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Gentlemen

Communication
from Water Company
rel to Additional
Fire Plugs and
Hydrants

In reply to the application of the City Council to have Fire Plugs made into Hydrants and Hydrants into Fire Plugs. The Directors of the Salisbury Water Company beg to say, that the Law passed in amendment of the Incorporation Act authorising the payment of £500. per annum for 25 fire Plugs and 18 Hydrants having been fully carried out, and a contract entered into with the City authorities for this purpose they feel reluctant to interfere with or alter the construction of the Plugs and Hydrants supplied under such contract. The Directors however feeling convinced of the necessity of a greater accommodation to the Public for the supply of water, are willing to erect as many fire Plugs as may be required, so far as the main pipes extend at the following reduced rates viz. for an additional number of fire Plugs to be put down hereafter, they will charge the limited sum of Five pounds each per annum, and in any particular locality should a fire Plug and Hydrant under one case or cover be preferred they agree to supply a limited number of such for the sum of Eight pounds per annum each

I have the honor to be
Your Obedt Servant
G. G. Shannon
Secy

To
William Mordaunt Esq
William Roche Esq
Aldermen City of Salisbury

When in Motion the same stands over
for future Consideration

Council proceed
to Government House
with Address

On Motion the Council now proceed
to Government House with the address this day passed
relative to the Rail Road

The Council adjourn until half past
four this day

Henry Taylor
Mayor

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At 4 1/2 O'clock A.M. An adjourned meeting of the City Council held this afternoon Present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen W. G. Anderson, Laidlaw, Mitchell, Son Keith, Cabot, Caldwell, King, Taylor, Nathup, Roche, Jennings and J. H. Anderson

Read following answer from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to the address this day presented by the City Council on the subject of the Rail Road

Mr Mayor and Gentlemen

You, and the highly respectable meeting by which you have been deputed to address me, do not do me more than justice in believing that I feel most deeply interested in whatever relates to the prosperity of the ancient and loyal Colony which our gracious Sovereign has committed to my charge, and, that I regard it as my first duty to do all that depends upon me to promote it

The Resolution which you have just presented, embodies what appear to me to be enlightened and sound views, suited to the age in which we live.

The cost of constructing Railroads is slight compared with the cost of doing without them. Nova Scotia owes it to her own character to adopt as speedily as she may, improved facilities for the transportation of her people with the products of their industry. She owes it to the civilized world to make her portion of "The European and North American Rail-Road" which must become the Shortest Highway between the great families of the Anglo Saxon Race

Be assured that my Government will approach this great question without delay and with an earnestness commensurate with its deep importance, and that it will afford me very sincere gratification to identify myself with this work, and to become, in any way personally instrumental in realizing the hopes entertained by the Citizens of Halifax

J. P. Harvey
Lt Governor

Government House

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The City Council next proceed to choose Presiding Officers for holding the Elections in the respective Wards on the 1st day of October next when the following Gentlemen are appointed

Aldermen

Answer of His Excellency Lt. Governor on the Rail Road

Read 3rd March 1854

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Presiding Officers
Chosen to hold
Elections

Alderman Caldwell for Ward No One
 " Roche for Ward No Two
 " Ludlow for Ward No Three
 " Mitchell for Ward No Four
 " Watt for Ward No Five
 " Taylor for Ward No Six

The City Council next proceed to appoint
 three Inspectors for holding Elections in the respective Wards
 for the ensuing year, when the following gentlemen are
 appointed

