

November 1st 1873

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day - Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Aldermen J. Gullock, Innes, Richardson, Smith, Dodson, L. J. Power, De Churct, Joreyth, Joreyth, Blackadar, Barron, W. D. Power, Taylor, Thompson, Graham, Mallet, Sullivan, and Taux.

The Council were summoned to appoint Six Commissioners of Schools for the City of Halifax, a Commissioner of Poor Asylum and Hospital, Fire Wards for ensuing year, and the transactions of other business.

Read our proceedings of last Meeting which were confirmed,

Alderman Mallet Chairman submits report of Committee on Oil Lamps relative to lighting lamps.

Alderman Taylor, Chairman, submits report of Committee of Well at Sealy Villa, with papers.

Alderman Taylor Chairman submits report of Commissioners of City Works on various matters relative to duties of Clerk & Cte.

Alderman Innes submits petition of residents of Ward One relative to Lamp Post.

Alderman Smith, submits petition of Ann Bowers relative to her Taxes.

Order of the Day is suspended to read papers handed in this day.

Read Report of the Committee of Oil Lamps submitted this day, with letter from Caroline Gas Co.

Read Report of the Committee on Well at Sealy Villa.

Read Report of the Commissioners of City Works, with regulations.

Read Petition of residents of Ward No One, relative to Lamp Post.

Read Petition of Ann Bower relative to her Taxes.

On Motion the same referred to Committee on Taxes.

Appointment of On Motion Edw. Urquhart is appointed Ward Assessor in Ward No One in place of John McPhee - Ward One.

Council next proceed to Elect School Commissioners for the City of Halifax, when the following Gentlemen are appointed.

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for City of N.Y.

Ward No One Alderman	McCulloch,
" " 2	Smith
" " 3	DeForest
" " 4	Blackadar
" " 5	Graham
" " 6	Vaux

Council next proceed to elect a Commissioner of Poor Asylum and Hospital,

Alderman Blackadar proposed Alderman Barron for Commissioner,  
Alderman Vaux proposed Alderman Neal for Commissioner.

The votes were taken when Alderman Neal was elected Commissioner of Poor Asylum & Hospital.

Council next proceed to appoint Six Wards for the ensuing year, as follows

Five Wards  
for City of  
N.Y.

Ward No One	Ward No Two	Ward Three
Alderman Neal	Simon Cummings	William W. Donald
James Scindley	William Murray	James B. Smithers
George Thompson	W. D. Harrington	Martin Glenn
Ward No Four	Ward No Five	Ward No Six
Alfred H. Power	Chas. W. Donald	W. W. Donald
Mill Kearney	Thomas Power	Alderman Nisbet
Richd. Sulcliffe	John J. Scribn	Thomas Bentley

On Motion the Order of Day is suspended to read report Committee relative to Oil Lamps; The same is read, (See Copy)

Committee on Oil Lamps met at Committee Room Thursday Report Committee at 3 O'clock, there were present, Aldermen Neal, Smith, Thompson, and to Oil Lamps and Smith, it was resolved to report to the Council, that the Committee was of the opinion that the present mode of lighting the lamps does not meet with the approval of the Committee and the Citizens living in the vicinity of the said lamps, and would recommend the use of Gas Lamps which the Company offer to supply for the sum of One hundred and thirty five dollars and would ask the Council to place to the credit of the Committee the necessary funds to enable them to carry it into effect.

submitted.

All of which is respectfully

W. Nisbet  
for Committee

Memo. Cost

To Lamps	\$135.00
Oil for Lamps	121.00
Labor lighting	200.00
Contingencies	40.00
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$796.00</u>

Total for Six Months

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Then the following Resolution No One (10) is introduced -

Resolving  
report on  
Comm.

Resolved that the report of the Committee on Oil Lamps be received and adopted and the sum of Five hundred dollars be placed to the credit of the said Committee and the same to be placed in next years Estimate. Moved by Alderman Night, seconded by Alderman Thompson, which on being put is passed.

Alderman Thompsons resolution by way of Notice relative to revision of the Laws and Ordinances of the City is next taken up as follows -

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of the  
City of  
Halifax.

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to prepare and to report to the Council such amendments they consider expedient in the Statutes and Ordinances of the City of Halifax, with a view to such amendments being enacted at the next Session of the Legislature and with a view to the publication of a new and complete Code of the laws of the City.

And be it further resolved, that such Committee be instructed, to report such amendments in the Act relating to the City of Halifax as will be necessary, to effect a division of Ward Numbers Five into two Wards each having equal representation in the City Council and a fair and proportional share of the public Expenditure. Moved by Alderman Thompson, seconded by Alderman Graham, to which the following amendment is introduced.

Resolved in amendment to strike out all words after the words "Code of Law of the City" in the resolution moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Wier, which amendment on being put is passed. In voting for the same and down against it the names being called for appeared thus -

For the Amendment		Against it
Ald. Smith, Smyth,	Ald.	Graham
Atchurst, McCallach,		Chasteler
Night, S. G. Puer		Barron
Dodson, Wier		O'Sullivan
Taylor, Fraser		A. Puer
		Richardson
		Thompson. (7)
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The original resolution is then passed as amended.

The following

resolution is next introduced -

Send to  
revision of  
the Laws.

Resolved that the Committee on Laws and Privileges together with His Honor the Recorder be appointed to carry out the resolution just adopted, respecting a revision of the City Charter. Moved by Alderman Atchurst, seconded by Alderman Atchurst, which on being put is passed.

Council next Consider the Report of Board of Works. Read Report. Here Copy



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To His Worship the Mayor and the City Council.

