

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Ruggles, that said report be received and adopted. Objected to by Alderman Sweet and Power.

Read report from Committee of Public Accounts in reference to payment of sundry accounts for Stationery and Printing. A resolution introduced by Alderman Sweet was objected to.

Read petition from Henry A. Taylor and others, in reference to defective Sewer, Dresden Row.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that said petition be referred to Board of City Works to report on.

Read letter from Simon Cummins, Supervisor of Measurers of Coal, complaining of Michael Tynan, one of the Coal Measurers, being unable to make correct accounts, with letters from William Roche and S. Cunard & Co. on the subject.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the report and letters, together with letter from Michael Tynan, complaining of the Supervisor, be referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges with power to send for persons and papers, and have the matter investigated and report thereon to Council. Motion passed.

Read Petition from Frank Eden and other rate payers of North Park Street, asking that an Avenue of Trees be planted on North Common.

A resolution submittd by Alderman Lyons on the subject was objected to.

Read Petition of Theodore Graves and other Hackmen, in reference to an amendment to Hack regulations.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that said Petition be referred to Committee on Hacks and Trucks. Motion passed.

Read letter from Thomas E. Everett in reference to an encroachment by steps in front of his houses on West Street.

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

Read letter from Edward Stanley, Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor General, in reference to the contemplated visit of His Excellency to this City.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that the letter be referred to the Committee on the presentation of the Address.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Hamilton to introduce a resolution in reference to purchase of Stone Crusher. Motion passed.

A resolution was introduced by Alderman Hamilton and objected to.

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

The following resolution was then introduced:

Whereas, The Chairman of the Police Committee has publicly stated that a large number of complaints and charges made by the Police, and entered upon the book provided for that purpose, have been ignored by the Authorities, and that no action has been taken thereon. The Chairman, thereby absolving the Police from blame for the non-enforcement of law.

Resolved, That the City Marshall is hereby instructed to report to this Council at its next meeting a detailed statement of all complaints and charges made by the Police from the first of May to the 31st September, 1890, with the proceedings taken thereunder in each case; and in cases where no proceedings have been taken, to report the reason thereof. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Boak and passed.

Council proceed to the Order of the Day.

Alderman Boak withdraws his notice of reconsideration given at last meeting in *re* Electric Lighting Contract.

Read report of Board of City Works in reference to Contract for Lighting the City.

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

September 25th, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this evening, they had under consideration the tenders for Lighting the City by Electricity. referred to them by the City Council, when the following resolution was adopted and ordered to be sent to the Council.

Whereas, The Eastern Electric Light Company of St. John have tendered for lighting the City of Halifax with Electric Light.

And Whereas, Said Company is not incorporate by any Act of the Legislature of this Province and have no authority to erect posts in or upon the Streets of said City, and have requested the City Board of Works to alter said contemplated Contract by leaving out such clauses

as may make them liable for damages, costs, etc., for which said City might be made liable by reason of the non-fulfilment of said Contract, and also request 60 days further time from the expiration of the 80 days mentioned in the contemplated contract, making in all 140 days, and also to indemnify said Company from all losses and damages in consequence of the erection and continuance of poles and wires until legislative authority be obtained.

And Whereas, The other two Companies tendering, viz: the Thomson-Houston International Electric Company of Boston, and the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Company, limited, of Yarmouth, are in like position as regards legislation authorizing them to erect poles and wires.

Therefore Resolved, That as the present Company's contract expires on the 24th November next, this Board recommends that the tender of the Halifax Illuminating and Moter Company, limited, be accepted for Lighting the City with two thousand candle power arc lamps, at seventy-nine dollars (\$79.00) per lamp per annum, on the terms and conditions mentioned in the advertisement annexed thereto, and the amended contract approved by the City Council. The Chairman dissenting.

The request of the Eastern Electric Company are hereto annexed.

Respectfully submitted,

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

(1.) The Eastern Electric Company to have 140 days to complete works from date of signing the Contract.

(2.) The City to indemnify the Company against any action that may be brought against it by reason of any nuisance committed in erecting poles.

(3.) The words from "will indemnify" in the second line of the first page of last clause of the contract to the words "or any part thereof" be omitted.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Ruggles, that said report be received and adopted.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the opinion of His Honor the Recorder in reference to erection of poles be read. Motion passed.

The opinion of His Honor the Recorder was read.

RECORDER'S OFFICE,

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 29th, 1890.

In re erection of Electric Light Poles :

I am of opinion that no Company has the right to erect poles or lay water pipes in the Streets of the City without legislative authority.

There is no express authority conferred on the City to erect poles for Electric Lighting, but they are authorized to assess the citizens for lighting the city and to make a contract for that purpose and under this power I am of opinion that the City itself may erect poles for that purpose and give permission to any person or Company to string wires thereon. In erecting those posts the City assumes all responsibility for any loss or damage incurred thereby for any negligence connected therewith.

W. F. MACCOY.

Read the concessions asked for by Eastern Electric Co., a second time.

The motion to adopt the report was then put and lost, 6 voting for the same, 8 against it. The names being called for appeared thus.

For the Report.

Aldermen Mosher, Adams,
Foster, Ruggles,
Pickering, Keefe—6.

Against it.

Aldermen Lyons, Sweet,
Power, Sanford,
Hamilton, Hesslein,
Dennis, Boak—8.

Alderman Ruggles gives notice of reconsideration.

The following resolution No. 7, is next introduced.

Resolved, That the tender of the Manufacturers' Company of Yarmouth, be accepted. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Dennis.

10.40—Alderman Foster moved a Call of Council, seconded by Alderman Pickering.

Moved by Alderman Ruggles, seconded by Alderman Foster, that Alderman Lyons be the Acting Mayor, in the absence of the Mayor and Alderman Mackintosh, the present Acting Mayor, who has to leave the city to-morrow, on business.

10.45—Moved by Alderman Ruggles, seconded by Alderman Ruggles, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost by the Acting Mayor voting against the adjournment. The names being called for appeared thus ;

For the Adjournment.

Aldermen Pickering, Dennis,
Sweet, Power,
Ruggles, Foster,
Adams—7.

Against it.

Aldermen Boak, Keefe,
Hesslein, Hamilton,
Sanford, Lyons,
Mosher—7.
The Chairman.

The following resolution was then introduced:

Resolved, That a Special Committee be appointed to devise ways and means for lighting the City after the termination of the present contract with the present Company. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Mosher, to which the following amendment is introduced.

Resolved, That the City Board of Works be authorised to devise ways and means for lighting the City after the termination of the present contract. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Adams, which amendment on being put was lost, 4 voting for the same, 10 against it.

The original resolution was then put and passed, 9 voting for the same, 5 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Resolution.

Aldermen Boak, Keefe,
Dennis, Hesslein,
Hamilton, Sanford,
Power, Lyons,
Mosher—9.

Against it.

Aldermen Pickering,
Ruggles, Foster,
Sweet, Adams—5.

10 minutes past 11—Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Ruggles, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and passed.

Council adjourn.

CITY HALL.

Minutes of City Council,

No. 17. OCTOBER 7th, 1890.

EVENING SESSION.—8.10 P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council, summoned for this evening at the above hour. Present: Alderman Lyons, Acting Mayor in the Chair; Aldermen Ruhland, Keefe, Hamilton, Pickering, Sanford, Foster and Adams.

Moved by Alderman Ruhland, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the time for meeting be extended 15 minutes.

Quarter past 8—Roll called. Present: Aldermen Lyons, Acting Mayor in the Chair; Aldermen Ruhland, Keefe, Hamilton, Sanford, Pickering, Ruggles, Power, Foster, McFatridge, Outhit, Mosher, and Adams.

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

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Hamilton, Chairman of the Board of City Works, submits a report from the Board on letter from Thomas E. Everett.

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

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

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

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

The acting Mayor, submits a report from Special Committee, on Address to His Excellency the Governor-General.

Also, report from the Inspector of Buildings, in reference to violation of the Building Act, by Frederick Bertram and B. J. Hubley & Son.

Also, a report from the City Clerk, in reference to boys sentenced to Halifax Industrial School and St. Patrick's Home.

Also, a letter from City Clerk, asking the appointment of an additional Clerk in his office.

Also, a return from the City Marshal as asked for by resolution of Council in reference to Police reports.

Also, the names of Committee on Electric Lighting the City as appointed by him.

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

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

Read Report Committee City Prison, with the accounts for the month of September, 1890.

