

The Committee also had before them Alderman O'Donnell's resolution to exempt Albemarle and Brunswick Streets from the operation of the Brick Building Act, and recommend the same to the favorable consideration of the Council, and that His Honor the Recorder be authorized to draft the necessary amendment to the existing law.

Respectfully submitted,

R. T. MACILREITH, *Chairman.*

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 61 OF THE ACTS OF 1886, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO ALLOW THE CITY OF HALIFAX TO CONVEY CERTAIN LANDS."

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor, Council and Assembly as follows:

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Act hereby amended or in the conveyance executed thereunder, "The Ladies of the Sacred Heart of Halifax" are hereby authorized to erect, build and complete a new building for School purposes on any portion of the lot of land described in the first section of this Act, and lease the same to the Board of "School Commissioners for the City of Halifax" for such time as "The Ladies of the Sacred Heart at Halifax" shall think proper, but no such building shall be erected upon or in any way interfere with the street heretofore laid out and mentioned and described in the second section of said Act, and if any such building is erected on said street or any part thereof, it shall be deemed a public nuisance and be removed therefrom.

Placed on Order Paper.

Read report of Committee on Laws and Privileges in re petition for licensing of meat dealers.

LICENSING MEAT DEALERS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, March 14th, 1901.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen,—The Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report that the petition of certain meat dealers to have a license fee imposed upon all persons in the City dealing in meats, has for the present been withdrawn by the petitioners.

Respectfully submitted.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Hubleby, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read letter from Clayton & Sons, asking for permission to construct a tunnel or bridge across Poplar Grove. Also read the opinion of the City Engineer thereon.

BRIDGE ACROSS POPLAR GROVE.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 1st, 1901.

F. W. W. DOANE, ESQ.

Dear Sir,—In reply to yours of the 28th re authorization to construct a tunnel or bridge across Poplar Grove, we would like to get the necessary authorization from the Chairman of the City Board of Works Department for either a tunnel or a bridge.

This is altogether a different affair from the privilege of utilizing the space under sidewalks for cellars or hatchways, where windows and gratings are put in. We do not think any charge should be made for the privilege of granting it, and we will not be prepared to pay for such privilege.

We shall be glad if you will kindly bring up at the next meeting of the Board, and let us have your decision as soon as convenient.

Yours very truly,

CLAYTON & SONS.

CLAYTON & SONS' TUNNEL.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, March 14th, 1901.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—In accordance with instructions of the Works Commission, I beg to submit a letter from Clayton & Sons, asking for permission to construct a tunnel under Poplar Grove or a bridge over it.

I am instructed by His Honor the Recorder that the City has no power to grant a permit for a bridge across the street, and that a permit for a tunnel must be granted only under the provisions of the law in reference to excavations. I notified Clayton & Sons that a permit would be granted under the provisions of the law; but they are not satisfied, as the letter states. The construction of this structure would establish a precedent, and the interests of the City should be carefully safe-guarded.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Placed on Order Paper.

Read City Engineer's report on C. A. Hawkins' letter relative to water supply at his residence, Willow Park.

C. A. HAWKINS' WATER SUPPLY.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, March 14th, 1901.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on letter attached hereto from C. A. Hawkins, asking to be relieved from water tax and the water turned off, or to be charged by meter for the quantity of water he uses.

Under the existing law, we are unable to comply with either request. I think, however, the law in reference to meter charges should be amended, as it is all one-sided—the City takes all, but gives nothing; and I would recommend that the Charter be amended so that premises on which meters are placed shall not be charged more than the minimum water rate, unless the quantity of water consumed would amount to more than that sum. We should then be able to comply with Mr. Hawkins' request, and that of Mr. Freeman and others, and those who are complaining would be better satisfied than at present.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Placed on Order of the Day.

Read letter from the Secretary of the Board of Trade, requesting that the Mayor and City Council meet with a deputation from the Board of Trade at the Executive Chamber to-morrow, at 11 o'clock a.m., to present a resolution urging the completion of the railway between Halifax and Yarmouth.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the request contained in said letter be complied with. Motion passed.

Read letter from George Foot in re injury to his eye. Filed.

Read letter from Ball Electric Company, New York, in re Electric Light Plant.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be referred to the Special Committee on Electric Lighting. Passed.

Read Report of the City Works Commission re Scales at the foot of Young Street, Richmond.

SCALES FOR WEIGHING COAL.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 14th, 1901.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen,—In reference to the accompanying minute of Council, the City Works Commission beg to report that the cost of a suitable scale to be placed at the foot of Young Street for the weighing of coal would be not less than two hundred (\$200) dollars, when completed.

Your Commission beg to call the attention of the Council to the fact that the City would derive no revenue from said scale; and respectfully ask for instructions as to purchase of same.

J. T. HAMILTON, Mayor,
Chairman City Works Commission.

Placed on Order of the Day.

Read Letter of William Roche, M. P., and R. L. Borden, M. P., acknowledging receipt of resolutions of the City Council in re better railway facilities at Deep Water Terminus. Filed.

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

Alderman Hubley submits a notice of motion in re want of confidence by the Council in His Worship the Mayor and Board of Works in the matter of purchase of water meters, water pipes and other supplies, etc., etc. etc.

Whereas, on the first day of May, 1900, there was a balance due on overdraft of \$4,171.14.

And whereas, in the face of this over-draft unknown to the council, the mayor ordered without the knowledge of this council, from R. D. Wood & Co., six hundred and eighteen pieces of water pipe to the cost of \$3,045.37, with customs duty amounting to \$680 and freight and wharfage \$294.07, making a grand total of \$4,199.85, swelling the overdraft to the enormous sum of \$8,370.68.

And whereas, in the face of this overdraft of \$8,370.68, on November 5th last, the mayor ordered, without the knowledge of the council, 50 6-inch socket valves at a cost of \$770.59, with duty amounting to \$224.60, further increasing this overdraft to \$9,365.97.

And whereas, on the 11th of February of this year the mayor ordered, without the knowledge of the council, one hundred and sixty-four tons of 6-inch pipe, at a cost of \$4,490.38, with duty to be added amounting to about \$1,500, thus further increasing the over-draft to the startling sum of \$15,356.35.

And whereas, in this last item the returns asked for in this connection were falsified inasmuch as no mention was made of the duty and freight, thus attempting to lead the council to believe that the cost was only \$4,490.32 instead of \$5,990.38.

And whereas, on the 11th February of this year the mayor ordered water meters at a cost of \$1,800 against the expressed wish and orders of the council.

And whereas, the above meters were ordered without tenders being asked;

And whereas, in the return asked for in connection with the ordering of said meters the return was falsified inasmuch as no mention of freight and duty was made, which must be taken into account in the cost, and which will amount to upwards of \$600 more;

And whereas, the overdraft at this stage reached the appalling sum of \$17,756.35;

And whereas, the mayor ordered from George Heaman, London, Ontario, a two-horse watering cart, instead of having the work done in Halifax and by Halifax mechanics;

And whereas, on the 24th September the mayor instructed the engineer to ask for tenders for 30,000 bushels of broken stone at 1 5-8c, and 50,000 at 1 3-4c., which tenders were accepted on October 8th, the total cost being \$1,362.50, without the knowledge or sanction of the Council.

And whereas, on the 11th February the engineer was instructed to purchase four horses, two flat waggons and one sled, without the knowledge or sanction of the Council and contrary to the course pursued by His Worship on the 28th November, 1890, he then being chairman of the old Board of Works, when he submitted to the Council estimates for a like expenditure.

