

Wednesday, 6th December, 1874.

Parthenais.

Ordered that the foregoing reports be referred to the next meeting for consideration.

From the Road Committee, on the homologation of Normand street.

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
seconded by Alderman Grenier,

Resolved It was that the said report be adopted.

For report, see page 222

From the Road Committee, on the extension of Stanley street.

From the same, on the widening of Aubord street.

From the same, on the re-roofing of the ~~Spide~~ shed.

From the same, for an appropriation of \$100.00 to pay Mr P. Heffernan, for earth

Ordered that the said Reports be referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Road and Finance Committees, to acquire additional land, to extend the quarry

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
seconded by Alderman Grenier, it was

Resolved that the said Reports be adopted —

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Orders

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Orders of the day:

The order of the day being read for consider a motion of Alderman Hood, for a detailed statement of the expenditure of the Delegation to England in 1872,

Alderman Hood moved,

Seconded by Alderman McLaughlin,

That the City Treasurer furnish this Council with a detailed statement of the expenditure of the Delegation to England in the year 1872-

On motion in amendment of Alderman Stephens,
Seconded by Alderman Wilson,

It was

Resolved that the foregoing motion be amended by adding thereto the following: "and that such statement show the expenditure of each person forming such delegation and also a statement of the expenditure of the delegation of 1874, and that so amended the said motion be adopted."

The order of the day being read to consider a motion of Alderman Kennedy, to connect the chimneys of all buildings in which are erected steam engines and boilers, with street sewers, for ventilating purposes,

On motion of Alderman Kennedy,
Seconded by Alderman McCard,

it was

Resolved that leave be granted to introduce a By-law, providing that the chimneys of all Buildings, in which leave be granted to erect steam engines and boilers, be connected with the street sewers

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for the purpose of Ventilation in such manner as the Health Committee may approve of,

The order of the day being read to consider a motion of Alderman Rolland, for an address to both branches of the Legislature for a more stringent law to regulate the sale and issuing of licenses for the sale of intoxicating drinks,

Alderman Rolland moved,

seconded by Alderman Grenier,

that an address be presented to both branches of the Legislature for a more stringent law to restrict the sale of intoxicating drinks and for the appointment of a liquor Inspector, to stay, as much as possible, its alarming and steady increasing progress of Intemperance in this Province and more particularly in this City, and that, for such object, a special meeting of the Council be convened at an early day.

On motion in amendment of Alderman Stephens, seconded by Alderman McLeod, It was

Resolved

that the foregoing motion be referred to a special Committee, to be composed of the following members of the Council:

Aldermen: Rolland, Wilson, Desmarceaux, McLeod, Kennedy, Kay and Stephens, for consideration and report.

The order of the day being read to consider a Report from the Road Committee, to compel the Grand Trunk Railway Company, to remove their rails, with the exception of the main track, from Wellington Street,

or

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or to build a bridge or tunnel.

The following report was brought up and read:

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
Seconded by Alderman McCambridge,

It was

Resolved

that the said Report be adopted.

For report see page 218

The order of the day being read to consider a report from the Fire Committee, recommending unfavorably on the petition of mill owners at the St Gabriel Locks, the following report was brought up and read:

On motion of Alderman McCambridge
Seconded by Alderman Mullin,

It was

Resolved

that the said Report be adopted,

For report, see page 211

The order of the day being read to consider a report from the Fire Committee, for leave to sell the materials of the roof of the late Military School, the following report was brought up and read:

On motion of Alderman Mullin,
Seconded by Alderman Grenier,

it was

Resolved

that the said report be adopted.

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The order of the day being read to consider a motion of Alderman Stephens, for a By-law
to

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regulate the traffic of Railways in this City -
on motion of Alderman Steptoe
seconded by Alderman McCambridge

Resolved that permission be granted to introduce the
said By-law and that the draft now submitted
be referred to the Attorney for their approval.

The order of the day being read to consider
Reports from the Road and Finance Com-
mittees, to construct a sewer in Ontario Street,

On motion of Alderman Steptoe,
seconded by Alderman Grenier, it was

Resolved that the said Reports be referred back to the
Road Committee.

The order of the day being read to consider
a Report from the Police Committee, on the result
of the Investigation into the charges preferred by
ex-sergeant Lessard, against the officers of
the Central Police Station, the following report
was brought up and read -

On motion of Alderman Grenier
seconded by Alderman Wilson,

it was

Resolved that the said Report be adopted.

For report, see page 212

The order of the day being read to consider a Report
from the Health Committee, for leave to
vary certain items of their appropriation

Ordered that the same be discharged -

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The order of the day being read to consider a Report from the Special Committee, on the proposed change in the Côte-des-Neiges Road and from the Finance Committee thereon,

On motion of Alderman McLaughlin,
Seconded by Alderman Wilson,

It was

Resolved

that the said Reports be referred to the Special Royal Park Commissioners, to ascertain from them if the road in question could not be used as a means of approach to the Park.

The order of the day being read to consider Reports from the Fire, and ~~and~~ Finance Committees to increase the salary of Mr James Ferns, telegraph operator,

the following reports were brought up and read:

On motion of Alderman Grenier,
Seconded by Alderman Kennedy,

It was

Resolved

that the said Reports be adopted—

For reports, see page 215

The order of the day being read to consider a Report from the Police Committee, for leave to vary the application of certain items of their appropriation the following report was brought up and read.

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On motion of Alderman Grenier,
Seconded by Alderman Wilson, it was

Resolved

that the said Report be adopted.

Wednesday 15th December, 1874.

The order of the day being read to consider a motion of Alderman Stephens, to instruct the City Treasurer, not to pay money for expenses of delegations, unless authorized by the Council,

On motion of Alderman Stephens
Seconded by Alderman Grenier,

It was

Resolved

that in future the City Treasurer shall not pay any money for the expenses of delegations unless authorized by council.

On motion of Alderman Wilson,
Seconded by Alderman Grenier,

The council adjourned.

H. A. Nelson.

Chairman.

Special Meeting.

Monday, 28th December, 1874.

A special meeting of the Council convened by His Worship the Mayor was held pursuant to notice in the Council Room of the City Hall, on Monday, the twenty-eight day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, at half past seven o'clock P.M.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

REPORTS.

- 1.—From the Mount Royal Park Commissioners—Submitting Mr. F. Law Olmsted's views for the laying out of the Mount Royal Park.
- 2.—From the Board of Health and the Finance Committee—For a supplementary appropriation of \$6,000 for unforeseen expenditure in connection with the small-pox disease.
- 3.—From the Health Committee—For a supplementary appropriation of \$1,500.
- 4.—From the Road Committee—On the homologation of the Centre Ward Plan.
- 5.—From the same—On the homologation of the West Ward Plan.
- 6.—From the Special Committee on the St. Helen's Island Park—To give out a five years' contract for the ferry, and for an appropriation for certain works therein mentioned, and from the Finance Committee thereon.

QUESTIONS PUT BY MEMBERS.

MOTIONS.

- 7.—From Alderman Kennedy—To have the question of road making and footpaths considered by the Council in Committee of the Whole.
- 8.—From the same.—For a By-law to regulate Water Closets, Cess Pools, &c.
- 9.—From the same.—For a By-law to regulate the connection of private drains with main sewers.
- 10.—From the same.—For a By-law to connect private Drains with Soil Pits.

BY-LAWS.

- 11.—For the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading of a By-law for the removal of snow from the sidewalks.
- 12.—For the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading of a By-law concerning Carters.
- 13.—For the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading of a By-law concerning the M. C. P. R. Company.
- 14.—For the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading of a By-law to reduce the tax on Brokers.

MOTIONS.

- 15.—From Alderman Grenier.—For a statement from the Medical Health Officers, of the number of persons vaccinated during the last four years, and of the amount paid for each such vaccination, and to whom paid.
- 16.—From Alderman Rivard—To consider the propriety of taxing Churches and charitable Institutions.

REPORTS.

- 17.—From the Road and Finance Committees—To widen Common street from McGill street to Youville street.
- 18.—From the Police and Fire Committees—On the purchase of land for joint Fire and Police Stations in the St. Mary's Ward, and from the Finance Committee thereon.
- 19.—From the Police and Finance Committees.—To purchase land for a Police Station in the St. Ann's Ward.
- 20.—From the Fire and Finance Committees.—To change the system of Insurance on the lives of Firemen.

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- 21.—From the same.—To purchase land for a Fire Station in the West Ward.
 22.—From the Road and Finance Committees—To indemnify Mr. Millard for land taken from him in St. Hypolite Street.
 23.—From the Special Committee—On the storage of Gunpowder in this city, and from the Finance Committee thereon.
 24.—From the Fire Committee—On petitions for leave to erect steam engines.
 25.—From the Market Committee—Recommending unfavorably on Mr. Payette's petition to be reinstated as Clerk of the St. Antoine Market.

MOTION.

- 26.—From Alderman Stephens—To regulate the granting of leave of absence to Corporation Officials.

REPORTS.

- 27.—From the Road and Light Committees—Recommending unfavorably on the petition of the Consumers' Gas Company, to lay pipes, &c., in the streets of this city.
 28.—From the Market Committee—To appoint Mr. Charles Larin clerk of the St. Antoine Market.

MOTIONS.

- 29.—From Alderman Stephens—That Alderman Brunet replace Alderman David on the Road Committee, during the latter's absence in Quebec.
 30.—From the same—To amend By-law No. 69, to allow all public weighers to weigh stone and lime.

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- 31.—From the Water Committee—To supply the adjoining Municipalities with water on certain conditions.
 32.—From the Road Committee—On the claim of the heirs Parthenais.

BY-LAW.

- 33.—For the 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading of a By-law to allow the Montreal Omnibus and Transfer Company to lay rails in certain streets of this city, under certain conditions.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor,
 Aldis Bernard, Esquire.

Aldermen: Alexander David, Taylor, McLaughray,
 Kay, Rolland, McCambridge, Kennedy, Brunet,
 Grenier, Munro, Nelson, Rivard, Desmarceaux,
 Thomas, Bryson, Bastien, Wilson, McShaw,
 Stephens, Hood, Corauger, Grevier.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Petitions:

From the Council of the Board of Trade, praying for the repeal of sections 88 & 89 of By-law, Chapter 11. Referred to Finance.

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From the Road Mr Rousselet, protesting against the opening of a new street, through the seminary pleasure grounds, from St Francois Xavier, to Stulpice streets -

Ordered that the said petition be laid on the table.

From J. J. Dilon, claiming damages for injuries received by falling into the canal -

From Inhabitants in Lydenham street, for a sewer in said street.

From J. A. Cushing Esquire, to be allowed to erect scales for weighing stone & lime -

Ordered that the said petitions be referred to the Road Committee -

From E. G. Perry, complaining of a certain Building erected on Jacques Cartier street by one Gauthier, carter -

From Louis Charbonneau, for leave to be allowed to work his steam engine, pending the action of the Fire Committee, on his petition for leave to use his present steam engine, with increased horse-power -

Ordered that the said petitions be referred to the Fire Committee and that in the mean time Mr Charbonneau be allowed to work his steam engine, as petitioned for.)

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From John James O'Brien, to have Sherbrooke Street opened to the Eastern limits of the city -

Referred to the Road Committee.

Reports Submitted -

From the Finance Committee, concurring in the Report of the Road-Committee, to extend Stanley Street.

From the same, on the Report of the Road Committee, to widen St Bonaventure Street.

From the same, concurring in the Report of the Road Committee, to indemnify Mr James Millard, for land taken to rectify the line of St Hippolyte Street.

From the same, on the report of the Road Committee, to widen, and extend Bronson Lane.

Ordered that the consideration of the foregoing reports be deferred till next meeting.

From the Road Committee, for leave to contract for 50,000 square yards of Flagstone.

From the same, to widen St Ignace Street.

From the same, to acquire land for the Lafontaine Street Tunnel.

From the same to widen St Peter Street, at the West corner of Commissioners Street.

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From the Road Committee, on the petition of Joseph Godin relative to the assessment charged him for a sewer in St Elizabeth Street -

From the same, for an appropriation of \$21,770⁰⁰ to pay outstanding debts &c

Ordered

that the said Reports be referred to the Finance Committee -

From the Special Committee, on the storage of Gunpowder, recommending that a Bonus of \$2000 be offered for a powder magazine, in the vicinity of the City and from the Finance Committee thereon.

For report see page 206 -

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
Seconded by Alderman Grenier

It was

Resolved

that the said Reports be adopted -

From the Road Committee, to give to the Municipality of St Jean Baptiste's Village the privilege of using the city sewers, on certain conditions -

For report, see page 208

Alderman David moved,
Seconded by Alderman Stephens,

that the said Report be adopted -

On motion in amendment of Alderman Kennedy,
Seconded by Alderman Nelson,

it was

Resolved

that the said report be amended by adding

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adding after the words "no wooden drain shall be constructed within the said Municipality" the following clause: "and that the said Municipality shall be bound to conform and comply with such Rules and regulations in regard to drainage as may be made from time to time for the good Government of the City or promulgated by the Board of Health" and that so amended, the said Report be adopted.

From the Board of Health, recommending that application be made to the local legislature for authority to increase the powers of the Health officers and the Public Vaccinators.

Alderman Stephens thereupon moved

Seconded by Alderman David Fox was

Resolved - That the Board of Chairman be instructed to take such action as is necessary to submit to this Council any amendments to the charter required during the present session of the legislature -

On motion of Alderman Kennedy

Seconded by Alderman Grenier, it was

Resolved that the said Report be referred to the Special Committee on amendments, just adopted -

Notices of motions -

From Alderman Stephens, for a memorial to His Excellency the Governor General for the appointment of an analyst of food for the Inland Revenue District of Montreal.

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From the same, to place the Corporation printing advertising and supplying of stationery under the special charge of the City & Hall Committee -

From Alderman Rolland, to have but one medical health officer -

From the same, to have but one City Attorney -

From the same, to have but one Notary for the Corporation -

From Alderman David, to have the question of supplying water to the City by means of one or more windmills, considered by the water committee -

By-law concerning Bill-posting -

The City Clerk submitted a draft prepared by him in compliance with the order of Council, of a By-law concerning Bill-posting in this City.

Ordered that the said By-law be printed and submitted at next meeting for a first, second and third reading -

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The order of the day being read to consider Reports from the Mount Royal Park Commissioners and

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and the Finance Committee, submitting Mr. Law
Olmsted's views for the laying out of the Mount Royal
Park,

the following Reports were brought up
and read;

For reports, see page 202 & 183

On motion of Alderman Alexander,
seconded by Alderman Nelson,

Resolved It was
that the said reports be adopted -

The order of the day being read to consider Reports
from the Board of Health and Finance Committee
for a supplementary appropriation of \$5000 for
unforeseen expenditure, in connection with
the small pox disease, the following Reports
were brought up and read.

For Reports, see page 197

On motion of Alderman Alexander,
seconded by Alderman Kennedy, it was

Resolved that the said Reports be adopted -

The order of the day being read to Consider
Reports from the Health and Finance Com-
mittee for a supplementary appropriation, the
following Reports were brought up and read:

For reports, see page 198

On motion of Alderman Alexander,
seconded by Alderman Kennedy, it was

Resolved that the said Reports be adopted.

The order of the day being read to consider a
Report

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Report from the Special Committee on the St. Helen's Island Ferry, to give out a five year's contract for the Ferry and for an appropriation for certain works therein mentioned, and from the Finance Committee thereon —

The following Reports were brought up and read.

For Reports, see page 203

On motion of Alderman Kennedy,
seconded by Alderman David, it was

Resolved that the report of the Special Committee on the St. Helen's Island Ferry, as amended by the Report of the Finance Committee, be adopted —

The order of the day being read for the first, second and third reading of a By-law for the removal of snow from the sidewalks, the said By-law was according to order read a first time —

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
seconded by Alderman Kennedy,
it was

Resolved that the Rules and Regulations, relating to the second and third reading of By-laws, be suspended in reference to this By-law — which was done accordingly.

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
seconded by Alderman Kennedy, it was
Resolved that the said By-law be now read a second time,
which was done accordingly.

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The first section of the said Bylaw being then read,

Alderman Stephens moved,
seconded by Alderman Nelson
that the further consideration of the said Bylaw
be deferred till next meeting —

Alderman Rivard moved in amendment,
seconded by Alderman Bastien,
that the consideration of the present Bylaw
be deferred for six months —

Alderman David further moved in amendment,
seconded by Alderman McLaughry,
that the said Bylaw be referred to the Road
Committee for consideration and report —

And the question being put on the said motion
in amendment of Alderman David —

The Council divided thereon:

Ayeas: Hood, Stephens, Bryson, Thomas, Nelson,
Grenier, Kennedy, McLaughry, Rolland, Kay,
McLaughry Taylor, David, Alexander 14
Nays: Grenier, McLaughry, Bastien, Desmarais,
Rivard, Munro, Brunet 7

So it was carried in the affirmative

and
Resolved accordingly —

The order of the day being read for the first,
second and third reading of a Bylaw, concerning
barters,

The said Bylaw was according to order read a first time

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On motion of Alderman Grenier,
seconded by Alderman Taylor, it was

Resolved that the Rules and Regulations relating to the second and third reading of Bylaws, be suspended in reference to this Bylaw,
— which was done accordingly —

On motion of Alderman Grenier,
seconded by Alderman Taylor,

It was
Resolved that the said Bylaw be read a second time,
which was done accordingly —

The first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth sections of the Bylaw being then read and the question of concurrence put thereon separately, they were agreed to severally —

The seventh section being read and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to,

Alderman McNamee dissentient

The eight and ninth sections being read and the question of Concurrence put thereon separately, they were agreed to severally.

The tenth section being read, and the question of Concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to,

Alderman McNamee, dissentient.

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The eleventh section of the By-Law being then read,

On motion of Alderman Grenier,
seconded by Alderman Kay, it was

Resolved

that the said section be amended by adding thereto the following clause:

"For each trunk or box carried in any vehicle, tent or
but no charge shall be made for travelling bags
or valises which passengers can carry by the hand
and that so amended, the said section be adopted

The twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth sections being then read and the question of concurrence put thereon separately, they were agreed to severally

The fifteenth section being read and the question of concurrence put,
it was agreed to,

Alderman McEauvan dissentient.

The sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, nineteenth, twentieth, twenty-first, twenty-second, twenty-third and twenty-fourth sections being then read and the question of concurrence put thereon separately, they were agreed to severally

On motion of Alderman Grenier,
seconded by Alderman St. Cambridge,

It was

Resolved

that the said By-Law be now engrossed and read a third time,

which was done accordingly.

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His Worship the Mayor then put the question:
Shall this By-law pass?

Resolved *It was*
in the affirmative —

His Worship the Mayor accordingly signed
the said By-law and the seal of the City was
thereunto affixed by the City Clerk —

The Order of the day being read to consider a
motion of Alderman Stephens that Alderman
Brunet replace Alderman David, on the
Road Committee, during the latter's absence
in Quebec,

Alderman Stephens moved,
seconded by Alderman David —
That Alderman Brunet replace Alderman
David on the Road Committee during the
latter's absence in Quebec —

This motion was by His Worship the Mayor
declared to be out of order, as Alderman
David was not absent from the city —

On motion of Alderman Methaney
seconded by Alderman Hildandey

The Council adjourned.

A. Bessard

Mayor

Monthly Meeting.

January 11th, 1878.

The Monthly meeting of the Council was held pursuant to notice, in the Council Room of the City Hall, on Monday, the eleventh January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy five, at half past seven o'clock P. M.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

REPORTS.

- 1.—From the Road Committee—On the homologation of the Centre Ward Plan.
- 2.—From the same—On the homologation of the West Ward Plan.

QUESTIONS PUT BY MEMBERS.

MOTIONS.

- 3.—From Alderman Kennedy—To have the question of road making and footpaths considered by the Council in Committee of the Whole.
- 4.—From the same.—For a By-law to regulate Water Closets, Cess Pools, &c.
- 5.—From the same.—For a By-law to regulate the connection of private drains with main sewers.
- 6.—From the same.—For a By-law to connect private Drains with Soil Pits.

BY-LAWS.

- 7.—For the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading of a By-law concerning the M. C. P. R. Company.
- 8.—For the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading of a By-law to reduce the tax on Brokers.

MOTIONS.

- 9.—From Alderman Grenier.—For a statement from the Medical Health Officers, of the number of persons vaccinated during the last four years, and of the amount paid for each such vaccination, and to whom paid.
- 10.—From Alderman Rivard—To consider the propriety of taxing Churches and charitable Institutions.

REPORTS.

- 11.—From the Road and Finance Committees—To widen Common street from McGill street to Youville street.
- 12.—From the Police and Fire Committees—On the purchase of land for joint Fire and Police Stations in the St. Mary's Ward, and from the Finance Committee thereon.
- 13.—From the Police and Finance Committees.—To purchase land for a Police Station in the St. Ann's Ward.
- 14.—From the Fire and Finance Committees.—To change the system of Insurance on the lives of Firemen.
- 15.—From the same.—To purchase land for a Fire Station in the West Ward.
- 16.—From the Road and Finance Committees—To indemnify Mr. Millard for land taken from him in St. Hypolite Street.
- 17.—From the Fire Committee—On petitions for leave to erect steam engines.
- 18.—From the Market Committee—Recommending unfavorably on Mr. Payette's petition to be reinstated as Clerk of the St. Antoine Market.

MOTION.

- 19.—From Alderman Stephens—To regulate the granting of leave of absence to Corporation Officials.

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REPORTS.

- 20.—*From the Road and Light Committees*—Recommending unfavorably on the petition of the Consumers' Gas Company, to lay pipes, &c., in the streets of this city.
- 21.—*From the Market Committee*—To appoint Mr. Charles Larin clerk of the St. Antoine Market.

MOTIONS.

- 22.—*From Alderman Stephens*—To amend By-law No. 69, to allow all public weighers to weigh stone and lime.

REPORTS.

- 23.—*From the Water Committee*—To supply the adjoining Municipalities with water on certain conditions.
- 24.—*From the Road Committee*—On the claim of the heirs Parthenais.

BY-LAW.

- 25.—For the 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading of a By-law to allow the Montreal Omnibus and Transfer Company to lay rails in certain streets of this city, under certain conditions.
- 26.—For the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading of a By-law concerning Bill-Posting.

REPORTS.

- 27.—*From the Road and Finance Committees.*—On the extension of Stanley street.
- 28.—*From the same.*—On the widening of St. Bonaventure street.
- 29.—*From the same.*—On the widening and extension of Bronsdon lane.
- 30.—*From the same.*—For leave to contract for 50,000 square yards of flagstones.
- 31.—*From the same.*—On the widening of Mignonne street.
- 32.—*From the same.*—To acquire additional land for the Lafontaine street tunnel.
- 33.—*From the same.*—On the widening of St. Peter street.
- 34.—*From the same.*—On Mr. Godin's petition relative to his assessment for the St. Elizabeth street sewer.
- 35.—*From the same.*—For a supplementary appropriation to cover outstanding debts, &c.

MOTIONS.

