

The Council now proceed to appoint a Weigher and Measurer of Coal. Applications from the following were read: Thomas Ceconi, Duncan Grant, Thomas Shields, William Spain, James Nickerson, Daniel O'Leary, Joseph Murphy, Daniel McIntosh, Timothy Hennissey, Alfred Larder, William Collins, Charles Webber, W. McNally.

A vote being taken there appeared, for Duncan Grant, 10 for W. McNally, 4.

His Worship the Mayor then declared Duncan Grant elected a Weigher and Measurer of coal for the City of Halifax.

Read notice of action in Supreme Court against the City for \$200.00 given by Lieut. Thomas Holland Pollett through his solicitor, W. A. Lyons, for alleged damages sustained on Gottingen Street. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works for report. Motion passed.

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

Read application of Patrick Dee for wholesale liquor license together with the report of the Chief Inspector of License on the same. Moved by Alderman Hamilton seconded by Alderman McFatridge that said license be granted provided the applicant has complied with all the requirements of the law. Motion passed.

In accordance with a resolution passed at the last meeting of the Council His Worship names the following as a committee to report upon the feasibility of constructing a public bath, viz: Aldermen Ryan, Wier, Mosher and Morrow. On motion the same was confirmed.

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

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be authorized to advertize for a loan of Thirty-seven Thousand Dollars for the New Water Pipe Line, under the authority of the N. S. Legislature.

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

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Wier, 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 Alderman McFatridge, Chairman of Committee on Revising of Electoral Lists, furnish this Council at its next meeting with the number of Clerks employed in revising the said Lists, the amount paid per day, and the several amounts paid each Clerk. Also the cost of Printing in connection with the same.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, and passed.

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

Is there any Public Work under construction, or ordered for construction, for which no fund or money has been provided by the Legislature.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, and passed.

On motion the same was referred to the Board of Works for report.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Dennis that No. 15 on Order of the Day be taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 15, viz.: Report Board of City Works, *re* placing under salary of Junior Assistants in City Engineer's office.

The following resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That said report No. 15 be referred to the Board of Works for further consideration and report. *And further resolved*, that the Board of Works furnish this Council with a list of employees in connection with office of City Engineer. Also salaries paid.

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

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that No. 1 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 1, viz.: Report of Board of City Works, in *re* extension of Young Street, with report of City Engineer, dated May 3, 1892.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be struck from Order Paper. Motion passed.

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

Read No. 2, report of Board of City Works, in *re* extension of Young Street (No. 3) with report of City Engineer thereon.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the same be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

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

Read No. 25, viz.: Resolution of Alderman Duggan, *re* advertising for applicants for position of Weighers of Hay, as follows:

Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to advertize for applicants for position of Weighers of Hay, to carry on the work mentioned in the ordinance relating to weighing of Hay.

Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Wier, that the said resolution be adopted. Motion passed by the casting vote of the Mayor. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Resolution.

Aldermen Morrow, Wier,
Wallace, Hamilton,
Duggan, Eden,
Mosher.—7.

Against it.

Aldermen Stewart, Dennis
Hubley, O'Donnell,
McFatridge, Foster,
Creighton.—7.

The Mayor.

Alderman Hubley gives notice of reconsideration.

On motion it was ordered that the resolution by way of notice, *re* Inspection of Liquor Licenses, etc., submitted by Alderman Foster, on

14th February, 1893, and struck from the Order Paper on 23rd May, 1893, be replaced on Order Paper.

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that No. 13 on Order Paper, viz.: Ordinance to amend Ordinance 37, relating to Dogs, be now read a second time. Motion passed and said Ordinance was accordingly read a second time.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that No. 20 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 20, viz.: Amended Ordinance, *re* Hawkers and Pedlers, substituting for the present license fee of \$10.00 for each team; a license fee of \$30.00 for each person company or co-partnership selling ice in said City,—3rd reading. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that said amended Ordinance having been read a third time do now pass and that it be forwarded to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor in Council for concurrence. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that No. 7 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

No. 7, viz.: An Ordinance relating to the Streets of Halifax, being the second reading.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that No. 3, on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 3, report of City Engineer, *re* Sewer, Russell Street.

RUSSELL STREET SEWER.

July 30th, 1892.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying Minute of Council, I beg to report that necessity for a sewer in Russell Street still exists. Nothing has been done to remove the nuisance since my last report. The sewer is now on the order book and I would respectfully recommend that the order be carried out.

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

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that said report be received and concurred in and forwarded to the Board of City Works to carry out the work in its turn.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Eden that the same be struck from off the Order paper. Said amendment on being put is lost—2 voting for the same and 9 against it.

The original motion is now put and passed.

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

Council adjourns 10.10 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

AUGUST 25TH, 1893.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour, there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Foster, Mitchell, O'Donnell, Hubley and Creighton.

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

8.30—Roll called. Present the above named, together with Alderman Outhit, Eden, Mosher, Duggan, Allen, Hamilton, Stewart.

The Council was summoned to receive report from Board of City Works, *re* Electric Lighting of City. To proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Mosher, Chairman, submits five reports from Board of City Works, viz.:

1. Report on Specification for Electric Lighting the City, with amendments.
2. Report *re* claim of Lieut. Pollet, for compensation for alleged loss occasioned by carelessness of City employees.
3. Report, *re* Water extension, Woodill Street.
4. Report, *re* question of Alderman O'Donnell.
5. Report, *re* Water extension, Edward Street.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

Letter from Halifax Illuminating and Moter Co., Ltd., *re* Electric Lighting of City.

Letter from Power & Co., *re* amount due them by the Board of City Works.

Letter from Thomas Forbes, *re* danger from Electric wires.

Notice of action for damages by Richard Taylor against the City, through his solicitor, W. A. Lyons.

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

Read report of Board of City Works, *re* Water extension on Woodill Street, with report of City Engineer on same.

August 24th, 1893.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them a report from the City Engineer upon Water extension on Woodill Street, a copy of which is enclosed. When it was decided to forward it to the Council, with the recommendation that the work be done in accordance with report.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 21, 1893.

WATER EXTENSION WOODILL STREET.

Chairman Board of Works:

SIR,—I beg to recommend that the water extension on Woodill Street petitioned for by Sergeant McNally be carried out.

Estimated cost :

45 feet 4 in. pipe at 42c.....	\$ 18 90
45 feet excavation at 60c	27 00
Lead, &c.....	1 25
Service pipe.....	15 00
	\$62 15

The revenue will more than pay the interest.

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

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the recommendation in said report be concurred in and the matter referred back to Board of City Works to carry out the prayer of petitioner. Motion passed.

Alderman Dennis here takes his seat.

Read report of Board of City Works, on question of Alderman O'Donnell, *re* work under construction, or ordered for construction, that has not been provided for as far as payment is concerned, by the Legislature or the City Council.

August 24th, 1893.

Referring to the minute of Council, transmitting to the Board of Works a question of Alderman O'Donnell. The Board beg to report that no work is under construction, or ordered for construction, that has not been provided for as far as payment is concerned by the Legislature, or the City Council.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

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

Read report Board of City Works, covering report of City Engineer, *re* Water extension on Edward Street.

August 24th, 1893.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration a report from City Engineer, on Water extension on Edward Street, a copy of which is enclosed. When it was decided to transmit it to the City Council, with the recommendation that the work be done as suggested in the report.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

WATER EXTENSION EDWARD STREET.

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 24, 1893.

Chairman Board of Works :

SIR,—The property owners on Edward Street, will not all sign a bond. Three of them, however, are willing to sign and anxious to get a supply of water.

The estimated cost to supply R. Flynn, Mr. Dunlap, and Mr. Rowe is :

236 feet 6 in. pipe at 73c	\$172 28
236 feet excavation 75c	177 00
3 service pipes	75 00

\$424 28

The estimated revenue is \$13.00. Water closets will bring the revenue up to the interest, and I would recommend that the extension be made, provided a bond is given.

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

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that said report be received and concurred in, and referred back to Board of City Works to carry out the work on the conditions suggested in the report of the City Engineer. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works, *re* claim of Lieut. Pollitt, for compensation for alleged loss occasioned by carelessness of City employees, covering reports of the City Engineer on the matter.