And whereas, on August 6th, a piece of land was purchased from William Yeadon, at a cost of \$150, without the knowledge or sanction of the Council;

And whereas, a house was built for the keeper at Long Lake, without the approval or sanction of the Council—that the engineer was instructed by the Board of Works to ask for tenders for finishing said keeper's house, and that no records of tenders are to be found;

And whereas, W. H. Brush appears to have secured the contract while many city builders would have been glad of the opportunity of tendering for such work;

And whereas, the Works Department made a present to W. A. Hendry of \$450 to build a road over his own property, said gift not receiving the sanction of the Council;

And whereas, the Board of Works paid the widow of W. F. Reilly a gratuity of \$475 without consulting the Council;

That the Clerk of Water Works was instructed to draw a warrant on salaries account for said amount, which the auditor refused to audit without an expressed resolution of Council;

And whereas, the Mayor then instructed the Clerk of Works to draw a warrant on water maintenance account for said amount, which was done;

And whereas, Mr. Reilly's salary was never paid out of water maintenance account, but out of sewer account;

And whereas, while the Council would desire to deal with Mrs. Reilly in a generous manner, it was not even given a chance to stop the amount from being illegally taken from the maintenance account;

And whereas, the mayor ordered and had carried out unnecessary alterations to the City Hall, at a cost of \$1,435, without the approval, sanction or knowledge of the Council;

And whereas, other irregularities have occurred in the Works Department, entailing a heavy expenditure in sum total of a large amount to the rate-payers;

Therefore resolved, That this Council take this opportunity of placing itself on record as opposed to the action of the Mayor and Board of Works as regards the expenditures above enumerated;

Further resolved, That the Council hereby emphatically declares its disapproval of the action of the Mayor and Board of Works in the premises above recited;

Be it therefore further resolved, That the adoption of this motion be regarded as a want of confidence by this honorable Council in His Worship the Mayor and Board of Works;

Finally resolved, That in future the Board of Works submit to this Council for its approval all contemplated expenditures, and that the Board of Works be instructed to make no further expenditures unless ordered by this Council.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Hubley that No. 24 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the Rev. Mr. Armitage, the Rev. Mr. MacKinnon, and Mr. A. M. Bell be permitted to address the Council in the matter of the proposed amendments to the Liquor License Act. Motion passed.

The Rev. Mr. Armitage, the Rev. Mr. MacKinnon, and Mr. A. M. Bell now severally address the Council against the proposed amendment to the Act.

On motion of Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, the bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Liquor License Act as submitted by the Laws and Privileges Committee at the meeting of the City Council held March 5th inst. and being No. 24 on the Order Paper, is now considered clause by clause.

Read clause 1, Re Appointment of a Commission or License Board.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that this clause be adopted.

The following amendment is now introduced by Alderman Butler, and seconded by Alderman Faulkner.

After the passing of this Act all the rights, powers, duties, obligations and appointments now vested in the City Council are hereby transferred to and vested in a License Commission of four citizens, to be appointed by the City Council, for a term of three years, and the Mayor "ex-officio," and whenever the words "City Council" or "Council" occur in said Act and referring to said City, the words "License Commission" shall be substituted therefor, and it shall be the duty of said Commission to enforce said law, and the citizen members of said Commission shall receive a salary of \$100 per year each, and said compensation shall be paid out of the License Fund.

Said amendment being put is lost, 2 voting for the same and 16 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Amendment.

Alderman Faulkner, Butler—2.

against it.

Alderman Geldert, Musgrave,
MacIlreith, Campbell,
Mitchell, Halliday,
Lane, Hubley, Ryan,
O'Donnell, Chisholm,
Martin, Rogers, Creighton,
Mosher, Hawkins—16.

The following amendment is now introduced by Alderman Chisho'm, seconded by Alderman Halliday.

Resolved, That the mode of appointing the Commission be as follows: One member by the Governor-in-Council, one by the Chief Justice, and one by the City Council.

Said amendment, being put, is lost.

The following amendment is next introduced:

Resolved, That the report of the Laws and Privileges be modified, substituting for the Police Commission a License Commission, to consist of the Police Commission and of two additional members, one to be appointed by the Governor-in-Council and one by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Musgrave.

Aldermen MacIlreith and Rogers, the mover and seconder respectively of the original motion, now, by leave of Council, withdraw said motion.

The amendment moved by Alderman Geldert and seconded by Alderman Musgrave, now becomes the resolution, and, on being put, is passed, 12 voting for the same and 6 against it. Names being called, there appeared:

For the Motion.

Aldermen Geldert, Musgrave,
Faulkner, MacIlreith,
Campbell, Butler, Mitchell,
Lane, Ryan, Chisholm,
Martin, Rogers—12.

Against it.

Aldermen Halliday, Hubley,
O'Donnell, Creigh-
ton, Mosher,
Hawkins—6.

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

Read Clause 2, re "Liquor to be served to guests of hotels at their meals."

Moved by Alderman Chisholm, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed, 11 voting for the same and 7 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Motion.

Aldermen Mitchell, Halliday,
Lane, Hubley, O'Donnell,
Ryan, Chisholm, Martin,
Creighton, Mosher,
Hawkins—11.

Against it.

Aldermen Musgrave, Faulkner,
MacIlreith, Geldert,
Campbell, Butler,
Rogers—7.

Council adjourns 10.55 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3.10 o'clock

MARCH 18TH, 1901.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day. At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Rogers, Geldert, Faulkner, Campbell, Mitchell, Chisholm and Martin.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that the time for meeting be extended till 3/30 o'clock. Motion passed.

3/30. Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Musgrave, Butler, MacIlreith, Lane, Halliday, Hubley, O'Donnell, Mosher, Creighton and Hawkins.

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.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers :

Letter from Clarke & McMullen, New York, in re Installation of Electric Light Plant.

Letters from Hon. W. S. Fielding and the Hon. A. G. Blair re Cold Storage Plant and better railway facilities.

Opinion of R. Power re planting hedge around Camp Hill Cemetery.

Return of Coal Weighers for January and February 1901.

Petition of Jerry Fraser et al for sewerage connection on Fawson Street.

Letter from William H. Wiswell, County Clerk, re City proportion of County Assessment and re Committee on Arbitration, &c.

Moved Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read letter from Clarke & MacMullen, New York, re Installation of proposed Electric Lighting Plant.

On motion the same is referred to the Special Committee on Electric lighting.

Read letter from W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance, and from Hon. A. G. Blair, Minister of Railways and Canals, re Cold Storage Plant and better Railway facilities at Deep Water Terminus. Filed.

Read letter from Richard Power, Superintendent of Public Gardens, in re Hedge around Camp Hill Cemetery.

HEDGE AROUND CEMETERY.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 7th, 1901.

ALDERMAN A. H. HUBLEY, *Chairman Cemetery Committee :*

Dear Sir,—In reply to your inquiry on the proposed Cemetery hedge, I beg to state from my experience in planting amongst large trees, the only detriment which seems to me are these old established ornamental trees on the space

where the proposed hedge is to be planted. These trees already matted with numerous roots under the surface and firmly established there.

In preparing and trenching the ground you will find roots to cut away from 8 in in diameter to the smallest fibre. When the trench is made ready with fresh soil and replanted with the plants the ornamental tree roots will quickly absorb the strength from the fresh soil to the detriment of the newly planted.

The shade from the trees and fence are of no consequence, as the trees could be well pruned and give the necessary light.

I would recommend your Committee to plant inside the line of fence or part of it on Summer Street as an experiment. If it did not give satisfaction it would still be useful as a screen and relieve the fence on that street.

Before I conclude I may say I am not a specialist. I wish this matter was put before such men as Jackson-Dawson of the Arnold Arboretum, H. Law Olmsted, Landscape Engineer, Boston; however, I have given what I think from my experience.

Your obedient servant,

RICHARD POWER.

P. S.—The probable cost for trenching, soil and plants for Summer St. \$100.

R. P.

On motion the same is placed on the Order Paper for consideration with No. 9 thereon, viz.: Report Cemetery Committee in re planting a hedge around Camp Hill Cemetery.

Read returns of Coal Weighers for the month of January and February. Filed.

Read petition of Jerry Fraser and others, for sewerage connection, Fawson Street.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the same be referred to the City Works Commission for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from W. H. Wiswell, in re City's proportion of County Assessment and Committee on Arbitration.

COUNTY ASSESSMENT.

HALIFAX, March 1901.

To His Worship the Mayor of the City of Halifax:

SIR,—I beg respectfully to transmit as required by the County Council a statement of the proportion of County Assessment to be paid by City on account of the joint objects in which the City, County and Dartmouth are concerned.

These amount to \$10,823.42 as per memo. of the estimate submitted by the Committee on Finance and adopted by the Municipal Council, a detail of the same being hereto annexed.

Under existing agreement between the City and County as last amended, the amount to be assessed on and paid by to the City to the County Treasurer for the year 1901 is (\$8,928.40,) eight thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight dollars and forty cents, which you will please cause to be collected and paid over by the City to the County Treasurer during the year 1901.

To meet the provisions of the Statutes as revised the County Council have appointed as Committee on Arbitration, viz:

His Honor the Warden and Councillors Shatford, Fleming, Lydiard and Negus.

I shall feel obliged by receiving the names of the Committee similarly appointed by the City Council.

Yours respectfully,

W. H. WISWELL,

City Clerk, &c.

