

HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

HALIFAX, N. S., September 1st, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—The City Health Board beg to recommend the payment of the following accounts, which were passed at a meeting held on Friday last, viz :—

Burgess & Co., groceries, \$19.93. Quinn & Co., groceries, \$38.28. M. L. Buskins, sweeping chimneys, \$2.50. Telegram, 30c. T. C. Allen & Co., printing and stationery, \$17.10. J. F. Dempster, board of patients, \$7.13. Total, \$85.24.

JOHN A. WATTERS, Secretary.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Corston, that said report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Charities Committee covering accounts.

REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

HALIFAX, September 6th, 1911.

TO 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, Aldermen Shaffner, Upham and Gates.

The Superintendent's report for August, 1911, shows that during the month there were 26 persons admitted into the City Home and 17 discharged. Of the number admitted, 6 were chargeable to the Province, and 20 to the City. The total number of inmates on August 31st, 1911, was 297, made up of 168 men, 128 women, and 1 child. On the same date last year there were 189 men and 125 women, a total of 314.

The following accounts are recommended for payment, viz :—Wentzell's, Ltd., \$414.40. W. A. Maling & Co., \$368.76. P. T. Shea, \$119.29. Geo. Gregoire, \$34.93. J. M. Currie, \$69.75. The Fleischmann Co., \$4.20. J. & M. Murphy, Ltd., \$52.97. F. W. Fraser, \$31.68. Henry Lovett, \$23.47. H. D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., \$149.25. S. Cunard & Co., \$178.75. Halifax Tram. Co., Ltd., \$17.90. W. Stairs, Son & Morrow, \$3.23. Farquhar Bros., \$5.91. Black & Flinn, \$41.00. Nickerson & Hart, \$4.75. J. F. Outhit, \$1.60. W. McFatrige, \$25.25. Brookfield Bros., \$1.50. R. R. Kennedy, \$12.70. Baldwin & Co., \$1.80. Hillis & Son, Ltd., \$1.75. W. J. O'Connell, \$2.25. Morton & Cragg, \$2.50. W. C. Knight, \$2.85. Dr. R. F. O'Brien, \$3.00. B. J. Mulcahy, \$214.51. Salaries, \$657.66. Total, \$2,447.61.

J. R. CORSTON, Chairman.

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

Read report Police Committee covering accounts.

POLICE ACCOUNTS.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, September 6th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

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

C agg Bros. & Co., hardware, \$2.30. Wm. Taylor & Co., boots, \$4.00. J. Wonnacott, locks, etc., 85c. Stroud & Eveleigh, tire, etc., \$16.00. Total, \$23.15.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

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

Read report Committee of Fire Wards, covering accounts.

REPORT COMMITTEE OF FIRE WARDS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, September 6th, 1911.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—The Committee of Fire Wards met this day at noon. Present—Alderman Martin (Vice-Chairman), Gates, Harris and Hines.

The following named accounts are recommended for payment:—Halifax Elec. Tram. Co., light \$16.34, power \$15.76—\$32.10. J. C. Merlin & Son, lumber, \$2.52. W. Horton & Son, painting, \$188.05. Stroud & Eveleigh, carriage work, \$17.40. Melvin & Co., hardware, \$11.25. Ungar's Laundry, work, \$13.05. T. C. Allen & Co., stationery, \$3.70. E. M. Bowes, painting, \$8.00. Burns & Kelleher, castings, 55c. Canadian Oil Co., gasoline, \$9.27. Canadian Rubber Co., supplies, \$12.06. John Davison & Son, lumber, \$1.13. Jas. Dempster, Ltd., lumber, \$4.31. Farquhar Bros., wire, etc., \$115.21. Freeman's Store, bedding, \$15.25. Neil Fox, saddlery, \$2.00. Gutta Percha & Rubber Co., hose, etc., \$17.65. Holland & Kuhn, frames, 4.50. Kline & Mullins, gold cord, \$1.00. W. C. Knight, saddlery, \$13.44. Lawrence Hardware Co., supplies, \$6.94. Henry Lovett, leather, \$19.25. B. Lapierre, painting, \$6.00. Morton & Cragg, polish, \$2.40. Thos. A. Morash, forge work, \$7.15. N. S. Car Works, wood, \$10.50. Frank Reardon, screws, 3c. Stairs, Son & Morrow, chains, \$5.85. F. A. Shaw, forage, \$386.35. Wentzell's, Ltd., soda, \$6.30. W. A. Thompson, brooms, \$6.00. Total, \$929.48.

GEO. A. MACKENZIE, Acting-Chairman.

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

Read Message from His Worship the Mayor re Dog Tax.

DOG TAX.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, September 7th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—Section 508 of the City Charter provides that no person shall keep a dog without having first taken out a license therefor; and Ordinance No. 25, made in pursuance of the Charter, requires that every owner of a dog six months old or upwards shall register the same with the Clerk of Licenses not later than the first of July in each year and pay the sum of Two dollars (\$2.00) for such registration. If payment is not made before the first of July the license fee thereafter payable is Four Dollars (\$4.00).

The Police have reported many cases of unlicensed dogs and summonses have been issued against a number of owners. Some of these owners have called on me and represented that some of my predecessors in office assured them in previous years that they need not take out a license because they live in parts of the City where police protection was claimed to be inadequate, and that consequently they consider themselves absolved from payment of the fee on account of the statements

thus made to them. They further allege that had they known that they were obliged to take out a license they would have done so before the first of July and thus procured their license for Two Dollars (\$2.00) instead of Four Dollars (\$4.00) as it will now cost them.

I attach hereto the opinion of the City Solicitor, which shows that there is no exemption from the operation of the Ordinance by reason of the owners living in any particular locality within the City; and as I believe that these parties have acted in good faith and without the knowledge of the effect of the law, I am of opinion, that they should be permitted to receive their licenses on payment of Two Dollars (\$2.00) for the present year.

I would therefore suggest that the City Council pass a resolution requesting the City Clerk to issue licenses to such parties on payment of Two Dollars (\$2.00), and that the prosecutions against them should be abandoned.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Upham, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, that all persons who have not paid their dog tax for the current year be allowed to do so at any time before October 1st, prox., for the sum of Two (\$2.00) Dollars.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Hobbs, that the further collection of dog tax be waived for the balance of the present year in the district that was for several years waived by former Mayors.

Read opinion City Solicitor on the subject.

RE DOG TAX.

OFFICE OF CITY SOLICITOR, Halifax, N. S., September 7th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR:

Sir,—In reply to your request in this matter, I beg to say that the provisions respecting the licensing and taxing of dogs are identical with all the other license and tax provisions in the Charter, in so far as no provision whatever is made for exemption, and no authority exists, either in the Mayor or in the Council, to relieve anybody either from the tax or from the consequences of not paying the tax within the proper time.

F. H. BELL, City Solicitor.

His Worship the Mayor rules the motion and amendment out of order.

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common re accounts.

PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, August 28th, 1911.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Sirs,—A meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Common was held this day at 4 p. m.

On motion of Commissioners MacKenzie and Power, a grant of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) was made to the Superintendent, Richard Power, towards defraying his expenses for a visit to the parks and gardens in New York and vicinity.

The following bills were passed for payment:—Clement Hand, \$35.00. Blackadar Bros., \$2.00. J. Burns, \$45.00. Canadian Rubber Co., \$4.50. Jas. D. Walsh, \$2.00. Halifax Elec. Tram. Co., \$1.34. S. Cunard & Co., \$183.66. National Drug Co., \$4.95. Frank W. Fraser, \$4.40. W. Stoffregen, \$17.30. J. A. Simmers, \$4.70. W. Robertson, \$4.41. M. F. Burns, \$21.43. Total, \$300.69.

EDW. T. POWER, Secretary.

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re tenders for 1500 ft. of 9 in. pipe.

WATER PIPE TENDERS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, September 6th, 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 purchase of 1500 ft. nine-inch water pipe was read, and the lowest tender is recommended for acceptance.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, September 6th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR :

Sir,—I have obtained tenders for fifteen hundred feet of nine-inch pipe, which we should require if the extension through Connaught Avenue is ordered. If the work is to be done this year, the pipe should be ordered without delay, as it will take about one month to get it and take some time to do the work. The tenders received are as follows:—

W. Beverly Robinson & Co., Montreal.....	\$32.75	per ton of 2000 lbs.
F. Hankin & Co., Montreal	34.00	“ “
L. H. Gaudry & Co., Ltd., Quebec.....	34.45	“ “
Dennis Murphy.....	35.00	“ “

I would recommend that the tender from W. Beverly Robinson, \$32.75, being the lowest, be accepted.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

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

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that the Rules of Council be suspended to permit the taking up of No 21 on Order of the Day. Motion passed unanimously.

Read No. 21 on Order of the Day, viz. :—Report City Prison Committee on various matters and accounts deferred for consideration with the City Prison Committee's report on re-organization of the City Prison. August 16th, 1911.

REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, August 14th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—The City Prison Committee met this day at 3 p. m. Present Aldermen Hawkins (Chairman), Harris, Hines and Rankine.

The Committee beg to report and recommend as follows :—

1. That during the past month the building was struck by lightning, damaging the chimney to some extent. Repairs are being effected by Samuel Marshall & Son. Pointing the front of the building, to the value of \$50.00, will be done while the scaffolding is up.

2. That two prisoners—Charles Clarke and Michael Mountain—escaped from custody during the past week.

3. That Underkeeper Grant is away on holidays, and, owing to the large number of prisoners in custody, the prison is undermanned. Application was made to the Police Committee, under the provisions of sec. 7 of Ordinance No. 9, for a police officer to attend at the prison during the absence of Underkeeper Grant. Police Officer Barrett has been detailed for duty there until Wednesday, the 16th inst.

It is recommended that the Council make provisions to continue the attendance of a police officer until Underkeeper Grant returns.

4. The Secretary was instructed to advertise for sale about 20,000 bushels of broken stone.

The following accounts, amounting to \$191.62 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz—

1910-11 Account—J. S. Parker & Son, lumber, \$4.50. Moir's, Ltd., bread, etc., \$4.75. Longard Bros., repairing hand rail, \$65.00. Total, \$74.75.

1911-12 Account—Halifax Elec. Tram. Co., light, 29c. Dixon's, Ltd., groceries, \$31.45. C. H. Jordan, horseshoeing, \$3.00. N. S. Telephone Co., telephones to September 30th, \$13.50. Melvin & Co., hardware, \$6.66. Wood Bros. & Co., dry goods, \$16.74. Hillis & Sons, stove fittings, \$2.12. J. J. Scriven & Sons, bread, \$7.92. Wm. Robertson & Son, rope and brushes, \$2.69. W. A. Maling & Co., ox heads, etc., \$10.75. Wm. Taylor & Co., boots, \$4.25. Robert Taylor Co., Ltd., boots, \$18.00. Total, \$17.37. Grand total, \$191.62.

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

A. C. HAWKINS, Chairman.

The same is considered clause by clause and the several clauses thereof (1 to 5) on motion adopted.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Corston, that the report as a whole be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Creighton Street sidewalk.

CREIGHTON STREET SIDEWALK.

OFFICE OF CITY WORKS, September 6th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—Your Committee on Works beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer, recommending that a concrete sidewalk,

curb and gutter be constructed on the east side of Creighton Street, between Cogswell Street and Falkland Street.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 29th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR :

Sir,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition for the construction of a permanent sidewalk on the east side of Creighton Street, between Cogswell Street and Falkland Street.

There is a concrete sidewalk on Cogswell Street with which this would connect. The estimated cost of the work is \$1,388.00.

I would recommend that this sidewalk be placed in the schedule, and that a concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter be constructed under the Permanent Sidewalk Act, 1906.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re water extension Connaught Avenue.