BOARD OF CITY WORKS, August 24th, 1893.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the enclosed letter from W. A. Lyons, *re* claim of Lieut. Pollitt for damages against the City, and report of City Engineer thereon, a copy of which is also enclosed. When it was decided to forward the paper to the City Council for its action.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

LIEUT. POLLITT'S CLAIM FOR DAMAGES.

JULY 28th, 1893.

Chairman Board of Works :

SIR,—I have made inquiries respecting the accident to Lieut. Pollitt's carriage and fined that the other side of the story does not agree entirely with his; in fact it is quite difficult.

I am informed by the foreman and the men who witnessed the accident (some of them being near enough to try to stop the carriage as it went over) that the accident was caused by the carelessness of the driver.

A large double team had just driven along the street without any difficulty whatever. The brush was piled on the side of the trench ready to cover a blast, and there was plenty of room for carriages to pass. The brush did not fall to the ground as stated in the letter, but remained in the same position after the carriage was upset.

The men who were at work on the sewer say that the carriage was driven right over the pile of brush, and of course when the wheels mounted the pile the carriage upset. The driver made no effort whatever to extract the horse or carriage; but left him floundering on the ground, and any damage done to the harness was caused by neglect of the driver after the upset.

I can find no evidence of carelessness on the part of the workmen; and as other teams had passed immediately ahead of Lieut. Pollitt's carriage, and as the brush did not fall at all, I cannot see that the City is responsible in any way.

Any person going along the street could see that the work was going on, and if they did not take proper care in passing it the City cannot be blamed.

If the Board is in doubt about this matter it would be better to refer it to His Honor the Recorder for his opinion.

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

LT. POLLITT'S CLAIM.

HALIFAX, N.S., Aug. 21st, 1893.

Chairman Board of Works :

SIR,—Since making a report on Lt. Pollitt's claim for damages, I have seen Mr. Flynn, who is the principal witness for Lt. Pollitt. When he first saw the carriage it was just striking the brush, and he knows nothing about the state of the street or the traffic before that. Three men, including the Foreman, who witnessed the accident, say that the carriage had passed half the pile of brush and could have passed the rest; but the driver pulled over into the street too quickly and drove right into the brush. Under the circumstances I do not see how the City can be liable, and it would be a dangerous precedent to establish to admit liability.

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

WELLINGTON BARRACKS, 24th July, 1893.

Chairman Board of Works :

DEAR SIR,—On Saturday last, 22nd inst., between 10 and 11 a. m., my servant was driving through Gottingen St., when nearing Mr. A. H. Flinn's shop (No. 139) a pile of brushwood between 3 and 4 feet high, which had been placed on the left of the road in the driving path suddenly fell to the ground, the brushwood entangling the horses feet and carriage wheels, the result being that the man was thrown in the causeway, horse and carriage overturned, damage done to carriage, harness, etc. Mr. Flynn and some other gentlemen witnessed the accident and had volunteered statements which exonerate the man driving. The carriage and harness have been placed for repairs, the former at Mr. Lamphier's, and the latter at Mr. Martin's, Argyle Street. I should feel obliged if you would investigate this case with a view to the damages being made good by the responsible authorities.

Yours very truly,

W. H. POLLITT, Lieutenant.

"The Kings" Liverpool Regt.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that said report be adopted, and that the matter be referred to His Honor the Recorder, with instructions to defend the suit. Motion passed.

Alderman Wier now takes his seat in Council.

Read report of Board of City Works, covering specifications for Electric Lighting the City, with amendments. Also, read letter from Halifax Illuminating and Moter Co., Ltd., offering to continue the present contract for lighting the City for one or more years, etc.

August 24th, 1893.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting of the Board of City Works held this day, they had before them the specification for lighting the City by Electricity, as prepared by the City Engineer, when it was decided to recommend it to the City Council with the following amendments :

1. On first page the time for contract to read "not less than three or more than five years."
2. In clause 4, the lowest number of arc lights to be "150" instead of 200.
3. The tender to include not less than 100 of 50 candle power incadescent lights.
4. Either party to give the other six months notice of termination of contract.

The Board further recommend that the Council authorize the advertising for tenders upon the specification so amended, to be sent in on September 18th next, at noon.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the report of Board of City Work on said specification be adopted.

To which the following amendment is introduced :

Whereas, The result of calling for new tenders for Electric Lighting of the City three years ago, the City has paid \$7,000 or \$8,000 more for lights than it did during the previous three years;

And whereas, Halitax is now being lighted as cheaply, if not cheaper than any other city on the continent:

Therefore resolved, That the proposal of the Halifax Illuminating and Motor Company be accepted, and the Board of Works is hereby instructed to have the proper agreement executed between the city and said company without delay, extending the present contract for lighting the city for one year from the 24th November, A. D. 1893.

Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Dennis, and being put is lost.

The following amendment is now introduced :

Resolved, That the specifications for lighting be amended by changing to read : " Not less than 100 2,000 candle (arc) and 50 1,200 candle (arc) and 100 incandescent, 32 or 50 candle power, or 100 incandescent 32 or 50 assorted, in place of the present numbers specified."

Further resolved, That the city have the power to extend the contract from 3 to 5 or 10 years.

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

The following amendment is now introduced :

Further resolved, That the Council invite tenderers to submit a plan of their own by which, in their opinion, the City may be more efficiently and cheaply lighted than proposed in the specifications of the Board, and to tender on such plan.

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

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the report of Board of City Works and specifications for electric lighting the City, as amended per resolution of Council passed this evening, be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that said report and specification be referred to the Board of Works to ask for tenders and report. Motion passed.

Read letter from Power & Co. *re* amount due them by the Board of City Works.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the Board of Works report at an early date all accounts contracted by the Board prior to 1st May last, giving date and items.

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

Read letter from Thomas Forbes *re* danger from electric wires. Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works for report. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the Police Commissioners be instructed to furnish the Police with a pair of Rubber Gloves and a pair of nippers, and that they be required to carry them regularly when on night duty.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Eden, and objected to.

Read notice of action by Richard Taylor, through his solicitor W. A. Lyons, claiming \$500 damages and costs, for injuries alleged to have been received by him while working at a Sewer on Blowers Street. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Wier, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works, together with His Honor the Recorder to report on. Motion passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

No. 1. Alderman Hubley's notice of reconsideration of resolution, *re* advertising for applicants for position of Weighers of Hay, is now taken up.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Creighton, that the resolution to advertise for said position passed at last meeting, be now reconsidered. Motion put and lost, 4 voting for the same and 9 against it.

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

Council adjourns 10.15 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

SEPTEMBER 6TH, 1893.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Foster, Wallace, O'Donnell, Mosher and Mitchell.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, 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 Dennis, McFatridge, Morrow, Hubley, Ryan, Hamilton, Eden, Wier, Creighton and Duggan.

The meeting was called to consider a resolution, *re* expropriation of land for New Low Service Water Main, to appoint a Weigher of Hay, to proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Mosher, Chairman, submits the following reports from Board of City Works:

1. Report with papers connected with proposed extension northwardly of Agricola street.
2. Report on letter from Rev. P. M. Morrison.
3. Report on letter from James Pennington, with report of City Engineer.
4. Report *re* employees in office of City Engineer.
5. Report *re* letter from W. A. Adams, and report of City Engineer.
6. Report on letter of B. F. Pearson, solicitor of the Halifax Illuminating and Motor Co., and N. S. Telephone Co.
7. Water supply to new building of G. M. Smith and Co.

Alderman McFatridge, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on City Prison, covering accounts, etc. Also a letter from Governor Murray to the Committee, relative to persons building houses on the prison property.

Alderman McFatridge, Chairman of Revisors of Electoral Lists, submits a memo of amounts paid for Revising Electoral Lists, also a memo of amounts due for Printing, Stationery, etc., for Revising Electoral Lists.

Alderman Ryan, Chairman, submits a report from the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners, covering accounts for payment.

Report of City Health Board covering report from Claude Donovan, Plumbing Inspector, on the sanitary condition of several houses visited by him.

Letter from J. W. Umlah, offering for sale property near Chain Lake.

Letter from Jonathan Adams and John Young, asking that the water be put in their buildings on North Young Street.

Bonds of the City Marshal, Chief Inspector of Liquor Licenses, Assistant City Clerk, and Clerk of Licenses.

