

The petition is signed by nearly all the property owners and business men in the block. The estimated cost of the whole work is \$1,450. If the work is to be done it should be completed as soon as possible. The street and block are among the most important in the city.

There are several large business buildings in the block, and the petitioners are entitled to the same consideration as their neighbors. The work should be finished before the exhibition opens, and I would recommend that it be done at once.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the request of Hubley, Teas & Co., *et al*, for a concrete sidewalk on the west side of Barrington street be granted, and that the works department be instructed to proceed with the laying of the sidewalk at once.

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

Read letter from Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co., *re* hatchways in front of their premises on Hollis street, also read the report of the City Engineer on the same.

FORSYTH, SUTCLIFFE & Co.'s HATCHES.

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 5, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor.

SIR.—The accompanying letter from Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co. is in reference to four hatches in front of their premises on Hollis Street, where a new concrete sidewalk is being laid.

On the 25th October, 1893, the City Council passed an Ordinance providing that no hatches should be constructed on any street of a greater width from the wall of the building than two (2) feet. The length along the building was not limited at all. At the next session of the Legislature this Ordinance was legalized, and in addition an Act was passed authorizing the City Engineer to reduce the width of all hatches wherever concrete sidewalks were laid to two (2) feet. The closing sentence of the clause as passed was, "But the party, if dissatisfied with the decision of the City Engineer, may appeal to the City Council."

With regard to the right of possession claimed by Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co., the City cannot afford to recognize any claim of any portion of the streets, as the whole width of the street belongs to the City, no matter how long any encroachment has existed. Hatches are permitted under certain restrictions; but under no condition could they be regarded as permanent rights.

Permission is asked to increase the width of two of the four hatches, on the ground that the extra width is required. Such permission cannot be given by the Council, as the Ordinance already mentioned makes it illegal.

The cellar under the property is now 8½ feet, and it is proposed to deepen it 1½ feet more. At present, only one-half the hatch is used for light and air, the other half being closed with a wooden cover. In my opinion, two feet is ample to give all the light and air that is required for the cellar under this property. The petitioners do not propose to use the hatches for goods at all, as they have a hoist in their warehouse, and are talking of putting in another.

This is the first case coming up under the new law, and as there may be appeals from other property owners, the decision in this matter should be given very carefully, as it will establish a precedent for those following. I do not wish to appear arbitrary in the matter, or to interfere with private rights or business; but I think it is a very important matter, and should be settled once and for all by the Council. We have delayed the work until the Council could decide, and I would respectfully urge that it be settled at once, otherwise we will stop the work.

Respectfully submitted.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the application of Messrs. Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co., to continue the hatches in connection with their premises on Hollis street at the present width be granted, the character of the coverings to be subject to the approval of the City Engineer.

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

Read letter from Robert Motton, Stipendiary Magistrate, asking that a superannuation allowance be granted him. Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that No. 21 on order of the day be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 21, viz: Resolution of Alderman O'Donnell *re* Stipendiary Magistrate.

Alderman O'Donnell with consent of the seconder, Alderman Wallace, now withdraws said resolution.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the Recorder is hereby instructed to prepare a bill for submission to the legislature, authorizing the City Council to assess the citizens and pay to the Stipendiary Magistrate the sum of one thousand dollars per annum upon his retirement from the position.

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

Alderman Wallace by leave of Council submits the following notice of motion :

Whereas, The police superannuation scheme adopted some years ago has worked satisfactorily, and it is desirable to adopt a similar system in regard to other city employees.

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor be requested to appoint a committee for the purpose of preparing and submitting to the Council at a future day, a satisfactory superannuation scheme, with the object of providing for the superannuation, whenever necessary, of permanent employees of the city, said scheme to be on the basis of a deduction each month from the salary of each employee, and the formation thereby of a superannuation fund.

Read report of City Engineer *re* Electric Light Contract with opinion of His Honor the Recorder thereon. Placed on Order Paper.

Read report of the City Assessor covering alphabetical list of the assessed value of all furniture, merchandize and shipping. Ordered to be placed on file.

Read petition of Jeremiah Fraser *re* hack stands allotted him. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that the same be referred to the Committee on Hacks and Trucks for report. Motion passed.

Read appointment by the Chief Justice of William Compton as appraiser of lauds expropriated by the City in connection with the new pipe line. Placed on file. ✓

Read letter from City Health Board *re* Egg Pond, North Common. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the same be referred to the works department for report. Motion passed.

Read petition of Jeremiah Gray and others for water extension Willow Street, with report of the City Engineer thereon. Placed on Order Paper.

Read report of City Engineer *re* curbs and gutters, west side of Gottingen Street.

GOTTINGEN STREET CURB AND GUTTER.

August 30th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—In accordance with a resolution of Council, I beg to submit the following report in reference to granite curb and gutter on the west side of Gottingen Street from Cogswell St. to North St.

There is no question that this street is entitled to more improvement than it has received, as it is an important business street. A curb and gutter is to be laid on the east side, between Prince William Street and Gerrish Street. We cannot get the material to do much more this year, but I think we could get enough for the two most important blocks. I would recommend that granite curb and gutter be laid this year on the west side of Gottingen St, from Cornwallis street to Gerrish Street. The estimated cost is \$2310.00.

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

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

Read report of City Engineer *re* sewer outlet at Marine and Fisheries Wharf.

MARINE AND FISHERIES WHARF OUTLET.

August 23th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—I beg to report for the information of the Council that the pile foundation for the sewer outlet at Marine and Fisheries Wharf was advertised for tender, and one tender received, that of Arch. McKinnon, for seven hundred and fifty dollars. I would recommend that it be accepted.

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

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read, report of City Engineer, recommending the construction of certain sewers.

SEWERS.

August 28th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—There are several streets in which the drainage is bad and frequent complaints are made. Some blocks on the most important streets have open gratings, on the old stone drains, and foul odors rise from them during the warm weather. Requests are made daily at this office to stop the nuisance.

I would recommend that the following sewers be placed on the order book to be constructed in their turn :

Hollis street—From Bishop street to Salter street. Estimated cost \$3,000.

Barrington street—From Sackville street to Blowers street. Cost \$2,000.

Pleasant street—South street to Smith street. Cost \$5,400.

Creighton street—Cunard street to Gerrish street. Cost \$3,250.

Jacob street—Barrington street to Brunswick street. Cost \$3,000.

Water street—Salter street to Morris street. Cost \$5,750.

I would recommend that the latter sewer be built at once, as it must be completed before paving is laid.

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

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the last two clauses relative to Water street sewer be concurred in, and the balance of the report placed on the order paper. Motion passed.

Read report of the City Engineer, *re* petition of Joshua Hiltz and others for water extension Edward street.

WATER EXTENSION, EDWARD STREET.

August 29th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying Petition from property owners on Edward Street, for water extension.

The proposed extension would be on the high service. The estimated cost is four hundred and fifty-nine dollars and fifty cents (\$459.50). The revenue will be a little less than the interest on the outlay; and I would recommend that the water extension be made, providing those petitioning give a bond for the difference. It is possible that the revenue may be equal to the interest, but in order to be on the safe side it would be better to have a bond.

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

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

Read, petition of Alexander Collier and others, for Water extension, Clifton Street. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden, the same be referred to the Works Department for report. Motion passed.

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

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor be authorized to pay to the Fire Companies their annual grants.

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

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

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the grant of fifty dollars to Alderman Ryan to defray his expenses in visiting cities of United States in the interest of the City be supplemented by thirty dollars, as the amount granted was insufficient. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Creighton, seconded by Alderman McFatrige that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11.10 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION,

8.10 o'clock.

SEPTEMBER 19th, 1894.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present, His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Creighton, Foster, Outhit and Geldert.

Moved by Alderman Creighton, seconded by Alderman Outhit, 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 Stewart, Dennis, Redden, Duggan, Mitchell, Hamilton, Hubley, O'Donnell, Ryan, 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 Stewart, Chairman, submits a report from the Special Committee on Assessment covering minority report, &c.

Alderman Mitchell presents a petition for a sewer on Barrington Street between George and Prince Streets.

Applications from James Dempster & Co., Quigley & Co. and T. A. Covey et al for permission to operate steam saw and planing mills.

Applications from Henry Cook and William Barnes to operate smoke houses.

Application from Arthur J. Davis to run a steam engine for manufacturing sausages.

Letter from the Finance Committee of the Halifax Exhibition Commission asking that the amount voted by City Council for exhibition purposes be placed to the credit of said Commission.

Letter from the City Engineer *re* Robie Street Sewer.

Letter from the City Engineer *re* Jacob Street Sewer.

Report of City Engineer on petition for curb and gutters on south side of Spring Garden Road.

Letter from No. 3 Steam Fire Engine Division asking that F. J. Horneman be appointed a member of said division.

Letter from W. H. Cleverdon *re* Water Extension, Henry Street.

Application of Thomas Ward for position of Grain Measurer.

Letter from Harris, Henry & Cahan *re* Cab Stand west side of Hollis Street.

Report City Assessor, covering valuations of property on east side of Lockman Street.

Letter from T. A. Moore, *re* Russell Street Sewer.

Report City Clerk covering accounts of A. and W. MacKinlay.

Returns of Coal Measurers for July and August.

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

Statements of City Treasurer, "General," water and balances for August.

Moved by Alderman Oothit, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers submitted this meeting. Motion passed.

Read Report of Special Committee on assessment, covering majority and minority reports of sub-committee appointed to draft schemes of taxation.

The following resolution is now introduced :—

Resolved, That the report of Special on assessment be received and placed on the Order Paper to be taken up at an early date, and that His Worship is requested to call a special meeting to consider the same.

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

Read petition of G. M. Smith and Co. and others, for the construction of a sewer on Barrington Street, between George and Prince Sts.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that the prayer of petitioners be granted, and that said petition be referred to the Department of City Works to carry on the work of constructing said sewer if the City Engineer reports favorably thereon, and the Department of City Works deem it advisable so to do

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the matter be referred to the Department of City Works for report. The amendment on being put is lost, 3 voting for the same and 11 against it. Alderman Creighton being excused from voting. The names being called for appeared thus :—

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Hubley, O'Donnell, Outhit,—3.	Aldermen Stewart, Geldert, Dennis, Redden, Hamilton, Duggan, Mitchell, Ryan, McFatrige,—11.

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

The original motion is now put and passed.

Read the following applications from James Dempster and Co., Quigley and Co., and T. A. Covey et al to operate Steam Saw and Planing Mills: From William Barnes and Henry Cook to operate smoke houses. From Arthur J. Davis to use Steam Engine and Boiler in connection with his business as Sausage Manufacturer. Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that said applications be referred to the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from T. A. Moore, *re* Russell Street Sewer. Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Foster, that said letter be referred to the City Health Board. Motion passed.

Read letter from W. E. Thompson, Secretary of the Halifax Exhibition Commission, requesting that the amount voted by the City Council for Exhibition purposes be placed to the credit of said Commission at an early date.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the City Treasurer be authorized to advertize for a loan (\$3000) in accordance with the Act. Motion put and passed.