The Board of Commissioners of City Works

Report of Board begt to report.  
of Works on  
Various matters

1<sup>st</sup> At present there is no person, whom the Board can  
official direct to superintend the Engine House and Slip that are  
now building by contract -

2<sup>nd</sup> The Board submits the accompanying regulation, that  
have been agreed upon, for the duties of the Clerk.

The Board also decide  
that any additions or alterations that may be found necessary to adopt  
will also be submitted to Council -

3<sup>rd</sup>  
Considering the large Amount and responsible duties  
entailed on the Clerk, the board conclude, that the interest of the City  
will be best promoted by the appointment of an assistant Clerk  
His duty will be to assist in the office of the Board according to directions  
from the Board.

They therefore recommend for adoption the following  
resolution.

That advertisements be inserted in the papers, advertising  
for the City asking for applications for the office of Assistant Clerk  
to the Board of Commissioners of City Works.

4<sup>th</sup> In view of the urgent requirements of the Internal Health  
Service, the Board decide it is requisite to have an officer  
appointed whose duty it will be to inspect localities that  
he may believe require cleansing or that he may be directed  
by that Board to inspect or otherwise, and who shall be  
clothed with the same authority in such duties as has  
been exercised by the Health Inspector heretofore.

They therefore recommend for adoption the following.  
Resolved that  
advertisements be inserted in the papers advertising for the  
City, asking for applications for the office of Health Inspector  
to act under direction of the Board Commissioners of  
City Works.

All which is respectfully submitted 1<sup>st</sup>  
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Wm Taylor  
Chairman

Read Regulations defining the duties of the Clerk.

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Regulations for  
the Office of  
Clerk to Board  
of Works, with  
duties of Clerk

Regulations for the Clerk of the "Board of Commissioners of City Works," adopted by the Board 31<sup>st</sup> October 1872-

- 1<sup>st</sup> The ordinary hours of attendance at the office of the Board shall be from 10 AM. to 4 P.M. on Week days,
- 2<sup>nd</sup> The Clerk shall have charge of the books and papers in the office of the Board, and shall keep the same properly and to the satisfaction of the Board,
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Unless other arrangements may be made the Clerk shall receive the account for, and pay over to the Treasurer as heretofore all money collected for Water rates and Sales in Connection with the Water Service.
- 4<sup>th</sup> He shall answer all correspondence as directed by the Board, and unless directed he shall acknowledge the receipt of any correspondence, if deemed requisite.
- 5<sup>th</sup> He shall make up the accounts of the different Services and shall attend to the payment of wages and any other accounts the Board may direct.
- 6<sup>th</sup> He shall keep copies of all official communications from the Board, and duplicates of any accounts or statements furnished the City Council from the Office of the Board, and shall transact all Custom House work.
- 7<sup>th</sup> He shall prepare all reports that may be agreed on by the Board to be presented to the City Council.
- 8<sup>th</sup> He shall duly check the pay lists of the various services and certify as to their correctness; and sign in conjunction with the Chairman, all orders on the Treasurer.

Natipac 31<sup>st</sup> October 1872

Agreed to this date  
Wm. Taylor  
Chairman of the Board

When on Motion the same are approved by the Council. The following Resolution No 3 is next introduced.

Resol to duties of Clerk of Works.

Resolved that on hearing the regulations defining the duties of the Clerk of the Board of Works, read it is agreed that the salary of this officer shall be fixed at the sum of Twelve hundred dollars per annum. Moved by Alderman McCallach, seconded by Alderman Graham, to which the following amendment is introduced.

Resolved that the further consideration of the Salary of the Clerk of Board of Works be deferred until such time as the Board of Works shall

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Members have reported to this Council a scheme showing the whole number of permanent officers required by the Board and that meanwhile Mr Bell shall be paid at the same rate as heretofore. Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Traser, which amendment on being put is lost, 4 voting for the same and 10 against it and the names being called for appeared thus,

For the Amendment,	Against it
Alderman Traser	Alld Smith
Dodson	Joroyth
L.G. Power	McClure
Wauve	McCluck
	Graham
	Blackadar
	Thompson
	Taylor
	M.P. Power
	Sullivan

The following second amendment is next introduced.

Resolved that the salary of the Chief Clerk of the Board of Works be fourteen hundred dollars.

Moved by Alderman Joroyth, seconded by Alderman Dodson, which amendment on being put is lost. Voting for the same and against it the names being called for appeared thus,

For the Resolution,	Against it
Alld McClure	Alld Smith
" Joroyth	" McCluck
" Dodson	" Graham
" Traser	" Taylor
" Wauve	" M.P. Power
" Blackadar	" Sullivan
	" Thompson

Alderman L.G. Power being accused from voting - on being put is passed. Voting for the same and against it the names being called for appeared thus. The Mayor giving his casting vote in favor of the resolution.

Alderman Joroyth gives notice of reconsideration.

The following Resolution is next introduced.

Resolved that the Board of Commissioners of City Works be authorized to employ assistants to employ on such times as they may be able in helping with the best interest of the City.

any necessary aid in conducting the Street Service, City Property and the Internal Health and Water Service until such permanent arrangements are settled on by this Council to manage these Services. Moved by Alderman Taylor seconded by Alderman McCluck, which on being put is passed. None voting for the same and five against it.

On Motion Council Adjourns



# Evening Session

Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> 1873

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day, Present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen McCulloch, West, Fraser, Richardson, Smith, Dobson, L.G. Power, Aitchison, Forsyth, Blackadar, M.P. Power, Taylor, Thompson, Graham, Necht, Sullivan and Vancouver.

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

Alderman Aitchison Chairman submits report of Committee of Public Accounts with Acs for printing.