Letter from H. Crosskill, Deputy Provincial Secretary, covering copy of order in council *re* expropriation of land for New Low Service Water Main.

Alderman Dennis, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Public Accounts, *re* accounts for payment, and letter from Drysdale and McInnes, Solicitors, *re* payment of superannuation allowance to Thomas Rhind, Ex City Clerk.

Alderman Dennis, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Charities *re* accounts.

Twelve applications for the position of Weigher of Hay.

Petition from Murdoch Campbell, and others, for water extension on Belle Air Terrace.

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

Read Report of Board of City Works, covering papers connected with proposed extension of Agricola Street, northwardly. Objected to.

Read Report of Board of City Works, on letter from P. M. Morrison, asking that his son (W. P. Morrison,) employed in the City Engineer's Office, be paid a salary, with report of City Engineer on same.

Sept. 4th, 1893.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration, the enclosed letter from Rev P. M. Morrison when it was decided to transmit it to the City Council, with the recommendation that the two young men, at present in the office of the City Engineer, W. P. Morrison and Alex. Pickering, be paid at the rate of \$25.00, each per month, from September 1st, to the end of 1893, when the arrangement shall cease.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Foster, that said report be adopted. Motion passed. Twelve voting for the same and eight against it. The names being called for appeared thus:—

For the Motion.

Aldermen Ryan, Morrow,
Creighton, Dennis,
Wier, Wallace,
Hamilton, Duggan,
Mitchell, O'Donnell,
McFatriidge, Foster.—12.

Against it.

Aldermen Hubley,
Eden,
Mosher.—3.

Read Report of Board of City Works, *re* Water supply to G. M. Smith & Co., New Building, Barrington Street, covering a report of the City Engineer on same.

August 28th, 1893.

The Board of City Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day, having had before them a request for water supply, to the new building of Messrs. G. M. Smith & Co. on Barrington Street, and a report from the City Engineer upon the matter, a copy of which is enclosed, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the City Council, that a six inch pipe be laid in Barrington Street, from Prince Street, to supply the new building of Messrs. G. M. Smith & Co., at the expense of the City.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman*.

WATER EXTENSION BARRINGTON STREET TO G. M. SMITH'S BUILDING.

June 19th, 1893.

Chairman Board of City Works :

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying letter from Messrs. Dumaresq & Mott, Architects, to G. M. Smith, in reference to a supply of water for a passenger and freight elevator in the new building being erected on Barrington Street.

There is an old three or four inch pipe in the street, which has been there not less than thirty years, possibly longer, and is so corroded that it is not fit for use. It would be advisable, in any case, to lay a new six inch pipe. The petition asks for a four inch pipe, but if a new pipe is laid, it will have to be six inch, to give a sufficient service, as the elevator takes the full capacity of the pipe, when in use. G. M. Smith proposes to pay the expense of laying a four inch pipe from Prince Street. I would recommend that a six inch pipe be laid, provided Mr. Smith will pay the cost of a four inch pipe from Prince Street to his building and half the cost of the other materials, and the labor in laying a six inch pipe from Prince Street to his building. He would also have to pay for the service pipe from the main opposite the building to the street line, which, I presume, he intends to do in any case. The estimated cost will be :—

120 feet of six inch pipe.....	\$87.60
Excavation.....	60.00
1 Double Branch.....	11.72
1 six inch stop cock.....	30.00
Lead.....	4.00
Stave and Keys.....	.50

\$193.82

The cost of four inch pipe will be :—120 feet, at 42 cents, or about \$50.00.

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

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

Read Report of Board of City Works, on letter from W. A. Adams, asking that a concrete sidewalk be laid at Corner of North and Lockman Streets, with report of City Engineer thereon.

Sept. 4, 1893.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them a letter from Mr. W. A. Adams, and a report from the City Engineer, a copy of which is enclosed, when it was decided to forward them to the City Council for its consideration.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman*.

LETTER W. A. ADAMS, CONCRETE SIDEWALK.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 29, 1893

Chairman Board of Works,

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying letter from W. A. Adams, asking for a sidewalk at his premises on the corner of Lockman St. and North St.

Early in the season, when work in this neighbourhood was under consideration, I declined to recommend any construction from Permanent Paving Account, for the reason that in my opinion it was never intended to spend the money so far from the centre of the City, while the principal streets were not improved. The Alderman representing the Ward decided to put down a curb around Mr. Adams' property, on the understanding that he would pay for a concrete sidewalk to be put down by the City. I think the curb would not have been put down at all, if the City had been asked to put down the sidewalk too.

Mr. Adams says he understands that if he pays for the material, the City will provide the labor. Such a law does exist in some parts of the City; but not at the place in question. If it did include this place, curb would be included as well as sidewalk. If the Alderman for the ward likes to contribute an additional amount, his appropriation is in his own hands. To do so, however, he must neglect other work. I cannot consistently recommend that this work be paid for from Permanent Paving Account, as it is an improvement for individual benefit not a general improvement for public benefit. It is of course desirable that the improvement be made; but I think it should be done on the terms of the original understanding.

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

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the report of the City Engineer thereon be adopted, and a copy of the same sent to Mr. Adams. Motion passed.

Read Report of Board of City Works covering a report from the City Engineer, on number of employees in City Engineers Office with salaries.

September 4th, 1893.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration, a report from the City Engineer *re* employees in his office, when it was ordered to be sent to the City Council for its action.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

EMPLOYEES ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

Halifax, N. S., September 2nd, 1893.

Chairman Board of Works:

SIR,—In accordance with the resolution of your Honorable Board, I beg to report that the employees in this office are, F. W. W. Doane, City Engineer, salary \$2,000.00; H. W. Johnston, Assistant City Engineer, salary \$1,080.00. The total amount expended this year on public work will be over \$300,000, and the expense for engineering is \$3,080. Only one per cent.

The salaries are small compared with those paid in other cities. The City of Detroit is paying this year in salaries in the Sanitary Department alone, \$60,000. Toronto is spending on public work \$250,000, and is paying salaries for engineering, amounting to \$50,000. Other instances might be quoted showing that Halifax does not suffer by comparison.

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

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that said report be filed for information of council. Motion passed.

Read Report of Board of City Works, on letter from James Pennington, administrator of the estate of late W. B. Hamilton, *re* nuisance from sewer to property on Brunswick Street, with report of City Engineer on same.

Sept. 4, 1893-

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration a letter from James Pennington, Administrator of the Estate

of late W. B. Hamilton, respecting a nuisance from sewer to property on Brunswick Street and a report from the City Engineer copy of which is enclosed when it was decided to forward the papers to the City Council with the recommendation that the change in the sewer be made as suggested in the Engineers's report.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

BRUNSWICK LANE SEWER.

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 4, 1893.

Chairman Board of Works :

SIR,—The sewer complained of in the accompanying letter from Mr. James Pennington runs from Brunswick Lane across the block to Barrington St. It is very near the house and must be injurious to the property. It is not advisable to have a sewer so close to a dwelling-house, no matter how well it is built. It would be far better to carry the sewage to Proctor's Lane, a distance of about 225 feet. A sewer would have to be constructed along Brunswick Street, and possibly a short distance down the Lane to get a fall.

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

Moved by Aldeaman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that said report be adopted and referred back to Board of City Works, to be placed on order book for the construction of said sewer in its turn. Motion passed.

Read Reports of Board of City Works and City Engineer, on letter from B. F. Pearson, solicitor for the Halifax Illuminating and Motor Co., and the Nova Scotia Telephone Co., *re* improvements in the method of stringing the wires within the City of Halifax.

September 4th, 1893.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the enclosed letter from B. F. Pearson, Esq., Solicitor for the Halifax Illuminating and Motor Company, and the Nova Scotia Telephone Company, when it was decided to forward it to the City Council for its action.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

Halifax, N. S., August 30th, 1893.

SAUL MOSHER, Esq., *Chairman City Board of Works :*

DEAR SIR,—You will remember that some two months ago I met your Committee of the Board, entrusted with the duty of making some improvements in the method of stringing the wires within the City of Halifax.

There were present at said meeting, myself, representing the Halifax Illuminating and Motor Company, and the Nova Scotia Telephone Company, representatives from the Halifax Gas Light Company, the City Engineer, and the members of the sub-committee of your Board.