THE CITY PRISON, Oct. 7th, 1890.

The Committee on City Prison met to-day. Present Alderman Mosher, the Chairman, Aldermen Dennis, Sweet, Sanford.

The following accounts were approved and ordered to be sent to the Council, with a recommendation that they be paid :

S. Cunard & Co.....	\$ 81 00
J. Hogan & Sons.....	4 68
G. P. Henry.....	36 00
W. Whiston.....	3 00
G. E. Forsyth & Co.....	85 25
A. J. Grant & Co.....	4 89
Mrs. Manley.....	16 34
H. B. Fidler.....	38 30

\$269 46

Appended is a statement of the number of persons admitted and discharged during September, and the number in custody September, 30th.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Committee.

That the Council be recommended to make such alterations in the basement of the City Hall, so that the Prison Van may take in the prisoners from the South side of the Hall instead of loading as at present in the sight of great numbers of children and others.

That in consequence of the unusually large number of prisoners that have been sent to the Prison this year involving a greater expenditure than heretofore, it is absolutely necessary that the amount now due by the Board of Works be transferred to the credit of the City Prison Account without further delay.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution No. one was introduced :

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

Read Report from the Board of City Works in reference to letter from Thomas Everett, in the matter of encroachment on the Street.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

October 1st, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the letter from Thomas E. Everett referred to them by the Council, when it was Resolved that in consideration of the circumstances of the case this Board recommend that the land on West Street, on which Mr. Everett has encroached be leased to him at a nominal rent per annum, such rental to be fixed by the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. T. HAMILTON, *C. B. W.*

ST. JOHN, N. B.,

Sept. 23rd, 1890.

DAVID MCPHERSON, ESQ.,

Dear Sir.—I am the owner of four houses on West Street, and last summer the old stoops got so bad, I had to put up new ones and when they were up, I received a letter from the Recorder telling me I was infringing on the Street.

The new ones do not come out as far on the street as the old one did, and we have no way of getting into the houses, without coming out on the street, on account of the City cutting away the street about four feet six inches, some few years ago, at that time they undermined the walls, which cost me over four hundred dollars to repair the damage done.

I would ask you to do what you can for me, and let the stoops remain, and I will pay a rent to the City.

Only for being so busy on Exhibition business, I would see you personally.

Yours respectfully.

THOS. E. EVERETT.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the report be adopted and a rental fixed at \$1.00 per annum on Mr. Everett, agreeing to remove the same when called upon to do so. Motion passed.

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

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

October 1st, 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 Kaye Street referred to them by the City Council, and also, a report from the City Engineer thereupon, when it was ordered to be forwarded to the City Council, with the recommendation that the work be carried out in accordance with said report.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Proposed Kaye Street Sewer from Gottingen Street to Campbell Road.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

25th Sept. 1890.

The length of Sewer required is 1270 feet, size 18 inches by 12 inches. Estimated cost \$3100. Estimated Sewerage rates the same.

If this Sewer is ordered it will be necessary to build a new Sewer along Campbell Road and down Young Street in order to obtain a

proper outlet as explained in my report on the proposed Sewer for Russell Street, or otherwise to extend the Campbell Road Sewer further northerly, at least as far as Hanover Street for the present, which could obviate the necessity of constructing the sewer down Young Street below Campbell Road.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. KEATING, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the report be adopted and work carried on as specified by the Engineer in his report. Motion passed.

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

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

October 6th, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the petition for Sewer on Sackville Street, referred to them by the City Council, as also, a report thereupon from the City Engineer, when it was resolved to send it to the City Council, with the recommendation that the Sewer be built in its turn, and in accordance with the report.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Proposed Sewer on Sackville Street, Dresden Row to South Park St.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

6th October, 1890.

A Sewer is required in this street, no Sewer exists there at present.

The proposed Sewer will be built of concrete, 14 inches by 21 inches at a depth of from 9 to 10 feet, will be about 430 feet long, and will discharge into the 15 inch pipe Sewer in South Park Street.

The excavation will be partly through rock. Estimated cost is about \$1160.00. Estimated sewerage rates about \$487.50. It is recommended that the work be done.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEXANDER POTTER,

For City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report from Board of City Works on construction of a Sewer on West Street, from Robie Street east, with a report from the City Engineer on the same.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD CITY WORKS,

October 6th, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the petition for Sewer on West Street, from Robie Street east, and a report of the City Engineer upon it, when it was decided to send a copy of the report to the City Council, with the recommendation that the work be proceeded with in its turn.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Proposed Sewer on West Street, from Robie Street east.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

2nd October, 1890.

A Sewer is required in this Street. It is proposed to take up 100 feet of the temporary 12 inch pipe Sewer in West Street between North George and John Streets, which at present drains to the east, and continue the proposed Sewer to that point. The Sewer will be built of Concrete 14 inches by 21 inches in size and at a depth of 9 to 10 feet. The excavation will be entirely through rock, and will cost about \$2500.00. Estimated Sewerage rates \$1050.00.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. POTTER,

For City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Foster, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report from the Special Committee on the presentation of an address to His Excellency the Governor-General.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

October 6th, 1890.

The Special Committee appointed to draft an address to the Governor-General on his approaching visit to Halifax, submit herewith a draft Address, and recommend that the same be engrossed and

presented to His Excellency, on the day of his arrival, by the Mayor, Recorder, and City Clerk, on behalf of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. LYONS, *Chairman.*

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

TO THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

SIR FREDERICK ARTHUR STANLEY,

BARON STANLEY, OF PRESTON, IN THE COUNTY OF LANCASTER, IN THE PEERAGE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM, KNIGHT GRAND CROSS OF THE MOST HONOURABLE ORDER OF THE BATH, GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF CANADA, &C., &C., &C.

May it Please Your Excellency:

On behalf of the City Council and the Citizens of Halifax, we bid Your Excellency welcome to the Capital of Nova Scotia.

As one of the oldest cities in the Dominion of Canada, and as one that has ever been preeminently not for its warm attachment to the person and rule of HER GRACIOUS MAJESTY, whom it has pleased God to bless with a reign of extraordinary length and prosperity, it is always a source of pleasure to the citizens of Halifax to honor with due consideration Her Majesty's representative in this Dominion.

Halifax has had the honor to receive, and our citizens the pleasure to entertain, at different times since the Confederation of the Provinces, the men of high rank and distinguished public service under the Crown, who have preceded you in the high office which you now hold, and it is a great satisfaction to us, and to our fellow-citizens all over the Dominion, to feel and know that Her Majesty's Commission still continues in able and trustworthy hands. The personal and almost daily intercourse of our public men at the seat of Government with men of high personal honor, distinguished abilities, and varied political experience, such as Her Majesty has been pleased to send to govern us in the past and at present, cannot fail to improve the political morality of this country, while the intercourse of the Governors-General and their families with the people, and their personal knowledge of the resources, scenery and climate of the different parts of the Dominion, gained by tours such as Your Excellency is at present making, cannot fail to make Canada better known at home and abroad.

In the eminent abilities already exhibited in the service of the Crown in other parts of the empire, we have the best assurances that

the affairs of our Dominion will, in Your Excellency's hands, be administered with wisdom and impartially.

We trust that Your Excellency and Lady Stanley—to whom we tender our profound respects, may be favoured with pleasant weather and the best of health during your stay among us, that your visit, though brief, may be a very pleasant one, and that you may carry away with you many pleasant recollections of our City and Province, with their many attractions of scenery and historical associations. Our Province, tho' small in area, we, as Nova Scotians, are proud and prone to believe is by no means one of the least important of Her Majesty's territories in North America, under the Government over which you have been called to preside.

We have the honor to be, on behalf of the City Council of Halifax, Your Excellency's most obedient servants.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the report be received and concurred in, the Address to be engrossed and sent back to the Committee to carry into effect.

Read report from the Inspector of Buildings in reference to violation of Building Act by B. J. Hubley & Son, Bedford Row.

Also, a report from the Inspector of Buildings in reference to violation of the Building Act by Frederick Bertram on Grafton Street.

Read letter from Robert Murray, Queen's Printer, in reference to the style of Printing Minutes of City Council, as asked for by the resolution of Council.

Read report from the City Clerk in reference to boys sentenced to Halifax Industrial School and the St. Patrick's Home.

Read letter from the City Clerk, asking that an additional Clerk be appointed to assist in the duties of the office.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that the same be referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges to report on.

