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City of Halifax  
Council Minutes

Feb. 17, 1888

to

Sept. 22, 1890





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February 17<sup>th</sup>"Evening Session".  
8 P.M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair. Aldermen Bent, Cooke, Pearson, Delaney, Keefe, Smith, Stephen, Pickering, Mac Kinlay, Bechler, Roche, Woodhill, Lyons, John, Small, Mosher, and Mac Pherson.

The City Council were summoned, to enquire into and determine on the eligibility of Alderman Bechler to sit in Council. To proceed with business standing over, and the transactions of other business.

Read proceedings of Meeting of Council held on the 14<sup>th</sup> February inst. to Alderman Smith's Notice of reconsideration on clause 2 of report of Committee of Laws & Privileges in re license prosecutions. Moved by Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Roche that the clause be reconsidered, which Motion on being put is lost 6 voting for the same, 8 against it and the names being called for they appeared thus:

For the Reconsideration.	Against it.
Aldermen Stephen, Roche.	Aldermen Keefe, Lyons.
Pickering, Smith.	Mosher, Small.
Bechler, Pearson. 6	Mac Pherson.
	Mac Kinlay.
	Woodhill, Delaney, 8.

Read Minutes to second Notice of reconsideration of Alderman Smith on the adoption of the Report of Committee of Laws & Privileges as a whole. Moved by Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Roche that the same be reconsidered. Motion put and lost.

Read Minutes to Alderman Roche's Notice of reconsideration in reference to Election in Ward No 4 in June last. Moved by Alderman Roche seconded by Alderman Pearson that said resolution be reconsidered. Motion put and lost 3 voting for the same 11 against it.

The Balance of the Minutes were then read and confirmed.

Alderman Stephen, Chairman of the Board of City Works submits a report from Board on the present condition of the City Hall Contract.

Alderman Small, Chairman Police Committee submits a report from said Committee on the charges against Policeman Behan.

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His Worship the Mayor submits a report on the Meeting of Joint Committee of Dominion and Provincial Exhibition.

Also a letter from A. E. Milliken, Contractor of City Hall Building.

Also a letter from Hon. H. S. Fielding, Provincial Secretary in reference to Local Government's Grant to Exhibition.

Also opinion of His Honor the Recorder in reference to Commutation of Common Lot for Ebenezer J. Hart.

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

Read Report from the Board of City Works in reference to New City Hall Contract.

On Motion of Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Torall the same is placed on the Order of the Day to be considered at next Meeting.

Letter A. E.

Milliken, Contractor for City Hall asking to be permitted to be Contractor for City Hall heard by Counsel at the consideration of the Report of Board of City Works.

On Motion of Alderman Pearson seconded by Alderman Smith. Permission is given to Mr. Milliken to attend by himself or by Counsel on the consideration of the report.

Letter Provincial

Secretary in re Fielding, Provincial Secretary informing the Mayor that Grant for Provincial Exhibition had placed \$4000 for Provincial Exhibition at the disposal of the City provided the Dominion Grant was obtained.

On Motion of Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman McPherson, the said letter is referred to Committee on Exhibition.

Report Joint Committee on Exhibition in reference to making additions to Committee.

Read Report from the General Meeting of the Joint Committee on Dominion & Provincial Exhibition for 1888. in reference to making additions to Committee.

On Motion of Alderman McPherson seconded by Alderman Torall the said resolution is approved of and confirmed.

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Report Police  
Committee in  
re charges aga-  
inst Policeman  
Behan.

Read Report from Police Com-  
mittee in reference to charges against Policeman Behan.

City Building.  
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To His Worship the Mayor.  
and City Council.

At a meeting of the Police  
Committee held this day at 8 P. M. there were present Alder-  
men Lyons, Stephen, Delaney, and Morall, Chairman.

The petition of Mrs Walsh  
against Policeman Behan was considered when very contra-  
dictory evidence was elicited.

Your Committee have there-  
fore decided to recommend that the case be dismissed and the  
Policeman upheld in the discharge of their duty.

All of which is respectfully Submitted.

H. H. Morall.

Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman  
Morall seconded by Alderman Delaney the said report is re-  
ceived and adopted.

Opinion of  
Recorder on the  
Commutation of  
Common Lots  
asked for by  
R. J. Hart.

Read Opinion of His Honor  
Recorder on the Commutation of Common Lots asked for

Recorders Office  
Feby. 16<sup>th</sup> 1888.

Sir.

In reference to the letter of  
R. J. Hart, asking for a deed of a certain portion of the Common  
originally leased to one Henry Spike, I have to report that it  
is not in the interest of the City to commute the land asked  
for until the rent of the whole area originally leased to Spike  
which is now in arrears be paid and Mr. Hart also obtains  
the consent in writing of the other occupiers of the lands cov-  
ered by the Spike lease to such commutation.

Yours truly.

His Worship  
The Mayor.

Robt. Sedgewick.  
Recorder.

On Motion of Alderman  
Lyons seconded by Alderman Keefe the said opinion is ap-  
proved of and the City Clerk is requested to notify Mr. Hart of  
the same.

The Council take up the "Order of the Day."

Opinion of  
Recorder in re  
Election in  
Ward Four.

Read Opinion of His Honor  
Recorder in reference to Alderman Hechler's Election in  
Ward No Four.

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Meeting on the subject.

Read Resolution passed at last

Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Keefe that the City Collector and Assistant be heard in accordance with the terms of the resolution.

On Motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Delaney, Alderman Beckler and his Counsel are requested to take seats inside the Council rail.

Mr. H. H. Mac Coy and Mr. H. J. Tremain, Solicitors and Counsel for Alderman Beckler, address the Council on his behalf.

When the following resolution No 1 is introduced.

Resolved that the consideration

of the eligibility of Alderman Beckler be adjourned until next Meeting and that His Honor the Recorder be requested to advise this Council upon the points raised by Counsel for Alderman Beckler. Moved by Alderman Pearson seconded by Alderman Smith which resolution on being put is passed.

Resol. rel. to Election in Ward Four.

Read Letters from A. V. Mac-

Letter Secretary Victoria School Kay Esq. Secretary Victoria School of Art and Design asking payment of Grant voted last Summer to said in re grant to School. said School.

No 2 is introduced

When the following resolution

Whereas all the provisions of the Act granting a certain sum to the School of Art and Design have been complied with. Therefore Resolved that grant to School the Mayor and Treasurer be authorized to borrow such of Art & Design sum and pay it over to the Trustees of said Art School. Moved by Alderman Delaney seconded by Alderman Mac Kinlay which resolution on being put is passed.

Resol. rel. to grant to School of Art & Design.

On Motion of Alderman

Stephen seconded by Alderman Lyons Item No 6 on the "Order of the Day" is taken up.

Report Board of Work asking City Works asking a sum be placed to the credit of Streets and Internal Health to enable them to make the Streets to credit of Streets in safe condition. & Internal Health.

Read Report from Board of Office of Commissioners Board of City Works.

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The Board of City Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day the following resolution

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Resolved that the City Council be respectfully requested to place the sum of One Thousand Dollars \$1000<sup>00</sup> to the credit of Streets for necessary work upon the Streets of the City.

Respectfully Submitted.

Alex. Stephen.

Chairman.

When the following resolution

No 3 is introduced.

Resol. rel. to

amount requi-  
red for Streets  
& Internal  
Health.

Resolved that the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars be transferred from the Consolidated Fund to the credit of Streets and Internal Health for the purpose of keeping the Streets in a safe condition and cleaning them in the Spring said sum to be repaid to the Consolidated Fund out of next years Street and Internal Health appropriation. Moved by Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman McPherson which resolution on being put is passed. Alderman Lyons dissenting.

Alderman Delaney has leave to submit a resolution by way of Notice in re to making an increase in the Annual Sum assessable for City purposes to \$125,000<sup>00</sup>

Read following resolution submitted by Alderman Lyons by way of Notice.

Resol. rel. to

Separation of  
City from  
County Municipality.

Resolved that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare a Draft Act for submission to the Legislature at its next Session to have the City separated from the Municipality of the County of Halifax entirely in financial and other matters and that the City take over and have the entire management and control of the Court house and Jail and other services in connection therewith which at present the City is taxed to maintain, and that provision be made in said Act for the Municipality and for Dartmouth to contribute a proportion equivalent to the present proportion contributed by these Municipalities to be paid the City toward the cost of the same. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman McPherson which resolution on being put is passed.

Read Resolution submitted by Alderman Torral by way of Notice.

Resol. rel. to  
an amendment  
to Sewerage  
Act.

Resolved that His Honor the Recorder be requested to draft an amendment to the wording of the Sewerage Act of last Session so that no persons indebted for Sewerage purposes shall be called upon to pay more than six per cent per annum and that the Consolidated Fund Act be amended so as to read at a rate of interest not to exceed 5% and with a provision to call in the Stock after

10 years at one years notice. Moved by Alderman Storrall seconded by Alderman McPherson which resolution on being put is passed.

Report Board.

of Works in re of the Board of City Works requesting the borrowing of \$25,000 sums required for Water Construction and \$10,000 for Sewerage Construction for Water construction and asking that an Act be prepared and submitted to the City & Sewerage Legislature for that purpose.

Construction.

Read Report covering resolution

Office Commissioners.

Board of City Works.

February 13<sup>th</sup> 1888.

The Board of City Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day the following resolution was adopted and ordered to be sent to the City Council.

Resolved that this Board recommend the City Council to borrow for purposes of construction in connection with the Water Department the sum of \$25,000<sup>00</sup> and for construction of Sewers the sum of \$10,000<sup>00</sup> in addition to the \$10,000<sup>00</sup> which it is by law on the statute book now permitted to borrow.

Respectfully Submitted.

Alex. Stephen.

Chairman.

When the following resolution was introduced to amend the same.

Resol. rel. to

an amendment amended so as to give the City Council power to borrow in to Sewerage Act any one year such sums as may be required to construct Sewers petitioned for by the Citizens during such year not to exceed \$40,000 in any one year. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Keefe which resolution on being put is passed.

Read Letter from George

Campbell Esq. Juro asking payment of his a/c for arbitration fees in re Poor Asylum and Hospital matter.

When the following resolution

No 8 is introduced.

Resol. rel. to

amount due authorized to draw the necessary warrant to pay the one Empire in the half of the amount due the Empire in the Arbitration in Arbitration re re Poo's Asylum matter and to forward the same to Mr. Poo's Asylum Campbell and obtain the necessary receipt therefor. Moved by Alderman Pearson seconded by Alderman Lyons which resolution on being put is passed.

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Alderman Lyons submits a  
resolution by way of Notice in re taxation of Victoria Infirmary

10.45 P. M. On Motion of  
Alderman Keeffe seconded by Alderman Mc Pherson.

"The Council Adjourns."

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"Afternoon Session."

3<sup>15</sup> P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Cooke, Pearson, Deane, Keefe Smith, Stephen, O'Brien, Pickering Mac Kinlay, Bechler Hoodill, Lyons, Johns, Mosher and Mac Pherson.

The City Council was summoned to determine on the eligibility of Alderman Bechler as an Alderman for Ward No Four. To proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business

Read Minutes of Meeting of Council held on the 17<sup>th</sup> instant which were confirmed.

His Worship the Mayor submits a Petition Mr. J. Power Esq. and others in reference to the Site for the School of Art and Design.

Also the opinion of His Honor the Recorder on the letter from J. G. Bennett complaining of the conduct of Fence Viewers.

Also the opinion of His Honor the Recorder in reference to the Election in Ward No Four in June last.

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

Read Petition from Nichl. J. Dwyer and others asking a Site for the School of Art & Design at the Public Gardens.

On Motion of Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Smith the same is placed on the "Order of the Day."

Alderman Cooke has leave to submit a resolution by way of Notice in reference to Meetings of the Board of Health, which was read.

Opinion of Recorder in re on the letter from J. G. Bennett, complaining of the Fence Viewers. Viewers.

Read Opinion of His Honor

Recorders Office.

Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> 1888.

Sir

Referring to the enclosed letter of Mr. J. G. Bennett sent to me for report I have to state that

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February 21<sup>st</sup> that if in Mr. Bennett's opinion there has been any neglect of duty on the part of the Fence Viewers the Statute (Cap. 67 Rev. Stat. N. S. 5<sup>th</sup> Series Sec. 7.) gives him a remedy against them personally. When a charge of neglect of duty has been proven in a competent Court in an action brought by Mr. Bennett for the penalty it will then be in order for the Council to take action in the matter.

Yours truly,  
Robt. Sedgewick.

His Honorship  
the Mayor.

Recorder.

On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Keefe the said opinion is received and a copy thereof directed to be sent to Mr. Bennett by the City Clerk.

Opinion of Recorder in re the Recorder in reference to the matter of Alderman Beck Election Ward less, Election in Ward No Four. (see file)  
No Four.

Read Opinion of His Honor

Alderman Bechler.

Read Letter of Protest from

Consideration "Order of the Day" the consideration of the matter of the Election of the matter in Ward No Four.  
of the Election

Council next proceed to the

Ward No Four Stephen seconded by Alderman Pickering Mr. G. G. Vaux is permitted to address the Council on his claim to the seat held by Alderman Bechler in Ward No Four.

Mr. Vaux addresses the Council

(On Motion.)

Read Letter from G. G. Vaux

dated June 8<sup>th</sup> 1887.

Read Report from Committee

of Laws & Privileges 14<sup>th</sup> June 1887 on above subject.