- 36.—*From Alderman Stephens.*—For a memorial to His Excellency the Governor General, for the appointment of an analyst of food for the Inland Revenue District of Montreal.
- 37.—*From the same.*—To place the Corporation printing, advertising, and supplying of stationery under the special charge of the City Hall Committee.
- 38.—*From Alderman Rolland.*—To have but one Medical Health Officer.
- 39.—*From the same.*—To have but one City Attorney.
- 40.—*From the same.*—To have but one Notary for the Corporation.
- 41.—*From Alderman David.*—To have the question of supplying water to the City by means of one or more windmills, considered by the Water Committee.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor
Aldis Bernard, Esquire.

Aldermen: Alexander, David, McLaughlan, Kay, Rolland,
McCambridge, Kennedy, Brunet, Guenier, Shum,
Rivard, Desmarteau, Thomas, Bryson, Coverhill,
Bastien, Stephens, Hood, and McLeod

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The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Petitions:

From J. W. Craven, for leave to erect a steam engine at No 444, St. Paul street -

From Narcisse Bélanger, for leave to erect a steam engine, corner Wydenham and La Gauchetière streets.

Ordered that the said petitions be referred to the Fire Committee,

From Léon Ferrichon, for compensation for damages in consequence of certain repairs being carried on in the premises occupied by him in the lower part of the Bonsecours Market.

Referred to the City Hall Committee -

From James Galley, in reference to the proprietorship of lot No 123, Cairning Street -

(From the Hon. J. S. G. Abbott, President of the Trades Institute, praying that the Corporation furnish a site for said Institute -

Ordered that the said petitions be referred to the Finance Committee -

Submitted and read a letter from L. Munro, Esquire, Secretary Treasurer, of the Montreal Omnibus and Transfer Company, for leave to be heard by Counsel upon the subject of the Bylaw now before the Council, relating to the Montreal

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Montreal Omnibus and Transfer Company-

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
seconded by Alderman Grenier, It was

Resolved that the company be heard, as requested, at the next meeting
of this Council -

Submitted and read a communication from Alderman
Stephens, in reference to the proceedings had by the
Board of Directors of the Montreal Northern Colonisation
Railway Company, to establish a station in the
vicinity of St Jean Baptiste Village for local trains.

Alderman Stephens moved,
seconded by Alderman Desmarquet,
that this Council regards the project of building a
branch of the Northern Colonisation Railway to the St Jean
Baptiste Village, as inimical to the interests of the City,
and contrary to the By-law voting a money grant
to the Road and will resist such undertaking.

This motion was by His Worship the Mayor declared
to be out of order, not being on the orders of the day -

Alderman Stephens then moved,
seconded by Alderman Kennedy,

That leave be granted to Alderman Stephens, to
speak to the question -

This motion was ruled out of order by His Worship
the Mayor, there being no question before the Council.

whereupon

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Whereupon Alderman Stephens took an appeal from the ruling of the Chair -

His Worship the Mayor then put the question: "Shall the Mayor's decision be maintained?"

The Council divided thereon:

Yeas: Caverhill, Rivard, David.	3
Nays: Wood, Hood, Stephens, Bastien, Bryson, Thomas, Desmarteau, Munro, Genier, Brunet, Kennedy, McLean, Bridge, Rouand, Alexander.	14

The decision of His Worship the Mayor was accordingly overruled -

And Alderman Stephens proceeded to speak on the subject matter of his communication to the Council.

Submitted and read a letter from the Secretary of the N. E. Colonisation Railway Company, enclosing a Report from the Engineer of that Company, in reference to the proposed depot at the Quebec Gate Barracks -

On motion of Alderman David, seconded by Alderman Chauvran, it was

Resolved that the said Report be referred to the Finance-Committee and that the same be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

Reports submitted:

From the Water Committee, for an appropriation of \$155,170 for pipe laying &c -

From the Road Committee to construct sidewalks

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in St Denis, Bleury, and other streets

Ordered

that the foregoing reports be referred to the Finance Committee -

From the Water Committee, to remit to messrs W. Reidson, certain rates erroneously charged to them.

From the same, to reduce the rates charged the new City Gas Company on their works in Ottawa Street -

From the Police and Finance Committees, recommending an increase of salary to Mr J. W. Putoy, Chief of Police -

From the Finance Committee, to grant a Bonus and an increase of salary to the City Auditor -

From the same, to increase the salary of the Assistant City Clerk -

From the same, to increase the salary of the accountant of the St. Water works -

From the same, concurring in the Report of the Road Committee, to widen Dubord Street -

From the same, concurring in the Report of the Road Committee, to grant an appropriation of \$400-00 to pay Mr J. Heffernan, for earth deposited in St. Mathew Street.

Ordered

that the said reports be left over till next meeting for consideration

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consideration -

From the Special-Committee of chairmen, on the amendments to the acts of Incorporation -

Alderman Stephens moved,
 seconded by Alderman David,
 That the amendments to the Acts of Incorporation now submitted, be referred to the city attorney with instructions to prepare the same with the least possible delay for transmission to Quebec.

This motion was by His Worship the Mayor declared to be out of order, in as much as the amendments therein referred to, had not yet received the sanction of the Council.

Alderman Stephens then moved,
 seconded by Alderman Grenier,
 That when this Council adjourns, it stands adjourned till Friday evening next at 7.30 o'clock P.M. - and that until then the report of the Special Committee of Chairmen be allowed to remain on the table -

His Worship the Mayor ruling that the report in question, not being on the orders of the day, could not be considered at an adjournment of this meeting, the motion in question was withdrawn -

Submitted and read a presentation of the Mount Royal Park Commissioners, relating to the Reports submitted to them on the question of opening a new Road to the Roman Catholic Cemetery, by way of Côte des Saiges Road, through the Seminary and other properties -

ordered

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Ordered that the consideration of the said presentation be deferred till next meeting—

On motion of Alderman Rivard
seconded by Alderman McLaughlin

The Council adjourned.

A. Bernier
Mayor

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Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Council, convened by His Worship the Mayor, was held pursuant to notice in the Council room of the City Hall, on Monday the eighteenth day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy five, at half past seven P.M.

- 1.—To name the Aldermen to preside at the nomination of Candidates for Mayor and Aldermen in the several wards of the City, on the 15th February next, and to fix the places where such nominations shall be held.

REPORTS.

- 2.—From the Special Committee of Chairmen—On amendments to the Acts of Incorporation.
3.—From the Mount Royal Park Commissioners.—On the report of the Special Committee on the Côte-des-Neiges Road.
4.—From the Road Committee—On the homologation of the Centre Ward Plan.
5.—From the same—On the homologation of the West Ward Plan.

MOTIONS.

- 6.—From Alderman Kennedy—To have the question of road making and footpaths considered by the Council in Committee of the Whole.
7.—From the same.—For a By-law to regulate Water Closets, Cess Pools, &c.
8.—From the same.—For a By-law to regulate the connection of private drains with main sewers.
9.—From the same.—For a By-law to connect private Drains with Soil Pits.

BY-LAWS.

- 10.—For the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading of a By-law concerning the M. C. P. R. Company.
11.—For the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading of a By-law to reduce the tax on Brokers.

MOTIONS.

- 12.—From Alderman Grenier.—For a statement from the Medical Health Officers, of the number of persons vaccinated during the last four years, and of the amount paid for each such vaccination, and to whom paid.
13.—From Alderman Rivard—To consider the propriety of taxing Churches and charitable Institutions.

REPORTS.

- 14.—From the Road and Finance Committees—To widen Common street from McGill street to Youville street.
15.—From the Police and Fire Committees—On the purchase of land for joint Fire and Police Stations in the St. Mary's Ward, and from the Finance Committee thereon.
16.—From the Police and Finance Committees.—To purchase land for a Police Station in the St. Ann's Ward.
17.—From the Fire and Finance Committees.—To change the system of Insurance on the lives of Firemen.
18.—From the same.—To purchase land for a Fire Station in the West Ward.
19.—From the Road and Finance Committees—To indemnify Mr. Millard for land taken from him in St. Hypolite Street.
20.—From the Fire Committee—On petitions for leave to erect steam engines.
21.—From the Market Committee—Recommending unfavorably on Mr. Payette's petition to be reinstated as Clerk of the St. Antoine Market.

MOTION.

- 22.—From Alderman Stephens—To regulate the granting of leave of absence to Corporation Officials.

REPORTS.

- 23.—From the Road and Light Committees—Recommending unfavorably on the petition of the Consumers' Gas Company, to lay pipes, &c., in the streets of this city.
24.—From the Market Committee—To appoint Mr. Charles Larin clerk of the St. Antoine Market.

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MOTION.

- 25.—*From Alderman Stephens*—To amend By-law No. 69, to allow all public weighers to weigh stone and lime.

REPORTS.

- 26.—*From the Water Committee*—To supply the adjoining Municipalities with water on certain conditions.

- 27.—*From the Road Committee*—On the claim of the heirs Parthenais.

BY-LAW.

- 28.—For the 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading of a By-law to allow the Montreal Omnibus and Transfer Company to lay rails in certain streets of this city, under certain conditions.

- 29.—For the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading of a By-law concerning Bill-Posting.

REPORTS.

- 30.—*From the Road and Finance Committees*.—On the extension of Stanley street.

- 31.—*From the same*.—On the widening of St. Bonaventure street.

- 32.—*From the same*.—On the widening and extension of Bronsdon lane.

- 33.—*From the same*.—For leave to contract for 50,000 square yards of flagstones.

- 34.—*From the same*.—On the widening of Mignonne street.

- 35.—*From the same*.—To acquire additional land for the Lafontaine street tunnel.

- 36.—*From the same*.—On the widening of St. Peter street.

- 37.—*From the same*—On Mr. Godin's petition relative to his assessment for the St. Elizabeth street sewer.

- 38.—*From the same*.—For a supplementary appropriation to cover outstanding debts, &c.

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QUESTIONS PUT BY MEMBERS.

MOTIONS.

- 39.—*From Alderman Stephens*.—For a memorial to His Excellency the Governor General, for the appointment of an analyst of food for the Inland Revenue District of Montreal.

- 40.—*From the same*.—To place the Corporation printing, advertising, and supplying of stationery under the special charge of the City Hall Committee.

- 41.—*From Alderman Rolland*.—To have but one Medical Health Officer.

- 42.—*From the same*.—To have but one City Attorney.

- 43.—*From the same*.—To have but one Notary for the Corporation.

- 44.—*From Alderman David*.—To have the question of supplying water to the City by means of one or more windmills, considered by the Water Committee.

REPORTS.

- 45.—*From the Water Committee*.—To reduce the rates charged the New City Gas Company on their works in Ottawa street.

- 46.—*From the same*.—To remit to Messrs. Reid & Co. certain rates erroneously charged them.

- 47.—*From the Police and Finance Committees*.—To increase the salary of the Chief of Police.

- 48.—*From the Finance Committee*.—To grant a Bonus to the City Auditor, and to increase his salary.

- 49.—*From the same*.—To increase the salary of the Assistant City Clerk.

- 50.—*From the same*.—To increase the salary of the Accountant of the Montreal Water Works.

- 51.—*From the Fire, Police and Finance Committees*.—On the erection of joint Fire and Police Stations in the St. Mary's Ward.

- 52.—*From the Road and Finance Committees*.—On the widening of Dubord street.

- 53.—*From the same*.—For an appropriation to pay Mr. T. Heffernan for earth deposited in St. Martin street.

MOTION.

- 54.—*From Alderman Stephens*.—To consider the question of the proposed establishment of a station for the M. N. C. R. R. at St. Jean Baptiste Village.

Present: His worship the Mayor,
Aldis Bernard, Esquire—

Alderman: Taylor, Kay, Rolland, McCambridge, Kennedy,
Burnet

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Bunet, Grenier, Munro, Rivard, Desmarcay, Lodoie,
Thomas, Bryson, Bastien, Wilson, McPhane, Stephens,
Hood, McLeod, Grevier -

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Petitions:

From Jas. S. Evans, claiming damages for alteration in the grade of Upper University Street, in front of his premises.

From Lucie H. Saucier, to be reimbursed the cost of opening a branch sewer in St Joseph Street.

Referred to the Road Committee -

From Manufacturers and others, using steam engines and Boilers, complaining of the Boiler Inspector, Mr. Holt.

Referred to the Fire Committee -

His worship the Mayor submitted a statement or extracts from the Minutes of the Board of Directors of the N. & C. Railway Company, shewing the action taken by that Board on the question of the establishment of a Branch Station near the St Jean Baptiste Village and the attendance of the Members of Council, appointed Directors on the Board.

Ordered that the same be laid on the table -

The following reports were then submitted and read.

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Reports: -

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see Vol. 112 P. 172.

From the Finance Committee, concurring in the report of the Fire Committee, recommending to change the present system of insuring the lives of the firemen.

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the Administrative Commission.

On motion of Alderman Rivard,
seconded by Alderman Wood, it was

Resolved that the said Reports be adopted.

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From the Fire Committee, for a supplementary appropriation of \$172.40 to cover cost of taking down the roof of the Military School -

From the Police Committee, to increase the city Police Force.

Ordered that the foregoing reports be referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Road Committee, on the petition of the Trustees of St. Matthew's Church to be relieved from assessment for a drain in Sebastopol Street.

Ordered that the consideration of the said Report be deferred till next meeting.

Orders of the day -

The order of the day being read to name the Aldermen to preside at the nomination of Candidates for Mayor and Aldermen in the several wards of the City,

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on the fifteenth February next, and to fix the places where such nominations are to be held,

On motion of Alderman Rolland,
Seconded by Alderman Stephens, it was

Resolved that the several nominations for the ensuing municipal elections, be held in the open air at ten o'clock in the forenoon on Monday, the fifteenth day of February next at the places and before the several Aldermen hereinafter mentioned, viz:

1 The nomination of Candidates for the office of Mayor will be held at the west end of the Bonsecours Market in the East Ward of this City, Alderman Bastien presiding -

The nomination of Candidates for the office of Alderman:

2 For the East Ward, will be held at the weigh house, Bonsecours Market, Alderman Lorange presiding -

3 For the Centre Ward, at the North West corner of St Lambert Hill and Little St James Street, Alderman Stephens presiding.

4 For the West Ward, at the Centre of the North West side of St Ann's Market, Alderman Hood presiding.

5 For the St Ann's Ward, at the corner of St Maurice street and Chaboillez Square, Alderman Dupon presiding -

6 For the St Antoine Ward, at the North West corner of Ste Radegonde and Craig Streets, Alderman

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Alderman McShane presiding.

7 For the St Lawrence Ward, at the Central Fire Station, corner Craig and Chermerville streets, Alderman McLeod, presiding -

8 For the St Joseph's Ward, at the Police and Fire Stations, Ontario street, Alderman Brevier presiding

9 For the St James Ward, at the Cattle Market, Craig street, Alderman Desmarreau presiding

10 For the St Mary's Ward, at the Papineau Market, Alderman Wilson presiding -

The order of the day being read to consider a Report from the Special Committee of chairmen, on amendments to the Acts of Incorporation, the following report was brought up and read -
for report, see page - 188

On motion of Alderman Genier,
seconded by Alderman Kennedy, it was

Resolved that the said Report be received -

Alderman Stephens then moved,
seconded by Alderman Rivard,

that the Council go into Committee of the whole,
to consider the said amendments -

Alderman McShane moved in amendment,
seconded by Alderman Bastien, it was

Resolved that the said amendments be not now considered
but

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but that the same be printed in both languages and distributed to the members and that when this Council adjourns it stands adjourned till Friday evening next, the 22nd instant, then to proceed with the consideration of said amendments.

The order of the day being read to consider a presentation from the Mount Royal Park Commissioners on the Report of the Special Committee on the Côte-des-Neiges Road, the following presentation was brought up and read

For report, see pages 191, 192, 193 & 194

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
Seconded by Alderman Rivard, It was

Resolved that the said presentation be received and adopted.

The order of the day being read to consider a Report from the Road Committee, to homologate the Centre Ward Plans

The following report was brought up and read -

For report, see page 84 & 287

On motion of Alderman Stephens
Seconded by Alderman Flood, It was

Resolved that the Council go into a Committee of the whole to consider the said Report

The Council accordingly resumed itself into a Committee of the whole,
Alderman Premier, in the chair -

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And after some time spent in committee,
His Worship the Mayor resumed the chair -

Alderman Grenier then reported that the Council in Committee of the whole, adopted the following as the improvements to be laid down on the Centre ward Plan prior to its homologation -

Custom House square: to be widened on the North East side to a width of (46) forty six feet at St Paul street, running out in a straight line to the present North corner of Capital street and Custom House square -

St Paul street - to be widened on the North West side from St Gabriel street to St Francois Xavier street, to a width of 60 feet, and the line on the South East side from St Jean Baptiste street to Custom House square to be rectified, as shown on Plan -

St Laurent street - to be opened from Notre Dame street to Commissioners' street, in continuation of present St Laurent street, at a width of 55 feet, at right angles with Notre Dame street, to St Paul street, thence at a more Easterly inclination to Commissioners street -

Le Royer street, - to be opened, at the present width of 60 feet, from St Dixie street to St Gabriel street, St Jean Baptiste street, to be widened, on the North East side to a width of 40 feet, from Notre Dame street, to Commissioners street -

The whole as more fully shown, and laid down on said Plan -

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
Seconded by Alderman Nelson, it was

Resolved that the said Report be received and adopted,
and that the necessary proceedings be taken to

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to have the Plan of the Centre Ward homologated accordingly.

On motion of Alderman Wilson,
seconded by Alderman Thomas, it was

Resolved That, the Finance Committee having adopted a resolution, advising the sending of a deputation to Ottawa to confer with the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, in reference to the proposed tunnel across the Canal, this Council approves of the action of the Finance Committee and authorises the delegation in question to proceed to Ottawa -

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
seconded by Alderman Mesham,

The Council adjourned.

A. B. M. M.
Mayor

Adjourned Special Meeting—

Friday, twenty second January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty five, at half past seven o'clock P.M.

Present:

Aldermen: Kay, McCombbridge, Kennedy, Grenier,
 Simoy Rivard, Desmarteau, Sodoie, Dupon,
 Bastien, Wilson, Stephens, Hood, McComb,
 Grevier —

In the absence of His Worship the Mayor and the Acting Mayor, Alderman McCombbridge, from his place, called the meeting to order—

On motion of Alderman Bastien,
 seconded by Alderman Stephens, it was

Resolved that Alderman McCombbridge be elected to preside over this meeting—

The chair being taken by Alderman McCombbridge, a petition was submitted and read from the Consumers' Gas Company, to have the consent and approval of the City Council, to the application made by that Company to the Legislature for an extension of the time limited to obtain the assent of the Corporation to the establishment of their works within the city—

Alderman Stephens moved,
 seconded by Alderman Kennedy,
 that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Objection being taken to the motion by
 Alderman

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Alderman Bastien, as being out of order, not being on the orders of the day, the said objection was maintained by the President. -

Notice of Motions:

From Alderman Stephens, that the consent and approval of this Council be granted to the application of the Consumers Gas Company, for an extension of time for the establishment of their works.

On motion of Alderman Kennedy, seconded by Alderman Grenier, it was

Resolved that the Council go into a committee of the whole to consider the proposed amendments to the City Charter, Section by Section.

The President having appointed Alderman Hood, chairman, left the chair -

The Council then resolved itself into committee.

And after some time spent in committee, Alderman McCoubbridge resumed the chair -

Alderman Hood then reported that the Council, in committee had adopted the following amendments to the City Charter:

- 1 To amend sub-section (B) of section 176 of the City Charter, so as to require a majority in numbers, as well as in value, to exercise the right of veto -
- 2 To extend to proprietors of vacant lots the liability of tenants of

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- or occupants, to remove the snow from the footpaths in front of their premises.
- 3 To authorize the city council, when a common sewer is being constructed in any street, to make at the same time all necessary connections for private drains, and to include the cost thereof in the assessment to be made for said sewer.
 - 4 To authorize the city council, to exempt churches and purely charitable institutions in the city, from the ordinary assessment.
 - 5 To restrain gaming and playing at cards, dice or other games of chance, in any hotel, tavern, or in any house or place kept for the purpose of gaming.
 - 6 To authorize the city to extend its main sewers or tunnels into any adjoining municipalities and to assess proportion of cost to be paid by such municipality according to area drained and benefit to be derived by said municipality from such drainage, such assessment to be made by appraisers to be appointed as provided in section 200 of the city charter.
 - 7 To exempt from all assessments (school tax included) all property owned by the city of Montreal beyond the city limits and used for public purposes.

Alderman Rivard moved,
seconded by Alderman Jodoin,

That the said report be received and adopted.

Alderman

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Alderman McLard moved in amendment,
seconded by Alderman Stephens,

That section 1 of the said Report be struck out.

The council divided on the said motion in amendment:

Yeas: <u>McLard</u> , <u>Hood</u> , <u>Stephens</u> , <u>Wilson</u> , <u>Bryson</u> , <u>Kennedy</u> , <u>Kay</u> .	7
Nays: <u>Brevier</u> , <u>Bastien</u> , <u>Sodoine</u> , <u>Desmarteau</u> , <u>Rivard</u> , <u>Munro</u> , <u>Grenier</u> -	7

The votes being equally divided, the President gave his casting vote in favor of the said motion -

So it was carried in the affirmative
and
Resolved accordingly -

Alderman ^{Kay} further moved in amendment,
seconded by Alderman Stephens,

That section 7 of the said Report be struck out.

And the question being put on the said motion in amendment of Alderman Kay,

The Council divided thereon:

Yeas: <u>Stephens</u> , <u>Bryson</u> , <u>Kay</u> -	3
Nays: <u>Brevier</u> , <u>McLard</u> , <u>Hood</u> , <u>Wilson</u> , <u>Bastien</u> , <u>Sodoine</u> , <u>Desmarteau</u> , <u>Rivard</u> , <u>Munro</u> , <u>Grenier</u> , <u>Kennedy</u> -	11

So it passed in the negative -

The question being then put on the adoption of the
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main motion, the Council divided thereon:
 yeas: Brevier, Wilson, Bastien, Jodoin, Desmarceaux,
 Rivard, Munro, Grenier - 8-
 nays: McLeod, Hood, Stephens, Brisson, Kennedy,
 Kay - 4-

As it was carried in the affirmative
 and

Resolved accordingly -

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
 seconded by Alderman Hood,

The Council adjourned till
 Monday evening next at 7.30 P.M.

A. M. Cambridge
 Chairman

Adjourned special Meeting.

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Present:

Aldermen: Taylor, Kay, Rolland, McCambridge, Kennedy,
 Brunet, Grenier, Munro, Nelson, Rivard,
 Desmarceaux, Lodoice, Thomas, Bryson, Caverhill,
 Bastien, Wilson, Stephens, Hood, Heward, Cuvier.

In the absence of His Worship the Mayor and
 of the Acting Mayor, Alderman McCambridge, from
 his place, called the Council to order.

On motion of Alderman McCambridge,
 seconded by Alderman Stephens, it was

Resolved that Alderman Grenier be elected to preside over
 the meeting -

Alderman Grenier having taken the
 chair,

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
 seconded by Alderman Kennedy, it was

Resolved that the Council go into Committee of the whole,
 to consider the proposed amendments to the
 Acts of Incorporation -

Alderman Grenier then appointed Alderman
 Bryson, Chairman of the Council in Committee
 and left the chair -

Alderman Bryson having taken the chair,
 the Council resolved itself into Committee,

and

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and after some time spent in committee, Alderman Grenier resumed the chair -

Alderman Bryson then reported that the Council in Committee had adopted the following amendment to the Acts of Incorporation -

"To empower the City of Montreal to pass By-laws to enforce a thorough and efficient system of vaccination and to take such measures as the said Council may deem necessary to regulate, control, prevent or arrest the progress of the disease of small pox or any other contagious or infectious disease in the said city - any law now in force to the contrary notwithstanding -

On motion of Alderman Stephens,
seconded by Alderman Kennedy,

It was

Resolved that the said Report be received and adopted -
Alderman McEaubridge Dissentient.

