them sent to the City Council, and the only way to prevent a recurrence of the like irregularity is to make it a rule imperative that all work done for citizens, or material supplied by the board should be paid for at the time.

The liabilities of the Board are mentioned in the resolution. I cannot see that the Board of Works has any liabilities apart from general civic liabilities. The Board has the management of several city contracts now running, such as for the City Hall, or street lighting, and is empowered to make contracts for street work or supplies of gravel, granite, bricks or other materials, but such contracts are all made in the name of the City, and payments are made upon them in the usual way according as the work is performed or the articles delivered, the accounts being always properly certified.

I am required by the resolution to report on the method of book-keeping followed in the office of the Board of Works.

The method is the same as was in use during the lifetime of the late clerk of work, J. B. Johnston. It is simple and well enough adapted to the purpose. There is a good deal of writing of one kind or other in the office, including correspondence and routine work. The various departments are charged with the moneys drawn from the city treasurer and a separate account is also kept for each ward. Then there is the labour book and the preparation of the pay sheets, a task in itself, every week. These pay sheets are made out by the assistant clerk from the returns of the time-keepers and are always carefully checked by the clerk of works before pay day. It would be unfair to the parties concerned to allow an impression to go abroad that the clercial work in the office of the Board of Works is done in a slovenly manner. The present clerk of works and his assistant are, both of them, careful and painstaking, and as regards the late clerk Mr. Johnston, it is well known that he was a most competent and systematic official.

These explanations, which I think cover all the points enumerated in the

resolution, are respectfully submitted.

J. A. Bell, City Auditor.

It will be seen by the resolution that the Auditor was instructed to make an annual audit and report to the Council, which I have lately discovered has not been done; neither, to my mind, does the report comply with the requests of the resolution. I might add that a large sum of money has accumulated in the office from deposits made by citizens for permits to break soil for sewerage and water connections and other work done by the City, for which no proper account had been kept, which amount has now been placed in the hands of the City Treasurer, who, in future, will receive all such deposits. I have not considered it my duty at this stage to delve into the past, but I find there are sums of money due the City, which I have no doubt, had the accounts been rendered at the time and looked after, would have been paid or could have been collected. In presenting the foregoing, I would respectfully call the attention of the Board to the fact, that the water department, sewerage, street paving and other public works, carried on by the City, under the supervision of the Board, have assumed such large proportions, involving an annual expenditure of over \$it our duty to see that the work of the office is conducted in a thorough manner and on business principles.

W. F. Pickering, Chairman.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That W. C. Bishop, Professional Accountant, be engaged in conjunction with S. S. Scott, to audit the books of the Board of Works and the Treasurer's Office for the past five years, and present a full report to the Council within one month from date or sooner if possible.

Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Morrow, and

being put is passed.

His Worship the Mayor appoints the following-named Aldermen as a committee in compliance with Alderman Allen's resolution, passed at last meeting of Council, relative to improving the system of City Government, viz.: - Aldermen Allen, Wallace, Hamilton, Lane, Foster,

Mosher. The same is concurred in by Council.

Read rules and regulations for the guidance of architects, plumbers, house-holders and others using the water supply, second reading. The first reading having taken place October 22nd, 1891.

The following resolution is now introduced:-

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council are due and be given to Alderman Pickering for the indefatigable labours he has performed in investigating the internal affairs of the Board of Works Office.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Morrow. Objected to.

Read report of committee on tenders re tenders for \$500,000 Dry Dock Loan, and \$16,000 Fire Department Loan.

November 28th, 1892.

Committee on tenders met as above. Present: Ald. Pickering, Morrow and Wier, when tenders were opened for the \$5,000 Dry Dock loan, and for the \$15,000 Fire Department loan, from Dr. Ternan and J. C. Mackintosh as hereto annexed.

The tenders of J. C. Mackintosh being the highest your committee respect-

fully 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 for the \$5,000 Dry Dock loan at 100.1250 for 4½ per cent. new city stock certificates be accepted, the same to bear interest from 1st January, 1893.

And further resolved, That the tender of J. C. Mackintosh for the \$15,000 Fire Department loan at 100.1250 for 5 per cent. new city stock citificates be

accepted.

Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Morrow and

passed.

Read petition of J. Parsons and others residents of Creighton and Gerrish street for an electric light at the corner of Creighton and Gerrish street. Moved by Alderman Lane seconded by Alderman Dennis, that said petition be referred to the Board of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read Letter of Samuel Creed, City Librarian, re amount due him

for repairs to books, etc.

When the following was introduced:

Resolved, that the account of S. Creed, Libranian, for \$7500 for materials and repairs to books, be paid, and that the mayor be and is hereby instructed to sign a warrant for the same.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Duggan, and

passed.

Read letter from M. J. Morley, re suit, Morley vs. City of Halifax, proposing that letigation cease each party paying their own costs. Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that the same be referred to the committee on Laws and Privileges, for report. Motion passed.

Read report of committee on Charities, covering accounts for Poors' Asylum, for the month of November.

Halifax, December 7th, 1892.

The Charities' Committee met this evening. Present, Aldermen Allen, Chairman, Wallace and Outhit.

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

paid.

Dillon Bros	\$ 425 24
R. T. Braine	126 66
Isaac Durling	172 50
W. A. Maling	30 00
George Gregoire	27 52
George Parker	48 53
G. P. Henry	7 45
W. E. Hyde	27 18
R. Martin & Co	5 25
Baldwin & Co	41 25
Wm Robertson	4 34
James Dempster,	39 01
Bremner Bros	532 78
J. L. Whytal	20 07
Longard Bros	117 37

Annexed hereto find statement of the number of persons admitted, &c., Poor's Asylum during the month of November.

T. C. Allen, Chairman.

November,30th, 1892.

Chairman and members of Charities Committee.

Gentlemen,—There has been during the month, 27 admitted, 2 born, 16 discharged, and 1 died. Present number in the institution, 167 men, 136 women, 14 children. Total 317.

J. W. Flemming, Superintendent.

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

Read application of Daniel O'Leary for the position of Coal Measurer, Filed, to be considered with other applications.

Read report of Chief Inspector of Licenses re destruction, &c., of liquors seized under the Liquor License Act of 1886, as called for by resolution of a previous meeting of Council. On motion the same is placed on order paper to be taken up with No. 21, viz., Letter from John A. Mackasey, Chief Inspector of Licenses, in reference to report asked for by resolution of City Council re destruction of liquors, &c.

Read report of City Collector of Rates and Taxes on amounts received by him and paid over to the Board of City Works on account of old sewerage rates and materials supplied by said Board of City Works. Placed on Order Paper.

Read report of City Health Board on sewer connections, covering a report from the City Engineer thereon. Placed on Order Paper.

Read report of Special Committee on Assessment Law. Placed on Order Paper.

Read report of City Clerk covering accounts. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the same be referred to

the committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from J. B. Neily re statements in connection with the recent purchase of a new steam fire engine, by the City Council. Placed on Order Paper for consideration with No. 22 thereon, viz.:—Report of Committee on Laws and Privileges on petition of Ice Dealers and charge made by J. B. Neily in connection with the recent purchase of a steam fire engine.