Read report of City Engineer *re* Robie Street Sewer.

ROBIE STREET SEWER.

September 19th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor :-

SIR,—In constructing the Sewer on Robie Street, we find that the old plank sewer running south to connect with the sewer on Quinpool Road is rotten and is liable to collapse under a heavy load. The city is responsible for its condition and I would recommend that it be rebuilt at once.

The estimated cost, is \$800.00.

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

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

Read report of City Engineer, recommending the construction of a sewer on Jacob Street from Water Street to Brunswick Street.

JACOB STREET SEWER.

September 19th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—The next sewers on the Order Paper are Brunswick Street, Albermarle Street and Grafton Street; each one will have to be carried down Jacob Street some distance to get a fall. This will entail considerable additional expense and I would recommend that Jacob Street Sewer be constructed from Water Street to Brunswick Street at the same time as the three sewers already mentioned. As a new sewer is required in any case in Jacob Street, a great saving would be effected by constructing it now. The old catchpits on the street are a nuisance and cannot be removed until the new sewer is built.

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

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

Read report of City Engineer on petition for curb and gutter on south side of of Spring Garden Road.

SPRING GARDEN ROAD CURB AND GUTTER.

September 19th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompany petition from fifty-one residents and tax payers on Spring Garden Road asking for a curb and gutter on the south side of the street.

The curb and gutter ordered by the Council will be completed within three weeks on the north side. The petition is signed largely and influentially and the request is a reasonable one. Spring Garden Road is one of the principal

thoroughfares and there are few visitors who do not pass through it. It looks like patchwork to do one side and leave the other. I would respectfully recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted.

The estimated cost is \$3300.00.

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

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read letter from Harris, Henry & Cahon on behalf of the Merchant's Bank of Halifax requesting that the west side of Hollis Street in front of the said bank be no longer used as a cab stand. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the same be referred to the Committee on Hacks and Trucks for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from No. 3 Steam Fire Engine Division requesting that the City Council place the name of F. J. Horneman on the Fire Company's roll as a member of said division. Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Redden, that the request conveyed in said letter be acceded to and that the Union Engine Company be instructed to place F. J. Horneman's name on their roll of membership. Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Mitchell that the matter be referred to the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners for report. Said amendment on being put is passed, 9 voting for the same and 6 against it. Names being called for appeared thus :

For the amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Stewart, Geldert, Dennis, Hamilton, Mitchell, Hubley, Eden, Foster, Outhit.—9.	Aldermen Redden, Duggan, O'Donnell, Ryan, McFatridge, Creighton.—6.

The original resolution is now put and lost.

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

Read letter from W. H. Cleverdon relative to Water Extension, Henry Street. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the City Clerk be instructed to inform Mr. Cleverdon that it will be necessary for him to comply with the terms and conditions as laid down by the Department of City Works, before his request for water extension can be acceded to. Motion passed.

Read letter of City Clerk, covering accounts of A. & W. MacKinlay for stationery for month of August. Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Stewart, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read report of City Assessor, covering valuations of property on east side of Lockman Street, from Cornwallis to North Streets. Placed on Order Paper.

Read returns of Coal Measurers for the month of July and August. Fyled.

Read application of Thomas Wood for position of Coal Measurer Fyled.

Read return of City Collector, "Rates" and "Water Rates" collected during the month of August. Also, read statements of City Treasurer, "General, Water and Balances," for month of August. Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

No. 1. Alderman O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration of items, viz: John Fitzgerald, \$7.50 and John T. Murphy, \$72.40, in report of Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners was now taken up.

Aldermen O'Donnell moves that the payment of said items be now reconsidered. Motion not seconded.

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Eden to submit a notice of motion. Motion passed and the following introduced:—

Whereas, That portion of Upper Water Street between Cornwallis Street and North Street is very much out of repair, and also in a very unsanitary condition, in fact sadly neglected.

Therefore resolved, That the Engineer be and is hereby instructed to put the street in repair at once.

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

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the Engineer be instructed to examine the Steam Crusher, and ascertain if said crusher could be altered so as to crack stone small enough to repair sidewalks, and report to this Council.

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

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that Nos. 22 and 23 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 22, petition of W. H. Cleverdon and others, against the laying of a concrete sidewalk on east side of Barrington Street, and report of City Engineer thereon. Also read No. 23, resolution of Alderman O'Donnell by way of notice to rescind a resolution passed 9th May, 1894, ordering a Concrete Sidewalk on east side of Barrington Street.

BARRINGTON STREET SIDEWALK.

August 28th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—The accompanying Petition protests against the construction of a Sidewalk on the east side of Barrington Street, between George Street and Prince Street.

A similar petition was presented at the time the Sidewalk was ordered, but in consideration of the request of a majority of the property owners and business men in the block. The Council decided to build a new Sidewalk, as good drainage which is the life of a Concrete Sidewalk could not be obtained without laying the

whole block. Another reason given was that the block should not be laid in patch-work, but should be uniform. The material is all ready and we are prepared to begin the work at once.

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

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that said resolution of 9th May, be now rescinded. Motion put and lost.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Foster, that No. 18 on Order Paper be now considered. Motion passed.

Read No. 18, viz.: Report of City Engineer, relative to Curbs and Gutters.

CURBS AND GUTTERS.

April 25th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying extract from minutes of the City Council, I beg to submit the following report respecting Curbs and Gutters :

I have had a plan prepared by the junior assistants, showing all the Curbs and Granite Gutters laid in the City. I think we should proceed systematically, beginning in the most important streets. When work is begun on a block it should be finished at once, as it can be done much more cheaply than if it is laid in patch-work. One of the principal pieces of work done last year was left in an unfinished state. I refer to the curb and gutter on Inglis Street. It is not necessary to refer at this date to the advisability of doing the work performed on this street, but it is certainly advisable to complete it. There is about 300 feet yet to be laid. There is nearly enough stone left from last year's work, and the cost would be about \$275.00. The water from the street runs into Mr. Roy's field, and a catchpit cannot be put in until the curb is laid. It would not be advisable for the City to widen the sidewalk at present, and in any case the cost cannot be taken from the Permanent Pavement Fund. I would recommend that nothing be done except the laying of the curb and gutter.

The block on North Street, a portion of which was laid last year, should be finished, as it is in the vicinity of the Station. In my opinion it is most important that the first impression made on visitors by rail should be a good one, as first impressions are lasting. We are to have a visit from His Excellency the Governor-General, and the Streets in the neighbourhood of the Depot are in a very unfinished condition. Our steep hilly streets cannot be kept in good condition with the old cobble gutters, as the water will not follow them, and the only remedy is a curb and granite gutter. I would certainly recommend the laying of the unfinished block, if no more, on North Street. The cost would be about \$250.00.

Part of the curb and gutter ordered was intended for the North side of Spring Garden Road, and it is very much needed. The street is one of the most important in the City, and there is great traffic on it. The estimated cost of laying the curb and gutter is \$2,158.00, including making up the street. I would recommend that it be done this year. The other material should be carted to the Common, and I would recommend that none of the other gutters be laid until the curb is to be reset, a new sidewalk laid or the street macadamized. It is a waste of money to tear up a cobble gutter where there is a curb, simply to replace it with a granite gutter. If the cobble gutter needs relaying it would then be advisable to replace it with granite, but not otherwise. I think it would be cheaper to deposit the rest of the curb and gutter on the Common until it is required.

If Lower Water Street is to be paved next year it would be advisable to change a part of the order for sixteen inch gutters, as eighteen inch gutters cost more and are not needed. If such is the intention of the Council, I think the Contractor will have no objection to make the change.

All the points referred to must be settled at once, as the stone will be delivered shortly.

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

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the Engineer's report, in *re* Curbing North and Inglis Streets be carried out also a small piece of gutter stone on Barrington Street.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Outhit, and passed. Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

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

The following resolution is introduced :

Resolved, That the Engineer be requested to report to this Council as to the desirability and cost of a Curb and Gutter on both sides of Argyle, from Buckingham to Jacob Street.

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

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

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Foster, that No. 19 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 19, viz. : Report City Engineer, *re* Sidewalk Gottingen Street.

GOTTINGEN STREET SIDEWALKS, BRUNSWICK LANE TO PRINCE WILLIAM STREET,
EAST SIDE.

May 16th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor :—

SIR,—In accordance with instructions, I beg to report on the above sidewalk. In considering it I am obliged to separate it into two sections. First, Brunswick Lane to Cornwallis St. The estimated cost of a concrete sidewalk in this block would be \$1,860.00. The property owners would pay about \$620.00

There is a corner curb to lay at Brunswick Lane and granite gutters on the whole block. There is no covering on the sidewalk now. There are three poles in the block. The usual work of altering hatches and coal holes and repairing and renewing gas and water service pipes must be performed. I would recommend, as in the report on the Hollis Street sidewalk, that the following encroachments be removed before doing any work :—

At No. 15½, one wooden step, No. 17, porch, No. 19, porch, No. 21, stone step, No. 23, stone step, No. 25, stone step, No. 29, stone step, No. 31, two wooden steps, No. 35, a wooden step. There are also four trees in this block. I could not recommend the construction of a concrete sidewalk where there are trees. No concrete would stand the swaying of the trees in the wind, to say nothing of the growing and expanding of the trunk and roots. It would be impossible to keep the water out. I do not think, however, that there should be trees in our narrow streets in business blocks, and I presume the property owners would consent to the removal of the trees if they are anxious to have the sidewalk.

The most serious obstacle is the drainage of the street and houses. There is no main sewer to carry water from catchpits, and the houses on the lower side are drained in some cases to privy vaults and in others through private property to Maitland St. Under these circumstances, I cannot recommend the construction of a concrete sidewalk until the sewer is built and houses and catchpits connected. Second, Cornwallis St. to Prince William St. There is a new sewer in this block, but No. 61 and 63, Mrs. Cullen, owner; 65, 67 and 69, J. A. Hancock, owner; 103, Miss M. Heffernan, owner, and 105, Wm. O'Toole, owner, are not drained into it. I have sent out the usual notices, but they have not been complied with. There are five poles in the block, one of which should be taken out. There are also five trees in this block. The estimated cost to lay the

whole block with concrete is \$2,825.00 The property owners will pay about \$975 00.

There is a brick sidewalk as good as new in front of Nos. 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83, 85, 89 and a good sidewalk of concrete flags in front of No. 87. It would be considered a hardship by property owners to be compelled to pay for a new sidewalk when they have already paid for a good one. If concrete is to be laid, it should not be put down in patch-work. However, I leave the question for the Council to decide. The Council has already laid down the principle that the whole block should be done at one time. There are steps encroaching on the street in front of Nos. 57 two, 59, two, 71, 75, 85, 89, two, 89½, two, 91 and 109.