Read Letter from G. G. Vaux

withdrawing protest as entered 12<sup>th</sup> July 1887.

Read Extract from Minutes of

City Council June 9<sup>th</sup> 1887.

Read Returns from Presiding

Officer dated June 8<sup>th</sup> 1887 as per Poll Book.

On Motion of Alderman

Lyons seconded by Alderman Mosher Resolved that the Collector of Rates & Taxes with Assistant be now examined as per resolution of last Meeting, as to the time of the payment of Taxes by Mr. Bechler. Motion put and passed.

The Collector Mr. Breakston

in reply to question put by Alderman Lyons, reads as follows.

1886 Taxes (City Rates.)

Water Rates.

Paid as follows:

Feb 11/87 M. H. Buggles.

Dec. 7/86 M. H. Buggles.

March 24/87 G. G. Vaux.

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 March 24/87 C. C. Vaux. Italer Bates.  
 1887 City Rates. May 28/87 H. Hechler.  
 30<sup>th</sup> May/87. C. C. Vaux. " 30/87. C. C. Vaux.  
 23<sup>rd</sup> June/87. H. Hechler. " 30/87. M. H. Buggles.  
 24<sup>th</sup> Nov. /87. M. H. Buggles.  
 R. Sheakston.  
 Collector.

Mr. Sheakston also stated that the Taxes of the year 1887 were due and payable on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May 1887 Mr. Hechler's receipt from the City Collector, since deceased was 28<sup>th</sup> May at which time the Taxes of 1887 were not quite due.

The Books of Assessment shew Mr. Hechler to have been assessed \$1200 on personal property which make the Taxes \$14<sup>04</sup> due on 31<sup>st</sup> of May 1887 which were paid on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1887 in answer to Mr. Mac Coy Counsel for Mr. Hechler Mr. Sheakston said he had no personal knowledge of the time when the Taxes were due and payable except as it appears on the Books and the entry by the late Collector. The Assessment Book is made by City Clerk filed 5<sup>th</sup> May 1887 and also stamped by the City Collector same date. I have no personal knowledge of the bills for Assessment having been sent out previous to filing of the Book on 5<sup>th</sup> May 1887.

William G. Brown, Assistant Collector asked by Alderman Lyons to explain in whose handwriting the entry of payment of Taxes by Mr. Hechler appears. Replies by the late Collector Mr. Hamilton and shews that 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1887. is in Mr. Hamilton writing in Ledger and entered in Cash Book by himself. The Assessment Book was filed in Collectors Office on 5<sup>th</sup> May 1887 and the Tax Bills were delivered from time to time by Sub Collectors, and Taxes were due on those on 31<sup>st</sup> May 1887.

In answer to Mr. Mac Coy. I have no personal recollection when these Taxes were paid as to the particular time. I speak solely from the books. Of my own knowledge except from the Books I cannot say when the Taxes were paid.

Mr. Mac Coy in defence produces Mr. Johnston who says he knows Mr. Hechler that Mr. Hechler and he went to late Collector in his office on 28<sup>th</sup> May 1887 there was some slight mistake in the nomination paper I went to get it remedied and returning met Mr. Hechler in Collectors Office heard him ask the late Collector to be sure that he did not owe any taxes and that the receipt given him was a valid one, heard Mr. Hechler offer to deposit money for any taxes coming due, which he the late Collector told

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February 21<sup>st</sup> told him was not due and that the a/c was not made up. heard him distinctly offer any taxes that were due after 31<sup>st</sup> May but Mr. Hamilton refused to take the amount after the Vaux protest was settled up Mr. Bechler sent me down and I paid the Taxes due after a consultation Mr. Hamilton had with Mr. Brown he Hamilton took 1/2 the Water Tax and that only. (Mr. Brown recalled) States was in the office saw Mr. Bechler and Mr. Johnston there but did not hear their conversation with the Collector. Persons owing taxes for that year 1887 had paid them before that date.

Mr. Bechler examined by Mr. Mac Coy. States I am an Alderman of the City of Halifax duly Elected sworn and sitting at Council for over 9 months (when Mr. Vaux's protest was withdrawn) I paid all Taxes that was required of me, on the nomination day. I offered the late St. G. Hamilton, Collector all the amount of any taxes coming due, and he declined to take a deposit of the Taxes then coming due. I have been sworn into office by His Worship the Mayor in the presence of the City Clerk. I never received a bill for the amount due for Taxes for 1887 I went to the office and enquired for it myself, after the Election I paid the Collector of Taxes every amount due.

The Evidence being all in it was Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Pearson that the consideration of this question be continued till Thursday evening to receive further evidence the same to be taken up after the City Hall Contract consideration is disposed of, which Motion on being put was passed

Read following resolution submitted by Alderman Lyons at last Meeting by way of Notice

Resolved that the Recorder be instructed to draft an Act to be sent to the Legislature exempt Victoria providing that in future the lands and property of the Victoria Infirmary be exempt from taxation. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Keefe to which the following amendment was introduced.

Resolved that the consideration of the Resolution to exempt the Victoria Infirmary be deferred until next regular meeting and that then this Council consider the whole question of Tax exemption from Civic Taxes, and further Resolved that the Assessors be required to furnish to this Council at such Meeting a full list of all exemptions and the values thereof and the probable amount of Taxes payable by each if assessed. Moved by Alderman Pearson seconded by Alderman McPherson which amendment on being put is lost 3 voting for the same 12 against the names being called for they appeared thus!

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February 21<sup>st</sup> For the amendment.Aldermen Mosher, Pearson,  
MacPherson 3

Against it.

Aldermen Roche, Stephen  
Lyons, Smith,  
Pickering, O'Brien  
Cooke, Woodill,  
MacKinlay,  
Delaney, Keefe,  
Hechler, 12.

being put is passed.

The original Resolution on

the amendment of Alderman  
Pearson to be placed on "Order of the Day", as Notice of  
Motion.6<sup>10</sup> P. M. On Motion of  
Alderman Keefe seconded by Alderman Pickering.

"The Council Adjourns".

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this evening Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Cooke, Pearson, Delaney, Keefe, Smith, Stephen, O'Brien, Pickering, Mac Kinlay, Beckler, Roche, Woodill, Lyons, Johns, Norrall, Mosher, McPherson.

The City Council was summoned to consider the report from the Board of City Works in reference to City Hall and the transaction of other business.

Read Minutes of Meeting of Council held on 21<sup>st</sup> Feby. 1888 which were confirmed.

Alderman Lyons, Chairman of Committee of Public Accounts submits a report from that Committee on several a/cs referred to them.

Alderman McPherson submits a resolution by way of Notice in reference to special exemptions of property for Taxes.

Alderman Pickering submits a Petition from Rate Payers Residents and Property Owners of Albemarle Street in reference to changing name of Albemarle Street to Empress Street.

On Motion of Alderman McPherson seconded by Alderman Norrall the "Order of the Day" is suspended to read the papers handed in this evening.

Report Committee on Public Accounts in reference to a/cs and other matters.

Read Report from Committee of Public Accounts submitted this day

Committee Room.

22<sup>nd</sup> February 1888.

At a meeting of the Committee on Public Accounts held this day present Aldermen McPherson Stephen, Mac Kinlay, Cooke and the Chairman.

The Committee considered the various accounts referred by the Council and have to report as follows:

Costs Insurance Tax Suits.

The Committee consider that under the report of the Laws & Privileges Committee of the 15<sup>th</sup> January 1886 the Recorder is precluded from having his account paid as rendered to the City at \$744.<sup>75</sup>. The resolution provides that he is to have his disbursements and a Counsel fee of \$300<sup>00</sup> but is to give credit in the event of the appeals being

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February 23<sup>rd</sup> being dismissed (which was the result in these cases) for any Counsel fees recovered from the other side and in such an event not to charge the City with any Solicitors fees. Under the terms of the Resolution the Committee would feel bound to allow only the following amounts from Mr. Sedgewicks account as rendered viz:

Counsel Fee as fixed		\$300.00
Less taxed in the 5 Suits.		<u>250.00</u>
		50.00
Fee for factums say.	\$125.00	
Less taxed.	<u>40.00</u>	85.00
Paid Agents fees	115.55	
Less taxed.	<u>20.00</u>	95.55
Disbursements attending at Ottawa		<u>150.00</u>
<i>or.</i>		380.55
By Cash on account.		<u>200.00</u>
		<u>\$ 180.55</u>

As a matter of fact the costs taxed on the appeals against the Companies are abnormally low and under the Resolution Mr. Sedgewick would have gained more pecuniarily by the City losing the suits than by having the decision as it was in the City's favor. In view of these facts and that Mr. Sedgewick was often called to Ottawa about the suits than the Resolution contemplated and has made no adequate charge for his expenses, the Committee recommend that \$150<sup>00</sup> be added to the sum given above making in all \$330<sup>55</sup> to be paid Mr. Sedgewick in full for his services on his presenting to the Mayor a satisfactory voucher for the same and that His Worship be authorized to draw a warrant for the amount on the Contingent Fund.

2 The Committee finding the following accounts correct recommend that they be paid out of the Printing and Stationery appropriations.

Blackadar Bros (advertising)	\$279.98.
A. & H. Mac Kinlay (ac to 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec./87)	133.56.
Morning Chronicle. (2 copies/87)	<u>12.00.</u>
	<u>\$ 425.54</u>

The Committee recommend, Alderman Cooke dissenting, that the accounts of the City Prison against the City for \$37.80 for carriage of prisoners be not paid. In the opinion of the Committee the practice of any one of the Departments of the City rendering a bill against the City and requiring a cheque or warrant to pay it should be discontinued.

Respectfully submitted.

J. N. Lyons.  
Chairman

To His Worship  
The Mayor.  
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No 1 is introduced.

Resolved that the second clause of the report of Committee of Public Accounts be approved and adopted and His Worship the Mayor authorized to issue warrants for the payment of the accounts mentioned and that the other clauses of the Report be taken up on the "Order of the Day" when reached. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Mc Pherson which resolution on being put is passed.

Petition Residents of Alber- and Gate Payers of Albemarle Street praying that present name of said Street be changed to Empress Street or Avenue

Read Petition from Residents of Alber- and Gate Payers of Albemarle Street praying that present name of said Street be changed to Empress Street or Avenue  
On Motion of Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman O'Brien the prayer of the petitioners is granted and the necessary legislation is to be obtained to carry the same into effect if required.

Read Alderman Mc Pherson resolution by way of Notice in reference to properties now exempt from Taxation.

On Motion of Alderman Mc Pherson seconded by Alderman Donall the same is directed to be placed on the "Order of the Day" for next meeting.

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

Report Board of City Works of City Works in reference to New City Hall. (see file)  
No 2 is introduced.

Read Report from the Board of City Works in reference to New City Hall.

When the following resolution

Resolved that the report now read be received and that the first recommendation relating to taking the Contract off Mr. Killikens hands be adopted also resolved that the clause of the report recommending the re-letting of the work by tender and Contract Hall off Mr. Killikens hands also the second recommendation in said report be adopted. Resolved that before any tender is accepted or Contract entered into such tender and Contract be submitted to the Council for action thereon. Moved by Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Donall.

Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Smith that Mr. Killikens be heard by Counsel. Motion put and passed.

Mr. B. H. Russell and Mr. Borden address the Council on Mr. Killikens behalf.

When the following amendment is introduced.

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Resolved that the further discussion of the City Hall matter be postponed until the next Meeting of this Council. Moved by Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Roche.

Moved by Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Delaney that the question be now put. Motion put and passed.

The amendment was then put and lost.

The following second amendment was <sup>then</sup> introduced.

Resol. rel. to

City Hall Contract.

Resolved that Mr. Milliken be requested to state if he would be in a position to offer additional security for the fulfilment of the Contract for the Building of City Hall and that action be deferred until next Meeting of Council. Moved by Alderman Keefe seconded by Alderman Prehering which second amendment on being put was lost.

The following addition as a rider to the resolution was then introduced.

The action under the Resolution having the letting of the Contract in view be deferred by the Board of Works one week to allow the Board to ascertain any proposition from Mr. Milliken for going on with the work or giving satisfactory security and assurance to the Board of his ability to complete the Contract at an early day in which case the Board shall report to the Council. Moved by Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Howell. The original resolution with the above is then put and passed 14 voting for the same 3 against it. Alderman Smith gives notice of reconsideration

11 P. M. On Motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Pearson.

"The Council Adjourns".

March 1<sup>st</sup>

Robert McCaugham appointed by the Committee of Laws & Privileges, Receiver and Measurer of Salt & Grain in the City of Halifax was this day sworn into office by His Worship the Mayor.

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3<sup>15</sup> P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair. Aldermen Cooke, Pearson, Delaney, Keefe, Smith, Stephen, O'Brien, Pickering, Mac Donlay, Bechler, Roche, Hoodill, Lyons, Johns, Torral, Mosher and McPherson.

The City Council were summoned to determine on the eligibility of Alderman Bechler as Alderman for Ward No Four. To proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

Read Minutes of Meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1888 which were confirmed.

Alderman Stephen, Chairman of Board of City Works submits report from the Board on Sewer to be constructed Barrington Street as petition for by Messrs Gordon & Keith & others.

Also report from the Board of City Works in reference to Electric Lighting the City and in reply to resolution of Council giving other information.

Alderman Mosher submits a letter from Thomas O'Brien in reference to the damage to his business by Horse Car Company cutting up the Streets for the opening up of their track.

