

AFTERNOON SESSION,

4.10 O'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

August, 26th, 1918.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this afternoon at the above named hour ; present His Worship the Mayor, Controllers Finlay Murphy, Hines and Aldermen Macnab, H.S. Colwell, R.B. Colwell, Furness, Kelly, Foley, Hart, Guildford Godwin and Parker.

The Council was summoned to consider purchase of Motor Truck, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted:
Reports (12) Board of Control, viz:-
Loan \$133,500 from Royal Bank of Canada.
Loan \$145,000 from Royal Bank of Canada.
Bonds for loan of \$500,000.00 from Relief Commission.
Brunswick Street Extension-Robinsons Ltd.
Motor Truck and Sprinkler.
Local Fuel Controller.
Tenders for Advertising.
Separation Allowances for Dependents of Soldiers.
City Furniture-Tenders for Furniture.
George Street Sidewalk.
Hire of Steam Engine.
Water Pipes-Tenders for Hauling.

Other Headlines.

Abattior.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

BONDS FOR LOAN OF \$500,000.00 FROM RELIEF COMMISSION.

Read report Board of Control re issuing of bonds for loan of \$500,000.00 from Halifax Relief Commission.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller

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Finlay that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has authority under Cap. 63 Acts 1918 of the Legislature of Nova Scotia to borrow to defray losses or replacements occasioned to City Property by explosion of ~~De~~ 6th December 1917 such sums as may be required to be borrowed from time to time and in such amounts as are required for that purpose not exceeding \$500,000 The sums to be borrowed shall form part of the Halifax Consolidated Fund 1905 and shall be secured by stock or debentures to be issued in conformity with the provisions of that Act at a rate of interest not exceeding 5% per annum and the dates on which the same shall be made payable shall be determined by the Council.

AND WHEREAS by Sec. 4¹/₂ Ca-p.60 Acts 1918 authority was obtained to increase the rate of interest from 5% to not exceeding 6% provided that this amendment shall only apply to loans contracted after the passing of this Act.

AND WHEREAS the City of Halifax has borrowed from the Halifax Relief Commission the sum of \$25,000. on which by agreement the rate of interest shall be 5% per annum and the sum of \$110,000 bearing interest at 6% per annum and will further require from time to time \$365,000. the balance of the loan authorized at a rate not exceeding 6% per annum and the said Commission will accept out stock certificates for these amounts at par.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the offer of the Halifax Relief Commission to finance the amounts required under Sec. 63 Acts 1918 as above recited be accepted.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to execute and deliver unto the Halifax Relief Commission all such stock certificates made necessary by payments received from time to time and generally do and perform all such acts and things as may be essential in order to carry this Resolution into effect.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay and being put and is passed unanimously.

LOAN \$133,500.00 FROM ROYAL BANK OF CANADA.

Read report Board of Control re loan of \$133,500.00 from the Royal Bank of Canada for various purposes.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted:

Murphy ✓
R P Bell ✓
Auditor ✓

August 26th, 1918.

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has authority under the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia to borrow certain sums of money for certain purposes as specified in Minutes of Council July 10th 1917 the said Minutes being further amended under date July 25th, 1917 to read

Permanent Sidewalks	Cap. 47	Acts 1917	\$15000.
Motor Fire Engine	" "	" "	12500.
Public Abattior (20000)	" 86	" 1917	10000.
Lateral Sewers	" "	" "	26000.
1st. Section N.W.A. Sewer	" "	" "	70000.
			<u>\$ 133500.</u>

AND WHEREAS by Resolution of Council under date July 10th, 1917 the City Treasurer was authorized to issue a stock certificate for the sum of \$216,800 to the Royal Bank of Canada under the terms contained in a letter to Controller Finlay by the Manager of said Bank, the said certificate being repayable in one year from the date thereof and the hypothecation being under Sec. 35 of Cap. 36 Acts 1916.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City do borrow from the Royal Bank of Canada a sum not to exceed \$133,500 as amended by Min. of Council July 25th 1917 and issue to the said Bank as security for the said loan its stock for the sum of \$144,500 the said stock to be under the seal of the City and the hands of its Mayor, Treasurer and Clerk, to be repayable in one year from July 1st, 1918 with interest on the advances at the rate of 5½% payable half yearly on the first days of January and July and to form part of the Consolidated Fund 1905 of the City; all matters pertaining to above to be in accordance with the letter from the Royal Bank of Canada under date May 13th 1918.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized upon delivery to the Bank of the stock ~~certificate~~ for \$144,500 to have cancelled on behalf of the City the stock certificate originally issued for \$216,800 and to execute all such documents and to do and perform all such matters and things as shall be reasonably required by the law said Royal Bank of Canada in connection with the renewal of the said loan and the hypothecation of the said stock.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Murphy and passed.

ABATTIOR.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the City Engineer be instructed to notify Messrs. Falconer and McDonald to comply with the terms of their contract re the building of the abattior.

Royal Bank
of Canada
Treasurer
Auditor

August 26th, 1918.

*Engineer
B/C*

After discussion the motion is withdrawn by leave of the seconder and the Council.

LOAN OF \$145,000.00 FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

Read report Board of Control re loan of \$145,000.00 from Royal Bank of Canada for various purposes.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted.

The following resolution is submitted:

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has authority under various Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, to borrow certain sums of money for certain purposes therein specified, and have obtained permission from the Finance Department at Ottawa for a bond issue to cover the following items:

To aid in establishing a tuberculosis hospital.....	\$35000.00
For further extension of lateral sewers.....	75000.00
To complete market building, not exceeding	2500.00
To complete public abattoir, " "	10000.00
Under Chapter 63, Acts 1918.	
For widening streets, not exceeding in any one year.....	5000.00
Under Chapter 77, Acts 1914.	
For purposes of water supply extension.....	20000.00
Under Chapter 86, Acts 1917.	
For laying of permanent sidewalks.....	10000.00
Under Chapter 47, Acts 1915.	
For laying permanent pavements.....	44700.00
Under Chapter 70, Acts 1913.	