Rerd report of City Prison Committee covering accounts for

November.

CITY PRISON, Dec. 6th, 1892.

At a meeting of the Prison Committee, held to-day, there were present:—Aldermen Boak, Wier, Adams and the chairman.

They had before them a number of accounts which on examining were found

correct and are herein submitted amounting to \$259.02;

J. A. Hancock S	3	14
R. T. Braine 2	22	14
Nisbet & Drake 8	81	95
G. P. Henry :	24	08
Moir, Son & Co	7	50
W. Robertson	4	61
A. Gunn & Co	9	95
J. B. Neily & Co	28	00
Clayton & Sons	50	00
Gordon & Keith :	26	65
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WM. McFatridge, Chairman.

When the following resolution is introduced:-

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

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

Read City Collector's return of rates for November. Also City Collector's return of water rates for November.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the order of the day be suspended to allow Alderman Foster to introduce a resolution. Motion passed and the following introduced.

Whereas, The Dominion Government has failed to enter into an agreement with the City of Halifax to purchase the land bounded by North street, Cornwallis street, Lockman street and Upper Water street, and convey to the City of Halifax so much thereof as shall be in the judgment of the City Council necessary for the widening of Lockman street.

Resolved, That this Council expropriate such lands as it may deem necessary for the purpose of widening Lockman street (on the east side) from Cornwallis

street to North street, not exceeding a strip thirty feet in width.

Further resolved, That this Council appoint an appraiser for valuing said land. Further resolved, That His Worship be authorized to give public notice by advertising for two weeks in a daily newspaper, published in the City of Halifax, naming this council chamber as the place, and Wednesday, January 11th, 1893, at 10 o'clock, a.m., the time when the owners of property on the east side of Lockman street shall meet and select an appraiser to value their property required for widening said street.

Further resolved, That His Worship communicate with the Chief Justice and

ask him to appoint a person not being a resident or rate payer of the City of Halifax, as a third appraiser, under chapter 64, an act to amend chapter 61 of

the acts of 1890.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Eden-Objected to.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Morrow that

the council do now adjourn. Motion put and lost.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Ryan that the order of the day be further suspended to allow Alderman Hubley to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the Chairman of Board of Works furnish this Council, at its next meeting, with the number of assistants in the City Engineer's office, the names of the same and the salaries they are receiving and if they were appointed by this Council.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Ryan, and

being put is passed.

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

Whereas, It is advisable to push forward the construction of sewers now on the Order Paper, as fast as possible, in order to improve the sanitary condition of the

districts in which said sewers are to be built;

And whereas, Many of these sewers are through rock, which can be built in winter time without doing any injustice to districts through which a sewer in earth has been ordered, which sewer can again be constructed in summer time;

And whereas, The pushing on of these rock sewers during the winter months would also afford work to a large number of working men who would be other-

Resolved, That the Board of Works are hereby instructed to proceed during the winter with the construction of the rock sewers in James Street, Charles Street, Allen Srreet, LeMerchant Street and such other rock sewers as can be economically constructed in winter time - the excavating and filling in to be done by tender and contract, and the laying of the concrete by the regular employees of the City.

Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Foster.

Objected to and placed on Order Paper.

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

The following resolution is now introduced:

Whereas, The paving of Lower Water Street is an urgent public necessity, and would be a measure of economy as compared with needed expenditures to keep that street in the condition demanded by its business and traffic,

And Whereas, The construction of a main sewer from the Ordnance to Morris

Street is a preliminary requisite to the paving of the street.

Resolved, That the report of the City Engineer be referred to the Board of Works with instructions to proceed with the construction of the sewer, and to make all preliminary arrangements for the paving of the street, with concrete foundation, if the Board thinks that most advisable.

The board is hereby instructed to take tenders for the work of constructing the

sewer and for laying the paving.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Pickering.

Objected to and placed on order paper.

Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the City Engineer report to the council the cost of paving George street from Water street to the Ferry Slip. Motion passed. Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the

council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11.45 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

DECEMBER 14th, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. Present:—His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Boak, Morrow, Dennis, Wier, Wallace, Pickering. Hamilton, Duggan, Lane, Ryan, Hubley, McFatridge, Foster, Eden, Adams, Outhit and Mosher.

The Council was summoned to proceed with business standing over

and the transaction of other business.

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Dennis, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Public Accounts re Amounts due Halifax Industrial School, St. Patrick's Home, etc.

Alderman Wallace, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Laws and Privileges on petition of Mrs. Morley re costs in suit Morley vs. the City of Halifax.

Alderman Pickering, Chairman, submits a report from Board Fire

Wards and Fire Commissioners re Accounts for payment.

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

On Letter from Col. Hill, C. R. E. re excavation on Camp Hill.
 Re remuneration to auditors appointed to audit the books in

office of City Board of Works and City Treasurer.

3. Book-keeping and manner of conducting the business in the office of the Board, with letter from the Chairman to the Board on the subject.

Also a report on the number of assistants employed in the City

Engineer's office.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:—
Report of City Engineer re cost of paving George street.

Report of His Honor the Recorder re suit Bedford vs. the City, McKay vs. the City, Ronan vs. the City, and Morley vs. the City.

Report from Appraisers, appointed to value property proposed to be taken to extend Agricola Street, covering an account for services rendered.

Letter from M. McF. Hall claiming \$200 for damage to horse and buggy caused by a pile of earth on Quinpool Road not being properly protected.

Letter from James Murray offering to supply stone at the crusher

for 13 cents per bushel.

Return of Weighers and Measurers of Coal for November 1892.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

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

Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that he, Alderman Wier, be allowed to amend a resolution passed at last

meeting of Council. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that that the resolution passed at last meeting of City Council re Report of Tenders Committee on Tender for Loans be amended by striking out the works "New City Stock Certificates" in the loan for fire department, and substituting therefor the words City Debentures. Motion passed.

Read report of Committee of Public Accounts re City Collector's return of Rates and Water Rates for November, and accounts of Industrial School and St. Patrick's Home for maintenance of boys committed to said institutions under the Compulsory School Act.

December 14th, 1892.

The Committee on Public Accounts met on the 12th inst. There were present: The Chairman, Aldermen Foster, and Lane, and beg to report as follows:

1st. That in regard to the accounts of the Industrial School for \$113.24, and St Patrick's Home for \$192.24, for board of 27 boys committed to those institutions under the Compulsory School Act, they beg to recommend that the said accounts be paid. The amounts to be taken from the unexpended balances account (or any other available fund.) Provision to be made in next years

estimate for the same, and that the amounts be returned to said fund.

2nd. Your Committee has examined the return of rates and water rates for November, made to the Council by the City Collector. The Committee visited the office of the Collector, and found that the system which was commenced at the time the Assessment Act of 1883 was passed, has been continued, and seemed to your Committee to be satisfactory. The tax bill is left with the Collector by the citizen paying his taxes, who receives instead a receipt. The counterfoil of the receipt with the tax bill, and the entry in the cash book, have to correspond. These books are audited by the Auditor every day or two, and at the end of the month a certified copy of the receipts are submitted to this Council in accordance with the Act.