His Worship the Mayor submit an account from the Court of Appeal for their services.

Also a Report from His Honor the Recorder on the subject of Janet Dorey being an Insane Pauper chargeable to the City as per a decree from Commissioner of Mines & Works.

Also a Petition from A. G. Milliken, Contractor for building City Hall.

Also Draft of an Act to amend the Acts of the City of Halifax providing for a Sewerage Loan and other matters, with a letter explanatory of other matters.

Also the Resignation of Robert Sedgewick Esq. of his office of Recorder of the City of Halifax.

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

Report Board of Works in re Board of City Works in reference to construction of Sewer Barring on Barrington Street.  
Town Street

Read Report from the Board of City Works in reference to construction of Sewer Barring on Barrington Street.  
Town Street

Then on Motion of Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Keefe Resolved that the Report of Board of City Works be adopted and that the same be placed on the list of Sewers to be constructed. The Board being authorized to have the work done when the Law is complied with and the necessary sewer Barring-funds provided to go on with the work. Motion passed.  
Town Street.

Report Board of Works in re contract with Chandler Electric Co. & other matters.

Read Report from the Board of City Works in reply to resolution of City Council asking information in reference to contract with Chandler Electric Co. and other matters, with the various Schedules A, B, C, D, E.

On Motion of Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Horall the said report is received and laid on the table for the information of the Council.

On Motion of Alderman McPherson seconded by Alderman Lyons the said report is directed to be placed on the "Order of the Day" (passed.)

Letter Thomas O'Brien in re Streets.

Read Letter from Thomas O'Brien, complaining of damage to his business by the fitting up of Streets over which the Horse Cars are expected to run.

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

Opinion of Recorder in re Janet Dorey Works making Janet Dorey an Insane Pauper chargeable to the City of Halifax.

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Recorders Office.

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Sir

Referring to the finding of the Honorable the Commissioner of Works & Mines to the effect that one Janet Dorey is a Pauper &omatic chargeable to Halifax. I have to state that such finding is in my opinion in accordance with the evidence and should be concurred in by the City.

His Worship  
The Mayor.

Your Obedient Servant,  
Robt. Sedgewick, Recorder.

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On Motion of Alderman  
 Cooke seconded by Alderman Howell the opinion of His  
 Honor is concurred in and a copy of the same directed to be  
 sent to Committee in charge of the Poor Asylum.

Letter A. G.

Verliden son-likem, the Contractor for building City Hall.

Contractor for Build-

ing City Hall. Stephen seconded by Alderman Keefe. The same is referred to  
 the Board of City Works.

Read Letter from A. G. Neil-

Verliden son-likem, the Contractor for building City Hall.

On Motion of Alderman

Stephen seconded by Alderman Keefe. The same is referred to  
 the Board of City Works.

Read Letter from His Honor

the Recorder covering Draft of An Act in reference to the City  
 of Halifax.

Read Draft of an Act in  
 reference to Loans for Sewerage and Water Extension Services.

On Motion of Alderman

Byrns seconded by Alderman Mac Kinlay the same are  
 directed to be placed on the "Order of the Day".

Resignation

Robt. Sedgewick Sedgewick of the office of Recorder for the City of Halifax.  
 as Recorder.

Read Resignation of Robert

Robt. Sedgewick Sedgewick of the office of Recorder for the City of Halifax.  
 as Recorder.

Read an Account from the

Board of Appeals from Assessments, for services rendered.

A/c Board of

Appeal from Howell seconded by Alderman Mac Kinlay the same is  
 Assessments. referred to Committee of Public Accounts to report on.

On Motion of Alderman

Howell seconded by Alderman Mac Kinlay the same is  
 Assessments. referred to Committee of Public Accounts to report on.

On Motion of Alderman

Keefe seconded by Alderman G'Brien the Order of the Day  
 is suspended to allow Alderman Keefe to introduce a  
 resolution in reference to Poll Tax &c the same is read  
 as a Notice of Motion.

Consideration of

the matter of up. 1<sup>st</sup> Item, the adjourned consideration of the matter of  
 Election Stand the Election in Hand No Hour.

The "Order of the Day" is taken

No Hour.

the matter of up. 1<sup>st</sup> Item, the adjourned consideration of the matter of  
 Election Stand the Election in Hand No Hour.

On Motion of Alderman

Byrns seconded by Alderman Keefe the City Collector is  
 requested to appear and prove the entries in receipt book and  
 also the a/c for Mr. Hechler's Taxes.

Mr. Sheakston appeared and

produced the stub receipt book with Memorandum dated  
 June 20<sup>th</sup> 1887 the a/c made out in Mr. Brown's hand writ-  
 ing bearing date 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1887 the a/c was furnished to  
 Mr. Hechler by Mr. Brown in the office of Collector.  
 entered in Ledger as paid 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1887 must have been  
 paid late on the day of the 20<sup>th</sup> and two Holidays inter-  
 vening (21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>) was not placed on the Ledger until  
 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1887.

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The Nomination of Mr. Bechler as placed on file on 28<sup>th</sup> May 1887 in office of City Clerk was read. The a/c from City Collectors Office put in evidence.

No 1 is introduced.

Resol. rel. to  
Election in  
Hard Hour.

Whereas it appears to this Council after enquiry before the Council and after hearing Alderman Bechler and his Counsel that at the date of his Election the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 1887 and returned to this Council he was indebted to the City of Halifax in the sum of \$14<sup>24</sup> for City Taxes then due and owing and whereas in the judgement of this Council Alderman Bechler was in consequence of such non payment of Taxes incapable by Law of being elected or returned to this Council as an Alderman.

Therefore Resolved that the office of Alderman Bechler as an Alderman for Hard Hour be and the same is hereby declared vacant and that a new Election take place to fill the vacancy so caused. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Mosher, to which the following amendment was introduced.

Whereas His Honor the Recorder has delivered his opinion that Alderman Bechler has been since he was duly sworn into office and is now a de facto Alderman of this City and that his Acts and votes in this body are valid and legal while he occupied that position and Whereas from the evidence adduced on the investigation of the eligibility of Alderman Bechler it appears that at the time of the filing of his nomination the said Alderman Bechler had paid into the City Treasury all sums due by him for Taxes and water Rates for the fiscal year immediately preceding the date of such nomination and also that at the time of such nomination he tendered to the City Collector a sum more than sufficient to pay and discharge all Taxes and Rates for the fiscal Civic Year then current and whereas it further appears from said evidence that the said Alderman Bechler up to the time of said nomination had had no demand or notice for the payment of Taxes for the then current Year served on him as required by Law and also that it appears that he paid his Taxes for the then current Fiscal Year within a few days after his said Election without any demand being served or made upon him between the time of said tender and the time of payment of said Taxes. and Whereas it further appears that the said Alderman Bechler had a clear majority of the Electors of Hard Hour at the time of said Election. and Whereas in the opinion of this Council that there has not

been

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March 1<sup>st</sup> been such evidence adduced before the Council as clearly establishes Alderman Bechler's ineligibility at the time of his Election.

Therefore Resolved that the proceedings upon the part of the parties challenging the eligibility of Alderman Bechler be and the same are hereby dismissed. Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Pearson.

Mr. Tremain as Counsel for Alderman Bechler has permission to address "the Council" on the subject.

After debate. Moved by Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Hoodill that "the question be now put. Motion put and passed.

The amendment was then put and lost 6 voting for the same 9 against it.

The following second amendment is then introduced.

Resolved that His Honor the Recorder be requested to confer with Counsel representing Alderman Bechler with the object of stating a case to the Supreme Court as to the eligibility of Alderman Bechler to sit in this Council.

Further Resolved that the further consideration of this matter be deferred two weeks until the determination of the Supreme Court is had on such stated case.

Further Resolved that the Recorder is hereby authorized to refuse to state such case unless Alderman Bechler consents that the City be not made responsible for any costs in any case and that in case the decision of the Court is adverse that Alderman Bechler consent to resign his seat. Moved by Alderman Keefe seconded by Alderman Cooke which amendment on being put is passed. 8 voting for the same 7 against it and the names being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.

Aldermen O'Brien, Keefe,  
Cooke, Morall,  
Smith, Cooke,  
Pearson, Pickering &

Against it.

Aldermen Lyons, Johns,  
Mosher, McPherson  
MacKinlay, Delaney  
Hoodill 7

Amendment passed.

Alderman Pearson has special leave to submit report from Committee on charges against the Chief Inspector of Licenses John A. Mackesey.

Alderman Delaney submits a resolution by way of Notice providing for a pension to G. S. H. Greenwood, City Treasurer.

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On Motion of Alderman  
McPherson seconded by Alderman Pearson Item No 6 on  
the "Order of the Day" is taken up.

Read Letter from Henry P.  
Burton, Secretary of the Rate Payers Association asking the  
Council in re appointment of a Committee to confer with the Association  
Assessment Law on certain amendments to the Assessment Law.

When the following resolution  
is introduced (No 2)

Resolved that Mr. Burton  
be requested to send in to this Council the proposed amend-  
ments to any Civic Acts. Moved by Alderman Lyons sec-  
onded by Alderman McPherson which resolution on being  
put is passed.

Alderman Pearson has per-  
mission to submit a resolution by way of Notice in re  
Inspector of Licenses.

Petition No. J.

Dwyer and others in reference to obtaining a site for School  
of Art and Design.

Read Petition from No. J.

is introduced.

Resolved that the petition of  
No. Dwyer and others asking this Council to grant a  
site at the Public Gardens for the erection of a School of  
Art and Design to include the Provincial Museum be  
granted and that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to  
prepare for presentation at the present session of the Legis-  
lature an Act giving the necessary power said Draft Act  
to be first presented to this Council. Moved by Alderman  
Booke seconded by Alderman Pearson which resolution  
on being put is passed.

4 is next introduced.

The following resolution No

Resol. author-

izing the Mayor of the Recorder and pending the consideration of his resig-  
nation and the appointment of his successor that His  
Honor the Mayor be empowered to employ such Counsel  
of a Recorder as he may consider necessary in any lease or matter to pro-  
tect the interest of the City. Moved by Alderman Lyons  
seconded by Alderman MacKinlay which resolution on  
being put is passed.

6<sup>30</sup> P.M. On Motion of Ald-  
erman Keefe seconded by Alderman Johns.

"The Council Adjourn".

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"Afternoon Session"  
3 P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Stephen, Mac Kinlay, Bechler, Lyons, Johns, Honall, & Mosher

The City Council was summoned to consider the resignation of His Honor the Recorder. The Draft of an Act in reference to Loans. Matters standing over, and the transaction of other business.

There being no quorum at 20 minutes past 3 P. M. the Council stands adjourned till further notice.

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## "Afternoon Session".

3<sup>15</sup> P.M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Kent, Cooke, Delaney, Keefe, Smith, Stephen, O'Brien, Picheing, MacKinlay, Beckler, Roche, Hoodill, Lyons, Johns, Donall, Mosher, and McPherson.

The City Council was summoned to consider the resignation of His Honor the Recorder, Draft of An Act in reference to Loans for Sewerage and Water Services. Matters standing over and the transaction of other business.

Read Minutes of Meetings of City Council March 1<sup>st</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> which were confirmed.

Alderman Donall Chairman submits a report from Committee of Police on scheme for Superannuation Fund.

Alderman Cooke submits a report from Committee on City Prison with a/cs for the Month of February 1888.

Alderman Stephen submits report from Board of City Works on the letter from Thomas O'Brien.

Alderman Stephen Chairman of Special Committee on duties of Board of Fire Stands submits report from that Committee.

Alderman Hoodill, Chairman submits a report from Committee on Tenders for Printing & Stationery.

Alderman Cooke submits Petition from J. E. Allison and others asking Police Protection, West end of South Street.

Alderman Hoodill submits Petition from J. E. Hise and other residents of Cornwallis Street asking extension of high service for water.

Alderman Roche submits Petition of John Corbin in reference to License not granted to him.

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from Messrs John Dull & George Thomson Executors of late Sir William Young in reference to the contemplated improvements on Young Avenue with plan & specification.

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Also a Petition from Michael Shanahan and other workmen at the New City Hall asking payment of their claims for the work performed for Mr. Milliken.

Also Letter from John Donnell President of the Society for Improving Condition of the Poor covering an Ordinance in reference to the preservation of the Public Health in tenement houses.

Also a Letter from A. V. Mac Kay, Secretary of School of Art and Design in reference to the exemption of School from Taxation.

Also a report from the Executive Committee on Dominion & Provincial Exhibition 1888.

Also a Letter from Henry P. Burton covering Draft of an Act in amendment to the Assessment Act of 1883 prepared by the Halifax Tax Payers Association.

Also a Writ of Summons in the Suit of A. E. Milliken, Contractor for City Hall vs the City of Halifax and Henry E. Elliot, Architect.

Also a Letter from George E. Boak, Chairman of Board of Fire Stands in reference to the Council providing for an Act to purchase Steam Fire Engine, and build an addition to Engine House &c.

Also a Letter from H. H. Hart, Agent of Manufacturers Insurance Company, in reference to Insurance on lives of Firemen and others

Also Monthly Report from the Supervisor of Measurers of Coal for month of Feb'y.

Also Cash Statement from the City Treasurer for month of February.

Also the Monthly Return of Rates & Taxes collected in City Collectors Office for the month of February 1888.

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

Read Report from Committee of City Prison on the accounts for month of February 1888.