AND WHEREAS it is not desirable nor expedient to sell bonds, stock or debentures of the City at the present time;

AND WHEREAS the City has authority under Section 35 of Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1916 to pledge or hypothecate its stock or debentures for any purpose for which it is authorized to borrow money and secure the same by an issue of stock or debentures.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City do borrow from the Royal Bank of Canada a sum not to exceed One Hundred and forty-five Thousand Dollars, and to issue to the said Bank as security for the said loan its stock or debentures for the sum of \$157,100 on basis of 6% - 34 years, the said stock or debentures to be under the seal of the City and the hands of its Mayor and Treasurer, and Clerk, to be repayable in one year from the date thereof with interest on advances at the rate of five and one half per cent per annum payable half yearly on the first days of January and July, and to

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form part of the Consolidated Fund of the City.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Halifax may apply the money so borrowed from the Royal Bank of Canada to the whole or any portion of the items above recited:

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City all such documents and to do and perform all such matters and things, as shall be reasonably required by the said Bank in connection with the said loan and the hypothecation of the said stock and debentures.

The Resolution is moved by Controller Finlay and seconded by Controller Murphy and being put is lost 5 voting for the same and 8 against it, as follows:-

For the Resolution.
Controllers Murphy
Finlay
Hines
Aldermen Foley
Hart-5

Against it.
Aldermen Macnab
H.S. Colwell
R.B. Colwell
Furness
Kelly
Guildford
Godwin
Parker -8

BRUNSWICK STREET EXTENSION-ROBINSONS LIMITED.

Read report Board of Control re payment of \$1000.00 to Robinsons Ltd. for property taken for widening of Queen Street and extension of Brunswick Street.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

MOTOR TRUCK AND SPRINKLER.

Read report Board of Control re purchase of a motor truck and sprinkler.

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller Murphy that the report be adopted.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman R.B. Colwell that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 4.50 o'clock.

L. Fred. Monaghan
L. Fred. Monaghan.

A.C. Hawkins,

MAYOR.

CITY CLERK.

A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N,

4.10 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

August 30th, 1918.

A special meeting of the City Council was called for this afternoon the summons for the meeting being as follows:-

Halifax, N.S, August 27th, 1918.

Sir:-

Having been required in writing so to do by five members of the City Council, I beg to request you to attend a special meeting of the City Council, at the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Friday afternoon, August 30th instant, at 4 o'clock for the purpose of considering the agreement between the Halifax Power Company Limited and the City of Halifax.

The requisition to me therefor being as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
August 27th, 1918.

To,

His Worship,
The Mayor of the City of Halifax.

We the undersigned Members of the Council of the City of Halifax, in pursuance of the provisions in this behalf contained in the Halifax City Charter, require you to forthwith call a Special Meeting of the said Council for the purpose of considering the Agreement between the Halifax Power Company, Limited and the City of Halifax.

Sgd. Hugh E. Macnab,
E. J. Kelly
R. D. Guildford.
H. S. Colwell.
Frank A. Gillis.

Yours respectfully,
J. E. Godwin,
Deputy Mayor.

At the above named hour there were present Deputy Mayor Godwin, Controllers Finlay and Murphy and Aldermen Macnab, Gillis, Kelly and Guildford.

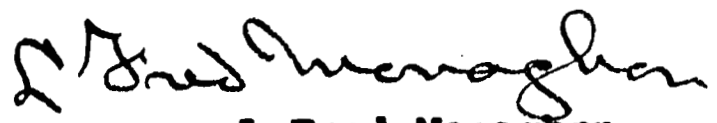
Moved by Controller Murphy that the time for meeting be extended until 4.30 p'clock. Motion passed.

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4.30 o'clock Roll called present the above named together with Aldermen H. S. Colwell and Hart.

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

J. E. Godwin,
DEPUTY MAJOR.


L. Fred Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

RESIGNATION OF ALDERMEN.

Office of City Clerk,

Halifax, N.S., September 5th, 1918.

I deem it incumbent upon me to inscribe on the official minutes of the City Council for the purposes of record that the following named members of the City Council resigned their respective offices of Alderman by resignations in writing signed by them and addressed to the City Clerk and received by me/ as shown below-

Ward No.1	Alderman	H.S.Colwell,	August 31st,	1918
"	"	"	Hugh E. Maonab,	September 2nd, 1918.
Ward No.2	"	R.B.Solwell,	August 30th,	1918.
"	"	"	Frank A.Gillis,	September 2nd, 1918.
Ward No.3	"	J.E.Furness,	August 30th,	1918.
"	"	"	E.J.Kelly,	September 3rd, 1918.
Ward No.4	"	W.G.Foley,	August 31st,	1918.
"	"	"	H.L.Hart,	August 31st, 1918.
Ward No.5	"	Michael Day,	August 31st,	1918.
"	"	"	R.D.Guildford,	August 31st, 1918.
Ward No 6	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"

I am advised by the City Solicitor that the action taken by the Aldermen constitutes their resignation of office and that they are no longer members of the City Council.

L.Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

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Halifax, N.S., August 31, 1918

L.Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

I hereby resign from the office of Alderman representing Ward One in the City Council of Halifax,

H.S.Colwell,

: : : : :

September 5th, 1918.

Halifax, N.S. September 2nd, 1918.

To,
L.F. Monaghan,
City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S

I hereby tender my resignation as alderman
for Ward 1, of the City Council of Halifax.

Hugh E. Macnab.

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Halifax, N.S. Aug, 30th, 1918.

Mr. L. Fred Monaghan,
City Clerk, City of Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

I herewith beg to tender my resignation as
Alderman in the City Council of Halifax, representing
Ward 2.

R.B. Colwell.

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Halifax, N.S. September 2nd, 1918.

F.L. Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk, CITY.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to tender herewith my resignation as
Alderman for Ward "2".

