

Board of Control Chambers,

City Hall,

March 26th, 1914.

City Prison Investigation

The Board of Control met this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Present His Worship the Mayor, Controllers Hoben, Harris and Scanlan, Deputy Mayor Powell and Alderman Hines, Controller Harris acting Chairman. There were also present James M. Davison (representing Governor Grant and Walter Grant) and H. V. Wier.

The following witnesses were examined:

George W. Brewer, William B. Walsh, Frank Oakley, Walter Grant and Daniel McDonald.

The investigation is adjourned, to be resumed on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

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CITY PRISON INVESTIGATION.

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Geo. W. Brewer, examined.

I was keeper at the City Prison from June 1912 to March 26, 1913 - somewhere about that time, I cannot exactly say. I remember Mary Murphy in the prison. She was not in a separate corridor by herself. She was in the womens corridor. I had a key to the corridor. I never entered that corridor alone. I had an opportunity of entering it alone but not without being seen. I remember an occasion when Mrs. Grant was sick. I did not go to the corridor one night saying that I heard a noise, and I can produce evidence. I never went then or at any other time. Mrs. Grant never saw me going away. Mrs. Grant never, to my knowledge, saw me go into the womens ward and observe the fact that I had no right to me there. She said nothing to me about that. If there is any evidence against me I would like to hear it.

(Chairman Harris read Edna Boutilier's statement.)

In answer to that statement I deny I was ever in the cell with her either in January or February. Inside a week I will be able to produce evidence to clear myself. I deny it; there are no grounds for it; and it is a barefaced lie. I was never at any time in the cell.

(Chairman Harris read Mrs. Grant's statement).

If that means the night she was sick I was never near and I am going to produce evidence.

I never went to the corridor in my stocking feet without having the Governor with me.

By the Mayor: "As I understand it, Mrs Grant's charge against Brewer was that on the night she took sick, the same night she heard a noise and someone unlocking the door or gate of the corridor and asked what was going on; and she identified you in a sort of half dressed condition, in pants, shirt and stocking feet, and you said you thought you heard a noise, and you said "Don't say anything of this to the Governor". A. It never took place. I deny it on that or any date.

(Chairman Harris read Annie Shire's statement)

I deny that. There is no foundation for it whatever. Noone would believe Annie Shire.

(Chairman Harris read Jane Devaney's statement).

I think it was the first of June that I went to the institution, and I left somewhere in March the next year. In the March of the year the Murphy girl was there. The Murphy girl was there from the end of January till March and I was there while she was there. I will positively swear, and will take my oath on it, that I had no illicit intercourse with this woman while I was in RockHead prison. I had suspicions someone else had because I saw Mary Murphy around the boys rooms - George Grant's and Walker Grant's - and no one with her time and time again. I cannot give you dates but it was on more than one occasion.. These boys lived and slept at the prison while I was there.

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They were working in town. Walter Grant had a key of the prison main entrance to come in or go out whenever he liked but lots of times he crawled over the fence. He had no key to the wards to my knowledge. I did not see him climb over the fence but I have heard it talked of. He told me he did it so as not to wake his father. When he came in between 11 and 12 at night I should say there would be a possible chance, without connivance of the keeper, for intercourse with the female prisoners. He could creep through the prison and get into the womens corridor. Not one lock in a dozen would lock. I never saw any good locks; they were all in a terribly bad state. The kitchen girl would be a prisoner and she would be kept after hours in the kitchen, but I cannot say whether or not the Murphy girl was ever the kitchen girl. I know that every woman I ever saw in the kitchen was out every night after the other women were locked up. I state positively that when Mr and Mrs Grant would be absent from the prison there would be an opportunity for a member of the family to have illicit intercourse with women, and they have been there. Walter Grant himself told this to men he was very familiar with in the cookhouse; that he had intercourse. On one occasion, one Sunday afternoon, Mr. Wier had kept us in church rather late - I think it would be late in March or February - we went to feed the women and I had a bowl over and the woman never showed up. Mary Murphy came down out of Walter Grant's room, I was in the doorway and saw her, and I saw Walter Grant come ~~down~~ out of his room at the same time. It would be somewhere round a quarter to five; I know we had to rush pretty lively to get away. I think Mr. MacDonald saw Mary Murphy come out of Walter Grant's room. I have had no communication with the Murphy girl since she left the prison, nor conversation or letters. I did not know where she was. Mr. MacDonald never told me he had connection with Mary Murphy. I have not seen the girl since the day she left the prison. I positively deny I ever had illicit intimacy with the women. I have no knowledge who the father of the child is. I most forget what the charge was that was made against me before; the charge was insubordination.

