

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Dec. 7th, 1910.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—The Intercolonial Railway, when acquiring additional land to locate double track for the Kempt Road Branch, took 1.208 acres from the property of the City of Halifax

The award made is at the rate of four hundred dollars an acre, or a total of four hundred and eighty-three dollars and twenty cents (\$483.20), and I would recommend that that amount be accepted by the City of Halifax in payment for the property taken.

The letter of the Agent of the Minister of Justice, with a description of the property, is contained in the Minutes of Council of August 6th, 1908.

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

Moved by Aldermen Whitman, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

By unanimous consent of Council, Alderman Hoben is permitted to ask a question.

Alderman Hoben asks "what amount was received by the City for the Trachoma Hospital Site, when was the same paid and what became of the money,"

Read report Committee on Works in re Downspouts,

DOWNSPOUTS.

CITY WORK'S OFFICE, Jan. 4th, 1911.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached report of the City Engineer in re connecting downspouts with the drains and sewers as per section 566 of the City Charter was read.

It was resolved to recommend the adoption of the report and that the Council approve of the City Engineer carrying out the provisions of the City Charter in this respect as far as practicable.

ALFRED WHITMAN,
GEO. A. MACKENZIE.

[For copy of City Engineer's report above referred to see printed Minutes of Council August, 18th, 1910, page 140.]

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, that the same be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Rankine, that said report be referred back to the Committee on Works for further report.

The amendment being put their appeared :

For the Amendment.
Aldermen Hoben, Kelly,
Hubley, Thompson,
Martin, Coston,
Rankine—7.

Against it.
Aldermen Wilson, Whitman,
Hebb, McManus,
Douglas, Smith,
MacKenzie—7

The Deputy Mayor gives his casting vote for the amendment and declares it carried.

Read report Committee on Works, covering opinion City Solicitor re sewerage rates Maynard Street.

MAYNARD STREET SEWERAGE RATES.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Sept 28th, 1910.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached opinion of the City Solicitor on minute of Council in re petition of property owners Maynard St., with reference to sewer rates was read and referred to Council for its information.

BELLE AIRE SEWERAGE.

OFFICE OF CITY SOLICITOR, Halifax, N. S., Sept. 23th, 1910.

To the City Council :

SIR,—This case does not differ at all from any others on which I have previously given an opinion.

If a property has a frontage on two streets in each of which a sewer is constructed, it is liable for sewerage assessment on each street. To hold otherwise would be to exempt many properties, which avail themselves of the sewerage facilities on each street. The unfortunate thing in the present instance is that Belle Aire Terrace is but a short distance from Maynard Street, but no exemption on this state of facts is contained in the Act, and consequently, the property owners are liable.

If it is thought that such cases occasion hardship and there are enough of them, the Act would have to be amended, but as it stands, the property owners are in my judgment clearly liable.

F. H. BELL, City Solicitor.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman McManus, that the same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re width of horse stalls.

RE WIDTH OF HORSE STALLS.

HALIFAX, N. S., November 28th, 1910.

His Worship the Mayor,

Halifax, N. S.

DEAR SIR,—An investigation has been made by our agent, together with a veterinary, regarding the narrowness of the stalls for the horses in the Bedford Row Engine House and the new City Stables adjoining the Wanderers' Grounds. The stalls in the new City stables are only four feet five inches broad. For some of the large horses, which measure at least sixteen hands, the stalls are very inadequate, as is evidenced by the fact of the way in which the horses' hoofs mark their stables in their struggle to be comfortable. The general principle is that no stall should be narrower than the height of the horse from the ground to the top of the shoulder, together with about two inches to give a little more room. A horse sixteen hands high, therefore, calls for a stall five feet six inches, and taking these measurements as the criteria, you will note that adequate arrangements are not to be found in the stables referred to. The same

argument applies to the Bedford Row Engine House, where, we understand, the stalls vary from four feet six inches to four feet eight inches, and the horses here are even larger than those found in the other stables. Would you kindly see if these conditions cannot be remedied at an early date, and oblige.

R. H. MURRAY, Secretary.

N. B.—An inspection of any up-to-date stable in Halifax will endorse the statement we have made.

CITY STABLES.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Dec. 7th, 1910.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—I beg to report on the accompanying letter from Mr. R. H. Murray, Secretary of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty.

Mr. Murray alleges that our stables are not wide enough to accommodate the horses. He claims that the general principle is that no stall should be less than the height of the horse from the ground to the top of the shoulder plus two inches, and states that an inspection of any up-to-date stable in Halifax will endorse the statement made.

I have never heard of a stable for working horses in which the stalls were designed in accordance with the principle which Mr. Murray lays down. I have seen a good many stable designs, not only in Halifax but in technical journals, the latter giving the best practice all over North America. I know of no veterinary surgeon in Halifax who has a stable designed in accordance with Mr. Murray's principle.

The accompanying letter from an official at the government model farm at Truro shows that the practice there is to make the stalls four feet ten inches wide for draft horses. He states that these dimensions are commodious for any horse up to 1600 pounds, and that for light horses, he would, in all probability, make them a few inches narrower. I think I may safely conclude that the government experts at the model farm know as much about this matter as Mr. Murray.

Our horses are not as heavy as the weight for which the government stables provide and they are not as active or restless. They are also lighter than the Fire Department horses. Our horses are hard working, quiet in the stalls and slow and clumsy in movement.

Our old stalls were about the width mentioned by the government official. We had a good deal of trouble, however, in consequence of the heavy horses getting partially turned in their stalls and getting "cast." They were then compelled to lie in a cramped position, partially on their backs, from which they could not move, until the stable foreman arrived in the morning. In order to prevent them from getting "cast" we made the stalls a few inches narrower so that our clumsy horses could not get partially turned around and get caught in attempting to roll.

The marks which Mr. Murray mentions as being on the sides of the stall will be made with any width of stall, even the width which he states as being absolutely necessary, as a horse lies where he goes down. It would be absurd to imagine that a horse would be so careful, in a stall wider by two inches than his height, to lie down so that he would clear both sides of it exactly one inch and stay there for the night.

We buy good horses and keep them in good condition. They are well cared for and our stable is as good as any in the City if not better than any other. It is high, well lighted, well ventilated and clean and will compare favorably with Mr. Murray's stable which has been inspected within the last week by City officials.

We were not hampered by lack of room in designing the stalls and sick horses will be kept in a loose box. As already stated, we made our stalls a little narrower than we had had them in the old stable for the benefit of the horses, and not for their inconvenience.

If Mr. Murray desires to make a regulation governing the width of stalls, he should apply for legislation, but I believe that it would be opposed by every stable owner in the City as not only unnecessary but really dangerous for heavy or lively horses. If wide stalls must be used, then I believe they must be loose boxes to be safe for heavy horses.

I do not claim to be an expert in these matters, but I have had the supervision of horses for twenty-five years, and therefore do not speak in total ignorance.

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

TRURO, N. S., Nov. 30th, 1910.

JAS. S. EDWARDS, Esq.,

Chairman Halifax Board of Fire Commissioners.

DEAR SIR,—Your favor of Nov. 28th, addressed to Dr. Standish, has been handed to me for attention, owing to the fact that Dr. Standish is unwell.

In our horse barn, the dimensions of our stalls are as follows:—

Length of stall, 10 feet.
 Width of stall, inside dimensions, 4 ft., 10 inches.
 " manger at bottom, 20 inches.
 " " top, 28 "
 Height of division at back of animals, 3 ft., 6 inches.
 " " head " 6 ft., 6 inches.
 " front over manger, 4 ft., 6 inches.

These stalls are for draft horses, and were we making them for light horses, would, in all probability, make them a few inches narrower. However, as you know, we have no very heavy draft horses, and these dimensions are commodious for any horses between 1000 and 1600 lbs.

E. S. ARCHIBALD.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Dec 7th, 1910.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached report of the City Engineer on letter from R. H. Murray, Secretary of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty in re size of horse stalls in the stables of this department was read and recommended to Council for adoption.

J. A. CHISHOLM, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Filed and a copy ordered to be sent to R. H. Murray, Secretary of the S. P. C.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter, Morris street

MORRIS STREET SIDEWALK.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, October 18th, 1910.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached report of the City Engineer on Minute of Council in re concrete sidewalk, granite curb and gutter on Morris Street between Hollis and Water Street was read and recommended to Council for adoption.

J. A. CHISHOLM, *Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, October 18th, 1910.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR,—In compliance with the accompanying extract from Minutes of Council, I beg to report on the advisability of constructing a sidewalk on the south side of Morris Street between Hollis Street and Water Street.

There is a brick sidewalk on the north side in this block which is not in very good condition. The block adjoins the paved streets and consequently should present a better appearance than it does. There is heavy traffic on the roadway in this block and neither the roadway or the sidewalk can be held up properly without a permanent curb and gutter. I think both the curb and gutter and the sidewalk are much needed improvements in this block.