Estimates for the year 1901, City, County and Dartmouth jointly

Court House (current expenses)	\$ 1550 00
do Interest on 1st debentures	1025 00
do do on loan of 1899	280 00
Sinking Fund on do	368 42
County Jail, (current expenses)	2500 00
Grand, Petit and Special Juries	1000 00
Sheriffs accounts	1000 00
Crown Prosecutions	1200 00
Books, Stationery, Printing	500 00
Criers Supreme and County Courts	1300 00
	\$ 10723 42
Less Government grant to the Court House 1901	300 00
	10423 42
Add amount agreed upon for Co'y Clerk's and Treasurers salaries in lieu of \$1900.00.....	400 00
	\$ 10823 42
Total joint assessment.....	\$ 10823 42
City's proportion thereof 9-11ths. is \$8,928.40.	

(Estimate 1901). Abstract of County Assessment Alone.

Warden and Councillors indemnity	\$1400 00
Municipal Elections 1901	225 00
County Stipendiary	950 00
Clerk and Treasurer, balance Salary Account	1500 00
Chief Constable and Deputy	350 00
County Schools (grants)	86.00 00
Pauper Insane and Certificates.....	3200 00
County Poor Farm (net) ..	1500 00
Revisors Assessors.....	750 00
Draw Bridge Custodians, &c	220 00
Pos'ages and Incidentals.....	50 00
Bounties on Wild Animals	100 00
County Auditors	50 00
Coroners' Juries	125 00
Grant to Dispensary	25 00
	\$19045 00

To which is to be added the balance of joint account and expenses of collection of rates and probable loss and deducting from balance on hand Dec. 31st, 1900,—
 Net Assessment

\$20451 00

E. E.

W. H. WISWELL,
County Clerk, &c.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the statement of the County Clerk be received, and that His Worship the Mayor nominate the Committee requested in the County Clerk's letter. Motion passed.

Read opinion of His Honor the Recorder, in re Robert Johnston's application for liquor license. Filed.

IN RE ROBERT JOHNSTON'S LICENSE.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 18th, 1901.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

Mr. Johnston was convicted before the Stipendiary Magistrate for selling liquor on Sunday. He was fined and his license forfeited. He appealed to the

County Court and a judge of that Court reversed the decision as to his license and made an order restoring his license and declaring it was not forfeited, and under that decision he still holds his license. I am of opinion that under that decision his license was not forfeited, and that he is entitled to the license for the present year, which should be signed by the Mayor and Clerk of License.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. MACCOY, Recorder.

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

The following resolution is now introduced :

Be it further resolved, That the Building Act with respect to wooden buildings on Albemarle, Grafton and Brunswick Streets, be construed that no building be erected on said streets more than two storeys high or twenty-two feet from the level of the sidewalk to the top of the ridge and that no two storey building that is now up be allowed to be altered to a three-storey building.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that the same be placed on the Order of the Day for consideration with No. 28 thereon, viz.: Report Laws and Privileges Committee, in re Building Act, etc. Motion passed.

By leave of Council Alderman O'Donnell introduces the following notice of motion.

Whereas the present Board of Works is at present constructed with the Mayor and two Aldermen has not been satisfactory nor has it now the confidence of the people who are no better off than they were before the two Aldermen were added.

Be it therefore resolved, that the present Board of Works of the City of Halifax be composed of the Mayor and the senior Alderman of each ward from the first of May 1901.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Martin, that Aldermen Musgrave, Faulkner and Mosher be appointed a Committee to carefully watch the progress through the Legislature of the Bills relating to the building of Steel and Iron Steamships at Halifax. Motion passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Read No. 1, viz:—Alderman O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration of resolution adopting (with amendment) the first clause of the report of the Committee on Laws and Privileges in re amendments to the Liquor License Act.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that this matter be now reconsidered. Motion put and lost, 8 voting for the same and 10 against it. Names being called for, there appeared as follows :

For the Motion.

Aldermen Halliday, Hubley,
O'Donnell, Chisholm,
Martin, Creighton,
Mosher. Hawkins—8.

Against it.

Aldermen Geldert, Musgrave, Faulkner,
MacIlreith, Campbell, Butler,
Mitchell, Lane, Ryan, Rogers
—10.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Mu-grave, that No. 28 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 28, viz: Report Laws and Privileges Committee in re Building Act and on petition of the Ladies of the Sacred Heart, with draft Act relative thereto.

Moved by Alderman Musgrave, seconded by Alderman Lane, that Clause 1 of the report of the Laws and Privileges Committee be adopted.

The following amendment is now introduced:

Resolved, This Act is not to take effect until College Street through to Tower Road has been opened to the public.

Further Resolved, That when the said street is opened the City proceed to grade the same.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Hubley.

Said amendment is put and passed, 13 voting for the same and 5 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Geldert, Faulkner,
Campbell, MacIlreith, Butler,
Mitchell, Halliday, Hubley,
O'Donnell, Chishelm, Rogers,
Creighton, Hawkins—13.

Against it.

Aldermen Musgrave, Lane,
Ryan, Martin,
Mosher—5.

Clause passed as amended.

The said Act is now passed as amended.

Read Clause 2 of said report of Committee on Laws and Privileges in re Alderman O'Donnell's resolution to exempt Albemarle and Brunswick Streets from the operation of the Brick Building Act; also again read Alderman O'Donnell's resolution as previously set forth in the Minutes of this meeting.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that said resolution submitted by Alderman O'Donnell, do now pass. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Aldermen Rogers, that said clause, as amended by Alderman O'Donnell's resolution, do now pass. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Halliday, that No. 19 on the Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 19, viz: Report Laws and Privileges Committee, 1st clause, in re Assessment on Cold Storage Plant.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Halliday, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that No. 27 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 27, viz: Alderman Faulkner's notice of motion in re loan for entertaining the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, as follows:

Whereas, It has been officially announced that Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York will pay a visit to the City of Halifax during the present year,

Therefore Resolved, That the City Council make application to the Legislature of Nova Scotia for authority to borrow the sum of three thousand dollars for the suitable entertainment of Their Royal Highnesses.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that said resolution do now pass, and that His Honor the Recorder be and is hereby instructed to prepare an Act for submission to the Legislature to enable the City to borrow said sum of \$3,000.00, and repay the same in six annual instalments of \$500.00 each. Motion passed.

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

No. 25, viz: Balance of report of Committee on Laws and Privileges covering amendments to Liquor License Act is now considered.

Read Section 1, Clause 2, amending Section 7 of the Act.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that the following words be added to the proposed amendment, "but the provisions of this section shall not authorize any liquor to be sold at the bar of any such hotel on Sunday," and that Section 1 of Clause 2 as so amended do pass. Motion passed, 10 voting for the same and 6 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Motion.

Against it.

Aldermen Musgrave, Faulkner,
MacIlreith, Campbell,
Butler, Mitchell, Halliday,
Lane, Martin, Rogers.—10.

Aldermen Hubley, O'Donnell,
Chisholm Creighton,
Mosher, Hawkins.—6.

Read section 2 of clause 2, amending section 7 of the Act, in re quantity to be sold under Shop Licenses.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, that this section do pass. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the Council adjourn until 3 o'clock, p. m. to-morrow.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the Council adjourn until 8 o'clock, p. m. to-morrow.

Said amendment on being put is passed.

The Council adjourns at 6 o'clock, p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

ADJOURNED MEETING.

8.10 o'clock.

MARCH 19th, 1901.

The City Council met this evening pursuant to an adjournment of yesterday.

At the above hour there were present Aldermen Butler, Rogers, Martin, Mosher, Faulkner.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the time for meeting be extended till 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30.—Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Musgrave, Campbell, MacIlreith, Hubley, O'Donnell, Ryan, Chisholm, Mosher, Creighton and Hawkins.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers :

Letter from Mayor of Toronto, covering form of petition to the House of Commons of Canada, relative to the rates of the Bell Telephone Company.

Letter from H. Graham, Governor-General's Secretary, acknowledging receipt of resolution of sympathy, re death of the Queen.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read letter from Mayor of Toronto, relative to the rates of the Bell Telephone Company.

On Motion of Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Butler, the City Clerk is instructed to acknowledge receipt of said letter, and inform Mayor Howland that the Bell Telephone is not in operation in Nova Scotia.

Read letter from Captain Harry Graham, A.D.C., Acting Governor-General's Secretary, acknowledging receipt of resolution of sympathy passed by the City Council on the occasion of the death of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria.

MESSAGE FROM HIS MAJESTY THE KING.

OFFICE OF GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SECRETARY, Ottawa, 15th March, 1901.

SIR,—In obedience to commands received from His Majesty the King, His Excellency the Governor-General desires me to convey to the City Council of Halifax, His Majesty's heartfelt thanks for the kind expression of sympathy contained in the resolution forwarded with your letter of the 16th ultimo, which has been gratefully appreciated by His Majesty and the Royal Family.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

HARRY GRAHAM,

Captain, A. D. C.

