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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Alderman James Dobie, Mr. Lutlock, Esq. John Lewis, Richardson Dunbar, Seymons, Nash, Stechhurst, Gossip, Sennaman, Roche Denning and Starr.

Read over proceedings of 9th April

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

Petition of J. McIntosh.

Alderman Seymons hands in Petition of James McIntosh and others relative to banking places.

Petitions of John High

Alderman Nash hands in Petition of John High, and others relative to drains.

Comm. from A. B. Morrow.

His Worship the Mayor hands in communication from A. B. Morrow Esq. relative to the appointment of an additional Health Warden for Ward No. 5.

Letter from the Adm. Secretary

Also letter from the Admirals Secretary relative to extension of Greenwich Street.

Comm. from City Marshall

Also communication from the City Marshall relative to resignation of Police.

Letter from Hon. Provincial Secretary.

Motion James Maguire is appointed Policeman
His Worship the Mayor submits letter from Hon. Provincial Secretary relative to, Position of sick Sailors on No. 1st Island with the latest report from the Health Officer at the Quarantine Station.

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to frame a suitable communication of condolence to be presented by His Worship the Mayor to the widow of Dr. Slayter late Health Officer of this City as a sentiment of respect and sorrow from this Corporation, and same Committee will consider the best means to mark by their recognition of the chivalrous services made by the devoted medical gentlemen, Messrs Gossip and Garris in their volunteer services on board the ill fated ship England

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

Committee of Ald. Jas Dobin, Edmund Ackhurst, Sammon
Rocke, Jennings, and His Honor the Recorder

On motion the whole
subject of presenting said testimonials to the various parties
be left with the Committee.

The following Resolution is
next introduced

Resolved that His Honorship
the Mayor be requested to take measures for obtaining an
official Bulletin from the Health Officer twice a day
the same to be published in the morning and evening papers
and that the proprietors of our City Papers be requested to publish
no statements in connection with the prevalence of disease unless
obtained from official sources.

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

Read application from H. A.
Jennings and Thomas Garrett for situation of Clerk of
Stret.

The following Resolution is introduced.

Resolved that
the salary of Clerk of Stret, who shall also be Clerk of the
General Health Committee be \$600 per year, and that his
whole time for above services, and such other writing as
may be required from 10 o'clock A.M. until 4 o'clock P.M.
every day except Sunday or any other day for the
year, and then attend until all the other days said.

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

The following Resolution is
next introduced

Resolved that the Recorder be
requested to take such measures as will ensure the
ready collection of all rates due for sidewalks.

Moved by Alderman S.
Dobin seconded by Mr. Bullock which on being put
is passed.

Read letter from City Treasurer
when the
following Resolution is introduced.

Letter from City
Treasurer

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Resolved that His Worship the Mayor be requested to swear in a special constable to be nominated by the Treasurer to collect the Taxes, who shall be paid by the fees of Warrants collected.

Moved by Alderman Dymbar seconded by Alderman Mr. Sullock which on being put is passed

Petition of John Pugh

Read Petition of John Pugh and others for drainage in Casport Street
On motion the same is referred to the Committee of Streets to report upon.

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Resolved that section 355 Chapter 81 of the Act giving power to the City Assessor to examine the Registry of Mortgages in the City of Halifax, and the 6th Clause in the Statute of Real and Personal Property furnished by the Assessor be repealed, and that the Recorder be instructed to frame a Bill to be transmitted to the Legislature, to exempt all mortgages from taxation (by the Committee of Laws and Privileges) without again being referred to this Council.

Moved by Alderman Mr. Sullock seconded by Alderman Dymbar which on being put is passed.

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Whereas it is generally believed that the two Steam Dues Engines might be managed for a much less sum than is now being paid. Therefore Resolved that the Board of Dues Roads be directed to take the necessary steps for a more economical management of said engines and report to this Council.

Moved by Alderman Achhurst seconded by Alderman Mr. Sullock which on being put is passed.

The following Resolution is introduced.