Q. Was there not some allegation that you were in the cell for eight or ten minutes with someone. Whose cell was it? this woman's? A. It is past my memory. I remember the case. Since I left the prison Governor Grant said he did not believe half the evidence. I told that to Mr. MacDonald, he did not say it to me.

The Grant boys crawled over the fence although they had a key to the door when they came in late at night so that their father would not know when they came home. There would be no trouble to climb over by the gate. They would just get up around the outside and drop down; it is not much of a drop by the corner of the gate. If there was any barbed wire on the top of the fence it has been torn off. The condition of the locks was such you could break

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the locks easily. To my knowledge there was never a lock on the womens ward. Only the cells were supposed to be locked - with padlocks - but they were in a bad state. Each cell has a bolt that slides. There was a lock on the corridor but it never locked. When the underkeeper and Mrs. Grant would lock the womens up and put them in for the night, we would go along. They were supposed to be locked but the locks being in a bad state they were bolted on the outside. People could go in but not get out. Then there was always another woman to be locked up who was in the kitchen and Mrs. Grant used to do that. Mrs. Grant did not lock the door after that because the door was never locked. When we went in the morning there would be no lock but just the bolt. In the morning the two keepers together would let the girls out into the corridor, but not out of the corridor. Lots of times there would be only one keeper. Then we got two keepers and then there would be sometimes one and sometimes two. As far as I know Mrs. Grant would come on duty about half past six or from that to seven; it might be a couple of hours before she was up, I cannot say exactly. Mr. Grant was generally up with the men, as soon as we turned the key. He was a very early man. I think there would be an opportunity for a man to open a cell door and go in one of the cells in the morning if he wanted to. Any person could creep around in that prison and open the doors and get into the corridors, but if the locks were in good shape they could not get into the cells. I have frequently known us to have as high as eight or nine cells with no lock and the cells just bolted. Regarding this case and my being in the cell; the man in charge of the Governor's horse the night Governor Grant went for the doctor I got this man out and harnessed the horse - his name was Crust, he formerly belonged to the Army Service Corps, and if could get this man's evidence I was with him until the Governor came back with the doctor. I stayed and took the horse when he came back, the night Mrs. Grant took sick. When I was off duty at night I used to go home and I would generally get there in the morning about half past four. Only the Grant boys and the other keeper would be in the prison. When I was on duty at night I would stay in the prison. There is only one man on duty at night. I left home at 4.30 to be at the prison at 5 o'clock; the following morning I would have to be there at 8. Two keepers would open the doors. There has been a case where a man would be a little late and the other would go around and get the work done. We would have to ring the bell on both sides of the prison and open the doors. Sometimes one man alone would open the doors but Governor Grant would be around and he knew where we were. It would be possible for a man to go into the womens ward without the Governor knowing it. Young Grant would be there on Saturday afternoons and Sunday mornings and this girl with him, and several times he has not been to work and that girl has been to his room. I have seen this girl go to his room and it looks suspicious. I have seen Mr. and Mrs Grant go up after dinner to their room and be there till perhaps three o'clock and this girl out and around and young Grant there.

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I remember leaving the bell on the bench in the corridor. We mostly carry the bell and lantern : we ring the bell and stand it down on the bench and then just go along and pull the bolts. I never remember leaving some of the doors not unbolted, I always unbolted every door. There was no man on the gate at night in my time. The man goes off the gate as soon as all is locked up, that would be about 6.30. He would start on the gate in the mornings after everyone was roused up. The prisoners were unlocked at 5 O'clock and then our duties would start. The man would go on duty at the gate in the morning I would say about 5.30 . Any person wanting to get in between 6 at night and 5.30 in the morning could crawl over the top at any minute, the whole way round the prison. Any person wanting to get in could ring the bell and the keeper could unlock the gate; that is, the keeper on night duty. The keeper on night duty would let us in in the morning.