Frank A. Gillis.

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Halifax, Canada, 30th August '18

Fred L. Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk,
CITY.

Dear Sir:-

For reasons, which I think you are familiar
with, I herewith respectfully tender my resignation
from the City Council, to take effect immediately.

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking
you and the City Officials for the courtesy extended
to me during the time I have been in the Council.

J.E. Furness.

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Halifax, N.S. Sept. 3/18

Mr. L. Fred. Monaghan,
City Clerk,
Halifax.

Sir,
I herewith beg to tender my resignation as
Alderman in Ward 3.

E. J. Kelly

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Halifax, N.S. August 31st, 1918.

L. F. Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk,
City Hall,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I hereby resign from the office of Alderman
for Ward 4. in the City of Halifax.

W. G. Foley.

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Halifax, N.S. Aug. 31st, 1918.

L. Fred Monaghan Esq.,
City Clerk, Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

I hereby resign from the office of Alderman
for Ward four in the City of Halifax.

H. L. Hart,

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Halifax, N.S August 31st, 1918.

L. F. Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk, City Hall,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I hereby resign from the office of Alderman
for Ward 5 in the City of Halifax.

Michael Day.

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Halifax, N.S. Aug. 31st 1918.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

I hereby tender my resignation as Alderman
for Ward five, the same to take effect immediately.

R. D. Guildford.

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EVENING SESSION,

8 10 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

September 5th, 1918.

A meeting of the City Council was called for this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Finlay and Hines.

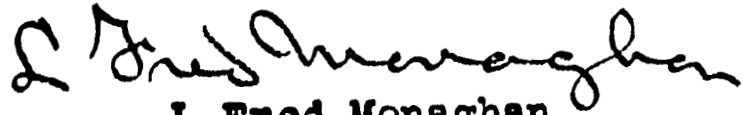
There being no quorum to do business it was moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller Finlay that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

(NOTE:- The meeting was summoned "To proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business."

The notices for the meeting had been sent out before the receipt of by the City Clerk of the resignations of a majority of the Aldermen and they were forwarded to every member of the Council as it was composed before any resignations were received.

At Roll Call the only names called were those of Controller Finlay, Hines, Murphy and Taylor and Aldermen Godwin and Parker.)

A. C. Hawkins,
MAYOR.


L. Fred Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.

November 8th, 1918.

CIVIC ADDRESS TO GOVERNOR McCALL OF MASSACHUSETTS.

For the purpose of record, the following account of the reading and presentation of an address from the City of Halifax, to His Honor Samuel Walter McCall Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, taken from the Morning Chronicle, is inserted upon the Minutes of the Board of Control and City Council.

R. D. McLaughlin City Clerk
The Civic reception of Hon, Samuel W. McCall, Governor of Massachusetts, at the City Hall yesterday was a thoroughly democratic and enthusiastic one, and the distinguished guest entered thoroughly into the spirit of it. The City Council Chamber was crowded to its capacity with prominent citizens and officials as well as many ladies. Among those present were His Honor Lieutenant Governor Grant, His Grace Archbishop Worrell, Premier Murray, Admiral Chambers, Hon. L.G. Power, the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Justice Longley Rev. Dr. Foley, Very Rev. Dean Llowyd, a large representation of military and naval officers, U.S. Consul General Young, Mr. Ganoury, French Consul, C.H. Mitchell, the members of the Board of Control, the Superintendent of Education, ex-Chairman J.P. Quinn of the School Commission, W.A. Black, and very many others.

The City Council Chamber was brightened up in honor of the distinguished visitor, Back of the Mayor's chair the windows were draped with British, American and French flags. The Mayor's desk and the window ledges were decorated with plants, ferns and flowers. There was no possibility of any effective decoration in the lower part of the building, as the explosion repairs are still being made there.

ARRIVED AT NOON.

On arrival at sharp noon by automobile at the Parade, accompanied by Lieut. Gov. Grant, and Mr. G. Fred Parson, Governor McCall was received by the band of the Garrison Regt. and a guard of honor of 100 men from the Seige Battery the band playing the "Star Spangled Banner" which tribute Governor McCall acknowledged by uncovering. Lieut. Gov. Grant introduced the officer commanding the guard to the distinguished guest, after which Governor McCall and the Lieutenant Governor entered the City Hall, being met at the entrance and welcomed by Mayor Hawkins, who escorted them to the Council Chamber upstairs.

The Mayor's and City Solicitor's chairs were removed from the platform they occupy to the main floor, that of the Mayor in the centre with that of Governor McCall on His Worship's right and Lieut. Governor Grant on the left.

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THE CIVIC ADDRESS.

The address read by the City Clerk Monaghan, to Governor McCall had been illuminated by Mr. Story in old English text, and was enclosed in a purple plush case. It was headed by the City Coat of arms and was as follows:-

The Honourable Samuel W. McCall-
Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

May it please your Honour-

On behalf of the City of Halifax, we extend to you our warmest welcome. Between the Commonwealth of which you are the chief executive, and this City and Province, there have always been the closest and most intimate relations. Some of our most prominent citizens have come to us from Massachusetts, and in return, many of our people have left us for your State, in which they have found, not only a welcome and a home, but have attained positions of distinction. Your laws and educational institutions have in many cases been the model upon which we have fashioned our own. In particular, the Charter of the City of Boston and its system of municipal government, was in a great measure adopted by this City when beginning its corporate existence in 1841.

If no other reason had existed for the heartiest greetings to a representative of Massachusetts the magnificent and spontaneous assistance rendered us in the time of our great calamity last December, would have sufficed for all time to have ensured our deepest feelings of gratitude. The physicians and nurses you sent us, rendered incaluable service, and undoubtedly many lives were saved by their skilled and devoted attention. Altogether apart from the large material gifts you made for the comfort and assistance of our people, the advice and organizing ability of the ladies and gentlemen you sent us were incalculable value, and we will never forget all that you have done for us. Great as your aid was at the moment of the disaster, it did not exhaust the good will of the people of Massachusetts, which is further manifested by the splendid work still being carried on by them for the benefit of this community. It is some small satisfaction to us that recently, that when trouble has come to your people, through the epidemic of Influenza, we have been able to afford you some slight measure of assistance. We wish that our circumstances, and conditions would have permitted us to make it more reciprocally commensurate.