CONNAUGHT AVENUE WATER EXTENSION.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, August 4th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day, it was resolved to recommend the adoption of the attached report of the City Engineer in re "Water extension Connaught Avenue," with the provision that the Bond be first approved by this Committee.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, July 24th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR :

Sir,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from the Halifax Realty Corporation, asking for the extension of the water system through Connaught Avenue.

The district is low service; length of pipe required, about 1350 feet; size of pipe recommended, 9-inch; estimated cost :

Pipe.....	\$1,215 00
Three 9-inch valves.....	75 00
Four 9-inch three-way branches.....	33 50
24" x 9" saddle and bolts	4 00
Lead and paint.....	15 00
Rock excavation and pipe laying	2,497 50
One 9" x 6" four-way branch	10 00
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	\$3,850 00

It is usual in determining the special rate, to estimate for six-inch pipe. Estimating accordingly, the cost would be \$3,411.00. At five per cent., the interest on the estimated outlay would be \$170.55.

There is only one building, namely the Almon residence, to be supplied at present, but I am assured by the Company that two more buildings will be put up this year, and that plans are also being prepared for two others. In any case, I am notified that the Company are prepared to give a bond for the interest.

I would therefore recommend that the extension be made, 9-inch pipe being laid, and that the special rate be fixed at \$170.55.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Hollis Street sidewalk.

HOLLIS STREET SIDEWALK.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, September 6th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Gentlemen,—Attached hereto is a letter from Mr. O. E. Smith asking that a permanent sidewalk be laid in front of the Jerusalem Warehouse on Hollis Street; also a report from the City Engineer recommending that the work be done.

Your Committee on Works beg to recommend that the report of the City Engineer be adopted, and a permanent sidewalk laid in accordance with Mr. Smith's request.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 31st, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR:

Sir,—In the accompanying letter, Mr. O. E. Smith asks for the construction of a concrete sidewalk in front of his property, the Jerusalem Warehouse on Hollis Street.

The rest of the sidewalk in this block between Duke Street and Water Street on the east side in concrete.

The estimated cost of constructing a sidewalk in front of Mr. Smith's property is \$142.00. I would recommend that the work be done under the Permanent Sidewalk Act, 1906.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re water extension Sullivan Street.

WATER EXTENSION SULLIVAN STREET.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, September 6th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Gentlemen,—The Committee on Works beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer recommending that the water be extended to the house No. 71 Sullivan Street, owned by Mr. John Longton.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 16th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR:

Sir,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from John Longton, asking for the extension of the water supply to his house Number 71 Sullivan Street.

The district is high service; size of pipe required, 6-inch; distance 186 feet, estimated cost \$339.60.

I would recommend that the extension be made on the usual conditions, the special rate to be \$16.98.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Green Street Curb and Gutter.

GREEN STREET CURB AND GUTTER.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, September 6th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Gentlemen,—Attached hereto is a letter from Mr. J. M. Davison asking that a curb and gutter be laid and the sidewalk put in order on the north side of Green Street from Pleasant Street west; also a report of the City Engineer in regard to the same.

The Committee on Works beg to recommend that the report of the City Engineer be adopted.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 4th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR:

Sir,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from J. M. Davison asking that a curb and gutter be laid and the sidewalk put in order on the north side of Green Street from Pleasant Street west.

I reported on a petition for similar work in 1906, but at that time some of the property owners were opposed to it.

The estimated cost of laying a curb and gutter is \$110.00. If the work is done it must be paid for out of the Street appropriation, as curb and gutter alone cannot be constructed under the Sidewalk Law unless a permanent sidewalk has already been laid.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Shaffner, seconded by Alderman Gates, that the same be referred back to the Committee on Works for further report. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Argyle and Prince Streets sidewalks.

ARGYLE AND PRINCE STREETS SIDEWALKS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, September 6th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Gentlemen,—Your Committee on Works beg to refer to the Council for it

information the attached report of the City Engineer in re Argyle and Prince Street sidewalks.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 16th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR :

Sir,—I beg to report on the accompanying petitions against the construction of a sidewalk on the east side of Argyle Street, between Sackville and Prince Streets, and on the south side of Prince Street, between Argyle and Barrington Streets.

The present sidewalk on Argyle Street was laid fourteen years ago. It is tar concrete, and the life of the material is exhausted. Along the curb, the old material is exposed. Nearer the Street line it has been patched over and over again, but will break up badly during the coming winter if not renewed. It was in such a condition three months ago, that I was obliged to patch it to prevent serious accidents. In the meantime, a number of holes have ravelled out, the water lies on the sidewalk in many places during and after rains and is liable to soak through into the cellars. In addition, the Gas Company have overhauled their pipes, cutting a trench in the old sidewalk at each property.

A majority of the property owners petitioned for this work. The majority of frontage favorable was 114 feet. There was a majority of frontage favorable on both streets. It has been the custom of the Council to order the construction of a sidewalk under such conditions, and it is a waste of money to spend any more in patching.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

Filed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re North Street sidewalk.

NORTH STREET SIDEWALK.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, September 6th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—Your Committee on Works beg to recommend that the attached report of the City Engineer recommending that a permanent sidewalk, curb and gutter be laid on the north side of North Street, between Lockman and Agricola Streets, be adopted.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 29th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR :

Sir,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from property owners on the north side of North Street, asking for the construction of a permanent sidewalk between Lockman Street and Agricola Street.

This street is one of the most important thoroughfares in the north end, and has no permanent sidewalk. There is a granite curb and gutter in the block between Lockman Street and Lorne Terrace.

A permanent sidewalk should have been laid long ago, but it has been difficult to obtain a petition from the property owners.

The estimated cost of the work is \$5876.00 and I would recommend that a permanent sidewalk, curb and gutter be laid on the north side of North Street, between Lockman and Agricola Street, under the Permanent Sidewalk Act, 1906.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re rental of Stayner's wharf property by F. W. Bissett & Co.

RENTAL STAYNER'S WHARF.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, September 6th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—Your Committee on Works beg to recommend that the attached report of the City Engineer re rental Stayner's wharf be adopted.

J. A. CRISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, August 29th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR :

Sir,—In the accompanying letter, Messrs. F. W. Bissett & Company ask that the bill which the City has against them for rental of the Stayner Wharf property shall be reduced by the amount which they claim they have spent in repairing the property, namely \$211.54. The history of their occupation is as follows:—

I was absent when they applied for a lease of the property. Mr. Johnston, Assistant City Engineer, consulted with the Mayor, as Messrs. Bissett & Company were anxious to get immediate possession and could not wait until the Council met. Under the circumstances they were notified that they could go into possession on the following terms, quoted from Mr. Johnston's letter.

"I am instructed to inform you that the City are not at present in a position to give you a definite answer to your enquiry re lease of the City property known as Stayner's Wharf.

"The Dartmouth Ferry Commission are in negotiation for this property and until these negotiations are concluded, nothing can be done. In the meantime, to relieve your temporary embarrassment, in having to vacate the property in which you have been, I am instructed to inform you that the City will lease you the Stayner Wharf property for a period of one month from date, at the same rental as was paid by the previous tenants."

They occupied the property on the conditions named in his letter, and on those only. They took the property as it was when their tenancy began and the City did not undertake to place it in better repair or give them any permanent tenancy. Subsequently they approached the City with a proposition to buy. The City made a counter-proposition to give them a lease for a few years, proposing to agree to refund a portion of the cost of maintaining the property according to the time which they occupied it before the time the City again required possession.

This proposal had not been thought of when they became tenants of the City, and was not thought of until some months afterwards. Under the circumstances, I feel obliged to report that, in my judgment, their claim is not well founded.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

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

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

By leave of Council the amendment is withdrawn.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Shaffner, that the Council compromise the rental with F. W. Bissett & Co., by allowing them half of the \$211.54 claimed by them as having been spent in repairs.

The amendment is put and lost.

The original motion is put and passed.

Read report Committee on Works re Young Avenue curb and gutter.

YOUNG AVENUE SIDEWALK.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, September 6th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day, it was decided to recommend to the Council that a concrete curb and gutter be laid on the east side of Young Avenue, between Atlantic Street and Owen Street—Alderman MacKenzie dissenting.

J. A. CRISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, June 28th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR:

Sir,—I beg to report on the petitions attached hereto against the construction of a sidewalk on the east side of Young Avenue.

When I reported on the construction of this sidewalk a short time ago, the majority of the property owners were favorable to the construction of the work from Inglis Street to the south side of Michael Dwyer's property. Since the last meeting of Council, the South End Lawn Tennis Club and Mr. C. O. McDonald have canvassed those who signed the petition, and induced two, Mr. Andrew McKinlay and John W. Brookfield, to withdraw their names, which makes a majority of the property owners unfavorable to the construction of a sidewalk from Inglis Street to Mr. Dwyer's property.

In the block between Atlantic Street and Owen Street, which has a frontage of 925 feet, Mr. W. A. Black, Mr. J. A. McInnes, and the Estate of John McInnes, with a total frontage of 625 feet, are desirous of having the sidewalk constructed, not having withdrawn their petition. Mr. F. B. McCurdy, who owns 150 feet is not opposed to the construction of the sidewalk, but would prefer to postpone the work until his house is built. Mr. George S. Campbell, who owns the remaining 150 feet, is in Europe. He petitioned for a curb and gutter, but is not desirous of having the sidewalk.

Under the circumstances, as the owners of over two-thirds of the frontages in this block are desirous of having the sidewalk constructed, I would recommend that the sidewalks on Young Avenue, between Atlantic Street and Miller Street, be placed in the Sidewalk Schedule, and that a concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter be constructed on the east side of Young Avenue, between Atlantic Street and Owen Street. The estimated cost is \$2571.00.

The original petition did not specify any limit. The request was for a sidewalk in front of the property of the petitioners.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Gates, that

a concrete curb and gutter be laid on the east side of Young Avenue in front of the properties of W. A. Black and George S. Campbell, for a distance of about 400 ft, south from Atlantic Street.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Corston, that the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works.

Amendment put and passed, seven voting for the same and six against it—the division of Council being as follows :—

For the Amendment.

Against it.

Aldermen Harris, Shaffner,
Whitman, Gates,
Bligh, Scanlan, Clarke—7.

Aldermen Hoben, Hines,
Hawkins, Corston,
MacKenzie, Upham—6.

Moved by Alderman Bligh, seconded by Alderman Clarke, that Alderman Scanlan be a member of the Charities Committee. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Bligh, seconded by Alderman Clarke, that Alderman Scanlan be a member of the City Prison Committee. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Bligh, seconded by Alderman Clarke, that Alderman Scanlan, be a Director of Point Pleasant Park. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Bligh, seconded by Alderman Clarke, that Alderman Scanlan be a member of the Committee of Fire Wards. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Bligh, seconded by Alderman Clarke, that Alderman Scanlan be a member of the Board of Arbitration between the City and County. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Bligh, seconded by Alderman Clarke, that Alderman Scanlan be a member of the Board of Fire Escapes. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Harris, that Alderman Hines be a member of the City Health Board. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Bligh, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10.00 o'clock.

CASUAL ELECTION WARD No. THREE.

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK, Halifax, N. S., September 8th, 1911.

MATTHEW SCANLAN, Junior, of the City of Halifax, Merchant, having been on the 7th day of September, A. D. 1911, by the City Clerk, in the presence of the City Council, declared duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax for Ward No. Three, at an Election held on the 29th day of August, 1911, for the balance of the term ending April 30th, 1913, to fill a casual vacancy in the representation of said Ward, caused by the resignation of Alderman Patrick J. McManus, I do hereby certify that before entering upon the duties of the office, he was duly sworn on the 7th day of September, 1911, before His Worship the Mayor, in the presence of the City Council, by subscribing and taking the Oaths of Allegiance and Qualification, and the Oaths of Office of Alderman and Justice of the Peace for the City of Halifax, and signed the Roll of Aldermen.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, City Clerk.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, October 5th, 1911.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour. Present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman, Harris, Connolly, Douglas, Scanlan, Clarke, Hoben, Corston, Martin, Hawkins, MacKenzie and Upham.