Acting Governor-General's Secretary.

The City Clerk, Halifax.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the same be printed in the Minutes of Council. Motion passed.

Alderman Musgrave has leave of Council to introduce the following resolution:

Whereas, it is understood that the Government now have under consideration the advisability of making the preferential rebate of 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % payable only on goods imported direct from Great Britain to a Canadian port

Therefore resolved, That the Council desires to place itself on record as being unanimously in favor of such legislation and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Trade and Commerce and the Members for Halifax County.

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

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

Whereas, A large amount of property owned by the Imperial, Dominion and Local Governments in the City of Halifax, is at the present time exempt from taxation though deriving the same benefits and receiving the same protection as property owned by ratepayers;

And whereas, It is desirable that this matter should be brought to the attention of the three Governments at the earliest possible day;

Therefore resolved, That His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare an Act and submit the same at the present session of the Local Legislature abolishing such exemptions.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Rogers, and passed.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that a committee of four Aldermen, together with His Worship the Mayor, be appointed to watch the progress of the City Bills through the Legislature. Motion passed.

Aldermen Musgrave, Faulkner, MacIlreith and Mosher are appointed said Committee.

The Council now proceed with the consideration of the amendments to the Liquor License Act.

Read amendment to Section 9, in re amount of License Fees.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, That the amendment to Section 9 be amended by substituting \$250.00 for \$300.00 as an hotel license and \$150.00 for \$200.00 as a shop license.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Campbell. Said motion, being put, is lost, 5 voting for the same and 9 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Motion.

Aldermen Campbell, Butler,
Hubley, Creighton,
Mosher—5.

Against it.

Aldermen Lane, Musgrave, Faulkner,
MacIlreith, O'Donnell,
Ryan, Chisholm, Martin,
Rogers—9.

The following resolution is moved by Alderman Chisholm, seconded by Alderman Ryan.

Resolved, That the words "for each Club selling liquor to its members \$200.00" be added.

Said motion is put and passed.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that said clause as amended do now pass as a whole. Motion passed.

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

Read Section 11 as amended. In re-Granting a license for an un-expired period where the premises are sold or leased.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, that this section do pass.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Butler, that this section as presented in the report be amended by inserting after the word "on" in the fourth line of said section and before the word "the" on the last line of said section the words "the presentation of a petition signed by three-fifths of the ratepayers of the district and his giving."

Said amendment is put and passed.

Read clause dealing with Sections 17, 18, 19 and 20.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the report of the Committee relative to those several clauses be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that this clause be amended to read as follows :

These sections shall apply to first applications for licenses which come before the License Board instituted by this Act as amended and in the case of new applications it shall be necessary for the applicants to present petitions for two successive years."

A license shall not be granted to any applicant if a majority of the resident ratepayers of the polling district in which the premises in respect to which it is applied for present a petition to the License Board praying that the license applied for be not granted."

Said amendment is put and passed, 19 voting for the same and 5 against it. Names being called for, there appeared :

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Lane, Musgrave, Faulkner,
MacIlreith, Campbell,
Butler, O'Donnell, Ryan,
Martin, Rogers—10.

Against it.

Aldermen Hubley, Chisholm,
Creighton, Mosher,
Hawkins—5.

Read clause, dealing with Sections 23 and 24, in re persons entitled to sign petitions against the issuing of licenses.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the word "resident" be inserted before the word "ratepayers" on the third line of Section 1 of this clause, and that the clause as amended do pass. Motion passed.

Read clause dealing with Section 25 sub-section 4 of the Act in re objections to the granting of licenses.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that the clause be adopted. Motion put and lost.

Read clause recommending that the sub-section 5 of section 25 be repealed.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, that sub-section 5 remain as set forth in present Act. Motion passed.

Read clause dealing with Section 40 of the Act in re premises that may be granted licenses, etc.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, that sub-section 2 of this clause do not pass, and that said sub-section 2 of Section 40 stand as set forth in present Act. Motion passed.

Alderman Geldert takes his seat.

Read clause 3 of Section 40.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that this clause be repealed.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that sub-section 3 of section 40 stand as in present Act. Amendment passed.

Alderman MacIlreith gives notices of reconsideration.

Read clause recommending that sections 63, 64 and 66 be repealed. "Drinking on premises."

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the recommendation of the Committee relative to said sections 63, 64 and 66 be confirmed. Motion passed.

Read clause recommending that sections 70, 71 and 72 dealing with the sale of liquors in hotels be repealed.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that this clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause relative to hours of closing (74.)

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Geldert, as follows :

Between the hours of seven o'clock on Saturday night and seven o'clock on Monday morning.

On every other night in the week between the hours of ten o'clock and seven o'clock on the following morning.

Moved in amendment by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that the hour for closing be ten o'clock on Saturday night, as well as the other nights.

Said amendment is put and lost, 4 voting for the same and 11 against it.

Names being called for, there appeared :

For the Amendment. Aldermen Musgrave, MacIlreith, Butler, Rogers.—	Against it. Aldermen Lane, Faulkner, Campbell, Geldert, Hubley, O'Donnell, Chisholm, Martin, Creighton, Mosher, Hawkins.—11.
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The original motion is now put and lost, 6 voting for the same and 9 against it. Names being called for there appeared :

For the Motion. Aldermen Lane, Musgrave, MacIlreith, Campbell, Geldert, Martin—6.	against it. Aldermen Faulkner, Butler, Hubley, O'Donnell, Chisholm, Rogers, Creighton, Mosher, Hawkins—9.
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Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the hour for closing on all nights, excepting Saturday night, shall be ten o'clock.

Motion passed, 8 voting for the same and 7 against it. Names being called for, there appeared :

For the Motion. Aldermen Lane, Musgrave, MacIlreith, Campbell, Butler, Geldert, Martin, Rogers—8.	Against it. Aldermen Faulkner, Hubley, O'Donnell, Chisholm, Creighton, Mosher, Hawkins—7.
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Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the hour of closing on Saturday night be fixed at ten o'clock.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Aldermen Creighton, that the hour for closing on Saturday be made five o'clock. Said amendment is put and lost, 6 voting for the same and 9 against it. Names being called for, there appeared :

For the Amendment. Aldermen Hubley, O'Donnell, Chisholm, Creighton, Mosher, Hawkins—6.	Against it. Aldermen Lane, Musgrave, Faulkner, MacIlreith, Campbell, Butler, Geldert, Martin, Rogers—9.
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Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that the hour for closing on Saturday remain as at present, viz : 6 o'clock. Said amendment is put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 7 against it. Names being called for there appeared:

For the Amendment. Aldermen Faulkner, Geldert, Hubley, O'Donnell, Chisholm, Creighton, Mosher, Hawkins—8.	Against it. Aldermen Lane, Musgrave, MacIlreith, Campbell, Butler, Martin, Rogers—7.
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Alderman Campbell gives notice of reconsideration.

Alderman Musgrave by leave of Council now introduces the following resolution:

Resolved, That no new licenses shall be granted until the number of licenses be reduced to seventy-five, unless the license be deemed necessary by the License Board.

Moved by Alderman Musgrave, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, and passed.

Alderman Geldert, by leave of Council, now introduces the following resolution relative to penalties for violation of the Liquor License Act.

Resolved, that the penalty for violation of the provisions of this Act, except as to Sunday selling, be as follows:

(a) For a first offence \$100.00

(b) For a second offence forfeiture of the license.

For the offence of selling on Sunday the penalty shall be forfeiture of the license.

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

The following resolution is introduced by Alderman MacIlreith by leave of Council:

Resolved, That these amendments shall be submitted to the vote of the resident ratepayers of the City of Halifax on the last Wednesday in April 1901 and shall not come into effect unless a majority of the votes cast shall be in favor of said amendments.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, and passed, 13 voting for the same and 1 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Motion.

Aldermen Geldert, Campbell, Musgrave,
Faulkner, MacIlreith, Butler,
O'Donnell, Chisholm, Martin,
Rogers, Creighton, Mosher,
Hawkins—13.

Against it.

Alderman Hubley.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.
Council adjourns 11.20 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

MARCH 25TH, 1901.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening.

At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Butler, MacIlreith and Martin.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the time for meeting be extended till 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8/30 roll called. Present the above named, together with Aldermen Musgrave, Geldert, Campbell, Lane, Halliday, Hubley, O'Donnell, Chisholm, Rogers and Mosher.

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.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

Application of John Punch for position of Coal Weigher.

Account of the Herald Printing House for printing Voters Lists.

Letter from John J. Power covering account for services rendered in prosecution of the case Rex vs. Roberts et al.

