

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Read No. 1, Alderman Hubley's notice of reconsideration of resolution to return cheque of James Nolen, deposited with his tender for building new road, Chain Lakes. Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Adams, that said resolution be now reconsidered. Motion passed, 13 voting for the same and 2 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:—

For Re-consideration.	Against it
Aldermen Boak Morrow,	Aldermen McFatridge,
Wier, Duggan,	Foster.—2.
Wallace, Hamilton,	
Lane, Pickering,	
Hubley, Ryan,	
Eden, Adams,	
Mosher.—13.	

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the City retain the money deposited by Mr. Nolen, with his tender for building a new road near Chain Lake.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the matter of Mr. Nolen's tender and deposit of money be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for investigation, and report. Said amendment on being put is lost. The original motion is now put and carried.

Read No. 2, viz:—Alderman Eden's notice of reconsideration of resolution to defer the proposed widening of Lockman street. Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the same be now reconsidered. Motion put and lost 7, voting for the same and 9 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For Reconsideration	Against it
Aldermen Outhit, Mosher,	Aldermen Ryan, Hubley,
Adams, Foster,	Pickering, Hamilton,
Eden, McFatridge,	Wallace, Duggan,
Lane.—7.	Wier, Morrow,
	Boak.—9.

Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that No. 42 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 42, viz:—Ordinance to amend Ordinance, *re* "Meetings and Rules of Council," being the second reading of said Ordinance.

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

Whereas, Guessing competitions have been undertaken in the City of Halifax by certain persons, and the result has been demoralizing to legitimate business, and has other objectionable features.

And Whereas, Similar guessing competitions have been undertaken in England, and it has been found necessary there to secure and enforce legislation, restraining said competitions.

Resolved, That His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare a draft Act containing provisions preventing the carrying on of said "Guessing Competitions" in this City, by shopkeepers. Said Act to be sent to the Local Legislature without delay.

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

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

Alderman Mosher moves a resolution, seconded by Alderman Adams, that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare an Act for submission to the Legislature, whereby certain Streets may become the property of the City. The same being objected to is placed on Order Paper.

Moved by Alderman Wallace seconded by Alderman Mosher, that No. 35 on Order Paper be now considered. Motion passed.

Read No. 35, letter of His Honor the Recorder, covering An Act, entitled An Act to amend Chapter 58 of the Acts of 1891, entitled An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the City of Halifax, with resolution of Alderman Boak relative to amending Section 744 of the City Charter. Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that said Draft Act be now considered clause by clause. Motion passed.

Read clause 1, relative to exemption of any official employee or officer of the City of Halifax from prosecution on account of information laid or warrant issued for costs on certiorari or other proceedings. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Eden, that said clause do pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 2, *re* expropriation of land Maynard, West and James Streets vesting title of same in city and amounts paid into court for the same. Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that this clause pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 3, amending sub-section 7 of Section 798, of City Charter, by providing for sale of impounded cattle, etc. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that said clause pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 4, amending Section 40, of the City Charter, by striking out the words, "or payer of poll taxes," in the seventh line of said section. Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that said clause do pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare an act for submission to the Legislature providing for the restoration of the franchise to poll tax payers. Said amendment on being put is lost, five voting for the same and ten against it. The original motion is now put and carried.

Read clause 5—providing for the performance of the City Engineer's duties by the Assistant City Engineer, in case of the sickness or

absence of the City Engineer. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Mosher that this clause do pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 6—providing that the several members of a firm, (not a body corporate,) shall in certain cases be entitled to have their names inserted in list mentioned in Sec. 29 of the City Charter. Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that this clause pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 7—To insert the word "agent" between the words "owners, occupiers," in the ninth line from the top of Section 508 of the City Charter. Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that this clause do pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 8—Relative to the planting of shade trees. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that said clause pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 9—Relative to the removal of snow and ice from the tracks of the Street Railway Company. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that this clause pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 10—Prohibiting the use of salt in clearing the tracks of the Street Railway, and repealing Section 8 of Chapter 124 of the Acts of 1886. Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that this clause pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 11—To strike out the words "interested therein," in the fourth line of Section 440 of the City Charter. Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that this clause do pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 12—Providing that Chapter 23 of the Acts of 1887 shall not apply to the City of Halifax. Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Morrow, and passed.