Alderman Kennedy then moved,
seconded by Alderman Thomas,

That a humble petition be presented by this Council to the Legislature, praying for a law to enforce Sanitary Regulations for epidemic, contagious and such like diseases, in the Municipalities surrounding this city -

This motion being objected to, as not being on the orders of the day, was kept out of order.

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Alderman Kennedy then moved,
seconded by Alderman Grenier,

That authority be asked from the legislature for this city to acquire by amicable arrangement or by the ordinary process of expropriation a piece or pieces of land in any adjoining municipality and to use the same for the deposit of filth and offal, provided such piece or pieces of land be isolated and at a distance of at least one mile from the village of such municipality -

and the question being put on the said motion, the Council divided thereon:

Yeas: Grenier, McLeod, Hood, Stephens, Wilson, Thomas,
Desmarteau, Nelson, Grenier, Brunet, Kennedy, McLaughlin,
Bridge, Kay, Taylor - 14 -
Nays: Bastien, Caverhill, Rivard, Munro, Lodom, Rolland - 6

So it was carried in the affirmative
and

Resolved accordingly.

Alderman Stephens then moved,
seconded by Alderman Hood,
and it was

Resolved that the City's representatives at Quebec be requested to use their influence to obtain from the Government an amendment ~~an amendment~~ of the license law so as to do away with the formality of advertising the names of applicants for tavern or grocers licenses, imposed on the City of Montreal, which formality this Council consider useless and of no avail for the purposes for which it was enacted -

Alderman

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Alderman Stephens then moved,
seconded by Alderman Bastien, and it was

Resolved

That application be made to the Legislature for an amendment to the City Charter, to amend section sixteen of the City Charter, concerning the qualification of the Mayor, so as to require that he (the Mayor) shall have served in the City Council for a term of at least three years, (this enactment not to affect the election of Mayor for the current year).

Aldermen McCambridge and Taylor, dissented.

On motion of Alderman McLeod,
seconded by Alderman Bastien,

It was then

Resolved that Aldermen Stephens and Grenier, together with the City Clerk and the City Attorney be appointed a deputation to proceed to Quebec in order to bring before the Legislature the different amendments which this Council have determined to make to its Charter.

The order of the day being read to consider Reports from the Road and Light Committees, recommending unfavorably on the petition of the Consumers' gas company, to lay pipes in the streets of this City, the following Reports were brought up and read:

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Alderman Bastien moved,

seconded by Alderman Kay,

That the said Reports be adopted -

Alderman Stephens moved in amendment,
seconded by Alderman Kennedy, That

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That the Reports now read be referred back to the Road and Light Committees for reconsideration.

And the question being put on the said motion in amendment of Alderman Stephens,

The Council divided thereon:

Yeas: Stephens, Bryson, Nelson, Munro, Kennedy,
McCambridge, Taylor - 7

Nays: Brevier, McCord, Wilson, Bastien, Laverhill, Thomas,
Lodoin, Rivard, Rolland, Kay - 10

So it passed in the negative.

Alderman Nelson then further moved in amendment, seconded by Alderman Stephens -

That the Reports now before the Council be so amended, ~~as~~ as to allow the Consumers' Gas Company to lay pipes in all the streets of the city excepting those in the East, Centre and West wards -

Alderman Rivard then moved, seconded by Alderman Bastien,

That the previous question be now put -

The President having put the Question?

Shall the main question now be put?

The Council divided thereon:

Yeas: Brevier, McCord, Wilson, Bastien, Laverhill, Thomas,
Lodoin, Rivard, Rolland, Kay - 10

Nays: Stephens, Bryson, Nelson, Munro, Kennedy,
McCambridge - Taylor - 7

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Resolved *As it was carried in the affirmative and accordingly-*

The question being accordingly put on the adoption of the main motion,

The Council divided thereon -

Yeas: Grevier, McCard, Wilson, Bastien, Caverhill,
Thomas, Sodoine, Rivard, Rolland, Kay - 10 -
Nays: Stephens, Bryson, Nelson, Munro, Kennedy,
McCambridge, Saylor - 7 -

Resolved *As it was carried in the affirmative and accordingly-*

On motion of Alderman Rivard,
seconded by Alderman Sodoine,

It was then

Resolved that the agreement with the New City Gas Company referred to in the said Reports of the Road and Light Committees be made and entered into for a term of ten years -

On motion of Alderman Rivard,
seconded by Alderman Bastien,

The Council adjourned -

J. Gervais
Chairman

209 WEST 46TH STREET,
NEW YORK, 23RD NOV., 1874.

TO THE HONORABLE THE COMMISSIONERS OF MOUNT
ROYAL PARK, MONTREAL ;

GENTLEMEN,—I herein transcribe the draft of a proposition made to you last Monday, with modifications, as desired by you, and, as I understand, then provisionally accepted.

Forecasting your undertaking, I judge that the principal construction work for the next year should be that of a road and of one or more walks by which the mountain can be ascended, and as I much prefer, before maturing a design for laying out the top of the mountain, to have an opportunity of more carefully studying its summer conditions, I make the following propositions :

1st. I will furnish you before the first of May next with a plat showing the changes which I shall recommend to be made in the boundaries of your property, and a plan of approach roads and such other matters as it will, in my judgment, be feasible and desirable for you to operate upon during the working season of 1875 ; together with such general indications of the main features of a plan for the whole, as will be necessary to the intelligent judgment upon the parts of the plan more fully matured and submitted for your adoption,

2nd. I will subsequently furnish you with a general plan for laying out your whole property on a scale of one hundred feet to the inch ; also, if my recommendation as to change of boundary are adopted, with a special plan for the proposed little park district on a scale of fifty feet to the inch ; and another for certain parts of the property which you will be recommended to sell, showing proposed streets and lots.

3rd. I will also give you a general report describing and explaining the plans, giving the reasons for the several

209, WEST 46th STREET,
NEW YORK, 21st November, 1874.

To the Honorable,
the Commissioners of
Mount-Royal Park, Montreal.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honor to comply with your request, that I would repeat in writing the substance of certain observations verbally made to you last Monday, in regard to your property of Mount Royal.

As a general rule, rugged and broken ground is the last that should be chosen for a public recreation ground in the immediate vicinity of a large city. It is unnecessary that I should show the objections to it; the simple fact that your property differs so greatly in its topographical characteristics from ground, which would be generally and properly described as "park-like," raises a sufficient presumption that it is unsuitable for a park.

The question, whether it can, by any means, be economically adapted for the purposes for which you intend it, is, therefore, first in order, and, as it involves a consideration of the main features of a general design for dealing with it, it will be the chief object of my present communication to give you the conclusions of my judgment upon this question, and to indicate more or less distinctly the processes by which they have been reached.

The chief elements of value of all recreation grounds for the use of the general public of large towns are : 1st the change of air afforded ; 2nd the power of their scenery to counteract conditions which tend to nervous depression or irritability ; 3rd the ease and pleasure with which these advantages may be used.

important features and advice as to the method of carrying them out.

4th. I will deliver all the above plans and the report before the first of May (or before they shall be required with reference to the opening of operations in the spring) of 1876, and until I deliver them, will give you such services as advisory Landscape Architect as I deem to be necessary, without special charge.

5th. On the presumption that the ground to be covered does not materially exceed five hundred acres (say 530) and that no change or addition to your scheme will be made adding essentially to my responsibility, I will receive as my full compensation for the above specified services a sum of money equivalent to five thousand dollars in United States currency, to be paid to me in New York, as follows : Five hundred dollars on or before the tenth day of January, 1875, five hundred dollars within thirty days after the delivery of the first plat and plans ; and the remaining sum of four thousand dollars at the completion of this engagement (unless on evidence of progress in the meantime you shall, on my application, deem it just to pay me a part of the same on account).

I shall also require that you reimburse me for all outlays in necessary travelling expenses or other expenses incurred under your special instructions from time to time, and that all desirable aid and facilities shall be given me whereby my work, when on the ground, shall be better advanced and proceed more advantageously for your interest.

It will, of course, be a condition of this arrangement that you furnish me with a copy of the topographical map now in preparation, as you have agreed to do, in due time, say, before the 1st of February next.

I am, gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,
FRED. LAW OLMSTED.

Of the first two of these elements of value, Mount-Royal, in its present unimproved condition, offers a larger measure than any other place equally near so large a population of which I have knowledge, and by judicious means, as I shall indicate further on, its advantages of scenery may be heightened, and its disadvantages lessened. The question, then, is, whether its possible value in these respects can be made available with due ease, comfort and economy ? My doubts on this point were rapidly lessened after I got above the craggy face of the mountain toward the city, and found myself upon a surface but moderately broken and rugged, and essentially an undulating and wooded table-land, from nearly all points of which broad and delightful distant landscapes are commanded.

A survey of this district soon satisfied me that as far as roads, walks, seats and other conveniences of exercise, rest and refreshment are concerned, there is no extraordinary difficulty in providing within it all that is essential to your purpose, except as it may arise from the necessity of unusual precautions against the bolting of horses and the slipping of heedless persons over the steep declivities, and of establishing not merely security in this respect, but a tranquilizing sense of security in the minds of all classes of visitors.

Passing this point as one of detail, it is a more important and difficult branch of the question whether, these advantages being provided, the use [of them can be had by the people generally of the city, with moderate ease, comfort and cheapness ? The conditions necessary to be considered before giving an answer will, perhaps, be better recognized if the inquiry is made from the point of a physician considering the case of a poor patient, feeble, timid and nervous : or of a convalescent to whom change of air and scene would be highly beneficial, provided it could be had without too much fatigue, discom-

fort or exciting anxiety. First, then, the physician has to reflect whether what is likely to be gained through quiet, pleasurable recreation while moving or resting in the fresh air of the mountain, is likely to be neutralized or worse through the fatigue, worry and excitement that will be suffered in the journey to and from it: and, second, he has to consider whether his patient can afford the cost of the excursion? The conclusions which, in course of time, will be reached in thousands of such cases, will be favorable or unfavorable to the chances of recovery, or of rapid or prolonged and tedious convalescence, of the patient, according to the arrangements which you will determine to make. Considering what is practicable, I find two possible routes for ascending the mountain without going to the rear of it: one on the north and north-west side; the other on the north-east and east. The first is more inviting near the base, but in the upper half of it tolerable grades and curves, for a road of desirable breadth, can only be obtained at great expense, and, the ground being valuable for another purpose, I am disposed to think, at least for years to come, it will be better to have but a single main approach road, and that on the east side.

Here, from the top of the mountain as far down, at least, as the McTavish monument, there is no extraordinary difficulty in the way of preparing a road, two rods wide, by which a carriage may be driven up or down at a steady, moderate trot, moving smoothly and quietly, while beautiful distant views are opening to the south and west through frames of foliage that shut out any discordant nearer objects. A satisfactory connection might be made, though with more difficulty, between the mountain road at the monument and the nearest streets of the city now in use. But the grades of these streets are so much steeper than those of the roads above need to be, that, whether in ascending or descending, horses would be

probabilities will satisfy you that if the future travel to the mountain is to be all or mainly directed into any one of the existing streets by which the vicinity of the McTavish monument is approached from the lower ground, it would be wholly inadequate to carry it except, in a way which would be extremely tedious, provoking and often alarming.

Here, then, the physician would hesitate because here a hundred yards of movement would be liable to cause more fatigue and undesirable excitement to the patient than a mile beyond.

Here, then, also, the difficulty of cost would be largely augmented for, to ascend a grade like that of Peel, or worse, of McTavish Street, two horses would be required to move a load such as one would take with equal ease above, and the rate of wear and tear not only of horses, but of harness, carriage and road way, would be fully doubled.

Under such an arrangement the dividends to be obtained from the capital you shall invest in all your park arrangements, will be seriously less than they will be if you make such other approaches as I trust to be practicable. What ought to be hoped for in respect to the cost of a drive will be evident from what is accomplished elsewhere. For instance, the ordinary charge for carriage hire in the streets of New York is nearly double what it is in Montreal but the Park Commissioners of New York have had no difficulty in causing a dozen or more carriages to be provided, comfortable low-hung covered vehicles suitable for weakly persons in which passengers are taken at a rate of fare of four cents a mile for a course of five miles, or of five cents a mile for a course of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles. In Brooklyn and Philadelphia, the Park Commissioners have done still better than this and the difficulty of doing better in your case lies less in the topography of the mountain than in the way your city has thus far been laid out and built up.

My present object is rather to show what should be the

brought to a walk, and in passing through them at those periods of the day when the park would be the most attractive and its influence most beneficial, all the annoyances and dangers of a blocked street would often be experienced.

Those who have given little consideration to the subject will probably think that Montreal will hardly ever supply such a stream of travel to the mountain as I seem to imagine. I will remark, therefore, that no experience of Montreal under existing circumstances will much aid a judgment of what will result from a perfection of proper arrangements for pleasure driving, as a few facts will indicate. For instance, since the opening of the park drives in New York, the number of persons keeping private carriages is estimated to have increased fully ten fold; the number and value of public carriages adapted to pleasure driving having also, in the same period, increased at a rate far beyond that of population and wealth. In Brooklyn the number of private carriages was thought to have doubled in two years after the opening of the park. A similar, though less marked experience, has been had in Buffalo, Chicago, and other American towns. The value of a pleasure carriage is, in fact, found to have been unknown as long as its use was limited to ordinary streets and roads.

Montreal is a prosperous city and rapidly enlarging its borders; the number of people able to keep carriages will in time be much greater than at present; the number able to employ public carriages will increase even more rapidly. The views commanded from the Mountain—surpassing in expanse, beauty and variety those of any of the common resorts of tourists on the continent—will, when they can be enjoyed with such ease and comfort as it will be practicable for you to secure, add largely to the number of visitors staying in the city who will supply another element in the throng to be accommodated.

A reasonable consideration of these conditions and

line of study to be pursued in planning your proposed improvements than to offer you even a suggestion of a plan for them but, to illustrate what I should hope to be practicable in respect to the approaches below the mountain, I will say that it might be something like this: To extend the road which I have suggested would be led spirally down the mountain-side from the southward with a regular moderate descent along the rear of Sir Hugh Allan's grounds and afterwards by a more devious course across the steep and broken slopes to the northward, until, in the rear of the Hotel Dieu, existing streets are reached running with an easy grade, in one direction, to the heart of the city, in the other, skirting its present advanced building line parallel to and on the side opposite the river front. It might then be further extended in the latter direction in the form of a broad boulevard or park-way exclusively for the use of pleasure carriages, crossing all the streets running from the river.

This being done, from whatever part of the city north of Victoria Square, carriages should be started to go to the mountain, they would enter the park drive north of the steep foot slopes and, until this drive was reached and they were disengaged from all other street traffic, they would no where be concentrated or add materially to the ordinary number of vehicles in any street, while the average time required for entering upon a smooth quiet road with no liability to street obstructions would be less than half as much as it would, if the park drive was first to be south of the reservoir. For the accommodation of those living to the south of Victoria Square, special branch approaches to the same main approach would be required, one of which should be to the north of the Reservoir another to the south of the McTavish monument. An additional sub-route of approach still further south is practicable through land not yet expensively improved, and two others from the Côté des Neiges road. Foot

approaches should closely follow the main carriage approach and its laterals, but it is desirable that there should also be one broad easy walk to the top of the mountain having attractions peculiar to itself, and several minor foot-paths scaling the crags more directly. Whenever street railways shall be laid to the foot of the mountain, an inclined lift or elevator will likewise be desirable to save feeble persons and young children the hard toil of its ascent.

Reverting to the matter of the general aspect of the scenery of the mountain, I would observe that the distant prospects in all directions, offer such controlling attractions that some of them, being commanded from nearly all parts of the ground, the immediate local landscape conditions are of much less consequence than they usually are in pleasure grounds, and that it is not undesirable that they should be subdued in character. Operations for their improvement should, therefore, not be ambitious, and should be intended, first, to relieve the surface of the mountain of the accidental and transient conditions through which it has at present an unnecessarily desolate and melancholy aspect; next, without destroying the essential picturesqueness of its natural features, to add a greater beauty of foliage; next, to hold attention in directions where the finest views will be seen to the best advantage and to furnish them with more harmonious and better composed foregrounds; next, to subordinate and, as far as may be practicable, obscure with suitable natural objects the constructions necessary to the convenient use of the ground (as these must in the end, be extensive and more or less too fine for harmony with its general character); and finally, to avoid in these and all respects an ordinary conventional gardening style of work, as finical, unseemly and out of character with the genius of the place.

I omit the observations made to you verbally in regard

to the desirableness of a small park proper, in distinction from the larger mountain and forest district of your ground, because of the impossibility of doing justice to the subject without the advantage of demonstration on the site, or over a sufficient topographical map. I will merely observe that you have, in addition to the ground which I have thus far considered, a small area of a different character, and that it is fortunately situated to serve as a foil, through its natural amenity and the simple, quiet, secluded and pastoral character which can be given it, to the grandly local and rugged heights and declivities of the main body.

Surveying the whole property with due regard for the considerations I have indicated; assuming that the treatment of the mountain top shall be such as I have advised, and that some such arrangements as I have also suggested, shall be provided by which access to and ascent of the mountain shall be made as rapid, cheap, convenient and comfortable as is practicable, it will be seen that there is no reason to doubt that a public recreation ground can be formed within the limits of your property, which shall compare favorably as a means of health for the people who are to be invited to use it, with that of any other city of the world.

You are to be congratulated [upon the good judgment which has governed the selection of the parcels of land which you have had to purchase and in the good fortune which has allowed you to find so large an aggregate body of land on the immediate border of the city which could be acquired without change for costly improvements. Parts of some of the properties which you have obtained, may, I think, be regarded as relatively unimportant for your purpose, and with a view to limit the cost of your undertaking, may be otherwise disposed of. There are yet also, on the boundaries of your ground, some small patches, of which, with a view to keeping under your

control the best landscape effects, you should, if possible, obtain possession. I can not at present accurately define the bounds of these fragments but have no doubt that those which I think may be dispensed with, will exceed in market value those which I should recommend to be acquired.

I beg to express my obligations to Mr. MacQuisten, your city surveyor, Mr. Smith, his deputy, and Mr. McGibbon your superintendent, for their cheerful, zealous and valuable assistance in my examination of the ground.

I am, gentlemen,

your obedient servant,

FRED. LAW OLMSTED.

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To the City of Montreal

The special Committee of Chairmen
appointed to consider the amendments required
to the City Charter.

Respectfully report:

That they meet
on the 7th instant and having duly examined
and deliberated upon the subjects of reference
above mentioned, your Committee have
adopted the several amendments comprised
in the accompanying schedule, which they beg
leave to submit to the favourable consideration
of the Council, and your Committee recommend
that, if approved of and sanctioned by the
Council, the City Attorney be instructed to prepare
a Bill embodying the said amendments and
that the same be submitted to the Legislature
with the least possible delay.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 11 January 1875

(signed) Charles Alexander

F. David

J. Grenier

S. Rivard

William Kennedy

SCHEDULE

OF

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

TO THE CITY CHARTER.

1. To have the Mayor elected by and from the City Council
2. To do away with the right of *veto* given to proprietors, in cases of expropriation, by sub-sections 8, 9, 10 and 11 of section 176 of the City Charter.
3. To assess proprietors for one half the cost of paving any street, according to frontage, with power to distribute such assessment over three years with interest; also to assess any street railway company which may have its rails along such street paving for their proportion of the cost of such paving.
4. To extend to proprietors of vacant lots the liability of tenants or occupants to remove the snow from the foot-paths in front of their premises.

5. To impose and levy a special assessment on all vacant lots in the city for water, said assessment not to exceed — cents on the interest of the value of such lots.

6. To authorize the corporation, when a common sewer is being constructed in any street, to make at the same time all necessary connections and to include the cost thereof in the assessment to be made for said sewer.

7. To authorize the City Council to exempt churches and purely charitable institutions in the City, from the ordinary assessment.

8. To restrain gaming and playing at cards, dice or other games of chance, in any hotel, tavern, or in every house or place kept for the purpose of gaming.

9. To authorize the City to extend its main sewers or tunnels into any adjoining municipalities and to assess proportion of cost to be paid by such municipality according to area drained and benefit to be derived by said municipality from such drainage, such assessment to be made by appraisers to be appointed as provided in section 200 of the City Charter.

10. To exempt from all assessments (school tax included) all property owned by the City of Montreal beyond the city limits and used for public purposes.

11. To divide the City into four Districts for the purpose of vaccination and to establish in each an office of vaccination with a proper register of the names of all parties therein vaccinated.

12. To compel members of the family, the neighbors and all persons tending the sick, in case of small-pox, to be vaccinated and re-vaccinated, and to obtain a certificate from the physician performing the operation.

13. To compel all employers of labor in the City to employ none but vaccinated persons; to provide that all scholars attending a public school shall be vaccinated and to prohibit teachers from admitting into such school a non-vaccinated pupil.

14. To provide that none but the Corporation conveyance shall be used to carry small pox patients, and to prevent other vehicles being used for that purpose.

15. To authorize the Health Officers and the sanitary police to enter houses or premises for the purpose of enquiring as to the sanitary condition thereof, and whether there are any contagious diseases therein, or non-vaccinated persons.

16. To provide that in all cases of dwellings containing more than one family, in which there is a patient under the influence of a contagious disease, and where such patient cannot be conveniently isolated, all other families residing in the same premises be compelled to remove therefrom, upon an order to that effect from the Health Officers, and that an outward sign be placed on said premises, so as to warn outsiders of the existence of such contagious disease.

17. To compel any practising physician to report to the Board of Health within twelve hours, every case of contagious, epidemic or endemic disease under his care.

18. To compel boarding-house or hotel keepers or any relative or friend having in his premises a person or persons suffering from a contagious disease, to report the same forthwith to the Board of Health.

19. Certificates of mortality shall be signed by a physician and remitted to the Board of Health; when no certificate shall be produced, the Health Officers shall be empowered to hold an investigation to ascertain the cause of death.

20. To disinfect and even destroy clothing or other articles which can propagate contagion.

21. To order that the bodies of persons dying of contagious disease be disinfected and buried within 36 hours after death,

22. To compel every proprietor or tenant within the City to drain his premises, cess-pools or privies by means of glazed earthenware tile drains, and in such a manner as may be directed by the City Surveyor.

To the City of Montreal

The Special Committee on the Côte des Neiges Road -

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the question of providing an easier way of access to the Roman Catholic Cemetery at Côte des Neiges, and have had, for such purpose, several interviews with the owners of real estate in that neighbourhood.

Your Committee had also plans and surveys made of the different schemes suggested to them, but are unanimous in the opinion that the route marked N° 1 is the one best calculated to carry out the views of the Council and serve the interests of the public.

The proposed lowering of the grade of the present route, which would not entail so large an expenditure, would be however of little avail, as there would still be a far greater length of steep grade to contend against, than with the route recommended.

