

EVENING SESSION--SPECIAL MEETING

8.10 o'clock,
COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,
June 29th, 1923.

A Special meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship Mayor Murphy and Aldermen Bissett, Colwell, Munnis, Power, Drysdale, H.W. Cameron, Sanford, Whitman and W.O. Cameron.

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman Bissett that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Finlay, Gastonguay, Schaffner, McDonald, Guildford, Whelan, O'Toole, Hubley and Daw.

CITY COLLECTOR ROBERT THEAKSTON.

Alderman Whitman Chairman Finance Committee lays upon the table reports (2) Finance Committee dated respectively June 19th. 1923 and June 28th. 1923 the first recommending the dismissal of Robert Theakston, City Collector for neglect of duty and for misapplying and misappropriating large sums of money and the second recommending that civil action be taken against him for recovery of moneys misappropriated and criminal proceedings against him for embezzlement.

His Worship the Mayor asked if Mr. Theakston is present or if any person is in attendance representing him.

There was no response to His Worships question.

Alderman Whitman Chairman of Finance Committee also lays upon the table the documents referred to in the following letter.

June 29th, 1923.

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6. That, large sums of money paid to him as Collector have not been accounted for by him and have been misappropriated.
7. That, when asked for any statement or explanation of the foregoing dereliction of duty he failed to furnish the same.
8. That, by reason of the said derelictions of duty the books and accounts of the Office of Collector are in great confusion and large sums of money have been misappropriated.
9. As particular instances, the cases of two large taxpayers, Mr. W.F. Page and Mr. J.E. Roy, have been selected the unaccounted for sums amounting approximately to \$32,000. and the particulars respecting them are set out in detail in the reports of Mr. McCombe, Chief of the Independent Auditing Staff, copies of which are hereto attached. Numerous other similar cases have been discovered and are being discovered as the audit and investigation proceeds.
10. That he has wilfully failed and neglected to carry out his duties and obligations imposed on him by the City Charter in collecting taxes and has wilfully disobeyed and disregarded the provisions of Sections 437 and 319 of the City Charter 1914 (owing to which neglect and disobedience a very large sum of taxes remains uncollected and unpaid and the City will lose a very large sum of money by such neglect and disobedience.
11. He has wilfully disobeyed and neglected the provisions of section 320 of the City Charter 1914 in not paying over each day all sums by him collected to the Treasurer and taking his receipt therefor, certified by the Auditor.
12. He has wilfully failed to discharge his duty and has disobeyed the imperative directions contained in the City Charter and has neglected his duty to make monthly returns to the City Council of the amount of rates and taxes, including water rates, collected by him, specifying the name of each ratepayer and taxpayer with the amounts paid by him and of the aggregate amount of rates and taxes and of such water rates respectively remaining uncollected as required by section 321 of the City Charter 1914 and has not performed any of his duties required of him by said section 321.

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13. He has wilfully disobeyed and disregarded and neglected the imperative duty and obligation imposed on him by the City Charter to sell all real estate on which taxes are in arrear within three years as provided by sections of the City Charter from 447 to 472 (1914).

Respectfully submitted,

F.H. Bell,
J. McG. Stewart,
Alfred Whitman,
Chairman Finance Committee.

The following resolution, moved by Alderman Guildford seconded by Alderman W.O. Cameron was adopted.

RESOLVED that this Committee recommend that the said charges as submitted and now read be approved of by this Committee and that the same be reported to the City Council for action in accordance therewith.

Your Committee recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution dealing with this matter.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

Also read the resolution referred to in the foregoing report and accompanied therewith as follows:-

WHEREAS as the result of the Independent Audit and investigation now being made by the representatives of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Co. grave irregularities and misapplication and misappropriation of the moneys of the City by Robert Theakston, Collector of the City in connection with the said office have been disclosed, amounting so far as the investigation has proceeded to many thousands of dollars.

AND WHEREAS particulars of the nature of such irregularities, misapplication and misappropriations have been duly set forth in the summary of charges produced herewith, a copy whereof together with copies of the reports of the Chief of the said auditing staff, verified by a statutory declaration, a copy of a report of the Finance Committee of this Council and a notice of this meeting and of the purpose for which the same has been called have been served upon the said Robert Theakston on the 23rd day of June instant as appears by the statutory declaration of Joseph P. Connolly sworn the 28th day of June instant.

AND WHEREAS it has further been made apparent by an examination of the books and accounts of the said Office that the said Collector has in many instances failed to comply with the directions of the Halifax City Charter as specified in the said summary of charges

AND WHEREAS the said Robert Theakston has not appeared before this Council in response to the said notice.

THEREFORE RESOLVED upon the grounds and for the reasons so set out as aforesaid that the said Robert Theakston be and he hereby is dismissed from his said position of Collector of the said City.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the said dismissal take effect forthwith and that the City do pay the said Robert Theakston a sum equivalent to three months of the salary now paid him.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Bissett that the report of the Finance Committee be adopted and

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that the resolution referred to therein and accompanied therewith and as above set out be now adopted by this Council.

Read resignation Robert Theakston of his office of City Collector.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

I beg herewith to tender my resignation as City Collector of the City of Halifax.

Yours respectfully,
Robert Theakston.

June 28th/1923.

Received June 29th. 1923,
12.55 p.m. L.F.M.
C.C.

This resignation filed separately with His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk June 29th. 1923 at 12.55 p.m.

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman Drysdale that the resolution be amended by striking therefrom all the words after the word "forthwith" in the last paragraph thereof and that the resolution as so amended be adopted.

8.55 o'clock. His Worship the Mayor requested that before Alderman Power's amendment is put to Council a conference be held in the Committee Room between Mr. Bell, Mr. Stewart, Alderman Whitman, Alderman Power and the Mayor. Agreed to and the gentlemen named retire to the Committee Room.

Deputy Mayor Alderman Colwell takes the chair.

In the meantime the Council proceeds with the consideration of other business.

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9.05 o'clock. His Worship the Mayor resumes the chair and the other gentlemen above named their several places.

The amendment moved by Alderman Power and seconded by Alderman Drysdale is put and lost 5 voting for the same

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and 13 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen McDonald, O'Toole, Power, Drysdale, Hubley - 5.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Munnis, Finlay, Sanford, Bissett, Gastonguay, Schaffner, H.W. Cameron, Guildford, Whelan, W.O. Cameron, Daw - 13.

The original motion moved by Alderman Whitman and seconded by Alderman Bissett for the adoption of the report of the Finance Committee and of the resolution submitted along therewith is put and passed 13 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Munnis, Finlay, Sanford, Bissett, Gastonguay, Schaffner, H.W. Cameron, Guildford, Whelan, W.O. Cameron, Daw - 13.

Against it:- Aldermen McDonald, O'Toole, Power, Drysdale, Hubley - 5.

Read report Finance Committee dated June 28th. 1923 recommending the taking of civil and criminal proceedings against Robert Theakston, City Collector.

Committee Room, City Hall,
June 28th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day there being present Aldermen Whitman, Chairman, H.W. Cameron, R.A. Guildford and W.O. Cameron.

His Worship the Mayor reported verbally to the Committee on the matter of the dismissal of Robert Theakston, City Collector, that the reference of the matter to the Finance Committee was done without his knowledge or approval and that in so far as all legal steps in connection with the matter is concerned he had instructed the City Solicitor and Mr. J. McG. Stewart who is associated with him that they must assume the full responsibility in any action taken and he had asked them to take charge of the service of any notices necessary to be sent or served on Mr. Theakston.

The Chairman informed the Committee that at a conference between the Solicitors and himself it was decided that the charges should be reported up to the City Council by the Finance Committee.

His Worship then submitted the following letter signed by the City Solicitor and J. McG. Stewart.

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Henry, Rogers, Harris & Stewart,
Roy Building, Halifax, Canada.
June 27th, 1923.

His Worship,
The Mayor of Halifax,
Halifax, N.S.

Re: City Collector

Sir:-

In response to your request for our joint opinion on the present aspect of the above matter, we beg to say that we have familiarized ourselves with the facts of the case as they have so far been disclosed by the investigations of the auditors, and are of the opinion that the evidence now available is ample.

- (a) To justify the dismissal from office of the Collector
- (b) To entitle the City to recover against him the amount ultimately disclosed to have been misappropriated by him and
- (c) To justify the initiation of criminal proceedings against him for embezzlement;

We further beg to say that in our opinion the payment of a three months salary to the Collector is a necessary part of a legal dismissal, the only alternative to it being a three months' notice, during which time he would continue to hold office, and receive his salary and during which time of course no other appointment to the Office could be made.

F.H. Bell,
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After a full consideration of this matter your Committee unanimously decided to make the following recommendation to the Council.

- 1st. That the City Solicitor be authorized and instructed to take legal proceedings against Robert Theakston, City Collector, to recover from him the amount of money for which he is accountable to the City.
- 2nd. That His Worship the Mayor be requested to institute criminal proceedings against Robert Theakston for embezzlement of Civic Fund.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

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Dominion of Canada,)
Province of Nova Scotia,)
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Theakston, copy of which is herewith produced and marked "A";
also copies of resolution of the Finance Committee reported by it to the City Council, together with a copy of the charges upon which the same was based and marked "B";
also copies of the reports of the independent auditors in the matter of the taxes of W.F. Page and J.R. Roy substantiated by statutory declaration of Mr. George B. McCombe copies of which are also herewith produced and marked "C".

A N D I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

SOLEMNLY DECLARED before me
at Halifax in the County of
Halifax this 28th day of June
A.D. 1923.

Jos. P. Connolly.

H.S. Rhind,
A Justice of Peace in and for the County of
Halifax.

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Office of the City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S. June 22nd, 1923.

Robert Theakston, Esq.,
#400 Robie Street,
C i t y.
Sir:-

I am instructed by His Worship the Mayor to notify you that at a Meeting of the Council of the City of Halifax, to be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall on Friday the 29th day of June instant, at eight o'clock in the evening, a motion will be made for your dismissal from the office of Collector of the City of Halifax.

The motion will be made upon a report of the Finance Committee embodying the charges and grounds upon which such motion will be made. Copies of the said report, the said charges and of the reports of the Chief of the Independent Auditing Staff, are handed you herewith.

At such meeting you will be entitled, if you see fit, to be present in person or by Counsel or other representative and to be heard.

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Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

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June 29th, 1923.

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Halifax, N.S. June 1st, 1923.

Memorandum to Mayor Murphy,
City of Halifax.

TAX ACCOUNTS OF W.F. PAGE

In looking over the larger items of taxes in arrears we noted that Mr. W.F. Page had not apparently paid his taxes for the following years:-

1912-13	\$1,328.88
1913-14	1,667.62
1914-15	1,796.00
1919-20	3,697.60

We questioned the Collector as to why he should accept payment of taxes for the years 1915 to 1918 inclusive and those of years subsequent to 1919 when the above years remained unpaid and his reply was that he knew that these taxes were unpaid but that he had an arrangement with Mr. Page in regard to his tax accounts. We asked him for the correspondence and he stated that the arrangement was verbal and that there was nothing in writing in regard to it. On further inquiry as to the nature of the arrangement he stated that he could get the money any time. We expressed dissatisfaction with the explanation and pointed out that considerable sums of interest would be involved.

We then consulted you as to whether it would be probable that Mr. Page would be in arrears to this extent and suggested that Mr. Page should be communicated with.

As you are aware Mr. Page has since produced for inspection the Collector's Tax receipts for all the above years. These show the taxes to have been paid in full with the addition of interest on delayed payments. He has also produced cheques covering them as follows:-

<u>Date of Cheque</u>	<u>Tax</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Total</u>
Jan. 24th. 1913	\$1,328.88	\$26.58		\$1,355.46
Dec. 30th. 1914	1,667.62	125.07	\$216.18	2,008.87
Aug. 30th. 1916	1,796.60	206.54	8.58	2,001.12
Dec. 28th. 1921	3,697.60	499.18	136.89	4,333.75

These cheques were deposited to the credit of the City's account in the Royal Bank but, with exception of the amounts \$216.18, \$8.58 and \$136.89 for water, were applied to accounts and years other than those for which they were paid and Mr. Page did not receive credit on the City's books for the amounts of taxes and interest as shown above.

Geo. B. McCombe,
REPRESENTATIVE OF PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.

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Halifax, N.S. June 12/1923.

Memo to Mayor Murphy,
City of Halifax.

TAX ACCOUNTS OF J.E. ROY.

In our examination of the records in the Collectors Office, it was noted that large balances of taxes of back years remained unpaid by Mr. J.E. Roy. The amounts to April 30th, 1922, are as follows:-

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<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
(1).	1914-15	\$2,242.00
(2).	1916-17	4,897.00
(3).	1918-19	3,987.80
(4).	1919-20	6,042.20
(5).	1920-21	253.79
(6).	1921-22	6,575.00
(7).	" "	424.99

The taxes for the years 1915-16 and 1917-18 have, according to the books been paid in full.

When questioned in regard to the status of Mr. Roy's account the Collector informed us that only the taxes for the year 1922-23 which we have not included in the above summary remained unpaid. We pointed out to him that the above items according to his records were also unpaid, but he offered no explanation.

The matter was taken up with Mr. Roy, who claims that with the exception of items (5) and (7), all the amounts have been paid. He has not been able so far to locate his cheques and receipts for items (1) and (2), but we have seen the following cancelled cheques given in payment of items (3), (4) and (6), together with accrued interest thereon.

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>TAX YEAR</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHEQUE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
(3)	1918 - 19	Jan. 27/1921		\$4,000.00
		" 27/1921		315.84
		Feb. 3/1921		200.00
(4)	1919 - 20	Oct. 31/1921		\$3,646.42
		" 31/1921		3,000.00
(6)	1921 - 22	Sept. 19/1922		\$4,000.00
		" 19/1922		3,398.00

None of the above cheques have been credited to Mr. Roy's tax accounts and we have not been able to find stubs of receipts given by the Collector.

We find that it has not been the practice of the Collector to make regular daily transfers of all cash received to the Treasurer as required by the City Charter and, at the time of the receipt of Mr. Roy's cheques, moneys had been held back for periods of varying length and the amounts of the deposits with the Treasurer were brought up to the amounts called for by the Cash books by the utilization of these cheques.

Geo. B. McCombe,
Representative of Price, Waterhouse & Co.

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C A N A D A
PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA
COUNTY AND CITY OF HALIFAX

I, George B. McCombe, at present of the City of Halifax Nova Scotia, Accountant, solemnly declare as follows:-

1. I am the Chief of the Auditing Staff of Price, Waterhouse & Co. at present engaged in the work of auditing and investigating the books of the Collector of the City of Halifax.

2. The reports on the tax accounts of W.F. Page and Mr. J.E. Roy, attached hereto and identified by my signature were prepared by me from examination of the books, accounts and documents of the said Collector, and from enquiries of the said Page and Roy and the said Collector, and are to

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the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct statements of such accounts as appearing from such books, accounts and documents and said enquiries.

3. I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.

Declared before me at)
Halifax, N.S. this)
22nd. day of June,) Geo. B. McCombe.
A.D. 1923.)

M.B. Archibald,
A Stipendiary Magistrate in and for the City of Halifax.
H.S. Rhind,
A Justice of Peace in and for the County of Halifax.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Bissett that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman Finlay that the last paragraph of the report of the Finance Committee marked "2nd". be struck out and that His Worship the Mayor be requested to bring to the notice of the Attorney General the dealings of Robert Theakston with the City Funds as disclosed by the auditor's reports and other available evidence and request him to take such steps as may be thought warranted.

Alderman Power's amendment is put and lost 5 voting for the same and 13 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Finlay, Gastonguay, Whelan, Power, Drysdale - 5.

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Munnis, Sanford, Bissett, Schaffner, H.W. Cameron, McDonald, Guildford, O'Toole, Hubley, W.O. Cameron, Daw - 13.

The original motion made by Alderman Whitman for the adoption of the report of the Finance Committee is put and passed 13 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Munnis, Sanford, Bissett, Schaffner, H.W. Cameron, McDonald, Guildford, O'Toole, Hubley, W.O. Cameron, Daw - 13.

Against it:- Aldermen Finlay, Gastonguay, Whelan, Power, Drysdale - 5.

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His Worship the Mayor ordered the written resignation submitted at this meeting by Robert Theakston of his office of City Collector to be filed, the Council having taken no action in regard to it.

CHAIRMAN--DEPUTY MAYOR COLWELL

FIRE DEPARTMENT; SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENTS EDWARD STRACHAN

Read report Finance Committee recommending refund of superannuation assessments paid into the superannuation Fund by Fireman Edward Strachan.

Committee Room, City Hall,
June 19th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached extract of a meeting of the Committee of Firewards of June 6th. in reference to an application by Edward Strachan a fireman for refund of the amount he is entitled to receive from the Fireman's Superannuation Fund was read together with a report by the City Treasurer that Mr. Strachan is entitled to receive the sum of \$88.02 from said fund.

Your Committee recommend that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay to the said Edward Strachan the sum of \$88.02 out of said fund.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

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Halifax, N.S. June 13th, 1923.

Extract from Minutes of a Meeting of the Committee of Firewards of the City of Halifax held on the 6th day of June 1923.

Read report Chief Churchill re resignation of Edward Strachan, a fireman, recommending its acceptance and that he be refunded any superannuation Fund Assessments due to him.

Office of Chief Fire Department,
Halifax, N.S. June 6th, 1923.

Board of Firewards,
Gentlemen:-

Edward Strachan has tendered his resignation from the Fire Department. He has also made application for money paid by him into the Superannuation Fund.

I would recommend that his resignation be accepted and that his application for refund of superannuation

*Mayor
July 23/23.
Letter and extract
Re: Strachan
July 26/23.*

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assessments be forwarded to the Trustees of the Superannuation Fund.

J.W. Churchill,
Chief Halifax Fire Department.

Approved.

A true extract,
L. Fred. Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

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Office of City Treasurer,
Halifax, N.S. June 19th, 1923.

His Worship Mayor Murphy,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

In reference to minute of Firewards under date June 6th. 1923 wherein the resignation of Edward Strachan, as a fireman, has been accepted. I beg to report that under Section 771 of the City Charter he is entitled to receive from the Firemen's Superannuation Fund one half of the total amount he has contributed thereto without interest.

This amount is \$176.03 and he is entitled to \$88.02.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Moved by Alderman H.W. Cameron seconded by Alderman Finlay that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT; SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENTS JAMES DEYOUNG

Read report Finance Committee recommending refund of superannuation assessments paid into the superannuation Fund by Fireman James DeYoung.

Committee Room, City Hall,
June 28th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached extract from Minutes of a meeting of the Committee of Firewards in re resignation of James DeYoung from the Fire Department and his application for a refund of his contribution to the superannuation fund, also report of City Treasurer informing this Committee that Mr. DeYoung is entitled to a refund of \$60.59 from said fund was read.

Your Committee recommend that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay to Mr. DeYoung the said amount of \$60.59 out of said Fund.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

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Halifax, N.S. May 31st, 1923.

Extract from Minutes of a Meeting of the Committee of Firewards of the City of Halifax held on the 23rd day of May 1923.

Read report Chief of Fire Department on various matters.

Office of Chief Fire Department,
Halifax, N.S. May 23rd, 1923.

Board of Firewards.
Gentlemen:-

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Hoseman James DeYoung has tendered his resignation May 21st. to take effect May 26th. I would recommend that it be accepted. He has also made application for superannuation due him. I would recommend that this application be forwarded to the Trustees of the Superannuation Fund.

J.W. Churchill,
Chief Halifax Fire Department.

The recommendation of the Chief is approved.

A true extract,
L. Fred. Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

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Office of City Treasurer,
Halifax, N.S. June 6th, 1923.

His Worship Mayor Murphy,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

I respectfully submit this report on Minute of Firewards under date 23rd of May 1923 in re refund of Superannuation fees paid by James DeYoung, Hoseman in the Fire Department.