Read clause 13—Referring to Masters or other persons in charge of vessels bringing and leaving in the City of Halifax, poor or indigent persons likely to become a charge upon said City. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that this clause pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 14—Relative to the keeping of Swine within the City. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that the said clause do pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 15—To amend Section 447 of the City Charter, by inserting after the word tenements in the fifth line of said Section, the words "to remove snow and ice from the sidewalks in front of their premises and." Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that the words "and ice" be struck from the proposed amendment. Motion put and passed. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Wier, that the clause pass as amended. Motion passed.

Read clause 16—Providing that Thomas Rhind, late City Clerk, shall, during his natural life, be paid the sum of five hundred and fifty

dollars (\$550) per year out of the amount of salary heretofore paid to the City Clerk and Assistant City Clerk, viz :—\$2,450.00.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that this clause be amended by adding a sub-section thereto, providing in lieu of the present arrangement for payment of the salaries of the Board of City Assessors, that the amount of salaries for said Board of City Assessors shall be \$3,200.00 per year, in full, for the performance of all services, by law required, of said Board, together with such other duties as the City Council may, from time to time, determine. The said amount of \$3200 to be paid as follows :—To the Chief Assessor \$1,200.00 per year, and to the two Assistants Assessors \$1,000.00 each per year. Said sub-section to be prepared by His Honor the Recorder.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that clause 16, as amended, do now pass. Motion passed.

Read clause 17, authorizing the borrowing of money by the City Council for various purposes. Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Adams, that this clause be amended by striking out the words "two hundred dollars" as the amount to be borrowed to pay the Revisors of Electoral Lists and inserting in lieu thereof the words "four hundred dollars." Motion put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that said clause be further amended by inserting after the words "contingent account" in said clause, the words—a sum not to exceed six hundred dollars for widening Cogswell Street. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that said clause do now pass as amended. Motion passed.

Read clause 18, viz. : The act hereby amended may be known and cited as the City Charter. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that this clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 19, legalizing the Electoral Lists for 1893. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Wallace, and passed.

Read clause 20, amending section 677 of the City Charter *re* Pawnbrokers and Rag and Junk Shops Licenses, by striking out the words, "one hundred dollars" in said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words—forty dollars. Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Adams, and passed.

Alderman Boak's resolution relative to amending section 744 of the City Charter as entered in minutes of 29th March, 1893, is now taken up, the same is read. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that said resolution be adopted. To which the following amendment is introduced.

Whereas, The present law regulating the sale of coal in the City of Halifax is unsatisfactory inasmuch as a large portion of the coal sold in the City does not pass under the supervision of the sworn City officials.

And Whereas, It is the opinion of the Council that the selling of coal by weight is the most equitable system, and will insure to the consumer a better measure of justice.

Therefore Resolved, That the City Charter be and is hereby amended by expunging the words measure and measurer and all words referring to the measurement of coal in said Charter, from Section 743 to Section 747, inclusive.

And further Resolved, That all carters and truckmen hauling and delivering coal in the City of Halifax shall produce and deliver a ticket with each load to the purchaser with the weight of the load, the name of the carter and the initials of the sworn City official marked thereon. Any carter or truckman violating the proceeding section, shall forfeit the sum of two dollars for each offence, the City to provide the inspectors with blank forms as they may be required.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Adams. Said amendment on being put is lost, six voting for the same and nine against it. The names being called for appeared as follows:

For the Amendment	Against it
Aldermen Duggan, Ryan, Eden, Adams, Mosher, Outhit.—6.	Aldermen Boak, Morrow, Wier, Wallace, Hamilton, Pickering, Lane, Hubley, McFatrige.—9.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the resolution of Alderman Boak be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges to hear the different dealers and others interested in the proposed change.