After some general talk, the matter of the forming of an agreement, governing and regulating the construction of wires within the City, was left to be prepared by the Recorder and submitted at a future meeting of the Committee.

I beg to call your attention to the fact that over a year ago, I, representing the two Companies above stated, submitted an agreement to a Committee of your Board upon the same subject, which was referred, I understand to the Recorder to prepare a counter agreement, embodying some changes which he thought advisable. This fact was referred to at the last meeting of your Committee, and I urged upon you the desirability of having such agreement prepared by the Recorder as soon as possible.

Since that date I have not heard anything of the matter. I am compelled now, in the interest of the two companies aforesaid, to notify your Board that they are prepared and willing to enter into a mutual agreement with the City, to conform to such regulations with reference to stringing wires as may be thought advis-

able, and embodied in such an agreement. I am compelled also to say that they are waiting the action of the Recorder in the premises.

I write this letter under specific instructions, so that the said Companies may be held blameless in case of accidents that may unavoidably occur in the future.

Yours very truly,

B. F. PEARSON, *Solicitor, etc.*

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the same be forwarded to His Honor the Recorder, together with the City Engineer for their information and action, and that they report on the matter to this council. Motion passed.

Read Memo of amounts paid clerks, for revising Electoral Lists, as submitted by Alderman McFatridge, Chairman of Revisors of Electoral Lists, also a memo of accounts for Printing and Stationery, etc., incurred in making said revision that still remain due and unpaid. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the same be referred to the committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read Report of City Prison Committee, covering accounts etc.

September 5th, 1893.

At a meeting of the Prison Committee held this day, present, Aldermen Hubley, Outhit and the acting chairman.

They had before them a number of accounts which on examining were found correct and are herein submitted, amounting to \$125.01. Dillo Bros., \$18; R. H. Margeson, \$15.37; R. Martin & Co., \$4.40; R. T. Braine, \$20.04; J. A. Chipman & Co., \$4; G. P. Henry, \$16.56; W. Crowe & Co., \$11.59; J. A. Grant & Co., \$9.05; C. Raine, \$26. Total, \$125.01.

WM. McFATRIDGE, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution is introduced:—

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

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

Read letter from William Murray, Governor of City Prison, to the City Prison Committee, relative to persons building on City Prison property. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Wier, that said letter be referred to His Honor the Recorder, the Chairman of the City Prison Committee, and the City Engineer, to take such action as they deem best for the protection of the City's interest thereon. Motion passed.

Read Report of Charities Committee, covering accounts for August.

September 6th, 1893.

To the Mayor and Council:

The Committee on Charities beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they passed the following accounts and recommend the same for payment:—William Roche, Leather, \$11.48; George Parker, Milk, \$67.17; Charles H. Harvey, Potatoes, \$24.45; Foster, Foster & Co., Potatoes, \$6.60; Edw. J. Heisler, Hats, \$7.50; Hamilton & Outhit, Potatoes, \$10.66; Downie & Larson, Shoes, etc., \$14.55; G. P. Henry, Dripping, \$3.22; W. A. Maling & Co., Pork, \$30; John Patterson, Repairs to Boiler,

\$22.33; Chas. W. Davies, Repairing Gong, etc., \$22.50; Isaac Durling, Beef, \$183.93; George Gregoire, Fresh Fish, \$37.50; Dillon Bros., Groceries, \$448.84; R. T. Braine & Co., Dry Goods, \$95.13; Cragg Bros. & Co., Hardware, \$25.03; John F. Kelly, Harness, \$40; William Roche, Coal, \$114; Brookfield Bros., Lumber and Lime, \$30.50; B. Mulcahy, House Expenses, \$14.38. Total, \$1209.77.

WM. DENNIS, *Chairman.*

When the following resolution is introduced:—

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Charities be accepted, and the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts recommended.

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

Read Report of City Health Board, covering reports of Plumbing Inspector, on plumbing work and fixtures in several houses. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the same be placed on Order Paper, to be considered with No. eleven thereon, viz. Report of City Health Board, covering amended rules and regulations for the guidance of architects, plumbers, etc. Motion passed.

Read letter from J. W. Umlah, offering for sale to the City, his property near Chain Lakes. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the same be forwarded to the Board of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from Jonathan Adams, and John Young, asking for Water extention North Young Street. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from H. Crosskill, Clerk of Executive Council, covering copy of an order in council, *re* expropriation of land for New Low Service Water Main. The following resolution is now introduced:—

Whereas, In and by Chapter 62 of 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 the lots of land hereinafter described.

And Whereas, The City Council duly made an application to the Governor in Council on the 15 day of August, A. D. 1893, for permission to expropriate said lots of land so described, and the said Governor in Council having duly inquired into the correctness of the plan and the truth of the allegations required by section 437 of the City Charter, and being satisfied thereof, did by Order in Council, dated on the said day approve of the taking of the property hereinafter described.

Therefore Resolved, And the City Clerk is hereby authorized to give Edward Walker, Robert Miller, William Walker, Samuel Caldwell, the Misses Veith, the Misses Hennessey, and the Heirs of Thomas Gooley, and Henry Walker, respectively ten days notice of the intention of the City Council to expropriate 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, will and pleasure, 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 hereinafter 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 times said land and open said lot of land to the width thereof, and to 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, cut and maintain any embankments thereon, and to use, enter and occupy said land for any purpose, the City may require the same to the same extent as if said City was the owner thereof in fee simple, and belonging respectively to the parties above named or to them and others, which lands are described respectively in a resolution of said Council, passed on the 13th day June, last past.

And also shall in addition notify said Edward Walker, that on and after ten days' of the receipt of this notice, said Council will expropriate all his estate, right, title and interest, in the following lot of land,—beginning at the south east corner of said Edward Walker's property; thence westerly by the south boundary line of the said property, a distance of eighty feet, more or less, thence in a north-westerly direction sixty feet, more or less, to Bayers Road; thence by the south line of said road to the place of beginning. Also described in said resolution.

The above rights and easements and the description of the land required, and the easements in the same was and is contained in a certain respective notice, dated the 19th day of July, last past, duly served, on said respective parties, notifying each of them respectively, that on the 15th day of August, last, said Council moved, "Apply to the Governor-in-Council, for leave to expropriate said land and easements," and that on and after the expropriation of said land, and the rights and easements in the land referred herein, the City Council will pay unto the Supreme Court at Halifax, a reasonable value, in their estimation for the same, after which they will give said parties respectively, notice in the manner required by law that said amount has been paid into Court as aforesaid, and if the respective parties are not satisfied with said amount, the same will be settled by arbitration as the law direct.

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

Read Petition from Murdoch Campbell, *et al*, for Water extension Belle Air Terrace. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Creighton, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read Report of Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners, recommending sundry accounts for payment.

September 1st, 1893.

The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to submit the following accounts, and recommend the same for payment:—John Foley, Mason Work, \$6.05; Henry W. Brown, Brooms, \$1.50; R. Martin & Co., Harness, Leather Work, etc., \$20.95, \$46.70, total, \$67.65; John H. Holland, Blinds, etc., \$17.60; Cragg Bros. & Co., Hardware, \$29.54, \$44.56, total, \$74.10; John G. Colp, Carpenter work, \$54.95; Longard Bros., Steam fitting work, etc., Bedford Row, \$150.50; Chas. W. Davies, Repairing locks, 75c.; N. S. Telephone Co., Rent telephone Cotton Factory to Feb. 1, 1894, \$9.70; C. S. Blakeney, chairs, &c., \$3.05, \$4.75, total, \$7.80; Austen Bros., Oil and Packing, \$8.50, \$5.25, total, \$13.75; Hfx. Ill. & Motor Co., Lighting No. 7 Engine House, \$24.51, \$3.30, total, \$27.81; John O'Connell, horse-shoeing, \$16.18; Nova Scotia Furnishing Co. Ltd, Furniture, etc., \$20, \$1.20, total, \$21.20; Edward Phelan, Rent of Reel house Cronan's wharf to April, 1893, \$25; William Judge, glazing at No. 7. house, \$1; Black Bros. & Co., Hardware, \$3.12; T. W. Bateman, Locksmith and machinist work, \$26.50; W. & A. Moir, machinist work \$7, \$9.92,

\$2; Ditto, for No. 2. S. F. E., \$120.61 total, \$139.53; McDonald & Co., Repairs to Chemical engine, \$46.42, gongs for Engine house, \$1, work at Central Engine house, \$3.25, total, \$130.67; Power & Co., plumbing, gas fitting, roofing, etc., at different Engine Houses, \$221.25; Matilda Ainsley, Cab Hire, \$5; Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Co., 2 gongs, \$220; MacDonal & Co., Central and No. 5, \$5.35. Total, \$1247.26.