The struggle in the cause of civilization and humanity in which the great Nation of which you belong is taking so prominent a place and in which we also are striving to do our utmost, is a fresh tie to bind us, and it is our warmest hope that the relations and intercourse between the two countries may steadily and harmoniously increase.

To yourself, personally, we desire to express our felicitations. We are not unfamiliar with

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YOUR record of public service in Congress, not with the manner in which you have discharged the duties of your high office. It is a special source of pleasure that your visit is to inaugurate a new course of instruction in a branch that most particularly concerns the task of civic government.

Arthur C. Hawkins,
MAYOR.

L. Fred Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, Nova Scotia,
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THE GOVERNOR'S REPLY.

In his reply Governor McCall addressed the Mayor, the Lieutenant Governor and ladies and gentlemen present and said that he fully appreciated the beautifully worded unique address and the sentiments contained therein and he felt they were addressed to him as Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Word of the dreadful calamity in Halifax in December reached Massachusetts before other parts of America and calling the Massachusetts Public Safety Committee together they had the satisfaction of sending aid to Halifax almost as soon as the sounds of the explosion had died away. The calamity was regarded as a national one and Massachusetts' sympathy came right from the heart. Surgeon General Brooks, one of the most distinguished surgeons in the United States proposed the relief train and the proposed was immediately carried into effect/

Governor McCall said he could well understand how the people of Halifax had regarded the surgeons and nurses from Massachusetts so early on the ground here as angels of mercy, aiding them in their struggle to overcome the effects of the great disaster. (applause). It was a great privilege for Massachusetts to come to the aid of Halifax. This morning he had visited ruins of buildings razed by the explosion and apartments built for people rendered homeless and he confessed he took more pride in looking over those relief apartments than he would in viewing magnificent palaces of imperishable material. "He who gives quickly gives twice" (applause).

Governor McCall said that he fully appreciated the reference in the address to the relations between Canada and the United States, and confessed he always had a warm regard for Canada. The president of the United States, after negotiations, had invited him to introduce in the House the reciprocity measure. and he did it in the firm belief he was doing something for Canada, doing something to draw the two great nations closer together without a line to check the aspirations of the people to trade with each other. If he therefore was to confess such as a crime, he pleaded his wish to do something for Canada. On the line which divides the two people birds build their nests in the mouths of the cannon and children played on and about the latter. It is a line defended only by kindly sentiment

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and friendship of two nations, which friendship and sentiment he hoped would always continue. They are fighting side by side in war now, and a feature of that great war is the part played by Canada. It is a war to establish a peace that will extend far into the future.

He was glad to be in Halifax to see the beautiful city to experience the genial hospitality of His Honor Lieut. Gov. Grant. (long continued applause).

ADDRESS BY MAYOR.

Lieut. Governor Grant called upon the Mayor for an address.

His Worship said he heartily welcomed the distinguished guest and expressed his appreciation of all that the great State of Massachusetts had done so well for Halifax. He spoke of Governor McCall's eloquent address and said he himself was for reciprocity and thought opposition to the proposed at the time was a crime. Now the two nations are side by side, allies in the great cause, and that will have accomplished much in drawing the two nations closer together.

Lieut. Gov. Grant then invited all present desiring to meet Governor McCall to do so, and His Excellency had a half-hour of handshaking before he left the City Hall.

MORNING SESSION.

11 o'clock,

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,
December 16th, 1918.

A meeting of the City Council was called for this morning at 11 o'clock. At that hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines, Finlay and Murphy.

The meeting was summoned for the purpose of presenting an address and a piece of silver plate to Captain Bertram F. Hayes, R.N.R., C.M.G., D.S.O., Master of H. M. Transport "Olympic."

The Olympic arrived in Halifax on Saturday morning, 14th inst., with 6000 officers, non-commissioned officers and men returned from the Great War.

The Council Chamber was filled to its capacity with ladies and gentlemen.

The address was read by the City Clerk and presented along with a silver salver to Captain Hayes by His Worship the Mayor.

The address was as follows:—

Captain Bertram F. Hayes, R.N.R., C.M.G., D.S.O.,
Master—H. M. Transport Olympic.

Sir:—The City of Halifax has pleasure in welcoming you upon your return to this port with your wonderful ship the Olympic, bringing home to us so many of our patriotic and heroic sons.

The citizens of Halifax throughout the war have followed the activities of the Olympic with anxious care and the keenest of interest. The motto of the City "E Mari Merces" prompts a due acknowledgment from us of the services of those who go down to the sea in ships, and we desire to record the mindfulness we have of the intrepid spirit and marvelous skill displayed by the masters and crews of the numerous vessels that plied through this port during the terrible years of danger to shipping.

It is fitting that we take occasion to make known to all officers and men of the Merchant Marine who "carried on" during the four and a half years of ordeal that their dauntless zeal and courageous energy will ever be remembered in this "the gateway of the Dominion of Canada."

You, Captain Hayes, cannot be any prouder than are the citizens of Halifax that for your personal accomplishments you have been decorated with the Distinguished Service Order and other honors.

It is well known that the enemy during the war made special effort to bring disaster to the Olympic, and no encomiums of ours can give too much

credit to you for your successful outwitting of the machinations of the German submarines.

Your record, Captain Hayes, must go down in history as that of a great navigator. The present we believe is your nineteenth trip to Halifax with your noble ship the Olympic since the beginning of the war. During those voyages you carried from this port about 70,000 officers, non-commissioned officers and men. The Olympic has the proud distinction of being the premier troopship of the world, and you personally bear the credit of having conveyed more British and Canadian troops than any other master, without the loss of a single life.