The following gentlemen were appointed by the Acting Mayor, the Committee to devise ways and means for the lighting the City after the expiration of the present contract with the Company, viz: The Halifax Illuminating and Motor Co. Aldermen Boak, Hesslein, Hamilton, Power, McFatrige and Mosher.

Read report of City Marshal of the number of cases of reports of violations of the law as reported on the Police books as asked for by resolution of the City Council.

On motion of Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Sweet, the same is placed on the Order of the Day.

Alderman Power has special leave to submit a report from Committee on the lighting of the City.

Read report from the Special Committee on Electric Lighting the City.

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

Alderman Boak has special leave to submit the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Poors' Asylum to 30th April, 1890.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Ruhland, that the same be referred to committee on publication of Annual Report. Motion passed.

The Council next take up the Order of the Day.

Read Alderman Ruggle's notice of reconsideration of last meeting on the motion to adopt the report of the Board of City Works on Electric Lighting the City.

Moved by Alderman Ruggles, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the said report be reconsidered which motion on being put is passed, 10 voting for the same, 5 against it. The names being called for appeared thus.

For the Reconsideration.

Aldermen Ruhland, Keefe,
Pickering, Sweet,
Ruggles, McFatridge,
Foster, Adams,
Mosher, Outhit—10

Against it.

Aldermen Boak
Hamilton,
Hesslein,
Sanford,
Power—5.

Read report from the Board of City Work on the Electric Lighting Contract as entered last meeting.

Read report from Special Committee on Electric Lighting submitted this day.

The Special Committee appointed to consider the question of City Lighting after the expiration of the present Electric Lighting Contract beg to report as follows:

That they recommend the tender of the Halifax Illuminating and Motor Co. be accepted, but the Contract with that Company be so modified and amended that after one year's lighting has been performed, one year's notice of desire to terminate such Contract on the part of

either the City or the Company shall be sufficient to terminate such Contract.

D. F. POWER, *Chairman.*

Read the advertisement for Tenders as published in the newspapers.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Ruggles, that the report of the Board of City Works be received and adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the report of the Special Committee submitted this day be adopted, which amendment on being put is lost, 4 voting for the same, 12 against it.

For the Amendment.

Alderman Boak,
Hesslein,
Hamilton,
Power—4.

Against it.

Aldermen Ruhland, Keefe,
Dennis, Sanford,
Pickering, Sweet,
Ruggles, Foster,
McFatrige, Adams,
Mosher, Outhit—12.

The original motion to adopt the report on being put was passed.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that Alderman Mosher have leave to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution was then introduced:

Resolved, That the City Engineer report to this Council whether any extensions of water have been made from the high services within the past three months, if any, to what extent, and if the same has been done with his approval. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Sweet, which resolution on being put, passed.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that Halifax, Illuminating and Moter Company, be required to give security for the contract, satisfactory to His Worship the Mayor and His Honor the Recorder.

Alderman Dennis has special leave to submit a report from the Sanitary Committee, on the state of Public Sewer, at Lumber Yard, also a petition from the Revd. Foster Almon on Sewer, Albermarle Street.

Read Report from the Sanitary Committee with report from City Medical Official on the above.

CITY HALL COMMITTEE ROOM,

Oct. 6th, 1890.

At a meeting of the Sanitary Committee held this day. Present: The Chairman, Aldermen Sanford, Ruggles, Lyons and Mosher.

They had before them the annexed letter from Lt.-Col. Hill with a report from Major Bagot, R. E., complaining that soakage from the City Sewer on Hollis Street permeates the soil to the extent of reaching the Lumber Yard property, and causing sickness and death in the quarters in its immediate neighbourhood. Also, a report from the City Medical Officer (annexed hereto) thereon. When it was resolved to refer the papers to the City Council, with a recommendation that the old sewer be closed up or removed, and a new Sewer be constructed from Fawson Street, South, to remedy the evil complained of.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. DENNIS, *Chairman.*

ROYAL ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

Halifax, October 2nd 1890.

Sir,—I have the honor to inform you that several cases of diphtheria have recently occurred in the Lumber Yard, the last terminating fatally on the 27th ult. The quarter in which this last case took place is at N.W. corner of the yard, and the house is within 3 feet of the boundary fence between the yard and Hollis Street. The intervening space has been excavated to a dept of several feet and as a result the soil is found to be very foul and apparently saturated with old sewerage. Steps will be taken by the Royal Engineer's to endeavor to prevent further saturations inside W. D. property. There is, however, little doubt that the ground under the side-walk, between street gutter and Lumber Yard is similarly saturated, I would beg to request therefore that the spot may be inspected at a very early date by the proper City Official, with a view to remedial measures being taken by the City authorities to prevent a continuance of this highly unsanitary state of affairs.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ARTHUR HILL, *Lieut. Col., R. E.*

C. R. E. Halifax.

* P. S.—I forward herewith a report from Major Bagot, R. E., on the subject.

C. R. E.

C. S. M. Quinlan, reported in July, 1889, an unsanitary smell in his quarters, on inspection it proved that a drain running from the street under the quarters was in a very bad state.

This drain was an old one, which carried off the surface water from a grating catch pit into which the surface drain off S. Hollis Street run. On this catch-pit being inspected it was found that the sewerage matter from the City drain in Hollis Street escaped into the catch-pit. The drain in question was of the worst construction being practically of loose uncemented rubble. On opening up the ground near the two quarters or N. of the gates recently vacated on account of three successive cases of diphtheria. I find the ground along the street saturated with foul soil-smelling matter. It appears probable that the City drain is again in fault, it is doubtless similar in construction all through, and I would submit that the Board of Health should be called on to dig down and see what is wrong with a view to rectification if necessary. W. D. were at great expense in relaying the drain under C. S. M. Quinlan's quarters. The City put the catch-pit right.

C. H. BAGOT, *Major.*

Oct. 2nd, 1890.

Extract from Report of City Medical Officer read at a meeting of Sanitary Committee, October 6th, 1890.

In the matter of the complaint of Lt.-Col. Hill, R. E., that soakage from the city sewer on Hollis Street permeates the soil to the extent of reaching the Lumber Yard property, and causing sickness in the quarters in its immediate neighborhood, such complaint having been referred to me by the Chairman. I have to report that in company with Mr. Meagher, Sanitary Inspector, I visited the locality and carefully examined the surroundings. I find the complaint well-grounded. The floor of the quarters mentioned in the Lumber Yard is probably on a line with or below the bottom of the sewer which lies close under the sidewalk, and there is infiltration of contents of sewer through the intervening soil to the low lying Lumber Yard dwelling. There would seem to be no remedy for this state of things but to open the street thoroughly, clean out the sewer from Fawson Street south, and it may even be necessary to construct an impervious concrete sewer the same distance. I would recommend that the Board of Works be communicated with, and the matter receive their immediate attention, as it demands that urgent steps be taken.

A true extract.

THOS. RHIND, *City Clerk.*

When the following resolution No. 3 is introduced;

Resolved, That the report be adopted and referred to the Board of Works to have a new sewer constructed on Hollis Street, south from Fawson, and that the old stone drain be closed up, the adjoining earth removed, and the excavation filled in with new earth. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Boak, and passed.

Read letter from Revd. F. H. Almon, in reference to construction of sewer on Albermarle Street from Duke to Jacob Streets.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the letter be sent to the Board of City Work to report on. Motion passed.

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

The following resolution was introduced :—

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be authorised to advertise for the borrowing the sum of \$2800 for the purpose of widening the Campbell Road, under the provisions of Chapter 62, Sect. 1, of the Acts of 1890. Moved by Alderman Outhit, seconded by Alderman Mosher and passed.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Power, that items No. 3 and No. 22 on the Order of the Day be taken up.

Read Clause 3 of the Report of Committee of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners, as submitted 7th August, in reference to unpaid accounts, and Clause 4 in reference to engineers.

When the following resolution No. 5, is introduced :

Resolved, That the clause in the reports of the Board of Fire Wards, 31st July, 1890, and 30th August, 1890, in *re* old accounts be concurred in and that the Mayor be authorized to pay the same out of the Unexpended Balance Account, the accounts being certified by the proper officials. Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Outhit and passed.

The following resolution is next introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Fire Wards appointing a Chief Engineer, and letters from Michael Mulcahy and Patrick O'Toole, be sent back to the Board for further consideration. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman McFatridge and passed.