Your Committee, after due consideration of the whole matter, have come to the conclusion to recommend to the Council the route laid down on the plan herewith submitted, marked N° 1, as being in their opinion and that of the City Surveyor the best one calculated to obviate the difficulties and hardships now complained of.

Wherefore Your Committee recommend that it be Resolved to adopt the route laid down on the plan herewith submitted for the deviation of the present Côte-des-Neiges Road and that the said road be opened accordingly and that in furtherance of these views they be authorized to

to acquire by amicable arrangement or by valuation of Commissioners, as provided by Law, all the lands required for the said improvement on the express condition however that one third of the cost of said improvement be borne and paid by the parties interested in and to be benefitted thereby, one third by the Corporation and the remaining one third by the adjoining municipalities, interested in and to be benefitted by the said road.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal 20th May 1874

(Signed)

Ferd. David

Chs Desmarceaux

Jos. Brunet

Campbell Bryson

A. M^c Cambridge

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Special Committee on the Côte des Neiges Road, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, but in as much as there are no funds at the disposal of the Corporation for the purposes referred to in the said Report, and the Corporation have no authority to compel the adjoining municipalities who are to be benefitted by the New Road to contribute towards the cost of the same, your committee further recommend that application be made at the next session of the Parliament for authority to borrow such sum of money as may be required by the Corporation to defray its part of the cost of the said road and to compel the said adjoining municipalities to pay their proportion of said cost.

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The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 16th October 1874

(signed)

H. A. Nelson

J. Genie

Thomas Wilson

J. W. Mc Gowan

The Mount Royal ^{Park} Commissioners
Respectfully represent:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Reports from the Special Committee on the Côte des Neiges Road and the Finance Committee in reference to the proposed change in the Côte des Neiges Road through the Seminary and other properties and that they are of opinion that the Road in question cannot be taken into consideration in connection with the Park scheme, so as to justify them in recommending an expenditure of money for such project.

Believing however that the Road recommended in said Reports, is far preferable to the present difficult means of approach to the Roman Catholic Cemetery and if carried out, that it would be highly beneficial not only to a large class of citizens, but also to the neighbouring Municipalities, your Board are of opinion that application should be made to the Local Legislature for authority to carry out the said improvement and to assess the whole cost of so doing on the parties interested in and benefitted thereby, with the understanding that one of the Commissioners for the appraisement of the lands to be expropriated, shall be named by the Corporation, a second by the Municipalities interested and a third by the Court.

The whole

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted
 Committee Room } (signed) Ferd. David
 City Hall } J.W. Mc Lauran
 Montreal, 30 December 1874 }

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To the City of Montreal

The Road & Light Committees

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying petition of the Consumers Gas Company of the City of Montreal praying for leave to lay their pipes in the streets of this City.

That they held several meetings and had interviews with the Petitioners as well as with the New City Gas Company on the subject of the said petition.

That, before coming to a decision in the matter, your Committees deemed it expedient to obtain from the New City Gas Company certain information and assurances as regards the price of gas to be charged both to the City and to Consumers, and the Company's willingness to lay pipes in such streets as the Council might deem it necessary; — and your Committees accordingly directed the City Clerk to write to the Company to that effect.

That, on the 27th instant, the New City Gas Company sent the accompanying reply, by which it will be seen that in order to avoid the annoyance and the strife that rival Companies would engender, the New City Gas Company will, on condition of no opposition being allowed, and in consideration of the advantages it enjoys from the Corporation, agree

agree: -

- 1^o That the maximum price of gas shall be \$2.50 nett per 1000 feet generally on and after May next, provided no extraordinary circumstances should arise during the present arrangements.
- 2^o That the price now charged for street lamps shall not be exceeded in future.
- 3^o That the Company shall be prepared to lay pipes in the streets of the City as required by the Council under the conditions stipulated in their charter.

After mature deliberation your Committee have come to the conclusion it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners for the following reasons:

- 1^o Because the New City Gas Company, by the erection of their very extensive works at Hochelaga, and the reconstruction and improvement of their works at the western end of the City, are in a position to afford a full supply of good gas to the City for many years to come.
- 2^o Because the price charged by the New City Gas Company for gas is fair and reasonable as compared with that charged by Gas Companies in the principal cities on this continent.
- 3^o Because the New City Gas Company have pledged themselves not to increase the present price for street lamps nor to charge more than

than \$2⁵⁰/₁₀₀ per 1000 feet of gas to consumers generally in the city.

4° Because of the great inconvenience, loss and damage that would be caused by the opening and tearing up of the streets and roadways of the city for the laying of mains and pipes, were two companies allowed to operate in our narrow streets and thoroughfares - especially in view of the large and extensive street improvements in contemplation and for the carrying out of which a loan of \$1,500,000 has been obtained.

5° Because there is no reason or valid ground to believe that the new company, if allowed to go into operation, could furnish gas at much, if any cheaper rates than the present one.

Under these circumstances and for the reasons above stated, your Committees regret, that, however desirous they may be of forwarding the views of the Consumers Gas Company, they cannot recommend that the prayer of their petition be granted.

Your Committees suggest, however, that before taking final action in the matter, a notarial agreement be entered into between the Corporation and the New City Gas Company by which the latter shall bind themselves to the conditions contained in their letter of the 27th instant and hereinbefore referred to - such agreement to cover a term of years to be determined by the Council.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 27 November 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David
A. Rivard
Jos Brunet
Thomas Caverhill
B. Berstien
Robt Taylor
Chs Desmarbeau
J. W. Crevier

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To the City of Montreal

The Board of Health

Respectfully report:

That small pox having recently broken out in this City and the surrounding Municipalities in an epidemic form of the most malignant type, and numerous deaths daily occurring, the Board of Health, after consultation with the Governors of the English Hospital and the Ladies of the Hôtel Dieu, who could no longer afford the necessary accommodation to the numerous patients applying for admission into their respective establishments, deemed it their duty to provide a temporary hospital in which such patients would receive that care and attention which their unfortunate position imperatively required.

With that object in view, your Board instructed the medical Officers of Health to use their best efforts to prevent the further spread of so loathsome and terrible a disease, and took immediate possession of the building on that part of the Park property, known as the Hall Estate, having the same fitted up in as comfortable a manner as possible, due regard being however had to keep the expense within as strict bounds as possible.

Liabilities to the extent of \$3500. have been thus contracted, for which there is no appropriation, and a further sum of \$2500. is still required to stamp out the disease, \$1500 being for contingencies &c and \$1000. to pay the medical men employed to carry out and give effect to the resolutions of this Board.

Wherefore your Board recommend that an appropriation of \$6000.00 be placed
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at their disposal for the aforesaid purposes.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	William Kennedy
City Hall			J. Grenier
Montreal, December 1874			A. M. Cambridge
			Thomas Wilson
			Robt Taylor

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed the The Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Board of Health for an appropriation of \$6000. for unforeseen expenditure incurred in consequence of the small pox epidemic and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the reserve fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	Charles Alexander
City Hall			J. Grenier
Montreal, 23 ^d December 1874			F. David
			Henry Thomas
			Thomas Wilson
			J. W. McGowan
			H. A. Nelson

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To the City of Montreal

The Health Committee

Respectfully report:

That, owing to unforeseen causes and the expenditure which your Committee have been obliged to incur owing to the epidemic of small pox, with which the city has recently been visited, they have been obliged to overdraw some items of their appropriation and that this year they have been called upon to remove the

the market garbage without any provision being made for such work in their appropriation sheet, or any allowance being made therefor by the Market Committee,

Wherefore Your Committee recommend that an appropriation of (\$1500.) fifteen hundred dollars, be granted them for the following purposes:

Market scavenging	\$900.00	
Repairs to fences	200.00	
Scavenging contract	200.00	
Contingencies (coffins etc)	200.00	\$1500.00

The whole respectfully submitted

Committee Room
City Hall

Montreal 21st December 1874

(signed)

William Kennedy

J. B. Rolland

Chs Desmarcain

Charles Abyanes

To the City of Montreal

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying report of the Health Committee for an appropriation of \$1500 for certain unforeseen expenditure incurred by said Committee as therein specified, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the Reserve Fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 23rd December 1874

(signed)

Charles Abyanes

Henry Thomas

H. A. Nelson

J. W. McGowan

F. David

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To the City of Montreal
The Fire Committee

Respectfully report:

That the question of assuring the lives of the members of the Fire Brigade Force, has on several occasions engaged their most serious consideration. The system now in force to ensure at fixed rates according to age, seems to them too expensive and complicated and does not give to the members of the Force the same degree of confidence as if the Corporation, instead of the Assurance Company, were liable for the amount assured.

Your Committee, after submitting the matter fully to the parties interested, have come to the conclusion that it would be more advisable and in their opinion more economical for the Corporation to assume the risk of assuring themselves the lives of the firemen and with this object in view, they submit the following schedule of rates for the approval of the Council.

Amounts to be paid by the Corporation to Firemen, after serving a given time, in case of death:

From time of entry to 4 years service	\$300.00
over 4 years and under 5 years	400.00
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The men, presently in the force, to be rated from the date of their entry.

Should any member of the force, leave the department in good standing, through sickness or
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some unforeseen cause, after having served five years, the Fire Committee will grant him a certificate (or as it is called a paid-up policy) according to his term of service, signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk, to the effect that, at his death, his heirs shall be entitled to the amount stipulated in the foregoing schedule, the heirs for the settlement of any claim, having to give legal proof of the death of the party named in the certificate, and also prove their legal rights to the claims, to the satisfaction of the City Clerk or his representative.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the system herein recommended be adopted and carried out on the expiration of the present policies, conditionally however that each applicant previous to his admission into the Force, shall undergo the medical examination provided for by Insurance Companies and in accordance with the statement herewith annexed.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed).	R. G. Lorange
City Hall			A. M. Cambridge
Montreal 6 November 1874			Thos W. Hood
			S. Rivard

The Finance Committee Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying report of the Fire Committee recommending a change in the present system of insuring the lives of the Firemen and that they concur in the recommendation therein made.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Rooms	}	(signed)	J. Grenier
City Hall			Thomas Wilson
Montreal, 8 January 1875			Henry Thomas
			H. A. Nelson

see pages 178
 & 182-183-184

To the City of Montreal
 The Mount Royal Park Commissioners
 Respectfully report:

That they have received from
 F. Law Olmsted, Esquire, Landscape Architect, New York,
 the document herewith submitted, containing the
 conditions, on which that eminent Landscape
 Architect will undertake to prepare a general plan
 for the laying out of the Mount Royal Park.

That your Board, after ~~the~~ deliberation, have
 come to the conclusion to recommend to the Council
 the acceptance of Mr Olmsted's proposition as more
 fully mentioned and set forth in the accompanying
 document.

The Commissioners, although advised that they
 have full power and authority, to enter directly into
 an agreement with Mr Olmsted, deem it more advisable
 before going into an undertaking of so great impor-
 tance to lay the matter before the Council, and
 abide by its decision.

The whole respectfully submitted.

(Signed) H. A. Nelson
 { F. David
 J. W. McFarman

The Finance Committee
 Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council,
 they have considered the accompanying Report
 of the Mount Royal Park Commissioners recom-
 mending the acceptance of Mr Olmsted's propo-
 sition for the laying out of the said Park, and
 that they concur in the recommendation therein
 made.

The whole

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted
 Committee Room } (signed) Charles Alexander
 City Hall }
 Montreal, 23^d Decembre 1874 }

J. Grenier
 F. David
 Henry Thomas
 Thomas Wilson
 H. A. Nelson
 J. W. M. Gauvain

See pages 148 & 149

To the City of Montreal

The Special Committee on the St Helen's
 Island Ferry,

Respectfully report: That after several months
 trial of the present system of running boats to the
 St Helen's Island, they have come to the conclusion that unless
 some means be found to facilitate the approach to
 this Island, the great benefits which your Committee
 had reason to believe would be derived from visiting
 that beautiful place of recreation and amusement, will
 be entirely lost to the Citizens, - as the fare now charged
 is, in their opinion excessive and too much time is lost
 in crossing and re-crossing.

Your Committee have always been of the opinion
 and have previously recommended to the Council that
 a substantial wharf should be erected on the south side of
 the Island, thus enabling the steamers, plying between the
 Island and the City, to make her trips more regularly
 and at a far less cost. -

Entertaining still these views, Your Committee
 now recommend to the Council that they be authorized
 to enter into a contract for a term of five years for the
 running of a boat as aforesaid, at such hours and prices
 as they may deem advisable to fix and determine,
 conditionally however, that the party obtaining
 such contract shall be bound to construct a substantial
 wharf on the upper west side of the Island or to establish
 floating

floating pontoons, to the satisfaction and approval of your Committee, such wharves or pontoons, at the expiration of the five years, to remain the property of the City.

Your Committee have already urged on the Council the necessity of providing covered sheds to afford to the Citizens shelter and protection in case of rain or excessive heat, and of erecting a suitable restaurant or refreshment rooms, which should also be rented for a term of five years under such conditions and restrictions as might be deemed advisable, and which, they feel confident, would ultimately yield a very handsome revenue to the City, which might with great propriety be applied to cover the expenditure thus incurred and to embellish the Island. The construction of a certain number of drinking fountains and closets, and of a suitable dwelling for a guardian on the Island, are also of primary importance, and your Committee, after due consideration, recommend that a sum of \$4950.00 be granted to them for the above mentioned purposes.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 25th September 1874

(signed)

William Kennedy

Ferd. David

Campbell Bryson

L. O. Loranger

Chs Desmarceaux

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Special Committee on the St. Helen's Island ferry, for an appropriation of \$4950 for certain works therein specified and to be authorized to enter into a five years

year's contract for the plying of a boat between the City and the Island, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, in so far as the giving out of the said contract is concerned. As regards the works and improvements for which an appropriation is asked, Your Committee recommend the matter to the favourable consideration of the Council when considering the appropriations to be made at the commencement of next year.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 23^d December 1874

(signed) Charles Alexander
J. Grenier
E. David
Henry Thomas
Thomas Wilson
H. A. Nelson

See page 145

To the City of Montreal
The Special Committee on the
Storage of Gunpowder
Respectfully report:

That having carefully considered the question of providing suitable accommodation for the storage of gunpowder, they have come to the conclusion that it would be advisable for the Corporation to offer a bonus of \$2000. to any party who will build a powder magazine, in the vicinity of the City of Montreal, say at a distance of about five miles and keep and maintain the same according to Law and they therefore recommend that an appropriation of \$2000. be placed at their disposal, to enable them to carry out the above project.

Your Committee further recommend that instructions be immediately given to the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department and the Inspector of Buildings to ascertain the names of parties storing gunpowder within the City Limits, and to the Chief of Police to enforce the Law in regard to the storage of gunpowder in prohibited quantities within the City Limits and to employ, if necessary, for such purpose the Detective Force at his disposal.

Your Committee are aware that no supervision is exercised over this branch of Trade and would respectfully direct the attention of the Police and Fire Committees to the provisions of the Law constituting the officers under their command, — the parties entrusted with the carrying out of the Law.

The whole etc

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	Geo. W. Stephens
City Hall			Thos. D. Hood
Montreal, 3 ^d November 1874			William Kennedy
			Campbell Bryson
			F. David

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Special Committee on the storage of gunpowder recommending that a bonus of \$2000. be offered for the erection of a powder magazine near the city, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, conditionally however that application be first made to the Provincial Government ^{those} within whose jurisdiction this matter properly falls, to ascertain how far they will assist and contribute towards the object in view.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	Charles Alexander
City Hall			J. Grenier
Montreal, 23 ^d December 1874			J. W. McGowan
			H. A. Nelson

See pages 144 & 145 To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the City Council, they have considered the accompanying petition from the Municipality of St Jean Baptiste Village for the privilege of connecting their drains with the sewers of the City, and they have come to the conclusion that the said privilege should be granted to them on the following conditions:

1° That they pay their proportion of the cost of the main sewers, in the City, which are necessary for their drainage.

2° That no wooden drain shall be constructed within the said municipality.

Your Committee therefore recommend that it be Resolved to grant to the Municipality of St Jean Baptiste Village the privilege sought for, on the following conditions:

1° The Municipality of St Jean Baptiste Village shall be liable (collectively) to pay the proportion of the main sewers which may be necessary to drain the said municipality, through the City, and that the amount of such liabilities be payable on demand; provided however that this agreement shall not be completed or carried into effect until such payment is made to the City Treasurer.

2° No wooden drain shall be constructed within the said Municipality.

Your Committee further recommend that the proportion to be paid by the said municipality be based upon the area of the said municipality, which will be drained into the City sewers.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 24th December 1874

(signed)

F. David

Geo. W. Stephens

Chs. Desmarcean

Robert Taylor

B. Bastien

Ths. D. Hood

To the City of Montreal

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That on the 9th February last, the accompanying petition of Messrs Brown & Springle, two of the Commissioners in the expropriation of Mr Wilson's property for the widening of St Joseph street was submitted to the Council.

This petition which prayed that the question in dispute in this case be not carried in appeal to the Privy Council, was on the said 9th February last ordered to be referred to the City Attorney for their opinion and report thereon.

Your Committee have received the opinion of the City Attorney which they herewith submit, and by which it will be seen that the City Attorney hold that the judgment rendered by the Court of Queen's Bench on the 20th December 1873 is unfounded in law, and that the City Council are justified in taking an appeal of said judgment to Her Majesty's Privy Council in England.

Your Committee therefore recommend that such an appeal be made, and that the City Attorney be authorized to take the necessary legal proceedings to that effect.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 12th November 1874

(signed)

H. A. Nelson

Henry Thomas

J. Grenier

J. W. M. Gauran

see page 131

To the City of Montreal
The Fire Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying petitions of H. Whiteside & Co and Joseph Barsalou for leave to erect steam engines, the former on the premises N^o 66, College street, St Ann's Ward, and the latter on his premises in Durham street, and that the petitioners having complied with the Law, your Committee recommend that the permissions sought for be granted, the reasons alleged in the petition of a number of Proprietors in the St Mary's Ward, not being sufficiently strong or well founded in the opinion of your Committee, to justify them in refusing to grant leave to Mr Barsalou, to erect a steam engine on his premises, as no nuisance can be created, no rendering of tallow will take place and the premises will be provided with a smoke consuming apparatus.

The above permission is however granted subject to the approval of the Inspector of Buildings and with the understanding that no steam whistle shall be used on any of the said premises and that the said H. Whiteside & Co and Joseph Barsalou shall comply with the requirements of By-Law N^o 56 to compel Proprietors of steam engines in this City to provide the same with smoke consuming apparatus.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal 6th November 1874

(signed)

L. O. Poirange

S. Rivard

Thos D. Hood

A. Mc Cambridge

see page 137

To the City of Montreal

The Fire Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have carefully considered the accompanying petition of Mill-owners and others doing business in the vicinity of the St Gabriel Locks, to have the large steam Fire Engine located there, for the better protection of their properties against fire, and that, as will appear by the report of the Chief and Assistant Engineers of the Department to whom the same was referred for their opinion, it would be injudicious to make any change in the present distribution of the Force.

Lately all the principal mains have been renewed in all the leading streets in that locality, making the pressure there far greater than in either the eastern or central section of the City and the supply quite ample for any emergency.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the prayer of the Petitioners be not entertained.
Respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 16 October 1874

(signed) L. O. Lorange
A. M. Cambridge
S. Rivard
Thos. D. Hood

see page 137

To the City of Montreal
The Fire Committee

Respectfully reports:

That, as appears by the report of the Inspector of Buildings herewith annexed a certain quantity of materials, such as wrought and cast iron, Timber of different qualities, are now on hand which might advantageously be disposed of, if offered in small quantities by private sale.

Your Committee therefore recommend that it be Resolved to authorize the Inspector of Buildings to dispose of the said materials by private sale on the most advantageous and profitable terms.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal 16th October 1874

(signed)

L. O. Lorange

Chairman

A. Rivard

Thos. D. Hood

A. M. Cambridge

see page 138

To the City of Montreal
The Police Committee

Respectfully reports:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying petition of Mr B. Lessard, for an investigation into the reasons for his dismissal from the City Police Force, in which until lately he occupied the position of sergeant, as well as into certain charges of malpractice and maladministration in the management of the affairs of the Central Police Station.

That they hold several meetings and examined under oath sixteen witnesses, including the petitioner himself to whom every facility and

and the greatest leniency on the part on the part of the Committee was granted, with the privilege moreover of being assisted by his legal advisers during the whole course of the Investigation.

Your Committee, after hearing the whole of the evidence taken (which they herewith submit) and having duly deliberated thereon, are of opinion that the petitioner Mr Lessard has completely failed to prove any of the charges, proffered by him against the officers and the administration of affairs in the Central Police station and they report accordingly.

In regard, however, to the charge made against Mr Lessard, and reproduced in the public papers, that he was dismissed in September, (1869), one thousand eight hundred and sixty nine, for being drunk and going to a house of ill-fame and insulting the inmates, Your Committee in justice to that gentleman desire to state that this arose from an entry made to that effect in the Defaulters' Book by the late Deputy Chief of Police, Mr Létu, but that there is no evidence further than the said entry to show that Mr Lessard was guilty of this particular offence.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 28 October 1874

(signed) J. Grenier
A. Mc Cambridge
Thomas Wilson
Campbell Bryson
Robt Laylor

see page 139

To the City of Montreal
The Police Committee

Respectfully report:

That the following items of appropriation are required to cover the expenditure incurred for the requirements of the Department as per statement herunto annexed.

Light & Fuel	\$ 165.51
Stabling	165.00
Provisions	50.00
Carters numbers	125.00
Contingent Fund	400.00
Constables Baignet's grant	250.00
	<u>1155.51</u>

That your Committee have on hand, in the item of appropriation granted for the pay of the Force, a sufficient balance to cover the different amounts required for the foregoing items of appropriation and they accordingly recommend that leave be granted them to vary the application of a like amount (\$1155.51) from the pay of the Force and apply it in payment of the supplementary amounts required for Light, Fuel, stabling, etc, as more fully mentioned and set forth on the statement herunto annexed.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal December 1874

(signed)

J. Genes

A. Mc Cambridge

see page 139

To the City of Montreal

The Fire Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying petition of Mr. James Ferns, Fire Alarm Telegraph operator, for an increase of salary, and that they are of opinion that his claim is one which recommends itself to the favorable consideration of the Council.

Your Committee have already recommended on several occasions and more particularly at the time of the granting of the annual appropriations for the current year, that an increase of \$200 be granted to Mr. Ferns, whose present salary (\$500.) is altogether insufficient and not in keeping with the importance and onerous nature of the duties which he is called upon to perform.

