FEBRUARY 17th, 1892.

In May, June and July, 1891, included with the Sanitary Police, where three extra Health Inspectors in addition to the three regular officials, this made 6 in all, namely:

Meagher, Delancy, Watters, Shields, Wallace, Foley, at a salary of

\$800. \$600. \$600. \$360. \$480. \$480. The Board had no knowledge of the existence of the three last mentioned Inspectors, as their salaries were paid them unknown to the present Board and their services discontinued.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the same be placed on the Order Paper, and printed in the minutes. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Keefe to introduce a resolution. Motion passed. When the following resolution is introduced:—*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be requested to place to the credit of the sewerage account the sum of eight thousand dollars from the Unexpended Balance Account, the same to be repaid from sewerage loan now called for, when the said loan is effected. Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Dennis, and on being put is passed.

The Order of the Day is now taken up.

Alderman Lyons' notice of reconsideration of the appointment of John A. Mackasey to the position of Chief Inspector of License for the City of Halifax is now taken up.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be now reconsidered, which motion on being put was lost, 5 voting for the same and 6 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For Reconsideration. Aldermen Mosher, Foster, Lyons, Sanford, Dennis—5. Against it. Aldermen Outhit, McFatridge, Ryan, Pickering, Wier, Keefe—6.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that the Council now proceed to appoint an Assistant Inspector of License for the City of Halifax. The motion on being put is passed, 6 voting for the same and 5 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Dennis, Wier,	Aldermen Keefe, Pickering,
Sanford, Lyons,	Ryan, McFatridge,
Foster, Mosher.—6.	Outhit5.

The following resolution is then introduced:

Resolved, That Abner Hart be appointed Assistant Inspector of Licenses at a salary of \$800.00 per annum, the said salary to be paid out of the license fund as the salary of the Chief Inspector is now paid. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Lyons.

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Moved in amendment by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that the six sergeants be appointed Assistant Inspectors to Mr. Mackasey the Chief Inspector. Said amendment on being put was lost, 5 voting for the same and 6 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Amendment.

Aldermen Keefe, Pickering,	Aldermen Dennis, Wier,
Ryan, McFatridge,	Sanford, Lyons,
Outhit5	Foster, Mosher.—6.

Alderman Pickering gives notice of reconsideration.

The following second amendment is now introduced: Resolved, That the consideration of the appointment of an Assistant Inspector be deferred until such time as the Council advertise for applicants for said position and stating in said advertisement the amount of salary and the requirements to be furnished by applicants. Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Ryan, said amendment on being put was lost. 5 voting for the same and 6 against it. The names being called for, appeared thus:

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Outhit, McFatridge,	Aldermen Mosher, Foster,
Ryan, Keefe,	Lyons, Sanford,
Pickering-5.	Wier, Dennis-6.

Alderman Keefe gives notice of reconsideration.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that a "call of Council" be had. Time-5.15.

The Deputy Mayor rules the Call of Council out of order.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed. Six voting for the same, and five against it. The names being called for, appeared thus: Against it.

For the Motion.

Aldermen McFatridge, Ryan,

Aldermen Mosher, Foster. Lyons, Sanford.

Against it.

Dennis-5.

Wier, Keefe-6. The Council adjourns at 5.20 o'clock.

Outhit, Pickering,

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3.10—P. M.

MARCH 1st, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day. At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Foster, Lane Pickering, Keefe, Sanford, Sweet.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the time for meeting be extended twenty minutes. Motion passed.

8.30 roll called. Present, the above named, with Aldermen Dennis, Hamilton, Ryan, Lyons, McFatridge, Mosher, Outhit.

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

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Aldermen Keefe, chairman Board of City Works, submits a report from said Board on proposed new pipe line for water supply, covering two reports from the City Engineer on same subject.

Alderman Pickering, chairman, submits a report from the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners, covering sundry accounts, &c.

Alderman Sweet, chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Public Accounts recommending payment of sundry accounts.

His Worship the Mayor submits a petition from E. M. Saunders and others in reference to Common Lots, also a petition from John Doull and others for a sewer on Young Avenue.

Also a letter from L. J. Jones, for the Governor General's Secretary, covering a copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, conveying the expression of Her Majesty, on behalf of the Royal Family, of their heartfelt gratitude for the token of loyalty and sympathy expressed by the City Council of Halifax in the resolution of condolence at the death of the late Duke of Clarence and Avondale. Also letter from E. H. Keating, Ex City Engineer, re claim for services.

Also, letter from Charles M. Creed, Secretary Board of Trade, asking conference, re Railway extension.

Also, petition from the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, asking compensation for maintenance of female offenders committed to the Home of the Good Shepherd by the Stipendiary Magistrate of the City.

Also, letter from William McKerron, Secretary of Provincial Exhibition, 1891, covering copy of a resolution of thanks for assistance rendered by the City Council and officials.

Also, a petition from the Executive Committee of the Halifax Retail Grocers Association, in re proposed new Assessment Act now before Council.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Keefe that the Order of the Day be suspended to read papers handed in this day. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works, with two reports of the City Engineer, on proposed new pipe line for water supply. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that the same be taken up and considered first at the next meeting of the Council. Motion passed.

Read report from the Board of Firewards and Fire Commissioners, in re sale of Hand Engine, Alma. Increase of salary to John T. Murpy, and payment of sundry accounts.

February 29th, 1892.

The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to report as follows:

RE SALE OF HAND ENGINE "ALMA."

Your Board had said engine appraised by the caretaker, who fixed the value at \$400, as per his return annexed hereto. But since said valuation was made, your Board have ascertained that the members of No. Six Division place a sentimental value upon said engine that cannot be calculated by dollars and cents, and as it is the only one left of the old hand engines, they recommend that the question of the sale of said engine be not entertained.

Your Board had also before them the application of John T. Murphy, Storekeeper Fire Department, for an increase of salary, and would recommend that Mr. Murphy's salary be placed at \$600 per annum.

The following accounts were examined and recommended for payment:

> A. Lamphier, rent of Ladder House......\$135 00 Of this amount \$90 has been recommended

in previous report..... 90 00

\$45	00
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Mahar & Woodill, cab hire (Stephen's fire).	4	75	
Halifax Illuminating and Motor Co., Lamps			
No. 7 Engine House	4	50	
Axe and Ladder Co., 6 mos. services	75	00	
James A. Gass, wicks and burners		45	
Halifax Gas Co., methylated spirits	6	00	
T. W. Bateman, repairing lock, etc	5	50	
D. C. Dawson, zincs for batteries	33	00	
Frank Flemming, labor fire alarm	17	25	
Industrial School, kindling wood	24	15	
Farquhar Bros., stoves, tinsmith and			

plumbing work	130	56	
Cragg Bros., stove, etc	28	65	
W. Shepherd, repairing fire alarm wires	7	50	
W. N. Brown, grapling, repairing axes, etc.	7	75	
Halifax Illuminating and Motor Co., light-		0.530.5	
ing No. 7 Engine House	16	34	
W. & A. Moir, repairs steam fire engine	63	07	
Stephen & Sons, supplies for new ladder			
house	11	25	
Power & Co., repairs to Gerrish St. Engine	100		
House	95	48	
S. Cunard & Co., coal			
V. F. Farrell, Oil		46	
W. T. Horton, repairs old ladder house		49	
W. T. Horton No. 6 Engine hose.		62	
A. Lamphier, " to reels, etc		05	
C. W. Davies, locksmith work		75	
C. H. Blackadar & Son, covering house		40	
Cragg Bros. & Co., supplies		95	
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W. F. PICKERING, Chairman.

When the following resolution is introduced :—*Resolved*, That the report of the Board of Firewards, submitted this day, be received and approved, and that His Worship the Mayor sign warrants for the payment of the accounts. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Ryan, and on being put is passed.

Read report from the Committee on Public Accounts, recommending payment of sundry accounts.

The Committee on Public Accounts having examined the following accounts, recommend the same for payment, viz:

A. & W. Mackinlay	\$22	05
Theakston & Co		00
Theakston & Co	59	00
Blackadar Bros, Advertising	52	18
Blackadar Bros. Printing last civic year, to be		
charged to unexpended balances	905	07

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R. J. SWEET, Chairman.

Wken the following resolution is introduced :--Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Public Accounts be adopted, and His Worship the Mayor, be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts mentioned therein. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Lane, and passed.

Read petition from E. M. Sanders and others, in reference to Common Lots. Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that the same be referred to His Honor the Recorder to report on. Motion passed.

Read petition from John John Doull and others, asking sewer construction on Young Avenue. Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read letter from L. J. Jones, for the Governor General's Secretary, covering a copy of a despatch from the Secretary of the State for the Colonies conveying the expression of Her Majesty on behalf of the Royal family, of their heartfelt gratitude for the token of loyalty and sympathy expressed by the City Council of Halifax, on their resolution of condolence at the death of the late Duke of Clarence and Avondale. To be placed on file.