JNO. F. RYAN, *Chairman Board of Fire Commissioners.*

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners, submitted this day be received and concurred in and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts therein named, amounting to \$1247.26.

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

Read Report of the committee on Public Accounts covering accounts for payment, and in relation to letter from Drysdale & McInnis, Solicitors, *re* payment of superannuation allowance to Thomas Rhind, Ex City Clerk.

August 28th, 1893.

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

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Public Accounts Committee held above date, present; Alderman Dennis, Chairman, Hubley and Stewart, they had before them the following accounts, viz.:

Messrs. A. & W. McKinlay for stationery, etc.

For City Collector, 25 cents, for City Treasurer, \$1.45, for Police Department, \$4.47—total \$6.17.

Industrial School for maintenance of five children committed under Compulsory Education Act, 100.00.

St. Patrick's Home for maintenance of eleven boys committed under Compulsory Education Act, 149.23.

Herald Company, printing, 133.90.

All of which having been certified and found correct, your Committee beg to recommend that they be paid.

In reference to the letter of Drysdale and McInnes, demanding the payment of the retiring allowance to Thomas Rhind, ex-City Clerk, at the rate of \$750 per annum, "the rate mentioned in the Act of Parliament lately passed authorizing the same." Your Committee beg to report the following facts:

Previous to the 1st May, 1892, the salary paid the City Clerk and his three assistants, was \$3,350. Of this sum, \$1,500 was paid to Mr. Rhind (in addition to which he received \$100 as clerk of the Board of Health), and \$950 to Assistant Clerk Trenaman. Of the balance, \$600 was paid to Assistant Nisbet, and \$300 to Junior Clerk Hamilton. Mr. Rhind was ill for nearly eighteen months previous to his retirement, during which time his work was done by Mr. Trenaman and assistants, and the full salary of \$1500 paid Mr. Rhind. His Health not improving, he resigned on the 1st May, 1892. The City has no superannuation scheme, but in view of his long service, the Council was anxious to provide a retiring allowance to the late clerk, at the same time they could not increase the expenses (\$3,350) of the City Clerk's department. They, therefore, extended their generosity to their late faithful and efficient clerk, at the expense of the new officials. Notwithstanding that the work of the office has largely increased, it was provided that \$300 should be deducted from the salary of the Clerk, Mr. Trenaman, and \$200 from the salary of the Assistant Clerk, Mr. Monaghan, which sum of \$550 thus contributed by these two officials, should be paid Mr. Rhind as long as he lived; and the new officials were given distinctly to understand that they must not expect any superannuation at their retirement. The Legislature was asked to legalize this arrangement, and this sentence is found in Chapter 54 of the Acts of 1893, Section 16.

"The amount of salary heretofore paid the City Clerk and Assistant Clerk, viz: \$2450, shall hereafter be paid as follows:

\$1200, to the present City Clerk.

700, to the Assistant City Clerk, and

750, per year to Thomas Rhind, late City Clerk, during his natural life."

The total amount specified is "the amount heretofore paid, viz: \$2450." The figures \$750, are therefore clearly a clerical error, for \$550, the sum provided by the Council. The Council has made no provision for paying the extra \$200, and it would be preposterous to exact that sum also, from the pockets of Clerks Trenamen and Monaghan. Your Committee therefore recommend that the Mayor be authorized to pay Mr. Rhind the allowance provided for him, \$550, per year and the Recorder is hereby instructed to prepare an act asking the Legislature to amend and rectify the clerical errors of \$750, instead of \$550, made in the Act of 1893.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Public Accounts be accepted that the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the accounts recommended to be paid; and that an extract of the report be forwarded to Drysdale & McInnes.

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

Read bonds of the following officers to the City of Halifax, for the civic year, 1893-4, viz: Garret Cotter, City Marshall, L. Fred Monaghan, Assistant City Clerk, John A. Mackasey, Chief Inspector of License, and Henry S. Rhind, Clerk of License, and Clerk in office of City Collector. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that said bonds be referred to His Honor the Recorder, for examination and report. Motion passed.

Read applications from the following named persons for the position of Weighers of Hay: John Melvin, R. Priest, Richard Currie, A. W. Hargrave, Thomas Keating, John Inglis, James Nickerson, Silas Rogers, Edward Fahie, William J. Flemming, Richard Schragie, and George Currie.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the council now proceed to elect three Weighers of Hay, other than loose hay. The weighers appointed to chose their own superior. Motion passed. The vote being taken for one weigher of hay, there appeared for Richard Currie, 8, for John Inglis, 2, for Edward Fahie, and George Currie, 3, Richard Currie having a majority vote of the council, was by His Worship the Mayor, declared elected one of the Weighers of Hay, for the City of Halifax. The vote being taken for a second weigher of hay, there appeared for John Inglis, 11, for Edward Fahie, 1, and for William J. Flemming, 2, His Worship the Mayor, declared John Inglis duly elected, a Weigher of Hay, for the City of Halifax. The vote being taken for a third weigher of Hay, there appeared for Thomas Keating, 1, for Edward Fahie, 1, and George Currie, 10, and for John Merlin, 2, His Worship the Mayor, declares George Currie duly elected a Weigher of Hay, for the City of Halifax.

On motion of Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Wier, Alderman Hubley was excused from voting for any of the applicants for the position of Weighers of Hay.

Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Foster, that Thomas Keating, and William McC. Boak, be the weighers of loose hay. Motion passed.

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

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor be requested to appoint a committee to consist of one Alderman from each ward of the City, for the purpose of overlooking the books of the City Assessors, and making such suggestions as they may think will tend to the more equalization of taxation, and that said committee report to this Council.

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

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the Order of the Day be further suspended, to allow Alderman Hubley to give notice of Motion. Motion passed. And Alderman Hubley, gives notice that at the next meeting of council he will move the following resolution.

Resolved, That the resolutions passed this Council on August 13th, 1891, June 27th, 1892, October 19th, 1892, ordering certain granite gutters and concrete sidewalks in certain Streets in the City, be, and are hereby rescinded in so far as they refer to blocks of Streets in which work is not now under construction.

Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that No. 4, on Order of the Day, viz., Ordinance relating to streets, (third reading,) be now taken up. Motion passed. The council now proceed to consider said ordinance, clause by clause. Clauses 1 to 9 inclusive, were now severally read and on motion adopted.

Read clause 10, *re* receptacles for rubbish, garbage, etc., to be placed on sidewalks for collection by the ash carts.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Foster, that said clause be amended by adding thereto the words following said receptacles above referred to, to be not filled higher than four inches below water level. Motion passed, and said clause as amended was then passed.

Clauses 11 to 17 were severally read and passed. Read Clause 18 *re* height of awnings above street or sidewalk over which they are suspended. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that said clause do pass. Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the word six inches after the word seven feet be struck therefrom, and said amendment on being put, is passed. And the clause as amended passed.

Clause 19 passed.

Read Clause 20, *re* steps, porches, etc., projecting into or encroaching on sidewalks. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Creighton, that the words ten days be substituted for the word three days on the sixth line of said clause, said motion on being put is passed.

Eight voting for the same, and two against it. On motion said clause (20) as amended was now passed.

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

Read Clause 21, viz: No person shall place upon or suffer to be placed upon any sidewalk or street for sale or show, any goods, wares, merchandize whatsoever or any sign board or advertising board.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that said clause be struck from the ordinance. Moved in amendment by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that the clause be adopted. Said amendment on being put, is passed. Seven voting for the same, and four against it, names being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.

Aldermen Mosher, Creighton,
Eden, Hubley,
Mitchell, Hamilton,
Wallace,—7.

Against it.

Aldermen O'Donnell,
Duggan,
McFatrige.
Foster,—4.

Alderman O'Donnell, gives notice of reconsideration.

