

## [SOME POINTS OF PROPOSED PROSPECTUS

*Advantages of Halifax, Nova Scotia, as a Location for a Modern Ship-building Plant.*

The establishment of great Iron and Steel Works in Nova Scotia has drawn attention to the special advantages we possess for the building of steel ships. The raw material which enter into the making of iron and steel can be brought together in this province so cheaply, that the finished material can be produced at less cost than in any other country in the world. That being the case there seems to be no reason why steel shipbuilding should not become an important and profitable industry in this Province. If the advantages we possess were properly known we believe the necessary capital would be forthcoming to inaugurate the industry on a large scale. The object of this circular is to point out the special advantages possessed by the port of Halifax for the establishment of such an enterprise. These advantages may be conveniently referred to under the following heads.

**HALIFAX HARBOR.** The harbor of this port needs no advertising. It is known the world over as the best on the continent. Easy of approach at all seasons of the year, free from ice in winter time, with ample depth of water, and tides of not over six feet, it is capacious enough to harbor the combined shipping of the British Empire. Along its shore line suitable sites for extensive yards can be found at reasonable cost, while the great fortifications that protect it from all points would guarantee safe employment during any great war.

**CLIMATE.** Owing to the vicinity of the Gulf Stream the weather in winter time is rarely severe. The rain fall is moderate, so that out door work may be continued all the year round with a minimum loss of time from inclement weather. Experience shows that there are as many actual working days (i. e., days that men can work outside) in Nova Scotia, as in any other competing country.

**MATERIAL AND FUEL.** Halifax is close to the great Coal and Ore producing centres of the Province, and has ample and cheap transportation facilities with these centres both by rail and water. Frequent steam communication with Great Britain and the United States ensures cheap water carriage for every material that may have to be imported from these countries. An ample supply of wood is at hand, and all outfitting material is readily procurable. In short Halifax possesses the necessary facilities for receiving and handling economically and with dispatch all the raw material which would be required for the operation of such an industry on a large scale.

**LABOR.** Halifax has the largest population of any one place in the Maritime Provinces from which to secure workmen, and being centrally situated is of easy access from all the outlying districts to which it may be necessary to look for a full supply of hands to operate a large plant. The well known industry and intelligence of Provincialists as mechanics who readily adapt themselves to any and all kinds of work, should guarantee the successful operation of the enterprise so far as labor is concerned.

**REPAIR WORK.** The geographical position of Halifax makes it the natural haven for ships that become disabled in the storm area of the North Atlantic. Every year hundreds of such ships are towed to this port either for temporary or permanent repairs. When ample facilities are provided for the heaviest class of repairs, the port would become a still greater resort for ships in distress and repairing would be a profitable department of the enterprise.

**DRY DOCK.** Another distinct advantage in this connection is that Halifax has one of the finest Dry Docks on this side of the Atlantic, capable of accommodating the largest class of ships.

**PROSPECTIVE BUSINESS.** There is an immense market for tonnage in our own Dominion. The enormous traffic of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence will require a constantly increasing fleet of carriers, and the rapid development of our coal and iron industries is creating a demand for vessels specially designed for

the economical carriage of such products. The coastwise business of the Maritime Provinces is now almost exclusively done by steamers, and it seems only a question of time when the great fishing industry of this Province will be done by steam trawlers, specially fitted for the carriage to market of fresh fish. All this points to a large and increasing demand for local tonnage which would furnish in itself an important market for one or more large yards in this Province. In addition to this there is an increasing tendency on the part of our Provincial capitalists to again invest in shipping, and a very considerable amount of foreign going tonnage is already owned in the Maritime Provinces. Such owners when ordering new tonnage might reasonably be expected to give a preference to the local industry.

**CASH SUBSIDIES.** In view of the fact that the undertaking has to be started on a large scale and is practically a new industry in this Province, a strong sentiment has been created in favor of Municipal and Government aid to promote the establishment of the first plant, to foster the industry during its initial stages. Cash subsidies amounting to Three Hundred Thousand Dollars have therefore been voted, and would be payable to a responsible Company undertaking the enterprise, as follows:

From the Provincial Government towards the erection of the first plant in the Province.....	\$100,000
From the City of Halifax, to encourage the erection of a plant within the City limits.....	200,000
	<u>\$300,000</u>

In addition to the subsidies enumerated above, it is hoped that the Dominion Government may give a bounty on all steel tonnage launched in the Dominion within a term of years.

The conditions governing the Provincial subsidy may be obtained by correspondence with the Provincial Government.

The disposal of the Municipal subsidies are in the hands of a Commission appointed by the City Council and the Board of Trade, subject to the approval of the City Council. His Worship the Mayor is Chairman of the Commission, and will be glad to furnish additional information to parties who may be interested in the undertaking.

Read report of the City Engineer in re Water Supply, Campbell Road.

#### WATER SUPPLY CAMPBELL ROAD.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Aug. 21st, 1902.

*His Worship the Mayor :*

Sir,—The district north of North Street along Campbell Road and cross streets as far west as Albert Street get their supply through a 9-inch pipe in the Low Service system. The capacity of the pipe is ample to supply all ordinary demands. The winter supply is fairly good, but when the street sprinkling begins at the first of April it is difficult to keep the water up to the higher levels. It is not advisable to make any reduction in the quantity of water used for street sprinkling—in fact, it should be increased. The greater portion of the water used in the day time in this district, besides the water for street sprinkling, goes to the Sugar Refinery. Their average consumption has been considerably over one hundred thousand (100,000) gallons a day. They are not satisfied with the normal pressure on the mains, but draw the water with a pump, which reduces the pressure below what the natural flow would make it. As the efficiency of the house supply should not be impaired for the benefit of the Sugar Refinery, the time seems opportune for making some change in the present arrangement. We do not want to embarrass the Sugar Refinery in any way, and we are anxious to give every facility for carrying on their work; but we cannot continue to furnish them with the quantity of water which they are now taking during the day time. I would therefore recommend that the Sugar Refinery Company be given notice that they must provide a storage tank on their premises of sufficient capacity to

contain a supply of water for twenty-four hours, not later than May 1st, 1902, and that after that date the water supply to the Refinery will be cut off at 8 a. m. and turned on again at 6 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Placed on Order Paper.

Read letter from the Deputy-Mayor, relative to the purchase of a Mayor's official robe and chain.

**MAYOR'S ROBE AND CHAIN.**

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, Halifax, N. S., Aug. 26th, 1901.

To the City Council :

Gentlemen,—Previous to his depar-eparture on his present visit to the United States, His Worship the Mayor's attention was attracted to the subject of costume to be worn on the occasion of the approaching visit of His Royal Highness th? Duke of Cornwall and York. The Mayor's official robe now in possession of the City has been in use for about forty years and has become obsolete in design and mateciel as well as practically worn out. With the view of ascertaining the views of the Mayors of other cities in the matter His Worship wrote to various of the principal places in Canada and obtained replies which re attached hereto. Four out of five of the answers state that it is the intention of the Mayor to wear the official robe and chain. His worship also obtained from England various price lists of robes and chains and from these it is ascertained that the articles most suitable for the City of Halifax would cost for the chain £60 and for the robe £40.

The committee on reception of His Royal Highness the Duke of Cornwall and York have had these matters under consideration at a number of meetings and have unanimously agreed that a robe and chain should be procured fir His Worship. But while the immediate necessity for their purchase arises through the visit of His Royal Highness, your committee are of opinion that the cost would not be a proper charge against the appropriation for the reception, as these articles would become always available for other purposes and the chain a permanent asset.

It is recommended that your committee be authorized to procure a Mayor's robe and chain and that His Honor the Rcorde be authorized to prepare an Act authorizing the City to borrow money for the payment thereof.

R. T. MACILREITH, *Deputy Mayor.*

Moved by Alderman Crosby, seconded by Alderman Martin, that said robe and chain be dispensed with, and that neither robe nor chain be purchased. Motion put and passed, 7 voting for the same and 4 against it.

Names being called for, there appeared—

For the motion.

Aldermen Barry, Crosby, O'Donnell,  
Ryan, Chisholm, Martin,  
Hawkins—7.

Against it.

Aldermen Robertson, Camp-  
bell, Rogers and  
Mosher—4.

Read report of Committee on City Auditing, covering draft ordinance relative thereto.

