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OF THE

Council of the Municipality

OF THE

COUNTY OF HALIFAX, N. S.

Annual Meeting January, 1902, and Semi-
Annual Meeting, April, 1902.

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W. H. WISWELL, CLERK.

CHAS. E. SMITH, DEPUTY WARDEN.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

January, 1902.

The January Session of the Halifax County Council was opened on Tuesday, Jan. 14th. All the Councillors, thirty-two in number, were present and were sworn in. The business was commenced at noon. The first business proceeded with was the election of a Warden. B. C. Wilson, of Waverley, and G. H. Madill, of Gay's River, were nominated. When the ballots were counted it was found that Mr. Madill had been elected, he having received eighteen votes and Mr. Wilson fourteen votes.

The new Warden thanked the Councillors for the honor done him, and he hoped that they would co-operate with him in carrying out the business as satisfactorily and as speedily as possible during the session. The Council then adjourned for lunch.

When the session was resumed in the afternoon, Chas. E. Smith, of Sambro, was elected Deputy Warden.

Personnel of the Council.

The new Council is composed of the following members:

Herring Cove—Patrick Hayes.
Portuguese Cove—Bernard Johnson.
Sambro—Chas. E. Smith.
Upper Prospect—Jas. A. Coolen.
Hackett's Cove—Wesley Crooks.
French Village—Isaac Croucher.
Spryfield—Wm. Bishop.
N. W. Arm—Jas. Billman.
Bedford—G. S. Canfield.
Hammonds Plains—Lindsay Moren.
Sackville—J. S. Flemming.
Waverley—B. C. Wilson.
Gay's River—G. H. Madill.
Meagher's Grant—O. A. Milne.
Mid. Musquodoboit—J. H. Taylor.

Up. Musquodoboit—T. S. Stewart.
Lower Prospect—J. F. Ryan.
Moser's River—Alex. F. Smith.
Sheet Harbor—H. Hall.
Tangier—D. T. Leslie.
Jeddore—Wm. Homans.
Chezzetcook—Wm. Myett.
Lawrencetown—Peter Kuhn.
Preston—John Thomas.
Cole Harbor—S. W. Lydiard.
Hubbard's Cove—Chas. McLean.
Eastern Passage—W. F. Negus.
Salmon River—J. H. Whitman.
Little River—Alex. McMullin.
East Chezzetcook—Danl. Casey.
Dover—J. Bernard Connors.
Carribou (new)—Fred. D. Darrah.

The following were appointed a nomination committee to appoint standing committees: Councillors Lydiard, Billman, Negus, C. E. Smith, T. E. Stewart, Hall and Flemming.

Inspector's Report.

The report of the Liquor License Inspector was then taken up, and the Council granted licenses to the following:

W. F. Esdaile, Lower Bedford.
Richard Shepherd, Jr., St. Margarets Bay Road.
Thomas J. Butler, St. Margarets Bay Road.
Jas. H. Walsh, Upper Prospect.
Angus Bowser, St. Margarets Bay Road.
Wm. Topple, shop, Spryfield.

Norman H. Oakes' application was referred to the committee on licenses, as his paper did not bear the required number of names.

The application of Thomas Hamm for a hotel license at Upper Prospect was also referred to the license committee.

The License Inspector's report showed that the total receipts were \$1,625, and the expenses \$776.67, leaving a balance in favor of the municipality of \$848.33.

During Mr. Sedgewick's term of office fifty-five cases were prosecuted, which there were thirty-five convictions and eighteen dismissals. Twenty-nine of those convicted paid their fines. Mr. Sedgewick was re-appointed License Inspector.

The Council adjourned at 4.30 to meet on Wednesday morning at 10.30.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Halifax County Council resumed business Wednesday morning at 10.30 o'clock, with the Warden, Geo. H. Madill, in the chair. The first business taken up was the report of the committee appointed to nominate standing committees.

Standing Committees.

The report was as follows: Your committee beg to report the following for standing committees for the year, viz.:

Hospital for Insane—Councillors Wilson, Milne, Casey, Connors, Whitman, Crooks.

Assessment — Councillors Flemming, Croucher, Taylor, McLean, Leslie, A. F. Smith.

Roads and bridges—Councillors C. E. Smith, Hall, McMullen, Canfield, Negus, Ryan, Stewart.

License—Councillors Hall, McLean, Homans, Darrah, Moran, Hayes.

Public property—Councillors Lydiard, C. E. Smith, Billman, Johnson, Bishop, Wilson.

Finance—Councillors Billman, Kuhn, Taylor, Canfield, Lydiard, Whitman.

Jury lists—Councillors Negus and Flemming.

Law amendments—Councillors Taylor, Kuhn, Coolen, Leslie, Moren, Myett.

Poor—Councillors McMullin, Thomas, Myett, Johnson, Darrah, Crooks.

(Signed.) Councillors Lydiard,
 “ Billman,
 “ Negus,
 “ C. E. Smith,
 “ T. E. Stewart,
 “ Hall,
 “ Flemming.

The report was adopted.

Coroner's Constable Report.

Chief County Constable Burbridge applied for reappointment.

Coroner's Constable Spencer reported eighty-five deaths during the year attended to by the different parties on the certificate of the Medical Examiner.

Joseph Spencer and W. H. Snow applied for appointment as Coroner's Constable. Mr. Spencer was re-appointed.

Jail Keeper's Report.

The report of W. L. Malcolm, keeper of the County jail, was read as follows:

During the year ending December 31st last 266 criminals and 47 debtors were committed to the jail, 38 of the criminals being females. The total was five above that of the previous year. The largest number of prisoners in the jail at any one time during the year was 35. Oakum picking was the only available employment for the prisoners and that had to be stopped for a time during the year until the surplus stock could be disposed of. Of the 313 prisoners committed 209 were from the City Court, 34 from the Supreme and County Courts and 15 from Dartmouth.

The money received from the sales of oakum, room rent, boarding deserters, etc., was \$141.50. There had been one death during the year. The conduct of the prisoners generally was good.

The jailor submitted a return of prisoners committed for each offence during the year. It was as follows

Rape	5
Perjury	2
Forgery	3
Larceny	75
Bigamy	1
Mischief	5
Burglary	7
Assault	37

Bastardy	6
Vagrarancy	3
Drunkenness	37
Stowaways.....	1
Trespassing	9
Unsound mind	2
Indecent assault	3
Disorderly	9
Desertion from ship	9
Threats	4
Escaping from prison	2
Violation of fishery act	1
Burglary and larceny	8
Receiving stolen goods	4
Damaging property	11
Resisting peace officers	3
Selling liquor without license	2
Birth concealment	1
Neglect to support	2
Carrying fire arms	3
Inmates bauty house	7
Endeavor to create revolt	1
Procuring women	1
Having counterfeit money	1
Allowing child to grow up without parental control	1

missioners of the court house for the ensuing year.

The contract for printing the minutes was awarded the Chronicle Publishing Co., whose tender was the lowest.

The Council adjourned to meet at 2.30.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

The session was resumed at 2.30. A letter was read from C. E. Puttner, of the Victoria General Hospital, offering to supply pure vaccine at a moderate cost to any district in the County where it might be required. On motion of Councillors Flemming and Morien, the letter was placed on file.

Report of County Stipendiary.

The report of the County Stipendiary was presented as follows:

To His Honor the Warden and Councillors for the Municipality of Halifax County:

The Stipendiary Magistrate begs leave to submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1901:

Fees collected for the quarter ending March 31st	\$ 60.35
Fees collected for the quarter ending June 30th.....	49.75
Fees collected for the quarter ending Sept. 30th	109.30
Fees collected for the quarter ending Dec. 31st	71.30
Total	\$ 290.70

No. of trials and convictions (liquor cases)	35
No. of trials and convictions (other cases)	41
Amount of fines imposed	\$1,635.00

Amount of fines collected:—

Cases under criminal code	\$ 408.00
Cases for breach of peddler's by-law	44.00
Cases under Liquor License Act	835.00

\$1,287.00

Amount of fines uncollected	348.00
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Total amount of fines and fees

\$1,635.00

The report was adopted.

Peddler Inspector's Report.

Peddler Inspector Harry Wright reported that during 1901 39 peddler's licenses were taken out as against four in 1900, and the receipts amounted to \$346, as against \$39 in 1900.

Councillor Caufield raised the question as to what constituted a peddler. He thought the by-law was faulty. The matter was referred to the committee on law amendments.

Clerk of License Parker Archibald recommended the appointment of assistant clerks in different parts of the County to issue licenses when required and expedite the enforcement of the peddling license by-law. He agreed with the Inspector that those who have taken out licenses are of a more respectable and responsible class than some of the peddlers who formerly travelled through the County.

The reports were adopted.

Harry Wright was re-appointed License Inspector and D. McDougall constable.

Councillors W. S. Lydiard and J. S. Flemming were on motion appointed com-

Under the Stipendiary Magistrate's Act now in force the jurisdiction of the Magistrate extends over the Municipality, Halifax and Dartmouth, and is not confined to the Municipality as heretofore. On account of possessing greater jurisdiction he was called upon to deal with cases which did not arise within the Municipality. In four of these cases the County received a substantial amount in fines. There were quite a number of cases arising in the city and Dartmouth, however, which brought in no financial returns and yet the Magistrate was required to deal with them by virtue of his office.

During the year a large number of complaints were settled to the satisfaction of the parties concerned without the issue of papers. The Municipality was thus saved considerable sums which otherwise would have been expended in constables and witness fees.

The Magistrate has sought to assist Supervisors of Roads and Collectors of School Rates by the issue of warrants and otherwise to collect rates and taxes and gave special attention to the enforcement of the by-law relating to peddlers.

On account of the offences having been committed in the more distant parts of the County, and the local magistrates through other duties being unable to try the offenders, at their request and under instructions from His Honor the Warden, the Magistrate made four trips along the eastern shore, and determined the cases. The punishment of the offenders taught them and others to have a wholesome respect for law. The testimony of the leading men of the districts is that the regular visits of the Magistrates have caused a decrease in crime.

The Magistrate in closing his report desires to state that he is at all times ready to advise with members of the Council and county and district officers in regard to all matters relating to the welfare of the Municipality and to assist them in the solution of any difficulties that may arise in the performance of their duties.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN McDUGALL,
Stipendiary Magistrate.

On motion of Councillor J. H. Whitman, seconded by Councillor S. W. Lydiard, the report was adopted.

County Jail Physician's Report.

The report of Dr. Trenaman, physician to the County Jail, was read as follows:

His Honor the Warden and the Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:

Gentlemen,—I herewith submit my report, as physician to the Halifax County Jail, for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1901:

There have been more than the usual number of cases under treatment during the year, most of them of a light character and due to conditions existing previous to their entering jail—such as chronic ulcer, rheumatic pains, heavy colds, etc.

One death occurred among the prisoners. On May 27th, James Lacy, aged — years, while talking pleasantly with his companions, suddenly fell to the floor dead. The Medical Examiner investigated the case, and the post mortem revealed a rupture of the heart.

Several severe cases of delirium tremens gave much anxiety and necessitated careful watching.

Three insane persons were committed, all of whom were sent to Mount Hope Hospital.

Certificates of good health were prepared for and sent with all prisoners under sentence to Dorchester Penitentiary, as follows:

Jan. 22nd—Joseph Inglis, Clyde Boutlier, James Walsh, Horace Bowers, Jas. Boyce, George Rolfe.

Feb. 22—Richard Taylor.

March 31st—John H. Bartlett, Roderick Smith, Alfred Hersch.

July 15th—Henry Saunders, Charlotte Saunders, Edw Fitzgerald, Mary Ann Graham, Samuel Churchill.

Sept. 27th—Wm. Drake, Clement Newell, James White, Augustus Sweeney.

Oct. 14th—John V. Shellsworth, Geo. Heather.

Nov. 28th—Alfred Riskey.

Dec. 19th—Jas. McKay, Arthur Mahoney, Joseph Brace, Eli Verge.

The jail building and fixtures are now in good condition, and the plumbing, sewerage and sanitary requirements generally, are satisfactory. The building has been kept clean, and the cells and corridors well lime washed. The food supplied has been of good quality and well cooked. The jailer, matron and turn-key have been thoughtful of the needs of those sick and attentive to their wants.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. TRENAMAN, M.D.,

Physician to the County Jail.

On motion of Councillor J. H. Taylor, seconded by Councillor H. Hall, the report was adopted.

Canadian Forestry.

The following letter to the Warden of the County of Halifax was read and placed on file:

Halifax, 2nd Dec., 1901.

Dear Sir,—As the Nova Scotian representative of the Canadian Forestry Association, I am asked to obtain for our annual meeting an estimate of the injury to the forests of this Province during the past year.

1. I will therefore be much obliged to you if you send me at your earliest convenience (a) the location of all forest fires you know to have occurred during the year, (b) an estimate of the average of square miles of forest injured, and (c) any information about the origin of the fires and the character of the destruction.

2. We are endeavoring to learn how our forests may be most economically stimulated for the production of the most useful woods, for the utilization of what would otherwise be barren lands, and for the improvement of climatic and general conditions with respect to (a) Government lands, (b) extensive private forests, and (c) forests or woodbelts on farm lands.

I shall be glad to know if you will be willing to make suggestions and to consider schemes which may be proposed for

such purposes. An early answer will oblige.

I am, yours very truly,

A. H. MACKAY,

Vice-President Can. Forestry Ass'n.

The following interesting report from the Board of Revisors of Assessment and Appeal was read and discussed at length:

Board of Revisors Report.

To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of the County of Halifax.

We the Board of Revisors of Assessment and Appeal:

Met at the Court House, according to Law, and decided to visit several of the Districts. We visited Nos. 11, 12, 13, 32, and part of 14; also 22, 25, 34, 24, 26, 27, 36, 29, 31. Saw several of the assessors from districts not visited in districts visited. Made slight changes by adding and deducting as we thought fit. We still met with difficulties in regard to the shortness of time to travel and we suggest if this law continues you will strive to have the time changed so to allow the Board ample time to visit all the districts, also to have time of year changed and make it earlier in the season, so as to give the Board a chance to meet with the assessors. We find great difficulty in getting transfers or changes of property. We would suggest the Register of Deeds would keep a book to note all property transfers in the County, and once a year make return to the Clerk; it would greatly add to the forwarding of the work. Also we would suggest that you would make a qualification of \$300 for Assessors, and that you would appoint the best men in the District.

Revisors S. H. Henley,

J. Sprott Stewart,

E. B. Huhley.

The following is a tabulated statement of the valuations contained in the assessment rolls for the Districts from No.

7 to 38, in the Municipality of Halifax
County for the year 1901-1902:

Dis.	1901.	1902.	Inc.	Dec.
No. 7 ...	\$24,760	\$24,265		495
" 8 ...	22,581	23,170	589	
" 9 ...	24,228	25,351	1,123	
" 10 ...	25,305	28,335	3,030	
" 11 ...	47,260	47,045		215
" 12 ...	42,473	43,873	1,400	
" 13 ...	35,535	36,705	1,170	
" 14 ...	121,255	130,480	9,225	
" 15 ...	176,770	175,075		1,695
" 16 ...	44,538	46,070	1,532	
" 17 ...	138,320	140,755	2,435	
" 18 ...	112,820	113,005	185	
" 19 ...	90,549	90,205		344
" 20 ...	46,279	47,280	1,001	
" 21 ...	132,400	130,475		1,925
" 22 ...	112,390	115,625	3,235	
" 23 ...	13,115	13,195	80	
" 24 ...	54,735	71,194	16,459	
" 25 ...	88,235	87,950		285
" 26 ...	79,545	80,470	925	
" 27 ...	112,240	116,726	4,486	
" 28 ...	68,795	78,197	1,402	
" 29 ...	57,065	56,390		675
" 30 ...	27,525	27,923	398	
" 31 ...	182,775	187,295	4,520	
" 32 ...	88,171	97,275	9,104	
" 33 ...	76,535	74,855		1,680
" 34 ...	80,072	77,125		2,447
" 35 ...	37,664	36,178		1,486
" 36 ...	87,664	90,955	3,291	
" 38 ...	19,170	20,531	1,361	
" 35 ...	37,664	36,178		1,486
		\$2,260,073	\$67,268	\$11,747

Increase over 1901. 55,521

A warm debate over the taxing of lumber companies was participated in by Councillors Taylor, Billman, Ryan, Lydiard and Canfield.

The Council adjourned at 4.30 to meet on Thursday morning at 10.30.

THURSDAY MORNING.

The Municipal Council resumed its session Thursday morning at 10.30. The Minutes of Wednesday afternoon's session were read and approved.

The report of the Revisors was referred to the committee on assessment.

This being the last day for presenting petitions the Clerk notified the Council to that effect.

Letter from Mayor Johnston, of Dartmouth.

The following letter was read by the Clerk:

Dartmouth, N. S., Jan. 13th, 1902.

His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax:

Gentlemen,—At the present time this town, as far as I am aware, is totally free from the sale of intoxicating liquor, due to the vigilance of our License Inspector, who is very prompt in having any violation of the License Law promptly punished.

It has not been without a great deal of trouble that this most desirable state of affairs has been reached, which while primarily in the interests of the Town, is also a benefit to the county at large.

Allow me to call your attention to the fact that the efforts made by the Town in this regard are to a certain extent nullified, owing to places existing outside the town and under your jurisdiction where, I believe, liquor is freely and openly sold, contrary to law.

May I, as one of your own ratepayers, as well as Mayor of this Town, say that I feel sure that when this matter is publicly brought to your notice you will take such steps, at your present session, as may seem most advisable to close up the places complained of, and thus remove from your midst a great danger to the morals of the men, not only of this municipality, but of your own as well.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

A. C. JOHNSTON,

Mayor of Dartmouth.

In reference to this letter the Warden said that he had heard a great deal of complaint about this matter and thought that perhaps a detective might be appointed to look into it.

Councillor Negus said that the whole thing was very hard to get at as the people in the district will give no information concerning it. Further he thought that there was much more drunkenness in the neighborhood of Fort Clarence.

Inspector Sedgewick said that the day after he took office he received a letter

on this subject. On March 19 he made a complete search with Constable Burbidge and found nothing. He was again written to later on, but nothing definite was in the information. At exhibition time he was again informed that if he went quietly without any chance of the parties in question getting wind of it, he would find liquor. He did so and found nothing.

On the first search there was a slight smell of ale, but afterwards not even a smell. He felt satisfied that nothing of an intoxicating character had been there.

Little River Petition.

The following petition was then read:

To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:

The petition of the undersigned ratepayers of Little River and Chaswood, in the County of Halifax, humbly sheweth:

That the road leading from Chaswood to Little River is in a very unsatisfactory and dangerous condition; that it is the most direct route from Little River to Stewiacke Station; that the present road is a very heavy and continuous grade, making it extremely hard to haul loads up and dangerous to come down; that your petitioners believe that an easier grade and safer road is available without much expense by taking the line of the old Ervin Road so called, to the old line of main road, thence, westerly by said old road to the mouth of the Meadow road so called, thence by said Meadow road to the junction of the present road, a distance of about one half mile. Your petitioners humbly ask that a precept be granted to Hervie Grant and Geo. H. Taylor, farmers, both of Chaswood, in District No. 21, for laying out such change of road, it being understood that the cost of such laying out shall be a District charge.

Notice.

To Residents of Chaswood and Little River:

We the undersigned, hereby give notice that it is our intention to make application at the January session of the Municipal Council of Halifax County for the changing of the Meadow road so called from its present route to that of

the old Ervin road so called, and along the route as it formerly went.

HERVIE GRANT,
GEO. H. TAYLOR.

December 24th, 1901.

On motion of Councillor J. H. Taylor and Councillor McMullin, the petition was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.



Memorial of the Nova Scotia Eastern Railway Co.

The Clerk read the following letter:

Whereas, a charter has been granted by the Legislature of Nova Scotia to the Musquodoboit Railway Company, Limited, which, with amendments thereto authorizes the said Company to build and equip a line of railway beginning at some point on the Intercolonial Railway near Windsor Junction; thence easterly through the eastern sections of the County of Halifax, by way of the Musquodoboit Valley to the County line of Guysboro County, and thence to a point in the St. Mary's Valley, where a railway to be constructed from a point in the County of Pictou will intersect the railway first herein described;

And whereas, a charter was also granted by the said Legislature to the Nova Scotia Eastern Railway Company, Limited, to build and equip a railway from a point on the Intercolonial at or near New Glasgow, in the County of Pictou, to the said point of junction in the Valley of the St. Mary's, and thence by way of Country Harbor, in Guysboro County, to the Strait of Canso;

And whereas, the said Nova Scotia Eastern Railway Company, Limited, and the said The Musquodoboit Railway Company, Limited, have been amalgamated and united under the name of the Nova Scotia Eastern Railway Company, Limited, which united Company has undertaken to construct both lines of railway hereinbefore described;

And whereas, the charter incorporating the said Nova Scotia Eastern Railway Company, Limited, provides that it shall be lawful for the Company to receive from any Municipality through which the said road shall pass, any real or personal property;

And whereas, the Municipality of the County of Halifax is desirous of assisting the construction of the said railway by paying the necessary damages for the right of way thereof;

Therefore resolved, that the lands to be taken or acquired in the said Municipality of the County of Halifax for tracks or station purposes and for terminal facilities for the line of railway and branches to be built by the said Company, as so amalgamated, that is to say, by the said Nova Scotia Eastern Railway Company, Limited, beginning at some point on the Intercolonial Railway near Windsor Junction, and thence easterly through the eastern districts of the County of Halifax by way of the Musquodoboit Valley to the County line of the County of Guysboro, be and become a charge upon the Municipality of the County of Halifax, and the acquisition of such lands is hereby authorized.

Re the electric tramway on Bedford road, some discussion was caused over the fact that the proposed road might be a nuisance to passing teams. Several of the Councillors desired more information on the scope of the Act in question, and Councillor Canfield offered to bring his solicitor before the Council in the afternoon to explain the situation.

Dr. Sinclair's Report.

A report from Dr. Sinclair was in reference to the inspection of public, humane and penal institutions and also copy of the Act under which he proceeds were read.

The letter was as follows:

Halifax, Nov. 12th, 1901.

W. H. Wiswell, Esq., County Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.:

Sir,—I enclose you a copy of the Act referring to the Inspector of Humane and Penal Institutions and in accordance with the duties therein mentioned ask that you will bring to the attention of the Council at its next meeting the following matters:

1st. The rules at present in force at the County Jail are not in my opinion sufficient or satisfactory. I have to request that others more modern and in keeping with the prevailing present day ideas be compiled. I would suggest that

those which have been drawn up by the County Stipendiary as far as they go will meet with my approval.

2nd. I must ask that the system at present practised of having the turnkey visit the corridor occupied by female prisoners, be discontinued and that for the future the matron have the supervision and control of female inmates and that except in her company, no male officer of the jail be allowed to visit the part of the house occupied by female prisoners.

3rd. I consider it essential that bath tubs with hot and cold water and proper fittings should be installed at once in jail and that all prisoners be regularly bathed, at least once a week.

4th. I think that sheets should be provided for all the beds and changed at least once a week. The sanitary needs of the prison require this.

5th. There should be provided a book in which the Physician should record the date and hour of his visits, a brief account of the nature of the disease of every prisoner requiring treatment, and his instructions respecting diet, medicine, etc. This to be signed by the Physician. At intervals he should also inspect the sanitary state of the whole building and enter in his journal his opinion, with any suggestions he may have to make regarding changes and also as to the quality of the food, the sufficiency of the prisoners clothing, bedding or other matters.

6th. There should be a diet scale arranged for the different classes of inmates, viz.: Adults, male prisoners awaiting trial, adult prisoners sentenced to hard labor and for women and juveniles under fourteen years of age.

7th. If they do not already exist there should be rules for the prisoners getting exercise in the open air every fine day unless the sentence forbids this.

I am,

Yours truly,

GEO. L. SINCLAIR, M. D.

Inspector.

Dr. Sinclair made some explanations as to the way that and the sources from which the regulations had been compiled. He referred particularly to the necessity

for bath tubs, exercise and seclusion of female prisoners. He also strongly recommended that sheets be provided for the beds, and frequently changed, as a matter of hygiene and decency. He also recommended modern heating and lighting—steam and electricity.

The County Clerk asked for information as to the number of prisoners who should be allowed to exercise at once and also as to the carrying of firearms by the turnkey. Dr. Sinclair thought regulations should be provided in such matters and also with regard to the examination of prisoners who might have infectious diseases.

The Clerk read the jail regulations. It was moved by Councillor Wilson that the report be referred to the committee on Public Property. Passed.

Letter from Janitor Smith.

The Clerk read a letter from Janitor Smith as follows:

Halifax, Jan. 15, 1902.

To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:

Gentlemen.—For a number of years I have been cleaning the public offices in the Court House, receiving therefrom about \$86 per year. At the last session of the Legislature an Act was passed requiring the County to clean the said offices, which I now have to do, and do not receive any remuneration therefor.

At the time of my appointment it was understood that I receive from the various officials of the Court House compensation for the work done in cleaning said offices, which I do not receive, and I would respectfully ask your honorable body to remunerate me, for the loss sustained in consequence of the passing of said Act.

Your obedient servant,

A. W. SMITH, Janitor.

The Clerk thought that the offices should be cleaned at expense of occupants and their furniture should not be renewed. A general discussion ensued as to the privileges and immunities of the offices referred to, including Registrar of Deeds, Prothonotary, Sheriff and Probate Court.

On motion the following resolution was passed:

Whereas, by Act of Legislature in cleansing of the different offices in the Court House, which heretofore was paid for by occupants of the executive offices, is now made a duty of the Municipality to perform and the County Janitor's pay is thereby materially reduced,

Therefore resolved, that the Council vote the sum of \$50 per year for such service so long as the existing law is in force.

Land for N. S. Railway Co.

A resolution providing that the land to be taken or acquired in this municipality for terminal facilities for the N. S. Eastern Railway Co., beginning at some point on the Intercolonial near Windsor Junction and thence through the eastern districts of the county by way of the Musquodoboit Valley, become a charge on the municipality of the County of Halifax.

Discussion on the resolution was deferred until Saturday.

The Council adjourned at one o'clock to meet again at 2.30.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Council opened at 2.30 p. m. with the Warden in the chair. The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved. With regard to the Bedford Electric Tram Company, the Warden stated that Mr. McNeil, barrister, was present and would like to be heard on the matter. The Council granted the request to hear Mr. McNeil. He said that in 1899 the Legislature had granted a charter to build an electric road, and he now asked the Council to pass a resolution to sanction the building of the same. The Municipality had been amply protected in the work which would go on in conformity with the charter.