I would respectively recommend, as in the case of the other sidewalks reported on, that no work be done in this block until all drains are laid and encroachments removed, as this block, which is one of the busiest in the City, looks now like a village street instead of one of the great thoroughfares of the City.

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

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the sidewalk on Gottingen Street (both sides) from Cogswell Street to Gerrish Street, be laid in asphalt if that material is approved of by the City Engineer.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the City Engineer be requested to report to the Council, the advisability and probable cost of laying asphalt sidewalks on Gottingen Street, both sides, from Cogswell to Gerrish Streets. Said amendment on being put is passed, 8 voting for the same and 6 against it. The names being called for appeared thus :

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Alderman Outhit, Creighton,	Alderman Foster, Eden,
O'Donnell, Hubley,	McFatrige,
Hamilton, Duggan,	Mitchell, Dennis,
Redden, Gildert,—8.	Ryan,—6.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, the council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns, 10.30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION,

8.10 o'clock.

OCTOBER 2nd, 1894.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present Aldermen Creighton, Mitchell, Redden, Outhit, Hubley, Morrow, Dennis, O'Donnell.

Moved by Alderman Morrow, seconded by Alderman Hubley, 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 Geldert, Wallace, Duggan, Hamilton, Ryan, Eden, Foster and Mosher.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that Alderman Morrow be the presiding officer of the meeting. Motion passed.

Alderman Morrow takes the chair.

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

Read Minutes of last meeting.

On motion the minutes are amended by substituting the name of Alderman Hubley, for that of Alderman O'Donnell as the Alderman giving notice of reconsideration of the resolution passed at last meeting relative to the construction of a Sewer on Barrington Street, between Prince and George Streets.

The minutes as amended are now confirmed.

The acting Mayor submits the following papers:

Letter from L. J. Bland, *re* Annual grant to Halifax County Rifle Association.

Report of City Engineer, *re* Asphalt Sidewalk, Spring Garden Road.

Report of City Engineer, *re* Barrington Street Sewer.

Report of City Engineer, *re* Sewerage Loan.

Letter from the Executors of the estate of the late Henry Peters, offering to sell to the City certain property at Fresh Water.

Application of Parker & Taylor, for permission to operate a Steam Saw Mill in rear of No.'s 83 and 85 Gottingen Street.

Application of Thomas Cecconi for position of Salt and Grain Measurer.

Petition of E. Pickles and others, for Sewer in Wellington Street.

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

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

Read letter from L. J. Bland, Secretary and Treasurer of Halifax County Rifle Association, applying for the customary Annual Grant of \$100.00 to that association.

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

Read report of the City Engineer recommending that a loan of \$20,000 for Sewerage purposes be at once advertized for.

SEWERAGE LOAN.

October 2nd, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—The Sewerage Fund will be exhausted by the time more money can be borrowed. There is \$20,000 yet available for this year's work, and I would respectfully recommend that that amount be advertised for at once.

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

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that said report be adopted and the City Treasurer authorized to advertise for a loan of \$20,000 for Sewerage purposes.

Read report of City Engineer, *re* construction of Barrington Street Sewer.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the present consideration of the matter be deferred, and that it be taken up with No. 1 on the Order Paper, *viz.*: Alderman O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration of petition of G. M. Smith and others, for Sewer, Barrington Street.

Read letter from Simon Peters and H. H. Fuller, Executors of the estate of the late Henry Peters, offering to sell to the City of Halifax for the sum of Eight thousand dollars a piece of property adjoining the Esplanade, at Fresh Water.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the same be placed on the Order of the Day for consideration with No. 17 therein, *viz.*: Report Board of City Works, covering a report from the City Engineer, with plan *re* Esplanade Sewer and South Hollis Street Extension, and that the City Assessor be requested to submit to this Council the assessed value of the property offered. Motion passed.

Read report of City Engineer, *re* Asphalt Sidewalk, Spring Garden Road.

ASPHALT SIDEWALK, SPRING GARDEN ROAD.

October 2nd, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor:

The Sidewalk on Spring Garden Road was advertised for some time, but only two tenders were received:

Power & Co., seventy cents per square yard.

John McFatrige, Jr., eighty-five cents per square yard.

I do not know that either of the parties tendering have laid much Asphalt, and therefore have some hesitation in recommending one.

We were anxious to get a tender from some experienced Contractor, so that the first work might be a good job. The Works Department cannot do the work without going outside the city for a competent foreman who has had some experience. Under these circumstances I submit the matter to the Council to decide what is best in the interests of the city.

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

The following resolution is now introduced :—

Resolved, that neither of the tenders be accepted, but that the Works Department be instructed to proceed with the work of laying an Asphalt Sidewalk on the north side of Spring Garden Road, from Barrington to South Park Street; and the Works Department is hereby authorized to obtain such information and such expert assistance as may be required to properly do the work. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Hamilton.

Moved in amendment by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that the lowest tender be accepted, and the work proceeded with. Said amendment being put is lost.

The original resolution is now put and passed.

Read application of Parker and Taylor, for permission to operate a Steam Saw Mill in rear of the premises 83 and 85 Gottingen Street.

Moved by Alderman Ryan seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said application be referred to the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners for report. Motion passed.

Read application of Thomas Cecconi, for the position of Salt and Grain Measurer. Filed.

Read petition of E. Pickles and others for Sewer on Wellington Street. Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Geldert, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works for report. Motion passed.

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

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that His Worship the Mayor nominate a Committee on Publication of the Annual Report 1893-4. Motion passed.

No. 1.—Alderman O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration of petition of G. M. Smith & Co., and others, for the construction of a Sewer on Barrington Street, between George and Prince Streets. Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the matter be now reconsidered. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the matter be referred back to the Engineer for report in accordance with section 475 of the City Charter. Motion passed.

No. 2.—Alderman O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration of letter from No. 3 Steam Fire Engine Division, requesting that the name of F. J. Horneman be placed on the roll of membership of the Union Engine Company. Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Redden, that the matter be now reconsidered. Motion passed, 10 voting for the same and 5 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For Reconsideration.	Against it.
Aldermen Outhit, Mosher, Creighton, Eden, Ryan, O'Donnell, Duggan, Wallace, Redden, Geldert.—10.	Aldermen Foster, Hubley, Mitchell, Hamilton, Dennis.—5.

It was now moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Redden, that the request conveyed in the letter from No. 3 Steam Fire Engine Division, viz.: that the City Council instruct the Union Engine Company to place F. J. Horneman's name on their roll of membership be acceded to.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the matter be referred to the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners, together with His Honor the Recorder, to consider the advisability of placing F. J. Horneman's name on the roll of the Union Engine Company. Said amendment on being put is lost, 6 voting for the same and 9 against it.

The names being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Hubley, Dennis, Hamilton, Mitchell. Foster, Mosher.—6.	Aldermen Geldert, Redden, Wallace, Duggan, O'Donnell, Ryan, Eden, Creighton, Outhit.—9.

The original motion is now put and passed.

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

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, that the names of all the members of the Union Engine Company in receipt of pay from the City be erased from the roll of the Union Engine Company.

Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Redden.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said resolution be placed on the Order Paper, and that the City Clerk submit to this Council at its next meeting the records of the meeting of the Council, at which two paid officials were requested to withdraw from the Union Engine Company. Said amendment being put is lost, 5 voting for the same and 9 against it.

Alderman Mosher gives notice of reconsideration.

The following second amendment is now introduced :

Resolved, that the resolution in question be referred to the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners for report as to advisability of erasing said names from the roll of membership of the Union Engine Company.

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

The original resolution is now put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 7 against it.

The names being called for appeared thus :

For the Resolution.	Against it.
Aldermen Geldert, Dennis,	Aldermen Wallace, Hamilton,
Redden, Duggan,	Mitchell, Hubley,
O'Donnell, Ryan,	Foster, Mosher,
Eden, Creighton.—8.	Outhit.—7.

Alderman Mosher gives notice of reconsideration.

No. 3.—Alderman O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration of report of City Engineer, relative to Curbs and Gutters. Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Eden, that said matter be now reconsidered. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the resolution on the report of the City Engineer, *re* Curbs and Gutters, as passed at last meeting, do now pass. Motion passed.

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

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, that the City Engineer is hereby requested to report to this Council at its next meeting the cost of a Granite Curbing and Gutter on Cornwallis Street, between Water and North Park Street, on both sides of the street.

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

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

Resolved, that the City Assessors be requested to furnish the Council with a detailed statement, showing the assessed value of the real estate situate on the western side of Upper Water Street, from North Street to Cornwallis Street.

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

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

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, that the Works Department report at the next meeting of the Council, if Mr. McDonald the Contractor finished the new road at the Chain Lakes according to specification, and if not, what amount of money was paid to him, and what amount was due him when he suspended work, and if the City completed the work, and the total cost in connection with the same.

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

Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourn 10.55 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

OCTOBER 16th, 1894.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening.

At the above hour there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Morrow, Foster, Outhit, O'Donnell, Hubley, Eden, Geldert and Mosher.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden, 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 Stewart, Wallace, Dennis, Redden, Duggan, Mitchell, Hamilton, Ryan, McFatrige and Creighton.

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

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

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

Alderman Ryan, Chairman submits a report from the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners *re* accounts, etc., Also report from the Special Committee *re* probable cost of a paid and part paid Fire Department.

Alderman McFatrige submits a report from the City Prison Committee.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers: Annual Report of Chief of Police.

Report of City Engineer *re* cost of construction, etc., of new road near Chain Lakes.

Report City Engineer *re* cost of Barrington Street sewer and George Street outlet.

Report City Clerk covering accounts of A. & W. MacKinlay and Industrial School.

Report City Assessor on value of real estate on west side of Upper Water Street, also of Peters' Estate property near Esplanade.

Report Weighers and Measurers of Coal for the month of September.

Petition of William Nisbet and others for sewer Rhuland Street.

Extract from Minutes of City Health Board *re* Sewers, Russell Street and Willow Street.

Petition from the Hackmen of the City *re* Single Sleighs.

Petition of William J. Nisbet to build a hatchway in front of his premises, 105 Gottingen Street.

Letter from the Recording Secretary of the Union Engine Company covering a copy of a resolution relative to the rejection of F. J. Horne- man from membership of said company.

Letters from James Shand and William E. Bremner in *re* street incumbrances.

Letter from Christie Mont, widow of the late policeman Thomas Mont, asking that she be paid the usual allowance from the Police Superannuation Fund.

Application from Thomas Spry for permission to operate a smoke house at 69 Lockman Street.

Application of George Knodell for position of Grain Measurer.

Cash statements City Treasurer, "General," "Water" and "Balances" for month of September.

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

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

October 2nd, 1894.

A meeting of the Prison Committee was held this day. There were present: Aldermen, Mitchell, Dennis, Creighton, Ryan, Geldert, and Chairman.