The estimated cost of laying the sidewalk with granite curb and gutter is \$1514.00 and I would recommend that the work be done under the Permanent Sidewalk Act.

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

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman McKenzie that said reports be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that no work in connection with the laying of sidewalk, curb, and gutter on the south side of Morris street, between Hollis and Water streets be proceeded with until a majority of the property owners petition for it.

Amendment put and lost

Original motion put and passed.

Alderman Douglas asked for the consent of Council to the rescision of a resolution passed at meeting, December 15th, 1910, in reference to the superannuation of Policeman Robert T. Pace.

Such consent is given unanimously.

Moved by Alderman Douglas, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that clause 3 of the report of the Police Committee submitted to Council, December 15th, 1910, in so far as the same relates to the superannuation of Policeman Robert T. Pace, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Motion passed unanimously.

By unanimous consent of Council the following resolution is submitted:—

Resolved, that Policeman Robert T. Pace who has resigned from the Police Force be superannuated, the superannuation to date from January 1st, 1911.

Moved by Alderman Douglas, seconded by Alderman Hoben, and passed unanimously.

Read report Committee on Works in re Yale, Yukon, Allen, Lawrence and Duncan Streets. [See report City Engineer in printed Minutes of Council, August 18th, 1910, page 140].

JANUARY 5TH, 1911.

YALE, YUKON, ALLEN, LAWRENCE AND DUNCAN STREETS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Oct. 19th, 1910.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN, — At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached Minute of Council in re Yale, Yukon, Allen, Lawrence and Duncan Streets was read.

It was decided to recommend to Council that the ashes be deposited on Duncan Street and that catchpits be built when said street is in proper condition for same.

J. A. CHISHOLM, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, the said report be adopted.

Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re petition James K. Munnis for changing the location of certain streets.

NEW STREETS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, Dec. 22nd, 1910.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN, — At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached report of the City Engineer on Minute of Council covering petition of James K. Munnis in re changing the location of certain streets was read and referred to Council for its information.

J. A. CHISHOLM, *Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, December 17th, 1910.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR, — I beg to report on communications received from Mr J. K. Munnis and petitions asking for the opening of new streets.

The most important change is the proposal to open a street diagonally from Grafton Street to Brunswick Street. At first Mr Munnis proposed to open this street from the middle of the block on Grafton Street between Duke and Buckingham Streets to Brunswick at Hurd Street. In December, 1908, I reported that this would be unnecessarily expensive and that there would be no advantage over the location shewn on the official plan except making the street practically a continuation of Brunswick Street in a straight line. It would cut off a long frontage on Brunswick Street also.

Since that date, Mr. Munnis has modified his views and approved of the location for a street connecting with Brunswick Street at Jacob Street. This proposal has been before the City Council for years and the advantage of providing an easier grade for traffic between the centre of the City and the north end should not need further argument.

In my opinion, however, if such a street is to be opened it should be from Argyle Street to Brunswick Street instead of from Grafton Street to Brunswick Street, for two reasons.

First and principal reason—Because if it is required to accommodate traffic from the south end it is much more important to accommodate traffic from the centre of the City in the vicinity of Barrington Street. If it were opened from the Corner of Duke and Aryle Streets, it would be easily accessible from Barrington Street by St. Paul St. or Blowers Street.

And further, looking down the new street from Brunswick Street or any point further down the hill, the City Hall would be at the end of the vista instead of one of the old buildings on the east side of Grafton Street.

The opening of the street from Brunswick Street to Grafton Street would be a half measure of improvement only. If the City can afford to open this street at all, there is no question that it will be a decided improvement, as the grades will be so much easier than the east and west streets afford. The estimated cost is \$73,830.00.

The second proposal is to open a street from the north end of Poplar Grove diagonally to the intersection of Proctor Street and Barrington Street and thence in practically the same line to Water Street. The details of this proposal would have to be altered to some extent if they are carried out.

The extension of Poplar Grove would have to be sixty feet wide and should be carried northwardly in a practically direct continuation of the west line of Poplar Grove, the east line being sixty feet from it. From the north side of Hurd Street to Proctor Street, the lines should be laid down so that the least possible damage would be done to properties intersected.

From Proctor Street to Water Street, the extra cost of locating the street through property north of the Cunard property would not be justifiable. While there would be some benefit to be obtained by a small reduction in grade and by widening Water Street at that point, the extra cost would outweigh the advantages. If this proposal is entertained favourably, I would recommend that the diagonal street from Proctor Street to Water Street be confined to the Cunard property.

The opening of this street would be an improvement and if I were making a design anew, I should undoubtedly lay down both streets mentioned. At present, however, I am unable to see the urgent necessity for opening the street between Poplar Grove and Barrington Street except to shorten the haul for coal from Water Street to Grafton, Albemarle and Brunswick Streets.

Messrs S. Cunard & Co. are using approximately my proposed location for a diagonal street through their property from Water Street to Barrington Street, and once a team is on Barrington Street it can continue on the pavement with comparatively easy grades to St. Paul Street which gives an easy grade to Argyle Street, and Blowers St. gives an easy grade to Grafton Street. Going south this route will be quite as convenient as a diagonal street from Poplar Grove to Water Street, but for the district between Blowers and Jacob Streets, the diagonal street asked for would give a shorter haul. The estimated cost of opening this street is \$41,000 00.

Mr. Munnis also asks for the extension of Brunswick Street through the Government property—Admiralty property and Wellington Barracks—and some private property, to Albert Street at Russell Street.

This cannot be advanced until the sanction of the Government authorities is obtained, and it would be useless to make any further report on it until that is done. I am not aware that anything has resulted from the interview between the City Committee and Mr. Munnis on the one side and the Military authorities on the other.

I regret that I have been obliged to delay the preparation of this report so long, but the work involved was considerable, and I have not had time to overtake it until recently.

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

Placed on Order of the Day.

Read report Special Committee on the Home Week.

OLD HOME WEEK.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, November 28th, 1910.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—The special Committee appointed on the 6th of October last under resolution of Council of the 18th of August to confer with the different clubs and associations in the City for the purpose of holding an Old Home Week during the summer of 1911 beg to submit the following report:—

The Committee met on the evening of October 11th, when Alderman Shaffner was appointed Chairman, and he was requested to communicate with the various societies, clubs and associations in the City and Dartmouth and ask them to send representatives to a conference to be held at the Council Chamber on the evening of October 5th, also that cities where similar celebrations had been held be communicated with with a view of obtaining data that would be useful to the Committee.

On the evening of the 25th of October the Committee met the representatives of some twenty-five or thirty associations, clubs and societies, the representatives of the Halifax and Dartmouth Boards of Trade, the Trades and Labor Council, the Longshoremen's Union and the Canadian Club, when it was decided by resolution that in the opinion of the meeting a celebration should be held in the City of Halifax during the summer of 1911, provided the same can be put on at a reasonable cost, and that a Committee be appointed by the City Council's Committee to act with it in preparing a draft programme and estimate of cost for submission to the City Council. The following gentlemen were then appointed to assist the City Council's Committee:—Messrs K. T. MacIlreith, D. Macgillivray, John Joy, W. R. Scriven, John W. Regan and A. C. Pyke.

On the evening of November 23rd this joint committee met, when the matter of arranging a programme and considering suitable dates was fully discussed and it was decided to appoint a sub-committee, consisting of the Chairman, Messrs. MacIlreith and Regan to interview the Executive of the Canadian Club, and, if possible, secure their co-operation so that the unveiling of the Monument to Representative Government at Sir Sandford Fleming Park, North West Arm, might be made part of the programme.

At the final meeting of the Committee held on the 28th inst., there being present Aldermen Shaffner (Chairman), Blich, McManus and Hoben, Messrs. MacIlreith, Macgillivray and Regan, Mr. Macgillivray, one of the representatives of the Canadian Club and a number of the Committee, stated that it had not yet been decided on what date the ceremony of dedicating the monument would be held, nor had the time of the arrival of the new Governor-General in Canada been fixed or whether he would land in Halifax or not it was impossible at present to say, and it would not be wise to depend on this ceremony to help out the programme for Old Home Week.

Your Committee recommend that in view of the fact that the date of the N. S. Provincial Exhibition has been fixed earlier than usual for the ensuing year, the Committee considers it inadvisable to hold an Old Home Week during the summer of 1911.

I. B. SHAFFNER, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman McManus, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

JURIES COMMITTEE.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Smith, that Alderman Martin be a member of the Juries Committee. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Wilson, that Alderman Hubley be a member of the Juries Committee. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Smith, that Alderman Hebb be a member of the Juries Committee. Motion passed.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS.

Alderman McManus asked when the Committee on Works would report on the matter of the sale of the City Home.

Alderman Smith asked when the remaining portion of the City Plan would be dealt with by the Council.

Alderman Kelly asked if the Committee on Works intend constructing any sewers this winter.