Councillor Wilson asked if any provision had been made for the protection of the highway.

Mr. McNeil said that the Government Engineer had provided for the protection of the highway.

In answer to Councillor McMullen, Mr. McNeil said that he was not prepared to say who would bear the cost of widening the road.

Councillor Wilson said that vested rights had already been encroached upon. The road in some places was now very narrow, particularly about the hotel at Rockingham.

At the request of the Council Mr. McNeil read from the Revised Statutes the provisions contained in the Charter which had been granted to the Company.

Councillor C. E. Smith said that it would be well not to pass any resolution hastily. He thought it advisable to first ascertain what liability the County would incur and to what extent the County would share in the profits, if any. The removal of snow was also an important matter, which should be carefully looked into.

Councillor S. Lydiard asked if the Municipality would be liable for damages in event of any accidents along the narrow road.

Mr. McNeil said that the road would be wide enough to prevent any accidents on the Company's part.

Councillor C. E. Smith said that the valuation of lands that might be appropriated by the Municipality should be obtained.

Councillor Wilson said that if it was the intention of the Company to place its track in the centre of the road, then it was time for the Council to stand out and not grant the request. He was not opposed to the Tramway taking one side of the road.

Councillor McMullen suggested that the Company take one side of the road, and leave at least 21 feet for public traffic.

Councillor Taylor said he thought that there might be a conflict of authority between the Company and the road overseer over the keeping up of the road.

On motion of Councillors C. E. Smith and McMullin the whole matter was deferred until next Tuesday at 11 o'clock, so as to allow the Council to get further information.

Councillors John S. Flemming and S. W. Lydiard were appointed a committee to revise the Minutes of the Council.

Petition from Lawrencetown.

The following petition from Lawrencetown, District 29, was read, and on motion of Councillors S. W. Lydiard and

A. W. Smith the request of the petitioners was granted:

To His Honor the Warden and Municipal Councillors for the Municipality of Halifax County:

The petition of the undersigned residents and ratepayers in District No. 29, in the County of Halifax, humbly sheweth:

That your petitioners reside on or near the public road leading from the main road at Lawrencetown to Fox Island so called. That your petitioners are strongly of the opinion that the said road could be kept in a better state of repair and consequently be of much greater benefit to your petitioners if the same was separated from road section No. 8, in said district and made into a separate road section. If action was taken a road master living on the road would be enabled to more carefully oversee the road and make necessary repairs from time to time.

When the road was laid out as a public road the understanding was that the land owners were to have the privilege to keep gates on said road such has been the case and your petitioners still desire the same privilege.

The distance of the road that your petitioners ask for a separate road section is one and a half miles in length.

Your petitioners would therefore pray that your Honorable Council will grant their request and cause such road to be made into a separate road section.

And your petitioners will ever pray.

(Signed.) WILLIAM CONROD,
JASPER McDONALD,
HENRY MERSON.

We the undersigned ratepayers in section 8 recommend said road.

DANIEL MURPHY,
DAVID MONOVAN,
DAVID WHIRL,
HENRY SPIKE,
WILLIAM LLOY.

Petition for a Precept.

The following petition was read:

Windsor Junction, Jan. 6th, 1902.

To the Warden and Members of the Halifax County Council:

Gentlemen,—We, the undersigned ratepayers of Windsor Junction and Fall

River, in District 17, petition your Council to have a precept granted to lay out and survey a new piece of road from Windsor Junction to Grove siding, a distance of two miles. The petition was signed by 39 property owners of the district.

On motion of Councillor J. H. Taylor, seconded by Councillor Stewart, the following resolution was passed:

That the bridge at Murcheyville, in District 21, be placed under the Bridge Act of 1883, and amendments thereto. The old bridge being very rotten and not fit to stand repairs and the re-building of the said bridge will require a larger expenditure than can be afforded from the ordinary allotment of the public property.

On motion of Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Croucher, the following was passed:

That the resolution granting Janitor Smith \$50 per year for services in cleaning the offices in the Court House be retrospective back to 1st January, 1901.

Petition from District 15.

The following petition from Thos. Mitchell, Geo. VanBuskirk, Jos. Archibald and others of District 15, was read:

To His Honor the Warden and Members of the Council of the Municipality of Halifax County, in Council convened:

The Petition of the undersigned rate-payers of District 15 respectfully sheweth:

1. By a resolution passed by this Council on or about the 3rd day of April, 1900, and by a subsequent resolution passed on or about the 3rd day of April, 1901, the road from Tannery Bridge to the Sackville River and all the side streets of Bedford Village were placed under a Commission of three persons, under the provisions of Chapter 23 of the Acts of Nova Scotia, 1900.

2. Your Petitioners, after careful consideration of the matters herein stated, are firmly of opinion that the operation of said Act, in District 15, has been a failure and that its provisions have been insufficient and inadequate for the improvement and better maintenance of our roads, and that it is in the interests of District 15 that said resolutions should be reconsidered and rescinded and that

the Commissioners so appointed should be deposed from their position.

3. Your Petitioners believe that said Act has been a failure for the following reasons:

(a) The result of two years' operation under the Commission has proved unsatisfactory to the public generally. The roads have not been maintained and kept in as good repair as they would have been if provided for under the Road Act as formerly.

(b) The provisions of the Act are too general, and operations under it are conducted in a very loose manner. The duties of the different Commissioners, where there are more than one, are not defined, and in consequence the greatest confusion has arisen in this District. Persons have not been served with notice for labor on the highways and generally the matter of the maintenance of the roads has been grossly neglected. Indeed, the Act is practically unworkable and the roads of District 15 are suffering in consequence.

(c) No oath of office is required of the Commissioners, as it is of Supervisors and Road Masters and other officials.

(d) Too much power is given the Commissioners by the Act. For example, your Petitioners do not think that the Commissioners should be empowered to borrow money.

4. Your Petitioners further believe that the said resolutions should be reconsidered and the Commissioners appointed thereunder be deposed from their position for the reasons:

(a) The Commissioners are not practical road builders and have not had any experience as such heretofore. They are men whose duties require them to be in their offices in the City of Halifax and as a consequence they are seldom to be found in the District during the year. The result is that the roads receive little of their attention.

(b) The Commissioners have neglected the duties of their office with inefficiency. They have been inactive and negligent and have failed to perform the duties required of them. In many instances persons have never been summoned for labor on the roads and other instances where persons have been summoned the Commissioners failed

attend on the highway in order to oversee the work; and again, little or no effort has been made by them to collect commutation. Thus has much money and labor been lost to the roads of this District.

(c) The roads have not improved under the Commissioners and in many places they are exceedingly rough and uncared for. Many instances might be cited where the Commissioners have neglected to repair the roads and small bridges. For example, there has been a large hole in the bridge opposite the premises of J. E. DeWolfe, Bedford, for the past five months and the attention of the Commissioners has been called to this matter time and time again, but they have refused or neglected to have the same repaired. The bridge is still unrepaired and in a dangerous condition, and more than one accident has occurred there. This incident is characteristic of the manner in which the Commissioners have been fulfilling the duties of their office.

(d) Work has been done on the roads in October and late in the fall, when it could have been done better and more economically earlier in the year.

(e) Soil and road materials are suffered to be carted from the roads to the premises of one of the Commissioners and it has frequently been necessary to cart like road materials from distant parts back to the roads from which materials and soil had been previously carted by the Commissioner as above stated.

(f) Material from the stone crusher has been used to build a walk over the private property of one of the Commissioners when needed on the roads.

(g) The work done by the Commissioners could have been done better and more economically.

(h) No report of the operations of the Commissioners for the year 1900 has been presented to this Council, as required by Section 7 of this Act.

(i) The Commissioners have been negligent and remiss in their duties, and for further evidence of this your Petitioners would respectfully refer you to the letter of Lewis L. Dixon and others and the report of your road and bridge committee thereon, to be found in the Minutes, and report of this Council at pages 49 and 51 respectively, as published for the year 1901.

Wherefore your Petitioners humbly pray that this Council will see fit to reconsider and rescind the resolutions and appointments hereinbefore referred to and your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Dated the 14th day of January, 1902.

On motion of Councillors Wilson and Negus the petition was referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Henry Heather's Protest.

The following letter from M. H. Guild, assessor of Middle Musquodoboit, together with a statement from Henry Heather, were read.

To Halifax County Council:

Sirs,—Having been informed that Henry Heather has protested against his personal assessment, I would say that the property we found to assess was three steers, 4 years old, which we assessed \$20.00 each, they pastured on the place all summer; and also a brow of logs in his pasture, about 150,000 feet, which we assessed \$150.00, and over 300,000 of deals which we assessed \$320.00. We thought we were justified in assessing the logs and deals.

Yours truly,

M. H. GUILD, Assessor.

Middle Musquodoboit, Jan. 10, 1902.

I, Henry Heather, hereby declare that I believe myself unjustly assessed in that I am rated for personal property in District 21, in the municipality of Halifax County. That the personal property thus rated was at the time the assessment was made in District No. 15, in the County of Cumberland, and was then appraised. I, therefore, feel that I have no just right to be assessed for the same goods and chattels in two places in the same year, and humbly ask that such wrong may be righted by cancelling the charge against me for personal property in District 21, aforesaid.

And I make the foregoing statement, believing the same to be true.

(Signed) HENRY HEATHER

Signed before me at Chaswood in District 21, this tenth day of January, A. D., 1902.

JOHN H. TAYLOR, J. P.,
In and for the County of Halifax.

On motion of Councillors Taylor and Whitman Mr. Heather's protest was referred to the committee on assessment.

Councillor McLeod moved, seconded by Councillor Leslie:

That the road in Section No. 2, in District No. 32, leading from the main post road to Wm. Kennedy's on Boutillier's Point, a distance of 63 chains, also including the branch of said road leading to Abel Boutillier's, be made a separate road section and to be known as Section 2½. The motion passed.

The following resolution: moved by Councillor Milne and seconded by Councillor Taylor, was passed:

Whereas, by the vote of this Council the Revisal Districts has been changed by adding District 35 to District 19 and 20, and under the old arrangement two revisors were appointed from District 20, and now there being two Revisors appointed from this District;

Therefore resolved, that J. D. Bayers' name be dropped from the list of Revisors for the present year, and that he be notified of such a change.

Petition from Clam Harbor.

The following petition was read and on motion of Councillors Lydiard and A. F. Smith, it was referred to the Road and Bridge Committee. The petition was signed by seventy-eight residents of that vicinity.

To the Municipal Council of the Municipality of Halifax County:

This petition of the inhabitants of Clam Harbor and vicinity humbly sheweth:

That there is a great need of a road on the east side of Clam Harbor aforesaid extending along the shore from the present end of the road at Stephen Drake's on to David Richardson's, and that such road would be not only a great convenience to the settlers along this shore, but an absolute necessity.

Now the prayer of your Petitioners is that your Council would be pleased to make a grant sufficient to make a road in this hitherto much neglected part of the country and your humble Petitioners will, as in duty bound, ever pray.

Dated at Clam Harbor this sixth day of January, A. D. 1902.

Bridges in District 18.

Councillors Wilson and Croucher moved the following resolution. That the following bridges in District 18 be placed under the Small Bridge Act of 1900, viz.:

1. The bridge on the Guysboro road, near Robert Lang's, which is about 35 feet span and 20 feet high.

2. The bridge on the Truro road, so-called, between Enfield bridge and Elmsdale bridge, known as the Black Brook bridge, of 30 feet span.

The clerk read the following letter:

Petition From A. J. Reid.

To His Honor the Warden and Members of the Municipal Council, Halifax:

Gentlemen,—

In looking over the assessment roll for District 21 I find that the injustice of two years ago has been repeated. In that year I was assessed for income, the larger portion of which I neither earned nor received, having left the road early in the year, and I am again assessed this year for an income that is purely speculative, as my contract which I enclose herewith will show. And further, I gave my house notice some three months ago of my intention to leave the road at the end of March. However, this is uncertain. I would not object to being heavily assessed if others were similarly treated, but it is a well known fact that both in District 21 and other Districts in the Municipality other men whose incomes are known to be larger than mine is supposed to be escape the income tax altogether. To show more clearly the injustice done me a reference to old assessment rolls will show that, while five or six years ago I was assessed some \$900.00 or \$1,000.00 investments of income (in many cases before earned) have brought my assessment this year up to \$3,200.00, inclusive of interest in business of Arch & Reid. \$450.00 of this amount is for property lately purchased in North School Section, which property is represented in this year's income, and you will see at a glance that the practical result of this is that I am assessed twice for the same dollar and I am every year earning money to pay for property on which I am already paying taxes, having continually invested my

income in advance of its being earned again.

My neighbor and I own adjoining farms; he works his farm himself, while I go away and earn the money to pay two men to work mine and by so doing develop it in such a way that I must pay taxes on the improvements and also for the money which paid for the improvements. In other words, I am doubly assessed while many others escape altogether.

If it was a case of over valuation I would have appealed to the Revising Board of Assessors, but being such a manifest injustice, I felt that I should not be put to the trouble and expense of making and looking after such appeal.

Trusting that your honorable body will see that justice (which is all I ask) is granted me in this matter, I am

Respectfully yours,

A. J. REID.

On motion of Councillors A. J. Reid, seconded by A. F. Smith, the petition was referred to the assessment committee.

Petition.

The following petition was read by the clerk:

To the Municipal Council of the County of Halifax:

The petition of the undersigned residents of Colchester and Halifax Counties, sheweth,

That, David Moore, of Coldstream, in the County of Colchester, is the owner of certain marsh or intervale situate in the County of Halifax, for which he is assessed and is compelled to do road work in the County of Halifax, and at a place where the said road work is of no benefit to him in hauling his hay off the marsh. Said David Moore wishes that he be allowed to perform the statute labor from the canal to the Colchester County line. This would be performing the said labor within the municipality, and at the same time in such place as would assist the said David Moore in hauling hay from his marsh and would also benefit others who have hay to haul.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

On motion of Warden Madill, seconded by Councillor McMillan, the request asked for was granted.

New District.

County Clerk Wiswell said that he had a matter to bring before the Council that he wanted some information upon. The Legislature had created a new district, which was known as 21 A., which made it necessary to re-arrange the revisal sections 22 and 23, as the law provides, and that 35, 19 and 20 be coupled together. The suggestion met with the general approval of the council. Councillor McMillin suggested that District 21 A. be made district 37.

On motion of Councillors Wilson and Croucher, the following resolution was read and passed:

Whereas, by the admission of the new Municipal District 21 A, to form part of this municipality as contained in chapter 64, acts of Nova Scotia, it becomes necessary to re-arrange certain revisal sections.

Therefore resolved, That the said District 21 A, shall be and form part of Revisal Section, No. 13, together with Districts Nos. 21 and 22, and that District No. 35, now forming part of Revisal Section No. 13, be joined to Revisal Section No. 12, and together with Districts No. 19, 20, form Revisal Section No. 12.

Also resolved, that the revisors appointed for Districts No. 21 A and No. 35 be notified to act in accordance with the foregoing changes.

On motion of Councillors Taylor and Stewart the following resolution was passed.

That the Legislature be asked to change the number of the District known as No. 21 A to No. 37.

Miscellaneous.

Moved by Councillor Flemming, seconded by Councillor Lydiard, that James Adams Archibald Rafter and John Lindsay be authorized by this Council to lay out and survey the proposed new road from Windsor Junction to Grove Siding. The motion was passed.

Councillor Milne, seconded by Councillor Johnston, moved that section 12, in

district 20, be divided into two road sections, the west line to be called a road section, and from Wyse's west line to section line be called a road section. The motion passed.

Councillor Wilson asked how many bridges had been built under the small bridge act.

Councillor Flemming said that one had been built in his district, and Councillor Lydiard said he had got one in his district.

Warden Madill stated that he applied for one but he was too late.

The Clerk said that in looking over the Assessment Act he found that no provision had been made to pay the expenses of the Board of Appeal, which was summoned to meet on Jan. 28. All the parties had been notified to attend. The law provides for witness fees only.

Councillor C. E. Smith said that the parties appealing were required to pay their own expenses.

Petition from Dover.

The Clerk read the following petition:

To the Honorable William Muock, Postmaster-General, Dominion of Canada:

The petition of the undersigned residents and ratepayers of Dover and other districts in the County of Halifax humbly sheweth:

That at the present time there is a daily mail from Halifax to Peggy's Cove, in the County of Halifax.

That Peggy's Cove is situate a distance of two miles from West Dover, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from East Dover and 4 miles from McGrath's Cove.

That there are two mails per week from Peggy's Cove to East Dover.

That there are a large number of persons residing in the settlements of East Dover, West Dover and McGrath's Cove, and the population of these places is increasing. By the extension of the present coach route to West Dover, and the appointment of a mail courier for the carriage of mails daily from West Dover to East Dover and McGrath's Cove the needs of a large number of people for a daily mail would be met at a very small expense.

Your petitioners would also urge upon your favorable consideration the estab-

lishment of a post office at McGrath's Cove

Your petitioners would humbly urge that you may be pleased to grant their request to extend the route of the present mail coach to West Dover, appoint a mail courier to convey the mail daily from West Dover to East Dover and McGrath's Cove and establish a post office at said McGrath's Cove.

And as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

Councillor Ryan said that it was not a matter for the Council to deal with, and he did not think the Council should sanction it. Councillor Wilson said it was important that the Council should sanction it as it would assist the people in the district.

Councillor Connors, who presented the petition, said the people of the district were strong in favor of it and he only wished the Council to sanction it, and the Councillors to sign their names to it, so as to strengthen the petition.

The following resolution was moved by Councillors Connors and Wilson:

Whereas, the inhabitants of East and West Dover have a mail only twice a week, and further whereas, the village of Peggy's Cove, which is only two miles distance has a daily mail,

Therefore resolved, that in the opinion of this Council it is important that the daily mail from Peggy's Cove should be extended to Dover by coach.

The motion passed.

The Council adjourned at 4.45 to meet on Friday morning at 10.30.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The Council resumed its session Friday morning. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The members of the Council were referred to the Chronicle by Clerk Wiswell for a full and accurate report of the doings of yesterday. The Warden suggested to the members that they could have copies of the Chronicle sent to their constituents on application.

Councillor Stewart informed the Council that the Sheriff thought it would be better to adopt number 40 for the new District, as the number already chosen, 37, was already in use as a polling district

number. The Council decided to make no change.

Clerk Wiswell called for reports.

The Warden named Monday as the day for appointing district officers.

It was resolved to pay a visit to the County Poor Farm Friday afternoon and 22 members signified their intention of going.

New Roads.

Warden read the following resolution, moved by Councillors Wilson and Fleming:

Whereas, the Intercolonial Railway Department did, during 1901, build two new pieces of road and a steel bridge near Lily Lake—for the purpose of eliminating three grade crossings over the railway, which were a menace to life and limb—and the said change having been completed to the satisfaction of the Councillor and Supervisor of District 17:

Therefore resolved, that this Council approves of the change and approves of said new pieces of road being incorporated into the road system of the county.

Councillor Wilson explained thoroughly the object of this resolution, which passed.

Road Matters.

Coun. Wilson spoke at length on road matters. He said there were from \$20,000 to \$25,000 spent each year on the roads in Halifax County, and a great deal of it was spent rather than expended. (Coun. McMullin—Hear, hear.) He referred to the system of statute labor, which allowed everybody to repair the road before his own door, owing to the smallness of the commissions and also to the different methods of expending money on the roads and bridges. All the money granted is expended before September, and any repairs necessary after that must wait, as there are no funds with which to make them.

Very often extraordinary repairs are necessary owing to autumn floods or other cause, and to repair damage the only way to do is for the Councillor to go to the Treasurer and get an overdraft. But the Treasurer has really no authority to give funds in this fashion, even on the authority of the Warden.

The annual extraordinary expenditure of this kind would amount to about \$500

on an average. During the past year expenditures of this kind occurred and about \$200 is still owing, and the creditors are anxious to have their pay at once instead of waiting until next May. I would suggest that the Council give authority to the Treasurer to pay these sums when duly authorized and charge them up to the different districts with interest at 6 per cent. until next May. In accordance with which Coun. Wilson moved the following resolution, seconded by Coun. Croucher:

To Pay Road Money.

"Whereas, the roads in various parts of the County suffered severely during the autumn of 1901 by washouts, broken bridges and other unforeseen causes, and prompt repairs were absolutely necessary and were done under the pressing calls from the respective Councillors, Supervisors and others;

"And whereas, there was no money in the County Treasury which could be used for this service, the result is that a large portion of the incurred expense is still unpaid:

"Therefore resolved, that this Council authorize the Treasurer to pay out of the consolidated funds of the County such road warrants duly certified for such emergency repairs—not to exceed \$400 in all—and charge interest thereon at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum from date of advance to 1st May next."

Coun. Wilson thought the roads were getting worse instead of better and thought it might be well to ask the Legislature either to give the Municipalities more power and funds or else take the matter off their hands altogether, and thought the attention of the Legislature should be called to it.

Coun. Ryan thought the rate of interest, 6 per cent., was too high to charge those districts which had suffered.

Coun. McMillan thought this money should be advanced without interest at all.

Coun. Bishop thought that the whole system was bad and the whole sum of money granted to the County should be put directly into the hands of the Council, and the Supervisor should see that it was properly expended.

The original resolution was amended to read $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. and the resolution passed.

The following resolution was moved by Couns. Wilson and Croucher, in reference to District No. 29:

Whereas, the roads in District 29 have suffered severely during the autumn of 1901, and the cost of repairs has been so heavy as to seriously handicap the District and the new Councilors during the present year;

Therefore resolved, that this Council approves of one-half of the amount being carried over to be settled in 1903 unless assistance is not otherwise obtained.

The motion passed.

Petition From District 10.

Coun. A. F. Smith presented the following petition'

The ratepayers of District 24 asked the Council to grant a precept to lay out a new road from at or near John Frost's house, on the Ecum Secum post road, to a road on the west side of the Ecum Secum River. The new road would be about half a mile in length and the cost small. It would shorten the main post road and could easily be kept in condition. It is impossible to keep up the present road, as it is through a rough country. The petition asked that W. G. Smith and W. W. Smith be appointed to lay out the new road. It was signed by 36 residents.

It was moved by Coun. Lydiard, seconded by Coun. A. F. Smith, that the petition be referred to the Road and Bridge Committee. Carried.

The reports of the Health Boards in the various districts were read and referred to the proper committees.

Couns. Croucher and Wilson moved that Road Section No. 11, in District 11, be incorporated in Road Section No. 6, the two becoming one section, to be known hereafter as Section No. 6. The motion passed.

Killag Bridge in Councillor Hall's District, No. 25, was placed under the smaller Bridge Act.

On motion of Couns. Negus and McMullin the bills from the Board of Health of District 33 were referred to the Finance Committee.

Couns. Taylor and J. H. Whitman moved that Burns bridge, so-called, in District No. 21, be placed under the Small Bridge Act. The motion passed.

On motion of Couns. Madill and McMullin the bridge known as Keys bridge, in District 19, was placed under the Small Bridge Act.

On motion of Couns. Croucher and Wilson the road leading over Croucher's Point will be made a separate road section, to be known as Road Section No. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$, in District 12, and Stephen Dauphinee was appointed overseer.

On motion of Couns. Milne and Kuhn the bridge section in District 20, known as Ogilvie bridge, was placed under the Small Bridge Act.

A letter dated December 17, 1901, was read from Secretary John A. Watters, of the Halifax Health Board, which stated that the City would accommodate small-pox patients at the Hospital. The cost for each patient could not be determined, but it would not be less than \$10 per week. On motion the letter was placed on file.

The Council adjourned at one o'clock, to meet on Saturday at 10 a. m.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The County Council resumed its session on Saturday morning at 10.30. All Councilors but five being present. The Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

N. S. Eastern Railway.

The chief item for discussion in the morning was the Railway Bill—to grant the right of way at the cost of the County.

Coun. Taylor moved the resolution, seconded by Coun. Fleming, but it did not pass.

Coun. Wilson thought there should be some restraint put on the Company so that they could not put the County to extraordinary expense.

Coun. McMullin proposed the following amendment to the resolution, which was seconded by Coun. Whitman:

Resolved, that this Council vote a lump sum not to exceed five thousand dollars for such purposes as are mentioned in the resolution. That such sum

shall be paid in five yearly instalments of one thousand dollars each. Such sums to be assessed upon the County in equal amounts for five consecutive years, and to be paid to the Nova Scotia Eastern Railway Co. at the end of such five years, if the work is then completed. No interest to be paid the Company on the sum named until five years after their commencing to build such line, and only to be paid in full when the line is completed and in running order.

And that the legislation necessary for this purpose be obtained from the Provincial Legislature.

He thought that the sum mentioned was sufficient to pay for a right of way.

Coun. Bishop proposed that the words "not to exceed" be added to Coun. McMullin's resolution.

Coun. Lydiard was bitten by the Stewiacke Railway and was very particular about what he supported. He thought the Council should decide on the best route for this line before granting any assistance.

Coun. Kuhn said that he had not been able to find out very much about this road and would like a little light on the subject.

Coun. Negus thought it hard that the districts along the shore should be asked to contribute to a line which would be no more use to them than a line in China.

Coun. Lydiard thought that this should be deferred until some of the promoters of the scheme came forward and explained the route.

Coun. Taylor said that a Company had been organized with sufficient capital, and a route projected, which he outlined to the Council. The probable cost of the right of way, he said, would be about equivalent to the sum mentioned in Coun. McMullin's amendment.

The estimated distance through this County is 55 miles, and twelve acres in every mile will be about the amount of land required, or in all, 660 acres. About one-fifth of this would be through cultivated lands; say, 132 acres at \$20 per acre, or \$2,640. The balance, 528 acres, would be cheap land, say, \$3 per acre, or \$1,584. An allowance for station grounds of 100 acres at \$10 per acre would make a further amount of \$1,000, or a total of \$5,224.

Resolved, that the two directors (Messrs. Reid and Chisholm) of the Company present be heard from.

Mr. D. W. B. Reid came before the Council and explained the route. He said that the right of way had been granted by all the Counties interested except Halifax.

Finally Coun. McMullin changed his amendment by adding the words "not to exceed" \$5,000 to his amendment, and in this form the motion carried.

Miscellaneous.

Couns. Bishop and C. E. Smith moved That Section 1, in District 13, be extended from what is known as the Slough bridge to Butler's Hotel; also that a section be added on the Sambro road to commence at Fraser's road and extend south to George Merlin's, and to be known as Section 7, in said District.

