

July 1st, 1892.

IN RE VIOLATION OF BUILDING ACT.

SIR,—I am in receipt of a resolution of the Council requesting you to enforce the law in *re* violation of Building Act since June 29th, 1891.

In order I may do so, it will be necessary for the Inspector of Buildings to send me a list of those violations, and then your instructions in writing to take legal proceedings against them. I may point out to your Worship the object of the law is not to punish by the infliction of a fine, but to compel the party to remove the violation, and this is in the hands of the Council.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY, *Recorder*.

July 6th, 1892.

His Worship the Mayor.

IN RE VIOLATION OF BUILDING ACT.

His Worship the Mayor.

SIR,—On the first of this month I wrote you in answer to the resolution of Council directing the enforcement of the Act that the Engineer or the Inspector should furnish me with a list of the violations since 29th June, 1891. Will you kindly direct him to furnish you with that list.

W. F. MACCOY, *Recorder*.

August, 1892.

IN RE ENCROACHMENTS ON STREETS.

A large number of encroachments have been made on the streets of the City, in all instances narrowing, and in many instances materially affecting the width of the sidewalks.

The proper course to be pursued to remove any obstruction on the streets, is after the same as reported to the Council to pass a resolution directing the Recorder to take the proceeding pointed out by section 456 of the charter, and it makes no matter how long said obstruction has existed. As to what is an obstruction must depend on all the circumstances surrounding it.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY, *Recorder*.*His Worship the Mayor.*

July 15th, 1892.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—The following resolution has been passed by the Board of Works and sent to me : *Resolved*, That the Engineer be instructed to report to the Mayor instances of encroachments on the Streets, and request His Worship to take action as prescribed by the law.

In compliance with the resolution, I beg to report that I have sent out notices for the following encroachments :

M. Stensond, Steps, Le Marchant Street.
 J. M. Allen, Granite Step, Pleasant Street.
 T. & E. Kenny, Granite Step, Granville Street.
 J. J. Hunt, Step, Granville Street.
 Mrs. Murray, Steps, Granville Street.
 George Nichols, Steps and Porch, Granville Street.
 Murdocks Nephews, Steps, Hollis Street.
 Halifax Club, Steps, Hollis Street.
 A. C. Edwards, Queen Building, Hollis Street.
 C. J. Spike, Step, Hollis Street.
 Church of England Institute, Step, Barrington Street.
 City Club, Steps, Barrington Street.
 St. Mary's Y. M. C. T. A. & B. Society, Steps, Barrington St.
 Mrs. J. Wesley, Step, Barrington Street.

The City Club have already agreed to remove their steps.

Mrs. Murray has removed the encroachment from both doors at her property.

Mr. J. J. Hunt has promised to remove the step in front of his door, and Mr. C. J. Spike if about to remove his encroachment. Mr. George Nichols has consented to have his porch and steps removed at his expense.

The remaining property owners mentioned, viz. :—M. Stensond, J. M. Allen, T. & E. Kenny, Murdocks Nephews, Halifax Club, Queen Building, (A. C. Edwards), Church of England Institute, St. Mary's Y. M. C. T. A. & B. Society, and Mrs. J. Wesley have not complied with the law. I therefore report them as instructed and respectfully request that such action will be taken as the law provides.

F. W. W. Doane, *City Engineer.*

The following resolution is now introduced :—*Resolved*, That the report of City Engineer in *re* Encroachments on Sidewalks be received and that His Honor the Recorder is hereby instructed to take such proceedings necessary to carry out the law bearing on the same. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier, and passed. Alderman Foster dissenting.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that No. 21 on Order Paper be taken up. Motion passed.

Read 21, viz. : Report of Board of City Works in *re* Sewer Woodill Street, with report of City Engineer thereon.

June 6th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the Minute of Council *re* Sewer on Woodill Street and report of City Engineer upon it when it was ordered to be forwarded to the Council for its action.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

June 4th, 1892.

WOODILL STREET SEWER.

Chairman Board of City Works :

SIR,—The accompanying petition for a sewer in Woodill Street having been referred to me for report, I may say that while a sewer is needed in all streets on which residences are erected, it is not urgent in this instance compared with some other streets. The petition should take precedence of others coming before the Board in future, and I would recommend as in the case of the Atlantic Street Sewer, that it be returned to this office and filed for consideration, when the sewers now ordered and being dealt with are approaching competition. In this connection I beg to inform you, Sir, that the petition for the Atlantic Street Sewer has not been returned to this office.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that said report be received and concurred in, and the same referred back to Board of City Works. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster, that No. 23 on Order Paper be taken up. Motion passed.

Read No 23, viz. : Report Board of City Works in *re* Extension of North Starr street.

JUNE 6th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the Minute of Council, *re* extension of North Starr street, when it was decided to report, that as stated in the Engineer's report, the cost of the land will be \$1680, and they recommend that the money be paid out of the loan for new water supply pipe.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution is introduced :—*Resolved*, That the report of the City Engineer in reference to the extension of North Starr street for Water Extension for new pipe line be concurred in by Council, and that the same be referred back to Board of Works to carry out. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster, and on being put is passed.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that No. 27 on Order Paper be taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 27, viz. : Letter from Nicholas Meagher asking to be relieved from the payment of sewerage rates on Queen Street, with opinion of His Honor the Recorder thereon.

JULY 9th, 1892.

IN RE N. MEAGHER'S SEWERAGE CLAIM.

It appears Mr. Meagher owns one lot near the upper end of Queen street and running through to Birmingham street. A Sewer has been built in both streets, and I think he is entitled to the relief pointed out by Section 477 of the City Charter, the third part thereof.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY, *Recorder.*

His Worship the Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Eden, that said opinion of His Honor the Recorder, recommending the exemption asked for be concurred in. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster, that all papers in connection with No. 10 on Order Paper

Report Board of City Works and City Engineer on letter from Halifax Land Company *re* Extension of Agricola Street be sent to the Board of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Allen, that No. 5, viz.: Report Board of City Works on letter of James Lounds, asking to be reinstated as one of the City drivers, with letter from officers and members of the Union Axe and Ladder Company in reference thereto be struck from Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that No. 28 on Order Paper, viz.: Report Board of City Works in reference to an alleged nuisance at Cotton Factory and Fence at Railway Siding with report of City Engineer thereon be struck from Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that No. 2 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 2, viz.: Adjourned consideration of clause 4, of report of Committee on Laws and Privileges in *re* petition from Monastery of Good Shepherd, with letter from Rev. Dr. Lathern *et al.* on the subject, with report from Assistant City Clerk *re* number of girls under 18 years of age committed to Monastery of Good Shepherd year 1891.

The following resolution is now introduced:—*Whereas*, the City recognizes the principal of contributing to the maintenance of boys sentenced to the Protestant and St. Patrick's Industrial Schools and reformatories, by paying eighty dollars each for every boy sent to said Institutions by the Stipendiary. *And whereas*, there are a number of girls under eighteen years of age who come before the Stipendiary for offences and to send such young girls to Rockhead tends to confirm them in careers of sin and crime, *And whereas*, certain institutions exist in this City for the reformation and education of

girls on the same principle as the industrial schools and reformatories for boys are conducted.

Resolved, That the Recorder be instructed to prepare an Act for submission to the Legislature, authorizing the City to borrow and pay the sum of fifty dollars a year to the funds of any institution to which the Stipendiary is authorized to sentence girls, for each girl so sentenced, such sum only to be paid on girls under 18 years of age, and for no longer period than three years for each girl. No more than ten girls shall be so paid for in any one institution in any one year. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Lane.

To which the following amendment is introduced:—*Resolved*, That the petition of Reverends Messrs. Lathern and Murray, in *re* question under discussion be received and concurred in, and at their request they be exempt from the operation of any law that may be enacted in connection with the same. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Hamilton.

A call of Council is now moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Hubley at 10.30 o'clock.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that No. 6 on Order Paper be taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 6, viz.: Balance report of Committee on Laws and Privileges in *re* bye-law *re* City officials, etc. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the same be struck from Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed, and Council adjourn 10.35.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

OCTOBER 5th, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour, there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Boak, Allen, Morrow, Dennis, Wier, Wallace, Pickering, Duggan, Lane, Ryan, Hubley, McFatrige, Foster, Eden, Outhit and Mosher.

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

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Wier, Chairman, submits a report from Committee on Tenders *re* Tenders for loan.

Alderman Hubley submits petition from John Foley and others for Sewer on Allen Street.

Alderman Boak, Chairman, submits report from Police Committee.

Alderman Pickering, Chairman, submits a report from Board Fire Wards *re* Chemical Engine.

Alderman McFatrige, Chairman, submits two reports from Committee on City Prison.

Alderman Foster, submits a report from Board Fire Wards *re* Steam Fire Engine.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

Letter from MacDonald & Jones in *re* William Stairs' property adjoining Old City Building, together with opinion of His Honor the Recorder thereon.

Petition from Policeman Herbert Hughes relative to fine imposed upon him by Police Committee.

Report of City Health Board *re* funds required for repairs to Hospital for Infectious Diseases.

Letter from W. H. Wiswell, County Clerk, relative to such patients in the Insane Asylum as are chargeable to the City, etc.

Letter from Board School Commissioners, asking that an Electric Light be placed at corner of Sackville and Brunswick Streets.

Report from City Engineer on petition from Nova Scotia Telephone Company, Limited, for permission to erect a pole on east side Pleasant Street, near Academy of Music, with letter from said company, withdrawing the application.