Letter from N. S. Board of Fire Underwriters in re Brick Building district.

City Engineer's report on tenders for supplies.

An Act to amend the Liquor License Act.

An Act relative to the taxing of Imperial, Dominion and Nova Scotia Government property.

An Act relative to the Ladies of the Sacred Heart erecting a building for school purposes.

An Act to encourage the building of Cold Storage warehouses and plant.

An Act to enable the City of Halifax to borrow money.

An Act relative to altering brick district.

An Act in re Plebiscite on Liquor License Act.

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

Read City Engineer's report on Tenders for Supplies for City Works Department.

TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, March 25th, 1901.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to submit the following report on the tenders opened by the City Works Commission for supplies for this department during the year 1901-1902:—

Special Castings.

John A. Thomson, 2½ cents, 2 cents, 2½ cents, 1 cent per lb., as pertender.

I beg to recommend the acceptance of this tender.

Cooperage for Floating Bath.

T. P. Mulcahy, \$42.25.

I beg to recommend the acceptance of this tender.

Horses and Drivers for Street Sprinklers.

Robinson Brothers, \$2.74 per day.

George Harvey, \$3.00 per day.

I beg to recommend the acceptance of Robinson Bro.'s tender, that being the lowest.

Horses and Drivers for Street Cleaning Work.

Willoughby Smith, 15 cents per hour.

John Nolen, 16 cents per hour.

I beg to recommend the acceptance of Willoughby Smith's tender, that being the lowest.

Granite.

Articles.	William Yeadon.	John Kline.
Straight Curbstones, 5 in. wide.....	\$0 50	\$0 60
Straight Curbstones, 6 in. wide.....	61	60
Straight Curbstones, 7 in. wide.....	63	60
Corner Curbstones, 5 in. wide.....	59	70
Corner Curbstones, 6 in. wide.....	67	70
Corner Curbstones, 7 in. wide.....	68	70
Straight Gutter Stones, 16 in. wide.....	39	40
Straight Gutter Stones, 18 in. wide.....	43	42
Corner Gutter Stones, 16 in. wide.....	40	60
Corner Gutter Stones, 18 in. wide.....	66	60
Straight Catchpit Curbs, 4 in. hole.....	5 00	5 00
Straight Catchpit Curbs, 7 in. hole.....	5 50	5 00
Corner Catchpit Curbs, 4 in. hole.....	5 50	6 00
Corner Catchpit Curbs, 7 in. hole.....	5 50	6 00
Round Manhole Tops.....	7 50	9 00
Square Manhole Tops, 1 piece.....	6 00	5 50
Square Manhole Tops, 4 pieces.....	3 00	4 50
Coal Hole Tops.....	7 00	8 00
Hatch Curbs.....	35	70

The tender of William Yeadon is lowest for nearly every item. I therefore recommend it for acceptance.

Drain Pipe.

	James Prescott.	Brookfield Bros.
6 inch.....	.09	.12
9 ".....	.17½	.21
12 ".....		.32

James Prescott did not tender for the whole quantity. I have therefore to recommend the tender of Brookfield Bros. for acceptance.

Cement.

Bidder.	Brand	Price per 100 lbs.
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow, Ltd.....	Best Belgium.....	.62
" " " ".....	Atlas.....	.66 1-5
" " " ".....	White Bros.....	.67½
Black Bros. & Co.....	" ".....	.67½
Brookfield Bros.....	" ".....	.68
John MacInnes & Son.....	" ".....	.69
Black Bros.....	Citadel.....	.70
Brookfield Bros.....	" ".....	.76½

Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow's three tenders are the lowest. The lowest tender is for Best Belgium Brand, which is very indefinite. It does not specify the particular brand, and I cannot therefore recommend it. I beg to recommend the next tender by the same firm for Atlas Cement at 66 1-5 cents per hundred pounds.

Explosives.

	Acadia Powder Co.	Maritime Explosives Co.
Blasting powder, N. S. Manuf.....	\$0 05	\$0 06
Dynamite, 50 lb. case, red best.....	17	18
Detonators	35	49
Fuse, hanks of 25 ft.....	05	09
Electric Fuses, 4 feet long.....	02	02'9-100

I beg to recommend the tender of the Acadia Powder Co., that being the lowest.

Hardware.

	Black Bros. & Co.		H. H. Fuller & Co.	
Lead Pipe.....	7792 lbs	5 09½	396 8076	5 25* 409 08
Picks	262 "	05	13 10	07½ 19 65
Best Refined Iron.....	1426 "	1 75	24 955	2 00 28 52
Shovels, No. 3 steel....	3 doz	2 25	6 75	2 52 7 56
(Elewell's)				
" N. S. make.....	19 "	2 25	42 75	2 52 47 88
Gasket.....	154 lbs	10	15 40	07 10 78
Kerosene Oil, Am.....	185 gals	20½	37 4625	21½ 39 775
Sweet or Olive Oil.....	8 "	70	5 60	75 6 00
Cut Nails.....	2 kegs	2 55	5 10	2 28 4 56
Wire	8 "	2 85	22 80	2 76½ 21 12
Cut spikes.....	165 lbs	02½	4 125	02½ 4 125
White lead.....	87½ "	05	4 375	4 85 4 2437
Wrapping paper.....	1214 lbs	02½	30 35	3 40 41 276
Lanterns.....	3	4 00	1 00	4 12½ 1 0312
Red Globes.....	9	2 25	1 6875	2 25 1 6875
66' Cloth tapes.....	5	1 70	8 50	1 70 8 50
100' " ".....	2	2 35	4 70	2 40 4 80
Cod lines.....	5	15	75	15 75
Soft soap.....	168 lbs	05	8 40	06½ 10 92
Cotton waste.....	85 lbs	06	5 10	06½ 5 3125
Rubber packing.....	85 "	14	11 90	20 17 00
Black Japan.....	5 gals	45	2 25	40 2 00
Raw oil.....	9 "	70	6 30	76 6 34
Boiled oil.....	5 "	73	3 65	79 3 95
Spindle oil.....	5 "	25	1 25	30 1 50
Axle grease.....	2 doz	50	1 00	55 1 10
Stable Buckets.....	4 "	3 25	13 00	3 10 12 40
Manila rope.....	236 lbs	13	30 68	12 61 29 7516
			709 74	752 12

*3 p. c. off for cash within thirty days.

I beg to recommend the acceptance of Black Bros's. tender, that being the lowest.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

The same is considered clause by clause.

Read Clause 1, Recommending the acceptance of John A. Thomson's tender for Special Castings.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Halliday, that this clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 2, Recommending the acceptance of the tender of T. P. Mulcahy for Cooperage for Floating Bath.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that this clause be adopted, Motion passed.

Read Clause 3, Recommending the acceptance of the tender of Robinson Brothers for Horses and Drivers for Street Sprinklers.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 4, Recommending the acceptance of Willoughby Smith's tender for Horses and Drivers for Street Cleaning work.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 5, Recommending the acceptance of William Yeadon's tender for granite.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that this clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 6, recommending the acceptance of Brookfield Bro.'s tender for drain pipe.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 7, Recommending the acceptance of the tender of William Stairs, Son & Morrow, Ltd., for Cement, "Atlas" brand.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that this clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 8, Recommending the acceptance of the tender of the Acadia Powder Co. for Explosives.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that this clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 9, Recommending the acceptance of the tender of Messrs. Black Bros. & Co. for hardware.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that said report as a whole be adopted. Motion passed.

Read application of John Punch for a position as Coal Weigher. Filed.

Read Account of the Herald Printing House for printing Voters Lists.

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

Read letter from John J. Power, covering account of twenty dollars for services rendered as prosecuting attorney in Rex vs. Roberts et al.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the same be referred to the committee on Public Accounts, together with His Honor the Recorder for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from the Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters protesting against the City Council amending the Building Act.

BRICK BUILDING DISTRICT.

Halifax, N. S., March 20.

J. T. HAMILTON, Esq.,

Mayor of Halifax City.

DEAR SIR,—At a special meeting of the Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters held this day to consider the action of the City Council at their meeting of the 28th inst., in amending the Building Act, to permit of the erection of frame dwellings within the brick district, viz :—On Grafton, Albemarle and South Brunswick Streets; the following resolution was passed :—“That the Secretary of this Board write the Mayor of Halifax, N. S., protesting against the City Council amending the Building Act to permit of the erection of any wooden building within the district known as the Brick District in Halifax City.”

Yours truly,

EDWARD J. FAHIE, *Secretary.*

Filed.

Read Act to amend the Liquor License Act.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LIQUOR LICENSE ACT.