Read letter from E. H. Keating, ex-City Engineer *re* his claim for services. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the same be sent to His Honor the Recorder to report on. Motion passed.

Read petition from the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, at Halifax, asking compensation for maintenance of female offenders sentenced to the Home of the Good Shepherd by His Honor the Stipendiary Magistrate for the City. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges to report on. Motion passed.

Read letter from Charles M. Creed, Secretary of Board of Trade, asking conference with City Council on the subject of further extensions of the Intercolonial Railway into the City. Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the Clerk acknowledge receipt of said letter, and inform Mr. Creed that the committee of the City Council on the subject will be pleased to meet the Council of the Board of Trade at any date they may name to consider the matter. Motion passed.

Read letter from William McKerron, Secretary of Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition, 1891, covering a copy of a resolution passed by the the Exhibition Committee expressing thanks to the City Council and its officials for valuable assistance rendered said committee.

When the following resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the communication of the Secretary of Exhibition Committee, be aknowledged and that the Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Exhibition Committee in regard to the surplus remaining in their hands, and to ask that the same be paid into the City Treasury on special account for Exhibition purposes. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster, and on being put is passed.

Read petition from James A. Gass, President, on behalf of the Executive Committee of the Halifax Retail Grocers' Association in

reference to proposed new Assessment Act now before the City Council. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Lyons, that the same be taken up with No. 2 on Order Paper, viz: Report of Special Committee of the Council *re* assessment. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that No. 37 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 37, viz: report of Board of City Works with an account from the Appraisers for services in preparing an appraisement for sites for the proposed New Market.

December 28, 1891.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the accompanying bill from Messrs. James Shand, George Wiswell and John Naylor for services in preparing an appraisement of sites for the proposed new City Market, when it was decided to forward it to the City Council wich a recommendation that it be paid out of the accrued interest on the money obtained from the sales of the City Market Building.

S. MOSHER, Acting Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the Appraisers be tendered the sum of sixty dollars each in full for all services performed. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Pickering to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that No. 39. viz: resolution of Alderman Sweet, in *re* loan required to retire Water Debentures be struck from Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that No. 12, viz: Alderman Foster's notice of Motion in reference to amending the Act regarding Fire Escapes, be struck from Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dennis seconded by Alderman Foster, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Dennis to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution is then introduced :—*Resolved*, That the Board of Works and Engineer is hereby instructed to consider the advisability of laying water pipes in the trench opened for a sewer along Edward Street so far as said trench is open and to do so if found economical. Moved by Alderman Dennis seconded by Alderman Keefe, and on being put is passed.

Alderman Pickering's notice of reconsideration of the Amendment to appoint the Sergeants of Police as Assistant License Inspectors is now taken up. Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the same be now reconsidered. Motion passed, 10 voting for the same and 3 against it. The names on being called appeared thus:

For Reconsideration. Aldermen Keefe, Hamilton, Sanford, Pickering, Sweet, Lane, Ryan, McFatridge, Foster, Outhit.—10. Against it. Aldermen Dennis, Lyons, Mosher.—3.

Read amendment of Alderman Pickering relative to the appointment of the Sergeants of Police as Assistant License Inspectors as entered at last meeting. The said amendment on being put was passed, 10 voting for the same and 3 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Outhit, Foster. McFatridge,	Aldermen Mosher,
Lane, Sweet, Sanford,	Lyons.
Hamilton, Keefe,	Dennis.—3.
Pickering, Ryan10.	

Alderman Keefe's notice of reconsideration in *re* appointment of Assistant License Inspector is withdrawn.

The following resolution is next introduced :—*Resolved* that as remuneration for the extra duties performed as Assistant Inspector's of License, the sergeants of police be paid fifty dollars each out of the license fund in addition to their pay as police officers, and that copies of all violations of the Liquor License Act, as reported by them to the Chief Inspector of License, be forwarded by them to His Worship the Mayor. Moved by Alderman Dennis seconded by Alderman Lane. (Objected to.)

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster, that No. 20 on order paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 20. Alderman Lyons resolution in re reduction in rent of Ferry dock as follows :---

Resolved on hearing the representatives of the Dartmouth Ferry Commission, that the City of Halifax from this date, make an abatement in the rent of the Ferry dock to compare with the fare charged for ordinary passengers putting the rent at \$1,000.00 when a five cent fare is charged, and abating it at the rate of \$200.00 for each cent reduction in the fare from time to time. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster, and on being put is passed.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that No. 40 on order paper, be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 40. Resolution of Alderman Foster in re grants to Fire Companies as follows:—*Resolved* that His Worship be authorized to pay the annual grants to the Fire Companies, and that such grants be devoted solely to the benevolent benefit, or entertainment purposes of such organization. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Lyons, and passed.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that No. 46 on the order paper be now taken up. Motion passed. Read 46, Opinion of His Honor the Recorder on the application of J. A. Doyle for license to sell liquor on the Market Wharf.

February 15th, 1892.

IN RE DOYLE'S LICENSE ON MARKET WHARF.

By sub-section one, section twelve of Chapter eighteen of the acts of "1890," "no room wherein it is lawful to sell liquor by virtue of a wholesale or shop license shall have any door not opening on the public street. The roadway leading from Water street down the Market Wharf is not a public street. It is quite true that any person has the right to travel it for any purpose connected therewith, but the owner could shut it up or prevent the general public from travelling it. The license should not be granted, and it is not in the power of the Council to do so.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY, Recorder.

To His Worship the Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that the opinion of His Honor be concurred in. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that No. 24 on the order paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read No. 24, Report Board Fire Wards in *re* Storage of Oil, payment of accounts, etc., with letter N. S. Fire Insurance Association.

November 13th, 1891.

The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg to report as follows:

Re claims of Adam McKay and F. P. Ronnan, for loss sustained through the fire on Upper Water Street.

In this matter the Board notified Messrs. McKay and Ronnan to attend a meeting called for the purpose of hearing on what ground they based their claim for damages, but neither of them appeared.

After a careful consideration of the matter it was decided that the Board recommend to the Council that the opinion of His Honor the Recorder as expressed in his report on the matter submitted to the City Council on the 22nd October ult. be concurred in.

RE STORAGE OF PETROLEUM.

In the matter of the storage of Inflammable Oils, the Board still adhere to a resolution passed by them on the 25th September ult. as

follows:—That the Council take no action in the way of erecting an Oil Warehouse, but give public notice that no oil be stored within the City limits after the first day of January, 1892. Parties storing oil in the City after that date to be presecuted as the law directs.

Your committee do this because they do not know of any law that could be passed, that would meet the views of all parties better than the Dominion Law on the subject.

The following accounts having been submitted to the Board are recommended for payment:

Bangor Extension Ladder Co., for ladders	\$48	00	
Freight, duty, etc., on same		53	
No. 2 Vesta Hose Division, Rent of Rooms	25	00	
No. 1 S. F. E. Division, " "	25	00	
William Roche, Coal	17	50	
James Smith, men and boats at fire	10	00	
C. F. Mott, Soap	8	25	
William Gifford, use of boat at Dempster's fire	3	50	
N.S. Telephone Co., Rent of Telephones to May 1st.	105	00	
Halifax Gas Light Co., for Coal at Dempster's fire		00	
John H. Holland, Window Shade for No. 5 Div	11	75	
A. Lamphier, Rent of Ladder House	90	00	
Halifax Illmtg & Motor Co., lighting No. 7, E. House	16	34	
Forsyth, Sutcliffe & Co., Bluestone	15	00	
I. Sallis, removing night soil	6	00	
W. & A. Moir, repairs to No. 2, S. F. E		75	

W. F. PICKERING, Chairman.

The following resolution is now introduced:—*Resolved* and His Worship the Mayor is hereby instructed to sign warrants for the payments of the accounts contained in the report of the Board of Fire Wards of the 13th November, 1891. Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Foster and on being put is passed.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton seconded by Keefe, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 5.40 p. m.

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MARCH 4tb, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day at the above hour. Present: His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Aldermen Roy, Boak, Allen, Keefe, Dennis, Wier, Sanford, Pickering Hamilton, Sweet, Lane, Lyons, Foster, Adams and Outhit

The Council was summoned to consider the reports of the Board of City Works and City Engineer on Water Supply improvement, and the transaction of other business.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed,

Alderman Dennis submits a report from the Committee on Laws and Privileges, on several matters.

His Worship the Mayor submits a letter from R. J. Wilson, Secretary Board of School Commissioners, covering the estimate for the support of the Public Schools of the City of Halifax, for the year 1892-3.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers handed in. Motion passed.