Read our proceedings of last meetings, which were confirmed.

Alderman Aitchison Chairman submits report of Committee of Commerce on Petition of Mrs. Catherine Shea, for relief.

Alderman Taylor Chairman of Board of Commissioners of City Works submits Report of that Committee with plan of proposed dead house.

Alderman Thompson Chairman submits report of Committee of City Prison, with accounts for October 1872.

Also Petition of B.W. Corusky relative to his Taxes.

His Worship the Mayor submits letter from John A. Bell Genl. to Board of Commissioners of City Works.

Alderman Fraser submits Petition of Dennis Nechan relative to his taxes.

The Mayor submits letter from James A. Siddell Secretary of Commissioners of Poor Asylum and Hospital, relative to balance due by the City of Halifax on the building fund.

Also a letter from George Burt Manager of Halifax Gas Works relative to the placing of Mns. to Lamp Posts.

Also Report of the Internal Health Committee for the past year.

Also Report of Police Committee on the appointment of two policemen to the force.

Order of Day on Motion is suspended to read the papers handed in.

Read Report of Committee of City Prison with accounts for month of October.

When the following Resolution No One is introduced.

Res. autho Mayor

Resolved that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to draw cheques for the amounts recommended by the Report of the Committee of City Prison presented this day and that said account be paid. Moved by Alderman Thompson, seconded by Alderman S. G. Power which resolution on being put is passed.

Resolved that His Worship the

The following Resolution No 2 is next introduced. Resolved that the recommendations of the City Prison Committee in reference to the Small Po. Hospital be adopted and that the Sanitary Committee and Committee of City Prison be authorized to carry out such recommendation. Moved by Alderman Thompson, seconded by Alderman A. Hurst, which resolution on being put is passed. Unanimously

Read Report of the Committee

of Public Accounts as submitted this day - (See copy in file)

when the following resolution

is introduced.

Res. autho payment of City Prison

Resolved that the Report from Committee of Public Accounts together with the Accounts amounting to the sum of \$525.00 be received and adopted and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to draw on the City Treasurer and pay the accounts. Moved by Alderman A. Hurst, seconded by Alderman Power, which resolution on being put is passed - to and therefore stays over to next meeting.

Read Report of Committee

of Common, with Petition of Catherine Shea.

Read Report of the Commissioners of Board of City Works as submitted this day.

Read Petition of B. H. Pondby relative to his Taxes.

the same is referred to Committee on Taxes.

On Motion

Read Petition of Dennis Sheehan relative to his Taxes.

On Motion the same is

referred to Committee on Taxes.

Read Letter from John A. Bell Clerk to Board of Commissioners of City Works, relative to his Salary.

Read Letter from James W. Sedell Secretary of Commissioners of Poor Asylum and Hospital relative to sum due by City for building fund.

when the following Resolution No 4 is introduced:

Read to Letter of City Poor Commissioners

Resolved that the Letter from the Secretary of Poor Commissioners and the accounts be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts to examine into and report. Moved by Alderman A. Hurst, seconded by Alderman S. G. Power, which resolution on being put is passed.

Resolved that

Read Letter from George Busst Manager of Halifax Gas Company, relative to the placing of Meters to Gas Lamps.



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On Motion the same lies on the table for the present.

Re-adopting  
report Police Com-  
mittee.

on Police as submitted this day when the following resolution was introduced.  
Resolved that the report of Police Committee recommending the appointment of Messrs Hartnett and Clwitt to the Police force, be adopted and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to swear them into office. Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Acthurst, which resolution on being put is passed.

Read Annual Report of the Internal Health Committee.

On Motion the same is directed to be published with the other Annual Reports.

Alderman Strong's Notice of reconsideration given at last Meeting on the question of the Salary to Clerks of Works is now taken up, and the Notice of reconsideration on being put is passed 9 voting for the same and 7 against it.

Resolved that the further Consideration of the Salary of the Clerks of Works be deferred until such time as the Board of Works shall have reported to the Council a scheme shewing the whole number of permanent officers required by the Board. Moved by Alderman L.G. Power, seconded by Alderman Power, which amendment on being put is lost.

The following Second Amendment is next introduced.  
Resolved that John O'Connell Clerk of Works shall in consideration of his past services and during his incumbency of office shall receive Sixteen hundred dollars per annum. One third to be paid from the City funds, and two thirds from the Water Works department. Moved by Alderman Dodson, seconded by Alderman O'Connell, which amendment on being put is lost.

The following amendment to postpone the consideration of this subject was introduced.  
Resolved that the question now before the Council be postponed. Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman L.G. Power, which on being put is passed Eight voting for the same and Eight against it - His Worship the Mayor giving his vote for the postponement of the consideration of this subject.

Read Report of the Board of Commissioners of City Works as submitted last Meeting.

To His Worship the Mayor and the City Council.

The Board of Commissioners of City Works beg to report.

That the Superintendent and Clerk of Streets, the Health Inspector, & Deputy Health Inspector, the Superintendent and Clerk of the Water Service, are not now required to continue in the official capacity that these officers have heretofore been engaged, as the Committee and Commissioners that they were employed under have been removed by the Legislature.

Report of  
Board of Works  
relative to the  
discontinuance  
of some of the  
officers & plan  
of Dead Works etc

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The Board have resolved to ask the City Council to appoint an Officer to the Board who will be subject to the direction of the Board in the capacity of assistant to see the plans and instructions of the Board and engineer carried out and such further duties as may be deemed advisable by the Board. Such officer to be styled Foreman of Works.