Petition from Rev. John Lathern and other clergymen against the City paying for the support of girls committed to certain institutions.

Report Board of School Commissioners *re* bequest of late Dr. Cogswell.

Letter from W. C. Delaney, covering a cheque for the sum of \$526.75, on account of bequest of late John Naylor.

Letter from City Clerk, covering accounts.

Cash Statement City Treasurer for month of September.

Cash Statement City Treasurer, Water Department, for month of September.

Returns of City Collector of Rates and Water Rates for month of September.

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

Read report of City Engineer on application from the Nova Scotia Telephone Company, Limited for permission to erect a pole on east side Pleasant Street, near the Academy of Music, recommending that the permission asked for be not granted. Also read letter from said Telephone Company, withdrawing said application.

September 29th, 1892.

TELEPHONE POLE, PLEASANT STREET.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying extract from Minutes of Council, I beg to report on the letter from the N. S. Telephone Co., Ltd., asking permission to erect a pole on the east side of Pleasant Street, opposite the south corner of the Academy of Music, in the concrete sidewalk.

I have already notified the different companies using poles and wires on the streets of the City that no permission will be granted in future to erect poles in any block where a concrete sidewalk had been laid. There are several poles in the sidewalk referred to, and it would not be advisable to cut the concrete and place any additional obstruction. The Company have already carried a cable of wires around the corner to the pole at the Glebe House on the north side of Spring Garden Road without the assistance of the pole petitioned for, and I think that the work of stringing wires can be completed without setting any more poles. I therefore respectfully recommend that the permission asked for should not be granted.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

September 14th, 1892.

The Honorable the City Council of the City of Halifax:

GENTLEMEN,—We find our pole-line on the north side of Spring Garden Road can be made less objectionable to property owners by placing the pole, originally located at the corner of Spring Garden Road and Pleasant Street, about thirty or thirty-five feet further west and opposite the western corner of the New Glebe House instead of the eastern corner. But in order to do this it will be necessary for us to erect a pole on the east side of Pleasant Street, about one and a half feet south of south-west corner of Academy of Music.

We beg, therefore, to ask if you will kindly permit us to erect such pole.

Trusting you will give the matter consideration at your meeting to-day and favor us with an early reply.

We are your obedient servants,

NOVA SCOTIA TELEPHONE CO., LTD.

C. E. HARRIS, *General Manager.*

September 26th, 1892.

The Honorable City Council, City of Halifax:

SIR,—We beg hereby to withdraw our application, dated September 14th, last, for permission to place a pole on east side of Pleasant Street, about one and one half feet south of south west corner of Academy of Music.

Yours truly,

C. E. HARRIS, *Secretary and Gen. Manager.*

Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the Engineer's report be received and concurred in and a copy thereof forwarded to the Telephone Company. Motion passed.

Read letter from W. C. Delaney, covering a cheque for five hundred and twenty-six dollars and seventy-five cents, on account of bequest of late John Naylor to the City of Halifax.

When the following resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the \$526.75, from John Naylor estate, be placed in the hands of His Worship the Mayor and Library Committee to purchase books for library. The use of the money for this purpose to be subject to the approval of His Honor the Recorder.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden and passed.

Read report Board Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners, recommending the purchase of a Holloway Chemical Fire Engine. Objected to and placed on Order Paper.

Read report of Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners, re Tenders of Steam Fire Engines. Objected to.

Read petition of John Foley and others for sewer on Allen Street. Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that said petition be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read report of Committee on Tenders, on tenders for loan of \$10,000.00, (\$6000.00, for widening the north end of Maitland Street and \$4000.00 for purchase of Stairs property.)

September 21st, 1892.

Committee on Tenders met above date, present: Aldermen Pickering, Morrow and Wier, when tenders for \$10,000 loan were opened. The tender of J. C. Mackintosh offering the entire amount for 4½ per cent. debenture at 101.025 being the highest, your committee respectfully recommend the acceptance of the same.

H. V. WIER, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Tenders be concurred in and that the tender of J. C. Mackintosh, which is hereto annexed, be accepted, interest at the rate of 4½ per cent., to be payable from 1st July, 1892.

Moved by Aldermen Wier, seconded by Alderman Pickering and passed.

Read report of Committee on City Prison on account of coal supplied to the prison.

September 14th, 1892.

The Committee on City Prison beg to recommend for payment the accompanying account of William Roche, (\$440.55), for coal supplied for use of Prison.

WM. McFATRIDGE, *Chairman*.

When the following resolution is introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on City Prison recommending the payment of \$440.55 for coal supplied the City Prison be received and adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign a warrant for the payment of the same.

Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Boak, and passed.

Read report of Committee on City Prison covering accounts, etc., for month of September.

City Prison, October 4th, 1892.

At a meeting of the Prison Committee held to day there were present Aldermen Adams, Duggan, and the Chairman. They had before them a number of accounts, which on examining were found correct, and are herein submitted, amounting to \$274 58 :

Billman & Co	8 25
Mrs. Manley	18 51
J. R. Siteman	23 60
G. P. Henry.....	18 60
A. J. Grant.....	1 70
Buckley Bros.....	37 64
R. Margeson	19 48
R. Martin & Co.....	16 80
Halifax Cigarette Co.....	130 00

274 58

WM. McFATRIDGE, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Prison Committee be received and concurred in, and the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for payment of the accounts named therein.

Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Duggan, and on being put is passed.

Read report of Police Committee *re* fines imposed upon Policeman William Brown and James Bracket. Dismissal from the force of Policeman William Evans. Charge against Policeman Patrick McCarey. Appointment of Francis Hanrahan to the force. Superannuation of Policeman John Keefe and appointment of William Hamlin.

Halifax, September 27th, 1892

The Police Committee met on the evening of the above date, present the Chairman, Aldermen Duggan, Hubley, McFatrige, Wallace and Outhit, and beg to report as follows :

1. In regard to petition of Policeman William Brown, asking that fine imposed on him for smoking while on duty be remitted, referred to this Committee by the City Council, it was decided not to recommend any change.

2. Your Committee investigated a charge brought by the Deputy Marshall and Police Sergeant Collins against Policeman James Bracket for neglect of duty on the night of the 17th September, and the officer having been found guilty of the charge, a fine of \$10.00 was imposed

3. A charge brought by Police Sergeant Collins against Policeman William Evans for being under the influence of liquor, while on duty on the night of the 17th, and the morning of the 18th September, was also investigated. It was shown that although this was the first charge brought against the officer, he had been cautioned by his Sergeant previously for a similar offence. Your Committee (Alderman McFatridge dissenting) recommend his dismissal from the force.

4. The charge against Policeman Patrick McCarey, for "Cursing the British Flag," preferred by Mr. Cameron, of the Post Office Department, was also investigated and there being no evidence against the officer, he was acquitted.

5. Your committee recommend that Francis Hanrahan be appointed to the vacancy on the force, caused by the death of Angus Fraser. Alderman Hubley dissenting.

6. The City Marshal, having reported Policeman Keefe unfit for further duty on account of old age and infirmity, it was resolved to recommend the Council to superannuate that officer, and that William Hamlin be appointed in his place, Alderman Hubley dissenting

GEORGE E. BOAK, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the report be adopted. Moved in amendment by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the report be taken up clause by clause. Said amendment on being put is passed.

Read Clause 1, *re* fine imposed on Policeman Brown for smoking on street while on duty. Objected to.

Read Clause 2, imposing fine of ten dollars on Policeman James Brackett for neglect of duty. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 3, recommending the dismissal of Policeman William Evans from the force for being under the influence of liquor while on duty. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the said clause be adopted. Moved in amendment by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the clause be referred back to the committee for further consideration. Said amendment on being put is lost. The names on being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.

Aldermen Wier, Ryan,
McFatridge, Foster.—4.

Against it.

Aldermen Boak, Morrow,
Allen, Dennis,
Wallace, Duggan,
Lane, Eden,
Mosher, Outhit,
Hubley.—11.

The original motion was then put and passed.

Read Clause 4, recommending that the charge against Policeman Patrick McCarey, for cursing the British flag, be dismissed, there being no evidence to sustain said charge. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 5, recommending that Francis Hanrahan be appointed to fill the vacancy on the force caused by the death of Angus Fraser. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 6, recommending the superannuation of Policeman John Keefe and that William Hamlin be appointed in his place. Objected to.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Foster, that Alderman Boak be permitted to introduce a resolution. Motion passed and the following resolution introduced:

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Police Superannuation Fund are hereby authorized to pay to the widow of the late Policeman Angus Fraser the amount due her under the terms of the City Charter, Sections 230 and 236.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Morrow and passed.

Read petition of Policeman Hughes, relative to fine imposed upon him for neglect of duty. Objected to.

Read report of City Health Board, requesting the Council to provide necessary funds to defray expenses of effecting alterations and repairs at Infectious Diseases Hospital.

REPAIRS INFECTIOUS HOSPITAL.

September 13th, 1892.

The City Health Board beg to report that at a meeting held this day the following resolution was adopted and a copy thereof directed to be forwarded to the City Council for its action thereon:

Whereas, The Infectious Hospital, at Rockhead, is in need of repairs and the City Council has authorized the same.

Resolved, That the Mayor and City Council be requested to provide the necessary funds to defray the expenses of such alterations and repairs.

JAMES T. HAMILTON, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor be requested to negotiate a loan, covering the resolution of the Board of Health *in re* Infectious Hospital, the said loan to be provided for in next year's estimate.

Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Pickering, and being put is passed.

Read letter from William H. Wiswell, County Clerk and Treasurer, relative to the maintenance of certain insane paupers in Mount Hope Asylum. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Allen, that the same be referred to the committee on Charities for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from McDonald and Jones, solicitors of William J. Stairs, relative to the preparation of deed of transfer from Mr. Stairs to the City, of the property adjoining the old city building.

Also read opinion of His Honor the Recorder on the subject.

HALIFAX, September 20th, 1892.

W. F. MACCOY, *Recorder City of Halifax*:

DEAR SIR,—We have been instructed by Mr. William J. Stairs to prepare a deed from him to the City of the property adjoining the old City Building, to contain a covenant by the City that the site shall not be built upon but remain an open space.

Kindly let us know if this will be satisfactory to the Corporation.

MACDONALD & JONES.

September 21st, 1892.

IN RE PURCHASE OF MR. STAIRS' BUILDING.

I received the enclosed letter from Messrs. McDonald & Jones, Mr. Stairs' solicitors, in relation to the above matter. If the understanding with the committee of the Council was, that after the purchase, the building should be taken down and its area remain open for ever, and this was the inducement to Mr. Stairs to accept a less price than its value to him. I should think the City should bind itself not to build on it. If there was no such understanding the ordinary deed should be given by Mr. Stairs.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY; *Recorder.*

When the the following resolution is introduced :

On reading the report of His Honor the Recorder on the contemplated deed from W. J. Stairs of his property to the City.

Resolved, That this Council will accept a deed from Mr. Stairs, containing a covenant, binding the City never to build on the property to be deeded to the City. Said property adjoins the old Police or City building.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, and on being put is passed.

Read application of the Board of School Commissioners for an electric light near the County Academy building. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Allen, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works and City Engineer for report, and that a copy of the application be also sent to the Committee on Police. Motion put and passed.

Read petition of Rev. John Lathern and other clergymen against the proposal to grant sixty dollars per head, or any sum, for the support of girls sentenced to certain institutions. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the same be placed on Order Paper to be considered with No. 1 thereon. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of School Commissioners on bequest of £1000.00, by the late Dr. Cogswell, to the City of Halifax, the income to be applied toward the teaching of military drill in the public schools of the City, recommending a scheme for carrying into effect the idea contained in said bequest.

OFFICE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS,

HALIFAX, 29th September, 1892.

To His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—With regard to the matter of the bequest of £1000 by the late Dr. Cogswell to the City of Halifax, the income to be applied towards the teaching of military drill in the public schools of the City, which was, on 20th July, referred, by resolution of Council, "to the Board of School Commissioners to consider the practicability of carrying out the idea suggested in the bequest and report to the Council." The Commissioners express their approval of the idea and at their meeting, this evening, suggest the following scheme :

1st. That an instructor be employed to teach military gymnastics and military drill to all pupils of the Academy, St. Patrick's Boys' High School, and all boys of Grade VIII and being 13 years of age—such instructions to be given under certain conditions to be decided hereafter.

2nd. That the accoutrements and uniforms be furnished to the Halifax Academy Company needing the same.

3rd. That a small amount be set aside for the purchase of medals and other suitable prizes for boys who show the greatest improvements in military gymnas-

tics, and also in military drill in order to arouse and keep up an interest in these studies.

4th. That a special committee of the School Board be appointed to carry out these details.

The yearly expenditure not to exceed the income from the fund.

R. J. WILSON, *Secretary*.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the report of the School Board be concurred in by this Council, and the Board notified to this effect. Motion passed.

Read letter from City Clerk covering accounts for the consideration of Committee on Public Accounts. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public accounts for report. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that No. 1 on the Order Paper be now taken up.

Alderman Boak rises to question of privilege and calls the attention of His Worship the Mayor to a paragraph in the Acadian Recorder, relative to certain views expressed by him, Alderman Boak, during the discussion of matters relative to the Street Railway at a recent meeting of the Board of Works.

In answer to Alderman Boak, His Worship replied that though the printed words might not be literally yet they were substantially the same as used by him in the interview referred to in said paper.

His worship the Mayor retires from the Chair, which is taken by Alderman Mosher, Deputy Mayor.

Explanations were entered into at some length by Alderman Boak and His Worship the Mayor, from the floor of the Chamber.

His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that the reports of the Board of Fire Wards *re* purchase of Steam Fire and Chemical Engines, be now taken up. Motion passed on show of hands, 12 voting for the same and 4 against it.

The original resolution of Alderman Wier, to take up No. 1, was then put and lost.

Read report of Board of Fire Wards *re* Steam Fire Engine test.

PURCHASE OF STEAM FIRE ENGINE.

HALIFAX, October 5th, 1892.

The Board of Firewards and Fire Commissioners beg to report that they have communicated with the manufacturers and agents of steam fire engines, who have tendered for the sale of an engine to the City of Halifax, and find that the only parties who intend sending an engine to take part in the proposed competition are the manufacturers of the Ronald Engine.

MINER T. FOSTER.

When the following resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the Fire Commissioners be requested to proceed with the test of Fire Engines on October 11th as per resolution of Council under date of August 3rd, 1892.

Further resolved, That in case only one engine (The Ronald) enters for competition the services of a competent mechanical engineer be employed by the Fire

Wards to report upon the construction of said engine and report full particulars of test to the Council. This Council does not bind itself to purchase this or any other engine. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Mosher, and passed.

Read report of Board of Fire Wards on Tenders for Chemical Engine.

4th October, 1892.

The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to report on the matter of purchase of Chemical Fire Engine. They had before them offers from the following firms, viz :

Holloway Chemical Fire Engine Co
 Fire Extinguisher Mfg. Co., "Champion."
 Lindgren Mahan Co.
 Waterous Engine Works
 Truro Foundry & Machine Co.

And decided to recommend that the City Council purchase a Holloway double 60 gal. tank Engine, at \$2150.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the report of Fire Commissioners be received and adopted, and the Board be authorized to proceed with purchase of Holloway Chemical Engine, price \$2,450 (two thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.) Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman McFatridge. Motion put and passed. Aldermen Wier and Pickering dissenting.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10.20 p.m.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

OCTOBER 19th, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour, there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Foster, Allen, Dennis, Wallace, Outhit and Adams.

Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Adams, that the time for meeting be extended for twenty minutes. Motion passed.

8.30 roll called. Present: The above named with Aldermen Boak, Morrow, Wier, Pickering, Lane, Ryan, Hubley, McFatridge, Eden and Mosher.

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

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Dennis, chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Public Accounts.

Alderman Allen, chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Charities for September, 1892.

Alderman Pickering, chairman, submits a report from the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners *re* Steam Fire Engine. Also report from same *re* accounts.

Alderman Pickering, chairman, submits thirteen reports from Board of City Works, viz:

Re granite curbs and gutters on Argyle, Buckingham, South Park and Gottingen streets.

Re sewer on Hollis Street from Prince to George streets.

" War Department Sidewalks.

" Sewer Granville street from Blower to Sackville streets.

" Water Extension Edward street.

" Extension of Agricola street, northwardly.

" Sewer Rottenburg street.

" Sidewalk Prince street.

" Sewer Allen street.

" Sewer Woodill street.

" Extension Tower Road sewer.

" Sewer Willow street.

" Electric Light corner Sackville and Brunswick streets.

Alderman Ryan submits a petition from Revd. W. H. Bowen and others *re* nuisance on Gottingen street.

Alderman Allen submits letter from J. J. Skerry and John Courtney *re* unsafe condition of sidewalk on Pleasant street, from South street to Victoria Lane.

Alderman Morrow submits petition from D. Keith and J. E. Roy *re* present condition of Inglis street, &c.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers :

Letter W. H. Cleverdon *re* sewer Coburg Road.

Report City Engineer *re* curbs and gutters, Spring Garden Road.

Report City Engineer *re* mill owners' claims.

Report of Weighers and Measurers of Coal for September, 1892.

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

Read petition of Revd. W. H. Bowen and others, residents and property owners, south end Gottingen street, complaining of the condition of property No. 22 on said street as being dangerous and a nuisance. Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that said petition be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

Read letter of W. H. Cleverdon, asking exemption from sewerage rates, Coburg Road, and permission to lay a crock drain up sidewalk to Edward street. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, that said letter be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read monthly report of Weighers and Measurers of coal for September. Ordered to be filed.

Read report of City Engineer *re* Mill Owners' Claims :

October 19th, 1892.

MILL OWNERS' CLAIMS.

To His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—The Claims of the Mill Owners' along the stream running from the lower Chain Lake to the Arm has never been settled, and this matter is a very important one at present. When the New Main is laid to the north-end the consumption will be greatly increased. While the supply is more than equal to the demand in ordinary years, we must provide for every possibility. In the years of minimum rain fall the supply of water is about equal to the consumption notwithstanding the statements of some citizens that an enormous amount of water ran to waste over the Long Lake dam. This statement was made through ignorance, not through to any knowledge of the facts. It is a fact that cannot be disputed that with the two mains, the time will come in the near future when all the water available from the watershed of the Long Lake will be required for the supply low service system. Such being the case, the amount of water run off to satisfy the mill owners' claims becomes a very serious matter, and it should be settled now, once, and forever.

We must admit that the mill owners have a claim to the natural flow of the Chain Lake, and having that claim, the City cannot entirely shut off the water without some compensation to the persons interested.