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Report Committee

on City Prison Committee held this day present the Chairman Aldermen in re of c.

Mosher, Johns, Mac Kinlay, and Pickering.

At a meeting of the City Prison the following accounts were audited found correct and on motion were recommended to this Council for payment of the same.

A. M. Bell.	\$3.02	A. Fordham.	\$10.78.
Macintosh & McCune	1.60	H. D. Harrington	14.40.
G. Mac Bellan.	10.00	Barnstead & Sutherland	1.37.
			<u>\$41.17</u>

Also please find usual report of number of prisoners admitted and discharged for the month of February.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. E. Cooke.

Chairman.

When the following resolution

No 1 is introduced.

Resolved that the report of the City Prison Committee be accepted and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accompanying accounts amounting to Forty One Dollars 17. Moved by Alderman Cooke seconded by Alderman Mosher which resolution on being put is passed.

Report Board

of Works on

letter thro. C. B. of City Works on the letter from Thomas C. Brien complaining

ing of Street Railway.

Read Report from the Board of City Works on the letter from Thomas C. Brien complaining

Office Commissioners.

Board of City Works.

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The Board of City Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day they had under consideration the letter from Mr. Thos. C. Brien referred to them by the City Council when the following resolution introduced by Coms. Smith & Mac Kinlay was adopted, and ordered to be transmitted to the Council.

Resolved that this Board report to the City Council that they cannot advise any action to be taken in the matter referred to in the letter of Mr. Thos. C. Brien, the work complained of having been done without the consent of the Board.

Respectfully submitted.

Alex. Stephen.

Chairman.

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On Motion of Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Bent the said report is received and adopted and Mr. O'Brien is to be notified of the decision of the Board.

Report Police

Committee in Committee giving a code of rules and scale of salaries &c with a superannuation scheme for superannuation of Police.

Read Report from Police

Committee giving a code of rules and scale of salaries &c with a superannuation scheme for superannuation of Police.

On Motion of Alderman

Horrall seconded by Alderman Delaney the said report is directed to be printed for the information of Council and placed on the "Order of the Day" for their consideration at next Meeting.

Read Report from Committee

on Tenders for Printing & Stationery for Civic Service for 1888-9.

Read Report from Special

Committee on Duties of Employees & Fire Stands of the City of Halifax Fire Dept. with a Code of Rules.

Read Report from Executive

Committee on the Dominion and Provincial Exhibition.

Letter Presid-

ent Association President of the Hx. Association for Relief of Poor in reference to the condition of Public Health in the various Poor in tenement houses in the said City.

Public Health

Ordinance in first time.

re Public Health

th.

to the Public Health which accompanied said letter a

Read Letter from John Doull

in reference to the condition of Public Health in the various

Poor in tenement houses in the said City.

Read Ordinance in reference

to the Public Health which accompanied said letter a

Ordinance in first time.

On Motion of Alderman

Booke seconded by Alderman MacKinlay the said Ordinance is directed to be printed for the information of the Council.

Read Letter from A. V. Mac-

Kay, Secretary of the School of Art and Design asking exemption from Taxes.

Letter Executors

of the Estate

of late Sir

Mrs Young in

re Young Ave-

nue.

Read Letter from George Thomson and John Doull, Executors of the Estate of late Sir Mrs Young in reference to the contemplated improvements on Young Avenue, with Plans &c.

On Motion of Alderman

Smith seconded by Alderman Woodill the same is directed to be sent to the Board of City Works to report on at next Meeting.

Petition J. E.

Hise &amp; others

asking high

water service

Gottingen St.

Read Petition from J. E. Hise and other residents Gottingen Street, Ward Five asking High Water Service in that locality.

On Motion of Alderman

Woodill seconded by Alderman Lyons the same is referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

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Read Petition from Michael Shammahan and others workmen on the New City Hall asking consideration of their apcs for work done on said Hall.

Petition Mrs

Corbin in re requesting that his petition for license for selling liquor his petition for be reconsidered.

license

Read also Petition James

Brooks on same subject.

Petition James

Brooks in re Bill explanatory of his having neglected to sign said Petition his petition for as also that of Mr. Brooks.

license

Read Letter from John A.

Letter J. A. Bell in re it is moved in amendment by Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Pickering that the same be placed on the James Brooks "Order of the Day" amendment put and passed.

& Mrs Corbin for license.

Read Petition from George

Allison and other residents West end of South Street asking Police Protection.

Petition Geo. Allison &amp; ab

in re Police protection South St. to Police Committee to report on.

Read Letter from Henry P.

Burton, Secretary of the Rate Payers Association covering Draft of an Act to amend the Assessment Act of the City of Halifax for 1883.

writ of Sum-

mons in Milliken vs City of Halifax. Read writ of Summons served on the Mayor and City Clerk in re Milliken, Contractor of City Hall and City of Halifax.

of Halifax.

On Motion of Alderman

Smith seconded by Alderman Stephen All writs served in the matter of Milliken vs City of Halifax are directed to be handed to His Honor the Recorder to defend.

Letter Chairman

Firewards in re Boak, Chairman of the Board of Firewards in reference sum required to the preparing of a Bill for the Legislature for money for Engine House required for Engine House, Hose, and Steam Fire Engine

Engine.

Read Letter from George E.

On Motion of Alderman Johns seconded by Alderman Lyons the letter with the resolution of Council of Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> 1887 are referred to His Honor the Recorder to prepare a Bill therefor.

Read Letter from William H.

Hart, Agent of Manufacturers Accident Insurance Company in reference to Insurance of Firemen from accident &c.

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His Worship the Mayor sub-  
mits a letter from J. G. Allen Esq. in reference to Stationery  
orders submitted this day. The same is read.

On Motion of Alderman  
Smith seconded by Alderman Delaney the same is directed  
to be taken up with Report of Committee on Orders on the  
"Order of the Day".

Council proceed to the "Order of the Day".

Resignation

Robert Sedgwick Esq. of the office of Recorder of the City of Halifax  
as Recorder.

Read Resignation of Robert  
Sedgwick Esq. of the office of Recorder of the City of Halifax  
When the following resolution

No 2 is introduced.

Resolved that the resignation  
of Mr. Sedgwick as Recorder be accepted and that Mr. H.  
McC D. Henry, Esq. be appointed City Recorder in his stead.  
Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Roche to  
which the following amendment was introduced.

Resol. rel. to  
Recorder.

Resolved that the resignation  
of Mr. Sedgwick as City Recorder be accepted and further  
Resolved that the Council now proceed to the election of a  
Recorder to fill the vacancy thus created. Moved by Alder-  
man Keeffe seconded by Alderman Mosher which amendment  
on being put is passed.

Appointment

of a Recorder

The following Gentlemen were  
then nominated for the position of Recorder.  
Mr. H. H. Mac Coy nominated by Alderman McPherson  
Mr. B. H. Pearson nominated by Alderman Delaney  
Mr. H. McC D. Henry, nominated by Alderman Lyons.  
Mr. William Ross nominated by Alderman Pickering  
Mr. George H. Fielding nominated by Alderman Keeffe.

The votes are taken as follows:

	Mac Coy,	Pearson,	Henry,	Ross,	Fielding.
1 <sup>st</sup> Count	7	4	3	1	1
2 <sup>nd</sup> Count	11	4	1	1	0

His Worship the Mayor  
declared Mr. Mac Coy, Elected Recorder of the City of  
Halifax he having a majority of votes.

On Motion of Alderman  
Pickering seconded by Alderman Mosher the "Order of the  
Day" is suspended to allow Alderman Pickering to intro-  
duce the following resolution.

Resol. rel. to

Appointment of of a most efficient official in the person of J. B. Graham there-  
as an Asst. Assessor causing a vacancy in the office of Assessor.

Death having deprived the City

Therefore Resolved that the City  
Clerk is hereby instructed to call for applications and report the  
names

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March 16<sup>th</sup> of the same to the next Meeting of this Council when action shall be taken and the vacancy filled. Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Mosher which resolution on being put is passed.

Report Comm- of Public Accounts submitted 23<sup>rd</sup> Feby. 1888.

Att. on Public  
Acs.  
in several  
matters

Read Report from Committee

Committee Room

22<sup>nd</sup> February 1888.

At a meeting of the Committee on Public Accounts held this day present Aldermen McPherson, Stephen, Mac Kinlay, Cooke, and the Chairman.

The Committee considered the various accounts referred by the Council and have to report as follows:

Costs Insurance Tax Suits.

The Committee consider that under the report of the Laws & Privileges Committee of the 15<sup>th</sup> January 1886 the Recorder is precluded from having his account paid as rendered to the City at \$744<sup>75</sup>. The resolution provides that he is to have his disbursements and a Counsel Fee of \$300<sup>00</sup> but is to give credit in the event of the appeals being dismissed (which was the result in these cases) for any Counsel Fees recovered from the other side and in such an event not to charge the City with any Solicitors Fees. Under the terms of the Resolution the Committee would feel bound to allow only the following amounts from Mr. Sedgewicks account as rendered viz:

Counsel Fee as fixed.		\$300.00
Less Taxed in the 5 Suits.		<u>250.00</u>
		\$ 50.00
Fee for factums say.	\$125.00	
Less Taxed.	<u>40.00</u>	85.00
Paid Agents Fees.	\$115.55	
Less Taxed.	<u>20.00</u>	95.55
Disbursements attending at Ottawa		<u>150.00</u>
<i>lev.</i>		\$ 380.55
By Cash on account.		<u>200.00</u>
		<u>\$ 180.55</u>

As a matter of fact the costs taxed on the appeals against the Companies are abnormally low and under the Resolution Mr. Sedgewick would have gained more pecuniarily by the City losing the suits than by having the decision as it was, in the City's favor. In view of these facts and that Mr. Sedgewick was often called to Ottawa about the suits than the Resolution contemplated and has made no adequate charge for his expenses. The Committee recommend that \$150<sup>00</sup> be added to the sum given above making in all \$330<sup>55</sup> to be paid Mr. Sedgewick

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March 16<sup>th</sup> in full for his services on his presenting to the Mayor a satisfactory voucher for the same and that His Worship be authorized to draw a warrant for the amount on the Contingent Fund.

The Committee finding the following accounts correct recommend that they be paid out of the Printing and Stationery appropriation.

Blackadar Bros. (advertising.)	\$279.98.
A & St. Mac Kinlay. (acc to 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec. /87.)	133.56.
Morning Chronicle. (2 copies /87.)	12.00.
	<u>\$425.54</u>

3 The Committee recommend Alderman Cooke dissenting that the account of the City Prison against the City for \$37<sup>80</sup> for carriage of prisoners be not paid. In the opinion of the Committee the practice of any one of the Departments of the City rendering a bill against the City and requiring a cheque or warrant to pay it should be discontinued.

Respectfully Submitted.

His Worship  
The Mayor  
Council.

J. N. Lyons.  
Chairman.

Read 1<sup>st</sup> Clause in reference to payment of the account of His Honor the Recorder (Sedgewick) for services in connection with suits against various Insurance Companies conducted at Ottawa before Supreme Court of Canada.

On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Keefe the said Clause is adopted.

Read third Clause in reference to the acc from City Prison for conveyance of prisoners to City Prison from Police Station.

Read Extract from Minutes of Committee of City Prison.

Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Stephen that the said Clause be adopted. to which the following amendment was introduced.

Resolved that the account of the City Prison Committee of \$37<sup>80</sup> for carriage of prisoners to City Prison be paid. Moved by Alderman Cooke seconded by Alderman Mosher which amendment on being put is lost 2 voting for the same 4 against it.

On Motion to adopt the report as a whole on being put is passed. 12 voting for the same 2 against it and the names being called for appeared thus:

For report.	Against it
Aldermen Stephen. McPherson.	Aldermen Mosher. Cooke
Bent. Mac Kinlay.	2
Keefe. Delaney.	
Lyons. Roche. O'Brien	
Pickering. Woodill. Beckler 12	

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On Motion of Alderman Keefe seconded by Alderman Mosher the "Order of the Day" is suspended to allow Alderman Keefe to introduce the following resolution.

Resol. rel. to Board of City Works.

Resolved that the Recorder be instructed to prepare an Act amending Section 1 of Chap. 9 of Acts 1873 by striking out the clause requiring the Council to re-elect two of the retiring Commissioners on the Board of City Works. Moved by Alderman Keefe seconded by Alderman McPherson. Objected to and put in as Notice of Motion.

Letter Recorder in re Acts for Legislature.

Read <sup>Letter</sup> from His Honor the Recorder in reference to Acts prepared by him for the Legislature.

Recorders Office.

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Sir.

I have to report to the Council a draft Bill referring to the following matters.

(a) Money for Sidewalks (b) Do for Water Service (c) The question of interest on sewerage assessment. (d) Albermarle Street and (e) The Victoria Infirmary.

I have been unable to finish an Act to provide for the separation of the City and County as this matter requires more time than I have been able to give to it since it came before me.

The proposed change in the Consolidated Fund Act is not sufficiently definite but after I ascertain the intention of the Council I will have the Act submitted.

Your Obedt. Servt.

Robt. Sedgewick.

Recorder.

His Worship  
The Mayor

On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Keefe the said Letter is referred to New Recorder to carry out the intention of the Council in regard to certain matters therein set forth.

Read 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>

clauses of the Act prepared by His Honor which on being put are passed.

The following resolution is next introduced.

Resol. rel. to interest on consolidated stock.