The Board also beg to submit a plan and specification for a Dead House, and will await the instructions of the Council in regard to that necessary building -

All of which is respectfully  
Submitted  
William Taylor  
Chairman

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Read first resolution as follows

Resolves adv  
to be issued  
for Dist. Clerk  
to Comd of  
Works -

Resolved that advertisements be inserted as follows in the papers advertising for the City, asking for applications for the office of Assistant City Clerk to the Board of Works. Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Blackadar, which resolution on being put is passed 11 voting for the same and 6 against it and the names being called for appeared thus.

For the Resolution

Old. Aclhurst  
Ohal  
Taylor  
McElloch,  
Kistel  
Smith  
Wauw  
Traser  
M.P. Power  
Blackadar  
Dodson 11

Against it

Old. Graham  
Thompson  
L.P. Power  
Sullivan  
Forsyth  
Richardson 6

The following resolution is next introduced.

Resolved that the salary of the Assistant Clerk for the Board of Works be fixed at Five Hundred Dollars per annum. Moved by Alderman Blackadar, seconded by Alderman Wauw, to which the following amendment is introduced -

Resolved that the salary of the Assistant Clerk of the Board of Works be \$800.00 per annum. Moved by Alderman Ohal, seconded by Alderman Traser, which amendment on being put is passed 12 voting for the same and 5 against it, the names being called for appeared thus.

For the Amendment

Old. Aclhurst, Forsyth,  
Taylor, Ohal,  
Richardson, Traser,  
M.P. Power, Sullivan,  
L.P. Power, Thompson,  
Graham, Dodson, 12

Against it

Blackadar,  
McElloch,  
Kistel,  
Smith,  
Wauw. 5

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The following Second Resolution in report of is next taken up as follows - Resolved that applications be requested for the office of Health Inspector, to act under direction of the Board of Commissioners of City Works - Offered by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Blackadar, to which the following amendment is introduced -

Resol to Health Inspectors

Resolved that two Health Inspectors be appointed for the City of Calicut whose duties shall be defined by the City Board of Works - Offered by Alderman Pauc, seconded by Alderman Ecksyck, which amendment on being put is lost, and the original resolution on being put is passed.

The following resolution No 8 is next introduced -

Resolved that the salary of the Health Inspector for the City be fixed at six hundred dollars per annum. Moved by Alderman Blackadar, seconded by Alderman McCulloch, which resolution on being put is passed - Read Petition of

residents of Ward One for Gas Lamp on South Street when the following Resolution No 9 is next introduced -

Resolved that an additional Lamp be granted as requested by the petitioners of Ward One, Moved by Alderman Fraser, seconded by Alderman McCulloch, to which the following amendment is introduced.

Resolved that the matter of the Gas Lamp asked for by petitioners of Ward One be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts, to ascertain whether there are sufficient funds to the credit of the Gas Light Service to pay for the same. Moved by Alderman Blackadar, seconded by Alderman Thompson, which amendment on being put is lost and the resolution (original) on being put is passed.

A Motion that the Council adjourn on being put is lost, 5 voting for and 10 against it.

On Motion the order of the Day is suspended, to take up Alderman Aechurst's resolution by way of Notice relative to City Engineer as follows -

Resol to City Engineer

Resolved that the City Engineer elected at the last Meeting of this Council be required to commence his labors within as reasonable a time as possible and further that he be required to devote his whole time to the duties of his office, and further be it Resolved that the said Engineer shall not be permitted to enter into Partnership or be engaged in any other business during the time he holds the office of City Engineer and that the said Engineer be sworn into office by His Worship the Mayor. Moved by Alderman Aechurst, seconded by Alderman McCulloch, to which the following amendment is introduced - Resolved that in addition to the resolution just submitted that the Engineer now elected and any person hereafter elected to that office before entering upon his duties shall take and subscribe the Oath following Viz -

I D. B. do swear that I am a Civil Engineer of seven years standing and am qualified to take and hold the office of City Engineer and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the said office while I continue to hold the office - Offered by Alderman Thompson, seconded by Alderman Blackadar, which amendment on being put is lost 6 voting for the same and 9 against it and the names being called for



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they appeared thus.

For the Amendment  
Ald. L. G. Puer  
Thompson  
Cablestar  
Sullivan  
A. S. Puer  
Richardson 6

Against it  
Ald. Graham, Taylor,  
McCulloch, Dodson,  
Adhurst, Forsyth  
Wicket, Innes  
Pence, J.

Alderman Thompson gives his notice of reconsideration.

Motion to adjourn on being put is passed.

Afternoon Session

November 18<sup>th</sup> 1872

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day. Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Aldermen Mason, Richardson Smith, Dolson, L. C. Burr, McKusick, Forsyth, Barron, M. D. Power, Taylor, Thompson, Graham, West and Sullivan Power -

The Council, were summoned to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business -

Read over proceedings of last Meeting which were confirmed -

Alderman Forsyth, submits a Letter from James P. Smithers, resigning the office of Citywarden for Ward No Three -

Alderman Smith submits a Petition of P. H. Bennett & Co relative to certain assessment on their property -

Alderman Taylor submits report of Commissioners of City Works with Schedules and Specifications, in reference to certain alterations to office of City Treasurer -

His Worship, the Mayor submits Petition of James Willis relative to his assessment -

Also Report from Town Major concerning report of a Military Sanitary Committee in reference to a Sewer at Queens Wharf.

