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January 9<sup>th</sup>*"Afternoon Session"*

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen MacLoy, Mackintosh, Sedgwick, Spelman, Smith, O'Mallin, MacLellan, Shand, Ead, O'Bryan and Longard.

The Council were summoned to consider "The report from the Special Committee in reference to Letter from the Mayor of Quebec on the subject of making Halifax the Winter Terminus for Canada Pacific Railway, To proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of Meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> December 1883 which was confirmed.

Alderman MacLoy, Chairman submits report from Special Committee on Letter from Mayor of Quebec in reference to making Halifax the Winter Terminus of Canada Pacific Railway.

Alderman O'Mallin, Chairman submits Report Committee City Prison on accounts for December 1883.

Alderman Mackintosh submits Letter from Joseph P. Marr, Proprietor St. James Oyster and Dining Saloon in reference to damages to business in consequence of the public street being roped off to prevent an accident from Queen's Building.

This Worship the Mayor submits the copy of Assessment Book as prepared by the Chief Assessor for the use of the Returns of Electoral Lists for 1884.

(Also a Report from City Clerk covering a number of accounts received from the Board of Fire Wards.

Also a Report from City Collector of Rates & Taxes of the amount of Rates received for month of December 1883

(Also a Letter from Thomas Clarke, Esq. in reference to new fire escape.

(On Motion of Alderman MacLoy seconded by Alderman Smith the "Order of the Day" is suspended to take up the papers handed in this day.

Report Committee in re letter from Mayor of Quebec.

Read Report from Special Committee in reference to Letter from the Mayor of Quebec on the subject of making Halifax the Winter Terminus for the Canadian Pacific Railway. (Report Printed see file)

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On Motion of Alderman Mac Loy seconded by Alderman Mac Sulliv. The said report is received and adopted. Motion passed.

Report City  
Prison Com-  
mittee

Read Report from Committee of City Prison on accounts from Prison for month of Dec. 1883. Then the following resolution No one is introduced.

Resolved That the report of the City Prison Committee be received and adopted and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants to pay the amounts contained therein in all \$132<sup>55</sup>. Moved by Alderman O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Mac Loy which resolution on being put is passed.

Report City  
Clerk in re  
accounts

Read Report from the City Clerk in reference to several accounts received from Board of Fire Wards.

On Motion of Alderman Sargent seconded by Alderman Ead. The same is referred to Committee of Public Accounts to examine and report on.

Petition Jno.  
P. Moar in  
re walls of  
Queen Buid-  
ling

Read Petition of Joseph P. Moar in reference to damage sustained by him in his business of the St. James Oyster and Dining Saloon in consequence of the street being roped off on account of the dangerous condition of the walls of the Queen Buildings.

On Motion of Alderman Macintosh seconded by Alderman Mac Loy. The same is referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges with His Honor the Recorder to report on.

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman O'Mullin.

"The Council Adjourn"

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## "Afternoon Session"

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Macintosh, Edgewick, Mac Dougall, Spelman, Stephen, Mac Sweeney, O'Mullin, Sheakston, MacSallan, Woodill, Cad, O'Bryan, Longard.

The Council were summoned to appoint Revisors of Electoral Districts for year 1884 and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January inst. which were confirmed.

Alderman Woodill. Chairman of the Board of City Works submits a report from The Board of Works on proposed New Tariff of Water Rates.

His Worship the Mayor submits an account from the Board of Mines & Works for the support of Paupers in Poor Asylum and Hospital to 31<sup>st</sup> Decr. 1883.

Also a Report from His Honor the Recorder in reference to suits against the several parties for violation of the Building Act.

Also a Letter from The Secretary of Halifax Visiting Dispensary in reference to annual grant to that Institution.

On Motion of Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman Mac Sallan The 'Order of the Day' is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Report Board of Works in re new tariff for Water Rates.

Read Report from the Board of City Works, <sup>on</sup> the subject of the proposed new tariff for Water Rates.

On Motion of Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman Mac Sallan Resolved That the Report be considered at a special meeting of this Council to be held on Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> inst at 8 O'clock P.M. and that His Worship the Mayor be requested to call a meeting for that evening. "Motion passed.

Account from Board of Public Charities

Board of Public Charities for support of paupers in Poor Asylum and Hospital to 31<sup>st</sup> Decr. 1883.

Read the Account from the

On Motion of Alderman Macintosh seconded by Alderman Longard The same is referred to Committee of Public Accounts to examine and report on.

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nents for viol-  
ation of Buil-  
ding Act.Letter Secy.  
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iting Dispensary.Resol in re  
grant to Hx.  
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a fire escape.Report Com of  
Laws and Privi-  
leges in  
a "Standard  
Time"

Read Report from His Honor the Recorder in reference to the several suits in the Supreme Court against parties for violation of Building Act.

Read Letter from Mr. H. Newell, Secretary Halifax Visiting Dispensary in reference to the usual grant made by the Council to that Institution. When the following resolution No. one is introduced.

Resolved That the sum of \$750. placed in the "Contingent a/c in Estimate of 1883-4 for the Halifax Dispensary be paid and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to issue the usual warrant for the same. Moved by Alderman Mackintosh seconded by Alderman Spelman which resolution on being put is passed unanimously.

Read Letter from Thomas Clarke Esq. (Yuro) in reference to a new fire escape invented by him.

On Motion of Alderman Mackintosh seconded by Alderman O'Mullin the said Letter is referred to the Board of Fire Wards to report on

### Order of the Day taken up.

On Motion of Alderman Mackintosh seconded by Alderman Woodill. Resolved That the Senior Alderman of each Ward be the Board of Revisors of Electoral Lists for 1884. Motion passed.

Read Report from Committee

Report Com of Laws and Privileges on the subject of "Standard Time"

The Committee on Laws and Privileges and His Honor the Recorder having had referred to them a letter from Mr. Smith, Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries in reference to the subject of "Standard Time" and also a letter from D. Pottinger, Superintendent of the F. & R. Railway on the same subject beg to report as follows.

They are advised and are of opinion that the City Council has no authority to change the usual time but they are also of opinion that the change suggested by the letters in question would be beneficial and in the interests of the citizens at large.

The therefore recommend (Alderman Longard dissenting) that the City Council (so far as they have power to do so) adopt as the time of the City "the Standard Time" referred to in the letter and telegram referred to. That is to say they recommend that the time of the 75<sup>th</sup> Meridian shall on and after the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January next be considered and held to be the "Standard time" of the City of Halifax and that His Worship

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January 15<sup>th</sup> the Mayor do issue a proclamation respectfully requesting all citizens on and after that date to adopt such "Standard Time".

December 7<sup>th</sup> 1884.

Respectfully Submitted.

Robt. Sedgewick.  
Chairman.

Resol. rel.  
to Standard  
Time

Moved by Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman O'Mullin that the report just read be adopted. Moved in amendment by Alderman Mackintosh seconded by Alderman O'Bryan and Resolved that the report be received and that instead of the recommendation therein made this Council so far as it has power to do so adopt as the time of the City "Standard Time" that is to say the time of the 60<sup>th</sup> Meridian shall on and after the first day of March next be considered and held as the Standard time of the City of Halifax and His Worship the Mayor is hereby authorized and requested to issue a proclamation respectfully requesting all citizens on and after that date to adopt such "Standard Time" which amendment on being put is passed & voting for the same & against it. (Alderman Sedgewick being excused from voting.)

Report Mayor  
& Recorder rel.  
and the Recorder on the subject of Letter from George Thomson  
to Dalhousie Secretary of Dalhousie College asking payment of \$500 grant to  
College grant. College as per agreement of settlement.

Read Report from the Mayor  
& Recorder on the subject of Letter from George Thomson  
to Dalhousie Secretary of Dalhousie College asking payment of \$500 grant to  
College grant. College as per agreement of settlement.

On Motion of Alderman Mackintosh seconded by Alderman Woodill the said Report is received and adopted and His Worship the Mayor is authorized to pay said amount from Estimate of current year.

Report Comm.  
tee of Laws  
& Privileges  
on several  
matters

Read Report from Committee  
of Laws & Privileges in reference to Letter from David Barry  
Supervisor of Measurers of Coal and other matters which were  
referred to them.

Halifax December 7<sup>th</sup> 1884

The Committee on Laws and Privileges to whom was referred a letter from David Barry Supervisor of Coal Measurers in reference to Supervision of Coal Measuring beg to report as follows  
(1)

They recommend that the City Council pass the following Resolution.

Resolved that hereafter the Committee on Laws and Privileges the Chairman and Members thereof shall have the same authority in relation to Coal Measurers as are now vested in the Committee on Police the Chairman and Members thereof in relation to the Police Force of the City.

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The Committee have had referred to them a petition from the Evangelical Alliance of the City of Halifax in relation to Sabbath desecration in which the Council are requested to take such steps as may be deemed necessary to have the Ordinances of the City against unlawful traffic and work on the Sabbath day duly and rigidly enforced and they recommend the following resolution be adopted by the Council.

Resolved that while this Council sympathise with the Prayer of the Evangelical Alliance of the City of Halifax in respect to Sabbath desecration and is desirous that the Ordinances in relation thereto should be rigidly enforced it wishes to call attention to the fact that prosecutions for violation of such ordinances can only be instituted upon information laid by some person cognisant of the fact. The City Council has provided a tribunal for the trial of such offences and it only remains for those alleging that the law has been violated to make complaint before that tribunal and establish by adequate evidence the commission of an offence. The Council is of opinion that duty devolves upon every citizen, as much upon the Members of the Evangelical Alliance as upon the Members of the City Council.

The Council however instructs the City Marshal and every Member of the Police Force to be more vigilant than heretofore in seeing that so far as they are able every violation of the ordinance in question be reported to the City Clerk, and the City Clerk is instructed upon such report being made to institute the necessary proceedings to have the law enforced.