Read clauses 22, 23, 24, 25, which on motion were severally passed.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the council adjourn. Motion passed. Seven voting for the same and three against it.

Council adjourn 10.30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1893.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Hubley, Mosher, O'Donnell and Creighton.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, 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 Allen, Morrow, Stewart, Wallace, Dennis, Duggan, Mitcheli, Foster, Eden and McFatridge.

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

The minutes of last meeting are read and confirmed.

Alderman Mosher, Chairman, submits a memo. of City Property bills. Also a report from Board of City Works on loan of \$15,000 for Water construction.

Alderman Morrow, Chairman, submits a report from the Cemetery Committee, *re* small number of graves available for burial purposes in Camp Hill Cemetery.

Alderman Morrow, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Tenders, *re* Tenders for Loan.

Alderman Dennis, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Public Accounts, *re* accounts of Halifax Industrial School, and A. & W. Mackinlay.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

Notice of action in the Supreme Court by Richard Taylor, against the City of Halifax.

Letter from His Honor the Recorder, *re* stringing of Electric Wires.

Petition from P. J. Hunt and others, asking that the City pay the amounts due them by Mr. McDonald, for labor on new road, Chain-Lake.

Letter from Pearson Forbes & Covert, Solicitors of Nova Scotia Power Co., *re* Electric Street Railway, with Plan.

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

Cash statement of City Treasurer for August.

City Treasurer's statement of balances to 31st August.

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 of Board of City Works, recommending that the Council authorize a loan of \$15,000 for Water construction. Objected to.

Read memo from Board of City Works of City property accounts remaining unpaid. Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read report of Committee on Tenders *re* Tenders for Loan for Water and Sewerage Account.

September 22nd, 1893.

The Committee on Tenders beg to report that at a meeting held this day, the accompanying Tenders were opened, and they recommend the acceptance of following:—

FOR WATER EXTENSION.

Thomas Goudge	\$ 5,000 at par.
John McNery	8,000 at par. less exchange.
Farquhar & Forrest	5,000 at 99.
W. H. Wetherby, Agent.	19,000 at 98.

\$37,000

and for taking up expiring Water Debentures, W. H. Wetherby, Agent, 40,000 at 98 p. c. all for 4½ p. c. debentures or stock and accrued interest from July 1st, 1893, to be paid.

GEOFFREY MORROW.

The following resolution is introduced:—

Resolved, That the following tenders for loan be accepted, Thomas Goudge, 5,000 at par; John McNery, 8,000 at par, less exchange; Farquhar & Forrest, 5,000 at 99, and W. H. Wetherby, Agent, 19,000 at 98, all for Water Extension, and for taking up expiring Sewerage Debentures, W. H. Wetherby, Agent, 40,000 at 98 p. c.

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

Read report of Cemetery Committee, on limited number of graves remaining undisposed of. Placed on Order Paper.

Read report of Committee on Public Accounts, covering accounts of Halifax Industrial School, and A. & W. MacKinlay.

September 19th, 1893.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council.

GENTLEMEN.—At a meeting of the Public Accounts Committee, held above date present: Aldermen Dennis, (Chairman,) Hubley, and Stewart, they had before them the following accounts, which being certified are found correct, your committee recommend that they be paid, viz.—

Messrs A. & W. MacKinlay, for stationery, etc.

For City Treasurer, \$1.64; City Assessors, \$5.91; City Clerk, \$20.45.—Total \$28.00. Industrial School for maintenance of boys sentenced by police court, \$400.00, for maintenance of truants, \$60 00.—Total \$460.00.

WM. DENNIS, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Stewart, that said report be received and adopted. Motion passed.

Read returns of City Collector, of Rates, and Water rates collected during the month of August. Also, read cash statement of City

Treasurer for August, and City Treasurer's statement of balances to 31st August, 1893. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Stewart, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read writ of summons in the cause of Richard Taylor, vs. the City of Halifax, claiming \$500 damages for personal injuries. Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the same be referred to His Honor the Recorder to take such action in the matter as he may deem necessary. Motion passed.

Read letter from His Honor the Recorder, in *re* Electric Wires, in answer to letters from B. F. Pearson.

IN RE ELECTRIC WIRES.—MR. PEARSON'S LETTER.

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 19th, 1893.

The letter of Mr. Pearson, dated the 30th ult., having been sent to me to report upon, I beg leave to say that a Committee was appointed from the Board of Works to meet the representative of the Motive Power Co., the Telephone Co., and Gas Co., with a view of inducing them to come to some understanding whereby the number of poles would be reduced. They met, and during the discussion the mode of stringing wires was discussed and an agreement which had previously been prepared by Mr. Pearson was read. As that agreement practically handed over the Streets to his company and made the City liable for any injury caused by the wires, which were to be strung under the direction of the City, I advised against any such agreement being made, and I was directed to draw up an agreement according to my views.

Another meeting was subsequently held, at which the Gas Co., refused to remove any of their poles unless permission was given to replace those removed at any time in case of trouble, and also the City indemnify them against all loss and damage incurred by their wires being strung on poles carrying other wires. This was refused, and as they refused to become parties to the agreement unless on those terms, the whole matter fell through and in consequence no agreement was prepared.

As to the meeting which took place a few months ago referred to by Mr. Pearson, I never heard of it, and no agreement or request ever was sent to me to draw a contract.

Any company undertaking to light the streets are bound to do it in the most careful manner, and it is no part of the duty of the City, nor should they in any way make themselves responsible for the carelessness or negligence of the party liable. Once the company is relieved from all responsibility and the City has to pay the amount the City would then have to pay, would indeed be large.

In preparing any contract, care should be taken that that responsibility should not be thrown on the City, but the company should be responsible for the proper wiring.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY, Recorder

His Worship the Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Eden, that a copy of said letter be forwarded to Mr. Pearson. Motion passed.

Read petition of P. J. Hunt and others, asking that the City pay them the amount of wages due them by Mr. McDonald for work done on new road near Chain Lakes, out of a balance alleged to be due Mr. McDonald by the City. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the Clerk be instructed to write the petitioners that the City will not assume any responsibility in the matter, and

that they (the petitioners,) will have to look to Mr. McDonald for the amounts due them. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor names the following Aldermen as a Special Committee on Assessment, in accordance with resolution passed at last meeting of Council: Aldermen Stewart, Wallace, Duggan, Hubley, Eden and Creighton. Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that said nomination be confirmed. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor nominate three additional Aldermen to the Assessment Committee.

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

Read letter from Pearson, Forbes and Covert, Solicitors for Nova Scotia Power Company, *re* Electric Street Railway, with Plan and Specification of same. Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Allen, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works, with the City Engineer to report upon. Motion passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

No. 1. Alderman O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration of Clause 20 of Ordinance relating to Streets. Minutes of meeting of last Council referring to said Clause is now read. Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that the resolution passed at last meeting adopting said clause, be now reconsidered. Motion put and lost.

No. 2. Alderman O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration of Clause 21 of Ordinance relating to Streets.

The minutes of last meeting of Council, referring to said Clause is now read.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the resolution adopting said Clause be now reconsidered. Motion put and lost on casting vote of the Mayor. Names being called for appeared thus:—

For reconsideration.	Against it.
Aldermen Mosher, Creighton, Foster, McFatrige, O'Donnell, Duggan, Allen.—7.	Aldermen Eden, Hubley, Mitchell, Wallace, Dennis, Morrow, Stewart.—7.

His Worship the Mayor gives his casting vote against reconsideration.

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

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Whereas, There is a deposit in Merchants Bank \$1543.72 Cemetery Fund.
Resolved, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to withdraw \$250.00 for general Cemetery purposes.

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

Alderman Mosher rises to question of privilege, and explains the position taken by him before the Council and Board of City Works, on the matter of permanent paving. Moved by Alderman Morrow, seconded by Alderman Stewart, that the City Treasurer be authorized to advertize for a loan of \$10,000 to complete permanent paving now under construction. Objected to.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be authorized to borrow the sum of twelve thousand dollars for the purpose of finishing the work already commenced.

Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Eden. Objected to.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That all work on permanent pavement account be suspended, excepting the Granville Street, Hollis Street, and Ordinance sidewalks.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Dennis. Objected to.

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

Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost.