Also a Letter from Eliza O'Donnell Wilton in reference to a Sewer at Queens Wharf

Also a Report of His Honor, the Recorder in reference to Suits of the City in the Supreme Court -

On Motion the order of the day is suspended to read the various papers submitted this day -

Read Letter from James P. Smithers, resigning the office of City Warden in Ward No Three -

On Motion <sup>Mr</sup> Mr Smithers resignation is accepted, and Mr George A Sandford is named as the Ward for Ward Three in his place

Read Petition of P. H. Bennett & Co relative to their assessment -

On Motion, the same is referred to the Committee on Taxes -

Read Report of the Commissioners of Board of City Works relative to alterations to office of City Treasurer -

Read the Schedules and Specifications - When the following Resolution in the Report is passed -

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Resolved that the tender of Mr Houseman to alter and fix up the office of the City Treasurer as per Specification and tender submitted of Mr. Whisman be accepted and that the Board of Commissioners of City Works be authorized to make such alterations etc in conjunction with the Treasurer's Office. Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman B. G. Power,

Alderman Neal has leave to submit a Petition of Edward H. Post relative to his Taxes,

Read Petition of James White relative to his Taxes, On Motion the same is referred to the Committee on Taxes -

Read Report of the Sanitary Committee covering report of a Military Sanitary Committee relative to Sewer at the Queens Wharf -

Read Petition of Mrs Donnell relative to her Taxes, On Motion the same is referred to Committee on Taxes -

On Read Letter from His Honor the Recorder relative to Suits in the Supreme Court.

Read Petition of Edward H. Post relative to his Taxes - On Motion the same is referred to the Committee on Taxes -

Council next proceed to the order of the day -

Notice of reconsideration on resolution relative to City Engineer is read taken up and the reconsideration on being put is lost, Seven voting for the same and 9 against it -

A Motion to adjourn on being put is lost 8 voting for the same and 9 against it -

Read Petition of William Oldman relative to Suit against him in the Supreme Court for violation of the Building Act -

Read Resolution No three of last meeting - on the reading of Report of Committee of Public Accounts

Read Report of Committee of Public Accounts, as entered on the Minutes

When the following resolution in amendment is introduced,

Resolved that the report of the Committee of Public Accounts be adopted and the amount recommended be paid - with the exception of Henry and Dalys be referred back to the Committee and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign Cheques for the amount to be paid, Moved by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Neal, which resolution on being put is passed.

Adopting that  
On Public Ac.  
with exception of  
Henry & Dalys  
of -

Read Report of the Board of Commissioners of City Works as submitted 27th November last (p. 10th Nov)



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Read first Clause relative to dismissal of certain officers, when the following resolution No 1 is introduced,

Resolved, that the first Clause of the Report of the Board of Works be adopted and that an intimation of its purport be conveyed to the officers therein referred to by the City Clerk. Moved by Alderman Thompson, seconded by Alderman L. O. Power, which on being put is passed.

Read Second Clause of report relative to appointment of Foreman to Board of Works when the following resolution No 2 is introduced.

Appointing  
Foreman of  
Works, salary \$2

Resolved, that that portion of the Report of the Board of Commissioners of City Works asking this Council to appoint a "Foreman of Works" be adopted and Resolved also, that advertisements be inserted in the papers advertising for the City for applications for that situation, and that the Salary of said officer be Twelve hundred dollars per annum. Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Kibbet, which on being put is passed,

Read third Clause of report relative to the erection of a dead house. When the following Resolution No 3 is introduced,

Site for  
Dead House

Resolved, that in the opinion of this Council it is most desirable that a site for the proposed Dead House shall be secured in the grounds connected with the Jail or the Court House. Moved by Alderman L. O. Power, seconded by Alderman Taylor, which resolution on being put is passed.

On Motion a copy of the above resolution is directed to be sent to Clerk of Peace with the Plan of said building to be laid before the next Meeting of the Session.

Council next proceed to elect an assistant Clerk to Board of Works - and Health Inspector.

Applications for  
assistant Clerk to C.  
B. of W.

Read applications of Henry Ironman, Saml Corham, John C. Bays, Walter H. Symms, Montgomery, Death, D. B. R. L. Cain, P. Croft, Edson, & John D. Sheppard for office of assistant Clerk to Board of Works.

The names on list when Samuel Corham, was unanimously elected assistant Clerk to Board Commissioners of City Works.

Read applications of James Spite, John Sheen, and William Gibson for situation of (Superintendent) Health Inspector, to act under the Board of City Works.

App't Health Inspector

The votes cast when James Spite, having received a Majority of votes is declared elected, Health Inspector -

The Resolution and the Amendment, on being put relative to the Salary of Clerk to Board of Works is next taken up. The same are read.

When the following Resolution No 4 is introduced

Resolved that the Salary of the Chief Clerk to Board of Works be fixed at Twelve Hundred dollars per Annum, Moved by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman M. O. Power, to which the following Amendment



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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day -  
Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Alderman McCulloch, Neal,  
Fraser, Smith, Dodson, L. G. Power, Acthurst, Forsyth, Blackadar, Corran,  
A. P. Power, Taylor, Thompson, Graham, Skelton, Sullivan, and Davis -  
Read over proceedings of last Meeting which were confirmed -

Alderman Taylor, Chairman submits report of  
Commissioners of Board of City Works on the Superintendence of Engine House  
No. 2, Also an account from Mr Bently - relative to doctors Bill for attendance  
to his Child injured by a fall in Lockman Street Extension -

Alderman Fraser submits Petition of John Eronan, relative to an open  
drain or Sewer near his premises -

His Worship the Mayor submits Bonds of City officers - Viz City Treasurer,  
City Clerk, and Assistant -

His Worship the Mayor submitted Letter from J. W. Hill  
Secretary Halifax Industrial School - thanking the Council for Lots in  
Cemetery conveyed to that Institution -

His Worship the Mayor submits application of John P. Blair for office of Foreman of  
Works -

On Motion the order of the day is suspended to read the papers  
handed in this day -  
Read Report of Commissioners of Board of City Works -  
when the following resolution (No. 1) is introduced -  
Resolved that the report  
of the Board of Works in reference to compensation of McSillar for  
superintending the works of Engine House and Slip now performed by contract  
be received and adopted. Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman  
Acthurst, which being objected to lays over till next meeting -

The following resolution No 2  
is next introduced -  
Resolved that the report of Board of City Works  
in reference to the Bill of Mr Bently for attendance to his child  
be received and adopted and that the amount be paid from the  
Lockman Street Extension <sup>fund</sup> and that His Worship the Mayor be authorised  
to draw a warrant on the fund.