The Committee have also had referred to them a petition relating to the exclusion of colored children (so called) from certain of the Public Schools in the City of Halifax. The Committee have ascertained the law and facts to be as follows: By Section 3 Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes the Council of Public Instruction has power to receive the recommendation of any Inspector for separate apartments or buildings in any section for the different sexes or different colors and to make such decision thereon as they shall deem proper. On Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> 1876 the Council of Public Instruction passed the following minute "ordered that on the recommendation of the Inspector of Schools for the County the Commissioners of Schools for the City of Halifax be authorized to make such arrangements for the establishment of separate apartments or buildings for pupils of different sexes or different colors as may be deemed necessary. In the same month the Board of Commissioners of Schools passed a resolution to the effect "that separate schools be provided for colored children and separate departments for boys and girls and that as soon as accommodation

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can be provided no colored children shall be admitted into any other schools, and shortly thereafter the Board assigned separate schools for colored children. The Committee are of opinion that the School Board has power to rescind such resolution the order of the Council of Public Instruction being only permissive and not obligatory. They are further of opinion that in this city, when white and colored citizens are equally taxed in proportion to their property for the support of public schools, and where from the nature of the case the colored schools so called not being graded or equipped as other schools can not be equally efficient or afford as advanced education as is provided for white children the discrimination authorized by the resolution in question is unjust and should be at once abolished. They therefore recommend that the Council adopt this report that a copy thereof be sent to the Council of Public Instruction with a respectful request from the City Council that the Minute of the 7<sup>th</sup> of November 1876 above referred to be rescinded and that a copy be also sent to the School Board this Council respectfully soliciting such Board to rescind the resolution authorizing and legalizing separate schools for white and colored children and to make such regulations as will enable the children of all citizens irrespective of color to enjoy the same privileges of education in the public schools of the city.

All of which is respectfully submitted

Robt. Sedgewick  
Chairman

On Motion the same is taken up Scrutiny.

Read clause (No 1) in reference to letter from "Supervisor of Measurer of Coal."

On Motion of Alderman Mackintosh seconded by Alderman Sedgewick The said clause is received and adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause (No 2) in reference to letter from "The Evangelical Alliance" on the subject of "Sabbath Desecration" &c.

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Mac Sweeney The said report is received and adopted.

Read clause (No 3) on the subject of letter from Henry H. Johnson & others in reference to system of having separate Schools for "colored children" and complaining thereof.

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Mac Sweeney The said clause is adopted.

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On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Mac Sweeney the report of the Committee as amended is adopted as a whole. Motion passed.

On Motion of Alderman O'Bryan seconded by Alderman Sedgewick.

### "The Council Adjourn"

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### "Evening Session"

At a Special Meeting of the City Council summoned for this evening Present Aldermen MacKintosh, Mac Dougall, Heeslin, Smith, Mac Sweeney O'Mullin, Sheahan, Mac Lellan, and O'Bryan.

The Council were summoned "to consider the Report of Board of City Works on proposed new tariff of Water Rates.

There being no quorum to do business the Council stands adjourned until further notice

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## "Afternoon Session"

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day (Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Mackintosh, Sedgwick, MacDangall, Heeslein, Stephen, O'Mullin, Heathstone, McSullen, Woodill, Hand, Gad, O'Bryan and Langard.

The Council were summoned to consider "Report from the Board of City Works on proposed new tariff Water Rates" and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of Meetings held on 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> January inst. which were confirmed.

Alderman Mackintosh, chairman submits Report from Committee of Public Accounts on certain a/c's from Fire Department.

Alderman Mackintosh, submits Petition of Thos. G. Johnson & others Watchmakers and jewellers in reference to illicit sale of watches on Streets of the City of Halifax.

Alderman Mackintosh, submits two Notices of resolution in reference to the preparation of certain Acts for the Legislature.

This Worship the Mayor submits Letter from H. G. Hamilton, City Collector in reference to preparation of list of the defaulters for City Taxes under clause 77 of New Assessment Law.

Also a letter E. G. Pittman in reference to Fire Escape invented by him.

Also a letter from Arthur vs Mooney.

Also Report of City Auditor Fund.

Also letter from William Billy in reference to vacancy in Coal Measuring Department.

Moved by Alderman Mackintosh seconded by Alderman Woodill the "Order of the Day" is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Report Committee  
Public  
Accounts.

Public Accounts in reference to certain a/c's for Fire Dept. services.

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The Committee of Public Accounts beg to report that they have considered Fire Department accounts as per schedules herewith viz

As per Schedule 1

\$251.38

323.97

and recommend the same for payment.

J. L. Mackintosh  
Chairman

Then the following resolution

No one is introduced.

Received That Report of the Committee of Public Accounts be adopted and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to issue the usual warrants to pay the same. Moved by Alderman Mackintosh seconded by Alderman Stephen which resolution on being put is passed.

Petition Ghs

Read Petition from Thomas

L. Johnson  
& others

L. Johnson &amp; others in reference to illicit selling of watches and jewellery on the street

On Motion of Alderman

Mackintosh seconded by Alderman Stephen That the same be referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges with His Honor the Recorder to report on.

Letter City  
Collector

Read Letter from H. L. Ham-

ilton, City Collector in reference to making up the list of defaulting tax-payers up to 14<sup>th</sup> Feby. as required by clause 77 of last Assessment Act.

On Motion of Alderman

Mackintosh seconded by Alderman Stephen That the Mayor be authorized to obtain such clerical assistance as may be necessary to carry out the said object. passed.

Report City  
Auditor in  
a sidewalk  
sinking Fund

Read Report from City Auditor in reference to letter from Ruben J. Hart on the subject of \$400 Sidewalk Sinking Fund.

On Motion of Alderman

Mackintosh seconded by Alderman Stephen The same is received and ordered to be placed on file.

Letter in re  
suit Mooney  
vs Mooney

Read Letter from Arthur Drysdale, Solicitor in reference to suit in Supreme Court of Mooney vs. Mooney

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Letter E. J.

Pittman wrote to the Board of Firewards  
Fire Escapes

Letter Mr. Billy

Resol. rel to  
Bill for various  
City Loans.Read letter from E. J. Pitt-  
man in reference to Fire Escape invented by him.

On Motion the same is referred

Read letter from Mr. Billy  
in reference to vacancy in Coal Measuring Department.Read following Resolution  
No one as submitted by Alderman Mackintosh Resolved That  
His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare a Bill to be submitted  
to the Legislature to cover the following:1<sup>st</sup> To borrow on short loan Deben-  
tree repayable in three yearly instalments to be included in Assess-  
ments for years 1885, 6, & 7 for the purchase of 3000 feet of hose for  
the Fire Department.2<sup>nd</sup> To borrow \$2,300 to be added  
to amount of next year to pay the following arreages and over  
expenditures with one years interest viz: Interest due Association for  
the Relief of the Poor on purchase of broken stone. Sundry bills  
for labor on account Board of City Works. Sundry bills for over  
expenditure on Fire Department.3<sup>rd</sup> To reduce salary of City  
Treasurer to \$1500. Moved by Alderman Mackintosh seconded by  
Alderman Sedgewick that the above resolution be referred to the  
Committee of Laws and Privileges to report on.Read Resolution (No 3) as  
introduced by Alderman MackintoshResol. rel to  
salaries of City  
Engineer and  
othersRecorder be instructed to prepare a bill to be submitted to the Legis-  
lature to allow the City Council to include a sum in the assessment  
of 1885, 6, 7, 8. sufficient to repay to the City Engineer and other Civic  
Officials and Members of the Police force the amount deducted from  
the Salaries in the years 1880-81-82.Moved by Alderman Mackintosh  
seconded by Alderman O'Mullin that the said resolution be referred  
to Committee of Laws and Privileges to report on.

"Order of the Day" taken up.

Report Board  
of Works in re  
new tariff of  
Water Rates.Read Report from the Board  
of City Works on the proposed new tariff of Water Rates.

Office of Commissioners.

Board of City Works.

Jany. 16<sup>th</sup> 1884.The Commissioners of the Board  
of City Works beg leave to report for the information of the City

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Respectfully submitted  
Wm Woodill  
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman MacLellan that the said Report be received and discussed by the Council. Motion put and passed.

The following resolution No 4 is next introduced

Resol. rel. to

new tariff of Water Rates. Resolved that the principle of the Bill be adopted and that it be considered "clause by clause" Moved by Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman MacLellan.

Alderman Sedgewick submits a resolution by way of Notice in reference to loan for extension of South Park Street to Point Pleasant

Alderman O'Bryan submits a resolution by way of Notice in reference to making improvements at Richmond Park.

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Mackintosh the Council adjourn until Monday next at 3 o'clock.

At this time the  
submitted to the degree  
a sum in the amount  
£1000 and other £1000  
The amount deducted from

by Alderman Mackintosh  
the said resolution be referred  
out on

Report from the Board  
of Water Rates.

Office of Commissioner,  
Board of City Works.  
Jany. 15<sup>th</sup> 1884.

Commissioner of the Board  
of Water Rates.

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At an adjourned Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Aldermen Mac Bay, Mackintosh, Spelman, Stephen, McSweeney, O'Mullin, Mc Lellan, Hoodill, Shand, Cad. McPherson, O'Bryan and Langard.

The Council were summoned to proceed with the consideration of the proposed new tariff of Water Rates, and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of 25<sup>th</sup> January 1884 which were confirmed.

Letter Mayor  
of Quebec in  
re Winter Ter-  
minus C.P.  
Railway

Moved by Alderman Mac Bay seconded by Alderman Stephen That the Letter from "The Mayor of Quebec addressed to Alderman Mac Bay on the subject of making Halifax the Winter Terminus of Canada Pacific Railway and as to the appointment of a delegation to Ottawa on the said subject be now considered. Motion put and passed. Read said Letter when the following resolution No one is then introduced,

Resol in re  
Terminus  
Canada Paci-  
fic Railway.