There may be some dispute about the rights of the mill owners and property owners along the stream, but that they have some rights cannot be disputed. The City lets down a large amount of water yearly to satisfy their claims, and the time has arrived when it would be advisable to stop this waste entirely. The rights of the property owners along the stream can never be obtained more cheaply than they can to-day. If other mills or factories should be erected along the stream, the

cost to the City of acquiring the water rights would be largely increased. In my opinion expropriation is the only way to settle the difficulty, and I would respectfully recommend that all rights to the stream of water flowing from the Chain Lake, whatever they may be, should be expropriated by the City; and as it has been found impossible to effect any arrangement or agreement with the property owners, I would recommend that an arbitrator be appointed by the City and that the property owners be asked to appoint another. The third arbitrator to be appointed as the law provides, and an award to be made. The city will save money in the building of the dam by having the water shut off, and will save the amount of water run down annually to the N. W. Arm, and the possibility of tedious and expensive lawsuits will be prevented. If the difficulty is settled now, the water supply problem, so far as the present source of supply is concerned, will be finally solved, and I would respectfully urge that the rights of the property owners be acquired before any further work is done to improve the low service system.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works, His Honor the Recorder and City Engineer to ascertain and report the proper steps to be taken to carry out the suggestions of the Engineer and draft resolutions covering the same. Motion put and passed.

Read report of the City Engineer *re* curbs and gutters Spring Garden Road :

September 29th, 1892.

CURBS AND GUTTERS, SPRING GARDEN ROAD.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of the Council, I beg to submit the following report :

Spring Garden Road is certainly one of the main thoroughfares of the city, and the construction of the Street Railway track has practically made it narrower for traffic. The old cobble stone gutters, never an ornament even when new, are now in a dilapidated condition from the effects of frost. This street, leading as it does to the Gardens and Exhibition Building, and followed by strangers going to or returning from the Park, should be in the condition that would reflect credit on the city instead of as at present tending to confirm the reputation Halifax has unfortunately set up for bad streets and sidewalks. I have already expressed the opinion that the Permanent Pavement Fund was intended for the improvement of the principal streets of the city, and I think Spring Garden Road comes under this head. This street probably ranks next in importance to the principal business streets in the centre of the city, and the improvement suggested in the resolution would be much appreciated.

I would respectfully recommend that granite curbs and gutters be laid on both sides of the street where required from Pleasant Street to South Park Street.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

When the following is introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Engineer *in re* granite curbing and gutters on the north side of Spring Garden Road, from Pleasant street to Summer street, be adopted, and the Engineer is hereby instructed to proceed with the same, the same to be paid for out of permanent account.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wallace and passed.

Read petition of J. J. Skerry and John Courtney, relative to present unsafe condition of sidewalk on Pleasant street, between

South street and Victoria Lane. The following resolution is now introduced :

Whereas Pleasant street is one of the most largely used thoroughfares in the City, *And Whereas* the block between South street and Victoria Lane, on the east side, is a business block and the sidewalk in said block is in a dangerous and unsightly condition, *Therefore Resolved*, That the said portions of said sidewalk and gutter be paved permanently in their turn with such material as the City Engineer shall designate, and that this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Works to carry out the work.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Allen and passed.

Read petition of Donald Keith and J. E. Roy *re* unsafe and sightly condition of Inglis street and offering to donate to the City a strip of land to straighten said street, between Brussel and Young Avenue. Objected to.

Read report of Police Committee on certain charges preferred against several members of the force. Objected to.

Read report of Committee on Public Accounts recommending accounts for payment.

October 19th, 1892.

The Committee on Public Accounts beg to report, that at a meeting held above date, present : Aldermen Dennis, chairman, Foster and Allen, they had before them the following accounts, when it was decided to recommend to the City Council that the same be paid, viz :

Maritime Steam Lithographic Co	\$ 119 00
A. & W. Mackinlay	81 92
Theakston & Co., To Clerk of License Office	7 00
“ “ “ “ City Collector’s “	18 50
“ “ “ “ Assessor’s “	66 60
“ “ “ “ Clerk’s “	4 25

Total..... \$297 27

WILLIAM DENNIS, *Chairman*.

When the following resolution is introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Public Accounts be adopted, and that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the same.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Allen and on being put is passed.

Read report of Committee on Charities, covering accounts recommended for payment for September.

October 7th, 1892.

The Charities Committee met this evening. Present : Aldermen Allen, (Chairman), Pickering, Lane, Foster and Outhit.

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

E. J. Lordly	\$ 428 08
Smith Bros	72 24
J. L. Whytal	11 10
Geo. McLellan	165 85
G. P. Henry	35 64
Rupert Fulton	46 89
George Gregoire	20 39

Wm. Roche	\$1649 50
J. A. Chipman	9 25
C. E. Puttner.....	37 50
John Patterson.....	17 12
A. M. Bell	12 83
Hart & Murray.....	22 76

\$2529 15

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

THOS. C. ALLEN, *Chairman.*

September 30th, 1892.

To the Chairman and Members Charities Committee:

GENTLEMEN,—During the month of September there has been 19 admitted, 2 born, 24 discharged, and 1 died. Total in the institution—280.

J. W. FLEMMING, *Supt.*

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Foster, that said report be received and concurred in. Motion passed.

Read report of Board Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners covering accounts recommended for payment.

October 19th, 1892.

The Board of Fire Wards beg to report the following accounts for payment, viz:—

Union Axe & Ladder Co.....	\$ 75 00
A. T. Graves	51 00
"	10 00
Black Bros. & Co.....	4 01
S. Cunard & Co.....	6 75
Bentley & Flemming	39 50
"	27 00
Wm. McFtridge, (1887 account).....	4 50
S. Cunard & Co.....	6 59
Theakston & Co.....	47 00
Thos. Reardon	1 40
C. E. Rodgers	11 00
Alexander McDonald.....	20 00
A. Lamphier.....	180 00
Henry Trenaman	30 00

\$504 66

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Firewards *in re* accounts be concurred in by Council and that His Worship the Mayor be requested to sign warrants for the payment of the same, amounting to \$504.66.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Boak, and passed.

His Worship the Mayor, in accordance with a resolution passed at a previous meeting of the Council, names the following as a special committee *re* St. Paul's burying ground, viz.: Aldermen Dennis, Morrow, Hamilton, Hubley, McFtridge and Mosher. On motion is adappointments were confirmed.

Read report of Board of City Works *re* the laying of granite curbs and gutters in certain streets. Objected to.

Read report of Board of City Works on petition for electric light at corner of Sackville and Brunswick Street with report of City Engineer relative thereto.

October 17th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day they had before them the Minute of Council *re* electric light at corner of Sackville and Brunswick streets and Engineer's report on it, when it was ordered to be sent to the Council with recommendation that an electric light be placed there as requested by the Commissioners of Schools.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman*.

October 17th, 1892.

ELECTRIC LIGHT AT THE HIGH SCHOOL.

Chairman Board of City Works:

SIR,—The accompanying petition from the Board of School Commissioners for an electric light at the High School corner, having been referred to me, I beg to report: There is a light at the corner of Albermarle and Sackville streets, and at the Dispensary, corner of Prince and Brunswick streets. The light on Brunswick street is so far away that a deep shadow is thrown on the west side of the High School Building. There is enough money in the fines deducted from the Electric Light Co. to run an extra light for the remainder of the year, and as it would seem desirable to prevent, if possible, the nuisance complained of by the Board of School Commissioners, I would recommend that the light be placed, according to the prayer of the petition.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer*.

When the following resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Works *in re* electric light High School corner be received and concurred in by Council, and that the same be referred back to the Board for the Engineer to locate.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Morrow and passed.

Read report of Board of City Works covering report of City Engineer *re* petition for sewer Willow Street.

October 17th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that having had before them the enclosed petition for Sewer on Willow Street and report of City Engineer thereupon, it was ordered that the papers be sent to the City Council with a recommendation that the desired sewer be built in its turn.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman*.

October 17th, 1892.

WILLOW STREET SEWER.

Chairman Board of City Works:

SIR,—In this street the rock is near the surface, and it is very difficult to drain the properties so that there will be no offensive odor.

The cost of the sewer would be about \$2,000.00. The estimated sewerage rates \$940.00.

I would recommend that the sewer be placed on the Order Book to be done in its turn.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer*.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Works on the petition of the property owners on Willow Street, for sewer be received and concurred in by Council, that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that the same be filed with the Engineer and placed on the Order Book to be built in its turn.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier, and passed.

Read report Board of City Works covering a report from City Engineer on letters from Robie Uniacke asking extension of sewer Tower Road.

October 17th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day they had before them the enclosed letter from Robie Uniacke, Esq., and Engineer's report upon it, when it was decided to send the papers to the City Council with the recommendation that the proposed extension of the sewer be made as suggested in the report.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman*.

TOWER ROAD SEWER.

October 17th, 1892.

Chairman Board of City Works:

SIR,—In accordance with the resolution of the Board, I beg to report on the accompanying letter from Robie Uniacke for an extension of the sewer on Tower Road to drain Gorsebrook. The construction of the sewer was ordered to be performed at once to drain the school on Tower Road and the trench has been open far enough to complete that work. To drain Gorsebrook a further extension of 100 feet would be necessary, at the extra cost of \$475.00. The extra sewerage rates would be about \$200.00. The drainage from Gorsebrook at present empties into a brook running down through the properties below Inglis Street to a point near the Laundry on Pleasant Street. A considerable nuisance is caused by this sewage in the summer months. It would be advisable to cut off this drain, as it is now about the only drain running into the water course.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer*.