Whereas the property now owned by Mrs. Rugg near the Hospital Gate is in such a state as will necessitate the owner to put it in repair, and whereas she has notified the Chairman of Streets of her intention to do so at an early day and whereas it is the opinion of this Council a portion of such property ought to be

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Purchased by the City for the purpose of widening the street in that spot, therefore, Resolved that appraisers be appointed to value the same at an early day and report to this Council.

Moved by Alderman Nash seconded by Alderman Jennings which on being put is passed. Appraisers Mess James Davis, Patrick Maloney and J. E. Poore

Petition of James McArthur.

Read petition of James McArthur and others relating to Parking House

On motion the same is referred to the Committee of City Property to report upon.

Petition of John Allen

Read petition of John Allen relating to alterations for his building.

On motion the same is referred to the Committee of Laws and Privileges to report upon.

The following Resolution is next introduced

Resolved that the Sanitary Committee be requested to enquire into and report to this Council a scheme whereby a proper sewerage be made for the purpose of being prepared for any pestiferous disease that may come on our shores

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

The following Resolution is next introduced

Resolved that during the current year all vacancies in the office of Health Officer, or other vacancies in offices connected with the administration of Sanitary Affairs be filled up by the Sanitary Committee

Moved by Alderman Stephen John seconded by Alderman Nash which on being put is passed.

On motion Council rises

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Henry A. Jennings is this day sworn into office as Clerk
of the Court in presence of His Worship the Mayor

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At a Special meeting of the City Council held this day, Present The Mayor, Alderman James Robin, McFulloch, Stephen Robin, Richardson, Dunbar, Symons, Kash, Stekhurst, Gossif, Dennyman, Conway, Jennings Starr and Millie,

Alderman Symons was appointed Chairman,

The City Council were summoned to take up the set relation to the appointment of a Harbour Master and the transaction of other business,

Read our Proceedings 20th April

Alderman Symons the Chairman submits bill relation to the appointment of a Harbour Master

Report of Com. of Firewards

Also report of Committee of Surveyors relation to the keeping of Steam Ship Engine.

Read over bill relation to the appointment of a Harbour Master,

Read 1st Clause, when the following resolution was introduced

Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to confer with the Chamber of Commerce and obtain the views of them upon the subject of the appointment of a Harbour Master.

Moved by Alderman C. Robin seconded by Alderman Starr which amendment on being put is lost - voting for the same and 8 against it, and the names being called for they appeared thus

For the amendment
Ald. Starr
C. Robin
A. Robin

against it
Ald. Stekhurst, Richardson
Kash Gossif
McFulloch Dunbar
Conway Jennings &

Read 1st Clause Passed

On motion the principle of the Bill having been affirmed, the same is ordered to be fairly engrossed and handed to the Committee of Law and Privileges for presentation to the Legislature.

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Duis Wards

Read Report of Committee of

The Committee of the Board of Duis Wards appointed in accordance with the instructions of the City Council for the purpose of making inquiries concerning a more economical arrangement of the Steam Duis Engines of the City, have the honor to report for the information of His Worship the Mayor and the City Council that the subject referred to them by resolution of Council has received their earliest and best consideration and they beg leave to recommend that the engineer at present in charge of the Steam (No. 1) be also entrusted with the care of Nos. 2 and 3 and that he be paid £30 in addition to his present contract or £260 in all per annum; to commence on the 20th May ensuing the date of the termination of his present arrangement with the City he agreeing to provide the necessary fuel for the working of both engines and also to make good any damage sustained by the engines during actual service by this arrangement the sum of £300 will be saved to the City and the Committee are of opinion that at no very distant day a still further reduction of expense may be insisted on but in view of the great interest involved they would not feel justified in recommending the placing of these engines in the hands of parties unacquainted with their capabilities or of the deterioration of their efficiency during their first years of service.

Respectfully submitted
Edw. Bond Caldwell
Jas. R. Smith
James Suggan

Resolved that the Report received from the Committee of Board of Duis Wards relative to the management of the two Steam Duis Engines be received and adopted, and that His Honor the Recorder be requested to prepare the necessary forms of agreement with Mr. Smith the Manager of said Engines.