Resolved That a delegation be appointed to proceed to Ottawa in conjunction with delegations from the cities of Quebec and St. John with the view of pressing upon the Dominion Government the great necessity of having the outlet of the Canada Pacific Railway within the Dominion of Canada. Moved by Alderman Mac Bay and seconded by Alderman Stephen which resolution on being put is passed 10 voting for the same 3 against it and the names being called for appeared thus:

For the Resolution  
Ald. McPherson, Shand, Langard.  
Spelman, Mac Bay, O'Mullin.  
Stephen, Mackintosh, Hoodill  
Mc Lellan. 10

Against it.  
Ald. O'Bryan, Cad.  
McSweeney. 3

Resol. rel. to  
delegation to  
Ottawa

On Motion of Alderman Mac Bay seconded by Alderman O'Mullin Resolved That three delegates from the Council and two from the citizens be appointed by this Council. Motion put and passed.

Appt. delegation  
to Ottawa

On Motion Alderman Mac Bay, Stephen, and Shand are appointed the delegates, Alderman O'Bryan and McSweeney dissenting.

Two is introduced.

Resol. in re  
appt. delegation  
to Ottawa

Resolved That the Hon. A. G. Jones and Thos. E. Kenny Esq. be appointed as citizen delegates to accompany delegates from City Council and if either of those

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January 29<sup>th</sup> Gentlemen or both decline to go that the Executive Committee of the Chamber of Commerce be requested to appoint two citizens to complete said delegation. Moved by Alderman MacLoy seconded by Alderman O'Mullin which resolution on being put is passed.

Alderman O'Mullin submits a Petition from The Weighers and Measurers of Salt and Grain in reference to office room required by them.

Alderman Macintosh submits Petition from L. P. Clarkson & other Agents and Underwriters of Insurance Companies.

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from John G. Cotton in reference to a life Saving ladder prepared by him.

Alderman O'Mullin submits Petition from a number of Ratepayers in reference to certain improvements required to Newgrave Park.

On Motion of Alderman Macintosh seconded by Alderman MacLellan The Order of the Day is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Petition Weighers & Measurers of Salt and Grain in reference to office required by them  
Read Petition from The Weighers and Measurers of Salt and Grain in reference to office required by them

On Motion of Alderman O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Stephen The same is referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

Petition Saml. Smedley in re Smedley and others in reference to improvements required on Newgrave Park.  
Read Petition from Saml. Smedley in re Smedley and others in reference to improvements required on Newgrave Park.

Letter L. P. Clarkson and Macintosh seconded by Alderman Stephen The same is referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges to report on.

Letter J. G. Cotton in re fire escape  
Read Letter from John G. Cotton in reference to scaling ladder invented by him for use at fires.

On Motion of Alderman Macintosh seconded by Alderman O'Mullin The same is referred to Board of City Works to report on.

Council proceed to "The Order of the Day"

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January 29<sup>th</sup>Report Board  
of Works on  
proposed tariff  
of Water RatesResol. in re  
proposed tariff  
of Water Rates

of City Works on proposed Tariff of Water Rates.  
Report from the Board of Works on proposed Tariff of Water Rates.

Read following Resolution No.

one as entered last Meeting.

Resolved That the principle of

the Bill be adopted and that it be considered clause by clause.  
Moved by Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman MacLellan to which the following amendment is introduced.

Resolved that the Old Scale of Rates which has hitherto been in use by the Water Department be amended by substituting a rate of  $\frac{1}{5}$  of one per cent on the assessed value for a "Fire protection Rate" the same to be levied upon the owner. Also a rate of  $\frac{1}{4}$  of one per cent on the valuations as a general usage rate the same to be levied on the tenant.

All special rates as laid down by the Old Scale to be considered and if found necessary amended clause by clause. Here the rate for protection is unfair to Real Estate Owners if levied on Real Estate on which there are no buildings a reduced rate be adopted which shall make it equitable and that the scale and report be referred to the Board of City Works to amend in accordance with the foregoing and reported up to the Council. Moved by Alderman MacKintosh seconded by Alderman O'Bryan which amendment on being put is passed 8 voting for the same 5 against it Alderman MacPherson gives notice of reconsideration of amendment.

(On Motion of Alderman O'Meara seconded by Alderman Shand.)

"The Council Adjourn"

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February 5<sup>th</sup>

Afternoon Sessions

At a Special Meeting of the City Council summoned for this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Mac Dougall, Smith, Mc Sweeney, O'Mullin, Sheahan, Mc Lellan, Woodill, and Ead.

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

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

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council summoned for this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Macintosh, Spelman, O'Mullin, Mc Lellan, Woodill, Ead, O'Bryan, and Langard.

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

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Mac Kay, Macintosh, Spelman, O'Mullin, Mc Lellan, Shand, Ead, Mc Pherson and O'Bryan.

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

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

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## "Afternoon Session"

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the chair Aldermen Mackintosh, Mac Dougall, Stephen, Mac Sweeney, O'Mullin, Sheakston, Mac Lelland, Woodill, Shand, Ead, Mac Pherson, O'Bryan, and Longard.

The Council were summoned to receive a report of Committee of Laws and Privileges. To proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of 29<sup>th</sup> January 1884 to Alderman Mac Pherson's Notice of reconsideration in reference to the amendment on proposed Gaiff for Water Rates  
Moved by Alderman Mac Pherson seconded by Alderman Mac Lelland That the said amendment be re-considered which Motion on being put is passed.

Read Minutes of City Council of July. 5<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> which were confirmed.

On Motion of Alderman Mac Pherson seconded by Alderman Mac Lelland Resolved That the Report of the Scale of Water Rates be referred back to Board of City Works to amend and arrange and report to City Council as early as possible.

Alderman O'Mullin Chairman submits a report from Committee of City Prison on acts for month of January 1884.

Alderman Mac Sweeney submits a petition from S. Oland & Sons and others license Liquor Dealers in reference to the New Dominion License Law.

Alderman Woodill, chairman of Board of City Works submits an Extract from the Minutes of Board of City Works in reference to loan for Water Extension with resolution thereon.

Alderman Mac Sweeney, Acting Chairman submits a report from Committee of Laws & Privileges on the several matters referred to them

His Worship the Mayor submits report from City Clerk on several accounts for various services for consideration of Committee of Public Accounts.

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Also a Report from the City Treasurer on Receipts and Expenditure for January 1884 with Bank Book.

Also the Return from the City Collector of City Rates & Taxes collected in month of January 1884.

Also the Return from City Collector of Water Rates collected in month of January 1884.

Also Letter from Secretary Board of School Commissioners enclosing a resolution in reference to certain Assessment on School property.

Also a Letter from Secretary Board of School Commissioners covering an Estimate of School Expenditure purposes for 1884-85.

Also a Letter John D. Barry Chief Assessor in reference to Assessment matters.

Also Letter from J. N. Lyons Solicitor in reference to 'Act Incorporating the Young Men's Literary Association' and the Assessment thereof.

Also Letter from H. H. MacCoy in reference to License matters.

Report Com-  
mittee of City Prison with accts for January 1884  
Prison

Read Report from Committee

City Prison  
February 7<sup>th</sup> 1884.

At a meeting of City Prison Committee held this day the following were present viz: Alderman Hesslein, Woodill and the Chairman.

The following accounts were examined, found correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

H. D. Harrington  
G. P. Henry  
J. Allen & Sons.  
O'Connor also  
J. Spelman

76.25	Shearston & Angwin.	\$ 7.38
10.80	Geo Rent.	32.40
8.00	E. Morrison also.	2.50
21.02	J. P. Connolly.	1.15
12.75	J. O'Connell.	18.66
		\$ 190.91

Respectfully Submitted.  
Patrick O'Mullin.  
Chairman.

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No 1 is introduced.

Then the following resolution

Resolved That the report of the City Prison Committee be received and adopted and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for payment of the same in all \$190.25. Moved by Alderman O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Stephen which resolution on being put is passed.

(On Motion of Alderman Shand seconded by Alderman MacPherson The "Order of the Day" is suspended to take up item No 3 on the said "Order" viz: Petition of S. Smedley & al. in reference to Mountgrave Park.

Petition Comd.  
Smedley & others Smedley and others in reference to certain improvements required in a Mountgrave or Mountgrave Park.  
Park.

Resol. rel. to  
Richmond  
Park.

Read Petition of Samuel Smedley & others in reference to certain improvements required in a Mountgrave or Mountgrave Park.

Read following resolution as submitted by Alderman O'Bryan.

Resolved That an Act of the Legislature be applied for, to borrow the sum of Two thousand dollars for the purpose of fencing in and improving Richmond Park and His Honor the Recorder is hereby requested to prepare an Act in accordance therewith. Moved by Alderman O'Bryan seconded by Alderman Dougard which resolution on being put is passed 11 voting for the same 1 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus:

For the Resolution

Against it

Aldermen McCloskey, O'Mullin. Aldermen Mac Dougall.

Smith, Spelman.

O'Mullin, Shand.

MacPherson, Cad.

Mackintosh 1

O'Bryan, Thakston.

Woodill, MacLellan.

Stephen, 11

The following resolution submitted by Alderman McCloskey by way of Notice is taken up under the suspension of "The Order of the Day"

Resol. in re  
repairs to  
Grand Parade

Resolved That the sum of

Five thousand dollars be borrowed for the purpose of repairs to Grand Parade and that the Recorder prepare An Act to be submitted to the next Session of the Legislature for that purpose Moved by Alderman MacLellan seconded by Alderman Stephen which resolution on being put is passed.

introduced.

The following resolution is next

Resol. rel. to  
fencing Public  
Gardens.

Resolved That the sum of Fifteen hundred Dollars be placed in the Bill to go to the Legislature for the purpose of completing the fencing of the Public Gardens. Moved by Alderman MacLellan seconded by Alder-

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On Motion of Alderman O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Hoodill The "Order of the Day" is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Petition from Liquor Dealers.