## MEMO. OF AUDITOR'S DUTIES AND THE KEEPING OF CIVIC ACCOUNTS.

1. All bills against any City Department to be certified by the official receiving the goods or responsible for the work done and passed by the proper committee. The clerk of the committee or manager to enter into a columnar book with appropriate headings all bills passed by the committee (each bill under its proper heading) and send them to the City Auditor, who will compare the bills with the contracts (if any) and check extensions and additions. After the bills have passed the City Council the Auditor will attach a warrant on the Treasurer to each bill and send the same to the creditor, who will collect the amount, the Auditor to be responsible for the correctness of the bill.

2. The Auditor to be responsible that any appropriation is not overdrawn.

3. The Auditor to keep no books, except a register of warrants issued, but to be responsible that the books of every Department are in order, and that he may properly perform his duties he should have access to all books of all City Departments and power to direct such books to be kept as he shall think necessary. He should certify to all statements submitted by any Department to the City Council.

4. He should check all receipts and see that the money has been paid to the Treasurer within a reasonable time. He should examine the books of payment and satisfy himself that no accounts have been paid except those bearing his stamp.

5. At the end of each month or quarter he should compare the books kept by the various spending committees with the Treasurer's books and see that they agree.

6. In short, he should examine and pass upon every claim upon the City for money, and examine every cash entry in every department.

A. B. CROSBY, for Chairman.

Placed on the Order of the Day.

Read letter from T. E. Clay, Superintendent of The Other Fellows' Boys' Club, asking that the premises occupied by said Club be exempt from taxation.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that said request be granted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the matter be referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee for report. The amendment being put is passed.

Read petition of James Hillis and others for an electric light on Veith Street.

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

Read letter from James K. Munnis relative to the opening of Maitland Terrace through to Gottingen Street.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that said letter be referred to the Committee on extension of Maitland Terrace. Motion passed.

Read application of Charles R. Rosborough for the position of Water Inspector.

On motion the same is placed on the Order of the Day for consideration with No. 17 thereon, viz: Applications of John E. Burns and Thomas J. Healy for position of Water Inspector, etc.

Read resolution of the City Works Commission, relative to the Tramway Company laying their track through Oxford, McCullough and Almon Streets.

## STREET RAILWAY EXTENSION.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Halifax, N. S., Aug. 8th, 1901.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the City Works Commission held August 2nd, the following resolution was passed and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council :

*Resolved*, That the City Works Commission recommend the City Council to request the Tramway Company to lay their track through Oxford, McCullough and Almon Streets to Windsor Street instead of Quinpool Road, as they are now doing.

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

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said resolution be adopted Motion passed.

Alderman O'Donnell gave notice that he will at a future meeting move a resolution to rescind the resolution passed 23rd March, 1900, giving the Tramway Company permission to construct and operate a line on Quinpool Road.

Read resolution of the Police Commission, relative to a place for keeping harmless insane persons waiting medical examination.

## CONFINEMENT OF HARMLESS INSANE.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, Halifax, N. S., July 31st, 1901.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—The following is a copy of a resolution passed by the Police Commission, at a meeting held July 29th, 1901 :

*Whereas*, The Chief of Police having reported to this Commission that there is no place for keeping the harmless Insane in custody in the City Hall ;

*Resolved*, That this Commission is of opinion that they should be at once transferred to and placed in the Poor's Asylum, there to be detained until reported upon by the City Medical Officer.

*Further Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the City Council for concurrence.

J. T. HAMILTON, *Mayor*,  
*Chairman Police Commission.*

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the same be referred to the Committee on Charities for report. Motion passed.

Read opinion of His Honor the Recorder, re payment of G. P. Henry's salary.

## GEORGE P. HENRY'S SALARY.

RECORDER'S OFFICE, Halifax, N. S., Aug. 5th, 1901.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

Gentlemen,—When the Chairman of the Board of Health called upon me to know if the Board were liable for the salary of Mr. Henry, I informed him that

while he was the officer of the Board, yet he was the appointee of the City Council, and that the Board was not liable to him for his salary and that he would have to enforce his claim against the City. I also informed him that in case the Board refused to pay the salary of Mr. Henry the City Council could instruct, by resolution, the proper officer to pay the amount and to deduct it from the appropriation made to the Board, as his salary was contained in it. I am of the same opinion still, and that Mr. Henry must look to the City of Halifax for his salary.

Respectfully submitted.

W. F. MacCoy, Recorder.

Also read report from the City Health Board on the matter of G. P. Henry's salary.

OFFICE OF CITY HEALTH BOARD, Halifax, N. S., Aug. 26th, 1901.

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

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the City Health Board held this day, I was instructed to inform the City Council that the resolution on the matter of Mr. Henry's salary, passed by the Board, a copy of which was forwarded to your Council, (another copy of which I enclose) was dictated by the City Recorder, and written from such dictation by the Chairman of the City Health Board, which resolution has governed the Board in its action towards Mr. Henry.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN A. WATTERS,  
Secretary City Health Board.

On motion, both of said communications are filed.

Read, opinion of His Honor the Recorder, in re the Mayor's veto of resolution in the matter of Fulton's Wool Factory.

IN RE THE MAYOR'S VETO—FULTON'S WOOL FACTORY.

RECORDER'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, Halifax, N. S., Aug. 7th, 1901.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

Gentlemen,—In accordance with a request of the Council, I now transmit my opinions as regards the validity of the Mayor's veto in the above matter.

By Section 103 the City Clerk is directed immediately after a meeting of the Council to place before the Mayor all money votes passed by the Council for the expenditure of any sum of money or the making of any contract involving the expenditure of any money from the City Treasury, and if the Mayor approves of such resolution, motion or vote he shall signify such approval in writing with his signature in the Minute, and if he disapproves of any such resolution, motion or vote he is to signify his dissent in the same way, and shall in writing inform the Council of his disapproval, and his reasons therefor.

In this case the Mayor has not disapproved of the vote in writing with his signature in the Minute as the Statute directs, but merely informed the Council at its next meeting in writing of his disallowing the resolution, but gave no reasons therefor in his written communication to the Council.

The mode of disallowing a money resolution of the Council is clearly pointed out in the Statute and must be followed. The question came before the Council re Connolly's salary, the circumstances being somewhat similar, and was fully discussed and my opinion given in that case in February, 1900, and it is unnecessary to recapitulate the reasons which are well known to the Council.

I am of opinion that the veto of the Mayor, under the circumstances, is not a veto at all and is invalid, as he did not signify his disapproval in writing with his signature in the Minute, as required by the Act.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. MacCoy, Recorder.

On motion of Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Robertson, the same is placed on the Order of the Day.

Read letter from John Y. Payzant, re Cogswell prize for rowing.  
CHAMPIONSHIP OF HALIFAX HARBOR.

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 5th, 1901.

JAS. T. HAMILTON, Esq., Mayor :

Dear Sir,—In answer to your enquiry with reference to the late Dr. Cogswell's aquatic prize, I have just received a letter from the Executor in which they say that they have no objection to this "prize being thrown open to Amateurs."

I am, yours,

JNO. Y. PAYZANT.

Filed.

Read account from R. M. Johnston and William Davies for services as arbitrators in the expropriation of the property necessary for the widening of Fenwick street.

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

Read application of the Nova Scotia Telephone Company, Limited, for permission to place two poles on Birmingham street.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that said application be referred to the City Works Commission for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from F. Goudeau, Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries, relative to the application of George E. VanBuskirk for a grant of a water lot on the western side of Halifax harbor.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges together with His Honor the Recorder and City Engineer for report. Motion passed.

The Deputy-Mayor nominates as the Committee on Market Site Aldermen Robertson, Campbell, Mitchell, O'Donnell, Rogers and Mosher.

Moved in amendment by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Crosby, that Aldermen Archibald, Barry, Crosby, O'Donnell, Rogers and Hawkins be the Committee on Market Site.

Said amendment is put and passed.

Read report of Coal Weighers for the month of July.

Read City Treasurer's Cash Statements, "General" and "Water," for the month of July. Filed.

Read letter of City Treasurer in re loan of \$120,000.

The following resolution is now introduced :

Resolved,—That the City Treasurer be instructed to advertise for tenders for loan of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000), the loan to run for twenty-five years and the interest to be four per cent. per annum.

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

## ORDER OF THE DAY.

Read No. 1, viz: Alderman Rogers' notice of reconsideration of resolution fixing salary of City Auditor at \$800.00 per year.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Ryan that said resolution be now reconsidered. Motion passed, seven voting for the same and four against it.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

*Resolved*, That W. W. Foster be appointed City Auditor at the sum of twelve hundred dollars.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Chisholm.

Alderman Martin moves, seconded by Alderman Campbell, a call of council at 10.25 o'clock.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Crosby, that No. 24 on the Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 24, viz: Report Police Commission on petition of Police Force for payment of one-half year's clothing grant.