In the minds of the people of this Province your name will ever be linked with your successful notable transporting of the Nova Scotia Highland Brigade in the early part of the war.

We sincerely congratulate you on your achievements, and desire that you may be pleased to accept the accompanying piece of plate as a souvenir of our appreciation of your services to the Empire and as a mark of our esteem for the men of the sea.

ARTHUR C. HAWKINS, Mayor.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, City Clerk.

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The salver was engraved with the Arms of adoption of the City and the following inscription:—

“To Captain Bertram F. Hayes, R.N.R., C.M.G., D.S.O.
From the City of Halifax
In recognition of his services as Commander of
H. M. Transport “Olympic”
During the World War.
December 16th, 1918.”

Captain Hayes made an appropriate reply.

The meeting adjourned.

[NOTE:—See newspaper reports in original Minute book of City Council].

A. C. HAWKINS,
Mayor.

L. FRED MONAGHAN,
City Clerk.

Evening Mail
December 16th 1918

The Board of Trade's Gift to Olympic's Captain



Presentations to the Captain of the Premier Troopship of the World From the City and the Board of Trade

FOR the first time since it was received in 1912, the magnificent flag presented by the ladies of Bristol, England, to the city of Halifax, was to-day displayed "in all its glory," by way of honoring the occasion of the presentation to that "valiant man of the sea," Captain Burton F. Hayes, master of the premier troopship of the world, the Olympic.

The flag was the chief decorative detail in the city council chamber, wherein the presentation took place, hanging against the south wall, and forming a brilliant background for the presentation ceremony. Palms and ferns were used in decoration, and out in the Parade myriads of flags were blowing from cords suspended from the top of the flag pole to the lawn. "Welcome" was written large over the whole city hall. Besides Captain Hayes, all the officers of the ship and many of the men were present, and a piper, present in the corridor, contributed to the "general jubilation" a skirl that did occasion proud.

BESIDE the mayor, who presided, and the members of the Board of Control, with the heads of the various civic departments, there were noted Premier Murray, His Grace Archbishop McCarthy and Mr. Justice Longley.

His Worship, in a brief introductory, explained that those present were met to do honor to Captain Hayes, whose name was now renowned thruout the Dominion, if not, indeed, thruout the world. We were all more or less hero worshippers. The captain would no doubt say that his success was due to nothing more than the faithful performance of duty—to attention to detail and the minutiae of his work. He was evidently a believer in the old saying that "God helps those who help themselves." However, the city honored him to-day and in so doing honored itself. (Applause.)

THE civic address was read by City Clerk Monaghan and was as follows:—

Captain Bertram F. Hayes, R.N.R., C.M.G., D.S.O., Master H. M. Transport Olympic:

Sir,—The City of Halifax has pleasure in welcoming you upon your return to this port with your wonderful ship, the Olympic, bringing home to us so many of our patriotic and heroic sons.

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It is fitting that we take occasion to make known to all officers and men of the Merchant Marine who "carried on" during the four and a half years of ordeal that their dauntless zeal and courageous energy will ever be remembered in this, "the gateway of the Dominion of Canada."

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In the minds of the people of this province your name will ever be linked with your successful, notable transporting of the Nova Scotia Highland Brigade in the early part of the war.

We sincerely congratulate you on your achievements, and desire that you may be pleased to accept the accompanying piece of plate as a souvenir of our appreciation of your services to the Empire and as a mark of our esteem for the men of the sea.

ARTHUR C. HAWKINS,
Mayor.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN,
City Clerk.

Halifax, N. S., December 16th, 1918.

At the conclusion of the reading of the address the silver salver was presented by the mayor.

CAPTAIN HAYES, every inch a "man of the sea," tall, erect, utterly simple and unaffected, with a strong, genial face, and the mouth and eyes of a man who loves a laugh, but can be iron when occasion calls for iron made a thoroly characteristic, delightful response. "It is the work of my crew which has made me the central figure in this affair," said he, "they did it, they are all here, you see. I had less to do, an easier time, than any man on board. I assure you this is the hardest moment, if also the most pleasant, of my whole life. I thank the city for its welcome of the ship—I have never known anything like that demonstration save one. When at the time of the South African war, the Sardinian arrived at Cape Town, with the first Canadian contingent, there was the like of it. I joined in the noise then, I was one of the participants in that welcome. Well, the Canadians we took over made a record which made us proud to have carried them, and we are more glad to bring them home to you. (Applause).

"No one is more proud of them than am I and all my people here to-day. We know the welcome, too, was not altogether for them but also for the ship, and we are grateful to you for that. But it is to the slow-going ships, whose speed was surpassed by that of the submarines that the great credit is due. We had speed. They had not and they took their lives in their hands every time they set out on a journey across the ocean. The only time the stamina of my crew, the men below, was tried, was when we rammed a submarine, and on that occasion, we did not lose a single revolution of the propeller. (Applause and cheers.)"

THE captain paid a splendid tribute to the Royal Navy and

spoke with the scorn of a brave man and a patriot of the ignoble surrender of the German navy without a fight. "They could have gone down with their ships," said he, after drawing a comparison between them and the navies of the other nations. "The British navy put the fear of God in their hearts," said he, amid loud applause.

The Olympic's association with Nova Scotia and with Halifax, was more intimate than many realized. "A member of my crew enlisted in the Nova Scotia Highland brigade," said he. "Every man on my ship volunteered, against my wishes, for I knew they were doing just as important and good work where they were." Persisting in attributing his success to the general excellence of the ship's equipment, the interest of the White Star line, and the work of his crew, and reiterating happily his expressions of appreciation, also expressing his deep appreciation of the display of the splendid Bristol flag in his honor, he concluded amid cheers, those present being then presented to him. They were one and all proud to shake his strong and faithful hand.