He entered the service of the City in April 1921 and retired May 26th, 1923.

Under Section 771 City Charter he is entitled to a refund of one half the amount he has paid in viz:- \$60.59. The amount paid into Fund was \$121.19.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Moved by Alderman H.W. Cameron seconded by Alderman Finlay that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

BILL POSTERS LICENSE JAMES MCHATHE.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee recommending the granting of a Bill Posters License to James McHathe.

Committee Room, City Hall,
June 15th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee

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and City Clerk

held this day the attached application of James McHathe for a Bill Posters License was read.

Your Committee recommend that the application be granted.

John J. Power,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Daw seconded by Alderman W.O.

Cameron that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CAST IRON PIPE TENDERS

Read reports Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer re tenders for Cast Iron Pipe.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 29, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held June 27th, 1923 the attached report of the City Engineer on tenders received for cast iron pipe was read, and it was recommended that the tender of John T. Farmer for one hundred (100) tons be accepted; with a stipulation that a penalty clause for delay in delivery beyond time specified in tender be inserted in the contract.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 19th, 1923.

F.W.W. Doane, Esq.,
City Engineer.

Sir:-

The following tenders for cast iron pipe have been received:-

	<u>12-inch</u>	<u>6-inch</u>		
John T. Farmer	(46.25	49.25	Lots 500 tons.	Exclusive of landing charges against 4 weeks shipment. Insurance against leakage \$1.10 extra.
	(51.00	54.00	" 100 "	
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow	56.85	59.75	-	On Wharf ex steamer.
Drummond McCall & Co.	55.75	58.75	-	On wharf exclusive of wharfage, all taxes paid.
Francis Hankin Co.	57.00	60.00	-	All charges paid including sales tax.
T. McAvity & Sons	58.50	61.50	-	12 wks. delivery. All charges paid.

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B. & S, W. Thompson 57.50 60.50 - All charges paid.
Canada Iron
Foundries 65.00 65.00 - F.O.B. Halifax ex-
clusive of sales tax.
R.D. Wood & Co. { 80.00 80.00 In small lots.
{ 71.00 71.00 - In lots 500 tons or
over.
Canadian Fairbanks Morse 2.85 per foot, 1.12 per foot.
F.O.B. cars, Halifax.

The last tender is for centrifugal machinemade pipe and is equivalent to about \$68.00 per ton for the six-inch pipe.

The tender of John T. Farmer is the lowest and is recommended for acceptance.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Hubley seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted.

Motion passed.

VICTORIA SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN, CIVIC GRANT

Read report Finance Committee re quarterly payment of civic grant to Victoria School of Art and Design.

Committee Room, City Hall,
June 19th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day it was decided to recommend that City Grant of \$1,000.00 for the present year to the Victoria School of Art and Design be paid in quarterly payments commencing with the end of present quarter.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman W.O. Cameron that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

ELECTRIC LAMPS, PURCHASE OF

Read reports Committee on Works, City Electrician and City Engineer re purchase of electric lamps.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 29, 1923.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held June 27th, 1923 the attached report of the City Engineer re more economical purchase of electric lamps was read and recommended to Council that tender of Farquhar Bros. Ltd.

Engineer

Treasurer
Auditor
E. J. Kelly

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be accepted and further that Council be requested to notify all other departments in respect to prices quoted, and directed to make their purchases from said firm.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Electrician's Office,
Halifax, N.S. May 8th, 1923.

F.W.W. Doane, Esq.,
City Engineer.

Dear Sir:-

As requested by you, I am submitting prices for the supply of electric lamps for use by the City.

The minimum supply required for one year is estimated as follows:-

366 - 40 Watt lamps.
192 - 60 " "
116 - 600 " "
12 - 500 " "

The firms Can. General Electric Co., W.W. Hoyt, Cragg Bros. Ltd. Northern Electric Co. Ltd., and Canadian Westinghouse Co. Ltd., supplying the "Mazda" lamp, for this supply, in standard packages, offer 21% discount which would give the following prices:

<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>PRICE PER LAMP</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
366	40 Watt	.316	115.66
192	60 Watt	.355	68.26
116	100 "	.79	91.64
12	500 "	3.16	37.92
			<u>313.48</u>

The firm of Farquhar Bros. Ltd., supplying the "Volt" lamp in any quantity required, offer the following prices:

<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>PRICE PER LAMP</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
366	40 Watt	.24	87.84
192	60 "	.26	49.92
116	100 "	.63	73.08
12	500 "	2.55	30.60
			<u>241.44</u>

All the prices are based on the proposition of the City purchasing all the lamps required by them, from the successful tenderer.

The prices of Farquhar Bros. Ltd., are considerably lower than the other firms, and with the matter of cost as the chief consideration, this firm offers the lowest tender.

G.H. Durling,
City Electrician.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 19th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

The City Electrician has been looking into the question of a possible saving that might be affected by the purchase of the electric incandescent lamps required by the several departments of the City from one dealer. He

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finds that such an arrangement can be made and a saving of from 21% upwards can be made by the City in this service. A copy of his report attached shows that the tender for the Mazda Lamp from the Canadian General Electric Co., W.W. Hoyt, Cragg Bros., and the Northern Electric Co. and Canadian Westinghouse Co. Ltd., are the same provided the lamps are purchased in standard packages on which there would be a discount of 21% from the regular price. Farquhar Bros. tender however, on the volt lamp at a figure about 25% less than the Mazda lamp. They offer to replace any defective lamps. Neither the City Electrician nor myself have any personal experience to enable us to pronounce on this lamp. As the bidder offers to replace any defective lamps the risk in adopting a lamp which is new to us is largely covered.

Engineer
I would recommend that the City purchase all the lamps required for the year from one dealer and that the different departments be notified accordingly. If there is any defect in any department in connection with the standard package that is, that they might require part of a package to complete their total there should be no difficulty in the distribution if made through the City Works Storekeeper.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Hubley that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

SAILORS HOME EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION ETC.

Read letter Capt. Wm. G. deCarteret, President Nova Scotia Division The Navy League of Canada re exemption from Civic taxation of the Sailors Home property at the north west corner of South Street and Barrington Street.

The Navy League of Canada,
Halifax, Canada, June 26th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.
Halifax, Nova Scotia.
Dear Sirs:-

We have carried on the work in connection with the Sailors in this Port for upwards of forty-three years, during which time we have had three Sailors' Homes - all of which have been exempt from taxation. None of these Homes were large enough to accommodate the number of Sailors that frequented the Port.

During all these years we have been endeavouring to secure from our Citizens sufficient funds to give us a suitable building for our work and one that would be a credit to our Port. We have failed in all our efforts in this direction.

The Navy League of Canada are taking a large interest in the Sailors the world over and, seeing that the facilities in this Port were inadequate, they came forward with ample funds which, with what we were able to furnish,

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enabled us to provide ourselves with a suitable building fully equipped with home comforts, a building which is in every way a credit to our City.

We have at all times been compelled to assist a large number of men who were not able to pay their board. In 1922 there were 59,124 men housed by the Home, besides which we supplied, without charge, 885 beds and 2,229 meals as well as boots, clothing and socks to those who needed them, so it is abundantly apparent that the Home is justifying its existence in the Port.

Our chief difficulty now is in meeting the taxes demanded by the City. When this matter originally came up, Mr. Brookfield, one of the Directors, saw His Worship the Mayor and he appointed a Committee to deal with the matter. The Committee met on February 22nd. 1921 and the whole matter was fully discussed. Hearing nothing from this Meeting, a Committee of the Navy League met by appointment with the Laws and Privileges Committee on January 20th. 1922 in the Council Chambers and the matter was fully gone into. The Extract from the Minutes of the Executive - Nova Scotia Division held on Friday, January 20th. 1922 at 1 P.M. states as follows:

"In the interview with the Mayor, His Worship was reminded that no other Institute under the operation of the Navy League in any other City in Canada was burdened with taxation, and he was also informed as to the amount of contributions to the Navy League given by other Cities in Canada, in addition to their exemption of the Navy League institutes from taxation. He was also reminded that it would not be possible to procure further assistance from the Navy League contributors in these other parts of Canada, so long as such a heavy tax bill was levied locally. His Worship also promised his personal interest, but stated that in order to procure exemption from Taxation, it would be necessary to interview the Laws and Privileges Committee, and an appointment was arranged at four o'clock. Every Member of the Navy League was urged to make it convenient to attend on this deputation".

Although we were informed that the matter would receive every consideration, no results materialized. We have no funds to meet the taxes assessed against us and all we request is to be placed in the same position as other charitable Institutions carried on in the City. The Legislation exempting the Sailors Home from taxation was cancelled without our knowledge, nor was there any notice given us at that time. The City has taken approximately 12 ft. of our ground on Pleasant Street and 1 ft. on South Street, as a result of which we were compelled to purchase the property to the North at a cost of \$15,000 in order to get a rear entrance. This amount we have had to borrow.

We cannot place a mortgage upon the building until the taxes are paid and we respectfully submit to you that the value of the land taken by the City from us to be offset against the outstanding taxes which we consider would be an equitable settlement.

As a basis for future assessment on the Navy League Building, we respectfully consider that it should be determined on the revenue producing portion of said building.

As the earnings of the property has fluctuated so

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much since we occupied the building, and to save future difficulties we would be willing to have the building assessed in accordance with its Commercial revenue only. The only other alternative is for the City to sell the property, which would be a great blow to the Navy League of Canada which has provided us with such a splendid home for our Sailors to whom this Port owes so much, but more particularly Canada which was protected by them during the War and we have no doubt they stand ready to do it again if necessary.

Trusting that you will give this matter your very earliest consideration and advise us as soon as convenient of what we may expect from your Council in this matter. His Worship the Mayor has had very detailed statements given him regarding our financial position, revenue and expenses. All of which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

Wm. G. deCarteret,
President.

Referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report on motion of Alderman Daw seconded by Alderman Hubley.

CHAIRMAN--HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR.

REFUNDING OF LOANS FROM ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

Read report Finance Committee recommending repayment to the Royal Bank of Canada of certain loans.

Committee Room, City Hall,
June 28th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day it was decided to recommend that the City Treasurer be authorized to repay the Royal Bank of Canada the sum of \$43,755.90 for sums borrowed March 4th, 1923 to pay bills that were included in the assessment for 1923-24 per Acts 1922 Chapter 54.

Also to refund current account 1922-23 the sums required to meet the deficiency in the cost of Street Lighting for the civic year 1922-23 not exceeding \$30,000.00 per Acts 1922 Chapter 54. The sum required is \$7,416.65.

Also to refund current accounts 1922-23 the sum of \$10,472.50 for 6 months interest on loan of \$418,900.00 @ 5% paid by that account and charged in the estimates of 1923-24.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman W.O.

Cameron that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

*Old Powers
and by Club.*

Summary.

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STREET PAVING, QUINPOOL ROAD, SOUTH PARK STREET
AND OTHER STREETS

A number of Aldermen desired that the matter of the paving of Quinpool Road, South Park Street and other Streets be now considered; others asked that a special meeting of Council be called to consider the subject. A motion by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Munnis that the matter be now taken up is not put to Council, it being agreed to let it go over until the regular monthly meeting to be held on Thursday evening next July 5th.

Engineer ✓
Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman Cameron that the City Engineer report to Council as to the various cost of Paving South Park Street and Quinpool Road with Tarvia Macadam, oil macadam or tar macadam. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor is requested to ask the City Engineer to furnish each Alderman with a report on the tender prices for paving South Park Street and Quinpool Road.

MARKET BUILDING FLOOR--LOAN \$10,000.00

Read report Finance Committee re loan of \$10,000.00 for laying new concrete floor in the City Market Building.

Committee Room, City Hall,
June 19th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the City Treasurer reported that it would be necessary to borrow a sum not exceeding \$10,000.00 for the relaying of the Market Building Floor.

Your Committee recommend that a sum not exceeding \$10,000.00 required for this purpose be borrowed on Serial Bonds to run for a period of ten years and that if necessary the rate of interest to be 5% per annum.

Your Committee further recommend that the accompanying resolution dealing with the matter be adopted.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

The following resolution is submitted:

June 29th, 1923.

WHEREAS by an Act of the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia passed in the year 1919 as Chapter 82, the City of Halifax is authorized to borrow for the improvement of the Market building a sum not exceeding \$10,000.00.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that for the purpose aforesaid there shall be borrowed on the credit of the City of Halifax at large and as part of the Consolidated Fund 1905 and amendments thereto a sum not exceeding \$10,000.00 for the purpose aforesaid and debentures or stock sufficient to yield a sum not exceeding \$10,000.00 shall be issued therefor, dated the first day of July 1923, bearing interest at the rate of Five per centum per annum, payable half yearly on the first of January and July in each year. The said stock or debentures shall be payable in ten years from the date thereof in ten equal serial payments with the interest thereon as authorized by Section 28 Sub-section 2-A Chapter 84 Acts 1917.

If it be deemed more advisable, Section 35 Chap. 36 Acts 1916 may apply viz: "Chap. 51 Acts 1905 is amended by adding thereto the following section.

12. Whenever under the authority of this Act or of any amendment the City is authorized to borrow money and to secure the same by the issue of stock or debentures, therefor, the City may, instead of selling such stock or debentures, pledge or hypothecate the same as security for a temporary loan of money to the City".

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman W.O. Cameron and being put is passed unanimously.

MARKET BUILDING FLOOR--FINAL PAYMENT

Read reports Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer recommending final payment on contract for new concrete floor in City Market Building.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 29, 1923.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held June 27th, 1923 the City Engineer's certificate recommending final payment to the Stockley Construction Company of the sum of \$1195.06, being balance due them on their contract for floor in Market Building, was approved and recommended to Council for payment.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to recommend payment to the Stockley Construction Company of the sum of One Thousand One Hundred and Ninety-

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five Dollars and six cents (\$1,195.06) being the balance in full on their contract for the Market Building Floor.

Before final payment is made certificates from the Workman's Compensation Board and the Registrar of Deeds must be filed.

Value of work done as per contract,	\$5,670.00
Extra work drains, etc.	<u>305.34</u>
	\$5,975.34
Less certified/certificates #1-3	<u>4,780.28</u>
Balance recommended in full	\$1,195.06

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Cameron that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed. }

IVANHOE STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re sewer and water extension Ivanhoe Street, covering correspondence.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 29, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held May 2nd, 1923 the City Engineer submitted a report on sewer and water extension in Ivanhoe St. petitioned for by the Eastern Trust Co. et al. Action was deferred on the report, and the City Engineer was requested to get in touch with Mr. Stevens of the Eastern Trust Co. and ascertain just how many residences it could be assured would be erected within twelve months if the City would undertake to make the extension asked for.

At a subsequent meeting held May 9th. 1923 Mr. Stevens, Manager of the Real Estate Department of the Eastern Trust Co., conferred with the committee in re sewer and water extension Ivanhoe St. stating that if the City was not in a position to proceed with the work at present their clients might be willing to finance the undertaking, if the City would reimburse them later, and he would like to know the Committee's attitude in that respect. He was advised to submit the proposal in writing to the Committee, stating definitely what his clients were prepared to do. In the meantime, the committee agreed that in the event of the proposal being satisfactory it would be recommended to Council that the offer of financing be accepted and the work proceeded with, repayment to be made in three instalments without interest, first instalment to be payable after two houses have been completely erected, and for each additional two houses erected a further payment will be made until the whole amount advanced is repaid, it being further understood that extension was to cover the drainage facilities for Mr. MacDonalds house, and that payment of frontage rates, as provided by

*Engineer
Club & works*

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law, were not to be considered waived by any agreement made, and, except as to financing, the work shall be arranged for by the City and under the supervision of the City Engineer. Any agreement made shall be as may be approved by the City Solicitor.

Under date of May 15th, 1923 the Eastern Trust Co. replied in writing their letter being attached hereto, and which was read at a meeting of the Works Committee held May 16th, 1923.

On May 30th, 1923 a further communication was received from the Eastern Trust Co. dated May 29th, 1923 in respect to financing the construction of sewer and water extension in Ivanhoe St. The communication was referred to the City Engineer and the City Solicitor to embody in an agreement, stating terms under which the work could be undertaken, the same to accompany a report to Council recommending the construction of sewer and water extension in Ivanhoe St.

At a meeting of the Works Committee held June 27th, 1923 draft agreement re sewer and water extension Ivanhoe St. (referred to in Minutes of Works Committee held May 30th, 1923) was approved and ordered to accompany other documents to Council in respect to such construction, which draft agreement has been submitted to and approved by the Eastern Trust Co. and it is now recommended on the signing of said agreement that said extensions be made.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. April 24th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on the petitions for the extension of the sewer and water service on Ivanhoe Street, between Atlantic Street and the end of the service northwardly.

There are two houses to be served and a third under construction.

The estimated cost of extending the sewer is \$4,750.00 and the estimated cost of extending the water service in a sewer trench is \$1,192.50.

I would recommend that the extension be made and that the property owners be required to pay \$35.76 for each house fronting on the proposed extension, to be reduced as additional houses are erected, the total revenue to be not less than \$71.52.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Daw that the same be approved. Motion passed.

TAG DAY--LADIES AUXILIARY UNITED WORKMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Read application Committee of United Workmens Association of Nova Scotia for permission to hold a "Tag Day"

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Club & works*

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on the streets of Halifax July 7th, 1923.

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To the Mayor,
and City Council,
of Halifax, N.S.

We the Ladies Auxiliary of the United Workmens Association, hereby Respectfully ask your Honorable Body for permission to hold a Tag Day on the streets of our City on July 7th. There is yet much unemployment among our members, and with Sickness and Distress, and other pressing demands upon our Association, and the limited funds at our disposal. We are obliged to ask your kind indulgence in our behalf.

Maud C. Harris, President.
Charlotte Craig,
Margaret C. Saulnier.

Committee,
U.W.A. of N.S. Headquarters.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Sanford that the application be granted, the date to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor. Motion passed.

TAG DAY--HALIFAX PLAYGROUNDS COMMISSION

Read application Halifax Playgrounds Commission for permission to hold a tag Day on Saturday June 23rd. inst.

Halifax Playgrounds Commission,
Halifax, N.S. June 12th, 1923.

His Worship Mayor Murphy,
City Hall, City.
Dear Mr. Mayor:-

We respectfully request the permission of yourself and members of the City Council to hold a Tag Day on Saturday, June 23rd; the proceeds to be devoted to the operation and upkeep of the City Playgrounds.

W.E. Donovan,
Secretary.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Sanford that the request be granted, the date to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor. Motion passed.

PLYMOUTH BRETHERN, PREACHING ON STREETS.

The Council is informed of a request by the Plymouth Brethern for permission to preach on the streets of the City, the application being made by Mr. W.H. Willis of Pleasantville, N.B. address c/o Douglas Horne, 28 Kent Street phone S.2136.

June 29th, 1923.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Munnis that the request be granted. Motion passed.

COAL WEIGHERS FEES, MAY 1923.

Read report Coal Weighers for May showing each of the permanent weighers to have received \$45.86 for the month.

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SOUTH STREET SEWER

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Sewer South Street.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 29, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held June 13th. 1923 the attached report of the City Engineer recommending that the main sewer in South Street be extended 95 ft. westerly from its present termination was approved and recommended to Council.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 12th, 1923.

Engineer
His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on the petition of W.P. Copp and Mr. Doyle, asking for the extension of the South Street sewer to drain their property.

The length of sewer required is 95 feet, estimated cost \$550.00. I would recommend that the sewer be extended. It will be the termination of the sewer for the present as the houses east of this point are so far back from the street that they cannot be drained into the City sewer.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Munnis that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

AUDIT OF CITY FINANCES--RESOLUTION BOARD OF TRADE

Read letter Council of the Board of Trade covering resolution in respect to independent Audit of the City Finances.

June 29th, 1923.