Read Petition of a Number of Liquor Dealers and others in reference to the issuing of license under the Dominion License Act.

Letter Secty. School Commissioners

Read Letter from Robert J. Wilson, Secretary of Board of School Commissioners in reference to sum required to be assessed for School purposes for 1884-85.

Letter Secty. Board of School Commissioners in re property of School Board.

Read Letter from Robert J. Wilson, Secretary of Board of School Commissioners covering resolution of School Board in reference to Assessment on property of School Board.

Letter Secty. of School Board

On Motion of Alderman Mc Sweeney seconded by Alderman Heseltine The same is referred to Committee of Laws & Privileges to report on.

Report Committee of Laws and Privileges

Read Report from Committee of Laws and Privileges in reference to license fees of Insurance Companies and other matters which were referred to them

Letter J. N. Lyons on beh. of Young Men's Literary Association

On Motion of Alderman Mac Sweeney seconded by Alderman Longard The said Report is received and adopted

Read Letter from J. N. Lyons solicitor on behalf of the Young Men's Literary Association on the subject of Taxation of their property

Read Draft of an Act to amend the Act Incorporating the Young Men's Literary Association.

Letter Chief Assessor in assessment matters

Read Letter from John Barry, Chief Assessor in reference to City Assessment matters & Moved by Alderman Mackintosh seconded by Alderman Mc Sollow The same is referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges to report on.

Extract Minutes Board of Works on water extension

Read Extract from Minutes of Board of City Works in reference to funds required for Water Supply extension.

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Extract from Minutes of Board of City Works.  
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On Motion the Chairman is authorized to submit a resolution at next meeting of the City Council requesting that Body to instruct the City Recorder to prepare a Bill for the ensuing session of the Legislature to enable the City to borrow the sum of Twenty thousand dollars for water extension the said amount to be obtained from time to time in such sums as may be necessary.

(A. True Extract)

J. B. Johnston.  
Clerk of Works.

Then the following resolution No 5 is introduced.

Resol. in re  
Bill to borrow  
for water exten-  
sion.

Resolved That His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare a Bill to present to the Legislature in accordance with the accompanying Extract. Moved by Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman Longard which resolution on being put is passed.

Report City  
Bkck in re a/c/s

Read Report from the City Clerk in reference to several accounts for printing, stationery &c for consideration of Committee of Public Accounts.

Office of City Clerk.

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To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen

I have the honor to submit for the consideration of the Committee of Public Accounts the following a/c/s for advertising, printing and other services.

Your Obedt. Servt.

Thomas Rind  
City Clerk.

Stationery		Contingent	
Buckley & Allen	\$159.79	George Maxwell.	\$ 20.00
G. & J. Philips 2 a/c/s	40.20	Fire Dept.	
Printing		Hex. Gas Light Co.	214.75
Blackadar Bros.	71.48	City Building	120.75
Advertising		Citizens Library	
Blackadar Bros.	69.79	Hex. Gas Light Co.	9.50
Lehas. Command.	6.00		
			<u>\$712.26</u>

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Letter in re  
Dominion  
License Act.

Petition S.  
Oland & Sons  
others.

Resol. rel.  
to Liquor  
license  
Act.

On Motion of Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman MacSweeney The same is referred to Committee of Public Accounts to report on.

Read Letter from Mr. J. MacLoy in reference to the Dominion License Law.

On Motion of Alderman MacSweeney seconded by Alderman O'Moullin The Order of the Day is suspended to take up Petition Liquor Dealers and others in reference to Dominion License Law.

Read Petition from S. Oland and Sons and others in reference to the above.

When the following resolution No 6 is introduced.

Resolved That the City Council direct its Police Officials to pursue the usual course in the issuing of liquor licenses for the year 1884 and that no notice be taken of the Dominion Liquor License Act but that the Recorder be instructed to contest the enforcing of any other law but the present City Law in the Courts and that the Chairman of the License Committee be empowered to employ Counsel to assist the Recorder and other authorities in carrying out the present license law of the City under Provincial Acts. Moved by Alderman MacSweeney seconded by Alderman Mac Dougall.

After Debate Moved by Alderman Sheaherton seconded by Alderman Shand that the Council adjourn until 1/2 past seven o'clock this evening, which motion on being put is lost 5 voting for the same 10 against it.

Moved by Alderman O'Bryan seconded by Alderman Shand that the Council adjourn until Friday at 1/2 past seven P.M. which Motion on being put is lost 7 voting for the same 8 against it.

The Resolution No Six is now before the Council and on being put is passed 9 voting for the same 6 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus:

For the Resolution  
Alderman MacSweeney, Heeslin, Alderman Mac Dougall, O'Bryan  
MacPherson, Cad.  
Woodill, Mac Dougall.  
Stephen, Spelman  
O'Moullin. 9

Against it  
Alderman Mac Dougall, O'Bryan  
Sheaherton, Shand  
MacSullivan  
MacKintosh. 6

On Motion of Alderman Shand seconded by Alderman MacKintosh "The Council Adjourn"

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen MacLay, Macintosh, Sedgewick, MacDougall, Beeslin Stephen, MacSweeney, O'Mullin, Sheakston, MacSullivan, Woodill, Shand, Cad, MacPherson, O'Bryan and Longard

The Council were summoned to receive the report of Committee of Delegation in re Winter Port. To proceed with the business standing over and the transaction of other business.

Read proceedings of Meeting held on February 27<sup>th</sup> which are confirmed.

Alderman MacLay, Chairman submits report from Committee of Delegation to Ottawa on Winter Port question.

Alderman Sedgewick, Chairman submits report from Committee of Laws and Privileges on various matters submitted to them.

Alderman Woodill, Chairman submits Report from Board of City Works on an amended Scale of Water Rates.

Alderman Shand submits Petition of Charles Ingles in reference to fine imposed on him in Police Court for violation of Ordinance relative to removal of snow.

Alderman MacLay submits a resolution by way of Notice in reference to obtaining a loan for Extension of Fresh Water Bridge Sewer, and also for Extension of South Park Street.

His Worship the Mayor submits a Draft of an Act in reference to authorizing a loan for the City of Halifax and for other purposes, as prepared by His Honor the Recorder under resolution of City Council.

Also a Letter from John Meenger Secretary of Church of England Institute with Draft of An Act to amend the Act Incorporating said Association.

Also a Letter from Messrs Motton and Longley, Solicitors for William Peddle complaining of an illegal restraint on his goods for Taxes

Collector of Taxes of City Rates and Taxes collected in February 1884.

Also the Monthly return from

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Applications  
Measurer of  
Coal.

Report on  
Winter Port  
question.

Report Com-  
mittee of  
Laws & Pri-  
vileges.

Report on  
Scale of Water  
Rates.

Draft of an  
Act.

Letter Messrs  
Motton &  
Langley on  
behalf of Mr  
Piddle.

Petition Charles  
Inglis.

Letter John  
Menger. Soli-  
titor of Church  
of England  
Institute.

Also an account from Mrs  
Harrison of pane of glass broken in giving an alarm of fire  
at Mr. Duffus residence.

Also five applications for the  
vacancy in office of Measurer of Coal.

On Motion of Alderman  
Sedgewick seconded by Alderman O'Mullin the said applica-  
tions are referred to the Committee of Laws and Privileges to  
report on.

On Motion of Alderman  
O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Woodill the "Order of the  
Day" is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Read Report of Committee of  
Delegation to Ottawa in reference to the Winter Port question  
and the terminus of Canada Pacific Railway.

Read Report Committee of  
Laws and Privileges on the various matters which were referred  
to them in reference to loans &c.

Read Report from the Board  
of City Works in reference to amended Scale of Water Rates.

Moved by Alderman Mac  
Loy seconded by Alderman Shakespear that the Council  
adjourn motion put and lost.

Read Draft of an Act Entit-  
led and Act to authorize a loan for the City of Halifax and  
for other purposes as prepared by His Honor the Recorder.

Read Letter from Messrs  
Motton and Langley, Solicitors for William Piddle, complain-  
ing of an illegal distraint of his goods and chattels for Taxes.  
On Motion of Alderman

Mac Loy seconded by Alderman Shand the same is referred  
to His Honor the Recorder to report on.

Read Petition from Charles  
Inglis in reference to fine imposed on him by the Stipendiary  
Magistrate in the Police Court for non removal of snow from  
his premises on Bauer Street.

On Motion of Alderman  
Shand seconded by Alderman Langford the same is referred  
to Committee of Laws and Privileges to report on.

Read Letter from John Menger  
Esq. Solititor of the Church of England Institute in reference  
to an amendment required in their Act of Incorporation with  
Draft of the amended Act.

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(On Motion of Alderman Mac  
Boy seconded by Alderman Mac Pherson The same is referred to His  
Honour the Recorder to report on.

Read Resolution (No 1) as  
submitted by Alderman Mac Boy which being objected-to is laid  
over

Account from  
Mrs Garrison

Read an Account from Mrs  
Garrison for a pane of glass broken in giving an alarm of fire at  
Mer Duffus 12<sup>th</sup> January 1884.

(On Motion of Alderman Mac  
Boy seconded by Alderman Ead The "Order of the Day" is suspended  
to allow Alderman Mac Boy to bring up his resolution relative to  
license fee for sale of intoxicating liquors. Motion passed.

Resol. rel to license fee for  
sale of liquors submitted by Alderman Mac Boy by way of Notice.

Whereas it appears by a recent  
decision of the Honorable the Privy Council of England that the  
Local Legislature has the power to grant license for sale of Intox-  
icating Liquors and may limit its sale:

Therefore Resolved That the  
Recorder be instructed to draw a Bill to be submitted to the Leg-  
islature at its next Meeting for its approval embodying the following  
First That hereafter the City  
Council shall charge a license fee of not less than One hundred  
and fifty dollars.

Second. That the City Clerk shall  
advertise the name of every applicant for a liquor license for the  
space of seven days.