When the following is introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Works and Engineer in *re* Extension of Sewer on Tower Road be received and concurred in by Council, and the same be referred back to the Board and City Engineer to carry into effect.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier, and on being put is passed.

Read report of Board of City Works covering report of City Engineer on petition of residents of Woodill street, *re* sewer Woodill street.

October 17th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that having had under consideration the petition of residents of Woodill Street for drain connection and report of Engineer, it was ordered that the matter be sent up to the City Council with the recommendation that the work be done in accordance with the report of the City Engineer.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman*.

THE DRAIN—WOODILL STREET.

October 17th, 1892.

Chairman Board of City Works:

SIR,—The accompanying letter from the owners of Woodill Street having been referred to me, I beg to report—There will be no objection to the work asked for by the petitioners, provided they do it at their own expense. and lay the drain

with crock pipe protected at the upper end with a grating. The whole work to be done to the approval of the City Engineer. The surface drain, however, should not be allowed to exist, and I would recommend that the construction of the sewer in this street be placed on the order book.

The estimated cost would be \$1,450. Estimated sewerage rates, \$900.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Works in *re* petition of property owners on Woodill Street for sewer be received and concurred in by council, and that the same be referred back to the Board and City Engineer to carry into effect as suggested by the Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, and on being put, is passed.

Read report Board of City Works covering report of City Engineer on petition of property owners on Allen Street for sewer.

October 17th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting this day, they had under consideration the Minute of Council *re* sewer on Allen street and report of City Engineer, when it was decided to recommended that the sewer be built in its turn in accordance with the report of the Engineer.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman,*

October 17th, 1892.

ALLEN STREET SEWER.

Chairman Board City Works :

SIR,—The accompanying petition for a sewer on Allen street having been referred to me; I beg to report: The drain of the street is carried through a wooden box shute and empties into a water-course running through a proposed street, between Welsford street and Compton Avenue. There is a new sewer on the Order Book to be completed from Welsford street, north, to intercept this water course. There are several houses on Allen street, and as the rock comes to the surface, it is very difficult to dispose of the sewage so that it will not be offensive. I would recommend that the sewer be constructed in this street. The length required will be about 630 feet. The estimated cost will be \$3200. Estimated sewerage rates \$1570.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

When the following is introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Board of works *in re* petition for sewer on Allen street be received and concurred in by Council, and that the same be referred back to the Board to be carried out as suggested by the Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane and passed.

Read report Board of City Works covering report of the City Engineer on letter from John D. Miller *re* sidewalk on Prince Street, between Granville and Hollis Streets. Objected to.

Read report Board of City Works covering a report from the City Engineer *re* sewer Rottenburg Street.

October 8th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the enclosed report from the City Engineer *re* Sewer on Rottenburg Street, when it was decided to send it to the City Council, with the recommendation that the sewer on Rottenburg Street, between Birmingham Street and Dresden Row be deepened as proposed by the Engineer.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman,*

Sept. 30th, 1892.

ROTTENBURG STREET SEWER.

Chairman Board City Works:

SIR,—At the last meeting of the City Council the construction of the Sewer on Rottenburg Street was ordered immediately. This sewer was placed on the Order Book in April, 1891. The report in connection with it was made by my predecessor. It provided for a new sewer, from Queen Street to Birmingham Street, to connect with the existing sewer there. On excavating for a drain, as ordered, we discovered that several cellars in this block cannot be drained at the depth of the Birmingham Street Sewer, and in order to derive the desired benefit from the immediate construction of the work, it will be necessary to take up the sewer on Rottenburg street, from Birmingham Street to Dresden Row, and deepen it as much as possible. The estimated sewerage rates will be equal to the cost. To give the property owners the full value of the money to be expended, and every benefit that can be derived from the completion of the sewer. I would recommend that the sewer on Rottenburg Street, between Birmingham Street and Dresden Row be rebuilt at the same time as the work now being carried on.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the report of Board of Works in re Rottenburg Street, together with the report of the City Engineer thereon be received and concurred in by Council.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Dennis, and on being put is passed.

Read report Board City Works covering a report of the City Engineer on petitions from Halifax Land Company, Limited, and from G. P. Henry and others asking for the extension of Agricola Street northwardly.

October 8th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day they had before them petitions from the Halifax Land Co., Ltd., and from G. P. Henry and others, asking for the extension of Agricola Street northwardly, and also a report from the City Engineer upon the matter, when it was decided to forward the papers to the City Council, with the recommendation that the suggestions of the Engineer respecting appraisers be carried out.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

September 26th, 1892.

AGRICOLA STREET EXTENSION.

Chairman Board of City Works:

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying Extract of Minutes of Council, I beg to report on the petition of the Halifax Land Co. and the property owners in the neighbourhood of the proposed extension of Agricola Street. As stated in the petition of the residents of the district affected by the proposed improvement, a great many advantages would accrue to the city and to those having occasion to use the street. The city is directly interested in the extension of this street, and it would decrease the cost of hauling broken stone from Merkel's field. At present the stone is hauled from the crusher through a lane to Gottingen Street. The owners of Merkel's field have sold a lot including part of this lane, and the present owner is fencing in his land and shutting up the lane. It would therefore be necessary for teams hauling broken stone to go north to Duffus Street and come around to Gottingen Street, increasing the length of haul and therefore increasing the cost of broken stone delivered on the streets. If Agricola Street was extended through Merkel's field, through the Hennessey property to Young Street, a direct outlet would be afforded for teams hauling stone for the city. It is most desirable that the stone purchased from the owners of Merkel's field

should be used up as far as possible, and for this purpose it will be necessary to keep the land now covered by the crusher and the stone pile for some time to come. The extension of this street must necessarily increase the value of the property affected. The owners of Merkel's field are very anxious that the improvement should be made. Should the city expropriate the land necessary to carry out the improvement, the owners of Merkel's field could fairly be asked to contribute in cash, but the city should at least have the use of the land free of charge for about three years, and no further charge should be made for stone. If the extension is continued through to Macara Street, it will open up an avenue from Point Pleasant Park to Lady Hammond Road, the advantage of which need not be stated here. In a former report made on this subject I gave the value placed on property by the owners, their demand is exorbitant, and I would respectfully recommend that before any further action is taken in this matter, appraisers be appointed to value the land that would be taken, making every allowance for the improvement of the land on each side of the extension. If the result of the appraisement is satisfactory, I would strongly recommend that the land required for a street 100 feet wide from Merkel's field to Young Street be expropriated, and that the extension asked for by the petitioners be carried out.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

When the following resolution is introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Works in *re* Extension of Agricola Street be received and concurred in by Council, and that the Council proceed to appoint appraisers as suggested by the City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Adams, and passed.

In accordance with the foregoing resolution the council now proceed to appoint an appraiser on behalf of the City to value the land proposed to be expropriated, and the following gentlemen were nominated : W. George Wisswell, David L. Johns, William Woodill, John Nay'or, James Shand, Michael Walsh, Henry H. Banks, Brookes W. Chipman and William Fidler. On the second ballot being taken William Woodill having a majority vote of the Council was declared the appraiser on behalf of the City to value the land proposed to be taken.

Read report Board of City Works covering a report of the City Engineer on petition of Patrick Madigan for water extension on Edward Street.

October 8th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the petition for water extension on Edward street referred to them together with a report from the City Engineer upon the matter, or copy of which is inclosed, when it is decided to forward the papers to the City Council with recommendation that the request be granted on the condition mentioned in the report of the Engineer.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

September 21st, 1892.

WATER EXTENSION EDWARD STREET.

Chairman of the Board of City Works :

SIR,—The accompanying petition of Patrick Madigan for water extension on Edward street having been referred to me, I beg to report : An extension of 95ft. on the high service will be necessary to supply the petitioners. The excavation will be partly rock.

Estimated cost is 95 ft. of 6 in. pipe at 73 cts.....	\$ 69 35
1 6 in. stop cock	30 00
Labor and pipe laying at 60 cts.....	57 00
1 service pipe	16 00

Total..... \$172 35

The estimated revenue will be about..... \$6 00

I would recommend that the extension be made, provided, the petitioner will give a bond for 6 per cent. interest on the outlay.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the report of Board of Works *in re* water extension in Edward street be received and concurred in by Council and the same referred back to the Board to carry out.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Dennis, and being put is passed.

Read report of Board of City Works covering report of the City Engineer on petition from Maynard H. Hubley and others for sewer on Granville Street, between Blowers and Sackville Streets.

October 8th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration a petition for Sewer on Granville Street, from Blowers to Sackville Street, with report of City Engineer thereupon, when it was decided to transmit it to the Council with the recommendation that the work be done in accordance with the Engineer's report.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

September 30th, 1892.

GRANVILLE STREET SEWER.

Chairman Board of City Works:

SIR,—The accompanying petition for a sewer on Granville Street, between Blower Street and Sackville Street having been referred to me, I have to report—

A new sewer has been ordered on Blower Street to replace the old stone drain under the gutter. This sewer will empty from Granville Street, and should, according to the sewerage plan, find an outlet north to Sackville Street. The only drain available in this block is the old stone drain referred to, which runs under the gutter on the west side. It is of no service whatever to the properties on the lower side of the street. I would recommend the construction of the new sewer on Granville street from Sackville, street to Blowers street. The work to be done at the same as that on Blower Street. The estimated cost is \$1,500. Estimated sewerage rates, \$812.50.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Works *in re* petition for sewer on Granville Street, with report of City Engineer thereon be received and concurred in by Council, and that the same be referred back to the Board to be carried out in the way suggested.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, and passed.