Moved by Alderman Outhit, seconded by Alderman Mosher, and on being put is passed. Names being called appeared thus:

For the Amendment	Against it
Aldermen Outhit, Mosher, Adams, Eden, McFatrige Hubley, Lane, Pickering, Duggan, Wallace, Boak, Ryan.—12.	Aldermen Hamilton, Wier, Morrow.—3.

The original resolution is now put and lost.

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

The following is now introduced:

Resolved, That an advertisement be placed in the daily papers, asking for applicants for the position of Chief of Police. Applications to be addressed to the Chairman of Police Committee, and to be made not later than the 15th April, instant, and to be in accordance with Section 219 of the City Charter.

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

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion put and lost.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, that No. 36 on Order Paper be now considered. Motion passed.

Read No. 36, viz: Draft Act entitled an Act respecting Liquor Licenses in the City of Halifax. Moved by Alderman Pickering,

seconded by Alderman Boak, that the said bill be adopted and forwarded to the Legislature for enactment, and that its progress through the Legislature be watched by the Committee appointed for that purpose, to which the following amendment is introduced:—

Resolved, That the draft Act now before the Council be not adopted, nor sent to the Legislature, but that further action thereon be deferred.

And Resolved, That this Council believes that before any further Legislation on the license question is sought, a more determined effort should be made by this Council to secure a compliance with statutes now in force.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Lane, said amendment on being put is lost. The original motion now being put is passed—11 voting for the same and one against it. Names being called for appeared thus:

For the Resolution.	Against it.
Aldermen Boak, Morrow, Wier, Wallace, Duggan, Hamilton, Ryan, Pickering, Lane, McFatridge. Adams.—11.	Alderman Hubley,

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

The following is introduced:

Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand dollars, be placed to the credit of the internal health for the purpose of cleaning the streets during the month of April, the same to be drawn from any available fund, the same to be returned when the necessary legislation is obtained.

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

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11.30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

APRIL 12TH, 1893.

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

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that the time for meeting be extended until 8.30 o'clock Motion passed.

8.30 roll called. Present, the above named together with Aldermen Boak, Allen, Morrow, Dennis, Wallace, Pickering, Lane, Ryan and McFatrige.

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

Read minutes of last meeting. When it was moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the minutes be amended by inserting the words "or Mayor or" after the words "City Council" on the tenth line of the resolution *re* salary of Board of City Assessors. Motion passed.

The minutes then passed as amended.

Alderman Mosher, chairman, submits two reports from the Hacks and Trucks Committee, viz :

1. To amend Section 6 of Ordinance *re* Hackney Carriages.
2. Remuneration to Assistant Inspector Webster.

Alderman Morrow submits a petition from John W. Ruhland and others *re* sewer on Hollis Street.

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

Report in *re* sewer Bedford Row.

Report in *re* letter of Daniel A. Johnston for damages.

Report in *re* widening of Quinpool Road with account of Appraisers, etc.

Report in *re* Market Sites, with account from the Appraisers.

Report in *re* accounts and book-keeping of the Board of City Works.

Also resolution in *re* expropriation of land for new low service water main.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers :

Petition from Anderson & Co., *et al.* for concrete sidewalk, Barrington street, west side.

Letter from John Doull, Chairman of Commissioners Point Pleasant Park, asking for a larger appropriation towards maintenance of the Park.

Petition from J. F. Kenny and others, asking that James Brady be reinstated as a member of the Police Force.

Return of City Collector of rates collected March, 1893. Also, return from same of water rates collected in March, 1893.

Statement of City Treasurer, showing civic appropriations and expenditures for year 1892-3, to 30th March, 1893.