Board of Trade,
Halifax, N.S. June 20th, 1923.

His Worship Mayor Murphy,
and Members of the City Council.
Halifax, N.S.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Council of the Halifax Board of Trade held yesterday afternoon, the following resolution, which speaks for itself, was unanimously passed and I was desired to ask that it be placed before the special meeting of the City Council, which we understand is called for Friday Evening of this week for the purpose of discussing matters contained therein:-

"WHEREAS, the independent audit of the City books being carried on at the present time discloses irregularities in (the books of) one department, and

WHEREAS, it is absolutely necessary to the financial standing of the City and for the satisfaction of all citizens, that financial matters in connection with every department at the City Hall be thoroughly investigated and audited;

THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Council of this Board of Trade unanimously approves of the stand taken by His Worship the Mayor and Members of Council in proceeding with this audit and other steps already taken, and further urges upon the Mayor and Members of the City Council the importance of proceeding in the most complete and thorough way regarding all City departments, and that a new system of accounting, if found necessary, be installed as soon as possible, and,

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditors be asked to recommend some procedure to be adopted for the proper carrying on of the work in the City Collector's Office for the present".
Trusting the above will receive your favourable

consideration.

E.A. Saunders,
Secretary.

The communication is ordered to be filed and copies thereof furnished each member of the City Council.

AUDIT OF CITY FINANCES--RETAINING OF CONSULTING SOLICITOR

His Worship the Mayor asked the Council to approve of his action in engaging the services of Mr. J. McG. Stewart barrister to act with City Solicitor Bell in the matter of the financial affairs of the City Collector's Department.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Sanford that the action of His Worship the Mayor be approved.

Motion passed.

*Members of Council ✓
Secy. B. B. Trade ✓*

*Mayor ✓
Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Solicitor ✓
J. McG. Stewart ✓*

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Trans-Atlantic

FAST ~~TRANS-ATLANTIC~~ MAIL SERVICE VIA PORT OF HALIFAX

Alderman W.O. Cameron submits the following resolution.

WHEREAS Rear Admiral Sir Guy Gaunt has brought in the British House of Commons the question as to whether the British Government, in allocating mail contracts, would recommend the Halifax route for transatlantic liners now making their western terminus at New York, and Sir Maming Worthington Evans, the British Postmaster General, is reported to have said in the Commons that the Halifax route caused extra handling and delay of the mails but that if the companies wished to use Halifax he would give the question detailed consideration, and

WHEREAS mails landed at Halifax can be delivered at New York and in the Eastern States at least as quickly as if they had been landed at New York and in the Middle West and West of the North American continent in a much shorter time,

Mayor
THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City Council direct His Worship to cable Rear Admiral Gaunt, thanking him for the interest he is taking in the development of a fast Atlantic mail service via Halifax and that the Council also direct His Worship to cable the British Postmaster General, informing him that Halifax possesses unsurpassed facilities for the expeditious handling and transit of mails for practically the whole of the continent, involving no extra handling, except in the case of New York City, and respectfully suggesting that if a test with a steamer of the Mauretania type were made by the British Post Office Department, the superiority of the Halifax route would be clearly demonstrated.

The resolution is moved by Alderman W.O. Cameron seconded by Alderman Colwell and being put is passed unanimously.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE LORD BYNG OF VIMY GOVERNOR GENERAL
VISIT TO HALIFAX

His Worship the Mayor informed the Council that the official itinerary in the Maritime Provinces of His Excellency The Lord Byng of Vimy G.C.B, G.C.M.G, M.V.O. Governor General of Canada included a visit at Halifax from August 16th. to 18th. during the coming summer.

GOVERNOR C.H. COX OF MASSACHUSETTS VISIT TO HALIFAX

His Worship the Mayor informed the Council that whilst on his visit to Nova Scotia to attend the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the arrival at Pictou, N.S. of the Ship Hector with scottish settlers as passengers which

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is to take place there July 15th. to 21st, The Hon. C.H. Cox, Governor of the State of Massachusetts would visit the City of Halifax, arriving here Wednesday July 18th. at 11.50 o'clock a.m. and leaving July 19th. at 7.15 o'clock a.m.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Sanford that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

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Council adjourns 11.05 o'clock.

L. Fred. Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.


John Murphy,

MAYOR.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

July 5th, 1923.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Bissett, Munnis, Guildford, Sanford, O'Toole and Power.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Power that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.15 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Finlay, Gastonguay, Schaffner, H.W. Cameron, McDonald, Whelan, Drysdale, Hubley, W.O. Cameron and Daw.

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

CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS

Read report Charities Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital.

Halifax, N.S. July 4/1923.

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 Daw, O'Toole, McDonald and Sanford.
City Home Accounts, June 1923, Amount \$4687.70

Wentzells Ltd.	Groceries & Flour	\$997.36
W.A. Maling & Co.	Meats	363.50
James Watson	Fish	65.05
T.J. Whalen & Co.	Dry Goods	173.68
G.E. VanBuskirk Ltd.	Coal	534.60
S.C. Thompson	Forage	43.17
Davis & Fraser	Mess Pork	65.65
G. Hutchinson	Ice	18.50
Smith & Proctor	Butter	184.80
Ideal Dairy Ltd.	Milk	168.75
N.S. Tram & Power Co.	Light & Power (2)	24.79
Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co.	Exchange Service (2)	36.74
Fleischmann Co.	Yeast	4.75

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H. McFatridge	Horseshoeing	4.52
McLeod Balcom Ltd.	Roach Doom	9.00
W. Robertson & Son	Hardware	33.28
Halifax Seed Store	Garden Seed	2.63
Ross Print	Affidavit Forms	17.34
Wm. McFatridge	Rope	67.28
Webster Smith Co.Ltd.	Crockeryware	7.20
Dr. P.D. McLarren	Lunacy Certificates	10.00
J.H. Buchanan	Cash expended	285.50
Salaries	June Pay Sheet	1569.61
J.H. Buchanan	1922-23 a/c	26.20
		<u>\$4713.90</u>
City T.B. Hospital Accounts, June 1923, Amount		\$2405.60
Howards Limited	Groceries	\$231.19
Maritime Market	Meats	146.93
Smith & Proctor	Butter	86.25
R.B. Colwell Ltd.	Eggs	54.00
James Watson	Fish	21.60
Ideal Dairy Ltd.	Milk & Cream	110.31
John Fry	Bread	34.41
Globe Laundry Ltd.	Laundrywork	48.22
N.S. Tram & Power Co.Ltd.	Light & Power (2)	32.23
Maritime Tel. & Tel.Co.Ltd.	Exchange Service (2)	25.51
McLeod Balcom Ltd.	Drugs	167.18
Nickerson & Crease	Vegetables etc.	45.15
T.J. Whalen & Co.	Dry Goods	68.68
W. Robertson & Son	Hardware	8.46
Richmond Paper Co.	Napkins	20.92
George Hutchinson	Ice	10.15
W.W. Hoyt	Repairs	1.00
T.C. Allen & Co.	Book & Printing	28.57
City Home	Flour	7.55
Webster Smith Co.	Crockeryware	1.20
J.H. Buchanan	Cash Expended	14.20
Salaries	June 1923	<u>1241.89</u>
		<u>\$2405.60</u>

H.S. Colwell,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Daw that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Fire Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
July 4th, 1923.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee of Firewards beg to recommend for payment the accounts referred to in the attached reports of the Chief of Fire Department and City Electrician.

H.W. Cameron,
CHAIRMAN.

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Fire Alarm Equipment Loan Account

Can. General Electric Co.Ltd. Motor	\$79.42
Wm. Collings & Sons Ltd.	9.51
	<u>\$88.93</u>

Fire Alarm Maintenance

John MacInnes & Son Ltd.	Birch	1.70
K. MacPhee	Repairs to car	7.00
Halifax Vulcanizing Works	Repairs to casing	4.60
Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co.Ltd.	May and June	6.00
David Roche	Cans	1.50
N.S. Tramways & Power Co.Ltd.	Power for June	7.00
		<u>\$27.80</u>

Fire Department Maintenance, April 1923.

C.H.B. Harris	Repairs	50.00
J.R. Gaunt & Son	Buttons	75.16
		<u>\$125.16</u>

Fire Department Maintenance, June 1923.

The Fire Engineer	Subscription	2.50
Canadian Oil Co.	Gasoline	92.02
Dr. C.T. Morton	Services	53.00
Dorey, Creig & Co.	Stores & Supplies	46.90
N.S. Furnishing Co.	Supplies	.80
Wentzells Ltd.	Stores & Supplies	14.11
Wm. Jakeman & Son	Vet. services	6.75
Brookfield Bros.	Lumber	9.97
The Halifax Herald	Advertising	11.76
James Simmonds	Hardware	14.56
Burns & Kelleher	Repairs	.98
J.W. Churchill	Expenses	18.00
O.C. Marriott	Horseshoeing	13.75
D.E. Carroll	Supplies	52.20
H. McFatriidge	Horseshoeing	46.79
James Donohue	Repairs	4.00
E.B. Eddy Co.	Stores & Supplies	5.51
Canadian General Electric	" "	4.93
Frank Reardon	Glass	6.80
T. Hogan & Co.	Repairs	4.08
Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co.		26.45
Kellys Limited	Harness repairs	12.95
S.C. Thompson	Feed	274.50
Ungar's Laundry	Laundry	43.19
N.S. Tramway & Power Co.	Lighting	32.96
Blackadar Bros.	Advertising	12.60
		<u>\$812.06</u>

Moved by Alderman H.W. Cameron seconded by Alderman
Daw that the report be adopted and the accounts paid.
Motion passed.

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS

Read report City Prison Committee recommending
accounts for payment.

Committee Room, City Hall,
July 3rd, 1923.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee on City Prison beg to recommend

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for payment accounts totalling \$1282.63 as per attached schedule.

F.W. Bissett,
Chairman.

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S.C. Thompson		Feed	\$54.48
Evans & Co.		Hardware	16.05
Hillis & Sons Limited		Stove fittings	1.90
Davison, Parker Co. Limited			12.52
Wentzells Limited		Groceries	55.99
W.A. Maling & Co.		Beef	32.54
Amherst Boot & Shoe Co. Ltd.		Leather	5.30
Union Coal Co. Ltd.		1 Ton	7.75
George Hutchinson		Ice	6.00
Insurance on Buildings			350.15
Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co. Current			3.33
O'Malley's Bakery		Bread	40.71
Black & Flinn		Lime (May)	3.07
McLeod & Balcom, Ltd.		Drug Supplies	4.15
Maritime Telephone Co.		Rental	10.16
D.J. McIntosh			11.00
Salaries			692.10
			<u>\$1311.20</u>
		less	
Davison Parker Co.			12.52
Evans & Co.			16.05
			<u>\$1282.63</u>

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Power that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.)

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report Committee on Works recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the several services of the Works Department.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. July 4, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Works Committee beg to recommend for payment accounts attached hereto amounting to the sum of \$7,119.37 chargeable to the following services:-

Loan Widening Streets.	\$2.75
Telephones	214.64
Streets	546.01
Teams & Stables	680.93
Market Floor	142.23
Fleming Park	3.28
Street Lighting	129.36
Internal Health	998.96
Sewerage	1557.91
City Property	271.54

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Market Revenue		5.81
City Hall Wiring		18.97
Electric Wiring Inspection		19.86
Fleming Park Improvement		222.93
Permanent Pavement		57.39
Insurance		408.82
Plumbing Under Health Rules		2.80
Curb & Gutter Loan		2.18
		<u>\$5286,37</u>
Water Maintenance	436.34	
Water Construction	<u>1396.66</u>	<u>1833.00</u>
		<u>\$7119.37</u>

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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

HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS

Read report City Health Board recommending accounts for payment.

Office of City Health Board,
Halifax, N.S. July 5th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The attached accounts of the City Health Board amounting to \$326.75, were passed at a meeting of the Board held this date and I am directed to forward same for your concurrence.

John A. Watters,
Secretary City Health Board.

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Isolation Hospital.

Ideal Dairy Ltd.	Milk & Cream	\$38.28
J.J. Scriven	Bread	7.36
N.S. Tramways Ltd.	Lighting Service	30.24
Hfx. Steam Laundry	Washing	33.38
Chronicle Pub.Co.	Advertising	5.04
J. & M. Murphy	Butter Cloth	8.73
N.S. Undertaking Co.	Conveyance Patients	20.00
N.S. Undertaking Co.	Conveyance Patients	16.00
P.T. Shea	Butter & Eggs	12.00
P.T. Shea	" "	25.50
G.C. Hartlen	Meats	25.60
Michael Day	Plumbing	3.53
Wentzells Ltd.	Groceries	41.04
		<u>\$266.70</u>

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General Account

Maritime Tel. Co.	Service	2.50
Maritime Tel. Co.	Service	36.86
Ross Print	Printing	3.66
T.C. Allen & Co.	Office Supplies	16.28
C,P.R.	Telegraph Service	.75
		<u>\$60.05</u>

Recapitulation

Isolation Hospital.....	\$266.70
General.....	60.05
Total.....	<u>\$326.75</u>

Moved by Alderman O'Toole seconded by Alderman Drysdale that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable to various services.

Committee Room, City Hall,
July 4th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the following named accounts amounting to \$516.11 were passed as correct and recommended for payment.

A. & W. MacKinlay Ltd.	Books etc.	
	City Collector	\$3.81
T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery etc.	
	City Clerk	8.62
	" "	8.36
	" Treasurer	5.35
	# Mayor	5.85
	" Collector	5.75
	" "	8.00
	Liquor Insp.	<u>18.45</u> 60.38
	Advertising	8.82
Halifax Herald	Advertising in	
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Tourist Edition	100.00
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising	7.56
Acadian Recorder	Advertising	6.30
		15.40
		<u>6.30</u> 28.00
Religious of Good Shepherd	Maintenance of	
	Children to July 1st. 1923	31.25
) <u>172.00</u> 203.25
Royal Print & Litho Co.	Printing cheques	49.64
A.G. Cummings	Prothonotary fees	2.65
Royal Print & Litho Co.	Advertising pages in	
	Nova Scotia	50.00
F.M. O'Neill	Typewriter Ribbons	<u>2.00</u>
		\$516.11

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

July 5th, 1923.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman W.O. Cameron that the report be adopted and the accounts paid.
Motion passed.

PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNTS

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Public Gardens and to Public Squares.

Halifax, N.S. June 29th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Commissioners of Halifax Commons held this day in the Mayor's Office, the following accounts, amounting to \$1010.95 were passed and recommended to the City Council for payment.

City of Halifax	Street Oiling 1922	\$178.66
T. Hogan & Co.	Labor & Material	3.47
Wm. Emmerson, et al.	Labor wiring for Concert	16.67
N.S. Tramways & Power Co.	Installing service	13.67
Northern Electric Co.	Lamps	44.17
1st. P.L.F. Band	Concert in Gardens	50.00
Wm. Robertson & Son	Supplies	55.38
Davison Parker Co.Ltd.	Lumber	8.40
Frank M. O'Neill	Stationery	1.10
Dale Estate Ltd.	Rose bushes	31.25
D.A. McCulloch	Horseshoer	4.25
S.C. Thompson	Feed	17.26
AlL. Melvin	Fertilizer	14.00
The Rosery	Bulbs	25.00
Longards Ltd.	Repairs	17.76
Thos. Muldowney	Plumbing repairs	96.90
Neil Fox	Harness	7.60
P.C. Neville	Electric Lamps	47.40
Evans & Co.	Hardware	113.77
Neil Fox	Harness work	2.00
J.D. Lavers & Co.	Painting Bandstand	139.00
Annapolis Royal Nurseries	Trees etc.	123.26
		<u>\$1010.95</u>

John Murphy,
Mayor and Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Gastonguay seconded by Alderman Sanford that the report be adopted and the accounts paid.
Motion passed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report Police Committee recommending accounts for payment.

July 5th, 1923.

Office of Chief of Police,
Halifax, N.S. July 4th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Commission held this date the following accounts amounting to \$1204.46 were examined found correct and recommended for payment.

T.C. Allen	Office supplies	\$3.90
Amherst Boot & Shoe	Rubber boots	6.39
Wentzells Ltd.	Sanitary supplies	1.34
Telephone Co.	Telephone service	15.00
Soulis Typewriter Co.	Ribbon	1.00
Chief of Police	Whitewashing	20.00
Sun Life	premium due	937.83
J.C. Foster	Clothing	229.00
		<u>\$1204.46</u>

John Murphy,
Mayor and Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT LAUNDRY TENDERS

Read report Committee of Firewards re tenders for laundry work.

Committee Room, City Hall,
July 4th, 1923.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee of Firewards beg to report that early in the month of June by public advertisement in the newspapers they called for tenders for the Departments laundry work for the year and that no tenders were received.

Subsequently a circular letter was addressed to the seven laundries in the City calling for bids and in response three tenders were received as follows:-

St. Michael's Laundry	\$348.00
Halifax Steam Laundry	368.00
Ungar's Laundry	500.00

It is recommended that the tender of the Halifax Steam Laundry be accepted.

H.W. Cameron,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Cameron seconded by Alderman Daw that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

CITY HOME TENDERS FOR COAL

Read report Charities Committee re tenders for coal for City Home.

Chief Fire Dept.

July 5th, 1923.

Halifax, N.S. July 4th, 1923.

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 Daw,
O'Toole, McDonald and Sanford.

Tenders for Coal, Hart and Soft, One Year ending June
30th 1924.

Read tenders for 1000 tons Acadian Run of
Mine Coal from the Albion or Allen Shafts and 50 Tons of
Anthracite Coal, Egg Size, to be delivered as required
during the period ending June 30th 1924, as follows:

Union Coal Co. Ltd.	Acadia	\$8.75	per ton	
do	Drummond	7.55	"	"
Healy & Co. Ltd.	Acadia	8.15	"	"
do	Drummond	7.75	"	"
R.E. Archibald	Acadia	7.75	"	"
do	Anthracite	16.90	"	"
William Roche	Acadia	7.95	"	"
do	Anthracite	16.95	"	"
S. Cunard & Co. Ltd.	Acadia	7.60	"	"
do	Anthracite	17.25	"	"
Geo. E. VanBuskirk Co. Ltd.	Acadia	7.60	"	"
do	Anthracite	16.00	"	"

Recommendation:

Your Committee would recommend that the Tenders
of Geo. E. VanBuskirk Co. Ltd. and S. Cunard & Co. Ltd.
price being equal on Acadia Coal, the contract be divided
and one-half of the required supply of soft coal being
purchased from each of the aforementioned firms and that
the Tender of Geo. E. VanBuskirk Co. Ltd. for Anthracite
Coal being the lowest be accepted, it being understood that
if the Cunard Co. Ltd. did not accept the portion of the
soft coal allotted to them the whole contract be awarded
to the Geo. E. VanBuskirk Co. Ltd.

The S. Cunard & Co. Ltd., have accepted the
portion of the contract allotted to them in conversation
over the telephone. The Geo. E. VanBuskirk Co. Ltd. have
also accepted the portion of the contract allotted to them
under protest reserving the right to appeal to the City
Council. This acceptance was also over the telephone.

H.S. Colwell,
Chairman.

Also read letter Geo. E. VanBuskirk Co. Ltd. re their
tender.

Halifax, N.S. July 5th, 1923.

Mr. H.S. Colwell,
Chairman, Charities Committee,
City of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to our tender for coal for the
City Home presented at Noon, Wednesday, July 4th, wherein
we tendered for delivery of 1000 tons Acadian Run of Mine
from the Allan or Albion Shafts @ \$7.60 per ton, and 50
tons of Anthracite, Egg Size, @ \$16.00 per ton.

July 5th, 1923.

We received notice over the phone this a.m. that our tender had been accepted at a meeting of the Charities Committee held last evening, for 500 tons or 50% of the requirements, for Acadia Run of Mine, and for the Anthracite requirements. We think that this is decidedly unfair as we are justly entitled to the whole contract for both Soft and Hard coal.