They had before them a number of accounts which on examining were found to be correct and are herein submitted, amounting to \$249.79, viz.: W. J. Hop- good, \$103.66; J. A. Leaman & Co., \$19.80; A. Gunn & Co., \$28.00; J. A. Chipman, \$46.00; Mrs. Manley, \$9.96; Black & Flinn, \$4.50; M. O. Crowell, \$4.87; J. D. Grant & Co., \$39.00. Total, \$249.79.

WM. McFATRIDGE, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is now introduced:

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

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

Read report of Charities Committee *re* accounts, etc., for month of September.

October 3rd, 1894.

The Charities Committee met this day and beg leave to submit the following report. They examined accounts, chargeable to maintenance, to amount of \$2,069.83, found them correct and ordered them to be paid.

The Superintendent's report for September showed that during the month there had been 15 admitted, 14 discharged and 3 died. Number of inmates, Sep- tember 30th, 156 men, 135 women and 7 children. Total, 298.

WM. DENNIS, *Chairman*.

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

Read report of Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners *re* the amount due the board by the Department of City Works for work done by the horses of the Fire Department, also recommending the payment of sundry accounts contracted by the board.

His Worship the Mayor leaves the chair, which is taken by Deputy Mayor Stewart, and addresses the Council on the matter of the account of the Board of Fire Wards against the Department of City Works for horse labor.

October 5th, 1894.

The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to report that at a meeting held this day the following resolution was adopted :

1. *Whereas*, The horses under the control of the Fire Department have done a large amount of work for the Internal Health and other civic service for which no remuneration has been received,

Therefore resolved, That this Board request the City Council to have the amount so earned by said horses at once placed to the credit of the account, Maintenance of Fire Department, and to further order that all payments for such work be made monthly.

In accordance with said resolution, your Board requests that the Council give the necessary instructions to the Department of City Works to have the request conveyed in said resolution carried into effect.

2. The following accounts being properly certified, the Board recommended them for payment :

Austen Bros., Badges, \$35.75 ; John O'Connell, Horse-shoeing, \$16.77 ; Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co., Chamois, \$4.12, Acid, \$7.94—\$11.16 ; Chandler General Electric Co., Ltd., Wire, \$138.60 ; John Starr & Sons, Electric Supplies, \$21.98 ; H. H. Fuller & Co., \$7.75, \$4.50 & 65c.—\$12.90 ; Daniel McLeod, Horse-shoeing, \$3.25 ; Knight & Munro, Felt Collar Safe, 80c. ; George Thompson, Barn Brooms, \$7.60 ; John Borton, Plumbing work, \$41.61 ; G. P. Henry, Neats Foot Oil, \$2.85. Total, \$293.27.

JNO. F. RYAN, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the second clause of the report of the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners submitted this evening and referring to accounts contracted by said Board be received and concurred in and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts therein named amounting to \$293.27 and that the 1st clause of the report be placed on the Order of the Day for further consideration.

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

His Worship the Mayor now resumes the chair.

Read report of Special Committee appointed to report on the probable cost of a paid and part paid Fire Department. Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that the same be placed on the Order paper for future consideration.

To which Alderman Stewart moves the following amendment, seconded by Alderman Wallace.

Resolved, That the report of Special Committee on cost of paid fire department be received and referred to a special committee of six Aldermen to be nominated by His Worship the Mayor, to report to this Council on the advisability of introducing in the city a paid or partly paid service and probable cost of same.

Said amendment on being put is passed.

Read report of City Assessor on the assessed value of real estate on the west side of Upper Water Street, from North to Cornwallis Streets ; also on the assessed value of the Peters estate property situated in the rear of Pleasant Street. Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the same be placed on the Order

paper for consideration with No. 24 thereon, viz., Report of City Assessor covering valuation of property on east side of Lockman Street. Motion passed.

Read report of City Engineer on cost of the proposed sewer on Barrington Street and outlet on George Street.

BARRINGTON STREET SEWER.

October 16th 1894.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to report that the cost of the proposed sewer on Barrington Street, and outlet on George Street, will be \$2,800.00.

The estimated rates are \$875.00. I have already recommended the immediate construction of the work.

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

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

Read report of City Engineer on the cost of the new road near Chain Lakes. Placed on Order paper.

Read letters from James Shand and William E. Bremner complaining of the strict enforcement of the ordinance relative to street encumbrances. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the matter be referred to the Police Commissioners for report.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that it be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges. Said amendment on being put is lost. The original motion is now put and passed.

Read letter from N. Meagher, Secretary City Health Board, covering copies of resolutions *re* Sewer Russell Street, and *re* Sewer Willow Street. Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the first clause of said report, viz., Russell Street Sewer, be adopted. Objected to, and the matter placed on Order paper.

Read petition of William Nisbet and others for a sewer on Rhuland Street. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that said petition be referred to the Department of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from Christina Mont asking that she be paid the amount to which she is entitled from the Police Superannuation Fund, as the widow of the late Thomas Mont. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the Trustees of the Superannuation Fund be instructed to pay to Mrs. Mont the amount to which she is entitled under the Police Superannuation Act. Motion passed.

Read annual report of Chief of Police. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the same be referred to the Committee on Publication of Annual Report. Motion passed.

Read report of City Clerk on accounts of A. & W. Mackinlay and Halifax Industrial School. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by

Alderman Stewart, that said report be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read application from Thomas Spry for permission to operate a smoke house on premises 69 Lockman Street. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the same be referred to the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners for report. Motion passed.

Read application from William J. Nisbet for permission to build a hatchway on the sidewalk in front of his premises, No. 105 Gottingen Street. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden, that said application be referred to the Department of City Works to grant the permission asked for if they consider it advisable so to do, and in compliance with the law. Motion passed.

Read letter from M. J. Doyle, Recording Secretary, Union Engine Company, covering a copy of a report from a special committee of said company in *re* the rejection of F. J. Horneman from membership in the Union Engine Company, adopted at a meeting of said company held 11th October, inst. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the same be placed on the Order paper to be considered at a later stage of the meeting.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that it be referred to a special committee on Fire Department matters, to be nominated by His Worship the Mayor.

Said amendment on being put is lost. The original motion is now put and passed.

Read petition from a number of licensed hackmen and others, asking that the licensed hackmen of Halifax be allowed to have single sleighs on the stand for hire during the winter months. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Eden, that said petition be referred to the Committee on Hacks and Trucks for report at an early day. Motion passed.

Read return of Weighers and Measurers of Coal for September, 1894. Filed.

Read application of George Knodell for the position of Salt and Grain Measurer. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that said application be filed and the City Clerk instructed to advertise for applications for the position of Measurer of Salt and Grain. Motion passed.

Read Cash Statements of City Treasurer, "General," "Water" and "Balances," for September. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Stewart, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Read No. 1, Alderman Mosher's notice of reconsideration of resolution and amendment in *re* members of the Union Engine Company in receipt of pay from the city. Moved by Alderman Mosher,

seconded by Alderman Creighton, that the said resolution and amendment relative thereto as passed at last meeting be now re-considered. Motion passed.

Being asked his opinion, His Honor the Recorder says the Council cannot deal with Alderman Duggan's resolution as framed.

Alderman Duggan, with consent of the seconder, and by permission of Council, now withdraws said resolution.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost, 7 voting for the same and 11 against it.

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

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the City Engineer be and is hereby requested to furnish this Council at its next meeting with a statement showing the amount of the Street Appropriation spent on each ward in the city since the abolition of the Board of Works.

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

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost, 8 voting for the same and 9 against it.

Read letter from the secretary of the Union Engine Company covering a copy of a report of a special committee of the said company in *re* the rejection of F. J. Horneman from membership in said company.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Whereas, It is, in the opinion of this Council, essential to the good government of the city that the City Council should have absolute control over the fire apparatus and appliances belonging to the city, and also control over all persons in charge of such property ;

Therefore resolved, That the services of the Union Engine Company be forthwith dispensed with, and that the City Clerk be instructed to notify the said company accordingly ;

Further resolved, That the City Council do place on record its appreciation of the excellent services rendered by the Union Engine Company on many occasions in the past ;

Further resolved, That a committee be appointed by His Worship the Mayor to prepare and submit to the Council at an early day a scheme for the reorganization of the Fire Department, and that in the meantime the Board of Fire Wards be requested to take charge of the apparatus and appliances and to make such arrangements as in their judgment may be necessary to ensure the safety of citizens and the protection of their property from fire.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Redden, objected to and placed on Order paper.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10.25 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

OCTOBER 29th, 1894.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above hour. Present: His Worship the Mayor; Aldermen, Mosher, Wallace, McFatrige, O'Donnell, Redden, Ryan, Foster, Mitchell, Duggan, Outhit, Eden, Hubley, Hamilton, Dennis, Geldert, Stewart and Creighton.

The Council was summoned to deal with Alderman Geldert's resolution *re* Union Engine Company and other matters relating to the Fire Department, and the transaction of other business.

The minutes of last meeting are read and confirmed.

Alderman Mosher submits a report from the Committee on Public Accounts *re* duties of said Committee, accounts for payment, etc.

Alderman Ryan submits a report from the Board of Fire Wardens *re* accounts.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

Report from His Worship the Mayor *re* Tenders for lease of Exhibition Building.

Application of Allan McDonald for position of Grain Measurer.

Report of City Engineer on petition for sewer Ruhland Street.

Report of City Engineer on petition for Water Extension, Belle Air Terrace

Letter from Executors of the estate of James Hunter *re* amount charged for new sidewalk on Hollis Street, together with a report from the City Engineer thereon.

Report of City Engineer on letter of William Nisbet for Water Extension on Ruhland Street.

Report City Engineer on petition for Water Extension on Clifton Street.

Letter from George Mitchell, Executor of estate of W. L. Hetherington *re* Assessment for Sewer, Victoria Road.

Letter from V. F. Farrell complaining of the conduct of the City Collector.

Annual report 1893-4 of the Measurers of Salt and Grain.

Applications for the position of Salt and Grain Measurer.

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

Read report of Committee on public accounts *re* duties of the Committee, present mode of payment of accounts by Department of City Works, and recommending sundry accounts for payment.

October 29th, 1894.

The Committee on Public Accounts met this day. Present: The Chairman Aldermen Stewart and Hubley.

Your Committee would recommend that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to furnish this Committee with an opinion in writing as to the duties of this Committee. Also as to whether the present mode of payment of accounts by the Department of Works is in compliance with the Act.

The following accounts having been certified and found correct were ordered to be paid:

Messrs. A. & W. MacKinlay, for Stationery, etc. for the month of August, 1894, for City Collector, \$7.51; The Mayor, \$4.51; City Clerk, \$3.31; City Treasurer, \$1.13. Total, \$16.46. Messrs. A. & W. Mackinlay, for Stationery, etc. for month of September, 1894, for Police Department, \$15.93; City Clerk, \$2.30; City Collector, \$3.45; City Treasurer, \$3.86. Total, \$25.48. Industrial School, (Truants' Account) \$9.99.