Be It Enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows:

Chapter 100 of the Revised Statutes, entitled, “Of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors,” is hereby amended in the manner set out in the Schedule to this Act.

This Act shall apply to the City of Halifax only.

After the passing of this Act all the rights, powers, duties, obligations and appointments now vested in the City Council are hereby transferred to and vested in a License Commission, to consist of the Police Commission for the City of Halifax and of two additional members, one to be appointed by the Governor-in-Council and one by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and wherever the words “City Council” or “Council” occur in said Act and referring to said City the words “License Commission” shall be substituted therefor, and it shall be the duty of said Commission to enforce said law and the members of said Commission shall receive a salary of one hundred dollars each per year to be paid out of the “License Fund,” and wherever the word “Mayor” occurs in said Act and refers to the Mayor of the City of Halifax the words “Chairman of the License Commission” shall be substituted therefor.

A “Hotel License” shall authorize the licensee at the times and in the manner specified in his license to sell and dispose of liquor in quantities not exceeding one quart, to *bona fide* guests or lodgers in his hotel, and during the regular meals, and to *bona fide* guests or lodgers in their rooms in such hotel to be drunk in such rooms and not otherwise; but the provisions of this section shall not authorize any liquor to be sold at the bar of any such hotel on Sunday.

A “Shop License” shall authorize the licensee to sell and dispose of any liquor for which the license is granted provided that not more than two gallons are sold or disposed of at one time to any one person.

The following license duties shall be payable and shall be in lieu of all other provincial or municipal duties and fees, that is to say:

For each hotel license the sum of three hundred dollars.

For each shop license the sum of two hundred dollars.

For each wholesale license the sum of three hundred dollars.

For each club selling liquor to its members two hundred dollars.

If the premises in respect to which a license has been issued are sold or leased during the period for which the license is in force the License Board may grant a license for the unexpired period to the purchaser or lessor on the presentation of a petition signed by three-fifths of the resident ratepayers of the district and on his giving the security required by law.

Sections xvii, xviii, xix and xx of the Act hereby amended shall apply to first applications for license which come before the License Board constituted by this Act, and in the cases of new applications thereafter it shall be necessary for the applicants to present petitions for two successive years, but no license shall

be granted to any applicant if a majority of the resident ratepayers of the polling district in which the premises in respect to which it is applied for present a petition to the License Board praying that the license applied for be not granted.

Sections xxiii, xxiv : These sections repealed and the following substituted.

(1) The City Collector of the City of Halifax shall on or before the 15th day of September in each year prepare a list of the resident ratepayers who are then entitled to vote in each polling district of the city in an election for Mayor and Aldermen, and the persons whose names appear on such lists for any polling district, and no other, shall be entitled to sign a petition against the issue of a license for that polling district.

(2) Any person shall be entitled to a copy of the lists on payment of fifty cents. And all moneys so paid to the Collector, shall be paid by him to the City Treasurer, and shall form part of the License Fund from which the Mayor of the City shall direct payment to the Collector of a sum sufficient to compensate him for preparing such lists.

Sections 63, 64, 66, 70, 71 and 72 of the Act hereby amended are repealed in so far as they relate to the City of Halifax.

No liquor shall be sold in any licensed premises other than a licensed hotel.

(a) Between the hours of seven o'clock on Saturday night and seven o'clock on Monday morning following, and

(b) On every other night in the week between the hours of ten o'clock at night and seven o'clock on the following morning,

except in cases in which a requisition for liquor for medical purposes signed by a duly qualified medical practitioner, is produced by the purchaser or his agent.

No new licenses shall be granted until the number of licenses be reduced to seventy-five, unless the license be deemed necessary by the License Commission.

The penalty for violation of the provisions of this Act except as to Sunday selling shall be as follows :

(a) For a first offence one hundred dollars.

(b) For a second offence forfeiture of the license.

For the offence of selling on Sunday the penalty shall be forfeiture of the license.

The forms given in the Act amended may be used with such alterations as may be necessary to meet the provisions of this Act.

These amendments shall be submitted to the vote of the resident ratepayers of the City of Halifax on the last Wednesday in April, 1901, and shall not come into effect unless a majority of the votes cast shall be in favor of said amendments.

The License Commission shall have the right at any time during the continuance of any license to cancel the same.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the same be adopted and forwarded to the Legislature for enactment. Motion passed.

Read Act entitled " An Act to provide for the taking of a Plebiscite on the desirability of adopting a certain amendment to the Liquor License Act.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE TAKING OF A PLEBISCITE ON THE DESIRABILITY OF ADOPTING A CERTAIN AMENDMENT TO THE LIQUOR LICENSE ACT.

Be it enacted, by the Governor, Council and Assembly as follows :

1. At the next election of Mayor and Aldermen to serve in the City Council in the City of Halifax the City Clerk shall, in addition to the ballot papers required for the voting for candidates in such election, provide a sufficient number of separate ballot papers and furnish the same to the presiding officers of the several polling sections, and shall also furnish such presiding officers with two ballot boxes for use at such election,

2. Such ballot papers shall be printed on blue paper and be in the form in Schedule "A."

3. After the poll has been opened as required by the City Charter at such election of Mayor and Aldermen the presiding officer at each and every polling division shall hand to the voter the said ballot paper, on the back of which he shall put his initials, which such voter may either decline, or if accepted, he shall take with him into the compartment set off for voters and may mark his ballot so provided. If such voter wishes to vote for the bringing into force of one or more of the proposed amendments he shall place a cross (X) in the right-hand space under the word "yes" and opposite the question, and in the right-hand space under the word "No" if he desires to vote "No" on the question. The voter will then fold up the ballot paper so as to show the initials of the presiding officer on the back, and leaving the compartment will, without showing the front of the paper to any person, deliver such ballot so folded to the presiding officer. The voter will at the same time bring with him his ballot for the candidates, and hand it to the presiding officer, as required by the City Charter, and the presiding officer shall in the presence of the voter deposit the ballots for Mayor and Aldermen in the ballot boxes for ballots for Mayor and Aldermen, and deposit the other ballot, if any, in the ballot box provided for the vote on said amendments and the voter shall forthwith quit the polling place. A voter duly qualified as in Section 6 shall be entitled to a ballot on said amendments, even though he does not desire to vote for Mayor or Aldermen.

4. If the voter inadvertently spoils a ballot paper before depositing the same, the presiding officer shall, if satisfied of such inadvertence, give him another ballot paper.

5. If the voter places on the ballot paper more than one mark or places any mark on the paper by which he may be identified, his ballot paper will be void and will not be counted.

6. The list of electors used for the election of Mayor and Aldermen at said election, shall be the list used for the election on said amendments, and those persons in said list who are qualified to vote for Mayor and Aldermen, shall be entitled to vote on said question, and no other person.

7. No person shall vote more than once on said question.

8. Should no election be held for Mayor and Aldermen in any ward of the City of Halifax by reason of the Mayor or Aldermen for said ward having been returned by acclamation, the City Clerk shall, nevertheless, make provision for the holding of an election in each polling division to enable electors to pronounce an opinion on the subject of the bringing into force of the said amendments, as provided by this act, and presiding officers and clerks shall be appointed who shall receive the same remuneration as in the case of elections to serve in the said City Council, and suitable polling booths shall be provided in the usual places. One ballot box shall be furnished and a list of electors. The City Clerk in case when no election shall take place for Mayor and Aldermen in any of said wards, shall give public notice in all polling sections of the time and place of voting on the subject of said amendments.

9. On the day of the voting at, or any time after the opening of the poll, any elector of the said City may apply to represent those advocating the affirmative and negative of said question respectively, and on such applicant or applicants making the oath in Schedule "B" to this Act, which the presiding officer shall administer such applicants, one on either side, may be admitted to represent such side in the polling booth during the election, and be present at the counting of the ballots thereon.

10. The oaths, which may be administered to persons offering to vote on said question, shall be those presented in Schedule "C" to this Act, and if requested to do so by the representative of either side of the question, the presiding officer shall require the voter to take any one or more of said oaths, and on his failure to do so he shall not be entitled to receive a ballot.

11. In the poll book to be provided for use at each polling place at the election of Mayor and Aldermen, the Clerk shall add a column headed "Amend-

ments," and entries shall be made therein against the names of persons voting on said question, in addition to the other entries required by law to be made at Provincial elections.

12. If any voter shall make a declaration before the presiding officer, that by reason of blindness, illiteracy, or any other cause, he is unable to mark his ballot, the presiding officer may mark the ballot of such voter in the presence of the representatives of the affirmative or negative, or either of them, if any be present.