WM. DENNIS, Chairman.

The following resolution is now introduced :-

Resolved. That the report of the Committee on Public Accounts be adopted and that the Mayor be asked to provide funds for the payment of the accounts for the maintenance of truant boys in accordance with the recommendations.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Foster, and

passed.

Read report of Committee on Laws and Privileges on letter from Mrs. Morley, proposing that litigation in the suit, Morley vs. the City of Halifax shall cease on the basis of each party paying their own costs.

December 14th, 1892.

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

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

Your Committee have carefully considered the petition of Mrs. Morley, asking that the litigation between the petitioner and the City should cease on the basis

of each party paying their own costs, and your Committee now report that they cannot recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted.

Your Committee feel that if they were to recommend that the petitioner in this case be relieved from the payment of the costs of her unsuccessful suit against the City, it would establish a dangerous precedent, which might prove embarras-sing to the City in the future, as it would have a tendency to enable litigants to indulge in speculative suits against the City with impunity.

WM. B. WALLACE, Chairman.

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

Read report of City Engineer re cost of paving George Street.

COST GEORGE STREET PAVING.

December 14th, 1892.

His Worship the Mayor:

Sir:—In compliance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to submit a statement of the cost of paying on George Street:—

The total cost of the work done in connection with paving including cost of material is \$2715.93. The cost of pavement was \$4.46 per square yard which compares very favourably with the cost of similar work in other Cities. In New York where such work should be done much more cheaply than here, the average cost is \$4.60 per square yard.

F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that said report be printed in the Minutes of Council. Motion passed.

Read report of His Honor the Recorder on judgments in suits Bedford vs. the City, McKay vs. the City, Ronan vs. the City, and Moir vs. the City.

BEDFORD VS. THE CITY.

December 14th, 1892.

The Council well recollect that the Jury found the plaintiff guilty of contributory negligence in this case and gave \$1600.00 damages in case the Court should be of opinion that there was no negligence on the part of the plaintiff. Yesterday the full court sustained the findings of the Jury as to the negligence and dismissed the appeal and directed judgment to be entered for the City.

McKAY VS. THE CITY.

I succeeded in having the cause dismissed for want of prosecution and judg ment entered for the City.

RONAN VS. THE CITY.

This case has also been dismissed for want of prosecution and judgment entered for the City.

The Moir suit, as also Mrs. Morley's, are to be argued this month, probably next week, after which, I trust the City will have a rest from litigation.

WILLIAM F. McCoy, Recorder.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said report be received and placed on fyle. Motion passed.

Read report of Appraisers re Extension of Agricola Street, with account for their services.

December 8th, 1892.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen,—Having been appointed by your Honorable Body to value certain lands for the extension of Agricola Street north to Merklesfield, we beg to submit the subjoined statement in re several properties involved:

1st. Part of the Hennessy property, extending north, front Young Street, having a width of one hundred feet, five hundred dollars. This is to recoup the

owners for the forty feet taken in excess of usual street width.

2nd. Part of Mrs. Sullivan's land, extending from Young Street, south to the Walker property, three hundred dollars. Mrs. Sullivan is deprived of two lots and receives no benefit from frontage in extension of street.

3rd. The land required from the Macara estate, from Macara Street, north to Sullivan's line, twenty dollars. This amount is to cover expenses of conveying said property to City, it being understood that Mr. Walker has provided the necessary street on a plan, sub-dividing his property into lots.

In all, the sum of eight hundred and twenty dollars for the required extension

of Agricola Street.

WM. WOODILL, WM. VIETH, JAMES SHAND,

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the Appraisers be asked to amend their report by setting out the northern limit of the land proposed to be taken from the Hennessey property. Motion passed.

Read letter from M. McF. Hall, claiming damage \$200 for injuries to self, horse and waggon, caused by a pile of earth thrown from an excavation on Quinpool Road not having been properly protected.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said letter be referred to His Honor the Recorder for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from James Murray re hauling stone to crusher.

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

Read report of Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners,

covering accounts recommended for payment.

December 14th, 1892.

 Cragg Bros. & Co
 90

 Austen Bros
 40 86

 Nathaniel Evans
 46 50

\$268 83

W. F. Pickering, Chairman.

When the following resolution is introduced:-

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Fire Wards in re accounts submitted, be received and concurred in, and His Worship the Mayor is hereby requested to sign warrants for the payment of the same.

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

Read report of Board of City Works re question of remuneration to Messrs W. C. Bishop and S. S. Scott while auditing the books of the office of the Board. Also report from the Board on the inefficient and loose manner in which the books were kept and business of the office conducted, covering a report (as entered in last Minutes of Council) from the chairman to the chairman of the Board on the subject.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Works in re inefficiency of the book keeping and generally loose manner of conducting the business of the Board of Works Office, be referred back to the Board of Works, with instructions to formulate a scheme for completing the work of the office already inaugurated, namely: the opening up a complete set of books for the year 1892-3 and the adjustment of all the accounts of the Board, up to the first of May last. And for this purpose, the Board is hereby authorized to employ such temporary assistance necessary to act in conjunction with the officials of the City and report to the Council with the approval of His Worship the Mayor.

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

Alderman Mosher gives notice, that at a future meeting of the Council he will move the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolution passed at the last meeting of this Council, appointing Messrs Bishop and Scott to audit the books in the office of the Board of City Works, be rescinded.

Read report of Board of City Works on letter from Col. Hill, C. R. E. re excavations on Camp Hill.

December 12th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration, the letter from Col. Hill, C. R. E. re excavations on Camp Hill, sent to them by Council and a report from the City Engineer on the matter, when it was decided to forward the papers to the Council for its imformation

W. F. Pickering, Chairman.

EXCAVATIONS CAMP HILL.

December 7th, 1892.

Chairman Board of City Works:

Sir,-In reference to the accompanying letter from Col. Hill, C. R. E., referred

to me for report, I beg to say:

The excavations being made near the east side of Robie St, at the time this letter was written, were for the purpose of widening Robie Street, opposite Camp Hill, to make it correspond with the rest of the street to the south of Jubilee Road

About the time Col. Hill's letter was written, all street and other work was stopped, by order of the Chairman, and we were unable to finish what we had begun.

It was the intention to complete the work in such a way as would not interfere with the manoeuvres of the Troops, or be in any way objectionable to Col. Hill or the General Officer commanding.

As soon as funds are available the work will be properly completed.

F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, that said report be received and concurred in, and that the clerk be

instructed to forward Col. Hill an answer to his letter in keeping with the report of the Board. Motion passed.

Read report of Supervisor of Weighers and Measurers of Coal,

showing receipts for November to be fyled.

Read report of Chairman Board of City Works on information asked for by Alderman Hubley, at last meeting of Council, relative to the number of assistants in office of City Engineer, and the amount of remuneration received by them. To go on Order Paper.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Alderman Dennis' notice of reconsideration of Alderman Eden's resolution, relative to stone crushing, passed at last meeting, being first on the Order of the Day, was now taken up.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that said resolution be now reconsidered. Motion put and passed; 13 voting for the same and 4 against it. The names being called for, appeared thus:

For Reconsideration.