Alderman Hebb asked why a large quantity of rock had been dumped on the newly acquired jib lot Robie Street and Coburg Road.

Alderman Wilson asked for a report from the City Engineer on the feasibility of draining the eastern side of Oxford Street through the Inglis Street sewer.

Alderman McManus asked when the Committee on Works and City Engineer would report on the matter of a Public Lavatory.

Alderman Hubley asked that the City Engineer report on the matter of concrete wall City Prison.

Moved by Alderman Douglas, seconded by Alderman Hebb, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11.05 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, Jan. 19th, 1911.

A Special meeting of the City Council was called for this evening "To consider report on City Home, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business."

At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Douglas, MacKenzie, McManus, Hoben and Corston.

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

8.30 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named.

There being no quorum to do business the Council stands adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, February 14th, 1911.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Shaffner, Douglas, Martin, Whitman, Thompson, Bligh, Kelly, McManus, Smith, Edwards, Rankine, MacKenzie, Hubley, Hoben, and Corston.

The Council was summoned to consider applications for liquor licenses, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted:—

- Report Laws and Privileges Committee, by Alderman Bligh, Chairman.
 - Majority report Special Committee re Board of Control, by Alderman Bligh.
 - Minority report Special Committee re Board of Control, by Alderman Hubley.
 - Report Commissioners of Halifax Common re loan of \$2500.00, by Alderman Kelly, Chairman.
 - Report Special Committee re Technical Education.
 - Report City Prison Committee re Accounts, by Alderman MacKenzie, Acting Chairman.
 - Report Charities Committee for January, by Alderman Hubley, Chairman.
 - Report Library Commission, by Alderman McManus, for Chairman.
 - Report Commissioners of Halifax Common re Accounts, by Alderman Kelly, Chairman.
 - Offer Trustees of Sinking Funds to loan the City \$2000.00 for school purposes.
 - Report Finance Committee on various matters and accounts, by Alderman Whitman.
 - Report Committee of Fire Wards, by Alderman Edwards, Chairman.
- His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers:—
- Reports (2) Police Committee re Accounts.
 - Application W. E. Messervey for reappointment as License Inspector.

Report License Inspector covering applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors in the City of Halifax.

Offer of Trustees of Sinking Funds to loan the City \$1000.00 for repairs Bedford Row Engine House.

Petition John J. Power, K. C., for permission to take action against the City of Halifax.

Letter Halifax Electric Tramway Company re double tracking of loop line.

Report City Engineer re expropriation of market site.

Letter Board of Trade re appointing a delegate to go to Montreal in re differential freight rate.

Letter Board of Trade re Water Meters.

Letter Dartmouth Ferry Commission re Ferry Dock.

Letter National Drug Company re Fire Department and Water Department

Letter "Commercial Intelligence" in re advertising Halifax.

Report Coal Weighers for December.

Letter Chief of Police re Sunday violations of Liquor License Act.

Letter George Wright re Nickel Shows.

Letter William Dennis re water leaking into Herald Building.

Letter William Dennis re Cost of Paving.

Letter Lieut.-Colonel MacDougall re firing of time gun on the Citadel.

Notice of Action by George Webster against the City of Halifax.

Letter Union of Canadian Municipalities re Annual Dues, etc.

Letter Union of Canadian Municipalities re All Red Steamship Line.

Letter International Municipal Congress and Exposition, Chicago.

Report City Treasurer re money paid for Trachoma Hospital site.

Letter Miss Josephine Warren, Librarian Citizens' Free Library, asking for superannuation.

Application Margaret DeWolf for position of Assistant Librarian.

Letter City Treasurer covering application Canadian Club for City grant of \$2500.00 for Memorial Tower, North West Arm.

Letter Board of Trade re Board of Control.

Reports (18) Committee on Works, viz :

Account's.

Acadia Sugar Refinery Meter Rates.

Sale of land Duke Street to Merchants' Bank of Canada.

Saw Mill Cedar Street.

F. A. Shaw's account for forage.

Tenders for Pipe and Valves.

Scarcity of water in the High Service.

Cedar Street Sewer.

Cedar Street Water Extension.

Sewer Construction in Winter.
 City Home.
 Tenders for Cement.
 Paving Assessment William Dennis.
 Stayner's Wharf.
 Official City Plan.
 Storage of Stone on Coburg Road.
 Kearney Estate Meter Bill.
 William Dennis' Meter Rates.

REFERENCE OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read report Special Committee re Technical Education.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

HALIFAX, N. S., January 12th 1911.

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

GENTLEMEN,—Your Special Committee appointed to confer with the School Board and Council of Public Instruction on the matter of Technical Education in schools, report that the Committee met the School Board and with it had a conference with the Governor-in-Council on the subject.

It was agreed that a conference would take place with a committee of the School Board and the Director of Technical Education to devise a scheme that would be satisfactory for the conducting of the evening classes for Technical Education under the supervision of the School Board.

S. Y. WILSON, *Chairman.*

Filed.

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common re loan of \$2500.00 for improvements Public Gardens.

LOAN FOR IMPROVEMENTS PUBLIC GARDENS.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jany. 20th, 1911.

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

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Common held this day at three o'clock the following resolution was moved by Commissioner McManus, seconded by Commissioner Powell and passed:—

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee have been unable to recommend the increase asked for next year's estimate;

AND WHEREAS, it is extremely necessary that certain work and repairs should be attended to, to wit:

THE HOT HOUSES. The woodwork has completely rotted and the foundations will have to be renewed;

THE GENTS' LAVATORY, at present is a disgrace to the Gardens and needs to be replaced by one of iron;

BRIDGES SPANNING BROOK. The same are in an unsafe condition and will have to be rebuilt of concrete;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that His Honor the Recorder, with the concurrence of the City Council, obtain the necessary legislation to borrow twenty-five hundred dollars for the several purposes of the Public Gardens mentioned in this resolution.

EDWARD T. POWER, Secretary.

Referred to Finance Committee for report.

Read letter City Treasurer covering application Canadian Club for City grant of \$2500.00 for Memorial Tower North West Arm.

MEMORIAL TOWER, NORTH-WEST ARM.

OFFICE OF CITY TREASURER, Feb. 9th, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith beg to hand you copies of letters received from Mr. D. MacGillivray, Secretary of the Canadian Club, for your information, and would respectfully ask your instructions thereon.

W. L. BROWN, City Treasurer.

MEMORIAL TOWER.

27th January, 1911.

THE TREASURER, CITY OF HALIFAX,

DEAR SIR,—The Architect has given the Contractors who are building the Tower an order for \$5500 and another order will be given in a short time. I am instructed by the Committee to apply to you for the City of Halifax grant of \$2500.

D. MACGILLIVRAY, Hon. Sec. Can. Club.

RE MEMORIAL TOWER.

January 28th, 1911.

D. MACGILLIVRAY, Esq.,

Hon. Secty. Canadian Club.

DEAR SIR,—I am in receipt of yours of the 27th inst. asking for the payment of \$2500.00, the City's contribution towards building the Tower. In looking over the Act authorizing the grant by the City there are a number of conditions to be complied with before this grant can take effect, and I am referring the matter to the City Solicitor. On receiving his opinion I will inform you at once.

W. L. BROWN, City Treasurer.

P. S. Since the above was written I have learned from the Provincial Secretary's office that there has been no legislation or order-in-council authorizing the payment by the Province towards the Tower, and as our grant is contingent on theirs, it will be impossible for us to make any payment until the Province has done its part.

1st February, 1911.

CITY TREASURER,

Halifax.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to your letter of 23th ultimo, we would beg to advise that the Provincial Treasurer has handed us his cheque for \$2500—being the grant from the Province of Nova Scotia to the Memorial Tower. We shall now be very much obliged by receiving the City's grant, as a second estimate for stone and stone cutting is due the Contractors.

D. MACGILLIVRAY, Hon. Secretary Canadian Club.

Referred to Finance Committee for report.

Read letter Miss Josephine Warren, Librarian Citizens' Free Library, asking for superannuation.

Referred to Library Commission for report.

Read application Margaret DeWolfe for position of Assistant Librarian.

Referred to Library Commission for report.

Read report City Treasurer re money paid for Trachoma Hospital site.

TRACHOMA HOSPITAL SITE.

OFFICE OF CITY TREASURER, January 13th, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—In reply to the enquiry made at the meeting of Council January 10th, I have the honor to report that on February 20th, 1906 the Department of Public Works paid the sum of three hundred (\$300.00) dollars for land at Rockhead, and that the same has been placed in the Sinking Fund.

W. L. BROWN, City Treasurer.

Filed.

Read Letter International Municipal Congress and Exposition to be held at Chicago, Ill., September 18th-30th, 1911.

Ordered to be acknowledged and filed.

Read letter Union of Canadian Municipalities re "The All Red Steamship Company."