Read clause in report of Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners of 30th August, 1890, in reference to purchase of horses for steam fire engine.

When the following resolution is introduced :

Resolved, that the City purchase horses for No. 4 Fire Steamer and other purposes, and that the Public Accounts Committee be instructed to provide an amount in next years estimates sufficient to purchase a pair of horses for such purposes. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Power.

To which it was moved in amendment by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that the matter of purchasing horses be referred to the Board of City Works, which amendment on being put was lost, 6 voting for the same, 7 against it.

The original resolution was put and passed, 8 voting for the same, and 6 against it, and the names being called for appeared thus:

For the Resolution.		Against it.	
Aldermen Boak,	Keefe,	Aldermen Dennis,	Hamilton,
Pickering,	Power,	Sanford,	Sweet,
Ruggles,	McFatrige,	Mosher,	Outhit--6
Foster,	Adams--8		

Alderman Hamilton gives notice of recommendation of the amendment and the resolution.

On a motion, Alderman Sweet has special leave to introduce the following resolution:

Whereas, The Chairman of the Board of Works is reported as stating that new Sewers are being built of Cement as soft as bread.

Resolved, That the Board of Works and City Engineer be requested to report to this Council as to the quality of the material now being used in the construction of Sewers, and also, in what sewer unsuitable material has been used. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Power, and passed.

10.15.—Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Adams, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourn.

CITY HALL.

Minutes of City Council,

No. 18 OCTOBER 20th, 1890.

EVENING SESSION.—8.10 P. M.

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

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

In consequence of a meeting of the Board of Health, it was moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the time for meeting of Council be extended until the Board has finished business. Motion passed.

25 minutes to 9 P. M.—Roll called: 16 members present.

The Minutes of Meeting of Council held on the 7th inst, were read and confirmed.

Alderman Foster, Chairman of Committee on Tenders, submits a report of said Committee on loan for Water extension purposes.

Alderman Pickering submits a letter from G. A Jost, asking construction of a Sewer on South Street.

Alderman Mackintosh, acting Mayor, submits letter of resignation of John Adams, Supervisors of Measurers of Salt and Grain, with a memo asking the Council to appoint D. J. Smith, one of the measurers Supervisor.

Also, a report from E. H. Keating, City Engineer in reference to High Service Water Supply.

Also, a report from E. H. Keating, City Engineer, in reference to Concrete Sewers, etc.

Also, a letter from the City Clerk in reference to monthly fees of Measurers of Coal as received by them for month of September 1890, with a resignation of Michael Tynan, one of the Measurers.

Also, a report from City Clerk, on two accounts for Printing and Advertising.

Alderman Boak submits a report from Committee on Charities, Poor Asylum accounts for month of September 1890.

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

Read report from the Committee on Tenders for the loan for Water extension and improvements.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY BUILDING,
October 10th, 1890.

Committee on Tenders met this P. M., to open Tenders for City Loan for \$10,000 for extension and improvement of the Water Service as per advertisement hereto annexed. Aldermen present: Foster, Chairman, Pickering, Power.

The following Tenders were opened, viz:—J. C. Mackintosh offered to loan the City \$10,000 and give 99.13 for debentures, bearing interest at 4% per annum.

John Ternan, M. D., offered to loan \$5000 at 5% 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 is introduced:

Resolved, That the Tender of J. C. Mackintosh, offering to loan the City of Halifax \$10,000 for Water extension and improvements, and to give \$99.13 for debentures bearing interest at 4% per annum be accepted. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Power and passed.

Read letter from G. A. Jost, asking that a Sewer be built on South Street.

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

Read letter from the Measurers of Grain and Salt in reference to the resignation of John Adams as Supervisor, and asking that D. J. Smith be appointed as Supervisor. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the resignation of Mr. Adams be accepted and that D. J. Smith be appointed the Supervisor. Motion passed.

Read report from E. H. Keating, City Engineer, in reference to High Service Water extension.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the said report be referred back to the Engineer to carry out the resolution of Council. Motion passed.

Read report from E. H. Keating, City Engineer, in reference to material used in the making of Concrete Blocks for Sewers.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the making of said Concrete Blocks be taken over by the Board of City Works and City Engineer.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the report be placed on the Order of the Day, which amendment on being put was passed.

Read report from Committee on Charities on accounts against Poors' Asylum for month of September.

HALIFAX, N. S., October 7th, 1890.

The Committee on Charities met this day: Present the Chairman, Aldermen Power, Pickering and Lyons.

The following accounts were examined and ordered to be paid:

C. E. Puttner	\$ 37 50
Brookfield Bros	20 00
Charles McDonald	13 38
Wm. Robertson	29 46
Geo. Gregoire	28 60
H. Barnstead	10 96
H. Barnstead	9 66
Wm. Whiston	92 40
Smith Bros	98 63
Dillon Bros	564 71

\$905 30

Annexed hereto find statement of the persons admitted, etc., to the Poors' Asylum during the month of September.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. BOAK.

POORS' ASYLUM,
September 30th, 1890.

To the Chairman and other Members of the Charities Committee:

Gentlemen,—During the month there has been 28 admitted, 17 discharged, and 5 died. Total number in the Institution 148 men, 127 women and 14 children—289.

J. W. FLEMMING.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that said report be confirmed. Motion passed.

Read report from City Clerk, covering two accounts for Printing and Advertising.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the same be referred to Committee Public Accounts to report on. Motion passed.

Read report from the City Clerk, in reference to fees received by Coal Measurers for the month of September 1890, and also the resignation of Michael Tynan as Coal Measurer.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that the same be referred to the Committee of Laws and Privileges to report on. Motion passed.

Alderman Kelly and Alderman McKilvray of St. John, being present in the lobby were invited by the Acting Mayor, to seats at the Council Board.

Council take up the Order of the Day.

Alderman Hamilton's notice of reconsideration given at last meeting in *re* the purchase of horses for Steam Fire Engine is taken up.

Read resolution and the amendment as entered at last meeting.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the same be reconsidered, which motion on being put is passed, 9 voting for the same, 6 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Reconsideration.
Aldermen Rhuland, Boak,
Dennis, Sweet,
Hamilton, Sanford,
Lyons, Mosher,
Outhit—9.

Against it.
Aldermen Pickering, Power,
Ruggles, McFatridge,
Foster, Adams—6.

The amendment of last meeting on being put was passed, 8 voting for 7 against it, and the names being called for appeared thus :

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Outhit, Mosher, Lyons, Sanford, Hamilton, Sweet, Dennis, Ruhland—8.	Aldermen Adams, Foster, McFatridge, Ruggles, Power, Pickering, Boak—7.

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

The following was then introduced :

Whereas, it appears that the city has no definite information of the number or location of properties connected with the main sewers.

And whereas, it is necessary in the interest of the city that all owners of dwellings and other building fronting on main sewers not already connected, be compelled to connect therewith.

Resolved, That the Board of Works are hereby requested to direct the Water Inspectors to visit every dwelling or other building fronting on a main sewer, and to report every case where the connection has not been made; also to report how such buildings as are not connected with main sewers are drained.

Further Resolved, That the Water Inspectors be instructed to include in their report a detailed statement of all cases of defective plumbing of water pipes and sewer connections for the information of the Sanitary Committee. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Boak, and passed.

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

The following resolution was then introduced :

Whereas, The necessity exists in this City of an institution for the confinement and reformation of Inebriates under legislative and civic control.

Therefore resolved, That the Committee of Laws and Privileges and His Honor the Recorder be requested to consider the matter and report to this Council a draft of any Act that may be required for submission to the Legislature at its next session, and also to provide, if possible, that such an institution may be self-supporting. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Mosher, and passed.

Read petition from His Grace the Archbishop, His Lordship Bishop Courtney, and 475 citizens, asking a site on the Grand Parade, whereon to erect the Art School, Museum and School of Design, when the following resolution is introduced :

Resolved, That while the City Council is desirous to assist the Art School, in the opinion of the Council the Grand Parade should be kept open and not used as a site for a building for the Art School or other purposes, and the petitioners be notified accordingly. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, and passed.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that No. 34 on the Order of the Day be taken up, Motion passed.

Read report from Committee of Public Accounts on several accounts from Theakson & Co., and others,

CITY HALL, COMMITTEE ROOM,
September 26th, 1890.

The Committee on Public Accounts beg to recommend the following accounts for Printing and Stationery, (referred to them at the last meeting of the City Council) for payment, the same being properly certified: The accounts to be paid out of the appropriation for Printing and Stationery for the present year.