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted :—

Report City Health Board, by Alderman Hawkins, Chairman.

Reports (2) Committee of Fire Wards, by Alderman Martin, Chairman.

Report Charities Committee, by Alderman Corston, Chairman.

Report Finance Committee, by Alderman Whitman, Chairman.

Report City Prison Committee, by Alderman Hawkins, Chairman.

Report Laws and Privileges Committee, by Alderman Harris, Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers :—

Annual Report City Auditor, 1910—11.

Letter President Board of Trade in re Board of Control.

Order Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council re Tower Road School.

Message His Worship the Mayor re Convention of Manufacturers' Association.

Message His Worship the Mayor in re expenses of Delegation on Terminal Facilities at Halifax.

Report City Engineer re Charles Street Extension.

Letters "Canadian Municipal Journal" re subscriptions to that publication and re advertising Halifax.

Letter Principal of County Academy in re noise made by vehicles.

Report Coal Weighers for August.

Applications Alfred P. Calnen and Catherine Bates for refund of liquor license deposits.

Reports (6) Committee on Works, viz. :—

Accounts.

Tenders for buildings at Spruce Hill Lake and Chain of Lakes.
 Market Site.
 Young Avenue curb and gutter.
 Loans for sewerage and sidewalks.
 Fire hydrants.

Read letter His Worship the Mayor re expenses of Board of Trade Delegates to Ottawa on Terminal Facilities at port of Halifax.

TERMINAL FACILITIES.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, October 3rd, 1911.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the City Council held on April 28th, 1911, a resolution was passed in the following terms :—

“ Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Douglas, that His Worship the Mayor and Alderman MacKenzie be appointed to go to Ottawa with the Board of Trade delegates to urge upon the Government the necessity for providing terminal facilities at this port, and that a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars be appropriated to pay the expenses of said delegates.”

Pursuant to the said resolution, Alderman MacKenzie and myself proceeded to Ottawa, and the following delegates from the Board of Trade were in attendance with us at our conferences with the Government, namely: Messrs. W. A. Black, Mich. Dwyer, W. S. Davidson, R. T. MacIlreith, J. E. DeWolf, J. N. Duffus, E. A. Saunders.

The Secretary of the Board of Trade has written me to say that the delegation from that body were under the impression that a portion of the appropriation of \$300.00 would be available to pay, in part, the expenses of the delegates from the Board of Trade. The City Solicitor, however, informs me that under the terms of the resolution no payment can be legally made toward the expenses of the Board of Trade delegates. The Secretary of the Board of Trade requests me to bring the matter to the attention of the Council with a view of procuring legislation to make such payment legal, and to provide funds wherewith to make the payment.

Messrs. Black and Dwyer made no charge for their expenses. The expenses of the other delegates are as follows :—W. S. Davidson \$42.00, R. T. McIlreith \$55.60, J. E. DeWolf \$33.10, J. N. Duffus \$43.00, E. A. Saunders, \$44.30—\$218.

I shall be glad if the City Council will take the matter into consideration and take whatever action may be necessary.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Douglas, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that this matter be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges to draft such legislation as may be necessary to legalize the payment by the City of these expenses. Motion passed.

Read Message His Worship the Mayor re Convention of Manufacturers' Association.

CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION CONVENTION.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, October 5th, 1911.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—I have been approached by some members of the Nova Scotia

branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association with respect to the Convention of the Association to be held in August next. The time and place for holding the Convention will probably be decided at a meeting of the Executive which is to be held on October 10th and 11th in the City of Toronto.

It has been suggested that a formal invitation should be extended by the City of Halifax to the said Association, and I have pleasure in submitting with this message a resolution in line with the suggestion, which I hope the City Council will adopt.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor.

The following resolution is submitted :—

Resolved, That His Worship the Mayor extend an invitation to the Canadian Manufacturers' Association to hold their next Convention in the City of Halifax.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Shaffner and passed.

REFERENCE OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read applications Alfred P. Calnen and Catherine Bates for refund of deposits made by them with petitions for liquor licenses. Referred to Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

Read letters "Canadian Municipal Journal" re subscriptions to said publication and advertising Halifax. Referred to Finance Committee for report.

Read Annual Report City Auditor, 1910-11. Filed.

Read letter Principal of County Academy in re noise by vehicles. Referred to Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

Read Order Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council directing the City to issue debentures to raise \$57,102.15 for the erection of Tower Road School.

TOWER ROAD SCHOOL.

HALIFAX, 11th September, 1911.

THE CITY CLERK :

Sir,—I am directed to transmit herewith a certified copy of an Order of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor in Council, dated 7th instant, ordering and directing the City of Halifax to issue Debentures to raise the sum of \$57,102.15, required by the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax for the erection of the new Tower Road School building.

FRED. F. MATHERS,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

CERTIFIED COPY OF AN ORDER OF HIS HONOUR THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF NOVA SCOTIA IN COUNCIL, DATED 7TH SEPT., 1911.

WHEREAS, The Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax requires the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and Two Dollars and Fifteen Cents for the erection of the new Tower Road School building in the City of Halifax, and applied to the Governor-in-Council for an Order directing the City of Halifax to issue its Debentures to raise the said sum required as aforesaid ;

AND WHEREAS, Due notice of the sum so required and of the purpose fo, which the same is required and of the time and place appointed, namely, Thursday the 7th September, 1911, at 11 o'clock, A. M., in the Executive Council Room, Province Building, City of Halifax, at which the matter of said application could be heard was given to the Mayor of said City ;

AND WHEREAS, The matter of said application was heard at such time and place ;

NOW THEREFORE, The Lieutenant Governor by and with the advice of the Executive Council for Nova Scotia, under and by virtue of Section 820 of the Halifax City Charter, added thereto by Chapter 67 of the Acts of 1907, is pleased to order and direct and hereby orders and directs the City of Halifax to issue debentures to raise the amount so required.

FRED F. MATHERS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Referred to Finance Committee for report.
Read report Coal Weighers for August. Filed.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read letter President Board of Trade asking for appointment of a Joint Committee in re Board of Control.

BOARD OF CONTROL.

October 4th, 1911.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—The Council of the Board of Trade desire to call your attention to a resolution that was moved by Alderman Harris, seconded by Alderman Hoben and passed on June 23rd of this year.

The following is part of the resolution :—

“That a special committee be appointed consisting of six members of the City Council (to be now appointed) six appointed by the Council of the Board of Trade and six others, ratepayers of the City of Halifax, appointed by said special committee, to prepare and submit to this Council a draft of a bill providing for the proposed reduction in the number of Aldermen, embodying the essential features of the Board of Control system of government, and providing for the various amendments to the City Charter and other legislation affecting the City of Halifax consequent upon such changes.”

We have named the gentlemen to act on this Committee and their names are as follows ;—

Mr. A. M. Bell,	Mr. W. S. Davidson,	Mr. G. E. Faulkner,
Mr. O. E. Smith,	Mr. W. A. Black,	Mr. Michael Dwyer.

We would ask that the balance of the Committee be organized at the earliest possible date, and we would request that the City Council, at its next meeting appoint the six members from their body asked for in the resolution previously referred to.

The six appointed by your Council and the six appointed by the Council of the Board of Trade can then select the additional members of the proposed committee.

MICHAEL DWYER, President.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Whitman,

that this matter be considered with the report of the Special Committee on recount of votes cast at plebiscite on Board of Control.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Harris, seconded by Alderman Hoben, that this letter be now considered and dealt with at the present time.

His Worship the Mayor asked for the opinion of the City Solicitor as to whether the amendment is in order.

The City Solicitor stated that in his opinion the amendment is in order.

The amendment is put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 5 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Harris, Connolly,
Scanlan, Douglas,
Clarke, Hoben,
Corston, Upham—8.

Against it.

Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman,
Hawkins, Martin,
MacKenzie—5.

Moved by Alderman Harris, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that a special committee be appointed consisting of six members of the City Council (to be now appointed) to act with the six already appointed by the Council of the Board of Trade and six others, rate-payers of the City of Halifax appointed by said special committee, to prepare and submit to this Council a draft of a bill providing for the proposed reduction in the number of Aldermen, embodying the essential features of the Board of Control system of government and providing for the various amendments to the City Charter and other legislation affecting the City of Halifax consequent upon such proposed changes.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Shaffner, that Alderman Harris' motion be considered at a special meeting to be called by His Worship the Mayor.

At 8.45 o'clock there being four or more members of Council absent, Aldermen Martin, Shaffner and Whitman required a call of Council to be made.

His Worship the Mayor instructs the Chief of Police to summon the absent Aldermen.

HARBOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

His Worship the Mayor here presents the prizes won at the Single Scull Race held on the North-West Arm, Sept. 23rd, for the Amateur Championship of Halifax Harbor:—First, Alfred Scallion, Cogswell Silver Medal and Prize; Second, F. Reginald Hart. The winner of Third prize, James Meagher, was not present.

Read report Charities Committee for September.

REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

HALIFAX, October 4th, 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 Shaffner and Alderman Upham.

The Superintendent's report for September, 1911, shows that during the month there were 24 persons admitted into the City Home, 3 born, 11 discharged, and 3 died. Of the number admitted, 5 were chargeable to the Province and 19 to the City. The total number of inmates Sept. 30th was 311, made up of 176 men, 131 women and 4 children. On the same date last year there were 196 men and 124 women, a total of 320.

The following accounts are recommended for payment, viz: Wentzells, Ltd, \$568.14. W. A. Maling & Co, \$341.02. P. T. Shea, \$122.55. Geo. Gregoire, \$23.75. J. M. Currie, \$67.80. The Fleischmann Co., \$3.90. Frank W. Fraser, \$27.00. J. & M. Murphy, Ltd., \$89.12. Henry Lovett, \$2.65. Halifax Electric Tram Co., Ltd., \$25.40. H. D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., \$81.93. C. E. Puttner, \$50.00. Victoria General Hospital, \$109.02. T. C. Allen & Co., \$3.05. W. Stairs, Son & Morrow, \$7.66. John Starr, Son & Co., \$4.50. John McD. Taylor, \$1.00. W. McFatridge, \$28.00. Nickerson & Hart, \$18.75. J. F. Outhit, \$19.75. B. J. Mulcahy, \$71.25. Salaries, \$658.83. The Nova Scotia Hospital, \$1059.01. Total \$3375.08.

J. F. CORSTON, Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Corston, seconded by Alderman Upham, that said report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Committee of Fire Wards, September 13th, 1911.

REPORT COMMITTEE OF FIRE WARDS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, September 13th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—The Committee of Fire Wards met last evening. Present—Aldermen Martin, Harris, Hines, MacKenzie, Scanlan and Gates.

Alderman Martin was elected Chairman for the balance of the current year, in place of Alderman McManus, resigned.

The Committee beg to report and recommend as follows:—

1. Your Board has considered the petition of Mrs. Dominick Healy, relating to the death of her husband, District Chief Dominick Healy. The Chief submitted the following report on the case :

OFFICE OF CHIEF FIRE DEPARTMENT, July 24th, 1911.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS COMMITTEE OF FIRE WARDS :

Gentlemen,—In compliance with your request for a report from me, in writing, on the claim of Mrs. Dominick Healy, that "On the morning of March 9th, my husband, District Chief Dominick Healy, contracted a cold which I believe was the primary cause of his death," I beg to submit the facts, as follows:—

At a fire, box 4, on February 4th, 1911, at the Merchants' Bank of Canada building on Duke Street, District Chief Healy received a very bad wetting.

At a fire, box 13, on March 9th, 1911, at the residence of Mrs. Geoffrey Morrow, Inglis Street, District Chief Healy got such a wetting that I ordered him home from the fire. On account of the cold and wetting, Mr. Healy, within a few days, reported himself as sick and unfit for duty. Mr. Healy died May 26th, not having reported for duty again after the fire of March 9th.