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

The following resolution, *re* New Low Service Water Main is now read as follows, viz:

Whereas, In and by Chapter 62 of the Acts of 1891, sub-section 9 of Section 1, the City Council of the City of Halifax is authorized to borrow the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars to extend and improve the Water Supply of the City of Halifax, including the laying of a new pipe line from the Chain Lakes to the City; and this Council having by resolution agreed and determined to extend said water service and lay said pipes, and the City Engineer having reported to this Council the necessity of expropriating certain lands and certain easements and rights in other lots of land as follows:

3. That the strips of land marked on the plan "Right of way and land plan of New Low service Main," and respectively numbered 3, 6, 7, 11 and 12 on said plan and described as follows: are required by said City for the purpose below described:

4. Number three belonging to the Trustees of the late Patrick Power, and described as follows:

All that lot, piece or parcel of land extending a distance of eight feet on each side of a line running through the lands of the St. Patrick's Home. The said line being more particularly described as follows:—Beginning at a point on John Chisholm's north boundary line, distance 315 feet more or less from the said John Chisholm's north-east corner; thence in a straight line to a point on the west side line of Mumford Road, distant 205 feet from the south gate post at the entrance to St. Patrick's Home grounds. The said piece of land being coloured yellow and numbered 3 on a plan entitled "Right of Way and Land Plan," dated April 2nd, 1892, and signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and on file in the City Engineer's office, at Halifax.

5. Number six belonging to Edward Walker, and described as follows.—All that lot, piece or parcel of land, extending a distance of 8 feet on each side of the centre line running through the eastern end of the said Edward Walker's property. The said centre line being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point on the said Edward Walker's south boundary line, distant 165 feet 0 inches from the intersection of said boundary line with the south side of Bayers' Road; thence running as shown on plan entitled "Right of Way and Land Plan," dated April 2nd, 1892, signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and on file in the City Engineer's office, at Halifax, for a distance of 80 feet more or less.

6. Also all that lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being between the piece of land above described and Bayers' road. The said lot being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of the said Edward Walker's property; thence westerly, by the south boundary line of the said property, a distance of 80 feet, more or less; thence in a northwesterly direction, 60 feet, more or less, to Bayers' road; thence by the south line of said road to the place of beginning.

7. The above lot and the one first before mentioned, being coloured sepia and numbered 6 on a plan, entitled "Right of Way and Land Plan," dated April 2nd,

1892, signed F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and on file in the City Engineer's office at Halifax.

8. Number seven belonging to William Miller and described as follows:

All that lot, piece or parcel of land, extending a distance of eight feet on each side of a line running through the lands of the said William Miller. The said line being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point on the northern side line of Bayers' road, distance, one hundred and forty-six feet, six inches, from the intersection of said northern side line of Bayers' road, with the eastern side line of McCollough street; thence running in a straight line, to a point on the western side line of Windsor road, distance, 345 feet from the north west corner of Young street and Windsor road. The said piece of land being coloured yellow and numbered 7 on a plan entitled "Right of Way and Land Plan," dated April 2nd, 1892, and signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and on file in the City Engineer's office at Halifax.

9. Number eleven, belonging to James Walker, M. D, and described as follows:

All that lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the north western part of the City of Halifax. The said land being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the north west corner of Longard street and Young street; thence running westerly, along the north side line of Young street, to the north east corner of Kempt road and Young street; thence northerly, along the east side line of Kempt road, a distance of 600 feet; thence easterly to the west side line of Longard street, a distance of 376 feet, more or less; thence southerly by the west side line of Longard street, a distance of 575 feet, to the place of beginning. The whole lot being numbered 11 on a plan entitled "Right of Way and Land Plan," signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, dated April 2nd, 1892, and on file in the City Engineer's office at Halifax.