Third That every objection to a  
license shall be handed in writing containing the grounds of said  
objection to the City Clerk for consideration by the License Committee  
and subject to review by the City Council in case the license is  
granted, and the grounds of the said objections shall be the same as  
that mentioned in Sub Section 1, 2 & 3 of Section 17 of the liquor  
license Act of 1883 all such objections shall be held openly and a  
copy of the objections shall be served on the applicant who shall  
be required to negative the same.

The number of licenses hereafter  
to be granted shall be limited to one for each two hundred and fifty  
of the first one thousand of the population and one for each five  
hundred over one thousand of the population

Every person who makes any  
false affidavit or declaration of the fact that each and every of the  
persons signing a petition for the granting of a license shall be guilty  
of perjury and punished accordingly. Moved by Alderman Mac  
Boy seconded by Alderman Sheakster.

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"After Debate" Moved by Alderman Mac Sweeney seconded by Alderman O'Mullin that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Longard seconded by Alderman Mac Sweeney that the whole matter of license be referred to the Committee of Laws and Privileges with His Honor the Recorder to report on.

Moved by Alderman Mac Kay seconded by Alderman Mac Sweeney that the Council adjourn which Motion on being put is passed & voting for the same y against it and the name being called for appeared thus:

For the Motion.	Against it
Aldermen Hesslin, O'Mullin, Aldermen Shand, O'Bryan Mac Sweeney, Mac Kay. Mac Dougall, Mac Kay. Woodill, Mac Pherson &	Longard, Sedgewick Macintosh. y Mac Lellan Sheakston

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Rodger O'Brien having been appointed Captain of "The Union Engine Company" and by virtue thereof a Fire Ward of the City of Halifax was this day sworn into office by His Worship the Mayor

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"Afternoon Session"

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor and the following Aldermen Sedgewick, Mac Dougall, Hesslein, O'Mearlin, Sheahon, MacSullon, Dad. O'Bryan and Langard.

The Council were summoned to consider the Acts to go before the Legislature, also the amended Scale of Water Rates and the transaction of other business of importance

The being no quorum to do business the Council stands adjourned until further notice.

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## "Afternoon Session"

At a Special Meeting of the  
City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor  
in the Chair Aldermen MacLoy, Mackintosh, Mc Dougall  
Heslein, Spelman, Mc Lellan, Woodill, Ead, O'Bryan  
Langard.

The Council were summoned  
to consider the Acts to go before the Legislature, also the  
recommended Scale of Water Rates and the transaction of other  
business of importance.

Read over proceedings of  
Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> March instant which were  
confirmed

His Worship the Mayor  
submits Report from His Honor the Recorder or Letter from  
John Menger, Solicitor of Church of England Institute in  
reference to Draft of an Act to amend the Act of Incorpora-  
tion of said Institute.

Also a Report from His  
Honor the Recorder in reference to Letter from Messrs Motton  
and Langley, Solicitors of Mr Peddle.

Also Resignation of William  
Nisbet as "Commissioner of Public Schools" for the City of  
Halifax.

Moved by Alderman O'Bryan  
seconded by Alderman MacLoy that this Council adjourn  
until 1/2 past seven this evening to afford an opportunity to the  
members to attend the funeral of late Alexander Stephen Sen.  
Motion put and passed unanimously.

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## "Evening Session"

At an adjourned Meeting of the City Council held this evening Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Mackintosh, Sedgewick, Mac Dougall, Smith, Sheakston, MacLellan, Woodill, Hand, Cad. O'Bryan and D'ongard

The Council met pursuant to adjournment from "this afternoon" the Minutes of afternoon Session read.

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Mackintosh The "Order of the Day" is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Report His Honor the Recorder.

Read Report from His Honor the Recorder on the Letter or Notice of action from Messrs Mottor and Langley, Solicitors for William Peddle in reference to the distress upon his property for City Taxes.

Report His Honor the Recorder.

Read Report from His Honor the Recorder on Letter from John Hunger, Solicitor of Church of England Institute in reference to taxation of their property.

Resignation W. Nisbet as Commr. of Schools.

Read Resignation from William Nisbet Esq. of his office as Commissioner of Schools for the City of Halifax.

On Motion of Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman Sheakston Resolved That the resignation of William Nisbet be accepted and the Council be notified that at the next meeting the vacancy will be filled up.

The "Order of the Day" is then taken up.

Resol. in re liquor licensees fees

Read the Resolution as entered at last Meeting submitted by Alderman MacLoy in reference to Licenses in the City of Halifax with the amendment as introduced by Alderman D'ongard.

On Motion of Alderman D'ongard seconded by Alderman Sheakston, Alderman D'ongard has leave to withdraw his amendment and allow Alderman Sedgewick to introduce the following in lieu thereof.

Resolved That the resolution of the 27<sup>th</sup> day of February last respecting licensees be rescinded and that a petition be addressed to the local legislature requesting that an Act be passed authorizing the City Council to collect from persons applying for license under the Liquor License Act of 1883 for civic purposes the following fees. For Vessel License \$50<sup>00</sup>

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Hotel license. \$100<sup>00</sup> Saloon license \$100<sup>00</sup> Shop license  
\$100<sup>00</sup> Wholesale license \$100<sup>00</sup> That the Honor the Recorder  
be requested to prepare a Bill for that purpose and that His  
Majesty the Mayor and the Recorder be instructed to take  
what steps may be necessary to obtain such legislation. Moved  
by Alderman Longard seconded Alderman Sedgewick which  
amendment on being put is passed & voting for the same  
3 against it and the names being called for appeared thus.

For the amendment

Against it

Aldermen Smith, Sheakston. Aldermen Woodill, McDougall  
Shand. Mackintosh Aad. 3  
O'Bryan. Longard  
McDowell, Sedgewick &

of reconsideration

is next introduced

Alderman Woodill gives notice

The following Resolution No 1

Resolved That the Clerk of  
License be authorized to withdraw the advertisement last publish-  
ed by him respecting Liquor Licenses and the Mayor is requested  
to publish a Notice that such advertisement is withdrawn pur-  
suit to resolution of the City Council. Moved by Alderman  
Sedgewick seconded by Alderman O'Bryan

At 9.20 P.M. a "call of  
Council" is made by Alderman Woodill on above

Report Com-  
mittee of  
Laws and  
Privileges  
on various  
matters.

Read Report from Committee  
of Laws and Privileges on various matters which were referred  
to them

City Buildings

March 4<sup>th</sup> 1884.

The Committee on Laws and  
Privileges beg to report as follows

1<sup>st</sup> The Committee recommend  
that Chapter 35 of the Acts of 1874 be amended by striking out  
the "proviso in reference to Grand Parade in Clause 1 of such  
Act and that a bill be submitted to the Legislature for that  
purpose.

2<sup>nd</sup> The Committee further recom-  
mend that with a view to prevent the constantly recurring applica-  
tions to the Legislature for leave to borrow money to enable the City  
Council to meet the ordinary expenses of City Government a  
bill be submitted to the Legislature giving the City Council  
power to assess upon the citizens for general purposes the sum  
of \$120,000<sup>00</sup> instead of \$100,000 as provided by Section 1 of  
Chapter 28 of the Acts of 1883.

March 14<sup>th</sup>3<sup>rd</sup> The Committee report that

they have considered the advisability of applying to the legislature for leave to borrow money to recomp to certain City Officials the ten per cent alleged to have been kept back for their salaries under previous resolutions of the Council and they recommend that no such application be made. They have given special consideration to the claim of the City Engineer and are of opinion that the City is liable to pay him \$100<sup>00</sup> that amount having been deducted illegally from his salary. The contract between him and the City provided that his yearly salary should be \$2000<sup>00</sup> and no deduction could be made from such salary without his consent which was never given. The Committee therefore recommend that provision be made in next years estimates for payment of the amount due and they are of opinion that no legislative enactment is necessary to enable the Council to pay this claim.

4<sup>th</sup> The Committee have carefully

considered the letter of the City Assessor in respect to the salaries of the two Assistant Assessors referred to the Committee by the Council. The Committee are of opinion that in view of the very great and onerous and responsible duties performed by the Assessors and in view also of the fact that a large amount of work is imposed on them by the Statute in consequence of their being obliged to levy a poll tax and ascertain the names of all persons liable in the City therefor the salary of \$800<sup>00</sup> allowed by law to be paid each of them is altogether inadequate and should be considerably increased. The Committee do not however deem it advisable that at the present time a change in the law should be applied for but recommend that at the next session of the legislature application be made giving the Council full authority to deal with the question and pay the officials in question salaries proportionate to the work and responsibilities of their office.

5<sup>th</sup> The Committee recommend

that the resolution of the Board of School Commissioners be complied with and that application be made to the Legislature placing the property of the Board upon the same footing in regard to taxation as City Property.

6<sup>th</sup> The Committee recommend

that the request of the Young Men's Literary Association be complied with and that the City Council offer no opposition to the Bill submitted providing that certain property of such Association be exempt from taxation.

The Committee submit herewith a draft Bill which they recommend should be approved of by the Recorder and Council and sent to the Legislature for enactment.

The Committee report that they have examined the claim of Joseph P. Moan for damages and in conjunction with His Honor the Recorder they find that the City is not responsible for the alleged damages and cannot recommend

payment of the same

Respectfully Submitted.

Robt. Sedgewick.  
Chairman.

On Motion the same are taken up Scrutiny

Read clause first in reference to amendment to chapter 35 of the Acts of 1874. On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Woodill. The said clause is passed.

Read clause Second in reference to the recouping of the ten per cent taken from the pay of officials &c

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Shand. The said clause is adopted.

Read clause Third in reference to increasing the City Assessment from \$100,000 to \$120,000 yearly.

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman O'Bryan the said clause is passed.

Read clause Fourth in reference to increase of pay to City and Assistant Assessors.

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Shand the said clause is passed.