Resolved that a clause be added to the Act providing that interest on the Consolidated Stock do not exceed 5% and that it may be called in after 15 years on one years notice and that the Act be printed and submitted to the Legislature as amended. Moved by

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Letter H. P.

Burton in re ton. Secretary of Rate Payers Association covering proposed amendments to amendments to the Assessment Act of 1883.

Assessment Act

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Read said amendments. On Motion of Alderman Delaney\* the same are referred to Committee of Laws and Privileges with His Honor the Recorder to report on. (\*seconded by Alderman Hoodill.)

Read following resolution submitted by Alderman Delaney by way of Notice.

Resol. rel. to

amount assessed Thousand Dollars which the Legislature has heretofore allowed the City to spend for "Salaries", "Internal Health" and Ordinary pur - "Streets" &c. is now insufficient to meet the requirements of a steadily growing City. Therefore Resolved that permission be asked for at the present session of the Legislature to assess the Citizens any sum in excess of One Hundred Thousand Dollars necessary for such purposes. on obtaining the consent of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Honorable the Executive Council. Moved by Alderman Delaney seconded by Alderman Lyons which resolution on being put is passed.

Appointment

Committee on Bills.

On Motion of Alderman Hoodill seconded by Alderman Delaney Resolved that the Committee of Laws and Privileges with His Honor the Recorder, to look after the several Bills which are before the Legislature this Session. (to be requested.)

6 P. M. On Motion of Alderman Hoodill seconded by Alderman Lyons the Council take a recess until 8 P. M. The absent Members to be notified.

8<sup>15</sup> P. M. Council resume business.

Present the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Cooke, Delaney, Keeffe, Pickering, Stephen, Beckler, Hoodill, Lyons, Johns, Mosher, and McPherson.

On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Beckler No 17 on the "Order of the Day" is taken up.

Resol. rel. to property exempted from taxation.

Read following resolution submitted by Alderman McPherson in re Tax Exemptions. It hereas it appears that while the Real Estate Valuation of the City for 1887-8 was \$15,091,000 that \$1,680,000 estimated value or about one ninth of the whole Real Estate of the City was exempted from Assessment and the list of exemptions are steadily increasing.

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Therefore Resolved that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare a Bill to be submitted to the Legislature to enable the City of Halifax to Tax all Real and Personal Estate within the City except property belonging to British, Dominion and Local Governments. Moved by Alderman McPherson seconded by Alderman Lyons to which the following amendment was introduced.

Resolved that the consideration of Alderman McPherson's resolution in re Tax Exemptions be deferred until such time as a matured scheme is prepared in the matter. Moved by Alderman Keefe seconded by Alderman Pickering, which amendment on being put is lost 4 voting for the same 6 against and the names being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.	Against it.
Alderman Keefe, Delaney.	Aldermen Lyons, Johns.
Bechler, Pickering 4	Mosher, Cooke.
	McPherson.
	Hoodill. 6.

The original resolution was

then put and passed.

Report Special Committee on matter on the charges against John A. Mackery, Chief Inspector of License, also the Report of the Minority of Chief Inspector said Committee of License.

Read Report of Special Committee on matter on the charges against John A. Mackery, Chief Inspector of License, also the Report of the Minority of Chief Inspector said Committee of License. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Johns that the report lay on the table, to which the following amendment in writing is introduced.

Resolved that the Report of the investigation Committee be received and concurred in, it being the sentiment of this Council that changes in the Law as suggested is really necessary for the good government of the City. Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Bechler which amendment on being put is lost 3 voting for the same 8 against it, and the names being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Pickering, Bechler.	Aldermen Hoodill, Delaney.
Cooke. 3	McPherson, Mosher
	Johns, Lyons.
	Keefe, Bent. 8.

put is passed.

The original Motion on being

Read following resolution submitted by Alderman Pearson by way of Notice.

Resol. rel. to

application of of License be requested to lay upon the table all papers now in his possession and connected with the application for a License. Moved by Messrs Daves & Co. for in his possession and connected with the application for a License made to him by Messrs Daves & Co. for the year

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March 16<sup>th</sup> 1886-7-8 with a Special report as to the reason if any why said papers were not reported to this Council with the other applications. Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Cooke which resolution on being put was passed.

Resol. rel. to Alderman Delaney by way of Notice in re City Treasurer's retiring allowance to City Treasurer.

Treasurer.

Read Resolution submitted by Notice in re City Treasurer's retiring allowance. Whereas the present City Treasurer of the City of Halifax is advanced in years and his long service in his office deserves consideration, and whereas in case the said office becomes vacant from the resignation of the present incumbent or from any other cause it is expedient and just that a suitable retiring allowance should be granted said officer therefore Resolved that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to draft an Act to be submitted to the present Session of the Legislature enabling the City Council to grant the present Incumbent a retiring allowance not exceeding One Thousand Dollars per annum during life, and be it further Resolved that said Council shall be empowered to fill such office by appointing a successor at a salary not exceeding One Thousand Dollars per annum. Moved by Alderman Delaney seconded by Alderman Mac Kinlay to which the following amendment was introduced.

Resolved that the office of the City Treasurer be abolished and that any necessary duties such as paying off or negotiating loans and seeing to the payment of the interest on the City's debt be thereafter attended to by the City Auditor and that the present Treasurer be superannuated at \$1,000 per annum, and that the necessary legislation for the purpose be applied for. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Pickering, which amendment on being put is lost 4 voting for the same 9 against it.

10 min. past 10 Alderman

Pickering moves a "ball of Council" on the original resolution being put.

Resol. rel. to meetings of Board of Health

Read following resolution submitted by Alderman Cooke by way of Notice.

Resolved that this Council as a Board of Health meet at least once in each of the following months of the year, viz: Feb'y, May, August, and Nov'r. when His Worship the Mayor may see it is desirable, to receive reports from the City Medical Officer, City Health Inspectors on the sanitary condition of the City. Moved by Alderman Cooke seconded by Alderman Pickering and passed.

The following resolutions submitted by Alderman Keefe is taken up.

Resolved that the Assessment Act in relation to Poll Tax be amended so as to exempt Householders.

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March 16<sup>th</sup> Householders from the payment of the same and the franchise in relation thereto be amended so that any citizen presenting Resol. rel. to himself before the collector three months previous to an Election-making amendment and paying said Poll Tax shall have his name added to Assess to the list of Electors and be duly qualified to vote for

ment Oct. Mayor and Alderman for that year. Moved by Alderman Keefe seconded by Alderman McPherson to which the following amendment was introduced.

Resolved that any person assessed for over \$20<sup>00</sup> taxes on payment of \$20<sup>00</sup> on a/c of his taxes one month before an Election be entitled to vote. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Johns which amendment on being is lost 5 for the same 9 against, the names being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Pickering, O'Brien, Aldermen Kent, Mosher,	
Hechler, Lyons	Cooke, McPherson.
Johns. 5	Keefe, Smith.
	Delaney, Hoodill.
	Stephen 9.

On Motion of Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Mosher the original resolution is referred back to Alderman Keefe for amendment.

Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Hechler that the Council adjourn which Motion on being put was passed & voting for the same 7 against it and the names being called for appeared thus:

For adjournment.	Against it.
Aldermen Kent, Pickering, Aldermen Mosher, Cooke,	
O'Brien, Hechler.	McPherson, Smith
Lyons.	Delaney, Hoodill.
	Stephen 7

8 min. past 11 P.M. "The Council Adjourns".

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William H. Mac Coy Esq. having been Elected "Recorder of the City of Halifax" was this day sworn into office by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor at Government House in presence of His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Mac Kinlay and the City Clerk.

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"Afternoon Session."

3<sup>15</sup> P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Bent, Cooke, Delaney, Keefe, Smith, Stephen, O'Brien, Pickering, Mac Kinlay, Bechler, Hoodill, Roche, Lyons, Mosher and McPherson.

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

Read over proceedings of the Meeting of Council held on the 16<sup>th</sup> March 1888, which were confirmed.

Alderman McPherson submits a resolution by way of Notice.

Alderman Lyons submits a Petition from John Langard and other residents and property owners on Brunswick Street asking the construction of a sewer.

His Worship the Mayor submits a petition from Susan Veitch in reference to loss of bow by dangerous Hell on Harvey Street.

Also a letter from G. H. MacKinlay in reference to Contract for Stationery.

Also a letter from Police John Baker Junr. in reference to sum paid by him for damages.

Also a Return from John A. Mackesey, License Inspector in reference to the matter of Dawes & Company.

Also the Drafts of Four Acts prepared by His Honor the Recorder under resolution of Council.

Alderman Cooke in the absence of the Chairman of Committee on Charities submits a report on a/c against Poor Asylum for month of Feb. 1888.

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

Petition John

Langard val. Langard and other property owners of Brunswick Street asking a Sewer a Sewer be constructed in said Street.

Brunswick  
Street.

Read Petition from John

On Motion of Alderman

Lyons seconded by Alderman Hoodill the same is referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

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Verith in reference to loss of Cow by dangerous condition of  
Petition Susan Barvey Street.

Verith in re loss

of Cow by dam Smith seconded by Alderman Cooke the said Petition is re-  
ferred to Committee on Laws & Privileges with His Honor the  
of Barvey St. Recorder to report on.

Letter John  
Baker Jr. in  
re sum paid  
for damages.

Junr. Policeman in reference to sum paid by him for dama-  
ges for mistaken arrest of a prisoner.

Read Letter from John Baker

On Motion of Alderman  
Cooke seconded by Alderman Cooke the said Letter is re-  
ferred to Police Committee to report on.

Report Comm-  
ittee of Charities  
in re a/cs. 1888.

Read Report from Committee  
against Poor Asylum for Feb'y

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The Committee on Charities  
beg leave to submit the following for the information of the  
City Council.

The following accounts for  
month of February were passed and ordered to be paid.

E. J. Lordly.	\$499.18.	A. M. Bell.	\$10.24
R. G. Peart.	4.00.	D. & C. Henry.	97.52
A. Ardham.	18.08	Mr J. Hopgood.	33.19
George Mc Bellan.	109.28	G. P. Henry.	10.01
George Gregoire.	16.00	MacIntosh & McInnes	59.79
		Total.	<u>\$ 857.28</u>

The Report of Superintendent  
of Poor Asylum, for month of February, shows that 23  
persons were admitted, 22 discharged and 1 birth and 5  
deaths. No of Inmates on the 29<sup>th</sup> Feb'y. 316. A copy of  
said report is hereto annexed.

Respectfully Submitted.

Wm Woodill.

Pro Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman  
Cooke seconded by Alderman Woodill the said report is re-  
ceived and adopted.

Letter G. H.  
MacKenlay  
in re contract  
for Stationery.

Read Letter from G. H. Mac-  
Kenlay in reference to the contract for Stationery for 1888-

On Motion of Alderman

Cooke seconded by Alderman Keefe the same is placed on  
"Order of the Day" to be taken up with the report.

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Wachsey with the correspondence in the matter of Dawes & Co. not being granted a license.

On Motion of Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Hechler the same is placed on the "Order of the Day".

Read Draft of an Act concerning the Consolidated Fund for the City of Halifax and the interest payable on money hereafter to be borrowed under Chapter 34 of the Acts of 1880 with Schedule.

On Motion placed on the "Order of the Day".

Draft of Act.

to amend the Chapter 30 of Acts of 1874 entitled an Act to amend the Law Assessment respecting assessment in the City of Halifax.

Act.

On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Delaney the words "such sum in excess and over one hundred thousand dollars" is added to said Bill.

On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Pickering the same is placed on the "Order of the Day".

Read Draft of an Act to enable the City of Halifax to borrow money to purchase a Steam Fire Engine and for other purposes of the Fire Department.

Read Act to amend Chapter 28 of the Acts of 1883 entitled an Act to amend Chapter 81 of the Acts of 1864 entitled an Act concerning the City of Halifax.

On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Mosher the same are placed on the "Order of the Day".

Read Resolution, by Alderman McPherson by way of Notice. Objected to and laid over to come in by way of Notice on Order of the Day.

Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Smith that the "Order of the Day" be suspended to take up Draft of an Act to borrow money for purchase of Steam Fire Engine &c. Motion put and lost.

Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Keefe that the several Acts for the Legislature be taken up and considered.

Draft of Act

in re Consolidating the Consolidated Fund for the City of Halifax.

dated Fund

is introduced.

Read Draft of Act concern-

At then the following resolution

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Resolved that the Draft Act be amended by providing that the provision in reference to calling in the Permanent Stock after 15 years or one years notice be confined to the Permanent Stock and not apply to the Debenture Stock. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Hoodill which on being put is passed.

On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Keeffe the same is passed as amended and directed to be engrossed and sent to the Legislature for approval.

Draft of Act to amend the Assessment Act.

Read Draft of an Act to amend Chapter 30 of the Acts of 1874 entitled an Act to amend the Law respecting assessments in the City of Halifax as previously amended.

On Motion of Alderman Hoodill seconded by Alderman Delaney the same is passed and directed to be sent to the Legislature.

Draft of Act to borrow money for Steam Fire Engine &c.

Read Draft of an Act in reference and to enable the City of Halifax to borrow money to purchase a Steam Fire Engine and for other purposes of the Fire Department.

On Motion of Alderman Keeffe seconded by Alderman O'Brien the sum of Ten thousand Dollars is filled in the blank and the Bill passed and ordered to be sent to the Legislature for approval.