Read No. 25—Resolution of Alderman Hubley, by way of notice to rescind resolutions ordering Granite Gutters and Concrete Sidewalks in certain Streets.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that said resolution as follows, be now adopted.

Resolved, That the resolutions passed this Council on Aug. 13th, 1891, June 27th, 1892, Oct. 19th, 1892, ordering certain Granite Gutters and Concrete Sidewalks in certain Streets in the City be, and are hereby rescinded, in as far as they refer to blocks of Streets in which work is not now under construction.

The following amendment is now introduced:

Resolved, That orders to lay Gutters and Curb-stones in Streets not now under construction, or where the stone is not delivered be rescinded, and that the City Treasurer be authorized to borrow Ten Thousand Dollars to finish the work under way.

Moved by Alderman Morrow, seconded by Alderman Allen, said amendment on being put is lost, 4 voting for the same and 10 against it. Names being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.
Aldermen Stewart, Morrow,
Allen, Wallace.—4.

Against it.
Aldermen-Duggan, Dennis,
Mitchell, Hubley,
O'Donnell, McFatrige,
Eden, Foster,
Creighton, Mosher.—10.

The original motion on being put is passed. The names being called for appeared thus:—

<p>For the Motion.</p> <p>Aldermen Hubley, Mosher, Creighton, O'Donnell, Mitchell, Wallace Dennis, Duggan, Morrow, Stewart.—10.</p>	<p>Against it.</p> <p>Aldermen Foster, Eden, McFatrige, Allen.—4.</p>
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By leave of Council, Alderman Mosher, Chairman, submits a report from the Board of City Works *re* \$20,000 paving loan. The same is read.

September 11th, 1893.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this evening, the matter of borrowing \$20,000 additional for permanent pavement. When on motion of Commissioners Hamilton and Foster, the following resolution was adopted.

Resolved, That the City Council be respectfully requested to authorize a loan on the credit of the City, of \$20,000.00 on account of Permanent Pavement Fund, under the Act of the Legislature passed April 15th, 1890.

S. MOSHER, Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that the sum of \$10,000 be substituted for the sum of \$20,000 in said report.

The following amendment is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be authorized to advertize for a loan of five thousand dollars for permanent paving, under the Act of Legislature of 1890.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell. Said amendment on being put is passed, 8 voting for the same and 6 against it. Names being called for appeared thus:

<p>For the Amendment.</p> <p>Aldermen Stewart, Morrow, Allen, Wallace, Dennis, Hubley, O'Donnell, Eden.—8.</p>	<p>Against it.</p> <p>Aldermen Duggan, Mitchell, McFatrige, Foster, Creighton, Mosher—6.</p>
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Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourn 11.05 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

OCTOBER 4TH, 1893.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen, Mosher, Foster, O'Donnell, Hamilton and Mitchell.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Mitchell 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 Morrow, Stewart, Wallace, Duggan, Hubley, Eden and McFatrige.

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

Minutes of last meeting are read and confirmed.

Alderman Mosher, Chairman Board of City Works, submits three reports from said Board, viz:

Report *re* Curb on Spring Garden Road.

Report *re* Water Extension on Belle Air Terrace.

Report *re* Water Extension on Young Street, No. 3.

Also tender of Halifax Illuminating and Motor Company for Electric Lighting the City.

Alderman Hubley submits a petition from William Foster and others asking for sewer on Lawrence Street.

Alderman McFatrige, Chairman, submits a report from the City Prison Committee, also a report, *re* Fire Escapes for City Prison and house occupied by Mr. Muldowney.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

Letter from R. J. Sweet, Secretary Society for Improving the Condition of the Poor *re* amount due said association by the City Board of Works for broken stone.

Return of Weighers and Measurers of Coal for September.

Report of City Clerk on account of A. & W. MacKinlay for consideration of Committee on Public Accounts.

City Collector's return of Rates and Water Rates collected during the month of September.

Letter from Joseph H. Barnes, complaining that the crock sewer on Welsford Street has become choked, backing the water into the cellar of his house.

Alderman McFatridge submits a copy of petition presented by Robert Ervin, Agent, to the Board of City Works asking that the John Ervin estate, Gottingen Street, be relieved from payment of sewerage rates.

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

Read report of Board of City Works, covering a report of the City Engineer *re* Curbing south side of Spring Garden Road, from Pleasant to Summer Streets.

October 2nd, 1893.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration a minute of Council and Engineer's report thereon *re* curb south side Spring Garden Road, from Pleasant to Summer Street, when it was ordered that a copy of the report be sent to the Council for its information.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman*.

CURBING SPRING GARDEN ROAD

Halifax, N. S., September 30th, 1893.

Chairman Board of Works:

SIR,—It is hardly necessary for me to report on the accompanying Minute of Council respecting the advisability of curbing the south side of Spring Garden Road, from Pleasant Street to Summer Street.

The Council has rescinded nearly all orders for work including the curb on the north side of Spring Garden Road. Under the circumstances the consideration of the matter referred to in the resolution, must be deferred for the present.

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

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the same be placed on file. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works *re* Water Extension, Belle Air Terrace, with report of City Engineer thereon.

Sep 25, 1893.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the petition for water extension on Belle Aire Terrace, with a report from the City Engineer upon it, when it was decided to forward it to the City Council with the recommendation that the work be done in accordance with the report.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman*.

WATER EXTENSION—BELLE-AIRE TERRACE.

Halifax, N. S., Sept 25, 1893.

Chairman Board of Works,

SIR,—I reported at last meeting on water extension in Belle Aire Terrace recommending that the work be delayed until the street was made sixty feet wide. Since that time I have been examining the plan of the division of the Black property, and find that it will be impracticable to widen Belle Aire Terrace as proposed in the absence of any law governing the opening of new streets. It would be unjust to make the petitioners suffer for the sins of others, when the Council have the power and the opportunity to stop the laying out and opening of streets anywhere and everywhere. I therefore beg to withdraw my former report, and respectfully recommend that the extension be carried out in accordance with the prayer of the petition.

Estimated cost, \$200.00.

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

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the report be received and adopted, and the work carried out as recommended by the City Engineer. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works covering a report from the City Engineer upon Water extension on Young Street, No. 3.

September 25th, 18 3.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration a report from the City Engineer upon Water Extension on Young Street, No. 3. When it was decided to recommend that the extension be made according to report, provided a satisfactory bond be given.

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

WATER EXTENSION, YOUNG STREET, No. 3.

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 18th, 1893.

Chairman Board of Works:

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition for Water extension on Young Street, No. 3.

There is a half-inch pipe laid from Almon street to supply Mr. Young's property already. It would be advisable to lay the pipe from Almon street, taking up the present pipe if a new supply is needed for both proportions. If the new supply is for Mr. Adams' barn only, it would be cheaper to bring it from Bilby street.

The estimated cost is for extension from Almon street :

150 feet 4 inch pipe, at 42c.....	\$63 00
150 " excavation, at 40c.....	60 00
120 lbs. Lead, at 3½c.....	4 20
1 Service Pipe.....	12 00

\$139 20

The revenue cannot be estimated until the buildings are erected, and I would recommend that the extension be made provided that the buildings are erected first and the revenue will pay the interest on the whole outlay. If when the buildings are erected the revenue is not likely to be sufficient, the usual bond should be required.

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

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

Read petition from William Foster and others, for sewer on Lawrence Street. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read report of Committee on City Prison *re* accounts, appointment of Alderman McFatridge as Acting Chairman, etc.

CITY PRISON, Halifax, October 3rd, 1893.

At a meeting of the Prison Committee held this day, there were present: Aldermen Stewart, Hubley and McFatridge.

On motion of Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Hubley, Alderman McFatridge is appointed Acting Chairman.

They had before them a number of accounts, which on examining were found to be correct, and are herein submitted, amounting to \$121.12

Mrs. Manley 24.34, McLearn & Son 28.94, Dillon Brothers 18.00, G. P. Henry 16.08, A. J. Grant & Co. 11.57, Wm. Roche 12.29, Crowe & Co. 9.90 —Total \$121.12.

WM. MCFATRIDGE, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman McFatrige.

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 amounts named therein. Motion passed.

Read second report of City Prison Committee *re* Fire Escapes for City Prison, and other matters. On motion said report is read clause by clause.