The following resolution is now introduced:

- Whereas,—There has been a misunderstanding by which the allowance of \$40 per year allowed to the officers on the Police Force for the purpose of clothing them for duty for the year commencing on the first day of May, 1900, and ending on the 30th day of April, 1901,

And Whereas,—The men on the force have only been paid one-half of said allowance, viz.: \$20 due on the first day of November, 1900,

And Whereas,—The said Officers have received no clothing from the City for the year above mentioned nor other emolument or allowance in lieu of said \$20 now due them,

And Whereas,—The same has been provided for in the Estimates for the Police Department for the year 1900-1901,

Therefore Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Council that the sum of \$20 was due and payable on the first day of May last, and, not having been paid then or since, that the same is still due.

And Further Resolved,—That it is the desire of this Council that the same be paid immediately by the Mayor or his Deputy, and that the amounts be taken from the Appropriation so provided for in the Estimates for the year 1900-1901.

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

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Crosby, that the City Treasurer prepare the Annual Report for publication without extra remuneration. Motion passed.

Alderman Hawkins, with leave of the Council, introduces the following resolution:

Whereas,—A large number of houses have been built on the Merkles property and property adjoining in Ward No. 6;

Whereas,—No provision for drainage has been made for this densely populated district;

Whereas,—The unsanitary condition of this part of the City is due entirely to the want of proper sewers and is a menace to the health of the whole City;

Whereas,—The main sewer crossing the Common is overtaxed at times;

Whereas,—The construction of a large main sewer at Kempt Road and extending down through Mulgrave Park to the Harbor will relieve the present main sewer crossing the Common.



Resolved,—That the Engineer report upon the construction and cost of the aforesaid proposed sewer at the next meeting of the Council.

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

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice that he will at a future meeting of the Council move the following resolutions :

Whereas,—The City Wharf at the foot of George Street is in a dangerous condition and is unfit for a landing place, and as it is a place where a large number of people gather going to and from Dartmouth, also where strangers gather as well as our own and Dartmouth people,

Therefore Resolved,—That the wharf and closets be removed and be replaced by a stairs and landing only.

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

Resolved,—That the City Plumber be paid \$2.00 per day—the standing pay of the Plumbers' Union.

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

Whereas,—By a resolution of Council passed in 1872 appointing a Clerk for the Works Department,

And whereas,—Section 122 of the City Charter reads as follows: "The City Council shall prescribe the duties of all officers of the City by bye-laws where-  
ever the law has not expressly appointed and prescribed their functions,

And Whereas,—That law has never been repealed,

Therefore Resolved,—That His Worship the Mayor had no power to change in any manner whatsoever the duties of the Clerk without first coming to the Council.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Crosby.  
Objected to and placed on Order Paper.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost, 4 voting for the same and 7 against it.

Names being called for there appeared :

For the Motion.

Aldermen Campbell, Crosby, Martin,  
Hawkins—4.

Against it.

Alderman Barry, O'Donnell,  
Ryan, Chisholm,  
Rogers, Creighton,  
Mosher—7.

10.55. The time of call of Council having expired, the police officer announces that the absent members could not be found.

The record of the last meeting of the City Council relative to the appointment of a City Auditor is now read.

Alderman Rogers again moves and Alderman Chisholm seconds the resolution previously submitted at this meeting as follows :

"Resolved,—That W. W. Foster be appointed City Auditor at the sum of twelve hundred dollars" as an amendment to the resolution of last meeting relative to the appointment of W. W. Foster, as City Auditor.

Said amendment on being put is passed, 7 voting for the same and 4 against it.

Names being called for there appeared :

For the amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen O'Donnell, Ryan, Chisholm, Rogers, Creighton, Mosher, Hawkins, —7.	Aldermen Campbell, Barry, Crosby, Martin—4.

Alderman Crosby gives notice of reconsideration.

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

Whereas,—The sewer on Snebucto Road is now under construction,

And Whereas,—There is a petition from the inhabitants on said street for a further extension of said sewer and for water,

Therefore Resolved,—That the Board of Works be requested by this Council to take necessary steps to ask the Engineer to report on the construction of a sewer as far West as Harvard Street and water as far West as Oxford Street.

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

Alderman O'Donnell has leave of Council to deal with his resolution relative to the pay of the City Plumber at the present meeting.

Said resolution is again read.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Crosby, that said resolution be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Chisholm, seconded by Alderman Barry, that the matter be referred to the City Works Commission for report.

The amendment on being put is passed.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that No. 17 on the Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 17, viz: Applications of John E. Burns and Thomas J. Healy for position of Water Inspector. Also read application of Charles R. Rosborough for said position.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that John E. Burns be re-appointed Water Inspector.

On the vote being taken there appeared :

For John E. Burns.	For C. S. Rosborough.
Aldermen Campbell, Barry, Crosby, Chisholm, Martin, Rogers, Mosher, Hawkins—8.	Aldermen O'Donnell, Creighton—2.

The Deputy Mayor declares John E. Burns duly elected Water Inspector for the City of Halifax. Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

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

Council adjourns 11.40 o'clock.

## EVENING SESSION,

8.10 o'clock.

SEPTEMBER 6th, 1901.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening.

At the above hour there were present Alderman MacIlreith (Deputy Mayor) Mosher, Martin and O'Donnell.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Mosher, 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 Archibald, Barry, Halliday, Crosby, Ryan, Chisholm, Rogers, Creighton and Hawkins.

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

Alderman O'Donnell, Chairman, submits a report from the Charities Committee.

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

The Deputy Mayor submits the following papers :

Report from the Committee on Laws and Privileges re application of George E. VanBuskirk for grant of water lot, and petition of Other Fellows Club, to be relieved from taxation.

Letter from Board of Trade re Civic Taxation.

Letter from Board of Trade in re Railway Siding in connection with proposed Cold Storage Plant.

Application of James M. Donovan for position of City Assessor.

Bill of George P. Henry for salary for the month of August.

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

Read report of the Charities Committee for the month of August.

### REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

HALIFAX, Sept. 14th, 1901.

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report :

Accounts chargeable to Maintenance to the amount of \$1,768.39 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

The Superintendent's report for August shows that during the month there were 26 persons admitted into the Poor's Asylum, 1 born, 20 discharged and 2 died. Of the number admitted 6 were chargeable to the Province, 2 to Halifax County, 1 to Cumberland County, and the remainder to the City. Total number of inmates August 31st, 315, made up of 179 men, 133 women and 3 children.

The resolution of the Police Commission in re place for keeping insane patients waiting medical examination, which resolution was referred by the Council to the Charities Committee, was brought up, when the following resolution, moved by Alderman Hawkins seconded by Alderman Barry, was passed :

*Whereas*, The Charities Committee having considered the report of the Police Commission referred to them by the City Council.

*Resolved*, That the facilities at the Poor's Asylum will not permit the Charities Committee to entertain the idea of taking charge of the class of cases mentioned in the recommendation of the Police Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. O'DONNELL, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced :—

*Resolved*, That the report of the Charities Committee be adopted and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the amount of accounts mentioned therein.

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

Read report of the City Prison Committee for the month of August.

#### REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, Sept. 6th, 1901.

*His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee on City Prison beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts :

A. French, dry goods, \$11.92 ; J. A. Leaman & Co., ox heads, \$7.56 ; A. McDonald, groceries, \$24.35 ; R. A. Croucher, feed, \$28.00 ; John McCrow, mason work, \$3.70 ; S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$24.81, and \$513.75—\$538.56. Total, \$614.09.

Respectfully submitted,

W. STETSON ROGERS, *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 payment of the accounts referred to therein.

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

Read report of the Committee on Laws and Privileges in re application of George E. VanBuskirk for grant of water lot, and on petition of The Other Fellows Boys Club that the premises occupied by them be relieved from taxation.

#### VANBUSKIRK WATER LOT—OTHER FELLOWS CLUB, TAXES.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, Sept. 5th, 1901.

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

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report as follows :

*In re Grant of Water Lot.*

Mr. Geo. R. VanBuskirk applied to the Marine and Fisheries Department for a grant of a narrow strip of water lot between the properties of the Halifax Electric Tramway Co. and of the Halifax Coal Company. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries wrote the City Council, covering a plan of the lot applied for and asking if the City has any objections to the grant being made.

Your Committee recommend that the grant be concurred in subject to the right of the City of Halifax to discharge sewage from the present sewer at the foot of Morris Street or any enlargement of present sewer and at any time to rebuild, enlarge or extend said sewer into the harbor as far as their present boundary, and discharge sewage through said sewer or extended sewer without any claim of damages against the City.