ALL RED STEAMSHIP LINE.

MONTREAL, Jan. 16th, 1911.

His Worship Mayor Chisholm and City Council:

Halifax:

DEAR SIR,—I beg to call your attention to the notice given to Dominion Parliament by the All Red Steamship Company for an Act, etc.

I think this will require your attention.

W. D. LIGHTHALL, Hon. Sec.-Treas. U. C. M.

Referred to Commercial Committee for report.

Read letter Union of Canadian Municipalities re Annual Dues, &c.

ANNUAL DUES, UNION CANADIAN MUNICIPALITIES.

MONTREAL, Jan. 25th, 1911.

His Worship Mayor Chisholm and City Council:

Halifax.

DEAR SIR,—For the welfare of all municipalities in Canada, it is essential

that the cities and larger towns should support the Union of Canadian Municipalities as this is the only organization through which your Council has an opportunity to oppose encroachments on many of its most important rights and to come into touch with the whole of what is being done in Canada in the way of municipal progress.

The Union has secured many and great benefits for the people, and is carrying on important work, such as the systematic watching of Legislation by an experienced staff and notifying the Municipalities interested, City Planning, Practical Housing, Uniform Accounting, Protection of Municipal Rights, Supplying Municipal information, &c., &c.

The officers of the Union serve for honor, and are working in your interests, and ask your Council to contribute a small percentage of the necessary cost, as per enclosed account.

Our annual convention this year will be held in the City of Quebec (date and particulars will be sent you) City Planning, Water Powers and other important subjects of interest will be brought forward and discussed.

Please arrange as early as possible to be represented at this Convention. An early reply will greatly oblige.

W. D. LIGHTHALL, Hon. Sec.-Treas. U. C. M.

MONTREAL, Jan. 25th, 1911.

His Worship Mayor Chisholm and City Council:

Halifax.

To the Union of Canadian Municipalities, Annual Fee for year 1911.
Population as 50,000 at \$3.00..... \$150 00

Referred to Finance Committee for report.

Read letter National Drug Company in re Fire Department and Water Department.

FIRE AT NATIONAL DRUG CO'S BUILDING.

HALIFAX, February 6th, 1911.

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

GENTLEMEN.—I respectfully wish to call your attention to certain matters in connection with the fire which destroyed our building, corner Duke and Hollis Sts., on Saturday morning, Feb. 4th.

I think that all business men must face the fact that we cannot hope for better insurance rates while conditions are such that a corner building like ours, which took fire at 10 o'clock in the morning on a perfectly calm day and without any serious obstruction on the streets could be completely destroyed when the larger portion of the building could have been saved by two or three good streams of water at the early part of the fire. I do not wish to pose as an expert, nor do I wish to throw bouquets at the Fire Department, but I could not help thinking it was very difficult to fight a fire without the necessary water and power.

There are two facts I would like to bring before you and which I think you should investigate: I saw six streams promptly laid from hydrants, but they would not carry over the first storey. Two or more fire engines were in the vicinity for over half an hour before they could be used, the reason given being that the Engineers were call men and not on the permanent force. Now surely here is proof that no matter how good a fire equipment you may give the Department it is no good if you do not give them the men to operate the machinery. The loss to the City on assessable property in this fire alone would pretty nearly half pay for the cost of another permanent Engineer for one year.

The second point I wish to mention is the fact that over an hour elapsed after the fire alarm before the water was concentrated on that district. Had our building been filled with valuable merchandise the destruction would have been the same. Had there been a heavy wind it would have been almost impossible to have kept the fire from working its way into the other valuable buildings and stocks, and surely the business men in the centre of the City who have such large amounts at stake can reasonably request that the City authorities give them better protection than they appear to have at the present time.

NATIONAL DRUG & CHEMICAL CO., OF CANADA, LTD.,
L. J. MYLIUS Manager.

Copies ordered to be referred to the Committee on Works and Fire Department for report.

Read letter Dartmouth Ferry Commission re Ferry Dock.

FERRY DOCK.

DARTMOUTH, N. S., January 25th, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Halifax :

GENTLEMEN,—The Ferry Commission being very desirous of having better accommodation both for the citizens of Dartmouth and Halifax, are anxious to obtain from you enough ground to erect a modern Station House and build a fence on the north side which will not be continually shoved over on the Stayner property. With this end in view I enclose you a plan of what is required and ask for it your favorable consideration.

As the building of a station house and the removing of the fence at both sides of the dock means the expenditure of a large sum of money, the Ferry Commission ask for a twenty-five years' lease of the present dock and the additional ground as shewn in yellow on the enclosed plan, and also that the rental of the whole property be made merely nominal.

Anticipating an early and favorable reply so that work may be commenced as soon as possible.

PRESCOTT JOHNSTON, Secretary.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read notice of action by George C. Webster against the City of Halifax.

WEBSTER vs. CITY OF HALIFAX.

To The City of Halifax,

Its Chief Magistrate, Clerk and Solicitor :

TAKE NOTICE, That after the expiration of twenty days from the date hereof an action will be brought by George Webster as Plaintiff against the City of Halifax as Defendant.

The causes of said Action are as follows :

1. On or about the 27th day of November, A. D., 1910, the properties known as Numbers 67, 69, 71 and 73 Agricola Street, in the city of Halifax, owned by the said George Webster, were flooded and overflowed by water which backed up in the sewer on Agricola Street running past said properties and flowed from said sewer into and over the said properties of the said George Webster and thereby caused

great loss and damage to the said George Webster and great damage and depreciation to the said properties.

2. The said overflow was caused by the stoppage of said sewer by boards, earth and other matter accumulated therein, and said accumulation was wrongfully and negligently left in said sewer by the said The City of Halifax, its officials and servants, although the said the City of Halifax its officials and servants had due notice of the defective condition of said sewer a long time previous to said overflow.

The grounds of action in addition to those implied in the foregoing cause^s of action are as follows :

1. The proposed Plaintiff George C. Webster is the owner of the lots of land and premises with the houses thereon known as numbers 67, 69, 71 and 73 Agricola Street in the City of Halifax.

2. The overflow of said Plaintiff's lands and premises and the resulting damage thereto was caused by the negligence of the City of Halifax, its officials and servants.

3. The said the City of Halifax, its officials and servants, had notice and knowledge of the defective condition of said sewer before the overflow complained of herein occurred, and they were negligent in not taking the proper means to remedy the condition of said sewer.

The Plaintiff will claim :

(a) Damages.

(b) Such other and further remedy or relief as may to the Court seem just, equitable and proper in the case.

Dated at Halifax. N. S., this 2nd day of February, A. D., 1911.

J. JOHNSTON HUNT,

104 Granville Street, Halifax, N. S.

Solicitor for George C. Webster.

Referred to Laws and Privileges Committee for report.

Read letter Lieut.-Col. J. C. MacDougall, Chief Staff Officer re changing location of time gun on Citadel Hill.

TIME GUN ON CITADEL.

HALIFAX, N. S., February 5th, 1911.

To the Mayor of Halifax :

SIR.—It is understood that some years ago citizens objected to the time gun being fired from the side of the Citadel facing Brunswick Street and that the gun was in consequence moved to its present position.

It is now understood that there is an objection on the part of some citizens that the gun in its present position cannot be heard.

In view of the foregoing, it is proposed to mount a gun on the bastion near the signal station and to fire with a reduced charge in the direction of the cor. of Brunswick and Sackville Streets; this practice to be at once discontinued should it cause any annoyance.

Will you kindly favor me with your views in this matter at your early convenience?

J. C. MACDOUGALL, Lieut.-Colonel,

Chief Staff Officer, Maritime Provinces.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read letter William Dennis complaining of a leak of water into the "Herald" building from City water pipes.

HERALD BUILDING WATER SUPPLY.

HALIFAX, Jan. 16th, 1911.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—Since the day your officials dug up the permanent pavement on George Street and affixed a meter to the service pipe supplying water to the Herald Building, there has been a steady stream of water leaking into the area under the George Street sidewalk. This leak appears to come from that portion of the pipe between where the meter is attached and the concrete retaining wall; and doubtless accounts for the extraordinary quantity of water alleged to be passing through the meter each month—which never reaches, and is certainly never used in the Herald Building.

Where the City permits so many hundreds of millions of gallons of water to run to waste over the dams and through the mains, the leak herein complained of is of course only a drop in the ocean; nevertheless it may have an important bearing on the matter of water taxes hereafter; and to obviate misunderstanding—as well as save the water—I should be glad if you would instruct your officials to stop the waste.

The Halifax Herald,
WM. DENNIS.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read letter William Dennis re cost of paving on Granville Street.

GRANVILLE STREET PAVING.

HALIFAX, Jan. 16th, 1911.

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

GENTLEMEN,—Pressure of business has delayed my acknowledging the receipt from the Clerk of Works of a copy of a report of the City Engineer regarding the request made to you in my letter of the 17th ult., asking for details of the City's charge against me of \$914.20 alleged to be my portion of the cost of paving in front of my properties on Granville and George Streets.