Wherefore your Committee recommend that an increase of (\$200.) two hundred dollars be granted to the said James Ferns from the first day of January next, and that in as much as your Committee consider him fairly entitled to the said increase for the current year and that there are no funds at their disposal for such purpose, they recommend that a sum of two hundred dollars be granted them to be charged to next year's appropriation.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal - 24th September 1874

(signed) L. O. Lorange, chairman

S. Rivard

Thos. D. Hood

A. M. Cambridge

The Finance Committee

The Finance Committee respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Fire Committee recommending favorably on Mr James Ferns' petition for an increase of salary, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 5th November 1874

(signed)

Charles Alexandre

F. David

J. W. Mc Lauran

J. Grenier

Thomas Wilson

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To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of
Montreal

The undersigned aldermen having been appointed a Committee for the purpose of drafting a By-Law, concerning the Montreal Omnibus and Transfer Company beg respectfully to report the annexed By-Law for the consideration and approval of your Honorable Body -

Montreal 12th December 1874

(signed)

Geo. W. Stephens

L. O. Lorange

Thos. D. Hood

J. E. Mullin

To the City of Montreal

The Police and Fire Committee respectfully report: That the want of Police and Fire stations has been long felt by parties residing in the Western section of the City and that despite the best efforts of your Committee, they have been unable until now, owing to want of funds and the opposition of parties interested, to procure a suitable lot whereon to erect the required buildings.

That lately a most suitable lot of ground, 52' front x 120' in depth has been offered to your Committee on St Catherine street, in the vicinity of Guy Street, at the rate of twenty five cents per superficial foot and as your Committee consider that its location and size suit the requirements of their different Departments, they recommend that they be authorized to purchase the same and that an appropriation of \$5111.25 be granted them out of the loan for stations.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted -

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal 5th November 1874

- 1 signed J. Grenier
- " L. Oranger
- " C. Brisson
- " Thos Wood
- " S. McCaumbidge
- " Thos Wilson
- " A. Rivard

The Finance Committee respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying report of the Police and Fire Committees, for an appropriation of \$5111.25 to acquire land for a new Police and Fire station in the St Antoine Ward and that they concur in the recommendation therein made.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted -

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Montreal 5th November 1874.

- 1 signed Charles Alexander
- " F. David
- " J. W. McCaworan
- " J. Grenier
- " Thos. Wilson

and Wellington streets to the city limits west.
 Your Committee further recommend that
 a special Committee be appointed to draft the
 conditions of an agreement between the City
 and the said "Montreal Omnibus and Passenger
 Company and to embody the same in a By-law.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted -
 Committee Room } (signed) Chs. Dumont
 City Hall } " Thos. D. Hood,
 Montreal, 20th September, 1874 } " Robt. Taylor
 " Geo. W. Stephens
 " J. M. Shaw

see pages 136 & 137

To the City of Montreal
 The Road Committee

Respectfully Report:

That to overcome the ever increasing
 danger arising from the Wellington street crossing on
 account of the several R.R. tracks that are continually
 used by the Grand Trunk Railway, your Committee have
 come to the conclusion that unless the Grand Trunk Railway
 Company provide a bridge or tunnel it would be advisable
 to allow the main track only to stand at the intersection
 of Wellington street.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the
 City attorney be instructed to take proceedings to have all
 rails crossing Wellington street, Point St Charles, taken up, and
 to allow only the main track as aforesaid to remain
 across Wellington street, unless the Grand Trunk Railway
 Company agree to construct a bridge or tunnel in
 that locality.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room } (signed) F. David
 City Hall } Thos. D. Hood
 Montreal, 25 September 1874 } Robt Taylor
 " Geo. W. Stephens

To the City of Montreal.

The Road-Committee respectfully report: That, having taken into consideration the Petition of the City Omnibus Company for permission to lay rails in certain streets therein mentioned and the letter hereunto annexed signed by C. J. Brydges, Esquire, on behalf of the "Montreal Omnibus and Transfer Company" they are of opinion that the request of Mr J. C. Brydges should be granted and that the "Montreal Omnibus and Transfer Company" be permitted to lay a single track of rails in the following streets or sections of streets.

- 1 St Mary street from the city limits east to Papineau square, thence through Craig street and St Bonaventure street, to the city limits west—
- 2 St Catherine street from the city limits east to the city limits west.
- 3 St George street, from Craig street through Stance street, thence eastwards through Hotel-Dieu street to the corner of Upper St Urbain street, thence through Upper St Urbain street to the city limits—
- 4 Ontario street, from city limits east to Stury.
- 5 St Dominique street, from Craig street to city limits—
- 6 St Denis street, from Craig street to city limits.
- 7 Maple Avenue, St Jude and Campau streets from city limits to Craig streets.
- 8 Papineau Road, from Craig street to city limits
- 9 Colborne Avenue, from Craig street to the city limits—
- 10 McGill street, from junction at east corner of Victoria square, through McGill

OTTAWA, Oct. 28, 1874.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

You and several other gentlemen, members of the City Council, were kind enough to receive me yesterday at a friendly interview respecting the Passenger and Freight accommodation at present afforded by the Grand Trunk Railway Company for the traffic of the City of Montreal.

At your request, I now place on record the substance of the statements I made to the Council and the suggestions of the members present, resulting in a general agreement that we should submit to the City Council plans for further consideration.

I stated that the Company were desirous on their own account, and for the accommodation and advantage of the city to enlarge their local freight station to double its present capacity, and to provide a new passenger station with offices in the position most suitable and convenient for all interests. I mentioned that since '69, when I became Chairman of the Company, by the issue of fresh capital and by the suspension of dividends upon the original share and bond capital subscribed in England, we had provided and would spend by the end of next year a sum of about \$21,000,000, gold, in changing our gauge, in steaming the line and enlarging the siding and station accommodation throughout the whole extent of the railway, and that out of this sum we had set apart and appropriated for the new passenger and freight station in Montreal, with offices, the sum of \$75,000.

That last year, accompanied by the officers of the company, I had made a careful examination of the various sites suitable for the above objects. The question was one of much difficulty, and has been considerably increased by the enhanced value of land during the last twelve months.

That upon still more careful inspection and examination we had all arrived at the conclusion that the sum of \$750,000 appropriated out of our financial resources was only sufficient to cover the actual cost of the works, and that it had therefore become a necessity for us to abandon the idea of purchasing additional land and to select from the land in the possession of the Company the best sites for the objects desired. I stated that we had land at Bonaventure station to provide a suitable passenger station with offices or a suitable local freight station, but not for both of these objects. That we had sufficient land at the Tanneries with a small addition to accomplish the same result, *i.e.* to provide either a suitable passenger station or a local freight station. That we had sufficient land at Point St Charles to accomplish the same result or probably to provide both freight and passenger accommodation, but that the absence of uninterrupted means of communication between the business parts of Montreal and Point St Charles presented an insuperable barrier to the placing of either passenger or freight accommodation there, and that the idea of a tunnel under the canal had occurred to us as a possible solution of this difficulty; always, however, bearing in mind that to place the freight shed at Point St Charles involved an additional length of haulage, to and from, the business part of the city of about three-quarters of a mile.

That the Company was reduced therefore to the dilemma that it must either place its freight station at Bonaventure and its passenger station at the Tanneries or *vice versa*. That to locate the freight shed at the Tanneries involved an additional haulage, to and from, for the whole local business of Montreal, of about a mile and a half, which in practice would be equal pecuniarily to a toll levied upon the business of Montreal of 38 miles of additional railway, inasmuch as it would cost at least 25¢ per mile per ton for haulage along the streets of the freight business, making for the mile and a half a sum of 37½¢ per ton. This objection appeared to us fatal to the removal of the local freight accommodation from Bonaventure Street to the Tanneries; we were therefore reduced by the necessities of the case, and by the limits of our resources to contemplate placing our passenger station at the Tanneries and our freight sheds at Bonaventure.

A great deal of discussion took place at the conference with yourself and the Council upon this statement, and suggestions of various kinds were made, examined and commented upon by many of the Aldermen

present, with much local knowledge, and with a thorough apprehension of the details. I stated in the course of this discussion that my object in laying this case before you was simply to let yourself and the gentlemen present, and through them the citizens of Montreal, know the position of the Company and the limits within which it was possible to solve this question, and I stated that it was my desire, and the desire of the directors, not to ask for any grant of money or pecuniary assistance; but that I thought it possible, in view of certain public purposes, that the Council of Montreal might make valuable suggestions on the subject. I alluded also, in the course of discussion, to the difficulty of working the traffic of either passenger or freight station at Bonaventure, without bridging or stopping the streets within the limits of the station tracks, and I ventured to state that such assistance as this was one that might be given by the Council on public grounds.

In the course of the interview the suggestion was made, I think, by either you self or Alderman David, that the present site of Bonaventure Station was in itself, in its location and in its surroundings, best calculated to afford both passenger and freight accommodation, and I was asked the question, whether, assuming that sufficient land were provided there adjoining the station, was it the view of the Company that the site itself was the most favorable in all respects for the satisfactory and prompt transaction of their business? I replied that I had no doubt whatever that the site of Bonaventure station, if increased in area, was the site which in every respect would prove the best for both passenger and local freight, but that we had not ventured seriously to entertain the idea, having regard to the Company's financial position. The question was discussed by yourself and the gentlemen present, and the suggestion was made that the Surveyor of the city should communicate with the Engineer of the Grand Trunk Railway and draw out such a plan as would meet the views of all parties combined. The plan coloured red, which accompanies this letter, is that which has been made by our Engineer after conference with the City Surveyor, as expressing what it is believed was intended by the Council as a subject for further consideration; the part coloured yellow is shown upon the sketch as providing in the future an extension which, four or five years hence, will be required, and some arrangement might be practicable to secure the land; the freight accommodation, coloured red, is nearly double that afforded by the present sheds.

On behalf of the company, I have no hesitation in saying that this scheme itself is very advantageous, and appears to unite so many advantages for the public, and in the future, that the company would gladly welcome the co-operation of the city, and would bear one-third of the cost of expropriating the necessary land. The works, which may be considered as works of public use, such as bridging or stopping the streets within the station building and yard being provided by the city, the railway company spending on the passenger and freight stations, car shops and sheds, with works and tracks incidental thereto, the sum of \$750,000 beyond the one-third cost of the additional land.

I return to Montreal on Tuesday the 10th November, after a visit to the Western section of the Grand Trunk, and place myself at your disposal to meet you and the City Council at any time you will be kind enough to appoint on Wednesday, the 11th. I shall remain in Montreal until Friday, the 13th, and, if necessary, will attend an adjourned meeting either on Wednesday or Thursday. I sail for England on the 18th November, and it would afford me and the officers of the Company very great satisfaction if some solution of this question can be arrived at which shall harmonize all interests and provide adequate and complete accommodation for the increasing stream of passenger and freight business centering at Montreal.

I have the honor to be,

My dear Mr. Mayor,

Yours very faithfully,

(Signed,) RICHARD POTTER,

President,

Grand Trunk Railway of Canada.

His Worship

The Mayor of Montreal.

To the City of Montreal

The Finance Committee respectfully Report:

That His Worship the Mayor having laid before them the accompanying letter of Richard Potter, Esquire, President of the Grand Trunk Railway, with accompanying Plan, in reference to the proposed new Railway Stations in this city, Your Committee have given the matter their most earnest attention.

That the subject is one of the highest importance for the City of Montreal and which, from the great interests involved, commends itself to the favorable consideration of the Council.

That, whilst Your Committee agree in the desirability of providing a combined passenger and freight station at St Bonaventure Street, as offering the most suitable accommodation for all parties concerned, the enormous outlay that such scheme would involve in consequence of the high price of the land to be acquired, offers, in the opinion of your Committee, an insuperable barrier to its adoption, the cost of the property alone being estimated at from one million and a half to two million dollars.

That the next best Plan, in the estimation of your Committee, is to have the passenger Depot at St Bonaventure Street and the freight Station at Point St Charles, with a tunnel under the Lachine Canal at or near its intersection with Wellington Street, of sufficient capacity to admit of a free and uninterrupted connection between said station and the city and with a view to carry out this project, your Committee would recommend that they be authorized to confer with Mr Potter and the Dominion Government, as to the proportion

proportion of expense to be borne by each, should the Grand Trunk Company think proper to adopt this plan, and to report the result of their negotiations at as early a day as possible —

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted —

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Montreal, 5th November, 1874

(Signed) Ch. Alexander
" Henry Thomas
" H. A. Nelson
" J. W. McEwen
" F. David
" J. Guenier

see page 134

To the City of Montreal

The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the City Council, they have reconsidered the question of homologating Normand Street, in the West Ward, and having conferred with the Ladies of the General Hospital (Grey nuns) they have come to the conclusion that the said Normand street should be accepted as offered by the said ladies, free of all charges from Foundling street to Youville street, that is to say, at a width of fifty feet, English measure, as shown on the plan herewith annexed.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the above mentioned street be opened as specified on the said plan and homologated under the name of Normand street.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 30th October 1874

(signed)

Geo. W. Stephens
J. McShane
Thos. W. Aboud
Robt Taylor

see page 5

To the City of Montreal

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report

That in view of the additional borrowing powers obtained by the Corporation at the last session of the Legislature and the large outlay which the Corporation will have to make for a few years to come to forward the various public ~~works~~ improvements in contemplation such as drainage, Water Works, parks, new City Hall, etc, in view also of the present favorable condition of the money market in England, it is, in the opinion of your Committee, expedient that a deputation be sent to London, with the least possible delay, to raise a further loan of, say - £750,000. stg. for and on behalf of this Corporation.

That in negotiating the new loan, provision should be made to have the sinking fund kept in the City, and not paid out to the borrowers, by annual drawings, as was done for the last loan.

Your Committee therefore recommend that Aldermen Alexander and Thomas and the City Treasurer be deputed to England to negotiate the said loan, at such interest as may be deemed most advantageous to the City, and with the understanding that no loan shall be effected or completed by them until the terms upon which it is to be made shall be communicated ~~with~~ to and approved of by the City Council.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 7th July 1874

(signed)

Chas Alexander

Ferd. David

Henry Thomas

J. W. M. Gauran

see pages 13 & 14

To the City of Montreal
The Fire Committee

Respectfully Report

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying ~~Request~~ petitions of Messrs Magnus & Co, N° 222, Notre Dame street, Linton & Cooper, premises, corner Victoria Square and St Bonaventure street, the Decastro Syrup Company N° 52 King street; that the said Petitioners having complied with the Requirements of the law and the only opposition made to the petition of the Decastro Syrup Company, being in the opinion of your Committee, insufficient and uncalled for, they recommend that permission be granted to the said parties to erect steam Engines on the premises above mentioned subject however to the sanction and approval of the Inspectors of buildings, and with the understanding that no steam whistle shall be used on any of the said premises, and that the said parties shall comply with the requirements of By-Law N° 56, to compel Proprietors of steam Engines in this City, to provide the same with smoke consuming apparatus.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room }
City Hall } (signed)
Montreal, 19th June 1874 }

L. O. Lorange
H. A. Nelson
J. B. Mullin
Amable Jodoin

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To the City of Montreal

The Road Committee

Respectfully Report:

That in the opinion of your Committee it is advisable that the grade of St Suzanne street should be fixed and established without further delay.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the grade shown on the accompanying section be adopted as the grade of St Suzanne street, and that a By-Law to that effect be prepared as soon as possible.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 8 June 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David

Geo. W. Stephens

Chs Desmarceau

Thos. D. Hood

see page 14

To the City of Montreal

The Road Committee

Respectfully Report:

That several parties who are desirous to erect valuable buildings on Upper University street, having applied to your Committee for the level of said street, your Committee consider this a favorable opportunity to have the grade of that street properly fixed and established.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the grade now existing and shown on the accompanying section be adopted as the grade of Upper University Street, and that a By-Law to that effect be prepared as soon as possible.

The whole

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted
 Committee Room } (signed) Ferd. David
 City Hall } Ths. D. Hood
 Montreal, 8th June 1874 } G. W. Stephens
 O. Desmarceaux

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To the City of Montreal
 The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

On the accompanying petition of proprietors in St Martin street, requesting that the grade of said street be established. That having considered the said petition, your Committee are of opinion that it is advisable to entertain the prayer thereof.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the grade of St Martin street between St Antoine street and St Bonaventure street be adopted and established, as shown on the accompanying section, and that a By-Law to that effect be prepared as soon as possible.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted
 Committee Room } (signed) Ferd. David
 City Hall } Ths. D. Hood
 Montreal, 15th June 1874 } G. W. Stephens
 O. Desmarceaux

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To the City of Montreal

The Water Committee

Respectfully Report

That, as directed by the Council, they have reconsidered the accompanying Report recommending a more graduated scale of prices for water used by meters, and that your Committee see no reason to alter the decision already arrived at in this matter.

The whole respectfully submitted

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 18 June 1874

(signed) J. W. McCarwan

F. David

Henry Thomas

J. W. Stephens

William Kennedy

See page 15

To the City of Montreal

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, having considered the salaries presently paid to Messrs William Lane and John Palmer, clerks in the City Treasurer's Department, and to Mr D. Beaudry, clerk in the office of the Superintendent of the Water Works, they are of opinion that the salaries paid these gentlemen are inadequate to the importance of the duties which they are called upon to perform.

They therefore recommend that an increase of (\$200.00) two hundred dollars be granted to Mr Lane and of one hundred dollars to Mr John Palmer and Mr D. Beaudry.

The whole

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room } (signed) Charles Alexander
 City Hall } Thomas Wilson
 Montreal, 30 June 1874 } F. David
 Henry Thomas

See page 15

To the City of Montreal

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council they have considered the propriety of reducing the tax of eighty dollars now imposed and levied on brokers, and your Committee have come to the conclusion and recommend that the said tax be reduced to forty dollars and that By-Law No 27 be amended accordingly.

The whole respectfully submitted

Committee Room } (signed) Charles Alexander
 City Hall } Thomas Wilson
 Montreal, 30 June 1874 } F. David
 Henry Thomas

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To the City of Montreal

The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That for several years past, Mr P. N. Lamothe was employed as secretary to the Commissioners in expropriation, in addition to the ordinary duties devolving upon him as Clerk in the Road Department, and in consideration of extra labor and services rendered by him in that capacity, and more especially in the preparing of the special roll of assessment for the old Catholic Cemetery a most laborious and complicated task, the whole of which had been done after office hours, your Committee are of opinion that Mr Lamothe is deserving of some extra compensation for such extra work.

They, therefore, recommend that Mr Lamothe be given a bonus of two hundred dollars in full compensation for such extra services for the past, provided that no such claim shall be entertained for the future.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 18th May 1874

(Signed)

F. David

Thos. D. Hood

Robt Taylor

Chs Desmarctan

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee, to grant a Bonus of two hundred dollars to Mr P. N. Lamothe, for extra services, as secretary to the Commissioners in expropriation, and that they concur in the recommendation

recommendation therein made, conditionally that the said amount shall cover all claims for past services, in connection with street or Park expropriation cases, the amount to come out of the Reserve Fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	Charles Alexander
City Hall			Thomas Wilson
Montreal, 26 June 1874			F. David
			Henry Thomas

See page 15

To the City of Montreal

The Water Committee

Respectfully report

That the Turbine wheel and pumps which were erected some years ago require certain repairs, the cost of which, as per accompanying estimate, will amount to the sum of \$2150.00.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend that an appropriation of the said sum of \$2150. be made to them to enable your Committee to cause the said repairs to be done at once.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	J. W. Mc Gauran
City Hall			F. David
Montreal, 26 June 1874			Henry Thomas
			J. W. Stephens
			William Kennedy

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Water Committee for an appropriation of

of \$2150.00 to repair the present turbine wheel and pumps, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the reserve fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room } (signed) Charles Alexander
 City Hall } Thomas Wilson
 Montreal, 6th July 1874 } F. David
 Henry Thomas

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To the City of Montreal
 The Water Committee

Respectfully report:

That the following are the rates which, in the opinion of your Committee, ought to be charged for the cost and care of meters in cases where meters are used for the supply of water from the Montreal Water Works, viz:

1/2 inch meter	\$3.00 per annum
3/4 " "	3.75 " "
1 " "	4.75 " "
1 1/2 " "	8.00 " "
2 " "	14.00 " "
3 " "	25.00 " "
4 " "	45.00 " "
6 " "	100.00 " "

The above rates to be paid semi-annually, viz: One half on the 1st day of May and the other on the 1st day of November.

Your

Your Committee, therefore, recommend that the said rates be approved of by the Council and that the By-Law No 65 be amended accordingly.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 23 June 1874

(signed) J. W. Mc Gauran
F. David
Henry Thomas
G. W. Stephens
William Kennedy

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To the City of Montreal.

The Health Committee

Respectfully report:

That they have on several occasions called the attention of the Council to the unsatisfactory state of the Craig street tunnel and that permission was granted at the last session of the Legislature to the Corporation to contract a loan for the purpose of having this tunnel properly rebuilt and put in a condition so as not to endanger any longer the lives of the Citizens.

Your Committee deem it their duty to bring this matter once more before the Council, with the hope that definite action will be taken, and for that purpose they recommend that the Road Committee be instructed to adopt at once the necessary measures for the carrying out of this much needed improvement.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 7 July 1874

(signed) William Kennedy
David R. McCord
J. B. Rolland
J. R. Mullin

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To the City of Montreal

The City Hall Committee

Respectfully report:

On the accompanying petition of Mr. James Darcy for an increase of salary, that they have carefully considered the same and in view of the long and faithful services of Mr. Darcy and his advanced age, your Committee recommend that an increase of (\$100.) one hundred dollars be made to his present salary.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 7th July 1874

(signed)

Charles Alexander

J. W. Crevier

Thomas Caverhill

Thomas Wilson

Daniel Munro

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the City Hall Committee recommending an increase of salary to James Darcy, messenger, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 14th July 1874

(signed)

Charles Alexander

Henry Thomas

Thomas Wilson

F. David

J. W. Mc Gauran

see page 23

To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That the present drain in Marie Louise Avenue is insufficient to drain the properties in said Avenue, not being of a sufficient depth, that the only means of remedying the difficulty would be to lower the ~~drain~~ said drain and consequently to lower the drain in Sangrinet street for a distance of 130 feet, so as to give the said drain the proper fall into Ontario street Tunnel.

They therefore recommend that it be Resolved to construct a drain two feet circular in said Marie Louise Avenue throughout, and in Sangrinet street from Marie Louise Avenue towards Ontario street to a distance of 130 feet, according to sections of said drains deposited in the City Surveyor's Office; and that in accordance with By-Law No 45, the cost of making the said drain in Marie Louise Avenue be borne and paid by the owners of real estate situated on each side of said Avenue, by means of a special assessment to be made and levied upon the said owners of real estate, according and in proportion to the frontage of their properties respectively.

Your Committee further recommend that as a two feet circular sewer already exists in said Marie Louise Avenue, and for which the proprietors have been assessed, the amount levied on said proprietors for the drain built in 1870 be deducted from the assessment to be paid for the new drain, and that

That an appropriation of \$129.07, the amount already paid by said proprietors be made to your Committee for that purpose.

They further recommend that the drain in Sanguinet street be lowered to a sufficient depth to carry the water from Marie Louise Avenue sewers, and whereas the proprietors in Sanguinet street do not require said drain, which is constructed only to relieve Marie Louise Avenue sewer, an additional appropriation of \$200.⁰⁰ be made to them for the construction of the same.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	F. David
City Hall			B. Bastien
Montreal, 14 July 1874			Chs Desmarctan J. M. Stane

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of \$329.07 towards the cost of a drain in Marie Louise Avenue, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount (\$329.07) to be taken from the anticipated surplus of this year's collections over last year's receipts.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room	}	(signed)	H. A. Nelson
City Hall			J. W. Mc Gauran
Montreal 7 August 1874			F. David Geo. W. Stephen

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To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That a drain is required in Sanguinet street between Craig street and LaGauchetière street and therefore recommend that it be Resolved to construct a drain of 3' x 2' in the said street between the points above indicated, according to the section of said drain deposited in the City Surveyor's Office, and that in accordance of By. Law no 45, the cost of making the said drain be borne and paid by the owners of real estate situated on each side of said Sanguinet street, by means of a special assessment to be made and levied upon the said owners of real estate, according and in proportion to the frontage of their properties respectively.