*In re Taxes on The Other Fellows Boys Club.*

Your Committee have considered the petition of the above named Club to be relieved from the payment of taxes on property occupied by the Club and beg to report that they have no authority to exempt the petitioners. This Club, however, is in the same position as a number of institutions now exempt, and if the Council decides to extend the privilege to this organization they will have to obtain the necessary special legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. T. MACLEITH, *Chairman.*

Placed on Order of the Day.

Read letter from the Board of Trade re Civic Taxation.

CIVIC TAXATION.

HALIFAX, Sept. 5th, 1901.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council, Halifax:*

GENTLEMEN,—In March last a Civic Committee was appointed to consider the question of improving the present Assessment Act. Your Committee was to act with one appointed by this Board, but we have not yet heard of any serious work being done by the joint Committee. As the Committee was suggested by the Council, we naturally look to the Council to take the initiative in calling the members together. The discussion of the question will take time, and our Board would very much regret if another session of the Local Legislature were to find us unprepared with a well considered scheme of municipal taxation. The importance of the subject to the City is our excuse for again bringing it to your attention.

Your obedient servant,

G. S. CAMPBELL,

*Pres. Board of Trade.*

On motion of Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, the same is filed.

Read letter from the Board of Trade in re Railway Siding for the proposed Cold Storage Warehouse. Placed on Order of the Day.

Read application of James M. Donovan for position of City Assessor. Filed.

Read bill of George P. Henry for one month's salary with endorsement of the Chairman of the City Health Board, declining to pay the same.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the City Treasurer be instructed to pay said amount and charge the same against the appropriation for the City Health Board. Motion passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Read No. 1, viz: Alderman Crosby's notice of reconsideration of appointment of City Auditor.

Alderman O'Donnell, through the chair, asks the opinion of His Honor the Recorder, if Alderman Crosby's notice of motion to reconsider (being a motion to reconsider a matter which was at a previous meeting reconsidered) is in order.

The Recorder replies "No! It is not in order."

Alderman Crosby asks that the opinion of His Honor the Recorder be given in writing.

The Deputy Mayor rules, in accordance with the opinion of His Honor the Recorder, that Alderman Crosby's notice of reconsideration is not in order.

Alderman Crosby rises to a point of order on the ruling, and supported by Alderman Martin, appeals to the Council from the decision of the Chair.

The City Clerk now puts the question, "Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained?"

On the vote being taken, names were called for and there appeared:

To Sustain the Chair.

Aldermen Halliday, Ryan,  
O'Donnell, Rogers,  
Creighton, Mosher,  
Hawkins—7.

Against it.

Aldermen Archibald, Barry,  
Crosby, Chisholm,  
Martin—5.

The motion to sustain the decision of the Chair being carried, Alderman Crosby's motion to reconsider is struck from the Order of the Day.

Read No. 2, viz.: Alderman O'Donnell's notice of reconsideration re-appointment of John E. Burns as Water Inspector.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that said matter be now reconsidered. Motion put and lost, 2 voting for the same and 9 against it.

Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Motion:

Aldermen O'Donnell,  
Chisholm—2.

Against it.

Aldermen Archibald, Barry,  
Crosby, Ryan, Martin,  
Rogers, Creighton,  
Mosher, Hawkins—9.

Alderman Archibald submits the following notice of motion:

I beg to give notice that at the next meeting of this Council I will move to rescind the motion passed at the last Council meeting appointing Mr. Foster Auditor at a salary of \$1200.

No. 3 on Order Paper, viz.: "Report City Engineer re Curb South Park Street" is now taken up.

Moved by Alderman Chisholm, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the recommendation contained in the City Engineer's report be not adopted. Motion passed.

Alderman Hawkins asks as to what progress has been made by the Committee in the matter of the reception to the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York.

The Deputy Mayor verbally reports the action of the Committee on the matter up to date.

The following resolution is now introduced :

*Resolved*, That the Council respectfully request, through the proper authorities, the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall to extend their visit in Halifax until Monday afternoon, 21st October, instead of 5 o'clock, a. m., so as to allow the citizens and children some time to take part in the demonstration.

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

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

Read No. 31, viz. : Alderman O'Donnell's notice of motion in re duties of Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Crosby, that the consideration of this matter be deferred until His Honor the Recorder gives his opinion in writing as to the powers of the Mayor in the matter. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Creighton, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost.

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice that he will at a future meeting of the Council move that the Police be paid by the City Clerk instead of by the Chief of Police, as at present.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Creighton, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that No. 25 on the Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

#### COLD STORAGE RAILWAY CROSSING.

Read No. 25, viz. : Report Laws and Privileges Committee re Cold Storage Railway Crossing, together with petition of John Penny & Sons and others, against said railway crossing. Also read letter from Board of Trade recommending that the application for said crossing be granted.

OFFICE OF BOARD OF TRADE,

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 5th, 1901.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—I am instructed to inform you that the question of granting a right of way for a railway siding across Water Street to the proposed Cold Storage plant has been brought before the Council of this Board.

While the property owners in the vicinity are quite within their rights in protesting, this Board is of opinion that any loss or inconvenience arising from the siding would have to be serious to justify the City Council in absolutely refusing the privilege asked for. We are at present trying to induce manufacturers

to settle in our midst so that Halifax may become an important industrial centre, and it would seem most unfortunate if the refusal to permit the necessary railway connection were to prevent the establishment of a Cold Storage Plant in the City.

This Board respectfully asks fair and full consideration of the Company's application.

I have the honor to be, Sirs,

Your obedient servant,

CHARLES M. CREED,

*Sec. Board of Trade.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

*Resolved*, That the prayer of the petition of John Penny & Sons and others be granted.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Chisholm and passed, 8 voting for the same and 2 against it. Names being called for, there appeared :

For the Motion.

Aldermen Barry, Halliday,  
Crosby, Chisholm,  
Martin, Rogers,  
Creighton, Mosher—8.

Against it.

Aldermen Archibald,  
O'Donnell—2.

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

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

Council adjourns 10.50 o'clock.



COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

Saturday, October 19th, 1901.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this morning at 9 o'clock. There were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Archibald, Geldert, Robertson, Campbell, MacIreith, Barry, Halliday, Crosby, O'Donnell, Lamphier, Chisholm, Rogers, Martin, Creighton, Mosher, His Honor the Recorder and the City Clerk.

The Council was summoned to present an address from the Corporation to His Royal Highness the Duke of Cornwall and York.

The Council proceeded in carriages to the Intercolonial Railway Station at North Street, where, upon the disembarkation of His Royal Highness from the train, he was received by His Honor Lieutenant Governor Jones, and the following address was read by the City Clerk :

THE ADDRESS.

TO HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS GEORGE FREDERICK ERNEST ALBERT, DUKE OF CORNWALL AND YORK, DUKE OF ROTHESAY, PRINCE OF SAXE-COBURG AND GOTHA AND DUKE OF SAXONY, EARL OF CARRICK AND INVERNESS, BARON OF RENFREW AND KILLARNEY, LORD OF THE ISLES AND GREAT STEWARD OF SCOTLAND, K.G., P.C., K.T., K.P., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., LL.D., D.C.L., ETC.

*May it please Your Royal Highness :*

We, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Halifax, on behalf of the citizens, do extend to Your Royal Highness a most cordial welcome to this city and do most heartily include in that warm welcome Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Cornwall and York.

We rejoice that our city is thus honored by the presence of Your Royal Highness, son of our most gracious Sovereign and grandson of that august Queen whose memory is, and ever will be, lovingly cherished and revered by all Canadians ; and we believe that in this Imperial journey, almost compassing the worldwide confines of the British Dominions beyond the seas, Your Royal Highness is assisting to still further strengthen the ties that already so firmly bind together all parts of the Empire over which His Majesty hold sway.

Your Royal Highness, having visited all parts of Canada, needs not to be assured how deeply the Canadian people are attached to the British Crown and to British institutions ; but we may venture to confidently claim that nowhere is that attachment deeper or truer than in this city which lies before you at Canada's eastern threshold.

Whilst regretting exceedingly that the sojourn of Your Royal Highness in this city must be necessarily of short duration, we desire to express our earnest hope that your visit will be a pleasant one, and that its memories may prove as happy to you as they will always be to us.

We earnestly trust that you may be restored in safety to the parent land and that the Giver of all good may be graciously pleased long to spare Your Royal Highness to fulfil those distinguished duties which your high position entails.

J. T. HAMILTON, *Mayor,*

H. TRENAMAN, *City Clerk.*

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His Royal Highness was graciously pleased to reply to this address as follows :

THE REPLY.