The returns of the City Collector of Rates and Water Rates collected during the month of August, 1894, also City Treasurer's Cash Statements, "General," and "Water" and Statement of Balances to 31st August, 1894, also City Treasurer's Cash Statements, "General" and "Water" and Statement of Balances to 30th September, 1894, are herewith submitted and ordered to be published in the Annual Civic Report.

SAUL MOSHER, *Chairman*.

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

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

October 29th, 1894.

The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to submit the following accounts, and recommend the same for payment:—John C. Colp, carpenter work, \$220.13; Frank Reardon, embossing lamp No. 5 S. F. E., \$4.00; T. W. Bateman, locksmith work, etc., \$31.75; Austin Bros, waste, \$10.70; George Mclellan, hire of sleigh, \$28.50; H. H. Fuller, curry combs, 40 cents; H. Trenaman, 6 months as Secretary, \$30.00.—Total \$325.48.

JNO. F. RYAN, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, that the report of the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners, *re* accounts submitted this date, be received and concurred in, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts therein named.

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

Read report from His Worship the Mayor, covering tenders for lease of the Exhibition Building, also read letter from H. L. Chipman submitted this evening, *re* obtaining the Exhibition Building grounds for site for a summer hotel.

To the Members of the City Council:—

In answer to an advertisement calling for tenders for the lease of the Exhibition Building, a copy of which is attached the following tenders were received:—H. L. Hart, Agent for I. O. O. F, \$550.00; H. B. Clarke, \$600.00; C. M. Jack, with W. L.

Lowell as security, \$660.00; F. W. Cunningham, with George Monaghan, Maurice Kavanagh and John T. Devine as sureties, \$1,015.00, and beg to recommend that the tender of F. W. Cunningham be accepted on him and his sureties signing the necessary bond for the fulfillment of the terms of the lease, or in the event of his not complying, that I be empowered to award to next tenderer on the same conditions.

M. E. KEEFE, *Mayor*.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the report of His Worship the Mayor be received and concurred in. Motion passed. Alderman Dennis gives notice of re-consideration.

Moved by Alderman Outhit, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that His Worship the Mayor appoint a committee to consider the letter from H. L. Chipman and report thereon to the Council. Motion passed. Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of re-consideration.

His Worship the Mayor nominates the following Aldermen as the Committee to consider and report on H. L. Chipman's letter *re* site of Exhibition Building, viz.: Aldermen Morrow, Wallace, Hamilton, O'Donnell, McFatridge and Outhit. On motion of Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Stewart, said nominations are confirmed.

Read letter from Robert Motton relative to payment of his retiring allowance. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Foster, that said letter be placed on file until the Council receive official notification of the acceptance of Mr. Motton's resignation of the office of Stipendiary Magistrate and the appointment of his successor. Motion passed.

Read report of the City Engineer on petition of William Nisbet and others for a sewer on Ruhland Street.

RUHLAND STREET SEWER.

October 27th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the appended petition for a sewer on Ruhland Street.

The estimated cost is	\$1,750 00
" rates	825 00

I would respectfully recommend that this sewer be built in turn.

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

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

Read report of City Engineer on petition of C. Tanner and others, for Water extension, Belle Air Terrace. Moved by Alderman Mosher seconded by Alderman Stewart, that the same be referred back to the City Engineer for further enquiry and report. Motion passed.

Read report of the City Engineer on petition of William Nisbet for Water Extension, Ruhland Street. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be referred back to the City Engineer for a definite statement of the revenue to be derived from the proposed outlay. Motion passed.

Read letter from the Executors of the estate of James Hunter, re amount charged said estate for new sidewalk on Hollis Street, with report of the City Engineer thereon.

October 26th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In reference to the enclosed letters respecting bill for sidewalk on Hollis Street, it is beyond your power to remit the amount paid for the old sidewalk.

The material of the old walk was not fit for sale and was used in the new foundation. The old bricks were covered with cement.

There is but one course to pursue, and that is to comply with the law. The bill, \$194.27, has been reduced to \$160.37 and the estate will have to pay that amount. It has been reduced \$33.90, but you would not be justified in reducing it any further.

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

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the report of the City Engineer be received and concurred in, and a copy thereof forwarded to the executors of the Hunter Estate. Motion passed.

Read report of City Engineer on petition of Alexander Collier and others for Water Extension, Clifton Street.

WATER EXTENSION, CLIFTON STREET.

October 27th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In reference to the accompanying petition for Water Extension on Clifton Street, I beg to report. The estimated cost is:—

NORTH STREET.

450 ft. 6 in. Pipe at 73 cents	\$ 328 50
450 ft. clay excavation and pipe laying at 65 cents .	292 50
1 6 in. single branch	5 00
300 lbs lead	10 50
9 service pipes	135 00
	————— \$771 50

CLIFTON STREET.

1400 ft. 6 in. pipe at 73 cents	\$1022 00
1400 ft. part rock excavation and pipe laying at 75 c.	1050 00
1 6 in. single branch	5 00
930 lbs. lead	32 65
14 service pipes	210 00
	————— 2319 65
	3091 15
Estimated revenue, North Street	\$ 36 00
“ “ Clifton Street	72 00
	————— \$108 00

The revenue will be about 60 per cent. of the interest on the outlay, and under these circumstances I would not recommend an extension.

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

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

Read petition from George Mitchell, *re* assessment on estate of W. L. Hetherington, for sewer, Victoria Road. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works for report. Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the matter be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Said amendment being put is lost. The original motion is now put and passed.

Read letter from V. F. Farrell complaining of the conduct of the City Collector. Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that the matter be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for investigation and report. Motion passed.

Read annual report of the Weighers and Measurers of Salt and Grain for civic year 1893-4. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the same be referred to the Committee on Publication of Annual report. Motion passed.

Read applications from the following named for the vacant position of Salt and Grain Measurer, viz.: Thomas Wood, Thomas Cecconi, William Spain, John Sheridan, Edward Power, John Lilley, Philip De'Gruchy, George Nauffts, C. F. F. Von Schoppe, Thomas Shields, Robert P. Greenwood, John Knodell, William J. Flemming, Thomas Forbes, W. J. Egan and Allan McDonald.

The Council now proceed to appoint a Salt and Grain Measurer for the balance of the year ending 30th April, 1895. On the first vote there appeared, for Thomas Wood, 8; Thomas Cecconi, 4; C. F. Von Schoppe, 1; John Knodell, 3; Allan McDonald, 1.

2nd vote. Thomas Wood, 11; Thomas Cecconi, 1; John Lilley, 2, and John Knodell, 3.

Thomas Wood, having received a majority vote of the Council, His Worship the Mayor declares him elected a Measurer of Salt and Grain for the City of Halifax.

His Worship the Mayor nominates the following as the Committee on Publication of Annual Report, viz.: Aldermen Mosher, Dennis and Geldert. On motion said nominations are confirmed.

The Council now proceed to consider the matter for which the meeting was specially called, viz., Alderman Geldert's resolution *re* Union Engine Company, and other matters relating to the Fire Department. The resolution, moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Redden, and set out in the minutes of last meeting of the City Council, is now read.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Redden, that said resolution be now adopted.

The following amendment to said resolution is now introduced:

Whereas, It is, in the opinion of this Council, essential to the good government of the city that the City Council should have absolute control over the fire apparatus and appliances, and also control over all persons in charge of such property,

Resolved, That, while fully appreciating the splendid services so freely and gallantly rendered in the past, in the opinion of this Council, the time has arrived when the best interests of the city demand that the services of the volunteer fire companies should be dispensed with and that the fire department of the City of Halifax should, at an early day, be operated by a body of experienced and disciplined men who shall give their whole time to the service of the city (or shall be employed as call men), and in the employment of a paid department preference be given to members of the present volunteer companies.

Further resolved, That the Mayor be requested to appoint a Special Committee to consider and report a scheme for the re-organization of the Fire Department of Halifax on the basis of its being operated by a compact body of men giving their whole time to the service of the city.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Stewart. Said amendment being put, there appeared :

For the amendment.		Against it.	
Aldermen Moshier, Foster,		Aldermen Outhit, Creighton,	
McFtridge, Mitchell,		Eden, Ryan,	
Hamilton, Dennis,		O'Donnell, Hubley,	
Stewart.—7.		Duggan, Wallace,	
		Redden, Geldert.—10.	

The Mayor declares the amendment lost.

Alderman Dennis gives notice of reconsideration

The following second amendment is now introduced :—

Resolved, That the matter of change in the Union Engine Company remain as they are until the election next spring, when the rate payers of the City will be called upon to vote for or against a paid fire department.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Dennis, which amendment on being put is lost, 8 voting for the same and 9 against it. The names being called for appeared thus :—

For the amendment.		Against it.	
Aldermen Stewart, Dennis,		Aldermen Geldert, Redden,	
Hamilton, Duggan,		Wallace, Hubley,	
Mitchell, McFtridge,		O'Donnell, Ryan,	
Foster, Moshier.—8.		Eden, Creighton,	
		Outhit.—9.	

Alderman Dennis gives notice of reconsideration.

The original resolution being put is carried, 10 voting for the same and 7 against it. The names being called for appeared thus :—

For the resolution.		Against it	
Aldermen Geldert, Redden,		Aldermen Stewart, Dennis,	
Wallace, Duggan,		Hamilton, Mitchell,	
Hubley, O'Donnell,		McFtridge, Foster,	
Ryan, Eden,		Moshier.—7.	
Creighton, Outhit—10.			

Alderman Foster gives notice of re-consideration.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Ryan to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following lists of persons agreeing to work and handle the fire apparatus belonging to the City of Halifax, and formerly under the care of the Union Engine Company, are now submitted by Alderman Ryan as follows :

Halifax, N. S., October 29th, 1894.

We, the undersigned, do agree to work and handle No. 1 S. F. E. at fires under the direction of the City Council. And we further agree to accept any compensation they, the City Council, may in their wisdom allow us:—James Donelly, 202 Argyle Street; Wm. Walsh, 74 Argyle Street; James Fogerty, 31 Cogswell Street; James Quirk, 201 Albermarle Street; James Ryan, 201 Albermarle Street; James Brady, 261 Gottingen Street; Robert McKay, Blower Street; J. A. Lightizer, Barrington Street; John Walsh, 208 Albermarle Street; James Walsh, 227 Albermarle Street; John Powell, 212 Albermarle Street.

Halifax, October 29th, 1894.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to work and handle the apparatus belonging to the City of Halifax, known as No. 2 Steamer division, on Maynard Street; and we further agree to accept whatever remuneration the City Council of Halifax may see fit to pay us for the same.