Your Committee further recommend that as a drain of 24" is already existing in part of said street and for which the properties have been assessed to the amount of \$132 $\frac{25}{100}$ the said amount be deducted from the assessment to be levied for the new drain, and that in furtherance of these views an appropriation of the said sum of one hundred and thirty two dollars and twenty five cents be made to them for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall

Montreal, 2nd July 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David

Geo. W. Stephens

Thos D. Hood

J. M. Shane

The Finance Committee

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee recommending the Construction of a drain in Sanguinet street and for an appropriation of \$132.25 towards the cost of said drain, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the Reserve Fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room	} (signed)	Chas Alexander
City Hall		Thomas Wilson
Montreal, 6 July 1874		Ferd. David
		Henry Thomas

See page 23

To the City of Montreal

The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That the present drain in City Councillors street is insufficient to drain the property of Mr Thomas Bastian, in said street, not being of sufficient depth, to remedy which Mr Bastian has repeatedly applied to your Committee,

That the only means of remedying the difficulties in which Mr Bastian is placed would be to lower the drain in City Councillors street from the property of Mr Bastian to St Catherine street, which according to the estimate of the City Surveyor would cost \$500.

And as the cost of the portion of the present drain opposite Mr Bastian's property has been borne and paid by him, your Committee

recommend

recommend that it be Resolved to lower the drain in City Councillors street from the property of Mr Bastian to St Catherine street and that an appropriation of the said sum of Five hundred dollars be granted to them for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal 23rd June 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David

J. W. Stephens

Thos. D. Hood

J. M. Shane

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of \$500 to lower a drain in City Councillors street, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to be taken from the anticipated surplus of this year's collections over last year's receipts.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 7th August, 1874

(signed)

H. A. Nelson

J. W. Mc Gauran

Geo. W. Stephens

F. David

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To the City of Montreal

The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That drains are required in the following streets, viz:

St Edward street, throughout

Seigneurs street, from Mullin street
Towards

Towards the Railway track.

Your Committee therefore recommend that it be Resolved to construct a drain of 2' circular in said St Edward street and a drain of 3' x 2' in the said portion of Seigneurs street, according to the ~~frontage~~ section of each such drain deposited in the City Surveyor's Office, and that in accordance with By-Law No 45 the cost of making the said drains be borne and paid by the owners of real estate situated on each side of the said streets or section of streets, by means of a special assessment to be made and levied upon the said owners of real estate, according and in proportion to the frontage of their properties respectively.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 4th August 1874

(Signed)

F. David

Chs Desmarcean

Geo. W. Stephens

Thos D. Hood

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying report of the Road Committee recommending that sewers be constructed in St Edward and Seigneurs streets, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, only in so far as St Edward street is concerned.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 7th August 1874

(Signed)

H. A. Nelson

Geo. W. Stephens

F. David

Geo. W. Mc Gauran

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To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That to drain the upper part of Colborne Avenue, a sewer of 4'0" x 2'8" is required from the end of Colborne Avenue tunnel to the creek above Ontario street, a distance of 340 yards.

Your Committee therefore recommend that it be Resolved to construct a sewer of 4'0" x 2'8" in Colborne Avenue between the points above indicated, according to the section of said sewer deposited in the City Surveyor's Office and that the cost of a drain of 3' x 2' be borne and paid by the owners of real estate situated on each side of the said part of Colborne Avenue by means of a special assessment to be made and levied upon the said owners of real estate according and in proportion to the frontage of their properties respectively.

That the difference in the cost of a drain of 3' x 2' and the one to be constructed will amount to the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000⁰⁰) for which your Committee recommend that an appropriation be made to them.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, July 21st 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David
Chs Desmarcean
Jr McShane
Robt Taylor

The Finance Committee

The Finance Committee
Respectfully report:

That, as directed by ^{the} Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee recommending the construction of a drain in Colborne Avenue and asking an appropriation of \$2000⁰⁰ for the same, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount of said appropriation to come out of the drainage loan.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 7 August 1874

(signed) H. A. Nelson
J. W. McSauran
F. David
Geo. W. Stephens

see page 23

To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That for a long time past, several Petitions have been made to your Committee praying that more drainage capacity be supplied to Cathcart street, Mc Gill College Avenue and St Monique street, that the only means of remedying the difficulty is to build a drain in St Monique street from Cathcart street to Lagarenetiere street, to a depth sufficient to relieve the sewers in St Catherine street, Mansfield street, Cathcart street and Mc Gill College Avenue.

Your Committee further represents that to attain the object in view it is necessary to construct said drain to a considerable

depth

depth which will cost more than an ordinary drain.

Your Committee therefore recommend that it be Resolved to construct a drain of 3' x 2' in St Monique street between Cathcart street and La Gauchetière street, according to the section of said drain deposited in the City Surveyor's Office, and that in accordance with By-Law No 45, the cost of making the said drain be borne and paid by the owners of real estate situated on each side of said St Monique street, by means of a special assessment to be made and levied upon the said owners of real estate, according and in proportion to the frontage of their properties respectively; but in consideration of the fact that the said drain is to be constructed for the purpose of relieving other drains as above stated, they recommend that the assessment for said drain be made and levied only at the rate of a drain 8 feet deep.

That the difference in the cost of a drain 8 feet deep and the one to be constructed, as appears by the estimate herewith annexed will amount to the sum of two thousand and two hundred dollars (\$2200⁰⁰) for which your Committee recommend that an appropriation be made to them.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, July 14, 1894

(signed)

Ferd. David

Chs Desmartheau

Jr McShane

Robt Taylor

The Finance

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee recommending the construction of a drain in St Monique street and asking for an appropriation of \$2,200 towards the cost of the same, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount of said appropriation to come out of the drainage ~~and~~ loan.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 7 August 1874

(signed)

H. A. Nelson

J. W. Mc Gauran

F. David

Geo. W. Stephens.

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To the City of Montreal

The Water Committee

Respectfully report:

That, in the month of November last, the new City Gas Company obtained from the City Water Works 1,120,000 gallons of water to fill their gas holder tanks at Hochelaga.

That on the 13th June 1871 it was Resolved that all parties outside the City Limits applying to have the water from our Water Works should pay for it at the rate of 50% over and above the ordinary tariff price in the City.

In view of the immense quantity of water supplied to the Gas Company on the occasion above referred to, your Committee deem it just and proper that their application
for

for a reduction should be favourably entertained.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the Company be charged for the water thus supply the then tariff rate, viz: three cents per 100 gallons, thus reducing the amount they will have to pay, from \$504 to \$336.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	J. W. Mc Lauran
City Hall			F. David
Montreal, 5 th May 1874			William Kennedy
			B. Bastien

See page 24 To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That in the opinion of your Committee it would be advisable and a great saving to give out a contract this year for the quantity of bricks required by your Committee for the construction of sewers during the year 1875, as Bricks could be had much cheaper by giving to parties outside the City the chance to contract for said bricks. That as per estimate herunto annexed, an appropriation of \$18,500 will be required to meet the object in view.

Your Committee therefore recommend that it be Resolved that they be authorized to advertise for tenders and to contract for the quantity of bricks required, and that an appropriation of the said sum of eighteen thousand and five hundred dollars be made to them for that purpose.

The whole

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted
 Committee Room } (signed) Ferd. David
 City Hall } J.W. Stephens
 Montreal, 3^d July 1874 } J. McShane
 } Thos D. Hood

The Finance Committee
 Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of \$18,500.⁰⁰ for bricks for sewers, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the drainage loan, conditionally however that said bricks be used exclusively for large main sewers or tunnels.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room } (signed) H. A. Nelson
 City Hall } F. David
 Montreal, 9th August 1874 } David R. Mc Cord
 } J.W. Stephens

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To the City of Montreal
 The Fire Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Request of petitions from the undermentioned parties for leave to erect steam engines on their respective places of business in this City:

~~From Brother Eusebe, Reformatory, 487, Mignonne str.~~
 M^c Dougal, Legie & Co, 367, Commissioners street

Peter Nicholson

Peter Nicholson, St Catherine street, St Antoine Ward.
 J. B. Caya, N^o 300, St Paul street.
 Denis Dufort, New Post office, St James street.

That the said petitioners having complied with the law, and there being no opposition, they recommend that leave be granted to the said parties to erect steam engines, as petitioned for, on the places mentioned in their respective petitions, subject however to the sanction and approval of the Inspector of Buildings, and with the understanding that no steam whistle shall be used on any of the said premises and that the said parties shall comply with the requirements of By-Law N^o 56, to compel Proprietors of steam engines in this City, to provide the same with smoke consuming apparatus.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	L. O. Lorange
City Hall			Chairman
Montreal, 7 ^o August 1874			S. Rivard
			Amable Jodoin
			Jos. D. Hood

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To the City of Montreal

The Water Committee

Respectfully report:

That they have caused to be prepared by the superintendent of the Water Works a plan and estimate of a pumping engine and reservoir to supply the high levelled section of the City; which they herewith submit for the consideration and approval of the Council.

That the cost of such engine and reservoir is estimated at thirty five thousand dollars.

Your Committee therefore recommend that they be authorized to cause such reservoir and engine to be made and erected, and that an appropriation of the said sum of \$35,000 be made to them for that purpose out of the water works loan.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 26 June 1874

(signed) J. W. McGowan

F. David

G. W. Stephens

Henry Thomas

Wm Kennedy

Daniel Munro

The Finance Committee re

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Water Committee for an appropriation of \$35,000 to have a reservoir on the mountain with a pumping engine to supply the high levelled section of the City and that they concur in the recommendation therein made.

The whole

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 6th July 1874

(signed)

Charles Alexander
Thomas Wilson
F. David
Henry Thomas

see page 23

To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That drains are required in the
following streets, viz:

~~Mance street - from end of present drain,
northwards.~~

~~McGill College Avenue - from Cathcart street to
St Catherine street.~~

~~Cathcart street - from Mansfield street to
St Monique street and thence eastwards.~~

~~Sanguinet street - from LaGauchetière street to
Dorchester street.~~

~~Durham street - from Lafontaine street to
Government property~~

~~Panet street, do, do, do.~~

~~Congregational street - from end of present drain,
southwards.~~

~~(2' circular) same dimensions as the part
already constructed.~~

~~Dorchester (west) from end of present drain to
City Limits.~~

Your Committee therefore recommend
that it be Resolved to construct drains of 3' x 2'
in the above mentioned streets or sections of streets,
according to the section of each such drain
deposited

deposited in the City Surveyor's office, and that in accordance with By-Law No 45, the cost of making the said drains be borne and paid by the owners of real estate situated on each side of the said streets or sections of streets, by means of a special assessment to be made and levied upon the said owners of real estate, according and in proportion to the frontage of their properties respectively,

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	Ferd. David
City Hall			Chs Desmarceaux
Montreal, 31 July 1874			J. W. McShane Robt Taylor

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee recommending the construction of sewers in Mance and other streets therein named, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, but in so far only as the proposed sewers in Sanguinet, Durham and Panet streets are concerned.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	H. A. Nelson
City Hall			F. David
Montreal, 7 August 1874			J. W. McShannon David R. McCord

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To the City of Montreal

The Water Committee

Respectfully report:

That in their opinion steps should be taken at once to complete the M^cJavish street Reservoir to its full capacity with the least possible delay.

That there are still to excavate 123,533 cubic yards of stone which it will take three years to remove.

Part of this stone, say 8000 yards will have to be used to form the walls and banks of the reservoir - and the balance can be used for street purposes, as per accompanying estimate.

That the total cost of the work is estimated at \$232,960.91. Of this sum there should be charged \$144,960.⁹¹/₁₀₀ to the Water Works loan, and the balance \$88,000, to the loan for street paving.

Your Committee therefore recommend that they be authorized to give out a contract for the complete excavation and forming of the M^cJavish street Reservoir, as aforesaid, and that an appropriation be made as above mentioned to cover the cost of the work, that is to say:

\$144,960.⁹¹/₁₀₀ out of the Water Works loan and \$88,000 from the Loan for street paving, etc.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room }
City Hall }
Montreal, 26 June 1874 }

(signed)

J. W. Mc Gauran

Ferd. David

J. W. Stephens

William Kennedy

Henry Thomas

The Finance

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Water Committee for an appropriation of \$232,960 $\frac{91}{100}$ to complete the excavation and forming of the McTavish street Reservoir, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 7th August 1874

(signed) J. W. McGowan

F. David

Geo. W. Stephens

David R. McCord

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To the City of Montreal

The Health Committee

Respectfully Report:

That, the Council having decided to increase the pay of the City Police force, they have considered the propriety of increasing the pay of the men composing the Sanitary Police force, who should, in their opinion, be placed on an equal footing with the other members of the force.

They therefore recommend that it be Resolved to increase the pay of the Sanitary Police Force on the same scale as that of the Regular Police Force, and that an appropriation of \$468.00 be granted them for that purpose.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 5th May 1874

(signed)

William Kennedy

Chs Desmarceaux

J. B. Rolland

J. E. Mullin

The Finance

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Health Committee to increase the pay of the sanitary police force, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, such increase to apply only to the special duty men employed for sanitary purposes, and to date from the 1st February last.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 7th August 1874

(signed)

H. A. Nelson
David R. McCord
J. W. Stephens
F. David

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To the City of Montreal

The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That it is advisable and would be a great benefit to proprietors in Atwater Avenue and the public at large to connect Atwater Avenue with the Wheelhouse Avenue.

Your Committee therefore recommend that it ~~be~~ Resolved, to send a petition to the Dominion Government, praying that a bridge may be constructed, at as early a day as possible, over the canal to connect Atwater Avenue with the Wheelhouse Avenue.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 5th August 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David
J. W. Stephens
Thos. D. Hood
Chs Desmaréau

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To the City of Montreal
The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That the following correspondence by cable has taken place between the London Deputation and your Committee, viz:

No 1

London, 6th August 1874

To Robb

Auditor, Montreal,

Proposals from Montreal Bank and Rose considered best - 30 years bonds date July first, sinking fund annually invested in purchasing present loan bonds when under par, if over, by annual drawings, take first quarter million at ninety nett payable by 60 days exchange from first September October November and December, second quarter million subject to six months option same terms and excess accruing interest allowed City benefitting half profit over 92, third quarter million will issue City account on our commission and proportion expense time too late present issue, people absent, October considered better for success, submit promptly to Finance and Council, obtain and cable authority to conclude negotiations time important money unsettled proposers require immediate answer and formal resolution of Council which send first mail Keep this quiet as possible.

London Deputation

No 2

Montreal, 7th August 1874

To Montreal Deputation

Bank Montreal

London.

What

What other offers have you and their nature
 - is it your own opinion that you can do better
 in October. Council Monday.

Robb

No 3

London 8 August 1874

To Robb Auditor

Montreal

Decidedly recommend accepting
 proposal submitted other offers commission only
 necessitating delay end September October result
 then uncertain.

London Deputation

No 4

To Montreal Deputation

Bank Montreal

London

Can you not effect the
 negotiation and retain sinking fund in Canada
 without otherwise altering the terms of the loan or
 failing this could you stipulate for that condition
 on the third instalment. Is it a five per cent
 loan, what is the meaning of word excess in
 your first cable?

Robb

No 5

To Robb

Auditor

Montreal

Must invest sinking fund
 purchasing proposed issue at or under par same as
 Quebec Government, cannot otherwise succeed - excess
 means contractors will allow city any extra accrued
 interest beyond that conceded on first portion -
 bonds fives.

London Deputation

It is

It is to be regretted that arrangements could not be made to keep the whole of the sinking fund here as intended and resolved upon by the Council, but from the tenor of the last communication received from the deputation, it is manifest that they found it impossible or inexpedient to do so.

Under these circumstances, Your Committee recommend that the Deputation be authorized to close with the parties named in their telegram on the terms specified in the Deputation's first despatch.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 11 August 1874

(signed)

H. A. Nelson

F. David

J. W. Mc Gauran

Geo. W. Stephens

David B. Mc Cord

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To the City of Montreal.

The Road and Light Committees

Respectfully report:

That having taken into consideration an application from the Consumers' Gas Company to establish their works throughout the City, they have come to the conclusion that it would be advisable to send to New York and Boston a Sub-Committee composed of the Chairman of the Road and Light Committees with Aldermen Stephens and McShane to procure all information of a nature to throw light on the best plan to adopt, in connection with the Consumers' Gas Company.

Your Committee further recommend that the said sub-Committee should have mission to procure

procure general informations that could be connected with the Road Department for the benefit of the City.

They therefore recommend that a deputation be sent as aforesaid and that an appropriation of five hundred (\$500.) dollars be granted to your Committees for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room }
City Hall }
Montreal, 7 July 1874 }

(signed)

Berd. David

J. M. Thane

L. O. Loranger

J. W. Stephens

Thos D. Hood

S. Rivard

J. W. Crevier

Thomas Caverhill

David R. McCord

J. E. Mullin

The Market Committee

Respectfully report:

That in view of the importance of the early establishment in this City of public abattoirs, a sum of money for the erection of which has already been granted, this Committee recommend that a deputation consisting of Aldermen Kennedy, Desmarcean and McCord be sent to visit the abattoirs of the United States, in order that this ~~Committee~~ City may profit by the experience of that Country in erecting abattoirs of the most improved construction, and that a sum of three hundred dollars be placed at their disposal for this purpose.

The whole

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 3^d August 1874

(signed)

J. M. Shane
David R. McCord
William Kennedy
Jos. Brunet
Chs Desmarbeau

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Reports of the Road and Light Committees for an appropriation of five hundred dollars to send a deputation to New York and Boston to obtain certain informations in reference to the Light and Road Departments, and also the Report herunto annexed of the Market Committee for an appropriation of three hundred dollars to send a deputation to the United States to visit public Abattoirs or slaughter houses, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, provided the two deputations consist of Aldermen David and Stephens as representing the Road Department, Alderman Rivard the Light, Alderman Kennedy the Health, and Alderman McCord the Market Department, and that an appropriation of six hundred dollars be made for that purpose out of the Reserve Fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 7^d August 1874

(signed)

H. A. Nelson
F. David
J. W. McCawran
Geo. W. Stephens
David R. McCord
Amable Jodoin

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To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That drains are required in

the following streets, viz:

Dorchester street, from end of present drain to Mr Mc Mann's property
a distance of 900 feet.

Mance street, from end of present drain, northwards, a distance of
500 feet.

St Luke street, from Guy street to St Mathew street.

Seaton street, from Logan street to Lafontaine street.

Seigneurs street, from Mullin street to within 30 feet from the
Grand Trunk Railway track.

Your Committee therefore recommend
that it be Resolved to contract drains of 3' x 2'
in the above mentioned streets or sections of
streets, (except in Seigneurs street, in which they
recommend the construction of a 12" tile
drain) the whole according to the section of
each such drain deposited in the City Surveyor's
Office, and that in accordance with By-Law
No 45, the cost of making the said drains be
borne and paid by the owners of real Estate
situated on each side of the said streets or sections
of streets, by means of a special assessment
to be made and levied upon the said owners
of real estate, according and in proportion to the
frontage of their properties respectively.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	Ferd. David
City Hall			Thos D. Hood
Montreal 1 st Sept. 1874			Robt Taylor
			Geo W. Stephens

The Finance

The Finance Committee
Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee to construct sewers in the several streets therein mentioned, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 1st September 1874

(signed)

H. A. Nelson

F. David

Thomas Wilson

J. Grenier

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To the City of Montreal

The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That Mr W. C. McDonald has applied to your Committee for a sewer in St Catherine street to drain his property at the corner of Shaw street, the present sewer not being of a sufficient depth for the requirements of his property.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend that it be Resolved to construct a ~~drain~~ 12 inch tile drain in said St Catherine street from Shaw street to Colborne Avenue, according to the section of said drain deposited in the City Surveyor's Office, and that for a distance of 270 feet, viz: where a brick drain is already built, the cost of said tile drain be borne and paid by the said Mr W. C. McDonald, and that in accordance with By-Law No 45 the cost of making the remaining part of said tile drain

drain from the point where the present drain ends to Colborne Avenue be borne and paid to the extent of a cut of 8 feet deep by the owners of real estate situated on each side of the said street, by means of a special assessment to be made and levied upon the said owners of real estate, according and in proportion to the frontage of their properties respectively.

They further recommend that, in view of the fact that the said tile drain will be constructed more especially for the benefit of Mr W. C. McDonald, it ~~is~~ be resolved that the extra cost of the excavation over 8 feet deep be charged to and paid by the said W. C. McDonald, and that previous to any work being commenced, the said W. C. McDonald shall deposit in the hands of the City Treasurer, a sum sufficient to cover such extra cost of the said drain according to the estimate of the City Surveyor.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room
 City Hall
 Montreal, 1st September 1874

The Finance Committee

Respectfully reports:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee recommending the construction of a tile drain in St Catherine street, from Shaw street to Colborne Avenue, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made.

The whole

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted
 Committee Room } (signed) H. A. Nelson
 City Hall } Ferd. David
 Montreal, September 1894 } Thomas Wilson
 J. Genies

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To the City of Montreal
 The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That the appropriation of \$9000.⁰⁰ granted to your Committee for laying footpaths and repairing pavements is at the present time overdrawn, and that to complete the works for the present season, such as making repairs absolutely necessary to pavement throughout the city, a further sum of ten thousand dollars will be required.

Your Committee therefore recommend that an appropriation of the said amount of \$10,000 ten thousand dollars be made to them for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room } (signed) Ferd. David
 City Hall } Thos. D. Hood
 Montreal, 1st September 1894 } Robt Taylor
 Geo. W. Stephens

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of \$10,000 to repair sidewalks in the city, and that they concur in the recommendation therein

therein made, to the extent of five thousand (\$5000⁰⁰) dollars, \$2000 of which (being the estimated cost of new asphalt pavement made this summer) shall be charged to the loan for street paving; and the balance (\$3000) shall be charged against the reserve fund until a surplus over the estimated revenue of the year be ascertained; in which case it will come out of such surplus and be made good to the Reserve Fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 1st September 1874

(signed) H. A. Nelson
F. David
Thomas Wilson
J. Grenier

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To the City of Montreal.

The Water Committee

Respectfully report:

That in the Contract made last year with Messrs W. P. Bartley & Co for applying steam to Turbine Wheel Pumps a penalty of \$50.00 per day was stipulated in case of any delay in the delivery of the work.

That the contractors, according to the Superintendent's Estimate, have become liable to a sum of \$3600.00 being for 72 days penalty incurred as aforesaid.

That in as much as the City suffered no real damages by the non-completion in time by Messrs W. P. Bartley & Co of their contract, your Committee recommend that the penalty in this case be not enforced, with the express understanding however that this shall be not held or taken as a precedent for any case of a similar nature that may hereafter occur.

The whole

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room }
City Hall }
Montreal, 9th July 1874 }

(signed)

J. W. McEauwan
Daniel Munro
William Kennedy
F. David
B. Bastien.

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QUORUM OF COUNCIL.