Inspectors for Ward No 1 Messrs James A. Moran

Peter Grant

Thomas Bance

Inspectors for Ward No 2 Messrs Archibald Scott

John McDougall

John Shackan

Inspectors for Ward No 3 Messrs James Cochran

George Ernter

George Yates

Inspectors for Ward No 4 Messrs Robert Romans

Joseph Northup

Hugh Blackader

Inspectors for Ward No 5 Messrs George A. Brighton

Samuel Conway

Joseph Darby

Inspector for Ward No 6 Messrs William Suberland

William Howe

William Jordan

Read Petition of Peter Grant and others
 for a Drain in No 1 Ward

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

The Petition of the Freeholders of Ward
 Number One of the City of Halifax

Petition for
 Drain in
 Birmingham Street

Sheweth, That your Petitioners
 beg leave to invite the attention of Your Honorable Body, to the
 great inconvenience felt by your Petitioners and others from
 the want of a Public Drain, to extend from opposite the
 Centre of No 1 Parks Building, Corner of Morris and Birmingham
 Street, to run North along the western side of Birmingham
 Street to join the Drain opposite the range of Houses now or
 formerly owned by No 2 Samuel Storey in order to carry off the
 surplus

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Surplus Water made upon the premises of Petitioners and others

That heretofore your Petitioners have had no place to throw their beds and dirty water except in the Public Streets or in their yards, many of which are very small and confined. That recently your Petitioners and their Tenants have been prohibited from throwing any water in the Street, and that now they have no alternative but to throw it in their yards or otherwise have it conveyed an immense distance off the premises

That your Petitioners have been informed and believe that the said Drain can be made for a sum not exceeding Forty pounds and your Petitioners are ready and willing to contribute severally the sums hereunder set opposite to their respective names, (being half the amount) in order that so desirable and so necessary a public object may be commenced and carried out

Your Petitioners therefore respectfully pray that your Honorable Body may be pleased to take their case into favourable consideration and appropriate a part of the City funds for the purpose aforesaid, and direct that the said Drain may be commenced and completed at an

And your Petitioners will ever pray

Witness my Hand this 23rd August 1850

Peter Grant £ 5.10.0

Thomas Adams 3.0.0

James Sparks 5.15.0

Thomas Holloway 5.15.0

Read the City Treasurers receipt of half of the amount having been paid in for said Drain when the following Resolution is introduced

Whereas the Inhabitants of Ward No one have this day submitted a Specification for the Building of a Drain at the Corner of Morris and Birmingham Streets and have paid into the hands of the City Treasurer one half of the amount necessary for the completion of the same

Resolved that Tenders be forthwith advertised for Building and completing of the same, and that the Commissioners of Streets be authorised to open said Tenders accept the same, and have the work completed, which on being put is passed

The following

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to Drain in
Birmingham Street

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The following resolution is next introduced

Resolution
rel to Drain from
Maitland to
Brunswick Street

Whereas Tenders have been advertised for the Building of a Drain from Maitland Street to Brunswick Street agreeably to resolution of City Council to be received on the 30th Instant, and whereas it is desirable that said Drain should be built with as little delay as possible

Therefore resolved that the Commissioners of Street be authorized to open said Tenders, that the necessary contracts be entered into for completing the same and that said work be done without delay, and that the Commissioners of Street report their proceedings to the City Council, which on being put is passed

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolution
rel to Com^{rs} of Street,
adopting Tenders
for Drains

Resolved that the several resolutions passed this day authorizing the Commissioners of Street to open receive, and adopt the Tenders that may be adopted for building Drains in Ward No 6 No 4 and No 5 be not taken as a precedent for any contract of a similar description, which on being put is passed

The following resolution is next introduced

Resolution
Committee rel to
Rail Road

Resolved that Alderman Mitchell, Hon. McKeith, Caldwell, Taylor, Roche and Anderson be the Committee to carry into effect the resolution passed this day relative to the Rail Road, which on being put is passed

Henry Fryer
Mayor

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Inspectors Ward Sworn

Messrs Thomas Bauer, Archibald Scott, John A. Dougall, George E. Moton, George Yates, Robert Romans, Hugh MacKintosh, George A. Crighton, Jeremiah Conway, William Sutherland, William Snow, and William Jordan, appeared this day and took the oath of office prescribed by law as Inspectors for the Wards to which they had been appointed in the presence of His Worship the Mayor.