AT noon there took place at the Board of Trade rooms, the presentation of a loving cup to Captain Hayes, and a piece of plate to Chief Engineer Ferguson, the president of the board, D. Macgillivray, presiding and His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor making the presentations.

Evening Mail

December 16, 1918

PRESENTATIONS TODAY TO THE OLYMPIC'S CAPTAIN

Daily Echo
Dec 16th 1918

City and Board of Trade Do Honor to Gallantry and Efficiency of Captain Hayes, Master of the Big Transport—Skipper Tells How His Ship "Got" U-Boat.

Mayor Hawkins struck the keynote at the reception and presentation to Capt. Hayes, of the S. S. Olympic at the City Hall today, when he remarked that "Halifax honors herself when she honors such a man" and the remark was greeted with loud applause. The function was at eleven o'clock and the Council Chamber was crowded with citizens and ladies. His Grace Archbishop McCarthy, Premier Murray, Mr. Justice Longley and other gentlemen of prominence, as well as naval and military officers were present.

The parade flag staff was decorated with bunting in honor of the occasion and the interior of the chamber was very prettily done. The windows to the rear of the Mayor's chair were draped with the Union Jack and the flag presented by the ladies of Bristol, Eng., to the City of Halifax on the occasion of the opening of the opening of the Memorial Tower at the N. W. Arm. The dais was covered with plants and flowers and the window ledges of the Council Chamber done in like manner.

Capt. Hayes was accompanied to the Council Chamber by Mr. A. E. Jones and Major A. N. Jones, Halifax, representatives of the White Star Line, to whose fleet the Olympic belongs. Mayor Hawkins presided, with Capt. Hayes on his right.

In introducing the captain the Mayor, addressing himself to the Premier, Archbishop, ladies and gentlemen present, said they were met together to do honor to Capt. B. F. Hayes, of the Olympic, a man whose name had been in the minds of the people ever while the war was on. People were bound to be hero worshippers, more or less. Capt. Hayes would no doubt tell them that all he done was in the line of his duty and was only through attention paid to detail, but those who had spoken to him could not help feeling that the gallant captain was a believer in the saying that God helps those who help themselves, and had thus been enabled to carry on successfully. Capt. Hayes was a prominent figure not only in Halifax but throughout the world and Halifax honored herself when she honored him. (Loud applause).

The Civic Address.

City Clerk Monaghan read the civic address as follows:

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The Captain's Reply.

Addressing himself to the Mayor, Premier, Archbishop and all present, Captain Hayes, who was given a warm reception, said his position at the moment he felt the most difficult since war opened, even though it was the the pleasantest. He thanked the city for the welcome the returned boys and the ship had received on arrival here Saturday. The only similar occasion he remembered was during the South Africa war and the City of Halifax was mixed up in that also. It was the arrival of a Canadian troopship from Halifax at Capetown and, "needless, to say, perhaps," remarked the gallant captain, "I was mixed up in it, too, as I happened to be at Capetown at the time. Capetown people are not easy to excite, but on that occasion every ship in the port shrieked her welcome to the Canadian soldiers and immense crowds on the quays added their loud welcoming shouts and cheers.

"No one," continued Captain Hayes, "was more pleased than I was to be allowed to take the Can-

adian lads over," and I am more pleased to bring them back. And we all were pleased to participate in the welcome for one felt the ship had a share in it.

Feel at Home Here.

Captain Hayes said he and his officers and men always felt at home in Halifax where they were ever welcomed by everybody. But he put in a word for the merchant marine service. "My ship was unique in the service," said he, "because we had speed and whatever protection was possible. It is the men in the slow going ships who deserve much gratitude. With their ships loaded to the gunwhales with munitions, food, etc., the officers and crews practically took their lives in their hands and on many occasions battled off submarines.

"We didn't know then the Germans were such cowards as they since demonstrated by the surrender of their ships without coming out and fighting," said Captain Hayes.

Credit to Navy.

"The Spaniards and Russians were hemmed in in previous wars but they came out and fought. The credit on

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PRESENTATION TODAY

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this occasion must all go to the British navy for putting the fear of God in the German navy's heart."

At the opening of the war he (Capt. H.) was on the Adriatic, most of the crew of which, with himself, were transferred to the Olympic and had been with him ever since. Their duty on board was to carry out the White Star line instructions to do all in their power to make the men they carried comfortable and give them the best time possible. The Food Controller stepped in but all the men accepted the situation cheerfully. The Olympic had indeed close associations with Halifax. She carried Nova Scotia's Highland brigade and the brigade carried off some of her men with them to the front, other corps doing the same.

"Every man on the Olympic volunteered to go to the front," said Capt. Hayes proudly, "but had been turned back from the recruiting offices and ordered on board ship where they belonged." He said it was these men he had to thank for being a central figure today. He himself had the easiest time on board. He knew a periscope could not show its nose or the lookout would see it and the gunners be after it in jig time.

Caught the U-103.

"When we were lucky enough to catch U-103 the lookout man saw it first, the man at the wheel was as quick as I was, and the propellers lost not a revolution as the ship passed over the submarine. The engineers, stokers were at their posts and the men all felt the shock, but everybody stood by ready."

"I gratefully accept on behalf of myself and the ship, though it did not need anything of that kind to keep Halifax in our recollections, for we felt this our home and were always glad to get back to Halifax. If at times the crew felt tired as the ship reached port the moment the ship was docked at the pier we all felt as soon as we saw the welcome faces of the ladies and gentlemen of the reception committee that we could safely turn out for they would look after the returned boys.

In closing Captain Hayes expressed himself as feeling deeply honored by the display in the Council chamber—the first time it was so used he understood—of the beautiful flag which the ladies of Bristol, England, presented to the City of Halifax. (applause).

The Premier, Archbishop, Judge Longley and many of those present were then presented by the Mayor to Capt. Hayes

A Silver Salver.

The gift presented to Capt. Hayes was a solid silver salver, circular in shape and inscribed with the City arms and the wording.