"Our pleasure in coming amongst you is tinged with the regret that we are on the eve of departure from the great country where during the five weeks of our stay we have received so hearty and generous hospitality, and found so many kind friends.

"Bearing in mind the many happy days which I have spent in your city and province I am particularly pleased to find myself here again and that on this occasion the Duchess is with me.

"It is perhaps fitting that we should take leave of Canada in the province that was the first over which the British flag waved—a province so full of moving checkered historical memories—and that embarking from your capital, which stands unrivalled among the naval ports of the world, we should pass through waters that are celebrated in the annals of our glorious navy.

"I am glad to gather from the address of the University of Dalhousie that in the midst of that national prosperity you happily enjoy you have not neglected the interests of higher education. You recognize that nothing is so essential to the advancement of a people as adequate provision for a training which will keep the coming generation abreast of the march of intellectual progress and scientific knowledge.

"We share in your regrets as to the shortness of our stay, which will prevent us from judging for ourselves of the great mineral wealth and other resources for which your province is famed. We trust that the development of these resources already attained is but an earnest of a still greater future.

"In bidding you farewell we wish to make known how greatly we have been impressed by the affectionate sympathy with which we have been received by the people of the Dominion, and we pray that the Divine blessing may rest upon them and theirs, and upon those in whose hands is placed the guarding of its destinies."

At the conclusion of the foregoing proceedings the Council drove to the Provincial Building to witness the laying by His Royal Highness of the corner stone of the monument to be erected in honor of the Nova Scotia Volunteers killed in the South African war, after which the council adjourned.

## EVENING SESSION,

8.10 o'clock.

OCTOBER 24th, 1901.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening.

At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Rogers, Geldert, Creighton, Barry, Martin, Hawkins, Robertson, Campbell, Lamphier, Archibald, MacIlreith, Halliday, Crosby, O'Donnell, Ryan, Chisholm and Mosher.

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

Alderman Rogers, Chairman, submits a report of the City Prison Committee.  
Alderman Geldert submits a report from the Library Committee.

Alderman Mosher, Chairman, submits a report of the Public Accounts Committee.

Alderman Martin, Chairman, submits a report from the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Alderman Rogers, Chairman, submits a report from the Common Commissioners.

Alderman O'Donnell, Chairman, submits three reports from the Charities Committee.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers, viz :

Report City Works Commission in re Water Extension Lorne A. A. Club.

Report City Works Commission re Sewer and Water Extension Lawrence Street.

Report City Works Commission re Street Railway Extension Campbell Road.

Report City Works Commission re North End Trunk Sewer.

Report City Works Commission re Concrete sidewalk Hollis Street:

Report City Works Commission re increase in pay of City Plumber.

Report City Works Commission re Sewer and Water Extension Chebucto Road.

Report City Works Commission re Sewer and Water Extension Almon Street.

Report City Works Commission re accounts of R. M. Johnston and William Davies, Arbitrators in the matter of Fenwick Street widening.

Recorder's opinion re duties of City Officers.

Letter of City Medical Officer re resident physician at Small Pox Hospital.

Petition from Brother Lawrence for an electric light on Mumford Road.

Petition of G. R. Allen and others for an electric light on Shirley Street.

Petition of Parker & Taylor and others for water extension Longard Road.

Returns of Weighers of Coal and Coke for August and September.

Letter from T. K. Jenkins re payment of taxes.

Letter from R. N. McDonald claiming damages through break of water pipe.

Notice of action against City for damages by Thomas Leydon.

Opinion of His Honor the Recorder in re reconsideration of vote on Auditor's appointment.

Letter H. McC. Hart re railway siding Upper Water Street.

Letter from Sarah Graham re Quinpool Road widening.

Letter from Murray & MacKinnon re Board of Health.  
 Letter from Mrs. Bell re allowance to her as widow of late City Auditor.  
 Letter from James Godwin re sewer assessment.  
 Account of Deaf and Dumb Institution for maintenance of children.  
 Application of D. C. Grant for position as City Assessor.  
 Application of C. H. A. Metzler for position as City Assessor.  
 Cash Statements of the City Treasurer for August.  
 Account of Mappin Brothers, London, England, for £65 for Mayoral chain.

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

Read report of City Works Commission covering report of the City Engineer re Concrete sidewalk Hollis Street.

#### CONCRETE SIDEWALK HOLLIS STREET.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Halifax, N. S., Oct. 3rd, 1901.

*To the City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—Attached hereto are letters from Messrs. H. Hesslein & Sons and James P. Fairbanks asking that a concrete sidewalk be laid in front of the Halifax and Queen Hotels; also a report of the City Engineer recommending that a concrete sidewalk be laid on Hollis Street from the Queen Hotel to Salter Street.

The City Works Commission, at a meeting held October 1st, decided to forward said report to the City Council.

J. T. HAMILTON, *Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Oct. 1st, 1901.

*His Worship the Mayor:*

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying letters asking for concrete sidewalk on the east side of Hollis Street in front of the Halifax and Queen Hotels.

The sidewalk from the Queen Hotel to Salter Street is not in a very good condition, and it is desirable that this sidewalk should be one of the best in the city. While the work is being done it would be advisable to lay a sidewalk to Salter Street, as the southern portion of it is becoming bad. The estimated cost of the work is \$1120.50. I would recommend that the sidewalk be laid under the Permanent Pavement Act.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

Read report of the City Works Commission covering a report of the City Engineer re Street Railway Extension Campbell Road.

#### STREET RAILWAY EXTENSION CAMPBELL ROAD.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Sept. 23rd, 1901.

*To the City Council:*

GENTLEMEN.—Your Commission beg to recommend that the accompanying report of the City Engineer, recommending that the Tramway Company be urged to extend their line on Campbell Road be adopted.

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

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Aug. 21st, 1901.

*His Worship the Mayor :*

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of council, I beg to report on the petition attached hereto asking for the extension of the street railway from Roome Street to the Lane at the Round House.

The Chief of Police has taken a census of the district along Campbell Road north of Roome Street, and finds that there are three hundred and sixteen (316) persons living there. Mr. W. C. Ross, Superintendent of the Mechanical Department of the I. C. R., sends me a list of one hundred and forty-three (143) names of employees of the mechanical department living or working north of Roome street on Campbell Road. The latter list does not include the traffic and track employees, who would be a considerable number in addition.

The distance is just a quarter of a mile, and while the cost of the extension would not be very heavy there is no question that it would be a great convenience to the residents of that portion of the city and to those working on the I. C. R.

I would recommend that the Tram Company be urged to make the extension at an early date.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

Read report of the City Works Commission covering report of the City Engineer re Water Extension Lorne A. A. Club.

WATER EXTENSION LORNE CLUB.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Sept. 23, 1901.

*To the City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—Attached hereto is a report from the City Engineer recommending that the water service be extended to the premises occupied by the Lorne A. A. Club, provided they will deposit the estimated cost in advance. Your commission beg to recommend that said report be adopted.

J. T. HAMILTON, *Mayor,*

*Chairman City Works Commission.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Sept. 13th, 1901.

*His Worship the Mayor :*

SIR,—In accordance with a resolution of council, I beg to report on the petition attached hereto from the Lorne Club asking for water supply to the premises occupied by them and recently purchased.

This extension is not a main pipe extension, but rather a long service pipe. The distance along Renforth Street from the end of the main would be 290 feet; excavation partially rock; district low service. The estimated cost is :

290 feet 1 in. iron pipe at 9c.....	\$ 26 10
Excavation .....	174 00
1 in. stopcock .....	2 50
1 stand pipe and plate.....	1 50
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	\$204 10

If the Lorne Club can get permission from the Sugar Refinery Company to connect with the 2 in. pipe that supplies their coverage the distance from that

pipe would be only 150 feet; but it would be also necessary for them to get permission from the I. C. R. to excavate across their tracks. The estimated cost is:

150 feet $\frac{3}{4}$ in. iron pipe at 6c.....	\$ 9 00
Excavation .....	90 00
1 stopcock .....	2 00
1 stand pipe and plate.....	1 50
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	\$102 50

I would recommend that the work be done for the Lorne Club at the actual cost, provided they will deposit the estimated cost in advance.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

Read report of the City Works Commission covering report of the City Engineer re Sewer and Water Extension Chebucto Road.

#### WATER AND SEWER EXTENSION CHEBUCTO ROAD.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, October 3rd, 1901.

*To the City Council:*

GENTLEMEN,—The City Works Commission at a meeting held October 1st, ordered the accompanying report of the City Engineer, re Water and Sewer Extension Chebucto Road, to be forwarded to the City Council.