I regret that this report does not contain the information I asked you for and require.

My taxes and water rates aggregate some \$2,000 per annum. The increased rate will add materially to that sum this year. When a citizen is also called upon to pay nearly \$1,000 for street paving, he is certainly entitled to know how that charge is arrived at—entitled to the details of the bill.

The Engineer's quotation of the law appears to be correct—so far as it goes; but there is also a provision in that same law and which the engineer omits to quote—that before any permanent paving work is undertaken or ordered by the Council, the engineer shall report to the Council;

- (1) The length of the street proposed to be paved, and
- (2) The probable cost thereof.

I find no record of this report in the Minutes of the Council; and if such a report was made, I presume it was for the information of the people who have to pay

the piper as well as for the Mayor and Council ; and as I am called upon to pay a very large amount for this work, I desire to be furnished with a copy of that report, which the statute makes obligatory, so that I may compare the engineer's estimate of cost with the actual cost, or at least the proportion of it charged to me.

If not putting your officials to too much inconvenience, I should like to be informed of the actual number of square yards of paving charged to me, as I am not able to reconcile my measurements of same at half the actual contract price paid by the City to Barber Asphalt Co., viz : \$2.59 per square yard, with the large lump sum charged me ; and, as before mentioned, I desire the details for the charge in excess of my half of the \$2.59 per square yard paid the contractors.

The Halifax Herald,

WM. DENNIS.

Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read letter George Wright re " Moving Picture " and " Vaudeville " Theatres

NICKEL SHOWS.

HALIFAX, January, 12th, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—Seeing the many places of cheap vaudeville and moving picture shows which have sprung up in our City of late years, and which are not only attracting the people with a taste for a low class amusement, but they are being filled with mothers with babes in arms, young girls and youths of all ages. Attention has been called many times to the demoralizing forms of amusement given at some of these places. As many of the pictures are depicting that of immorality in various ways, others that of crime, which may account for its great increase of late. The vaudeville part is mostly made up of vulgar jokes, acts and profanity such as might be expected to be heard in a Bowery show. This class of entertainment is doing great harm and going a long way to destroy the finer sentiment of the people and should be stopped.

In Toronto there has been a by-law passed to clean out the vulgar vaudeville people, also to prohibit pictures of a demoralizing nature, also those depicting crime in any form, so I think the time is ripe when there should be steps taken to carry out this rule in Halifax. I understand that there has been some one detailed to look after this and prohibit indecent pictures and acts. But by the great amount appearing at these shows within the last few years, the duties have not been faithfully carried out. I would suggest that a by-law be passed, such as that in Toronto, that will prohibit both demoralizing pictures and the indecent vaudeville shows, and those who do not adhere to it should have their license revoked. There has been much done to beautify the City, but I think it is even more important to have these theatres cleansed and to allow nothing to be exhibited but high class and instructive form of amusement.

I enclose you a letter which I sent to the press for publication on this subject and trust that it will receive your careful attention.

GEO. WRIGHT.

Referred to Police Committee for report.

Read report Chief of Police reporting no Sunday violations of the Liquor License Act since his last report. Filed.

Read report of Coal Weighers for December. Filed.

Read letter " Commercial Intelligence," London, Eng. re advertising Halifax.

Referred to Finance Committee for report.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read application Walter E. Messervey for reappointment to the position of Chief License Inspector.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, that Mr. Messervey be reappointed. Motion passed.

Read report City Prison Committee re accounts.

REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, Feb. 8th, 1911.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on City Prison beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen Wilson, (Chairman), Hoben and Cors-ton the following accounts, amounting to \$124.96, were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz :—

Hillis & Sons, stove fittings, \$3.66. W. A. Maling & Co., ox heads, &c., \$15.00. Wentzell's, Ltd., groceries, \$27.55 Clayton & Sons, uniforms, \$54.00. John H. Sutherland, dry goods, \$3.00. A. M. Bell & Co., hardware, \$2.58. Wm. J. Regan, harness repairs, \$14.35. C. H. Jordan, shoeing, \$2.00. Halifax Electric Tram Co., light, \$2.82. Total, \$124.96.

The monthly reports of Governor and Matron were submitted and are hereto attached.

GEO. A. MACKENZIE. *Acting Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman MacKenzie, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Committee on Works re accounts.

CITY WORKS ACCOUNTS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, February 8th, 1911.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached bills for the several services of this Department were submitted, approved and recommended to Council for payment.

Street Lighting.....	\$1762 41
Bedford Row Engine House.....	449 99
Streets.....	373 39
Fuel City Hall.....	370 00
Teams and Stables.....	141 42
Sewerage.....	138 22
Telephones.....	84 56
City Property.....	82 52
City Hall Lighting.....	70 90
Internal Health.....	43 97
Cleaning Paved Streets.....	12 50
Electric Wiring Inspection.....	4 47
Water Maintenance.....	433 80
Total.....	\$3968 15

J. A. CHISHOLM, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed

Read reports (2), Police Committee re accounts.

POLICE ACCOUNTS.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, Jan. 17th, 1911.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—The Police Committee beg to recommend for payment the following accounts :—

N. S. Telephone Co., Ltd., telephones, \$35.00. Farquhar Bros., supplies, \$6.35, \$5.94, \$12.29. Cragg Bros., & Co., coal hod, 55c. The Carswell Co., criminal code, \$15.00. T. H. & W. T. Francis, linoleum, etc., 17.55. Total, \$80.39.

J. A. CHISHOLM, *Mayor and Chairman.*

MAYOR'S OFFICE, Feb. 2nd, 1911.

To the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—The Police Committee beg to recommend for payment the following accounts :—

A. M. Bell & Co., 1 coat, \$3.00. Amherst Boot & Shoe Co., boots, \$3.75. Clayton & Sons, 1 ulster, \$13.50. Maxwell's, Ltd., overcoat, \$24.50. W. F. Pickering & Co., uniform suit, etc., \$35.50. Lane's, 1 cloth cap, \$1.00. Total \$81.25.

J. A. CHISHOLM, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Douglas, seconded by Alderman Shaffner that said reports be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common re accounts.

PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

HALIFAX, Jan. 20th, 1911.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Common held this day at four o'clock the attached bills were examined, found correct and referred to the Council for payment :—

Halifax Electric Tramway Co., \$11.46. Blackadar Bros., \$2.25. Alfred Carter, 69c. W. McFatrige, \$29.00. Jas. D. Walsh, 60c. Longard Bros., \$31.50. J. MacInnes, & Son, Ltd., \$5.50. Chronicle Pub. Co., \$3.75. Total, \$83.75.

E. T. POWER, Secretary.

Moved by Alderman Kelly, seconded by Alderman Shaffner, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Library Commission re accounts and other matters.

REPORT LIBRARY COMMISSION.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, January 18th, 1911.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—The Library Commission beg to report that at a meeting held this day there being present Aldermen Hebb, Chairman, Wilson, McManus, Martin and Rankine, also His Honor Judge Wallace and Mr. G. W. T. Irving,

It was decided to accept an offer of Twenty dollars for the old cardboard cover in the Library workroom.

The following accounts amounting to \$17.70 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz ;

The Canadian Century Pub. Co., sub. to Dec. 20, 1911, \$2.00. C. D. Cazenove & Son., vol. 12, Canadian Modern History, \$3.40. T. C. Allen & Co., 1 Daily Reminder, 55c. J. L. Connolly, 2 books, 4.25. Chronicle Pub. Co., sub. to Dec. 31, 1911, \$6.00. Birchdale Bugle, sub. to Dec. 31, 1911, \$1.50. Total, \$17.70.

P. J. McMANUS, *Acting Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman McManus, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid Motion passed.

Read report Charities Committee for January.

REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

HALIFAX, February 1st, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council :

GENTLEMEN,—The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report. Members present, the Chairman, Alderman McManus and Alderman Hebb.

The Superintendent's report for January, 1911, shows that during the month there were 46 persons admitted into the City Home, 4 born, 27 discharged and 7 died. Of the number admitted, 21 were chargeable to the Province and 25 to the City. The total number of inmates, Jan. 31st, was 385 made up of 241 men, 142 women and 2 children. On the same date last year there were 260 men, 133 women and 1 child, a total of 394.

The following accounts are recommended for payment, viz :—Wentzell's Ltd., \$594.31. W. A. Maling & Co., \$427.94. P. T. Shea, \$145.07. Geo. Gregoire, \$42.66. J. M. Currie, \$69.75. J. & M. Murphy, Ltd., \$74.92. Henry Lovett, \$7.15. H. D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., \$206.66. Fleishman Co., \$3.90. Halifax Elec. Tram. Co., Ltd., \$49.31. T. C. Allen & Co., \$5.30. Victoria General Hospital, \$110.04. F. W. Fraser, \$38.51. Nova Scotia Telephone Co., Ltd., \$11.25. Brookfield Bros., \$1.50. Snow & Co., Ltd., \$15.35. Robinson, Ltd., \$3.14. Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow, \$5.92. Dr. W. D. Finn, \$5.00. Dr. A. C. Hawkins, \$5.00. B. J. Mulcahy, \$33.17. Salaries, \$837.53. Nova Scotia Hospital \$901.07. Total, \$3594.45.

