

## CITY HALL.

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# Minutes of City Council,

No. 12.      AUGUST 20th, 1890.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.—3.10 P. M.

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council, summoned for this day. Present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Ruhland, Mackintosh, Hamilton, Sanford, Pickering, Sweet, Power, Foster and Mosher.

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

At 3.15. There being no quorum to do business, the Council stands adjourned until further notice.

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AUGUST 28th, 1890.

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EVENING SESSION.—8.10 P. M.

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this evening, Present, His Worship the Mayor in the chair, Aldermen Ruhland, Mackintosh, Boak, Keefe, Hamilton, Pickering, Ruggles, Sweet, Power, Foster, Lyons, McFatridge, Outhit, Mosher and Adams.

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

Read minutes of meeting held on the 7th and 20th instant, which were confirmed.

Alderman Foster, Chairman of Committee on Tenders, submits report from that committee on loan for sewerage, and for purchase of hose for Fire Department.

Alderman Sweet, Chairman of Committee of Public Accounts submits report from that committee on several matters referred to them.

Alderman Ruhland submits petition from the Medical Board in reference to the placing Infectious Hospital on Poors' Asylum grounds.

Alderman Ruhland submits petition from J. E. Roy and other property owners and residents of Brussels and Atlantic Streets, asking water supply.

Also, a petition from from Joseph Saunders, and other residents Brussels and Atlantic Streets, asking a lamp be placed at corner that of said Streets.

Alderman Mackintosh submits petition from Charles J. Townsend and others, asking an Electric Light at Harvey Street.

Alderman Sweet submits a petition from James Sutherland, complaining of a nuisance from smoke of a bakery chimney on Grafton Street.

Alderman Pickering, Chairman, submits report from the Board of Firewards and Fire Commissioners on accounts passed by the Board.

Also, petition from Wallace Graham and other residents of South Park Street, asking a Sewer be constructed from Fenwick Street to Victoria Road.

Alderman Hamilton, Chairman of Board of City Works, submits a report from the Board on the widening of Quinpool Road.

Also, a report from the Board on construction of Sewer, Maitland Street,

Also, a report from the Board on construction of Sewer, Cornwallis Street.

Also, a report from the Board on the expropriation of land, Maynard Street.

Also, a report from the Board on Sewer construction, West Street.

Also, a report from the Board on Water extension, Almon Street.

Also, a report from the Board on Water Supply to Victoria General Hospital.

Also, a report from the Board on the erection of a Statue to Sebastian Cabot.

Alderman Boak, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee of Charities for accounts against Poor's Asylum for past month.

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from W. A. Curry, Secretary Medical Board, Victoria General Hospital in reference to the erection of the Hospital for Infectious Diseases.

Also, a report from the Acting City Treasurer of Expenditure and Income Accounts for the months of March, April, May, June and July, 1890.

Also a return from the City Collector of Rates and Taxes and Water Rates collected in the month of July 1890.

Also, a report from the City Clerk, of Boy's sentenced to St. Patrick's Home from the Police Court.

Also, the Annual Report from the City Clerk for the year ending 30th April, 1890.

Also, Annual Report from the Clerk of License for the year ending 30th April, 1890.

Also, a report from the City Engineer on the letter from Herbert Harris.

Also, a letter from Messrs. Rhodes, Curry & Co., in reference to balance due them on account of City Hall.

Also, a report from Thomas Spelman, Inspector of Buildings, reporting violation of Building Act.

Also, a letter from John Dillon, complaining of the conduct of Robt. Theakston, Collector, toward him.

Also, a letter from George E. Forsyth, covering a bond in reference to water supply.

Also, a letter from the Acting City Treasurer in reference to the Unexpended Balance Account.

Also, a letter from the Chief Assessor, asking the Council to provide a clerk in the office during the time of making the assessment.

Also, a letter from B. Russell, Solicitor of the estate late Thomas Mooney, claiming damage for injury to property by defective sewer.

Also a letter from J. G. McGregor, Secretary of the Committee of Citizens, in reference to erection of Building for School of Art and Design, covering a number of additional names to previous petition.

Also, a letter from Osborne Blois, in reference to purchase of Old Magazine property.

Alderman Foster submits a petition from Messrs. Michael O'Brien and James Brooks, executors of the estate of John Meagher, in reference to property sold under the Lien Law.

Also, a petition from Thomas Lamb asking water supply North George Street.

Also, a petition from David Thompson and other residents South-end of Agricola Street asking a lamp near the Common.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Mackintosh, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers handed in this day. Motion passed.

Read report from Committee on Tenders for loan for purchase of hose.

COMMITTEE ROOM CITY BUILDING,

August 28th, 1890.

Committee on Tenders met this p. m.; Aldermen present: Foster, Chairman Mackintosh, Pickering and Outhit, when the following tenders were opened for loan of \$2000 for purchase of hose for Fire Department, viz: John Ternan offered to loan the City of Halifax \$2000 at  $5\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. interest per annum.

W. L. Lowell & Co. offered to loan \$2000 at 5 per cent. interest per annum.

J. C. Mackintosh offered  $99.12\frac{1}{2}$  for \$2,000 City loan at 4 per cent. interest per annum.

On motion, the tender of J. C. Mackintosh is recommended for acceptance.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MINER T. FOSTER, *Chairman*.

When the following resolution No. One is introduced.

*Resolved*, That the tender of J. C. Mackintosh, offering to loan the City of Halifax \$2,000 for the purchase of hose for the Fire Department, and give  $99.12\frac{1}{2}$  for 4 per cent. certificates be accepted. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Outhit and passed.

Read report from Committee on Tenders for Loan of \$30,000 for sewerage purposes.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY BUILDING,

Thursday, August 28th, 1890.

Committee on Tenders met this P. M. Aldermen present: Foster, Chairman, Mackintosh, Pickering, Outhit. When the following tenders were opened for sewerage loan for \$30,000, viz:



Thom. Ritchie offered \$30,000 at 4 per cent. interest per annum, and give  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 1 per cent. premium, with any accrued interest (\$75).

Farquhar, Forrest & Co. offered \$5,000 at 4 per cent. per annum.

J. C. Mackintosh offered to give 99.12 $\frac{1}{2}$  for debentures bearing 4 per cent. per annum, to take the \$30,000 or any portion thereof.

W. L. Lowell & Co. offered to give 97 $\frac{3}{4}$  for 4 per cent. debentures, or 102 $\frac{1}{2}$  for 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. debentures—whole amount \$30,000.

J. H. Harvey offered 1 per cent. premium for 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. debentures (whole amount \$30,000).

On motion the tender of Thomas Ritchie is recommended for acceptance.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MINER T. FOSTER, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution No. 2 is introduced.

*Resolved,* That the tender of Thomas Ritchie, offering to loan the City of Halifax (\$30,000) Thirty Thousand Dollars for sewerage purposes, at 4 per cent. interest per annum, and give a premium of  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 1 per cent. or \$75 be accepted. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Lyons, and passed.

Read report from Committee of Public Accounts on several matters referred to said committee.

CITY HALL COMMITTEE ROOM,  
August 12th, 1890.

The Committee on Public Accounts met this day: Present the Chairman, Alderman Foster, Mosher, Boak, Pickering and Dennis.

The following accounts for Stationery were examined and recommended to be paid out of the appropriation for that service, viz:

T. C. Allen & Co.....	\$112 36
" .....	63 70
" .....	15 40
" .....	27 55

The letter from John Doull, Chairman of the Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park, in reference to certain sums that have been deducted from the years appropriation of the Park, (which he understood were granted additional to the yearly allowance) was read and considered and it was resolved to refer the letter to the Council, together with extracts of the Minutes of Council authorizing the

payment of the several amounts referred to, and that the Council decide whether it would be legal to charge the the amounts against the Unexpended Balance Account, from which Account the amount was first taken.

The following are extracts from the Minutes of Council above referred.

1st. Minute of Council of October 3rd, 1889.

Read letter from John Doull, Esq., Chairman of Commissioners Point Pleasant Park in reference to sum required to finish up year's work.

When the following resolution is introduced.

*Resolved*, That the sum of \$400 be advanced to the Directors of Point Pleasant Park for building the retaining wall, to be taken out of the Unexpended Balance of the year.

2nd. From report of Committee of Public Accounts considered at a meeting of Council, February 26th, 1890.

Your Committee would also recommend that the sum of \$300 asked for by the Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park for the purpose of filling up of the Quarry Pond be granted and that in future before any work is proceeded with which will require an amount over and above the estimate that the same be submitted to the City Council, with the cost of the work.

3rd. Resolution of Council of February 26th, 1890.

Read report from Committee of Public Accounts of 3rd and 12th December, 1890.

On motion of Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Mackintosh, the clause in reference to the letter from John Doull, asking an appropriation of \$300 to the Park, is adopted.

The Committee met on the 19th August, 1890, in the City Hall Committee Room. There were present the Chairman, Aldermen Dennis, Pickering, Foster and Mosher, when the matter of the office of City Treasurer was considered.

A letter from E. G. W. Greenwood, City Treasurer, tendering his resignation of the office of City Treasurer upon condition that the City grant him a retiring allowance, was read.