Sept 3rd

Ward Inspectors Sworn

Messrs James A. Moran, Peter Grant, John Mahan and Joseph Darby appeared this day and took the oath of office prescribed by law as Inspectors for the Wards to which they had been appointed in the presence of His Worship the Mayor.

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Ward Inspectors Sworn

Messrs Joseph Kothup appears this day and took the oath of office prescribed by law as Inspector for the Ward to which he had been appointed, in presence of His Worship the Mayor.

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council
held this day present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen
W. Anderson, Laidlaw, Mitchell, Mr. McNeill,
Smithers, Cabot, Caldwell, King, Murdoch,
Taylor, Northup, Rock, Jennings, King

Read over proceedings of 28th August

The City Council were summoned to
take into consideration the Act of Incorporation relative
to the Election of the Mayor for the ensuing Year

Read following opinion of His Honor
the Recorder on the subject

To His Worship the Mayor, &c

Sir

Opinion of
Recorder re
to election of
Mayor

In compliance with your wish I present
for the consideration of the City Council, my views of the
present law, in reference to the Election of Mayor. From the
loose and imperfect manner in which provision is made,
on this subject, by the Act passed at the last session of the
Legislature, I am led to apprehend that difficulties may
arise, against which it would be prudent, if possible,
to guard. This Act gives, to the Citizens generally, the power
which the Council previously possessed; and requires that
the "Election of Mayor be held and conducted, in the
several Wards, in the same manner as elections for
Aldermen are now held and conducted." This is the
language of the second Clause of the New Act; which is
the only section having reference to the mode of choosing
the Mayor. Our first enquiry then is, How are the Aldermen
elected? The Citizens assemble in the several Wards, on the
same day, and elect, by ballot, persons duly qualified, in
the presence of Presiding Aldermen and Inspectors, who are
appointed by the City Council, and whose duty it is to receive,
sit, count, and declare all votes given in before them, in
their respective Wards. These officers appoint poll Clerks who
are required to keep a record of the votes, at the closing of the
poll the votes taken, in the respective Wards, are sorted, counted
and publicly declared by the Presiding Officers and Inspectors, and
recorded, at large by the Clerk; and in making such declaration
and record, the whole number of ballots given in, is distinctly stated,
together with the name of every person voted for, and the number
of votes

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of votes given for each person respectively; and the Presiding Officer in each Ward then proceeds publicly to declare the person having the majority of votes to be duly elected. If there be an equality of votes he decides the election by giving the casting vote. The Poll lists are returned to the City Clerk, with the names of the persons having the majority of votes, and the returns are published in the Free Press Gazette.

If the election of Mayor were pursued to its termination precisely in the same way, the person having the majority of votes in any ward at the close of the Poll would be declared elected and there might be, and probably would be different persons declared Mayor in the different wards and returned to the City Council. It is evident the Legislature never could have contemplated this absurdity. Their intention obviously was that the person having the majority of votes in all the wards should be declared elected - but no mode is provided for ascertaining that Majority and for making the declaration thereof. That this duty should devolve upon the City Council may not be doubted; but the Legislature not having conferred on them the power, nor in any manner provided for the contingency except as before stated, it remains for the Council to consider whether they would be justified in assuming the power under the peculiar circumstances of the case. From necessity, local exceptions may possibly be taken to this course, but, without it, I know of no way in which the election can be completed; unless indeed the same individual should have the majority of votes and be returned in every ward, in which case the difficulty would not occur.

Under other circumstances of the City Council should not feel themselves authorized to proceed as above indicated, we shall fortunately not be without a Chief Magistrate; for the Law contemplates that the present Mayor shall continue to act until his successor shall be approved of by the Governor, and sworn into Office.

I am
Sir

Your Obedt Servt

G. W. Blanchard

City Recorder.