ANDREW HUBLEY, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Bligh, that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Committee of Fire Wards on various matters.

REPORT COMMITTEE OF FIRE WARDS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, February 7th, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—The Committee of Fire Wards met this day at 2.30 p.m., present Aldermen Edwards, (Chairman), Hubley, Hebb and McManus.

The Committee beg to report and recommend as follows :—

1. That Walter Purcell, Call-man on No. 2 engine, has resigned. Resignation accepted.

2. That James Barnaby, Call-man No. 4 hose, Co., was absent from third alarm of fire, box 4, February 4th. Barnaby appeared before the Committee and was exonerated.

3. The back axle of No. 2 chemical engine was broken while responding to alarm of fire box 4, February 4th. Driver Locke appeared before the Committee and was held to be entirely blameless.

4. One length of Maltese Cross rubber hose, eleven years in service, and one length Para rubber hose, six years in service, burst at fire February 4th—cause : heavily loaded sleighs going over it.

It was decided that in future all persons driving teams over fire hose and persons passing through the ropes will be prosecuted.

5. William Powell, driver No. 2 hose, reported sick January 27th, reported for duty to-day.

6. Frank O'Regan, Acting Assistant Engineer No. 2 Chemical, reported sick January 27th, has not yet been sent on duty.

It was decided to reinstate O'Regan, his employment to be from month to month, and the Chief to report on his conduct every month for six months.

7. Robert Warner, Engineer on No. 4 Engine, had his hand injured at fire February 4th and has not yet reported for duty.

8. Michael Murphy, Operator on No. 1 Chemical, was injured about the head by falling February 5th, while walking to ruins of fire of February 4th.

9. The Committee had before them an account from Thomas L. Spelman for \$25.00 for Royalty on patent ice wheels. It is recommended that this account be referred to the City Solicitor for his opinion.

10. An account from the St. John Ambulance Association, \$25.75, for books and bandages used by a class of thirty firemen receiving instructions in first aid to the injured is also recommended to be sent to the City Solicitor for his opinion as to the authority of the City to pay the same.

11. It is recommended that a copy of the opinion of the City Solicitor, attached hereto, in re Dr. Eagar's claim for compensation for damages to an automobile top through collision with a fire alarm box, be forwarded to Dr. Eagar.

12. In February 1907, an arrangement was entered into between the Fire Department and the Insurance Companies and agencies doing business in the City under which the Companies were to defray the actual cost to the City of the Fire Department attending fires outside the City limits. On December 6th, 1910, the Department attended a fire at Fairview outside the City limits in a building owned by John Gough and insured with the Nova Scotia Fire Insurance Company. During the run a piece of apparatus was damaged and put out of commission. This Board billed the Insurance Company for the cost of repairs and other incidental expenses, a total of \$50.00, but charged nothing for the services of the firemen. The Company in reply sent a cheque for \$10.00 as a contribution without acknowledging liability. The Board then called the Company's attention in detail to the existing arrangement

whereupon the Company forwarded a cheque for the remaining \$40.00 and in the letter covering the cheque stated they "wish it distinctly understood that from the present time on (January 11th, 1911) we decline to be held by any arrangement whatever in matters of this kind."

Under these circumstances your Committee have decided that the Fire Department is not to attend to any fires outside the City limits.

13. The Chairman and Chief have been authorized to sell the gray mare in No. 4 hose waggon and to purchase another horse to replace it.

14. The Chairman and Chief have been authorized to have the plaster in Bedford Row Station repaired. The cost will be about \$40.00.

15. It is recommended that the Works Department be requested to promptly notify the Chief when the water is shut off any of the mains or in cases of breaks in the mains with information as to the portions of the City affected.

16. The Chief has been authorized to shift to other stations any of the men at West Street Station guilty of insubordination, etc.

17. The following named accounts are recommended for payment:—

Halifax Electric Tram. Co., power, \$6.46; light, \$34.15.—\$40.61. Melvin & Co., hardware, \$35.16. Stroud & Eveleigh, carriage work, \$6.35. W. & A. Moir, machine work, \$9.34. James Dempster, lumber, \$15.73. Dennis Murphy, clothing, \$20.00. T. C. Allen & Co., Stationery, \$5.30. W. N. Brown, carriage work, \$16.00. Canadian Rubber Co., coats and boots, \$16.80. S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$60.60. John Davison & Son, lumber, \$15.06. E. Dowden, drugs, \$5.60. Patrick Dowd, carriage work, \$1.00. J. A. Dunn, Ltd., nickelplating, \$6.25. Farquhar Bros., supplies, etc., \$21.68. F. P. Farquharson, pitner lights, \$8.15. Freeman's Store, bedding, \$17.29. Globe Laundry, work, \$7.06. Hillis & Sons, Ltd., castings, \$1.60. Imperial Oil Co., gasoline & oil, \$22.50. W. C. Knight, saddlery, \$8.00. Henry Lovett, leather, \$8.85. Capt. Howley, et al, labor, \$3.20. Lawrence Hardware Co., supplies, \$7.50. A. J. McNutt, carriage work, \$19.00. MacDonald & Co., repairs, \$1.83. National Drug Co., soap, etc., \$6.60. N. S. Furnishing Co., bedding, \$34.34. Wm. Robertson & Son, hardware, \$59.88. David Roche, painting, \$8.00. J. Starr, Son & Co., elec. supplies, \$23.96. Stairs, Son & Morrow, hardware, \$2.49. F. A. Shaw, feed, \$319.04. Geo. E. Smith & Co., hardware, \$33.77. Wentzell's, Lt., soap, \$19.10. N. S. Telephone Co., phones, \$86.76. James Taylor, mason work, \$6.03. Total—\$980.43.

J. S. EDWARDS, *Chairman.*

RE CLAIM OF DR. EAGAR.

OFFICE OF CITY SOLICITOR, January 9th, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—The facts of this claim are briefly as follows:—The City placed a fire alarm telegraph box on a post at the corner of Blowers and Barrington Streets, in such a manner that it projected over the roadway. In this the hood of Dr. Eagar's automobile caught while drawing up to the sidewalk, causing the damage of which he complains. The question is whether or not the City is liable for such damage.

Prima facie the City has no right to place obstructions to the use of the street by citizens. If however, it has the right to place obstructions, the question becomes one of whether or not the obstruction was placed without negligence and in such a way as to cause as little inconvenience and danger to the public as possible. The City has the right by statute to establish a fire alarm telegraph, of which, of course, boxes are a necessary part. The only question, therefore, is whether the box was placed with due regard to public safety and convenience. Such a question must in all cases be one of fact. I have carefully discussed the matter with Mr. Colpitt, and am assured by him that the box could not have been placed otherwise than as it was. A fire alarm box is obviously a thing to which Mark Twain's apothem in respect to

a gun applies, namely—that you may not want one all your life, but if you do want it you want it mighty badly and in an awful hurry. It must therefore be placed in such a manner as to be readily seen and readily used. To place it on the walls of the houses would probably cause more damage than placing it on a pole at the edge of the sidewalk. To place it transversely to the line of the street might cause less inconvenience but in such case they would be much harder to discover in the obscurity of the night when they were at once required. Obviously, too, they must be placed at a height which will readily admit of a person making use of them without looking for a ladder or other means of reaching them. If so placed they occasionally cause damage and inconvenience it is damage and inconvenience to which the public must submit. I should further add that it appears to me that there must have been a certain amount of negligence on the part of the claimant. The box could certainly have been seen if his attention had been directed in that way. A person using the streets with an automobile must be taken to be aware that there are fire alarm boxes on the telegraph poles, and to exercise a certain amount of precaution in respect to them.

F. H. BELL, *City Solicitor.*

The same is considered clause by clause.

Clauses 1 to 11 are severally read and adopted.

Read Clause 12. recommending that the Fire Department discontinue the practice of attending fires outside the City limits.

Moved by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman Martin, that said clause be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Douglas, seconded by Alderman Smith, that said clause be referred back to the Committee of Fire Wards for further report. Amendment passed.

Clauses 13 to 17 are severally read and adopted.

Moved by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the report as amended be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Finance Committee on various matters.