Read report Board City Works, covering a report of the City Engineer on letter from Arthur Hill, Lt. Col. R. E. C. R. E., relative to War Department sidewalks.

October 17th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day, they had before them a report from the City Engineer respecting War Department sidewalks, when it was decided to forward it to the City Council for its information.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

October 17th, 1892.

WAR DEPARTMENT SIDEWALKS.

Chairman Board of City Works:

SIR,—In accordance with the resolution of Council, dated 20th July, 1892, I corresponded with Col. Hill, C. R. E., for the purpose of ascertaining if the Imperial Authorities would contribute towards the cost of constructing and maintaining sidewalks in front of their property.

Col. Hill replied, saying that he could only speak for that portion of Imperial Government property controlled by the War Department. Separate communications would have to be addressed to the Naval Authorities. The resolution of Council covered roadways as well as sidewalks. I was under the impression that the resolution referred to sidewalks only and that it was not the intention of the Council to ask the War Department to contribute towards the maintenance of the streets. I explained the matter to Colonel Hill and asked for an answer. Attached hereto is a copy of his reply. He declines to give an answer under the present circumstances, and intimates that when the War Department was asked to contribute towards the cost of construction and maintenance of any particular sidewalk, the matter would be laid before the War Office for consideration. As the correspondence with Col. Hill was not encouraging, I have not communicated with the Naval Authorities in reference to the land controlled by them. If it is the intention of the Council to press the matter further, I will communicate at once with the Naval Authorities. In the mean time I await further instructions.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

R. E. OFFICE, October 10th, 1892.

SIR,—In reply to your letter of 28th ult., to Major Maycock, I beg to state that I fail to see that the previous correspondence has been misunderstood.

The extract from Minutes of City Council, dated 27, '92, asking that the Imperial authorities should contribute a fair quota of the cost of constructing and maintaining the sidewalks and roadways in front of said Imperial property.

In your letter of the 28th ult., you admit that there are only one or two sidewalks in front of War Department land. Judging from the extraordinary delay that has taken place in laying the brick sidewalk outside the Gun Wharf, (for which the War Department provided material), it does not appear probable that more of the permanent material sidewalks are likely to be made within any near period. It seems, therefore, useless to open up the question as a whole. On receipt of intimation that the city authorities really intend to lay down within a reasonable specified time any definite length of sidewalk, with permanent materials, in front of War Department land, the General Officer Commanding is prepared to lay the question of pecuniary assistance from Imperial funds, before the War Office.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ARTHUR HILL,

Lieut.-Col. R. E., C. R. E.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier, that the same be fyled. Motion passed.

Read report Board of City Works covering report of the City Engineer on petition from Union Bank of Halifax and others for sewer on Hollis Street, from George to Prince Streets.

October 8th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day they had before them the petition for sewer on Hollis Street, from George to Prince Streets, with report of City Engineer upon it, when it was ordered to be sent to the City Council with the recommendation that the sewer be built in its turn.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman*.

September 30th, 1892.

HOLLIS STREET SEWER.

Chairman Board of City Works:

SIR,—The accompanying petition for Sewer on Hollis Street, between George Street and Sackville Street, having been referred to me, I beg to report—

The sidewalk on both sides of the street, between George Street and Prince Street, except that at the Post Office requires renewal. There is nothing to prevent the work being done on the west side at once. On the lower side of the street, however, it would be advisable to have sewer connections made before a permanent sidewalk is laid. There is no drain at all in the street at present, and I would recommend that this sewer be placed on the Order Book to be constructed early in the next season. The estimated cost, \$1,500.00 sewerage rates on the lower side of the street will be \$250.00; on the upper side of the street will be about \$400.00; but the property is owned by the Local Government who cannot be compelled to pay sewerage rates. If, however, the matter is presented to them, they may be willing to pay the same assessment that other real estate in the City is compelled to contribute.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer*.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Works in re petition for sewer in Hollis Street, and the report of the City Engineer thereon be concurred in by Council, and that the same be referred back to the Board to be carried out as suggested by said report.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier, and passed.

Read report of Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners re purchase of new steam fire engine, covering report from the Engineer, appointed by the Board to examine the Ronald Engine before and after the trial test to which said engine was submitted, with report of City Weigher on weight of said engine.

October 19th, 1892.

The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to report re purchase of new steam fire engine. Your Board forwarded to each of the firms tendering a copy of the specification of trial tests as passed by this Council. In response thereto only one engine, "The Ronald," was presented. Said engine was submitted to the various tests and the reports of her working and condition afterward as found by practical engineers are hereto annexed.

At a meeting held this day, it was moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the Board recommend that the Council purchase the Ronald Engine. On the motion being put there appeared three for and three against it. The Board then decided to submit the matter to the City Council for their consideration.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman*.

Weighed for the Board of City Works, a new steam fire engine. Weight, 6945 pounds.

October 11th, 1892.

D. J. SMITH, *City Weigher*.

October 18, 1892.

Being requested by Mr. Pickering, chairman of the Board of Works, to inspect and report on the fire engine:

Having proceeded to the sugar refinery and on examination of the boiler and engines, and having raised steam and started the engines, time 8 min 12 sec, with cold water, boiler, $\frac{3}{4}$ full, average steam 80", 90" pressure started with 60 lbs. steam, having completed all the tests submitted by the Board perpendicular and horizontally during the tests, no heating, quite cool.

QUEEN'S WHARF, October 14, 1892.

Having taken the engine down to the Queen's Wharf, and on examination of the boiler, and steam having been got up with cold water and engines started, time 6m. 40s., and the tests submitted by the Board having been satisfactorily completed. Steam 90" 99" tests, both perpendicular and horizontally.

The design of the engine is very good, and all parts easily got at and well proportioned. In steamboat practice the safety valve is put direct on the boiler by law.

ALEX. McDONALD, *Chief Engineer.*

There is no doubt that the old engine has the advantage over the new one in the facility of turning, as the old one has a $\frac{1}{2}$ circle, and the new one has only one quarter of circle, and the old driver has the control of the engine to himself. It would be better to have the pipes of brass for the safety valve from the boiler of brass.

ALEX. McDONALD, *Chief Engineer.*

W. F. PICKERING, Esq.,

Chairman of the Wardens:

October 18th, 1892.

SIR,—Being requested by you to make an examination of the mechanical efficiency regarding construction of the "Ronald Steam Fire Engine," we beg to report as follows:

For the purpose of inspection, we had the cylinder and slide valves covers removed, also the junk ring of piston and cap or crank shaft journal taken off, the door taken down from water cylinder.

We found the steam cylinder in very good order, and the piston good in design. Slide valves and cylinder faces in good order.

The water cylinders are good in design, and valves in good condition, but noticed that the valve casings were not fitted with guards.

The crank shaft and journal brasses were in good condition.

The boiler of this engine we found to be good in construction and workmanship, their being no leaks.

The safety valve is fitted on the main steam pipe, which, in our opinion, should be on the boiler.

The brakes are worked by two levers from the rear end, which we think is a great disadvantage, as the driver of the horses should have control of them.

The forward wheels do not swing under the framing of engine. This would be a great disadvantage in turning the corners of some of our steep hills. Those wheels, when turning, come against a roller screwed on a stud. If by any accident this stud is broken or bent, the wheel would strike against and damage the feed pipe of pumps supplying the boiler with water, and render them useless. There is an injector which should be available in case of any injury to those pumps. The boiler can also be fed from the main pumps.

There are no fittings on this boiler for keeping hot water circulating when standing in the engine house.

In conclusion, we would state that we found the workmanship of the "Ronald Steam Fire Engine" of a very high order.

D. J. MURRAY.

J. T. LARKIN.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Whereas, the Ronald Steam Fire Engine was the only engine presented for trial on October 11th, and after a fair test the engine has done all the manufac-

turers claim for it; further, one of the two expert engineers (Mr. McDonald) named by Firewards to examine said engine and watch test have reported favorable. *Resolved*, That this Council purchase said engine at price named in tender (\$5,000) five thousand dollars. *Further resolved*, That the Firewards be requested to take possession of said engine at once. *Further resolved*, That brakes be attended to the satisfaction of Firewards.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Eden.

After discussion, it was moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Adams, that the question be now put. Motion passed.

On the question being put there appeared for the resolution, seven ; against it, eight, as follows :

For Resolution.

Aldermen Outhit, Adams,
Foster, Eden,
Ryan, Hubley,
Dennis—7.

Against it.

Aldermen Mosher, McFatrige,
Pickering, Wallace,
Wier, Allen,
Morrow, Lane—8.

Alderman Foster gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Adams, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Foster to introduce a letter from H. S. Rhind, Collector of Rents, and resolution bearing on the same. Motion passed.

Read letter H. S. Rhind, Collector of Rents, to Chairman Commissioners Halifax Common *re* arrears for rent of Common Lots to July 1st, 1892, and the following is introduced :

Resolved, That letter of H. S. Rhind in *re* arrears of rent of Common Lots be submitted to His Honor the Recorder to report upon.