J. T. HAMILTON, *Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Sept. 13th, 1901.

*His Worship the Mayor:*

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of council, I beg to report on the construction of a sewer and water extension on Chebucto Road from end of the existing sewer to the last house east of Harvard Street.

#### SEWER EXTENSION.

The estimated cost of sewer for the distance named is \$6120.00. Estimated assessment \$2362.50.

#### WATER EXTENSION.

District high service. Size of pipe 6 in. Distance 1020 feet. Estimated cost:

6 inch pipes .....	\$612 00
6 inch valve .....	20 00
2 6 in. 3-way branches.....	9 00
Lead and paint .....	4 00
Pipe laying in sewer trench.....	255 00
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	\$900 00

Interest on outlay at 5 per cent, \$45 00. Estimated revenue, \$40.00.

I understood when the matter was before the council on the 12th February last that the construction of this sewer was not to be considered again until the conditions changed, consequently I have not reported upon the matter earlier. As an immediate report was insisted on at the last meeting of council, I am forced to repeat the last report. The sewer appropriation is exhausted and there will not be any balance to the credit of it for some time. It will thereby be manifest that a work of this magnitude cannot be undertaken until more money is available. I therefore cannot recommend its construction at present.

The water extension is on the high service system, which is becoming more unsatisfactory every day. The complaints this year have been more frequent and the difficulty of keeping up the supply has been greater. In deference to the opinion of the council, and in consequence of the personal appeal of property owners, I was anxious to recommend this work if it could be done without interfering with the public interest. Under the circumstances, however, I consider that it would be deliberately taking the water supply entirely at some seasons of the year from those who now have a partial service, and under the circumstances, such as I should like to meet the views of the petitioners, and of the aldermen who are urging the matter, I cannot recommend the extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that the same be referred back to the City Works Commission. Motion passed.

Read report of the City Works Commission covering report of the City Engineer re Sewer and Water Extension on Almon Street.

#### SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION ALMON STREET.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, October 3rd. 1901.

*To the City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—The City Works Commission, at a meeting held October 1st, decided to forward to the council the accompanying report of the City Engineer on Sewer and Water Extension Almon Street.

J. T. HAMILTON, *Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Sept. 13th, 1901.

*His Worship the Mayor :*

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of council, I beg to report on the petition attached hereto for sewer and water extension on Almon Street between Kempt Road and Windsor Street.

#### WATER EXTENSION.

District high service. Distance 1220 feet from end of pipe to Windsor Street. Size 6 inches. Estimated cost :

Pipe .....	\$ 732 00
2 6 in. valves .....	40 00
2 6 in. branches .....	9 00
Lead and paint .....	6 00
Pipe laying in sewer trench .....	305 00
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	\$1092 00

Interest at 5 per cent. \$54.60. There are only three houses on the proposed extension, the estimated revenue from which would be \$12.00.

#### SEWER EXTENSION.

The sewer will have to be constructed from Kempt Road. The estimated cost is \$8,600.00. Estimated assessment \$3625.00, a portion of which, (the Exhibition property) it may not be possible to collect, as half of it is owned by the city. The sewer appropriation is exhausted and there will not be any balance to the credit of it for some time. Under the circumstances, I cannot recommend the construction of this sewer.

The water extension will be on the high service, which is already so severely taxed that I do not feel justified in recommending anything which would make it less satisfactory than it is at present. I cannot, therefore, recommend the water extension asked for.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Placed on Order of the Day.

Read report of the City Works Commission covering report of the City Engineer re North End Trunk Sewer.

NORTH END TRUNK SEWER.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Sept. 23rd, 1901.

*The City Council :*

GENTLEMEN, — The City Works Commission beg to submit the following report from the City Engineer re construction and cost of a sewer starting at Kempt Road and extending through Mulgrave Park to the Harbor.

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

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE Sept. 13th, 1901.

*His Worship The Mayor :*

SIR, — In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the construction and cost of a sewer from Kempt Road through Mulgrave Park to the Harbor.

The resolution is in error in stating that the proposed sewer would relieve the present main sewer crossing the Common, as no portion of the drainings to the Common sewer could be brought to it without heavy expense for re-constructing the system already built. The unsanitary condition of the low ground between Sullivan Street and the higher part of Merklesfield is due to the want of property drainage; but the construction of a sewer in West Young Street with proper connection from the Hennessey property will take off all the surface water for the present. The length of a sewer from Kempt Road to the Harbor would be over 4,000 feet, the greater part of which would be through private property. The estimated cost of construction is \$27,500, not including cost of right of way. I am unable at present to estimate the cost of right of way without making final surveys. The construction of this sewer seems out of the question in the present condition of the sewer appropriation. There is not a dollar to the credit of the sewer appropriation, and under the circumstances, I cannot recommend the construction of the proposed work.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Place on Order of the Day.

Read report of the City Works Commission covering report of the City Engineer re increase of pay to City Plumber.

CITY PLUMBER'S PAY.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Sept. 23rd, 1901.

*The City Council :*

GENTLEMEN, — The City Works Commission beg to inform the Council that they have decided to increase the pay of Daniel J. Hennigan, City Plumber, to \$2.00 per day. A report of the City Engineer recommending said increase is attached hereto.

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



CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Sept. 11th, 1901.

*His Worship the Mayor :*

SIR,—In accordance with a resolution of the City Works Commission and the accompanying extract from Minutes of Council, I beg to report on the application of Daniel J. Hennigan for an increase in pay.

He is now getting ten (\$10.00) dollars per week. Journeymen plumbers employed by plumbing firms in the City get two (\$2.00) dollars per day. Mr. Hunter, who formerly did the work, which Mr. Hennigan is now performing, received fifteen (\$15.00) dollars per week.

I would recommend that Mr. Hennigan's pay be increased to twelve (12.00) dollars per week.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report of the Library Committee re Library Staff and accounts.

## LIBRARY STAFF AND ACCOUNTS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, OCTOBER, 24th, 1901.

*His Worship the Mayor and City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee on Library met this evening, present Alderman Aldermen Geldert (Chairman), Rogers, Barry and Creighton, and examined the following named accounts, all of which being found correct are recommended for payment :

Virtue & Co., \$5.00 ; The C. A. Nicholas Co., \$6.00 ; Current History Co., \$1.50 ; Publishers' Weekly, \$3.50 ; McAlpine Publishing Co., \$3.00 ; Library Bureau, \$1.00 ; Mutual Subscription Agency, 70c. Total, \$20.70.

The following accounts, for renewing worn out books, &c., chargeable to the special appropriation for that purpose, is also recommend for payment.

C. D. Cazenove & Son, \$748.36.

The matter of filling the vacancy on the Library Staff caused by the death of Miss Mattie Barnaby was considered. It is recommended that Miss Wiswell be appointed 1st Assistant Librarian, at a salary of \$300 a year, and Miss Lizzie Barnaby 2nd Assistant, at a salary of \$200 a year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. GELDERT, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

*Resolved,* That the report of the Library Committee be received and concurred in and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment the several accounts therein referred to.

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

Read report of Board of Fire Ward re accounts and Tenders for Fodder.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT TENDERS AND ACCOUNTS.

HALIFAX, N. S., 24th October, 1901.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to report as follows .

1. Your Board opened tenders for the supplying of feed that will be required for the horses of the Department during the ensuing year from I. B.

Shaffner & Co., E. J. Fenton and Joseph Cashen. Mr. Fenton's tender being the lowest was accepted.

The following accounts are recommended for payment :

William Roche, coal to 17th Aug., \$380.88 ; William Roche, coal to 14th Oct., \$318.46 ; Crowell Bros., hardware to 30th Sept., \$42.85 ; Melvin & Co., hardware, \$9.68 ; Farquhar Bros., plumbing work, \$29.15 ; N. S. Telephone, &c. \$6.25 and 80c. \$7.05 ; John F. Kelly, harness work, \$6.55 ; John O'Connell, horse shoeing, \$8.28 ; Halifax Electric Tram Co., lighting for Sept. \$9.33 and \$5.29, \$14.62 ; David Power, horse shoeing, \$4.65 ; Edes Manfg. Co., zincs, \$46.00 ; Stairs, Son & Morrow, saw blades, 75c. ; A. M. Bell & Co., plyers, 65c. ; John Starr, Son & Co., rubber gloves, \$5.00 ; Neil Fox, harness work, Aug. \$13.60, Sept. \$20.25, \$33.85 ; J. E. M. Taylor, glazing, \$2.25 ; McCarthy & Little, plastering, \$5.00 ; Troy Steam Laundry, \$1.66 ; Simson Bros. & Co., 3 accts. for vitriol and acid, \$52.51 ; H. Trenaman, 6 mos. services, \$30.00 ; George G. Kendrick, \$64.57. Total \$1027.91.