Read letter from R J. Wilson, Sccretary Board of School Commissioners, covering the estimates for the support of the Public Schools of the City of Halifax for the year 1892-3. To be placed on file.

Read report of Committee on Laws and Privileges, on account of Robert Sedgewick, for services in suit Cogswell vs. Holland, and other matters. To go on Order Paper.

His Worship the Mayor here submits a letter from H. B. Laidlaw, complaining of the condition of the streets on the route of the Horse Railway. The same was read. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the City Engineer being present be heard on the subject of the condition of the streets. Motion passed.

The City Engineer then addressed the Council on the subject. Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the letter of Mr. Laidlaw be referred to the City Engineer to report on. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Allan, that a special meeting of the City Council be called for some day (to be named by the Mayor) during next week, for the purpose of considering the report of Special Committee on Tax Reform, etc. Motion passed.

The following resolution is next introduced on suspension of the Order of the Day.

Resolved, And His Worship the Mayor, together with the City Treasurer, is hereby authorized to negotiate with the Merchants' Bank for an over draft for an amount not to exceed Eight Thousand Dollars. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Sweet, and passed.

On motion, the Order of the Day is further suspended to allow Alderman Pickering to introduce a resolution as follows :- Whereas. it having been brought to the notice of the Council that the Compulsory School Act provides for the commitment of offenders under said Act. to a place of confinement and reformation, at the discretion of the Stipendiary Magistrate. And Whereas, at present the Stipendiary Magistrate is compelled to send such offenders to the Industrial School, whose inmates are chiefly composed of the criminal class, and who are not the fit companions of children whose only offence is the violation of the School Act. Therefore Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges to ascertain, and report the advisability of providing better accommodation for such offenders. Also, the advisability of having the Act changed, to compel parents or guardians to pay the amount of maintenance for their children when the parents or guardians are in a position so to do. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Keefe, which resolution on being put is passed.

Number 41 on Order Paper, viz:-Report of the Board of City Works, with two reports of City Engineer on new pipe line for water supply is now taken up. The same are read.

February 22nd, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day. they had under consideration a report from the City Engineer on proposed new pipe line for water supply, which is enclosed, when it was determined to forward it to the City Council with a recommendation that the suggestions contained therein be carried out. It was also ordered that a more lengthy report upon the water supply, presented at a previous meeting (which is also enclosed) be presented to the Council for its information.

M. E. KEEFE, Chairman.

February 20th, 1892.

NEW PIPE LINE.

Chairman Board of Works:

SIR,—In compliance with the request of a Committee of your Honorable Board, I beg to submit an abstract of that portion of the report on Water Supply improvement, referring to the proposed duplicate main.

Your Committee ask that brevity should be regarded as an essential element, and that only a part of the remarks respecting the pipe line should be quoted, as there seemed to be an impression that the control

consumption or prevention of waste would be very difficult, if not an impossibility. I have already submitted an opinion on the advisability of construction. I therefore repeat a small portion, dealing exclusively with the pipe line.

If the rainfall in 1889 had been no greater than in 1860, the available supply from Long Lake water-shed would have been dimished 490.-000,000 gallons, and the present 24 inch main would have drained the lake to the lowest possible level. If a duplicate pipe is laid, and the consumption increased there would be a risk in very dry seasons of the city being entirely deprived of water. It is therefore an absolute necessity to reduce the consumption, no matter what other plan for improvement is adopted. Taking 46 inches of rainfall as above in which to calculate the required diameter of pipe for the proposed new line, and considering the loss of head as the pipe gets foul, and the fact that the consumption of daily supply, if properly controlled, takes place in the 12 hours of day, it would be advisable to lay a pipe not less than 24 inches in diameter. If we consider the efficiency demanded when a fire occurs, more especially when the other main is turned off nothing less than a 27 inch pipe will satisfy the requirements.

The cost of laying a 24 inch pipe would be about \$94,000 not including new distribution, land damages and changes required at the lakes. The cost of a 27 inch main would be about \$104,000. The cost of right of way is estimated at \$2,000 besides some concessions respecting water supply.

The extra cost should not prevent the adoption of the most efficient service. I would respectfully urge however, that the recommendation made last week be not overlooked, especially that respecting Nickerson's dam at Long Lake, and I would also suggest that these remarks be considered with the remainder of the report of which they formed a part.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

His Worship the Mayor retires, and Alderman Lyons takes the chair. The following resolution was then introduced :—*Resolved*, That the recommendation of the City Engineer, in *re* laying of a duplicate main in connection with the low service, and repairs to Nickerson's dam be adopted, and that the Board of Works be authorized to proceed with the carrying out of the work in accordance with said recommendation. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Adams. To which the following amendment is introduced :—*Resolved*, That the Engineer furnish this Council with an amended report and estimate for the inprovement of the water works, if such is practical, without the extra main. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Boak.

His Worship the Mayor here resumes the chair. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the City Engineer be now heard on the subject. Motion passed.

The City Engineer then addressed the Council on the same.

After debate the amendment moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Boak, was put and lost. six voting for the same and eight against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Allen, Boak,	Aldermen Pickering, Keefe,
Wier, Hamilton,	Dennis, Sanford,
Lane, Lyons6.	Foster, Adams,
a second and the family of	Sweet, Outhit8.

The following second amendment was then introduced :- Whereas, City Engineer Keating repeatedly called the attention of the Council to the enormous and wanton waste of water which was permitted to exist in this city, and no adequate steps were taken to prevent the same. And Whereas, the report of the City Engineer Doane, now before the Council, shows that if the waste of water estimated at 900,000,000 gallons annually was stopped, the supply would be ample to meet all reasonable demands of consumers in a city twice the population of Halifax. And Whereas, The said report further shows that if the proposed new pipe line is laid, and no proper steps are taken to prevent the waste, the supply will not be materially improved, but on the contrary enormously increased quantity of water brought into the city and wasted would drain the lakes in dry seasons, and leave the city in a worse position than ever. Resolved, That the duty of the Council is to take immediate and thorough steps to prevent the waste of water, and that the proposed expenditure of \$150,000 for a new pipe and distribution service would be an unnecessary and unjustifiable expenditure of money, increasing the taxes of the already overburdened rate-payers. Further Resolved, That the report of the Engineer be referred back to the Board of Works, to report upon the cost of the improvements in the lakes and dams reported by the Engineer as being absolutely necessary; said report to be made at the earliest period possible, so that the necessary authority may be obtained from the Legislature to borrow the money required for said improvements. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Wier, which amendment on being put is lost, six voting for the same and eight against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Amendment. Aldermen Lyons, Dennis, Lane, Hamilton, Wier, Allen,—6.

Against it. Aldermen Outhit, Sweet, Adams, Foster, Sanford, Keefe, Boak, Pickering.—8.

The original resolution was then put and passed. Seven voting for the same and seven against it.

His Worship the Mayor giving his casting vote for the resolution. The names on being called for appeared thus:

For Resolution. Aldermen Pickering, Keefe, Sanford, Foster, Adams, Sweet, Outhit.—7. The Mayor.

Against it. Aldermen Allen, Boak,

Wier, Hamilton, Lane, Dennis, Lyons.—7.

Alderman Hamilton gives notice of re-consideration.

The following resolution is next introduced:—*Resolved*, That the portion of the Engineer's report on water extension be referred to the Committee of Laws and Privileges, with His Honor the Recorder, to effect such settlement with mill owners, and owners of land surrounding the lakes, as will be in the best interests of the city, and report.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Sweet, and on being put is passed.

Read notice of action from George A. Blakely, through his solicitor George H. Fielding, against the City of Halifax, claiming the sum of two thousand dollars for injuries received by his son, by the explosion of a dynamite cartridge, the property of the said City of Halifax.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that the same be referred to His Honor the Recorder to report on. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Adams, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourn at 6.15 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3.10-P. M.

MARCH 10th, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day. At the above hour there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Mosher, Wier, Sweet, Foster, Sanford, Outhit and Adams. Moved by Alderman Outhit, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that the time for meeting be extended twenty minutes, or until a quorum is had. Motion passed.

3.20.—Roll Called. Present—the above named, with Aldermen, Roy, Boak, Allan, Keefe, Dennis, Pickering, Hamilton, Lane, Ryan, Lyons, McFatridge.

The Council was summoned to consider the report of Committee on Tax Reform, to proceed with business standing over, and the transaction of other business.

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Keefe, Chairman, submits three reports from Board of City Works, viz:

Report on the cost of proposed new Sewers in various parts of the city.

Report on petition for Sewer on South street, from Wellington street to Tower Road.

Report on letter from John D. Longard, complaining of present condition of Lockman street.