The motion passed.

Coun. Hayes moved, seconded by Coun. Bishop:

That the following bridges in District No. 7 be placed under the Small Bridges Act, viz.: the bridge at the head of Her-ring Cove, the bridge on the road between Spryfield and Ferguson's Cove, and the bridge known as Long Pond bridge.

The motion passed.

Coun. Croucher moved, seconded by Coun. Smith:

That the bridge known as Flake bridge, in District 12, be put under the Great Bridge Act, and bridges known as Rogers bridge, Frost Fish Cove bridge and Eastern River bridge, in the same District, be placed under the Small Bridges Act.

The motion passed.

The Council adjourned at 1 o'clock to meet again at 2.30.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Council resumed its session at 2.30. After the clerk called the roll and read the minutes the business was proceeded with. The clerk read the following letter from John E. Shatford with respect to the South Shore Railway:

South Shore Railway.

To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:

During the present session of the Council you will in all probability be asked to vote the right of way through Halifax County for the contemplated South Shore Railway. Having given the entire question of this railroad a thorough investigation I venture to address this letter to you on your attitude towards the different issues involved. These are no less than the development or standstill of trade and the magnificent resources of a large and promising section of the County. It is thus a matter in which it behooves everyone to exert his power to bring about the result which will most benefit the municipality.

Now I beg to submit to your Honorable Council that it is right and lawful for you to grant the right of way for any railroad passing through the County for the benefit of its inhabitants. Once this point is ascertained—i. e., that the railroad in question is for the benefit of the inhabitants—the right of way should be given, as it no doubt would be given, unanimously. But so far as the so-called South Shore Road is concerned there is evidence to show that unless the people exert every opposition it will be neither a shore road nor a road for the people as far as Halifax and east Lunenburg counties go. The line run by the surveyors leaves the I. C. R. near Rockingham and continues through the woods some distance into Lunenburg Co. It lies seven to nine miles from any part of St. Margaret's Bay and the same distance from Hubbard's Cove without any way for the people in either place or along the entire shore to reach it. The country through which this line passes is not at all adapted to agricultural purposes or any other. Hammond's Plains is the only settlement the line touches after leaving Halifax. On the other hand if the line touched the head waters of the bay it would open up railway communication for eighteen to twenty thriving villages, where farming is carried on successfully. The most of these villages have every requirement of the summer resort and already, despite the difficulty of reaching them, a number of them have a large tourist patron-

age which represents considerable profit and benefit. The fish industry needs only facilities for quick transit in order to increase its value to three or four times what it is at present. Think what this alone means to the County. In the face of the facts you will see at once that the woods road would be no road for the people whatever and that no benefit from it would ever accrue to the County.

For these reasons I would beg your Honourable Council to withhold voting any right of way until the route of said road be located. If it be understood that you will grant the right of way only to a shore line, and that you will sanction only a railroad for the people and the County, your action will have considerable weight in influencing the Government when the question is finally put before them.

It is just and lawful that the County should be taxed for the right of way for a railway that will be of some benefit to the residents of said County. But it is not meet at all that the municipality should bear taxation for a line of railroad running through the woods, when for about a distance of thirty miles there is not one settler to derive any benefit therefrom.

Would it not be an absurdity to ask the people of the eastern shore, the Musquodoboits and the southern and northern parts of the County to grant a right of way for such a road when it was no road at all for any part of this County. On the contrary, if the road embraces the head waters of St. Margaret's Bay and Hubbard's Cove the County and the whole County should join in paying for the right of way. In like manner when the time comes for the eastern people or Musquodoboit people to have a road the western people should willingly pay their proportion of the right of way.

You will no doubt agree with me after considering the matter that it would be wise and prudent for the Council to withhold granting any right of way till the line is located beyond a doubt and receives the sanction of the Governor-in-Council which is called for under the McKenzie and Mann contract. I am sure you will readily grasp the situation and its importance to the County, and then act solely in the interests of the muni-

ciality. I feel that you will not be guilty of the injustice of taxing the residents of the County for the right of way for a line of railroad going through the woods as I have described. Believe me in addressing you in this manner I am acting only with a view to the interests of the County, a matter which has always been of prime importance to me as you know by past experience.

Any precaution you may take in this connection will not be an unnecessary one. The survey has been made through the woods, the route described, and every indication shows that this is the route McKenzie and Mann will submit to the Government.

Leaving the matter to the discretion of your Honourable Council, I am,

Faithfully yours,

JOHN E. SHATFORD.

The Clerk explained that he wanted an expression of opinion from the Council on the matter.

Coun. Croucher asked if any one had applied to build such a road. He said he thought it rather better to put it on the shelf until permission was asked.

Coun. McLean said that there was a vast difference in the location of the road. One survey goes through the woods and the other along the shore.

Coun. Bishop said that this railway was through a wilderness.

In answer to the Warden, Coun. McLean said he could not say whether the Council would be approached in the matter or not.

On motion of Coun. Ryan the letter was placed on file.

Coun. Wilson said he did not think anything would be done in the matter until after the Legislature met.

Miscellaneous Matters.

Coun. Bishop said that there was some money collected for the poor of District 13, which had not been expended. The Clerk said that he thought the money was in the Treasurer's hands.

Coun. Bishop said if it was not in the hands of the Treasurer the Overseers should pay it in.

In answer to Coun. Flemming the Clerk said that it was not necessary to pay this money in to the Treasurer.

Couns. Hall and Crooks moved that Section 12 of Chapter 9 of the By-Laws be struck out. This section was in reference to a pound at Bedford.

Coun. Negus said that it should not be there. It was placed there in opposition to the committee. Stipendiary McDougall said that it was illegal and in opposition to his advice.

Coun. Canfield said that the District has not a legal pound. There is a private pound, which persons tried to operate under the law.

The Warden said there had been a lot of trouble in that district over cattle. It was illegal to allow cattle to roam at large. The clause related to Bedford only.

Coun. Canfield said that he leased the land where the pound was and no one can take it from him. He would like to see a close district made as far as the statute compelled.

The motion was put and carried.

Changes in Road Sections.

Couns. Lydiard and Wilson moved:

That Road Section Nos. 13, 19 and 22, in District No. 31, be placed under the Commission in accordance with the Act in such cases passed in 1900, said Commission to be composed of Edward Morash, with power to maintain said road as by such statute provided, for the period of one year.

The motion passed.

Couns. Lydiard and Wilson moved:

That Road Section Nos. 1 and 2, in District No. 31, be placed under Commission in accord and under the Act in such cases passed in 1900, said Commission to be composed of John Dillman and Geo. A. Tufts, with power to maintain said road as by such statute provided, for the period of one year.

The motion passed.

Coun. Darrah moved, seconded by Coun. Stewart:

That the Road Sections in District 21 A be as follows:

Section 1—From the Dam Bridge, so-called, to end of County road at Lake Lode Mine, also from end of Mooseland road at intersection of Carriboo road to District line south on Mooseland road.

Section 2—Beginning at Moose River Mines and joining Section 1.

The motion passed.

The Treasurer's report was presented to the Council as follows:

County Treasurer's Report.

The Municipality of Halifax County in account with the County Treasurer for year ending Dec. 31, 1901.

Expenditure.

County Court House:

Current expenses	\$ 1,657.15
Interest on loan of 1882	1,025.00
Interest on loan of 1889	280.00
Loan of 1899, Halifax Banking Co., 2nd instalment Sinking Fund	368.42
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	\$ 3,330.57

County Jail, current expenses..	2,718.19
County Poor Farm, current expenses on account	3,632.62
Judicial accounts:	
Grand Jury, \$66.00; Petit Juries, \$711.59	777.59
Special Jury, \$13.00; Sheriff's accounts, \$1,095.26	1,108.26
Criminal prosecutions, \$1,974.77; Criers Supreme Court, \$900.00	2,874.77
County Court Crier and Jury..	409.00
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	\$ 5,169.62

Salaries:

County Clerk, \$1200.00; County Treasurer, \$700.00	1,900.00
County Stipendiary Magistrate	950.00
Chief County Constable, \$300.00;	
Deputy County Constable, \$50.00	350.00
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	3,200.00

The Wardens and County Councillors, 2 sessions	1,358.40
Coroner's inquests, \$68.00; Medical Examiner, \$61.50	129.50
Assessors, \$451.56; Revisors of Assessments, \$215.00	666.56
Revisors of Electoral Lists, \$195.00; Collectors commissions, \$1,067.92	1,262.92
County Auditors, \$40.00; Postages and Telegrams, \$48.18....	88.18
Bounties—19 bears, \$43.00; 63 wild cats, \$60.75; Boards of Health, \$12.00	115.75
Municipal Elections, \$184.15; draw bridges, \$70.00	254.15

Bus Subsidy, District No. 14, \$150.00; printing and stationery, \$658.84	808.84
Inspectors of Liquor Licenses..	872.60
Inspector of Peddlers' Licenses.	8.50
Inspector of Peddlers' Licenses fines violations Peddlers' Act.	44.00
Contingencies, \$87.00; Removing fence District No. 31, \$5.00...	92.00
Right of way for new road District No. 24	31.00
Advances for Poor to Districts	130.36
Commissioner of Public Charities, account Insane	3,086.96
Medical certificates for insane... Expense conveying insane to Asylum	65.00
	30.00
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	3,181.96
Government Road Grant—Paid 267 Supervisors returns	9,441.66
School Grants—Paid County Grants to Trustees 134 School Sections	8,448.86
To balance on deposit Halifax Banking Company	5,100.43
To balance on deposit Union Bank of Halifax	30.81
Cash on hand	216.45
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	5,347.69
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Total	\$50,433.93

Receipts.

By balance from account Dec. 31, 1900	\$ 3,379.01
Assessments.—	
City of Halifax, balance of 1899	2,586.98
City of Halifax, account of 1900	1,953.78
City of Halifax, account of 1901	5,893.48
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	\$10,434.24
Town of Dartmouth, for 1901...	548.65
Town of Dartmouth, balance of settlement \$500; int. \$30.....	530.00
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	\$ 1,078.65
County districts:—	
On account of deficits 1895-6-7-8.	46.25
On account of deficits 1899.....	66.32
On account deficits 1900.....	1,144.77
On account of 1901.....	19,303.61
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	\$20,560-95

County Jail—W. L. Malcom, Jailor, sale of oakum	123.50
W. L. Malcom, Jailor, room rents, &c	18.00
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	141.50
County Poor Farm—From districts on account of pauuers...	1,655.21
From J. M. Henneberry, Superintendent, sale of potatoes, junk, &c	33.70
From Councillor Lydiard, account sale of horses.....	50.00
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	\$ 1,738.91
Inspector of Licenses — Per Simeon Hiltz	27.45
Fine Queen vs. McDonald, per W. C. Henley, J. P.....	65.50
Fines per Inspector Wm. Sedgewick	890.00
Balance of License Fees for 1901, per Inspector Wm. Sedgewick	560.00
Deposits on 8 applications for licenses for 1902, per Inspector Wm Sedgewick	80.00
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	\$ 1,622.95
Court House—Subsidy for 1900, Provincial Government	300.00
Subsidy for 1901, per Provincial Government	300.00
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	\$ 600.00
County Stipendiary—Fees of office for 1901	290.70
Fines, criminal cases	408.00
Fines re violations of Peddlar's License Act	44.00
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	\$ 742.70
County Magistrate's fines, per Samuel I. Mason, J. P.....	2.00
County Magistrate's fines, per John G. Reynolds, J. P.	5.00
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	\$ 7.00
Prothonotary—Deposits special juries	100.00
Clerk of Crown—Jury fines	8.50
Sheriff—Estreated recognizance King vs. Burgess	190.00
County Clerk—Sealing certificate	2.50
Clerp of License—29 Peddlar's Licenses, \$302.00; 1 ferry license, \$1.00	303.00

Sinking Fund—Loan of 1899, interest on deposit receipt	12.10
District No. 36—Advanced on account poor returned	35.28
Insane Paupers—Received on account	262.00
Government road and bridge grant for 1901, per Provincial Cashier	9,214.64
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	\$50,433.93
Dec. 31. By balance at credit of County	\$ 5,347.69

PARKER ARCHIBALD,
County Treasurer.

Appended to the report was the following statement of W. C. Bishop and S. S. Scott, auditors.

Gentlemen,—We beg to submit for your consideration the report of our work as auditors for the Municipality for the year ending Dec. 31, 1901.

We have examined the books of the County Treasurer and compared them with vouchers, collector's books and bank books and have found them correct and in accordance therewith have appended our certificate to his financial report. The Collector's books have all been returned to the Treasurer by the required time, thus enabling him to complete his work by the end of the year.

District Officers.

The following list of County Council officers was adopted on motion of the Councillors representing the different districts:

District No. 7—Herring Cove.

Councillor—Patrick Hayes.
Supervisor—Richard Roche.
Herring Cove, Road Masters—W. J. Adam, John Power.
Overseers of Poor—Arch. Brackett, Jas. Baker, sr., Edward White.
Assessors—Thomas Brown, William Conway.
Collector of County Rates—John S. Adams.
Presiding Officer—John S. Adams.
Constable—John S. Adams.
Health Officers—Stanley Brown, Richard Purcell.

Sanitary Inspectors—Thomas Whittaker,
John Sullivan.

Spryfield.

Overseer of Statute Labor—Thomas
Roche.

Constable—James Oakley.

Ferguson's Cove.

Overseer of Statute Labor—Clen. Con-
way.

Constable—Theo. Conway.

Purcell's Cove.

Overseer Statute Labor—Geo. Smith,
Constable—George Smith.

Queen's Quarries.

Overseer of Statute Labor—Peter Mc-
Donald.

Constable—William Keefe.

Fence Viewers—Thomas Roche, William
White, Thomas Brown.

District No. 8—Portuguese Cove.

Councillor—Bernard Johnson.

Assessors—Daniel Johnson, 1st, Bear
Cove; Wm. G. Flemming, Ketch Harbor.

Collector—James Gallagher, 1st, Ketch
Harbor.

Road Masters—George Johnson, Bear
Cove; Hugh Munro, Portuguese Cove;
Hanson Mackay, Duncan's Cove; Peter
Whalen, Ketch Harbor; Henry Martin,
Ketch Harbor.

Constables—Andrew Scallion, Bear
Cove; Thomas Gear, Portuguese Cove;
James Holland, 2nd, Duncan's Cove;
Charles Flemming, Ketch Harbor; Geo.
Martin, Ketch Harbor.

Board of Health—Wm. Johnson, 2nd,
Bear Cove; James Power, Portuguese
Cove; William Holland, Duncan's Cove;
Richard Brown, Ketch Harbor.

Overseers of Poor—John Johnson, 2nd
Bear Cove; James Johnson, 2nd, Dun-
can's Cove; Mark Martin, Ketch Harbor.

Fence Viewers—Charles Pettipas, Por-
tuguese Cove; John Flemming, 2nd, Ketch
Harbor.

Sanitary Inspector—James Connors,
Ketch Harbor.

Presiding Officer—John Fagan, 1st,
Ketch Harbor.

Supervisor—John Johnson, Bear Cove.

District No. 9—Sambro.

Councillor—C. E. Smith.

Road Masters—Sambro North, William
Hamilton; South, C. W. Hart; Creek,
James H. Smith; Coot Cove, Harty
Findlay; Pennant South, Joseph Tough;
Lower Pennant, Charles Schmaier; Long
Cove, Joseph Marryatt; Ball Rock,
Charles Rogers; Sandy Cove, Peter
Finck.

Constables—Alexander Cook, Edward
Findlay, George V. Gray.

Fence Viewers—Andrew Twobig, John
J. Smith.

Assessors—E. T. Hart, Andrew Two-
big.

Overseers of Poor—E. W. Hart, Am-
brose Gray, Joseph Findlay.

Collector—Wm. Brunt.

Presiding Officer—C. W. Hart.

Board of Health—Angus Gray, Daniel
Smith, Henry Smith, George Schnair.

Supervisor—C. W. Hart.

Sanitary Inspector—Joseph A. Gray.

Revisor—John E. Tough.

District No. 10—Upper Prospect.

Councillor—Jas. A. Coolin.

Assessors—C. B. Christian, W. Merlin.

Collector—Joseph Doherty.

Road Masters—Michael Tohin, S. B.
Hardman, Reginald Mihan; Kellie's Point,
Robert Hearn; Shad Bay, David Coolin.

Presiding Officer—N. P. Christian.

Supervisor—J. L. Hardman.

Overseers of Poor—Jas. Hardman, Thos.
Beck, Nathan Duggan.

Board of Health—Thomas Hamm, John
Nunin, M. C. Walsh, J. Francis Duggan.

Constables—Geo. Mason, Jas. Hardman,
Patrick Duggan, C. Coolin.

District No. 11—Hackett's Cove.

Councillor—Wesley Crooks.

Presiding Officer—Edward Grono.

Collector—James Cornelius, sr.

Assessors—James Isnor, Amos Cor-
kum.

Overseers of Poor—William Cornelius,
John Gatez, Amos Corkum.

Overseers of Roads:—

Section 1—Edward Moore.

Section 2—George Gatez.

Section 3—James Dwyer.

Section 4—William Covey.

Section 5—Ealva Boutilier.

Section 6—George Covey.

Section 7—Burton Richardson.

Section 8—William Jollimore.

Section 9—Leander Wamboldt.

Section 10—John Crooks, jr.

Constables—Lawson Innis, George A. Garrison, Wesley Covey, John Fralick, James Fraser.

Health Officers—John Miller, Daniel Leary, James Daubin, John W. Richardson.

Fence Viewers—John Holland, Cyrus Covey, Amos Garrison, Albert Manuel.

Supervisor—Everett Shaford.

District No. 12—French Village.

Councillor—Isaac Croucher.

Assessors—Isaac Dauphinee and John R. Umlah.

Collector—John Croucher.

Overseers Statute Labor:—

Section 1—Henry Boutilier.

Section 1½—Edward Redmond.

Section 2—John J. Boutilier.

Section 3—Neil McDonald.

Section 4—David Bremner.

Section 5—John Smith.

Section 6—Francis Frederick.

Section 7—Albert J. Boutilier.

Section 8—Elias Dauphinee.

Section 9—Lewis J. Boutilier.

Section 10—Jas. H. Slaughenwhite.

Section 11—Isaac Harshman.

Section 5½—Stephen Dauphney.

Section 12—John Johnston.

Section 13—Norman C. Boutilier.

Constables—Nathan Hubley, jr, Willis Hubley, Elias D. Boutilier, Alfred Snare, Benjamin Smith, Nethemiah Dorey, Jas. H. Slaughenwhite, Samuel J. Boutilier.

Fence Viewers—John R. Umlah, Nathan Hubley, sr, Lindsay Hubley, Nathaniel Dauphinee.

Lumber Surveyors—Charles Brunswick, James H. Slaughenwhite, Neil McDonald.

Health Officers—Simon P. G. Boutilier, Narvey Hubley, John C. Smith, Judson Dauphinee, David Grono.

Overseers of Poor—Edward Deal, Henry Garrison, George Smith.

Presiding Officer—Abraham Burchell.

Supervisor of Roads—Alvan Hubley.

District No. 13—Spryfield.

Councillor—Wm. Bishop.

Assessors—John W. Umlah, Robert A. Yeadon.

Presiding Officer—Wm. H. Hart.

Health Officers—Geo. Brown, Wm. Umlah, Alex. Drysdale, Wm. Brunt.

Overseers of Poor—Geo. Umlah, Chas.

Jackson, Richard Gilpin.

Overseers for Statute Labor:—

Section No. 1—Geo. Carmichael.

Section No. 2—Richard Marriott.

Section No. 3—Alex. Drysdale.

Section No. 4—Chas. Jackson.

Section No. 5—Richard Yeadon.

Section No. 6—Chas. Christian, Jr.

Section No. 7—Geo. Merlin.

Section No. 8—John Drysdale.

Section No. 9—Chas. Marriott.

Section No. 10—Geo. Marriott.

Section No. 11—Carter Yeadon.

Constables—Wm. Arnold and George Brown.

Fence Viewer—Alexander Drysdale.

Supervisor—David Drysdale, Sr.

District No. 14—North West Arm.

Councillor—James Billman.

Assessors—George Piers, Frederick West.

Health Officers—Geo. Piers, E. L. Fenerty, Levi Deal.

Collector—Chas. D. Deal.

Overseers of Poor—Jos. McLeave, E. L. Fenerty, John Millsom.

Fence Viewer—Peter A. Marryatt.

Overseers of Statute Labor:—

Tannery Light Station to Arm Bridge—Amos Geizer.

Arm Bridge to McIntosh Bridge—Robert Drysdale.

Arm Bridge to Sanford Fleming's Gate—Robert Drysdale.

Arm Bridge to Canal Bridge—Jos. McLeave.

Dutch Village to Geizer's Hill and the Road leading from Fairview to Geizer's Hill—Amos Geizer.

Section 10, Lower Arm—Frederick Jollimore.

Supervisor of Roads—G. C. Hilschen.

Presiding Officer—George Piers.

Constables—James Jollimore, A. Geizer.

District No. 15.—Bedford.

Councillor—G. S. Canfield.

Returning Officer—Geo. E. VanBuskirk.

Assessors—Wm. Studd, H. A. Roche.

Health Officers—A. McD. Morton, H. A. Roche, W. S. Pemberton, Geo. H. Fielding.

Poor Commissioners—F. H. Strong,
Lewis L. Dixon, G. H. McKinlay.
Fence Viewers—S. W. Canfield, H. J.
Mitchell, Arthur Landsburg.
Sanitary Inspector—F. Wiltshire.
Supervisor of Roads—F. Eimmerson.
Road Masters—H. Plains (lower), Adol-
phus Verge, H. Plains (upper to C.
Chapel) J. Merlin.
Lumber Surveyors—Colin Nodin, Alex.
Doyle.
Appraisers—J. A. Daniels, Chas. Hun-
phrey, H. Theakston.
Constables—John Talston, Alfred Bout-
illier, W. N. Mitchell.
Revisor—Thos. Donaldson.
Weigber and Measurer—G. F. Sanford.

**District No. 16.—Hammonds
Plains.**

Councillor—Lindsay Moren.
Presiding Officer—Henry Schmidt.
Assessors—Frank Thompson, Jas. Al-
lison, Sr.
Collector of Rates—Amos Bezanson.
Road Masters:—
Section 1—Wm. Haverstock.
Section 2—James Romans.
Section 3—Stewart Loucas.
Section 4—Andrew Thompson.
Section 5—Alfred Jinkens.
Section 6—Alex. H. David.
Section 7—Thos. Jones.
Section 8—John Green.
Section 9—Samuel Anderson.
Section 10—Martin Johnson.
Constables—Wm. Burns, Albert David,
Johnathan Marsman, John Jones, David
Oliver.
Overseers of Poor—Fred. Schmidt,
Samuel Wiley, Alfred Johnson.
Fence Viewers—A. E. Haverstock, Wm
Shea, Martell Bezanson.
Sanitary Inspector—Tremain Thomp-
son.
Supervisor of Roads—Henry H. Haver-
stock.
Surveyors of Lumber—Ronzo Haver-
stock, Frank Thompson.
Board of Health—Henry Schmidt, Sam-
uel Eisenor, Benj. Thompson, Jas. Al-
lison, Sr.
To Swear in Officers—Benjamin Thomp-
son.

District No. 17.—Sackville.

Councillor—J. S. Fleming.
Presiding Officer—J. D. Webber.
Assessors—Thomas Hamilton, John
Rosley.
Collector of Rates—Gray Schultz.
Road Masters:—
Section 1—Charles Peveril.
Section 2—Charles Barrett.
Section 3—David Ford.
Section 4—Walter Bambrick.
Section 5—Augustus Fenerty.
Section 6—Isaac Boutillier.
Section 7—E. N. Thomas.
Section 8—Robert Patton.
Section 9—Frederic Grove.
Section 10—David Shunaman.
Section 11—William Stone.
Section 12—Albert Miller.
Section 13—Archibald Rafter.
Section 14—Harold Silver.
Section 15—Theo. Larsen.
Section 16—Wilbur Morrell.
Section 17—Jno. D. Miller.
Constables—Jno. McKenzie, Arthur
Peveril, William Nicholson, John Tol-
son.
Surveyors of Lumber—William Nelson,
Nathan Ellis, William Dean.
Pound Keeper—Richard Peverill.
Overseers of Poor—Charles Peverill, E.
N. Thomas, Robt Fenerty.
Supervisor of Roads—Robt Fenerty.
Sanitary Inspector—Jno. B. Ellis.
Health Wardens—John Peveril, James
Mason, Wm. Nelson, Chas. A. Barrett.
Fence Viewers—Arthur Schultz, Isaac
Boutillier, John Peveril.
District Clerk—Thomas Hamilton.

District No. 18.—Waverley.

Councillor—B. C. Wilson.
Presiding Officer—John Stephens.
Assessors—John Stephen, Peter Spriggs
Overseers of Poor—A. R. Tullock, W. C.
Morrison, M. D. Goff
Constables—Tom Skerry, Wm. Calnan,
Jas. Allen, William King, George Mil-
ler, Edw. McLean, John Canfield.
Fence Viewers—John Skerry, John
Kelly, Robt. Ledwidge, Edw. Whidden.
Surveyors of Lumber, Wood, &c.—
Alex. Stephen, Robt. Leighton, John
Kelly
Health Wardens—Wm. C. Morrison,
Peter Spriggs, Fred L. Fultz, John Mc-
Dowall.

Health Inspector—Thos. Major.
 Keeper of Scales—Thos. Major.
 Collector of Taxes—Albert Stuart.
 Supervisor of Roads—Albert Stuart.
 Road Masters:—
 Section A—Adam Meagher, 1 and 2.
 Section 3—John McDowall.
 Section 4—Wm. C. Morrison.
 Section 5—William Laing.
 Section 6—John Kelly.
 Section 7—Bert Wein.
 Section 8—Christopher King.

District No. 19.—Gay's River.