10. Number twelve, belonging to the Misses Mary and Bridget Hennessey and described as follows:

All that lot, piece, or parcel of land, extending a distance of eight feet on each side of a line running through the lands of the said the Misses Hennessey. The said line being more particularly described as follows:—Beginning at a point on the eastern side line of Longard street, distant 237 feet 0 inches, more or less, from the north east corner of Longard and Young streets; thence in a straight line to the northern side line of Young street to a point distant 523 feet, more or less, from the north west corner of Gottingen and Young streets. The said piece of land being coloured green and numbered twelve on a plan, entitled "Right of way and Land Plan," dated April 2nd, 1892, signed by F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, and on file in the City Engineer's office at Halifax.

11. That the said City require the easements and the following rights in lots Nos. 3, 6, 7 and 11, viz: The right for the City of Halifax, from time to time and at any and at all times, either by night or by day, at the will and pleasure of the City of Halifax, or any of its workmen or employees, or the Board of Works of said City, or any of its members, the City Engineer or any officer, employee or workman of said City or said Board, at its, his or their discretion, to have and enjoy the full unrestricted, and uninterrupted right of way of entering in and upon, and having ingress and egress in, upon, to, from out of and over the land herein before described, together with horses, carts, teams, cattle, carriages, and vehicles, and also from time to time, by night or by day, to convey, roll, and transport such articles and things as it, he or they may deem necessary or proper, and to break up at any and at all times, said land, and open said lot of land to the width thereof, and throw up the soil of such excavation and place the same where it may be deemed necessary, proper, or expedient by said City Board of Works or other parties hereinbefore mentioned, for the laying of pipe or pipes for conducting water through the same, or for the repairing or replacing said pipes or any other pipes, inspecting, cleaning or examining any such pipes; also the right to erect, build and maintain any embankments thereon, and to use, enter and occupy said land for any purpose the City may acquire the same, to the same extent, as if said City was the owner thereof in fee simple.

12. And also, that said City require to expropriate the whole of said lot number eleven, in fee simple, and to become the absolute owner thereof, and the right

in fee simple to the part of lot number six, described in section 6 of this affidavit, and to become the absolute owner thereof.

That said City Council and the owners of said properties are unable to agree on the price thereof and for other reasons;

Therefore Resolved, That this Council request and do hereby request the Governor-in-Council to authorize this Council to expropriate the land, and the right and easements in lots above described, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable the Provincial Secretary.

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

Read report of Board of City Works on the accounts and book-keeping in the office of said Board, covering report from the sub-committee and S. S. Scott accountant, relative thereto. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the same be placed on the Order Paper, and that a type written copy of said reports be furnished each Alderman previous to the next meeting of Council. Motion put and passed.

Read report of Board of City Works on New Market Site, covering a report from the sub-committee of said Board, a letter from Lieut. Col. Hill, R. E., *re* acquisition of Queen's wharf property as a site for same, and an account from Appraisers for valuing property. The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Works, in *re* Market Site be received and placed on the Order Paper, to be taken up with No. 7 on the Order Paper, viz: Petition from Retail Grocers' Association, asking for a City Market, and that the bill of the Appraisers attached thereto, amounting to \$60.00, be paid, and His Worship the Mayor is hereby requested to pay the same, the same to be taken from any available fund.

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

Read report from Board of City Works, *re* expropriation of land required for widening Quinpool Road, covering a report from the City Engineer and a report from the Appraisers on the valuation of the land required for said purpose, with an account for their services. Objected to. The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the bill of the Appraisers, in *re* Quinpool Road, amounting to \$100.00, be paid, and His Worship the Mayor is hereby authorized to pay the same out of any available fund.

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

Read report from the Board of City Works, *re* Sewer Bedford Row, with report of City Engineer thereon, covering a petition from John Forbes and others, for said Sewer, said petition having been referred to the Board of City Works by the Board of Health.

April 12th, 1893.