P. J. BRODERICK, Chief Fire Department.

It was unanimously agreed to recommend that legislation be sought, authorizing the City to pay a gratuity of One Thousand (\$1000.00) Dollars to Mrs. Healy, upon such terms and conditions as may be found necessary by the Committee on Finance.

2. William Knapman, relief driver, and Joseph Ryan, callman on No. 4 Hose, have resigned. Resignations recommended for acceptance.

3. Thomas Hencher, callman on No. 4 Engine, suspended from August 4th, for being under the influence of liquor while in uniform, was reprimanded and reinstated.

4. William McGuire, Driver No. 4 Engine, was suspended for three days for carelessness and neglect in allowing one of the horses to get out of its stall.

5. William Keating, callman on No. 1 Engine, was suspended for one week for using abusive language towards the Chief.

6. It is recommended that Loraine T. Heisler be allowed three months' leave of absence, agreeably to his request, on the usual conditions.

7. At fire, box 43, August 27th, Edward Murphy, callman on No. 3 Engine, had his thumb broken, and Edward Stone, callman on No. 1 Engine, had his hand injured. Neither of these men have yet reported for duty.

8. Joseph Fultz, No. 3 Chemical, reported sick May 14th, and Arthur Lynch, callman on No. 4 Engine, reported sick July 3rd, reported for duty September 11th.

9. A horse recently sold at auction netted \$76.50.

10. Thomas Whalen and Thomas Hobin, reported for absence from Annual Inspection, have been suspended until the next meeting of the Committee.

11. William Knapman, resigned from the Permanent Force, is recommended for appointment as a Callman on No. 4 Hose, vice Joseph Ryan, resigned.

12. It is recommended that Cornelius Leahy, Supernumerary No. 3 engine, be appointed Acting-Relief Driver, vice William Knapman, resigned.

13. That William Knapman, resigned, be refunded his superannuation allowance, amounting to \$38.13.

14. That Thomas MacDonald, George W. Sheehan and Alex. Jennex, be appointed supernumeraries.

15. The Committee advertised for tenders for insurance of the firemen, both permanent and call, in case of illness, injury or death. The only tender received was from the Canadian Railway Accident Insurance Co., Ottawa. The matter is still under consideration.

16. The Committee had before them an extract from Minutes of Council of August 4th, 1911, covering letters from Wm. Muir & Son, The Nova Scotia Fire Insurance Co., and the Acadia Fire Insurance Co. re fire at premises of Wm. Muir & Son, Upper Water St., July 19th, 1911, complaining of excessive use of water; the letter of the Nova Scotia Fire Insurance Co., also charging that the Chief

arrived at the fire twenty or thirty minutes after the alarm sounded, and in plain clothes.

You Committee considered these complaints with due care, and find from the statements made by the Chief and by members of the Committee who was present at the fire that there was no lack of skill or judgment displayed by the Department, and whilst sincerely regretting the loss sustained in one of the buildings in which it was afterwards discovered there had been but little fire, are of opinion that the accusation was made without sufficient knowledge of the conditions as they existed. In this connection your Committee recommend that the following extract from a report of the Chief made to the Council through this Board on April 8th, 1910, be forwarded to the complainants:—

"I * * * * found that some of them are very much crowded with stock; so much so that it would be very difficult for the Department to put water into them, as the goods are piled very close to the windows and stairways. I also found that in most of the large stores on the water front the stock is kept too close to the windows and door openings. I have on several occasions brought this matter to the attention of the owners of the properties and the Insurance representatives, shewing them that the windows should be clear and walks kept through the goods, but it has done very little or no good.

I have also found that the openings for hatches, and about the elevators and hoists, in a great many cases have no protection or guards around them, and would be very dangerous should the members of the Department have to enter them in case of fire.

The Chief satisfactorily explained to the Committee a slight tardiness on his part, through no fault of his own, in reaching the fire, but stated positively he was not as late as charged—that he was in his waggon on the way to the fire before the alarm had done sounding. As to his being in plain clothes at a fire occurring after ten o'clock at night, your Committee do not consider it necessary to make any investigation or report.

17. The Committee received, in response to advertisement in the newspapers, tenders for supplying about thirty-four (34) overcoats for the Department from Thomas Brenton, Clayton & Sons, W. & C. Silver, James Halliday, W. F. Pickering & Co., and A. E. McManus & Son.

It is recommended that the tender of James Halliday be accepted for Irish frieze coats, on sample No. 37, at \$17.50 per coat. Goods to be delivered in six weeks from letting of contract.

A schedule of the tenders is attached hereto.

P. F. MARTIN, Chairman.

TENDERS FOR OVERCOATS.

CANADIAN FRIEZE.

	Sample No.	Cloth per yd.	Finished Coat.
James Halliday.....	25	\$1 70	\$13 25
	27	2 10	14 25
	29	2 35	14 75
	31	2 55	15 50
	33	2 75	16 25
Thomas Brenton.....	372	2 50	17 50
	315	3 00	18 50
Clayton & Sons.....	15776	1 60	16 00
	16047	2 50	18 00
W. & C. Silver.....	1	2 10	20 75
	2	2 25	21 25
	3	2 35	21 75

	Sample No.	Cloth per yd.	Finished Coat
W. F. Pickering & Co.....	S 9716	2 00	15 50
	S 0595	2 25	16 19
	1	2 00	15 50
	2	2 50	16 88
	3	2 50	16 88
PILOT CLOTH.			
A. E. McManus & Son	4265	3 75	22 50
IRISH FRIEZE.			
James Halliday.....	35	2 75	16 25
	37	3 25	17 50
	39	3 50	18 25
	41	3 75	19 00
Clayton & Sons.....	16039	2 50	18 00
W. F. Pickering & Co.....	S 1464	3 00	18 25
	S 1459	2 75	17 54
A. E. McManus & Son.....		3 50	22 00

The same is considered clause by clause and the several clauses approved.

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

Read report Committee of Fire Wards, October 3rd, 1911.

REPORT COMMITTEE OF FIRE WARDS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, October 3rd, 1911.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen.—The Committee of Fire Wards met this evening. Present—Aldermen Martin (Chairman), Hines, MacKenzie, Gates, Harris and Scalan.

Your Committee beg to report and recommend as follows :—

1. That John Sullivan, hoseman on No. 4 Hose Co. has resigned.
2. That Edward Murphy, injured at fire August 27th, reported for duty September 15th, and Ernest Stone, injured at fire August 27th, reported for duty September 7th.
3. It is recommended that Francis J. Foley be appointed a supernumerary.
4. Thomas Whalen and Thomas Hobin, previously reported for absence from Annual Inspection, September 4th, appeared before the Committee and satisfactorily explained their neglect.
5. Thomas Robinson has agreed to furnish another horse in place of one recently purchased from him, and which was found unsuitable for the work required of it.
6. The Chairman was authorized to sell the spare horse now at Islesville House.
7. It is recommended that the following expenditures be authorized: bed clothing \$50.00, portable forge \$22.50, stove for Islesville \$10.00, stove for Spring Garden Road \$22.00, repairing electric transformer \$20.00.
8. The following named accounts are recommended for payment :—

Halifax Elec Tram Co., light, \$21.60, power, \$13.68, \$35.28. T. C. Allen & Co., printing rules, &c., \$34.55. Baldwin & Co., burners, 25c. Recorder, advertising, \$8.70. Boutillier & Geizer, carriage work, \$2.75. Burns & Kelleher, castings, \$1.08. Canadian Oil Co., gasoline, \$11.27. J. C. Calder, polish, \$10.80. Canadian Rubber Co., suction hose, &c., \$60.52. S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$79.75. James Donohue, metal work, \$1 00. James Dempster, Ltd., lumber, \$9 68. John Davison & Son, lumber, \$13.52. John Foley, mason work, \$40.00. Farquhar Bros., plumbing, &c., \$16.89. Freeman's Store, track cloth, \$8.00. F. P. Farquharson, pitner lights, \$8.40. Gordon & Keith, furnishings, \$11.25. Globe Manufacturing Co., waterproof coats, \$212.00. W. C. Knight, saddlery, \$8 50. Halifax Printing Co., printing, \$1.25. Hillis & Sons, Ltd., engine track, \$87.00. S. F. Hayward & Co., snaps, \$2.08. Lawrence Hardware Co., iron, &c., \$34.41. Morton & Cragg, spozoff, &c., \$30.34. W. & A. Moir, machine work, \$30 34. Melvin & Co., hardware, \$16.54. National Drug Co., benzine, &c., \$4.40. N. S. Furnishing Co., furnishings, \$24.62. James Roue, distilled water, \$1.50. Thompson, Adams & Co., fire insurance, \$2.14. John McD. Taylor, first aid supplies, \$2.55. Ungar's Laundry, work, \$10.03. Wentzells, Ltd., soda, \$6.30. F. A. Shaw, forage, \$239.44. W. & C. Silver, blankets, \$2.75. Total, \$1069.54.

P. F. MARTIN, Chairman.

The same is considered clause by clause and the several clauses thereof approved.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, that said report as a whole be adopted and the accounts therein referred to paid. Motion passed.

Read report City Health Board re accounts

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

HALIFAX, N. S., September 28th, 1911.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—The City Health Board beg to recommend the payment of the following accounts, which were passed at a meeting of the Board held on Friday last, viz :—

Quinn & Co., groceries, \$2.20. Halifax Electric Tram Co., light for hospital, \$6.95. L. M. Buskins, sweeping chimneys, \$4.50. G. A. Harvey, milk (5 months), \$40.56. Stairs, Son & Morrow, rubber hose, \$1.25. Gordon & Keith, refrigerator, \$22.50. Melvin & Co., goods Smallpox Hospital, \$11.19. Evans & Co., goods Smallpox Hospital, \$11.20. J. F. Dempster, board of patients, \$27.84. Dixon, Ltd., groceries month August, 1911, \$27.16. Wm. Sweet, conveyance, \$4.00. T. C. Allen, stationery, \$7.90. Cunard & Co., coal, \$7.25. G. A. Burbidge, drugs and disinfectants, \$7.28. Total \$199.78.

JOHN A. WATERS, Secretary.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Corston, that said report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report City Prison Committee re accounts and other matters.

REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, Oct. 4th, 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 Hawkins, Chairman, Harris and Scanlan, the following accounts, amounting to \$111.54 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz :—

J. J. Scriven & Sons, bread, \$12.30. Dixon, Ltd., groceries, \$48.09. Halifax Tram Co., light, \$1.54. Isnor Bros., dry goods, \$11.13, \$3.00—\$14.13. Melvin & Co., hardware, \$3.12. W. A. Maling & Co, Oxheads &c., \$11.75. Stairs, Son & Morrow, oil coat & hat, \$3.00. C. H. Jordan, horse shoeing, \$4.51. Blackadar Bros., advertising, \$2.30. Wm. J. Regan, harness supplies, \$10.60.—\$111.54.

Your Committee beg to again call attention of the City Council to the unsanitary condition of the prison and recommend that the report of this Committee on reorganization of the Prison be now taken up and dealt with.

The monthly reports of Governor and Matron are hereto attached.

A. C. HAWKINS, Chairman.

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

Read report Finance Committee on various matters and accounts.

REPORT FINANCE COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, October 4th, 1911.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—Your Committee on Finance beg to report that at a meeting held this day there were present Aldermen Whitman (chairman) Douglas and Corston. The following matters were considered and dealt with as follows :—

1. Letter Canadian Investors Ltd., re Establishment of a pickle factory in Halifax, asking for exemption from taxation for period of ten years and afterwards assessment on real estate only, etc.

It is recommended that this application be not granted.