When the following resolution was passed:

*Resolved*, That this Committee recommend that in view of the long services of Mr. E. G. W. Greenwood as City Treasurer, his great age and present illness, his resignation be accepted on the conditions pro-

posed by him and that the present acting treasurer be appointed treasurer on condition that he enters into an obligation to pay Mr. Greenwood eight hundred dollars per annum during the remainder of his life, and that an amendment to the Act concerning the Treasurer be secured, if possible, allowing the salary of the Treasurer to be \$1800 till the death of Mr. Greenwood. We also recommend that the bonds of the Treasurer be from a guarantee company.

Respectfully submitted,

R. J. SWEET, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution No. 3 is introduced.

*Resolved*, That the first clause of the report of the Committee on Public Accounts be adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the amounts mentioned therein. The balance of the report to go upon the Order of the Day. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Mackintosh, and passed.

Read letter from members of the Hospital Staff and other members of the medical profession, in reference to the proposal to place an Hospital for Infectious Diseases on the Poor Asylum Grounds.

Read petition from Joseph Saunders and other residents of Brussels and Atlantic Streets, asking erection of lamp on said streets.

Moved by Alderman Ruhland, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Passed.

Read petition from J. E. Roy and other residents of Brussels and Atlantic Streets, asking water supply to said streets.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Ruhland, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Passed.

Read petition of Charles J. Townsend and others, asking an electric lamp on Harvey Street.

Moved by Alderman Mackintosh, seconded by Alderman Ruhland, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Passed.

Read petition from James Sutherland, complaining of a nuisance from smoke from a bakery on Grafton Street.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Power, that the same be referred to the Sanitary Committee to report on. Passed.

Read petition from David Thompson and others, for a lamp south end of Agricola Street.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the same be referred to the Board of Works to have the prayer of petitioners carried into effect. (Motion objected to).

Read petition from Thomas Lamb, asking an extension of water supply to North George Street.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Adams, that the petition be referred to the City Engineer to carry into effect the prayer of the petitioner, if he approves of the same.

Read letter from W. A. Curry, Secretary of Medical Board of the Victoria General Hospital in reference to the Hospital for Infectious Diseases.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Ruhland, that the same be placed with Alderman Pickering's resolution on that subject.

Read report from the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners covering sundry accounts against the Fire Department for 1889-90, &c.

HALIFAX, N. S., 27th August, 1890.

The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to report that at a meeting held 15th August, inst., the following accounts were submitted to them and passed for payment.

Halifax Illuminating and Motor Co., for lighting No. 7	
Engine House, July.....	\$ 8 17
John M. DeWolf, repairing Reels.....	15 55
Isaac Sallis, removing of Night Soil.....	6 00
C. Sweeney, Cab Hire.....	0 75
M. Griffin ".....	1 00
John McDonald ".....	3 00
Patrick Hogan ".....	1 50
Union Axe Co., Ladder Service.....	37 50
Robert Little, labour.....	4 50
Longard Bros, Repairs to Gas pipe.....	0 90
Frank Flemming, labour Fire Alarm.....	13 75
A. Lamphier, Rent, Ladder House.....	45 00
N. S. Telephone Co., Six Months rent of Telephone No. 7, Engine House.....	22 50

\$160 12

They also beg to report the following accounts in addition to those presented at last meeting as having been contracted previous to 1st May last, and request that provision may be made for their payment, viz:

A. Stephen & Son .....	\$ 1 00
Cronan's Wharf, Rent.....	25 00
Muir & Blackadar, repairing Flag.....	1 00
A. Stephen & Son, hire tables and chairs .....	7 40
Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co, 1 Cask, Bluestone.....	36 53
George Rent, Stoves, fittings, &c.....	77 95
	\$148 88

Your Committee would call the attention of the Council to the immediate necessity of horses being provided for No. Four Steamer, and recommend that this Council at once provide the horses necessary for the handling of said Steamer.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution is introduced.

*Resolved,* And His Worship the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign Warrants for the payment of the accounts as submitted in the report of the Board of Fire Wards. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster and passed.

The following resolution was then introduced:

*Resolved,* That His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of last year's accounts against Fire Department as submitted by the Board of Fire Wards, the same to be paid out of the Unexpended Balance Account on their being certified correct by the proper officials. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster.

The opinion of His Honor the Recorder was asked as to the legality of the above payment, and His Honor gives it as his opinion that the accounts can be paid out of Unexpended Balance if properly certified.

The resolution was then put and lost, Alderman Outhit dissenting.

Read petition from Wallace Graham and other residents of South Park Street, asking the construction of a sewer from Fenwick Street to Victoria Road.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Mackintosh, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works, to report on. Motion passed.

Read report from Committee on Charities covering sundry accounts for supplies for month of July, 1890.

HALIFAX, N. S.,

August 8th, 1890.

The Committee on Charities met this day. Present: The Chairman, Aldermen Power and Outhit.

The following accounts were examined, found correct and ordered to be paid:

David King & Co .....	\$ 3 00
Victoria General Hospital .....	105 49
Chipman Bros .....	11 20
John O'Connell .....	8 26
Dillon Bros.....	562 75
Smith Bros.....	37 47
Wm. Whiston.....	96 39
E. Fenton .....	10 80
H. Barnstead .....	8 65
Geo. Cregoire.....	36 22
John B. Naylor.....	20 37
Wm. Robertson .....	19 94
Wm. B. Reynolds & Co .....	20 79
William Ross.....	6 00
John Hogan & Sons .....	6 75
Baldwin & Co.....	37 80
Brookfield Bros.....	47 50
T. C. Allen & Co .....	12 75
J. W. Flemming.....	34 85
Wm. Roche.....	1062 60
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	\$2149 58

Annexed hereto find statement of the number of persons admitted, etc., Poors Asylum during the month of July.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. BOAK, *Chairman*.

HALIFAX, July 31st, 1890.

*To the Chairman and Members of the Charities Committee:*

GENTLEMEN,—There has been during the month of July:—26 admitted, 17 discharged and 1 died. Total number in the Institution on the 31st July—293.

J. W. FLEMMING.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the report be received and confirmed.



Read petition from Michael O'Brien and James Brooks, executors of the estate of late John Meagher, in reference to lands purchased under the Lien Law, and asking return of money paid out in connection therewith.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Ruggles, that the same be referred to His Honor the Recorder to report on. Motion passed.

Read report from Board of City Works in reference to widening Quinpool Road, with a report from the City Engineer thereon.

## OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

August 25th, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the matter of widening Quinpool Road, when the report and plan of the City Engineer, which accompany this report were adopted, and it was decided to forward them to the City Council with the recommendation that the necessary steps be taken to expropriate the land required to carry out the work.

Respectfully submitted.

J. T. HAMILTON, *Chairman*.

## WIDENING QUINPOOL ROAD.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

25th July, 1890.

On the 16th June last, your Board passed a resolution requiring me to report on the advisability of widening Quinpool Road. I have had a survey made and submit herewith a plan for widening the road to 70 feet, which I think highly desirable. Mr. Pickford has already given the necessary land from his property; the Rev. Mr. Cogswell, has intimated that Dr. Cogswell will also give whatever land is required for the purpose from him, and other owners if properly approached would no doubt do the same. By the plan it will be seen that there are a few buildings which will require to be moved, but they are of comparatively little value and cannot be avoided without ruining the general alignment of the road.

The following are the buildings requiring removal:—Mrs. C. Gumb, two old small one story dwellings of little value; Moses Stenhouse, verandah and steps; Mrs. C. Hosterman, one small dwelling; Archbishop O'Brien, two barns and one small house; N. Dauphney, one small house and shed; John Dixon, shop and small shed,

I submit herewith a schedule giving the name of the owners of property who will be effected by the proposed improvement.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. KEATING.

*To the Chairman of the Board of Works.*

List of Property Owners on Quinpool Road upon whose property encroachments are made :

North side—Hurley estate, Mrs. Cath. Gumb, John Roche, Wm. C. Moir, Mrs. James Flinn, Hon. Jas. Macdonald, Osborne Warner, Protestant Industrial School, owner unknown, Mrs. H. F. Worrall, Richard Magerrell, Martin Long, Hornsby estate (?) Moses Stenhouse, Mrs. C. Hosterman, P. & J. O'Mullin, John McCullough, Robert Theakston, E. J. Heisler, C. Stubbings, C. Hosterman, G. Hosterman, C. W. Anderson, W. E. E. Piers, W. O. Walker, Frank Walker, J. C. Dumaresq, W. H. Teas, C. W. Macdonald, Mrs. R. F. McColl, J. F. Kelly, G. B. Mailing, W. Rogers, Jas. McLearn, Jr., Jas. Wright, A. Doyle, Geo. Grey, Michael Kelley, Monastery of the Good Shepherd, Archbishop O'Brien, Dr. Chas. Cogswell. South side— ——— Murphy, Mrs. Jas. Flinn, Mrs. Dr. Jennings, Mrs. Jas. Flinn, Sir Chas. Tupper, Robt. Pickford, Dr. Chas. Cogswell, Dr. W. J. Almon, Mrs. Dr. Jennings, N. Dauphney, John Dixon, Wm. Grant, Jeff Terrio, Jno. Dixon, Mrs. G. Graham, W. H. Schwartz, Mrs. W. Cruikshanks, W. Walsh, owner unknown, No. 7 Engine House, (Perseverance,) Albert Downey.