REPORT FINANCE COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, Feb. 8th, 1911.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Finance beg to report that a meeting was held this day at 4.45 o'clock; present, Aldermen Whitman, (Chairman), Bligh, Hoben and Edwards,

The following matters were dealt with :—

1. Resolution of Council December 10th, 1910, re civic grant to Hospital for persons suffering from Tuberculosis, as requested by the Anti-Tuberculosis League. This matter is now under consideration by a special Committee of the Council who have not yet reported. Your Committee are informed that a special Committee of the League have under consideration the advisability of making this a provincial matter, but are not yet able to make a report.

2. Letter City Auditor November 21st, 1910, in re School Board Funds. It is recommended that the attached draft Act "A" dealing with this subject be adopted by the Council and forwarded to the Legislature for enactment.

It is also recommended that the attached draft Act "B" dealing with and authorizing the reissue of School Board Bonds for \$336,100.00, falling due on and after July 1st, 1911, be adopted by the Council and forwarded to the Legislature for enactment.

3. Letter City Treasurer on behalf of Trustees of Sinking Fund, offering to loan the City two thousand (2000.00) dollars at par for stock certificates consolidated fund 1905, bearing interest at 4% per annum repayable first July, 1940, to pay for a new site for Tower Road School, etc. It is recommended that the offer be accepted and the following resolution be adopted by the Council:

WHEREAS, The Board of School Commissioners have notified the City Council that they will require the sum of two thousand (\$2000.00) dollars to pay for a new site for the Tower Road School, etc.,

AND WHEREAS, It will be necessary to issue bonds for the same;

RESOLVED, That the offer of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund be accepted and that the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue to the Trustees of the Sinking Fund 1902, stock certificate Consolidated Fund 1905, bearing interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, repayable on the 1st July, 1940.

4. The Chairman brought to the attention of the Committee that there are outstanding about three hundred thousand (\$300,000.00) dollars of certificates per manent stock Consolidated Fund 1880, bearing interest at $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ which stock can be paid off by giving twelve months' notice to the holders thereof. It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted by the Council:—

WHEREAS, There are outstanding about three hundred thousand (\$300,000.00) dollars of certificates permanent stock Consolidated Fund, 1880, bearing interest at $4\frac{1}{2}\%$, which stock can be paid off by giving twelve months' notice to the holders thereof;

AND WHEREAS, It is believed that the City can borrow money at a lower rate of interest;

THEREFORE RESOLVED, That the City Treasurer send a circular to each holder of the stock asking them in the event of a twelve months' legal notice being given whether they would be prepared to accept City of Halifax bonds or stock of Consolidated Fund 1905, bearing interest at 4% in lieu of the present holding, or if they would demand the cash.

5. Report City Auditor in re Provincial Exhibition Commission, 1910' also Annual Report Provincial Exhibition, 1910. It is recommended that a committee of three be appointed from the City Council to confer with the Government of Nova Scotia and with the Provincial Exhibition Commission with a view of taking into consideration the whole question of the Provincial Exhibition and to report at an early date to the Council on the same.

The following accounts, amounting to \$1,946.98, were examined, found correct and are recommended for payment, viz:—

Halifax Industrial School—Keep of boy truants for quarter ending Jan. 31, 1911, \$299.25. Keep of boy Court Criminals for quarter ending Jan. 31, 1911, \$240.00. \$539.25. St. Patrick's Home—Keep of boys truants for quarter ending January 31, 1911, \$390.36. Keep of boy Court Criminals ending Jan. 31, 1911, \$135.00. \$525.36. Holloway Bros., Printing Minutes, etc., Dec. \$56.24. Jan. \$51.68. Printing Annual Report, 1909-10, \$481.50. \$589.42. T. C. Allen & Co., Stationery, etc., License Inspector, 35c. City Auditor, \$25.00. City Clerk, \$4.25, \$56.90. \$61.15. City Assessors, \$32.00, \$15.65. \$47.65. City Collector, \$19.00, \$12.75. \$31.75. Mayor, \$3.75, \$10.00. \$13.75. Police Department, \$3.50. \$183.15. A. & W. MacKinlay, Ltd., Blank Books, City Assessors, \$35.50. City Treasurer, \$5.50. City Medical Officer, \$5.00. \$46.00. Halifax Herald, Advertising, \$12.30. Chronicle Publishing Co., Ltd., Advertising, \$7.50. Subscription to Dec. 31, 1911, \$5.50. \$13.00. Blackadar Bros., Advertising, \$5.00. Subscription to Recorder, 1910, \$5.00. \$10.00. J. M. Geldert, Copy Judgment

Supreme Court, Dennis vs. City, 50c. Dr. Finn, Medical Examiner, Certificates of death of Lawson E. Manuel, \$4.00. C. Mitchell, \$4.00. Wm. Keefe, \$4.00. Mary Kenedy, \$4.00. Ann Prevoe, \$4.00. Jas. Parsons, \$4.00. Male child, Edward Dickson, \$4.00. \$28.00. Total, \$1946.98.

ALFRED WHITMAN, *Chairman.*

The same is considered clause by by clause

Read clause 1 re Tuberculosis Hospital. Passed.

Read clause 2 re School Board Funds.

Also read draft Acts "A" and "B" attached thereto relating to the same matter.

SCHOOL BOARD FUNDS.

"A."

Section 9 of Chapter 47 of the Acts of 1910, and Chapter 48 of the Acts of 1910, are hereby repealed and the following sections substituted therefor and for section 817 of the City Charter :—

(1). The amount so specified by the Board shall not exceed the sum of one hundred and forty thousand dollars in any one year unless a detailed and itemized estimate, showing the amount so specified and required for the various services, is submitted to and approved by the City Council before the 10th day of December.

(2). If the Council does not before the 15th day of December signify to the Board, in writing, any objection to these estimates, they shall be deemed to be approved by the Council and shall be included by the Council in the estimates of the amount to be rated and collected for the ensuing year.

(3). If the Council on or before the said 15th day of December signifies its objection communicated to the Board in writing to the said estimates of any item thereof, unless the Board asserts an appeal therefrom as hereinafter provided, such estimates shall be deemed to be varied as specified in such objection and the amount as varied shall be rated and collected as aforesaid.

(4). Upon the receipt of any such objection the Board may on or before the 20th day of December appeal therefrom to the Governor-in-Council, who may hear such appeal and may dispose of the matter of such objection or may otherwise vary or amend such estimates as is deemed fit, provided that any such appeal shall be determined by the Governor-in-Council on or before the 22nd day of December. The Governor-in-Council shall notify the Mayor of the time and place of hearing any such appeal and the Council may attend and be heard thereat. The determination of the Governor-in-Council shall be forthwith communicated to the Mayor and the amount of the estimates of the Board as determined by the Governor-in-Council shall be rated and collected as aforesaid.

(5). In any such estimate the Board shall state the amount estimated to be received from the Provincial Treasury and all sources other than the City of Halifax, and shall specify the total amount intended to be expended by the Board during the ensuing year, and the Board shall not expend in the year a greater sum than the total amount so specified, and any or all moneys received by the Board in excess of such total amount, and all other sums not expended by the Board shall be deemed an unexpended balance within section 316 and paid to the Trustees of the Reserve and Sinking Funds to be invested and dealt with as part of such funds. The Trustees of the Sinking Fund shall annually furnish to the School Board a statement of the amount of such balance and the accumulation thereof available for the redemption of the bonds issued on School Board account.

(6). If the Board fails to pay to the said Trustees the amount of any such un-

expended balances, the Trustees shall forthwith notify the Treasurer of such failure and of the amount of the balance not paid, and the Treasurer shall, notwithstanding the provisions of section 818, retain the amount so unpaid out of the next instalment of moneys payable to the Board under the provisions of that section and pay the same to the Trustees for the purpose of the said Fund.

(7). This section shall apply and have effect in respect to any such unexpended balance in the hands of the Board on the first day of May, 1911.

SCHOOL BOARD DEBENTURES.

"B."

(1). The Treasurer may issue debentures or stock of the City of Halifax to an amount not exceeding three hundred and thirty-six thousand one hundred (\$336,100) dollars (or to an amount sufficient to produce that sum) to retire the bonds heretofore issued by the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax and now outstanding and a charge upon the City of Halifax, a list whereof is given in the schedule hereto.

(2). Such debentures or stock and the amounts thereby expressed to be payable shall be in addition to the amount authorized to be borrowed by the Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act 1905 and the amendments thereto, and shall form part of that Fund. They shall be issued in conformity with the provisions of that Act at a rate not exceeding five per cent. per annum, and may be issued from time to time and in such amounts as are required for the purpose of retiring the said bonds. The dates on which such debentures or stock shall be made payable shall be from time to time as required determined by the City Council.

LIST OF SCHOOL BONDS WITH DATES OF MATURITY.