Read clause Fifth in reference to the taxation of property vested in Board of School Commissioners.

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Shand the same is referred back to Committee to reconsider. Motion passed.

Aldermen MacLoy, Ead and Spelman come in under 'Call of Council'.

Read clause Sixth in reference to the exemption from taxation on Young Men's Literary Association. When the following amendment is introduced to be added to the said clause.

Resolved that no objection be made by the Council to the application of the Church of England Institute for their proposed legislation. Moved by Alderman Macintosh seconded by Alderman Sedgewick which amendment on being put is passed 8 voting for the same 5 against it. Clause Sixth as amended put and passed.

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Read Blasne Seventh in reference to claim of Joseph P. Marr for alledged damages  
 On Motion of Alderman Shand seconded by Alderman Sedgewick The said Blasne is passed.  
 Read Eighth Blasne in reference to Chapter 35 of the Acts of 1874 and Chapter 28 of the Acts of 1883 to which the following amendment is introduced to be added thereto.

Resol. rel to  
City Property

Resolved that a Blasne added by the Recorder to the proposed Bill authorizing the Sale by the City of the lands held in trust for the City of Halifax by Mr. Ackhurst et al at Freshwater also the building and lands on the Market Slip and that upon such Blasne being added the bill be sent to the Legislature. Moved by Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Woodill which amendment on being put is passed.

Moved by Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman O'Bryan That Blasne as amended be passed Motion put and passed

The "Ball of Council having expired on the Resolution No 1 the same is now before the Council.

The following amendment is Moved by Alderman Dangard seconded by Alderman Mac Bay.

Resolved That the license Committee be requested to have an advertisement published notifying liquor dealers that license will if desired be issued to applicants under the provisions of the present local law for the ensuing year and also that if any of the present license holders desire to have their licenses renewed or extended until the 1<sup>st</sup> May next they will be extended on payment of \$6<sup>00</sup> This advertisement to cancel all previous ones on this subject.

After Debate 11.15 P.M.

Moved by Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman Mc Dougall The the Council adjourn Motion put and lost.

The original resolution No 1 having been withdrawn the amendment is now before the Council as the original resolution and on being put is passed 10 voting for the same 3 against it and the names being called for appeared thus:-

For the Resolution

Aldermen Smith, Sheaketon

Sedgewick, O'Bryan

Shand, Dangard.

Mc Dougall, Gad.

Mc Bellon, Mac Bay 10

Aldermen Woodill, Spelman

Mackintosh 3

Alderman Mac Bay tenders his resignation as Chairman of License Committee

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Moved by Alderman Woodill  
seconded by Alderman MacLoy, that the Council adjourn  
until Tuesday next at 3 P.M. Motion put and lost.

Draft of an  
Act to authorize a loan for the City of Halifax and for other purposes  
or loan for the same by license  
City.

Read Draft of an Act to  
authorize a loan for the City of Halifax and for other purposes  
or loan for the same by license

On Motion of Alderman

Sedgewick Seconded by Alderman MacLellan The said Bill  
is passed ordered to be engrossed, published, for the information  
of citizens and forwarded to the Legislature for  
their approval

The Bill relative to Sale of  
lands &c to be also forwarded to the Legislature

25 minutes to one. On Motion  
of Alderman Longard seconded by Alderman Sheakston "The  
Council" adjourn until Tuesday next at 3 P.M.

"Council Adjourn"

for all kinds of damage  
in the city of Halifax  
and the same is found  
at or before the date of 1883  
to be paid to the  
said Alderman

for the amount of £1  
per month for each  
year from the time  
they were first called  
to account until the  
date of 1883

Alderman Woodill  
Alderman MacLoy  
Alderman Sheakston

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to account until the  
date of 1883

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March 18<sup>th</sup>*"Afternoon Session"*

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Mackintosh, Sedgwick, Mc Dougall, Hosellin, Spelman, O'Mullin, Sheakston, Mc Lelland, Hoodill, Mc Pherson, O'Bryan and Dangard.

The Council were summoned to appoint a Commissioner of Schools for the City of Halifax and the transaction of other business.

Read Minutes of last Meeting to Alderman Hoodill's Notice of reconsideration of Resolution in reference to Licenses.

Moved by Alderman Hoodill seconded by Alderman Mc Pherson That said resolution be reconsidered Motion put and lost 5 voting for the reconsideration 4 against it

Read Balance of Minutes which were confirmed.

His Worship the Mayor submits Monthly Statement of Expenditure and Income in the City Treasurers Office for Month of February 1884

Draft of an Act rel to license duty.

Also a Draft of an Act prepared by His Honor the Recorder entitled an Act to impose a duty for Municipal purposes on licenses granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the City of Halifax with Petition to the House of Assembly. The same are read and approved of.

Appointment up viz: "The Appointment of a School Commissioner" to fill the vacancy of William Nisbet Esq.

Moved by Alderman O'Bryan seconded by Alderman Mackintosh That Alderman Sheakston be appointed School Commissioner. Moved by Alderman Mc Pherson seconded by Alderman Dangard That Henry D. Blackadar be appointed School Commissioner

The names are taken with the following result.

For Alderman Sheakston.  
Aldermen Mackintosh, Spelman,  
Sedgwick, O'Mullin.  
Hosellin, Mc Dougall.  
O'Bryan, Mc Lelland. 8

For H. D. Blackadar.  
Aldermen Hoodill, Dangard.  
Mc Pherson 3

Alderman Sheakston declared elected the School Commissioner for the City of Halifax

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March 18<sup>th</sup>  
Report Board  
of Works on  
amended scale  
of Water Rates

Read Report from the Board  
of City Works on the amended Scale of Water Rates for the  
City of Halifax.

Office of Commissioners  
Board of City Works  
March 6<sup>th</sup> 1884.

In accordance with the resolution of the City Council passed on the 27<sup>th</sup> ultimo the Board of Works beg leave to submit the accompanying amended scale of Water Rates which at a meeting held this day was duly considered and approved and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council with a recommendation that it be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

Wm Hoodill.

Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Hoodill seconded by Alderman MacPherson that said report be received and adopted

Moved in amendment by Alderman Longard seconded by Alderman MacSullivan that the same be reconsidered "clause by clause" which amendment being put is passed.

Petition for  
P. Marr  
in a fence  
Queens Building

Alderman MacPherson has special leave to submit a Petition of Joseph P. Marr in reference to fence in front of Queen's Buildings "the same is read".

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman MacPherson the same is referred to the Board of City Works to deal with. passed.

Read First Clause of amended Scale of Water Rates. Moved by Alderman Hoodill seconded by Alderman MacPherson that said clause do pass. To which the following amendment was Moved by Alderman Macintosh seconded by Alderman O'Bryan.

Resolved that a Bill be prepared to be submitted to the Legislature giving the Council power to fix from time to time by Bye Law or otherwise the rates to be paid for Water supplied for the City to the persons from whom the said rates shall be collected and generally to make such Bye Laws as may be necessary for the purpose of raising and collecting such rates provided the annual amount to be raised for the Maintenance of the "Water Department" and for "Interest" shall not exceed the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars \$75,000.00 Moved by Alderman Macintosh seconded by Alderman O'Bryan which amendment on being put is passed.

Resol. rel.  
to Water  
Rates &c

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Longard the "Council Adjourn"

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On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Longard the "Council Adjourn"

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March 21<sup>st</sup>

## 'Afternoon Session'

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Macintosh, Sedgewick, McDougall, Spelman, Stephen, O'Moullin, McSallom, Woodill, Cad. O'Bryan and Langard.

The Council were summoned to receive and consider the Draft of An Act to enable the City Council of Halifax to alter and regulate the Assessment of Water Rates in the City of Halifax and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of 18<sup>th</sup> March 1884 which were confirmed.

Alderman O'Moullin, Chairman submits report from Police Committee on the Petition of residents of Robbie and other Streets West side of Common.

His Worship the Mayor submits Draft of An Act to enable the City Council of Halifax to alter and regulate the Assessment of Water Rates in the City of Halifax as prepared by His Honor the Recorder.

Also a letter from B. A. Weston President of Halifax County Rifle Association asking a grant toward the Prize fund.

Also a Petition of George N. Henry and other Victuallers in reference to Sale of Produce, meats &c on Streets by Hawkers.

On Motion of Alderman Langard seconded by Alderman Macintosh the "Order of the Day" is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Report Police Committee -  
in re additional of Common asking two additional Police.

Read Report from Police Committee on Petition from residents West, Robbie and other Streets West in re additional of Common asking two additional Police.

City Building  
November 20<sup>th</sup> 1884.

At a Meeting of the Committee on Police, held this day the following were present Aldermen Stephen Shand, McDougall, Langard and the Chairman.

Your Committee beg to report on the petition of the residents of Robbie, Oxford, and Jubilee Streets, as follows, that we recommend that the prayers of the petitioners be granted as soon as the Council is in a position to do so.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Patrick O'Moullin, Chairman.