Recd Sept 9th 1850

When the following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the opinion of His Honor the Recorder be received adopted and acted upon - and that the same be published in the City papers, which being put is passed

Resolution
rel. to opinion of
Recorder

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The following resolution is next introduced

Resolution
relative to the
declaration of
Mayor

Resolved that it is the opinion of the City Council that at the Election to be held in the different wards that the Presiding Officers do not make any declaration who shall be duly elected Mayor for that ward, but shall add up the number of votes given for each person as Mayor, make return thereof to the City Council, who shall proceed to make up the number of votes given for each person, and the person having a majority of the whole, be declared as duly elected if qualified and the name of the said party be transmitted to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, for his approval and that the said party be sworn into Office, to which the following amendment is introduced

ditto

Resolved that the several Presiding Officers be directed to hold the elections in conformity with the Law which amendment being put is carried. There voting for it and two against it, the original is therefore lost and the names being called for they stood thus

For the amendment		Against it	
Mejn Taylor,	Murdock,	Mejn Remy	
Roche,	Jennings,	Keck	2
Smithen,	Northup,		
Caldwell,	Saidlaw,		
King,	Cabot		
Mitchell			11

On Motion His Worship the Mayor, leaves the Chair

On Motion Alderman Murdock takes the Chair when following resolution is introduced

Resolution
rel to payment of
expenses of Mayor
as Delegate

Resolved that the expenses of His Worship the Mayor, as Delegate of the City Council to Portland on the subject of the Rail Road be paid by Check on City Treasurer which on being put is passed

His Worship the Mayor, resumes the Chair when following resolutions are introduced

Resolution
rel to look up for
females

Resolved that the South Shop under the Court House be fixed up as an appropriate place for Females Prisoners, and that the Committee of City Property, have the same completed which

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which on being put is passed

Resolution
rel. to repairs to
the Court House

Resolved that the Committee of City Property
be authorized to take orders for repairing the Brick, such
other repairs as may be necessary and having the Court
House painted and submit the same to the City Council
which on being put is passed

Ward Inspector
Sworn

James Cochran appears this day and
takes the oath of Office prescribed by Law as Inspector of
the Ward to which he had been appointed in presence of
His Worship the Mayor

Amey Poy
J.P. Mayor

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A Quarterly Meeting of the City Council
held this day Present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen
W. Anderson, Laidlaw, Mitchell, Praine,
Cabel, Wall, Young, Taylor, Northup,
Schw. Roche, Jennings, King,

Read over proceedings of 16th September

Read following memorial of Messrs W & G
Young relative to their Assesment, the Assesment on Alliance
Company, and on the Estate of the Late Hon Michael Peltus
also, Statements and Affidavits relative thereto,

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

The Memorial of William and George R Young
Respectfully sheweth, That the notices of Assesment on the
various properties in which they are interested were served this
year at different periods and some of them irregularly both as to the
mode and place, That your memorialists however were not disposed
to raise any captious or technical objections but to pay for the amounts
in which they themselves and those whom they represent are fairly
and justly assessable, and on the return of William Young to the
Province in July, from the United States he sent to the two Assessors
a memorandum of such amounts of which he annexes a copy and
understood that the Assessors would adjust their Books accordingly,
That being informed some time after by one of the Assessors that it
would be necessary to have the same sent to the said William Young
made the three Affidavits which accompany this Memorial
And your Memorialists state that the notice of Assesment of
The Alliance Company is without date, that the notices of Assesment
of said William Young in Ten thousand pounds, and the Estate of
The Hon Michael Peltus in Seven thousand five hundred
pounds are also without date, and the names and sums and part
of the signature impured and such notices were not sent at their
proper places of business, but some of them and amongst others that
relating to the Assesment on the Alliance at the dwelling house
near of your Memorialist George R Young and in the absence of
the said George R Young and which did not come to his perception
or to his knowledge till after the return of the said William Young
from the United States as aforesaid, when the said George R Young
found the same by accident in an old file of news papers. Wherefore
your Memorialists submit that these notices were not legally
binding, That they are willing to waive any formal grounds