Aldermen Boak, Morrow,
Dennis, Wier,
Wallace, Hamilton,
Duggan, Pickering,
Lane, McFatridge,
Foster, Adams,
Outhit.—13.

Against it.
Aldermen Ryan,
Eden,
Mosher,
Hubley.—4.

Read report of Board of City Works and City Engineer re crushing stone at Merklesfield, as submitted and read at last meeting of Council. (See minutes of last meeting.) Moved by Alderman Dennis, that the tender of James Nolan, for crushing stone at three cents per bushel, be accepted.

To which the following is moved in amendment by Alderman Duggan, and seconded by Alderman Hamilton.

Resolved, That the Board of Works be authorized to ask for tenders for supplying stone, to be delivered at the crusher.

Which amendment on being put is passed, ten voting for the same and seven against it. The names being called for, appeared thus:

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Mosher, Eden,
Ryan, Hubley,
Duggan, Hamilton,
Wallace, Wier,
Outhit, Morrow.—10.

Against it.

Aldermen Foster, Lane,
Pickering, Dennis,
Boak, Adams,
McFatridge.—7.

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

Resolved. That the Board of Works and City Engineer be requested to furnish this Council with an estimate of cost for an asphalt sidewalk on the east side of Brunswick Street. from Jacob to North Street. Also if he recommends the construction of same.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Eden, and on being put is passed.

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that No.

31 on Order Paper be now taken up.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that No. 28 be considered with No. 31. Amendment put and passed.

Read No. 28. Report City Health Board, covering report City Engineer re sewer construction and sewerage system of the City.

Read No. 31. Resolution of Alderman McFatridge in re construction of certain sewers during the winter.

November 29th, 1892.

The Board of Health beg to report, that at a meeting held this evening, they had under consideration a report from the City Engineer in reference to the unsanitary condition of the old stone drains and the offensive smells arising from the sewer gratings in connection therewith. The following resolution was then introduced and passed unanimously:

Whereas, Frequent complaints have been and are still being made to this Board about the unsanitary condition of the old stone drains and the offensive smells arising from the sewer grating in connection therewith, the City Engineer was requested to carefully examine and report upon the best method to remedy this evil. After due consideration he has embodied his views in a report which is herewith enclosed.

Therefore Resolved, That a copy of the report of the Engineer, addressed to the Chairman of this Board, dated November 29th, 1892, be sent to the City Council for their consideration.

The City Health Board strongly recommend that the suggestions therein contained, be adopted and put in operation without delay.

J. T. Hamilton, Chairman B. H.

SEWER CONSTRUCTION:

November 29th, 1892.

To the Chairman City Health Board:

SIR,—In accordance with your instructions, I beg to submit the following report in reference to sewer construction and the sewer system of the City:

In designing a sewer system, particular attention is given to at least two points, cost and flushing. Our system is laid out with due regard for economy, and in such a manner that the sewage from the high parts of the City will continually flush the sewers below; especially those with flat grades. The building of sewers anywhere and everywhere, and in any order is ruining the system. Where they have been constructed in the higher parts of the City first, the custom has been to make for the nearest outlet, regardless of the original design; and the consequence is, sewers on flat grades fill up and have to be cleaned out by an expensive process twice a year; when they should, if properly constructed, keep themselves clean.

Nor is the expense the only evil result, for as soon as a deposit is made on the bottom of the sewer, every manhole and catchpit gives forth offensive odors. Again, where the new branch sewers empty into the old trunk sewers, (generally old stone drains) the floating matter carried along is lodged between the stones and no amount of flushing will move it. Some of these old drains are large enough for a man to walk erect in and no available means of flushing will clean them. The only remedy is to build new sewers of a size and design suited to the requirements. Previous to the present year, not a single modern trunk sewer

had been constructed in the City, except the one emptying at the Esplanade. The Cornwallis Street trunk sewer has just been completed, turning along Water Street and emptying at DeWolf's wharf. And even here the work was built from the roof down, for the outlet to the harbor is not yet finished. In fact, every sewer outlet in the City is unfinished, offensive and dangerous to health, and complaints are being made continually respecting them. Of course, the additional sewage admitted every year must increase the nuisance. Another very troublesome result of new sewers leading into old stone drains, is forcibly illustrated on Gerrish Street after nearly every rain. The concrete, brick or pipe sewers being smooth on the inside, carry rain water and sewerage so much faster than the stone drains, that the latter are bursted up along the street, or the cellars on Gottingen and Gerrish streets are flooded. It may be claimed that all of the sewers built under the loan were necessary, on account of the insanitary condition of the district through which they were constructed. At the same time it is a fact that while sewers have been built for a distance of half a mile to drain 20 or 25 houses, there are single blocks in a worse condition containing a greater number of buildings within almost a stone's throw of the harbor and in very centre of the City without any sewer at all.

The old stone drains are nearly all found in the main portion of the City. They were generally located under the gutter, and the catchpits are simple openings

in the drains, protected by a grating.

The question is being asked continually, why are not the causes of the obnoxious odors from these gratings ferretted out and some stepts taken to remedy a naisance of such long standing? The only answer can, be that the money which should be expended when it is more needed for the benefit of the public generally has been paid out in the past for the benefit of a few. The average taxpayer is not satisfied with the expenditure of public money unless he is directly benefitted, and his influence is too often used to advance his own

interests at the expense of the City generally.

I would respectfully recommend, that in future, some definite order of construction be followed. It would be most advisable to complete all the outlets first, then such trunk sewers as are necessary. The sanitary condition of the district, to be drained, should determine the order of construction of branch sewers, and all sewers placed on the Order Book in future, should take their turn, provided the trunk sewer to which they will connect has been constructed in a modern manner. On account of the rock formation, every street requires a sewer as soon as water service pipes are laid to the house. It would be far better if the sewer preceded the water pipe, for as soon as City water is supplied, the premises become insanitary, unless there is good drainage.

F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the Board of Works are hereby instructed to proceed, during the winter, with the construction of such rock sewers as can be economically constructed in winter time, and are recommended by the Engineer the excavating and filling in to be done by tender and contract, and the laying of the concrete by the regular employees of the City.

Moved by Alderman Morrow, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, and

on being put is passed.

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

Resolved, That the City Engineer submit to the Council at the earliest possible time, a plan shewing the sewerage system of the City, namely: sewers already built, those on the Order Book and where sewers are required to complete the

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Wier, and

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that No. 25 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 25. Rules and regulations for the guidance of architects, plumbers, house-holders and others using the water supply. This being the third reading.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman McFatridge,

that clause No. 29 be repealed and the following substituted:

Wherever any house or premises are in an unsanitary condition, it shall be lawful for the Board of Health, upon the report of its Sanitary Engineer, to remove all plumbing work and replace in such manner as said Engineer shall direct, or notify the owner, agent or occupant to remove any plumbing or other work or material which is in or contributes to an unsanitary condition of the premises, and direct how the same shall be done.

Said resolution on being put is lost.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that said rules and regulations having now received a third reading, be forwarded to the Governor in Council for approval. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Eden, that Nos.