Councillor—G. H. Madill.
 Road Masters:—
 Section 1—Samuel Geddes.
 Section 2—Clarence Keys.
 Section 3—John McFhee.
 Section 4—Sanford McDonald.
 Section 5—James Keys.
 Section 6—James Mitchell.
 Section 7—Robison Woodworth.
 Section 8—John Cleary.
 Section 9—George Butler.
 Section 10—Walter Elliot.
 Section 11—Alex. McWilliams.
 Section 12—Samuel Moore.
 Section 13—James Wilson.
 Section 14—Lorenzo Wilson.
 Section 15—Robert Newman.
 Section 16—Edward Isenor.
 Section 17—John McKenzie.
 Section 18—Geo. T. Cook.
 Section 19—Manuel Grono.
 Supervisor of Roads—William Blades.
 Overseers of Poor—James Mitchell,
 William Annand and Isaac Isenor.
 Fence Viewers—James Keys, William
 Blades.
 Surveyors of Lumber—William Annand,
 Alex Woodworth, Geo. T. Cook.
 Constables—Oliver Simpson, Clarence
 Keys, Samuel Kent.
 Assessors—Robison Woodworth, Wm.
 McLeod.
 Board of Health—William Annand, John
 T. Kerr, Edward Isenor, George T.
 Cook.
 Sanitary Inspector—Arthur McHefly.
 Presiding Officer—Wilson Madill.

District No. 20.—Meagher's Grant.

Councillor—Otis A. Milne.
 Supervisor—George S. Sibley.
 Assessors of Poor and County Rates—
 A. B. Lay, Arnold McBain.

Collectors of Poor and County Rates—
 John McMullin, P. M.
 Overseers of Poor—J. D. Bayers, Alex.
 Hurley, Wm. J. Grant.
 Constables—Wilbert McMullin, Charles
 Kerr, Thomas Miller.
 Health Officers—J. D. Bayers, Alex.
 Hurley, Christopher Dillman, Sr., Alex.
 Murphy.
 Sealers of Logs—John Kerr, Anderson
 Dickey, Leander Logan, Wilbert McMul-
 lin, D. Grant, Henry Crawford.
 Surveyors of Lumber—James Grant,
 Leander Logan, Geo. Tully, Fred Fuller.
 Fence Viewers—John Kerr, Anderson
 Dickey, James Seeton.

Sanitary Inspector—A. B. Lay.
 Overseers of Roads:—
 Section 1—Robt. Dunbrack.
 Section 2—Chas. Kerr.
 Section 3—William McLean.
 Section 4—Thomas Grant.
 Section 5—John Gilbert.
 Section 6—Alexander Stretch.
 Section 7—Lewes Grant.
 Section 8—Alfred Dillman.
 Section 9—Alexander Dillman.
 Section 10—Alexander Cole, Sr.
 Section 11—Weslie Milne.
 Section 12—Joseph Lively.
 Section 13—Edward Howell.
 Section 14—Thomas Cox.
 Section 15—Chas. Miller.
 Section 16—Robert Murphy.
 Presiding Officer—Joseph Seeton.

District No. 21.—Middle Musquodoboit.

Councillor—John H. Taylor.
 Road Masters:—
 Section 1—William J. Archibald.
 Section 2—Raymond Fisk.
 Section 3—John Fox.
 Section 4—W. J. McMillin.
 Section 5—W. J. Seott.
 Section 6—William Archibald.
 Section 7—John Dickey.
 Section 8—Robert McFatrige.
 Section 9 and 10—Samuel P. White.
 Section 11—Harry McFatrige.
 Section 12—Samuel Dickey.
 Section 13—Simeon Higgins.
 Section 14—Arthur Higgins.
 Section 15—John O'Connell.
 Section 16—William Dickey.
 Section 17—Henry Archibald.
 Section 18—James McFatrige.

Section 19—James Annand.
 Section 20—George McFtridge.
 Section 21—Robert Jennings.
 Section 22—Hervie Grant.
 Section 23—James I. Archibald.
 Section 24—Ephraim H. McNutt.
 Supervisor of Roads—John A. Guild.
 Assessors—William H. Gladwin, Jr.,
 Henry Lindsay.

Collector of Rates—Francis H. Guild.
 Board of Health—Walter McCurdy, J.
 W. Dickie, Chas. H. Morris, M. D., and
 M. H. Guild.

Overseers of Poor—William McCurdy,
 Samuel Hanna and J. G. Chisholm.
 Surveyors of Logs, Wood and Lumber—
 Raymond Fisk, Frank H. Taylor, and
 Edward Marks.

Fence Viewers—Pineo Flemming, Rebt.
 McCurdy, and J. G. Chisholm.

Constables—Robert McCurdy, George
 Sargeant, Charles Tupper and Robert
 McGunnigle.

Presiding Officer—John Higgins, 8th,
 J. P.

To Swear in District Officers—John H.
 Taylor, J. P.

District No. 21, A—Caribou Mines.

Councillor—F. D. Darragh.
 Presiding Officer—M. Higgins.
 Collector of Rates—A. Sinclair.
 Assessors—Andrew McGregor, M. Lind-
 say.

Overseers of Poor—J. McIsaac, J. Hil-
 chey, S. Kendervater.

Fence Viewers—J. Hilchey, J. Doull.

District Clerk—Arlington Hilchey.

Constables—S. Kendervater, A. Sin-
 clair, M. Higgins, N. Higgins.

Board of Health—A. Logan, J. Steven-
 son, A. McGregor, A. Miller.

Sanitary Inspector—Geo. Archibald, M.
 D.

Surveyor of logs, wood and lumber—J
 Hilchey.

Road Masters—District 1, C. Doull.

District 2—J. Hilchey.

Road Supervisor—M. Lindsay.

District No. 22.—Upper Musquodoboit.

Councillor—T. E. Stewart.
 Presiding Officer—James Kent, J. P.

Collector of Rates—Alex. Burnett.

Assessors—F. W. Henry and John
 Redman.

Overseers of Poor—Wm. Holman, Geo.
 Hamilton and Jas. Holman.

Fence Viewers—Wallace Miller, Layton
 Burnett and James Pace.

District Clerk—F. W. Henry.

Constables—Geo. Jennings, George P.
 Redman, Alex. I. B. Clark, Wm. Reid,
 Albert Fisher.

Board of Health—J. D. Henry, J. F.
 Parker, Frank Fraser and Sidney Archi-
 bald.

Sanitary Inspector—Dr. M. G. Archi-
 bald.

Surveyors of Logs, Wood and Lumber—
 John Redman, Neil Archibald, J. H.
 Holman, John Burnett and Ernest Chap-
 lain.

Road Masters of Statute Labor—

Section 1—David Brown.

Section 2—Edmund Hamilton.

Section 3—Barry Hamilton.

Section 4—Ira Dean.

Section 5—T. P. Dean.

Section 6—Charles Stewart.

Section 7—Alexander Henry.

Section 8—Murdoch Henry.

Section 9—Samuel Archibald.

Section 10—John Burnett.

Section 11—Thomas Fleming.

Section 12—William Dean.

Section 13—John Gault.

Section 14—George Dean.

Section 15—George Lemon.

Section 16—John G. Dechman.

Section 17—James Benvie.

Section 18—Tupper Stewart.

Section 19—Edwin Little.

Section 20—James Redman.

Section 21—David Higgins.

Section 22—Edward Horn.

Section 23—Robert Miller.

Section 24—John Erskine.

Section 25—Alexander Fraser.

Section 26—Benj. Hutchinson.

Section 27—Edwin Dellar.

Section 28—Wm. G. Butcher.

Section 29—Peter McNabh.

Supervisor—Neil Archibald.

To Swear in Officers—J. G. Reynolds,
 J. P.

Keeper of Scales.

District No. 23—Terrance Bay.

Councillor—John F. Ryan.

Assessors—Chas. Slaunwhite, Jeremiah
 Slaunwhite.

Collector—Tobias Jollimore.

Fence Viewer—Peter Slaunwhite.
 Overseers Public Property—John P. Slaunwhite, Richard Norris, Thomas Slaunwhite.

Presiding Officer—Vincent Bartlett.
 Constables—Chas. Slaunwhite, Dennis Brophy.

Supervisor of Roads—Michael Slaunwhite.

Road Masters—

Section 1—Daniel Alaunwhite.

Section 2—Peter Slaunwhite.

Section 3—Edward Little.

Overseers of Poor—Dennis Brophy, Jos. Umlah, Zachariah Jollimore.

Board of Health—Edward Wheatley, John P. Slaunwhite, Samuel Slaunwhite, Robert Slaunwhite.

District No. 24—Smith's Cove.

Councillor—A. F. Smith.

Assessors—Wm. G. Smith, Thomas Fancy.

Collector of County Rates—David H. Moser.

Road Masters—

Section 1—John Turner.

Section 2—Jasper Moser.

Section 3—William Parlee.

Section 4—Walter W. Smith.

Section 5—Edward N. Smith.

Section 6—Sydney Pye.

Section 7—Levi Hartling.

Section 8—Isiah Carver.

Section 9—Oden Pye.

Supervisor of Roads—Geo. Shellnutt.

Overseers of Poor—Edwin Moser, Solomon Fancy, J. A. Moser.

Constables—Wm. Fraser, Thomas J. Smith, Herbert Bezanson, Angus Smith, Alexander Hartling.

Surveyors of Lumber and Scaler of Logs—Andrew Archibald, Geo. Shellnutt, Matt. McMan, William Richardson, Herbert Bezanson.

Fence Viewers—Wm. H. Jewers, Joseph Worthen, Wm. Romkey.

Board of Health—Geo. Hartling, John F. Holman, John Romkey, Neil Oicle.

Presiding Officer—Edw. Moser.

District No. 25.—Sheet Harbor.

Councillor—Henry Hall.

Presiding Officer—F. McMillian, M. D.

Overseers of Poor—Thomas H. Hall, John Routledge, Isaac Wambold.

Fence Viewers—John Bibie, Robert Routledge.

Road Masters—

Section 1—William Beeswanger.

Section 2—Elbridge Lowe.

Section 3—Benjamin Westhaver.

Section 4—James Wambold.

Section 5—William Munroe.

Section 6—Ronald McDonald.

Section 7—George F. Grant.

Section 8—Martin Cruickshanks.

Section 9—Roland Grant.

Section 10—Simon Boutilier.

Section 11—Joseph Hubly.

Constables—Headly Munroe, James Westhaver, Aaron Rood, Robert Routledge, Thomas Hall, Henry Richards, Daniel Farnell, John Redmond.

Surveyors of Logs and Lumber—Angus McDonald, James McG. Cruickshanks, Edward Quillinam, James A. Lindsay, Thomas A. Baker, Andrew McDonald, P. J. Murphy, Michael Nelligan, William Knight, Daniel J. Coady, H. B. Anderson.

Ferryman—Eldridge Lowe, Sheet Harbor; John Wiessill, Sober Island.

Board of Health—F. McMillian, M. D., John M. Gourley, M. D., Angus Cruickshanks, Daniel Chisholm, John W. Hall.

Measurers Wood, Coal and Produce—Thomas H. Hall, Patrick Coady.

Assessors—James A. Lindsay, Edward Quilliman.

Sanitary Inspector—M. McFarlane.

Supervisor of Roads and Bridges—P. J. Murphy.

To Swear in District Officers—M. McFarlane, J. P.

Collector County and Poor Rates—Andrew McDonald.

District No. 26.—Tangier.

Councillor—D. T. Leslie.

Road Masters—

Section 1—Samuel McCarthy.

Section 2—Henry Boutilier.

Section 3—Theodore Leslie.

Section 4—Manuel Josey.

Section 5—Robert Day.

Section 6—Henry Cooper.

Section 7—James, Jennings.

Section 8—Alex. Glawson.

Section 9—John Kennedy.

Section 10—Lewis Murphy.

Section 11—James DeWolfe.

Section 12—James Fahie.

Section 13—William McKenzie.

Section 14—Archibald Prest.

Section 15—William Hawes, Sr.
 Section 16—John C. Hilchey.
 Assessors—C. B. Hilchey, Archibald
 Prest.
 Collector of Rates—George Conrod.
 Overseers of Poor—Henry McKenzie,
 Reuben Prest, Andrew Glawson.
 Constables—Charles A. Murphy, Thos.
 Borgal, Joseph Mason, Jonathan Hilchey,
 Charles Percival, William Hubley, Jr.
 Board of Health—Dr. Thomas, Joseph
 H. Townsend, W. C. Henley, John C. Ross,
 John A. Leslie.
 Sanitary Inspector—James P. Miller.
 Ferry-men—William Tracey, Ship Har-
 bor; John T. Abriel, Gerrard's Island.
 Supervisor of Roads—Isaac J. Leslie.
 Surveyors of Lumber, Logs and Wood—
 Archibald Prest, Sidney Prest, Andrew
 Glawson, John Logan.
 Fence Viewers—John Logan, Charles
 Cooper, Frank Martin.
 Presiding Officer—Alex. Bollong.

District 27.—Jeddore.

Councillor—William Homans.
 Presiding Officer—George A. Jameson,
 M. D.
 Assessors—Robert Stevens, Conrod
 Marks.
 Health Officers—George M. Jameson, M.
 D., Albert Warrell, Dennis Williams.
 Sanitary Inspector—Peter Myres, West
 Head.
 Surveyors of Logs, Lumber and Wood—
 Orlande Meyers, George Mitchell, Amos
 Webber, George Marks.
 Overseers of Poor—George Smith, Wm.
 Eisen, Wm. J. Myres.
 Collector of County and Poor Rates —
 Wilson Webber.
 Fence Viewers—Reuben Smith, Joseph
 Kent, Edward Warrell, Conroil Marks,
 Michael Stoddard.
 Constables—Isaac Bowser, Gideon Blak-
 ney, James L. Myres, Henry Stoddard,
 J. W. Webber, Amos Webber, Alfred
 Weeks.
 Supervisor of Roads—Amos Webber.
 Road Masters—
 Section 1—Thomas Gates.
 Section 2—George Smith.
 Section 3—Andrew Mosher.
 Section 4—Thomas Grant.
 Section 5—Dennis Williams.
 Section 6—Samuel Kent.

Section 7—John Hackins.
 Section 8—Jeremiah Harpell.
 Section 9—Peter W. Maskell.
 Section 10—Nathaniel Docks.
 Section 11—John Myres.
 Section 12—Daniel Blakney, Sr.
 Section 13—James Myres, Sr.
 Section 14—George W. Mitchell.
 Section 15—Stephen Jenex.
 Section 16—James Foley.
 Section 17—Eli Baker.
 Section 18—Albert Power.
 Section 19—James M. Webber.
 Section 20—Albert Webber.
 Section 21—William Webber.
 Section 22—Robert Cook.
 Section 23—Levy Russell.
 Section 24—Richard Hunt.
 Section 25—Joseph Parker.
 Section 26—David Richardson.
 Section 27—Joseph Chapman.
 Section 28—Howard Mitchell.
 Section 29—John M. Marks.

District No. 28.—West Chezzet- cook.

Councillor—William Myette.
 Overseers of Statute Labor—
 Section 1—Lemuel Graham.
 Section 2—Alexander Patterson.
 Section 3—John McDonald.
 Section 4—Thomas Fellis.
 Section 5—Joseph Conrod.
 Section 6—James Conrod.
 Section 7—Dennis Wolf.
 Section 8—Joseph Wolf.
 Section 9—James Lapierre.
 Section 10—Joseph Bellefontaine.
 Section 11—Oliver Bellefontaine.
 Section 12—Andrew Bellefontaine.
 Section 13—John Roma.
 Section 14—James Ferguson.
 Section 15—Lawrence Breaux.
 Section 16—Celestine Mannette.
 Section 17—Dennis Bouin.
 Supervisor of Roads—Thomas Bellefon-
 taine.
 Assessors—James Gaetz, George Peti-
 pas.
 Overseers of Poor—Joseph Gaetz, Isaac
 Lapierre, George Murphy.
 Board of Health—Joseph Gaetz, Isaac
 Lapierre, Thomas Bellefontaine, John
 Roma.
 Fence Viewers—Francis Petipas, John
 Roma.

Appraisers of Damage—Gabriel Murphy, Stephen Lapierre.

Constables—Andrew Petipas, Abel Bellefontain, James Lapierre, Angus Gaetz.

Collector of County and Poor Rates—John Lapierre.

Keeper of Canterbury Bridge—Ephraim Myette.

Presiding Officer—John T. McLaren
Surveyor of Lumber and Scaler of Logs—John McDonald.

District No. 29.—Lawrencetown.

Councillor—P. Kuhn.

Presiding Officer—George Hawkins.

Assessors—George Lloy, Simeon Hiltz.

Collector of Rates—Elias Hiltz.

Road Masters—

Section 1—Isaiah Patterson.

Section 2—Charles Conrod.

Section 3—William Shaw.

Section 4—Reuben Crowell.

Section 5—Reuben Crowell.

Section 6—James Crowell.

Section 7—James Leslie.

Section 8—William Lloy.

Section 9—Henry Merson.

Constables—Elias Hiltz, Freeman Leslie, James Morash, Daniel Clark.

Board of Health—Jasper McDonald, Henry Merson, David Wirrell, William Conrod.

Health Inspector—John Bremner.

Overseers of Poor—Edmund Conrod, Daniel Murphy, Adam Leslie.

Fence Viewers—Desbrisay Conrod, Patrick Conrod, Daniel Daris.

Custodian of Run Bridge—Henry Aker,
Supervisor of Roads—Henry Naugle.

District No. 30.—Preston.

Councillor—John Thomas.

Assessors—John Colley, Stuart Innis.

Collector of Rates—George Diggs.

Presiding Officer—James Thomas.

Overseers of Poor—John Wiseman, Jos. Thomas, Sr., John Glasgow.

Health Officers—John Colley, Samuel Smith, David Ross, Edward Davidson.

Health Inspector—William Saunders.

Keeper of Drawbridge, Porter's Lake—Stuart Innis.

Road Masters—

Section 1—Peter Clayton.

Section 2—Alfred James.

Section 3—Josiah Misener.

Section 4—Freeman Brown.

Section 5—John Nelson, Jr.

Section 6—John Wiseman.

Section 7—George Crawley.

Section 8—Nimrod Williams.

Section 9—Joseph Thomas, Jr.

Section 10—Simon Downey.

Section 11—David Smith.

Constables—William Saunders, Joseph Thomas, Jr., Daniel Downey, James Thomas, Alexander Griswell.

Fence Viewers—Daniel Johnson, Richard Saunders, John Johnson.

Appraisers of Damages—John Nelson, Jr., Joseph Diggs, Charles Taylor.

Supervisor of Roads—John Thompson.

District No. 31.—Cole Harbor.

Councillor—S. W. Lydiard.

Presiding Officer—Harry Watson.

Assessors—Wm. McKenzie and John P. Morash

Collector of Rates—Justus Morash.

Overseers of Poor—Robert Settle, Sr. Alex. McLean, C. F. Lydiard.

Constables—George Stone, William Lawlor, William Reddy.

Fence Viewers—John R. Morash, Maynard Tullock, Frank Grant.

Sanitary Inspector—W. H. Hattie, M. D.

Board of Health—Wallace Peverie, Wm. E. Farquharson, John Crooks, John D. Kuhn.

Surveyors of Logs and Lumber—Webster Eisner, Reuben Ernst.

Swearing in Town Officers—S. W. Lydiard, J. P.

Commissioners and Road Masters—

Sections 1 and 2—Under Commission—John Dillman and George A. Tufts, Commissioners.

Section 3—Acel Wniston.

Section 4—John O'Connor.

Section 5—Gordon Kuhn.

Section 6—

Section 7—

Section 8—William Bell.

Section 9—Fredk. W. Cooper, Sr.

Section 10—Edward Jump.

Section 11—Reuben Ernst.

Section 12—Alexander Farquharson.

Sections 13, 19 and 22—Under Commission—Edward Morash, Commissioner.

Sections 14 and 15—Under Commission—Hugh Grant and Henry Archibald, Commissioners.

Section 16—Irving Cross.
 Section 17—Robert Preeper.
 Section 18—Wm. C. Bishop.
 Section 20—John Elliott.
 Section 21—John Hartlan.
 Section 23—Louis Morash.
 Section 24—Charles Drummond.
 Section 25 A—John H. Strum.
 Section 25 B—Edward Keelor.

District No. 32.—Hubbard's Cove.

Councillor—Chas. C. McLean.
 Assessors—John Gibbons, Esq., Neil C. McLean, Jr.
 Presiding Officer—William Kennedy.
 Collector of Rates—James E. Conrod.
 Overseers of Poor—John Gibbons, Esq., Chas. Johnson, Henry Conrod.
 Road Masters—
 Section 1—Elisha Smith.
 Section 2—Wm. J. Boutilier.
 Section 2½—James Kennedy, Jr.
 Section 3—Edmund Colp.
 Section 4—Thos. C. Kennedy.
 Section 5—Davis Jolleymore.
 Section 6—Miah Harnish.
 Mason's Point—Augustus Hartling.
 Boutilier's Point—Simeon Boutilier.
 Conrod's Road—Jacob Conrod.
 Schwartz's Road—Francis Schwartz.
 East Side Hubbard's Cove—Simon Dauphinee.

Constables—Alexi Conrod, Morton Mason, Cyrus Hyson, Herbert Gibbons, Thomas C. Kennedy, Levi Dauphinee, Lambert Conrod, Wm. T. Harnish, Creighton Dauphinee.

Health Inspector—Stephen Adlington, M. D.

Board of Health—Stephen Dauphinee, Amos Schwartz, Elkanah Misener, Loftus Mason.

Fence Viewers—Ronald McEchran, Geo. Brigley, Francis Schwartz.

Surveyors of Logs and Lumber—S. W. Shankel, Joseph Shankel, John Gibbons, Esq., Rand Gibbons, Fred. Corbet, John Bowlan, Robt Vaughn, Herbert Gibbons.
 Supervisor of Roads—Wm. Kennedy (North Shore).

District No. 33.—Eastern Passage.

Councillor—W. F. Negus.

Presiding Officer—Daniel A. Moser.

Collector—Nelson Negus.

Assessors—James Moser, Edward De-Young, Sr.

Supervisor of Roads—Irving Turner.

Road Masters—

Section 1—Edward Trider.

Section 2—William Wells.

Section 3—William Himelman.

Section 4—John Smith.

Section 5—John Gorcham.

Section 6—William Moser.

Section 7—Henry Osborne.

Section 8—Benjamin Ilines.

Section 9—James Murray.

Section 10—George Williams.

Section 11—James Finlay.

Sanitary Inspector—William H. Naugle.

Board of Health—John Trider, Jr., Lewis Himelman, Joseph Osborne, Jas. Henneberry.

Overseers of Poor—Francis McDonald, William Seeton, James Moser.

Constables—George Morash, John E. Horne, William Osborne, Arthur Duns-worth, George DeYoung.

Fence Viewers—William H. Naugle, Albert Osborne, Robert Thompson.

District No. 34.—Salmon River.

Councillor—J. H. Whitman.

Presiding Officer—John P. Hogan.

Assessors—Edmund Smiley, John T. Warren.

Collector of Poor and County Rates -- John O'Leary, sr.

Road Masters—

Section 1—Layton Moore.

Section 2—Wm. H. Pyc.

Section 3—H. B. Sinclair.

Section 4—Matthew Gallagher.

Section 5—Edward Barkhouse, including Barkhouse Road with Dufferin Mines Road.

Section 6—Hector Smiley.

Section 7—Abraham Harvey.

Section 8—George Smith.

Section 9—Alexander McDonald.

Section 10—Solomon Atkins.

Supervisor of Roads—Wallace Smiley.

Constables—Jas. Hirker, Michael Finlay, Wallace Smiley.

Overseers of Poor—John W. Atkins, John G. Hirker, Edmund McLeod.

Fence Viewers—Donald Hawbold, Leonard Whitman, Jonathan Mason.

Board of Health—Henry J. Balcom, Henry Hawbold, John F. O'Leary, John H. Jones.

Sanitary Inspector—Dr. E. W. Dunlop.

Surveyors of Logs, Wood and Lumber—George Wessell, Wm. R. Hartling, Henry Barkhouse, Henry Hawbold.

District No. 35.—Little River.

Councillor—Alex. McMullin.
 Overseers of Statute Labor—
 Section 1—Edward Cruickshank.
 Section 2—Lemon Grant.
 Section 3—James Brown.
 Section 4—Clmord Rhind.
 Section 5—Thomas McMullen.
 Section 6—Clarence Cole.
 Section 7—John Ogilvie, jr.
 Section 8—Arthur Scott.
 Constables—Arthur Killeen, Charles Hurley, Hiram Scott.
 Surveyors of Lumber, Logs and Wood—Arthur H. Gladwin, Joseph Wallace.
 Overseers of Poor—Edward Howe, Chas. Ogilvie, Henry Cruickshank.
 Assessors of Rates—George Brown, Harvey E. Cole.

Board of Health—Samuel Burris, Edward Howe, Wilson Ogilvie, Henry Wallace.

Appraisers of Damages—George Browne, George Ogilvie, Cameron McMullin.

Fence Viewers—D. P. Dean, Lemon Grant, Archibald McLellan.

Presiding Officer—W. R. Ogilvie.
 Supervisor of Roads and Bridges—Alexander Taylor.

Collector of Rates—Henry Cruickshank.
 District Clerk—John Ogilvie, Jr.

To Swear in District Officers—Samuel Burris, J. P.

District No. 36.—East Chezzetcook.

Councillor—Daniel Casey.
 Overseers Statute Labor—
 Section 1—David Power, Jr.
 Section 2—John Moser.
 Section 3—Samuel Gaetz.
 Section 4—Frank Byers.
 Section 5—Edward Young.
 Section 6—Alvin Byers.
 Section 7—Philip Young.
 Section 8—Frank Callright.
 Section 9—Sandy Crawford.
 Section 10—John Redmond.
 Section 11—J. Showkizer.
 Section 12—Matthew Daley.
 Section 13—Jos. Dumphy.
 Section 14—Jos. Misener.
 Section 15—Edward Connors
 Section 16—Geo. A. Conrod.

Section 17—Abner Conrad.

Section 18—Wallace Dukeshire.

Section 19—Edward Dares.

Overseers of Poor—Justice Colford, Michael Power, Josiah Ferguson.

Constables—Wm. Usher, Lewis Matt. Thos. Misener, Wm. Conrad, Frank Byers, Jr., John Gaetz, Dennis Smith, Jr., J. Howe Keizer.

Assessors—Peter Conrad, Abner Gaetz.
 Health Officers—Jas. R. O'Brien, J. P., Justice Colford, Maurice Colford, Daniel Power.

Weighers of Hay and Straw—E. S. Guild, J. E. Rollings.

Presiding Officer—Wm. Marnell.
 Surveyors of Lumber—Amos Could, Alex. Smith.

Fence Viewers—Andrew Gaetz, Matthew Conrod, Herbert Greenough.

Revisor—Maurice Colford.
 Keeper of Drawbridge, Porter's Lane—A. S. Innis.