Read clause 1, *re* necessity of having the Board of Fire Escapes examine the City Prison, with reference to condition of building in case of fire. Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read second clause, *re* House occupied by Mr. Muldowney, ex-Messenger of City Prison. Objected to.

Read Copy of petition presented to Board of City Works, by Robert Erwin, Agent, asking that the John Erwin Estate, Gottingen Street, be exempt from the payment of Sewerage Rates, with copies of opinion of His Honor the Recorder thereon, bearing date respectively August 25th, 1890, and September 27th, 1893.

Report of Recorder, submitted to Board of Works on August 25th, 1890 :

The owner of property on each side of a street through which a sewer is built is liable under the law to pay \$1.25 per foot towards the cost of construction, unless they have previously paid their proportions of the cost of building a common sewer in the same street. In case the owner would not be bound to pay again. But the law requires the owner who claims he has been previously taxed and paid, to satisfy the Board of Works in writing they have so paid their proportion.

September 27th, 1893.

Copy of City Recorder's opinion in the matter of Sewerage Taxes of John Ervin's estate :

The petition or letter of Robert Erwin, agent of the above estate, asking to be relieved from Sewerage Rates, on the ground that the late John Erwin paid in 1846 towards building a sewer.

Under 448 of the Charter the owners of lands who have already paid their proportion of the costs of a Common Sewer for the number of feet for which they have so paid is relieved to that extent, but I am of opinion the Common Sewer referred to is a sewer built under the Sewerage Act, and does not refer to any sewer built previous to the passing of that Act, and consequently the Ervin estate or the owner of the property is liable to pay his proportion of the new sewer under the Act.

Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that the opinion of His Honor the Recorder be concurred in. Motion passed.

Read letter from R. J. Sweet, Secretary of the Society for Improving the Condition of the Poor, *re* amount due said Society by the Board of City Works, for broken stone. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from B. F. Pearson, *re* Erection of Poles.

September 30th, 1893.

H. TRENAMAN, *City Clerk.*

Dear Sir,—Your favor of September 25th, enclosing me a resolution passed by the City Council at a meeting of the 25th of September, and also a letter from His Honor the Recorder, duly received. I deem it inadvisable to reply to the letter in detail, as my object in writing to the Board of Works on the 30th August, was not to rouse any controversy over a vexed matter; but simply to induce some action in the direction of improving the wire service in Halifax, in which every person is interested.

The Halifax Illuminating and Motor Company is not desirous to create any responsibility on the part of the City, or to evade any responsibility themselves; and it has been so stated distinctly, not only to the Recorder, but to the Committee of the Board of Works, and that Company has always been ready and willing to remove its poles and string its wires in accordance with such regulations as are best known in the business.

It has always submitted that rules and regulations can be made by the City on consultation with the several Electric Companies, which the said Electric Companies would find to their interest to obey and conform to; and the refusal of the Gas Company to be reasonable in the matter, affords no excuse in my judgment for the matter being abandoned.

Yours very truly,

B. F. PEARSON.

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the same be filed.

Read report of Weighers and Measurers of Coal for the month of September. Filed.

Read report of the City Clerk, *re* account of A. & W. Mackinlay. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read return of City Collector of the amounts received for Rates and Water Rates during the month of September. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from Joseph H. Barnes, complaining of overflow of sewage into his cellar, caused by the stoppage of the drain on Welsford street. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to take the necessary steps to remedy the evil complained of. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor nominates the following named Aldermen as additional members of the Assessment Committee, viz:—Aldermen McFatrige, Morrow, O'Donnell. On motion said nominations are confirmed.

His Worship the Mayor nominates the following named Aldermen as the Committee on Publication of Annual Report, viz:—Aldermen Allen, Dennis, Hamilton, Ryan, Foster, and Mosher. On motion the said nominations are confirmed.

Read Tender of Halifax Illuminating and Motor Company for Electric Lighting the City. Also, read report of City Engineer on said Tender for Street Lighting.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the tender of the Illuminating and Moter Company for Street Lighting be accepted for a term of three years, on the specification amended by the Board of City Works and approved of by the City Council, namely, as follows:

100 2,000 c. p. arc lights, at	\$78 75
50 1,200 c. p. arc lights, at	72 67
50 50 c. p. incandescent, at	23 87
50 32 c. p. incandescent, at	17 52

The City reserving the right to increase the number of arc or incandescent lights as they may desire at the contract price per light.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, and on being put is passed.

Alderman Mosher, by leave of Council, introduces the following resolution :

Whereas, in and by Chapter 62 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, 18.11, Sub-section nine of Section one; 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 for extending said work and of expropriating certain rights and easements in certain lands, as also the legal title to certain other land for the purpose aforesaid,

And Whereas, the said City Council has been unable to make any contract or agreement with the owners of said land to obtain the rights and easements in said lands and the legal title to certain other lands, and some of the owners thereof are absent from the province, and also said City Council is unable to obtain a good title to any of said lots,

And Whereas, the said Council by Resolution passed on the twenty-third day of June, A. D. 1893, requested the Governor in Council to grant it, said Council, permission and authority to expropriate said certain rights and easements in certain lands and the legal title to a certain other lot, and due notice of said application was served on the owners thereof respectively or their agents requiring them to appear before said Council and show cause, if any, they respectively had why said permission should not be granted as required by law,

And Whereas, the said City Council duly submitted to the Governor in Council a duplicate plan of said land proposed to be so taken and the rights and easements required by Council in certain other lands, and supported their application by affidavit of the City Engineer and referring to such plan, and stated that the land in said affidavit and property and the easements and rights in other lands (all of which is hereinafter described) were necessary for the purposes of said City as mentioned in section 432 of the City Charter, and having duly given all the notices and in the manner required by sections 433 and 434 and of part two of title six of said City Charter, and after hearing the parties and this Council respectively, the Governor in Council, by Order in Council dated the fifteenth day of August, A. D. 1893, as amended by Order in Council dated the fifth day of September A. D. 1893, duly authorized and permitted the said City Council to expropriate the lot of land hereinafter described and also the following rights and easements in all the other lots also hereinafter described.

Therefore Resolved, that this Council of this City of Halifax, in pursuance of the promises and of the permission and authority so given by the Governor in Council, and of the giving of the notices mentioned in sections 433 and 434 of said Charter, and of the power vested in it, the said City Council, do and hereby expropriates all the legal and right, title and interest in the lot of land situate, lying and being in the north western part of the City of Halifax and described as follows :—Beginning at the south-east corner of the Edward Walker property, thence westerly by the south boundary of the said property a distance of eighty feet, more or less ; thence in a north-westerly direction sixty feet, more or less, to Bayers Road ; thence by the south line of said road to the place of beginning.

The said land belonging to Edward Walker, as alleged, and the said city not being able to make any contract or agreement with said Edward Walker for the purchase thereof, and not being able to obtain a good title thereto.

Also this Council doth and hereby expropriates the following rights and easements in and to the various lots of land hereinafter described, viz:—

The right for the City of Halifax from time to time and at any and 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 hereinafter 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 to 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 require the same to the same extent as if the City was the owner thereof in fee simple, in and to the following lots of land:—

All that lot, piece or parcel of land extending a distance of eight feet on each side of a 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 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, for a distance of 80 feet, more or less. The above lot and the one next before described being coloured sepia and numbered 6 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. The said City not being able to make any contract or agreement with Edward Walker, the alleged owner thereof, for the purchase of said rights and easement, and not being able to obtain a good title thereto.

And the City Clerk is hereby authorized to pay unto the Supreme Court at Halifax the sum of Fifty Dollars, that being, in the estimation of the Council, a reasonable value for the lot of land first above described, and the rights and easements in the lot of land next above described.

Also, the rights and easements above mentioned in and to:—All that lot, piece or parcel of land extending a distance of eight feet on each side of a line running through the land 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. The lot so described belonging, it is alleged, to the Misses Mary and Bridget Hennessey. The said City not being able to make any contract or agreement with them for the purchase of said rights and easements, and said City not being able to obtain a good title thereto. And the City Clerk is hereby authorized to pay unto the Supreme Court at Halifax, the sum of Three Hundred Dollars, that sum being, in the estimation of this Council, a reasonable value for the rights and easements above described in said lot.

Also the rights and easements above mentioned in and to:—All that lot, piece or parcel of land extending a distance of eight feet on each side of a line running