5 and 30 be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 5. Appointment of an Appraiser in re widening of Lockman Street.

Also read No 30. Resolution of Alderman Foster in re widening Lockman Street.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded Alderman Eden, that Alderman Foster's resolution re widening Lockman Street, as set forth in minutes of last meeting, do now pass. Motion put and passed.

Alderman Hamilton gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Boak, that Council adjourn. Motion put and passed.

Council adjourns at 11 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

DECEMBER 28тн, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening, at the above hour there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Hamilton, Eden, Adams, Duggan, Morrow, Outhit, Wier and Wallace.

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

8.30—Roll called: Present the above named with Aldermen Mosher.

Hubley, Lane, Pickering, Ryan, Allen, Dennis and Boak.

The Council was summoned to consider the Estimates for the year 1893-4. To proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Pickering, chairman, submits a report from the Board of City Works, covering a report from the City Engineer and letters from Lieut-Col. Arthur Hill, R. E., C. R. E., relation to portions of War Department land asked for by the City Council for the purpose of widening Gogswell Street, etc.

Also, report from the board of City Works, covering a report from

the City Engineer, re streets of the city.

Alderman Wallace submits a report from the Police Committee, on

re organization of the Police force.

Alderman Pickering, chairman, submits a report from the Board of City Works, covering a report from the City Electrican, re lighting the City Hall by electricity, etc.

Alderman Wier chairman, submits a report from tenders committee

on tender for \$300,000 sewerage loan.

Alderman Dennis, chairman of committee on Public Accounts, submits the Estimates for the Civic year, 1893-4.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers, viz: Opinion

of His Honor the Recorder, re wholesale liquor licenses.

Opinion of His Honor the Recorder re claim of M. McF. Hall for damages.

Amended report of appraisers on extension of Agricola street. Return of City Clerk of boys committed to Halifax Industrial School and St. Patrick's Home, under the Compulsory School Act.

Cash statement of City Treasurer for November, and cash statement City Treasurer, Water Department for November.

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

passed.

Read report Board of City Works, covering a report from the City Engineer and letters from Lieut.-Col. Hill, R. E., C. R. E., in reference to widening Cogswell street and the sidewalk at the Ordnance Yard.

December 27th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the enclosed report from the City Engineer, and letters from Col. Hill. C. R. E., respecting the widening of Cogswell street, when it was decided to forward the papers to the City Council, with the recommendation that the requisite steps be taken to acquire the necessary land on the terms proposed by the military authorities. W. F. Pickering, Chairman.

WIDENING GOGSWELL STREET.

December 27th, 1892.

Chairman Board of City Works:

SIR,—The accompanying letter from Col. Hill, in reference to widening ('ogswell street and the sidewalk at the Ordnance Yard, states that the approval of the War Department has been given on condition that the soil shall remain the property of the Imperial Government. He asks if it is the intention of the City to do the work this winter, or postpone it till the spring. I replied saying that the work would probably not be done till spring. Attached hereto is a copy of the conditions as submitted, and it will be necessary to get the concurrence of Council in the last condition named.

F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer.

September 3, 1892.

Sir.-(1) In reply to your letter of 26th inst., I beg to inform you that the general officer commanding is willing to recommend to the War office that the small piece of W. D. ground at junction of Cogswell and Brunswick streets, south corner, and a strip 6 feet wide on north side Cogswell street, between Brunswick and Gottingen street, under conditions detailed hereafter.

(2) The general officer commanding cannot recommend a grant of a strip 10 ft. wide, as such strip would seriously interfere with a road in rear of Military

Hospital.

(3) The conditions are as follows:

(a) That the fences of Hospital and Garrison chapel enclosure be taken down and substantially reinstated at the cost of and by the city. Any new timber that removal the may prove to be necessay being provided by the city. The work to be finished by two coats of paint on all wood work.

(b) If found necessary by the Commanding Royal Engineer, a new catchpit to drain in Hospital enclosure to be constructed to his satisfaction inside the altered

fence, at the expense of the city.

 (c) All legal expenses of necessary conveyancing to be borne by the city.
 (d) No action to be taken by the city in the matter until War office approval be obtained, and the deed of conveyance duly completed.

(4) On receipt of intimation that the City Council accepts those terms steps

will be at once taken to obtain War office approval.

I take the opportunity of stating that no steps appear to have been taken by the City Council to carry out the requirements of the War office in regard to transfer from War department to the city of certain other small plots of land. These requirements were set forth in letter from C. R. E., to City Clerk, of 28th September, 1892.

I am Sir, your obedient servant,

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

December 23rd, 1892.

Yir,—With reference to previous correspondence on the subject of widening Cogswell street, and acquisition by the city of a small portion of the Ordnance wharf enclosure, ending respectively with your letter of Sept. 20th, 1892, and letter of Chairman City Board of Works, Oct. 17th, 1892.

I beg to inform you that the War office has sanctioned the widening of the roads referred to on conditions already named, except that the ownership of the soil is to remain with the War department, subject to its use by the public for highway purposes. Any boundary stones which might stand out inconveniently in the widened road will be moved back, but will have vended on them the original bounds of W. D. Land.

I beg to inquire whether the city is prepared to commence the work now, or whether it is proposed to postpone it till the spring.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

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

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Works, in re the acquiring a portion of the Ordnance Yard to enlarge sidewalk, and the widening of Cogswell street, be received and concurred in by Council, and that the same be referred back to the Board, City Engineer and His Honor the Recorder to carry into effect. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane and passed.

Read report of Board of Congression Engineer on streets of the city:

December 27th, 1892. Read report of Board of City Works, covering a report from the City

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the enclosed report on the Streets of the city, when it was ordered to be sent to the Council, with the recommendation that the suggestions of the Engineer be adopted, and that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare an Act embodying these suggestions for presentation to the next session of the

W. F. Pickering, Chairman.

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Chairman Board of Works: Stronbler frames and stronger

Sir.—In accordance with a resolution of your honorable Board, I beg to submit the accompanying statement and report in reference to streets:

The statement shows the width of all streets under 60 feet.

The following streets do not run in a straight line in continuation of streets or The following streets do not run in a straight line in continuation of streets or roads of which they are supposed to be an extension:—North Bland street, South Bland street and Plover street; these streets should be one continuous street, and I cannot understand why they were not laid out in as traight line. Rottenburg street and the street running West from the North end of Dun donald street are very nearly in a straight line, and one should be an exact continuation of the other. Bishop street is almost in a direct line with Rottenburg street, Brenton Place and College street, and perhaps it was the intention to make one continuous street from Robie street to the harbor. Coburg Road Spring Garden Road and Salter street were also probably intended to be one Road, Spring Garden Road and Salter street were also probably intended to be one straight street from the harbor to the Arm, but there is a frog at Barrington street and another at Robie street. Seymour street and Vernon street should be in one line, but there is a jog at Coburg Road. Jubilee Road and Prince street may have been laid out for a continuous thoroughfare from the harbor to the Arm, but the Citadel cuts out a large slice. Walnut street, running from Pepperell street to Coburg Road is a very crooked street, and is really a disgrace to the city. It is probable that Gerrish street and West street were intended to be in one straight line; also Cunard street and Chebucto Road, but there is a jog in both. There are several streets in the suburbs of the city which are not properly laid out, but

of which we have no records.