\$ 64,600.....	4½ per cent.....	due 1st July, 1911
37,000.....	4 per cent.....	" 1st July, 1915
135,000.....	4½ per cent.....	" 1st Jan., 1917
21,000.....	4 per cent.....	" 1st July, 1926
19,500.....	4 per cent.....	" 1st Jan., 1928
29,000.....	4 per cent.....	" 1st July, 1928
30,000.....	4 per cent.....	" 1st July, 1929

\$ 336,100

Moved by Alderman Douglas, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that the draft Act "A" be laid over until next meeting and that in the meantime a copy be forwarded to the Board of School Commissioners. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that the draft Act "B" be adopted and forwarded to the Legislature for enactment. Motion passed.

Read clause 3, re funds for Tower Road School.

TOWER ROAD SCHOOL.

OFFICE OF CITY TREASURER, Jan. 19, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—I am instructed by the Trustees of the Sinking Fund to offer to the City Council the sum of two thousand (\$2000.00) dollars at par, for stock certificate Consolidated Fund, 1905, bearing interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum repayable first July, 1940.

W. L. BROWN, City Treasurer.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that said clause together with the resolution incorporated therein be now adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 4, re \$300,000 of stock certificates.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hober, that said clause together with the resolution incorporated therein be now adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 5, re Provincial Exhibition.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Douglas, that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 6, re Accounts.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that said clause be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read offer of Trustees Sinking Funds to loan the City \$1000.00 for repairs Bedford Row Engine House.

BEDFORD ROW ENGINE HOUSE.

OFFICE OF CITY TREASURER, Halifax, Feb. 9, 1911.

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

GENTLEMEN,---I am instructed by the Trustees of the Sinking Fund to offer to loan to the City, under authority of Chap. 49, Acts 1910, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) Consolidated Fund, 1905, bearing interest at the rate of 4% per annum, and repayable on the 1st of July, 1940.

W. L. BROWN, City Treasurer.

The following resolution is submitted.

WHEREAS the repairs to Bedford Row Engine House already made and estimated for will amount to the sum of about thirteen hundred (\$1300.00) dollars ;

AND WHEREAS, three hundred (\$300.00) dollars has been voted from the Fire Department Appropriation towards the same ;

AND WHEREAS, by Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1910, the City is authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars to defray the cost of repairs to the Bedford Row Engine House ;

AND WHEREAS, the Trustees of the Sinking Fund have offered to loan the City the sum of one thousand (\$1000) dollars at 4% per annum.

THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the offer of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund be accepted and that the City Treasurer be authorized to issue stock of the Consolidated Fund, 1905, to the amount of one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars, bearing interest at 4% per annum, and repayable on the first day of July, 1940.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Edwards and passed.

Read report Chief License Inspector covering applications for liquor licenses for 1911-12

Moved by Alderman Kelly, seconded by Alderman Whitman, that the applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors in the City of Halifax for the ensuing license year, which are set out in the report of the Inspector of Licenses for the City of Halifax, with all reports to the Council with respect to such applications and all objections thereto and all other papers deposited or filed with the Council or the said Inspector in reference thereto be and the same are hereby referred to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Halifax to be dealt with under the provisions of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, 1910. Motion passed.

Read letter Board of Trade re appointing a delegate to go to Montreal in re differential freight rate.

DIFFERENTIAL FREIGHT RATE.

HALIFAX, N. S., January 18, 1911.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, Esq., City Clerk.

Dear Sir,—The hearing of the claim made on behalf of the City of Halifax by the Board of Trade in reference to the differential rate which discriminates against this port will be heard at Montreal on Monday, the 23rd instant.

Several of our leading citizens are to attend, and the Council of the Board of Trade considered it important that the City should be represented by His Worship the Mayor, and trust that the City Council may authorize him to attend.

E. A. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

Filed.

Read letter Halifax Electric Tramway Co., re double tracking of loop line.

STREET RAILWAY DOUBLE TRACKS.

HALIFAX, N. S., February, 11th, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—Referring to the subject of the double tracking by this company, of its loop line, I am authorized by our Board of Directors to state that our Company is prepared, if given the necessary authority by your Council, to proceed with the work, to complete which during the coming summer, orders for necessary material should be placed without delay.

Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd.,

Per W. J. DEBLOIS, Secretary.

Moved by Alderman Bligh, seconded by Alderman McManus, that said letter be referred to the Committee on Works for report.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Edwards, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that said letter be referred to the Special Committee on Public Franchises.

Amendment put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 6 against it, as follows:

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Hoben, Kelly,
Hubley, Thompson,
Corston, MacKenzie,
Edwards, Rankine—8.

Against it.

Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman,
Bligh, McManus,
Douglas, Smith—6.

Alderman Whitman because of contemplated absence from the City, asks permission to retire from the Public Franchises Committee. Agreed to.

His Worship the Mayor nominates Alderman Shaffner to take the place of Alderman Whitman on said Committee. Approved.

Read application John J. Power, K. C., for the consent of the City to bring an action on a bond entered into by John J. Tynan et al to the City.

ACTION ON A BOND ON FILIATION ORDER.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 13, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor of the City Council :

Dear Sir,—I wish to obtain the consent of the City under the City Charter to bring an action on a bond entered into on July 9th, 1910, by John J. Tynan, Charles Gates (Policeman) and William T. Tait, to the City for the performance of a certain filiation order made on that day by Stipendiary MacDougall, the said bond being payable to the City, and being in the sum of \$150.00.

Kindly let me have the necessary permission under the Charter, as we wish to commence proceedings at once.

JOHN J. POWER.

Referred to Laws and Privileges Committee for report.

Read report City Engineer re expropriation of Public Market site.

MARKET SITE.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Feb 14th, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—I have taken all the preliminary steps required by the City Charter for the purpose of expropriating the site selected for the market and beg to submit the accompanying resolution which has been prepared by His Honor the Recorder, which, when passed, and the money paid into Court, will complete the expropriation proceedings.

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

The following resolution is submitted :—

WHEREAS the City of Halifax requires the land and premises hereinafter described for the purpose of constructing a public market, being a purpose connected with the public works of the City of Halifax, and the City Engineer has duly prepared a plan of the said land and premises, together with a description of the same, and also a report on the expropriation of same, and submitted the said plan, description and report to the City Council for its approval, and the said plan, description and report were duly approved by the City Council on the thirtieth day of December, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and ten, and a copy of the same has been filed in the office of the City Engineer as required by law.

The Eastern Trust Company, Alex. Baxter, 127 Brunswick St.....	\$1150 00
Rector and Wardens, Trinity Church, Liverpool, N. S., vacant lot, Brunswick Street.....	460 00
Dev. J. W. Ritchie, E. W. O'Donnell, 121, 103-111 and a vacant lot.....	7130 00
“ “ “ “ 81 Duke Street.....	920 00
“ “ “ “ 146-162 Albemarle St.....	4715 00
Dev. of Mrs. Ann Murphy, 166-176 and a vacant lot.....	2760 00
	\$20,010 00

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman McManus.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Bligh, seconded by Alderman Smith, that this matter be deferred until next meeting of Council.

The amendment being put there appeared :

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman, Bligh, Smith, Hubley, Corsten, Rankine—7.	Aldermen McManus, Douglas, Hoben, Kelly, Thompson, MacKenzie. Edwards—7.

His Worship the Mayor gives his casting vote against the amendment and declares it lost.

The original resolution is put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 6 against it, the division of Council being as follows :

For the Resolution.	Against it.
Aldermen McManus, Douglas, Hoben, Kelly, Thompson, Corsten, MacKenzie, Edwards—8.	Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman, Bligh, Smith, Hubley Rankine—6.

Alderman Bligh gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman MacKenzie, seconded by Alderman Edwards, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 11 o'clock.

 EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, February 23rd, 1911.

A special meeting of the City Council was called for this evening, "To authorize the issuing of licenses pursuant to the provisions of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, 1910, to the applicants whose applications for licenses have been so reported to be granted by the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Halifax, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Hubley and Douglas.

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

8.30 o'clock. Roll called. Present—the above named.

There being no quorum to do business the Council stands adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, February 28th, 1911.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour. Present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Wilson, Shaffner, Hebb, Bligh, Smith, Douglas, McManus, Hubley, Kelly, Hoben, Thompson, Corston, Martin, Edwards, Rankine and MacKenzie.

The Council was summoned "To authorize the issuing of licenses pursuant to the provisions of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, 1910, to the applicants whose applications for licenses have been so reported to be granted by the Board or License Commissioners for the City of Halifax, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business."

Moved by Alderman Rankine, seconded by Alderman Shaffner, that all matters on the Order of the Day be deferred until next meeting of the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

His Worship the Mayor submits report Board of License Commissioners re Liquor Licenses, 1911-12.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re tenders for 500 bbls. Cement.

TENDERS FOR CEMENT.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, February 8th, 1911.

To the City Council:

GENTLEMEN,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached report of the City Engineer in re tenders for 500 Bbls Cement was read and recommended to Council for adoption.

J. A. CHISHOLM, *Mayor and Chairman.*

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Feb 7th, 1911.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—We require about five hundred barrels of cement at the concrete shed for making sewer blocks.