District No. 38.—Dover.

Councillor—J. B. Connors.
 Assessors—James Fader, J. P., East Dover, and James Zinck, West Dover.

Road Masters—
 Section 1, Bayside—Fenwick Fader.
 Section 2, McGrath's Cove—John McGrath.

Section 3—Noah Morash, East Dover.
 Section 4—Thomas Graves, East Dover.

Section 5—Abraham Cleveland, West Dover.

Section 6—Isaac Morash, West Dover.
 Section 7—Isaiah W. Cleveland, new section.

Constables—
 East Dover—John Harnish.
 West Dover—John Forrester and Leander Cleveland.

Board of Health—
 East Dover—David Duggan and John Duggan.

West Dover—Joseph S. Milligan, Alfred Morash.

Fence Viewers—
 East Dover—Martin Beck.
 West Dover—James Zinck.

Overseers of Poor—
 East Dover—Noah Morash.
 West Dover—William Baker and James Morash, jr.

East Dover Sanitary Inspector—Jas. Fader, J. P.

Presiding Officer—Henry Fader.
 Collector—Iving W. Fader.
 Supervisor of Roads—Noah Fader, Sr.

MONDAY MORNING.

The Council met on Monday morning at 10.30 o'clock and after roll call the minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

The Treasurer read his report which was adopted on motion of Councillors Lydiard and Negus.

Councillor Whitman wanted to know why the cost of criminal prosecutions increases year by year, and what proportion Halifax and Dartmouth bears of it. The County Stipendiary came to his district and it had a very beneficial effect. He would like to make him pay periodical visits to the various districts.

Councillor Lydiard thought the Legislature should be petitioned in the matter. He also referred to the Coroner's fees. In his own case he was coroner for Dartmouth, and in two cases of bodies found outside of Dartmouth and within his jurisdiction the bodies were ordered to be taken across to Halifax.

Moved by Councillor Lydiard, seconded by C. Negus, that the report be received and adopted. Carried.

Councillor Homans brought before the Council the case of a road in his district which was being renewed as a consequence of the recent storms. It is a case somewhat the same as that in Councillor Kuhn's district and the Councillor felt he should have some assistance.

Clerk Wiswell said he thought the Government had granted \$100 to this road but that would not be sufficient.

Public Property Report.

The following report was submitted by the committee on Public Property:

January 16, 1902.

Your Committee on Public Property beg leave to submit the following report:

That during the year 1901 the Poor Farm has been managed in such a manner as to insure economy in expenditure, necessary repairs to everything requiring the same, and comfort to the inmates. The crops have been very good with the

exception of the potato crop, which has been a failure throughout the Province; yet we hope to have sufficient to supply the Institution until the new crop is grown. Some more land has been broken up and partially cropped during the year.

The inmates of the Institution number about the same as last year. There has been a slight increase in board of insane patients and a decrease in that of District paupers. Owing to the advance in prices of a number of articles necessary for the Institution, the tenders for the same were higher and consequently those items of expenditure are increased somewhat over previous years. Several implements required on the farm were purchased, such as mowing machine, plough, harrow, etc., and the necessary repairs to woodwork and plaster were attended to. The horses employed on the farm, becoming unsuitable, were disposed of and a new team purchased, which work satisfactorily.

The Superintendent and Matron have given perfect satisfaction and, to the Committee, have proved to be painstaking and untiring in the performance of the duties devolving upon them. At the close of the year 1901 your Committee are pleased to show, as well as for the previous years, a balance in favor of the Institution, making an actual surplus for the three years of \$1,326.07.

At the last Session of Council the Public Property Committee were authorized to construct a building for the accommodation of patients having contagious diseases. This, and more, has been accomplished.

Your Committee found that by having this building erected separate and apart from the others, the cost would be much greater than the funds at our disposal warranted; besides two extra attendants—a male and female—would have been required, which would have added materially to the expense.

The building as it now stands, attached to the others, although exceeding the amount voted, supplies the needed wards, and greatly increased accommodation to the Institution at much less cost than it would have been necessary to expend in the near future.

Jail.

The jail has been run in a careful and judicious manner. It is clean and well ventilated. A small amount of repairs were attended to during the past year, but it is probable some improvements will have to be made during the year 1902, and in view of the changes required your committee recommend that the Finance Committee make ample provision for doing the same.

Great credit is due Jailor Malcolm for the manner in which he performs the duties of his office.

We would refer the Council to the Jailor's and Surgeon's reports.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed),

S. W. LYDIARD, Chairman,
CHARLES E. SMITH,
JAMES BILLMAN,
COUNCILLOR JOHNSON,
B. C. WILSON,
W. BISHOP.

Account of Expenditure of Halifax County Poor Farm, for year ending Dec. 31, 1901:

Groceries and Provisions	\$1,164.90
Dry Goods and Clothing.....	201.64
Boots and Shoes	35 55
Boots and Shoes (repairs).....	45.05
Beef, etc.	390.46
Employee's Pay	763.14
Hardware, Paints, Oil, Lime etc	78.74
Doctor's Salary	90.00
Iron Bedsteads	54.60
Fresh Fish	22.92
Manure	15 15
Oats (crushed and for seed).....	64.40
Middlings and Bran	43.50
Printing	10.50
Lumber, Shingles, etc.	17 20
Straw and Hay	64.21
New Plough and Harrow.....	22.00
Seeds	4.55
Fruit Trees	4.00
Waggon Repairs	30.00
Cost of exchange of horses	135.00
Repairs to plastering, etc.....	37.40
Payment on mowing machine...	18.00
Repairing of Harness	9.00
Pigs	9.00
Keepers salary	400.00
Chairman's salary	50.00
Sundries	76.69
Blacksmith	24.84

\$3,916.64

Account of income of Halifax County Poor Farm for year ending Dec. 31, 1901:

Insane, 1254 weeks, 4 days at \$2.00 per week	\$2,509.14
District, 1241 weeks, 5 days at 75 cents per week	931.28
Dartmouth, 420 weeks, 6 days at \$1.30 per week	547.11
Board of Masons	10.00
Births (3)	24.00
Sale of vegetables	10.90
Sale of hides, casks and junk ...	10.80
Sale of barrels and bags	17.80
Balance in favor of Institution for 1900	1,181.68

\$5,242.71

Summary.

Income	\$5,242.71
Expenditure	3,916.64

Balance in favor of Halifax County Poor Farm for 3 years ending Dec. 31, 1900... \$1,326.07

On motion of Councillor Negus the report was adopted.

The Poor Farm.

The following report was read from J. M. Henneberry, Superintendent of the Poor Farm:

In presenting my report for the year 1901, there are at the Pooors' Farm 60 inmates, of which 14 are sane women, 1 girl, 12 insane women, 16 are sane men, 3 boys, 14 insane men. Admitted during the past year, 19; discharged, 10; died, 7. There are six employees, 2 males, 3 females and night watchman.

The crops have been fairly good. Potatoes, 230 bushels; turnips, 250 bushels; carrots, 25 bushels; parsnips, 21 bushels; b. beets, 13 bushels; sauer krout, 3 barrels; cabbage, green, 10 dozen; cucumbers, peas, beans plentiful.

Hay, 14 tons; fodder, 2 tons; live stock, 4 milch cows, 1 heifer, 2 horses, 2 pigs, Killed on the Farm, 4 pigs, weighing in all 944 lbs.

Farming utensils the same as last year. Land improved can be judged by appearance.

Provisions on hand—Sugar, 200 lbs.; rice, 150 lbs.; oatmeal, 75 lbs.; barley, 100 lbs.; tea, 40 lbs.; herring, $\frac{1}{2}$ bbl.; pork, 125 lbs.; beans; 1 bushel.

Clothing on hand—Men's pants, 9 pairs; men's drawers, 9 pairs; men's top shirts, 13; men's undershirts, 12; men's socks, 13 pairs; mits, 12 pairs; yarns, 6 lbs.; women's undergarments; 20 dresses, 8 sheets, 41; pillow slips, 28; men's coats, 6; Laddis tweed, 54 yards; towling, 10; apron goods, 30 yards; homespun, 80 yards; brown cloth, 8; grey homespun, 56 yards; drilling, 39 yards; galatea, 110 yards; flanellette, 25 yards, unbleached cotton, 20 yards; spools, 5 dozen.

JAS. M. HENNEBERRY,
Superintendent Poor Farm.

On motion of Councillors Negus and Bishop the report was adopted.

On motion of Councillors Negus and Taylor Mr. Henneberry was re-appointed Superintendent of the Poor Farm.

POOR FARM, Physician's Report

Dr. Cunningham, physician of the Poor Farm, reported as follows:

In submitting my yearly report I have to say that there has been very little illness among the inmates of the County Poor Farm during 1901.

There have been seven deaths during the past year.

Apoplexy	4
Heart disease	2
Phthisis	1

Since the completion of the addition to the buildings it gives an opportunity to isolate contagious and infectious cases. Everything about the wards and dormitories has been kept clean and tidy.

The sick have been always treated with great attention and kindness by Mr. and Mrs. Henneberry,

I am, etc., etc.,

N. F. CUNNINGHAM, M. D.

On motion of Councillors Lydiard and Milne the report was adopted, and Dr. Cunningham re-appointed physician.

Miscellaneous Matters.

Councillors Canfield and Flemming moved the following:

That the line of the public landing at Prince's Lodge, on Bedford Basin be defined and that Councillors Flemming, Bishop and Canfield be a committee for the same.

The motion passed.

Councillors Flemming and Hall moved the following:

That Road Sections Nos. 1 and 14, in District No. 17, be placed under Commission in accord and under the Act in such cases passed in 1900, said Commission to be composed of Harold Silver, Charles Peverill and Emerson Barrett, with power to maintain said road, as such statute provides, for the period of two years.

The motion passed.

The following bridges were placed under the Small Bridge Act:

On motion of Councillors Moren and Flemming, the bridge near Mason's, in District 16.

On motion of Councillors Hall and Moren, the bridge known as Lawrence Brook bridge, in District 25.

On Motion of Councillors McLean and Croucher, the bridges known as Hubbard's, Puddle, Ingram River and Indian River, in District 32 and 12.

On motion of Councillors Coolen and Ryan, the bridge at Indian Point, Prospect, known as Indian Point bridge.

On motion of Councillors Ryan and Milne, the bridge at Lower Prospect, known as Lower Prospect bridge.

On motion of Councillors Hayes and Billman, the bridge dividing Districts 7 and 14, being half in each District.

On motion of Councillors Hayes and Coolen, the bridge at Purcell's Cove.

On motion of Councillors Johnson and Bishop, the bridge at the head of Ketch Harbor, in District 8, and the bridge known as Bear Cove bridge in said District.

The salary of the Treasurer, Parker Archibald, was increased from \$700 to \$800.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

The session was resumed at 2.30. After the clerk read the minutes the business was proceeded with.

The first matter dealt with was an amendment to the resolution passed on Saturday in connection with the Nova Scotia Eastern Railway Company Councillor McMullin said that it was drawn up by Stipendiary McDougall. In effect it was the same but the wording

was a little different. The motion was as follows:

Moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Lydiard:

"That all the words after 'Therefore, Resolved' be struck out and the following substituted therefor: 'That this Council vote a lump sum of \$5,000 to the Nova Scotia Eastern Railway Company, (Limited), for such purposes as are mentioned in the resolution, such sum to be paid in full to the said company when the said railway is completed and in running order and so certified to by the Provincial Engineer.

"Further resolved, that the County Treasurer be authorized to pay said sum upon the order of His Honor the Warden and a production of such certificate."

Councillor Smith spoke of the sum mentioned, \$5,000, as being very large. The Warden said that need not cause any worry as the company would pay more than that.

The motion passed.

Councillor Leslie's request for the removal of the Commission in District 26 was then taken up.

Councillor McMullin suggested that it be referred to the Stipendiary.

Councillor Flemming expressed the same opinion.

Councillor Leslie said that he thought the Council had the power to rescind the motion, as the Legislature empowered them to take such action.

Councillor Lydiard also said he thought that it was in the power of the Council to rescind the motion.

On motion of Councillors Stewart and C. E. Smith it was referred to the Stipendiary.

S. Naylor, Crier of the County Court, made application for the \$50 increase in his salary that had been promised him.

Councillor Croucher said that he understood that when any official makes application for more salary he was to send in his resignation at the same time. The Councillor was informed that such was not the case. The application was referred to the Finance Committee.

Councillor Stewart moved:

That Road Section No. 25, in District 22, be extended east to Dam bridge, so-called.

Councillors Homans and Leslie moved: That the Government be asked to grant the sum of \$200 for the purpose of finishing a new piece of road in District 27.

The motion passed.

The following bridges were placed under the Small Bridge Act:

Bidges in District 20, known as Bay-er's bridge and Dollar Brook bridge.

Bridge known as White's bridge, over Stoney Beach River, dividing boundary line between Districts 10 and 13.

Councillor Wilson introduced the following resolution in regard to road maintenance:

Whereas, the maintenance of the roads through the County of Halifax has become a matter of serious import to this Council in consequence of the inadequate revenue for this purpose at the disposal of the County authorities, and also that the present methods of dividing up the expenditure among some five hundred or more persons does not result in the greatest benefit being realized from such revenue as we have. And further, that this Council considers that better results would follow if a system of consolidation of the several sources of revenue and a corresponding consolidation of expenditure were inaugurated, whereby the several amounts now realized, or that may be realized, could be more efficiently expended than under the present diffuse system of insignificant amounts apportioned out among a large number of individuals, the majority of whom are and necessarily must be incompetent for the duty.

Therefore resolved, that this Council memorialize the Provincial Legislature asking them either to take over what funds we have and relieve us of the maintenance of the roads, or otherwise place all the revenues under the control of the Council with authority to raise such further necessary funds as the circumstances may demand.

It was intended, he said, to stimulate the Government to ask what can be done. By so being asked and an effort being made to answer it, some benefit might result. His idea was to reduce the number of persons expending money on the roads of the County to not more than one dozen.

Councillor Lydiard referred to the immensely increased traffic on the roads during the past 15 years. He said the had been told by a gentleman driving into Dartmouth on Friday last that he had counted 265 teams in a distance of 5 miles.

Councillor Bishop thought a committee from the Council he appointed to wait on the Legislature in regard to this matter, as they are the better qualified to speak on the matter than the members themselves.

Councillor McLean referred to a grant of \$100 which he had secured for a road in his district, and he had to say that under the rules connected with the expenditure of that money that he could not understand how any misappropriation was possible under the system. He thought every penny of the special grants made by the Government had to be expended directly on the road.

Councillor McMullin thought the chief step was to appoint the best man in the district as Supervisor, apart from the question of politics altogether. In his own district he knew of a case where the majority of the grant went into the Supervisor's pocket.

The Council then adjourned to allow the various committees to proceed with their work.

TUESDAY MORNING, Jan. 21.

The Council met at 10.30. Warden Madill being absent through sickness, Councillor C. E. Smith, the Deputy Warden, filled the chair. The Clerk read the reports of the Supervisors of Districts 9, 18, 21 and 27, which were adopted.

Bedford Tramway.

The matter of the Bedford Electric Tramway came up again for discussion, having been deferred until this day, and occupied the entire morning session.

Councillor Ryan urged upon the Council the great necessity for this road in view of the increasing importance of the tourist trade. He said there might be trouble about inducing manufacturers, but the tourist trade was right at our hands, and this road would be a necessary adjunct to that trade.

Councillor Flemming thought it would be impossible to have this tramway on the highroad, particularly in winter. If the road were widened he would agree and advise a small subsidy to the undertaking if necessary.

Councillor Bishop thought it would be a pity to do anything to burke the building of the tramway. It would be better he thought, to widen the road. He felt sure if the road were built many citizens of Halifax would move out and build along the line.

Councillor Canfield thought it would greatly improve the road in many places to have the tramway constructed. In many places the road is not more than 12 or 13 feet wide—that is of clear road—and the tram would have to cut into the bank.

The solicitor for the Company, Mr. McNeill, informed the Council that the Company would prefer to build on the side, and on the eastern side for choice.

Councillor Bishop suggested they should keep to the east side as far as Birch Cove and then cross and recross as they like.

Councillor Wilson moved the following resolution which carried unanimously:

That this Council grant the Bedford Tramway Company, limited, the right to build their tramway along the highway from Halifax and Bedford, provided such tramway shall be built on the side of the highway, but not in the middle thereof or upon any portion of the 21 feet clear for waggon traffic which said company shall leave for that purpose unencumbered for that purpose except where crossings may be necessary.

That a committee composed of Councillors Canfield, Morien, Billman, Wilson, Flemming, Ryan and Bishop be authorized to confer with the Provincial Engineer in regard to the location of said tram car line.

Also that the preceding resolution in reference to the foregoing be incorporated with this resolution.

The following motions were passed by the Council:

Moved by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Stewart, that A. F. Shaw be keeper of the weigh scales in District 21, omitted in list of officers. Passed.

Moved by Councillor Moren and Hall that road section No. 4, in District 16,

be divided into two sections; from Stillwater Bridge to top of Stillwater hill be made section 10.

On motion of Councillors Hayes and Smith the bridge between Dancing Rock and Herring Cove was placed under the bridge act.

On motion of Councillors McLean and Croucher Northeast River Bridge, dividing Districts 32 and 12, was placed under the Smaller Bridge Act.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, Jan. 21.

The Council met at 2.30 o'clock with the Deputy Warden, C. E. Smith, in the chair. The Minutes were read and approved.

Councillor Whitman said that the Councillors for the different districts were the chairmen of the Board of Health, and it frequently happened that the Councillors were absent, and in consequence the Board could not meet, as it would not be legally constituted without him. Some trouble had arisen during the past season. He suggested that the Sanitary Inspector act in the Councillor's absence.

Councillor Taylor explained that when the Councillor was absent the Board could not meet until the Warden and two Councillors approved of a man for chairman. Councillors Hall, Leslie and Lydiard also spoke on the subject. Stipendiary McDougall said that the Council could not pass any by-law to conflict with the Act. The Council could ask the Legislature to change the Act to suit the occasion.

Councillors Whitman and Hall moved the following:

That in the absence of the Councillor of the District the Sanitary Inspector be chairman of the Board of Health, and that the Law Amendments Committee ask for Legislation to that effect.

On motion of Councillors Lydiard and Flemming, W. S. Bishop and S. S. Scott were re-appointed auditors.

On motion of Councillors Smith and Lydiard, the bridge on the main post road leading to Ecum Secum River, known as Smith's Brook Bridge, be placed under the Smaller Bridge Act, also the bridge on the road leading from Moser's River to the back settlement, known as

Wilson's Falls Bridge, be also placed under the Act. The motion passed.

On motion of Councillors Flemming and Moren, the bridge on the Beaver Bank road, in District 17, was placed under the Smaller Bridge Act.

Statute Labor Work.

Councillor Lydiard brought up the road tax question which he said required changing. The statute labor work has now to be performed between April and August 31. He thought that the limit should be July 31. The road masters take advantage of this and do not perform their work until the last minute, and in consequence of this the public are obliged to travel over bad roads. Councillor Lydiard's suggestions met with the general approval of the Council.

Councillor Croucher asked what provision there was for fishermen who were away from home during this period. The Warden explained that there was special provision made for them.

Councillors Lydiard and McLean then introduced the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

That section 20 of chapter 67, of the Acts of 1898, be amended by striking out the word "August" on the fifteenth line thereof, and substituting therefor the word "July."

On motion of Councillors Taylor and Whitman, Councillor Lydiard's name was added to the committee on Law Amendments.

At the request of the Warden Stipendiary McDougall was called upon to inform the Council as to what the duties of the Road Commissioners were under the existing law.

The Council then adjourned to allow the committees to proceed with their work.

Wednesday Morning, Jan. 22.

The Council met on Wednesday morning at 10.30. The Minutes of Tuesday's sessions were read and approved.

Board of Health reports were read from the following districts and the respective accounts passed. Districts 18, 21, 14 and 34.

Councillors Wilson and Lydiard moved the following resolution regarding the collection of taxes:

That all taxes on real estate unpaid for three years past be collected by legal process, as by statute in such cases provided and that the Clerk prepare a list of such delinquent taxes and place same in hands of the County Stipendiary for his action, in accordance with this resolution.

Taxing Church Property.

Moved by Councillor Hayes, seconded by Councillor Johnson, that the Church property at Herring Cove be exempt from taxation.

A general discussion regarding taxation and exemption therefrom followed.

Councillor Canfield asked if the property at Rockingham were exempt from taxation. If so he thought this should apply to the property of other denominations.

Councillor Negus said there was a movement on foot to tax the Sacred Heart Convent in the city, and if this were due the Mount St. Vincent property should be assessed also.

Councillor Bishop thought all money making institutions should be taxed.

The Clerk read the statute regarding exemptions, for the benefit of the Council.

The words of the statute exempting property "in connection with the church" came in for discussion and interpretation.

Councillor Leslie could see no reason why clergymen should not be taxed as well as other people. As a rule they had a greater income than the most of their people and should pay their tax.

Moved by Councillor Wilson and seconded by Councillor Billman, that the petition of the Herring Cove church be referred to the committee on Assessment. Carried.

Changes in Council Room.

Some discussion arose over the poor arrangement of the Council room. Clerk Wiswell thought the Council should confer with the authorities and have it re-arranged. Several of the Councillors voiced the same sentiments and the general opinion was that a circular arrangement of the desks would be much better.

Moved by Councillors Connors and McLean that more tables be placed in the Council chamber, as better facilities are required in conducting the affairs of the sessions, and that the Commissioners of the Court House provide the same.

The motion passed.

Dispensary Grant.

The following communication from the Directors of the Halifax Dispensary was read:

To His Honor the Warden and members of the County Council:

Gentlemen,—The Directors of the Dispensary thankfully acknowledge your grant of \$25 in aid of its expenses last year and as a large number of persons from the districts outside the city receive medical advice and treatment they respectfully request a similar favor for the present year.

On behalf of the Board of Directors.

W. H. WISWELL,

Secretary, &c.

Halifax, January 21, 1902.

On motion of Councillors Whitman and Hall the Council donated the sum of \$25 to aid the Dispensary.

Statement of County Rates.

The following report regarding the deficits of assessment for the year 1902 was received and adopted:

District.	Assessment 1901.	Paid to Dec. 31, 1901.	Deficit.	Remarks.
District 7	\$ 239.23	\$ 236.73	\$ 2.50	Will be collected except 74c.
District 8	217.34	194.53	22.81	Warrant outstanding.
District 9	230.34	230.34	
District 10	250.00	239.78	10.22	This will be got except about \$4
District 11	434.85	434.85	
District 12	390.94	390.29	.65	This may be collected.
District 13	337.78	303.65	34.13	Most of this will be collected.
District 14	1185.74	1131.10	54.64	Most of this will be collected.
District 15	1665.92	1171.17	494.75	Warrant outstanding.
District 16	414.55	375.96	38.59	Warrant outstanding.
District 17	1340.76	1100.09	240.67	Warrant outstanding.
District 18	1079.99	1030.07	49.92	Most of this will be collected.
District 19	833.07	830.11	2.96	Uncollectable.
District 20	444.23	358.05	86.18	Most of this will be collected.
District 21	1231.68	1227.96	3.72	Error in assessment.
District 22	1036.91	993.85	43.06	Most of this will be got.
District 23	123.29	121.88	1.41	Doubtful.
District 24	552.32	496.16	56.16	Most of this will be got.
District 25	856.19	805.68	50.51	Most of this will be got.
District 26	739.57	739.43	.14	Uncollectable.
District 27	1044.70	1035.74	8.96	Part of this will be collected.
District 28	647.55	647.55	
District 29	525.04	525.04	
District 30	259.04	236.28	22.76	Most of this will be collected.
District 31	1497.82	1211.22	286.60	Most of this will be collected.
District 32	811.27	803.91	7.36	Part of this will be got.
District 33	704.10	659.24	44.86	Part of this will be got.
District 34	763.71	443.03	320.68	A large part of this is due by Montreal-London Gold and Silver Dev. Co.
District 35	349.83	346.32	.31	Uncollectable.
District 36	839.98	807.02	32.96	Most of this will be collected.
District 38	176.58	176.58	
	\$21224.32	\$19303.61	\$1920.71	

Report of Committee on the Insane, Chargeable to the Municipality of Halifax County.

Your committee beg to advise you in regard to the insane persons maintained by this municipality, as follows:

First. There were maintained at the Provincial Insane Asylum during first quarter of the year, 22 patients; during the second quarter 25 patients; during the third quarter 25 patients; during the last quarter 22 patients, at a total cost to the County as per this bill of \$3,035.07, but out of this amount is a credit due the County of \$51.89. We find also that the average cost per patient at the Asylum or Hospital is about

\$133.00, as against \$104.00, which it cost us at the Poor Farm per year.

There were four males and four females admitted to the Hospital during 1901, and during same period three males and two females were discharged, and two females removed to the Poor Farm, and there are nine males and ten females there now chargeable to us. For the names of all of these we refer you to the accompanying list.

Second. At the Poor Farm there are fourteen male and twelve female insane patients being cared for and from the report of the keeper of that institution it appears they are very satisfactorily provided for there. So that in the two institutions this Municipality is provid-

ing for 45 insane persons, viz.: 23 males and 22 females.

The maintenance of those at the Poor Farm will be included in the estimates for that institution, but it will be necessary to make provision for those at the Hospital. The present number there will require something over \$2,500.00, but as the average yearly admissions are some three or four of each sex it would be judicious to place \$3,000.00 in the estimates for this purpose. Your committee advise a visit to the Hospital in the near future, and ascertain if any patients there could be advantageously removed to the Poor Farm.

J. H. Whitman,	B. C. Wilson,
J. B. Connors,	O. Milne
David Casey,	W. Crooks.

Names of patients in Nova Scotia Hospital, chargeable to Halifax Municipality, Dec. 31st, 1901.

Males—W. H. Worthen, Daniel Slaughenwhite, George Latter, Stephen Bonang, James W. LaPierre, John W. Conrod, Wm. F. Stewart (residence Upper Musquodoboit), Daniel Mayatte, Richard A. Redmond—Males, 9

Females—Susan McKenzie, Mary Gaul, Rebecca Tough, Gertrude B. Farrell, Susan S. Conrod, Mary Boutilier, Gertrude Barkhouse, Catherine L. Williams, Catherine Chick, Elizabeth Shellnut—Females, 10.

Total number of patients in Hospital Dec. 31, 1901, 19.

CONNORS,
WHITMAN,
MILNE,
CASEY.

Report on Insane.