Memorial
of Messrs Young &
to their own and
the Alliance Co
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and pay what is right and therefore humbly pray that
Your Honors will direct the City Treasurer to receive the amounts
to be assessed in conformity with said affidavit

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Wm Young

George R Young

Statement of Real Estate and Personal Property
of the Estate of the late Michael Polin within the City of Salisbury
liable to Assessment

Value of Real Estate	£ 350
Debt Secured by Mortgage	14,550
	<u>£ 14,900</u>

Salisbury

William Young of the City of Salisbury Esquire one of
the Executors of said Estate doth oath and swear that the above
account is in all respects just and true, and that the sum of
Fifteen thousand nine hundred pounds is the full value to the best
of Deponent's judgment and belief of all the Real and Personal Estate
for which the said Estate is liable to be taxed within the said City
from the 30th day

of August A.D. 1850

before me

Henry Rogers

Mayor &c

Wm Young

Statement of Real and Personal Property of William
Young within the City of Salisbury liable to Assessment

Value of Real Estate where he lives	£ 1250
Value of Household Furniture	1000
Debt Secured by Mortgage	9000
	<u>£ 11,250</u>

William Young of the City of Salisbury Esquire
doth oath and swear that the above account is in all respects
just and true, and that the sum of Eleven thousand two hundred
and fifty pounds is the full value to the best of Deponent's judy-
ment and belief of all the Real and Personal Estate for which
the said William Young is liable to be taxed within the said City
from the 30th day

of August A.D. 1850

before me

Henry Rogers

Mayor &c

Wm Young

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Statement of the Real and Personal Property of
The Alliance Life and Fire Insurance Company doing
Business within the City of Halifax liable to Assessment

- Value of Real Estate
- Value of Personal Property
 - Household Furniture
 - Goods and Chattels None
 - Debts secured by Mortgage
 - City Certificates
 - Provincial Securities

Net Profit or Income derived from
Business done within the City during
the year terminating on the thirty first
day of December last \$1200.00

Subscribed

William Young of the City of Halifax Esquire one of the
Agents of said Company swears that the above
account is in all respects just and true and that the sum of
is the full value to the best of Depo-
nent's judgment and belief of all the Real and Personal Estate of the
said Company liable to taxation (exclusive of the net profit or
income derived from Business done within the City during the
year terminating on the thirty first day of December last) and
that such net Profit and Income are truly set forth in the
 foregoing Statement

Sworn to this thirtieth
day of August AD 1830

Wm. Young

Before me
Henry Poyer,
Mayor &c.

When the following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the Affidavit and Statement
submitted by the Apts Young relative to their own, and the
Assessment made on the Estate of the Hon Michael Hill be
assented to, and that the City Treasurer be authorized to make
the necessary deductions in accordance therewith, but that the
subject of the Assessment on the Alliance Company stand over
for future Consideration, which on being put is passed

The following resolution is not introduced
Whereas

Resolution
rel to Wm Young
Assessment

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Resolution
rel to Assesment
of Brookside
Academy

Whereas Mr Alderman King has brought to the notice of the City Council that the Brookside property which now is and was at the time of the Assesment occupied as a place of Seminary, therefore resolved that said property be exempted from taxation for this year, when on Motion it is Resolved that said resolution be referred to His Honor the Recorder for his opinion whether said property and other Seminaries of Learning are liable to be taxed, which on being put is passed

Read following Memorial and Affidavit of Thomas Mooney relative to his Assesment

Malifax 23rd August 1850

To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Malifax

The Petition of Thomas Mooney sheweth that Your Petitioner in the Month of May past was absent from Malifax being in the Island of Cape Breton, that during his absence the Assesors left a notice of Assesment at his House, and the time specified in the notice having expired before his return to the City he shortly after met one of the Assesors and stated to him the facts aforesaid that he would appeal if it would answer, the Assesors stated to Petitioner that as the Assesment was made in the ward that he could not alter the Rates, although the Assesment for the other wards was not made up for months after