2. Letter City Treasurer covering application of Agatha Howard, formerly nurse at the City Home for a refund of \$29.64, the amount paid by her into the Officials Superannuation Fund.

It is recommended that the City Treasurer be authorized to refund the said amount of \$29.64 to Miss Howard out of the Officials Superannuation Fund.

3. Letter Board of Trade re costs differential freight rate case, totalling \$994.98.

It is recommended that the City Council pay to the board of Trade the sum of \$497.49, being the City's share of one half of the expenses incurred in this matter. This expenditure being authorized by the Legislation of last session.

4. Letter Frederick Bertram in reference to taxes and Water Rates on his property Grafton Street.

This matter is now being adjusted by the City Collector.

5. The Chairman brought to the attention of the Committee that the City will require to borrow the sum of \$81,500.00 for certain services, viz :

For Sewers—\$20,000.00, under authority of Chap. 40, Acts 1911.

For Permanent Sidewalks—\$15,000.00, under authority of Chap. 65, Acts 1906.

For Schools—\$40,000.00, under authority of Chap. 67, Acts of 1907.

For Extension of Charles Street—\$6,500.00, under authority of Chap. 71, Acts 1907.

and submitting an offer of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund, offering to loan the City the said sum of \$81,500, the said loan to bear interest at the rate of four per centum per annum and be repayable on the 1st day of July 1945.

It is recommended that the City do borrow the said sum of \$81,500 for the several purposes heretofore mentioned and further, that the offer of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund be accepted on the terms mentioned in their letter of this date, and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Treasurer be authorized to negotiate the loan on behalf of the City.

6. The following accounts, amounting to \$1591.91, were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz:—

Dr. Finn, Medical Examiner, certificate of death of Margaret Honey, \$4.00. Thos. Conrod, \$4.00, Wm. Lyman, \$12.00—\$20.00. Institution Deaf and Dumb, board and tuition four pupils at \$100.—\$400.00. St. Patrick's Home for quarter ending Aug. 1st, reg. comm., \$131.00, truants, \$383.96.—\$514.96. T. C. Allen & Co., stationery and printing, City Clerk's Office, \$10.95, \$17.25, \$55.35. Assessors' Office, \$3.75, \$8.00. Collector's Office, \$9.75, \$31.30. Treasurer's Office, 20c. Police Dept., \$1.00, \$6.55. Mayor's Office, \$16.00—\$160.10. A. & W. Mackinlay, blank books, License Inspector, \$3.50, City Clerk, \$7.00, City Collector, \$3.75—\$14.25. Holloway Bros., printing minutes, &c., \$103.25. Blackadar Bros., advertising, Recorder, \$19.75, \$4.35, \$6.45, \$4.35, \$2.90, \$7.50—\$45.30. Herald Pub. Co., advertising, \$29.70. W. H. Isnor & Sons, horse hire Assessor, \$18.00. Royal Gazette, adv. Ward 3 election, \$1.00. St. John Posting Co., posting election posters, \$1.85. British Am. Bank Note Co., altering bond plates, &c., \$175.00. Canada Law Book Co., vol 18. Can. C. C., \$6.50. Citizen's Free Library, book binding work, City Assessor's Office, 70c. City Auditor's \$10.00. City Clerk's Office, \$89.00. City Collector's Office, \$2.30.—\$102.00. \$1591.92.

ALFRED WHITMAN, Chairman.

The same is considered clause by clause.

Clauses 1 to 4 are severally read and on motions made by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Douglas, adopted.

Read clause 5 re issuing of debentures for a loan of \$81,500.00 for various purposes.

The following resolution is submitted:—

WHEREAS, The City will require the sum below mentioned, amounting in all to eighty-one thousand five hundred dollars:

For Sewers—\$20,000.00 under authority of Chap. 40, Acts 1911.

For Permanent Sidewalks—\$15,000.00 under authority of Chap. 65, Acts 1906.

For Schools—\$40,000.00 under authority of Chap. 67, Acts 1907.

For Extension of Charles Street—\$6,500.00 under authority of Chap. 71, Acts 1907.

AND WHEREAS, The Trustees of the Sinking Fund have offered to make the said loan of Eighty-one Thousand Five Hundred Dollars, as per their letter of this date;

THEREFORE RESOLVED, That the offer of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund be accepted, and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue and deliver to the Trustees of the Sinking Fund, stock certificates of the par value of eighty-one thousand five hundred dollars, the said stock to be issued under the authorities quoted, and to be issued in like manner and upon the same terms and conditions as is provided by the Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act, 1905, and to bear interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, and to be redeemable on the first day of July, 1945.

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

Read clause 6 re accounts.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Douglas, that the accounts be paid. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Douglas, that the report be adopted as a whole. Motion passed.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee re bond on a filiation order.

REPORT LAWS AND PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, (October 5th, 1911.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

Gentlemen.—Your Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen Harris (Chairman), Hoban and Hawkins, they had under consideration a letter of Anthony Galloway re bond on a filiation order.

As the bond is the ordinary statutory one indemnifying the City against any loss sustained by it, and the City has sustained no loss, your Committee is unable to see what action the City can bring on the bond as asked for by Mr. Galloway. His remedy would seem to be an action for seduction.

The City Solicitor advises that in his opinion the City has no action upon the bond given by Tynan with Goetz as security to the Overseers of the Poor, inasmuch as all expenses connected with the birth and maintenance and funeral of the child were borne by Mr. Galloway himself, without any agreement with the Poor Authorities of the City to reimburse him.

BERNARD W. HARRIS, Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Harris, seconded by Alderman Hoban, that said report be adopted and a copy forwarded to Mr. Anthony Galloway. Motion passed.

Read report Committee on Works re Accounts.

CITY WORKS ACCOUNTS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, (October 4th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

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

Street Lighting.....	\$3840 49
Sewerage.....	1741 75
Streets.....	873 24
Teams and Stables.....	253 28
City Hall Lighting.....	68 64
Internal Health.....	62 25
City Property.....	50 40
Public Baths.....	37 08
Permanent Sidewalks.....	13 02
Electric Wiring Inspection.....	2 20

Water Maintenance.....	\$505 31
Water Construction.....	200 90
Total	\$5649 66

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

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

Read report City Engineer re expropriation of land for the extension of Charles Street.

CHARLES STREET EXTENSION.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, Sept. 26th 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR :

Sir,—I have taken all the preliminary steps required by the City Charter for the purpose of expropriating the land required for the extension of Charles Street, and beg to submit the accompanying resolution which has been approved by the City Solicitor, 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 extending Charles Street in 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 the same, and submitted the said report, description and plan to the City Council for its approval, and the said report, description and plan were duly approved by the City Council on the 16th day of August in the year A. D. one thousand nine hundred and eleven, and a copy of same has been filed in the office of the City Engineer as required by law ;

AND WHEREAS no agreement can be made or come to with the owners of the said land and premises or any part thereof ;

AND WHEREAS, on the twenty-second day of August in the year A. D. one thousand nine hundred and eleven, a notice containing a description of so much of the said land and premises so required as was owned by each one respectively of the owners of the said land and premises, which said owners are enumerated in the schedule to this resolution, was duly served on each such owner, together with a notice of the intention of the City Council to expropriate the land of the said owners after the expiration of the time required by law from the date of service of such notice :

AND WHEREAS, On the 23rd day of August, in the year A. D. one thousand nine hundred and eleven, a notice containing a description of the whole of the land so required and a notice of the intention of the City Council to expropriate the said land and premises after the expiration of the time required by law from the date of such publication, was duly published by the City Engineer in the Morning Chronicle and the Acadian Recorder, two newspapers published in the City of Halifax, for two weeks from the said 23rd of August by two insertions each week :

THEREFORE RESOLVED, That the said land and premises be and the same hereby are expropriated for the purpose aforesaid, which said land and premises are described as follows :

Beginning at a point on the west line of Creighton Street, the said point being

bounded by the intersection of the said west line of Creighton Street with the south line of property belonging to the Halifax School Commissioners; thence southerly by the said west line of Creighton Street for a distance of twenty-one feet more or less or until it comes to the south line of the proposed extension of Charles Street; thence westerly by the said south line of the proposed extension of Charles Street for a distance of two hundred and six feet more or less or until it meets the east line of Maynard Street; thence northerly by the said east line of Maynard Street for a distance of twenty-one feet more or less, or until it meets the south boundary of the property belonging to the Halifax School Commissioners; thence easterly by the said south boundary of the property belonging to the Halifax School Commissioners for a distance of two hundred and six feet more or less to the place of beginning; the above described lot being all that lot belonging to the said Archibald McFarridge and lying between the property of the Halifax School Commissioners and the south line of the proposed extension of Charles Street, as shown on expropriation plan Charles Street extension filed in the City Engineer's Office as plan 2239.

Beginning at a point on the west line of Goringen Street, said point being the intersection of the said west line of Goringen Street with the north line of property belonging to Caroline Sinclair; thence westerly by the said north line of property belonging to Caroline Sinclair for a distance of one hundred and twenty-eight feet more or less or until it comes to the eastern boundary of property belonging to William McFarridge; thence northerly by the said east line of the said William McFarridge property for a distance of fifty feet more or less or until it meets the north line of the property belonging to the said William Barnes; thence easterly by the said north line of the said Barnes' property for a distance of one hundred and twenty-seven feet, more or less, or until it meets the west line of Goringen Street; thence southerly by the said west line of Goringen Street for a distance of fifty feet more or less to the place of beginning; the above described lot being all the property of William Barnes, situate on the west side of Goringen Street at the proposed extension of Charles Street from Maynard Street to Goringen Street, as shown on the expropriation plan Charles Street extension, and filed in the City Engineer's Office at Halifax as plan No. 2239.

Together with all and singular the easements, tenements, rights, privileges and appurtenances to the said land and premises or in any lot or part thereof belonging or in any wise appertaining:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and instructed by and on behalf of the City of Halifax, to pay into the Supreme Court at Halifax for so much of the said land and premises as is alleged to belong respectively to each of the persons set out in the said schedule as the owners thereof, the sums set opposite to the name of each of such owners respectively, making in all, the sum of four thousand seven hundred dollars, the said sums being, in the judgment of this Council, a reasonable value for the said properties respectively, and that the City Engineer notify each of the said alleged owners so set out in the schedule, that in case they or any of them do, within one month from the date of service upon them of such notice, notify the Mayor of the said City that the amount paid into the Court for such person so given the notice, is not sufficient that the said owners and each of them shall be at liberty respectively, to name an arbitrator to act for each person respectively within one month of the date of service of such notice, upon them, to act with other arbitrators as by law provided, to make a new award.

SCHEDULE

LIST OF PROPERTY OWNERS AND AMOUNT DIRECTED TO BE PAID TO EACH
RESPECTIVELY.

NAME	PROPERTY	AMOUNT
Arch. McFarridge,	property on Creighton Street	\$1700 00
William Barnes,	property on Goringen Street	3000 00
		\$4700 00

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

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Harris, that Mr. John T. Ross be appointed Arbitrator on behalf of the City in connection with the expropriation of property for the extension of Charles Street. Motion passed.

9.15 o'clock—the time for call of Council having expired the Chief of Police reports that he had been unable to secure the attendance of any of the absent members.

By unanimous consent the Council continues the consideration of reports of Committee on Works.

Read report Committee on Works re tenders for a granite pipe house at Spruce Hill Lake and a granite pipe house at Chain Lake.

PIPE HOUSE, CHAIN LAKE.—PIPE HOUSE, SPRUCE HILL LAKE.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, October 4th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached tenders for the construction of granite pipe houses, were opened as follows:—

	Chain Lake.	Spruce Hill Lake.
John Foley.....	\$4962 00	\$1995 00
S. Marshall & Son.....	4250 00	1750 00
Ed. Maxwell.....	4166 00	1485 00

The tender of Ed. Maxwell being the lowest is recommended for acceptance.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

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

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer covering awards of Arbitrators in the matter of expropriation of property for a public market site

MARKET SITE.

CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, September 26th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR :

Sir,—The arbitrators have filed an award for the property of Alex. Baxter and also for the property of E. W. O'Donnell. A copy of both awards is attached hereto.

They have awarded Mr. E. W. O'Donnell an additional amount of \$2,765.00, and have awarded Mr. Alex. Baxter an additional amount of \$250.00.

The total amount paid into Court was \$20,010.00. The additional awards will increase the amount paid into Court to \$23,025.00.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

IN THE MATTER OF THE EXPROPRIATION BY THE CITY OF HALIFAX OF CERTAIN LANDS OF E. W. O'DONNELL.

In this matter, certain lands, the property of E. W. O'Donnell, situate on Brunswick, Duke and Albemarle Streets, and being lots Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13, Letter "D" in Collier's Division, were expropriated by the City of Halifax for the purpose of erecting a City Market Building.

The City having failed to make a contract with Mr. O'Donnell for the purchase of the lands, the City Engineer prepared a plan and description of the land proposed to be expropriated, and made a report thereon to the City Council, and the City Council by resolution passed at a meeting thereof, held on the 14th of February, 1911, determined to expropriate such land, together with other land adjoining, and notice of expropriation as required by the City Charter, was duly served upon Mr. O'Donnell, together with a notice that pursuant to a resolution of the City Council, the sum of \$12,765.00, being the amount which in the judgment of the said City Council was reasonable compensation for the property, had been paid into the Supreme Court at Halifax.

All the proceedings required by the provisions of the City Charter having been regularly taken, the title to the land in question became vested in the City on the day of 1911.

Mr. O'Donnell gave notice in writing to the City that the amount of compensation offered was insufficient, and named Mr. Henry Roper as an arbitrator on his behalf. The City named Mr. John T. Ross as arbitrator on its behalf, and Mr. Roper and Mr. Ross, under Section 630 of the City Charter, appointed R. T. McIlreith as the third arbitrator.

The arbitrators met at the Committee Room, City Hall, from time to time, and heard the evidence tendered on behalf of Mr. O'Donnell and the City, and what was alleged by Mr. Mellish, K. C., Solicitor on behalf of Mr. O'Donnell, and Mr. Bell, K. C., Solicitor on behalf of the City, and have reached an unanimous award, as follows:—

Property.	Amt. Offered.	Amt. Awarded.
121-3 Brunswick Street.....	\$1150 00	\$1450 00
Lot 3 vacant.....	460 00	460 00
111 Brunswick Street.....	1380 00	1380 00
109 Brunswick Street.....	1380 00	1380 00
107 Brunswick Street.....	1380 00	1380 00
103-5 Brunswick Street.....	1380 00	1410 00
79-81 Duke Street.....	920 00	920 90
146 Albemarle Street.....	2070 00	2070 00
148-152 Albemarle Street.....	920 00	1060 00
Lot No. 11, vacant.....	.....	360 00
158 Albemarle Street.....	690 00	1800 00
162 Albemarle Street.....	1035 00	1870 00
	\$12,765 00	\$15,530 00

The arbitrators in reaching their conclusion have not lost sight of the offer made by Mr. O'Donnell to the City for the purpose of effecting an immediate settlement without the expense of an arbitration but they have not felt themselves bound to limit their assessment to that amount.

Falconer vs. The Queen. 2 Canadian Exchequer Court Reports, page 89.

The arbitrators find that under the provisions of the City Charter they are not clothed with any authority to deal with either the matter of awarding any interest to Mr. O'Donnell or of dealing with the rents derived from the property.

The arbitrators unanimously find that the sum of \$15,530.00 is fair and just compensation to Mr. O'Donnell for the above described property expropriated from

him and apportion the said compensation among the twelve several separate properties as above.

The evidence and exhibits are hereto annexed.

Dated at Halifax, N. S., this 8th day of September A. D. 1911.

R. T. McILREITH.
HENRY ROPER.
JOHN T. ROSS.

HALIFAX, September 19th, 1911.

In pursuance of Section 630 of the City Charter and of certain proceedings for the expropriation of certain lands of Alexander Baxter situated in Brunswick Street in the City of Halifax, John T. Ross was appointed Arbitrator for the City of Halifax, and James Lawlor was appointed Arbitrator for the owner Alexander Baxter, and James Corston was agreed upon and appointed by said John T. Ross and James Lawlor third Arbitrator.

The Arbitrators met and together viewed the property of Alexander Baxter on Brunswick Street. Evidence was taken under oath in the Committee Room of the City Hall on August 17th, 1911. The resolution of expropriation and notice of expropriation were put in evidence, also letter from the Eastern Trust Company. The only person who gave evidence under oath was Mr. Alexander Baxter. The three arbitrators so appointed met on the 18th Sept. inst., and determined the amount of compensation to which Mr. Baxter is entitled and have unanimously agreed upon their award, and have fixed the amount of the award to be paid to Alexander Baxter by the City of Halifax \$1400.00.

Amount of award fixed by Arbitrators is the sum of fourteen hundred dollars.

JAMES F. CORSTON, }
JOHN T. ROSS, } Arbitrators.
JAMES T. LAWLOR. }

CITY WORKS OFFICE, October 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 and the bills connected therewith in re Market site expropriation were submitted and recommended to Council for payment. Rents from the properties are being collected and placed to the credit of same.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

EXPENDITURE ON MARKET SITE.

E. W. O'Donnell, additional allowance.....	\$2765 00	
“ 4 months' interest from May 31st, 1911.....	54 30	
		\$2819 30
Alex. Baxter, additional allowance.....	\$250 00	
“ 4 months' interest from May 31st, 1911.....	5 00	
		255 00
John T. Ross, Arbitrator's fees, O'Donnell properties—12.....		72 00
R. T. McIlreith, “ “ “ “		72 00
Henry Roper, “ “ “ “		72 00
John T. Ross, “ “ Baxter “ 1.....		6 00
J. F. Corston, “ “ “ “ 1.....		6 00
James Lawlor, “ “ “ “ 1.....		6 00
Stenographer fees.....		40 00

Court fees, allowance for obtaining money from Court, ten at \$15.00	150 00
Blackadar Bros., advertising	19 80
Herald, "	8 03
Chronicle, "	16 10
	\$3542 23

Amount already paid into Court \$20,010.00.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, that said reports be adopted and the accounts recommended by the Committee on Works paid Motion passed.

The matter of Board of Control is resumed.

Alderman Harris' motion for the appointment of a Special committee and Alderman Whitman's amendment that the matter be considered at a Special meeting of Council are now before the Council.

There being four or more members of the Council absent Aldermen Martin and Shaffner requested that a call of Council be made.

His Worship the Mayor rules Aldermen Martin and Shaffner's request out of order.

Alderman Whitman's amendment is put and lost, five voting for the same and eight against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman, Hawkins, Martin, MacKenzie—5.	Aldermen Harris, Connolly, Scanlan, Douglas, Clarke, Hoben, Corston, Upham—8.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that this matter be not considered until the report of the special committee on recount of votes taken at recent plebiscite on Board of Control is considered.

At 9.40 o'clock there being four or more members of Council absent Aldermen Whitman and Hawkins required a call of Council to be made.

His Worship the Mayor instructed the Chief of Police to send for the absent Aldermen.

Read (in part) report Committee on Works re Young Avenue curb and gutter.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the Council do now adjourn.

The motion for adjournment is put and declared, viva voce, carried.

Alderman Harris asks that names be recorded on the division, whereupon it transpires that a quorum of Council is not in attendance.

His Worship the Mayor remains in the chair until the expiry of the half hour allowed for call of Council.

10.10 o'clock—the roll is called. Present, Aldermen Harris, Connolly, Scanlan, Douglas, Clark, Hoben, Corston, Upham.

The Chief of Police reports having been unable to secure the attendance of any of the absent Aldermen.

His Worship the Mayor states that as there is no quorum of Council present and that consequently it is impossible to do business the Council stands adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, October 12th, 1911.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour. Present Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman, Harris, Bligh, Connolly, Gates, Douglas, Scanlan, Clarke, Hoben, Hines, Martin, Hawkins, Rankine, MacKenzie and Upham.

The Council was summoned to consider report of special committee on recount of votes at plebiscite re Board of Control, 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 Harris, Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers :—

Petition William Dennis for monthly water meter readings, Herald Building, from March, 1908 to September 1st, 1911.

Petition Retail Merchants' Association for amendments to Ordinance re washing windows.

Petition for abatement of noise made by vehicles.

Invitation to City to send representatives to Pan-Pacific Congress at Honolulu, Hawaii, February 19-24, 1912.

Letter Canadian Investors, Ltd., re their application for certain tax exemptions on proposed pickle factory.

Letter Commissioners Public Schools re resignation Patrick J. McManus.

Report Police Committee, covering accounts.

Report Commissioners Halifax Common, covering accounts.

Report special committee on changing location of certain streets.

REFERENCE OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read application of William Dennis for monthly water meter readings at the Herald Building, from March, 1908, to September 1st, 1911. Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read petition Retail Merchants' Association for amendments to the Ordinance relating to the washing of windows.

WASHING WINDOWS—GOODS AT SHOP FRONTS.

RETAIL MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION,

Halifax, October 9th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR :

Sir,—I have been instructed by the Retail Grocers' Association of Halifax to bring to your notice a regulation of the City, re washing windows and displaying goods in front of shops.

We find that during the cold season it is almost impossible to have our windows cleaned before ten o'clock in the mornings and ask if it is possible to have the hours fixed for window washing up to ten o'clock, A. M., and after six thirty P. M., (Saturday excepted.)

We also think we should have the privilege of displaying certain goods within reasonable limit in the front of our premises, since the privilege of displaying goods has denied us the sale of certain articles has fallen off to a considerable degree. From past experience we know this is a great help in disposing of certain lines of goods during their season, and ask your consideration in the matter.

I. MACDONALD, Prov. Secy.

Referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

Read petition relating to abatement of noise made by vehicles.
Referred to Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

Read invitation to the City to send representatives to Pan-Pacific Congress at Honolulu, Hawaii, February 19-24, 1912. Filed.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read letter Canadian Investors, Ltd. re their application for certain exemptions from taxation on proposed pickle factory.

PICKLE FACTORY.

CANADIAN INVESTORS, LTD., 12th October, 1911.

THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

Dear Sirs,—On August 18th we wrote you in reference to the proposed establishment of a new industry in Halifax to undertake the manufacture of pickles, sauces, etc. Up to date we have not been favored with an acknowledgment or answer of any kind or description.

We learn from the daily papers, however, that the matter was considered at a meeting of the Finance Committee of the City Council, and that our application for tax exemption was contemptuously refused without giving us an opportunity to appear before the Committee or furnish any further facts or information. We understand that this action of the Finance Committee was concurred in at the last meeting of the City Council.

We do not believe that this action of the Council represents the true attitude of the community in reference to bringing new industries to this City. We are of the opinion, also, that the matter was too hurriedly dealt with in the Council, and that a number of the Aldermen were not in possession of the true facts of the case.

We respectfully request that the matter be re-opened.

CANADIAN INVESTORS, LIMITED,

JOHN W. REGAN, Manager.

Alderman Bligh gives notice that he will at a future meeting move to rescind the resolution relating to this subject passed October 5th, 1911.

Read report Police Committee recommending accounts for payment.

POLICE ACCOUNTS.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, October 12th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

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

N. S. Telephone Co., telephones to Dec. 31st, 1911, \$35.00. Neil Fox, harness repairs, etc., \$3.25. W. F. Pickering & Co., altering clothing, \$4.00. Macdonald & Co., repairs patrol waggon, \$2.08. G. A. Burbidge, drugs, 75c. Total \$45.08.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

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

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common, covering accounts.

PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, September 15th, 1911.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Common, held this day at 4 p. m., they had before them the following accounts, which were passed for payment and referred to the City Council for approval:—

W. C. Knight, 30c. W. Robertson & Son, \$7.90. Brookfield Bros., \$35.10. Forsythe, Sutcliffe, \$10.08. National Drug Co., 60c. John Foley, \$8.35. W. J. O'Connell, \$10.40. Waegwoltic Club, \$13.65. E. J. Power, painter, \$45.00. John MacInnes & Son, Ltd., \$147.34. Total \$278.72.

EDW. T. POWER, Secretary.

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

Read letter Commissioners of Public Schools, notifying the Council of the resignation of Commissioner Patrick J. McManus. Filed.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Gates, that Alderman Connolly be appointed a member of the School Board, vice ex-Alderman McManus.

Moved by Alderman Harris, seconded by Alderman Bligh, that Alderman Scanlan be appointed to fill the said vacancy.

The vote being taken there appeared :—

For Alderman Scanlan. Aldermen Harris, Shaffner, Whitman, Bligh, Rankine—5.	For Alderman Connolly. Aldermen Gates, Douglas, Clarke, Hoben, Hines, Martin, MacKenzie—7.
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His Worship the Mayor declares Alderman Connolly elected a Commissioner of Schools.

Read report Committee on Laws and Privileges on various matters.

REPORT LAWS AND PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, October 11th, 1911.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—Your Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen Harris (Chairman) Bligh, Clarke, Hoben and Hawkins, the following matters referred to the Committee for report were dealt with :—

1. Applications A. P. Calnen and Mrs. Catherine Bates for refund of money deposited with their applications for liquor license.

It is recommended that the amounts deposited be refunded, less the cost of advertising.

2. Letter of His Worship the Mayor re expenses of Board of Trade delegates to Ottawa on Terminal Facilities at Port of Halifax.

Your Committee have instructed the Chairman and City Solicitor to draft an Act giving effect to the resolution passed at a meeting of the City Council on April 28th last dealing with this matter.

REGINALD V. HARRIS, Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Harris, seconded by Alderman Clarke, that said report be adopted. Motion passed

By unanimous consent the order of business is suspended to enable the Council to proceed with the matter for which the meeting was specially summoned.

Read report special committee on recount of votes polled at plebiscite held April 26th, 1911.

BOARD OF CONTROL, &c.—RECOUNT.

CITY HALL, July 27th, 1911.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—The special committee appointed July 11th inst. to count the ballots taken at the plebiscite April 26th, 1911, beg to report as follows :—

The returns of the presiding officers made it appear that 2650 individual electors expressed their views on the subject. Your committee find the actual number to be 2512, the discrepancy being mostly caused by the presiding officers having erroneously

ously added in as votes the ballots which voters failed to mark to the number of 134.

The recount shows an increased vote both for and against on each of the questions, the result of your committee having counted ballots which the presiding officers had rejected for various different kinds of markings.

The majority in favor of reducing the number of aldermen is increased from 1169 to 1206, a gain of 37 votes on the recount.

The majority in favor of a Board of Control elected by the whole City is decreased from 979 to 976, a loss of 3 votes on the recount.

There were 140 more votes in favor of reducing the number of aldermen than in favor of a Board of Control and 90 more voted against the Board of Control than voted against reducing the number of Aldermen.

Of the 6736 voters on the list 1724 voted in favor of reducing the number of Aldermen and 518 against.

On the question of a Board of Control, of the 6736 on the list 1584 voted in favor and 608 against.

The original count from the Presiding Officers' returns will be found in the printed Minutes of Council 1910-11, pp. 392, 393, from which a comparison may be made with the schedules attached hereto marked Tables A, B and C.

REGINALD V. HARRIS.
ALFRED WHITMAN.
L. FRED. MONAGHAN, City Clerk.

TABLE A.

QUESTION NO. 1.

Are you in favor of reducing the number of Aldermen from eighteen to twelve?

Ward and Polling Place.	Yes.	Total.	No.	Total.	Total Vote.	Votes for Aldermen.	Total.	No. voters on list.
1—A to K.....	199		55			302		
1—L to Z.....	243		56			339		
		442		111	553		641	1018
2—A to K.....	257		79			413		
2—L to Z.....	285		55			398		
		542		134	676		811	1346
3.....		59		22	81		None.	724
4.....		101		31	132		None.	949
5—A to K.....	41		85			399		
5—L to Z.....	215		90			381		
		456		175	631		780	1323
6.....		124		45	169		None.	1376
		1724		518	2242			6736

Total Vote for Aldermen.

Total Vote on Question One.

Ward 1.....	641	Ward 1.....	553
2.....	811	2.....	676
5.....	780	5.....	631
	2232		1860

Total difference..... 372

Total in six wards on Question One..... 2242
 " three " for Aldermen..... 2232

Total in favor of Question One.....	1724
“ against “	518
Majority in favor	1206

TABLE B.

QUESTION NO. 2.

Are you in favor of a Board of Control elected by the whole City?

Ward and Polling Place.	Yes.	Total	No.	Total.	Total Vote.	Votes for Aldermen	Total.	No. voters on list.
1—A to K	196		63			302		
1—L to Z	238		71			339		
		434		134	568		641	1018
2—A to K	250		86			413		
2—L to Z	260		69			398		
		510		155	665		811	1346
3.....		58		28	86		None.	724
4.....		87		41	128		None.	949
5—A to K	210		93			399		
5—L to Z.....	179		110			361		
		389		203	592		780	1323
6.....		106		47	153		None.	1376
		1584		608	2192			6736

Total Vote for Aldermen.

Ward 1.....	641
2.....	811
5.....	780
	2232

Total Vote on Question Two.

Ward 1.....	568
2.....	665
5.....	592
	1825

Total difference..... 407

Total in three wards for Aldermen.....	2232
“ six “ on Question 2.....	2192

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Total in favor of Question 2	1584
“ against “	608

Majority in favor

TABLE C.

Polling Place.	Yes.	Ques. 1. No.	Yes	Ques. 2. No.	Void for uncertainty.	Ballots voters failed to mark.	Total No. marked ballots.	Total for Aldermen.	No. of voters on list.
Ward 1.....	442	111	434	134	4	31	618	641	1018
2.....	542	134	510	155	4	44	757	811	1346
3.....	59	22	58	28	.....	.....	89	None.	724
4.....	101	31	87	41	1	.....	137	None.	949
5.....	456	175	389	203	15	59	736	780	1323
6.....	124	45	106	47	.....	.....	175	None.	1376
Totals.....	1724	518	1584	608	24	134	2512	2232	6736

Also read letter President Board of Trade re Board of Control.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Harris, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the letter of the Board of Trade is now before the meeting.

The following resolution is submitted :—

That a Special committee be appointed consisting of six members of the City Council (to be now appointed) six appointed by the Council of the Board of Trade and six others, ratepayers of the City of Halifax, appointed by said special committee, to prepare and submit to this Council a draft of a bill providing for the proposed reduction in the number of Aldermen, embodying the essential features of the Board of Control system of government, and providing for the various amendments to the City Charter and other legislation affecting the City of Halifax consequent upon such proposed changes, such committee to report back to this Council.

Moved by Alderman Harris, seconded by Alderman Hoben.

The motion is put and lost, seven voting for the same and nine against it, as follows :—

For the Motion.
Aldermen Harris, Connolly,
Gates, Scanlan,
Douglas, Clarke.
Hoben—7.

Against it.
Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman,
Bligh, Hines,
Hawkins, Martin,
MacKenzie, Upham,
Rankine—9.

Alderman Hoben gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Rankine, seconded by Alderman Martin that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost.

Read report special committee on changing location of certain streets.

CHANGING LOCATION OF STREETS.

Halifax, N. S., October 12th, 1911.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

Dear Sirs,—Your special committee appointed to report on the question of change of location of certain streets in Halifax, beg to report as follows :—

The grades of the existing streets from the water front to Brunswick Street having grades varying from ten to sixteen feet per hundred are too steep to permit of economical transportation from the water front to the growing north-western section of the City, which is fast becoming the important manufacturing district.

The only easy grade from the water front to this district is via Morris St., which is almost impracticable on account of its long distance.

A glance at the map of the City will convince almost every one of the necessity of better grades and more direct communication. This can be obtained by the laying out of a new street commencing at the corner of Jacob and Brunswick Sts. This proposed street would give not only more direct communication from the centre of the City to the northwestern district, but also a very easy and practicable

grade of $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 ft. to the hundred. The district through which it would pass consists of a cheap class of property, which could be more cheaply and easily acquired now than at some future time.

The project submitted by Mr. J. K. Munnis is that a new street be laid out from Brunswick Street to a point on Grafton Street and would, in conjunction with the proposed extension from Poplar Grove to Barrington Street provide a route that would give the necessary grades and be much less expensive than a direct street from Brunswick to Barrington.

The acquisition of additional water frontage for piers and rail truckage renders the need of better communication to the northwest more imperative, and should the hoped for entrance of the Transcontinental lines into Halifax materialize, this proposed new communication will become an absolute necessity.

The question therefore resolves itself into a matter of the financial ability of the City to deal with, and your Committee feels that this phase is one solely for the consideration of the Council.

NELSON B. SMITH, Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Douglas, seconded by Alderman Bligh, that said report be referred to the Committee on Works for report. Motion passed.

Read report Committee on Works re Young Avenue curb and gutter.

YOUNG AVENUE CURB AND GUTTER.

HALIFAX, October 4th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day the attached Minute of Council in re Young Avenue curb and gutter was further considered. It was decided to forward it to Council without report.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Clarke, that the report of the Committee on Works on this matter, September 6th, 1911, submitted to Council September 7th, 1911, be now adopted. Motion put and passed, ten voting for the same and six against it, as follows:—

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Harris, Shaffner,	Aldermen Bligh, Hawkins,
Whitman, Connolly,	Martin, MacKenzie,
Gates, Scanlan,	Upham, Rankine—6.
Douglas, Clarke,	
Hoben, Hines—10.	

Alderman Hawkins gives notice of reconsideration.

Read report Committee on Works recommending the borrowing of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) for Sewerage and Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for Permanent Sidewalks.

LOANS FOR SIDEWALKS AND SEWERS.

CITY WORKS OFFICE, September 27th, 1911.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held this day it was resolved to recommend to Council that

\$20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) be borrowed for Sewerage purposes.

\$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) be borrowed for Permanent Sidewalk purposes.

J. A. CHISHOLM, Mayor and Chairman.

Filed.

Moved by Alderman Bligh, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 10.30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, November 9th, 1911.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour. Present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman, Harris, Bligh, Connolly, Gates, Douglas, Scanlan, Clarke, Kelly, Hoben, Hines, Martin, Hawkins, Rankine, MacKenzie, and Upham.

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

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted :—

Report City Prison Committee, by Alderman Hawkins, Chairman.

Report Finance Committee, by Alderman Whitman, Chairman.

Report Library Commission, by Alderman Rankine, Chairman.

Report City Health Board, by Alderman Hawkins, Chairman.

Reports (2) Charities Committee, by Alderman Scanlan, for Chairman.

Report Commissioners of Halifax Common, by Alderman Kelly, Chairman.

Report Committee of Fire Wards, by Alderman Martin, Chairman.

Report Laws and Privileges Committee, by Alderman Harris, Chairman.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers :—

Petition residents of North Street re water rates.

Notification by William Barnes of appointment by him of J. Clifford Harris as his Arbitrator in the matter of Charles Street extension.

Petition Cragg Brothers & Co. re water meter rates.

Petition for curb and gutter Victoria Road.

Resignation J. L. Egan as Coal Weigher.

Application of Gerald F. Egan for position of Coal Weigher.

Petition George Wright for amendments to the Building Act.

Telegram re construction of highway from Alberni, B. C., to Halifax.

Invitation to Council to attend a meeting of Civic Improvement League.