We therefore accept portion of contract allotted to us under protest, reserving the right to appeal to the City Council.

For the last two years we have held this contract, and during that time there has never been one complaint about the quality of the coal supplied, or our delivery service. We claim that compared with contracts previous to ours, both as regards quality of coal supplied and delivery of same, that the City Home for 20 years has never had better service. We also claim that we have saved your Institution quite a sum of money in its coal bill and we think the records of coal consumed will bear this out.

Trusting that we will receive fair and honorable treatment from the gentlemen who compose the City Council.

G.E. VanBuskirk,
President.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Daw that the report of the Charities Committee be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Sanford seconded by Alderman Guildford that the whole amount of coal required be purchased from the Geo. E. VanBuskirk Co. Ltd., as per their tender.

Amendment - 27^{ve}
Motion put and passed 13 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

Amendment - 27^{ve}
For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Munnis, Sanford, Gastonguay, Schaffner, Guildford, Whelan, O'Toole, Power, Drysdale, Hubley, W.O. Cameron - 13.

Against it:- Aldermen Finlay, Bissett, H.W. Cameron, McDonald, Daw - 5.

FIRES AND THEIR CAUSES AND LOSSES

Read report Committee of Firewards re fires and their causes and losses during the month of June.

Committee Room, City Hall,
July 4th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee of Firewards met this day and beg

*Jas W. Bryan (2)
City Home*

July 5th, 1923.

to submit the following report of the Chief of Fire Department re fires and their causes and losses during the month of June.

Office of Chief Fire Department,
Halifax, N.S. July 4/23.

Board of Firewards,
Gentlemen:-

Herewith I submit the following report for the month of June during which there were 16 alarms of fire as follows:

Burning rubbish 1, boys setting fire to grass 1, boys setting fire to lumber 1, brush fire 1, unknown 1, child playing with matches 1, defective wiring in cars 2, smoke backing in building 1, cigarette thrown in pan of of gasoline 1, electric iron 1.

Property at risk	\$136,500.00	
Insurance losses		3,982.24
Losses Not insured		201.50
Total losses...	\$4,183.74	

J.W. Churchill,
Chief Halifax Fire Department.

Your Committee recommend that the report be filed.

H.W. Cameron,
Chairman.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENTS
REFUNDS

Read report Committee of Firewards recommending that refunds to which they are entitled from the Firewards superannuation Fund be made to Hoseman L. Graham and A. Redmond who have resigned from the Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
July 4th, 1923.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee of Firewards beg to recommend that Hoseman L. Graham and A. Redmond of the Fire Department who have resigned their positions be refunded the amount of superannuation assessments due them from the Firemens superannuation Fund and that the Trustees of said fund be authorized to make such refunds.

H.W. Cameron,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman H.W. Cameron seconded by Alderman McDonald) that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

JUBILEE ROAD CONCRETE SIDEWALK

Read petition for laying of concrete sidewalk north side of Jubilee Road from Garden Street to Oxford Street.

*Treasurer
Chief Fire Dept.*

July 5th, 1923.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the Committee on Works for report.

CITY HOME AND TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL INMATES

Read report Charities Committee re inmates in the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital.

Halifax, N.S. July 4/1923.

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 Daw, O'Toole, Sanford and McDonald.

Superintendents Report City Home June 1923, Number of Inmates 283.

The Superintendents report shows that during the month of June 1923 there were 28 persons admitted into the City Home, 23 were discharged and 5 died. Of the number admitted 4 were chargeable to the Province and 24 to the City.

The total number of inmates June 30, 1923 was 283, made up of 153 men, 124 women and 6 children. On the same date last year there were 151 men, 127 women and 6 children a total of 284.

Superintendents Report T.B. Hospital June 1923, Number Patients 36

The Superintendents report shows that during the month of June 1923, there were 12 patients admitted into the City Tuberculosis Hospital, 4 men, 6 women and 2 children 2 men and 2 women were discharged and 5 men and 2 women died.

The total number of patients June 30, 1923 was 36, made up of 17 men, 17 women and 2 children. On the same date last year there were 17 men 15 women and 2 children, a total of 33.

H.S. Colwell,
Chairman.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONS--SEC. 36 CHAP. 69 ACTS 1923

Alderman Bissett under the provisions of Sub. Sec. 2 Sec. 261 Halifax City Charter 1914 as amended by Sec. 36 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 1923 appealed to the City Council as a dissenting member of the Police Committee to reverse a decision of said Committee and for the revocation of the appointment or promotion by said Police Committee of Policeman John Simmons to the position of a sergeant of Police.

Alderman Bissett submits the following resolution:

July 5th, 1923.

RESOLVED that the appeal of Alderman Bissett from the appointment by the Police Commission of Private Simmons as a Police Sergeant be now heard; that the said appointment be revoked and that Private Peter Ryan who was recommended by the Chief of Police, be appointed Police Sergeant.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Bissett and seconded by Alderman Power.

9.20 o'clock. His Worship the Mayor leaves the chair to address the Council from the floor of the chamber, Deputy Mayor Colwell taking the chair.

9.25 o'clock. His Worship the Mayor resumes the chair.

Alderman Bissetts resolution is put and lost 7 voting for the same and 11 against it as follows:-

For the Resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Sanford, Bissett, Gastonguay, Whelan, Power, - 7.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Munnis, Schaffner, H.W. Cameron, McDonald, Guildford, O'Toole, Drysdale, Hubley, W.O. Cameron, Daw - 11.

His Worship the Mayor declared the action of the Police Committee in appointing or promoting Policeman Simmons to a sergeantship confirmed.

TRAMWAY SERVICE

Alderman Daw is permitted by Council to submit a motion.

Moved by Alderman Daw seconded by Alderman Drysdale that this Council protest to the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power, Co. against any reduction in the car service on the Belt Line for the purpose of putting one-man cars on the main line. The motion is put and passed.

PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION--RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF

Read report Special Committee re reestablishment of the Exhibition Commission to His Worship the Mayor.

*Mayor
Chief of Police*

*W. F. West
Engin. Co
Mayor*

July 5th, 1923.

Mayor's Office, City Hall,
Halifax, June 27th, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the special committee named by Council to report on the question of re-establishment of the Provincial Exhibition was held at the Mayor's Office this afternoon - present all members of the Committee with the exception of Alderman Finlay, and, in addition, at the Mayor's request, Deputy-Mayor Colwell.

After full discussion, the committee beg to report as follows:-

1. That a majority of the Committee are agreed as to the desirability of the re-establishment of the Provincial Exhibition in the City of Halifax; but the present financial condition of the City does not, in the judgment of the committee, warrant the work being proceeded with during the present year.

The Chairman and Alderman Hubley dissenting from this section.

2. That under no circumstances could the committee recommend the City's taking any responsibility in connection with the Exhibition under the legislation as proposed by Chapter 6 of the Acts of 1923. That in view of the City having equal financial responsibility with the Province, we feel that our representation should stand as in the past.

Alderman Whitman was of the opinion that as the committee had decided that the matter could not be taken up, owing to the financial condition of the City and the legislation, the said committee should not express an opinion as regards the holding of the Exhibition.

John Murphy.

Also read memo from M. McF. Hall, Secretary of the Exhibition Commission to His Worship the Mayor.

Mr. Armstrong just arrived home and I called him up, and asked him if he knew that the matter of Exhibition being reinstated, was held up by matter of his Act.

His reply was, his Act had not been proclaimed, but was outlined for purpose of giving more ~~scope~~ scope on the Commission.

He is willing to meet any Committee from the City as to representation from the City.

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Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Power that the report of the Special Committee be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Gastonguay that this matter be referred back to the Special Committee for further report and for a conference with Hon. Mr. Armstrong.

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The amendment is put and passed 12 voting for the same and 6 against it as follows:-

For the Amendment:- Aldermen Colwell, Munnis, Sanford, Gastonguay, Schaffner, H.W. Cameron, McDonald, Whelan, O'Toole, Drysdale, Hubley, W.O. Cameron - 12.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Finlay, Bissett, Guildford, Power, Daw - 6.

PAVING OF STREETS -

Read report Committee on Works June 28th, re tenders for Street Paving, covering report Assistant City Engineer June 5th, and report City Engineer June 19th.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 28th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 27th inst., the City Engineer's report on tenders for paving was considered and it was decided to recommend to Council that the tender of the Stephens Construction Co. being the lowest received be accepted and they be awarded the paving work ordered by Council to be done in connection with Quinpool Road, and any other paving work ordered to be done this season, and further that the report of the City Engineer dated June 19th, respecting paving be forwarded to Council for its information. Report of City Engineer on tenders and also report on Paving are attached hereto.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 5, 1923.

F.W.W. Doane, Esq.,
City Engineer,
City.
Sir:-

I beg to report that tenders were received as follows for paving streets during 1923:-

Stephens Construction Company St. John	Stockley Construc- tion Co. Ltd. Halifax, N.S.	Fraser Paving & Construc- tion Co. Ltd. New Glasgow N.S.	Osterberg & Archibald Construc- tion Co. Ltd. Halifax, N.S.
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Item	Units			
1. Conc.Curb & Gutter	lin.ft.	\$1.60	\$1.35	-- \$1.50

Mayor

July 5th, 1923.

2. Setting Gr. Curb	lin. ft.	.60	1.50	--	1.30
3. Resetting Gr. "	" "	.75	.80	--	.50
4. Setting Gr. Gutters	" "	.50	1.50	--	1.35
5. Resetting Gr. "	" "	.60	.80	--	.50
6. Driveways	Sq. Yd.	.50	2/25	--	1.50
7. Concrete Foundation & Excavation	" "	2.10	2.25	2.25	2.50
8. Rock excavation	Cu. Yd.	1.50	3.00	4.00	5.00
9. Sheet Asphalt 3" thick	Sq. Yd.	2.10	2.20	2.35	2.45
10. Restoring pavement over cuts	" "	5.00	4.75	--	10.00
11. Seal coat	" "	.30	.30	--	.18

The tender of the Stephens Construction Company, St. John, N.B. is the lowest.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 19th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

In compliance with the instructions of the Works Committee I beg to report on the paving questions referred to me.

The estimated cost of paving Quinpool Road under the prices named in the last tender, is \$38,804.00; the estimated cost of paving South Park Street, \$26,160.00; total \$64,964.00. The balance of money on hand, plus \$60,000.00 authorized to be borrowed this year for pavement petitioned for will be sufficient to pay for this work.

The estimated cost of paving Agricola Street, from Cunard to West is \$11,200.00, but I am informed by the City Assessor that the petition for this work is not signed by the majority of the property owners. The estimated cost of paving Agricola Street, from Bloomfield to Almon is \$2,500.00; Almon Street, from Agricola to Robie \$6,750.00 Jacob Street, from Argyle to Brunswick \$10,000.00.

The two links on Agricola Street and the block on Almon Street are needed to make a connection of the Agricola Street pavement with the other paved streets in the north end. There is a connection at North Street, but the fact that these links are missing causes a considerable increase of traffic at North Street and Robie Street which is a very dangerous intersection on account of the volume of traffic on both streets. The paving of the links referred to would tend to relieve the congestion at this intersection and would complete the connections which are missing.

This work cannot be paid for out of the loan authorized this year but there is other money which should be made available for this purpose and should be used for it, namely, \$1,040.80 not borrowed last year under the legislation of 1922. Also of the money that was borrowed \$30,695.00 has been used to pay the abutters' share although it is not legal to do so, but a portion only of the money which should have been borrowed for this purpose was borrowed from the bank and under the Legislation in force previous to the last session this \$30,695.00 should have been borrowed

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from the bank; possibly it is too late now to borrow it from the Bank but it should be borrowed under the Legislation of 1923, or if that cannot be done it should be repaid from the amount collected from abutters so that the account will be correct and the appropriations show the balance that it should show; as it is now, as already stated \$30,695.00 has been taken from money borrowed for one purpose and used temporarily for another purpose; it has always been repaid and should be repaid now. We should then be in a position to complete the paving on Agricola, Almon and Jacob Streets.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Also read report Committee on Works June 28th, recommending that the Finance Committee arrange for the borrowing of money for street paving. Approved.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 28th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 27th inst., it was decided to recommend to Council that the Finance Committee be instructed to arrange to borrow the total sum authorized by legislation for Street Paving.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Also read report Finance Committee re loan for street paving.

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To His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.

The Members of the Finance Committee were unanimously against borrowing the money for street pavement from the Public, but were equally divided as to borrowing it from the Bank. Two members of the Committee favoured borrowing it from the Bank and the other two members of the Committee were against borrowing at all.

I visited the Royal Bank of Canada and Mr. Frank Harris, the Inspector of Agencies informed me that the Bank would loan the City \$60,000.00 on security of the City's debentures at the rate of 6 per centum per annum for six months, subject to the approval of the Head Office of the Bank.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the amount required for street paving not to exceed

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the sum of \$60,000.00 and authorized by legislation of the past session of the Legislature be borrowed from the Royal Bank of Canada on the terms mentioned in the report of the Finance Committee dated July 5th, 1923.

Consideration of Alderman Whitman's motion is deferred.

10.15 o'clock His Worship the Mayor leaves the chair to go to his office for documents, Deputy Mayor Colwell in the Chair.

Read report Committee on Works June 29th, re South Park Street Paving, covering report City Engineer June 11th.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 29, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held June 13th, 1923 the attached petition, dated June 8th, from property owners on South Park Street between South and Inglis, asking that pavement be laid on that portion of South Park Street during the present year, was read. A report from the City Assessor states that there are fifty-five assessments in the section referred to, and that thirty-two of same have signed the petition. The City Engineer submitted a report recommending that the pavement be laid.

It was recommended to Council that the request of the petitioners be favorably considered and the work ordered to be done.

Engineer's report and certificate of Assessor are herewith submitted, and accompany this recommendation.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 11th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir :-

Alderman Colwell has handed to me the attached petition from property owners on South Park Street asking for the paving of the street from South to Inglis. The Assessor certifies that a majority of the property owners have signed. I have reported on this matter already. The property owners ask for it, the driving public desires it and in the interest of the City I am of the opinion that the work should be done.

I therefore recommend that South Park Street from South to Inglis be paved this year.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

July 5th, 1923.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Munnis that the reports of the Committee on Works June 29th, and of the City Engineer June 11th, re paving South Park Street be now adopted.

10.17 o'clock. His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

Alderman Whitman submits the following correspondence re street paving.

June 29, 1923.

Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co. Ltd.,
Barrington Street,
City.

Dear Sirs:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee yesterday there was some conflict of opinion as to your attitude in regard to paving Quinpool Road and South Park Street, and the Committee wished to be informed of the same, and I promised to write and secure a written statement from you.

Kindly let me hear from you this morning and oblige.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman of the Finance Committee.

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Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co. Ltd.,
Halifax, N.S. June 29th, 1923.

Alfred Whitman, Esq., K.C.
Chairman of Finance Committee,
City of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

We beg to acknowledge your letter of June 29th, requesting information concerning the Company's attitude on the subject of street paving. In reply thereto we beg to advise that the Company stands ready to undertake paving up to a maximum cost of \$100,000. or approximately one mile of double track. The Company will undertake such work this year or next year as the City may direct.

We desire however to take this opportunity of stating that the Company's financial position is still such that the City's paving requirements are bearing heavily upon its resources. The Company at the present time is not earning a fair rate of return on the value of its property and of course this situation is becoming worse as additional street paving is required. Obviously the Company gains nothing from the paving it does as expenses are not decreased nor are earnings increased because of it.

The burden is a heavy one and since the Company has no other income than that which it receives from its customers, those who use the tram cars are ultimately going to have to pay these increased costs through the rate of fare.

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Because of these conditions the Company would respectfully urge that serious consideration be given to a curtailment or postponement of all street paving.

W.L. Weston,
Manager.

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Chapter 107 Acts 1895 Section 41 and schedule A Rule 15 reads as follows:-

"The Company shall pave and keep in good repair all the spaces between the rails and tracks, and two feet outside of each rail, with such material and in such manner as the City Council shall approve on the recommendation of the City Engineer, and on such streets and at such time or times as the said City Council shall determine by a two third vote thereof. The Company shall not put or place any material whatever on its road-bed between the tracks and for two feet outside of each rail, or any part thereof, without the said material having been first approved by the said City Engineer in writing, whose decision thereon shall be final, but nothing herein contained shall in any way relieve said company from maintaining and keeping its roadbed and tracks in proper repair, as required by this Act. No salt shall be used by the Company except on the rails, and then only in the manner approved of from time to time by the City Engineer".

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Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co.,
Barrington Street,
City.

Dear Sirs:-

At the meeting of our Finance Committee last night there seemed to be some doubt in the minds of some members of the Committee as to whether or no the Tram Company would macadamize their portion of Quinpool Road and South Park Street, in case the City macadamize their portion. The Macadam used would be Oil Macadam.

Kindly drop me a note some time today, at your earliest convenience.

A. Whitman.

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Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co.Ltd.,
Halifax, N.S. July 5th, 1923.

Alfred Whitman, Esq., K.C.
Chairman of Finance Committee,
City of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

We beg to acknowledge your letter of July 5th with reference to the Company's attitude toward the paving of Quinpool Road and South Park Street with oil macadam. In reply we beg to advise that we are prepared to undertake such paving in accordance with the provisions of the Company's charter, should the City Council so direct.

W.L. Weston,
Manager.

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Alderman Whitman's motion for the borrowing of a sum from the Royal Bank of Canada not to exceed \$60,000.00 for street paving is put and passed 15 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Munnis, Finlay, Sanford, Bissett, Gastonguay, Schaffner, H.W. Cameron, McDonald, Whelan, O'Toole, Drysdale, Hubley, W.O. Cameron, Daw - 15.

Against it:- Aldermen Whitman, Guildford - 2.

Alderman Finlay's motion for the adoption of the reports of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re paving of South Park Street is put and passed 16 voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:-

.For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Munnis, Finlay, Sanford, Bissett, Gastonguay, Schaffner, H.W. Cameron, McDonald, Guildford, Whelan, O'Toole, Drysdale, Hubley, W.O. Cameron - 16.

Against it:- Alderman Daw - 1.

Again read reports Committee on Works June 28th, Assistant City Engineer June 5th, and City Engineer June 19th, re tenders for street paving tenders etc.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Hubley that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted and the tender of the Stephens Construction Company accepted subject to the condition that the City is able to finance the necessary amount of ^{Money.} ~~Max~~ Motion passed unanimously.

Read reports Committee on Works July 5th and City Engineer July 4th, re paving.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. July 5, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held July 4th, inst. the City Engineer submitted the attached report on paving, and the report was ordered sent to Council for

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its information. Copies of same to be supplied to members of Council, previous meeting.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. July 4th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on the question referred to me as to the relative merits of sheet pavement on a concrete base, tarvia macadam and oil macadam for Quinpool Road and South Park Street.

It was suggested that a separate report should be made for each street but practically all that I can say on the question affects both streets in the same way. I am quite as anxious as any member of the Council can be or as any property owner is, that the cost of paving should be kept as low as possible but I have to try to look ahead to decide what should be really cheapest and in the best interests of all concerned. A tarvia macadam street or an oiled street is affected by the frost much more injuriously than a pavement with a concrete base, the latter will settle back to its place practically without damage but the two former are permanently injured and have to be repaired or left uneven. It is difficult to make repairs on roadways without a concrete base so that there will be no settlement or unevenness. It will be argued that on certain streets the pavement laid has given best satisfaction the roadway is forty-eight feet wide and the traffic is distributed all over it, nevertheless the roadway will not last one season, it has to be repaired at least once a year; on other streets where the traffic is more confined like Tower Road and Robie Street, the oil coat cannot resist the suction of the motor car tires and will not last one season. On Duke Street where there is tarvia macadam there is a heavy grade which prevents fast traffic and consequently the suction of the tires is not so destructive, yet the surface has had to be repaired practically every year. On Quinpool Road and South Park Street cars or teams standing at the curb and the double track car line in the center confines the traffic, in addition the flat grades on these streets would cause water to lie on the pavement and the life of the tarvia is very much shortened. The Bedford Road which has been referred to would have been in a pretty bad shape now if it had not been repaired last year and will require repairing every year to maintain it.