When the following resolution is introduced :

*Resolved,* That the City Engineer communicate with the owners of property on Quinpool Road to know on what terms they will convey with the land required to widen said road to the City and report the probable cost of the proposed improvement. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, and passed.

Read report from the Board of City Works on the construction of Sewer, Maitland Street, with a report from the City Engineer on the subject.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS

BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

August 25th, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that having had under consideration the enclosed petition for Sewer on Maitland Street as well as a report from the City Engineer, and an opinion from His Honor the

Recorder thereon, copies of which are enclosed, it was decided to transmit the papers to the City Council for its action.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. HAMILTON, *Chairman.*

Proposed sewer in Maitland Street, from Prince William Street, northwardly, to House No. 118.

A sewer is required in this locality ; there is none there at present. The distance is about 260 feet. There is at present a 15-inch earthenware pipe, laid from Prince William Street southwardly to Cornwallis Street. This pipe is too shallow to admit of the new sewer draining into it, and will require to be lifted for about 400 feet, and a sewer at a proper depth substituted.

The total length to be built will therefore be about 660 feet. A sewer 18 inches by 12 inches, will answer all purposes, and the depth will have to be from 9 to 9½ feet.

The estimated cost is \$1,800 and the sewerage rates will amount to about \$1,600, if the properties where the existing 15-inch pipe has to be lifted are fairly chargeable.

Respectfully, submitted,

6th August, 1890.

E. H. KEATING.

HALIFAX, N. S., August 20th, 1890.

IN RE MAITLAND STREET SEWER.

The owners of property on each side of a street through which a sewer is built is liable, under the law, to pay one dollar and twenty-five cents per foot toward the cost of construction, unless they have previously paid their proportions of the cost of building a common sewer in the same street.

In that case the owner would not be bound to pay again. But the law requires the owner who claims he has been previously taxed and paid, to satisfy the Board of Works in writing they have so paid those proportions.

WM. F. MACCOY,

W. B. McNUTT, *Clerk of Works.*

*Recorder.*

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that the report be adopted and placed on Order Book of the Board, the sewer to be built in its turn.

Read Report from the Board of City Works on the construction of Sewer Cornwallis Street, with report of the City Engineer, on the subject.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

August 11th, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the petition for a sewer on Cornwallis Street, and Minutes of Council thereupon, together with a report from the City Engineer upon the matter, a copy of which is enclosed, when it was decided to transmit the papers to the City Council for its action.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. HAMILTON, *Chairman.*

Proposed new Sewer on Cornwallis Street, from Water Street to Park Street, and in Gottingen Street from Cunard to Cornwallis Street.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

8th August, 1890.

The accompanying petition for the Cornwallis Street Sewer, and copy of Minute of Council thereon, having reference also to the Gottingen Street Sewer, having been referred to me, I beg to report as follows:

A new Sewer in Cornwallis Street, appears to be urgently need. From Water to Gottingen Street it should be 36 inches high by 24 inches in width. From Gottingen to Maynard 30 by 20 inches and from Maynard to Park Street 21 by 14. Total length about 2060 feet, and estimated cost \$8,500. The Sewerage rates will amount to about \$4,000.

It is not practicable to construct a Sewer along Gottingen Street from Falkland Street to connect with new Sewer on Cornwallis Street without incurring very heavy expense, which is quite unnecessary. The proper discharge for such a Sewer is down Brunswick Lane or Maitland Terrace.

Along Gottingen Street from Cunard to Cornwallis Street, there is an old shallow stone Sewer which is of no service to the houses on the lower side of the street. A new Sewer could be constructed for about \$2,250 and the sewerage rates would amount to about \$1,100.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. KEATING.

When the following resolution is introduced :

*Resolved*, That the Engineer's report be report be received and adopted and the Board of Works authorized to have the Sewer constructed on Cornwallis Street, and a connecting Sewer from Cunard to Cornwallis on Gottingen Street, as indicated in the report. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster and passed.

Read report from the Board of City Works on the expropriation of land West and Maynard Streets.

Read report from the Board of City Works on the letter from Michael O'Brien, complaining of overflow of sewer on his property, West Street, with letter from the City Engineer on the subject.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

August 18th, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the accompanying letter from Michael O'Brien, complaining of overflow of sewer on his property, West Street, and also a letter from the City Engineer on the same subject, when it was on motion, ordered to be sent to the Council with the recommendation that the work referred to in the letter from the Engineer be done as he purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. HAMILTON, *Chairman*.

41 AGRICOLA STREET, August 18th, 1890.

*To the Chairman and Members of the City Board of Works :*

GENTLEMEN,—I regret having to call your attention to an overflow of sewerage on the night of the 14th instant, at Nos. 20, 30, 32 West Street ; also on other properties on said street. I have seen a portion of the drain exposed, and it appears to be completely choked. It seems a pity, after such a large and necessary expenditure on Maynard Street, that the properties most effected cannot derive the benefit of it.

I earnestly hope your honorable Board will take into your favorable consideration, and relieve our properties of such an intolerable and dangerous nuisance before the fall rains come on and destroy the contents of the vegetable cellars and basements.

I remain, Gentlemen,

Respectfully yours,

MICHAEL O'BRIEN.



## MAYNARD AND WEST STREET SEWERS.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

August 13th, 1890.

I beg to report that the recent reconstruction of a sewer on Maynard Street has not remedied the complaints of cellars being flooded on West Street as it was hoped it would, and as it certainly would have done if the West Street Sewer had been properly built. This latter sewer is a 15 inch pipe laid before the existence of the Board of Works. It is shallow and the foreman reports that the pipes sag in the middle, so that the water cannot flow off freely. The whole matter will be found fully reported upon in my report, dated 26th August, 1886. There is only one thing remaining to be done to cure the trouble, and that is, to carry out the whole of the recommendation then made, and reconstruct the West Street Sewer from Maynard to Agricola, properly, and at a sufficient depth. Practically a new sewer will have to be built about 410 feet in length, 14 in. by 21 in. The estimated cost is \$1000 and estimated sewerage rates \$660.00, not including rates on the land proposed to be purchased by the City.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. KEATING.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the report be received and adopted, and the work attended to by the Board of City Works at once. Motion passed.

Read report from the Board of City Works on the petition from George E. Forsyth for Water Extension, Almon Street.

Read a second letter from George E. Forsyth on the subject.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Boak to introduce a resolution in reference to the presentation of an address to Lieut. Stairs. Motion passed.

The following resolution is introduced :

*Resolved*, That His Worship the Mayor be requested to appoint a Committee of the Council to be associated with the Dominion Members for the County of Halifax, and the Hon. Provincial Secretary, for the purpose of presenting our fellow townsman Lieut. Stairs, late of the Stanley expedition, with an address and testimonial as a memento of his valuable services and heroic conduct during that expedition. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Keefe, and passed.



Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the Order of the Day be further suspended to allow a resolution to be introduced by Alderman Sweet. Motion passed.

The following resolution was then introduced :

*Resolved*, That in view of repairs being about to be made to the sidewalk in front of the Ordnance Yard, it is expedient to have that portion of Water Street between the stone crossings north and south of the Pentagon building paved with granite blocks, and the matter is hereby referred to the Board of Works to carry out. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Ruggles, and passed.

Read report from the Board of City Works on Water supply to Victoria General Hospital with letter from Robert Murray, Secretary Mines and Works Office, and also a report from the City Engineer on the subject.

Read report from the Board of City Works on the Statue to Sebastian Cabot, to be placed on the Parade.

Read letter from Osborne Blois in reference to purchasing the Old Magazine property.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

Read letter from B. Russell, solicitor for estate of late Thomas Mooney, claiming damage for injury to property by a defective sewer on Water street.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the letter be referred to the City Engineer and His Honor the Recorder to report on. Motion passed.

Read letter from Stephen R. Phelan, Chief Assessor, asking an assistant in the office of assessors while engaged outside in assessing.

Read letter from Philip Thompson, Acting City Treasurer, in reference to the Unexpended Balance Account.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the same be referred to Committee of Public Accounts to report on. Motion passed.

Read letter from John Dillon, complaining of the conduct of Robt. Theakston, City Collector, towards him while on business in his office.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Ruggles, that the same be referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges, and that

a copy of the letter be sent to Mr. Theakston, and he be asked to make his reply to said Committee. Motion passed.

Read letter from Messrs. Rhodes, Curry & Co., in reference to the balance due on account of the New City Hall Contract.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read report from Thomas Spelman, Inspector of Buildings, in reference to a violation of the Building Act by Patrick Mahoney, Brunswick Street.

Read report from City Engineer on the letter from Herbert Harris, complaining of box drain in front of his premises.

Read letter from J. G. McGregor, Secretary of the Committee of Citizens, in reference to the additional signatures to petition for building site for Art School, etc. Placed on Order of the Day with No. 21.