Alderman Sweet, Chairman, submits a report from Committee on Cemetery.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers :

A report from the City Engineer, re Sewer petitions.

A letter from E. L. Fenerty, Councillor, District 14, County of Halifax, relative to repair of road that runs from head of North West Arm to Three Mile House; covering letter from W. H. Wiswell, County Clerk, in reference thereto.

Report of City Engineer on letter from H. B. Laidlaw, in reference to the state of the streets on line of the Street Railway.

Report from Assistant City Clerk, in *re* accounts for Printing, Stationery, etc.

Cash statement of City Treasurer for the month of February, 1892. Monthly return of the City Collector of rates for 1891, collected in 1892. Also, return of Water Rates, collected February, 1892.

Notices of action from Fredk. P. Ronnan, Adam McKay and Mrs. Mary Jane Morley, claiming damages for loss sustained through Water street fire.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Allen, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers handed in this day. Motion passed.

Read report from Board of City Works, covering a report from the City Engineer on the estimated cost of new sewers, recommended in report to Board of Health, Jan'y 14th, 1892. To go on order paper.

Alderman McFatridge, Chairman, has leave to submit a report of Committee on City Prison.

Read report from Board of City Works on letter from John D. Longard, relative to condition of Lockman street. To go on Order Paper.

Read report from Board of City Works and City Engineer, on petition for sewer on South street, from Wellington street to Tower Road.

March 7th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the report of the City Engineer upon a petition for sewer on South street, from Wellington street to Tower Road, when it was ordered to be sent to the Council, with the recommendation that the same be built in its turn, and that the Provincial Government be asked to contribute to the cost.

M. E. KEEFE, Chairman.

SOUTH STREET SEWER.

Chairman Board of Works:

SIR,—The occompanying letter and minute of Council having been referred to me, I beg to report.

This sewer was reported on Nov. 20th, 1890. The City Engineer estimated it to cost \$2850. The sewerage rates would be \$1400, of which \$750.00 would be assessed against the Hospital grounds. If the grounds belong to the province these rates could not be collected unless the government will pay them.

There are eight or ten dwellings along the south side of the street, and I would recommend the construction of the sewer.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Roy, that the said report be referred back to the Board of Works to have said sewer placed on the Order Book for construction in its turn. Motion passed.

Read report from the City Engineer on the letter from H. B. Laidlaw, in reference to the state of the streets on line of Horse Railway. To go on Order Paper.

Read letter from E. L. Fenerty, Councillor, District No. 14, asking that the City Council pay a proportion of the cost necessary for keeping in repair the road that runs from the head of the North West Arm

to the Three Mile House, with letter from W. H. Wiswell, County Clerk, on the subject. To go on Order Paper.

Read report from the Committee on Cemetery, asking that the necessary steps be taken to provide for a new Cemetery. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Wier, that the same be taken up with No. 40 on Order Paper, viz:—Report of Committee on Cemetery, on the subject of a new cemetery, with letter from Evangelical Alliance on the subject. Motion passed.

Read report of City Engineer on Sewer Petitions, with proposed form of petition.

March 15th, 1892.

SEWER PETITIONS.

His Worship the Mayor:

SIR,—Under the provisions of Section 474 of the amended City Charter, every petition for a common Sewer shall be be made out upon printed forms, provided for that purpose, and to be obtained at the City Engineer's office. Section 506 provides that all petitions, reports and correspondence connected with drains and sewers shall finally be deposited at the City Engineer's office, where they shall be regularly numbered, endorsed and filed, so as to be easily referred to.

These sections were passed for the purpose of lessening the work in this office, in connection with sewers. Neither of these provisions are adhered to. No petition, report or correspondence, has yet been returned to this office, and all the information or authority we have is a minute of Council for each sewer ordered. If petitions and schedules were properly filled out and finally deposited, as the law provides, they would be of great assistance in preparing the sewerage plan, and a great many annoying mistakes in frontage, etc., would be avoided.

I would respectfully recommend that the accompanying blank forms be adopted and printed, and that in future all sewer petitions, reports and correspondence be finally deposited in this office.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

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

That we number (more than or).....one half of the owners of property on said street, between the points above named, and will comply in every detail with the provisions of the City Charter respecting Sewers.

SCHEDULE.

NAME OF OWNER.	Frontage.	Amount.	
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I certify the above correct $\begin{cases} \text{Name oth} \\ & & \\ & $	e of some Surve er competent pe	yor or orson. City Engin or his Assistant.	

Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the same be referred to the Board of City, Works to carry out the recommendations contained in said report. Motion passed.

Read report from the Assistant City Clerk, covering sundry accounts. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts to report on. Motion passed.

Read report from the Committee on City Prison re accounts for the month of February.

March 5, 1892.

To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen of the City.

Your committee visited the City Prison to-day and found the same in its usual clean and orderly condition, the prisoners in a good state of Health and comfortable.

Am also pleased to inform you that the Governor and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Murray, who had been afflicted with La Grippe are now quite recovered and well.

Also that the accounts herewith submitted were approved and passed for payment:

G. P. Henry	\$18	00
H. H. Fuller & Co	1	20
P. Walsh		90
A. F. Buckley	29	49
J. O'Connell.	20	25
Wm. Roche	11	72
E. Morrison & Co	13	00
J. W. Wallace	5	93
H. W. Wentzell & Co	23	30

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Present Aldermen Boak, Lane and Outhit, also City Medical Officer Dr. Trenaman.

I. S. SANFORD,

Acting Chairman.

When the following resolution is introduced: Resolved. That the accounts of City Prison for past month be adopted and His Worship the Mayor requested to sign warrants for payment of the same. Moved by Alderman Sanford, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, and on being put is passed.

Read notice of action from Adam McKay, through his Solicitor, W. W. McLellan, for damages (\$10,000) for property destroyed by the fire on Upper Water street, about the 1st October last.

Read notice of action from Frederick P. Ronnan, through his Solicitor, W. W. McLellan, for damages (\$2,000) for loss of property destroyed by the fire on Upper Water street, about the 1st October last.

Read notice of action from Mary Jane Morley, claiming (\$3,000) damages for damage to her house by fire on Upper Water street, on 1st October last.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Allen, that said notices of action be referred to His Honor the Recorder to report on. Motion passed.

The Order of the Day is now taken up.

Alderman Hamilton's notice of reconsideration of resolution, in re laying of a duplicate main in connection with low service water supply is now taken up. Moved by Alderman Hamilton, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that the same be now re-considered. Which motion on being put was lost, eight voting for the same and nine against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Re-consideration.	Against it.
Aldermen Roy, Allen,	Aldermen Keefe, Sanford,
Dennis, Wier,	Pickering, Sweet,
Hamilton, Lane,	McFatridge, Foster,
Ryan, Lyons8.	Adams, Mosher,
•	Outhit9.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that No. 2 on Order Paper:—Report of Special Committee appointed to confer with the Halifax Merchants Tax Reform Association, in *re* assessment, be now taken up and considered clause by clause. Read said report with petition from Retail Grocers Association on the subject.

Read 1st Clause :—That a limit be placed on the rate of taxation on the assessment of real estate not to exceed $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that said clause do pass. Moved in amendment by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Pickering that said first clause be struck out, and that there be no limit to the rate of taxation on real estate. The amendment on being put was passed, ten voting for the same and eight against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Keefe, Wier,	Aldermen Roy, Boak,
Sanford, Pickering,	Allen, Dennis,
Sweet, Ryan,	Hamilton, McFatridge,
Foster, Adams,	Lane, Lyons8.
Mosher, Outhit10.	

Read 2nd Clause:—Providing for a business tax in lieu of the tax on personal property, etc.

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Dennis, that said clause do pass. Which motion on being put was lost, eight voting for

the same and ten against it. The names on being called for appeared thus:

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Lyons, Boak,	Aldermen Outhit, Mosher,
Lane, Roy,	Adams, Foster,
Sweet, Hamilton,	McFatridge, Ryan,
Dennis, Allen.—8.	Pickering, Sanford,
	Wier Keefe -10

Moved by Alderman Lyons, seconded by Alderman Foster, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 6.05.

A FTERNOON SESSION.

3.10-P. M.

MARCH 18th, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day. At the above hour there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Boak, Foster, Sanford, Lane, Wier, Sweet and Pickering. Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that the time for meeting be extended twenty minutes, or until a quorum is had. Motion passed.

3.25. Roll called. Present: the above-named, with Aldermen Allen, Keefe, Dennis, Hamilton, Ryan, McFatridge and Outhit.

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

Alderman Keefe, chairman, submits a report from the Board of City Works on sewer, Robie Street, south end.

Also a petition from residents of Bloomfield Street for a sewer in said street.

Alderman Wier, chairman, submits a report from committee on tenders re tenders for loan.