Moved by Alderman Schhurst seconded by Alderman M. Church which on being put is passed.

Read communication from Mr. Blanchard Esq. M.P. with draft of Bill relative to City Hospitals and Poor Asylum.

when the following Resolution is introduced

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That the City Hospital shall be transferred to and taken by the Commissioners, who shall pay the debt and interest due on the same.

That the property and real estate of the City shall be made liable to pay the debt to be issued by the City, for the proportion to which the City are made liable under the last section of this act.

That the Committee of Laws & Ordinances communicate with the Legislative Committee of Human Institutions and request the above clause be added to the bill.

Moved by Alderman A. Robin, seconded by Alderman Richardson which on being put is passed.

Report of Appraiser of Leonard Street

Read Report of appraiser of Leonard Street where the following Resolution is next introduced,

Resolved that that part of the appraiser's report, which refers to the widening of Leonard Street, cutting the land from the South side, be approved of and that the parties interested be notified to that effect agreeably to Law.

Moved by Alderman Conway seconded by Alderman Steph Robin

No motion being made adjourn

May 1st

John Goenaway is this day sworn into office as Special Constable for the collection of City Taxes in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

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At a special meeting of the City Council held this evening, His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen James Robin, Richardson, Dunbar, Seymour, Cash, Murphy, Senanoran, Roche, Callen, Conway, Seanning, Starr and Whillie

Read over proceedings of 27th April.

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

Alderman James Robin submit report of Special Committee on condoleces to Dr Slayers wife and others.

Com. from Com. of Water Supply

His Worship the Mayor hands in communication from Commissioners of Water Supply relative to further loan for Water service.

Also letter from G. A. Seanning submitting names of securities.

Com. from the Com. Secretary

Also communication from the Admirals Secretary re to the opening up of Lockman Street.

Also letter from R. J. Rome and J. Mahony Esq relative to their accounts for the appraisement of Lockman Street.

Also award of appraisement of Mrs Ruggs property Upper Water Street.

Also suggestions from the Medical Society to the Sanitary Committee relative to the prevention of Cholera.

Also draft of a Bill concerning buildings in the City of Halifax.

Read Report and Resolutions of Committee of condolence, and Resolutions are adopted. On motion said Report and Resolutions are adopted.

The following Resolutions is next introduced

After adopting the report of the Committee of condolence and awards of merit to the parties therein named, it was resolved that the Committee have

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leave to make such award, as they may seem most suitable to all concerned, and that all reasonable amount be paid by this Council.

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

Letter from Water Commissioners

Read letter from Water Commissioners of 30th May 1866, and 25th March, when the following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that His Honor the Recorder be requested to prepare an Act enabling the Water Commissioners to borrow a sum of money sufficient to give high service, not exceeding \$20,000

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

Read letter from Sgt Lemming submitting names of sureties when following Resolution is introduced.

On reading the letter of the Lemming Clerk of Courts it is Resolved that the name of Joseph Hayes and such other party as the Mayor may be satisfied with be received and that \$1000 be the sum required.

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

Read letter from Admirals Secretary of 10th April and 2nd May

Read draft of a Bill concerning buildings in the City of Halifax

Read first clause which on being put is passed as amended & voting for it and against it.

Read 2nd clause passed

Read 3rd clause passed

Read 4th clause passed

Read Act relative to Water Supply. On motion said Act was passed unanimously.

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The following Resolution is introduced,

Resolved that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to liquidate various debts due the City Free Library not exceeding five hundred dollars

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

Property. Read appraisers return of Mrs Ruggs

On reading Report of the appraisers appointed to appraise the Property of Mrs Ruggs Resolved that notice be given to Mrs Ruggs as ordered by the 26th Section of the Charter that the said Report will be confirmed after ten days from this unless she show good reason to this Council, why the report should be not be confirmed

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

Read suggestion from the City Medical Society addressed to the Sanitary Committee

On motion the same is ordered to be published in the papers advertising for the City - 15 insertions

Read communication from R. J. Roome and Patrick Mahony relatives to fees for appraising Lockman Street.