Read Annual Report from the City Clerk for year ending 30th April, 1890.

Read Annual Report from the Clerk of License for the year ending 30th April, 1890.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the same be referred to Committee on Publication of Annual Report.

Read report from the City Clerk on the number of boys sentenced by Police Court to St. Patrick's Home, and the Halifax Industrial School.

Council take up the Order of the Day.

Alderman Boak's Notice of reconsideration of the resolution of last meeting in reference to purchase of Hose is taken up.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that the subject matter of said resolution be reconsidered. Motion put and passed, 8 voting for the same, 5 against it, and the names being called for appeared thus:

For the re-consideration.  
Aldermen Boak, Keefe,  
Hamilton, Sweet,  
Power, Ruggles,  
Mosher, Outhit—8.

Against it.  
Aldermen Pickering, McFatridge,  
Lyons, Foster,  
Adams—5.

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The following amendment was then introduced :

*Resolved*, That the City purchase Hose to the value of \$1000 of the Eureka Brand of Cotton Hose, and \$1000 value of the Boston Belting Company Rubber Hose. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Hamilton.

10.25—Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourn.

# CITY HALL.

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## Minutes of City Council,

No. 13. SEPTEMBER 5th, 1890.

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EVENING SESSION.—8.00 P. M.

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council, held this evening. Present:—His Worship the Mayor in the chair, Aldermen Ruhland, Mackintosh, Boak, Keefe, Dennis, Hamilton, Sanford, Pickering, Sweet, Power, Foster, Lyons, McFatridge, Outhit, Mosher and Adams.

The Council were summoned to receive tenders for Electric Lighting the City. To proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

Read minutes of meeting held on the 28th August, 1890, which were confirmed.

Alderman Lyons, Chairman of Committee of Laws and Privileges submits a report from that committee on several matters referred to them.

Alderman Hamilton, Chairman of the Board of City Workss, submits report from the Board on the letter from Messrs. Rhodes, Curry & Co., in reference to their claim in the City Hall Contract.

Alderman Dennis submits a report from the Sanitary Committee on several matters referred to them.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers and reports :

The annual report from the City Marshal to 30th April, 1890.

The Cash Statement from the City Treasurer for month of August.

A letter from Secretary Board of School Commissioners, R. J. Wilson, in reference to sum due by City on account of School Assessment.

Report from His Honor the Recorder on the letter from Michael O'Brien and James Brooks *in re* costs in tax suits.

A letter from Edward O'Bryan, in reference to purchasing the Market House.

Five tenders received by the City Clerk for electric lighting the city.

Moved by Alderman Ruhland, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Read report from the Sanitary Committee on the complaint from Richard T. Roome, and also in reference to the erection of an Hospital for Infectious Diseases.

Read report from the Board of City Works on the letter from Messrs. Rhodes, Curry & Co., *in re* balance due them on account of contract.

Read report from the Committee of Laws and Privileges on the several matters referred to them.

Read annual report from the City Marshal for the year ending 30th April, 1890.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that the same be referred to Committee on Publication of the Annual Reports.

Read letter from Robert J. Wilson, Secretary of Board of School Commissioners in reference to the amount due by the City on account of School Assessment.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the letter be taken up with No. 13, on the Order of the Day. Motion passed.

Read letter from Edward O'Bryan, asking on what terms he could purchase the Market Building, at present partly occupied by him.

When the following resolution No. 1, is introduced :

*Resolved*, That the letter of Mr. Edward O'Bryan be referred to the City Board of Works, with His Worship the Mayor, to report on the advisability of disposing of the Market Building, and the price of the same. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Foster and passed.

Read Report from His Honor the Recorder in reference to claim of Michael O'Brien and James Brooks, for Taxed Costs in suit under Lien Law.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the said report be referred to Committee of Public Accounts to report on.

Opened and read five tenders for Electric Lighting the City as per agreement passed the City Council, viz:

No. 1 Tender. Wm. B. Ross, on behalf of the Thomson-Houston International Electric Company.

No. 2 Tender. Halifax Gas Light Company, (limited) by D. Farrell, President.

No. 3 Tender. The Merchants and Manufacturers Company, (limited) of Yarmouth, N. S., by E. F. Clements, President.

No. 4 Tender. Halifax Illuminating and Motor Company (limited) by Charles Annand, President.

No. 5 Tender. The Eastern Electric Company of St. John by Arthur Drysdale, their attorney.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the Order of the Day be suspended to take up the matter of the contract and tenders for Electric Lighting the City. Motion passed.

A resolution on the subject was about to be introduced by Alderman Mackintosh, but was objected to by Alderman Ruhland. The Mayor having ruled that the objection of Alderman Ruhland to the resolution was a good and valid one under the Rules of Council. The opinion of His Honor the Recorder was taken on said rule, and His Honor decided that the resolution could not be introduced if objected to, but that the subject must come in its place on the Order of the Day.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that item No. 22, viz: The report of Committee of Public Accounts in reference to funds of Point Pleasant Park, and the appointment of a City Treasurer be taken up. Motion passed.

Read clause second as entered last meeting, when the following resolution (No. 2) is introduced.

*That Whereas,* The resolution of Council passed Oct. 3rd, 1889, proposed to take \$400 from the Unexpended Balances to meet the expenditure incurred by the Park Commissionres in constructing a retaining wall to the bank at the southern edge of the park.

*Therefore Resolved,* That this amount is not to be deducted from this year's appropriation to Point Pleasant Park. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Pickering, and passed.

The third clause of said report in reference to office of City Treasurer was then read.



The letter from Mr. Philip Thompson was also read when the following resolution (No. 3) is introduced.

*Resolved*, That the balance of the report of Committee of Public Accounts be adopted, and that the resignation of E. G. W. Greenwood, City Treasurer, be accepted, and His Worship the Mayor do at this meeting of Council declare Mr. Philip Thompson elected City Treasurer, under the conditions mentioned by Mr. Thompson in his letter of August 20th, 1890, and that the amount of the Bond to be given by the City Treasurer shall be fixed at Ten Thousand Dollars. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Pickering and passed, 13 voting for the same, 3 against, and the names being called for appeared thus:

For the Resolution.	Against it.
Aldermen Ruhland, Boak, Mackintosh, Keefe, Hamilton, Sanford, Pickering, Sweet, McFatrige, Lyons, Foster, Adams, Outhit—13.	Aldermen Dennis. Power, Mosher—3.

His Worship the Mayor declares the resignation of Mr. E. G. W. Greenwood, City Treasurer, as accepted, and Mr. Philip Thompson elected City Treasurer in his place.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Hamilton to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution (No. 4) was then introduced:

*Resolved*, That the City Treasurer be authorized to advertise for a loan of (\$10,000) Ten Thousand Dollars for the Water Service, under Chapter 50 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, passed 1888. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Outhit and passed.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the Order of the Day be further suspended to allow Alderman Hamilton to introduce a resolution in reference to Hopper Water Closets. Motion passed. The resolution was read, and on motion placed on the Order of the Day.

On motion of Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Dennis, the Order of the Day is further suspended to allow Alderman Hamilton to introduce another resolution in reference to Old Brick Building known as City Court House. The same was read and objected to.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Keefe to introduce a resolution in reference to loan for purchase of paving material for Streets. Motion passed. The resolution was read and objected to.

Read Petition from David Thompson and other residents of Agricola Street for a lamp for said Street. (No. 24 on Order of the Day.)

When the following resolution, (No. 5) is introduced.

*Resolved*, That the Petition from David Thompson and others, asking an electric lamp on Agricola Street, be sent to the Board of Works to carry out said request when the new Contract for lighting the City comes into operation. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Lyons and passed.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Hamilton to introduce a resolution in reference to Milliken Guarantee Fund. Motion passed. The resolution was read and objected to.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Foster, that item No. one on the Order of the Day be taken up. Motion passed.

Resolution of Alderman Lyons as entered at meeting of Council, August 7th, in reference to purchase of Hose, was then put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 8 against it, and the Mayor being called on for his casting vote gives it in favor of the resolution, the names being called for appeared thus:

For the Resolution.

Aldermen Ruhland, Dennis,  
Sanford, Pickering,  
McFatrige, Lyons,  
Foster, Adams,

Against it.

Aldermen Mackintosh,  
Boak, Keefe,  
Hamilton, Sweet,  
Power, Mosher,  
Outhit—8.

Mayor voting for resolution.

9.45—Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Ruhland, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that item No. 13 on the Order of the Day be taken up. Motion passed.

Read letter from Robert J. Wilson, Secretary Board of School Commissioners in reference to sum due the board on account of School Assessment as submitted and read 4th July, 1890.

SEPTEMBER 5th, 1890.

BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS,  
HALIFAX, N. S.,

*Secretary's Office, 4th July, 1890.*

*His Worship the Mayor :*

Sir,—I am instructed by the Board of School Commissioners to report to you that there is at this date still unpaid, on account of school estimates, the following amounts :

For the year ending 30th April, 1889.....	\$ 2726 11
"          "          "          "          1890.....	12576 78
	\$15302 89

I am further instructed to request that the City Council will be pleased to grant the Board a loan from unexpended balances to be recouped from the School Rates for the years above mentioned as they may be received.