That Petitioner received this morning a notice from the City Treasurer for the amount of Tax £14.12.0 which is four times the amount of Tax of last year it then being £1.3.3. and that touched for under oath which your Worship can perceive in the appeal made by Petitioner last year, which appeal is in the hands of the Assesors

Your Petitioner most humbly Prays that he might be allowed which he hereby assented under oath the Goods and Chattels he considers he is liable to be assessed for, the present year - and in duty bound Your Petitioner will ever pray

By Thomas Mooney

Statement of Real and Personal Property of Thomas Mooney within the City of Malifax, liable to Assesment

Value of Real Estate	£290.19.0p	Malifax	£100.19.0p
Value of Personal Estate by Household Furniture			91. 0. 2
Money			72. 8. 8
Goods Chattels, Wares & Merchandise			79. 5. 2
Ship or Vessel or Share thereof, at home or abroad, none owned within the City			3

Petition of
Thomas Mooney
rel to Assesment

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Debts Secured by Mortgage None	
City Certificates	None
Provincial Securities	None
Total Amount \$ 433.13.07	

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 Thomas Mooney of the City of Halifax Merchant
 dotheth oath and saith that the above account is in all respects
 just, and true, and that the sum of \$ 433.13.07 is the full value
 to the best of Deponents judgment and belief, of all the Real
 and Personal Estate for which the said Thomas Mooney is
 liable to be taxed within the said City

Sworn to this 24th day
 of August AD 1850
 before me
 J. Henry Pryor
 Mayor

By Thomas Mooney

When following resolution is introduced

Resolution rel
 Thomas Mooney's
 Apportionment

Resolved that the Affidavit and Statement
 submitted by M^r Mooney be assented, and that the City
 Treasurer be requested to make the necessary deduction, which
 on being put is passed

Read following resolution of Commissioners
 of Streets relative to Drain in Birmingham Street

Resolution
 Com^{rs} of Streets
 Drain in Birmingham
 Street

Extract from Minutes of Commissioners of
 Streets Sept 21st 1850
 Read Letter from M^r Philip Tolson respecting
 a Drain leading from Birmingham Street to a Drain in
 Pender Row, which is to empty into a private Drain through
 his property and charging the Commissioners of Streets for Ward
 No 1 with constructing the same. When the Commissioner of Ward
 No 1 explained that he had not been consulted respecting
 the Drain, and on Motion it was resolved that the same be
 referred to the City Council at the next meeting

I true Copy
 J. S. Clarke
 City Clerk

Read following Letter from M^r Philip Tolson
 addressed to the Chairman of Commissioners of Streets

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Communication
P. Getson relative
to Drain in
Birmingham Street

Sir

Understanding that the Commissioners of
Street for Ward No. 10 is at present constructing a drain
leading from Birmingham Street to a Drain in Dresden Row,
which is to empty into a Private Drain through my premises

I beg leave to inform you that it is my
intention immediately to close the Drain he intends connecting
with, and consider it my duty to give you this timely notice
that no unnecessary expenditure may be made with any such
expectation, or that the parties interested can have any just
cause of Complaint

Thomas King
Chairman Com^{rs} of Street

Yours truly
Sir Philip Getson

Resolution
rel. to P. Getson's letter
Drain in Birmingham
Street

When the following Resolution is introduced

Resolved that a Committee be appointed
to take the subject of the letter of Mr Getson relative to the drain
through his property into consideration, visit the spot, obtain
all necessary information and report their proceedings to the
Council, and that Mr Alderman Keith, Muddick and
Hall be that Committee which on being put is passed

Read following Letter from Surveyor General
on subject of Fees relative to Water Lots in North end of City

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Sir

Communication
Surveyor General
rel. to Water Lots
North Suburbs

I beg to inform you for the information
of His Worship the Mayor and Corporation that their application
for the Water Lots in the North Suburbs has been approved;
but the Government require that the sum of £10 18 9 for each
lot shall be paid leaving a balance still due to that
amount. The extent of Grants will amount of 200 feet
for each lot

I have the honor to be

J. S. Clarke Esq
City Clerk

Yours truly
John Spyer Morris
Com^r Crown Lands

Resolution rel to
Water lots.