13. Immediately after the close of the poll and after the ballots for the election of Mayor and Aldermen, if any, are counted and the returns made, the presiding officer shall, in the presence of the persons authorized to be present (if any) proceed to count the votes given "yes" and "no" on the said question, and shall make up a packet containing such ballots, sealed with his seal and the seals of either or both of the persons authorized to be present, if either or both so desire it, and mark upon the outside, with a written statement of the contents of such packet, the date, the name of the presiding officer and of the polling division.

14. The statement shall embrace the following:—

- (a) The votes given "yes" on each amendment.
- (b) The votes given "no" on each amendment.
- (c) The used ballot papers which have not been objected to, but which have been counted.
- (d) The ballot papers which have been objected to, but which have been counted.
- (e) The rejected ballot papers.
- (f) The spoiled ballot papers.
- (g) The unused ballot papers.
- (h) The number of voters on the list entitled to vote.
- (i) The total number who have voted.
- (j) The number who voted for candidates and not on said amendments.

15. Such sealed packets with such certificate shall be then placed in the ballot box, locked, and labelled "Amendments," and such box shall be forthwith returned to the City Clerk.

16. Every presiding officer shall, if requested to do so by either of the parties authorized to attend at his polling place, furnish a certificate in writing, stating the number of votes given "yes," the number of votes given "no" and the number of rejected ballot papers.

17. If by any means the ballot for Mayor and Aldermen be placed in the box for "The Amendments," or the ballots on "The Amendments" be placed in the ballot boxes for Mayor and Aldermen, during the hours of polling, the presiding officer shall, notwithstanding, count all such ballots, and credit the same to the candidates receiving them, or to the "yes" or "no," as the case may be, on the question of "The Amendments."

18. The City Clerk shall sum up the votes given "yes" and "no" respectively upon the said question, and shall declare the same at the same time and place at which he declares the result of the election of Mayor and Aldermen to serve in said City Council, if any, and if no election of Mayor and Aldermen is held, then within five days after polling day shall transmit to the Mayor under his hand and seal of office a declaration showing:—

- (a) The total number of votes polled in said City voting "yes."
- (b) The total number of votes voting "no."
- (c) The total number entitled to vote on said question in said City.
- (d) Number of electors who voted for candidates but not on the Amendments.

19. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as to affect in any way the method or practice prescribed by law for holding elections of Mayor and Alder-

men to serve in the said City Council, which shall be conducted in all respects the same as if this Act had not been passed.

20. The Clerks and Presiding Officers appointed to take votes for Mayor and Aldermen shall perform all the duties prescribed by this Act, and shall receive no remuneration for the same, except in cases where no election of Mayor and Aldermen is being held, in which case they shall receive the same remuneration as is now paid to Clerks and Presiding Officers for holding elections of Mayor and Aldermen.

21. This Act may be cited as "The Liquor License Amendment Plebiscite Act, 1901."

Schedule "A."

(Section 2).

Form of Ballot Paper for Voters.

This Form of Ballot is to be printed on blue paper.

	Yes.	No.
Are you in favor of sale of liquor to be consumed on the premises?		
Are you in favor of licensed shops being open until seven o'clock Saturday and ten o'clock every other night, except Sunday?		
Are you in favor, on the license holder once getting the required three-fifths of the ratepayers to sign his certificate, of granting him a license thereon from year to year until convicted of an offence under the Act?		

Schedule "B."

(Section 9.)

Oath of Agent.

I, the undersigned A. B., solemnly declare that I am desirous of obtaining an affirmative (or negative, as the case may be) answer to the question whether the electors of the City of Halifax are in favor of one or any of the Amendments to the Liquor License Act, 1900, to be submitted to the electors of the said City.

(Signature) A. B.

Made and declared before me this _____ day of _____
A. D., 1901.

C. D.

Schedule "C."

(Section 10.)

Form of Oath for Voters.

1. You swear (X) that you are the person named, or intended to be named, by the name of _____ in the list of voters now shown to you in the Poll Book.
2. That you are a British subject by birth or naturalization.
3. That you are entitled to vote on this question, and in this City.
4. That you are of the full age of twenty-one years.
5. That you have not voted before on this question, either at this or any other polling place.
6. That you have not received anything, nor has anything been promised you, either directly or indirectly, either to induce you to vote on this question, or for loss of time, travelling expenses, hire of team, or any other service connected therewith.

7. And that you have not, directly or indirectly, paid or promised anything to any person, either to induce him to vote, or to refrain from voting, on this question.

So HELP YOU GOD.

Note.—(X) If the voter is a person who may by law affirm in civil cases, then for "swear" substitute the words "solemnly affirm."

On motion said Act is considered clause by clause.

Read clauses 1 to 21 inclusive, which were severally passed. Also, read Schedule A. B. and C. which were also passed.

Moved by Alderman MacIlraith, seconded by Alderman Butler, that said Act be adopted as a whole and forwarded to the Legislature for confirmation. Motion passed.

A Delegation for the Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters being present by arrangement, are now heard.

Mr. C. A. Evans, Resident Secretary of the "Queen and Royal Insurance Companies," addressed the Council at considerable length, and urged the necessity of better Fire Protection, and also protested against any change being made in the Brick District Boundaries.

Read Act entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 58 of the Acts of 1891, entitled An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the City of Halifax," relative to assessing all Imperial, Dominion and Nova Scotia Government property.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 58 OF THE ACTS OF 1891, ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONSOLIDATE AND AMEND THE ACTS RELATING TO THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

Be it Enacted, by the Governor, Council and Assembly as follows:

Hereafter all the real estate in the City of Halifax belonging to or vested in the Imperial Government or any one on its behalf or held by His Majesty the King for said Government, shall be assessed, rated and taxed in the same way as the property of citizens is now assessed, rated and taxed in said City, and for taxes or assessment for improvements and for sewerage rates, and the said rates, taxes and improvement assessments and sewerage rates shall be collected in the same way and with the same rights and remedies as provided by the Act hereby amended for collecting said rates, taxes, assessments for improvements and sewerage rates from the citizens or Halifax and their property.

Hereafter all the real estate in the City of Halifax belonging to or vested in the Government of Canada or any one on its behalf, or held by His Majesty the King for said Government, shall be assessed, rated and taxed in the same way as the property of citizens is now assessed, rated and taxed in said City, and for taxes or assessments for improvements and for sewerage rates, and the said rates, taxes and improvement assessments and sewerage rates shall be collected in the same way and with the same rights and remedies as provided by the Act hereby amended for collecting said rates, taxes, assessments for improvements and sewerage rates from the citizens of Halifax and their property.

Hereafter all the real estate in the City of Halifax belonging to or vested in the Government of Nova Scotia or any one on its behalf, or held by His Majesty the King for said Government, shall be assessed, rated and taxed in the same way as the property of citizens is now assessed, rated and taxed in said City, and for taxes or assessment for improvements and for sewerage rates, and the said rates, taxes and improvement assessments and sewerage rates shall be collected in the same way and with the same rights and remedies as provided by the Act hereby amended for collecting said rates, taxes, assessments for improvements and sewerage rates from the citizens of Halifax and their property.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that said Act be approved of, and that it be sent to the Legislature for enactment. Motion passed.

Read draft of an Act entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 61 of the Acts of 1886, entitled An Act to allow the City of Halifax to convey certain lands," ladies of sacred heart. Laid over.

Read draft Act, entitled "An Act to encourage the building of Cold Storage Warehouses and plant therein."

AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE THE BUILDING OF COLD STORAGE WAREHOUSES
AND PLANT THEREIN.

Be it enacted, by the Governor, Council and Assembly as follows :—

Any person, company, firm or corporation purchasing any Real Estate in the City of Halifax and establishing cold storage warehouses plant and machinery thereon, the said real estate, plant and machinery shall for the space of ten years from the passing of this Act be only assessed for rates and taxes on the amount of the purchase money paid for such real estate, provided that amount is not less than the assessed value of the property at the time of such purchase, in which latter case the assessed value shall be the amount for assessment for said term.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that said Act be adopted and that it be sent to the Legislature for confirmation. Motion passed.

Read draft Act, entitled An Act to enable the City of Halifax to borrow money "for entertaining the Duke and Duchess of York and Cornwall."

AN ACT TO ENABLE THE CITY OF HALIFAX TO BORROW MONEY.

Be it enacted, by the Governor, Council and Assembly as follows :

The City of Halifax is authorized to borrow the sum of three thousand dollars on the credit of the City of Halifax to pay the expenses connected with the visit of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York to the City of Halifax.