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded  
by Alderman Blackadar, which resolution on being put is passed -

Alderman Davis submits a petition of George Wooten  
relative to his Taxes -

Alderman Skelton lays on the Table by way of Notice a Draft of a  
Bill relative to Sale of certain City Property -



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Read Memorial of John Cronan relative to a nuisance from an open drain near his premises -

On Motion the same is referred back to Alderman Fraser who presented it to have the same amended,

Read Bonds of City Treasurer, City Clerk, and Assistant City Clerk, On Motion the securities are accepted and the Bonds approved.

Read Letter from J. C. Hill, Secretary of Calijac Industrial School, thanking the Council for Lots in Camp Hill Cemetery conveyed to that Institution.

Read Petition of George Wotton relative to his Taxes.

to Committee on Taxes.

On Motion the same is referred

Read Resolution of Alderman Ackhurst, relative to City Engineer as entered 12<sup>th</sup> Nov, inst.

amendment is introduced.

to which the following

Resolved that the words following be added to the Resolution as introduced by Alderman Ackhurst,

"And that the oath be administered to the said Engineer and to any person hereafter to be chosen to the same office shall be as follows.

I, A. B. do swear that I am a civil Engineer of seven years standing and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of City Engineer to the best of my knowledge, skill, and ability during my continuance in office as such City Engineer, I help my God. Moved by Alderman L. G. Power, seconded by Alderman Blackadar, which amendment on being put is lost, 6 voting for the same and 10 against it, the names being called for appeared thus,

Oath of Engineer

For the Amendment

- Ald. Neal, L. G. Power
- " Blackadar, W. D. Power,
- " Sullivan, Thompson,

Against it

- Ald. Ackhurst, Nisbet,
- " Taylor, Smith
- " Graham, McCallister,
- " Fraser, Vance
- " Forsyth, Dodson,

The following Second Amendment is introduced.

Resolved that the words following be added to the resolution introduced by Alderman Ackhurst,

"And that the oath be administered to the said Engineer and to any person hereafter to be chosen to the same office shall be supplemented by the following declaration.

I, A. B. do declare that I am a civil Engineer of seven years standing and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of City Engineer to the best of my knowledge, skill, and ability, during my continuance in office as such City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman L. G. Power, seconded by Alderman Blackadar, which amendment on being put is lost

fighting for the same and 5 against it (Same as previous amendment)

The following Third is introduced,

Resolved, that the City Engineer be requested to furnish his original papers of Qualification to His Worship the Mayor, before he is sworn into office, Moved by Alderman M. J. Paver, seconded by Alderman Sullivan, which amendment on being put is lost, Seven voting for the same and Eight against it the names being called for appeared thus -

For the Amendment		Against it.	
Ald. Taylor, Neal,		Ald. McCulloch, Nesbit,	
" L. Paver, M. J. Paver,		" Smith, Forsyth	
" Blackader, Sullivan		" Graham, Fraser,	
" Thompson, P		" S. Dodson, Vaux,	

Alderman M. J. Paver gives notice of reconsideration -

The resolution originally on being put is passed, 10 voting for the same and 5 against it, the names being called for appeared thus -

For the Resolution		Against it	
Ald. McCulloch, Smith,		Ald. L. J. Paver,	
" Taylor, Forsyth,		" Thompson,	
" Nesbit, Graham,		" Blackader,	
" Neal, Dodson,		" M. J. Paver,	
" Fraser, Vaux, 10		" Sullivan 5	

Alderman M. J. Paver, gives notice of reconsideration.

Alderman Vaux gives notice of resolution relative to office of Clerk of License and submits the same -

On Motion of Alderman Dodson, seconded by Alderman Fraser, William Morris is re-elected Clerk of License for the next year - 11 Voting for the same and four against it and the names being called for appeared thus.

For Mr Morris,		Against him.	
Ald. McCulloch, Dodson,		Ald. Neal	
" Taylor, Fraser		" Nesbit	
" Graham, Blackader,		" Smith	
" Thompson, Forsyth		" Vaux 10	
" L. J. Paver, M. J. Paver,			
" Sullivan. 11			

Recd application of John P. Mer for the office of "Foreman of Works." under the control of the Board of Commissioners of City Works. On motion Mr John P. Mer is unanimously elected -

On Motion Council Adjourn

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— Evening Session —

December 6

At a Special Meeting of the City Council, held, this day -  
Present - His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Alderman McCulloch, Mel,  
Richardson, Smith, Dobson, L. G. Parr, A. Hurst, Forsyth, M. J. Parr, Taylor,  
Graham, Nisbet, Sullivan, & Vauz.

The Council, were summoned to  
proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business -

Read our proceedings of last Meeting, which were confirmed.

Alderman A. Hurst, late Chairman of Commissioners of City Prison, submits  
Annual report with Statistics of prisoners employed, &c. for past year.