When the following Resolution is introduced

On hearing the letter received from R. J. Roome and others as appraisers of various Properties, it was Resolved that His Worship the Mayor be requested to draw a cheque, and hand to all the appraisers whose accounts have been submitted to the Council for such duty either in one place or another.

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

The following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that His Worship the Mayor be requested to take the necessary steps to borrow \$2000 to be repaid from the estimate of the present year for streets to enable the Street Committee to settle accounts of Mess Boggess & Cross, Mess Meib & Co and also to proceed

Com. from R. J. Roome

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with works really necessary in street department.

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

The following Resolution is
next introduced

On hearing the report of
Arbitrators of Lockman Street road, it was resolved
that the amount of appraisement be provided for,
and the parties be notified of the intention of the
Council to proceed with the extension of Lockman
Street

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

Alderman James Dobin gives
notice of reconsideration
entire last meeting

Read Resolution as

On motion the further discussion
is deferred until next meeting of Council.

On motion Council Rise

May 4th

William Nibet is this day sworn into office as first
ward for Ward No 6 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 Alderman S. Robin, Mr. Fallock, Richardson, Dunbar, Cash, Stokhurst, Lossip, Demoman, Roche, Conway and Jennings.

Read over proceedings of 3rd May.

The City Council were summoned to take up the business standing over from previous meetings and the transactions of other business.

Ac. for City Prison.

Alderman Roche hands in ac. for City Prison for April with report of Committee.

Petition from S. Hynde.

Alderman Lossip hands in a petition from Isaac Hynde Esq relative to his Taxes.

Com. from Mr. Binst.

His Worship the Mayor hands in communication from Mr. Binst relative to operations of City Rail Road Company being prejudicial to the interests of the Halifax Gas Company.

Com. from Mr. Cahill.

Also communication from Mr. Cahill Librarian of Garrison Library.

Letter from C. J. Belcher.

Also letter from C. J. Belcher Esq Secretary and Treasurer of Commercial Rifle Association.

Letter from A. McKinlay.

Also letter from A. K. McKinlay accepting the award of appraisers of Mrs. Ruags property.

Report of City Prison Com.

Also petition of Catherine Barry relative to her taxes.

Read Report of City Prison Committee for April. when the following Resolutions is introduced.

It has the accounts against the City Prison for the month of April have been examined and found correct by the Committee in charge of the Prison who have recommended their payment to this Council. Therefore, Resolved that His Worship the Mayor be requested to draw on the Treasurer for \$194.71 in payment for the amount of those accounts.

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

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Alderman J. Dobbin's notice of reconsideration is next taken, a call of Council is made at 5 minutes to four o'clock

Alderman Cash hands in a Resolution by way of notice, the following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that the City Assessor be directed to forthwith commence the valuation of the real and Personal Estate in the City of Halifax, liable to assessment for the current year,

Moved by Alderman Aickhurst seconded by Alderman Fenway which on being put is passed.

Report of Com. of Public Ac.

Read Report of Committee of Public Accounts of Dec 1865 (see file) when the following Resolution is introduced

On hearing the Report of the Committee of Accounts just read. Resolved that the same be published in the papers which are contractors for the City.

Moved by Alderman Cash seconded by Alderman Roche which on being put is passed by voting for the same and 1 against it.

The following Resolution is next introduced,

Resolved His Worship the Mayor be requested, to direct the City Assessor to open a cash acct with the Bank of Nova Scotia of Halifax. Money Committee to be repaid out of the estimate of the present year not to exceed \$1000

Moved by Alderman Dunbar seconded by Alderman Richardson which on being put is passed, and the names being called for stood thus.

For the Resolution
Ald Aickhurst
Cash
Gimings
Hosier
Richardson
Dunbar

against it
Ald Mr Fullock
J. Dobbin
Fenway
Roche