Edward Phelan, 7 Moran Street; William Hotchkiss, 25 Bauer Street; Richard Cashen, 178 Gottingen Street; John Connolly, 23 Cunard Street; John Walsh, 172 Gottingen Street; William Connors, 89 Maynard Street; Thos. Byrnes, 20 Rector Street; Alex. McDonald, 161 Gottingen Street; James Purcell, 41 West Street; Patrick Murphy, 32 West Street; Alex. Fraser, 101 Maitland Street; William Pettapas, 174 Gottingen Street; Wm. Fitzpatrick, 90 Lockman Street; Patrick McDonald, 2 West Street; Richard Schrage, 29 Maynard Street; Michael Moreash, 1 Lockman Street; Martin Killeen, Cor. Brunswick & Gerrish Streets.

Halifax, October 29th, 1894.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to handle and work the apparatus belonging to the City of Halifax, and known as No. 3 S. F. E. Division, Queen Street; and we further agree to accept whatever remuneration the City Council of Halifax may see fit to pay us for the same:—Stephen Major, 118 Queen Street; Thos. Sunderland, 16½ Spring Garden Road; James M. Foley, 8 Rottenburg Street; Matthew Quirk, 112 Queen Street; P. J. Dwyer, 42 Queen Street; R. J. Anderson, 136 Queen Street; H. Burke, 77 Dresden Row; F. J. Horneman, 26 Spring Garden Road; James Evans, 14 Birmingham Street; Thos. M. Leary, 26 Dresden Row; D. Irons, 139 Morris Street; M. Williams, 140 Tower Road; Henry B. Quirk, Queen Street (Engine House); Matthew H. Condon, John Lomas, 85 Morris Street; G. E. Ritchie, 55 Birmingham Street; M. F. Burns, 27 Argyle Street.

Halifax, October 29th, 1894.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to handle and work the apparatus belonging to the City of Halifax, and known as No. 4 S. F. E. Division, Bedford Row; and we further agree to accept whatever remuneration the City Council of Halifax may see fit to pay us for the same:—Michael Miller, 19 Lower Water Street; Samuel Duggan, 36 Lower Water Street; F. Bowers, 30 Granville Street; Martin J. Bates, 197 Lower Water Street; William Howley, 32 Water Street; Thomas Strong, 27 Hollis Street; Matthew McDonald, John Ryan, 85 Lower Water Street; James Sullivan, 1 Morris Street; Thomas Walsh, 74 Argyle Street; Alex. McKay, 20 Upper Water Street; John Kennedy, 14 Lower Water Street; John Bowser, Lower Water Street; Andrew Duggan, 52 Lower Water Street; S. Banfield, 190 Albermarle Street; Wm. Marshall, 20 Upper Water Street; James Duggan, 72 Lower Water Street; Edward Hore, 6 Bishop Street; John Brookes, 32 Granville Street.

Halifax, October 29th, 1894.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to work and handle the apparatus belonging to the City of Halifax, known as No. 5 S. F. E. Division, Quinpool

Road; and we further agree to accept whatever remuneration the City Council of Halifax may see fit to pay us for the handling of the same. Signed:

Jno. Washington, North Kline Street; W. H. Lewin, 5 Laurence Street; John W. Lewin, Quinpool Road; Robt. Boutillier, Cedar Street; F. J. Harvey, West Harvey Street; Walter Harvey, West Harvey Street; E. J. Healy, West Harvey Street; John Healy, West Harvey Street; Joseph Rodgers, Harvey Street; Robert Walker, Quinpool Road; John Cruickshanks, Quinpool Road; Thomas Haley, West Harvey Street; Lewis Brunt, Quinpool Road; John Brant, Quinpool Road. 14, formerly 8.

Halifax, October 29th, 1894.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to work and handle the apparatus belonging to the City of Halifax, known as No. 2 Hose Division on Brunswick Street; and we further agree to accept whatever remuneration the City Council of Halifax may see fit to pay us for the same:—P. Shelly, Richard Lacey, 14 Starr Street; W. A. Fultz, 61 Granville Street; John Kelley, Hotel Symonds, Granville Street; Dominick Healy, 44 Granville Street; George Martin, 38 Sackville Street; Arthur Lownds, 55 Grafton Street; Stanley Lownds, 55 Grafton Street; James Power, John Quinn, 98 Hollis Street; E. C. Walsh, 78 Argyle Street.

Halifax, October 29th, 1894.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to work and handle the apparatus belonging to the City of Halifax, known as No. 4 Hose Division, on Gottingen Street; and we further agree to accept whatever remuneration the City Council of Halifax may see fit to pay us for the same.

Patrick Joy, 18 Cornwallis Street; Alfred Pitts, 37 Charles Street; S. Trenaman, 47 Cogswell Street; Isaac McColough, 33 Almon Street; William Sutherland, 20 May Street; Albert Tummonds, 20 Almon Street; William Horne, 39 Almon Street; Arthur R. Quinn, 86 W. Young Street; Robert Estano, Gottingen Street; Frank O'Brien, Cor. Almon & Agricola Streets; James Tyman, 12 Russell Street; Jno. T. Woods, 61 Bilby Street

Halifax, October 29, 1894.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to work and handle the apparatus, known as No. 5 Hose Division, Spring Garden Road, belonging to the City of Halifax; and we further agree to accept whatever remuneration the City Council of Halifax may see fit to pay us for handling the same:—W. P. C. Inglis, 24½ Blower Street; John E. Burns, 152 Spring Garden Road; Gregory Thomas, 22 Blowers Street; Thomas Inglis, 24½ Blower Street; Geo. Fraser, Albert Street; Edward Coy, 49 Dresden Row; F. W. Smith, 20 Blower Street; C. A. Smith, 20 Blower Street; Thomas Ead, 12 Salter Street; John B. Nickerson, 95 Hollis Street; Joseph A. Martin, 120 Barrington Street; James Ryan, 110 Lower Water Street; M. Kavanagh, 93 Grafton Street; Michael Kennedy, 59 Granville Street; J. F. Flemming, 259 Pleasant Street; John J. Connor, 98 Birmingham Street; Wm. Vaughan, Bishop Street.

At the present time the City of Halifax have in their employ the following paid officials in the Fire Department:

- No. 1 Steamer Division.—Michael Sullivan, Driver No. 1 Hose Waggon; James Murphy, Driver No. 1 Steamer; Edward Condon, Engineer No. 1 Steamer.
- No. 2 Steamer Division.—John Egan, Driver No. 2 Hose Waggon; R. McKenzie, Driver No. 2 Steamer; Patrick O'Toole, Engineer No. 2 Steamer.
- No. 3 Steamer Division.—John Tobin, Driver No. 3 Steamer; M. Mulcahy, Engineer No. 3 Steamer; R. Quirk, Driver No. 3 Hose Waggon.
- No. 4 Steamer Division.—James McGuire, Driver No. 4 Hose Waggon; Daniel Ryan, Driver No. 4 Steamer; James Fahie, Engineer No. 4 Steamer.
- No. 5 Steamer Division.—John Hennessey, Driver No. 5 Hose Waggon; P. Monaghan, Driver No. 5 Steamer; Matthew Young, Engineer No. 5 Steamer.
- No. 2 Hose Division.—DeYoung, Driver No. 2 Hose Waggon.
- No. 4 Hose Division.—Joseph Johnstone, Driver No. 4 Hose Waggon.
- No. 5 Hose Division.—Frank Payne, Driver No. 5 Hose Waggon.

Chemical Engine.—Joseph Fultz, Driver of Chemical; John T. Murphy, Branch Man of Chemical; Michael Murphy, Engineer Chemical.

No. 1 Ladder Cart.—John Honey, Driver No. 1 Ladder Cart.

No. 2 Ladder Cart.—George McGuire, Driver No. 2 Ladder Cart.

Total number of paid officers, 23.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the offer of the persons named in the list just read be accepted and they are hereby appointed to act as firemen under the control and direction of the Board of Fire Wards, subject to the control of this Council, until such time as the Special Committee report to this Council and their report is acted upon.

Further resolved, That the remuneration to be paid to said firemen be at the rate of Five Hundred Dollars per annum, which sum shall be paid them in such proportion to each Division as the Mayor shall decide.

Further resolved, That the payment shall be in addition to the sum payable to Engineers and Drivers whose services are retained.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Redden, and passed: Alderman Dennis gives notice of reconsideration.

His Worship the Mayor nominated the following named Aldermen, as a Committee on the reorganization of the Fire Department, viz. :—Aldermen Geldert, Redden, Duggan, Hubley, Eden, Creighton. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that the said nominations be concurred in. Moved in amendment by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Stewart, as follows:—

Resolved, That the Committee appointed by the Mayor be approved of and be requested to act in conjunction with the Board of Fire Wards in presenting their report, and that the members of said Committee are hereby appointed members of the Board of Fire Wards. Said amendment being put is passed.

Alderman Dennis gives notice of reconsideration.

Alderman O'Donnell moves that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow him to introduce a resolution. Said motion is seconded by Alderman McFatrige, and passed.

The following resolution is now introduced :—

Whereas, the names of City Officials has been mentioned in the public press, and the names of John Murphy, janitor of Central Engine House, and City Electrician has been sworn to by different witnesses for taking liquor into an unlicensed house, No. — Brunswick Street, known as the Stone Jug, and gambling there for drink and mone^y from one to after three o'clock in the morning.

Therefore Resolved, that the evidence taken under oath by the City Clerk be sent to the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners to investigate the same and report back to this Council at once.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Hubley and passed, 9 voting for the same and 6 against it.

Names being called for, appeared thus :

For the resolution.
Aldermen Outhit, Mosher,
Creighton, O'Donnell,
Hubley, Duggan,
Rdden, Wallace,
Geldert.—9.

Against it.
Aldermen Eden, McFatrige,
Hamilton, Dennis,
Stewart, Mitchell.—6.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Stewart, that Thomas Spelman, Caretaker of City Property, be appointed Captain of the Firemen appointed this evening and that his name be enrolled as one of the body of men to take charge of and work the fire apparatus. Moved in amendment by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Eden,

That John Connolly, 23 Cunard Street, be Captain of the body of firemen appointed this evening until the Committee appointed to consider and report on the subject of a Paid Fire Department make their report. Said Captain to be under the direction of the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners and subject to the City Council.

Said amendment, being put, is passed, 12 voting for the same and 4 against it. The names being called for, appeared thus :

For the amendment, Aldermen Outhit, Mosher, Creighton, Eden, McFatrige, Ryan, O'Donnell, Hubley, Duggan, Redden, Wallace and Geldert.

Against it, Aldermen Mitchell, Hamilton, Dennis and Stewart.

Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that the City Clerk notify the Captain and Secretary of the Union Engine Company, Captain Connolly and the men who were to night appointed as firemen, of the action taken by the Council to night in the matter of the Fire Department. Motion passed.

Alderman Dennis gives notice of reconsideration on all matters pertaining to the Fire Department that were dealt with this evening.

Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and passed.

Council adjourns, 12.05 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

NOVEMBER 20th, 1894.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. Present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen, Morrow, Stewart, Geldert, Wallace, Redden, Duggan, Hamilton, Hubley, O'Donnell, Ryan, Eden, Foster, McFatrige, Creighton and Outhit.