In reference to streets ending in fields or otherwise which should be extended through in a straight line to main thoroughfares, beginning at the South end :-Le Marchant street runs from South street to Coburg Road, and continues North past LeMarchant street School property, ending in a field. This street should be continued through in a straight line to Jubilee Road. Vernon street runs from Coburg Road North, ending at about the same line as LeMarchant street. This street should also be continued through to Jubilee Road. Brockley's lane and College street were formerly one street, but the part now occupied by the Sacred Heart Convent was leased to them by the city, and a piece thereby taken out of the middle of the street. Poplar Grove should be continued North to the intersection of Barrington street and Proctor's Lane. This would give a direct thoroughfare to the South end, easily accessible for teams going from the Railway Station or the North end. Allen street, Walnut street and Duncan street end in fields, and a street should be opened connecting the three and continuing to Chebucto Road. Young street, No. 3, ends in the middle of the block between Almon street and Bloomfield street, and should be continued through to Bloomfield street. on this matter is now on the Order of the Day in the City Council. Sullivan street runs from Gottingen street West, ending in the middle of a field; and if the Agricola street extension is carried through it should be continued until it reaches Agricola street. The streets mentioned are probably the most important, but there are a good many other streets and courts hidden away where they cannot be properly drained and cannot be used by the general public. In fact, they ought to be private property, and not controlled, used or repaired by the city at It is impossible to tell how the streets outside the centre of the city are laid out, because there is nothing to show the line, and in a good many instances, if a property owner proposes to put his house in the middle of the street, nobody seems to be in a position to dispute his claim to it.

The last clause of the resolution refers to the general policy which the city

should pursue in hereafter accepting dedication of new streets.

This is a most important matter, and a great many evils have already arisen, simply because individual interests have been allowed to take precedence of public interests. The city has a law providing that no street shall be opened unless it is the full width of 60 feet. This law is a good one, but it does not go far enough. The city should have the full control of the laying out of streets, and such problems as location, width, course, grade, etc., should never be left with the owner of the property to solve. Under the present system streets are opened in violation of the law, and if the city does not take them they are dedicated to the public, and in time will be a disgrace to the city, having no straight line, regular width or even grade. Some streets are opened without any regard to facilities for drainage, take for instance Vernon street-it runs from Coburg Road North to a stone wall—the grading is falling towards the North, and the drainage must necessarily go that way, but how to carry it off to the harbor is a problem to be solved in the future.

 I would recommend that an Act be passed at the next session of the Legislature, providing that hereafter no street shall be opened until it has been approved

by the City Council, on recommendation of the City Engineer.

2. That no property shall be divided into building lots, and sold as such, until a plan of the proposed divisions has been submitted to the City Council, approved by them, and filed in the City Engineer's office.

3. That no person shall be permitted to erect a building on any land fronting on a street or proposed street, until said street or proposed street has been approved by the City Council, and the line laid down by the City Engineer.

4. That any building erected in violation of the law shall be at once pulled

down, and the owner shall not be entitled to any compensation
5. That all new streets in the suburbs over 400 feet in length shall not be less than 75 feet wide.

The penalty for violation of this law should be heavy, and provision should be made for fencing in all streets opened since the present law was passed that do not comply with it. Respectfully submitted F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer. (Sgd.)

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Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the same be laid on the table and printed in the minutes for next meeting of Council. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works, covering a report from City Electrician on Electric Lighting of the City Hall.

December 19th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the enclosed report from the City Electrician upon the wiring of the City Hall for incadescent lighting; and also, letter from A. R. Cogswell regarding insurance certificates, when it was decided to forward the papers to the City Council, with the recommendation that the contract for lighting the Hall be awarded to the Halifax Illuminating and Motor Co. Ltd., according to their tender.

W. F. Pickering, Chairman.

December 14th, 1892.

W. F. Pickering, Esq., Chairman Board of Works:

SIR,—In compliance with your request, I have tested the wiring of the City Hall for Incadescent lighting, and found all the circuits, twenty-nine (29) in number, electrically correct and free from ground or other obstructions, with the exception of the branch leading to the lamp proposed to be erected at the south or main entrance to the hall, these branches were I believe, to have been injured by workmen in the construction of the granite steps under which the wires were placed, and will necessitate their being replaced by new ones should it be desirable to use the outside lamps. There are also one or two slight injuries to the wires in prisoners quarters, all of which can be made good at small cost. In order to comply with rules, I handed the engineer a list of lights to be reduced from some of the circuits.

A. G. McDonald, Sup. F. A. Telegraph.

When the following resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Works, in re electric lighting the City Hall be received and concurred in by Council, and that the tender of the Illuminating and Motor Company be accepted, and the same be referred back to the Board of Works to carry into effect.

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

Read report of His Honor the Recorder, re Wholesale Liquor Licenses.

IN RE WHOLESALE LICENSE.

DEAR SIR,—I have the honor to call attention of yourself and the City Council to the following facts:

Under the License Act of 1886, a fee of \$300 was imposed on wholesale dealers, but in 1887, the Honorable Minister of Justice informed the local Government,

that under the Queen vs. Severn, it was not in the power of the Local Legislature to interfere with the wholesale dealers, and advised the government to repeal

certain clauses of the Act referring to them.

As there was a strong feeling in the Legislature that the Local Legislature had power to impose such license they refused to repeal the clauses referred to, but in 1888 passed an Act to enable the Local Government to submit the question to our Supreme Court, and in the meantime each of the wholesale dealers were to give and file a bond in the Provincial Secretary's office, and the latter officer was to

give a certificate which was to be received in lieu of the license fee.

The question was submitted to our Supreme Court and decided, and whatever doubts existed formerly, I think it is now admitted that our Legislature had the

right to impose wholesale licenses.

During these years the City has received no licenses from wholesale dealers, and it is time that some steps should be taken by the Council in the matter, and the Act referred to (Chap 40, Acts 1888) be repealed and the amount of the back licenses collected and paid to the City Treasurer.

I would recommend a resolution from the Council, authorizing a committee to wait on the Local Government, with a view of having the Act repealed and the

amount adjusted.

WILLIAM F. McCoy, Recorder.

To His Worship the Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Allen, that the same be received and concurred in. Motion passed.

Read opinion of His Honor the Recorder, re M. McF. Hall's claim for damages.

IN RE HALL'S CLAIM.

December 28th, 1892.

According to Mr. Hall's letter, and from information received, I find he upset his buggy by running agaist a heap of earth thrown up by Mr. DeWolfe, partly alongside the gutter and partly on the sidewalk, and which was about being moved. There was a light there and he was warned of his danger. He kept on with the result—his waggon was upset and he thrown out.

As this is a matter in which Mr. DeWolfe is more concerned than the City, I must advise the City to defend it in case Mr. Hall shall bring action. I think Mr. Hall was also guilty of negligence.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY, Recorder.