The following report was read from the committee on Insane:

Municipality of Halifax, statement for year ending Dec. 31st, 1901, with Nova Scotia Hospital.

Admissions, males—May 14, John W. Conrod; 23, Wm. F. Stewart; 27, Daniel Mayatte; Aug. 6, Richard A. Redmond—Males, 4.

Females—Feb. 7, Catherine L. Williams; March 18, Catherine Chick; July 8, Mary J. Boutilier; Nov. 12, Elizabeth Shellnut—Females, 4.

Total admissions 8.

Discharges, males—Aug. 31, Alex. Faulkner, 31, E. Dauphinee, Sept. 18, Daniel LaPierre—Males, 3.

Females—Jan. 31, Margaret Homans (Home); Aug. 31, Mary L. McKenzie, Poor Farm; 31, Olive Harvey, Poor Farm; Nov. 29, Mary Boutilier—Females, 4.

Total discharges 7.

On motion of Councillors Negus and Moren the report was adopted.

Letter from H. V. Wier.

The Clerk read the following communication from H. V. Wier:

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 21st, 1902.

To the Warden and Councillors, Halifax County:

Gentlemen,—I notice in the public press that you have passed a resolution appointing a committee to define the line of the public dock at Prince's Lodge.

I beg leave to notify you that there is no public dock there, over which or with which your Council has any jurisdiction or control. That the original owners of Prince's Lodge reserved a water lot there as a public dock by plan only, but the title to that lot is still in the proprietor's hands, and they are the owners, and it has never been deeded by them to the public for public purposes. As my property adjoins it I beg leave to notify you that if any person authorized by you, interferes in any way with my property or my established lines thereof, I will hold him and the gentlemen who voted for the resolution, personally responsible for any interference with my rights. I trust therefore that your honorable body will be pleased under the circumstances not to interfere with the matter, especially as the object of the resolution is for the benefit or information of a person residing at Prince's Lodge, and who now is trespassing on private property and which he claims is the public dock referred to. If that gentleman desires to have the lines of the alleged public dock, upon which he has built a wharf, he should ascertain them at his own expense and not at the expense of the Municipality. If any such expense is paid or authorized by the Municipality, I, as one of the ratepayers, will take the necessary proceedings to

have the amount repaid to the Municipality as an unauthorized expenditure.

I have the honor, to be, gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

H. V. WIER,

This letter was ordered to be laid on the table.

The following resolution was moved by Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Flemming:

Resolved, that the assessment of the Sheet Harbor Mining Co., in District No. 25, for the year 1901, be \$200, instead of \$1,300, as appears by the assessors returns, and that the County and Poor Rates for 1901 be collected on said sum of \$200.

The motion passed.

Miscellaneous Matters.

Councillors Taylor and Darragh moved:

Whereas, road section 15, in District 21, is now included in the line of road leading from the coach road to the County line via O'Connell's has not been laid off as a road section.

Resolved, that the road from said main road to the County line be a road section in District 21, and be numbered 15.

The motion passed.

Councillors Kuhn and Negus moved that a precept be granted to lay out a new piece of road in district 29, from Dyke bridge to the west end of present West Lawrencetown road, and that Simeon Hiltz and Charles Conrod be appointed a committee to lay out the same. The motion passed.

Councillors Homans and Negus moved that the property in District 27, known as the Gold Lake mining property be placed on the assessment roll of the above named district for the year 1902.

The motion passed.

On motion of Councillors Negus and Whitman, A. W. Smith was appointed a constable for the Court House or wherever required without remuneration except fees for such services.

Councillors Negus and Taylor moved: That the sum of \$50 be granted to defray the expenses of the clergyman officiating at burial and religious services at the Poor Farm for the year 1902.

The motion passed.

Councillors Flemming and Moren moved:

That the bridge on the cross Beaver Bank road, in District 17, be placed under the Smaller Bridge Act.

The motion passed.

Thomas Green was appointed Sanitary Inspector for District 21.

The following were appointed commissioners for making out papers for admissions of patients to the lunatic asylum.

On motion of Councillors Hall and Moren, M. McFarlane and D. W. Archibald, J. P.'s, were appointed.

On motion of Councillors Stewart and Taylor, Walter McCurdy and Wm. Sedgewick, J. P.'s, were appointed.

On motion of Councillors Whitman and A. F. Smith, H. J. Balcom and John Kuhn, J. P.'s, were appointed.

Moved by Councillor Negus, seconded by Councillor Charles McLean, that the resolution concerning the Sheet Harbor Mining Co. be referred to the assessment committee.

The motion passed.

The Council adjourned at 1 p. m.

Wednesday Afternoon, Jan. 22.

The Council met at 2.30, with Deputy Warden C. E. Smith in the chair. The Clerk read the Minutes which were approved.

Councillors Hall and McMullin moved that the rate of percentage for road tax be 35 cents per \$100 for 1902. The motion was passed.

Councillors McLean and Croucher moved that no poll tax be collected in this Municipality for the current year. The motion passed.

Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Lydiard, moved the following:

Whereas, the following resolution was on Jan. 16, 1897, passed by this Council:

Whereas, the rural sections of Halifax County, except those in the immediate vicinity of the Intercolonial Railway, are altogether without railway facilities;

And whereas, experience has shown that at the present day no large section of country can advance or prosper without ready access to such facilities;

Resolved therefore, that in the opinion of this Municipal Council it is desirable and practically necessary that such facilities should be afforded by lines of railway connecting the eastern and western extremities of the County with the capital,

And resolved, that in order to encourage the construction of such lines of railway, this Council will undertake to provide the right of way for a railway running from the eastern end of the County, near Upper Musquodoboit to the Harbor of Halifax, or to a point on the Intercolonial Railway no further north than Milford Station, and also for a railway running from the western end of the County, near Hubbard's Cove, to the Harbor of Halifax, or to a point on the Intercolonial Railway not further north than Windsor Junction; and that the legislation necessary for this purpose be obtained from the Provincial Legislature;

And resolved, that the Local Government and the members representing this County in the Dominion Parliament and the Local Legislature be and they are hereby requested and urged to use their best efforts to secure, by the guaranteeing of subsidies and otherwise, the early construction of the lines of railways above indicated;

And resolved, that copies of these resolutions be forwarded to the Minister of Railways, the Minister representing Nova Scotia in the Dominion Government, to the members of the Provincial Government and to the members in both Houses of Parliament and of the Legislature who reside in the County of Halifax;

And whereas, no steps have been taken to obtain the necessary legislation to enable the Council to provide the rights of way aforesaid;

Therefore resolved, that the said resolution be and the same is hereby repealed.

Location of the South Shore Road

Councillor Ryan then submitted the following:

Whereas, the people of the Western Shore of the Province have during the past half century contributed towards supplying the inhabitants of other por-

tions of Nova Scotia with railway facilities, but have themselves remained without satisfactory connection by rail with the capital or with the railway system of the Dominion,

And whereas, owing to the character of the country in the neighborhood of the coast, the construction of such a railway as would accommodate the bulk of the inhabitants would be unusually expensive, so that although the region in question has been long settled and is fairly prosperous, endowed with many natural resources and likely to supply a large amount of traffic to a properly located railroad, it was found impracticable to secure the building of such a railroad, unless the Province offered unusual inducements therefor;

And whereas, the Legislature, desiring to secure to the people of the western shore the advantages to which they seemed entitled passed an Act at its last session, authorizing the Provincial Government to enter into a contract for the construction and operation of a railroad of the desired location and character; the terms of which contract were submitted to the voters of the Province at the late general elections and were approved of by an overwhelming majority of such voters.

And whereas, judging from the location of the surveys, between the eastern boundary of the County of Lunenburg and the city of Halifax, made by the engineers of the contractors, it would appear to be the intention of the said contractors, to locate the proposed line in the interior of the western portion of the County, where it would be of little or no value to the bulk of the population, a course of action which would be contrary to the spirit and interest of the Act of 1902 and would defeat the object which the Legislature had in view in providing for the liberal aid agreed to be given to the contractors.

Therefore resolved, that in the opinion of this Council it is the imperative duty of the Government to insist upon the location of the said railway being such that it will fulfill the intention of the Legislature and give the needed facilities to the people of Hubbard's Cove, Margaret's Bay and the country between the last named District and the city;

Resolved, that the members representing this County be urged to take the most decided steps in their power with a view to secure the desired end;

And resolved, that copies of this resolution be forthwith sent to the members of the Executive Council of the Province, to the Ministers of Finance and Militia and the members from this County in the Senate, House of Commons, Legislative Council and House of Assembly.

Councillor Ryan asked the Council to fix a time to discuss the above.

Councillor McMullin said that no discussion was necessary, it should pass the Council.

Councillor Bishop said that his resolution being introduced first it should be dealt with first.

Councillor Billman advised the Council to go slow in the matter. The Council should not commit itself to any right of way. He realized that the railway would be a good thing for the city.

Councillor Ryan said the railway was of the greatest interest to the whole city of Halifax. The Councillors from the east should take as much interest in this road as the Councillors from the west did over the Musquodoboit Railway.

The Warden said that it was only right that the opinion of the Council should be obtained as to the location of the road.

Councillor Taylor said that the Council should be free to deal with the matter as it sees fit when it comes up for discussion.

Councillor Ryan moved that the matter be taken up on Thursday morning.

Councillors Billman and Moren moved in amendment that consideration of the railway route on the western shore be deferred until the next meeting of the Council in April. The amendment on being put to a vote was lost. The original resolution was then put and carried.

The Council then adjourned until 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

Thursday Morning, Jan. 23.

The Council met at 10 o'clock on Thursday, the early hour being in order that more time might be allowed for discussion of the South Shore Railway matter.

The Minutes of Wednesday's meeting were read and approved.

Councillors Bishop and Lydiard's resolution which was submitted at Wednesday afternoon's session was put and passed unanimously. It was in connection with the South Shore Railway.

The Clerk read ex-Warden Shitford's letter, which has already been published. Councillor McLean said that he objected to the present survey. The whole route along the shore is about 11 miles and crosses the road more than a dozen times. All the good the people along the shore would receive from the present route would be more than overbalanced by the harm.

Western Shore Road.

Councillor Lydiard thought the people of the Western Shore should have sent in their names if they object to the route chosen so as to give the Council some light on their wishes.

Councillor Smith said the people of the Western Shore were practically unanimous on the subject. They have no coasting boats running regularly and have to depend on chance to get their goods to market. The Shore route is not favored by the people.

Councillor Ryan—The Government made a mistake in laying out the Western Counties railway. It ran through the woods and when the wood was cut the district through which it ran was valueless. The same thing will happen in the case of the present road if constructed as surveyed, whereas if run along the shore it will always be a benefit.

It is only a matter of time when all the fishing will be done by steam trawling, and in such case it will be necessary to have prompt shipment and little handling. If this road is run as now surveyed, through the woods it will only benefit those engaged in lumbering, which will not be a permanent industry in the locality in question.

Councillor Smith moved as an amendment that the matter be settled at once. He said if the western fishing had the facilities they could every one of them maintain a fishing fleet. They wanted facilities which would enable them to ship fish in carloads direct to any point which they desired to reach.

Councillor Ryan said that within a few years the lobster fisheries would be exhausted unless a change occurred. They must have something to take its place and this could only be done by the encouragement of the fresh fish industry. This could best indeed, only be done by the building of the road in question along the shore.

Councillor McMullin thought the Council was simply asked to express an opinion on the best route, and for his part he thought the shore route the best one.

The motion of Councillors Ryan and Smith was then put and carried. It was published in Wednesday afternoon's proceedings.

Councillor Leslie wished a change made in the road commissioners in his district on account of the unsatisfactory nature of his returns. This caused a great deal of discussion as to the general power of Councillors to dismiss such officials, appointed by out-going Councillors. The general opinion was that the power of the Councillor to make appointments, and the appointees made, should end with his term of office.

Councillor Lydiard extended an invitation to all the Councillors to visit the Jail.

The following amounts will be assessed on the Districts for the support of the poor:

District 14	\$ 50
District 26	100
District 15	50
District 32	100
District 27	120
District 38	45
District 33	150
District 35	4
District 25	175
District 11	40
District 21 A	50
District 20	80
District 30	50
District 22	150

Moved by D. T. Leslie, seconded by C. C. McLean, that the appointment of Samuel H. Hensley as commissioner of a road section known as Section A, in District No. 26, be rescinded, and that said section be re-arranged as follows:

Section No. 3 to extend westerly to the Eastern Brook at the head of Spry

Bay, and two new sections numbered 15 and 16 be made of the remainder of Section A.

Section 15 to extend from the aforesaid Eastern Brook to Smelt Brook, and Section 16 to include the road between Smelt Brook and Bollong's Brook.

Also that the Gerrard's Island road section be known as Section No. 13, and the Mooseland section as Section No. 14.

The motion passed.

Miscellaneous Matters

The Councillors remuneration was fixed at \$2 per day.

Thomas Irvin was appointed Sanitary Inspector for District 24.

On motion of Councillor Myette, the canal bridge in District 28, in road section 3, was placed under the Bridge Act.

Moved by Councillor Canfield, seconded by Councillor H. Hall, and resolved that Suring, Rutledge, Mitchell, Borden and Pleasant streets, together with all the remaining side streets of Bedford be one road section, called Section A, with Josiah Fisher road master.

The motion passed.

Councillors Wilson, Lydiard, Negus and Flemming were appointed a committee on arbitration with the city of Halifax and town of Dartmouth for the present year.

On motion of Councillors Milne and Myette, the road section formed by dividing section 12 was numbered 16, and that from Wyse's west line be known as section 16.

Moved by Councillor Lydiard, seconded by Councillor Negus, that road section No. 25, in District No. 31, be divided into two road sections, viz.: Section 25 A to extend from Dartmouth road to Edward Keelor's west line, and Section 25 B from Edward Keelor's west line to Dartmouth town boundary.

Moved by D. T. Leslie, seconded by Councillor Croucher, that a permit be granted to McLean Bros., Hubbard's Cove, to construct and operate a line of telephone from their store at Hubbard's Cove to connect with a line in Lunenburg County, a distance of about one-eighth of a mile, with the same privileges and protection as telephone companies usually have.

On motion of Councillors Coolen and C. E. Smith, Thomas Hamm was granted a liquor license.

The Council adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock.

Thursday Afternoon, Jan. 23.

The Council met at 2 o'clock, with Warden Madill in the chair. The Clerk read the Minutes which were approved.

The question of fixing the pay of road masters and laborers was then taken up and discussed at length. Some of the Councillors favored paying the road masters \$1.25 per day, and the laborers \$1.15 per day. Others thought the laborers pay should remain at \$1 per day. The discussion was participated in by Warden Madill and Councillors Flemming, Wilson, Hayes, Ryan, Lydiard, Croucher, Canfield, Taylor, Whitman and Negus. A series of resolutions were then submitted on the subject. The motion that carried was the one moved by Councillors Canfield and Hall. It was:

That the rate of pay be not in excess of the following: Road masters, \$1.25; laborers, \$1.15; single teams, \$2.00, and double teams \$2.50 per day.

Councillor Wilson's resolution re the maintenance of roads throughout the County was put and passed

Councillors' Remuneration.

Councillors Lydiard and Billman moved that the remuneration of Councillors for attendance at meetings of Council shall be \$3 per day for actual attendance in addition to allowance for travel, and that application be made to the Legislature to amend the Municipal Act accordingly.

The Warden said he did not think the resolution would be very popular outside, but he would have to put it.

Councillor Lydiard, in speaking in support of the resolution, said that the Councillors might put in more hours of work, and in consequence the session of the Council could be considerably shortened. The increase would be an inducement to the Councillors to get through the work quicker. Two dollars does not pay the Councillors for their time. It paid him as he resided near the city, but he was willing to drop out and let the

the oldest Councillors, and that he once worked for a dollar a day.

The motion on being put was carried by an overwhelming vote.

Councillors Wilson and Billman moved: That this Council would respectfully request the Legislature to abolish the office of Revisors of Assessment so far as Halifax is concerned, as this Council is of the opinion that such Revisors services are of no benefit.

The motion passed.

Miscellaneous Matters.

On motion of Councillors Canfield and Moren, the road known as Kearney road, in District 15, was handed over to Councillor Moren for the ensuing year, as per former arrangement.

The remuneration of Revisors of Jury Lists was fixed at \$2 per day and travelling expenses for year 1902. The Revisors are Councillors Lydiard and Flemming, and Clerk Wiswell.

On motion of Councillors Casey and C. E. Smith, Walter Dukeshire was appointed measurer of cord wood for District 36.

Other Councillors receive the benefit Other counties in the Province were in favor of the increase.

Councillor Flemming suggested that the number of days be limited.

Councillor Billman said that if a lump sum was fixed the Councillors might get through quicker.

Councillor McMullin was in favor of the amount remaining at the old figure.

The Warden did not think that the increase would have any good effect. It might have a tendency to lengthen the session.

The Clerk stated that the sessions this year had lasted on an average of 5½ hours each day.

Councillor Negus said that night sessions might assist them to get through.

Councillor C. E. Smith said that it would be impossible for to hold three sessions, as the Clerk could not prepare his papers and reports in time.

Councillor Canfield spoke against a night session.

Councillor Croucher said this session was unusually long on account of the two railway questions.

The Clerk said the Warden was one of

A supplementary report to the Law Amendments committee's report caused some discussion. It was with reference to striking out the clause in the Act relating to Commissioners. The discussion was taken part in by Councillors Lydiard, Wilson, Ryan, Canfield, Warden Madill, Taylor and Leslie.

On motion of Councillors Bishop and Taylor it was moved that Councillor Lydiard be appointed a committee to see that the recommendation of the Law Amendment committee are placed before the Local Legislature.

The motion passed.

The clause was then expunged from the Law Amendments committee's report.

Councillor C. E. Smith gave notice that at the next session he would move a resolution to rescind Councillor Leslie's resolution, passed at the morning session.

Councillors Taylor and Wilson moved that the Council ask the Legislature to pass an Act to authorize the Municipality of Halifax County to borrow \$5,000 as voted by this Council for payment towards right of way for the Nova Scotia Eastern Railway.

On motion of Councillors Leslie and McLean, the sum of \$100 will be assessed on District 26 for the support of the poor.

On motion of Councillors Casey and Milne, the sum of \$45 will be assessed on District 36 for the support of the poor.

On motion of Councillors Negus and McMullin, the report of the committee on Poor was received and adopted.

On motion of Councillors Whitman and Hall, the sum of \$75 was voted for paying Stipendiary McDougall's expenses on his official visits throughout the County.

Councillors Canfield and Hall moved that Commissioners McNeil, Strachan and Roy, of the Bedford Road Commission, be deposed from their positions, as they claim in their report that they will start with a clean sheet another year.

Therefore he it further resolved, that said McNeil, Strachan and Roy be commissioners of the Bedford post road (Great road) from Tannery Brook to Tolson's Bridge for the term of one year and that none of the side streets whatever be included in their commission.

The motion passed.

The following resolution moved by Councillors Taylor and Smith, was passed:

Resolved, that the amount of the estimates for the year 1902, reported by the Finance Committee and received and adopted by this Council, be assessed upon the County, City and Dartmouth in the usual proportions, adding the cost of collections, the same to be County's proportion, and the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to have the same collected.

Report from Law Committee.

The Law Amendment Committee beg to submit the following report:

Since the passing of Chapter 186, Revised Statutes 1900, the amounts paid by the Treasurer on account of Crown Prosecutions has almost doubled from what was heretofore paid. The greater part of the increased expenditure was necessary for the due administration of justice. The committee, however, would suggest that application be made to the Legislature to change schedule of that Act relating to witness' fees by reducing the fee for each day's attendance from \$1.00 to 50 cents.

For the proper enforcement of the law relating to peddlers the committee would suggest that the Council appoint a number of assistant clerks of license in different parts of the County, whose duty it would be to issue licenses to peddlers and enforce the by-law against delinquents.

They would recommend that \$1.00 be allowed said assistants out of each license fee respectively received by them. The committee would call attention to the advisability of issuing posters in which should be inserted the principal sections of the by-laws and the fines and penalties to which offenders are subject; such posters to be distributed as widely as possible throughout the County.

The committee have carefully examined the matter of the proposed change in the Board of Health Act. They have come to the conclusion that the word "chairman" means the presiding officer or executive head of the Board, and his absence from the District does not prevent a meeting being held and business

transacted if a quorum are present. Sec. 17 of the Act authorizes such a meeting being held and does not say the chairman must preside at the meeting. If the view of the committee is correct there is no need for any change being made in the Act.

The right of appointing Commissioners over Districts of the Public Highways for a term of five years seems to have been taken advantage of to the annoyance and disadvantage of succeeding Councillors.

Your committee therefore recommend that the term of office of every officer appointed by the Council expire with the lifetime of the Council at that time.

That Section 20, of Chapter 67, of the Acts of 1898, be amended by striking out the word "August" on the fifteenth line thereof, and substituting therefor the word "July."

(Signed.) JOHN H. TAYLOR,
P. KUHN,
JAS. A. COOLEN,
WILLIAM MYETTE,
D. T. LESLIE,
S. W. LYDIARD,
LINDSEY MOREN,
Committee.

On motion of Councillor Taylor the report was adopted.

The following reports were submitted and adopted.

Finance Committee's Report.

The report of the Finance Committee was as follows:

Gentlemen,—Your finance committee beg leave to submit the following report: Estimates for year 1902, City County and Dartmouth.

County Court House	\$2200.00
Interest on loan of 1882.....	1025.00
Interest on loan of 1899.....	280.00
Loan of 1889, 3rd instalment sinking fund, \$368.42, less accrued interest, \$25.19.....	343.23
County Jail	3200.00
Grand petit and special juries.	1000.00
Sheriff's accounts	1100.00
Criminal prosecutions	2000.00
Clerk of crown's accounts.....	500.00
Printing and stationery.....	650.00

Crier's supreme court.....	900.00
Crier County Court	450.00
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	\$13448.23
Less Government grant	300.00
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	\$13148.23

The city pay in addition to above their proportion of clerk and treasurer, \$400.

County alone:

Warden and Councillor's pay....	\$1400.00
Stipendiary Magistrate	950.00
Clerk and Treasurer	1600.00
Chief and Deputy County Con- stable	350.00
Schools	8600.00
Hospital for Insane and Lun- acy certificates	3200.00
County Poor Farm, current expenses	2000.00
New building	700.00
Revisors and Assessors	787.00
Revisors of assessment	50.00
Draw bridges and bus line	220.00
Postages, health and inciden- tals	80.00
Bounties on wild animals.....	150.00
Auditors \$50, Coroners \$75.....	125.00
Contingencies	50.00
Dispensary	25.00
Public Property Committee	75.00
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	\$20362.00

Less:	
Probable fees Stipendi- Office	\$ 300
Probable fees licenses fines	500
Unexpended balance	2000
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	\$2800.00
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	\$17562.00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed),
JAMES BILLMAN,
S. W. LYDIARD,
J. H. WHITMAN,
J. H. TAYLOR,
P. KUHN,
GEO. S. CANFIELD.
Finance Committee.

License Committee's Report.

The License Committee reported as follows:

They have considered the applications for hotel licenses from James P. Oakes,

of St. Margaret's Bay, and Thomas Hamm, of Upper Prospect.

With regard to the application of Mr. Oakes they find that he has not the names of the required two-thirds of the total number of resident ratepayers in his district attached thereto, and the committee cannot recommend that a license be granted to him.

The committee find that Mr. Hamm has the requisite number of signatures. No objection was made to his application except that his hotel was not furnished at the time of the visit of the License Inspector. Assurances have been given to the committee that should a license be granted to Mr. Hamm, his hotel will be furnished so as to fully comply with the law in that respect, and the majority of the committee would therefore recommend that a hotel license be issued to him.

The letter of His Worship the Mayor of Dartmouth was considered, and the committee would recommend that a letter be sent in reply by the Clerk stating what efforts the Inspector has made to carry out the provisions of the Liquor License Act at the place complained of in His Worship's communication, and the readiness of the County authorities to assist in the prevention of the illegal sale of liquor in the vicinity of Dartmouth.

The committee would ask that the License Inspector in reporting on applications for license make a more detailed statement concerning the same, as required by Sec. 29 of the License Act.

The committee are pleased to find that during the past year strong efforts have been made to enforce the by-law relating to peddlers, and in consequence 29 licenses were issued as against 4 the previous year. It is hoped that the

same activity will be shown during 1902 to compel peddlers to conform with the law.

(Signed),

HENRY HALL,
CHAS. C. McLEAN,
WILLIAM HOMANS,
Fred. D. DARRAGH,
LINDSEY MOREN,
PATRICK HAYES.

Report of Committee on Poor.

The report of the Committee on Poor was adopted as follows:

Your committee beg to report that no returns were received from Districts 7, 8, 13, 34, and 35. Some of the above named districts we understand have no poor, and therefore think it unnecessary to send in reports. Your committee found in going over the reports, that in a number of them there seemed to be discrepancies in receipts and expenditure, but perhaps it was more apparent than real, as some of the returns were pretty difficult to understand, but would call your attention in particular to District No. 32, where the report shows receipts and expenditure to balance, viz.: receipts \$166.39, and expenditure the same, leaving at the same time a balance on hand of \$50.80.

(Signed),

ALEX. M. MULLINS,
Chairman.

WM. MYETTE,
B. D. JOHNSON,
J. M. THOMAS,
W. CROOKS.

Returns From Overseers of Poor for Year Ending December 31st, 1901

District.	Amount assessed 1901.	Balance from last accounts.	Collectors Commission.	Received from other sources.	Paid on account paupers.	Due on account paupers.	Uncollected 1901.	Amt. to be assessed 1902.	Balance on hand.	Received from Collectors.
7...										
8...										
9...	45.00	22.77	2.45		4.72			64.75	49.15	
10...	51.51		2.50		48.00				48.00	
11...	47.36	3.66	2.35		40.73		40.00	7.44	47.36	
12...		19.94			6.00			13.94		
13...										
14...					50.58	46.12		57.00		50.58
15...	35.00	4.32		45.00	49.11			0.21		
16...	90.00	8.39	4.42	11.50	100.27			3.46	88.46	
17...		45.08			20.00			25.08		
18...	100.00	81.27	5.00	3.19	97.27		100.00	82.19	100.00	
19...	42.37	30.08	2.23		15.25			54.97	40.14	
20...	92.53	8.18	6.48		78.22		2.93	80.00	13.08	89.60
21...		59.64						59.64		
22...	090.97		9.32		172.70		4.55	150.00	4.40	186.42
23...										
24...		43.86						43.86		
25...	150.00	51.49			157.36		175.00	36.02	141.89	
26...	25.00	33.57	1.48		145.36	83.43			22.27	
27...	150.00	95.49	2.50		81.27	39.11	100.00	125.00	61.72	50.00
28...								43.91		
29...	22.67	47.51	0.67	4.00	47.32			26.19	22.67	
30...	33.10		1.60		30.88	3.81			26.79	
31...		53.67			75.87			22.14		
32...	158.96	8.87	7.88		158.51	90.00	1.44	75.00	50.84	157.52
33...	152.36	4.00	7.39		145.42		4.41	150.00	0.86	147.95
34...										
35...	5.00		0.25		4.00			4.00	0.75	4.75
36...	40.00		2.00	1.00	35.28	52.11	0.94		3.72	38.00
38...	30.00	32.73	2.00		40.91	39.33	61.00	65.00	10.59	40.00

Report of Road and Bridge Committee.