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

Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Pickering to introduce a resolution. Motion passed, and the following introduced :

Resolved. That the Report of the Board of Works in *re* permanent work on Argyle, Buckingham, South Park and Gottingen Streets be received and concurred in by Council, and that the same be referred back to the Board and City Engineer to carry into effect.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, and being objected to, is laid over.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the Order of the Day be suspended to consider the report of the Board of City Works *re* Granite Curbs and Gutters on certain streets, submitted this day. Motion passed.

October 17th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, it was resolved to recommend to the City Council that the following streets have curbs and gutters laid in them, the cost to be paid for out of the fund for permanent pavement, viz :

Argyle Street, between Buckingham and Jacob Streets.

Buckingham Street, between Argyle and Barrington Streets, (north and south sides).

South Park Street, from Spring Garden Road to South Street, (east side.)

Gottingen Street, between Falkland and Gerrish Streets, on the east side, and from Cogswell to Gerrish Street on the west side.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Adams, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost. The names being called for appeared thus:

<p>For the Motion:</p> <p>Aldermen Ryan, McFatridge, Adams, Mosher, Outhit.—5.</p>	<p>Against it:</p> <p>Aldermen Morrow, Allen, Dennis, Wier, Wallace, Pickering, Hubley, Eden.—8.</p>
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On motion, the report of the Board of Works *re* Granite Curbs and Gutters in certain streets was now read clause by clause.

Read clause 1, *re* Argyle Street, between Buckingham and Jacob Streets. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Allen, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 2, *re* Buckingham Street, between Argyle and Barrington Streets. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 3 *re* South Park street from Spring Garden Road to South street, east side. Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 4 *re* Gottingen street.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the clause do pass. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the report as a whole be adopted. Motion passed.

By leave of the Council the following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That in addition to the granite curbing and gutters that a concrete sidewalk be laid on the business portion of Gottingen street, on the eastern side, from Brunswick Lane to Prince William street, and that the same be paid for out of the permanent paving fund, subject to the approval of the City Engineer.

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

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that the petition of Donald Keith and J. E. Roy *re* Inglis street be now considered. Motion passed.

October 19th, 1892.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—We beg to represent to you the unsafe and unsightly condition of Inglis Street at present. Sometime ago a sewer was built in the east-end of it, and connections made thereto; the sidewalks and gutters have not since been made good. The street is narrow, and the street cars running through it with the present state of the gutters leave barely room for a waggon to pass a car. In addition to being much used by visitors to the park, it is a principal street and

thoroughfare. We also say that if the City will put the street in proper order, and make good the alterations, we will donate to the City a piece of land in front of our properties to straighten out a jog between Brussell Street and Young Avenue.

DONALD KEITH.
J. E. ROY.

The same was again read and the following introduced :

Whereas, Inglis Street is a thoroughfare used much by visitors to Point Pleasant Park in addition to regular traffic, the east end of its gutters are in an unsafe and dilapidated condition, as they have not been made good since the sewer and connections were made ;

And Whereas, It is a narrow street through which the street cars run, leaving barely room for a waggon to pass on either side, owing to the present deep and unkept state of the gutters ;

Therefore Resolved, That Keith and Roy's offer be accepted, and that the said portions of said sidewalk be curbed, and gutters between Pleasant and South Park, both sides, be paved permanently in their turn, and with such material as the City Engineer shall designate ; and the Board of Works is hereby authorized to do the work ;

Further Resolved, That the east side of Brunswick street have a granite gutter laid down from Jacob to North streets.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Foster, and on being put is passed, Alderman Outhit dissenting.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11.05 o'clock.

The minutes of last morning were read and approved.

Alderman Benson's Chairman submits a report on the Committee on Public Accounts.

Alderman Wallace's Chairman submits a report on the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Alderman Cook submits a petition from W. H. Tait and other owners on South Street.

Also a petition from W. H. Tait and other residents of Newark Street and vicinity re Wood-Taking Establishment on said street.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers, viz: Letters from the City Treasurer re Dry Dock property.

Letter from the City Engineer concerning tenders for Electric Lighting of City Hall.

Annual Report of City Clerk for 1891-2.

Moved by Alderman Cook, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that the Order of the Day be suspended and the papers handed in. Motion passed.

Read petition of William Nelson and others for sewer on South Street, running up the west side of LeMarchant Street. Moved by Alderman Cook, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read petition of W. H. Tait and other residents of Newark Street and vicinity complaining of the offensive odors from the Wood-pile.

OCTOBER 26th, 1892.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

OCTOBER 26th, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Hamilton, Wallace, Boak, Mosher, Lane, Eden and Hubley.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the time of meeting be extended until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30. Roll called. Present: the above-named, with Aldermen Morrow, Allen, Dennis, Wier, Pickering, Duggan, Ryan, McFatridge, Foster and Outhit.

The Council was summoned to consider Alderman Foster's notice of reconsideration *re* purchase of New Steam Fire Engine. Report of Police Committee business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Dennis, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Public Accounts.

Alderman Wallace, Chairman, submits a report from Committee on Laws and Privileges.

Also a draft ordinance relating to the Streets of Halifax.

Alderman Boak submits a petition from William Nisbet and others for sewer on South Street.

Also a petition from W. M. Tait and other residents of Fenwick Street and vicinity *re* Wool-Pulling Establishment on said street.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers, viz.: Letter from the City Treasurer *re* Dry Dock subsidy.

Letter from the City Engineer covering tenders for Electric Lighting of City Hall.

Annual Report of City Clerk for civic year 1891-2.

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

Read petition of William Nisbet and others for sewer on South Street, running as far west as LeMarchant Street. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read petition of W. M. Tait and other residents of Fenwick Street and vicinity, complaining of the offensive odours from the Wool-pull-

ing establishment on said street. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that the same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges with His Honor the Recorder for report. Motion passed.

Read report of Committee on Public Accounts recommending sundry accounts for payment.

October 26, 1892.

The committee on Public Accounts, beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the following accounts, viz:—

Herald Printing & Publishing Co.,.....	\$19 25
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Theakston & Co.,.....	4 00
A. & W. MacKinlay,.....	29 97
	\$134 06

All of which having been certified to by the proper officials as correct, the committee recommend the same be paid.

WM. DENNIS. *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the committee on Public Accounts, recommending the payment of accounts be received and concurred in by the council, and His Worship the Mayor, authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the same.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Mosher, and passed.

Read letter from Philip Thompson, City Treasurer, *re* annual subsidy of \$5000.00 to Dry Dock, in addition to \$5000.00 provided for in estimates, according to the acts of the Legislature for 1881 and 1889.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the City Treasurer is hereby instructed to advertise for a loan of \$5000.00, to pay the Halifax Dry Dock Company subsidy, in accordance with the act authorizing the payment of said subsidy by the city.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Boak, and on being put is passed.

Read report of Committee on Laws and Privileges, on petition of residents of south end of Gottingen street, *re* nuisance caused boys on Sunday, also, by smoke from blacksmith's shop, and a petition of Truckmen's Union for repayment of fines imposed in Police Court on certain truckmen.

October 26th, 1892.

The Committee of Laws and Amendment beg to report as follows :

They submit for approbation of the Council a number of proposed Ordinances, prepared by His Honor the Recorder, regulating the position of awnings, signs, gratings, coal-holes, etc., on the public streets, and dealing with other matters.

The Committee beg to report in relation to the petition of a number of residents on the south end of Gottingen street, that the attention of the Chairman of the Police Committee has been called to the nuisance of a number of boys on Sundays in the said locality, and steps would be taken by the Police to prevent a continuance of the said nuisance,

In regard to the other complaint from said residents as to the escape of smoke from a blacksmiths shop. Your Committee consider that the proper course of any aggrieved party is to seek redress from the courts.

In relation to a petition from a committee of the Truckmen's Union for the repayment of the sum of \$50 paid by certain Truckmen to their counsel for successfully defending a prosecution under one of the City Ordinances. Your Committee beg to report that they cannot recommend such repayment out of City funds.

W. B. WALLACE, *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that said report be received and concurred in. Motion passed.

Read draft Ordinance entitled:—"An Ordinance relating to the Streets of the City of Halifax."—1st reading.

Alderman Lane has leave to submit a report from the Charities Committee.

Read letter from the City Engineer, covering specifications for Electric Lighting the City Hall, with tenders from Halifax Gas Light Company Limited, and Halifax Illuminating and Motor Company Limited, for lighting the same.

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

Read report of Charities Committee *re* tender for supplies for Poor's Asylum for one year, from 1st November, 1892; and on letter from W. H. Wiswell, County Clerk, and Treasurer *re* charge for certain patients in the Mount Hope Asylum.

October 20th, 1892.

The Charities Committee met this evening, Present: The Chairman, Aldermen Pickering, Lane, Foster, and Outhit.

Tenders for the supplies to the Poor's Asylum for one year, from November 1st, 1892, were opened and the following accepted.

Dillon Bros., Groceries.
Isaac Durling, Beef.
R. T. Braine, Dry Goods.
E. J. Fenton, Straw.
George Parker, Milk.
W. A. Maling & Co., Pork.

At a meeting of the Charities Committee held on October 7th, the annexed letter from W. H. Wiswell, County Clerk, claiming that certain patients in the Hospital for Insane, who are charged to the County should be paid for by the City, and asking for an investigation into the same was read.

Alderman Pickering stated that he had an interview with Mr. John Shatford, Warden of County, in reference to the matter, who said that Mr. Wiswell had written this letter to the Council solely on his own responsibility and without any authority whatever from Municipal Council. He further informed Alderman Pickering that he was satisfied the City had paid every cent of its indebtedness to the Municipality of the County of Halifax at the last settlement by arbitration.