The cell doors in the womens ward had locks but they were bolted at night.

Q. That does not apply to the door where the cells were; that was locked was it not ? No, Sir.

Q. Was that left open at night ? A. It was never locked , just bolted.

Q. Are you sure about that ? A. I am sure it was never locked.

Q. You told me any person could walk into the womens corridor at any hour of the night. A. Yes, Sir. I am not here to tell lies. You are trying to argue me.

I am stating positively that the mens corridors are locked outside; the womens corridor never was.

There was a bell ~~isnt~~ on the door leading into the corridor when I was there. The door was bolted on the outside and any person could draw the bolt and walk into the womens corridor at any hour of the night. When I was on night duty I was not around the building all night, only at 9 o'clock for inspection. Then I would go into the men's ward, examine the inside and see everything all right and quiet, lock up the doors, and then go through the prison and examine everything. I would practically be in charge of the prison; the Governor had his share, but he would be asleep. The man on night duty slept in the keeper's room. It is customary to go to bed at regular hours after you report at 9 o'clock everything all right you go to bed. The keepers' room is over Mrs. Grant's kitchen, alongside from where the Governor sleeps. The night of the 21st January, the time Mrs. Grant took sick, I helped to harness the horse for the Governor. After he went I stayed in the gate house until he returned. I was not in the prison after he went until after he came back. A man by the name of Brust was with me. That is the evidence I will be able to get. I opened the gate and let the Governor in. I was not near the prison all the time the Governor was away. I did not speak to Mrs. Grant the night she took sick. I did not see her in the halls or any part of the building. It is Mrs. Grant's duty to look after the female prisoners. I did not say I saw Walter Grant climb over the fence at all. I said I knew him to do it several times; he told me; he said it was so that his father would not know what time he came in. The son had a key of the entrance.

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I suppose it is against the rules of the Institution for people to climb the fence. I know it is against the rules but I did not tell the Governor because it was one of his own boys. It was not my business. I saw Mary Murphy come out of Walter Grant's room lots of times. In the afternoons; she was there all times, Sundays, Saturday afternoons; I would always see her when she was carrying up coal in the afternoon, I would see her coming out of Walter Grant's room. I never spoke to her. I knew she was in there to do work. She was employed on that floor. I knew Walter Grant was in the room. I know he was there because I saw him there. I do not know on how many occasions when the girl was there but if I had known this case was coming on I would have kept stock. I never mentioned him to any prisoner at all. It would be around February or March, somewhere there. I think I am pretty near. I do not remember whether it was during Mrs. Grant's sickness, or before or after, that I saw the girl coming out of his room. It was on many occasions. The Governor was in Mrs. Grant's room the greater part of the day. There was no one to look after the girl at that time. The boys had the sway of the prison. I said that I saw ~~Walter Grant's~~ this girl coming out of Walter Grant's room one Sunday afternoon; it would be about feeding time; as near as I can say it would be a quarter to five or five o'clock; that was the Sunday we were late in church. Mrs. Grant would be in the kitchen at that time. The Governor might be in his room. I do not know where he was. I do not know how long the girl was in the room I just saw her coming out. It was her duty to look after the fires, make the beds; she did house work. She had a right to be there for that purpose but I do not think she had a right to be there at that time of the day. She had no right to go into the rooms at that hour; the beds were all made in the morning. The coal was always carried up on Saturday for over Sunday. I do not know if she would take up water. Young Grant had a private room of his own. His room was over the Committee room. He had a fire there for his own use. I used to have to carry the coal inside and then the girls would take it up. The heating apparatus was put in after I left. When she came out of the room on this particular occasion I was standing in the bottom; I could see into his room. I was only standing there a minute before I saw her come out. She just came out and went down stairs. Walter Grant told Walsh and Oakley that he had connection with the Murphy girl. He never told me that. No one else ever confessed they had connection. Walter Grant could easily get into the womens corridor, he would not need a key. He had a key of the front prison door. The only opportunity he would have, I should judge, to have connection would be in his own room. ~~Walter Grant's~~ Walter Grant's room was away up on the next flight. It was next the surgery. Annie Shires cell was left open one night because she said she had Asthma, that was the only time I ever saw Annie Shire's cell unlocked; the old woman was pretty sick. After bolting the door of the corridor we gave the Governor a report of the amount of prisoners and say that everything was correct.