"To Captain Bertram S. Hayes, R. N. R., C. M. G., D. S. O."

"From the City of Halifax in recognition of his services as commander of H.M. Transport Olympic during

the world war.

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The civic address was in a hall illuminated in gold and carried by Mr. Story and was carried in a buff leather case.

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The Board of Trade Assembly Hall was crowded to the doors at noon today, for the presentation ceremony of Captain Hayes and Chief Engineer Ferguson of the Olympic. On the platform were His Honor the Governor, Premier Murray, Archbishop McCarthy, Chief Justice Harris, Mayor Hawkins, Admiral Story, Hon. F. B. McCurdy and the Very Rev. Dean Liwyd. Colonel Thompson and staff, Colonel Borden and other members of the military were also present. The officers and crew of the Olympic came in a body to do their captain and chief honor as well as the citizens of Halifax.

Mr. D. Macgillivray, President of the Board of Trade, presided, and in the opening address, spoke in high terms of Captain Hayes' excellent service and referred to a few of the captain's special achievements. He stated that both and captain and chief has been forty years in the service. Captain Hayes had been both in the Atlantic and the Australian service and was one of the foremost commanders during the time of the South African war.

"The captain will never tell anything lengthy about himself, so I cannot give the oration I expected to," said Mr. Macgillivray.

A Courageous Man.

"I do know this, though, he even escaped the deadly Studley Club alive, declining to take more than one drink, which showed his marvellous courage. Our hearts are full to overflowing with gratitude to the navy for what they have done, and in Halifax we especially honor the dear old Olympic.

"We are doing today for Capt. Hayes and the Chief what we would like to do for all seamen afloat."

Following Mr. Gilmivray's address, Rule Britannia was sung by the members of the Rotary Club. The Governor then presented Capt. Hayes with the loving cup, one behalf of the Board of Trade. His Honor commended the Captain for his faithful and efficient service. He said he considered one of the greatest honors in his life, to be able to make the presentation. "I know not the value of the cup, but I do know it is nothing in comparison with the gratitude due the ship and its crew—those who will never come back are too silent witnesses of the heroic work you have done."

The Skipper's Reply.

Capt. Hayes responded to the address and referring to the pleasurable and astounding fact, that Halifax was the first city which had honored the Merchant Marine and, on behalf of the whole Merchant Marine Service, he wished to thank and congratulate the Board of Trade for their thoughtfulness.

He spoke of his first visit to Halifax upon his return from the war and the reception they met with. Everything was made easy. Capt. Hayes mentioned the names of Capt. Martin, formerly in charge of the Dock Yard, Colonel Lindsay and General Benson for their kind assistance on former trips.

"Everybody worked together and everything was always satisfactory," said Capt. Hayes. He then told of the encounter of the Olympic last May in the English Channel with a submarine. "We have had one satisfaction that does not come to many in the Channel, that of sinking a sub. Our lookout spotted the submarine—two

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Presentation to Engineer.

Mr. Ferguson, the chief engineer of the Olympic was also presented with a silver salver, circular in shape on a silver salver. The salver is Queen Anne pattern and is engraved in old English. The salver bears the following inscription— "Presented to Anthony Ferguson Esq., Chief Engineer H.M.S. Olympic, from The Halifax Board of Trade 16th Dec 1918."

The service was presided to Mr. Ferguson by Hon. G. H. Murray, Premier of Nova Scotia.

CAPTAIN HAYES HONORED.

By the City of Halifax and Board of Trade this morning.

Chief Engineer Ferguson of the Olympic presented with silver tea service.

Captain Hayes makes replies at both presentations.

The City of Halifax this morning honored Captain Bertram Hayes, D. S. O., of H. M. Transport Olympic and as aptly put by Mayor Hawkins the City did honor to itself in honoring Captain Hayes. Eleven o'clock was the hour set for the city's presentation of a handsome piece of plate and the City Council Chamber was crowded with prominent citizens for the occasion. Among those present were Premier Murray, Archbishop McCarthy, Admiral Story, and others.

The chamber was handsomely decorated with plants, flowers, etc., and the arrangement was supervised by Superintendent Power, of the Public Gardens, whose taste in such matters is well-known. At the head of the chamber was hung the magnificent flag presented to the city by the ladies of Bristol, and this was the first occasion it had been used since it was received. In front of it was entwined the Union Jack, and they made a nice background for the floral display. As Captain Hayes entered the City Hall he was greeted by a piper from the Highlanders who discoursed several well-known airs.

Mayor Hawkins, in introducing Captain Hayes, referred to him as a man who had won renown and was in the minds of the people of Halifax and in fact of the world during the period of the war. He said we were all more or less hero worshippers, but the captain was one of those modest men who claimed that he but did his duty and had paid close attention to details with the idea that God helped those who helped themselves, and Halifax did honor to itself in honoring him, the captain.

The Mayor then called on City Clerk Monaghan to read the following address:

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Captain Hayes, in responding to the address, said that this was the most difficult occasion and the hardest time he had had since the war began, even if it is the most pleasant. He thanked the citizens of Halifax for the warm reception on the occasion of the arrival of the Olympic on Saturday. It was a warm greeting, and he had not seen anything like it except on one occasion, in which Halifax also took part, as it had troops on board the Sardinian when she arrived at Cape Town. The ships in harbor and the citizens gave honor to the arrival of the Canadians, and in this war they had held thereputation they had made in South Africa. He had been pleased to carry so many Canadians safely over to England, but the greatest pleasure was in bringing them back. He felt that Saturday's welcome was not only to the troops, but also to the ship itself. We feel at home in Halifax and no one could appreciate the occasion more than every one attached to the ship. The Olympic was in a unique position. She had the speed and all troopships were well protected. The slow going ships carrying munitions and foodstuffs, loaded to the edge, were the ones that deserved the credit, as they were facing death every time they entered the war zone.