Alderman Sweet, chairman, submits a report from committee on Public Accounts, recommending payment of sundry accounts.

Also a report from the committee on Widening of Lockman Street and Railway Extension.

Alderman Pickering submits a petition from the Retail Grocers' Association re licensing of hawkers, peddlers and others.

Alderman Boak, chairman, submits a report from the committee on Charities re accounts, etc.

Alderman Foster submits a petition from residents of Woodill Street for sewer.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers: Five reports from His Worship the Recorder, viz.: Report on petition of Rev. Mr. Saunders and others for commutation of certain Common Lots. A report on petition of John R. Forbes and others for sewer on LeMarchant Street.

A report on claims of Adam McKay, F. P. Ronnan and Mrs. Morley for damages sustained at the fire on Upper Water Street.

A report on suit, Lordly vs. the City, under appeal to Supreme Court of Canada with an account for professional services.

A report on claim of E. H. Keating ex-City Engineer, for salary.

A report from City Engineer *re* extension of Inglis Street. Also letter covering sewerage plan and assessment list for the year 1891 in duplicate.

A report for month of February from the Supervisor of Coal Measurers showing returns.

Letter from Henry D. Blackadar, covering resolutions re railway extension, passed at a meeting of the electors of Wards 5 and 6, held 15th inst.

Letter from O. M. Hill, relative to photographic group of City Council and officials.

Draft of an Act relative to exemption from taxation of certain property now before the Legislature.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Allen, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers handed in Motion passed.

Read report from Board of City Works *re* petition for sewer Robie Street, south end, with report of the City Engineer on the same.

March 14th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day they had under consideration the petition for sewer, Robie Street, south end together with a report from the City Engineer upon it, when it was decided to forward the report to the City Council with the recommendation that the sewer be built in its turn in accordance with the report of the Engineer.

M. E. KEEFE, Chairman.

ROBIE STREET SEWER.

Chairman Board of Works.

SIR,—I beg to report respecting the accompanying petition for a sewer on Robie Street, that the distance will be about 150 feet as stated in the petition. Part of the assessment could be levied on the east side of the street without giving the privilege of drainage. In order to drain the double house on the east side of Robie Street a length of 180 feet at the least would be required, and I would recommend the construction for that distance.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Allen, that the said report be adopted and sent back to the Board to be placed on order book for construction in its turn. Motion passed.

I Read report from committee on tenders re tenders for loan to retire water debentures and other purposes.

March 15th, 1892.

Committee on tenders met above date. Present: Aldermen Roy and Wier, when tenders were opened for loan as hereto annexed.

Your committee recommend the acceptance of the tender of J. C. Mackintosh for

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and the tender of Thos. Ritchie for 30,000 @ 101.90. All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. V. WIER, Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the report be received and adopted. Motion passed. "

Read report from committee on Widening of Lockman Street and Railway Extension in *re* conference held with committee of Board of Trade on the subject.

The committee on Widening of Lockman Street and extension of I. C. R. beg to report:

That a conference was held with a committee from the Board of Trade, at which sub-committees were appointed to confer and report any agreement that might have been arrived at.

After a full discussion of the subject, the following was submitted as the basis of a settlement, which the representatives of the Board of Trade were prepared to agree to, namely:

Extend the I. C. R. freight tracks from North Street along the west side of Water Street (by widening Water Street) to Cornwallis Street, and there erect a freight depot; thence across Water Street to Cunard's Wharf, then to extend the track as per original survey to the Ordnance Yard.

Your committee while gratified at the consent given by the committee from the Board of Trade to the extension of the railway and the erection of a general freight depot at Cornwallis Street, could not agree to the compromise suggested by that committee.

R. J. SWEET, Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report from the Committee on Public accounts recommending the payment of sundry accounts for printing, stationery, etc.

The committee on Public Accounts beg to report as follows:

That having the following bills before them, and finding same correct, they recommend they be paid:

Morn	ing He	rald Pub	lishing (Co., prin	nting minutes\$8	7	19
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R. J. SWEET, Chairman.

When the following resolution was introduced :—*Resolved*, That the report of the committee on Public Accounts be adopted and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts recommended therein. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Foster, and on being put is passed.

Read petition from Retail Grocers' Association covering a resolution from said Association *re* licensing of hawkers, peddlers, etc. To go on order paper.

Read report of committee on Charities *re* accounts for month of February, etc.

March 15th, 1892.

The Charities Committee met this day, present: Ald. Boak, Chairman Sweet, Pickering, Dennis and Adams.

The following accounts were examined, found correct and ordered to be paid :

E. J. Lordly	\$ 453	31
Smith Bros		
J. L. Whytal		42
Geo. McLellan	195	07
George Gregwire	31	53
G. P. Henry	49	57
Geo. Parker	38	85
E. Fenton	8	84
A. M. Bell		70
C. H. Robertson	7	50
W. N. Brown	7	74
Wm. Roche	243	75
Chas Annand	3	10
Herald Publishing Co	27	25
R. H. Castle	5	00
Gas Company	182	17

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Annexed hereto find statement of the number of persons admitted, etc., Poors Asylum, during the month of February.

GEORGE E. BOAK, Chairman.

The Chairman and Members of Charities Committee:

Gentlemen,---

There has been during the month 30 admitted, 3 born, 27 discharged and 3 died. There is in the Institution 166 men, 136 women, and 14 children. Total, 316.

J. W. FLEMMING, Supt.

Moved by Alderman Boak, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the report be received and adopted. Motion passed.

Read petition from William H. Tout and other property owners and residents of Bloomfield Street, asking construction of sewer on said street between Agricola and Gottingen Streets. Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the same be referred to the Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read petition from John G. O'Toole and others, asking water extension. Woodill Street, covering the sum of forty dollars difference between the claim of Archibald Warner, and the valuation made by appraisers of the property necessary to make the street the required width.

On motion, No. 20, on Order Paper. Opinion of His Honor the Recorder in re Harris and Woodill Streets, and No. 34, letter from Archibald Warner, on appraisement of his property necessary to be taken for the widening of Woodill Street were read. Also read report of the appraisers on the matter. When the following resolution is introduced:—*Resolved*, That the petition of residents and property owners on Woodill Street be granted, and His Honor the Recorder be requested to have the deed prepared and signed by Archibald Warner at once. *Further resolved*, That the City Council accept the deed from William Woodill and others of said street. *Further resolved*, That the Board of Works be requested to have the water pipes laid in said street. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Sweet, which resolution on being put is passed.

The following resolution is next introduced. *Resolved*, That His Worship the Mayor be requested to pay the sum of twenty dollars to Michael Walsh and James Shand for appraisement of property of Archibald Warner, for the widening of Woodill Street. Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Sweet, and on being put is passed.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that Nos. 20 and 34 be struck from Order Paper. Motion passed.

Read letter from O. M. Hill relative to photographic group of City Council and Chief of Civic Departments. Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the matter be left in the hands of His Worship the Mayor to make the necessary arrangements. Motion passed.

Read opinion of Honor the Recorder re claim of E. H. Keating, Ex-City Engineer for salary. Moved by Alderman Hamilton,

seconded by Alderman Foster, that a cheque for the sum of thirty dollars be forwarded Mr. Kcating in full for all services. Motion put and passed.

Read report of His Honor the Recorder re suit of Lordly vs. the City of Halifax, argued before the Supreme Court of Canada, covering account of \$225.00 for services and expenses. Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Boak, that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts to report on. Motion passed.

Read report of His Honor the Recorder on petition of John R. Forbes and others for sewer in Le Marchant Street. Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Hamilton, that the matter be haid over until it is ascertained if the street has been dedicated to the City. Motion passed.

Read letter from H. D. Blackadar, secretary of meeting of the electors of Wards Five and Six, in reference to railway extension, covering copies of resolutions passed at said meeting. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the same be taken up with No. 18 on order paper, viz: Alderman Sweet's resolution by way of notice in *re*, widening Lockman Street. Motion passed.

Read report of City Engineer in *re*, extension of Inglis Street, West through the Collin's property, to the eastern line of Belmont. Objected to.

Read opinion of His Honor the Recorder, on petition of Rev. Mr-Saunders and others *re* commutation of certain common lots. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Outhit, that the same be taken up with No. 32 on order paper, viz: Report of S. R. Phalen, Chief Assessor on valuation of common lots, held by estate of Thomas Bayne. Motion passed.

Read opinion of His Honor the Recorder, on claims of Adam McKay, F. P. Ronman and Mrs. Morley, for damages to property by fire on Upper Water Street.

March 15th 1892.

IN RE ADAM MCKAY, F. P. RONNAN AND MRS. MORLEY'S CLAIM.

On a previous occasion I reported to the Council that under the circumstances the city was not liable, and I am still of the same opinion and advise the Council to defend the action. If such a claim could be sustained against the city, it would take half the revenues of the city to pay them.