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 Stewart, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Hacks and Trucks, *re* Single Sleighs.

Alderman Foster, acting Chairman, Committee on Tenders, submits a report from said Committee, *re* Tenders for Loan for Sewerage and Dry Dock.

Alderman McFatrige, Chairman, submits a report from the City Prison Committee.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

Petition of Michael Madden and others, for Sewer in Henry Street.

Petition of Albert Downey and others, against the obstruction of Barrington Street by teamsters.

Resignation of A. J. Brady of his position of Hay Weigher.

Report of Coal Measurers, for month of October.

Report of City Clerk, *re* Accounts.

Report from Halifax Fire Department, *re* appointment of officers, etc.

Annual Report of City Engineer for year 1893-4.

City Collectors returns of Rates and Water Rates, collected during the month of October.

City Treasurers cash statements "General," "Water" and "Balances" for October.

Letter from Harris, Henry and Cahan, Solicitors of Merchants' Bank of Halifax, *re* Cabs standing in front of the Bank's premises, Hollis Street.

Letters from John Ronald, offering to sell to the City a Chemical Engine.

Petition from James Shand and others, against the Ordinance relative to Street obstructions.

Letter from B. F. Pearson, on behalf of the Halifax Illuminating and Motor Company, *re* Fines imposed on said Company for lights out.

Petition from William Nisbet, for Sewer, Rhuland Street.

Letter from Matthew Sullivan, ex-Policeman, asking that he be granted a superannuation allowance.

Letter from John Fortune, *re* hatch in front of his premises, 113 Gottingen Street.

Letter from City Engineer, *re* Paving Street Railway track.

Report City Engineer (2nd) on petition for Water extension, Belle Air Terrace.

Report of City Engineer on petition of Edward Monaghan and others, against the construction of a Sewer on Starr Street.

Report School Commissioners, *re* enforcement of Compulsory School Act.

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

Alderman Redden, by leave of Council, now submits the following resolution:—

Whereas, the City Council has learned with deep regret of a sad bereavement which has visited the home of Alderman Mosher.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be requested to write Alderman Mosher conveying to him the sincere sympathy of his brother Aldermen in his affliction

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

Read Report of City Prison Committee, covering accounts, etc., for month of October.

CITY PRISON, November 6th, 1894.

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee, held this day, there were present: Aldermen Dennis, Ryan, Creighton and the Chairman. They had before them a number of accounts, which on examining were found to be correct and are herein submitted, amounting to \$231.49: A. Gunn & Co, \$28.00; William Roche, \$73.50; John F. Kelly, \$1.90; Geo. E. Smith & Co., \$3.15; Irwin & Sons, \$49.23; John Nolen, \$30.00; A. J. Grant & Co., \$1.67; The Granite House, \$18.99; W. E. Crowe & Co., \$7.05; J. A. Leaman & Co., \$18.00.

WM. McFATRIDGE, *Chairman*.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the report of the City Prison Committee be received and adopted, and the Mayor be authorised to sign warrants for the payment of the amount named herein.

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

Read letter from Harris, Henry and Cahan, Solicitors of the Merchants Bank of Halifax, *re* Cabs standing in front of the bank premises on the west side of Hollis Street. (Ordered to be filed.)

Read letters (2) from John Ronald, Brussels, Ont., offering to sell a Chemical Engine to the City. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that said letters be returned to Mr. Ronald without comment. Motion passed.

Read Petition of James Shand and others, relative to the enforcement of the Ordinance relating to Street obstructions. Also, read

petition of Merchants on Barrington Street, complaining of teams standing in front of their places of business.

Alderman Hamilton gives notice, that he will at the next meeting of the Council, move the following resolution :

Whereas, the Sidewalk Ordinance as at present enforced, appears to be inequitable and not uniformly enforced.

Therefore Resolved, that its operation be suspended.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, that all reports made by Policemen, relative to Sections 12 and 21 of By Laws or Ordinances relating to the Streets of the City of Halifax, be forwarded to the Police Commission before being reported to the Court.

Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Outhit. Moved in amendment by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Stewart, that the report of Street obstructions be forwarded to the Chief of Police instead of to the Police Commissioners. Said amendment on being put is lost, 7 voting for the same and 8 against it. Names being called for appeared thus :

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen O'Donnell, Hamilton, Wallace, Redden, Geldert, Morrow, Stewart.—7.	Aldermen Outhit, Creighton, Foster, Eden, McFatridge, Hubley, Duggan, Ryan.—8.

The original motion is now put and passed.

Read letter from B. F. Pearson on behalf of the Halifax Illuminating and Motor Company, calling the attention of the Council to the onerous method by which the conditions of the contract between that Company and the City are being carried out. Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Morrow, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read petition of William Nisbet for the construction of a Sewer on Rhuland Street. Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, and the Department of City Works instructed to build the Sewer out of its regular order. Which motion being put is passed, 9 voting for the same and 4 against it. On names being called for there appeared :

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Stewart, Geldert, Redden, Wallace, O'Donnell, McFatridge, Foster, Creighton, Outhit.—9.	Aldermen Morrow, Duggan, Hamilton, Hubley.—4.

Alderman Hubley, gives notice of reconsideration.

Read petition of Matthew Sullivan, ex-Policeman, praying that the Council grant him a superannuation allowance. Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Redden, that the same be referred to the Police Commission to be dealt with in such manner as they deem to be equitable and just.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Eden, that it be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. The amendment being put is lost. The original motion is now put and passed.

Read letter from John E. Fortune, relative to instructions received from His Honor the Recorder, to reduce the width of the hatch in front of his premises, 113 Gottingen Street. Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that no action be taken by His Honor the Recorder in this matter at present. Motion passed.

Read letter from the City Engineer covering correspondence relative to paving Street Railway track. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that a committee be appointed to whom this correspondence shall be referred, and who shall also take into consideration all matters pertaining to a Street Railway in the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

Read report (2nd) of City Engineer *re* Water Extension Belle Air Terrace.

WATER EXTENSION BELLE AIRE TERRACE.

October 27th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition for Water Extension in Belle Aire Terrace. That the estimated cost is:

380 ft. 6 in. pipe at 73 cents	\$277 40
380 ft. excavation and pipe laying	304 00
200 lbs. lead	7 00
3 service pipes	36 00
	\$624 00

Estimated revenue \$12.00.

The revenue will not be one-third of the interest on the outlay. It is not advisable in any case to make the extension, as there is plenty of room to widen the street and it should be done at once. I would recommend that the extension be postponed for the present.

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

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that provided the petitioners give the necessary bonds to meet the interest on the outlay, the water be extended as far as petitioned for only, but not to Ontario Street. Motion passed.

Read report of the City Engineer on petition of Edward Monaghan and others, against the construction of a Sewer on Starr Street.

STARR STREET SEWER.

November 19th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—The accompanying petition in reference to Starr Street Sewer is not dated. It is too late to change the order for construction of this Sewer, as it is about completed as far as it is proposed to build it. The work was ordered by the Council and recommended by the Board of Health.

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

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Redden, that a copy of the City Engineer's Report be forwarded the petitioners. Motion passed.

Read report of Committee on Hacks and Trucks *re* Single Seated Sleighs.

CITY HALL, November 19th, 1894.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Hacks and Trucks, held on the 2nd inst, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Committee recommend to the City Council that the Ordinance relative to Hackney Carriages be amended by striking out the words in Section No. 2, "and to have not less than two seats," also by striking out the words in Section No. 3, "said sleigh not to contain less than two seats." Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman McFatridge.

WM. J. STEWART, *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report of Committee on Tenders, *re* Tenders for Loan (\$25,000) for Sewerage and Dry Dock.

CITY HALL, Halifax, November 8th, 1894.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

The Committee on Tenders beg to report that the accompanying tenders for Sewerage and Dry Dock loans were received, and recommend that the offer of "The Imperial Trust Company of Canada," to loan \$25,000 at 4½% per annum at a premium of four dollars and thirty-eight cents per \$100, be accepted.

MINER T. FOSTER, *Acting Chairman*.

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

Read petition of Michael Madden and others, for a sewer on Henry Street, between Morris Street and Coburg Road. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, that said petition be referred to the City Engineer for report. Motion passed.

Read resignation of Arthur J. Brady, of his position as Hay Weigher. Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Wallace, that said resignation be accepted. Motion passed.

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

Moved by Alderman Duggan, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell' that the supervisor of Hay Weighers be requested to make a report of their doings to this council and also report as to the working of the ordinance. Motion passed.

Read report of City Clerk covering accounts of A. & W. MacKinlay and Theakston & Co. Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Stewart, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from R. J. Wilson, Secretary of Board of School Commissioners, *re* appointment of Truant Officer, and also of enumerator of school children, as provided under the Compulsory School Act. Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that the same be referred to the Commissioners of Police to deal with.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Morrow, seconded by Alderman Duggan, that said communication be referred to His Honor the Recorder for report. The amendment on being put is passed, 8 voting for the same and 4 against it. The original resolution is put and lost.

Read communication from the Halifax Fire Department, *re* appointment of officers, resignation of certain members, and the appointment of new members.

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 5th, 1894.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Halifax Fire Department held Thursday evening, 1st inst., the following is a list of the officers elected :

COMPANY OFFICERS.

Captain, John Connolly; Vice-Captain, John Washington; Recording Secretary, Alfred Pitts; Financial Secretary, Matthew Quirk; Treasurer, William P. C. Inglis; Marshal, John Kennedy.

DIVISION OFFICERS.

No. 1, S. F. E.—1st Lieut., Dominick Haley; 2nd Lieut., James Donnelly.

2, S. F. E.—1st Lieut., Edward Phalen; 2nd Lieut., Thomas Burns.

3, S. F. E.—1st Lieut., Stephen Major; 2nd Lieut., Richard Anderson.

4, S. F. E.—1st Lieut., Michael Miller; 2nd Lieut., James Sullivan.

5, S. F. E.—1st Lieut., John W. Lewin; 2nd Lieut., William Lewin.

2, Hose.—1st Lieut., Edward Walsh; 2nd Lieut., John Quinn.

4, Hose.—1st Lieut., Patrick Joy; 2nd Lieut., Samuel Trenaman.

5, Hose.—1st Lieut., Maurice Kavanagh; 2nd Lieut., Thomas Inglis.

The undermentioned members, passed by the Council at its last meeting have found it inconvenient to attend to the duties of a fireman and request to have their names taken off the list :

Thomas Ead, Robert Estano, James Tynan, Patrick Shelly, Richard Lacy, John Kelly, S. Banfield, Martin J. Bates, William Vaughan, Albert Tummons, Lewis Brunt, Joseph Rodgers.

The following applications have been received and confirmed and submit them for your approval.