Draft of Act to amend Chap. 81 of the Acts of 1864

Read Draft of an Act to amend Chapter 28 of the Acts of 1883 <sup>entitled</sup> an Act to amend Chapter 81 of the Acts of 1864 entitled an Act concerning the City of Halifax and the Acts in amendments thereof.

When the following Moved by Alderman Mac Kinlay seconded by Alderman Lyons was added thereto "Public School Buildings built and used solely for such purposes and owned rented or used by the City Board of School Commissioners and buildings used for County purposes. passed.

On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman O'Brien the Bill is passed as amended and directed to be sent to the Legislature.

On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Stephen the said Acts are directed to be consolidated in one by His Honor the Recorder, engrossed and sent to the Legislature, and published in the papers advertising for the City.

On Motion of Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman O'Brien No 8 on the "Order of the Day" is taken up.

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Read Petition from Michael Shannahan and other workmen on City Hall asking payment of their account for work done for Milliken.

Shannahan

Other workmen & yours seconded by Alderman Stephen. The same is referred on City Hall to His Honor the Recorder to report on, at next Meeting of Council.

Read Resolution of last Meeting as entered in reference to retiring allowance to City Treasurer. which resolution on being put was lost.

Resol. rel. to retiring allowance to City Treasurer

Report Committee on Tenders for Printing &amp; Stationery

Read Report from Committee on Tenders for Printing & Stationery.

Read Letters from J. G. Allen

and C. B. MacKinlay on the subject.

Moved by Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the report be received and adopted, to which the following amendment is introduced

Resolved that the report be not adopted and that tenders for the quantities mentioned in the City Clerk's Estimate be called for, and that the definite quantities be published in the advertisement, forms and samples to be seen at the City Clerk's Office. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Mosher.

10 min. past 6. Moved by Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Stephen that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost.

Call of Council made by Alderman Pickering on the above.

Resol. rel. to change in constitution of Board of City Works as follows:

of City Works.

Read Resolution of Alderman Keefe in reference to change in constitution of the Board of City Works as follows:

Resolved that the Recorder be instructed to prepare an Act amending section 1 of Chap. 9 of Acts of 1873 by striking out the clause requiring the Council to re-elect two of the retiring Commissioners on the Board of Works. Moved by Alderman Keefe seconded by Alderman McPherson.

by Alderman Smith.

Moved by Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman MacKinlay that the Council adjourn. Motion <sup>put</sup> and lost 6 voting for the same & against it.

On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Pickering. Alderman Stephen has leave to retire.

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Petition Mrs Corbin & Jas. Brooks on the subject. in re license petitions

Corbin and James Brooks in reference to their license Petitions

Prickering seconded by Alderman Hechler His Honor the Recorder is requested to draft an Act for the Legislature. to legalize a license to said Parties. passed.

Read Petitions from William  
Read Letter from John A. Bell

On Motion of Alderman  
Prickering seconded by Alderman Hechler His Honor the Recorder is requested to draft an Act for the Legislature. to legalize a license to said Parties. passed.

Resol. rel. to Bills for Street Lighting

On Motion of Alderman  
Keefe seconded by Alderman Lyons the "Order of the Day" is suspended to allow the following resolution to be introduced.

Whereas it has been reported that Bills for Street Lighting have been paid without the approval of the Council. Therefore Resolved that the Electric Light Contract and all accounts and papers for Gas or Electric Light Bills in reference to the late Bills rendered or paid be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts to examine into the matter and report to this Council. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Mosher which resolution on being put is passed.

5 min. past 7. Call of Council on Alderman Lyons amendment in reference to Stationery Contract having expired it was Moved by Alderman Lyons second by Alderman Prickering that the question be now put which Motion on being put was passed, and the amendment on being put was passed 9 voting for the same 3 against it.

15 min. past 7 Call of Council by Alderman Smith on Alderman Keefe's resolution in reference to the Board of City Works having expired the Resolution on being put was passed.

20 min. past 7. On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Keefe.

"The Council Adjourn"

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"Afternoon Session."  
3<sup>15</sup> P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day. Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Aldermen Bent, Cooke, Delaney, Keefe, Smith, Stephen, O'Brien, Pickering, MacKinnlay, Keschler, Roche, Woodill, Lyons, Johns, Morall, Mosher and McPherson.

The City Council were summoned to appoint an Assistant Ward Assessor. To consider Draft of an Act to enable the City to grant a Site for School of Art and Design. Matters standing over and the transaction of other business.

Read Minutes of Meeting held on the 20<sup>E</sup> instant which were confirmed.

Alderman Woodill, Chairman submits a report from Committee on Tenders on Loan for School of Art and Design.

Alderman Morall, Chairman submits a report from the Police Committee in reference to change of Uniform of Police.

Alderman Mosher, submits a letter from Thomas O'Brien, Cabman with an a/c for damages.

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from His Honor the Recorder in reference to Draft Acts prepared by him for the Legislature.

Also a letter from George Thomson, Secretary Park Commissioners asking an additional Grant to Park for repairs &c.

Also a letter from Robert S. Murray, Secretary of Mines & Works covering an Act in reference to amount of debt due by the City to the Municipality of Halifax.

Also a letter from J. Colley (River John, Pictou) in reference to moneys due to him by stone supplied to City Hall. per Mr. Milliken.

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

Read Report from Committee on Tenders for Loan for sum required for grant to School of Art & Design.

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Report Comms-  
Tenders held this day Present Aldermen Storrall, Beckler  
Committee on Tenders Reut. Hoodill for the purpose of opening Tenders for Loan  
in re loan for for School of Art & Design.

School of Art  
& Design.

They recommend that the ac-  
companying Tender of J. G. Mackintosh be accepted.

Respectfully submitted.

H. Hoodill.

Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman  
Hoodill seconded by Alderman Storrall the said report is  
received and adopted. passed.

Report Police  
Committee in  
re Summer  
Uniforms of  
Police.

Read Report from the Police  
Committee on the proposed change in Summer Uniforms  
for Police.

City Buildings

March 26<sup>th</sup> 1888.

To His Worship the Mayor  
and City Council.

Gentlemen.

At a meeting of the Police  
Committee held this day at 4<sup>30</sup> P. M. there were present  
Alderman Stephen, MacKinlay, Cloney, Storrall.

The petition from the Police  
Force asking to be allowed to wear a Summer Uniform was  
read and after an inspection of a sample coat and helmet  
your Committee decided to recommend that the prayer of the  
petition be granted, and that the City Marshall be requested  
to see the necessary articles provided so that there shall be  
uniformity in color and texture.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. St. Storrall.

Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman  
Storrall seconded by Alderman Beckler the said report is  
received and adopted. passed.

Letter Secty. to  
Com. Works &

Mines in re Murray, Secretary Mines & Works covering Draft of an  
amount due by Act in reference to the indebtedness of the City of Halifax  
City to County, to the Municipality of Halifax.

Read Draft of an Act to

Draft of an Act provides for the payment of balances due to the Municipa-  
in re balances lity. of Halifax of Halifax County for assessments.

due by City to  
County.

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On Motion of Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Woodill Resolved that a letter be sent to the Honorable Provincial Secretary informing him that this Council cannot entertain the proposition therein contained and also that the Committee of Laws & Privileges be instructed to prevent if possible its passage through the Legislature until the account is fully adjusted.

Letter Secretary

to Comrs of son, Secretary to Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park in Point Pleasant reference to amount required for Park purposes in excess of present appropriation.

Read Letter from George Thom-

son, Secretary to Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park in reference to amount required for Park purposes in excess of present appropriation.

On Motion of Alderman

Woodill seconded by Alderman Woodill the same is referred to Committee of Public Accounts to report on.

Read Letter from J. R. Colley

Letter J. R.

(River John) Pictou in reference to payment for stone supplied to Mr. Milliken for New City Hall.

Colley in re

stone supplied for New City Hall.

On Motion of Alderman

O'Brien seconded by Alderman O'Brien the said letter is referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

Read Letter from Thomas

O'Brien covering an account for damages for obstruction to his business by Horse Car Co. opening up the track.

Read Letter from His Honor

the Recorder, covering four Drafts of Acts for the Legislature viz: One in reference to School of Art & Design, One in reference to Separation of City and County Municipality on financial matters. One in reference to Clerk of License Office. One Granting Licenses to James Brooks and William Corbin.

The same are read.

Alderman Delaney has Special

leave to submit the following resolution before the "Order of the Day" is taken up.

Resol. rel. to

amending the Act relating to Paupers.

whereas a great deal of difficulty has arisen in relation to the proper location of paupers outside the City, the overseers of Poor frequently repudiating any obligation in the matter, and whereas it is desirable that various Municipalities should be held accountable.

Therefore Resolved that His Honor the Recorder be requested so to amend the Act relating to paupers. Moved by Alderman Delaney seconded by Alderman Woodill which resolution on being put is passed.

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



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Draft of Act Boundary of Halifax and Town of Dartmouth in financial matters to separate City from County - clauses No 1. to No 10. Dartmouth in financial matters overall recorded by Alderman Howe Hinkley, the said Bill is presented directed to be sent to the Legislature and published in the papers advertising for the City.

Read Report of an Act to separate the City of Halifax from the Municipality of the Town of Dartmouth in financial matters and the same balance by

On Motion of Alderman Howe Hinkley, the said Bill is presented directed to be sent to the Legislature and published in the papers advertising for the City.

Report Com- mittee on Executive Committee in reference to Administration and Provisional Exhibitions.

Read Report from the Executive Committee in reference to Administration and Provisional Exhibitions on the appointment of various committees. On Motion, the said report is received and referred to Board of City Affairs to report on.

Report Police Committee on the Rules for Govern- ment of Police Force.

Read Report from Police Com- mittee on the Rules for Government of Police Force. City Buildings. 7<sup>th</sup> March 1888. To His Worship the Mayor & City Council.

The Police Committee met this day at 8 P.M. present Alderman Byrnes, Howe Hinkley, Stephens, Parsons, and Howell, Chairman.

The matter of a Superannua- tion fund was fully discussed as well as the increases of prop- erty taxes for by the Force.

Your Committee beg to submit for your approval a code of Rules & Regulations which they recommend be put in force on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August.

The Sergeant made known to receive an increase of twenty dollars and the two Deputies and Detectives forty dollars each till maximum is reached and that the next year increase be taken out of the Con- tingent A/c.

Your Committee also recom- mend that inasmuch as the present ordinances respecting the Police and by laws revision and amendments that these regulations be consolidated with it and the ordinances brought before the Council for ratification.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. K. Howell.

Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman Howell seconded by Alderman Byrnes the said report is adopted and the regulations to be taken up and read balance by clauses.

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Read various clauses No 1 to No 21 as printed and which on being put were severally passed.

The following resolution to form clause 22 was Read.

Resolved that the Superannuation quarterly allowance for any person dying during a quarter be paid to his representatives. Moved by Alderman Mosher seconded by Alderman O'Brien and passed

The following Resolution No 2 is introduced.

Resolved that the Police Regulations as read do pass and that His Honor the Recorder be requested to consolidate them and submit the said Consolidated Act to the Legislature for approval. Moved by Alderman St. John seconded by Alderman Lyons which resolution on being put is passed.

5<sup>45</sup> On Motion of Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman Pickering,

"Council Adjourn."

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April 3<sup>rd</sup>"Afternoon Session".  
3<sup>15</sup> P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Bent, Cooke, Pearson, Delaney, Smith, Stephen, O'Brien, Pickering, Beckler, Lyons, John Small, Mosher and McPherson.

The City Council were summoned to appoint Presiding Officers for holding the Elections of the 25<sup>th</sup> April inst. To appoint Inspectors of Elections for the ensuing year, and the transaction of other business.

Read Minutes of Meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> March 1888. which were confirmed.

His Worship the Mayor submits Drafts of Two Acts prepared by His Honor the Recorder one "an Act to amend Chap. 35 of the Revised Statutes of the Settlement and Support of the Poor. One, in reference to Superannuation Fund for the Police Force" as prepared by His Honor the Recorder.

Also a Letter from H. B. Stiswell Esq. County Clerk covering an account for balances due to the Municipality of the County on County Assessments by the City of Halifax.

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

A. B. Bennett, Queens M. P. P. who was present was invited to a seat in the Chamber.

Letter Recorder with Draft of the Recorder covering Draft of an Act in re Regulations.

Police Regulations.

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Read Letter from His Honor the Recorder covering Draft of an Act in reference to Police Regulations.

Read Draft of a Bill entitled "An Act relating to the Police Force of the City of Halifax". On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Pearson the said Act is passed and directed to be sent to the Legislature for approval and also published in the papers advertising for the City.

Draft of an Act to amend

Chap 35 Rev. "An Act to amend Chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of the Settlement and Support of the Poor."

in re Poor.

Read Draft of a Bill entitled

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On Motion of Alderman  
Cooke seconded by Alderman Pearson the said Act is pass-  
ed and directed to be sent to the Legislature for approval  
and also published in the papers advertising for the City

Letter County

Read Letter from H. H. H. is -  
Berk in re sum well, County Clerk covering an account of City indebtedness  
due County to the County Municipality on balances due for Assess-  
ments.

On Motion of Alderman  
Lyons seconded by Alderman McPherson the same are  
referred to Committee of Arbitration on County claims.

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

Appointment  
Presiding Of-  
ficers.

The following Gentlemen are  
appointed Presiding Officers for holding Elections for  
Mayor and Aldermen on 25<sup>th</sup> April 1888.