I have the honor to be Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R. J. WILSON, *Secretary.*

Read letter from Robert J. Wilson, Secretary Board of School Commissioners submitted this day.

BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS,  
HALIFAX, N. S.,

*Secretary's Office, 5th September, 1890.*

SIR,—I have the honor, by order of the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax, to inform the City Council that the sum of nearly \$12,000 is due Board on account of School Rates to 1st May last, and that in consequence of the non-collection of these rates by the City, the Board is overdrawn from the Bank to the extent of about \$10,000.

I am further instructed respectfully to urge the Council to more promptly collect and pay over the rates.

I have the honor to be,

Your most obedient servant,

R. J. WILSON, *Secretary, B. S. C.*

*To His Worship the Mayor.*

When the following resolution No. 6, is introduced:

*Resolved*, That in compliance with the request of the Board of School Commissioners, the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars be advanced the said Board from the amount now at the credit of Unexpended Balances, as a temporary loan, to be repaid from the School Rates yet due for the Civic years '88, '89, '89, '90, as they may be collected, and that the letters be referred to Committee of Public Accounts to report if a permanent change in mode of payment could be made in future. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Pickering, which resolution on being put was passed.

10.10—Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourn.

## CITY HALL.

# Minutes of City Council,

No. 14. SEPTEMBER 11th, 1890.

EVENING SESSION.—8.10 P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this evening. Present: Alderman Mackintosh Acting Mayor in the Chair. Aldermen Ruhland, Boak, Keefe, Hamilton, Sanford, Pickering, Ruggles, Sweet, Power, Foster, Lyons, McFatrige, Outhit Mosher.

The Council were summoned to present the Address to Lieut. Stairs, H. M. Royal Engineers. To proceed with business standing over from previous meetings, and the transaction of other business.

Read Minutes of Meeting of Council held on the 5th September inst., which were confirmed.

Alderman Hamilton, Chairman of the Board of City Works, submits a report from the Board in reference to certain repairs to sidewalk on Pleasant Street.

Also, a report from the Board, on the construction of a Sewer on South Park Street, from Victoria Road to Fenwick Street, with a report from the City Engineer thereon.

Also, a report from the Board on the construction of a Sewer on Bilby Street, with a report from the City Engineer thereon.

Alderman Mosher, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee of City Prison on the accounts against prison for August, 1890.

The Acting Mayor submits a report from His Honor the Recorder on the letter from B. Russell, solicitor of the estate of Thomas Mooney *in re* defective drainage.

Also the bond of Philip Thompson, elected City Treasurer at last meeting.

Also a petition from Joseph Kaye and other residents and rate-payers of Kaye Street, asking the construction of a sewer.

Also letters from Colonel Goldie, Major Bagot, Major Mansel, and other officers of the Garrison, regretting their inability to be present at the presentation of the address.

Also a return from City Collector of Taxes and Water Rates collected in August, 1890.

Moved by Alderman Ruhland, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers handed in this day. Motion passed.

Read report from the Committee of City Prison on the accounts against the prison for month of August, 1890.

HALIFAX, September 10th, 1890.

The Committee on City Prison met this day. Present: The Chairman, Aldermen Dennis, Sanford, Sweet and McFatrige.

The following accounts were recommended for payment:

E. Morrison & Co .....	\$ 3 69
Chas. Raine .....	11 30
Melvin & Co .....	11 09
G. P. Henry .....	37 20
M. Scanlan .....	7 21
W. F. Crowe & Co .....	54 29
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	\$ 124 78

The Governor and Matron submitted reports for the month of August, 1890.

Respectfully submitted,

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution, No. 1 is introduced:

*Resolved*, That the report of the Committee of City Prison be received, and adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to issue warrants for the payment of the accounts named therein. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Sweet, and passed.

Read opinion of His Honor the Recorder on the letter from B. Russell, solicitor for estate of Thomas Mooney, complaining of a defective sewer.



RECORDER'S OFFICE, HALIFAX, N. S.,

September 11th, 1890.

*In re* THOMAS J. MOONEY DAMAGES.

According to the statement of facts of the City Engineer, hereto annexed, I am of opinion the city is in no way responsible for the damage or loss claimed by Mr. Mooney.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY,

*Recorder.**His Worship the Mayor.*

Memo. from City Engineer respecting claim of Thos. J. Mooney.

The Foreman of Streets informs me that the statement made in Mr. Russell's letter respecting the city having damaged "the connection between the house drain and the main drain" is incorrect. The change he states was made by the late Andrew Wood, who was employed to build a private drain from Jerusalem Warehouse about the time mentioned, and that Mr. Wood (acting for the owners of the Jerusalem Warehouse) connected Mooney's drain with the one he was then laying, without the authority or knowledge of the city, and also that the said Wood connected the well referred to, which it is now claimed has caused the damage.

Mr. Mooney's cellar is about on a level with ordinary high water in the harbor and consequently must be flooded whenever the tide rises to or near mean high water. During spring tides the water from the harbor would reach into the cellar to a considerable depth.

For a great many years there have been complaints respecting the flooding of the said Mooney's cellar, but I do not know of any law, ordinance or obligation by which the City could be required to remedy such a complaint. Persons having cellars near tide level should take all necessary steps to prevent flooding at their own expense, and as to the private drain connection referred to, I would not think the City in any way responsible.

E. H. KEATING, *City Engineer.*

His Honor the Recorder.

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HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 12th, 1890.

*To His Worship the Mayor and the City Council:*

*Gentlemen,*—I have been retained by the estate of the late Thomas J. Mooney to claim damages from the City for injuries resulting from obstruction to the drainage of the property of the estate on the

upper side of Water Street. My clients claim that about nine or ten years ago the City Board of Works changed the mode of connection therefore existing between the house drain, and the main drain running along Water Street, and constructed at the junction a well, which filled with mud, etc., to such an extent as to obstruct the flow of drainage from the property and result in damage thereto to the extent of upwards of \$500.

Particulars of this damage will be furnished if the fact of the injury is admitted by the City. If not, my instructions are to issue a writ.

Yours, etc.,

B. RUSSELL, *Solicitor.*

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Ruhland, that the reports of the City Engineer and His Honor the Recorder be concurred in and a copy thereof sent to Mr. Russell in reply to his letter. Motion passed.

Read bond of Philip Thompson, City Treasurer.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the same be referred to His Worship the Mayor and His Honor the Recorder for approval. Motion passed.

Read petition from Joseph Kaye and other residents and rate-payers of Kaye Street, asking the construction of a sewer in that street.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the petition be sent to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read Report from the Board of City Works on the construction of a Sewer on South Park Street from Victoria Road to Fenwick Street, with report City Engineer thereon.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

Sept. 9th, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the petition for a Sewer on South Park Street, from Victoria Road to Fenwick Street, referred to them by the City Council, together with a report from the City Engineer thereupon, when it was decided to forward the papers to the Council with the recommendation that the work be done in accordance with the report of the City Engineer in its turn.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. HAMILTON, *Chairman Board of Works.*

Proposed Sewer South Park Street from Victoria Road to Fenwick Street.

There is at present a 12 inch earthenware pipe sewer in this locality but it has been laid at an insufficient depth and the outlet at Fenwick Street is also too shallow and will have to be lowered. There has been a good deal of sickness in the locality this Summer and a few deaths which might be attributable to the defect in drainage. The new sewer on South Park Street in place of the existing pipe drain will be 18 inches by 12 inches and about 420 feet long. The existing old stone sewer on Fenwick Street will require to be taken out for nearly 500 feet in length and a proper *concrete* or brick sewer 36 inches in diameter substituted at a greater depth. This should effectually remedy the complaints of cellars being flooded on South Park Street.

The total estimated cost of the work is \$3,800.00, and the sewerage rates will amount to about \$1100 on South Park Street, and \$800 to \$900 on Fenwick Street.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. KEATING.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Rubland, that the said reports be received and adopted, and the same be placed on the Order Book to take its turn in construction thereof. Motion passed.

Read report from the Board of City Works with report from City Engineer on the construction of a Sewer Bilby Street.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS, BOARD OF CITY WORKS,  
Sept. 9th, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the petition for a Sewer on Bilby Street, referred to them by the Council as well as a report from the City Engineer on it, when it was decided to send the papers to the City Council with the recommendation that the work be done in turn.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. HAMILTON, *Chairman Board of Works.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

8th September 1890.

By the general plan of drainage a Sewer 30 inches by 20 inches is required and in order to be of use for draining the adjoining district it, will have to be built at a greater depth than usual. At the deepest point it will be about 13 feet below the surface. The cutting will be

almost all through solid rock, so the work will be comparatively expensive. The length is about 460 feet and in order to obtain a proper outlet the new Sewer will have to be turned southerly along Young Street, from Bilby to Almon Street a further distance of 260 feet and discharged into the Almon Street Sewer. The total estimated cost of the work \$3800, and the sewerage rates will amount to about \$1000 on Bilby Street and \$450 on Young Street.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. KEATING.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the said reports be received and adopted, and the same be placed on the Order Book to take its turn in construction thereof. Motion passed.