Report Coal Weighers for September.

Report Police Committee, covering accounts.

Message His Worship the Mayor re Market Site.

Reports (9) Committee on Works, viz :—

Tenders for Forage.

Charles Street Extension.

Purchase of water meters and construction of reservoir.

Accounts.

South Street sidewalk and re-numbering

Clifton Street water extension.

Meter account J. C. Lithgow, Trustee, property No. 3 Creighton Street.

Meter account Mrs. Nora Robinson, property No. 157 Lower Water Street.

Meter readings Herald Building.

NOTICES OF RECONSIDERATION.

Read No. 1 on Order of the Day, viz :—Alderman Hoben's notice of reconsideration of resolution (defeated) for appointment of a special committee of eighteen to draft legislation re Board of Control. October 12th, 1911, p. 169. Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Douglas, that said matter be now reconsidered. Motion put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 7 against it, the division of Council being as follows :—

For Reconsideration.

Aldermen Harris, Gates,
Bligh, Scanlan,
Douglas, Clarke,
Hoben, Kelly—8.

Against.

Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman,
Hines, Hawkins.
Martin, MacKenzie,
Rankine—7.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Harris—

That a special committee be appointed, consisting of six members of the City Council (to be now appointed) six appointed by the Council of the Board of Trade and six others, ratepayers of the City of Halifax, appointed by such special committee, to prepare and submit to this Council a draft of a bill providing for the proposed reduction in the number of Aldermen, embodying the essential features of the Board of Control system of government and providing for the various amendments to the City Charter and other legislation affecting the City of Halifax consequent upon such proposed changes, such committee to report back to this Council.

The following amendment is submitted :—

WHEREAS, By Chapter 39 of the laws of the Province of Nova Scotia for the year 1911 the citizens of Halifax were empowered to express their opinion as to the advisability of a change in the mode of civic government, and particularly as to whether they favored a reduction in the number of Aldermen from 18 to 12, and if they desired what is known as a "Board of Control" for said City.

AND WHEREAS, At an election subsequently held in pursuance of such Act the citizens appear to have expressed a desire for such change ;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That a committee of 12 persons be appointed to take this matter up for consideration and report to this Council at an early date their findings as to what legislation is desirable or required along these lines ;

and that the City Solicitor act in conjunction with this committee in drafting such legislation, so that the same may be placed before this Council (when reported upon) in a comprehensive manner, it being understood, however that this Council by adopting this resolution in no wise commits itself to introducing such legislation for enactment, especially if the suggested changes are very drastic, unless the same be accompanied by a "rider" that such legislation shall not become law until first approved of by the people at a poll of the electors of the City taken for that purpose.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee of 12 be constituted as follows:—Six to be elected by this Council from the members of this Council; three to be elected by the Halifax Board of Trade, and the remaining three to be elected by this Council from the general body of the electors of the City.

Moved by Alderman Bligh, seconded by Alderman Shaffner.

The amendment is put and lost, seven voting for the same and eight against it, as follows :

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman, Bligh, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, Rankine—7.	Aldermen Harris, Gates, Scanlan, Douglas, Clarke, Hoben, Kelly, MacKenzie—8.

The following amendment is submitted :

WHEREAS, Under the provisions of Chapter 39 of the Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia for the year 1911 a poll of the electors of the City of Halifax was taken on the 26th day of April, 1911, in manner therein provided, to ascertain whether they were in favor

- (a) Of the reduction of the number of Aldermen from eighteen to twelve; and
- (b) Of a Board of Control elected by the electors of the whole City ;

AND WHEREAS, It appears from the vote taken upon such plebiscite that a considerable number of persons want a decrease in the number of Aldermen and a Board of Control, and in order to give such as want such changes an opportunity of presenting to the public in detail the said scheme ;

THEREFORE RESOLVED, That a special committee be appointed by the Mayor, consisting of six members of the City Council and twelve other citizens, to prepare and submit to this Council a draft of a bill embodying provisions for the reduction of the number of Aldermen and for the Board of Control system of government, and providing for the various amendments to the City Charter and other legislation affecting the City of Halifax consequent upon such proposed changes, the members of the committee favoring such changes to submit such legislation together with a short statement of the supposed defects in our present Charter and the nature of the changes proposed and the objects hoped to be attained thereby to the said committee as soon as possible. And the said committee shall report to this Council on the advisability or feasibility of such proposed scheme and the legislation bringing the same into effect.

Moved by Alderman Whitman, seconded by Alderman Shaffner.

Amendment put and lost, four voting for the same and thirteen against it, as follows :—

For the Amendment.
Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman,
Hines, Hawkins—4.

Against it.
Aldermen Harris, Connolly,
Gates, Bligh,
Scanlan, Douglas,
Clarke, Hoben,
Kelly, Martin,
MacKenzie, Upham,
Rankine—13.

Alderman Corston here takes his seat in Council.

Moved in amendment by Alderman MacKenzie, seconded by Alderman Bligh, that legislation be asked at the next session of the Local Legislature authorizing the Government to appoint a commission to look into the matter of civic government and to make a report upon what they consider the best system to be adopted for the City of Halifax and other cities and towns throughout the province.

The amendment being put there appeared :—

For the Amendment.
Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman,
Bligh, Hines,
Hawkins, Martin,
MacKenzie, Upham,
Rankine—9.

Against it.
Aldermen Harris, Connolly,
Gates, Scanlan,
Douglas, Clarke,
Hoben, Kelly,
Corston—9.

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

The original motion being now put, the division of Council thereon appears as follows :

For the Motion.
Aldermen Harris, Connolly,
Gates, Scanlan,
Douglas, Clarke,
Hoben, Kelly,
Corston—9.

Against it.
Aldermen Shaffner, Whitman,
Bligh, Hines,
Hawkins, Martin,
MacKenzie, Upham,
Rankine—9.

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

Alderman Hawkins informed the Council that a delegation was present, on behalf of the Victoria School of Art and Design, who desired to address the Council.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the said delegation be now heard by the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

The Council is now addressed, in relation to the civic grant for

the Victoria School of Art and Design, by Dr A. H. McKay, Dr. Eliza Ritchie and Lieutenant-Colonel F. H. Oxley.

His Worship the Mayor refers the matter to the Finance Committee for report.

Read No 2 on Order of the Day, viz. :—

Alderman Hawkins' notice of reconsideration of resolution to lay curb and gutter on Young Avenue out of "Streets" appropriation. October 12th, 1911, p. 170.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie, that said matter be now reconsidered. Motion put and lost, seven voting for the same and ten against it, as follows :—

For Reconsideration.
Aldermen Bligh, Kelly,
Hawkins, Martin,
MacKenzie, Upham,
Rankine—7.

Against.
Aldermen Harris, Shaffner,
Whitman, Connolly,
Connolly, Gates,
Scanlan, Douglas,
Clarke, Hoben,
Hines—10.

REFERENCE OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read report Coal Weighers for September. Filed.

Read appointment by William Barns of J Clifford Harris as arbitrator in connection with land expropriated for the extension of Charles Street. Filed.

Read petition residents of North Street re water rates. Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read petition Cragg Brothers re Water Rates. Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read petition for curb and gutter Victoria Road. Referred to Committee on Works for report.

Read resignation J. L. Egan as Coal Weigher. Accepted.

Read petition George Wright for amendment to the Building Act. Referred to Committee on Works for report.

SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

His Worship the Mayor asked the Council to now fill two vacancies on the Board of School Commissioners and one on the Exhibition Commission. Agreed to.

The following are nominated for membership on the Board of School Commissioners to fill the vacancies caused by retirement of Alderman Whitman and ex-Alderman Smith :—

Alderman Shaffner by Aldermen Bligh and Rankine.

Alderman Hawkins, by Aldermen Hoben and Connolly.

Alderman Harris, by Aldermen Hines and Martin.

Alderman Gates, by Aldermen Douglas and Clarke.

The vote being taken there appeared :—

For Alderman Shaffner.—Aldermen Whitman, Bligh, Scanlan, MacKenzie, Rankine—5.

For Alderman Hawkins.—Aldermen Connolly, Douglas, Hoben, Hines, Upham—5.

For Alderman Harris.—Aldermen Whitman, Bligh, Scanlan, Clarke, Hoben, Hines, Martin, MacKenzie, Upham, Rankine—10.

For Alderman Gates.—Aldermen Connolly, Douglas, Clarke, Martin—4.

His Worship the Mayor declares Alderman Harris duly appointed a Commissioner of Halifax Schools.

The second vote being taken, there appeared :—

For Alderman Shaffner.—Aldermen Whitman, Bligh, Scanlan, MacKenzie, Rankine—5.

For Alderman Hawkins.—Aldermen Hoben, Hines, Upham—3.

For Alderman Gates.—Aldermen Harris, Connolly, Douglas, Clarke, Martin—5.

His Worship the Mayor declares no election, and that Alderman Hawkins drops out.

The third vote being taken there appeared :—

For Alderman Shaffner.—Aldermen Whitman, Bligh, Douglas, Rankine, MacKenzie—5.

For Alderman Gates.—Aldermen Harris, Connolly, Douglas, Clarke, Hoben, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, Upham—9.

His Worship the Mayor declares Alderman Gates duly elected a Commissioner of Schools.

EXHIBITION COMMISSIONER.

The Council proceeds to the appointment of an Exhibition Commissioner to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Alderman Gates.

Moved by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Douglas, that Alderman Clarke be appointed a member of the Provincial Exhibition Commission. Motion passed.

Read telegram re construction of a Canadian highway from Alberni, B. C. to Halifax.

CANADIAN HIGHWAY FROM ATLANTIC TO PACIFIC.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., Nov 3rd, 1911.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL, Halifax, N. S.

Enthusiastic good roads convention held in New Westminster, consisting of delegates from entire Pacific Coast, Western Ontario and all points west unanimously support construction of Canadian Highway from Alberni, B. C. to Halifax. Please give this project your strong and enthusiastic support.

JOHN A. LEE, Mayor.

The following resolution is submitted :—

RESOLVED, That a committee be appointed, consisting of the Mayor and six Aldermen to consider the subject and report thereon as soon as practicable to this Council.

Moved by Alderman Harris, seconded by Alderman Shaffner and passed.

His Worship the Mayor nominates said committee as follows :—
The Mayor and Aldermen Harris, Bligh, Clarke, Hines, Corston and Upham. Approved.

Read report City Prison Committee on various matters and accounts.

REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

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

TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

Gentlemen,—Your Committee on City Prison beg to report that at a meeting held this day, Present Aldermen Hawkins (Chairman), Scanlan and Rankine, the following matters were dealt with :—

1. Tenders having been asked for four suits or uniform clothing for under-keepers, only one tender, that of Clayton & Sons for \$13.50 per suit, was received.

It is recommended that this tender be accepted.

2. The following accounts, amounting to \$285 01, were examined, found correct, and are recommended for payment :—

Irwin & Sons, drugs, \$3.95 C. H. Jordan, horseshoeing, \$2.13. J. J. Scriven & Son, bread, \$9.75. Chronicle Pub. Co., advertising, \$3.00. W. I. Hubley & Co., oats, \$72.00. Evans & Co., hardware, \$1.23. Halifax Electric Tram. Co., lights, \$2.19. W. N. Brown, repairs cart, \$15.75. Melvin & Co., hardware, 95 cents. W. A. Maling & Co., ox heads and shins, \$16.25. N. S. Telephone Co., 1 qr. to Dec. 31st, \$13.50. F. Parsons, cab hire, \$2.00. Dixon's Ltd., groceries, \$11.30. W. Y. Kennedy, dry goods, \$16.73. S. Marshall & Son, repairs, \$69.23. Wm. Taylor & Co. boots, \$4.00.—\$243.96.

1910-11 ACCOUNT.

S. Marshall & Son, pointing building, \$41.05.

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

A. C. HAWKINS, Chairman.