The said sum when borrowed shall be repaid by the City of Halifax in six equal instalments, with interest, and sums sufficient to repay each of said annual instalments, with interest, shall be included in the annual assessments of the City of Halifax, and shall form a lien and be a charge on the real estate, revenue and property of the City, and shall be assessed on the inhabitants and property of the ratepayers of said City liable to be assessed, in addition to any moneys now authorized to be assessed thereon, and shall be levied and collected in the same way and with the same rights, liens and remedies as the ordinary general assessment of the City. The sums when borrowed shall only be used for the purposes indicated in this Act.

Moved by Alderman Musgrave, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that said Act be approved of and forwarded to the Legislature for confirmation. Motion passed.

Read draft Act, entitled An Act to amend Chapter 58 of the Acts of 1891, entitled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the City of Halifax," altering Brick District. Placed on Order of the Day.

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

Whereas, in case any Company with whom the Commission mentioned in Section 4 of an Act to promote Steel Shipbuilding in the City of Halifax in con-

junction with the City Council, may agree to construct a shipyard or plant in said City, and may require to purchase a site for said works,

Therefore Resolved, That the City of Halifax is hereby empowered to expropriate said site or any part or portion thereof, upon the Company giving security to pay the full amount of such award and all expenses in connection therewith.

And His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare an amendment to said Act for the purpose of carrying out this resolution.

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

Alderman Musgrave has leave of Council to submit a petition from A. & W. Mackinlay and others, praying that the City Council will not take any steps towards the installation of a City Electric Lighting Plant at the present time. The same is now read.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Whereas, A large and influential number of ratepayers of City of Halifax have by petition requested His Worship the Mayor and members of the City Council to postpone at present the erection of an electric light plant,

Therefore Resolved, That the Board of Works, in conjunction with the City Engineer and City Electrician, be, and hereby are authorized to prepare plans and specifications for the lighting of the City, and shall advertise in the usual way for tenders for same not later than April 6th, 1901. Time for closing said tenders to be April 20th.

And, in event of said contract being awarded to the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, it shall be a condition in said contract that work shall be commenced on the loop line not later than June 15th, 1901, and completed as soon as possible.

Moved by Alderman Musgrave, seconded by Alderman Geldert.

On motion the same is placed on the Order of the Day for consideration with No. 16 thereon, viz.: Report of Special Committee on the City doing its own Electric Lighting, etc.

The Act relating to the petition of the Ladies of the Sacred Heart having been amended is again read.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 61 OF THE ACTS OF 1886, ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE CITY OF HALIFAX TO CONVEY CERTAIN LANDS.

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows:—

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Act hereby amended, or in the conveyance executed thereunder, "The ladies of the Sacred Heart at Halifax," are hereby authorized to erect, build and complete a new building for school purposes on any portion of the lot of land described in the first section of said Act, and lease the same to the Board of "School Commissioners for the City of Halifax," for such time as "The ladies of the Sacred Heart at Halifax" shall think proper, but no such building shall be erected upon or in any way interfere with the street heretofore laid out and mentioned and described in the second section of said Act, and if any such building is erected on said street or any part thereof, it shall be deemed a public nuisance and be removed therefrom.

This Act is not to take effect until College Street through from Summer Street to Tower Road has been open to the public.

When said street is opened to the public the City shall proceed to grade the same.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that said Act as amended do now pass, and that it be forwarded to the Legislature for enactment. Motion passed.

Alderman O'Donnell has leave of Council to introduce the following resolution.

Resolved, That all shops or places where temperate drinks are sold as a specialty that there be no dancing nor music of any kind either vocal, instrumental or otherwise allowed on the premises, and the hour for closing such places be not later than eleven o'clock.

Also that the police be instructed to report all places where there is dancing or music of any kind, and those who refuse or neglect to close at said hour be reported and fined the same as licensed houses.

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

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that said resolution be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

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

Resolved, That the City Works Department be hereby instructed by this Council to proceed at once with the work of grading and asphaltting of the sidewalk on Lockman Street, west side, South of North Street.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, and passed.

Alderman Martin has leave of Council to introduce the following resolution:

Whereas, The City Engineer has under a resolution of the Council obtained an estimate of the cost to the City involved in the widening of Agricola Street, north from Cunard Street to West Street, and such cost has been estimated at \$26,000;

And whereas, It is in the interest of the City that said widening should at once be made;

And whereas, In the present condition of the street ordinary traffic is constantly difficult or impossible owing to the narrowness of the street between those points, and is at times dangerous;

Therefore Resolved, That the Recorder be instructed to prepare an Act to be submitted to the Legislature authorizing the City to borrow the said sum of \$26,000 for the purpose of widening said portion of said Agricola Street.

Moved by Alderman Martin seconded by Alderman Rogers. Said motion being put is lost—7 voting for the same and 5 against it—it being new matter and requiring a two-third vote of the Council to pass it.

Names being called for, there appeared:

For the motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Lane, O'Donnell, Chisholm, Martin, Ryan, Mosher, Hawkins.—7.	Aldermen Musgrave, Campbell, Butler, Halliday, Hubley.—5.

On motion the same is placed on the Order of the Day for consideration with No. 20 thereon, viz:—"Report City Engineer, re widening Agricola Street."

Alderman Martin, by leave of Council, now introduces the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Halifax Electric Tram Co. be requested to continue on their time table the car leaving for Willow Park at 12.15 a. m., or if such arrangement is impracticable to run the car leaving Coburg Road at 12.15 a. m. to Willow Park to make the service on the branch line equal to that on the main line.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Musgrave and passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

No. 1.—Alderman O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration of amendment to Liquor License Act, in re Fees for Licensees, is now read.

Alderman O'Donnell declines to move said notice of reconsideration.

No. 2 is now read, viz:—Alderman MacIlreith's notice of reconsideration of amendment to Liquor License Act, in re premises which under the present Act cannot be licensed.

Alderman MacIlreith withdraws said notice of reconsideration.

No. 3 is now read, viz:—Alderman Campbell's notice of reconsideration of amendment to License Act, fixing the hours for closing premises.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Butler, that this matter be now reconsidered. Motion put and passed, 8 voting for same and 6 against it. Names being called for there appeared :

For reconsideration.

Aldermen Geldert, Musgrave,
Lane, MacIlreith, Campbell,
Butler, Martin, Rogers—8,

Against it.

Aldermen Halliday, Hubley,
O'Donnell, Chisholm,
Mosher, Hawkins—6.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the hour for closing on Saturday evenings be made seven o'clock, instead of six o'clock. Motion passed.

Alderman O'Donnell has leave of Council to introduce a resolution. The following resolution is now introduced :

Whereas, Alderman Hubley preferred certain charges against His Worship the Mayor and Works Department with causing an overdraft of upwards of \$17,000 without the knowledge of this Council,

Therefore Resolved, That the Mayor be requested to submit a statement (in writing) at the next meeting of this Council in rebuttal of said charges.

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

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Martin, that No 28 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 28, viz: Report City Engineer on letter of C. A. Hawkins in re water supply at his residence, Willow Park.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that said report be adopted.

Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, moves a call of Council at 10.40 o'clock.

Moved by Alderman Musgrave, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that No. 31 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No 31, viz: Alderman O'Donnell's notice of motion of resolution to re-establish the Board of Works. Alderman O'Donnell now moves said resolution.

The following amendment is now introduced :

Resolved, That His Honor the Recorder be and he is hereby instructed to prepare an Act amending Section 2 of Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1900, by striking out the word "two" in the second line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the word "six."

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Martin.

Alderman O'Donnell withdraws his resolution and the amendment of Alderman Rogers now stands as the resolution.

Said resolution of Alderman Rogers is now put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 4 against it. Names being called for, there appeared :

For the Motion.

Aldermen Musgrave, Hubley, Halliday,
O'Donnell, Chisholm, Martin,
Rogers, Mosher, Hawkins—9.

Against it.

Aldermen Geldert, Mac-
Ilreith, Butler,
Lane—4.

Alderman MacIlreith, by leave of Council, now introduces the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Water Inspector furnish the Council at the next meeting with a list of persons reported for wasting water, and the number of times he visited each house, the number fined, fines remitted and why.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, and passed.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman MacIlreith, that His Honor the Recorder be a member of the Committee appointed to watch the progress of the City's bills through the Legislature. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, that No. 22, Sec. 2, on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 22 (Sec. 2) viz: Report Laws and Privileges in re assessment of manufacturing industries.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the words "time of the establishing of the enterprise," at the end of Section 3 of the report, be struck therefrom, and the words "passing of the Act" be substituted therefor, that said report do pass as amended, and that His Honor the Recorder be and he is hereby instructed to prepare an Act in accordance therewith, and submit the same to this Council. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10.55 o'clock.