The cost of tarvia macadam based on the last tenders we had is at least two-thirds of the cost of the sheet asphalt on a concrete base; the asphalt pavement in Halifax has been in use fifteen or sixteen years. A suggestion was made that the street appropriation should be used to pave these roadways; it would be legal to do it but until the streets generally are in better condition we cannot afford to take such large sums out of the street appropriation for such work. Both the roadways in question are main thoroughfares and important roadways and should not require annual or semi-annual repairs. The material should

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be chosen to fit conditions. There is a place for tar macadam and a place also for oiling and those materials will be suitable on many streets in the City where grades are favorable or traffic less destructive, but in my opinion they are not suitable for the sections of roadway under discussion and I would recommend that these roadways be paved with a sheet surface on a concrete base which the majority of the property owners have petitioned for and for which they are prepared to pay their part of the cost. Our tender this year for Sheet asphalt on concrete base is \$4.20 per square yard.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Filed.

WATER BILL--204 GRAFTON STREET--H.L. SIMON

Read reports Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer re water meter bill H.L. Simon #204 Grafton Street.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 29, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held June 27th, 1923 the City Engineer submitted a report on water meter account for 204 Grafton Street for half-year ending March 1923, amounting to \$53.70. No reduction was recommended.

After hearing an explanation from the owner, and no reduction having previously been asked for on this property it was recommended to Council that the bill be reduced to \$26.85.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 27th, 1923.

F.W.W. Doane, Esq.,
City Engineer.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached water bill for water supplied to the premises No. 204 Grafton Street and claimed to be excessive. The period covered by the bill is for six months ending March 1923. The consumption is 270,300 gals. and the amount of the bill \$53.70 of which \$1. is meter rental. The readings and consumption are as follows:-

1922	Reading	Consumption
Aug.	114400	4200
Sept.	121100	6700
Oct.	126500	5400
Nov.	133700	7200
Dec.	Sickness	-

*Settlers:
City Engineer
City Auditor
City Treasurer
Clerk of Works*

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1923	Reading	Consumption
Jan.	191500	57800
Feb.	336100	144600 Let run. W.C.W.
Mar.	391400	55300
Apr.	428900	37500 N.21-4-23
May	451600	22700 N.30-5-20

It will be noticed that the largest consumption was during the winter months and the meter reader reported at the time that the water was let run to prevent freezing and also that there was a waste in the closet.

I have had the meter tested and it is found to register accurately. There are six taps and one closet in the premises. At the time of inspection this month there was no waste found on the property. Two flats are vacant and the occupant of the other flat stated that the water was allowed to run to prevent freezing. This would account for the large consumption.

Under the circumstances I am unable to recommend any reduction in the bill.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Hubley that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted.
Motion passed.

CITY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE--RALPH S. GATES TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT

Read report Finance Committee recommending the appointment of a temporary official to take charge of the City Collector's Department.

Committee Room, City Hall,
June 19th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day it was decided to recommend that owing to the emergency existing in the City Collector's Department, and the large amounts being now received for taxes and water rates, a temporary Official be forthwith appointed to take charge of that Department pending the appointment of a permanent official.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

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

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Bissett that Mr. Ralph S. Gates be appointed to temporarily take charge of the City Collector's Department until a permanent

*Check works
engineer
collector*

July 5th, 1923.

Ralph S. Gates
official is appointed. Motion passed.

CITY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE--ISSUING OF ACCOUNTS
TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE

His Worship the Mayor called to the attention of the Council the necessity of providing temporary assistance for sending out statements of taxes and accounts due by Ratepayers.

Mayor
Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to procure assistance required and that he also make arrangements with the Finance Committee for the necessary funds. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Colwell that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

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L. Fred. Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

John Murphy
John Murphy,

MAYOR.

GOVERNOR COX IN NOVA SCOTIA

He Arrived at Truro, Last Night on His Way to Pictou.

Special to The Morning Chronicle
TRURO, N. S., July 16. — Governor Channing Cox, of Massachusetts passed through Truro in his private car this evening enroute to Pictou where he will attend the Hector celebration. The car arrived on the Ocean Limited from Boston and left later on the express for New Glasgow. The Governor received a delegation consisting of Mayor Murray, the town councillors, Mr. E. G. McCullough, President of the Board of Trade, and Harold Putnam, M. P., for Colchester. The 25th Hants and Colchester Regiment Band played a few selections in honor of the Governor. A message from Premier Armstrong welcoming Governor Cox to Nova Scotia was read.

General Thacker, G. S. Campbell, A. F. Macdonald, and Mrs. E. H. Armstrong informally welcomed Governor Cox to this Province.

Governor Cox spoke with great enthusiasm of his visit to the Maritime Provinces, and the wonderful welcome that he received all along the line.

The Governor is looking forward with interest to his visit to the Capital city of Nova Scotia. Included in the Governor's party is Mrs. Cox, his brother, Judge Cox, Paul Clay and Mrs. Clay, Mr. Cole, his aide, and Mr. Kerr, a native of Victoria, C. B.

The Governor is travelling in the private car of the General Manager of the C. N. R. The arrangements are being looked after by A. H. Lindsay, of the passenger service, who went to Boston to accompany the party to the Province.

Governor Cox was scheduled to proceed to Halifax on the U. S. destroyer Reuben James, now on her way to Pictou, but it is now expected that he will proceed by rail to the Nova Scotia Capital, arriving there on Wednesday.

The programme for the reception at Halifax to Governor Cox is as follows: His Excellency will arrive here by train at ten minutes to one o'clock in the afternoon (daylight savings time) and will proceed to City Hall, where he will be presented with an address. Then he and his party will be the guests of the City at a luncheon at the Waegwoltic Club at 1.30 p.m. At 3 p.m. His Excellency will call on the Lieutenant Governor, and thereafter will inspect the work of the Massachusetts-Halifax Health Commission, calling at Health Centre No. 1, Admiralty House, at 3.30 p.m. Following this he will be the guest of the Mayor on a motor drive throughout the city and environs.

At 7.30 Premier Armstrong will be his host at a dinner at the Halifax Club. The Governor will attend the Band Concert at the Public Gardens at 9.30 o'clock. He will leave Halifax on Thursday morning for Kentville on his special car attached to the regular D.A.R. train.

GOVERNOR COX AND PARTY IN THE PROVINCE

Tendered Warm Welcome

At Truro—Will Arrive

At Pictou This Morning. *July 17/23*

(Special to The Herald)

TRURO, July 16.—Hon. Channing P. Cox, Governor of Massachusetts, and party, arrived here this evening in a private car attached to Ocean Limited. Harold Putnam, M. P. for Colchester, Mayor Murray, members of the town council, Dr. C. S. McArthur, president of the Canadian Club, and E. G. McCollough, president of the board of trade, went on board the car and greeted the distinguished visitor and party on behalf of the town and county. Those in the party are Governor and Mrs. Cox, Judge Cox, brother of the Governor, Mr. and Mrs. Clay, and A. H. Lindsay, Advertising Agent of the C. N. R., Moncton.

The Truro Citizens' Bank was at the depot and rendered several selections.

Governor Cox and party left at 10 o'clock tonight for New Glasgow where they will spend the night. Early in the morning they will proceed to Pictou for the "Hector" celebration.

It was originally arranged for the party to stay all night, but as Governor Cox had expressed a desire to be at Pictou tomorrow morning, when the ship "Hector" enters the harbor, it was necessary for the party to proceed to New Glasgow this evening.

GOVERNOR COX OF MASSACHUSETTS ARRIVES TODAY

Herald July 18/23.

THE official order for the visit of the Honorable Channing Cox, Governor of the old "Bay State," Massachusetts, is as follows:

The Governor and his party are due to arrive in Halifax at 12.50 p.m. daylight saving time.

ON his arrival Governor Cox will be met at the South Station by Premier Armstrong, Mayor Murphy and other representative men, and will be driven to the Province Building for a very brief visit. The party will then proceed to the City Hall, where at 1.30 daylight saving time there will be held a public reception, on which occasion an address will be presented to the distinguished visitor giving him formal official greeting to the capital city of Nova Scotia.

At 2.30, daylight saving time Governor Cox and his party will be the guests of the mayor and corporation at a luncheon at the Waegwoltic Club.

AT three o'clock he will call on His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, and later will go for a drive, including in his itinerary Health Center No. 1, which he will visit, and learn something of the fine work being done there by the Massachusetts-Halifax Health Commission.

At 7.30 in the evening there will be a dinner at the Halifax Hotel, when the visitors will be the guests of the Provincial Government and following the dinner there will be a band concert in the Public Gardens, where the Governor and suite will arrive about 9 o'clock. The gardens will be brilliantly illuminated and St. Patrick's band will furnish a fine program and there will also be several vocal numbers.

Both the reception at the City Hall and the concert at the Public Gardens are public functions and there is no charge for admission—both are FREE to the public. All are hoping that the weather may be fine so that our visitors from Massachusetts may see Halifax as she is in her full summer glory.

GOVERNOR COX WILL BE HERE TODAY

Warm Welcome Awaits
Chief Executive of Bay
State. *Chronicle July 18/23.*

Preparations are being made to have the City Hall look better than usual today on the occasion of the reception to Governor Cox, of Massachusetts. The Governor and party will arrive at 12.50 daylight saving time. They will be met at the station by the Lieutenant Governor, Premier and Mayor and will proceed to the City Hall, where an official reception will be held at 1.30.

The corridors, stairway and halls will be decorated with flowers, plants and shrubs, and the Council Chamber will be suitably adorned with flags, bunting and flowers. Upon his arrival at the City Hall Governor Cox will be presented by Mayor Murphy with an illuminated address. All citizens will be welcomed at the reception and all desiring it will be presented to Governor Cox.

From the City Hall the party will proceed to the Waegwoltic Club where they will be guests of the City at a luncheon. At 3 o'clock the Governor and party will make a call on Lieut. Gov. Grant and will then go to the Massachusetts-Halifax Health Centre No. 1, Admiralty House, subsequently driving to other interesting points about the City.

At 7.30 the visiting party will be guests of the Provincial government at the Halifax Club, following which they will be guests of the City at a concert at the Public Gardens. The concert was scheduled to open at 8 o'clock, but because of the dinner, the opening will not be until 8.30 the visiting party being due to arrive at 9, and all citizens will be welcomed, the concert being free to everybody. The programme is as follows:

- March—"The Blue Jackets" ..
- Bennett
- Overture—"Famous Gems" .. Lake
- St. Patrick's Band
- Piccolo Solo (by request)—"The Meadow Lark"
- Messrs. Coolen and Hemsworth
- Vocal solo Selected
- Miss de Lang
- Vocal Quartette Selected
- Mr. Scotty Shields and party
- Fantasia—"Tone Pictures of North and South" Pendig
- Whistling Serenade—"The Warbler" .. Wood
- Fox Trot—"Leave Me With a Smile"
- (a) O Canada, (b) Star Spangled Banner (c) God Save the King.
- St. Patrick's Band

Message From the Bay State



Photo by W. R. MacAskill, Commercial Photo Service.

Hon. Channing H. Cox, Governor of Massachusetts, delivering eloquent address at unveiling of monument to Scottish Pioneers at Pictou yesterday.

HEARTY GREETING TO GOVERNOR COX

Civic Address of Welcome Emphasizes Ties Between Halifax and Massachusetts; Our Gratitude For the Bay State's Assistance After Great Explosion is Again Voiced—Distinguished Visitors Guests of Honor at Civic Luncheon.

A large number of people gathered at the South Terminals at 12.50 today to witness the arrival of Governor Cox, of Massachusetts, and party, from Pictou, where they had been attending the Hector celebration. The terminals were flooded with brilliant sunshine and the warmth of the day was tempered by a typical Halifax breeze. The reception committee, who greeted the Governor of Massachusetts, consisted of Mayor Murphy and City Solicitor Bell, representing the City of Halifax, Hon. Attorney General O'Hearn and Deputy Provincial Secretary Barnstead, representing the Provincial Government, G. Fred Pearson and Hon. R. G. Beazley, representing the Massachusetts-Halifax Health Commission, United States Consul Reynolds and H. R. Silver.

Premier Armstrong arrived with Governor Cox and party. The reception committee proceeded immediately upon the arrival of the train to the Governor's special car. They then passed to the waiting automobiles in which the guests were conveyed to the Province Building, where the visitors were received by members of the Provincial Government, and then to City Hall. A guard of six policemen were drawn up in front of the cars with an officer in charge. The Governor Cox car, driven by Mr. Meagher, was decorated with crossed American and Canadian flags.

Governor Cox was accompanied by Mrs. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick R. Clay, Louis Cox and Mr. J. E. Kerr.

At City Hall.

When His Excellency Governor Cox and party entered the parade they were greeted by the Union Jack flying at the mast head with strings of small flags extending from it to the ground. On the stair posts of the parade entrance were "Welcome" bannerettes in gold and blue, and the entrance steps were flanked with plants and shrubs while over the entrance were the United States French and British flags. The visitors were met by a police guard of men. The corridor was draped with flags and the under hallway and stairway were likewise decorated. The upper hallway was draped with

flags. The Council chamber, where the reception took place was very prettily decorated. British and U. S. flags over the Mayor's presiding chair flanked a big "Welcome" and the chamber wall panels all carried stands of little British, Canadian and U. S. flags. On the wall at the rear of the chamber was another "Welcome" banner with the Prince of Wales flag and bannerettes. The decorative work was done by District Fire Chief Hawley and firemen. City Painter Thomas, Gardens. Superintendent Hall and his men and City Hall Janitor Lynch.

The Civic Address.

On the party being seated in the Council chambers, where there was a big gathering of citizens, many of whom were presented to Governor Cox, the following address to him was read by City Clerk Monaghan, his excellency making a most happy reply.

"His Excellency Channing H. Cox,

Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

"Your Excellency:—

"On behalf of the Corporation of the City of Halifax and the citizens of this City, we beg to extend to you a hearty welcome.

"The ties between this City and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have always been of the closest and most intimate character. From the founding of our City in 1749 to the present time our relations in business, in law, in literature and in social and personal connections have never ceased to draw us one to the other. Some of our earliest lawyers and judges came to us from you, bringing with them the education and culture of your great University of Harvard.

"Many of our people have found warm welcome and new homes in the cities of your State, and no small number of them have risen to prominence. Social intercourse has been so close and common that many of our citizens feel nearly as much at home in your cities especially Boston, as in their own native city.

"We have been indebted to you for no small part of the laws on our Statute Book. When it was decided in 1841 to incorporate the inhabitants of this peninsula, it was to the Charter of Boston that we in great part looked for our guide and model.

"But above all else, no inhabitant of Halifax can ever forget or cease to be most grateful for the wonderful way in which your citizens came to our help at the time of our great misfortune—the Explosion of 1917. The crash of that had hardly died

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away before the relief and assistance contributed by you on a scale of the most magnificent generosity was speeding on its way to us. Not only did you send us material assistance in goods and money, but citizens whose wisdom and experience were invaluable to us in that time of infinite confusion and distress. We have thanked your people but we can never thank you too much or too often.

"You are arriving at a movement is on foot more widely known the attractions of this City and Province. We trust that you will have full opportunity of seeing for yourself how great these are and will make them known to others.

"We hope that in every way your stay among us, all too brief, will be a pleasant one, and such as will induce you to return.

"Again we bid you truly welcome.

JOHN MURPHY,
Mayor"

The address was done in parchment most artistically illuminated by Mr. H. P. Story and the ornamentation included the Massachusetts and Nova Scotia crests. The lettering of the body of the address was in gold old English, with the initial capital letter of each paragraph paneled in colored background. The address was enclosed in a round leather case bearing the City Crest and the name of the Mayor.

Luncheon at Waegwoltic

From the City Hall His Excellency and party proceeded to the Waegwoltic Club where they were the guests at a luncheon given by the Mayor and Corporation. The guest list for the luncheon was as follows:

His Excellency Governor Channing and Mrs. Cox.
 His Honor Lieut. Governor and Mrs. Grant.
 Hon. E. H. and Mrs. Armstrong.
 His Honor Judge and Mrs. Cox, of Massachusetts.
 Hon. Attorney-General and Mrs. O'Hearn.
 Hon. A. K. and Mrs. Maclean.
 Hon. Senator P. F. and Mrs. Martin.
 Depty. Consul General and Mrs. Reynolds.
 Hon. R. G. and Mrs. Beazley.
 City Solicitor F. H. and Mrs. Bell.
 Mr. and Mrs. Dennis.
 Mr. and Mrs. Paul Clay.
 Mr. C. C. Blackadder.
 Mr. and Mrs. Alvin F. McDonald.
 Miss Ross.
 Miss Helen Baker, of Boston.
 Mr. and Mrs. G. Fred Pearson.
 Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Wood.
 Dr. B. Franklyn Royer.
 Mr. Kerr.
 Mr. F. W. Cole.
 Mr. A. H. Lindsay.
 Dept. Mayor Colwell.
 Alderman Munnis, Gastonguay, Bissett and O'Toole.

At three o'clock Governor Cox and party will call at the Government House, after which they will visit the Health Centre. At 7.30 this evening His Excellency will be the guest of the Provincial Government at dinner at the Halifax Club, and at 9 o'clock he will be at the Public Gardens concert given in his honor. The concert programme opens at 8.30 and is open to the public. Special illumination arrangements include half a dozen powerful lights on the roof of the bandstand and a border of search lights on the lake. A stand has been built east of the bandstand for Governor Cox and party.

The Nova Motors has placed at the disposal of the City for use by Governor Cox during his stay here a handsome new 5 passenger Hudson sedan, aluminum topped.

On arrival at the City Council Chamber, the ladies of Gov. Cox's party were each presented with a large bouquet.

GOVERNOR COX HERE.

Recorder July 18/23
 He was accorded a warm welcome to Halifax to-day *July 18/23*

Presented with address at the City Hall, to which he replied—
 List of guests at luncheon.

The Honorable Channing Cox, Governor of Massachusetts, was given a warm welcome on arrival at the Terminals Railway station about 1 o'clock to-day.

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Governor Cox and Members of His Party.



Photo by W. R. MacAskill, Commercial Photo Service.

In the photograph, taken at Pictou yesterday, are Governor Cox, U. S. Consul General Gunsaulus, of Halifax, Mrs. Cox, wife of the Governor, and Mrs. Clay, a member of the party.

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He and his party, accompanied by Premier Armstrong and the Hon. D. A. Cameron, arrived on a special car attached to the New Glasgow and Pictou express. They were met at the station by Hon. W. J. O'Hearn, Mayor Murphy, City Solicitor Bell, and others, and the party then proceeded to the provincial building. After a short stay there, the distinguished visitors were conveyed to the City Hall.

The Parade flagstaff was decorated with flags and bunting, and the party was received at the entrance to the City Hall by a guard of honor, composed of police officers under Deputy Chief Palmer. The corridors and stairs leading to the Council Chamber were decorated with flags and potted plants, and the chamber was also beautifully adorned with plants and a large "Welcome" sign in colors was placed at the Mayor's desk. The chamber was completely filled by prominent citizens and all the Council were present.

After a few welcoming remarks by Mayor Murphy he called upon City Clerk Monaghan to read the following address:

THE CITY'S ADDRESS.

HIS EXCELLENCY CHANNING H. COX,
 Governor of the Commonwealth
 of Massachusetts.

YOUR EXCELLENCY:

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We have been indebted to you for a small part of the laws on our Statute Book. When it was decided in 1841 to incorporate the inhabitants of this peninsula, it was to the Charter of Boston that we, in great part, looked for our guide and model.