It would have been easier had we known the Germans were such cowards as they showed themselves when they surrendered their navy. In the Spanish-American War the Spanish navy and also the Russian ships had left ports knowing that their ships would be sunk and the navy faced death like men.

He said the British had put the fear of God in the Germans. At the beginning of the war he was on the Adriatic and when he transferred to the Olympic most of his men came with him, and all had made an effort to carry out the White Star line instructions to make all the people comfortable and the question of expense did not matter. Then the food restrictions came into effect and all on board had cheerfully accepted the same. They had very close associations with Halifax, and one reason was that the Olympic had carried over the Highland Brigade. There had been some talk about some of the younger men on his ship not having volunteered for the front. He wished to say that every man of them had volunteered and that they had been "kicked" back to the ship and told that they were best serving their country as they were. He had to thank them for making him the central figure in to-day's presentation.

He himself had had the easiest time of any one on board. His lookouts, gun crews were always busy, and the only time the staming of the engineers and firemen were tried they proved their quality, when we were lucky enough to catch the U-boat 103 napping. Not one revolution was lost in ramming the submarine.

In concluding, he gratefully accepted the plate on behalf of himself, although he didn't need anything like this to bring Halifax to their hearts.

He referred to the ladies affectionately greeting the troops on arrival of the boats and also spoke of the Bristol flag, which was an additional honor to his ship as this was the first occasion it had been used since it was received.

AT BOARD OF TRADE.

The Board of Trade's reception to Captain Hayes and Chief Engineer Anthony Ferguson was held at noon. The Board's large chamber was not large enough to contain the many business men who attended, and the reception proved to be one of the happiest events of the kind ever held there.

Among those present were Lieut.-Governor Grant, Premier Murray, Chief Justice Harris, Mayor Hawkins, Archbishop McCarthy, Sir Malachy Daly, Mr. A. E. Jones, agent for the White Star Line; Col. Curran, Belgian Consul; French Counsel Gaboury, Col. W. E. Thompson and others.

President Macgillivray in opening expressed his pleasure at being able to preside on such an occasion, and he gave some facts relating to the Olympic and its gallant commander. The assemblage then sang "Rule Britannia" and the president called upon Lieut.-Governor Grant to make the presentation. In doing so His Honor stated that the Captain was deserving of, and he had, the gratitude and thanks of not only Halifax and Canada, but of the whole Allied world for his safe conduct of the Olympic.

He said that was only another instance of Britannia leading the way. He then presented the captain, on behalf of the Board, with a beautiful solid silver Loving Cup on an ebony base, containing a suitable inscription.

After three cheers had been given for him, Captain Hayes said he hoped those present realized the trying although pleasant position in which he now found himself, as he was not used to speaking.

This was the very first occasion that he knew of where any city had honored the merchant service. He referred to the protection given to the big transports. For himself and crew he might say that when they first came to Halifax they knew they had one friend here, Mr. Jones, the agent of the White Star Line. When we came here we found that all the difficulties of docking, etc., had been made easy. The naval representative then here was Captain Martin and he did all he could. Another old friend he met was Colonel Lindsay, and still another was General Benson. They had had one satisfaction, when on May 12 we got the opportunity we were looking for since 1915. The lookout spotted the submarine, and two minutes later it was finished. We would not have been so anxious if we had known that all the German navy could do was to fight unarmed ships. Some of the good stories told by President Macgillivray about his work were true, but others were not—but what's the use of spoiling a good story, said the Captain. His heart has always been in Halifax ever since he came here and he and the crew called it "home."

Mr. Macgillivray, in calling upon Premier Murray to present the solid silver tea service to Engineer Commander Anthony Ferguson, said the Olympic was never compelled to stop at sea owing to its machinery. Premier Murray remarked that in his estimation the Engineer of the Olympic should not take second place with any one. The bravery of engineers, firemen, etc., was unquestioned as without seeing the danger they were still conscious of it, yet they stood by their posts without hesitation.

Commander Ferguson, in replying, said the presentation was an unexpected one, and drew him from the obscure portals of the engine room. He felt sure that the presentation would be appreciated, not only by himself, but by all engineers throughout the world, as it was unique for a city to recognize the engineer in such style. He had only done what thousands of others had done—his duty.

In closing the reception Mr. Macgillivray announced that the reason why the Olympic had such a record was because Capt. Hayes was a typical John Bull, Commander Ferguson a Scotsman and Commander Thompson, second in command, was an Irishman. Three cheers were then given for Commander Thompson.

Mr. Macgillivray then called upon the Pymaster and general purser Palmer to stand up, and when he said that he was Welshman he was greeted with cheers.

The National Anthem was then sung.

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Office of City Clerk,

Halifax, June 14th, 1919.

RESIGNATION OF ALDERMEN.

The City Council under then existing laws ceased to exist on August 31st, 1918 through the resignation of Aldermen as shown in memorandum in the Minutes dated September 5th, 1918, the City Charter 1914 Sec. 119 requiring that "ten members of the Council, including the Chairman shall constitute a quorum."

BOARD OF CONTROL ACTIONS CONFIRMED.

The Legislature by section 3 of Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1919 enacted as follows:-

(Sec. 3.) Every Act, matter or thing, and every resolution passed and every appointment made by the Board of Control since the 26th day of August 1918, up to and including the second day of June 1919, which would have been valid and effectual if the same had been done or confirmed by a resolution of the Council shall be to all purposes as valid and effectual as though the same had been so done or confirmed by such resolution and no action of any board, commission, committee or other body shall be questioned for the reason only that a member of such body had been so appointed by the Board of Control only.

PLEBISCITES.

For a record of a plebiscite taken on the 28th day of August 1918, as to Form of Government of the City of Halifax.

And for a record of a plebiscite taken on the 30th day of April 1919 on the question put to the Voters "Are you in favor of doing away with the Board of Control and returning to a Council of eighteen Aldermen".

See Minutes of City Council June 5th, 1919.


L. Fred Monaghan
CITY CLERK.