WILLIAM F. MACCOY, Recorder

His Worship the Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that the opinion of His Honor the Recorded be concurred in. Motion put and passed.

Read draft of an act now before the Legislature, to exempt certain property from taxation. When the following resolution is introduced:

Whereas, a large number of properties in the city has been exempt from taxation by the Legislature, without the knowledge or consent of the City Council, thereby casting a heavy burden on the rest of the tax payers, and having heard that such a bill is now before the Legislature,

Therefore resolved, that this Council disapprove of such exemption, and request the Legislature not to pass any exemption of property from taxation within the city, until the same has been first approved by the City Council, and would respectfully request the Legislature to notify the Council of any bills brought before them, containing exemptions from taxation within the city, before passing on the same. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier. Objected to.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier, that said resolution be taken up with No. 1 on Order Paper. Motion passed.

Read return of Supervisor of Weighers and Measurers of Coal for month of February.

Read letter from the City Engineer covering sewerage plan and assessment lists in duplicate for the year 1891 for transmission to the City Collector and City Assessors.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that No. 1 on Order Paper be now taken up. Motion passed.

Read clause No. 3 of report of special committee on Tax Reform in re household tax. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier, that said clause be struck out. Motion passed.

Read clause No. 4 in re Income Tax. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier, that said clause be struck out. Motion passed.

Read clause No. 5, assessment on banks. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier, that said clause be approved. Motion passed.

Read clause No. 6, re special taxes.

(His Worship the Mayor retires and Alderman Sweet takes the chair.)

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the consideration of the balance of the report of the Committee on Tax Reform be deferred. Motion passed.

Alderman Pickering's resolution in reference to exemptions from taxation as previously read at this meeting is now taken up, the same was again read, and on being put is passed.

Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the petition from the Retail Grocers' Association *re* licensing of hawkers, peddlers and others be now taken up, which motion on being put was lost. Six voted for the same, 7 against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Allen, Wier,	Aldermen Boak, Keefe, Dennis,
Sanford, Pickering,	Hamilton, Lane,
Foster Outhit6.	Rvan. McFatridge7

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Keefe to introduce a resolution. Motion passed. The following resolution was then introduced: Whereas, it has been intimated that the manner in which the reports of the police and electrician on the number of street lights out throughout the year does not appear to be correct. And Whereas it is desireable that no doubt should exist in the mind of any member of the Council as to the accuracy of said reports, Therefore Resolved, that the reports and accounts in connection with the street lighting for 1891 be submitted to the Committee on Public Accounts to investigate said accounts and report on. Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Allen, and on being put is passed.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and passed, six voting for the sme and five against it. Council adjourns 5.10 o'clock.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

3.10-P. M.

MARCH 23rd, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day. At the above hour there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Sanford, Wier, Dennis, Foster, Lane, Adams and Pickering. Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Sanford, that the time for meeting be extended twenty minutes. Motion passed.

3.30.-Roll called. Present: the above-named, with Aldermen Sweet, Ryan, McFatridge, Mosher and Outhit.

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

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

A letter from W. S. Sanders, Secretary, covering a copy of a resolution passed at a meeting of the Amalgamated Trades Union, in reference to proposed extension of Intercolonial Railway.

An application from William McLeod for the position of measurer of salt and grain.

A draft Act to abolish Tax exemptions.

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Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Pickering that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers handed in. Motion passed.

Read letter from W. S. Sanders, Secretary Amalgamated Trades Union, covering a copy of a resolution passed by that body, at a meeting held 16t March, inst., in *re* proposed extension of Intercolonial Railway. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be taken up with No. 17 on Order Paper, viz :---Alderman Sweet's resolution, in *re* widening of Lockman street. Motion passed.

Read application of W. McLeod for the position of measurer of salt and grain. To be filed and considered with other applications for the position when received.

Read draft of an Act to abolish Tax Exemptions in the City of Halifax. Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that the same be taken up with Alderman Wier's resolution on the same subject. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Ryan that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Sweet to introduce a resolution. Motion passed. And the following resolution is introduced:

Resolved, That the Board of Works and City Engineer be requested to report to this Council what streets within the City's limits need building up and macadamizing. Also, an estimate of the amount of broken stone that will be required to be used on said streets, and the cost of the work the Engineer may recommend to be done. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Foster, and on being put is passed.

The Order of the Day is now taken up.

Read Alderman Wier's resolution, re Tax Exemptions, as follows:— Resolved, That His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare a separate Act to abolish all Tax Exemptions within the City on real estate, except such as have been guaranteed by Act of Parliament in special charter, and also, not including City, Provincial, Dominion or Imperial Government real estate. Further Resolved, that this Council respectfully request co-operation of the Committee of the Halifax Merchants Tax Reform Association to assist the Committee from this Council to carry said bill through the Legislature. Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Foster.

Read draft of an Act to abolish Tax Exemptions on real estate within the City of Halifax. When the following resolution was introduced. *Resolved*, That the bill as submitted by His Worship the Mayor, in *re* Exemptions from Taxation be approved, and that the same be presented to the Legislature for enactment, and that a Committee of the Council, together with citizens, be appointed to watch the progress of the bill through the Legislature. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Foster. To which the following amendment is introduced:—"After government real estate, the words 'Churches,' 'Orphanages,' 'Industrial Schools,' 'Reformataries,' 'Infants Homes,' the 'Deaf and Dumb Institution,' and the 'School for the Blind,' and the 'land upon which the above institutions stand,' the exemptions only to apply to the church edifices or buildings that are exclusively used for the philanthophic purposes for which said institutions exist." Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Lane.

The amendment on being put was lost, four voting for the same and eight against it. The names on being called for appeared thus :----

For the Amendment.		Against it.
Aldermen Ryan,	Aldermen 1	Mosher, Adams,
Lane,		Foster, Sanford,
Sweet,		Wier, McFatridge,
Dennis4		Pickering, Outhit8.

The original resolution was then put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Outhit, seconded by Alderman Pickering, that His Worship the Mayor, His Honor the Recorder, Aldermen Foster,

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Wier and Pickering, be the Committee to watch the progress of said bill through the Legislature. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Sweet, that item 36 on Order Paper, viz:—Two reports from the Committee of Cemetery, on the subject of new Cemetery, with letter from Evangelical Alliance on the subject, be now taken up. Motion passed. Read report of Committee, with Letter from Evangelical Alliance on the subject, submitted and read 17th February, 1892. Also, read report of Committee, submitted and read March 10th, 1892.

The Cemetery Committee beg to report as follows :---

Having been instrusted by this Council to have a new Act prepared whereby the Council would be empowered to borrow money for the purchase of a site for a new Cemetery. Your committee endeavoured to ascertain the wishes of those who were opposed to the passage of the Act which went from the Council to the Local Legislature a year ago

An influential committee headed by His Grace the Archbishop waited upon your Committee and made two alternative propositions on behalf of the Roman Catholic citizens.

The 1st proposition was that if the City borrow a certain sum of money for the purpose of securing and enclosing a lot of land to be used as a cemetery. The City Council is to hand over to the ecclesiastical authorities of the Roman Catholic church a pro rata amount of the sum borrowed according to the proportion of Catholics to Protestants, as determined by the census recently taken in the city.

The 2nd proposition was that, should the City purchase a piece of land for this purpose, then the land is to be divided according to the proportion defined in the first proposition. The delegation wished it to be distinctly understood that the land to be set apart for the burial of members of the Roman Catholic communion or purchased with the funds to be handed over as their proportion, was to be vested forever in the Ecclesiastical authorities of that church, and to be entirely free from Civic control, etc.

The provision in the Act of last year, providing for a sinking fund was discussed, and its terms agreed to by the delegation, namely one-half of the gross proceeds of sale of lots to be paid over to the City Treasurer to form a sinking fund to retire debentures given for loan to purchase the site for a Cemetery.

Against entertaining these propositions on the framing of an Act embodying these conditions, your Committee has received an emphatic protest from the Evangelical Alliance of this City.

The Alliance claim that in this matter the Council should treat all citizens alike, and not as divided into religious sects or denominations.

Your Committee is of the opinion that the decided views held by the authorities of the Roman Catholic church on this subject make it impossible for the City to purchase and control one place only for interments which shall be common to all, irrespective of their religious belief or professions.

In view therefore of the difficulties that have arisen and the division of sentiment in the community on this question your Committee have not thought it advisable to take any further steps before reporting the foregoing facts to the Council.

It remains for the Council to say what conditions shall be embodied in any new Act that may be drawn up, or whether for the present the project of purchasing a site with City funds be abandoned, leaving it a matter for the several denominations to make their own arrangements for what burial accommodation they may in the future require.