Resolved that the further sum of £10 18 9
be paid Surveyor General for the Grants of the lots, North end
of the

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of the City, which on being put is passed

Read following Report of Persons appointed to examine the Stones placed by the Commissioners of Street for Ward No 6 near Admiralty House

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Report of
Persons appointed
to examine Stones
near Admiralty
House

Having pleased to Direct our attention to the Garden Wall at the Admiralty House it in consequence has been examined and we beg leave to report as follows

The Stones on the sidewalk alongside the Garden Wall added by the Commissioners of Street Ward No 6 is from 2 to 12 inches in depth nine feet wide and seventy five feet in length about eighteen tons resting on their bases and cannot injure the wall in the smallest degree

At a distance Southwesterly of the Stones on the Side Walk there are Cracks in the wall and inclination outward from the Street varying in length the entire length and appears to be occasioned by a settling at the foundation and not owing to any filling up by the Commissioners of Street

Thomas King
Chairman of Board
of Commissioners

We are Sir
Yours ob^d Servant
J. James Pollock
Jacob Currie
William MacKay

Resolved
rel to above
report

Resolved that a copy of said Report be transmitted to A. Elliott Esquire the Store Keeper General in answer to his Communications to the Commissioners of Street for Ward No 6 on the Subject, which on being put is passed

The following resolutions were introduced

Resolution
for City Officers
to file their
applications

Resolved Whereas on the 15th day of October next the situation of Recorder, City Clerk Assistant City Clerk City Marshall, City Treasurer, City Clerk of License, Ward Constables, Keeper of Market and Health Inspector, one or more Weighers of Flour and meal, Keeper of Powder Magazine Supervisor of Streets, Keeper of Bridewell, Surgeon to the Bridewell Collector of Road Taxes, Registrar of Cemetery, Keeper of Pound become vacant, notice be given that Candidates for any or either of such situations be requested to make application in writing and file the same at this Office of City Clerk on or before

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before the 11th day of October next, and that a Weeks notice to that effect be given in the City Papers, which on being put is passed

Read following resolution of Board of Health

Resolution of Board of Health re to pay of Secty

On Motion of Mr Alderman Taylor, seconded by Mr Alderman King Resolved that the Secretary of the Board be paid Seven Shillings and Six pence per day for each day that he may be employed in that capacity, provided that at this rate the yearly payment shall not exceed Twenty five pounds, and that the City Council be requested to furnish the necessary funds, which on being put is passed

True Copy
By: Henry Pyper
Chairman

Then following resolution is introduced

Resolution to draw checks for account

Resolved that His Worship the Mayor draw checks on the City Treasurer for the various amounts passed by the City Council and expended on the City in April last which on being put is passed

The Committee of Public Accounts having passed the following amounts and recommended the payment the City Council request His Worship the Mayor to draw checks for the same

Accounts papered and ordered payment

Temperance Hall	£4.0.0	Joseph Clarke	0. 12. 6
Water Company	2.8.0	Richard Sugent	0. 16. 6
ditto	9.6.11	W. McDonald	13. 6. 6
ditto	15. 12. 0	ditto	17. 0. 4
Lindsay	1. 0. 0		11. 1. 1
Western Coach Company	2. 0. 0	Police Disbursement	9. 12. 11

The City Council direct payment of Mr Bayfield's account to Garrison fence, amounting to Four pounds by check on City Treasurer