To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:

Gentlemen,—Your committee on roads and bridges beg leave to submit the following report:

In reference to the letter from Supt. A. H. McKay in regards injury to forest by fire and protection, etc., of the same in Halifax County, while we consider it an important matter we are not in a position at this meeting to report any-

thing which would be of real benefit.

We recommend that the prayer of petition from District 29 be granted, and also that from District 21, asking for precept to lay out new road.

The petition from District 17, asking for precept for new road from Windsor Junction to Grove's Siding with James Adams, Arch. Rafter and John Lindsay, as committee to lay out same and also that from District 24 with Wm. G. Smith and Walter H. Smith, committee for same, are recommended, provided, however, the same be a district charge.

The prayer of the petition from District 27 is recommended, provided the money be obtained from the Government and become a district charge.

We may say in reference to petition from Bedford, District 15, that two of the commissioners appeared before your committee as well as about a dozen witnesses in the interests of the petitioners, and while it was shown that the commissioners were somewhat negligent and remiss in their duties, and in some cases the road was neglected and the bulk of the work done late in the season, the Road Act for the most part protected rather than condemned them. We learned that the majority of the petitioners were residents of the so-called side streets of Bedford, and as the commissioners were anxious to work only on the main road, the side streets received little or no attention. The committee have acknowledged that there has been delay in collecting road taxes and they say that in the future this will be overcome and next year be begun with a clean sheet. As these commissioners seem very desirous to continue the McAdam road on the main post road we would recommend that their commission continue, but only in so far as the main post road is concerned, i. e., to say that said commissioners only have control of the great road from the Tannery brook to the Tolson bridge, not including any of the side streets of Bedford whatever. And further, we would recommend that all of the side streets of Bedford be made into one road section and a roadmaster be appointed for same.

Appended herewith is a general summary of the different supervisor's reports.

Districts 10, 16, 19, 23 and 26 show no returns. Your committee would therefore ask that the returns from said districts be in by next meeting or be dealt with as the law directs.

The report from District 15 is very indefinite in that while it shows the amounts which have been collected and expended it does not show the total amount to be collected or the amounts still unpaid, which we would judge to be very large. One road section in this district was neglected altogether. No work was done and no money collected, and it appears that the roadmaster for

that section was never sworn into office.

We find that where roads are placed in the hands of commissioners, as by Chap. 25 of the Acts of 1900, it is impossible to get at the amounts of money uncollected and thus you see it leaves matters in a very undesirable state. Some effort should be made by this Council to get better legislation in this direction.

The commissioners from Bedford in their report called attention to important and serious encroachments made upon their road by the railway, and asked the support of the Municipal Council in having this matter rectified, so far as possible. They also said that if sufficient funds were available to make a good McAdam road in their district that there is sufficient available in taxes from the district to pay the interest on such a sum and be enough remaining to keep such a road in first class repair, and suggested that the Municipality ask the Legislature to provide such a fund for districts in a position to take advantage of it. This they thought would be somewhat similar to the road legislature of Ontario for last year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES E. SMITH,
GEORGE S. CANFIELD,
HENRY HALL,
THOMAS E. STEWART,
WM. F. NEGUS,
ALEX. M. MULLINS.

Summary of Statute Labor Returns of the Several Districts.

District.	Total tax.	Cash.	Labor.	Unpaid.
7	\$197.77	\$ 47.31	\$150.46	
8... ..	142.15	4.91	187.24	
9	176.33	34.32	140.34	\$ 1.67
10				
11... ..	345.50	1.00	339.03	6.47
12	330.34	44.84	285.50	
13	217.91	33.20	181.71	3.00
14	563.79	346.61	172.50	44.68
15				
16				
17	621.16	134.08	465.38	22.50
18	636.45	365.90	263.15	7.40
19				
20	262.34	11.91	248.03	1.40

21	650.08	101.24	549.44	
22	577.42	76.22	506.40	.80
23				
24	446.56	144.95	264.28	37.33
25	511.60	175.21	336.60	
26				
27	934.41	113.26	785.09	36.06
28	572.75	6.79	529.32	36.64
29	311.20	56.78	254.42	
30	258.74	58.74	200.00	
31	985.35	456.63	524.52	4.20
32	547.89			
33	431.65	68.30	363.25	
34	498.09		488.34	9.75
35	184.44		183.39	1.05
36	673.10	84.45	576.24	12.41
38	179.66		179.66	

amended by adding the words real estate.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. FLEMMING,
D. T. LESLIE,
JOHN H. TAYLOR,
A. F. SMITH,
CHAS. C. McLEAN,
ISAAC CROUCHER.
Committee.

The Valuation Roll.

Statement of total valuations given in assessment rolls for 1902, Districts 7 to 38, and comparison with 1901.

On motion of Councillors Taylor and Stewart, the report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Assessment.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 22, 1902.

To the Warden and Councillors for the Municipality of Halifax County:

The Committee on Assessment beg leave to submit the following report:

Your committee have gone over the assessment rolls for the various districts, and have prepared a statement of the total valuations, showing the increases and decreases, as compared with 1901. The total increase for the year being \$55,514.

With reference to the petition of Henry Heather from District No. 21, we would recommend that it be not entertained. Also that in the case of A. J. Reid from District No. 21 that the amount assessed on income be struck off.

With reference to the resolution of Patrick Hayes, asking that the Glebe House at Herring Cove be exempt from taxation, the committee are of the opinion that the Glebe as well as the Episcopal Rectory House at the same place be assessed and added to the assessment roll for this year.

They are also of the opinion that all private institutions of learning within the Municipality should be assessed.

We would also recommend that Schedule 'A' to the Assessment Act be

Districts.	Valuation 1901.	Valuation 1902.	Increase.	Decrease.
7	\$ 24,760	\$ 24,265		\$ 495
8	22,581	23,170	\$ 589	
9	24,228	25,351	1,123	
10	25,305	28,335	3,030	
11	47,260	47,045		215
12	42,473	43,873	1,400	
13	35,535	36,705	1,170	
14	121,255	130,480	9,225	
15	176,770	175,075		1,695
16	44,538	46,070	1,532	
17	138,320	140,755	2,435	
18	112,820	113,005	185	
19	90,549	90,205		344
20	46,279	47,280	1,001	
21	132,400	130,475		1,925
22	112,390	115,625	3,235	
23	13,115	13,195	80	
24	54,735	71,194	16,459	
25	88,235	87,950		285
26	79,545	80,470	925	
27	112,240	116,726	4,486	
28	68,795	70,197	1,402	
29	57,065	56,390		675
30	27,525	27,923	398	
31	182,775	187,295	4,520	
32	88,171	97,375	9,204	
33	76,535	74,855		1,680
34	80,072	77,125		2,947
35	37,664	36,178		1,486
36	87,664	90,955	3,291	
38	19,170	20,531	1,361	

\$2,326,073 \$67,261 \$11,747

Increase, \$55,514.

The Warden congratulated the Councillors on the harmonious way in which they had transacted the business, and said that it was the best Council session that he had ever attended.

The Council adjourned at 5.45 o'clock, to meet again on April 1.

APRIL SESSION.

The Halifax County Council opened its semi-annual session at noon on Tuesday, April 1st, 1902. Warden Madill presided. The Councillors absent were the following named: A. F. Smith, Jas. Billman, H. Hall, F. D. Darragh, D. T. Leslie and Jas. H. Whitman. The minutes of the last session were read and approved, after which Warden Madill made a few remarks. He said the Legislature had passed nearly all the legislation proposed by the Council except that in regard to raising the Councillors pay.

He surmised that the present session would be a short one and should not occupy more than three or four days.

Clerk Wiswell reported on what he had done since the last session of the Council. An important part of his work had been keeping an eye on the proceedings of the Legislature so that no bills inimical to the interests of the County should be rushed through. He had also made out and mailed all necessary papers for going to work on the roads.

Had sent lists of bridges to be attended to to the Provincial Engineer. Forwarded to the various members of Parliament and Cabinet Ministers a copy of the Council's resolution regarding route for South Shore Railway. Also made out jury lists and sent to Revisors their instructions. Arranged for treatment of a case of smallpox at Preston. These and other matters together with routine business had occupied the Clerk's time fully.

Councillor Wilson had a grievance to the effect that none of those to whom he had ordered papers sent had received them. He wanted to know if other Councillors had had a similar experience. None of them reported they had had such experience.

The following resolutions were moved and passed:

Appointments.

Moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Thomas, that William Arnold be revisor for district 13.

Moved by Councillor Hayes, seconded by Councillor Stewart, that George Darragh be revisor for district 7.

Moved by Councillors Wilson and Hayes that Peter Spriggs be revisor for district 18.

Moved by Councillors Johnson and McLean that Hugh Munro be revisor for district 8.

Moved by Councillors Moren and Flemming that A. E. Haverstock be revisor for electoral lists for district 16.

Moved by Councillors McMullin and Negus that Edw. Cruickshanks be revisor for district 35.

Moved by Councillors Negus and McMullin that Wm. Moser be revisor of electoral lists for district 33.

Moved by Councillors Coolen and Ryan that Clarence W. Christian be revisor for district 10.

Moved by Councillors Crooks and Taylor that E. Everett be revisor for district 11.

Moved by Councillors Connors and McLean that Noah Morash be revisor of electoral lists for district 38.

Moved by Councillors Myette and Coolen that John T. McLean be revisor for district 38.

Moved by Councillors McLean and Connors that Jas. E. Conrod be revisor for district 32.

Moved by Councillors Homans and Bishop that Howard Webber be Collector of County and Poor Rates for district 27 in place of Wilson Webber, who is leaving the district.

Moved by Councillors Myette and Casey that \$60 be assessed in district 28 for the support of the poor.

Moved by Councillors Croucher and Wilson that Alfred Wauger be revisor of electoral lists for district 12.

Moved by Councillors Negus and McMullin that George Morash be collector for district 33 in place of Nelson Negus, deceased.

Moved by Councillors Crooks and McLean that James Allen be road master for section 5, district 11, in place of E. Boutillier.

Moved by Councillors Flemming and Moren that Thos. Hamilton be revisor of electoral lists for district 17.

Moved by Councillors Myette and Casey that Edw. M. Gatez be road master in section 6, district 28, in place of Joseph Conrod, who is over age.

Moved by Councillors Myette and Coolen that Thos. Leslie be road master in section 3, district 28, in place of John McDonald.

Moved by Councillors Johnson and Kuhn that John Wilkie be assessor for district 8, in place of Daniel Johnson, who is ill.

Moved by Councillors Ryan and Kuhn that \$50 be assessed on district 23 to maintain the poor.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Bishop that Harry Watson and Robert Settle, sr., be revisors of electoral lists for district 31.

Moved by Councillors Coolen and Ryan that Thos. Brennan be road master for district 10, in place of John Raymond.

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Thomas that Joseph Thomas be overseer of poor in place of Joseph Thomas, who is over age.

Moved by Councillors Homans and Bishop that Michael Bowser be road master for section 20, district 27, in place of Albert Webber, who is leaving the district.

Moved by Councillors Negus and McMullin that the resolution of the January session assessing district 33 \$150 be rescinded and that the sum of \$100 be assessed for said district for said purpose instead. The motion passed.

The Council adjourned at 1 o'clock to meet at 2.30.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

The Council resumed at 2.30. After the clerk read the minutes the business was proceeded with.

Councillor McMullin said he wished to call attention to an error that occurred in the report of the January proceedings. He said that in the discussion over the appointment of Supervisors he was reported as saying "that in his own District he knew of a case where the majority of the grant went into the supervisor's pocket." What he did say was, "that it seemed to be the aim of the supervisors to get as much of the money in their own pockets in place of putting it on the roads." He was under the impression that it was that way in his own district.

The clerk announced that the net Government grant for the roads and bridges in the thirty-two districts for the present year was \$8,400.06.

There was considerable discussion over the duties of the Board of Revisors of Assessment, participated in by Councillors Lydiard, Croucher, McMullin, Negus, Taylor, and Flemming. The majority of the Councillors thought that it was absolutely necessary to have such a Board. Clerk Wiswell said that in nearly every district names were left off the assessment roll, and that changes are made after the lists are made up. He thought that it was the duty of the assessors to make themselves more conversant with the law.

Deputy Clerks of License.

Moved by Councillor J. H. Taylor, seconded by Councillor Stewart:

Resolved, that the following be appointed deputy clerks of license of this Municipality for the year 1902, for the enforcement of the bye-law relating to peddlers and hawkers;

Further resolved, that the said deputy clerks of license receive the sum of \$1.00 for each license issued by them respectively:

John Kirker, Quoddy.

W. E. Henley, Sheet Harbor.

W. C. Henley, Spry Bay.

Arthur Webber, Oyster Pond, Jeddore.

John Kilen, Musquodoboit Harbor.

Robert Stoddart, Musquodoboit Harbor.

Albert Stuart, Fall River.

John McMullin, Wyse Corner.

Wm. M. Sedgewick, Middle Musquodoboit.

Henry Wickwire, Gays River.

John Tolson, Bedford.

Joseph Johnson, Bear Cove.

Jas. H. Power, Upper Prospect.

Isaac Dauphinee, Tantallon, St. Margarets Bay.

Oswald Dauphinee, Boutilliers Cove, St. Margarets Bay.

William Kennedy, North Shore, St. Margarets Bay.

John G. Reynolds, Upper Musquodoboit.

Albert Logan, Cariboo Mines.

Edward Wheatly, Terrance Bay.

Henry Bezanson, Hammond's Plains.

Report of the Board of Appeals.

HALIFAX, January, 1902.

To His Honor the Warden and Councilors of the Municipality of Halifax County:

Gentlemen,—In accordance with Section 38, of Chapter 73, of the Revised Statutes, the Board of Appeals consisting of J. Sprott Stewart, Samuel H. Henley and E. S. Hubley met at the Court Room at Halifax on Tuesday the 28th day of January, when the County Clerk submitted the names and statements of the several appellants who had also been notified by him to attend at 11.30 o'clock for the purpose of having their appeals considered and determined. J. Sprott Stewart was named chairman. The number of appeals amounted to 11, which were taken up and after the parties interested had been heard in person or by attorney, were decided in accordance with the evidence and explanations submitted, as under

Appeal No. 1.

The Dominion Lumber Company, assessed in District No. 32 on real and personal property \$28,750 and complained of as excessive. Mr. Beardmore, principal owner, Mr. Beatty and Councillor Billman attended and urged for various reasons that a reduction to \$20,000 should be made. The Board were of the opinion from reliable information that the valuation was if anything too low and that it should be allowed to stand.

Appeal No. 2.

The Sheet Harbor Lumber Company, represented by Mr. D. Chisholm, had been valued at \$13,000 real and \$4,000 personal estate, claimed that \$6,000 real, and \$4000 personal estate would be a correct assessment. The Board found that the assessment of the previous year was \$18,500 in all and confirmed the valuation of the assessors for District 25 for the year.

Appeal No. 3.

The Bank of Montreal at Amherst, represented by their solicitor, Mr. Townshend, against the valuation in District 25 of \$6000 real and \$1000 personal property. The bank claims that

both are overvalued. The Board found that there was no personal property which could be valued, they therefore struck off the amount of \$1000 personal property, leaving the real estate as given in the roll of the which was accepted by the bank's solicitors.

Appeal No. 4.

The Bank of Montreal (as above). In this appeal the solicitor of the bank accepted and agreed to allow the \$2100 as the valuation of the property in District No. 22 to stand as in the rate roll.

Appeal No. 5.

In William Watt property, Sheet Harbor, the appeal was withdrawn.

Appeal No. 6.

James A. R. Weir's appeal against valuation real estate in District 17. The appellant did not satisfy the Court in the evidence he presented and refused to make oath to the value of the property in said district. The Court therefore confirmed the valuation of the assessors of the property.

Appeal No. 7.

In re appeal of Dominick Farrell, represented by R. E. Finn, his solicitor, who confirmed the claim that the appellant owned no property in this Municipality, having transferred the same to Letitia and Theresa Farrell; also that the property so transferred was overvalued and gave evidence to that effect. On referring to former valuations of said property the Court decided that the valuation be \$700 (instead of \$850) to which Mr. Finn assented.

Appeal No. 8.

Halifax Sugar Refinery—The solicitor of the company, R. E. Harris, showed conclusively that the company was entitled to exemption on all property until September, 1905. The Board decided to accept the evidence and strike the valuation of the assessment roll of District 31.

Appeal No. 9.

The Halifax Electric Tramway Co.—The company was represented by W. J. DeBlois, and their solicitor, H. B. Stairs, Esq. Mr. DeBlois stated the condition of the property at Fairview, District 14, and that it was depleted of all machinery and that the company would accept \$1800 for the property. The court decided the assessment value be \$2000, to which the appellants agreed.

Appeal No. 10.

John Kline, appellant—The appellant did not appear in person or by attorney. The Board therefore sustained the valuation named by the assessors, District 14.

Appeal No. 11.

D. Phillip Doherty, appellant—In notice of appeal the appellant declares that he owns no property in the Municipality. The Board referred this matter to the assessors of District No. 31, as the appellant did not attend and the Board had no certain means of obtaining information respecting it.

J. SPROTT STEWART,
Chairman.

Halifax, January 29, 1902.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Stewart that the report of the Board of Appeal on Assessments be accepted.

Report of Jury Lists Committee.

To His Honor the Warden and the County Councillors in session, April, 1902:

Gentlemen,—The Committee on Jury Lists met at the Court House shortly after the annual session of the Council and proceeded to make up the lists of Grand, Petit and Special Jurors for the year under the provisions of the Statute, chapter 162, R. S.

Having examined the assessment rolls and gone over the previous lists and obtained all possible information as to the qualifications, exemptions, residences and occupations of persons eligible to serve they completed the preliminary list which was copied and lodged at the Prothonotary's office by the County Clerk on 31st

March, the original being now at the Clerk's office for inspection.

The committee exercised much care and scrutiny in making up the lists in order to have it correct and they note that the Act does not provide for advertising the lists in a newspaper, consequently parties are not given opportunity to appear before them to claim or give reasons for striking off names.

Only two persons are eligible for Grand Jurors, and the number liable to serve on Petit Jury is one hundred and one.

The committee also note that the amended Act in stating the districts outside the city and Dartmouth from which jurors may be selected, omitted district No. 33, which was included in the Jurors Act of 1899.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. F. NEGUS, Chairman,
JOHN S. FLEMMING,
WM. H. WISWELL, Secretary.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Ryan that the report of the revisors of Jury Lists for the year 1902 be received and adopted.

Road Supervisors' Pay.

Moved by Councillors Ryan and Hayes that the pay of the road supervisors for 1902 be \$1.50 in place of \$1.25 as at present. Councillor Hayes said that such sum was required to get the best men for the position. Councillor Ryan also expressed himself strongly in favor of the increase. Councillor Wilson spoke in favor of the resolution. He said that it was impossible to get the best men at a less figure.

Warden Madill said that he was in sympathy with the resolution. From his experience he knew that good men were worth \$1.50 a day.

Councillors McMullan, Lydiard and Negus contended that the matter had been disposed of at the last session, and therefore it could not be brought up again at this session. Councillors Ryan and Hayes said that they had given notice to reconsider the matter then, and that it was in order to bring it up again.

Councillors McMullan and Negus said that if the motion was pressed that they would move an amendment. They then submitted a motion that the pay remain at \$1.25, the same as at present.

Councillor Negus said the supervisors were getting sufficient pay.

Councillor Wilson asked why the Councillors got more money than the supervisors! Councillor Negus said that the Councillors were under greater expense in coming to the City. Councillor Casey thought that the majority of the Councillors attended by their own wish. It was not so with the supervisors.

Councillor Lydiard said he knew how difficult it was to get good men. In some districts it is almost impossible to get competent supervisors.

Councillor McMullan said that it would be as well to eat the whole fund up in salaries, and then stop. Good men will do the work for \$1.25, that is those who take an interest in the work. He did not think that the increase would result in getting better men.

Councillor Hayes thought that the road supervisors' knowledge was worth 25 cents a day more than that of the ordinary man.

Councillor Flemming said that in district 17 it was hard to get good men for \$1.25, as employers of labor in that vicinity pay their men \$1.25.

Councillor Madill said that he was willing that responsible men should be paid \$1.50.

Councillor Taylor said that it was generally understood that the pay was to be \$1.25 per day.

Councillor Casey said that in his district the supervisor had his bills out, and that he knew the pay was fixed at \$1.25.

Councillor Canfield thought that the matter had better be left as it was.

Councillors McLean, Stewart and Taylor suggested that the matter be deferred for the present.

Councillor Lydiard moved that the matter be deferred until Thursday morning, and the motion carried.

Road Limits Discussed.

Councillor Bishop asked who has the power to deal with the road limits?

Councillor McMullan said that the supervisors have the power to remove fences, etc.

Councillor Bishop did not think the supervisors had the power to remove fences or define the road limits.

Councillor Canfield said that some supervisors have different views. One defines the limits one way and one another.

Councillor Croucher said that he was glad the matter was brought up. It should be settled now. He did not think that there were any records of titles, etc.

Councillor McLean said that the roads in his district were being encroached upon.

Councillor Taylor said that property owners could be forced to set back their fences when the road had been used as a public highway, and when statute labor had been performed thereon.

Councillor Bishop said that the statute required the roads to be 60 feet in width, and that three supervisors must be appointed to define the road limits.

The matter was then deferred, to be taken up again.

Appointments.

The following motions were then passed:

Moved by Councillors Kuhn and Thomas that Edw. Davison be constable for district 30 in place of Abe Grizzell.

Moved by Councillors Casey and Myette that J. R. O'Brien be revisor for district 36 in place of Jas. Chisholm.

Moved by Councillors Flemming and Moren that \$60 be assessed on district 17, for the support of the poor.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Bishop that Joseph McDonald be road master for Sec. 6, district 31, and Wm. McKenzie road master for Sec. 7, same district.

Moved by Councillors Homans and Flemming that Ebenezer Homans be electoral revisor for district 27.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Homans that Chas. Slade be overseer of roads for sec. 2, district 27.

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Thomas that G. F. Sanford be appraiser for district 15 in place of J. A. Daniels, who is over age.

Moved by Councillors Ryan and Kuhn that Dennis Brophy be road master for district 23 in place of Edw. Little, who is over age.

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Thomas that James Thomms be revisor for district 30.

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Stewart that Lilay Shaw be keeper of weigh scales in district 21 in place of A. B. Shaw, who is unable to act.

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Stewart that Robert M. McFatrige be revisor of electoral lists for district 21.

Moved by Councillors Ryan and Kuhn that John Jollimore be revisor for district 23.

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Thomas that Reginald Daniels be fence overseer in district 15 in place of Arthur Landsburg, who has left the district.

Moved by Councillors Kuhn and Ryan that Charles Morash be revisor of electoral lists for district 29.

Moved by Councillors Coolen and Ryan that \$40 be assessed on district 10 for the support of the poor.

Moved by Councillors Stewart and Taylor that Norman Stewart be revisor for district 22.

Moved by Councillors Connors and McLean that James Zink, of West Dover, be road master in place of Isalah W. Cleveland; and that Wm. McGrath, of East Dover, be road master in place of John McGrath.

Moved by Councillors Homans and Negus that George Williams be constable for district 27.

The Council adjourned at 4.45 to meet Wednesday morning at 10.30.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The County Council met Wednesday morning at 10.30 o'clock. Warden Madill presided. Councillors James Billman, Otis Milne, A. F. Smith, Henry Hall, D. T. Leslie and James H. Whitman, who were unable to be present at the opening session were in their seats. The minutes of Tuesday's meeting were read and approved.

A petition was read from a number of the residents of Musquodoboit Harbor stating that the bridge over the river, (known as Bayers bridge) is in a very dangerous condition, and almost unfit for use. The petitioners asked that it be replaced with a new bridge, as it is beyond repair.

In reference to the petition from Musquodoboit Harbor asking for the rebuild-

ing of a bridge, Councillor Taylor asked what was the general course of action with reference to these bridges.

Councillor Lydiard said the Government had set aside a fund of \$35,000 for smaller bridges, and deducted this from the road grant. He thought there would be no trouble in having these bridges repaired by the Government application were made.

Some councillors wanted to know just what a smaller bridge meant and thought the Government should be applied to for a definition. Councillor Madill thought the Government would not replank a bridge but would repair any part of the structural work needing repairs. Councillor McMullin thought it would be cheaper and better for the Councils to build these small bridges. It was not eating into the road grants and costing far more than necessary.

Councillor Lydiard said the act had been changed and thought it would be advisable to get a copy of the new Act.

Councillor Ryan thought the Government could put up bridges quite as cheaply as the districts and cited the case of a bridge put up for \$115, which he felt could not be put up by any Municipality for that sum.

The Warden asked what the new rock-breaker was doing. Councillor Bishop said the rock-breaker seemed to be monopolized by District 15.

Councillor Casey asked if hay weighers should be sworn in, in the case where the appointed weighers own the scales themselves. Considerable discussion ensued, the consensus of opinion being that all such public weighers should be sworn in.

Change in By-Laws.

Moved by Councillor Canfield and seconded by Councillor Taylor, and resolved, that the following be substituted in our By-laws for Section I. Chapter XIV.:

Every transient merchant, trader, hawker or pedlar of any kind or description (not a ratepayer of the Municipality) of the County of Halifax) doing business or intending to do business within the territorial jurisdiction of the Council of the Municipality of Halifax County, by selling or offering for sale therein goods, wares, produce or merchandise of any

kind shall first procure from the Clerk of License of such Municipality or such other person or persons as may be named by this Council a license permitting him to carry on such business within the Municipality during the time such license is current.