At a special meeting of the Board of Works held this day:—Present, the Chairman, Commissioners Boak, Lane and McFatridge, when they had before them the report of the Board of Health, in *re* Bedford Row Sewer, and the report

of the City Engineer thereon, when it was decided to forward the same to the City Council with the recommendation that the report of the City Engineer be concurred in.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

BEDFORD ROW SEWER.

April 12th, 1893.

Chairman Board of Works:

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of the City Health Board, I beg to report on the petition attached hereto, asking that the Sewer on Bedford Row be built at once.

This sewer is already on the Order Book, and is badly needed. The properties to be drained have been frequently reported by the Inspectors, but nothing can be done to improve their condition without a sewer. I would respectfully recommend that the work be done immediately after the work already recommended to the Council, and now on the Order of the Day.

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

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the reports of Board of City Works and City Engineer be concurred in, and the matter referred back to the Board of City Works to carry the same into effect. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works on letter of Daniel A. Johnson, asking compensation for damage to his property on Maynard Street through sewer overflow, covering a report from the City Engineer and the opinion of His Honor the Recorder on the subject.

April 12th, 1893.

The Board of City Works beg to report that at a meeting held on the 10th inst., they had before them a minute of Council *re* Daniel A. Johnson's letter asking compensation for damages to his property, 45 Maynard Street, from sewer overflow.

They also had before them the Engineer's report and Recorder's opinion deciding adversely thereto. A question arising as to whether it would be better to forward copies of these gentlemen's reports to petitioner, or give the matter further consideration, it was decided to send all correspondence in connection therewith to the City Council, for its information.

W. F. PICKERING, *Chairman.*

DANIEL JOHNSTON'S CLAIM.

Chairman Board of Works:

SIR,—I beg to report, respecting the letter from Daniel Johnston, referred to me, as follows:

There is a crock drain on Maynard, in the middle of the street to which Mr. Johnston's houses are connected. The drain, as far as I have any knowledge of it, is not defective. It became obstructed by deposits made in it which must have come from Mr. Johnston's houses and as soon as a complaint was made to the city officials it was attended to. There was no neglect on the part of the city nor can Mr. Johnston have any claim in consequence of any defect that he can show in the drain itself. The damage he complains of has very likely been sustained, but I do not think the city is in any way liable. This is a matter, however, for the opinion of His Honor the Recorder, and I would respectfully suggest that it be referred to him.

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

March 4th, 1893.

IN *re* DANIEL JOHNSTON'S CLAIM.

I have read Mr. Johnston's letter, and also the report of the Engineer thereon, and am of opinion that Mr. Johnston has no claim for damages against the City.

The Chairman of the Board of Works.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY, *Recorder.*

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the reports on same be received and concurred in and copies thereof be sent to Mr. Johnston. Motion passed.

Read statement from the City Treasurer, showing civic appropriations and expenditures for the year 1892-3 to March 30th, 1893, as per resolution of City Council of 9th March, 1893. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read returns of City Collector of Rates and Water Rates collected in March, 1893. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read petition from J. F. Kenny and others, asking that James Brady be reinstated as a member of the Police Force. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the same be referred to the Police Committee to report on. Motion passed.

Read petition from John W. Ruhland and others, asking that the sewer now being built in Hollis street, commencing at the Lumber Yard, be extended along Hollis street to Morris street. Moved by Alderman Morrow, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read letter from John Doull, Chairman of the Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park, calling the attention of the Council to the necessity for a larger appropriation for Point Pleasant Park and asking the Council to provide the sum of one thousand dollars to enable the Commissioners to meet present indebtedness, and to complete the work of filling in Steele's pond. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Wier that the same be referred to the committee on Public Accounts to report on. Motion passed.

Read petition from Anderson & Co., and others, asking that a concrete sidewalk be constructed on the west side of Barrington Street, from St. Paul's Church to St. Mary's Cathedral. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read report from Committee on Hacks and Trucks recommending that section six of the ordinance relative to Hackney Carriages be amended.