<p>1884 March 21<sup>st</sup></p> <p>Petition Geo. P Henry and others Virtual here</p> <p>Letter B. A. Weston Pres- ident County Rifle Associa- tion</p> <p>Draft of an Act rel to Assessment - ment of Water Rates.</p> <p>Report Com- mittee on Delegation to Ottawa</p> <p>Resol. rel to Delegation to Ottawa</p> <p>Resol. rel to Winter Port Question</p>	<p>On Motion of Alderman O'Meara seconded by Alderman Dangard The said report is received and adopted.</p> <p>Read Petition from George P. Henry and others Victuallers and Traders in reference to selling meat and produce on the street by persons paying no City Taxes.</p> <p>On Motion of Alderman Dangard seconded by Alderman Macintosh The same is referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges to report on.</p> <p>Read Letter from B.A. Weston President of County Rifle Association asking grant to the Prize fund of said Association.</p> <p>On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Hoodill Resolved That this Council regret that they are not in a position to make a vote for that purpose this year.</p> <p>Read Draft of an Act to enable the City Council of Halifax to alter and regulate the Assessment of Water Rates in the City of Halifax.</p> <p>On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Mc Doell The said Bill is passed ordered to be engrossed published and forwarded to the Legislature for their approval.</p> <p>Alderman MacLoy's resolution relative to loan for Extension of Park Street and Fresh Water Bridge Sewer is withdrawn</p> <p>Read Report from Committee on Delegation to Ottawa in re Winter Port.</p> <p>Then the following Resolution No one is introduced</p> <p>Resolved that the Report be received and that the thanks of this Council be tendered to the Delegates for their valuable services and that the expenses of the delegation be paid from the Contingent Fund. Moved by Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Mc Doell which resolution on being put is passed.</p> <p>The following Resolution No 2 is next introduced.</p> <p>Resolved that a Committee of this Council composed of Six Members be appointed to works in connection with any Committee to be appointed by the Chamber of Commerce in relation to the Winter Port Question. Moved by Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Mc Doell which resolution on being put is passed.</p> <p>Committee Aldermen Sedgewick, Mc Dougall, Stephen, Mc Doell, Sand, and Dangard.</p>
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Letter Recor-  
der in re suits  
for violation of  
Building Act.

Read Letter from His Honor the Recorder in reference to the several suits in Supreme Court for violation of Building Act.

Recorder's Office

Halifax Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> 1884.

Gentlemen

In accordance with the resolution of Council I have taken proceedings against all persons who were reported for a violation of the Building Acts within the past five years viz.: Michael White, William Gaul, Stephen Tobin, (Romsey, Johnston also) J. K. Jenkins and P. Mc Kenow (Thomas also) Charles Moyett, Alfred Graves, John Walké, with the following result. White, Gaul, Tobin, have been convicted by the judge and the building in each case declared a nuisance and I enclose herewith copies of the judges order so that the Council may take action thereon.

In Graves case the violation was slight and if the case is intended to be pressed the judge will require further evidence I think however that the matter can be arranged to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Buildings and nothing further has been done pending a probable arrangement.

The information given me that Walké was the owner of the building altered proved wrong and I was obliged in consequence to abandon proceedings against him just before the trial which will involve payment of his costs (about \$18) by the City on discovery of the owners name Mrs Margaret Hood. I took proceedings against her for the violation for which Walké was reported and which are now pending.

On the trial of Gauls information it appeared that he was the owner of only one half the building altered the Northern half belonging to the Estate of Kearney are proceedings to be taken against the owners of that part of the building.

The Counsel of Jenkins and Mc Kenow have stated their intention to appeal from the order declaring the building at the corner of Barrington and Sackville Streets a nuisance and have obtained from the judge further time for putting in security.

Your Obedt Servt.

J. N. Ritchie.

Recorder.

No 3 is introduced.

Then the following Resolution

Resol. rel to  
violations of  
Building Act

reported by His Honor the Recorder that certain Buildings erected by the following persons viz Michael White, William Gaul, Stephen Tobin, Thomas K. Jenkins and Peter Mc Kenow and Charles Moyett have been declared by a judge of the Supreme Court to be nuisances under the provisions of the City Charter. It is hereby directed and ordered

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that after the expiration of two months from the date hereof such buildings so declared nuisances shall be pulled down such work to be done by the Board of Works under the advice of His Honor the Recorder provided however that no settlement be in the meantime arrived at with the persons so complained.

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent by the City Clerk to the persons so interested Moved by Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Sheakston which resolution on being put is passed.

The following resolution No 400 is next introduced.

Resol rel to  
Violation of  
Building Act.

Resolved that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to take proceedings against Albert Graves Margaret Wood and the Estate of Kearney for violation of the City Laws in relation to Buildings unless some arrangement is made with the City Council within Sixty days from this date a copy of this resolution to be sent to the parties interested. Moved by Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman Sheakston which resolution on being put is passed.

Draft of an  
Ordinance  
in relation  
to Marine  
Stores.

Read Draft of an Ordinance to amend Ordinance of the City of Halifax in relation to Marine Stores. a third time.

An Ordinance to Amend the Ordinance of the City of Halifax in relation to the Sale of Marine Stores passed 27<sup>th</sup> April 1881.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Halifax in Council assembled as follows:

Section 2 of the Ordinance hereby amended is repealed and the following substituted in lieu thereof.

There shall be paid to the City Clerk of Licenses by the applicant for each license before the same is granted the following fees viz:

For each store, shop or other building	\$ 30.00
For each scow or vessel	20.00
For each boat	10.00
For each cart waggon or vehicle larger than a hand cart.	5.00
For each hand cart or other vehicle not included in the foregoing list	2.50

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On Motion of Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman Stephen The same is passed and ordered to be engrossed and sent to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Council for approval.

Alderman Woodill has leave to lay upon the table of the Council a resolution by way of Notice in reference to appointing three Commissioners to revise the City Charter, and prepare a bill in accordance therewith.

Several items on the "Order of the Day" having been considered passed upon were struck off the said order.

Read following resolution submitted by Alderman Longard some time since.

Resolved That the City Board of Works be directed to furnish this Council at its next meeting with a statement of the cost of Extension of Water pipes to Cotton Factory. Statement to give length and size of Main and number of Fire Hydrants (if any) included in cost and to say whether excavation was through rock or soil, and also if length of pipe for which cost is given terminated at Cotton Factory's line or The Empt Road or not. Moved by Alderman Longard seconded by Alderman Sedgewick which resolution on being put is passed.

Petition Chas intosh seconded by Alderman Sedgewick The Petition of Charles Fairbanks in reference to his services in a Water Supply is referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

On Motion of Alderman Longard seconded by Alderman Woodill

"The Council Adjourn"

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"Afternoon Session".

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Mackintosh, Mac Dougall, Spelman Stephen, Mac Sweeney, O'Mullin, Sheakston, Mac Lellan, Cad, O'Bryan.

The Council were summoned to consider the Act now before the Legislature in reference to license and the transaction of other business

Read over proceedings of Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> March 1884 which was confirmed

Alderman Spelman in the absence of the Chairman of the Board of City Works submits the following Reports viz..

Report from the Board of Works on the cost of Water Extension to Cotton Factory.

Report from Board of City Works on petition from G. H. Fairbanks.

Report from Board of City Works in reference to Grand Parade.

Alderman O'Mullin Chairman submits report from Committee of City Prison on a/c for February 1884.

His Worship the Mayor submits Letter from Secretary Board of Firewards in reference to a number of accounts passed by the Board for services to Department.

Also a letter from John B. Johnston Inspector of Buildings in reference to a violation of Building Act by G. J. Schuck on Hollis Street.

Also Draft of an Act with Letter from John Star in reference to Street Railway Company with the Report of City Engineer thereon.

Report from Committee of Prison

Read Report from the Committee of Prison with accounts for February 1884.

City Prison.  
March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1884

At a meeting of the City Prison

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Committee held this day the following were present Aldermen Mackintosh, Woodill, Gleeson, Stephen and the Chairman.

The following accounts were received found correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

J. Allen & Sons	\$ 8.00	Sheakston & Angwin	\$ 2.29
G. P. Henry	9.90	in Repairs Account	
A. D. Harrington	31.10	Mackintosh & McJames	2.72

Respectfully Submitted.

Patrick O'Mullin,  
Chairman.

When the following resolution No 1 is introduced.

Resolved That the report of the Committee on City Prison be received and adopted and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for payment of same in all \$ 54.08. Moved by Alderman O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Stephen which resolution on being put is passed.

On Motion of Alderman McCollom seconded by Alderman Stephen The "Order of the Day" is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Report Board  
of Works in re  
Grand Parade.

Read Report from The Board of Works in reference to Grand Parade and Dr Bogswell's offer toward its improvement.

No 2 is introduced.

Resol. rel.  
to Grand  
Parade

Resolved That His Worship the Mayor renew negotiations with B. G. Gray Esq. Agent for Doctor Charles Bogswell (London) to ascertain if the Four Thousand Dollars previously offered by Doctor Bogswell to ornament the Grand Parade cannot be secured to be used with the Five Thousand Dollars expected to be voted by the Legislature. Moved by Alderman McCloskey seconded by Alderman Stephen which resolution on being put is passed.

Report Board  
of Works

Read Report from The Board of Works on cost of Water Extension to the Cotton Factory (per resolution of Council)

Letter Inspec-  
tor of Buildings  
in re violation  
of Building  
Act by G. J. Fluck

Read Letter from John B. Johnston Esq. Inspector of Buildings in reference to violation of Building Act by G. J. Fluck Hollis Street.

On Motion of Alderman McCloskey seconded by Alderman O'Mullin The said letter is referred to His Honor the Recorder to take immediate steps against Mr Fluck for said violation

	1884	Report from the Board of City Works on letter from Jas. Fairbanks.
April 1 <sup>st</sup>	Report Board of Works.	Read Letter from R. Sutcliffe Secretary of Board of Fire Works covering a number of a/c's from Fire Dept.
	Letter Secy. Fire Works in re a/c.	On Motion of Alderman Ead seconded by Alderman Mc Dougall The same are referred to Committee of Public Accounts to report on.
	Letter John Starr in re Railway.	Read Letter from John Starr Esq with a Draft of an Act to incorporate the Halifax Railway Company also the Report from the City Engineer thereon.
	Draft of an Act rel to liquor license duties	On Motion of Alderman Mac Sweeney seconded by Alderman Sheakston The same is referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges with his Honor the Recorder and City Engineer to report thereon as early as possible.
	Report rel to liquor license duties	The "Order of the Day" is taken up
	No 3 is introduced.	Read Draft of an Act to impose duties on license issued under the Common Licensee Act 1883 as published in the paper and now before the Legislature.
		Then the following resolution
		Moved by Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Mc Dougall That the Mayor with the Senior Alderman for each Ward be a Committee to wait on the Legislative Council and to request them to so alter the recent License Act passed by the House of Assembly as to give to this Council the whole amount of fee to be imposed under said Act. Moved by Alderman Sheakston seconded by Alderman Macellan which resolution was being put.
		A "call of Council" is made by Alderman Mac Sweeney at 5 o'clock P.M.
		Moved by Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Mc Dougall That the Council adjourn Motion put and lost 5 for 6 against it
	Report in re extension of South Park Street.	Read Report from the Appraisers appointed to value land for extension of South Park Street
		Read following Resolution as submitted by Alderman Hoodill in reference to New Building Act.