Nothing, however, herein contained shall extend to farmers or lumbermen selling the products of their own farms or mills or to the sale of fish.

Moved by Councillors Billman and Ryan that F. A. Ronnan be revisor of electoral lists for District 14.

A letter was read from Alvin Hubley, Supervisor of District 12, stating that there was considerable discord among the old ratepayers in the District over the assessment valuation.

Commissioner Lydiard said his experience was that if exemption were allowed a great deal of property would not be assessed for road work, as the old men would keep the property in their own name (although their sons did all the work on the place) to escape the assessment. On motion of Councillors Stewart and McLean the letter was laid on the table.

A petition was read from a number of the residents of District 36, stating that the long bridge in that district is in need of some repairs.

A letter was read from the Assistant City Clerk requesting that the Council grant a hearing to a deputation from the City Council who wished to discuss the question of reducing the City's proportion of the County expenditure.

It was ordered that this deputation be received on Thursday morning at eleven o'clock.

Appointments

The following motions were passed:

Moved by Councillors Moren and Fleming that \$90 be assessed on District 16 for the support of the poor.

Moved by Councillors Hayes and Stewart that F. I. Darragh be license inspector for District 7.

Moved by Warden Madill, seconded by Councillor McMullin that Israel Keys be road master for Section 2, in District 19, in place of his brother, who refused to act.

Moved by Councillors Whitman and C. E. Smith that Alex. Rutlege be surveyor

of lumber, logs and wood for District 34.

Moved by Warden Madill, seconded by Councillor McMullin, that John Mason be collector of County and Poor rates for District 19.

Moved by Councillors Whitman and C. E. Smith that Jas. P. Balcom be revisor for District 34.

Moved by Warden Madill, seconded by Councillor McMullin, that Jas. Mitchell be revisor for District 19.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Fleming, that Henry Grouse be constable for District 13, in place of Geo. Brown, who refused to act.

Moved by Councillors A. F. Smith and S. W. Lydiard, that Solomon Fancy be revisor of electoral lists for District 24.

Moved by Councillors Hall and Leslie, that Angus McDonald be revisor of electoral lists for District 25.

Moved by Councillors Hall and Leslie, that Archibald Hall be surveyor of logs and lumber for District 25.

Moved by Councillors Leslie and Hall, that Leander Josey be constable for District 26.

Moved by Councillors Leslie and Hall, that John A. Bollong be revisor of electoral lists for District 26.

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Homans, that D. M. Story be overseer of poor, in place of F. H. Story.

Moved by Councillors Thomas and Johnson, that David Downey be health officer for District 30, in place of Samuel Smith, who is over age.

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Moren, that H. J. Mitchell be road master for Section A., District 15, in place of Josiah Fisher, who is going away.

Moved by Councillors Leslie and Hall, that Alex. Conner be road master for the road between Eastern Brook, Spry Bay and a place known as the old school house, Spry Bay, in District 26.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Whitman, that John E. Tough be revisor of electoral lists for District 9.

The Council adjourned at one o'clock.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

The Council met again at 2.30, and, after passing the following motions, adjourned until Thursday morning at 10.30 o'clock, so as to allow the Road and

Bridge Committee to proceed with its work:

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Thomas, that J. N. Boutillier be deputy clerk of license for Bedford District 15.

Moved by Councillors Negus and McMullin, that this Council grant a hearing to the Committee of the Halifax City Council on Thursday, April 3, at 11 o'clock.

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Wilson, that the names of W. H. Wiswell, County Clerk, and J. McDougall, Stipendiary, be added to the Committee on Arbitration with the City.

Moved by Councillors Whitman and Croucher, that the bridge connecting Snow's Island and Turner's Island, known as Snow's bridge, and the bridge at or near Jeffrey Battes', known as Ell wire bridge, at Harrigan's Cove, District 34, be placed under the Bridge Act of 1900.

THURSDAY MORNING.

The County Council met on Thursday morning at 10.30 o'clock with the Warden in the chair.

Clerk Wiswell announced that no minutes had been necessary for the afternoon session of Wednesday.

The Warden made reference to the long discussion which had occurred Wednesday over the hay-weighing matter, and hoped the time of the Council would not be taken up again in a similar manner.

A precept was granted to District No. 35 for a new section of road to take the place of the old Ervin road.

The Clerk read a letter from W. T. Gray, of Councillor Canfield's district with reference to a letter read at the January session of the Council from H. V. Wier with regard to the road at Princes Lodge, denying the correctness of the allegations in Mr. Wier's letter. Moved by Councillor Canfield, seconded by Councillor Stewart that this matter be referred to the committee appointed for the purpose.

County Expenditure.

Here Recorder MacCoy and Ald. McIlreith appeared before the Council.

Ald. McIlreith said:

1. The County valuation was too small. In Halifax the assessment is right up to

the top notch. In the County he thought the valuation was too low and referred to some property of his own in District 14, which he felt was far too low, and cited the case of a property in an adjoining District which was assessed for about \$10,000 and sold for over \$100,000. The valuation in the County last year was \$2,326,000, and of Dartmouth \$2,000,600, while that of Halifax was about \$21,000,000. The taxation paid by each were out of all proportion and if the County did not raise its valuation the City would be obliged to apply to the Government for a board of valuers, the members of which would go all over Halifax, Dartmouth and the County, and make a valuation:

2. The matter of criminal prosecutions.

3. Government grant to County Court House. Ald. McIlreith said \$300 was a ridiculously small amount to make. The most of the cases come from outside the city altogether and he felt the Government grant was too small. He thought the Council should appoint a committee to wait on the Government and have the Court House either taken off the hands of the County or the grant increased.

Recorder MacCoy said:

The time had arrived when something definite must be done in the matter. The city paid nine-elevenths of the joint charges against the City and County. He emphasized Ald. McIlreith's remarks about the necessity of appointing a board to settle the matter. This would be a serious undertaking and an expensive one also, and the Recorder thought it would be much better to come to some arrangement. The management of the Court House and Jail was also alluded to. The Recorder said that the city paid nine-elevenths of the expenses and maintenance thereof and had not a voice in the management of the same. He also thought the city was not responsible for the interest on the Court House bonds.

The Recorder thought it would be well to appoint a committee of the Council to meet the City and see if some agreement for a jump sum could not be arranged. The City wanted a final settlement this time.

Some discussion ensued after the de-

putation left the Council. Councillor Bishop thought the system of assessment throughout the County was certainly bad. He thought it would be a good idea to have one assessor for each electoral district and have one man from, say the eastern part to go all over the western district with assessors there.

Warden Madill wished the County could get clear of the Court House and the City of Halifax also.

Committee Appointed.

A committee consisting of Councillors Lydiard, Billman and Wilson were appointed to wait upon the Government at eleven o'clock on Friday in regard to getting the grant to the Court House increased.

Precepts regarding the new road from Windsor Junction to Grave's Siding and a new section of road at or near John Frost's house on the main post road to a road running down the west side of Eeum Secum River, were ordered to be received and filed.

A resolution was moved by Councillors Lydiard and Negus that the Commissioner of Crown Lands should be notified to appoint a surveyor to run out the boundary line between districts 31 and 33.

The resolution was passed.

Pound For Bedford.

A petition of 43 signers from Bedford in reference to the establishment of a Pound there was received in connection with the above the following resolution was presented:

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Hall that a committee consisting of Stipendiary McDougall, Parker Archibald and John McLeod be appointed to enquire into and report upon the propriety and expediency of creating a Pound in District 15, as set forth in the petition from free-holders of said District 15. The motion passed.

Miscellaneous Matters.

Moved by Councillors A. F. Smith and Leslie that the report of the committee on the return of the precept to lay out a new road in District 24 be adopted.

Moved by Councillors Flemming and Moren that road section No. 16 in District 17 be added to sections No. 1, and

14, now under commission in District 17.

Moved by Councillors Casey and Myette that Jan. R. O'Brien, J. P., be Clerk of License in District 36.

Moved by Councillors Homans and Hall that Wm. Robertson be Deputy Clerk of License for District 17.

Moved by Councillors Myette and Casey that Daniel LaPierre, J. P., be Clerk of License in District 28.

Moved by Councillors Thomas and Kuhn that road section 10 extend from Peter Williams' gate to the old post road near Partridge River bridge in District 30.

Moved by Councillors Milne and Kuhn that Ralph Bayers be overseer of poor in District 20, in place of J. D. Bayer, who is over age.

Moved by Councillors Whitman and C. E. Smith that Joseph E. Hartling be inspector of pedlers license in District 24.

Moved by Councillors Connors and McLean that Percy McGrath be deputy inspector of license for District 38.

Moved by Councillors Negus and McMullan that Simon Gregoire be deputy clerk of license for District 33.

Moved by Councillors Moren and Canfield that this Council grant permission for the erection of telephone posts along the roadsides from Bedford through Hammond's Plain to Pockwock Mills.

Moved by Councillors Milne and Kuhn that John Flemming be road master in place of Alex. Streech.

Moved by Councillors Milne and Kuhn that Wilbert McMullan be road master in place of Alex. Cole, who is over age.

Moved by Councillors Milne and Kuhn that Timothy Scott be electoral revisor for District 20.

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Stewart that return of the precept issued to George H. Taylor and H. Grant for laying out a change of road in District 21 be received and placed on file.

Moved by Councillors Milne and Kuhn that Richard Dunbrack be health officer in place of J. D. Bayer, who is over age.

Moved by Councillor Milne and Kuhn that Elmer Milne be overseer of poor in place of Alex. Hurley, who is over age.

Moved by Councillors Milne and Kuhn that Sidney Dickey be health officer in place of Alex. Hurley, who is over age.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Council met in session at 3.30 o'clock, and after the Clerk read the minutes of the morning's proceedings the Council adjourned so as to allow the Road and Bridge Committee to prepare its report.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The County Council met at 10.36 on Friday morning.

A communication was read from Preston regarding smallpox in that district and the measures taken to prevent its spread. A bill of \$84.34 for expenses connected with the above was presented as follows:

Expenses watching	\$27.50
Expenses burying body	8.00
Provisions and wood (about)	12.84
Dr. Cunningham	35.00
Medicine	1.00
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	\$84.34

Moved by Councillors Thomas and Stewart, that the report be received and referred to the Finance Committee.

Coun. Smith wished to know if there was any means of ascertaining what it is that is eating up the road grant from year to year. He referred more particularly to the \$2,000 granted to his own district and wanted to know if they were paying interest on it. He was referred to the Provincial Engineer's office.

Councillor Bishop asked for a ruling on the power of Supervisors of Roads. He thought some definite steps should be taken to secure to the Municipality the 66 feet of road which the law provides.

Councillor Smith thought the whole question of the fixing of road limits should be gone into and settled. The encroachment on the roads has been general and in many cases the owners of property will not even suffer trees to be cut down so as to give the roads a chance to dry up. Councillor Bishop then introduced a motion that the following three should be appointed Supervisors of Public Grounds for District 13: Geo. W. Mariott, Wm. Arnold, Wm. Graves. Passed. This was considered a precedent

which any Councillor could follow by introducing a similar motion with respect to his district.

Moved by Councillors Croucher and Whitman, that \$40 be assessed on District 12 for the support of the poor.

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Moren, that Alfred Le Brecq be Sanitary Inspector, in place of F. Wiltshire.

Moved by Councillors Hayes and Stewart, that \$20 be assessed on District 7 for the support of the poor.

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Stewart, that all sections of Chapter 97, Revised Statutes, relating to the measurements of logs, lumber, shingles and wood be printed for the information of the officers.

Loan for New Road.

Moved by Councillors Flemming and C. E. Smith, that this Council ask the Provincial Government for the loan of \$700 for the construction of a new road leading from Windsor Junction to Groves Siding, in District 17, County of Halifax. The motion passed.

The following resolution, moved by Councillors Wilson and Taylor, was passed:

"Whereas, the disbursements of the County often require ready cash in excess of the funds in hands of the Treasurer;

"And whereas, it has been customary to meet such deficiency by negotiating overdrafts from the Banks, obtained on a written order from the Warden;

"And whereas, such authority is not quite satisfactory to the Banks or just to the Warden;

"Therefore resolved, that this Council approves of granting authority for the Treasurer to overdraw his Bank account—in anticipation of increasing taxes—for pressing current expenses to an amount not to exceed \$3,500; provided always, that he shall first furnish the Bank with a written authority from the Warden in such sums within the above prescribed limit as from time to time may be necessary."

The Council then adjourned until 3.30 o'clock. In the meantime the Road and Bridge Committee proceeded to work on its report.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The Council met on Friday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock. Warden Madill was in the chair.

A petition was read from the Laurencetown and vicinity setting forth the necessity of a road over the Cole Harbor Dyke to complete the road already laid to the bridge over the aboiteau. The road would be a very great convenience to the people of Laurencetown and Cow Bay and the travelling public generally. The petitioners asked for a precept to lay out the road. Councillors Kuhn and Lydiard moved the following resolution in connection with the above:

Resolved, that the precept and the report of the committee for laying out the road over the Cole Harbor Dyke be accepted. The motion passed. Moved by Councillors Flemming and Moran that the bridge on the Windsor Road at Augustus Fenerty's be placed under the smaller bridge act, and amendments thereto.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and A. F. Smith that \$150 be assessed on District 31 for the support of the poor.

Moved by Councillors Milne and Homans that the roads in District 20 be re-measured and that all costs in connection therewith be at the expense of the District.

Moved by Councillors Croucher and Whitman that the motion made to assess District 12 \$40 be rescinded and that \$60 be assessed on the District for the support of the poor.

Moved by Councillors Coolen and Johnson that the bridge known as Hardiman's Bridge be placed under the smaller bridge act.

The following resolution was moved by Councillors Lydiard and Wilson:

"Whereas the city of Halifax has given notice that they are desirous of reconsideration of the several amounts payable respectively by the city of Halifax and this Municipality, and a consideration of the several items be arranged during the session of the Council.

"Therefore resolved that this Council hereby authorize the committee appointed to confer with the city in regard to matters in dispute to deal with such matters."

The Court House Grant.

In connection with the above Councillor Wilson said that a committee consisting of Councillors Lydiard, (chairman), Billman and himself (Wilson), had waited on the Local Government on Friday morning with the object of having the Government allowance towards the support of the Court House increased. The only members of the Government present were Premier Murray and Hon. A. Drysdale, the Commissioner of Public Works and Mines. The representatives of the Council explained their case, Mr. Lydiard presenting figures, etc., to support their claim. The Dartmouth delegation, he said, did not know much about the matter. Ald. MacIlreith also appeared on behalf of the city and clearly stated the case. The Premier was unaware that the Government paid anything toward the Court House. Mr. Wilson said that Premier Murray stated that they had a fairly good case, and that he would consult the Attorney-General on his return to the city. The delegation was favorably received and Mr. Wilson thought that there was a fair chance of getting an increase.

Councillor Wilson explained that the above resolution meant the delegating of the powers of the Council to the committee.

Moved by Councillors Wilson and Hayes that the Councilors pay for this session be \$2 per day and the usual travelling expenses.

Also, that such Councilors as were unable to be present at the opening session be exempt from the penalty for non-attendance.

Miscellaneous Matters.

Moved by Councillors McLean and Connors that S. W. Shankel, Thomas Kennedy and Rand Gibbons be supervisors of public grounds for District 30.

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Crooks that the bridge on the Guysboro Road, near Raymond Fisk's place, be placed under the smaller bridge act and amendments thereto.

Moved by Councillors Kuhn and Johnson that Wm. Conrod, John Bremner and Alex. Crook constitute a board of supervisors for care of public grounds in District 24.

Moved by Councillors Flemming and A. F. Smith that the Government grant for roads and bridges for the County of Halifax for the year 1902, be expended under the authority and inspection of the several supervisors of roads appointed by this Municipal Council, excepting those sections of roads under commission.

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Thomas that G. F. Sanford, G. E. Van-Buskirk and T. D. Knowles be supervisors of public grounds for District 15.

Moved by Councillors Connors and Croucher that Joseph Tanner, James H. Scott and Wm. Baker be supervisors of public grounds for District 38.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Homans that the clerk of this Council notify all the road supervisors of the rate of pay to be paid for teams and at his earliest convenience, also for labor in accordance with Councillors Lydiard's resolution passed previously. Moved by Councillors Darragh and Milne that Thomas Lindsay be appointed electoral revisor for District 21 A.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Ryan that the chairman of Public Committee be paid \$50, and the vice-chairman of said committee \$25 for their services in connection with said committee.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and A. F. Smith, that the persons to be representatives of Districts 31 and 33 to determine the boundary line between said districts be for District 31 Councillors S. W. Lydiard and Hugh Grant, and for District 33 Councillors Negus and Provest Horne.

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Stewart that John B. Archibald, Raymond Fisk and M. H. Guild be supervisors of public grounds in District 21.

Moved by Councillors Stewart and Taylor that J. H. Chaplain, J. D. Henry and David Archibald, Jr., be supervisors for District 22 for public grounds.

Moved by Councillors Thomas and Johnson that John Wiseman, Joseph Misener and Peter Clayton be a board of supervisors of public grounds for District 30.

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Taylor that the resolution asking for a change in paragraph I, Chap. XIV, of our by-laws, be rescinded.

Moved by Councillors Canfield and Thomas that the taxes assessed on J. O. Lehwess for 1901 be remitted, and also the taxes on \$300 assessed on H. A. Roche.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Hayes that the resolution of Councillors Wilson and Flemming in reference to clerk of license visiting districts for the Peddlers Act, lay on the table.

The Railway Route. *Eastern*

Moved by Councillors Kuhn and Lydiard "That whereas, the sum of \$5,000 was granted by this Council at its January session for the purpose of assisting in defraying the cost of a right of way for a railway through the Musquodoboit Valley, and whereas, an agitation it now progressing and meeting with very general approval for the purpose of changing a part of that route and substituting therefore the route known as the shore route,

"Therefore resolved, that this Council grant the company the privilege of changing the route as in their discretion will be most advantageous to themselves and the public generally."

Councillor Lydiard explained that the resolution was brought up on account of a large delegation waiting upon the Legislature at the recent session, with the object of taking the line of railway around via the shore into Dartmouth. He said that the company was strongly impressed with the route and they may decide to accept it. The object of the resolution was to give the company the grant in case that they decided to adopt the shore route.

The following resolution was moved by Councillors Lydiard and Homans, as an interpretation of the one passed at the January session:

"That the rate of pay per day in regard to the Expenditure of the Government road grant be not in excess of the following: Road Masters, \$1.25; laborers, \$1.15; single teams, with driver, \$2, and that the rate per day for laborers in commutation of road tax be \$1."

The resolution evoked considerable discussion, those taking part being Councillors Lydiard, Kuhn, Croucher, Taylor, Bishop, McMullin, Hayes, Canfield and

Wilson. It was finally decided to adopt the resolution.

Councillor C. E. Smith then brought up the case of the Commissioners in District 26. He said that it was desirous that something should be done about the matter as the Council did not want to be mixed up in a lawsuit.

Councillor Lydiard said that the Commissioner was appointed by law for four years, and that since the resolution passed at the January session he learned that the Commissioners could not be removed except for cause.

Councillor Kuhn said that charges would have to be preferred against the Commissioners and the Council hear the case before any such action was taken. After some further discussion the following resolution was passed:

Moved by Councillors Kuhn and Ryan that the resolution which passed this Council at the January session deposing Samuel Henley as Road Commissioner in District 26 be and is hereby rescinded.

The Road and Bridge committee informed the Council that they would probably have their report ready by 11 o'clock on Saturday morning.

The Council adjourned at 5.30 to meet on Saturday morning at 10.30.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The Council met on Saturday morning at eleven o'clock. The minutes of Friday's session were read and approved.

The request of Constable Burbidge for holidays during the summer was granted.

The following resolution was moved by Councillors Kuhn and Flemming:

"Whereas the Government in its discretion has placed the care and maintenance of the highways under the supervision and control of the Council.

And whereas, the condition of the highways consequent upon increasing travel is steadily deteriorating in condition, until in some sections, at least, travelling has become laborious and exhaustive, and;

Whereas, up to the present, no system or plan has been devised which on application has proved efficient in ameliorating or improving this unsatisfactory condition of the said highways;

Therefore resolved, that this first year of the life of this Council presents a fitting opportunity for experimenting in repairing or reconstructing the highways, with the object of determining a plan which under existing circumstances will prove itself efficient for that purpose in a manner which will at once be a credit and source of advantage and satisfaction to the Municipality."

Councillor Kuhn's resolution regarding the making of roads aroused some discussion, Coun. Casey thinking that stone on roads in some cases was a great mistake. In his district they found brush and poles act better.

Coun. Lydiard instanced a good example of the benefit of stone for road building on the Dartmouth road, where a formerly bad place had been scientifically constructed with rock and stone and was now the best place on the road.

The resolution passed.

Report of the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:

Your committee on roads and bridges beg leave to report that most of their time was taken up in apportioning the road money which we have impartially endeavored to do. The allotment for each district is as follows:

Disct. No.	Amt.	Disct. No.	Amt.
7	95.24	24	216.61
8	100.00	25	470.00
9	160.00	26	500.00
10	112.95	27	480.00
11	150.00	28	175.00
12	259.32	29	250.00
13	390.00	30	295.00
14	25.00	31	420.00
15	45.51	32	160.00
16	300.00	33	200.00
17	316.13	34	225.00
18	350.00	35	208.90
19	390.00	36	290.40
20	380.00	38	150.00
21	500.00	21A	125.00
22	585.00		
23	75.00		

\$8400.06

Your committee would recommend that the roads in districts 8, 21A, 25, 26 and 15 be re-measured, and also the bridges in said districts from three feet upwards, and that the measurements be given under oath, and that the clerk notify such districts to have said work performed

We would further recommend that not less than one hundred and seventy-five dollars of this grant for district no. 25 be expended on the Musquodobit road, and also that allowance for district 15 be used on the roads other than the main post road.

Signed,
 CHARLES E. SMITH,
 GEO. S. CANFIELD,
 ALEX. McMULLIN,
 HENRY HALL,
 WM. F. NEGUS,
 JOHN F. RYAN,
 T. E. STEWART.

Coun. Billman objected to the road appropriation for his district, which at \$2,000 now gets the smallest amount on the list. He said he would not touch a cent of the money unless it was increased.

Coun. Smith replied that Coun. Billman's district had good roads and had the second greatest amount of statute labor to the mile.

Couns. Flemming and Kuhn also considered their allotment too small.

Coun. for district 12 also thought he had been given too little, as they had the whole western counties traveling over the district. He was \$108 short, and was afraid to go back to his district.

Councillors Kuhn and Billman moved that the report of the Road and Bridge committee be referred back to them to be divided equally among the districts in proportion to mileage. The resolution on being put was lost.

The following resolution was then submitted.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Darragh that the report of the Road and Bridge committee be adopted. The resolution was carried.

Councillor Billman called for names. The vote resulted as follows:

For the amendment—Whitman, Hayes, Smith, Stuart, Taylor, Casey, Ryan, Johnson, Thomas, Moren, Canfield,

Milne, Homans, Bishop, Smith, Lydiard, Darragh, Hall, McMullin, Negus.

Against—Councillors Billman, Kuhn, Croucher.

Finance Committees Report.

The Finance Committees report was adopted as follows: The only matter to the committee on Finance was the report and account of expenditure for a small-pox case in Preston, District 30. We find the account for attendance, quarantine and vaccination correct and order the (\$84.34) to be paid.

(Signed),

JAS. BILLMAN,
 Chairman.
 S. W. LYDIARD,
 J. H. WHITMAN,
 J. H. TAYLOR,
 P. K. KUHN,
 GEO. S. CANFIELD.

Miscellaneous Matters.

The following resolutions were passed:

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Crooks that the jail regulations as a whole be passed and adopted.

Moved by Councillors Milne and Darragh that Sidney Dickey, John Seeton and Thomas Rourke be a board of supervisors for District 20 to define public property.

Moved by Councillors A. F. Smith and Bishop that Gavin Grant, William B. McDonald and Edmund Cross be supervisors of public property for District 31.

Moved by Councillors Flemming and Lydiard, that all resolutions appointing appraisers of damages be rescinded as no such office exists.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Flemming that John D. Kuhn be deputy license inspector for District 31.

Moved by Councillors Darragh and Stewart that the bridges at Moose River Mines be placed under the smaller bridges act.

Moved by Councillors Hayes and Croucher that Richard Burbridge be granted leave of absence for three weeks during the coming summer.

Moved by Councillors Whitman and Croucher that the bridges known as

- District 28—Chezzetcook—Wm. Myett.
 " 29—Lawrencetown—Peter Kuhn.
 " 30—Preston—John Thomas.
 " 31—Cole Harbor—S. W. Lydiard.
 " 32—Hubbard's Cove—Chas. McLean.
 " 33—Eastern Passage—W. F. Negus.
 " 34—Salmon River—J. H. Whitman.
 " 35—Little River—Alex. McMullin.
 " 36—East Chezzetcook—Danl. Casey.
 " 38—Dover—J. Bernard Connors.

Standing Committees.

MEM.—The Warden is *ex officio* a member of all committees, and the first named on each committee is chairman.

Hospital for Insane—Councillors Wilson, Milne, Casey, Connors, Whitman, Crooks.

Assessment—Councillors Flemming, Croucher, Taylor, McLean, Leslie, A. F. Smith.

Roads and Bridges—Councillors C. E. Smith, Hall, McMullen, Canfield, Negus, Ryan, Stewart.

License—Councillors Hall, McLean, Homans, Darrah, Moran, Hayes.

Public Property—Councillors Lydiard, C. E. Smith, Billman, Johnson, Bishop, Wilson.

Finance—Councillors Billman, Kuhn, Taylor, Canfield, Lydiard, Whitman.

Jury Lists—Councillors Negus and Flemming.

Law Amendments—Councillors Taylor, Kuhn, Coolen, Leslie, Moren, Myett.

Poor—Councillors McMullin, Thomas, Myett, Johnson, Darrah, Crooks.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

On Arbitration with City, &c.—Councillors Wilson, Negus, Lydiard, Flemming, County Clerk and County Stipendiary.

On Bedford Electric Tramway Location, &c.—Councillors Canfield, Moren, Billman, Wilson, Ryan, Flemming, and Bishop.

Commissioners of the Court House—The Warden, Councillors S. W. Lydiard and J. S. Flemming, Hon. Judge Weatherbe, Hon. J. W. Longley.

Committee on Public Landing Prince's Lodge—Councillors Flemming, Bishop and Canfield.