Please find protest annexed.

R. J. SWEET, Chairman.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 28th 1891.

Alderman R. J. SWEET, Chairman Cemetery Committee :

December 22nd, 1891, in the Y. M. C. A. Rooms, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Whereas, In a published report of a meeting of the Cemetery Committee of the City Council, held in the City Hall, Dec. 1st, it is stated that the meeting was called to receive delegates from three Roman Catholic parishes of the City, appointed at a meeting in St. Mary's Cathedral to confer with the Committee in reference to the proposed purchase of a new Cemetery. And Whereas, The Chairman of the Committee stated that the said Roman Catholic delegation had been invited to meet the Committee for the purpose of stating their views and of indicating lines on which they would agree with the City authorities in the proposed purchase of a new Cemetery, and

Whereas, Archbishop O'Brien, who headed the delegation made, as reported, two alternative propositions to the Committee, namely—that the Roman Catholics should receive two-fifths of the money borrowed by the City for the purpose of purchasing a site (or a sum pro rata to the population of the City, according to the recent census) to be handed over to the Roman Catholic Ecclesiastical authorities; or that if a site were purchased two-fifths of the land should be vested in the said Roman Catholic authorities, be under their complete and exclusive control, therefore

Resolved, That the Evangelical Alliance of Halifax utterly disapprove of the introduction of the element of sectarianism into the matter of the purchase of new Cemetery grounds, whether that element be introduced by the Cemetery Committee, or urged by the Archbishop of Halifax, and they emphatically affirm the principle that in dealing with this question the City Council should treat all citizens alike as members of the community, paying taxes, and not as divided into religious sects or denominations. The Evangelical

Alliance regard the introduction of sectarianism into this matter with the deepest regret, and they earnestly protest in the interests of civil liberty and religious equality, against granting special favors and concessions (such as have been proposed by Archbishop O'Brien) to Roman Catholics or any other sect or denomination.

T. W. SMITH,

Chairman, pro tem.

ROBERT MURRAY,

Secretary.

The Cemetery Committee beg to call the Council's attention to the necessity of steps being taken to provide burial accommodation in view of the state of Camp Hill Cemetery.

At present not over seventy lots are left, and at the rate they are selling they should all be disposed of during the next nine months.

The Poor House ground is completely filled up. The second tier of graves is finished.

The general ground in which persons who have no lot of their own are buried is about used up. A portion of ground to the south of it can be utilized if built up. To do this a great many loads of earth would be required, and after all it will only be sufficient for twelve months use.

Immediate steps should be taken during the present session of the Legislature to get an Act passed whereby provision could be made for the immediate relief of Cemeteries within the City limits, now or very shortly to be in an overcrowded state.

R. J. SWEET, Chairman.

The following resolution is now introduced :-Resolved,-That the reports of the Cemetery Committee be adopted, and Further Resolved, that His Honor the Recorder do prepare an Act for submission to the Local Legislature, authorizing the City Council to borrow a sum not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars to enable the Council to purchase a site suitable for Cemetery purposes, provision to be made in said bill for the relief of the Camp Hill and Holy Cross Cemeteries. Half the gross proceeds shall be held by the City Treasurer as a sinking fund to retire the debentures given for the purchase of the site. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Mosher.

To which the following amendment is introduced :—*Resolved*, And His Honor the Recorder is hereby instructed to prepare an Act to present to the Legislature to enable the City of Halifax to borrow Twenty Thousand Dollars for the purpose of purchasing a site for a Cemetery. Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Outhit, said amendment on being put is lost, six voting for the same and six against, His Worship the Mayor giving his casting vote against the amendment. The names being called for appeared thus:

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For the	Amendment.	a. Als 5. –	Against it.	
Aldermen	Outhit, Pickering,	Aldermen	Sanford, Lane,	
	Dennis, Wier,		Ryan, Foster,	
5 . B.	McFatridge, Adams	6.	Mosher, Sweet6.	
	an special data se		The Mayor.	

The following second amendment was then introduced :—*Resolved*, And His Honor the Recorder is hereby instructed to prepare an Act to present to the Legislature to enable the City of Halifax to borrow Twenty Thousand Dollars for the purpose of purchasing a site for a Cemetery, and that a portion thereof be allotted for the purpose of burial of Roman Catholic citizens, and that the whole be under the control and management of the City of Halifax. Moved by Aldernan Pickering, seconded by Alderman Wier. Said second amendment on being put was lost, five voting for the same, and seven against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the	Amendment.		Against it.
Aldermen	Pickering, Outhit,	Aldermen	Dennis Sanford,
	McFatridge, Adams.		Lane, Ryan,
	Wier.—5.		Foster, Mosher,
			Sweet7.

The original resolution was then put and passed, seven voting for the same and five against it. The names being called for appeared thus:

For the Resolution.	Against it.
Aldermen Sweet, Mosher,	Aldermen Adams, Wier,
Foster, Ryan,	Outhit, Pickering,
Lane, Sanford,	McFatridge5.
Dennis.—7.	

Alderman Wier gives Notice of re-consideration.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that the Council adjourn. Motion put and passed.

Council adjourns at 6 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION. No. of houses, and building, M. 2000, 253; No. of house and

MARCH 31st, 1892.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day at the above hour there were present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Dennis, Adams, Sanford, Wier and Lane. Moved by Alderman Sanford, seconded by Alderman Wier, that the time for meeting be extended twenty minutes. Motion passed.

3.30 roll called, present: The above named, with Aldermen Allen, Keefe, Pickering, Sweet, Ryan, Foster, Mosher and Outhit.

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

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Alderman Keefe, chairman submits the following papers from the Board of City Works, viz: Report in re Sewer Bloomfield Street.

Report in re sewer South Park St., from Fenwick St., to Victoria Road.

Report re Legislation required for new water pipe line.

Report in re sewer James street.

Report in *re* information regarding sewers.

Alderman Sweet, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Public Accounts, re account of His Honor the Recorder, for services at Ottawa, in suit Lordly vs. The City of Halifax.

His Worship the Mayor submits a report from His Honor the Recorder, re Dedication of LaMarchant St.

Also a veto of Alderman Sweet's resolution passed at last meeting re New Cemetery.

Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers handed in. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works with report of City Engineer on sewers built in 1889-90-91, showing cost of same, number of dwellings connected, &c.

March 28th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the Minute of Council re information about sewers, and a report from the City Engineer conveying such information, when it was decided to transmit said report to the City Council for its information.

M. E. KEEFE, Chairman.

INFORMATION RE SEWERS.

Chairman Board of Works.

Sir,-I beg to submit herewith the information asked for in the accompanying Minute of Council respecting sewers :

The statements shew the cost of sewers on the order book to be \$47760.00; cost of sewers built during past three years \$112386.91; No. of houses and buildings connected 253; No. of houses and buildings not connected 337.

The statement of buildings connected and not connected only refers to those along sewers built during the past three years.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

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Creighton	Cogswell St.	Falkland St.	1364 13	12	10
Brunswick	Gerrish St.	Southwardly	562 96	1	8
Agricola	Almon St.	Ontario St.	2900 00	10	6
Birmingham	Spring Garden Road.	Northwardly	120 00		
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Church	Morris St.	South St.	988 37	19	5
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Fenwick	Lucknow St.	South Park St.	2593 75	9	1
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SEWERS BUILT IN 1889-90-91.

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Est. Cost.	То	From	Street.	No.
\$8000 0	North Park St.	Barrington St.	Cornwallis	1
2250 0	Cornwallis St.	Gerrish St.	Gottingen	2
1800 0	660 ft. south	No. 118	Maitland	3
1500 0	Fenwick St.	Victoria Road	South Park	4
3100 0	Campbell Road	Gottingen St	Kaye	5
1160 0	South Park St.	Dresden Row	Sackville	6
1300 0	South St.	Fawson St.	Hollis	7
900 0	Esplanade		Pleasant	8
1050 0	Buckingham St.	Duke St.	Granville	9
850 0	Dresden Row	Birmingham St.	Morris	10
750 0	Birmingham St.	Queen St.	Rottenburg	11
1800 0	Morris St.	Bishop St.	Pleasant	12
5800 0	Harbor	Gottingen St.	Russel	13
450 0	Sackville St.	Bedford Row sewer	Bedford Row	14
3350 0	Spring Garden Road	Sackville St.	Dresden Row	15
1700 0	Cornwallis St.		Creighton	16
7000 0	Common	End of Brook	Windsor.	17
4300 0	Brunswick St.	Uniacke St.	Gerrish and Gottingen	18
700 0	Harbor	End of sewer	DeWolfe's Wharf	19

THE NUMBER, LOCATION AND ESTIMATED COST OF THE SEWERS NOW ON THE ORDER PAPER :

Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that the same be placed on the order paper to be taken up with No. 40, viz: Report of Board of City Works on estimated cost of New Sewers, recommended by the Board of Health, and that the same be printed in the minutes for the information of the Council. Motion passed.