George F. Cleary, Stationery.....	\$133 92
Theakston & Co., Printing Clerk of Licence office..	43 00
" " City Clerk's office.....	13 05
" " City Collector's office...	16 00
" " Assessor's office.....	21 74
" " Sanitary Committee....	51 90
" " Recorder's office	22 00
" " Fire Department.....	11 00
" " Assessor's office	55 60
" " Cemetery Committee ...	1 25

Respectfully submitted,

R. J. SWEET, *Chairman*.

When the following resolution is introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee of Public Accounts be adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the amounts therein.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Foster and passed.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the subject matter of supplying Stationery for the future be referred to Committee on Tenders. Motion passed.

Read resolution of Alderman Lyons, by way of notice, in reference to a question of order as regards the action of the Mayor and City Clerk.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that the same stand over until His Worship the Mayor is present.

Read resolution of Alderman Pickering, as submitted by way of notice, 7th January, 1890, as follows:

Resolved, That hereafter it shall be part of the duty of the Deputy Marshal and Sergeants of Police to assist the License Inspector in enforcing the Liquor Licence law on their respective beats, and shall report daily, in writing in a book kept for that purpose in the office of the Inspector, all infringements of the Act, which may come under their observation.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, to which the following amendment is introduced.

Resolved, That the City Marshal and the Deputy Marshal be appointed Assistant License Inspectors under the License Act of 1886, and that the Sergeants of Police and the police force be directed to assist the Inspector, and the Assistant Inspectors, and that the police make reports in writing of all violations of the Act that come under their notice. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Adams, which amendment on being put was lost, 7 voting for the same, and 8 against, the names being called for, appeared thus:

For the amendment.

Alderman Boak, Dennis,
Sweet, Hamilton,
Lyons, Adams,
Mosher—7.

Against it.

Alderman Ruhland, Outhit,
Sanford, Pickering,
Power, Ruggles,
McFatrige, Foster—8.

The original resolution was then put and passed, 8 voting for, and 7 against it; the names being called for, appeared thus:

For the Resolution.

Aldermen Adams, Lyons,
Pickering, Hamilton,
Sweet, Dennis,
Boak, Ruhland—8.

Against it.

Aldermen Mosher, Foster,
McFatrige, Ruggles,
Power, Sanford,
Outhit—7.

Alderman Power gives notice of reconsideration.

10.30 P. M.—Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourn.

CITY HALL.

Minutes of City Council,

No. 19 OCTOBER 28th, 1890.

AFTERNOON SESSION.—3.10 P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council summoned for this day.
Present: His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Aldermen Dennis, Sanford, Power, Foster, Mosher.

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

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

NOVEMBER 4th, 1890.

EVENING SESSION.—8.10 P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council summoned for this evening at the above hour. Present: His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Aldermen Mackintosh, Keefe, Dennis, Hamilton, Sanford, Pickering, Sweet, Power, Foster, McFatrige, Outhit, Mosher and Adams.

The Council were summoned to appoint two Commissioners of Schools for the City of Halifax. Two citizen Commissioners of Halifax Common. To proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

In consequence of a meeting of the Board of Health at the above hour, it was moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the time for the meeting of Council be extended for a half hour or until the Board adjourn. Motion passed.

8.45. Council proceed to business. Present: The above with Aldermen Ruhland, Boak, Hesslein and Lyons.

Read Minutes of Meetings of Council, held on 20th and 28th October, 1890, which were confirmed.

Alderman Boak, Chairman, submits a report from Committee of Charities in reference to the contracts for supplies of Groceries, Meat, etc., to Poor Asylum for one year.

Alderman Mosher, Chairman, submits report from Committee of City Prison on Accounts for month of October, 1890.

Alderman Hamilton, Chairman of the Board of City Works, submits report from the Board on letter from Rev. F. H. Almon, in reference to Sewer on Albermarle Street.

Also, a report from the Board on complaint from E. Davidson, regarding overflow of cellar on Pleasant Street.

Also, report from the Board on alteration to basement of City Hall.

Also, report from the Board on Water Extension to south-west portion of the City.

Also, report from the Board on connections made to Sewers.

Also, report from the Board on the proposed sale of City Market Building.

Also, report from the Board on the letter from Mrs. John P. Muir in *re* sale of lands near Chain of Lakes.

Alderman Foster submits report from Committee on Tenders for loan for Hook and Ladder House.

Alderman Mackintosh submits Petition from Property Owners Bland Street for a Sewer.

Alderman Ruhland submits Petition from Property Owners Coburg Road and Edward Street for a Sewer.

Alderman Pickering, Chairman, submits a report from the Board of Fire Wards, and Fire Commissioners in reference to Site for Ladder House.

Alderman Sweet, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee of Public Accounts on sundry accounts.

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from His Honor the Recorder covering deed of street to be called Uniacke Street from Rev. Francis Partridge, Rector St. George's.

Also, a report from His Honor the Recorder in *re* suit Halifax Street Railway Co. vs. City of Halifax.

Also, a letter from Messrs. Harrington and Chisholm, Solicitors of Daniel Bedford, claiming damages.

Also, a letter from Elizabeth Hurley, in reference to taxation on her property on Quinpool Road.

Also, a letter from Joseph Belcher, Agent of Glasgow and London Insurance Co. in reference to License fees for Company.

Also, a letter from Alexander Potter in reference to his office as assistant to City Engineer.

Also, a report from E. H. Keating, City Engineer, in reference to concrete sewers, etc.

Also, a petition from Rate-payers of Richmond, Ward Six, in reference to a Sewer.

Also a petition from Osborne Blois in reference to erection of an oil warehouse.

Also, an extract from Minutes of Meeting of Board of Health in *re* Sewers.

Moved by Alderman Boak, 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 covering accounts for month of October, 1890.

CITY PRISON,
November 3rd, 1890.

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

The following accounts for the month of October amounting to \$124.92 were passed for payment:

Lawson & Harrington.....	\$ 43 90
A. M. Bell.....	12 22
G. P. Henry.....	36 00
Nisbet & Drake.....	6 20
Henry Carson.....	1 00
J. A. Hancock.....	1 25
G. S. Yates.....	5 50
Barnstead & Sutherland.....	13 77
A. & W. Mackinlay.....	2 33
Carpet Co.....	2 75

\$124 92

The Governor's returns of prisoners work done, &c., were submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution No. 1, is introduced.

Resolved, That the report of the Committee of the City Prison, submitted this day, be adopted, and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts therein reported. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Sanford, and passed.

Read report from Committee of Charities in reference to tenders for supplies for Poores' Asylum for ensuing year.

HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 22nd, 1890.

The Committee on Charities met this evening, Present: The Chairman, Aldermen Lyons, Power, Keefe, Pickering and Outhit.

The following tenders were accepted:

Dillon Bros	Groceries.
Smith Bros	Dry Goods.
E. Fenton	Hay and Straw,
Wm. Whiston	Beef,
J. L. Whytal, jr.	Leather.

Also, placed Daniel McIntosh in charge of the bakery and kitchen in place of the late baker, his father, James McIntosh, who had baked for the Institution the last 28 years.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. E. BOAK, *Chairman.*

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

Read report from Board of City Works, on letter from Rev. F. H. Almon, in reference to Sewer Duke and Albermarle Street, with letter from City Engineer on the subject.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that the same be placed on the Order of the Day, with No. 18. Motion passed.

Read report from Board of City Works on the complaint of Ezra Davidson, in reference to overflow Sewer on Pleasant Street, with report City Engineer on the same.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

October 27th, 1890.

The Board of City Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the complaint of E. Davidson, regarding overflow of his cellar, Pleasant Street, and a report from the City Engineer upon it, copies of both, which are enclosed when it was decided to send the papers to the City Council, with the recommendation that the whole work outlined in the report of the Engineer be proceeded with.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. HAMILTON, *Chairman B. W.*,

86½ Pleasant Street, City,

October 4th, 1890.

Sirs,—On Saturday, the 27th Sept., during the heavy rain of the forenoon, the water from the street sewer backed into my premises, 86½ Pleasant Street.

The same thing occurred more than once, some two year's ago, and an alteration was made in the drain at the foot of Inglis Street which it was thought would cure it.

The sewerage, however, came in again last Saturday freely enough to float a portion of the cellar flooring.