But above all else, no inhabitant of Halifax can ever forget or cease to be most grateful for the wonderful way in which your citizens came to our help at the time of our great misfortune—the Explosion of 1917. The crash of that had hardly died away before the relief and assistance contributed by you on a scale of the most magnificent generosity was speeding on its way to us. Not only did you send us material assistance in goods and money, but citizens whose wisdom and experience were invaluable to us in that time of infinite confusion and distress. We have thanked your people before, but we can never thank you too much or too often.

You are arriving at a time when a movement is on foot to make more widely known the attractions of this City and Province. We trust that you will have full opportunity of seeing for yourself how great these are, and will make them known to others.

We hope that in every way your stay among us, all too brief, will be a pleasant one, and such as will induce you to return.

Again we bid you truly welcome.

JOHN MURPHY,
 Mayor.

Halifax, N. S., July 18, 1923.

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Governor Cox, in his reply to the address, referred to the whole-heartedness of the welcome he and his party received in Nova Scotia and he will carry back to Massachusetts nothing but pleasant memories. He referred to the good feeling always existing between his State and their neighbors of Nova Scotia. In 1917 they had had an opportunity to show their sympathy and desire to help by sending nurses and supplies at the time of the terrible calamity. He referred to the magnificent paintings he had viewed in the Province Building. He would return home and would surely inform his people of the great attractions in his country, but he thought many there already knew of them, as he understood that there were something like 198,000 citizens of his State who were either born or whose parents were born in Nova Scotia.

Following programme of music:
The programme is as follows:
March—The Blue Jackets, Bennett
Overture—Famous Gems, Lake
St. Patrick's Band.
Piccolo Solo (by request) The Meadow
Lark.
Messrs. Coolen and Hemsworth.
Vocal Solo—Miss De Lang, Selected
Vocal Quartette—Selected
Mr. Scotty Shields and Party.
Fantasia—Tone Pictures of North and
South
Whistling Serenade—The Warbler, Bandle
Wood
Fox Trot—Leave Me With a Smile,
(a) O. Canada (b) Star Spangled Banner
(c) God Save the King.
St. Patrick's Band.
The public is invited to the concert, and, being free, there will likely be a very large attendance.

At the conclusion of the banquet, the district attorney, Mr. J. W. Grant, drove to the Waquoit where they were to have a luncheon. The following were the invited guests:
His Excellency Governor Cox,
His Honor Lieutenant Governor Grant,
The Hon. E. H. Ames, His Honor Judge, Massachusetts,
The Hon. Attorney General,
Hon. A. K. and M. O'Hearn,
Hon. Senator P. E. Deputy Consul-General,
Hon. R. G. and M. City Solicitor R. E. Mrs. W. H. and M. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mr. C. O. Blackader Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Miss Ross,
Miss Helen Baker, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Dr. B. Franklyn R. Mr. Kerr,
Mr. F. W. Cole,
Mr. A. H. Lindsay, Deputy Mayor Council Aldermen Munroe and O'Toole.

LUNCHEON

At 3 o'clock this afternoon Governor Cox and his party were entertained at the City Hall by the Mayor and the members of the committee which they visited and learned something about the various health organizations in the State. At 7:30 in the evening a dinner was given at the Hotel Grand and visitors will be invited to a special dinner in the evening at the Hotel Grand.

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GOVERNOR COX AND PARTY AT THE CITY HALL



Left to right: Governor Channing Cox, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Clay and Mayor Murphy in the front row.

WARM WELCOME TO GOVERNOR

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COX

Halifax Opened Wide Her
Gates to the Hon. Chan-
ning Cox and Party.

MADE A TOUR OF THE CITY

After the Official Greeting
at the City Hall Governor
Cox Paid Tribute to the
Storied Past of Nova
Scotia.

Halifax opened wide her gates of welcome yesterday to Hon. Channing H. Cox, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and Mrs. Cox. The distinguished visitors, accompanied by several friends and an aide-de-camp, arrived from Pictou at the Terminal Railway Station a few minutes before one o'clock yesterday afternoon. From then until late last evening they were busily engaged in following the programme arranged for their reception. This morning they will leave by their special car attached to the Dominion Atlantic Railway for a visit to the Annapolis Valley on their way home to Boston.

They depart with the assurance that Halifax was glad to make them very welcome. It has been many a day since our citizens have heard such natural, graceful eloquence as that of Governor Cox, who, with an obvious warmth and sincerity of feeling, expressed at City Hall yesterday afternoon lofty sentiments of international goodfellowship that will be cherished by those who heard the silver-tongued orator. Governor Cox endeared himself to all those whom he met during his brief stay here. Halifax says "Au Revoir."

Made Tour of City

The Chief Executive of the Bay State commenced his tour of Halifax by visiting the grand old Province Building, where he was received by representatives of the Provincial Government. From there he proceeded to City Hall, where an official address of welcome, expressing the City's pleasure over his visit and referring gratefully to the magnificent assistance rendered to Halifax by Massachusetts following the Great Explosion of 1917, was read. The Governor's reply was received with great applause. He paid tribute to the storied past of Nova Scotia and expressed best wishes for her future. The people of Massachusetts had a deep affection for this Province. This was natural, the Governor pointed out, in view of the fact that about 190,000 of those people were either of Nova Scotian birth or parentage. No opportunity should be lost that tended to foster the friendly relationship that existed today between Canada and the United States, two nations living in peace and amity side by side, separated only by an imaginary line in place of an armed frontier. Ill-disposed persons there were who sought to create misunderstandings, but these two nations were marching on, and history may write that they have shown to other countries

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the road to the highest destiny. It was an impressive address.

From City Hall the gubernatorial party proceeded to the beautiful Waegwoltic, where they were the guests of honor at a luncheon given by the Corporation of Halifax. Then the Governor and Mrs. Cox called at Government House, where they were received most cordially by the Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia and Mrs. Grant. An inspection of the institutions of the Massachusetts-Halifax Health Commission followed. His Excellency, who took an active part at Boston in the dispatching of relief trains from there to Halifax immediately after the great explosion, was deeply interested in the work of the Commission, which is a lasting tribute to the generosity of the State of which he is the Governor. The inspection over, the Governor and his party enjoyed an automobile tour of the city, visiting various points of interest, including the reconstructed area in the North End. Last evening they were the guests of the Provincial Government at dinner at the Halifax Club and later visited the Public Gardens, where a splendid band concert was presented.

The Governor's Arrival

A large number of Halifax citizens gathered at the Terminal Railway Station yesterday afternoon to greet Governor Cox. The train to which his private car was attached arrived at ten minutes to one o'clock. The official reception committee consisted of Mayor Murphy and City Solicitor F. H. Bell, representing the City of Halifax; Attorney General O'Hearn, and Deputy Provincial Secretary Barnstead, representing the Provincial Government; G. Fred Pearson and Hon. R. G. Beazley, representing the Massachusetts-Halifax Health Commission; United States Consul Reynolds and H. R. Silver. Premier Armstrong returned from Pictou with Governor Cox.

Leaving the railway station the Governor and his party motored to the Province Building, where they were received by the Attorney General in the absence of the Premier. They were conducted through the building and expressed delight over the stately architecture of the structure and its interesting interior. They were particularly interested in the oil paintings in the Legislative Council Chamber.

At the City Hall

From the Province Building the party, accompanied by the City Solicitor, proceeded to the City Hall, where they received a warm welcome. They passed up the stairway between the lines of a guard of honor furnished by the City Police Force, under the direction of Deputy Chief Palmer, the guard saluting as the Governor passed.

In the handsomely decorated Council Chamber, the Aldermen were at their desks when the party entered, and there was present a large gathering of citizens, among them being Mr. Justice Mellish, Ex-Mayor M. E. Keefe, Ex-Ald. Kelly, Halliday and Doyle, Col. F. H. Oxley, Dr. Royer, A. S. Barnstead, C. H. Mitchell, C. H. Bayne, Stipendiary Archibald, Gardens Commissioner W. E. Donovan, Chas. Johnson, F. J. Doyle, Health Secretary Waters, and many others. A number of ladies were also present.

Mayor Murphy and Deputy Mayor Colwell met the party on arrival and conducted them to their seats within the Council Hall, the Governor and Mrs. Cox being seated, respectively on the Mayor's right and left. When they were all seated His Worship explained how happy the people of Halifax were at this, their first opportunity since the great explosion of welcoming such a distinguished representative of the great commonwealth of Massachusetts. Halifax felt a deep attachment for Massachusetts, and on behalf of the City Government and citizens, he extended the very warmest greeting. His Worship's remarks were loudly applauded.

The Civic Address

The Mayor then called upon City Clerk Monaghan, who was in his robe of office, to read the civic address, which was as follows:

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Mayor."

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The address was done in parchment most artistically illuminated by Mr. H. P. Story and the ornamentation included the Massachusetts and Nova Scotia crests. The lettering of the body of the address was in gold old English, with the initial capital letter of each paragraph paneled in colored background. The address was enclosed in a round leather case bearing the City Crest and the name of the Mayor.

The Governor's Reply

Governor Cox made a most happy reply and was applauded on many occasions during his speech, his generous sentiments appealing deeply to his hearers.

Addressing himself to the Mayor "and good citizens," Governor Cox said no one could have received in Nova Scotia and Halifax a warmer welcome than had been accorded himself and his party. Throughout the Province he had found a very friendly feeling toward the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and he was sure that the members of his party would ever remember, with feelings of greatest pleasure their trip to beautiful Nova Scotia, and fine old Halifax.

Aid For Good Old City

Perhaps, said His Excellency, people dwell too much on the happening of December, 1917. His own memory recalled how as a member of the Council he was hurriedly summoned to the State House at Boston and learned that Halifax was in need of help. The sympathy of those at the State House went out at once to this good old city. Soon the relief train with surgeons and nurses was on its way, bringing not only help but the love and sympathy of the people of Massachusetts.

It was an opportunity for the State to evidence her esteem for the good people of the City of Halifax.

He felt sure if it had been a Massachusetts city. The city of Worcester, for instance—the State could not have asked more promptly or with more genuine sympathy than was the case of Halifax.

So far, said Governor Cox, the opportunity of his party seeing Halifax had been limited. They enjoyed the approach to the city. They had called at the Province Building on the way to the City Hall, and had been permitted to look upon memorials to the great traditions of the Province of Nova Scotia and her people who had been so overwhelmingly kind to him.

In studying solutions of present day difficulties and problems, it might be well to refer back to the progenitors of the people of Nova Scotia. At Pictou he had learned much of the mighty men who came on the Hector, and whose memory Pictou is honoring—men who braved the uncharted seas and brought with them great free institutions. His Excellency hoped that in contemplation of the records in Halifax, the people of today would find a challenge to send them forward. It was not strange that such a warm feeling between Massachusetts and Nova Scotia existed. Nova Scotia had had Representative Government since 1757 and had since then enjoyed all its benefits and grandness with freedom, happiness and progress, and the experience of Massachusetts was much the same. Like New Englanders, Nova Scotians may well look back to those who came before to develop strength of character.

Love for Nova Scotia

It was of the nature of the people of Massachusetts to have great love for Nova Scotia, as that State had among her citizens, he thought, about 190,000 men, women and chil-

dren who had been—or whose parents had been—born in this Province. Among them are leaders, prominent people in professions, citizens who realized and fulfilled the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship and who never failed when looked to for sustaining needs.

Peace and Goodwill

Massachusetts hoped whatever was found good in her own institutions could benefit Nova Scotia and that no opportunity be lost of fostering the good relations between the United States and Canada, separated only by an imaginary line on which guns or arms have never been required to be mounted. There come at times political measures, perhaps not well understood by people generally, and there are among us people who seek to bring about misunderstanding, but when the people of Nova Scotia know well the people of Massachusetts they will realize how their hearts beat for the whole Maritime Provinces, and why the two countries lie in peace. It may be written in history how these two countries have shown the other nations the way to the highest destiny possible.

His Excellency is a fluent speaker, with no lack of fine language and beautiful sentiment. His heart was evidently in his address, and he modestly, during the course of his speech, intimated that he knew his welcome in Nova Scotia was not a personal matter, but as representative of the Commonwealth.

At the close of his address there was warm and continued applause. Mayor Murphy remarked that the address was a real treat, and His Excellency's lofty ideals were most impressive.

Presentation to Ladies.

His Worship then extended to the members of the Governor's party, on behalf of the City and citizens, an equally warm welcome, and hoped they would be pleased with Halifax. The Mayor then called upon Misses Hayes and King, of the City Hall staff, to present to each of the ladies of the visiting party a large bouquet from the Public Gardens, which the young ladies did with charm and grace.

Following this, practically everybody present in the Council Chamber, led off by the members of the City Council, were presented to His Excellency by Alderman Gastonguay, after which the party left for the Waegwoltic Club to lunch as guests of the City. The luncheon guest list was as follows:

- His Excellency Governor Channing and Mrs. Cox.
 - His Honor Lieut. Governor and Mrs. Grant.
 - Hon. E. H. and Mrs. Armstrong.
 - His Honor Judge and Mrs. Cox, of Massachusetts.
 - Hon. Attorney-General and Mrs. O'Hearn.
 - Hon. A. K. and Mrs. Maclean.
 - Hon. Senator P. F. and Mrs. Martin.
 - Depty. Consul General and Mrs. Reynolds.
 - Hon. R. G. and Mrs. Beazley.
 - City Solicitor F. H. and Mrs. Bell.
 - Mr. and Mrs. Dennis.
 - Mr. and Mrs. Paul Clay.
 - Mr. C. C. Blackadar.
 - Mr. and Mrs. Alvin F. McDonald.
 - Miss Ross.
 - Miss Helen Baker, of Boston.
 - Mr. and Mrs. G. Fred Pearson.
 - Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Wood.
 - Dr. B. Franklyn Royer.
 - Mr. Kerr.
 - Mr. F. W. Cole.
 - Mr. A. H. Lindsay.
 - Dept. Mayor Colwell.
 - Alderman Munnis, Gastonguay, Bissett and O'Toole.
- During the luncheon at the Waegwoltic music was furnished by Mrs. Affleck, assisted by the Misses Hagarty.

GOVERNOR COX DEPARTS.

Recorder

He and his party left this morning.—Attended Gardens concert last night

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The Halifax Public Gardens never looked prettier than they did last night on the occasion of the visit of Governor Cox, of Massachusetts. The magnificently laid-out flower beds, in all colors, were displayed to advantage by the arrangement of the electric lights.

St. Patrick's Band discoursed in their usual able manner the programme of music already published, and the vocal numbers were also appreciated. Several thousand persons were present.

Governor Cox, accompanied by Premier Armstrong, Mayor Murphy, and Provincial and Civic officials, arrived at 9.45 o'clock, and was escorted to the platform. The band played The Star Spangled Banner, at the conclusion of which the visitor was warmly welcomed by the large gathering with loud cheers.

Alderman Louis Gastonguay, who acted as announcer, introduced the first number on the musical programme. The Governor's party were escorted all through the Gardens, after which Mayor Murphy and Governor Cox ascended the band stand, from which the Mayor expressed to the Governor and people of Massachusetts, the thanks of the people of Halifax for the assistance rendered at the time of the explosion.

Governor Cox then addressed the large gathering and in eloquent language expressed the hope that friendliest feelings should always exist between his people and the people of Canada. He complimented Halifax upon the possession of such beautiful gardens and remarked upon the interest which he took in the development of the plans of the Massachusetts-Halifax Health Commission. The Governor was heartily cheered.

This morning Governor Cox and his party left on their special car attached to the Dominion Atlantic Railway for a visit to the Annapolis Valley on their way home to Boston.

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 - Board of Trade.
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 - Governor Cox.
 - Mr. Ernest Kerr, Boston.
 - Mr. J. F. Masters, Boston.
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WARM WELCOME EXTENDED TO GOVERNOR COX

Massachusetts Governor
And Party Royally En-
tertained by Provincial
And Civic Officials.

HALIFAX had her first opportunity to personally thank the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the help so promptly and generously given this city at the time of her calamity when that state's first citizen, His Excellency Governor Channing H. Cox, paid her a visit yesterday. And Halifax showed her gratitude by giving the distinguished guest a royal welcome. From the welcome which he received, as he and his party left the train, until the conclusion of the concert given in their honor at the Public Gardens, it was literally "Massachusetts' Day" in Halifax.

At the train he was met by the Attorney O'Hearn and A. S. Barnstead, Deputy Provincial Secretary, as representing the provincial government, the Hon. E. H. Armstrong and the Hon. D. A. Cameron being his fellow passengers on the trip from Pictou. His Worship Mayor Murphy and City Solicitor Bell were present as representing the city, and gave the distinguished visitor hearty greeting.

From the train he was driven to the Provincial Building, making a brief call there, and then proceeding to the City Hall, where the civic address was presented and a public reception attended by hundreds was held. There was general jubilation at the perfect weather—on all sides was heard expression of pleasure in the fact that a fickle weather man had done this occasion proud, and the green expanse of the Parade Square was smiling in a flood of sunshine when the automobiles drove up.

AFTER a few words of welcome from His Worship Mayor Murphy, in which he referred to the close and pleasant bonds which have always bound this province to the State of Massachusetts, the civic address of welcome was read by City Clerk Monaghan as follows: His Excellency Channing H. Cox, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Your Excellency:—

On behalf of the corporation of the city of Halifax and the citizens of this city, we beg to extend to you a hearty welcome.

The ties between this city and the commonwealth of Massachusetts

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Halifax Worthily Welcomes Governor

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ties have always been of the closest and most intimate character. From the founding of our city in 1749 to the present time, our relations in business, in law, in literature, and in social and personal connections have never ceased to draw us one to the other. Some of our earliest lawyers and judges came to us from you, bringing with them the education and culture of your great University of Harvard.

Many of our people have found warm welcome and new homes in the cities of your state, and no small number of them have risen to prominence. Social intercourse has been so close and common that many of our citizens feel nearly as much at home in your cities, especially Boston, as in their own native city.

We have been indebted to you for no small part of the laws on our Statute Book. When it was decided in 1841 to incorporate the inhabitants of this peninsula, it was to the charter of Boston that we in great part looked for our guide and model.

But above all else, no inhabitant of Halifax can ever forget or cease to be most grateful for the wonderful way in which your citizens came to our help at the time of our great misfortune—the explosion of 1917. The crash of that had hardly died away before the relief and assistance contributed by you on a scale of the most magnifi-

cent generosity was speeding on its way to us. Not only did you send us material assistance in goods and money, but citizens whose wisdom and experience were invaluable to us in that time of infinite confusion and distress. We have thanked your people before, but we can never thank you too much or too often.

You are arriving at a time when a movement is on foot to make more widely known the attractions of this city and province. We trust that you will have full opportunity of seeing for yourself how great these are and will make them known to others.

We hope that in every way your stay among us, all too brief, will be a pleasant one, and such as will induce you to return. Again we bid you truly welcome.

IN reply to this address, Governor Cox spoke as follows:

"Your Worship and citizens of Halifax; no one could be received so graciously and warmly as I have already been, without feeling the emotion which I do at this present moment. My party will leave this fine city and province with memories at the same time pleasant and endearing. I shall treasure this memorial which you have just given me because it is extended to the people whom I represent, and who are bound to this city by the closest ties.

"Mention has been made of the incident of December, 1917. At that time, I was a member of the Public Health Commission of Massachusetts and I was summoned to the governor's office where I learned that Halifax had suffered a terrible disaster. No definite word was at hand as to the nature of the calamity, but we knew that

you were in need and immediately our heart went out to you in sympathy. As soon as it was possible we dispatched material aid. We like to recall this, because it was our opportunity.

"I am sure that if any of our own cities had suffered a similar disaster, the response would not have been more prompt, more heartfelt or more generous.