Read Report Board of City Works on petition from property owners for sewer in Bloomfield Street.

March 28th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that they had before them at a meeting, held this day, the Minute of Council, *re* sewer on Bloomfield Street, and report of the City Engineer thereon, when it was decided to forward a copy of the report to the City Council, with the recommendation that the report be adopted, and the sewer built in accordance therewith.

M. E. KEEFE, Chairman.

Read Report Board of City Works on petition from property owners for sewer in Bloomfield street:

March 26th, 1892.

BLOOMFIELD STREET SEWER.

Chairman Board of Works:

Sir,-The accompanying petition from property owners for a sewer on Bloomfield Street, having been referred to me. I beg to report

that the new sewer would be about 775 feet long, draining into Gottingen Street; size smallest made.

There are sixteen houses on this street which would be drained, and I would recommend the construction of the sewer.

All of the sewers mentioned in the report now on the Order of the Day in the City Council should take precedence of this work as their construction is more urgent, and the benefit derived from them will be greater.

F. W. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the report of Board of City Works and City Engineer be concurred in, and the sewer be placed on Order Book, to be built in its turn. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works, with report of City Engineer on proposed sewer on South Park St., from Fenwick St., to Victoria Road.

March 26th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration the report from the City Engineer, upon the proposed sewer on South Park St, from Fenwick St. to Victoria Road, when it was ordered that the enclosed copy be forwarded to the City Council, with the recommendation that the suggestions therein be adopted and carried out.

M. E. KEEFE, Chairman.

March, 28th, 1892.

SOUTH PARK ST. SEWER.

Chairman Board of Works:

Sir,—The South Park St. sewer from Victoria Road to Fenwick St. is next on the order book. There is a crock pipe sewer in this street and all the houses drain into it on both sides. Mr, Brown who owns No. 52, is the only one who makes any complaint. His cellar is about as deep as the sewer, and water stands on the floor. A crock pipe can be put in from his property to the sewer through Fenwick St., for about one tenth of the cost of a new sewer, and I would recommend that this be done if required instead of building the new sewer, provided that the owner of No. 52 deposits the amount he would have to pay if a new sewer was built. I would also recommend that a man hole be built on the old sewer.

F. W. DOANE, City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said report with accompanying recommendation of the City Engineer,

be approved of, and referred back to the City Engineer to carry out said recommendation. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works, with opinion of His Honor the Recorder, upon the Legislation required to enable the City to carry out the proposed New Water Supply Pipe Line.

March 28th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report that at a meeting held this day, they had under consideration an opinion of His Honor the Recorder upon the Legislation required to enable the City to carry out the proposed New Water Supply Pipe Line. When it was ordered to send a copy of said opinion to the City Council, with a recommendation that His Honor be instructed to prepare an Act covering all the proposals in said opinion for submission to the Provincial Legislature, at its present session.

M. E. KEEFE, Chairman.

March 28th, 1892.

IN RE WATER WORKS.

I think Section 432, New Charter, and subsequent sections are sufficient to expropriate any land, etc., in connection with the contemplated extension of the Water Supply.

The road along the lakes cannot be closed up or changed by the City Council, nor a new road built without authority of the Legislature.

I would press most urgently on the Board and City Council, that the City obtain free and absolute control of all brooks, runs of water, etc., etc., in connection with the lakes. Until this is done we will be in continual hot water with persons claiming rights which they are not entitled to. I would also suggest that an Act be passed settling boundaries and rights of the City in the lots surrounding the lakes.

W. F. MACCOY, Recorder.

Ty the Chairman Board of Works.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that His Honor the Recorder be instructed to prepare an Act in accordance with the suggestions contained in his report for submission to the Legislature at its present session. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of City Works on letter from Mr. James Thomson, respecting sewer in James street.

March 28th, 1892.

The Board of Works beg to report, that at a meeting held this day, they had before them the enclosed letter from James Thomson, Esq., respecting sewer on James Street, when it was decided to send it to the City Conncil with the recommendation that the sewer referred to be constructed as early as possible.

M. E. KEEFE, Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report of His Honor the Recorder *re* dedication of Le Marchant street. Moved by Alderman Keefe, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the same be taken up with No. 45 on Order Paper, viz: Report of His Honor the Recorder on petition of John R. Forbes and others for sewer in Le Marchant street. Motion passed.

Read report from Committee on Public Accounts on account from W. F. MacCoy, for services and expenses incurred in argument at Ottawa of Cause Lordly vs. the City.

The Committee on Public Accounts beg to report on the claim submitted by His Honor the Recorder, amounting to \$225 for services in arguing appeal at Ottawa, in *re* Lordly vs. the City of Halifax.

Your committee find that the Recorder's duties do not include attendance at any court outside this Province, and recommend the account for payment.

As the suit arose on account of the plaintiff falling against a hydrant placed in the street by the Water Department for fire protection service, it is just possible that this amount should be charged to that department.

March 25th, 1892.

R. J. SWEET, Chairman.

When the following resolution was introduced :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Public Accounts be adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign a warrant for the payment of the account recommended therein. Moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Foster. Objected to.

Read veto of His Worship the Mayor, of Alderman Sweets resolution re New Cemetery, passed at last meeting as follows:

At a meeting of the City Council, held 23rd March, the following resolution, moved by Alderman Sweet, seconded by Alderman Mosher, was passed, 7 to 5. *Resolved*, That the report of the Cemetery Committee be adopted. And Further Resolved, That His Honor the Recorder do prepare An Act for submission to the Local Legislature authorizing the City Council to borrow a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars to enable the Council to purchase a site suitable for Cemetery purposes, provision to be made in said bill for the relief of Camp Hill and Holy Cross Cemeteries, half the gross proceeds shall be held by the City Treasurer as a sinking fund to retire debentures given for the purchase of the site.

At the same time I gave notice of disapproval of said resolution, my reasons for disapproval are as follows:—In 1891, the City presented a bill to the Legislature, asking that body to authorize the borrowing by the City of a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars to purchase a lot of land to be used as a cemetery, the bill was objected to by one denomination and defeated because it did not set forth how the lot was to be divided, and who should manage the same

or at least one part of it, claiming that two-fifths should be set apart and deeded to and controlled by said denomination, and at two or three interviews with the Cemetery Committee the past summer the same claim has been made by said denomination, promising at the same time to return to the City one-half of the proceeds of the sale of the lots, and as the resolution passed on the 23rd inst., neither states how it is to be divided or who shall have the management. I presume that the bill drawn up on the basis of said resolution will meet the same opposition and perhaps the same fate as the one presented last year. I maintain that no portion of the land purchased by the city and paid for with citizens money should be vested and controlled by any denomination, but when purchased it should be laid out so as to suit as nearly as possible the different denominations, and the city to have the business management of the cemetery or cemeteries. I consider it essential that the resolution and bill should state definitely as to the ownership and management, so as to prevent any misunderstanding after the bill has been passed by the Legislature. And as the resolution passed on the 23rd, refers neither to ownership or management, I hereby veto the same.

(Sgd.) D. MCPHERSON, Mayor.

Alderman Wiers's Notice of reconsideration, re New Cemetery, is struck from Order Paper.

Moved by Alderman Pickering, seconded by Alderman Keefe, that the subject of providing a New Cemetery be now taken up and considered. Motion passed. When the following resolution was introduced:

Respliced, that His Worship the Mayor be requested to have a bill prepared, for the purpose of borrowing the sum of twenty-thousand dollars for cemetery purposes, the said bill to be submitted at the next meeting of the Council. Moved by Alderman Wier, seconded by Alderman Lane, to which the following amendment is introduced :---Resolved, That the Recorder be instructed to prepare an act for submission to the Legislature, asking for authority to borrow a sum not exceeding twenty-thousand dollars, for the purpose of purchasing a site for a Cemetery, the said Cemetery shall be owned by the City of Halifax, and at least one half of the proceeds of the sale of lots therein, shall form a sinking fund for the redemption of the debentures given for the cost thereof. Further Resolved, That the area of said Cemetery shall be divided and set aside for the interment of Catholics and Protestants, on the basis of the population as defined by the census of 1891. No person shall be interred in the portion set aside for Catholics, except by consent of the Episcopal Corporation of Moved by Alderman Dennis, seconded by Alderman Lane. Halifax. The amendment was then put and passed.

The following resolution was introduced by the unanimous consent of the Council:—*Resolved*, That the report of the Committee of Public Accounts (submitted this day) be adopted, and His Worship the Mayor authorized to sign a warrant for the payment of the account