Alderman A. Hurst, late Chairman of Committee of Public Accounts  
submits report of that Committee on various accounts -

Also report Committee of Public Accounts on various matters referred  
to them.

Alderman Forsyth, submits report of Committee on Tenders for Water, &c.

Also Petition of William Penney & Wife Keepers of Small Pox Hospital asking  
increase of pay -

Alderman Taylor, submits Petition of Charles S. Gibson, and others relative  
to a nuisance from Coffee Roasting Establishment Coronado Wharf -

Alderman Taylor presents Two Accounts one from James Crawford, and one  
from Arthur Anderson, relative to Services as Health Wardens in Ward  
Five -

His Worship the Mayor submits Petition of M. S. Clark relative to his  
Taxes.

Also Letter from A. Stephen & Son relative to appointment of Surveyor  
of Lumber.

Also Letter from His Honor the Recorder relative to Suit  
against Notman.

Also Letter from John Kelly relative to amount due by City for  
Insane paupers

Also Annual Report of City of Montreal.



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Also Memorandum from City Treasurer relative to Contingent Fund.

On Motion the order of the day is suspended to read the papers handed in this day -

Read Annual report of Committee of City Prison with Statistics;

On Motion the same is received and ordered to be published with the other annual Reports -

Read Report of Committee of Public Accounts on Es from Fire Department &c. when the following resolution No 1 is introduced -

Resolving  
Report Committee  
Public Acc.

Resolved that the Report from the Committee of Public Accounts just read be received and adopted and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to draw on the City Treasurer and pay the accounts (excepting Henry and Dalys) amounting to the sum of One hundred and Seventy five Dollars and Thirty cents. Moved by Alderman M. Cullach, seconded by Alderman Miskett, which resolution on being put is passed.

Read Report of Committee of Public Accounts on various matters referred to them - when the following resolution No 2 is introduced.

Resolved That the Report this day received from the Committee of Public Accounts, on the Memorial of President and Secretary of the Calipac Industrial School and also on accounts received from the Commissioners of Poor Asylum & Hospital shewing a Balance of Twenty five hundred and forty four dollars said to be due to the said Commissioners, be received and adopted, and further that the City Treasurer, be authorized to receive tenders in the usual way, for the loan of the above sum in accordance with the Act Chap 38 passed at the last Session of the Legislature;

The rate of Interest not to exceed 5%. Moved by Alderman De Hurst, seconded by Alderman - which being objected to lies over till next meeting.

Read Report of the Committee on Tenders relative to Water Loan, as submitted this day - On Motion the same is received and adopted -

Read Petition of William Denny & Wife asking an increase of pay -

On Motion the same is referred to the Sanitary Committee to report on -

Read Petition  
C. P. Nelson &  
Others.

Read Petition of Charles P. Nelson & Others relative to a Nuisance from Coffee Roasting Establishment at head of Cronans Wharf. also letter from Mr Daniel Cronan on same subject -

On Motion the same is referred to the Aldermen of Ward Five to report on -

Read Accounts from James Crawford and Arthur Anderson relative to services as Health Inspectors in Wood Tide -

On Motion the same is laid on the table for the present -

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Dec 6 Read Petition of W. S. Herbert relative to his Taxes, when the following resolution to there is introduced -

Resolved that the petition of W. S. Herbert be referred to the Committee on Rate and Taxes it being understood of W. S. Herbert that the proceedings taken by the City Treasurer shall not be stayed but that if the Committee shall report in favor of any reduction of Mr Herbert's Assessment the amount of such reduction shall be refunded to that Gentleman - Moved by Alderman L. S. Puer seconded by Alderman Neal, which resolution on being put is passed -

Alderman Taylor has special leave to submit report Commissioners of City Works -

Read Letter from A. Stephen and Son relative to the appointment of a Surveyor of Lumber -

On Motion the same is referred to a special Committee to report on -  
Committee Alderman Ricket, Bodson, and Sullivan -

Read Letter from His Honor the Recorder relative to Suit against William Holman for violation of Building Act -

Read Letter from John Kelly Dy Commissioners of Mines & Works relative to Claim due by City for Lumber Paupers -

Read Report of Board of Commissioners of City Works - Alderman McPherson

Notices of reconsideration given at last Meeting are withdrawn -

Read Resolution No One of last Meeting (as entered) relative to compensation to City Architect - which on being put is passed -

Read Ordinance relative to use of Water, On Motion the same is referred to the Board of Works,

Alderman Peaucie's resolution by way of Notice relative to the releasing of Prisoners from the Lockup by the Mayor and Aldermen is next taken up and after discussion and the opinion of His Honor the Recorder having been given thereon, it was withdrawn by consent -

The following resolution No 4 is next introduced -

E. H. Keating  
elected Inspector  
of Buildings

Resolved that the meeting (E. H.) be elected Inspector of Buildings for the City of Halifax for the current year, that this Election be such Inspector of Buildings shall date from the time of his Election as City Engineer and that His Powers and duties as such Inspector shall be those set forth in Section 638, and other Sections of the City Charter or other laws relating to the City of Halifax, as those of the City Architect or Inspector of Buildings - Moved by Alderman L. S. Puer, seconded by Alderman Taylor which on being put is passed

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Dec 6<sup>th</sup> The following Resolution No 6 is next introduced,

Resolved that the City Treasurer be authorized to place to the Credit of the Street Service the sum of one thousand dollars the same to be at the disposal of the Board of Works for that Service and that this amount be chargeable to the appropriation of the Street Service in next years Estimate -

Moved by Alderman Taylor, seconded by Ald. Nisbet, which on being put is passed -