"I have already learned something of the great tradition of your people. We have been overwhelmed by greetings and manifestations of friendship. This is an exhibition of

the ties which bind you to Massachusetts. Many of our traditions are the same. You, like us, have had the great institution of responsible government for a long time. Your antecedents, your climate, your natural forces resemble ours. Both have had to surmount great difficulties, but the result is a greater character from the harder tests. And in all the conflicts and turmoils of today, the more we get back to the sterling and simple virtues of our fathers, the closer we will be to the solution of our troubles.

"THE great thing which impressed us at Pictou, was that the people turned back to pay tribute to the men who braved the perils of uncharted seas to bring and give expression to great ideals. In contemplation of such a record as you have written in Halifax and in Nova Scotia, there is inspiration to go forward to meet the future with its responsibilities.

"I shall return to my people to tell them of the attractions of Nova Scotia. We have already 190,000 Nova Scotians in Massachusetts. These have not kept apart from our life but are our leaders in professions and business and have been given positions of prominence and respect. In emergencies they have been called upon, and have never failed.

"I hope that these interchanges of visits will help cement the splendid relations already established. There may come political measures which are not understood, which do not seem to help friendship. There are those amongst us who are actively seeking to produce misunderstanding. But when you come to know us, as we respect you, these will be ineffectual, because the great heart of New England beats warmly for Nova Scotia.

"These people cannot be separated by an imaginary line. They have opportunities, to show the other nations of the world how two great peoples can live side by side in peace and harmony."

IMMEDIATELY after the address the presentation of beautiful remembrances of roses from the Public Gardens was made to the two ladies of the party by Miss Zita Hayes and Miss Elsie King. A reception followed.

The party then went to luncheon at the Waegwoltic Club where they were guests of the city. Following lunch, and toasts to the King and the President, Mayor Murphy, in a few well chosen words, proposed the health of Governor and Mrs. Cox. His Excellency replied, making pleasant reference to the "visit" of Nova Scotia to Gloucester last fall, stating that, while Massachusetts bore Nova Scotia all good will, they were planning to return the visit this fall and win. He also spoke of the excellent work of the Canadian Club of Boston, which was

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instrumental in securing his presence in Nova Scotia at this time, mentioning, as a matter of interest, that John F. Masters, secretary of that club, and Mr. Kerr, one of the members were with them on the trip. The luncheon closed with the playing of our national anthem, and the Star Spangled Banner. Mrs. W. A. Affleck and the two Misses Hagararty rendered an excellent program of music during the lunch.

The party then proceeded to Health Center No. 1, of the Massachusetts-Halifax Relief Commission. Half an hour was taken in passing through the building and premises, the Governor expressing himself as delighted with the work

still being done through the bounty of his people. A trip through the rebuilt portion of the devastated area followed, the Governor and party visiting several of the houses built by the Commission, and stopping for a moment on the brow of the hill at Richmond Heights, overlooking the harbor, while Mayor Murphy told the story of the disaster. A visit to the new Richmond Heights playground and swimming pool on Fort Needham concluded the afternoon in that section of the city.

LEAVING the north end, the automobiles went south to the grounds of Dalhousie University, where about half an hour was spent on the campus of Nova Scotia's leading institution of higher education. Owing to the lateness of the hour, the reception at Government House was postponed and the party returned to the Halifax Hotel, where they are staying.

At half past seven, the party were guests of the provincial government at a banquet at the Halifax Club, at which brief speeches were made by members of the government, formally greeting the guests and welcoming them on behalf of the province. The governor replied fittingly.

At nine o'clock they went to the Public Gardens, where a great crowd had gathered to welcome them, and enjoy the band concert given in their honor. The music was furnished by St. Patrick's Band, and an excellent program was rendered. This concluded a busy day on the part of the visitors.

The police details for the various functions of the day were very well arranged under the direction of

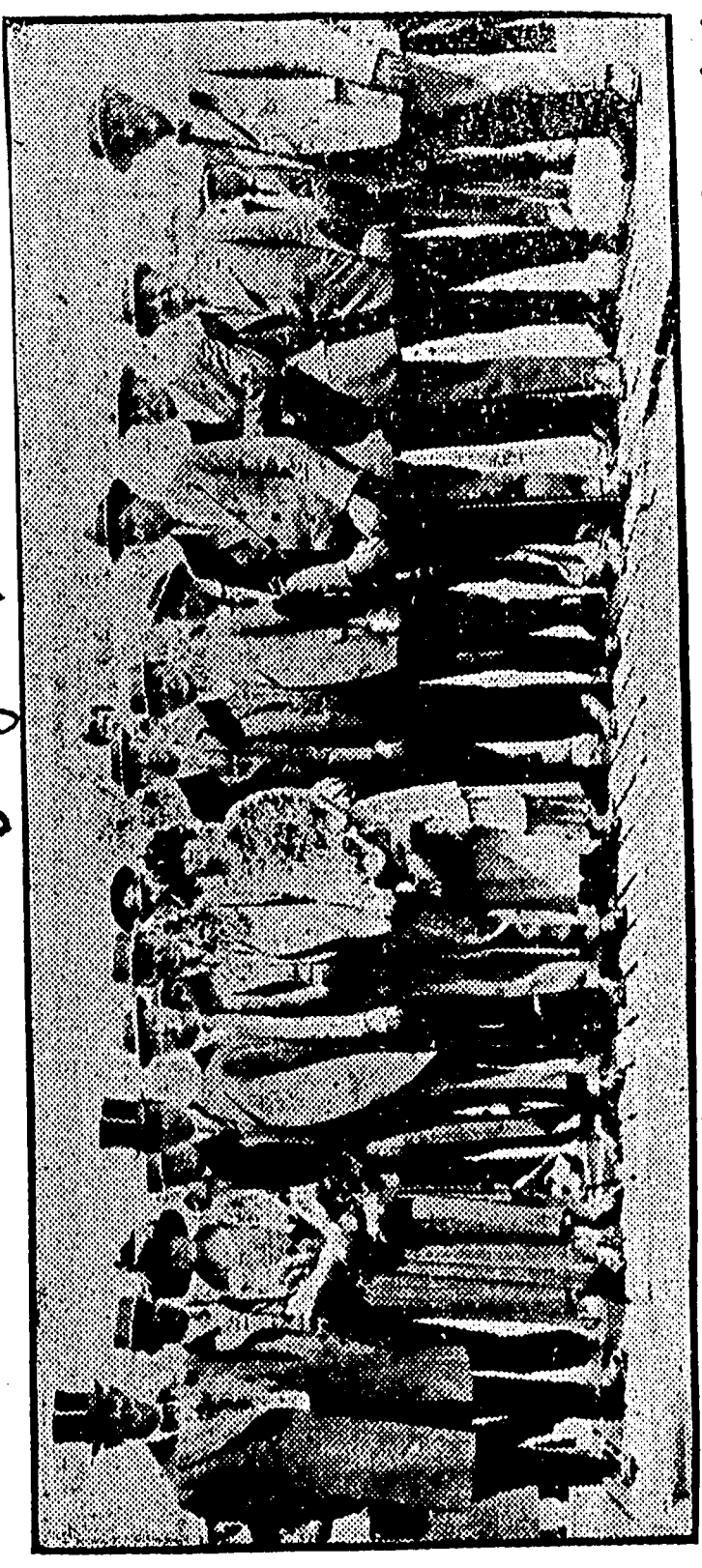
Deputy Chief Palmer in the absence of Chief of Police Hanrahan.

THE governor's party was accompanied from Boston by A. H. Lindsay of the traffic department of the Canadian National Railway and from St. John to Pictou and thence to Halifax, the C. N. R. extended their distinguished visitors every courtesy and hospitality.

General manager, L. S. Brown placed a private car at their disposal which will be occupied by them in the journey over the D. A. R. to Yarmouth. A. T. Weldon, Traffic Manager of the C. N. R., accompanied the party from St. John to Moncton and met them again yesterday morning at Truro, journeying with them to Halifax.

The party was warmly greeted at several places between St. John and Pictou. At Moncton, the mayor and the U. S. consul, with several of the citizens, paid their respects to Governor Cox and there were delegations to welcome them at Sackville and Truro. The governor expressed his gratitude to the railway officials for the courtesies and hospitality extended to him and his party.

GUBERNATORIAL PARTY IN HALIFAX
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Governor Channing Cox, of Massachusetts, and party, photographed after arrival in Halifax yesterday. With them are the Mayor and other prominent citizens of Halifax. Governor Cox is seen at Mayor Murphy's left.

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GOVERNOR COX SPENT DAY AT KENTVILLE

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He Was Given a Hearty Welcome and Spoke in Glowing Terms of the Fine Country.

Special to The Morning Chronicle
KENTVILLE, July 19.—The railway station was crowded this morning to welcome Gov. Channing Cox of Massachusetts to Kentville. The special train, with the cars of the Governor and General Manager Graham of the D. A. R., arrived promptly at 12 o'clock, the engine of the train No. 26, had been renamed Governor Cox in honor of the distinguished visitor.

The reception committee, who greeted the Governor's party consisted of Mayor A. E. H. Chesley, Councillors J. M. Cross, and W. DeWolfe, Rev. A. M. Bent and H. M. Chase. Miss Mollie Chesley, daughter of the Mayor, presented the ladies with bouquets of flowers, Mayor Chesley, in a few words welcomed the Governor to the town and spoke of the strong ties that have always existed between Massachusetts and Nova Scotia.

Governor Cox in a short address thanked the citizens for the warm welcome that had been extended him. He spoke of the wonderful reception he had been accorded throughout the province, the Governor paid a war tribute to one of Kentville's native sons, John F. Masters, now Secretary of the Canadian Club, Boston, who had arranged the tour.

He extended a cordial invitation to the people to visit his state. Following luncheon at the Cornwallis Inn, the Governor's party left on a tour of the surrounding county, the Governor going in the leading car with President A. E. McMahon of the Board of Trade. The drive was to the look-off, down through the Percu Valley, out to Kingsport and Canning, and to the experimental station, Kentville, where Prof. W. Saxby Blair conducted the party over the farm. The party were entertained at luncheon at Prof. Blair's home, about sixty guests being present.

This evening a band concert was given by the Kentville Citizens' Band on the lawn of the Cornwallis Inn.

Governor Cox gave a short address, in which he spoke of the wonderful country he had seen during the drive. Following the concert George E. Graham gave a banquet to the visitors at the Inn.

Governor Cox left Kentville by special train at 10:30 this evening for Digby.

KENTVILLE EXTENDS HEARTY WELCOME TO GOVERNOR COX

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Motor Drives and Social Functions Featured the Program Prepared For His Excellency and Party.

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KENTVILLE, July 19—Kentville was in gala attire today and gave a royal welcome to His Excellency Channing H. Cox, Governor of the Commonwealth, of Massachusetts and Mrs. Cox and party, which included Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Clay, Judge Louis Cox, Fred Cole, the governor's aide-de-camp, John F. Master, secretary of the Canadian Club, Boston, and J. S. Kerr, historian of the Canadian Club. The distinguished visitors arrived from Halifax at 11.45 a. m., by special train. The train included the private car (Nova Scotian) and the private C. N. R. car. Accompanying the party was George E. Graham, F. G. J. Comeau and Laurie Ellis, and others. An hour was spent at Grand Pre en route, looking over the historic and beautiful memorial spot.

On arriving at Kentville, His Worship Mayor A. E. H. Chesley and members of the town council, President McMahon and members of the board of trade and many other citizens, were on hand to welcome the party and were received into the private car and introduced to the Governor and Mrs. Cox and party. A pleasing bit of homage was the presentation to Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Clay of beautiful bouquets of flowers by Miss Catherine Chesley which were graciously received. Mayor Chesley, who has been so energetic in arranging for a real "Kentville" welcome, to the visitors, in a brief but very gracious address, expressed the town's pleasure in having with us these distinguished visitors, and hoped their stay in the Valley would be one of entire enjoyment. Governor Cox replied with natural eloquence and sincerity, telling of the kindly welcome he had received throughout his visit. He was very glad to be here in this province which had been peopled formerly by those coming from New England and here was to be found the purest of New England stock. He was glad to have with him John F. Masters, a native of this town now a prominent resident of Boston. We should be a happy people here, situated in this beautiful country with prosperity in evidence on every hand. In his pleasing and gracious way, he extended an invitation to visit his State, where a welcome would be given, thus cementing the strong bond of true friendship which now exists.

AFTER luncheon, the party were guests of the town on a drive thru the apple orchards and beauty spots of the Valley, including the famous look-off. They returned at 4:30 to the Nova Scotia Experimental Station, where they were received on the spacious verandas of the residence and a garden party was given by the town, the picturesque grounds being placed at their disposal by Prof. W. S. Blair, who with Mrs. Blair and Miss Helen, assisted in making this part of the visit a very happy one. Refreshments were served, young ladies of the Olympic chapter, I. O. D. E., Misses Eleanor Wickwire, Sally Wickwire, Helen Blair, Myrtle Walsh and Janet Blanchard, assisting.

The visitors and large numbers of guests spent a very enjoyable hour after which they were photographed and a drive taken around the experimental grounds. Enroute to Kentville a drive was taken thru Master's Park, where the owner, John F. Masters, had the name of Kent Ave. changed to Governor's Avenue in honor of Governor Cox's visit.

At 8 o'clock a complimentary dinner was tendered to His Excellency and party at the Cornwallis Inn, which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. The guest table was especially attractive with its decoration of American and Canadian flags. Toasts were proposed to the King and President Harding. A speech of welcome was made by George E. Graham and Governor Cox delivered an address from the verandah of the Inn, which was greatly enjoyed by hundreds of the town's folk who gathered outside.

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GOVERNOR COX AT YARMOUTH

After Spending Several Hours In Town the Party Proceeded to Boston.

Special to The Morning Chronicle
YARMOUTH, July 22—Governor Channing H. Cox and Mrs. Cox and party arrived in Yarmouth by special train from Digby at four o'clock yesterday afternoon, and at seven o'clock they sailed on the Boston-Yarmouth liner Prince George, for Boston, which concluded one of the greatest weeks of pleasure they had ever enjoyed.

While here, however, and for the short time at their disposal, the visit of the Governor and his party was made a memorable one.

The weather was ideal and owing to the remarkable summer which Western Nova Scotia is this year enjoying, Yarmouth Town and County was never more picturesque than at the present time. To add to that beauty the town was gaily decorated with bunting and flags everywhere. It was the first time in many years, if not in the history of Yarmouth, that a State Governor of the Union to the south of us has visited Yarmouth, and the entire town was out to bid them welcome.

When the train, drawn by a locomotive named "Governor Cox" in honor of the event, pulled into the Dominion Atlantic Depot, the Governor and his party were met by J. M. Walker, Mayor of Yarmouth, and several citizens. After a few minutes spent in becoming acquainted, the party was taken for a short auto drive about the town and immediate vicinity, after which they returned to the Club House of the Yarmouth Golf and Country Club.

Here they were met by a very large number of Yarmouthians and happy greetings were extended to them.

A light luncheon was served and at its conclusion Hon. E. K. Spinney, as President of that organization, extended on behalf of the Club and citizens of the town of Yarmouth a hearty welcome.

Governor Cox replied eloquently and after another cordial hand shake, the party left by auto for the Evangeline docks, where they embarked on the steamer. At the wharf the Governor was met by a large delegation of members of Philae Temple of Mystic Shriners of Halifax, of which there is a very large number in Yarmouth. Here Mayor Walker introduced the Governor to the public of Yarmouth, and in his reply Governor Cox referred to the great ties that had, during the late war, sprung up between the Canadian forces and the men who from his country had gone overseas to fight the World War.

In concluding, he spoke briefly of the one hundred or more years of peace which had existed between Canada and the United States, and he trusted that would always continue, and that those two great countries would eventually show to the other nations of the World the way to the highest ideals.

During the reception at the Club House, Mrs. Cox was presented with handsome bouquets of roses by Mrs. F. A. Ladd and Mrs. McCunn, wife of U. S. Consul J. W. McCann.

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Governor Channing Cox Charmed With Halifax

"You have a fine city, inhabited by fine people. I cannot speak too highly of the treatment given me—it has been most wonderful." In these crisp, yet feeling phrases, Hon. Channing Cox, Governor of Massachusetts, in the course of an interview given a representative of The Morning Chronicle, last night, expressed his appreciation of the reception given him during his visit to Halifax yesterday.

Expressing his delight with "the wonderful hospitality" displayed on all sides since his arrival in Nova Scotia, which he said was more reminiscent of an "Old Home Week," at home, than of a visit to another country, Governor Cox said it was a revelation to see, displayed in all parts of the city, a wonderful recovery from the disaster of 1917.

He was amazed, he said, on his arrival here to find a city combining age old dignity with the highest degree of modernity, and he was pleased and delighted with the wonderful expanse of water and trees. This was his first visit to Halifax, but it would not be his last. His brief contact with the city left in him a desire to return, some day, not in the dim future, and enjoy nature in all its beateous aspects.

Asked regarding his opinion of the Public Gardens, where he attended a reception last evening, Governor Cox said, "You can say with all truth that neither myself nor any member of my party has ever seen a natural beauty spot that could equal your Public Gardens. They are delightful."

One feature, he said, which particularly attracted his attention, was the work of the Halifax-Massachusetts Relief. His brief survey, he said, convinced him that not only the City of Halifax, but also his own State of Massachusetts owes a great deal to those Halifax men who have devoted their time and energies to this work.

"Not only in your own city have I been wonderfully well treated, he concluded, "but also at the various other parts of the Province at which I happened to touch. The warm hearted manner in which I have been received by the people of Nova Scotia will live long in my heart, and I will always owe you a great debt of gratitude. I will carry back with me to Massachusetts, back to my people, the memory of a wonderful reception accorded me by the people of this Province, and the recollection of princely treatment which could not possibly have been surpassed. I will communicate to the people of my State, as best I can, the story of the wonderful hospitality you have accorded me, and I know that story will cement even closer, if possible, the bonds of friendship already existing between your people and mine."

CIVIC ADDRESS TO GOVERNOR COX OF MASSACHUSETTS

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

July 18th, 1923.

A Public Reception by the Mayor and Aldermen and citizens of Halifax was tendered at 1.30 o'clock today in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, to His Honor Channing Harris Cox, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Mrs. Cox and their entourage which included Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Clay, Judge Louis Cox, Fred Cole, the Governor's aide-de-camp, John F. Master, Secretary of the Canadian Club of Boston and J.S. Kerr, historian of the Canadian Club of Boston.

The City Hall both outside and inside including the City Council Chamber was prettily decorated with plants, flowers and flags and suitable mottoes of welcome. The flagstaff on the Grand Parade was tastefully dressed.

There were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Colwell, Munnis, Finlay, Sanford, Bissett, Gastonguay, Schaffner, McDonald, Guildford, O'Toole, Drysdale, W.O. Cameron and Daw. The Council Chamber was filled to capacity by ladies and gentlemen. His Worship the Mayor presided with His Honor Governor Cox seated on his right and Mrs. Cox on his left.

His Worship the Mayor introduced Governor Cox and Mrs. Cox and the members of their party and after brief remarks called upon the City Clerk to read the following address.

His Excellency Channing H. Cox,
Governor of the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts.

Your Excellency:-

On behalf of the Corporation of the City of Halifax and the citizens of this City, I beg to extend to you a hearty welcome.

The ties between this City and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have always been of the closest and most intimate character. From the founding of our City in 1749 to the present time our relations in business, in law,

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in literature and in social and personal connections have never ceased to draw us one to the other. Some of our earliest lawyers and judges came to us from you, bringing with them the education and culture of your great University of Harvard.

Many of our people have found warm welcome and new homes in the cities of your State, and no small number of them have risen to prominence. Social intercourse has been so close and common that many of our citizens feel nearly as much at home in your cities, especially Boston, as in their own native City. We have been indebted to you for no small part of the laws on our Statute Book. When it was decided in 1841 to incorporate the inhabitants of this peninsula, it was to the Charter of Boston that we in great part looked for our guide and model.