Yours, etc.,

E. DAVIDSON.

To the City Board of Works.

Complaint of E. Davidson on flooding of cellar on Pleasant Street, near Inglis Street.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

24th October, 1890.

The matter has been enquired into, and his statements found to be substantially correct, but whether the water came from the sewer through its incapacity during an extraordinary rain storm or from an extremely high tide assisting to back up the water cannot now be satisfactorily determined.

The sewer in the street from Smith Street southerly is a 15 inch pipe which is probably at times taxed to its full capacity and will sooner or later have to be taken out and replaced by a sewer of larger size.

The time has now arrived, in my opinion, when this should be done. To carry out this work as outlined in the sewerage plan of the city as far as the 15 inch pipe extends (which is near the foot of Smith Street) will involve the construction of about 300 feet of new sewer at a cost of about \$900. The estimated sewerage rates are from \$460 to \$500.

In fact the remainder of Pleasant Street from Smith Street to Morris Street is insufficiently provided with sewers and should before very long have a proper new sewer constructed therein. The existence of the Street Railway track will be found a source of considerable inconvenience and additional expense in carrying out the work.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. KEATING.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the report be received and adopted. Motion passed.

Read report from the Board of City Works on the proposed alterations in basement of City Hall. (To go on the Order of the Day.)

Read report Board of City Works on Water Supply to south-west portion of City with report from the City Engineer thereon.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,
November 3rd, 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the matter of Water supply to the South West portion of the City, when the following resolution was adopted.

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Council the proposed extension of the Water service to the South West portion of the City from Quinpool Road to Walnut and up LeMarchant Street to Coburg Road, and that the Engineer be instructed to proceed with the work at the earliest possible moment.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. HAMILTON, *Chairman*, B. W.

Improving the Water supply system in the South Western section of the City.

The accompanying resolution of Council, (see Minutes of Council, June 4th, 1890), on the above subject, having been referred to me, I beg to report as follows:

A large portion of the district is dependent upon one six inch pipe which at present is not sufficient to furnish an abundant supply of

water for domestic purposes alone. In case of a large fire this pipe would be taxed beyond its capacity, and sufficient water could not be obtained through it to meet the demands of the Fire Department.

The accompanying plan shows the location of the pipes and their sizes, and it also shows the alterations and additions I would propose in order to obtain a better fire protection service for the locality in case of need.

Nine-inch pipes have been laid in portions of Coburg Road and Preston Street, with the view to their ultimately being connected for the above purpose. I propose now that this connection should be made, but in order to avoid carrying the pipe through private property, it is advisable that Walnut Street should be extended southwardly, from its present termination, to Coburg Road. The land necessary for this extension, I am informed, can be acquired by the city without cost.

It will be seen by the plan that it is also proposed to connect the 9-inch pipe on Coburg Road with the existing 6-inch pipe on Robie Street to connect the 6-inch pipes on College Street, and to remove the old 3-inch pipe on Summer Street from College Street to Spring Garden Road, substituting a 6-inch pipe in its stead.

These alterations will of course be expensive, but they are necessary in order to afford proper fire protection to the locality referred to, the Poor House, Dalhousie College and the Convent, and other buildings in that vicinity.

The estimated cost is as follows :

Shirley Street, 9" pipe from Preston to Walnut Street about	490 ft.
Walnut " 9" " " Shirley to Jubilee " "	920 "
" " 9" " " Jubilee to Coburg " "	1250 "
	2660 "

Estimated cost with necessary branches, stop cocks, etc., \$7000.

Coburg Road, 9" pipe, from Seymour to Robie, about 850 feet.
Estimated cost complete, \$2,500.

College Street, 6" pipe, Carlton to Summer, about.....	350 feet.
Summer " 6" " College to Spring Garden Rd. about.....	420 "
	770 "

Estimated cost complete.....\$ 10 00
Add estimates above..... 95 00

Estimate cost of the whole work\$10 500

Deduct value of 1600 feet of old 9 inch pipe in stock, say.....	2 000
Probable cost in cash	<u>\$ 8 500</u>

About 2000 lineal feet of 9 inch pipe will have to be ordered for this undertaking, and considerable time will necessarily elapse before they can be procured, but in the meantime a large part of the work could be carried out.

The domestic supply to the district cannot be very greatly improved by the proposed improvements, as the valves have to be kept closed or partially closed except in case of actual need during a fire otherwise other districts will suffer.

So many extensions have been carried out during recent years, and the proper care of the works has been so neglected that their efficiency is imperiled. The questions involved are of too great magnitude to enter upon in this report, but I would respectfully refer to the recommendations contained in my last official annual report, and in my special report on the efficiency of the City water supply, dated 9th Nov. 1889.

As a first step in the right direction I would suggest the abolition of all ordinary non-self closing hopper water closets of which we have about 1600 in the City, and also the attachment of Water Meters to all hydraulic hoists, and to all establishments where large quantities of water are known or supposed to be consumed.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. KEATING, *City Engineer.*

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

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

Read report from the Board of City Works in reference to the connections with public sewers, and also a report from the City Engineer on the same. (To go on Order Paper).

Read report from the Board of City Works in reference to proposed sale of City Market Building.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS,

BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

October 22nd, 1890.

The Board of City Works having had by instruction of the City Council, a consultation with His Worship the Mayor regarding the

proposed sale of the City Market Building, beg to report that in the opinion of the Board it is not at present advisable to sell said building.

Respectfully submitted,

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

When the following resolution (No. 2) is introduced.

Resolved, That the recommendation of the Board and the Mayor not to sell the Market Building be approved of, and that the Board report to the Council what action should be taken to utilize and improve the property. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Ruhland, and passed.

Read report from the Board of City Works in reference to purchase of the Muir property at Chain of Lakes.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS BOARD OF CITY WORKS,

November 3rd, 1890.

The Board of City Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the letter from Mrs. J. P. Muir, and Engineers report upon the same, when it was decided to recommend to the City Council that the property of Mrs. J. P. Muir, referred to in the letters and report, be purchased by the City.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. HAMILTON, *Chairman B. W.*

Read letter from Miss Muir on the subject. Read report from City Engineer on the subject.

Lands of the late John P. Muir, at Chain of Lakes.

The letter from Miss Florence Muir, offering to sell the above lands to the City having been referred to me, I beg to say that a similar offer to sell a part of the same lands was made through Messrs. Eaton, Parsons and Beckwith, about two years ago, and was reported upon by me on the 28th January, 1888, to which report I would refer.

The land lines, I have already informed the Board, are in a hopeless state of confusion, and they cannot be adjusted outside of the courts of law, unless some such arrangement is made as suggested in my report of 26th May last.

When Mr. Muir bought, he thought he was purchasing lot No. 10, though his deed does not mention the number of the lot, and by the imperfect description the land might be almost anywhere in the vicinity of the lakes.

He was put in possession of what was thought at the time to be lot No. 10. and actually sold (or rather his heirs did) a portion of the land then supposed to be No. 10, but which Mr. Hendry, the surveyor, and the Muir heirs now claim to be lot No. 11.

As I understand the condition of the Muir heirs as explained by Mr. Hendry they claim to be the owners of Lot No. 11 and Lot No. 10 also, on the ground that they were put in possession of No. 11 on the supposition that it was No. 10 and their claim to No. 10 is based on the ground that the land is covered by description.

I have already advised the purchase of the Muir property; it is of more value to the City than to any individual person or persons, and I think it would be a mistake for the sake of saving a few hundred dollars to allow the land to pass into other hands no matter whether they possess lot No. 10 or lot No. 11. The city should have them both. Any deed given by the Muirs should include, besides the actual description, which is too vague to be intelligible, all their rights and interests in any of the lands in or about the vicinity of the lakes, reserving only such portions as shall be clearly and definitely described.

By effecting this purchase a difficulty will be removed and a possible suit against the City avoided.

I have not considered myself called upon to express any opinion as to the value of the land, as the law provides the means of settling that in case terms satisfactory to both parties cannot be agreed upon.

Respectfully submitted,

E.-H. KEATING.

When the following resolution, No. 3, is introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the City Board of Works be concurred in, and the City purchase the lands from Mrs. Muir, at the sum of \$700, said amount to be paid from Water account, on His Honor the Recorder reporting the title satisfactory. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Lyons and passed.

Read report from Committee on Tenders for loan for Hook and Ladder House.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY BUILDING,

Monday Evening, October 27th, 1890.