On motion it was referred back to the Council for their consideration; and beg to add that after a careful investigation of the accounts, we can find no ground, in fact nor has Mr. Wiswell been instructed to write the aforesaid letter.

T. C. ALLEN, *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Allen, that said report be received and concurred in, and that a copy of that portion of the report referring to the letter of W. H. Wiswell be sent to the Municipal Council for their information. Motion put and passed.

Read Annual Report of City Clerk for civic year, ending 30th April, 1892. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be filed for publication in the Annual report. Motion passed.

Ex-Mayor McPherson entering the Council Chamber, was invited by His Worship the Mayor to take a seat on the dias, which invitation is accepted.

Alderman Morrow has leave to submit a letter from Rev. R. H. Bullock, relative to amount due the estate of late C. B. Bullock, for title searches made by the said C. B. Bullock for and on account of the City of Halifax. The same is now read.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that said account be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion put and passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Alderman Foster's notice of reconsideration of resolution, in *re* purchase of Steam Fire Engine being put on the Order of the Day, is now taken up.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Eden, that said resolution be reconsidered. Motion passed.

Read resolution of Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Eden, *re* purchase of Steam Fire Engine as entered on Minutes of last meeting.

The following amendment is now introduced :

Resolved,—that Whereas the Ronald Steam Fire Engine is not up to modern requirements inasmuch as her turning gear and brakes are not equal to modern construction of fire apparatus. *And whereas*, the Amoskeag Fire Engine, the last purchased by the City has proved satisfactory and minus the defects above referred to in the Ronald machine, and at less cost to the City than the Ronald. *Therefore resolved*, that the Amoskeag Fire Engine be purchased at a cost of \$4940.00 and in keeping with the order and specification now before the Council. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane.

Said amendment on being put is passed, nine voting for the same and eight against it. The names being called for appeared thus :

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Morrow, Allen,	Aldermen Boak, Dennis,
Wier, Wallace,	Hublely, Ryan,
Hamilton, Duggan,	Eden, Foster,
Pickering, Lane.	Mosher, Outhit.—8.
McFatrige.—9.	

The original resolution is now put and lost, eight voting for the same and nine against it, as follows :

For the motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Outhit Mosher,	Aldermen McFatrige, Lane,
Foster, Eden,	Pickering, Duggan,
Ryan, Hubley,	Hamilton, Wallace,
Dennis, Boak.—8.	Wier, Allen,
	Morrow.—9.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier, that No. 11 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 11, viz:—Resolution of Alderman Pickering, in *re* loan for purchase of hose and apparatus for the department, as follows :

Resolved, And the City Treasurer is hereby instructed to advertise for the loan of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) provided for by an Act of the Legislature at its last session, for the more efficient equipment of the Fire Department. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Boak, that said resolution be adopted. Motion put and passed.

On motion the Order of the Day is suspended to allow Alderman Pickering to introduce the following resolution :

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor, together with the Chairman of the Board of Firewards are hereby instructed to purchase the Amoskeag Steam Fire Engine, as per tender and specification, and resolution of Council passed this evening. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that said resolution do pass. Motion put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Outhit, No. 24 on Order Paper be taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 24, Report of Police Committee on certain charges preferred against several members of the force. On motion the same was considered clause by clause.

Read clause 1, recommending dismissal of Policeman James Nickerson. Moved by Alderman Boak seconded by Alderman Hubley, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Alderman Pickering gave notice of reconsideration.

Read clause 2, recommending the dismissal of Policeman James Brady. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that said clause be adopted.

To which the following amendment is introduced :

Resolved, That Policeman Brady be fined five dollars, and reinstated on the force. Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, said amendment on being put is passed, nine voting for the same and seven against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Hamilton, Allen,	Aldermen Dennis, Morrow,
Wier, Duggan,	Boak, Wallace,
Pickering, Lane,	Hubley, Mosher,
McFatrige, Eden,	Outhit.—7.
Ryan.—9.	

The original motion was then put and lost.

Alderman Hubley gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11.25 o'clock.

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The motion the same were placed on Order Paper
Read report of
Factory Committee

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

NOVEMBER 9th, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Lane, Wallace, Eden, Mosher, Hubley, Foster, Wier and Pickering. Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Wier, that the time for meeting be extended until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30.—Roll called. Present: the above named, with Aldermen Boak, Allen, Morrow, Dennis, Hamilton, Duggan, McFatridge, Adams, Ryan and Outbit.

The Council was summoned to appoint two Commissioners of Schools for the City of Halifax, to proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Dennis, Chairman, submits a report from the Cemetery Committee *re* Site for new Cemetery, covering tenders, plan, &c.

Alderman Hubley submits a minority report of Cemetery Committee.

Alderman Wallace, Chairman, submits a report from Committee on Laws and Privileges *re* Wool Pulling Factory.

Alderman Allen, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Charities.

Also, a petition from S. Chittick & Sons and others, ice dealers, Dartmouth, *re* License for selling ice in the City of Halifax.

Alderman Pickering, Chairman, submits three reports from the Board of City Works, viz:

Report *re* Appraisers of Market Slip.

Report *re* Loan for Internal Health.

Report *re* resolution respecting Sewers and Legislation in reference thereto.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

Report from City Clerk *re* Accounts.

Returns of City Collector of Rates and Water Rates collected during the month of October.

Cash Statement of City Treasurer for October.

Cash Statement of City Treasurer, Water Department, for October.

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

Read report of Cemetery Committee covering tenders, plan, &c., *re* Site for new Cemetery.

Read minority report of the Cemetery Committee relative to the above.

On motion the same were placed on Order Paper.

Read report of Committee on Laws and Privileges *re* Wool Pulling Factory, Fenwick Street.

November 9th, 1892.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council:

The Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report as follows:

Your committee have considered the facts stated in the petition from the residents of Fenwick Street, and vicinity complaining of an alleged nuisance from a wool pulling factory.

The committee have concluded that the proper course to be taken by the petitioners, is to apply as private suitors to the Supreme Court for redress.

Your committee therefore cannot recommend that any action be taken by the City in respect to the matter at the present time.

WM. B. WALLACE, *Chairman.*

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

Read letter from the City Clerk, covering accounts for the consideration of the committee on Public Accounts. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Allen, that the same be referred to the committee on Public Accounts to report on. Motion passed.

Read report of the committee on Charities, recommending the payment of Sundry Accounts, with return of superintendent of Poores Asylum, for the month of October.

November 9th, 1892.

The Charities committee met this evening, Present: Aldermen Allen, (Chairman) Pickering, Lane, Wallace, Foster.

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

E. J. Lordly.....	496 22
Smith Bros.....	68 26
J. L. Whytal.....	10 59
Geo. McLellan.....	197 01
Geo. Gregoire.....	27 52
G. P. Henry.....	36 76
Geo. Parker.....	48 36
J. B. Neily.....	66 05
H. H. Fuller.....	3 69
A. J. Grant.....	24 18
W. N. Brown.....	16 45
Alex. Moody.....	27 00
C. J. P. Clarkson.....	47 50
Power & Co.,.....	49 65
J. W. Flemming.....	119 37
Halifax Gas Co.,.....	117 70
W. E. Hyde.....	36 68

\$1392 99

Annexed hereto find statement number of persons admitted, etc., Poores Asylum during the month of October.

THOS. C. ALLEN, *Chairman.*

October 31st, 1892.

The Chairman and Members of Charities Committee.

Gentleman:—

During the month there has been 29 admitted, 3 born, 17 discharged, and 3 died. Total number in the institution, October 31st, 1892, 292.

J. W. FLEMMING, *Superintendent.*

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that said report be received and concurred in by the council. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works *re* appointment of appraisers, to select market site.

October 31st, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, it was decided to ask the City Council to instruct the gentlemen who some time since appraised several sites for the proposed new market, to appraise such other properties as may be pointed out to them by the Board of Works.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, that said report be received and concurred in. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works, *re* providing funds to meet the requirements of the Board for internal health purposes. On motion the same was placed on Order Paper to be considered at a latter stage of the meeting.

Read petition from Chittick & Sons, and other Ice dealers, of Dartmouth, asking amendments to the ordinance *re* Hawkers, Pedlers, &c. Moved by Alderman Mosher seconded by Alderman Allen, that the same be referred to the committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

Read report of Committee on City Prison covering accounts; &c., for October.

November 8th, 1892.

At a meeting of the Prison Committee held to day there were present Aldermen Boak, Duggan, Adams, Wier, and the Chairman.

They had before them a number of accounts, which on examining were found correct, and are herein submitted, amounting to \$217.72.

G. P. Henry	\$ 19 50
Wallace & Stevens	41 28
Mrs Manley.....	123 70
G. E. Smith & Co.....	19 26
Hogan & Sons.....	3 75
Cabot & Son	10 23

217 72

WM. MCFATRIDGE, *Chairman*.

When the following resolution is introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the City Prison Committee be received and concurred in, and the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts named therein, viz.—\$217.22.

Further resolved that the Mayor be requested to ask the Chairman of the Board of Works to pay to the credit of the Prison Committee the sum of \$1215.53 due for broken stone.

Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Boak, and on being put is passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Alderman Pickering's notice of reconsideration of resolution passed at last meeting on the first clause. Report of Police Committee in *re* dismissal of Policeman James Nickerson was now taken up.