His Worship the Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier, that the said opinion be received and concurred in, and a copy thereof sent to Mr. Hall. Motion passed.

Read amended report of Appraisers, re extension of Agricola street. Placed on Order Paper.

Read report of Committee on Tenders, on Tenders for loan of \$30,000.00 for Sewerage purposes.

December 27th, 1892.

Committee on Tenders met above date. Present: Alderman Pickering, Morrow and Wier, when tenders were opened for the \$30,000.00 Sewerage loan from Dr. John Ternan, Executors of the estate of late Daniel Cronan, and James C. Mackintosh, as hereto annexed.

The tender of James C. Mackintosh being the highest your committee respect-

fully 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 James C. Mackintosh for \$30,0 0.00 Sewerage loan at 101,5125 for 4½ per cent. debentures be accepted, interest payable from January 1st, 1893.

Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Pickering, and

Read report from the Police Committee re organization of the

Police Force. Objected to.

Read report from City Clerk of boys committed under the Compulsory School Act to the Industrial School and St. Patrick's Home. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read cash statement of City Treasurer for November, and cash statement City Treasurer, Water Department, for November. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the same be referred to the committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Alderman Hamilton's notice of reconsideration of resolution in re widening of Lockman Street, being first on the Order of the Day, is now taken up.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that said resolution be reconsidered. Motion passed. On motion the same was placed on Order Paper.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the Council now proceed to consider the estimates for the civic year ESTIMATES 1893-4

Salaries.

His Worship the Mayor	\$1000	00.	Passed.
His Honor the Recorder	1200	00.	
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Clerk of License for Trucks and Cabs	550	00.	11
Stipendiary Magistrate	2000	00.	11
City Engineer	2000		11
Collector of City Rates and Taxes	3400	00.	11
City Auditor	1500	00.	merel A

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that his item be deferred for future consideration. Moved in amendment by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that said item do pass. The amendment on being put is lost, the original motion is now put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the item be amended by striking out \$600.00 and substituting \$300.00 therefor. Moved in amendment by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, that said item pass as reported up. Said amendment on being put is lost, 6 voting for the same, and 10 against it. The same being called for appeared thus:—

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	Pickering,		Allen, Dennis,
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The original resolution is now put and passed. The names being called for, appeared thus:

For the Resolution.	Against it.
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Duggan, Hamilton,	Pickering, dealer wo
Wallace, Allen,	nothingH as Wier, A vel boyold
Morrow, Boak-10	. berebienoor Dennis—6. biss dat
Janitor City Hall	\$800. Passed.

passed.

10 0021 ROCKHEAD PRISON.

Governor and Matron, \$12,000. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the item pass. Moved in amendment by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the salary of Governor and Matron be \$1000 instead of \$1200. Said amendment on being put is lost, 6 voting for the same, and 10 against it.

The names being called for appeared:

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Aldermen	Wier, Hamilton,	Aldermen Boak, Morrow,	
	Duggan, Pickering,	Allen, Dennis,	
	Lane, Ryan6.	Wallace, Eden,	
	Alderman Cathic tha	Adams, Mosher,	
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put and passed.

The original motion on being put is passed.

Under keepers and officials......\$2,432 00

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that this item be amended by placing the sum at \$2,144.00 as last year, instead of \$2,432.00. Motion passed.

Maintenance	\$2,700	00		
On motion this item is placed at	2,500	00		
Repairs	200			
On motion this item is stuck from estimates.				
Total amount for City Prison	5,844	00		
Less probable income		00		
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BOARD OF WORKS.

Streets, for labor and material \$22,000.00. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Boak, that this item be amended by substituting \$18,000.00 for \$22,000.00. Moved in amendment by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden that the item pass at \$22,000.00. Alderman Pickering, by leave of Council, withdraws his resolution, and the item \$22,000.00 is passed.

Internal health \$15,000.00. Passed. Horses and drivers \$15,000. Passed.

Caretaker City Property \$1,200.00 Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that the salary of the caretaker of City Property be \$1,000.00 instead of \$1,200.00. Said motion on being put is lost, 7 voting for the same, and 8 against it:

For the motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Outhit, Ryan,	Aldermen Mosher, Eden,
Hubley, Pickering,	Lane, Duggan,
Wier, Allen,	Hamilton, Wallace,
Boak—7.	Dennis, Morrow—8.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the item \$1200 pass. Motion passed.

Caretaker Exhibition Building\$364	00.	Passed.
Fuel for City Hall	00.	AND DUING
Telephones 400		worn

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that this item be placed at \$300. Motion put and passed, 8 voting for the same, and 7 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Morrow, Allen,	Aldermen Boak, Dennis,
Wier, Wallace,	Duggan, Pickering,
Hubley, Ryan,	Lane, Outhit,
Eden, Mosher—8.	Hamilton-7.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Allen, that the amount for this service be placed at \$17,000. Motion passed.

Insurance\$1500		
Allowance to Com. Board of Works 1000	00.	1 11

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Electrician	700	00	Passed
Maintenance Fire Alarm			n n
Five Engineers Stm. Fire Engines \$400 00	2000	00	
Chemical Engineer	600	00	11
Engine Companies	1400	00	11
Lighting and Fuel	1000	00	11
Rent of Division Rooms	200	00	n ii
Rent of Reel Houses	75	00	u u
Incidental expenses	1800	00	

Moved by Alderman Outhit, seconded by Alderman Wier, that the Council adjourn until 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Motion put and passed.

Council adjourns 11.30, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 o'clock.

Thursday, December 29th, 1892.

The City Council met this day at 3 o'clock, persuant to adjournment of yesterday, to continue the consideration of the estimates for ensuing civic year. Present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Allen, Morrow, Dennis, Wier, Wallace Pickering Duggan, Lane, Ryan, Hubley, Foster, Adams, Outhit, Mosher and McFatridge.

Alderman Dennis submits a deed of Mott and Seldon streets, from the Trustees of Nova Scotia Building Society, to the City. Placed

on Order Paper.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the consideration of the Estimates be suspended to allow Alderman Lane to introduce a resolution. Motion passed and the following is introduced:

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor be authorized to pay Commissioners Board of Works allowance for the present year, out of any available fund.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Adams and passed. The Council now proceed agreeably to adjournment, to continue the consideration of the estimates.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.—(Continued.)

Incidental Expenses	\$1800	00	Passed.
Keepers of Engine Houses			
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Moved by Aldermen Dennis, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the total \$20,345 for Fire Department do pass. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the item, streets, labor and material in Board of Works appropriation, placed at \$22,000 at last evening session, be now reconsidered. Motion passed, 11 voting for the same and 4 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Motion.	Against it.	
Aldermen Pickering, Morrow,	Aldermen Hubley,	
Allen, Dennis,	McFatridge,	
Wier, Wallace,	Mosher,	
Duggan, Lane,	Outhit—4.	
Ryan, Foster,	annoway dagenan	
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Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the item streets, labour, materials, be amended by substituting \$19,000 for \$22,000.