On Motion  
— Council Adjourn —

December 23<sup>rd</sup>

At a Quarterly Meeting of the City Council held this day, Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Aldermen Fraser, Smith, L. J. Power, Cuthbert, M. J. Power, Taylor, Thompson, & Nisbet - There being no quorum to do business the Council stands ipso facto adjourned until tomorrow at same hour -



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December 27<sup>th</sup>

At an adjourned Meeting of the City Council held this day. Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Aldermen Fraser, Smith, L. G. Power, Wall, Aethurst, Forsyth, M. S. Power, Taylor, Thompson, Graham, Nisbet and Vaux -

Read over proceedings of 6<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> December inst, which were confirmed -

Alderman Aethurst, Chairman submits report of Committee of Public Accounts - on various accounts -

Alderman Forsyth, Chairman submits report of Sanitary Committee on Petition of William Jenny and Wife for increase of pay -

Alderman L. G. Power, Chairman of Police Committee submits report of Committee on increase of pay to Police -

Alderman Fraser chairman of Committee of Hacks and Trucks on petition of Truckman for alteration in Tariff -

Alderman Fraser in absence of Chairman submits report of Committee on Orders for Stationary - Printing etc -

Alderman Thompson Chairman of City Prison submits Report of Committee on accounts for November 1873 -

Alderman Nisbet submits report of Special Committee on petition of A. Stephen & Son -

Alderman Fraser submits Petition of David Hoskins and others, Cabmen asking Extension of certain privileges -

Alderman Taylor submits Petition of A. Logan on behalf of Mrs Sarah Smith relative to her case -

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Alderman Vaux submits Petition of Smith Bros, relative to their Tax-

Alderman Taylor submits Petition of Patrick Costen relative to a Nuisance in lane off Market House,

Alderman Thompson submits Petition of Hiram Blanchard relative to his Tax -

His Worship the Mayor submits an Ordinance to amend Ordinance relative to Streets -

Also an Ordinance relative to Dangerous Buildings -

Also Petition of Thomas Nails Police Man relative to certain injuries sustained.

Also Letter from Nyean Clarke in answer to resolution of City Council in reference to Erection of a dead house -

Also Letter from William Dawson relative to damage sustained by bursting of Water pipe -

Also Letter from Simon F. Hoop relative to his claim for property taken to widen Water Street -

On Motion the order of the Day is suspended to read the to read the papers submitted this day -

Read Report of Committee of City Prison with accounts for November when the following resolution No 1 is introduced.

Readopting  
Report of City Prison  
Committee -

Resolved that the report of the Committee of City Prison be received and adopted and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to draw a cheque for the amount of the accounts recommended by the Committee for payment (viz Three Hundred and fifty three Dollars and Seventy three Cents and that the said accounts be paid. Moved by Alderman Thompson, seconded by Alderman Aethurst, which on being put is passed.

Read Report of the Committee of Public Accounts as submitted this day, when the following resolution No 2 is introduced -

Resolved that the report this day received from the Committee of Public Accounts be adopted and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to draw on the City Treasurer and pay the said amounts amounting to the Sum of \$6,239.24. Moved by Alderman Aethurst, seconded by Alderman Graham, which on being put is passed -

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Read Report of Committee of Hacks and Trucks on Petition of Truismans Association,

Alderman Fraser submits a resolution by way of Notice relative to above,

Read Report of the Committee on Sunders relative to Sunders for printing, Stationary - Etc. - On Motion the same is received and adopted.

Read Report of Committee on Letter from A Stephen & Son asking for appointment of a Lumber Surveyor.

Read Petition of Daniel Hoskins & others Cabmen asking certain privileges. On Motion the same is referred to Committee of Hacks and Trucks.

Petition Sarah Smith, rel to Taxes to her Taxes. Read Petition of A Logan on behalf of Mrs Sarah Smith relative to her Taxes. On Motion the same is referred to Committee on Taxes

Read Petition of Patricks Costin relative to a Nuisance from Public Urinal Market Lane -

On Market the same is referred to the Board of Works to report on.

Read Petition of Hiram Blanchard relative to his Taxes. On Motion the same is referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Read Report of Sanitary Committee relative to Petition of William Perry and Wife for increase of pay. On Motion the same is adopted -

Read Petition of Thomas Maile asking to be paid certain Expenses incurred by injury received doing duty as Policeman. On Motion the same is referred to Committee on Taxes.

Read Petition of Smith Brothers relative to their Taxes. On Motion the same is referred to Committee on Taxes.

Read Letter of Clerk of Peace in answer to resolution of City Council relative to the Erection of a dead house on Jail grounds -

On Motion the same is referred to the Board of Works.



Dec 24<sup>th</sup> Read Letter from Simon F. Barge relative to his claim for property taken to widen Water Street.

On Motion the same is referred to Committee of Public Accounts to investigate & report on.

Read Letter from William Lawson relative to damages sustained by Water pipe bursting in his premises, On Motion the same is referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges to investigate and report on.

Read Ordinance relative to Streets. a first time

Alderman Nesbit lays on the Table An ordinance relative to Sidewalks and Gutters.

On Motion the above are referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges to report on.

Read an Ordinance relative to Dangerous Buildings in the City of Calyx a first time - On Motion the same is referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges to report on.

The following Resolution No. 3, is next introduced Resolved that a Committee of three Aldermen be appointed together with the City Clerk. To take orders for and Superintend the printing of the Annual Reports. Moved by Alderman Aeshurst, seconded by Alderman Pover, which on being put is passed.

Committee,  
Aldermen Aeshurst,  
" Thompson  
" & Mel, .

On Motion. Council Adjourn