Committee on Tenders met this evening to open tenders for loan of \$5000 for the purpose of erecting a Hook and Ladder House for the Fire Department, as per advertisement.

Aldermen present: Mackintosh, Foster and Outhit.

When the only tender received was opened, it being from J. C. Mackintosh, offering to loan the sum advertized for and give 100.01 for 4½ per cent. debentures or 98.75 for 4 per cent. debentures.

Your committee respectfully recommend the acceptance of the offer of \$98.75 for 4 per cent. debentures.

All of which is respectfully submitted

MINER T. FOSTER, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution is introduced.

Resolved, That the tender of J. C. Mackintosh, offering to loan the City of Halifax \$5,000 for the purpose of erecting a Hook and Ladder House for the Fire Department, and to give \$98.75 for debentures bearing interest at 4 per cent. per annum be accepted. Moved by Alderman Foster seconded by Alderman Pickering and passed.

Read report from the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners on Tenders for site for Ladder House with sundry accounts passed by the Committee.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL,

October 27th, 1890.

1. The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to report that a meeting held 9th inst., the following tenders for a site for Ladder House as per advertisement were opened, viz:

John K. Bent, 40 x 60, Brunswick Street.....	\$1550 00
Peter Doyle, 41 x 63½, Old Reform Club.....	3400 00
B. G. Gray, 40 x 60 Grafton Street	1200 00
C. W. McGinn, 40 x 60 odd, Grafton Street	1000 00
A. Lamphier, 42 x 60, present site	3000 00

After making a personal inspection of the different sites offered, your committee would recommend that the tender for C. W. McGinn, \$1000, be accepted.

2. The following accounts were passed and recommended for payment, viz.:

A. Stephen & Son.....	\$ 5 00
Cummings & Myers	1 50
Cragg Bros. & Co	2 05
N. S. Telephone Co., Ltd. (Rent telephones)	30 00
John Starr.....	16 94
D. C. Dawson	32 00

Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co.....	30 20
William S. Craig.....	6 40
N. S. Telephone Co. (wire).....	18 00
Cragg Brothers	51 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

When the following resolutions (Nos. 5 and 6) are introduced.

Resolved, That the site offered by Mr. C. W. McGinn, be accepted, and that His Worship the Mayor be instructed to complete the purchase of same.

Further Resolved, That the Board of Firewards be instructed to have plans prepared of the building to be erected thereon, and report the same to the Council for their approval or otherwise. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster, and passed.

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Fire Wards be received and concurred in, and that His Worship the Mayor be instructed to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts as submitted, amounting to \$192.09. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster, and passed.

Read petition from Samuel Brookfield and other property owners, asking the construction of a Sewer on Bland Street.

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

Read petition from Thomas J. Egan, and other property owners, Coburg Road and Edward Street, asking construction of a Sewer.

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

Read Report from Committee of Public Accounts in reference to taxed costs in matter of Brooks and O'Brien and also in reference to Printing and Advertising Accounts.

At a meeting of the Committee on Public Accounts held 31st Oct. 1890 (present, R. J. Sweet, S. Mosher, M. T. Foster, W. F. Pickering and W. Dennis, Aldermen.)

On motion of Alderman Pickering it was

Resolved that the account of Messrs. Blackadar Bros. for \$161.25 being for printing done in the Civic year 1889-90 be paid out of unexpended Balances.

Also that as regards Messrs Blackadar Bros. Bill for Printing amounting to \$46.26, that of this amount \$11.15 be taken out of this year's appropriation for printing, the remainder out of Unexpended Balances, as the items are dated previous to the commencement of the present Civic year.

Also resolved that in future all the Civic Printing be done by the party having the contract for the same.

Also resolved, That with reference to the Recorder's opinion concerning the payment of the costs (in the suit Cogswell vs. Holland) of Brooks & O'Brien, amounting to \$943.28, the committee recommend the payment of the taxed costs which may be certified to by the proper legal authority, the amount required to be taken from the unexpended balances.

R. J. SWEET, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution, No. 7, is introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee of Public Accounts be adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the amounts recommended therein. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Power, and passed.

Read letter from Joseph Belcher, Agent of the Glasgow Insurance Company, asking rebate on license duty paid by said Company.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the same be referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges to report on. Motion passed.

Read letter from E. H. Keating, City Engineer, in reference to the defective concrete sewers.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

31st Oct., 1890.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen,—Referring to statements recently made in the City Council, that bad concrete was being used in the City Sewers now under construction, I trust, in the public interest, that the matter will not be allowed to drop without full investigation.

If any bad or improper material has been used it has been contrary to my instructions and without my knowledge, and I think I am as much interested in its discovery as any other person.

So far as I know the charges are entirely groundless, and I do not believe that there is a single foot of any concrete Sewer in the City which is bad or of doubtful character.

It is to be regretted that the same cannot be said of many of the other Sewers.

It is well known that I have frequently made suggestions with the view to improvement in carrying out this as well as other branches of the Public Service. These suggestions do not appear to have met with favorable reception on all occasions. It has been pointed out among other things that thoroughly good work cannot be assured without ample and competent engineering supervision, and that it is impossible for me personally to devote much time to the oversight of out-door work.

Under such circumstances the execution of details must of necessity be intrusted to foreman, who I have no doubt carry out their instructions to the best of their ability.

It could scarcely be expected that the best results can always be secured by this method, yet I have not detected anything that would lead me to suppose that any of the work so far done is defective and apart from the reckless assertions which have been made my attention has not been called to any of a doubtful character.

The responsibility however in a case of this kind, ought properly to rest with those who have the power to apply a remedy and place matters on a satisfactory footing.

It seems scarcely fair to jeopardize the reputation of your Engineer by holding him accountable for the execution of works without providing him with ample means of seeing that his instructions are implicitly obeyed.

It is an easy matter for one to make bold and sweeping assertions and then lie back and await results, but I am willing in this case to assume the risk. I say the statements are false and I ask for proof. I want to know where this bad work is and to have the matter thoroughly investigated. It is however necessary to have the examination conducted by gentlemen who have some knowledge of the subject they take in hand and of the properties of the material called in question.

As to the soft concrete, I was not previously aware that it was a dangerous article. I may say that a good deal of it has been used, both in the shape of manufactured blocks from two to three weeks old, and in a semi-liquid state deposited directly into the trenches where it still remains. The localities are known and can be pointed out by the men employed. Perhaps it would be well that these places be examined first, especially those done last year and during the past summer.

There is another matter to which special attention has been drawn, and to which it would appear proper for me to refer, viz.: that of providing openings or junctions in the sewers for possible private drains required in the future. Until recently the practice was to insert them at close intervals along each side of all new sewers, and many thousands have been so provided. Experience has, however, shown that not one in a hundred is ever used, except in the case of existing buildings, it is impossible to tell where they will be needed, while it is not always possible then. They cost on an average about one dollar each. Their frequent and necessarily indiscriminate insertion has, therefore, been discontinued as involving a considerable waste of money. Subsequent directions have been to place them only where it could be ascertained they would be needed. If, however, the Council or the Board hold a different view, and wish them inserted as formally, it is only necessary that the wish should be expressed, but it would appear preferable to prohibit outsiders from connecting with or touching a public sewer, and that all such work be done by city workmen which has been previously recommended.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

E. H. KEATING.

When the following resolution (No. 8) is introduced.

Resolved, That the Engineer's report be referred to a special committee to have an investigation into the quality and character of the Concrete used in the City Sewers, and also to report on the other matters referred to in said report. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Boak, and passed.

Read letter from Alex. Potter, Assistant City Engineer, in reference to his resignation of office.

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

Read letter of Messrs Harrington & Chisholm, solicitors of Daniel Bedford, claiming damages, and giving notice of action.

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

Read letter from Elizabeth Hurley, in reference to taxes due on her property, Quinpool Road.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Mackintosh, that the same be referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges, with His Honor the Recorder, to report on. Motion passed.

Read letter from His Honor the Recorder, in reference to settlement of the suit Halifax Street Railway vs. The City of Halifax.

Read letter from His Honor the Recorder covering a deed of street to be called Uniacke Street as received from Parish of St. George's.

Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the Deed of Street be accepted. That the Street be named Uniacke Street, as therein expressed, and the Deed recorded. Motion passed.

Read Petition from Residents Campbell Road Ward No. six asking a sewer be constructed North of Russell Street.