Read letters from Colonel Goldie, Major Mansel and Major Bagot, regretting their inability, and that of other officers of the Garrison to be present at the presentation of the address to Lieut Stairs.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the Order of the Day be suspended to present the Address to Lieut. Stairs. Motion passed.

The following address was then read by the City Clerk :

TO LIEUT. WILLIAM GRANT STAIRS, ROYAL ENGINEERS :

*Sir*,—We, the Mayor and Aldermen, representing the corporation and citizens of Halifax, are proud to avail ourselves of the opportunity to tender you a hearty welcome upon your return to your native land.

In common with the whole civilized world we have followed with the keenest interest the vying fortunes of the Stanley expedition in Africa, an interest which we need not say, was to us greatly enhanced by the fact that one of the foremost actors in the enterprise was a fellow-townsmen of our own. We do not forget that other brave and heroic men have in years past gained a well-deserved renown in the attempt to explore the recesses of the dark continent, and yet it will be conceded that to Stanley and his compeers has fallen a measure of success which may have been equalled, but which certainly has never been surpassed in the same line of action in the whole record of human achievement. We rejoice to know that in all the constantly recurring times of difficulty, of danger and privation which attended the progress of the great expedition you were ever ready to assume without murmur or hesitation the part allotted to you, and we have the testimony of the leader himself that your part was always executed faithfully and well.

We trust and believe that the great undertakings with which you have been so conspicuously associated—though accompanied as such enterprises generally are by costly sacrifices—will, nevertheless, bear large and satisfactory fruit in the abolition of the slave trade, the opening up of vast and populous regions to the advantages of commerce and civilization and, above all, to the blessings of Christianity.

The events of the Stanley expedition have already passed into history and, while it cannot be otherwise than pleasing to yourself, it is most gratifying to the community in which you were born and bred to know, that one of our own sons will have honorable mention in that history and will add another name to the roll of those who, in various walks of life, have shed lustre upon the land of the Mayflower.

As a slight token of our appreciation of your merits and services we ask your acceptance of a piece of plate to be formally presented to you on your return to England.

We again tender our congratulations and warmest welcome, coupled with the hope that your life and health may be prolonged, and that a career of usefulness so auspiciously begun may be marked in the future by continued and distinguished success.

Signed in behalf of the corporation and citizens of the City of Halifax.

DAVID MCPHERSON, *Mayor*.

HALIFAX, N. S., September 11th, 1890.

To which Lieut. Stairs made the following reply :

*Mr. Mayor, Aldermen and Gentlemen, representing the Corporation and Citizens of Halifax :*

It is with feelings of the greatest pride that I have heard the address which has just been read. Of all the receptions that could have been extended to me in any way, and by any people, none could have been more gratifying or more appreciated by me than this one coming as it does from the people of my own native town—Halifax.

I should like to say just one thing in connection with the late Emin Pacha Relief Expedition. In some quarters doubts have been thrown upon the sincere nature of the work performed by Mr. Stanley's expedition. It is needless for me to say here what the objects of the work were in which we have been occupied for the past three years. I trust these are well known by everyone present here to-night, and feel sure that no one here will attribute motives to the relief expedition that are not founded on fact. Still to clear away any existing doubt I would say that though the expedition, as with most other African expeditions, was accompanied by great sacrifices and



must have to some extent changed the existing political condition of affairs among the tribes of Central Africa, still the benefits that have and will accrue to the British Empire and civilization generally are such as to have fully warranted the expenditure of life, money and labour necessary to its fulfilment. The openings that will be offered to the expansion of English and other trade, in supplying new markets for the goods of the world, the improved condition of the native that will ensue, the suppression of the slave trade, through the influence of the railway and telegraph lines, are only some of the benefits that will spring directly from such an undertaking as that of the Emin Pacha relief expedition.

*Ladies and Gentlemen*.—Again I thank you for the gratification the presentation of this piece of plate and such an address affords me. They will act as incentives to future good work, and will help me on in other duties and positions towards success. Through the three years of trial, sickness and dangers of all descriptions; through the black and dreary forests of West Central Africa, with their attendant famine and daily scenes of sadness, I can sincerely say that never for once did I forget the place I was born in and its people, and the keenest inducement to push onwards was the fact that I felt all of you were watching with sympathy our movements, and were eagerly expecting to hear of the success of the expedition.

As you have referred to Mr. Stanley, will you allow me, on his behalf, to express the gratification I am sure he will feel on hearing that one of his officers has been so honored this evening.

After the reply the Acting Mayor asked His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to make a short address, after which the Aldermen present having been formally presented to Lieut. Stairs; it was

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Ruhland, that the Council adjourn at 9.50. Motion passed.

Council adjourn.



## CITY HALL.

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# Minutes of City Council,

No. 15. SEPTEMBER 18th, 1890.

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### EVENING SESSION.—8 P. M.

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council, summoned for this evening. Present: Alderman Mackintosh, Acting Mayor in the Chair; Aldermen Ruhland, Boak, Keefe, Hamilton, Sanford, Pickering, Sweet, Power, Foster, Lyons, McFatrige, Outhit, Mosher and Adams.

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

8.10—On motion of Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Foster, that time for meeting of Council is extended 30 minutes in consequence of meeting of the Board of Health.

8.30—On Motion of Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Mosher, the time for meeting of Council is further extended until the Board of Health have finished their business.

The Board of Health having adjourned at 25 minutes past ten, it was considered too late to proceed with the business of the Council.

The meeting was therefore adjourned until a further notice.

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### EVENING SESSION—8.10 P. M.

SEPTEMBER 22nd, 1890.

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council, held this evening.—Present: Alderman Mackintosh, Acting Mayor in the Chair; Aldermen Ruhland, Boak, Keefe, Hamilton, Sanford, Pickering, Ruggles, Sweet, Foster, Lyons, McFatrige, Outhit, Mosher, Adams.

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

Read over proceedings of Council of the 11th and 18th inst., which were confirmed.

Alderman Lyons, Chairman of Committee of Laws and Privileges, submits a report from that Committee on several matters referred to them.

Alderman Pickering submits a report from the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners on several matters referred to them.

Alderman Foster submits a Petition from James Kearney and other residents of West Street, Ward No. Five, asking Sewerage.

The Acting Mayor submits a letter from Edward Walker, asking payment of an account due him by E. A. Milliken, on account of work done on New City Hall.

Also, a letter from Doctor DeWitt in reference to dangerous condition of Horse Car Rails on Hollis Street.

Also, a petition from G. A. Woodill and other residents of South Park Street, asking the construction of a Sewer between South and Fenwick Streets.

Also, a report from the City Clerk of sundry accounts for consideration of Committee of Public Accounts.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers handed in this day. Motion passed.

Read report from the Committee of Laws and Privileges in reference to complaint made by John Dillon against Robert Theakston, Collector, and also in reference to other matters.

COMMITTEE ROOM, Sept. 12th, 1890.

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee, held this evening:

(1). The Committee heard Mr. Dillon and his counsel in reference to his complaint against the Collector and Mr. Theakston in reply. There is such a complete contradiction between them as to the language used, and the exact amount of money tendered in payment of the taxes, that the Committee are unable to do more than return Mr. Dillon's complaint, and Mr. Theakston's rejoinder, without expressing any opinion on their conflicting statements. The Committee do not, however, consider that the Collector is to blame in any of the steps he took to collect the tax.

2. The Committee also investigated the matter of supplies furnished to Aldermen and find as follows:—That Alderman Pickering, while a

member of the Board of Works obtained from Alderman John's, on October 7th, 1889, an order for delivery to himself and Alderman Pearson, of a quantity of cement and sand and gravel. That this material was not delivered to the Aldermen, but was manufactured into concrete steps and combing at the Poors' Asylum by Mr. Dow the Engineer, and inmates of the Institution, under the instructions of Alderman Pickering, who was at the same time Chairman of the Charities Committee. The curbing and steps was removed when made and put into position before the Alderman's dwelling on South Park Street. The material was paid for by Alderman Pickering on the 25th November, 1889, at the contract price at which cement and sand are supplied to the Board of Works, and the labor at the rate of 7 cents per cubic foot of concrete, which is a rate fixed solely to cover the cost of pauper labor for the purpose of keeping accounts between the Charities Committee and the Board of Works; and would not be a fair basis to settle or adjust accounts between the city and third persons. The matter of the supplies, or work, or of price, never appears to have come before or to have been considered at a meeting of the Board of Works or Charities Committee at any time.

3. The Committee recommend that such transactions, as likely to lead to abuse, be prohibited in future. That if it should be necessary at any time for an Alderman to apply for any materials from the city, or require any work done by any of the civic departments, that he make application as an ordinary citizen and that the application be considered by his brother Aldermen in Council or in Committee and decided by them without the Alderman interested taking any part in discussion or voting thereon, and that hereafter no work be carried on by the Board of Works or Charities Department, for private persons, without a special resolution of the Council, Board of Works or Charities Committee, authorizing the same, and that the officials be notified accordingly.