Moved in amendment by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the amount be placed at \$20,000. Said amendment on being put is lost, six voting for the same, and nine against it. Names being called for are recorded as follows:—

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Outhit,	Aldermen Adams, Foster,
Mosher,	Wallace, Ryan,
McFatridge,	Lane, Duggan,
Hubley,	Wier, Dennis,
Allen, Morrow-6.	Pickering—9.

The original motion is now put and carried.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the item—Internal Health in Board of Works appropriation, passed at \$15,000 at last night's session be reconsidered. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Foster, that said item be amended by placing the amount at \$13,000 instead of \$15,000. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the item—Fuel for City Hall, \$1000—passed at last night's session be

now reconsidered. Motion passed. 8 voting for the same, 7 against it. The names being called for, appeared thus:

For Reconsideration.

Aldermen Dennis, Wier,
Wallace, Duggan,
Lane, Ryan,
McFatridge, Adams—8.

Against it.

Against it.

Against it.

Morrow, Foster,
Hubley, Mosher,
Outhit—7.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the item be amended, by substituting the amount \$750 for \$1000. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the item, Lighting City Hall, \$1000, be reconsidered. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the sum to be placed in the estimates for lighting City Hall be \$900 instead of \$1000. Motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the sums of \$20.0, overdrawn for Internal Health, \$950, overdrawn for Rockhead Prison and \$1000 overdrawn for the Contingent Account, total \$3950, be provided for from the Unexpended Balances, and that the Legislature be asked to authorize the Council to specially assess for the same, and when this authority is obtained, that the same be repaid Unexpended Balances.

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

PROBABLE INCOME.

Liquor Licenses	\$10000	00	
Hacks, Trucks and other licenses			
Fines and Fees, Police and City Courts		00	
City Marshal's Fees	700	00	
Dog Tax	500	00	
Rents City Property	1400	00	
Current Interest	4000	00	

Total......\$24000 00

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the item—probable income \$24,000—pass en bloc. Motion passed.

Extra Assessments under Special Acts:

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that this item be amended by substituting \$20,000.00 for \$18,000 therefor. Motion lost, 7 voting for the same, and 9 against it. Names being called for, appeared thus:

For the Motion.

Aldermen Morrow, Allen,
Wier,
Wallace,
Duggan, Ryan,
Outhit—7.

Against it.

Aldermen Pickering, Dennis,
Lane McFatridge,
Eden, Foster,
Adams, Mosher,
Hubley—9.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the item pass as reported up. Motion passed.

 Public Schools
 \$88,500 00.
 Passed.

 Public Gardens and Common
 4,000 00.
 "

 Point Pleasant Park
 2,000 00.
 "

 Citizens' Library
 1,600 00.
 "

 Rent of Morgue
 250 00.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that this item be struck from estimates, and the following substituted, Halifax Dispensary and Morgue \$750. Passed.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that the item, Industrial School for 1891-2, omitted \$400, and St. Patrick's Reformatory omitted for 1891-2, \$400, pass. Motion passed

Reformatory, omitted for 1891-2, \$400, pass. Motion passed.
Industrial School for Truants, 1892-3 \$253 24
St. Patrick's Home " 414 09

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that these two items be struck from estimate and that the sum of \$1000 be placed therein to meet present indebtedness and provide for this service for year 1893-4. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Morrow that the

following items be added to the estimate:

 School for the Blind, 5 at \$75
 \$375 00

 School " Deaf and Dumb, 5 at \$60
 300 00

 Protestant Infants' Home
 300 00

 Catholic " " 300 00

 Protestant Industrial School
 1600 00

 St. Patrick's Home
 1600 00

 Dalhousie College
 500 00

Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced by way of notice, by Alderman Dennis, and seconded by Alderman Hubley:

Whereas, The Council has decided to continue Civic subsidies for another year to the Infant Homes, Reformatories, School for the Blind, Deaf and Dumb and to other Charitable or Benevolent Institutions;

And Whereas, it would be unfare and unjust to other equally deserving institu-

tions to descriminate against them in the matter of subsidies;

Therefore Resolved, That the Legislature be asked to authorize the Council to assess for and pay grants to other charitable and benevolent institutions, and that the same be provided for in estimates for 1893-4 as follows:

St. Paul's Alms House of Industry, \$300.

The Protestant Orphanage, \$300. The Catholic Orphanage, \$300.

The Protestant Home for Women, for every female sentenced there, but not to exceed 10 in number, \$50 each per annum, payment to cease when the offender reaches 18 years of age.

The Reformatory of the Good Shepherd for every female sentenced there, but not to exceed 10 in number, \$50 each per annum, payment to cease when the

the offender reaches 18 years of age.

For the Motion.

Wallace.

Aldermen Dennis.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that \$500 be added to the estimates for the Victoria School of Art and Design. Motion put and lost, 5 voting for the same, and 9 against it. The names being called for, appeared thus:

Against it.

Aldermen Pickering, Morrow,

Wier, Ryan.

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Moved by Alderman Morrow, seconded by Aldsum of \$1.00 be placed on the estimates as the gRifle Association. Motion passed.	erman E grant fo	Iden, r the	that the County
Board of Health, for Maintenance	\$4000	00	Passed.
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Infectious Diseases	1947	00.	1711-1955
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Board of Appeals	300		II.
1-5 loan, to Gardens, \$5,000, 4th year	. 1000		11 55
Interest, one year, on 2000 @ 4 p. c	. 80	30.53	U alle
One-half annual subsidy to Dry Dock		00.	n Since
One-fifth loan for fire purposes, \$12,000; acts. 15			
April, 1890, 3rd year	2400	00.	ti.
Interest on balance, \$7200, 1 year @ 4 p. c	288	00.	
One-fifth Exhibition Loans' Act, 1891, \$15,69	8		
(2nd year)	3140	00.	11
Interest, one year, on \$12,558 @ 5 p. c	. 628	00.	u
One-fifteenth loan for County of \$15,000	. 1000	00.	action M
Interest on whole amt. 1 year and 3 mos., at $4\frac{1}{2}$ p.	c. 1231	00.	11 17
Cne-fifth loan for new Engine, etc., \$15,000	. 3000	00.	College House
I terest on whole, I year and 5 mons., 5 p. c	. 1062	00.	. 11
Literest on old Funded Debt \$24,000, N. S., C'y,	at		
5 per cent		79.	dDiesidlo o

Old Sewerage Debentures \$110,000, to Dom. C'y,	at		
6 per cent		00	Passed.
Public Gardens Debentures \$15,000, D. C., at 6 p			"
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	\$64006	00	
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Repairs to City Property \$5,000. Struck out.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Eden, that \$1,000 be placed in the estimate for insurance of firemen. passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the item assessors additional \$300 passed last evening be now reconsidered. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the item assessors additional do pass as reported up, viz, \$600. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that

the item, City Auditor, \$1,500 do now pass. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the total appropriation for the various departments under the head of assessment for general purposes, do pass as follows:-

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Salaries		1001				 		 	\$20800	00
Police									28000	00
Rockhead Prison					127		10	 	4844	00
Board of Works									56514	00
Fire Department										
Miscellaneous	· • • •					 			3800	00
Total								\$	134303	00
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Motion passed.