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

Read Petition of Osborne Blois in reference to erection of an Oil Warehouse.

Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Sweet that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on (objected to and laid over, to go on the Order of the Day.)

Read an Extract from Minutes of Board of Health in reference to Sewer Morris Street.

Extract from Minutes of meeting of the Board of Health Nov. 4th 1890.

Resolved, And the Board of City Works are hereby instructed to at once construct a Sewer from Tower Road School to Inglis Street, for the purpose of conveying sewerage matter from the Water Closets at said School, thus improving the sanitary condition which is much needed, and that the Morris Street School be also included in the above. Passed.

A true extract,

THOS. RHIND, *Clerk*.

On motion the same is referred to the Board of City Works. The reference to Tower Road Sewer to be placed on the Order of the Day.

The following resolution was introduced by consent :

Resolved, That the Board of Works be empowered to borrow from the Unexpended Balance Account the sum of Two Thousand Dollars, for the purpose of Internal Health and Street cleaning for the balance of the season, the same to be repaid from Internal Health Fund of next year. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Keefe and passed.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Boak to introduce a resolution. Motion passed. The resolution was read and objected to by Alderman Foster (to be placed on Order of the Day by way of notice.)

Council next proceed with the Order of the Day.

Alderman Power's notice of reconsideration of last meeting in reference to appointment of Assistant License Inspectors is taken up.

Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the same be reconsidered. Motion put and passed. 11 voting for the same, 7 against it, the names being called for, appeared thus:

For the Reconsideration.

Aldermen Keefe, Hesslein,
Hamilton, Sanford,
Pickering, Power,
Ruggles, McFatridge,
Foster, Adams,
Outhit—11.

Against it.

Aldermen Ruhland, Boak,
Mackintosh,
Dennis,
Sweet,
Lyons,
Mosher—7.

Read original resolution of last meeting to which the following amendment was introduced:

Resolved, That the further consideration of the appointment of Assistant License Inspector be deferred until this Council ascertain what changes may be made by the Provincial Legislature at its next Session. Moved by Alderman Power, seconded by Alderman Ruggles, which amendment on being put is lost, 7 voting for the same, 11 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Outhit, McFatridge,
Ruggles, Hamilton,
Hesslein—7.

Against it.

Aldermen Mosher, Adams,
Foster, Lyons,
Sweet, Pickering,
Dennis, Keefe,
Boak, Mackintosh,
Ruhland—11.

The following second amendment was then introduced :

Resolved, That the whole matter of assistance to the License Inspector be referred to the Committee of Laws and Privileges to report the advisability of appointing License Inspectors to assist the present Inspector. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Keefe, which amendment on being put is lost, 5 voting for the same, 13 against it, and the names being for appeared thus :

For the amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Keefe, Hesslein, Sanford, Sweet, Foster—5	Aldermen Ruhland, Boak, Mackintosh, Dennis, Hamilton, Pickering, Power, Ruggles, McFatrige, Lyons, Adams, Mosher, Outhit—13

The original resolution of Alderman Pickering of last meeting is again passed 10 voting for the same 8 against it the names being called for appeared thus.

For the Resolution.	Against it.
Aldermen Mosher, Adams, Lyons, Sweet, Pickering, Hamilton, Dennis, Boak, Mackintosh, Ruhland—10	Aldermen Outhit, Mosher, McFatrige, Power, Ruggles, Sanford, Hesslein, Keefe—8

Council next proceed to appoint Two Commissioners of Schools for the City of Halifax.

Moved by Alderman Boak seconded by Alderman Lyons, that Alderman McFatrige and Alderman Adams be appointed to the vacancies on the School Board. Motion passed unanimously.

The appointment of two citizen Commissioners of Halifax Common is next taken up.

The names of Matthew Scanlan and Thomas Mitchell, the retiring Commissioners, were introduced, also the names of James Wallace and George Mitchell. On the vote being taken from the chair, Matthew Scanlan having received 13 votes and Thomas Mitchell 11 votes, they were declared elected.

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

The following resolution, No. 12, is introduced :

Resolved, That the City Clerk be requested to advertise for applicants for the position of Grain Measurer. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Pickering, which resolution on being put is passed.

11 P. M. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Ruhland, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourn.

CITY HALL.

Minutes of City Council,

No. 20 NOVEMBER 14th, 1890.

EVENING SESSION.—8.10 P. M.

At a special meeting of the City Council held this evening. Present: His Worship the Mayor in the chair; Aldermen Mackintosh, Hesslein, Keefe, Dennis, Hamilton, Sanford, Pickering, Ruggles, Sweet, Power, Foster, Lyons, McFatrige, Mosher, Adams.

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

The Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Mosher submits a petition from the members of the Lorne Club, against the erection of an Oil Warehouse near the Club Building.

Alderman Foster, Chairman, submits a Report from Committee on Tenders for loan for funds to widen Campbell Road.

Also a Petition from Residents and Rate Payers of Ward 4 against the manufacture of dynamite on premises on Barrington Street.

Alderman Mackintosh, Chairman, submits a report from Commissioners of Halifax Common, in reference to funds and appropriation, etc.

Alderman McFatrige, submits petition from Rate Payers, Maitland Street, Ward 5, in reference to widening said Street.

His Worship the Mayor submits Cash Statement from City Treasurer for month of October, 1890.

Also, monthly Return from City Collector of Rates and Taxes and Water Rates collected in the month of October, 1890.

Also, a letter from Messrs Pearson & Forbes, Solicitors, claiming damages on behalf of Mr. W. H. Wright, with a report from the City Engineer on the subject.

Also, a letter from Professor George Lawson, Secretary County Agricultural Society in reference to accommodation required for Market People from the Country.

Also, a letter from Robert J. Wilson, Secretary of Board of School Commissioners in reference to appointment of a Truant Officer.

Also, a monthly Return from the Supervisor of measurers of Coal for month of October, 1890.

Also, a letter from W. H. Coombs, in reference to views of Halifax City.

Also, report on the names of the Aldermen who were appointed a Committee on Concrete Sewer examination.

Alderman Hamilton, Chairman of the Board of City Works, submits a report from the Board on the resignation of Alex. Potter, as Assistant Engineer.

Also, report from Board of City Works, on the tenders for Street Paving Blocks.

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

Read report from Committee on tenders in reference to loan for widening Campbell Road.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY BUILDING,
Monday evening, Nov. 10th, 1890.

Committee on Tenders met this evening to open tenders for City Loan of \$2800 for widening Campbell Road. Aldermen present: Foster, Mackintosh, Outhit.

The tender of John P. Longard, offering 99 $\frac{3}{4}$ for debentures bearing interest at 4 per cent, per annum is recommended for acceptance. The other tenders being as follows:

J. C. Mackintosh,	98, 77 $\frac{1}{2}$	for 4 per. cent debentures.
A. Ross, (Dalhousie, N.B.,)	par 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "
John Turnan,	" 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "

All of which is respectfully submitted,

MINER T. FOSTER, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the tender of John P. Longard, offering to loan the City of Halifax \$2800 for widening Campbell Road, and to give 99 $\frac{3}{4}$

for debentures bearing 4 per cent. per annum, be accepted. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Mosher, and passed.

Read report from Board of City Works on the letter from Alex. Potter, tendering his resignation of office of Assistant Engineer.

Read report from Board of City Works on the tenders for supplying Paving Blocks for Street purposes.

Read report from Commissioners of Halifax Common, in reference to the expenditure, and also in reference to overdrawn account, with resolution from Alderman Mackintosh on the subject.

Moved, by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that the report and resolution be referred to Committee Public Accounts to report on. Motion passed.

Read Petition of M. O'Connell, *et al.* against manufacture of explosive material in premises on Barrington and Argyle Street, Ward No. 4.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the petition be referred to the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners to be dealt with. Motion passed.

Read letter from Professor George Lawson, Secretary of County Agricultural Society in reference to Market accommodation for sale of vegetables, etc.

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

Read letter from Messrs. Pearson & Forbes, Solicitors, claiming damages for Mr. W. H. Wright, with report from City Engineer thereon.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works, with His Honor the Recorder to make a settlement thereof.

Read petition from Francis S. Beamish, and other rate-payers of Maitland Street, asking that said street be widened.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the said petition be referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

Read letter from F. C. Kaye and others, members of Lorne Club, in reference to the erection of an Oil Warehouse near the Club premises

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Foster, that said letter be placed on the Order of the Day, with No. 38. Motion passed.