4. It has also been brought to the notice of the Committee that no record or account is kept at the Poors' Asylum of the quantity of cement or other material sent out there by the Board of Works, or of the consumption or disposal of the same; nor did the storekeeper make any entry of the matter complained of on his books until the day of the investigation.

The Committee would therefore recommend that the Charities Committee be instructed to see that the storekeeper keep a proper record of all material delivered on the premises, or received from the Board of Works, or any other source, and make entries of the disposal or consumption of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. LYONS, *Chairman.*

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council.*

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the first clause be adopted and a copy thereof sent to Mr. Dillon. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the second clause be adopted and copy thereof sent to the Board of City Works and Committee on Charities for their information. Motion passed.

Alderman Lyons, acting Chairman, submits a report from the Sanitary Committee on several matters.

Read report from the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners submitted this day.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL,

September 18th, 1890.

The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to report that at a meeting of said Board held this day:

1st. *It was resolved* that the City Council be requested to advertise for tenders from persons willing to sell a lot of land as a suitable site whereon to erect a Ladder House to replace the one at present on Grafton Street. Said building site to be situate between Brunswick Street on the West, Argyle Street on the East, Spring Garden Road on the South and Buckingham Street on the North. And that the City Treasurer be authorized to advertise for the loan of the sum (\$5000.00) Five Thousand Dollars for the building of said ladder house as provided for in Sec. 19, Chap. 60 of the Acts of 1890.

2nd. *It was also resolved* that as the work of purchasing and placing in position the Fire Alarm Striker at No. 7 Engine House is one of construction and not of maintenance that the Board recommend to the City Council the advisability of this Council placing to the credit of the funds of said Board a sum of money sufficient to defray the expenses in construction therewith.

3. The following accounts were passed by the Board and recommended for payment:

Cragg Bros. & Co., supplies .....	\$ 26 88
C. H. Blackadar & Son, splicing rope.....	75
Wm. Roche, Coal.....	5 80
" " .....	6 40
Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co., Bluestone.....	21 00
Halifax Illuminating and Motor Co., lighting No. 7 Engine House, August.....	8 17

Shatford Bros., Oil.....	7 76
No. 1 S. F. E. Division, rent .....	25 00
No. 2 Hose Division, rent.....	25 00
	\$ 126 76

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution is introduced :

*Resolved,* That the first clause in the report of the Board of Fire Wards be concurred in, and that the Board be empowered to receive offers in compliance with said clause. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Sweet, and passed.

The following resolution was next introduced on the second clause :

*Resolved,* That the Second clause in the report of Board of Fire Wards be concurred in, and that the Board of Fire Wards are hereby instructed to place Bell and Striker in position, said expense to be paid out of Maintenance Account under control of the Board of Fire Wards, and that His Honor the Recorder prepare an Act in accordance with a resolution passed by the City Council before the last session of the Legislature. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster and passed.

The following resolution was introduced on the third clause :

*Resolved,* That the balance of the report of the Board of Fire Wards be concurred in, and that His Worship the Mayor be instructed to sign Warrants for the payment of accounts named therein. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Keefe and passed.

Read report of the Sanitary Committee on the letter from A. M. Bell, and on other matters.

CITY HALL COMMITTEE ROOM,

September 22nd, 1890.

The Sanitary Committee met this day. Present: The Acting Chairman (Alderman Lyons), Aldermen Mackintosh, Sanford Ruggles and Mosher.

The Committee had before them the annexed letter from A. M. Bell complaining of improper drainage on Creighton Street (on which Street several deaths have occurred from Diphtheria.) Also, a report from Health Inspector Meagher on the matter, and also, in reference to drainage on Maynard Street, when it was resolved to forward the same to the City Council, with a recommendation that Sewers be built on Creighton and Maynard Streets, as suggested in said report.



The Committee would also recommend that the Sewer ordered to be constructed on Fenwick and South Park Streets be built immediately, as the cellars in the vicinity are being flooded, and as usual deaths from diphtheria have occurred on South Park Street and in immediate vicinity.

It was also decided to ask the Council to place the sum of \$2500 to the credit of the Board of Health to cover expenses, to be repaid out of next years assessment under the Public Health Act.

*It was Resolved*, That this Committee call the attention of the City Council to complaint of the dirty state of the Streets, and recommend the City Board of Works be requested to more energetically to clean all the Streets of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. LYONS, *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that said report be received and adopted. Motion passed.

Read petition from George Albert Woodill and other residents of South Park Street, asking a New Sewer from South Street to Fenwick Street.

Moved by Alderman Ruhland, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that said petition be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read letter from George E. DeWitt, M. D., in reference to present condition of Horse Car track on Hollis Street.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that the Order of the Day be further suspended to discuss this letter, and the present condition of the Horse Car Railway Track. Motion passed.

His Honor the Recorder being asked his opinion as to the liability of the company to keep the track in repair gives it as his opinion that the company are bound to keep the streets over which the track runs in the very best condition, otherwise the track may be removed.

The following resolution was then introduced :

*Resolved*, That His Honor the Recorder be instructed to take proceedings against the Halifax Street Railway Company unless the said company take immediate steps to have the track on George and Hollis Streets put in a safe condition for travel by ordinary teams over said streets. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Boak, and passed.



Read letter from Edward Walker, asking payment of an account due him by E. A. Milliken, on account of work done on New City Hall.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that the letter be placed on Order Paper to be taken up with No. 36. Motion passed.

Read petition from James Kearney and other residents of West Street, Ward Five, asking a Sewer be constructed in said street.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Lyons that said petition be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read report from the Board of City Works on letter from A. S. Mitchell in reference to the condition of sidewalk on Pleasant Street.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

September 9th, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day they had before them the enclosed letter from Arch. S. Mitchell, Sect'y.-Trustees of St. Matthew's Church, and a report from the City Engineer upon it, when it was resolved to send it to the City Council with the recommendation that the work referred to be done under the Sidewalk Act, passed at the last session of the Provincial Legislature, and that money be borrowed for the purpose as provided for in said Act.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. HAMILTON, C. B. W.

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 1st, 1890.

*Board of Commissioners of City Works:*

Dear Sirs,—I am requested by the Trustees of St. Matthew's Church to call your attention to the delapidated condition of the sidewalk in front of the Church and Manse on Pleasant Street, and to request that you will have the necessary repairs attended to as soon as possible; also, to bring to your notice the condition of sidewalk in front of Government House on same street; it is being a source of danger and annoyance to all who have to pass that way going or returning from Church, and to ask if something cannot be done to remedy the evil.

I have the honor to remain,

Your humble servant,

ARCH. S. MITCHELL,

*Secretary to Trustees.*

## CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

5th September, 1890.

Report on a letter of A. S. Mitchell, Sect'y. Trustees St. Matthew's Church in *re* condition of sidewalk on Pleasant Street.

The sidewalk on pleasant Street between the north line of St. Matthew's Church property and the south line of the Presbyterian Manse property is in a very bad condition. The curbing will have to be re-set, the gutter re-paved, and the sidewalk for the entire distance should also be re-paved.

If brick are used one-half of those now laid can be utilized.

The cost of re-paving with brick laid in cement grout, re-setting curb and repairing gutter will be as follows:

St. Matthew's Church property.....	\$ 338 02
Government House property.....	457 42
Dr. Lindsay's.....	50 99
St. Matthew's Manse.....	176 00

\$1022 42

It is usual for the property owners to furnish material which in this case amounts to \$260.00, leaving the balance to be paid by the city.

Concrete blocks similar to those laid down in front of T. & E. Kenny's establishment can be laid for a like amount, but in this case the amount to be paid by property owners would be \$500.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEXANDER POTTER,

For City Engineer.

To Chairman Board of Works.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that said report be received and adopted. Motion passed.

Read report from City Clerk on several accounts for printing and stationery, &c.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that the same be sent to Committee of Public Accounts to report on. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Sweet to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution was then introduced :

*Resolved*, That the sewer now on the Order Book to be constructed on Cornwallis and Gottingen Streets shall have its commencement on Gottingen Street at the corner of Gerrish Street instead of Cunard Street, as ordered by this council, provided that the Engineer reports favorably thereon. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Foster, and passed.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Pickering that item No. 32 on Order of the Day be taken up, viz :—Tenders for Electric Lighting the City.

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| Read Tender No. 1, | Thomson Houston Co., Boston.                 |
| " " " 2,           | Halifax Gas Light Co., Limited.              |
| " " " 3,           | Merchants' and Manufacturers' Co., Yarmouth. |
| " " " 4,           | Halifax Illuminating and Motor Co.           |
| " " " 5,           | Eastern Electric Co., St. John.              |

The following resolution is then introduced :

*Resolved*, That the tender of the Eastern Electric Company be adopted on the Company furnishing such security as may be required by the Board of Works, under the terms of the advertisement, within 15 days after notice from the Board fixing the security, and that the Contract be prepared under the supervision of the Board. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster, to which the following amendment was introduced :

*Resolved*, That the Tender of the Halifax Illumination and Motor Company for the lighting of the Streets of the City and suburbs with the Electric Light be accepted and the Clerk be instructed to advise them of the same on their furnishing the necessary security as per advertisement. Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, which amendment on being put is lost, 5 voting for the same, 9 against it, and the names being called for appeared thus.