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Resol. App't.  
Committee to  
frame a new  
Building Act.

Resolved That a Committee from this Council in conjunction with a number of Builders be appointed to frame a New Building Act and report to this Council. Moved by Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman Spelman which resolution on being put is passed.

Committee Aldermen Sedgewick

Spelman, Mac Sweeney, Mac Lellon, Woodill and O'Bryan also Messrs S. M. Brookfield, W. G. Nicewell, J. A. Marshall, William Nisbet with John B. Johnston Clerk of Works.

Resol. in re  
vision of -  
lity charter.

Read following resolution submitted by Alderman Stephen in reference to revision of lity charter.

Resolved that Three Commissioners be appointed by this Council to revise the lity charter and prepare a bill to be submitted to the Legislature at its next session and that sum of One Thousand Dollars be set apart from the Contingent to pay therefor as follows \$250 to each Commissioner and \$250 for incidental expenses. Moved by Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Mac Sweeney which resolution on being put is passed.

Alderman MacLoy and Alderman Sedgewick comes in under "Ball of Council"

Moved by Alderman MacDongall seconded by Alderman Ead that the Council adjourn. Moved put and lost 6 voting for 7 against it

Alderman Shand comes in.

6 P.M. The "Ball of Council" having expired the Resolution No 3 is now before the Council and on being put is passed 9 voting for the same 1 against it and the names being called for appeared thus:

For the Resolution.

Aldermen Thakston, Shand.  
O'Bryan, Woodill.  
Sedgewick, Spelman.  
Mac Lellon, Macintosh.  
Stephen 9

Against it.

Aldermen Heslin, Mac Sweeney  
Mac Dongall, Ead 4

excused from voting

Alderman MacLoy on motion

On Motion of Alderman O'Bryan seconded by Alderman Thakston.

"The Council Adjourn"

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April 8<sup>th</sup>

"Afternoon Session"

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Aldermen MacLoy, Mackintosh, Sedgewick, Mac Dougall, Spelman, Stephen, MacSwiney, O'Mullin, Sheakster, Mac Lellan, Cad. O'Bryan, and Longard.

The Council were summoned to proceed to appoint Presiding Officers and Inspectors for Elections on 30<sup>th</sup> April inst and the transaction of other business.

Read over proceedings of the 1<sup>st</sup> April inst. which were confirmed.

Alderman Sedgewick, chairman of Committee of Laws and Privileges submits a report of that Committee on the subject of Draft of Bill in re Street Railway.

His Worship the Mayor submits a return from the City Collector of City Rates and Water Rates collected in March.

Also a Report from the City Clerk of three boys sentenced by the Police Court to Halifax Industrial School.

Also a Letter from R. P. Bliss in reference to an application made by him to the Board of City Works for Lease of Skating Rink, Exhibition Building.

Also Petition George F. Felck in reference to action against him for violation of the Building Act.

Also a Letter from Alfred Groves in reference to an account against the City Prison.

Alderman Longard submits Petition from W. A. Hendry in reference to his Taxes.

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman O'Mullin The Order of the Day is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Report Committee of Laws & Privileges on of Laws & Privileges on Letter from John Starr covering Draft of An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Street Railway Company.

Report Committee of Aldermen

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April 8<sup>th</sup>City Building  
(April 8<sup>th</sup> 1884.)

The Committee on Laws and Privileges to whom was referred the Draft of Bill to Incorporate the Halifax Railway Company beg to report as follows:

1. Inasmuch as a Horse Railway through the city will be a great public convenience they approve of the principle of the Bill.

2. They recommend however that the City Council take measures to have the Bill amended in several important details such necessary amendments being set out in the report of the City Engineer hereto annexed.

3. The Committee call the attention of the Council to the difficulties experienced by the City authorities with the old City Railway Company and are of opinion that if the amendments suggested by the Engineer be inserted in the Bill no such difficulties will be likely to occur again.

4. They recommend that a copy of this report with the City Engineers statement be sent to Mr. Starr and that His Worship the Mayor, His Honor the Recorder and the Chairman of the Committee with the City Engineer be requested by the Council to watch the proposed Bill and obtain such amendments to it as are hereby recommended.

Respectfully Submitted.

Present at Committee when above report was adopted.

Robt. Sedgewick.

Chairman

John D. Langard.

Robt. Sedgewick.

Patrick O'Mullin.

W. B. McCloskey.

Thos. Stephen.

On Motion of Alderman Sedgewick seconded by Alderman O'Mullin the said report is received and adopted.

Report City Clerk.

Read Report from the City Clerk in reference to three boys sentenced to Halifax Industrial School.

Petition G. J. Stuck

Read Petition from George J. Stuck in reference to the action against him for a violation of Building Act.

On Motion of Alderman MacLoy seconded by Alderman Stephen the same is referred to the Board of City Works in conjunction with His Honor the Recorder to report on.

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Letter P. P.  
Bliss in re  
Exhibition  
Building.

Petition of.

A. Hendry, - day in reference to his taxes.

Letter Alfred  
Graves

Appt. Presi-  
ding Officers  
Inspectors  
for Elections.

Ward One.  
Two.  
Three.  
Four.  
Five.  
Six.

Council proceed to "The Order  
of the Day" the Election of Presiding Officers and Inspectors  
for Elections to be held on 30<sup>th</sup> instant as follows.

Ward One. Alderman MacLoy. Presiding Officer.  
Hoolestein.  
MacSweeney.  
MacSullivan.  
Shand.  
O'Bryan.

#### Inspectors of Elections.

Ward No One  
Murdock Lindsay.  
Dr. Ackhurst Jnr.  
John Courtney.

Ward No Three  
Patrick Dillon.  
Rev. A. Nisbet.  
Thos. Mitchell.

Ward No Five  
Joseph Siteman.  
Thos. C. Power.  
Bart. Walsh.  
Herbert Harris.

Ward No Two  
John Sullivan.  
George J. Gluck.  
Richard Lurie.

Ward No Four  
Stephen R. Davidson.  
Thomas Heesons.  
Mr. H. Ruggles.

Ward No Six  
Jacob Bowser.  
David Hoy. Starr.  
Thomas Lynch.

On Motion of Alderman  
O'Mallin seconded by Alderman Sedgewick the usual grant  
of \$8 to each Polling Place for refreshments is ordered to be paid  
from the Contingent Fund.

Read Letter from Rev. P. Bliss  
in reference to his offer to lease the Exhibition Building for a  
term of years.

On Motion of Alderman  
MacLoy seconded by Alderman Spelman the same is referred  
to the Board of City Works to report on.

Read Petition from W. A. Hen-

dry in reference to his taxes.

Read Letter from Alfred Graves

in reference to his account against the City Prison.

On Motion of Alderman

Sedgewick seconded by Alderman MacDongall the same is  
referred to Committee of City Prison to report on.

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(A) Motion of Alderman Dongard seconded by Alderman O'Bryan that the Council adjourn on being put is lost.

(B) On Motion of Alderman

Stephen seconded by Alderman MacLoy The Order of the Day is suspended to allow Alderman Stephen to introduce the following resolution (No one).

Resol. in re  
lity Treasurers  
Salary.

Resolved that it is the Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare a bill to be sent to the Legislature reducing the City Treasurer's Salary to \$1500. Moved by Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman MacSweeney.

"Ball of Council" is made at 1/4 to 5 by Alderman Dongard on above.

(On Motion of Alderman Mac Sweeney seconded by Alderman MacLoy The Order of the Day is suspended to allow Alderman MacSweeney to introduce a resolution as follows:

Resol. rel to  
property oppo. of the Public Gardens do not rent the field South of Spring Garden  
-ite the Exhib-Road and opposite the Exhibition Building this year but sell the  
ition Build-hay to be cut and caned off when so cut and to cooperate with the  
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Resolved That the Commissioners  
property oppo. of the Public Gardens do not rent the field South of Spring Garden  
-ite the Exhib-Road and opposite the Exhibition Building this year but sell the  
ition Build-hay to be cut and caned off when so cut and to cooperate with the  
-ing citizens who will subscribe money to improve said field. Moved by  
Alderman MacSweeney seconded by Alderman MacLoy which  
resolution on being put is passed 10 voting for the same 2 against it

Moved by Alderman MacDongall  
seconded by Alderman Ead that the Council adjourn. Motion  
put and lost 3 voting for 9 against it.

Read Report from the Appraisers appointed to value land for extension of South Park Street. when  
the following resolution No 3 is introduced.

Resol. rel. to.  
exteneion of  
South Park  
Street.

Resolved That the City Clerk  
be directed to give notice of the appraiserment now read in relation to  
the extension of South Park Street to the owners of said land and  
that the same will be take into consideration by this Council on  
this day fortnight. Moved by Alderman MacLoy seconded by  
MacSweeney.

1/4 to six "Ball of Council" on  
resolution No one having expired, the same is now before the  
Council and on being put is passed.

(On Motion of Alderman O'Mullin seconded by Alderman Stephen.

"The Council Adjourn"

1884.

April 12<sup>th</sup>*"Afternoon Session"*

At a Special Meeting of the  
City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor  
in the Chair Aldermen Gleeson, Stephen. Mac Sweeney.  
O'Mallie, Cad. O'Bryan and Langard.

The Council were summoned  
to consider Draft of An Act to reduce the Salary of the  
Treasurer of the City of Halifax.

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