Ward No One.	Alderman Cooke.
" " Two.	" Smith.
" " Three.	" Stephen.
" " Four.	" Hechler.
" " Five.	" Lyons.
" " Six.	" Mosher.

On Motion of Alderman  
Pearson seconded by Alderman Cooke the usual allowance  
\$8<sup>00</sup> is voted to Presiding Officers for refreshments on Elec-  
tion day.

Appointment  
Inspectors of  
Elections.

The following Gentlemen are  
appointed as Inspectors of Elections for ensuing year.

Ward No One.	Ward No Two.
William Stoker.	James Allen.
Thomas Mayor.	John Cahill.
Peter Ross.	Arthur Redden
James Hindlay.	Joseph Belcher
Ward No Three.	Ward No Four.
Patrick Dillon.	Mathew Scanlan.
Isaac Sallis.	Patk. Doyle.
Alex. Kemmer.	Edward Donahoe.
J. E. Wilson.	John Devine.
Ward No Five.	Ward No Six.
Henry Harris.	Norman Hays.
Thos. Horhan.	David Mc Donald.
Patrick Hayden.	Thomas Flinn.
John Delaney.	

Draft of an  
Ordinance in  
reference to "The Public Health" a third time clause by  
a Public Health clause No 1 to No 10. passed without amendment.

Read Draft of an Ordinance  
in reference to "The Public Health" a third time clause by  
a Public Health clause No 1 to No 10. passed without amendment.

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On Motion of Alderman  
 Lyons seconded by Alderman Howell The said Ordinance is  
 directed by (the Council), to be engrossed and forwarded to His  
 Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Council for approval.  
 passed.

Letter Agent

Manf's Life & Hart. Agent of the Manufacturers Life and Accident Assur-  
 Accident Assurance Company, offering to insure Fire Engine Men at cer-  
 tain rates against accident &c.

ing to insure

of the firemen. No one is introduced.

Read Letter from William H.

Resolved that the offer of  
 Henry Hart on behalf of the Manufacturers Ins. Co. be ac-  
 cepted and that the Recorder be instructed to prepare a Bill  
 to have the resolution carried into effect. Moved by Alder-  
 man Smith seconded by Alderman Hechler to which the  
 following amendment is introduced.

Whereas this Council being  
 fully sensible of the gratuitous services rendered to the City  
 by the Protection, Fire and Axe Companies of the City is of  
 the opinion that some protection should be afforded the Mem-  
 bers of said Companies against accident.

Therefore Resolved that the  
 letter be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts to en-  
 quire into the expediency of insuring the Members of said  
 Companies against accident and to report to this Council.  
 Moved by Alderman Pearson seconded by Alderman Mc-  
 Pherson which amendment on being put was passed.

Report Special

Committee on Committee on the duties of the Fire Department with a Code  
 of Rules for the good government of an appointed Board  
 Dept. with rules.

To His Worship the Mayor  
 and the City Council.  
 Gentlemen.

Your Committee appointed to  
 confer with the Board of Fire Wards in reference to the Duties  
 and obligations of Keepers and Employees of the Fire Depart-  
 ment beg to submit the following report.

Your Committee after going  
 carefully into the matter and ascertaining the views of the  
 members of the Board of Fire Wards are of opinion that  
 owing to the resolution of the City Council of June 4<sup>th</sup> 1886  
 whereby the constitution of the Board of Fire Wards was  
 largely altered there no longer exists the necessity for the  
 Board as at present constituted. Therefore in view of the un-  
 satisfactory state of affairs and to do away with all fiction  
 your Committee recommend that after the first of May next  
 when the term of the present Fire Wards expires, the Chair-

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Moved by Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Lyons that said report be received and adopted to which the following amendment was introduced

Resolved that the Board of Censol. rel. to Fire Wards be reduced to six Members "Three" of such Board to Board of Fire be "Aldermen" and "Three" other gentlemen to be appointed by this Wards.

Council. Moved by Alderman McPherson seconded by Alderman Pickering which amendment on being put was passed & voting for the same 5 against it. and the names being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Johns, Cooke.	Aldermen Lyons, Stephen.
Bent, G. Brien.	Horall, Delaney.
Pickering, Mosher	Bechler &.
McPherson, Pearson &	

On Motion of Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Lyons the Report is adopted subject to the alteration by the amendment just passed. Motion put and passed.

On Motion of Alderman Pearson seconded by Alderman Horall Item No 9 on "Order of the Day" is taken up.

Letter Inspector of License License on the application of Messrs Dawes & Co. for Wholesale liquor license. on application liquor license. of Dawes & Co. for Wholesale is introduced. liquor license.

Read letter from Inspector of

When the following resolution

Whereas it appears from the

report of the Chief Inspector of License that the delay of Messrs Dawes & Co for a wholesale license to sell spirituous liquors within the City of Halifax arose from mistake and not from any wilful delay or neglect upon their part. There-fore Resolved that the Recorder be instructed to prepare an liquor license Act to be presented to the present Session of the Legislature to Dawes & Co. for enactment asking that the Council be empowered to entertain such application notwithstanding that the time has elapsed for such application. Moved by Alderman Pearson seconded by Alderman Bechler which resolution on being put is passed.

5<sup>15</sup> P.M. On Motion of Alderman Cooke seconded by Alderman Bent.

'The Council Adjourn'.

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Aldermen Bent. Cooke. Pearson. Delaney Smith. Stephen. O'Brien. Pickering Mac Kinlay. Becker Lyons. Johns. Hoodill. Torral. Mosher and McPherson.

The Council were summoned to receive and consider Tenders for New City Hall, business standing over and the transaction of other business.

Read Minutes of Meeting of Council held April 3<sup>rd</sup> inst. which were confirmed.

Alderman Stephen, Chairman of the Board of City Works submits a report from the Board on Tenders for City Hall.

Alderman Stephen submits a Notice of Motion in reference to Deed of Dedication of Reuland Street.

Alderman Hoodill submits a report from Committee on Tenders for Printing & Stationery.

Alderman Lyons submits a resolution in reference to settlement of Poor Asylum & Hospital claim.

Alderman Delaney, Chairman submits a report from Committee on Charities for supplies, accounts for month of March 1888.

Alderman Cooke Chairman submits a report from Committee of City Prison on a/c for March 1888.

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from His Honor the Recorder in reference to the opening of Tenders for New City Hall.

Also a letter from His Honor the Recorder in reference to letter received from Messrs Russell & Gordon, Solicitors for A. E. Milliken

Also a letter from Messrs Russell & Gordon, Solicitors setting forth Mr. Milliken's claim.

Also a Motion of Court for an injunction in re City Hall Tenders.

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Also a report from City Engineer in reference to Exhibition Building and Grounds.

Also a Petition from John A. Mackesey, Chief Inspector of License in reference to his salary.

Also a letter from Thomas Joyce complaining of damage to his horse by track of Horse Car Railway.

Also a letter from John Mearney, complaining of damage occasioned to his tenants by the turning off of the Water supply.

Also a letter from John Doull Esq. President of the Association for Improving Condition of the Poor.

Also a letter from Peter Ross declining to serve as Inspector of Elections in consequence of ill health.

Also a Return from the Supervisor of Measurers of Coal.

Also Cash Statement from City Treasurer for Month of March.

Also Account from City Collector of Taxes and Water Rates collected in Month of March 1888.

On Motion of Alderman Donall seconded by Alderman McPherson the 'Order of the Day' is suspended to read the papers handed in this day.

Report Committee of City Prison in reference.

Read Report from Committee of City Prison of the accounts for Month of March 1888.

City Prison.

April 5<sup>th</sup> 1888.

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee held this day, the following accounts were examined found correct and recommended to this Council for payment.

Geo. Mc Bellan.	\$10.00	B. Marshall	8.24.
J. Allen & Sons.	8.00	A. M. Bell.	5.25.
A. Ardham.	7.73	H. & C. Browe & Co	<u>41.85.</u>
J. Mc Beam & Son.	11.21		<u>\$92.28</u>

Also please find enclosed statement of number of prisoners admitted & discharged during March with amount of work done by male & female prisoners for the month.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. Cooke.

Chairman.

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is introduced.

When the following resolution

Resolved that the report of the City Prison Committee be accepted and that accounts amounting to \$92<sup>25</sup> be paid His Worship the Mayor being hereby authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the same. Moved by Alderman Cooke seconded by Alderman Bechler which resolution on being put is passed.

Report Committee on Charities of Charities on the accounts against Poor's Asylum for month in re a/c. of March.

Read Report from Committee

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The Committee on Charities beg leave to submit the following for the information of the City Council.

The following accounts for month of March were passed and ordered to be paid ordered to be paid.

George Gregoire	\$ 40.00	Geo. Mc Bellan	\$ 116.86
MacIntosh & McInnes	9.40	Edward J. Lordly	509.97
A. M. Bell	6.60	E. Kenton	59.44
J. H. Barnstead	12.82	Longard Brothers	41.34
B. B. Peart	3.00	W. N. Brown	12.55
D & E. Kenny	64.62	Mrs. Jane Murphy	35.00
		Total	<u>\$ 911.60</u>

The Report of Superintendent of Poor's Asylum for month of March shows that 16 persons were admitted, 29 discharged and 5 births and 3 deaths. No of Inmates on 1<sup>st</sup> April 305. A copy of said report is hereto annexed.

Respectfully submitted.

W. C. Delaney.

Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman Delaney seconded by Alderman Cooke the said report is received and adopted.

Read Report from Committee

Report Committee on Tenders on Tenders for Printing and Advertising.

Committee Room.

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Committee on Tenders met this day present Aldermen Torall, O'Brien, Smith and Hoodill for purpose of opening Tenders for Printing. They recommend that the Tenders for advertising be awarded to The Herald and Acadian

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Acadian Recorder as previously reported: Also recommend that the Tenders of Messrs Blackadar Bros. for printing be accepted.

Respectfully Submitted.

Wm Woodill.

Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman Woodill seconded by Alderman Smith the said report is received and adopted.

Read Report from Committee on Tenders on Tenders for Stationery supplies.

Read Tenders from G. St. Jones J. C. Allen & Co. and Geo. Cleary as above.

On Motion of Alderman Mosher seconded by Alderman Pickering the said report is placed on the Order of the Day.

Letter Presid-

ent of the Poor Assn. President of the Poor Association covering an account for broken stone.

in re a/c for broken stone.

Read Letter from John Donnell Lyons seconded by Alderman Mosher the said letter is referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

Letter City

Engineer in re Works covering a letter from City Engineer in reference to improvements certain improvements required at Exhibition Building and required at Grounds.

Exhibition Bui-

lding & Grounds.

man Lyons

being both on the floor to address the Council

the Mayor ruled Alderman Smith out of Order and request-

ed him to take his seat.

Moved by Alderman Mc-

Pherson seconded by Alderman Morall that "the Order of

the Day" be suspended to allow Alderman Lyons to discuss

the above report and that the same be considered. Motion put

and passed.

Alderman Smith objects to

the matter being discussed at this stage as being out of order

and addresses the Council in support of his contention

The Mayor rules that the

discussion is in order from which decision Alderman Smith

appeals to the Council and the vote for sustaining the Chair

having been taken 10 voted for and 5 against it and the names

being called for appeared thus:

For sustaining Chair.

Alderman Bent, Johns, Mosher, Aldermen Stephen, Smith,

Lyons, B. Brien, Cooke.

Morall, McPherson

Delaney, Hechler 10

Against it.

Aldermen Stephen, Smith,

Pickering,

Woodill.

Pearson 5.

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then adjourned.

Resol. rel. to a

Bill to borrow \$5000 for the Dominion Exhibition.

Recorder be instructed to submit a Bill to the Legislature for power to borrow a sum not to exceed \$5000 in the event of the Dominion Exhibition being held at Halifax. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Pearson which resolution on being put was passed.

The following resolution was

Resolved that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to submit a Bill to the Legislature for power to borrow a sum not to exceed \$5000 in the event of the Dominion Exhibition being held at Halifax. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Pearson which resolution on being put was passed.

Letter Thomas Joyce claiming damages to his horse by Street Railway.

Letter Thomas Joyce claiming damages for injuries to his horse by the track of the Halifax Street Railway being out of order. On Motion of Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman O'Brien the said letter is referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

Letter John Mulroney in re water supply to his tenant houses to the Board of City Works to report on.

Read Letter from John Mulroney complaining of damage to his tenants by the turning off of the water supply to his tenant houses 75 & 77 Kempt Road. On Motion of Alderman O'Brien seconded by Alderman Bechler the same is referred to the Board of City Works to report on.

Read Letter from John A. Macbery, Chief Inspector of License, asking consideration of his salary for an increase.

On Motion of Alderman Pearson seconded by Alderman Smith placed on "Order of the Day"

Alderman Smith submits a resolution by way of Notice in re Alderman Bechler's Election matter, which was read.

Letter Recorder in re suit of the Recorder in reference to the Milliken vs City.

Read Letter from His Honor the Recorder in reference to the Milliken suit now before the Supreme Court.

Letter Russell & Bardon in re Milliken vs City.

Read Letter from Messrs Russell & Bardon, Solicitors for Milliken in the same suit.

Read Motion for an injunction to restrain the taking of New Tenders for City Hall. When the following resolution No 3 is introduced.

Resol. rel. to City Hall mat.

Resolved that the opinion of His Honor the Recorder be concurred in, and that a copy of that portion of the same, referring to the proposal of the late Recorder be sent to Mr. Sedgewick at Ottawa for his explanation. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Howell which resolution on being put is passed.