For the amendment,	Against it.
Aldermen Adams,	Aldermen Outhit, Sweet,
McFatridge,	Mosher, Sanford,
Ruggles,	Foster, Hamilton,
Keefe,	Lyons, Pickering,
Ruhland—5.	Boak—9.

The following second amendment was introduced :

*Resolved*, That the tenders for lighting the City with Electric Light be referred to the Board of Works to consider and recommend to the Council for its concurrence or otherwise, such tender as they in their wisdom think the best in the interests of the City. Moved

by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Keefe, which amendment on being put is passed, 8 voting for the same, 6 against it, and the names being called for, appeared thus:

For the Resolution.	Against it.
Aldermen Rubland, Keefe, Pickering, Ruggles, McFatrige, Foster Adams, Mosher—8.	Aldermen Boak, Hamilton, Sanford, Sweet, Lyons, Outhit—6.

Alderman Boak gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster, that No. 31 on Order of the Day be taken up. Motion passed.

Read report of Committee of Laws and Privileges as submitted and read 5th Sept., 1890

HALIFAX, N. S., 5th Sept., 1890.

The Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report on the following matters submitted to them by this Council:

1. In the account of Messrs Gray and McDonald, for taxed costs in suit Cogswell *vs.* Holland. Your Committee recommend that said amount be paid out of Unexpended Balance Account.

2. In *re* claim of Mrs. Cragg for amount due her late husband, as Coal Measurer. Your Committee recommended that the sum of \$64.08 (the amount previously reported by them as due the representatives of the late Mr. Craig) be paid Mrs. Cragg out of the Contingent Account.

3. They also recommend that in future that any vacancy on the staff until the number of Measurers are reduced to seven be not filled, and that in future all monies received or earned by the said measurers shall be paid into the office of the City Clerk, who shall receive the same and divide the amount received by him in equal proportions and paid to each measurer his share of the money so earned.

4. In *re* letter of Messrs Henry, Ritchie & Weston on behalf of certain Mill owners in *re* Water privileges, Chain Lakes. Your Committee report on this matter—That as far as they can ascertain there has not been any violation of the agreement in respect to the use of said water and that Messrs Henry, Ritchie & Henry be notified accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. LYONS, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the same be considered clause by clause.

Read first clause *in re* taxed costs of Messrs. Gray & McDonald, in suit of Cogswell vs. Holland.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read second clause *in re* Mrs. Cragg's claim for amount due her late husband.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Ruggles, that this clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read third clause in reference to receipts of Coal Measurers and the division of the same. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that this clause pass, to which the following amendment was introduced.

*Resolved*, That the dues of the office of Coal Measurers shall be paid into the hands of the Supervisor, and divided by him as heretofore, but that whenever a distribution is made of the Coal Measurer's fees a copy of the return of said distribution shall be filed with the City Clerk, and that said return shall have the signatures of each measurer set opposite the amount which has been paid him by the Supervisor. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Boak, which amendment on being put is passed; 7 voting for the same, 5 against it, and the names being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.

Aldermen Boak, Keefe,  
Pickering, Sweet,  
McFatrige, Foster,  
Adams—7.

Against it.

Aldermen Hamilton,  
Sanford,  
Ruggles,  
Lyons, Mosher—5.

Read clause fourth in reference to letter from Messrs. Henry, Ritchie & Henry on behalf of Mill Owners.

On motion of Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, the said clause is adopted, and the whole report as amended is passed.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Boak to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that a Committee of the Council be appointed to draft an address to His Excellency the Governor-General on his arrival in the City next month. Motion passed.

The following committee was appointed by the Acting Mayor.

Aldermen Boak, Dennis, Pickering, Sweet, Lyons and Mosher, with His Honor the Recorder.



Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that No. 36 item on Order of the Day be taken up. Motion passed.

Bead following resolution, submitted by Alderman Hamilton, Sept. 5th, 1890, with memo from City Treasurer.

Memo of the Milken Guarantee Fund, August 20th, 1890.

Amount on Special Deposit at Merchants' Bank at 4 per cent interest.....	\$3918 52
Less this amount paid to Mr. Milliken's unpaid workmen.....	954 18
	\$2964 34
Balance.....	\$2964 34

*Resolved*, That the sum of \$2964.34 to the credit of the Milliken Guarantee Fund be placed to the credit of the City Hall Account. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Lyons.

Read letter from Edward Walker in reference to his claim against A. E. Milliken for work done on City Hall.

The resolution on being put was passed.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that item No. 19, on Order Paper be taken up. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost, 5 voting for the same 7 against it, the names being called for appeared thus:

For Adjournment.	Against it.
Aldermen Sweet,	Aldermen Keefe, Hamilton,
Lyons,	Sanford, Ruggles,
MacFatrige, Foster.	Mosher, Pickering,
Adams—5.	Boak—7.

Read petition from His Grace the Archbishop, His Lordship the Bishop of Nova Scotia, and 475 citizens asking a site on the Parade for to erect a building thereon for the Art School, Provincial Museum, etc.

10.30. Alderman Foster makes a call of Council.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and passed.

Council adjourn.



## CITY HALL.

# Minutes of City Council,

No. 16. SEPTEMBER 29th, 1890.

EVENING SESSION.—8.10 P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council, held this evening. Present: Alderman Mackintosh, Acting Mayor, in the Chair; Aldermen Boak, Hesslein, Keefe, Dennis, Hamilton, Sanford, Pickering, Ruggles, Sweet, Power, Foster, Lyons. Mosher, Adams.

In consequence of a meeting of the Board of Health, it was moved by Alderman Boak seconded by Alderman Ruggles, that the time of meeting of City Council be extended to 8.30 P. M., at which time the roll was called, 14 members being present.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and before being confirmed it was moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that the Minutes be amended so as to show that Alderman Keefe moved the following amendment to Alderman Hamilton's resolution in *re* the Milliken fund after the reading of letter from Edward Walker, on page 176 of printed Minutes. "Provided, however, that the claims of workmen who were engaged by Milliken & Co., on the City Hall and remain unpaid be paid out of said forfeit money, when they have been duly sworn to before a Magistrate as being correct and justly due. Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman McFatridge." This amendment was ruled out by the Chair.

The following words from His Honor the Recorder, opinion in *re* Railway Track, page 170, were also struck out, "otherwise the track" "may be removed."

The Minutes were then confirmed as amended.

The style of Printing the Minutes having been objected to as not being in accordance with the contract.

The following resolution was introduced.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk send a set of the Minutes, printed, to R. T. Murray the Queen's Printer, with a copy of the Report of the Committee on the Printing of the Minutes and the Contract with the Herald Company to report whether the same is in accordance with the report and specification of the said committee. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Boak and passed.

Alderman Hamilton, Chairman of the Board of City Works submits a report from the Board in reference to Contract for Electric Lighting the City.

Also, a report from the Board of City Works on petition from Osborne Blois.

Also, a report from the Board on the tenders for granite curbing of Fountain on Parade.

Alderman Sweet, Chairman Committee of Public Accounts submits a report from that Committee on several accounts for Printing and Stationery.

Alderman Lyons submits petition from Frank Eden and other rate-payers of North Park and other Streets, asking the planting of an Avenue of trees on Common.

Alderman Hamilton submits petition from Henry A. Taylor and T. A. Cossman in reference to defective drainage Dresden Row.

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from Thomas E. Everett in reference to certain obstructions on West Street.

Also, a petition from Theodore Graves and a number of Hackmen, asking an amendment to Hackney Carriage Regulations.

Also, letter from Simon Cummins, Supervisor of Coal Measurers in reference to complaints against M. Tynan, Coal Measurer.

Also, letter from Edward Stanley, Assistant Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor General, in reference to his visit to this city.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers handed in this day. Motion passed.

Read report from the Board of City Works, in reference to tenders for the Electric Lighting of the City.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Adams, that said report be taken up with item No. 1, on Order of the Day. Motion passed.

Read report from Board of City Works on the letter from Osborne Blois, in *re* property known as Old Magazine Property.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD CITY WORKS,

September 15th, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the letter from Osborne Blois, regarding the purchase of the Old Magazine Property at Richmond, when it was decided to report to the City Council that it is not advisable to sell said property.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. HAMILTON, *Chairman Board of Works.*

HALIFAX, N. S., August 10th, 1890.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council of Halifax:*

*Dear Sirs,*—I am desirous of purchasing the lot of land situate at the south west corner of the Dry Dock, and known as the Old Magazine Property.

If this lot is for sale I should like to have your lowest cash price for the property and also to know if I can get possession at once.

Asking your consideration of the matter at your earliest meeting.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

OSBORNE BLOIS.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the report be adopted and a copy of the report be sent to Mr. Blois. Motion passed.

Read report from the Board of City Works on the tender from Samuel Brookfield, for granite work on the Parade Fountain.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD CITY WORKS,

September 21, 1890.

The Board of City Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, it was

*Resolved,* That this Board recommend to the City Council that the tender of S. M. Brookfield for the Fountain on the Parade for the sum of \$1707.00 be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. HAMILTON, *Chairman Board of Works.*