April 11th, 1893.

At a meeting of the Committee on Hacks and Trucks, held this evening, it was resolved to recommend to the City Council that Section 6 of the Ordinance relative to Hackney Carriages be amended to read as follows :

All drivers of Licensed Hacks or Cabs, when not the owners of the same, will be required to take out a License, said License to have the numbers of his employers carriages inserted in the License. Should the driver cease to be an employee of the owner of said Hacks said License to be revoked. The employer will be required to give a bond to the City of Halifax for the good behavior of said driver, that he be neatly dressed while on duty, not necessarily in livery, but in a decent manner. The License fee for such License to be \$1.00, and continue in force for one year from the 1st day of May in each year, or for the time said driver is in

the employ of the owner of said carriages. The driver is not to part with his team while on duty. In the event of the employer dismissing his licensed driver he shall notify the Clerk of License of the same and revoke his bond.

S. MOSHER, Chairman.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the report be concurred in, and that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to draft an Ordinance in accordance therewith. Motion passed.

Read report from the Committee on Hacks and Trucks, recommending that Officer Webster be paid the sum of fifty dollars for ensuing civic year for his services as Assistant Inspector of Hackney Carriages. To go on Order Paper.

The Council now proceed to appoint two Citizen Commissioners of Halifax Common as required by Section 681 of the City Charter, Vice Commissioners Conroy and Redden, whose term of office expires on 13th inst. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Pickering that Michael Conroy and Arthur W. Reiden be reappointed Commissioners of Halifax Common Motion put and passed.

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

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That this Council advertised for tenders for the supply of Groceries required for the City Prison for one year, from the 1st May next, tenders to be submitted on or before the 1st of May.

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

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

Whereas, It is the duty of the City to provide a place of burial for its poor ;

And Whereas, There remains unallotted space in Camp Hill Cemetery for the interment of only seven bodies ;

Resolved, That the Recorder is hereby instructed to immediately prepare an Act for submission to the Legislature at its present session asking for authority to borrow a sum not exceeding \$10,000, which the City Council may decide upon an equitable basis among any two incorporated bodies undertaking to provide free accommodation for the interment of the poor of the City for a period of years and such other details as may be agreed upon.

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

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

The following resolution is now introduced :

Be it Resolved, That the Board of Works be instructed to ask for tenders for forage for use of the City for ensuing year.

Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Mosher. Objected to.

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

Whereas, It has been costing the City a large sum annually to publish the Annual Civic Report. *And whereas*, its usefulness has been much impaired by late publication caused by delay in Chairmen and officials sending in their reports therefore.

Resolved, That the Mayor be, and is hereby requested to urge every person whose duty it is to report for publication in said annual to have theirs in not later than the 1st June next, after the closing of the Civic year.

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

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Lane, that No. 21 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 21, viz:—Alderman Dennis' resolution, by way of notice, relative to obtaining Legislative authority to increase the amount allowed by law to be assessed for general City purposes. Said resolution was now seconded by Alderman Ryan.

Alderman Dennis by leave of Council withdraws said resolution.

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

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor be and is hereby instructed to forbid the fumigation of baggage and passengers from European ports within the City limits, and that all steamship agents be notified accordingly.

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

Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that No. 30 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 30, viz:—Ordinance relating to the Weighing of Hay—third reading. Also, read petitions of George P. Henry and others, and licensed Truckmen and others on the same. Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that the said Ordinance having received its third reading do now pass, and that the same be submitted to his Honor the Lieutenant Governor-in-Council for approval.

To which the following amendment is introduced:

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor be requested to appoint a Committee from this Council to confer with the Dominion authorities with a view to having a Dominion Ordinance relating to the Inspection and Weighing of Hay.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, which amendment on being put is lost. The original resolution is now put and passed.

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

Council adjourns 11.50 o'clock.