But above all else, no inhabitant of Halifax can ever forget or cease to be most grateful for the wonderful way in which your citizens came to our help in the time of our great misfortune - the Explosion of 1917. The crash of that had hardly died away before the relief and assistance contributed by you on a scale of the most magnificent generosity was speeding on its way to us. Not only did you send us material assistance in goods and money, but citizens whose wisdom and experience were invaluable to us in that time of infinite confusion and distress. We have thanked your people before, but we can never thank you too much or too often.

You are arriving at a time when a movement is on foot to make more widely known the attractions of this City and Province. We trust that you will have full opportunity of seeing for yourself how great these are and will make them known to others.

We hope that in every way your stay among us, all too brief, will be a pleasant one, and such as will induce you to return.

Again we bid you truly welcome.

John Murphy,
MAYOR.

L. Fred. Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

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His Honor Governor Cox in a most felicitous reply addressed the gathering and received enthusiastic applause.

The Mayor called upon Miss Zita Hayes and Miss Elsie King to present to the ladies of the party bouquets of roses grown in the Public Gardens which they very gracefully did and for which they were thanked by Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Clay.

His Worship the Mayor again addressed Governor Cox and the meeting following which all present were individually introduced to His Honor and shook hands with him. The introductions were made by Alderman Gastonguay.

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This closed the proceedings, the Gubernational party and invited guests proceeding to a luncheon at the Waegwoltic Club, at the North West Arm.

L. Fred. Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

July 26th, 1923.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Whitman, Finlay, Bissett, McDonald, Guildford, O'Toole, Power and W.O. Cameron.

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman Bissett that the time be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.25 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Colwell, Munnis, Sanford, Gastonguay, Schaffner, Whelan, Drysdale, Hubley and Daw.

CITY COLLECTOR--DISMISSAL OF ROBERT THEAKSTON AND APPOINTMENT OF A SUCCESSOR

Read notice calling the meeting as follows:-

Office City Clerk, City Hall,
Halifax, N.S. July 23rd, 1923.

.....Esquire.

Sir.--

You are requested to attend a..... meeting of the City Council at the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday the 26th day of July 1923 at eight o'clock p.m. Agreeably to request made by the Finance Committee in a resolution passed by them at a meeting held July 20th, 1923, as follows:-

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman Finlay that His Worship the Mayor be requested to call a meeting of the City Council for Thursday evening next at eight o'clock to consider the appointment of a City Collector. Motion passed.

To proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

By order of the Mayor,

L. Fred. Monaghan,
City Clerk.

Read report Finance Committee and report minority of Finance Committee re applications for position of City Collector.

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Committee Room, City Hall,
July 20th, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day there being present Aldermen Whitman, Chairman, Finlay, Guildford, Power and W.O. Cameron.

The Chairman submitted the applications of the following named persons for the position of City Collector of the City of Halifax.

1. James V.D. Walters	#643 Verdun Avenue	Verdun, P.Q.
2. Richard T. Prince	82 Victoria St.	Montreal, P.Q.
3. M. Moloney	97 Anderson St.	" "
4. P. O'Keefe	322 St. George St.	" "
5. P. Anderson	84 Hutchinson St.	" "
6. T.C.L. Byers	2380 St. Catherine St.E.	" "
7. J. Clarke	29- 1st Avenue, Verdun	" "
8. G.M. Hayden	1907B St. Denis St.	" "
9. M.C. Seger	P. O. Box 226	Alexandria, Ont.
10. Jean Lefebvre	336A Beaudry St.	Montreal, P.Q.
11. Z. Bayard	1090 St. Andre St.	" "
12. G. Sloots	392 Chapel St.	Ottawa, Ont.
13. T.J. Lyons	3521 St. Denis St.	Montreal, P.Q.
14. Thos C. Maslin	17-20 Avenue	Lachine, P.Q.
15. R.P. Schurman	Indian Head	Saskatchewan.
16. Kenneth D. Clarke	Premier Paper & Power Co.	Hartville, N.S.
17. Alan W. Liddell	270 Portland St.	Dartmouth, N.S.
18. E.C. Darling	Lawrencetown	Annapolis, N.S.
19. A.L. Kennedy	Monarch Life Assur.Co.	Truro, N.S.
20. T.R. Edney	245 Ontario St.	Sherbrooke, P.Q.
21. C.E. Smith	144 Preston St.	Halifax, N.S.
22. G.H. Saunders	P.O. Box 1145	" "
23. C.A. White	31 Maynard St.	" "
24. Guy H. Liddell	108 Morris St.	" "
25. John L. Redmond	129 Vernon St.	" "
26. B.H. Marr	Marlborough Woods	" "
27. Ernest F. Doyle	Brunswick St.	" "
28. Alfred T. Haliburton	368 Quinpool Rd.	" "
29. W.A. Morgan	277 North St.	" "
30. John M. McCaffrey	321 Morris St.	" "
31. H.H. Stimpson	261 Tower Road	" "
32. Geo. A. Whittaker	c/o Mrs. Corbett, 21 Hollis St.	" "
33. Walter F. Edwards	2 Fraser St.	" "
34. Oswald F. Burke	65 Walnut St.	" P.Q.
35. James D. Gunn	c/o Pitblado & Co. 10 St. John St.	Montreal/
36. A. Pujos	186 Cherrier St.	Montreal, P.Q.
37. William P. Lunny	City Hall	" "
38. A.W. Purcell	Astoria House, 138 Ste. Anne St.	Quebec, P.Q.
39. J.E. Purcell	57 Cremazie St.	" "
40. Howard F. Johnston	4 Selkirk Avenue	Toronto, Ont.
41. J.F. MacDonald	-- -- -- -- --	Pictou, N.S.
42. Fred E. Wentzell	-- -- -- -- --	Pinehurst, N.S.
43. Jas. R. Douglass	P.O. Box 157	Dartmouth, N.S.
44. Martin Archibald	262 South Street	Halifax, N.S.
45. James P. Connors	310 Creighton St.	" "
46. George A. Cox	Buckingham St.	" "
47. R.S. Reid	10 Hennessey Place	" "
48. George H. Ferguson	Tramway Building	" "
49. J.F. Chisholm	132 Edward St.	" "
50. Fred A. Wilkie	418 Robie St.	" "
51. W. Roy Bennett	13 1/2 Vernon St.	" "

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	Place	
52. G.T. Taylor	64/Youville	Montreal, P.Q.
53. W.H. Harrison	5 Lincoln Ave.	Montreal, P.Q.
54. R.V. Dimock	- - - - -	Halifax, N.S.

After careful consideration of the applications a majority of your Committee consisting of the Chairman, Aldermen Finlay and Guildford recommended that the selection be confined to the names of Messrs. Martin Archibald and Ralph V. Dimock.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

Minority Report.

Alderman Power and W.O. Cameron submit in this connection a minority report recommending that the following names be submitted to the City Council for its consideration as any of them fit and proper persons for the office of City Collector of the City of Halifax viz:-

Martin Archibald,
W. Roy Bennett,
James P. Connors,
Ralph V. Dimock,
George H. Ferguson,
John M. McCaffrey,
R.S. Reid,
H.H. Stimpson.

John J. Power,
W.O. Cameron.

Also read letter Alderman Whitman July 26th, 1923 covering, along with other correspondence, applications from the additional following named persons.

55	Garthland G. Lyall	Moncton, N.B.
56	R.J. Boomer	Sydney, N.S.
57	Charles L. Power	Stewiacke N.S.

Read copy of letter from City Clerk to Robert Theakston notifying him of his dismissal from the Office of City Collector.

Office of the City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S. July 26th, 1923.

Robert Theakston, Esq.,
#400 Robie Street,
C. I. T. Y.
Sir:

I beg herewith to transmit to you copies of the resolution passed at a meeting of the City Council held on 29th June ulto. dismissing you from the Office of the City Collector and also of the grounds upon which the said resolution was based.

I further beg to transmit to you copies of the Minutes of the said meeting so far as they relate to the matter of your dismissal.

L. Fred. Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

Dict.
FHB.R.

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The City Clerk's letter was accompanied by a copy of the minutes of City Council of June 29th, 1923 relating to the matter as found partly on page 65 and on pages 66 to 77 inclusive and partly on page 78.

His Worship ^{the Mayor} informed the Council that a cheque for three months salary has not yet been tendered to Mr. Theakston and that he assumed full responsibility for its not having been tendered.

Moved by Alderman Bissett seconded by Alderman Hubley that the matter of the appointment of a City Collector be deferred for future consideration.

Alderman Whitman asked for the opinion of the City Solicitor as to whether the City Council can appoint a City Collector tonight, at its present session.

The City Solicitor in reply answered that the City Council had done all it can with reference to the dismissal of Mr. Theakston as the City Collector but was not responsible for the failure of an official to carry out the resolution of the Council in relation to the tendering of cheque.

Read the following message submitted by His Worship the Mayor.

Mayor's Office,
Halifax, N.S. July 26th, 1923.

To Members of City Council,
Halifax, N.S.
Gentlemen:

RE: Appointment City Collector

The meeting, this evening, was called under a resolution of Finance Committee for the purpose of dealing with the recommendations of this Committee respecting the position of City Collector, the applications for which vacancy were referred to them for investigation and report.

I have felt throughout that there has been undue haste, on the part of at least the Chairman of this Committee to have this permanent appointment made. I am free to admit that he undoubtedly feels the City's interests will be best served by this course. My judgment has been against moving too quickly, as I felt we could deal with the matter to better advantage after this investigation has taken more definite shape, when we could tell just what re-organization

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is necessary in the Department and I still hold this view.

We advertised through different channels for applicants and received sixty (60) applications. No doubt the Finance Committee have satisfied themselves respecting the qualifications of these applicants. It is noticeable, however, that they had apparently little difficulty in making their selection.

Under the peculiar conditions confronting the City it was reasonable to hope that Members of Council would have been left free to reach their best conclusion in dealing with this matter. This, however, seems impossible, as the usual wire-pulling has been at work to make more difficult the task of Council in coming to an unbiased decision.

In case this matter is disposed of to-night, I think it advisable, so that no man will accept this Office under any misapprehension, that the Council place on record its intention of having existing sections of City Charter, surrounding this appointment and that of other permanent officials, amended at the coming Session of the Legislature, to provide that they be subject to dismissal by a majority vote of Council and that any other restrictions surrounding the Office be removed, both as regards salaries and duties.

John Murphy,
Mayor.

Alderman Bissett's motion is put and passed unanimously.

SUPERANNUATION CHARLES NICHOLSON AND SUPERANNUATION
✓ ASSESSMENTS LAUREAT LECLERC

Read reports Committee on Works, City Engineer and City Treasurer re superannuation of Charles Nicholson an employee of the Water Department and also re superannuation assessments Laureat LeClerc who has severed his connection with the Works Department.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. July 26th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Council.

Sir:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 25th the City Engineer submitted a report and which is attached hereto recommending that Charles Nicholson employed in the Water Department be superannuated at the rate of \$510.00 per annum that being the amount he would be entitled to as per report of the City Treasurer which is also forwarded with this minute of the Works Committee. He also recommended a refund of the amount due from the Superannuation Fund to Mr. L. LeClerc he having terminated his services with the City, the City Treasurer as per report attached states he paid into the fund \$289.06 and the amount of refund to be \$144.53, the report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. July 24th, 1923.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:

Mr. Charles Nicholson, an employee of the Water Department, has reached the advanced age of seventy-three years. He has been a great many years employed in charge of the gate house at Lower Chain Lake, but recently his health has failed and the work has been carried on very satisfactorily by his son. Mr. Nicholson will be unable to attend to his work in future and I would recommend that he be superannuated. The City Treasurer informs me through the attached report that the amount to which Mr. Nicholson will be entitled on superannuation is \$510. per year, of which the official superannuation is 17/50 or \$289. and the City pay the remainder, \$221. At present the City is paying Mr. Nicholson \$17. per week for which it will not receive service.

I would also recommend that Mr. L. LeClerc be paid the amount to which he is entitled from the Superannuation Fund as his service with the City has been terminated.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

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Office of City Treasurer,
Halifax, N.S. July 24th, 1923.

His Worship Mayor Murphy,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

I am requested to report on the superannuation allowance due Charles E. Nicholson gate keeper at the Pipe House.

The records show that he was born in 1850 and is therefore 73 years old, that the date of his employment was 1883 and has served 40 years, and that he has contributed to the Official Superannuation Fund since its inception in 1907.

In 1920/21 his pay was \$780.00 and in 1921/2 - 1922/3 was \$884. per year, an average pay for the three years of \$849.34.

Under Sec. 12 Chap. 74 Acts 1914 he is entitled to 30/50 of \$849.34 viz \$510.00 per year, of which the Official Superannuation Fund pays 17/50 viz \$289.00 and civic assessment 14/50 the balance \$221.00.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

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Office of City Treasurer,
Halifax, N.S. July 26, 1923.

His Worship Mayor Murphy,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

I am requested to report in re refund of superannuation dues paid into the official Superannuation

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Fund by Laureat LeClerc. He paid into the fund since May 1st, 1919 to the amount of \$289.06.

He is entitled to a refund of one half of the amount \$144.53 under Sec. 11 Chapter 74 of the Acts of 1914.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Finlay that the said reports be adopted. Motion passed.

BILL POSTER'S LICENSE A.N. FERGUSON

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee recommending the granting of a Bill Poster's License to A.N. Ferguson.

Committee Room, City Hall,
July 23rd, 1923.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day the attached application of Mr. A.N. Ferguson for a Bill Poster's License was read.

Your Committee recommend that the application be granted.

H.S. Colwell,
Acting Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Drysdale that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

COMMON IMPROVEMENT--ELECTRIC LIGHTING AT EGG POND.

Read report Committee on Works recommending payment of account \$886. chargeable to Common Improvement account for electric lighting installation at Egg Pond.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. July 25, 1923.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Works Committee beg to recommend for payment the attached account of Farquhar Bros. amounting to the sum of \$886.00 for installing lighting at Egg Pond.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Hubley that the report be adopted and the account paid. Motion passed.

Engineer
Clerk of Works
Auditor
Treasurer

Ans by Clerk

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TRAMWAY SERVICE

Read letter Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Co. Limited
re Tramway Service.

Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co.Ltd.,
Halifax, N.S. July 14th, 1923.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S.
Dear Sir:-

We beg to acknowledge your memorandum of July 5th containing a resolution moved by Alderman Daw and passed unanimously by the City Council with reference to a reduction in the tram service on the Belt Line. We feel that there would have been no occasion for this resolution had the Aldermen understood that when the change is made a better service on the Belt Line will probably result. At the present time travel throughout the system is materially lower than it was a year ago yet at certain times of the day namely morning, noon and night, when people are going to or returning from their work, the cars are fairly well loaded. It is the purpose of the Company to remove from service two of the sixteen cars on the Belt Line during the periods of day when travel is lightest, namely, in the middle of the morning, in the middle of the afternoon and late in the evening but to operate these two cars, with whatever others may be necessary during the rush periods, morning, noon and night. The result of this will be that a much better service will be provided during these rush periods and during the hours when there is no rush there will only be an interval of one-half minute greater than at present between cars. We feel that this will not be noticeable during the time of day when travel is light.

W.L. Weston,
Manager.

Filed. ✓

ELECTRIC LIGHTING ACCOUNTS--DISCOUNT

Read report His Worship the Mayor covering letter
Nova Scotia Tramway & Power Company Limited re discount
on Electric Light and power bills.

Mayor's Office,
Halifax, N.S. July 26th, 1923.

To Members of City Council,
Halifax, N.S.

Gentlemen: Re: N.S. Tramways & Power Lighting Accounts

I am enclosing copy of a notice served on us by the above advising that, in future, it will be necessary to pay accounts rendered within ten days after date in order to get the advantage of the discount.

As this means a considerable item to the City,

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in the instance referred to running to \$137.97, I feel that some arrangement is necessary to ensure us getting the advantage of this discount and would ask Council to pass a resolution authorizing the payment of these accounts on approval by the Mayor, they to be later presented to Council in the regular course.

John Murphy,
MAYOR.

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Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co.,
Limited, Halifax, N.S. July 16th, 1923.

City Clerk,
City of Halifax,
Halifax, N.S.
Dear Sir:

We beg to call to your attention the matter of payment of the City Hall electric light bills. Our Collector has just passed in \$413.93 which you have paid in settlement of the above bills.

City Engineer ✓
Chief of Works ✓
City Auditor ✓
City Treasurer ✓
City Electrician ✓
City Health Board ✓
Gov. & Const. - City Clerk ✓
Gas & Water - City Clerk ✓
John J. Klein P.P. ✓
R. Power Public Safety ✓
Miss S. J. Wilson ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓
County Clerk ✓

	Gross	Net
	\$207.40	
Discount if paid on or before <u>March 15th</u>	51.85	155.55
	Gross 181.70	
Discount if paid on or before <u>April 12th</u>	45.42	136.28
	Gross 162.80	
Discount if paid on or before <u>May 11th</u>	40.70	<u>122.10</u>
		<u>413.93</u>

You have therefore deducted from these bills \$137.97 of unearned discounts. We must ask you hereafter to be good enough to see that bills are paid within ten days after date if it is desired to deduct the discount. This is our regular rule applicable to all customers.

J.R. Blackett,
TREASURER.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Whitman that His Worship the Mayor and the Officials be authorized to in future when electric light and power accounts are properly checked and certified to pay same in time to obtain the benefit of discounts allowed for prompt payment and that the various civic departments be notified accordingly and that the Departments concerned report the accounts to the City Council in the usual way notwithstanding that they may have been previously paid under the authority of this resolution. Motion passed unanimously.

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IVANHOE STREET SEWER AND WATER SERVICES

His Worship the Mayor verbally reported that the Eastern Trust Company had signed the agreement in connection with sewer and water extension Ivanhoe Street and that the Works Committee had taken tenders and recommend the acceptance of the lowest tender, that of Bianco & Hanratty.

Engineer

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Hubley that the contract be awarded to the lowest tenderer Bianco & Hanratty.

Motion passed Alderman Daw dissenting.

PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNTS

His Worship the Mayor Chairman of the Commissioners of Halifax Common submits the following named accounts chargeable to the Public Gardens and recommends that they be paid.

Hillis & Co.	\$121.57
Northern Electric Co.	48.28
Wm. Robertson & Son	49.78
Buckley Drug Co.	1.85
N.S. Nursery	12.50
Thompson & Co.	17.32
Evans & Co.	36.20
Davison, Parker Co.	1.98
Phinney's Ltd.	12.00
1st P.L.F. Band	50.00
The Halifax Herald	8.82
	<u>\$360/30</u>

John Murphy.

Moved by Alderman Munnis seconded by Alderman Sanford that the accounts be paid. Motion passed.

HIS EXCELLENCY GOVERNOR GENERAL BYNG--CIVIC ADDRESS

His Worship the Mayor informed the Council that His Excellency General The Lord Byng of Vimy Governor General of Canada would pay an official visit to the City of Halifax on August 15th and that a suggestion had been made that the City of Halifax present him with an address and that such address be presented at the Provincial Building

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following the address to be presented to him by the Province.

Moved by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Whitman that a civic address be presented to His Excellency The Governor General and that the carrying out of the details be left to His Worship the Mayor. Motion passed.

LOAN \$25,000.00 FOR SEWER CONSTRUCTION

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Munnis that the Finance Committee finance a loan of \$25,000.00 for sewer construction. Motion passed.

DARTMOUTH NATAL DAY--HALF HOLIDAY

His Worship the Mayor asked the Council to authorize the holding of a Public Half Holiday on Thursday August 2nd, Dartmouth's Natal Day. Approved.

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

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Council adjourns 9.40 o'clock.

L. Fred. Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.


John Murphy,
MAYOR.

Mayor

*Asst. Whitman
Asst. by Clerk
Treasurer*

Adm