Patrick Moriarty, Thomas Foley, James Moreash, William Duggan, Vincent F. Cashen, William White, James A. Gibbons, John Waugh, John Stapleton, Thomas Doyle, Thomas Deer, James Smart, Charles Pheaney, Henry Clements, Joseph Alexander, Daniel Kennedy, Thomas Chambers, Thomas Lewin, William Smith, John Hamilton, Richard Dunsworth, Edmund Forristall, William Davis, William McInnis, Arthur Fleming, George Murray, Frank Martin, James Curran, Edward Brunt, George Power, George Holt, William Sullivan, Alfred Freckleton, Daniel Charlton, Bernard Riley, Owen Hayes, Patrick Doyle, Thomas Holt, Frank Bowen, Michael Kennedy, Joseph Quigley, Albert Duggan, James Harris, William Shannahan, William Howard, Charles Connors, Jeremiah Griffin, Lawrence Doyle, Samuel McCauley.

ALFRED PITTS, *Rec. Secy., H. F. D.*

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the report be adopted, and the new appointments confirmed. Motion passed.

Read annual report of City Engineer, for the civic year 1893-4.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Redden, that the same be referred to the Committee on Publication of Annual Report. Motion passed.

Read returns (Rates and Water Rates) of City Collector for the month of October. Also, read City Treasurer's Cash Statements,

General, Water and Balances for the month of October. Moved by Alderman Stewart, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts. Motion passed.

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

The following is now introduced :—

Whereas, the City of Halifax, by resolution of City Council, December 6th, 1893, agreed to pay The Provincial Exhibition Commission the sum of five thousand dollars under certain conditions.

And whereas, said sum is now due the Commission.

Therefore Resolved, that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to borrow from available funds the sum of three thousand dollars to be returned when necessary legislation is obtained.

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

The Council now proceed to appoint two School Commissioners for the City of Halifax, and Aldermen Redden, O'Donnell, Hubley and McFatridge, were severally nominated for the position, on the first vote being taken Alderman Redden received a majority vote of the council, and was declared by His Worship the Mayor duly elected a Commissioner of School, for the City of Halifax; second vote gave Alderman O'Donnell, 3, Alderman Hubley, 4, Alderman McFatridge, 4.

Aldermen Hubley and O'Donnell being excused from voting.

3rd Vote.—Alderman O'Donnell, 1; Alderman Hubley, 7; Alderman McFatridge, 4.

Alderman Hubley excused from voting.

His Worship the Mayor declares Alderman Hubley duly elected a School Commissioner of the City of Halifax.

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

His Worship the Mayor nominates as the Committee on Street Railway matters, Aldermen Hamilton, Stewart, Wallace. On motion of Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Ryan, the same is confirmed.

His Worship the Mayor also nominates Aldermen Geldert, Dennis and Eden, as the Committee to formulate a scheme of superannuation for Civic officials. On motion said nominations are confirmed.

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

Council adjourns 11.05 o'clock, p. m.

EVENING SESSION,

8.10 o'clock.

DECEMBER 11th, 1894.

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

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Mosher, 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 Mitchell, Morrow, Egan, Ryan.

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 Dennis, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Publication of Annual Report, *re* Tenders for Printing said Report.

Alderman Ryan, Chairman, submits a report from the Special Committee, *re* paid Fire Department.

Alderman Ryan, Chairman, submits a report from the Board of Fire Wardens, *re* Steam Mills, accounts, etc.

Alderman Wallace, Chairman Committee on Laws and Privileges, submits a report, *re* claim of estate of late Rufus Keating, and complaint of V. F. Farrell, against the City Collector.

Alderman Dennis, Acting Chairman of Committee on City Prison, submits a report from said Committee, *re* accounts.

His Worship the Mayor submits report of the City Engineer, *re* petition for Sewer on Henry Street.

Letter from Drysdale & McInnis, Solicitors, covering account for professional services in suit Bulmer vs. O'Sullivan.

Report City Engineer, *re* Water Rates charged H. M. Nava[Department.

Resolution of Board of Health, *re* Brunswick Street Sewer, and report of City Engineer thereon.

Resolution of City Health Board, covering a report from the City Engineer, *re* petition of F. C. Stevens and others, for a Sewer on Henry Street.

Amended report from the City Engineer, *re* Water Extension, Ruhland Street.

Report of His Honor the Recorder, *re* Sewerage Rates, charged estate late W. L. Hetherington.

Petition of Agnes Goudge, et al., for exemption of John Caldwell's estate from Sewerage rates on Kempt Road, with report of City Engineer, and opinion of His Honor the Recorder thereon.

Application of Huxtable and Courtney for permission to operate a Steam Engine in connection with their Iron Foundry on St. Albion Street, near the Cotton Factory.

Applications of Donald McPhee and William J. Egan, for position of Hay Weigher.

Report of City Clerk covering accounts of St. Patrick's Home for maintenance of truants, and A. & W. Mackinlay for Stationery.

Annual Report 1893-4 of Sanitary Inspector.

Application of H. H. Banks, Chief Inspector of License, for an increase of salary.

Application of Matilda E. Downs, for Water extension, Robie Street.

Letter from John T. Bulmer, Solicitor, *re* Insurance claim of late Rufus A. Keating.

City Collectors returns of Rates and Water Rates for month of November.

City Treasurer's statement General, Water and Balances for November.

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

Read report of Committee on Laws and Privileges, *re* complaint of V. F. Farrell, against the City Collector. Also, *re* claim of estate of late Rufus Keating for Fireman's Insurance.

December 11th, 1894.

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

Gentlemen,—The Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report as follows In regard to the letter relating to the Insurance claim of the estate of the late Mr. Keating. Your Committee after full inquiry regret that they are compelled to report that there appears to be no existing legal claim in this matter against the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company.

With respect to the letter of Mr. V. F. Farrell, which was referred to your Committee for investigation. A meeting was held by the Committee, which was attended by Mr. Farrell and Collector Theakston. The main cause of the misunderstanding in this matter appears to have originated in an error in the date of a receipt given by a Clerk in the office of the Collector.

The testimony as to the conversations referred to was somewhat contradictory, and your Committee do not offer any opinion upon that point.

Your Committee however think it proper to report that the Collector produced before your Committee all the books and records bearing upon the matter, and these books were fully examined and the entries in question were found to be correct, and the amounts regularly accounted for to the satisfaction of the Committee.

The letters in this matter, including a letter from Mr. W. L. Brown, and one from Mr. H. S. Rhind are herewith submitted.

W. B. WALLACE, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Wallace, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report of City Prison Committee, covering accounts, etc., for the month of November.

December 5th, 1894.

The City Prison Committee met this day, when the accompanying accounts were examined, found correct and recommended for payment. (Amount \$180.46.)

WILLIAM DENNIS, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the City Prison Committee be received and concurred in, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the several accounts therein named, amounting to \$180.46.

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

Read report of Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners, *re* complaint against John T. Murphy, Steam Saw and Planing Mills, and accounts for payment.

Committee Rooms, 7th December, 1894.

The Board of Firewards and Fire Commissioners beg to report as follows :

1st. *Re* complaint against John T. Murphy, City Electrician. Your Board submits the following resolution adopted by them relative thereto.

Resolved, That the minute of the Council be returned, with the statement that no complaint has been made to the Board against the Electrician in his public capacity, and that the Chairman inform the Council that during his three years connection with the department he has always found the present Electrician a thoroughly capable, reliable and sober official.

2nd. The following accounts are submitted and recommended for payment :

M. E. Belcher, Type-writing, report, <i>re</i> Paid Fire Department..	\$5 25
Martin Young & Co., Lettering oil clothing, glazing, etc.....	37 45
James S. Neiforth, Iron buck horns.....	3 00
John H. Starr, Son & Co., Ltd., Electrical Supplies	1 62
G. M. Cullen & Co., Glazing.....	9 30
N. S. Furnishing Co., Mattresses	38 50
N. S. Telephone Co., Rent Telephone, etc	131 00
W. N. Brown, Wheelwright and Iron work	54 35
Joseph Alexander, labor on wires, etc.....	5 00
John Fitzgerald, cleaning batteries, etc.....	7 50
Canadian Gen. Electric Co., wire and knobs.....	4 98
William Roche, Coal	60 08
S. Cunard & Co., do.	561 50
William Robinson, sub-driver, wages.....	11 25
Day & Kinsman, Plumbing work.....	10 86
Brown & Horton, Carpenter's work.....	13 75
M. J. O'Brien, repairing No. 5 Hose Reel.....	5 00
Daniel McLeod, Horse shoeing.....	12 39
John O'Connell, do.	27 82
Halifax Illuminating & Motor Co., Lighting No. 7 E. H.....	37 32
W. C. Silver, Rubber, etc.....	26 10
A. M. Bell, oil clothing	60 00
Matthew Williams, removing Hose Reels.....	1 00
Austen Bros., Hose and Oil	90 40
H. H. Fuller & Co., Hardware.....	0 72
R. Martin & Co., Harness supplies.....	48 70

\$1264 93

RE STEAM SAW AND PLANING MILLS.

Your Board recommend that permission be granted to the following named to operate their Steam Saw and Planing Mills, as your board consider their establishments practically safe, viz:—S. M. Brookfield, Gordon & Keith, James Dempster & Co., James C. Merlin, Quigley & Co., and T. A. Covey, et al.

They also recommend that permission be granted Henry Cook, A. J. Wilson & Son, A. J. Davis and Thos. Spry, to operate their several smoke houses.

Your Board has visited the premises for which Messrs Parker & Taylor have applied for permission to operate a Steam Saw Mill, and after thorough examination of said mill and its surroundings, consider that said mill would be a nuisance, and dangerous to public safety, and therefore recommend that the permission asked for be not granted.

JNO. F. RYAN, *Chairman*.

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 draw cheques for the several amounts therein named, amounting to \$1264.95.

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

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration of the first clause of said report *re* John T. Murphy.

Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Eden:—

Resolved, That the Mayor be instructed to carry out the report of the Board of Fire Wards, *in re* Parker and Taylor, and His Honor the Recorder directed to take such steps as may be necessary to cause the operation of said mills to be suspended. Motion put and passed.

Read Report of Committee on Publication of Annual Report, recommending the acceptance of William MacNab's tender for printing the Annual Report, 1893-4.

December 11th, 1894.

The Committee on Publication of the Annual Civic Report beg to report that they have opened tenders for printing the Annual Report for the civic year 1893-4 and recommend the acceptance of the tender of William MacNab at \$14.60 per form of 16 pages for the work and material, the specifications being similar to that upon which the work was done last year.

WILLIAM DENNIS, *Chairman*.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read petition of Agnes Goudge and others that the estate of late John Caldwell be exempt from the payment of sewerage rates for sewer Kempt Road together with a report from the City Engineer and an opinion of His Honor the Recorder thereon.

SEWERAGE RATES, KEMPT ROAD.

November 19th, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor,

SIR,—The accompanying petition respecting sewerage rates against estate of John Caldwell having been referred to me, I beg to report:—The law requires that all properties shall pay except such as have paid their proportion of cost as required by law. The amount paid by John Caldwell seems to have been a voluntary contribution.