Respectfully submitted,

P. F. MARTIN, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is introduced :

*Resolved*, That the report of the Board of Fire Commissioners be adopted and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the several accounts therein mentioned.

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

Read report of the City Prison Committee covering accounts.

#### CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, City Hall, Oct. 24th, 1901.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee on City Prison beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts :

T. C. Allen, stationery, \$1.43 ; S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$78.79 ; D. J. McIntosh, horseshoeing, \$4.25 ; J. E. Murphy, carriage work, \$11.75 ; J. A. Leaman & Co., ox heads, \$8.64 ; W. E. Crowe & Co., groceries, \$33.33 ; Melvin & Co., hardware, \$6.65 ; M. Conroy, dry goods, \$7.25. Total \$152.19.

Respectfully submitted,

W. STETSON ROGERS, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is 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 payment of the accounts referred to herein.

Motion passed.

Read report of the Committee on Public Accounts re Tenders for Loans.

#### TENDERS FOR LOANS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, Oct. 8th, 1901.

*To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee on Public Accounts beg to report that at a meeting held this day they opened tenders for a loan of \$120,000 on 4 per cent. debentures to run twenty-five years, as follows :

Central Canada Loan and Savings Co. offering \$121,122 being at the rate of 100.9351.

J. C. Mackintosh offering \$120,661.50, being at the rate of 100.551-25-100.  
 And Edwin J. H. Pauley offering \$117,600.

Your committee recommend the acceptance of the tender of the Canada Central Loan and Savings Company.

For the 4% short loan of \$8,500 the following offers were received :

J. C. Mackintosh .....	99.025
Edwin J. H. Pauley .....	98.

The acceptance of Mr. Mackintosh's tender is recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

S. MOSHER, *Chairman.*

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

Read Annual Report of the Charities Committee for the civic year 1900-01.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the same be referred to the committee on Tenders. Motion passed.

Read returns of Weighers of Coal and Coke for the months of August and September. Filed.

Read report of committee on Charities re tenders for supplies.

POOR'S ASYLUM SUPPLIES.

HALIFAX, October 23rd, 1901.

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report  
 Tenders for supplying the Poor's Asylum with groceries, dry goods, beef, pork, fresh fish, straw, milk and leather, for one year from November 1st, 1901, were opened and contracts awarded as follows :

Groceries .....	Dillon Bros.
Dry Goods .....	J. & M. Murphy.
Beef .....	E. & A. Thompson.
Pork .....	W. A. Mailing & Co.
Fresh Fish .....	A. Wilson & Son.
Straw .....	Joseph S. Cashen.
Milk .....	Jos. M. Fleming.
Leather .....	Arthur Fordham.

The sub-committee appointed to enquire into the feasibility of securing a place for incurables suffering from cancer, consumption, &c., reported as follows, said report being unanimously adopted :

"We, the undersigned committee appointed to report upon the suggestion of the chairman that provision should be made for housing and care of incurables who are paupers and have a legal settlement in the City of Halifax.

1st. We would recommend that the premises now occupied by John Grant, Engineer, and John Murphy, Nurse, be taken an fitted up as an hospital for incurables.

2nd. We would further recommend that in consideration of the loss sustained by the above named employees, who will be put to the necessity of paying rent, by the proposed change, that their salaries be increased ten dollars per month each."

(Sgd.) ARTHUR C. HAWKINS.  
 E. W. O'DONNELL.

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. O'DONNELL, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Crosby, that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

Read petition of Parker & Taylor and others for water extension Longard Road.

On motion the same is referred to the City Works Commission for report.

Read petition of G. R. Allen and others for an electric light, Shirley Street.

On motion the same is referred to the City Works Commission for report.

Read report of the City Works Commission covering a report of the City Engineer re Water Extension Lawrence Street.

#### SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION LAWRENCE STREET.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, October 3rd, 1901.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—Attached hereto is a report from the City Engineer, (read at a meeting of the City Works Commission on the first inst.) re Sewer and Water Extension Lawrence Street.

J. T. HAMILTON, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Sept. 13th, 1901.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of council I beg to report on the petition attached hereto for water and sewer extensions Lawrence Street.

#### WATER EXTENSION.

The district is high service. Length 1200 feet. Size of pipe 6 in. Estimated cost :

Pipe .....	\$ 720 00
2 6 in. valves .....	40 00
3 6 in. branches .....	13 50
Lead and paint.....	6 00
Pipe laying in sewer trench.....	302 00
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	\$1081 50

Interest on the estimated outlay at 5 per cent. \$54.08. Estimated revenue from eight houses \$32.00.

#### SEWER EXTENSION.

Estimated cost \$6420.00. Estimated assessment \$2775.00. As the sewer appropriation is exhausted and there will not be any balance to the credit of it for some time, I cannot recommend this work ; and, in the present condition of the high service, I would not be justified in recommending the water extension.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

Placed on Order of the Day.

Read report of the Commissioners of Halifax Common recommending the erection of a new residence for the Superintendent of Public Gardens.

## RESIDENCE FOR SUPERINTENDENT PUBLIC GARDERS.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY COMMISSIONERS OF HALIFAX COMMON, Oct. 11, 1901.

*His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Common held this day they had before them the question of repairs to Superintendent Power's Cottage, Public Gardens, when, after careful inspection and due regard to economy, the following resolution passed unanimously, and the Secretary was instructed to forward a copy of same to the City Council for their information, consideration and action.

*Whereas*, The dwelling at present occupied by Mr. Power, Superintendent of Public Gardens, is past all reasonable repairs and is no longer fit for habitation,

*Therefore Resolved*, That the Commissioners recommend to the City Council, for their concurrence and action, the necessity and advisability of demolishing the present dilapidated building and erecting upon the site a more suitable structure of wood faced with brick, according to plan herewith attached, at a cost of about four thousand (\$4000) dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. PICKERING,

*Secretary to Commission.*

The following resolution is now introduced :

*Resolved*, That the report of the Common Commissioners submitted this evening be received and concurred in and the Commissioners authorized, when placed in funds, to immediately proceed with the erection of a suitable lodge at the Public Gardens as a residence for the Superintendent.

*Further Resolved*, That His Honor the Recorder be authorized to draft a bill for presentation at the next session of the Legislature authorizing the City to borrow the sum of four thousand dollars for this purpose, the said bill to provide for the payment of said loan in ten annual instalments of four hundred dollars each.

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

Read report of the City Works Commission re accounts of R. M. Johnstone and William Davies for services as arbitrators Fenwick Street.

## FENWICK STREET ARBITRATION.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Sept. 23, 1901.

*To the City Council :*

Gentlemen,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, your Commission beg to report on the accounts attached hereto (\$20 each) from Messrs. R. M. Johnstone and William Davies, for services as arbitrators in the expropriation of the property necessary for the widening of Fenwick Street.

The law fixes the amount to be paid arbitrators at \$6.00 each. At a meeting of the City Council held on the 8th May last, an account was submitted from James Shand, Esq., for \$20.00 for services in connection with arbitration for Fenwick Street widening. This account was passed by the City Council and paid Mr. Shand on the 10th June last.

J. T. HAMILTON, Mayor.

*Chairman City Works Commission.*

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the same be referred to the committee on Public Accounts for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from T. K. Jenkins re payment of taxes.

Moved by Alderman Robertson, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, that the same be referred to the committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

Read account for £65 for Mayoral badge and chain from Mappin Brothers, London, England.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Robertson, that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to pay said account out of any available funds.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the Recorder's opinion be given in writing as to the validity of the resolution now before the council before said resolution is put. Said amendment on being put is lost, 4 voting for the same and 13 against it. Names being called for there appeared :

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Halliday, Crosby,  
O'Donnell, Hawkins—4.

Against it.

Aldermen Geldert, Archibald, Robertson, MacIlreith, Campbell, Barry, Lamphier, Ryan, Chisholm, Martin, Rogers, Creighton, Mosher—13.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that the Reception Committee be requested to correspond with the makers of the Mayoral chain asking if they would take back said chain, and if so, what rebate they would allow.

Said amendment is put and lost, 2 voting for the same and 15 against it. Names being called for there appeared :

For the Amendment.

Aldermen O'Donnell, Hawkins—2.

Against it.

Aldermen Geldert, Archibald, Robertson, MacIlreith, Campbell, Barry, Halliday, Crosby, Lamphier, Ryan, Chisholm, Martin, Rogers, Creighton, Mosher—15.