Resolution to draw check for pay of Secty of Board of Health

Resolved that the account of the Secretary of Board of Health be paid by check on City Treasurer on Certificate of Chairmans of the Board, which on being put is passed

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Read following answer from Messrs Umacke and Fairbanks Commissioners in Charge of Government property in subject of site for Engine No 5

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J. H. Clarke Esquire
Sir

Communication
from Government
Comm^{rs} rel to
site for No 5 Engine

In reply to your communication enclosing a resolution of the City Council requesting a site for a building to be used as an Engine house, we beg to say that we have no authority to grant such permission and from the title to the Government property it would require an act of the Legislature. We also think it desirable that Government property should not be subject to joint occupancy

We are your obed^t Servts

J. J. Umacke Com^r
J. Fairbanks Com^r

His Worship the Mayor, also stating that he had received verbal answers from the various other persons whom he has been requested to call upon on the same subject and from whom he received similar answers to the one from Messrs Umacke and Fairbanks

Read following report on subject of Rock Head Farm

Halifax September 23rd 1850

Report of
Committee on
Rock Head Farm

The Committee of Rock Head Farm report as follows that the Building contemplated on said Farm and for which the sum of Thirty seven pounds ten Shillings was granted by the Council, was tendered for by Mr Bayfield he being the lowest Tender for the sum of Thirty five pounds ten Shillings and six pence which has been performed according to plan and Specification submitted to the Committee the Building when completed was examined and approved of by the unanimous opinion of said Committee Gates being required are now under course of Erection and will not exceed the amount granted, The lumber and Sings for said Gates have been obtained from the Contractor and will be charged in their yearly accounts

J. E. Cabot. Chairman
When on Motion the same is received

The following resolutions are next introduced
Resolved

1830

Sept 23

Resolution
relative to Rock
Head Farm

Resolved that the Committee of Rock Head Farm be authorised to cause the Rocks to be blasted out for the purpose of having the Posts of the Gates fixed up which on being put is passed

Resolution
Committee appoint
to search records
for Miller's Bond

Resolved that a Committee of the Council be appointed to search the City Records and the depositories of the same and ascertain if more than one Bond was given by the late Collector of Road Taxes and report to the Council and that Messrs. Mendick, Taylor, and Watt be that Committee which on being put is passed

Henry Taylor
H. P. Mayor

1850
Oct 1

At a Special meeting of the City Council held this Evening Present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Suidlaw, Mitchell, Mr Keith, Smithers, Watt, Caldwell Taylor, Johns, Roche, King

The City Council were summoned to receive the return of the Elections for the various Wards and the transaction of other business

Read His Worship the Mayor's Proclamation of September for holding the Election

Return of Election
Mayor and
Aldermen

The returns for the Election of Mayor and assessors for the various Wards for ensuing year held this day agreeably to Proclamation of His Worship the Mayor for Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, having been read and the following Gentlemen having been returned Aldermen for the respective Wards affixed to their names viz

- W. G. Anderson Esq for Ward No One
- Robert Kettle " for Ward No Two
- Edward White " for Ward No Three
- John Esson " for Ward No Four
- Robert Stimmings " for Ward No Five
- Alexander Knight " for Ward No Six

Aldermen sworn
into office

and the following Gentlemen being in attendance and having taken and subscribed the Oath of Office the oath of Allegiance as well as that of Justice of the Peace for the City, sign the Roll and take their seats accordingly

- W. G. Anderson Esq for Ward No One
- John Esson Esq for Ward No Two
- Robt Stimmings for Ward No Three
- Wm Knight for Ward No Six

Read over proceedings of 23rd September

Read the opinion of His Honor the Recorder on the Subject of Election of Mayor, as entered on 10th Sept 1850

The following Resolutions are then introduced

Whereas Alderman Caldwell has been returned as Mayor, this day by a large majority of votes
Resolved that His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor