Bilby Sup. of Gas measures for leave of absence. Also motion leave is granted him

Letter from Ald. Mumford

Also letter from Ald. Mumford resigning his office as alderman

The following Resolution is introduced
Whereas the Committee of Common intend to plant a number of ornamental trees and otherwise make improvements on the common during the ensuing spring and summer

Be it therefore resolved that the Committee be authorized by this Council to appropriate the funds derived from the common for that purpose as heretofore

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Moved by Alderman Dainormon
seconded by Alderman Conway which on being
put is passed

Petition of Mr
S. Mitchell.

Read Petition of Mr. Thomas Mitchell
and others relative to a drain
ON motion the same is
referred to the Committee of Streets to report upon.

Report of Com.
of Streets.

Read Report of
Committee of Streets rel to sidewalks accounts submitted
this day when the following Resolution is introduced,

ON reading the Report of
the Chairman of Streets it is
Resolved that the list with
the accounts be handed to _____ for collection

Moved by Alderman
Ackhurst to which
the following amendment is introduced

Resolved
that a correct list with the amounts attached
thereof of all citizens indebted to the sidewalk service
be handed to the City Treasurer for immediate
collection

Moved by Alderman S. Jobin seconded
by Alderman Gossif which on being put is
passed

Report of Com. of
City Property

Read Report of Committee of City
Property rel to Steam Locomotive

Aldermany Office
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The Committee of City Property
have to report that they have fully considered the
proposition of G. Candage Esq to terminate the lease of
No. 2 Steam Locomotive Engine house and recommend
that it be accepted by the Council.
H. Ackhurst
Chairman

ON motion said report is adopted

Report of Com. of
Public Accounts

Read Report
of Committee of Public Accounts when following
Resolution is introduced.

Resolved that the report of the
Committee of Public Accounts be received and adopted
and that the Mayor be authorized to draw cheques
and pay the various amounts.

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Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Bechofs which the following amendment is introduced

Resolved that the accounts presented by the Committee of Public Accounts be paid and that the Mayor draw cheque for the same and that the account of Mr Parry be referred to the Committee of Revision.

Moved by Alderman McCulloch seconded by Alderman Starr which amendment on being put is lost - 4 voting for the same and 8 against it

The Resolution is next put and passed. The following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that the account of John L. Parry for furnishing a book to the Revision accordingly to Law be referred to His Honor the Recorder for his opinion.

Moved by Alderman Conway seconded by Alderman Ackhurst to which the following amendment is introduced

Revises that the City Assessor receive \$40 for his services in preparing two books according to Law for the Revision for 1864 and 65 and His Worship be authorized to draw a cheque to pay the same

Moved by Alderman Dunbar seconded by Alderman McCulloch which amendment on being put is lost and the Resolution being put is passed

Report of Com. of Sewers.

Read Report of Committee of Sewers as to printing Report on Sewerage

On motion said report is adopted

On motion Council rise