The original motion is now put and passed, 13 voting for the same and 4 against it. Names being called for there appeared :

For the motion.

Aldermen Geldert, Archibald, Robertson, MacIlreith, Campbell, Barry, Lamphier, Ryan, Chisholm, Martin, Rogers, Creighton, Mosher—13.

Against it.

Aldermen Halliday, Crosby,

Alderman Hawkins gives notice of reconsideration.

Read notice of action of Thomas Leydon against the city for damages.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges, together with His Honor the Recorder for report. Motion passed.

Read report of Committee on Charities recommending sundry accounts for payment.

## REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

HALIFAX, October 3rd, 1901.

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report:

Accounts chargeable to Maintenance to the amount of \$3027.13 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

Read Superintendent's report for September, which shows that during the month there were 22 persons admitted to the Poor's Asylum, 15 discharged, 2 born and 5 died. Total number of inmates September 30th was 323, made up of 186 men, 133 women and 4 children.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. W. O'DONNELL, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is introduced:

*Resolved*, That the report of the Charities Committee be adopted and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of accounts mentioned therein.

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

Read letter from R. N. McDonald claiming damages for loss sustained through break of water pipe.

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

Read petition of Brother Laurence, St. Patrick's Home, for an electric light on Mumford Road.

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

Moved by Aldermen Archibald, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the further reading of the papers be for the present discontinued and that the council proceed to the consideration of the Order of the Day. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Archibald, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that No. 30 on the Order of the Day be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 30, viz:—Alderman Archibald's notice of motion to rescind resolution appointing W. W. Foster, City Auditor.

Moved by Alderman Archibald, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the motion passed at the council meeting held 26th August, 1901, appointing Mr. Foster Auditor, at a salary of \$1200, be res-

cinded. Motion put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 8 against it. Names being called for there appeared :

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Archibald, Robertson, MacIlreith, Campbell, Barry, Halliday, Crosby, Lamphier, Martin—9.	Aldermen Geldert, O'Donnell, Chisholm, Rogers, Creighton, Mosher, Ryan, Hawkins—8.

Alderman O'Donnell gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Martin, that a City Auditor be appointed at a salary of \$800 per year, and that the City Clerk be authorized to advertise for applicants for the position. Motion passed.

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

The following resolutions are now introduced :

*Whereas*, At this season of the year the weather at times is very inclement, especially during the month of October, and even when the days are fine the evening temperature is low, rendering the air chilly ;

*Whereas*, The running of open cars during inclement whether or chilly evenings is injurious to the public health ;

*Resolved*, That the Halifax Tram Car Company be requested not to run any open cars after the 30th day of September, and at any season when the weather is inclement ;

*Further Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Tram Company with a request to discontinue the use of open cars at once.

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

*Resolved*, That His Worship the Mayor be authorized to employ the services of Mr. E. H. Keating, or some other reputable and competent engineer, to examine the city water works, the present supply and method of distribution, and recommend what steps should be taken to conserve and render the present system more efficient.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Robertson that the City Engineer be requested to furnish this Council with a report on the City Water Supply. Said amendment is put and passed.

The original resolution is placed on the Order of the Day.

On motion of Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, the order of the day is further suspended to allow Alderman Martin to introduce a resolution.

The following resolution is now introduced :

*Resolved*, That the City Engineer report to this Council at its next meeting the cost of constructing Young Avenue Sewer from the gates to the outlet at Green Bank and state as to what appropriation the amount was taken from.

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



On motion of Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Chisholm, the Order of the Day is further suspended to allow Alderman Martin to introduce a resolution. The following resolution is introduced:

*Whereas*, The Halifax Electric Tram Co, has not since the completion of the loop line run their cars over that portion of Cunard Street from the Armouries to Windsor Street.

*And Whereas*, Great inconvenience and loss of time result there-from to residents on that portion of the line.

*Therefore Resolved*, That the manager of the Tram Company be requested to furnished to this Council the following information.

1st. What reason does the Company give for abandoning that portion of the line?

2nd. It is the intention of the Company to permanently so abandon such portion of the line?

*Resolved Further*, That the City Clerk be instructed to furnish to said Company a copy of this resolution with a request for an immediate answer.

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

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Robertson, that No. 16 on Order of the Day be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 16, viz:—Ordinance to regulate the manner of electing City Officials.

Moved by Alderman MacIlreith, seconded by Alderman Robertson, that said Ordinance be now read a second time. Motion passed.

Said Ordinance now receives a second reading.

On motion the Order of the Day is further suspended to continue the reading of the papers submitted this evening.

Read letter from the City Medical Officer re appointment of Dr. Purcell as resident physician at Small Pox Hospital.

#### CITY MEDICAL OFFICER'S SUBSTITUTE—IN RE SMALL POX.

October 22nd, 1901.

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

GENTLEMEN,—With the outbreak of the present attack of small pox in our city, it became necessary to open the Small Pox Hospital for the admission of patients. The City Health Board ordered me, as your City Medical Officer, to take charge of the patients at the Small Pox Hospital and remain with them in quarantine during the time the building was occupied. I was able, however, to secure the services of Dr. Purcell to fill the position of resident physician, and his selection was accepted by the City Health Board. This has left me free to attend to all the other duties pertaining to the office, which have necessarily been greatly increased by the recent outbreak, and the measures necessary to keep it from spreading.

I would ask your Council to confirm the engagement of Dr. Purcell from September 26th last.

Your obedient servant,

THOS. TRENAMAN,

*City Medical Officer.*

Moved by Alderman Crosby, seconded by Alderman Geldert, that the selection of Dr. Purcell as resident physician at the Small Pox Hospital be confirmed. Motion passed.

Read an opinion of His Honor the Recorder in re prescribing duties of City Officers :

IN RE PRESCRIBING DUTIES OF CITY OFFICERS.

RECORDER'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, September 16th, 1901.

*His Worship The Mayor :*

SIR,—In accordance with a resolution of the City Council, I beg leave to state my opinion as regards the power of any person or body, other than the City Council, to change the duties of City officials.

By section 122 "The City Council shall prescribe the duties of all officers of the City by bye-laws wherever the law has not expressly appointed and prescribed their functions, and subsection 16 of section 798 of the City Charter in relation to bye-laws empowers the Council to define the duties of City officers and the manner in which they shall account for money received or expended by them.

These clauses of the Act apply only to such officials as the City Council has power to appoint under the law. It does not apply to day laborers or persons of that class appointed by the City Board of Works and who are necessary to perform the public works of the City; but, in my opinion, it does apply to officers above named, namely: those whom the City Council have the right to, and have appointed.

The Council, on the 31st October, 1872, on the recommendation of the Board of Works, defined the duties of the Clerk of Works, and I am not aware that these regulations have been altered in any way since they passed, and they can only be altered by the Council.

It must also be remembered that in the case of officials who are compelled by law to give security for any moneys coming into their hands belonging to the City their sureties' and the rights of the City may be seriously affected by an alteration of their duties.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. MacCoy, Recorder.

Placed on the order of the day.

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

Council adjourns at 11 o'clock.

## EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

NOVEMBER 5th, 1901.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening.

At the above hour there were present, His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen MacIlreith, Martin, Rogers, Lamphier, Mosher, Archibald and Robertson.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Robertson, 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 Geldert, Campbell, Barry, Mitchell, Halliday, Crosby, O'Donnell, Ryan, Chisholm, Creighton and Hawkins.

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

Alderman MacIlreith, Chairman, submits two reports from the Committee on Laws and Privileges, viz :

Re Thomas Leydon's claim for damages.

And re R. N. McDonald's claim for damages, and Thomas K. Jenkins' letter re Taxes.

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

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers :

Opinion of His Honor the Recorder re purchase of Mayoral chain.

Opinion of His Honor the Recorder re Thomas Leydon's claim for damages.

Applications from F. C. Stevens, Wallace R. Gue, Fred. H. Oxley and James Heenan, for the position of City Auditor.

Letters (3) from the Halifax Electric Tramway Company,

Re Extension of line on Campbell Road;

Re Running of open cars;

Re Running of cars on Cunard Street from Agricola to Windsor Streets.

Report City Works Commission on Water Supply to Hospital.

Report City Engineer on cost of Young Avenue Sewer.

Report City Engineer on proposed fire hydrant Longard Road.

Application of Allan McLean for position of Coal Weigher.

City Treasurer's Cash Statements, General and Water for the month of September.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers submitted but not dealt with at last meeting, together with the papers submitted at this meeting. Motion passed.

Read opinion of His Honor the Recorder in re reconsideration of vote on Auditor's appointment.