The City Clerk next read the following letter in reply to the communication from the City Attorneys regarding the opinion he had given on the question of a quorum of the Council.

To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Montreal:

GENTLEMEN,—Whilst I regret exceedingly that the City Attorneys should have taken umbrage, as they have done, at the publication of my opinion on the question of the quorum at a recent meeting of the City Council, I am nevertheless much pleased to see in the protest which these gentlemen thought fit to submit to the Council, that they render me the justice to say, they believe I was prompted by no ill-feeling towards them, in the action I took in the matter.

It has always been my most earnest desire, during my long career in the Corporation, to act in harmony with all my brother officials, with no other rivalry on my part but to promote the best interests of the city; and in my intercourse with the officers, as well as with the members of the Council and the citizens generally, I have, at all times, endeavored to cultivate those feelings of friendship, courtesy and mutual forbearance which are so agreeable and so essential to a good and efficient administration of the civic government.

If, on two occasions, I felt called upon to publicly express an opinion at variance with that entertained by my learned and esteemed confreres, I can assure them and the Council, too, in all sincerity, it was under the strongest convictions, and from a deep sense of the duty I thought I owed to the Council and the public that I came to that determination.

The great importance of the issue raised, and the serious consequences involved, in both cases, coupled with the fact that the subject of controversy was conspicuously brought before the public and made the subject of discussion in the press,—were, to my mind, of such nature as to call for the fullest investigation.

It was with this impression and such knowledge as I could derive from a long experience and continuous study of the numerous enactments of the City Charter, that I presumed respectfully to lay my views before the public, in the hope which I fondly entertained that, what might appear as a want of delicacy or etiquette towards the gentlemen with

whom it was my ill fortune to differ, would find sufficient atonement in the honesty of purpose and good intentions by which I was actuated.

In the more recent instance (the question of the quorum) I could not but feel that a certain responsibility rested upon me personally, as I had been appealed to by the Acting-Mayor and other members of the Council, at the meeting of the 11th August, as to whether the nine members then present really formed a quorum, and had stated my opinion in the affirmative.

This opinion, I may say, was given with the more readiness and conviction, as I had myself drawn the very enactment in the new city charter, on which it was based, and therefore could entertain no doubt whatever as to its precise meaning in the sense indicated in the opinion published by me a few days ago.

I have reason to believe the great majority, if not the whole of the members of the Council so understood the purport of this enactment when the new charter was under revision, and still look upon it in the same light as the undersigned.

When I saw that the Attorneys had given their opinion in direct opposition to these views, and that their opinion was made the subject of publication in the city newspapers generally, I thought it was due to the members of the Council and to myself, that the other side of the question should also go forth to the public,—not, as some seem to have imagined, through any desire or inclination on my part to criticise the opinion of the attorneys, but with the view solely to elucidate the subject and throw additional light on a question which, it must be admitted, is of no inconsiderable importance, as it may, at any day, seriously affect the proceedings of the Council.

Trusting this will be the last occasion I may have of expressing views at variance with those of the attorneys, and that nothing will occur to mar or in any way disturb the friendly feeling and good harmony which, I am happy to say, have hitherto characterized our official intercourse,

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,
Your most obedient servant,
(signed) OHS. GLAOKMEYER,
City Clerk.

City Clerk's Office,
City Hall,
Montreal, 30th September, 1874.

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To the City of Montreal
The Water Committee

Respectfully report:

That on the 27th April last past they were authorized to offer Messrs Mullarky, Fogarty and Mc Intyre \$750 per arpent for a piece of ground belonging to these gentlemen at the Wheel house containing a superficies of eleven arpents and 25 perches.

That on

That on a reconsideration of the subject your Committee are of opinion that it will be necessary to acquire a larger extent of land from the above named gentlemen viz: the two pieces of land comprised within the boundary lines tinted red and green on the accompanying plan and more fully described in the "Procès Verbal" made and prepared by Joseph Rielle P. L. S. under date of the 30^e September ultimo the said two pieces of land containing together 37 arpents and 11 perches.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the said resolution adopted on the 27^e April last be reconsidered and that they be authorized to offer Messrs Mullarky, Fogarty & Mc Intyre seven hundred and fifty dollars per arpent for the two pieces of land above referred to.

This whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room	} (signed)	J. W. Mc Gauran
City Hall		Ferd. David
Montreal, 3 ^d October 1874		Daniel Munro
		William Kennedy

see page 67.

To the City of Montreal
The Mount Royal Park Commissioners
Respectfully represent:

That for preliminary surveys, the preparing of the general plan for laying out the Park, the payment of officers, etc, the purchasing of supplies and other incidental expenses, your Board will have to incur an expenditure, for which no appropriation has been made to them by the Council.

They therefore request that an appropriation of (\$5000.) five thousand dollars be granted to them

to them for the above purpose out of the
Park loan.

The whole respectfully submitted

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 2^d October 1874

(signed)

H. A. Nelson

Ferd. David

J. W. McGowan

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council,
they have considered the accompanying
application of the Mount Royal Park Commis-
sioners for an appropriation of five thousand
dollars for plans, surveys and other prelimi-
nary expenses, and that they concur in the
recommendation therein made.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 2^d October 1874

signed

Charles Alexander

Ferd. David

H. A. Nelson

J. W. McGowan

J. Grenier

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To the City of Montreal.

The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That in lowering the grade of
St Margaret street between Dorchester and Laga-
chetière streets, a certain building standing on
the line of the street and belonging to the Roman
Catholic Bishop, was damaged.

That, to restore this building to its
original state, will, according to estimate, cost
\$766.⁰⁰

Your

Your Committee therefore recommend that they be authorized to have the said building repaired as it ought to be, and that an appropriation of the said sum of seven hundred and sixty six dollars be made to them for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room }
 City Hall } (signed) Perd. David
 Montreal, 7th July 1874 } Thos. D. Hood
 } Robt Taylor
 } Geo. W. Stephens

The Finance Committee
 Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of seven hundred and sixty six dollars to restore a building damaged by the lowering of the grade of St Margaret street, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the Reserve Fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room } (signed) Charles Alexander
 City Hall } Perd. David
 Montreal, 2^o October 1874 } H. A. Nelson
 } J. W. Mc Gowan
 } J. Grenier

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To the City of Montreal
 The Road Committee
 Respectfully report:

That by giving the line of Parthenais street at the N.W. corner of St Catherine street, Your Committee have taken from the property of Mrs Coyle a strip of land five feet wide by one hundred feet

feet deep, and that they have agreed to pay the said Mr Coyle the same price per foot as he sold the property for, that is, 29 cents per square foot.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the proceedings of the Road Committee be sanctioned by the City Council and that they be authorized to pay Mr Coyle the sum of (\$145.00) one hundred and forty five dollars, the cost of the land taken from him, at the price above stated, for which your Committee recommend that an appropriation be made to them.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	Ferd. David
City Hall			Thos D. Hood
Montreal, 2 ^d June 1874			Robt Taylor
			Geo W. Stephens

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of one hundred and forty five dollars to indemnify Mr Coyle for land taken in Parthenais street, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the Reserve Fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	Charles Alexander
City Hall			Ferd. David
Montreal, 2 ^d October 1874			H. A. Nelson
			J. W. Mc Gauran
			J. Grenier

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To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee
Respectfully report:

That they have considered the accompanying Petition of Proprietors interested in or residing in Cemetery street of this City, praying that the name of the above street be changed to that of Cathedral street, and duly weighed the reasons assigned for such change; and they are of opinion and recommend that the name of Cemetery street be changed to that of Cathedral street and that it be henceforth known and designated under the last mentioned name.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, July 14th 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David
Chs Desmarcean
J. M. Thane
Rob Taylor
Thos D. Hood

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To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee
Respectfully report:

That in the month of December 1873, Mr Patrick Moore contracted with the Corporation for 1810 toises of blackstone to be taken from the McTavish Reservoir, and broken and delivered in different places during the past winter at the price of \$9.⁴⁵ per toise; that, at the same time Mr John Murray contracted for 1500 toises of BaneRouge stone to be extracted from the Corporation Quarry and broken and delivered as above at the price of \$21.⁰⁰; that in quarrying at the Reservoir, Mr Patrick Moore came in contact with a considerable bed of syenite stone

stone of the same quality as the stone quarried and broken by Mr John Murray, the said bed of stone having yielded a quantity of stone equal to fifty toises.

Under these circumstances your Committee are of opinion that Mr Moore should be paid the same price as Mr Murray for the quantity of Bancroft stone broken and delivered by him as aforesaid; but as the distance from the Reservoir is less than from the Quarry, your Committee believe that the difference in the cost of cartage should be deducted according to the accompanying statement and estimate, and they recommend that they be authorized to pay Mr Patrick Moore the sum of \$250⁰⁰ in full compensation for the extra work in quarrying and breaking hard stone as aforesaid, and that an appropriation be granted to them for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	F. David
City Hall			Jos. D. Hood
Montreal 8 th June 1874			Chs. Desmarctean
			Rob Taylor

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of \$250. for hard stone broken and delivered by Mr Patrick Moore, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the Reserve Fund.

The whole

part of the roof of the drill shed, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the reserve fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room	}	(signed)	Charles Alexander
City Hall		Ferd. David	
Montreal, 2 ^d October 1874		H. A. Nelson	
		J. W. McGauran	
			J. Grenier

See page 69 To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully reports:

That having reported, on the 1st instant for an appropriation of \$10,000⁰⁰ for footpaths, in which recommendation the Finance Committee concurred only to the extent of \$5,000⁰⁰, they pray that their former demand be acceded to, and to meet the object in view, a further sum of \$5,000⁰⁰, be appropriated for the purpose of making such repairs to sidewalks as may be absolutely necessary throughout the city.

Your Committee therefore recommend that an appropriation of the said amount of five thousand dollars be made to them for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	signed	Ferd. David
City Hall		Thos. Hood	
Montreal, 16 th September 1874		Geo. W. Stephens	
		J. M. Thane	
			Chs. Desmarbeau

The Finance

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for a further appropriation of \$5,000 to repair sidewalks, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to be charged against the reserve fund until a surplus over the estimated revenue of the year be ascertained; in which case it will come out of such surplus and be made good to the reserve fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City HallMontreal, 21st September 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David

Thomas Wilson

Geo. W. Stephens

J. Grenier.

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To the City of Montreal

The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That having conferred with Mr Henry Lomas on the proposed widening of Wellington street in front of that gentleman's property, they have come to the conclusion that it is advisable to accept the offer of the said Mr Lomas.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend that it be Resolved to pay Mr Lomas the sum of \$1848⁰⁰ for the 2024 feet of land to be taken from him for the said widening, "with the understanding that Mr Lomas shall waive all damages he may be entitled to, hereafter, in case of a bridge, tunnel or subway for vehicles or passengers should be constructed in the immediate vicinity of his property as contemplated," and that an appropriation of the said sum of one thousand eight hundred and forty eight dollars be made

to

To your Committee for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 14th August 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David

Thos. D. Hood

Rob. Taylor

Geo. W. Stephens

J. McShane

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of \$1848 to widen Wellington street in front of Mr. Lomas' property, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to be taken from the anticipated surplus of this year's collections over last year's receipts.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 15th September 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David

Thos. Wilson

Geo. W. Stephens

J. Grenier

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To the City of Montreal

The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That, in view of the increasing demand for chainstone, and in view also of the improvements contemplated for this season and next year, your Committee deem it advisable to have on hand a quantity sufficient to meet all requirements.

Your Committee therefore recommend that they be authorized to contract for (20,000) twenty thousand feet (lineal) of chainstone, and

and that an appropriation of (\$20,000) twenty thousand dollars be granted to them for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 1st September 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David

Thos. D. Hood

Robt Taylor

Geo. W. Stephens

Mrs. Desmarcean

J. M. Shane

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of twenty thousand dollars for chainstones, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to be taken out of the loan for street paving.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 15th September 1874

(signed)

Geo. W. Stephens

Ferd. David

Thomas Wilson

J. Grenier.

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To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

On the accompanying Petitions from the inhabitants of St Joseph street for the removal of the track of the Montreal City Passengers Railway Company to the centre of said street, between Chaboillez Square and Colborne street.

Your Committee having conferred with the City Attorney on this subject, the Attorney's opinion was given to the effect that the cost of removing

said

said track cannot be charged to the City Passengers Railway Company, but must be borne by the City.

Your Committee therefore recommend that it be Resolved to remove the track of the City Passengers Railway Company to the Centre of St Joseph street between the points above indicated; and that an appropriation of \$100.⁰⁰ one hundred dollars, the estimated cost of so doing be made to your Committee to enable such removal to be made.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	} (signed)	Ferd. David
City Hall		Thos. D. Hood
Montreal, 2 ^d July 1874		Robt. Taylor
		Geo. W. Stephens
		J. M. Shane

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of one hundred dollars to remove the City Passengers Railway track in St Joseph street to the centre of said street, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the Reserve Fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	} (signed)	H. A. Nelson
City Hall		F. David
Montreal, 15 th September 1874		Thos Wilson
		J. Grenier

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To the City of Montreal.

The Police Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying petition of Mr John Storer, for the remission of the Fine, imposed on him in the Recorder's Court, for selling Liquor without license and that after careful consideration of the allegations of said petition and of the circumstances attending the granting of Mr Storer's license, your Committee are of the opinion that Mr Storer had no intention to defraud the Revenue and that the fine imposed in this case, may be remitted with great propriety.

They therefore recommend that it be Resolved that the portion of the Fine imposed in the Recorder's Court on Mr John Storer for selling liquor without license and which accrues to the Corporation, be remitted.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 7th September 1874

(signed)

J. Grenier

A. M. Cambridge

Thomas Wilson

Campbell Bryson

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Police Committee recommending favorably on Mr John Storer's petition for remission of a fine, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the Reserve Fund.

The whole

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 2^d October 1874

(signed) Charles Alexander
Ferd. David
H. A. Nelson
J. W. Mc Gauran
J. Grenier

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To the City of Montreal.

The Police Committee

Respectfully report:

That sub-constable Baignet, of the City Police Force, was some time ago so severely wounded in the discharge of his duties that his life for a time was despaired of.

That, on the occasion in question, sub-constable Baignet conducted himself in so courageous and becoming a manner as to merit the approbation of his officers in the Force and the sympathy of the Citizens generally.

Your Committee therefore recommend that his gallant conduct on this occasion receive some slight recognition at the hands of the Council, with the hope that this action of the Council will be an inducement to the other members of the Force to perform their onerous duties, on all occasions, in an honest, faithful and fearless manner.

They therefore recommend that a sum of (\$100.) one hundred dollars be granted to sub-constable Baignet.

The whole respectfully submitted

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 9th September 1874

(signed) J. Grenier
A. M. Cambridge
Thomas Wilson
Campbell Bryson

The Finance Committee
respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council,
they have considered the accompanying Report
of the Police Committee recommending a
gratuity of one hundred dollars to Sub-
Constable Baignet in consideration of the
severe bodily injuries sustained and courage
displayed by him in the performance
of his duty, and that they concur in the
recommendation therein made, to the
extent of two hundred and fifty dollars
to be taken from the unexpended portion
of the Police Committee's appropriation.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 2^d October 1874

(signed)

Charles Alexander

Perce David

H. A. Nelson

J. W. M. Gauvain

J. Grenier

See page 71

To the City of Montreal.

The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That in rectifying the line of
St Joseph street at the S. W. corner of Canning
street, your Committee have taken from the
property of Mr Patrick Costello two strips of
land, containing altogether an area of 143
square feet, which according to the estimate hereunto
annexed are valued to the sum of \$157³⁰.

Your Committee further reports that
by straightening the line of St Catherine street, between
Bleury & St Alexander streets they have taken from
the property of Mr Daniel Fraser a strip of land
measuring 49 square feet, valued as per estimate
hereunto

hereunto annexed to the sum of \$85⁷⁵/₁₀₀.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the sum of \$154³⁰ without interest be paid to the said Patrick Costello, and the sum of \$85⁷⁵ also without interest be paid to the said Daniel Fraser for the land taken from them respectively, and that an appropriation of the sum of \$243⁰⁵ be made to them for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 16th September 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David

Thos. D. Hood

Geo. W. Stephens

Chs Desmarceaux

J. M. Shane

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of \$243⁰⁵/₁₀₀ to pay for land taken from Messrs Costello and Fraser to rectify the line of St Joseph and St Catherine streets, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to be taken from this year's anticipated surplus of collections over last year's receipts.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 2nd October 1874

(signed)

Charles Alexander

Ferd. David

H. A. Nelson

J. W. Mc Gauran

J. Grenier

see pages 71 & 72

To the City of Montreal.

The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That an agreement was entered into between the City Council and the proprietors in St James street by which, in settlement of damages suffered by them through the lowering of the footpath on the southwest side of the said street, the City undertook to lay an asphalt pavement on the said side of St James street, that the Directors of La Banque Ville Marie have thought proper to lay a more substantial pavement in front of their building situate at the corner of St James street and St Lambert street, and have accordingly laid a footpath of a composition called artificial stone.

Your Committee therefore recommend that, inasmuch as the said artificial stone is far more durable and the laying thereof more expensive than the ordinary asphalt used by the Corporation, they are of opinion that the City should contribute towards the payment of said footpath to the extent of \$1⁵⁰ per square yard, the balance of the cost to be paid by the said Banque Ville Marie, and, that as per estimate and measurement hereunto annexed a sum of \$193³⁵ be appropriated to Your Committee for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 18th September 1874

(signed)

Ferd. David

Thos D. Hood

Chs Desmarcean

J. Mc Shane

The Finance

The Finance Committee
Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of \$193.³⁵ dollars towards the cost of a substantial footpath in front of the Banque Ville Marie, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the loan for street paving &.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	} (signed) Charles Alexander	Ferd. David
City Hall		H. A. Nelson
Montreal, 2 ^d October 1874		J. W. McGowan
		J. Grenier.

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To the City of Montreal

The Water Committee

Respectfully report:

That, on the 4th July 1873 a contract was entered into with Messrs W. P. Bartley & Co, to make, complete and deliver, on or before the 1st day of December of the same year, a new Turbine wheel and gearing to replace one of the Breastwheels of the Montreal Water Works, according to plans and specifications thereunto annexed, for and in consideration of the sum of \$13,250. payable upon monthly estimates by the Corporation Engineer with a drawback of 25% to be retained until the completion and final acceptance of the works.

It was further provided in the specification that " should the progress of the work
" not be such, in the opinion of the Water
" Committee

" Committee or their Engineer, as to secure
 " its completion in time, the Contractor,
 " after 24 hours notice in writing to this effect,
 " will be obliged to push on his work with more
 " rapidity, and incur all expenses with such
 " steps may require, and with all this should
 " he fail to have the whole of the work com-
 " pleted within the time specified in the contract,
 " a penalty of \$500 shall be paid by him to
 " the Corporation for each day that the work
 " shall remain incomplete, and not ready
 " for operation after the time above referred to."

That the works were only completed
 and accepted on the 6th July last, and the
 Contractors thus became liable to 217 days
 of the aforesaid penalty of \$500, making
 together the sum of \$108,500.

That it appears, from the accompanying
 report of the Superintendent, Mr Lesage, that,
 with the exception of a small defect in the
 spur wheel which is considered as immaterial,
 the work has been well executed and promises
 to give full satisfaction.

That, from what your Committee
 were able to ascertain, the only real damage
 entailed by the delay amounts to the sum
 of \$438⁷⁰/₁₀₀ as per statement herewith annexed.

Under these circumstances your
 Committee are of opinion that Messrs W. P. Bartley
 & Co should be paid the balance in full,
 still owing to them on their contract, viz: the
 sum of five thousand nine hundred and fifty
 two dollars, — and they recommend accordingly.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
 City Hall

Montreal, 21st September 1874

(signed)

J. W. Mc Gowan
 F. David
 William Kennedy
 Daniel Munro

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To the City of Montreal
The Police Committee

Respectfully Report:

That the vehicle heretofore used for the conveyance of prisoners from the Recorder's Court to the Prison is altogether become unfit for service and your Committee were obliged this spring to have a new conveyance or van constructed, at a cost of \$300.

There being no appropriation granted them for this purpose, your Committee recommend that they be allowed to vary the application of a like amount of the pay of the men of the Force and apply it in payment of the above sum.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal, 18 September 1874

(signed)

J. Grenier
A. M. Cambridge
C. Byson
Thomas Wilson

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À son Honneur le Maire et aux Echevins de la
Cité de Montreal.

Nous désirions attirer l'attention du Conseil de Ville sur un fait qui vient de se produire, et contre lequel nous croyons de notre devoir de réclamer, et par respect pour le Conseil, et par respect pour la charge d'avisiers légal que nous avons l'honneur de remplir; ce fait consiste en une publication, dans les journaux de cette ville, par Mr le Greffier de la Cité, d'une critique sur l'opinion que nous avons formulée sur la question du quorum à l'assemblée du 11 août dernier.

Mr le Greffier avait déjà en 1872 entrepris, par la même voie, de commenter une consultation

tation que nous avons donnée au Conseil sur la question des Listes Révisées, mais considérant alors ce procédé comme un acte isolé, et qui probablement ne se répéterait plus, nous avons jugé à propos de le passer sous silence; cependant, comme Mr le Greffier revient à la charge, il nous incombe aujourd'hui d'en prendre note, et d'empêcher d'établir une pratique dont les conséquences peuvent être fort préjudiciables à l'intérêt public.

Nous ne scrutons pas les motifs de Mr le Greffier, qui, nous en sommes sûrs, ne sauraient être malveillants, mais son expérience aurait dû lui faire comprendre combien son intervention, en sens adverse, devait diminuer, aux yeux du Public, le respect et l'autorité dont nos opinions légales doivent être entourées tant qu'elles n'ont pas été invalidées par les tribunaux; combien cette intervention était de nature à froisser l'entente et l'harmonie, si nécessaires entre les différents départements, pour en rendre le fonctionnement plus efficace, à l'intérieur, et plus respecté au dehors; enfin de créer des animosités et la discorde qui en est inséparable.

D'ailleurs, nous ne sommes pas appelés à discuter les questions qui nous sont soumises, dans les papiers publics; l'honneur professionnel et les traditions du Barreau s'y opposent; de plus, une discussion sur ces questions avec Mr le Greffier, loin d'avoir un but utile à la chose publique ne peut que causer les inconvénients auxquels nous venons de faire allusion, et ainsi jeter du discrédit sur l'administration des affaires municipales.

Nous formulons donc cette protestation contre l'immixtion de Mr le Greffier dans les questions judiciaires; et nous la formulons dans un but de conciliation, et avec l'espoir que Mr le Greffier se bornera

bornera désormais à remplir les devoirs importants de sa charge.

~~comb~~ Nous saisissons cette occasion de déclarer combien nous trouvons répréhensible la publication dans les journaux de cette ville de notre opinion sur le quorum, avant qu'elle ait été soumise au Conseil de Ville; nous ne savons pas qui cette opinion a été communiquée aux journaux, mais nous sommes trop pénétrés des égards que nous devons au conseil pour divulguer nos opinions, avant qu'il ait occasion d'en prendre communication officielle.

Montreal, 15 septembre 1874

(signé) Rouès Roy
B. Devlin
Avocat de la Cité

See page 81 To the City of Montreal
The Police Committee

Respectfully reports:

That the want of a proper Police station has long been felt by citizens residing in the St Ann's ward as well as by the Police Department.