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April 11<sup>th</sup>.Letter Peter  
Ross in reoffice of Inspector  
of Elections from serving.

asking to be excused from serving as an Inspector of Elections in consequence of ill health.

On Motion of Alderman  
Korall. Mr. Ross is excused

Read following resolution sub-  
mitted by Alderman Stephen.

Resol. rel. to deed of dedica-  
tion of Chul-  
land Street.

Resolved that the deed of dedica-  
tion of Chuland Street from R. B. Seston and wife on file  
in the City Clerks Office, Halifax be accepted and recorded  
in the Registrar of Deeds Office if not already accepted. said  
Deed having been on file since August 1872 if His Honor  
the Recorder finds that it complies with the law. Moved by  
Alderman Stephen seconded by Alderman Pearson which  
resolution on being put is passed.

Read Resolution submitted by  
Alderman Lyons in reference to sum in dispute between the  
City and Province in re Poor Asylum and Hospital.

On Motion of Alderman  
Lyons seconded by Alderman Pearson the same is placed  
first on "Order of the Day".

Read Letter from His Honor  
the Recorder in reference to opening Tenders for New City  
Hall.

Resol. rel. to

sum in dispute  
between City& Province in re  
Poor Asylum  
& Hospital.

The "Order of the Day" is then  
taken up. Alderman Lyons resolution as follows read:

It hereas in the Arbitration  
between the City and Government and the award made there-  
under on the 5<sup>th</sup> March 1887 the claim of the City for the  
Hospital Buildings and Grounds was excluded, and where-  
as the right of the City now that said Buildings and Gro-  
unds have been taken over by the Government to be compensa-  
ted therefor is admitted, and whereas the cost of said buildings  
and Grounds far exceeded the sum of \$59,805<sup>52</sup> the amount  
awarded the Government on said Arbitration.

Therefore Resolved that this  
Council in the interests of the tax payers of Halifax protest  
against any legislation compelling the City to pay any portion  
of such award until an Arbitration has been held or a Case  
submitted to the Supreme Court between the City and Gover-  
nment to fix the sum that should be paid the City in the  
event of the value of said property being found to exceed the  
sum of \$59,805<sup>52</sup>

And Further Resolved that  
His Worship the Mayor forthwith communicate this resolu-  
tion to the Leaders of the Government in both Houses of  
the Legislature and request that an opportunity be given to  
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Report Board of Works on tenders for City Hall.

Read Report from the Board of City Works on Tenders for New City Hall.

Office Commissioners.  
Board of City Works.  
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The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting of the Board held this day they had before them the following tenders for the completion of the City Hall.

Macintosh & McInnes	\$ 86199 <sup>00</sup>
S. Mc. Brookfield.	86430 <sup>00</sup>
Rhodes, Lunny & Co.	79450 <sup>00</sup>

which are reported to the City Council for their action thereon.

Respectfully submitted.  
Alex. Stephen.  
Chairman.

Read Tenders of Messrs Rhodes, Lunny & Co. Macintosh & McInnes and Samuel Brookfield. for same work.

Then the following Resolution

No 6 is introduced.

Resol. rel. to contract for City Hall.

Resolved that the tender of Messrs Rhodes, Lunny & Co. for completing the City Hall being the lowest be accepted and the Recorder be instructed to prepare a contract with them for the performance of the work subject to the approval of the Council. The Notice of acceptance not to be sent to Messrs Rhodes, Lunny & Co. and this Resolution not to take effect until the application of the Plaintiff in the action of Milliken vs the City for an injunction is disposed of. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Pearson to which the following amendment is introduced.

Resolved that the tender of Macintosh & McInnes be accepted being lowest City tender. Moved by Alderman McPherson seconded by Alderman Woodill which amendment on being put is lost 4 voting for the same 11 against it, the names being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.	Against it.
Alderman Bent. Mosher.	Aldermen Stephen, Lyons
McPherson	Howall, Johns, Smith
Woodill 4	Pickering, O'Brien
	Cooke, Delaney
	Bescher, Pearson 11



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April 20<sup>th</sup>"Evening Session."  
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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this evening Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Cooke, Kent, Pearson, Keefe, Smith, Stephen, O'Brien, Pickering, Hechler, Roche, Woodill, Lyons, Small, Mosher and McPherson.

The City Council were summoned to consider (a draft of a contemplated) Contract with Messrs Rhodes, Curry & Co. for completion of New City Hall. Matters standing over and the transaction of other business, under a requisition from six of the Aldermen, the requisition at the request of the Mayor having been read.

The Minutes of Meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> April inst. were read and confirmed.

Alderman Lyons, Chairman submits a report from Committee of Public Accounts in reference to several matters referred to them.

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from James St. Gibbon, Secty. Amalgamated Trades Union in reference to obstruction to their flag on Barington St. by Telephone Pole.

Also a Report from City Clerk of two Boys sentenced to St. Patrick's Home.

Also Report from His Honor the Recorder in reference to suit with Mr. Killiken and the Contract with Messrs Rhodes, Curry & Co.

Also a Report from His Honor the Recorder in reference to letter from William Saunders and others in re Contract with Messrs Rhodes, Curry & Co.

Also the Draft of Contract with Messrs Rhodes, Curry & Co. for completion of New City Hall.

Alderman Lyons submits a resolution by way of Notice in re printing Minutes of proceedings of City Council.

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

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Read Report from Committee of Public Accounts submitted this evening in reference to letter from George Thomson, Secty. of the Park Commissioners asking an addition to the sum voted for that purpose, and other matters.

Letter Secty. of Amalgamated Gibbon, Secretary of Amalgamated Trades Union in reference to obstruction to Flag Pole.

Read letter from James A. Gibbon, Secretary A. T. U. be referred to the Board of City Works with instructions to communicate with the Company whose wires cause the obstructions complained of with a request that the obstructions be removed or the request of the letter granted. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Pearson which resolution on being put is passed.

to flag pole. No one is introduced.

Resolved that the letter of James A. Gibbon, Secretary A. T. U. be referred to the Board of City Works with instructions to communicate with the Company whose wires cause the obstructions complained of with a request that the obstructions be removed or the request of the letter granted. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Pearson which resolution on being put is passed.

Report Recorder

Read Report from His Honor

in re Killiken the Recorder in reference to the Killiken Suit and also in Suit & Contract reference to the Contract with Messrs Rhodes, Gurry & Co. for completion of the City Hall.

Read letter from His Honor

the Recorder covering letter from the Mayor and the Secretary of Amalgamated Trades Union Society in re work on City Hall.

Read Articles of Agreement

between the City of Halifax and Messrs Rhodes, Gurry & Co. for completion of New City Hall.

Read letter from City Clerk

reference to two Boys sent to St. Patrick's Home.

Read Resolution of Alderman

Lyons in reference to printing Minutes of Meetings of City Council.

On Motion of Alderman

Lyons seconded by Alderman Smith the same is placed on the 'Order of the Day'.

The 'Order of the Day' is next taken up.

Resol. rel. to agreement for City Hall.

Moved by Alderman Smith

seconded by Alderman Stephen that Mr. Rose, Counsel of Messrs Rhodes, Gurry & Co. be heard on the subject of certain clauses to be inserted in the agreement for the City Hall, to which the following amendment was introduced.

Resolved that the matter of awarding the Contract for finishing New City Hall be deferred until

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April 20<sup>th</sup> until the New Board of City Works are appointed. Moved by Alderman McPherson seconded by Alderman Cooke which amendment on being put was lost 6 voting for the same and 9 against it and the names being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Keefe. Pickering.	Aldermen Bent. Stephen
Moosher. McPherson.	Lyons. Roche.
Woodill. Cooke. 6	Donall. O'Brien.
	Smith. Heschler.
	Pearson 9.

Alderman McPherson gives Notice of reconsideration. The original Motion is then put and passed.

Mr. Ross appears before Council as Solicitor for Messrs Rhodes. Gurry & Co. and requests certain alterations in Contract and hands in the same in writing.

Read Mr. Ross's proposed amendments.

When the following resolution No Two is introduced.

Resolved that the Contract as read be adopted and approved by this Council with the exceptions following: 1<sup>st</sup> That a clause be inserted empowering this Council to remove the Architect upon a majority vote, and to appoint an Architect as successor in the event of the death, or removal by the Council or resignation of the present Architect and that the said successor shall have the same powers as the present official under said Contract. 2<sup>nd</sup> That the word "Material" be struck out of the last clause of the Draft Contract. 3<sup>rd</sup> That the last clause be amended by providing that no such laborer employed by sub Contractor be entitled to the benefit of that clause except from the time that he shall have filed his name and rate of wages with the party of the second part. 4<sup>th</sup> Add a provision for that the Contract shall not go in force until security in ten thousand Dollars with two securities satisfactory to the Recorder and the Mayor or a deposit receipt in the name of the City be given. Moved by Alderman Pearson seconded by Alderman Lyons to which the following amendment is introduced.

Resol. rel. to printing the Contract in re City Hall.

Resolved that the Contract be printed and copies of the same be furnished each Alderman, and further Resolved that the Contract be not approved of until next Meeting of the Council said copies to be furnished in the meantime. Moved by Alderman Keefe seconded by Alderman Woodill which amendment on being put was passed 7 voting for the same 7 against it.

His Worship the Mayor giving his Casting Vote for the amendment

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April 20<sup>th</sup> amendment and the names being called for they appeared thus.

For the Amendment	Against it.
Aldermen Pickering, O'Brien, Mosher, McPherson	Aldermen Smith, Stephen Lyons, Roche, Pearson, Torral, Hechler. 7
Keefe, Cooke, Woodill 7	
Mayor.	

10<sup>12</sup> P.M. Moved by Alderman McPherson seconded by Alderman Keefe that the Council adjourn which motion on being put was passed by the casting vote of the Mayor, 7 voting for and 7 against the adjournment.

"Council Adjourn".

"Evening Session." 8 o'clock.  
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April 24<sup>th</sup>

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this evening Present Aldermen Torral Acting Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Delaney, Smith Roche and Lyons.

The City Council were summoned to consider the Contract with Messrs Rhodes, Lunny & Co. for completion of City Hall and the transaction of other business. Under a requisition from five Aldermen.

There being no quorum to do business at 8<sup>35</sup> the Council stands adjourned until further notice.

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"Afternoon Session."

1/4 to 4 P.M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair Aldermen Cooke, Pearson, Stephen, Pickering Smith, Mac Kinlay, Beckler, Johns, Morall, Mosher and McPherson.

The City Council was summoned to receive the Returns of the Election for Mayor as required by Law.

Read Minutes of Meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup> inst. to Alderman McPhersons. Notice of reconsideration on the Motion made at the last Meeting of the Council "to defer the awarding of the City Hall Contract" which Notice of reconsideration on being put was lost 4 voting for the same 7 against it.

On Motion of Alderman McPherson seconded by Alderman Mac Kinlay, the Minutes of last Meeting were amended by inserting the words "Draft of a contemplated Contract" on the first page of the Minutes of last Meeting, the said change being concurred in by His Honor the Recorder. The Minutes as a whole were then confirmed.

His Worship the Mayor submits a Letter from Messrs Mackintosh & McInnes protesting against any alterations being made in the City Hall Contract.

Also a Bill from the Board of Fire Escapes for their services for past year.

Also a Letter and an A/c from Thomas Joyce in reference to damage to his horse.

Returns of the Election for Mayor.

The following Returns of the Election for Mayor for the City of Halifax for ensuing Civic Year were read.

For Mayor O'Mullin.		For J. J. Hynde Esq.	
Hard No One	190 votes		92 votes
" " Two	122 "		44 "
" " Three	247 "		105 "
" " Four	86 "		23 "
" " Five	578 "		185 "
" " Six	172 "		45 "
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	1395		524
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871 Majority for Mayor O'Mullin.

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His Worship then declared Mr. O'Mullin, elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for ensuing year having a Majority of Votes.

then introduced.

Resol. rel. to

swearing in  
of the Mayor  
Elect.

Resolved that the City Clerk be directed to advise the Honorable the Provincial Secretary with the result of the Election held on the 25<sup>th</sup> inst. and ascertain when His Honor the Lieutenant Governor will be pleased to swear the Mayor Elect into office. Moved by Alderman Cooke seconded by Alderman McPherson that the Council do now adjourn which Motion on being put was lost 4 voting for the same 6 against it.

then introduced.

Resolved that this Council proceed to take up the Resolution of Alderman Pearson and Lyons re Draft of Contract contemplated with Rhodes, Curry & Co. to complete City Hall. Moved by Alderman Pearson seconded by Alderman Stephen.

The Opinion of His Honor the Recorder was taken on the above resolution being introduced at this Meeting and His Honor decided that nothing could be done but to receive the returns for the Election of Mayor (as per notice.)

A Motion of Alderman McPherson seconded by Alderman Mosher to adjourn was put and lost.

in. (after debate.)

Moved by Alderman McPherson seconded by Alderman Cooke that the Council adjourn, which Motion on being put was passed 7 voting for the same 6 against it and the names being called for appeared thus:

For adjournment.	Against it.
Aldermen Pickering, Mosher, Keefe, McPherson, Johns, MacKinlay, Cooke. 7	Aldermen Stephen, Smith, Horall, Delaney, Becher, Pearson. 6

25 min. to 5 "Council Adjourn".