Your Committee have therefore had under consideration for some time past, the selection of a suitable site for the erection of the proposed station and have at last succeeded in obtaining from Mr Michael Cusack, a property in Kempt street, 45' x 90', which they consider to be well adapted for the object in view and can be obtained at a reasonable rate \$2000 - cash.

They therefore recommend that they be authorized to purchase the property in question from Mr M. Cusack and that
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an appropriation of (\$2000) two thousand dollars, be granted them for that purpose.

The whole respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	J. Grenier
City Hall			A. Mc Cambridge
Montreal, 2 ^d October 1874			C. Bryson
			Robt Taylor

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying report of the Police Committee for an appropriation of \$2000 to purchase land for a public station in the St Ann's ward, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the loan for police and fire stations.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	Charles Alexander
City Hall			F. David
Montreal, 12 ^d October 1874			J. W. Mc Gauran
			H. A. Nelson
			J. Grenier

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To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

That a weigh~~house~~ house is being erected in Guilbault street for the weighing of stone and lime and that the said weigh-house although of a great use to the quarries and lime kilns situated above Sherbrooke street, cannot be used by sellers of lime and stone to be sold and delivered either at the wharf or at the Railway depots.

Your

Your Committee therefore recommend that for the general benefit and accommodation of dealers in stone and lime, doing business in the lower part of the City, it be Resolved to authorize all licensed public weighers, to weigh stones and lime, ^{under the provisions of} ~~provided that the charges for weighing be the same as those provided for in~~ By Law N^o 69.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	} (signed)	F. David
City Hall		Geo. W. Stephens
Montreal 9 th October 1874		Thos. D. Hood
		J. M. Shane

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To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully Report:

That the homologation of the general plan of the City has become a pressing necessity in view of the rapid extension of the City, East & West.

That your Committee submit herewith the plan of the Centre Ward showing all new streets in prospective and all projected widenings.

Your Committee recommend that the same be adopted by the Council and sent with the least possible delay to the City Attorneys with instruction to have the same confirmed and ratified according to law.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	} (signed)	Geo. W. Stephens
City Hall		Thos. D. Hood
Montreal 26 th April 1874		Chs Desmarceau
		Rob Laylor

See pages 91 & 92 To the City of Montreal
The Water Committee

Respectfully report:

That, it appears from the Report made by the Superintendent of the Water Works, the first Turbine Wheel which was inaugurated in the year 1864 and has since been in operation requires certain repairs which are detailed in the accompanying statement.

That to enable your Committee to have these repairs made a sum of two thousand dollars is needed (as per accompanying estimate) for which they recommend that a special appropriation be made to them.

The whole respectfully submitted

Committee Room }
City Hall }
Montreal, 1st October 1874 }

(signed) J. W. McGowan
William Kennedy
Daniel Munro
Ferd. David

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Water Committee for an appropriation of \$2000, to repair the old Turbine Wheel &, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the Reserve Fund.

The whole respectfully submitted

Committee Room }
City Hall }
Montreal, 16th October 1874 }

(signed) Charles Alexander
J. Genies
Thomas Wilson
Henry Thomas

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To the City of Montreal
The Road Committee

Respectfully report:

For report of
the Health Com-
mittee see
page 232

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying report of the Health Committee in reference to the unhealthy state of the Craig street tunnel.

That your Committee have caused this tunnel to be thoroughly examined and from the Report of their Engineer, a copy of which is herewith annexed, it appears that the tunnel requires clearing and repairing, that the sum required for that purpose, as per accompanying estimate is \$750.⁰⁰/₁₀₀ for which your Committee recommend that a special appropriation be made to them.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 25th September 1874

(signed)

F. David

Thos. D. Hood

Chs Desmarceaux

Rob Taylor

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of \$750 to clear the Craig street tunnel, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the reserve fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 16th October 1874

(signed)

Charles Alexander

J. Grenier

Thomas Wilson

Henry Thomas

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To the City of Montreal
The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That several years ago Mr Parmeter delivered in this City for the use of the Corporation a quantity of flagstones the greater portion of which was taken and used for footpaths.

That there still remains a small quantity of these flagstones which may be made available for sidewalks which is estimated at \$125.

Your Committee therefore recommend that Mr Parmeter be paid that amount in full satisfaction and as a final settlement of all claims he may have against the Corporation for such flagstones, the said amount to come out of the Reserve Fund.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room
City Hall
Montreal October 1874

(signed)

Charles Alexander

F. David

J. W. McGowan

H. A. Nelson

J. Genies

see pages 92 & 93

To the City of Montreal
The Fire Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying petitions from the undermentioned parties for leave to erect steam engines on their respective places of business in this city:

From John McArthur, on LeRoyer and Debresles streets &

From the Montreal Weaving Coy, corner Blake and Papineau Road.

That the said petitioners having complied with the law and there being no opposition, they recommend

that

that leave be granted to the said parties to erect Steam Engines as petitioned for, on the places mentioned in their respective petitions, subject however to the sanction and approval of the Inspector of Buildings and with the understanding that no steam whistle shall be used on any of the said premises and that the said parties shall comply with the requirements of By-Law No 56 to compel Proprietors of Steam Engines in this City to provide the same with Smoke Consuming apparatus.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room	} (signed)	L. O. Loranger
City Hall		J. S. Hood
Montreal, 24 th September 1874		A. M. Cambridge
		J. E. Mullin

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To the City of Montreal—
The Water Committee respectfully report that, owing to the unusually low state of the water in the Aqueduct for a few weeks past, the Department was compelled to make use of steam power to force the water into the city, much earlier than was anticipated at the commencement of the year and as a consequence a larger quantity of Coal will be consumed than was contemplated—

Your Committee therefore recommend that an appropriation of three thousand dollars be granted to them to purchase an additional quantity of coal, the same to be charged to your Committee's appropriation for next year—

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted

Committee Room,	} signed	J. W. McQuarrie
City Hall,		William Kennedy
Montreal 3 rd Oct. 1874		B. Bastien
		J. David
		Geo. W. Stephens

The Finance Committee respectfully report
 That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the
 accompanying report of the Water Committee for an appro-
 priation of \$3000.00 for coal and that they concur in
 the recommendation therein made

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted—
 Committee Room } (signed) Lhs. Alexander
 City Hall, } " H. David
 Montreal 5th Nov. 1871 } " S. W. Melpauvan
 " " " " " J. L. Renier
 " " " " " Thos Wilson

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In the City of Montreal—
 The Road-Committee respectfully report:
 That, to enable them to carry on the laying of the
 20,000 feet of chainstone recently contracted for, an
 equal number of feet of stone for water course is
 required—

Your Committee therefore recommends that they be
 authorized to contract for 20,000 lineal feet of stone
 for water course, the said stone to be not less than
 four inches thick and four feet long, and of a
 regular width of two feet; and that an appropriation
 be granted there for that purpose, not to exceed (\$10,000)
 ten thousand dollars—

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted—
 Committee Room } (signed) H. David
 City Hall, } " Thos. D. Hood
 Montreal 16th Oct. 1871 } " Geo. W. Hepburn
 " " " " " J. H. Shaw

The Finance Committee respectfully report:
 That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the
 accompanying Report of the Road-Committee for an
 appropriation

appropriation not to exceed \$10,000 to procure stone for water course to be used in laying out and paving streets and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the loan for street paving &c —

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted
 Committee Room, } signed, Chas. Alexander
 City Hall, } " H. David
 Montreal 5th November, 1844 } " S. W. McLaughlin
 " " J. Grenier
 " " Thos. Wilson

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The Road-Committee respectfully report:
 that it would confer a great benefit on the property if Jacques Cartier street, were widened from St Catherine street southwards to a distance of 300 feet —

Your Committee therefore recommends that it be resolved to widen Jacques Cartier street from St Catherine street southwards to a distance of 300 feet, as shewn on Plan herewith annexed, and that in furtherance of these views they be authorized to acquire by valuation of Commissioners as provided by law, the land and buildings required for the said improvement on the express condition however that the whole cost of so doing shall be borne and paid by the parties interested in and to be benefitted by the said improvement.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted
 Committee Room, } signed, G. W. Stephens
 City Hall, } " Thos. D. Hood
 Montreal 16th Oct, 1844 } " J. McShane
 " " " } " B. Bastien

The

The Finance-Committee respectfully
Report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee, on the widening of Jacques-Cartier Street from St. Catherine Street southwards and that they concur in the recommendation therein made.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted—

Committee Rooms,
City Hall,
Montreal, ^{25th} November, 1874

(Signed) Fr. David

" Fr. David.

" J. M. McEauvran

" J. Grenier

" Thos Wilson

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The Road-Committee respectfully report:
That it is desirable to widen Piquinet Street, between Ontario and Sherbrooke Streets, as shown on the Plan hereunto annexed.

Your Committee therefore recommend that it be resolved to widen Piquinet Street between Ontario Street and Sherbrooke Streets, according to the Plan hereunto annexed and that in furtherance of these views they be authorized to acquire by valuation of Commissioners, as provided by law, the land required for the said improvement and tinted red on the said Plan, on the express condition however that the whole cost of the improvement be borne and paid by the parties interested in and to be benefitted by the said improvement according to law.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted—

Committee Rooms,
City Hall,
Montreal, ^{25th} Sept. 1874

(Signed) Fr. David

" Thos. P. Hood

" Chs Desmarteau

" Robt Taylor

The Finance-Committee respectfully
Report.

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying report of the Road Committee for the widening of Sanguinet Street from Ontario to Sherbrooke Street and that they concur in the recommendation therein made.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room,

City Hall,

Montreal 16th Oct. 1874

(Signed) Chs Alexander

" F. David

" J. W. McLaughlin

" J. Grenier

" Thomas Wilson

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The Road-Committee respectfully report:

That to carry on the so long needed improvement of the Colborne Avenue Tunnel, your Committee have had to take possession of a strip of land belonging to Mrs J. O. Bureau and situated on the line of Lafontaine Street, which piece of land, although used as the continuation of Lafontaine Street, has never been acquired by the city.

Your Committee having received an offer from Mrs J. O. Bureau, through her Attorney, Mr. O. Dailou, Advocate, to cede the said piece of land for the sum of twenty five cents a foot they are of opinion that this offer should be accepted and recommend that it be resolved to open Lafontaine Street, from Papineau Road westwards to a distance of 157 feet, as shown on the Plan hereunto annexed and to pay Mrs Bureau the sum above stipulated for the land to be acquired.

Yours

Your Committee further recommended that one third of the cost thereof be borne and paid by the city and the remaining two thirds by the parties interested in and to be benefitted by the said improvement according to Law

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted -

Signed/ Geo. W. Stephens,

Thos. D. Hood,

B. Bastien

J. Welshaw

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal, 16th October, 1874

The Finance Committee respectfully report that, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying report of the Road Committee for the opening of Lafoontaine street, between Papineau road and Stoton street, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to be contributed by the corporation to come out of the loan for street opening.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted -

Committee Room

City Hall

Montreal 5 November 1874

Signed/ Chas Alexander

" J. David

" J. W. McJannet

" J. Genier

" Thos Wilson

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The Road Committee respectfully Report:
That the weigh house ordered to be built in Guilbault
Street is now nearly finished and that the scale attached
to it is ready to be put in operation —

Your Committee therefore recommend that Mr Antoin
Perrault be appointed a public weigher to weigh stone
and lime for that District with a salary of \$500 per
annum, including his lodging in the premises, and that
an appropriation of the said sum of five hundred
dollars be made to Your Committee for that purpose.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Montreal, 15th October, 1874 }

Signed/ Geo. W. Stephens,
" Thos. D. Hood,
" J. W. Shane,
" B. Bastien

The Finance Committee respectfully report,
that, as directed by the Council, they have considered
the accompanying report of the Road Committee, to
appoint Mr A. Perrault stone and lime weigher &c
and that they concur in the recommendations therein
made.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted —

Committee Room
City Hall,
Montreal, 5th November, 1874 }

Signed/ Chas. Alexander
" F. David
" J. W. McLaughlan
" J. Grenier
" Thomas Wilson

In the City of Montreal —

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The Road Committee respectfully report:

That, as per statement herewith annexed, a sum of \$11,419 ⁵⁵/₁₀₀ is required to cover expenses, or appropriations overdrawn, that the sum of \$3675 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀ is still due by your Committee and that a further sum of \$11,700.00 is required to finish work of absolute necessity, such as street cleaning \$3,000, repairs to roadways \$1,000, repairs to sewers \$100.00, repairs to pavements \$200.00, grading streets \$100.00

Your Committee further represents that out of the above expenditure amounting altogether to the sum of \$22,794. ⁵⁵/₁₀₀ a sum of \$11,565.70 is to be taken out of the Loan for permanent works, and that the balance \$11,228 ⁸⁵/₁₀₀ is still required by your committee to pay for work already performed and to be performed

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted —

Committee Room,
City Hall,
Montreal 5th October, 1871

(Signed) Ferdinand David
" Chs Desmarceau
" J. McShane
" Thos. Hood
" Robt. Taylor
" Geo. W. Stephens —

The Finance Committee respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying report of the Road Committee for an appropriation of \$11,228. ⁸⁵/₁₀₀ to be granted to them beyond their general appropriations for certain works therein specified and that they concur in the recommendations therein made, the amount to be taken from the anticipated surplus of this year's collections

over

over last years receipts —

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted
 Committee Room, } signed Chs. Alexander
 City Hall, } " H. David
 Montreal 5th November 1874 } " J. W. McLaughran
 " " Henry Thomas
 " " Thomas Wilson

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To the City of Montreal

The Road Committee Respectfully report:

That to carry out the works now in progress at the Corporation Quarry, at the back of the mountain, and to enable the contractor to furnish the required quantity of stone for paving and macadamizing the streets of the City, it is necessary to acquire a piece of land adjoining the Corporation property and measuring about eight arpents as shewn on the plan hereunto annexed. This piece of land is offered by the proprietor Mr Simon Lacombe for the sum of \$530⁰⁰ (five hundred and thirty dollars) per arpent, which offer your Committee consider is not unreasonable, taking into consideration the rise which has taken place of late years in the value of property.

Your Committee therefore recommend that they be authorized to purchase the said piece of ground and that an appropriation of the sum of \$4200⁰⁰ be granted to them for that purpose, out of the loan for street paving and macadamizing.

The whole

The whole nevertheless respectfully
submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	Geo. W. Stephens	
City Hall			J. McShane	
Montreal			Nov 26 1874	Thos. D. Hood
				Robt Taylor

The Finance Committee

Respectfully report:

That, as directed by the Council, they have considered the accompanying Report of the Road Committee recommending the acquisition of a piece of land contiguous to the Corporation's Quarry back of the Mountain and for an appropriation of \$4200 for that purpose, and that they concur in the recommendation therein made, the amount to come out of the loan for street paving and macadamizing.

The whole nevertheless respectfully
submitted.

Committee Room	}	(signed)	H. A. Nelson	
City Hall			Thomas Wilson	
Montreal,			27 th November 1874	J. Grenier
				H. Thomas

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To the City of Montreal

The undersigned beg respectfully to Report:
That, according to instructions, by Resolution of Your Council under date of 13th July last, appointing them a deputation for the negotiation of a loan of £750,000 Stg; they proceeded to England by the steamer which sailed from Quebec on the 18th July.

That on arrival in London they duly presented the several letters of introduction with which they had been favored. That a few days were occupied in making preliminary enquiries and from information obtained, they were satisfied it would be inexpedient, if not seriously detrimental to the interest of the City, to open negotiations, or even discuss the business they had in hand with any firm, unless with a certainty of being enabled to complete arrangements with them.

That, after due deliberation, they considered it would be most conclusive to the interest of the City to negotiate the loan through Messrs Morton, Rose & Coy, and the Bank of Montreal agency in London.

That after some days discussion a definite basis of agreement was arrived at. The chief difficulty arose from an unwillingness to bring out a loan on the London market with conditions respecting the Sinking Fund being retained by the City as proposed in the Resolution of Council. Finding this point could not be conceded, Your deputation agreed to other terms, which were duly submitted for Your approval and ratification.

That on receipt of Cable message authorizing the negotiation on terms submitted, Your
Deputation

Deputation concluded arrangements as far as practicable, waiting the formal authority under the City seal. This having been received in due course, enabled your Deputation to close with the Contractors.

Your deputation would respectfully remark that it was considered somewhat early for the City to appear in the London Market as a borrower so soon after the negotiation of the previous sterling loan of £500,000 - and it was questioned whether so much larger a loan as was proposed, following closely on the other would not have a tendency to depreciate the Bonds of the City then in the London Market, and which stood exceptionally high for Municipal securities. There was a temporary decline of from 2 to 3 per cent, but by careful management, the Bonds were brought to their former quotations, as your deputation were unable to shew satisfactorily that the rapid growth of the City fully warranted the proposed loan being made - To maintain the present high standard of its credit, and to ensure the success of future loans, it will be necessary that the Finances be so carefully and prudently managed as to prevent the necessity of the City again presenting itself as a borrower in the London Market for at least a couple of years, and your deputation had to give an assurance to the Contractors that there was no probability of the City's requiring another loan for at least that time.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

City Hall

Montreal November 1874

(signed) Charles Alexander

Henry Thomas

James F. D. Black

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To the Council of the City of Montreal:—

The Chairman of the Light Committee respectfully reports,—that at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 11th of August last past, a deputation composed of Aldermen David, Stephens, Kennedy, McCord and Rivard was authorized to visit the principal cities of the United States to enquire, among other things, into the management of gas companies in connection with the Corporations of these several municipalities.

In pursuance of this resolution, your deputation proceeded to visit New York and Boston, where, thanks to the courtesy of the civic officials of these large cities, and more especially those in charge of the Light Departments, they obtained most valuable information.

New York receives light from seven gas companies. The contract for street lighting is given by tenders, and is left entirely to competition by these different companies, to each of which is allotted a certain number of lamps on terms and conditions stipulated in the contract passed between them and the Corporation.

Not to enter into endless and, perhaps, superfluous details, I shall only say that the lamps and lamp posts are supplied by the city, and that the average price paid to these several companies in 1873 for each lamp, was \$41.04.

In 1871 the prices were still larger, and varied from \$45 to \$53 per lamp, say an average of \$51 per lamp per annum.

The first contract for street lighting was first made in May, 1823, with the New York Gas Light Company, to whom the exclusive privilege to lay pipes in the streets, and to supply gas to the street lamps, was given for the space of thirty years. Everything went on smoothly during the whole of that term until 1853, when the same Company entered into a new contract for one year only at the reduced price of \$15.47 per lamp, the lamps to be kept lit 2,500 hours in the year, and the burners to consume 2 cubic feet of gas per hour.

The year following it was required by the Corporation that the lamps should be lit all nights indiscriminately, say about 3,800 hours in the year, and the Company raised its price to \$25.79 per lamp.

This state of things continued until 1864, without apparently giving rise to any complaint on behalf of the New York Corporation; nevertheless three new Companies had then sprung up which had secured the privilege of laying their pipes, and were already in full operation.

These four Companies thereupon notified the Corporation that for the future they would exact, for the street lighting, prices varying from \$45 to \$53 per lamp.

The Corporation declined to accept these prices which these companies wanted to impose, and the result was a long and costly suit, in which the companies finally obtained judgment against the Corporation, both in the Superior Court and Court of Appeals, thereby entailing an increased expenditure to the city for that year of more than \$140,000.

As regards the truthfulness of these figures, I may add that they are taken from the official report of the Superintendent of Lights for the year 1873.

It was only in 1872 that the contending parties came to terms by which the price was fixed, as it now is, to \$42.50.

I must confess that the experience thus acquired was not of a nature to encourage the idea of favoring the formation of new companies in our midst.

From New York your deputation went to Providence, where something new awaited them. This was no more nor less than an electric battery, by which from 40 to 50 lamps around a tank near the railway station were simultaneously lit.

The person in charge of this novel apparatus demonstrated to us the advantages in point of economy of this self-acting lamp-lighter. This apparatus is worked by an electric wire communicating from one post to the other, and in its operation produces an instantaneous illumination of the lamps connected therewith. This apparatus is certainly most ingenious, as it may at the same time, through its electric current cause the lamps to be opened.

This system, thus inaugurated at Providence, however, has not as yet been adopted by any of the large American cities, and does not seem to have attained that degree of perfection which would warrant its adoption here.

In Boston we have found a city well lit, a well organized department, with officials prompt and faithful in the discharge of their duties.

Unlike New York, Boston is lit by one Company only—"The Dorchester Gas and Light Company"—which works admirably, and to the satisfaction of the municipal authorities.

The price of gas here is \$2.50 per 1,000 feet, and the quantity of gas furnished is four feet per hour. The public lamps are supplied, lit and maintained at the city's cost, whilst in Montreal the Company furnishes the lamps, lights and maintains them at their own cost.

Let us now compare these prices to ours and see the difference:

New York pays 41.04 per lamp, lit during 3,833 hours in the year.

Boston pays \$2.50 per 1,000 feet; say, about \$32.

Montreal pays \$22 per lamp for 2,700 hours in the year, or say, \$32 for 3,833 hours.

This is for street lighting.

The price to consumers is:
New York....\$2.75 per 1,000 feet.
Boston.....2.50 " "
Montreal....2.60 " "

These figures are taken from the year 1873. The total number of lamps at New York on the 30th April last was 18,910, causing an expenditure of \$864,219.31. At Boston the number of lamps is 6,766, and the expenditure \$363,700 per annum, whilst in Montreal there are but 1,300 lamps and only \$29,000 are expended.

By the foregoing it will be seen that the average cost of each lamp is:—

New York.....\$48.00
Boston.....53.00
Montreal.....22.00

For 2,700 hours, or for the same number of hours as the first named cities.....32.00

As regards the quality of gas furnished in Montreal as compared with that at New York and Boston, I personally cannot speak authoritatively, but if reports of men competent to judge in these matters are to be depended upon, there is but little difference, especially since the New City Gas Company has brought their new works in operation.

In conclusion I deem it my duty to call the attention of the Council to the imperfect, not to say irregular, manner in which the affairs of the Light Department have been administered here for some years past.

Although there is a Light Committee appointed every year, the Committee meets but very seldom, the members apparently being disposed to throw upon the Chairman the whole responsibility of the management of this branch of the civil government; and as a consequence the latter has to see to all the details, such as giving orders for new lamps, their location, the changes to be made now and then, answering communications, &c., &c.

It is obvious that, notwithstanding the good will and dispositions of the member who is honored with the chairmanship of this important department, there is in this state of things an anomaly which it is in the interest of the city to do away with at no distant date.

With this view, I would suggest the appointment of a competent person to be superintendent of lights, whose duty it will be to periodically inspect both gas and oil lamps, to see that they are properly lit and extinguished, to hear any complaints that may be made, to give the necessary orders for new lamps and changes to be made, &c., &c.

This officer, like other chiefs of departments, should keep a register of his proceedings, and submit an annual report of the doings of his department, by which the Council and the public could be made aware of all that passes, as well of the expenditure incurred for lighting the street lamps, their maintenance, &c., &c.

The whole, nevertheless, respectfully submitted.

(signed) S. BIVARD,
Chairman Light Committee.
Committee Room, City Hall,
Montreal, 28th Nov., 1874.