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correct. That is, all bolted up. We never bolted the corridors. We reported that the locks would not work many a time. Mr. and Mrs. Grant would be out driving on Saturday afternoons; they did not go out on Sunday to my knowledge. I have known Walter Grant to be at home on days when Mr. and Mrs. Grant were out driving, but I have no dates. When Murphy came to the prison I did not say to Yeadon "That is a girl I would like to have connection with".

I will put this in a statutory declaration and take statement that it is all true.

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William B. Walsh, examined.

I went to the prison in September and was there until November 1913. During that time I was employed in the kitchen. I remember Walter Grant. I ran across him quite often. He made confidences to me. He generally used to visit us on Saturday. He had these afternoons off most every Saturday. When this Murphy girl came up there he was telling me about it. He says, "She is a great piece of stock". He said that he was going to have connection with her. After that he came in and told me he did have connections. At different times. I cannot fix dates But I know it was on a Saturday because it was his day off. He used to come in every Saturday pretty near. I could not fix the date. I have nothing to fix it by. It would be February or March. There were no other confidences.

Q. Did he say he had connection with other prisoners. A. I believe he did make a statement but I forget it. Q. Delaney? No. Q. Bina Boutilier? A. I believe he did. Q. As having connections? A. Well, he just mentioned her name.

He did not say he had connection with Lillian _____. The Murphy girl was the only one. I am sure it was Saturday afternoon. There would only be two of us present, the young fellow in the cook house, and he is present today. He was there when Grant told me he had connections with the girl. No one else besides Grant said they would like to have connection. Brewer never said a word to me about this girl. I never saw anyone in the cook house, or around the house, pinching the girls legs I never heard that Walter Grant had got into the prison over the fence, but George has told me that he came in that way. There is no difficulty in coming in that way. I was in the cook house 23 months. I had my bed in one of the corridors.

Q. In your judgment, from what you saw of the prison and its management, if the corridor where the females were locked up was accessible to the members of Mr. Grant's family and to the underkeepers, had they a chance of getting in if they wanted to. A. I could not answer that: I was never on that side. I was working in the kitchen pretty well all the time.. The conversation I had with Walter Grant was on a Saturday afternoon about 3 or 4 o'clock. Q. Is there any way of fixing a date? Was it when Mrs. Grant was laid away? A. I do not believe it was. He told me more often than once. The girl was never in the kitchen where we were. I do not know how it was he came to mention it to me. He mentioned a few of the other prisoners to me. There was nothing at all that led up to the conversation, he just gave the statement, that was all. He just came in and told me he was going to have connection with the girl, and at that time he never mentioned any other girl; or at any other time. It was about two weeks after that when he said he had had connection. He did not say when or where, he just said he had had connections with her; I did not ask him anything about it. Q. What led up to the conversation about this girl? A. He noticed she was a good looking girl and that he would like to have something to do with her. That would be in February, just two or three weeks after she came.

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I did not discuss any other matters with Walter Grant. That was the only subject we ever talked about. He would come in there very frequently. He would come in on Saturday afternoons and chat about everything; and he became confidential.

Q. Did you discuss this matter with Mr. Brewer,?

A. About this statement of Walter Grant? He was talking about it to Mr. Brewer. He told ~~him~~ me what Walter Grant had told him, pretty near the same he told me. Brewer first told me about the conversation he had with Walter in the cook house while I was a prisoner. He never spoke to me about it again until recently; until I met him here today. I met him on Jacob Street before I came here and he asked me to come here ~~and discuss the statement~~ because he told me I had heard it; he told me I heard what he told me. Walter Grant never asked me never to communicate that conversation to anyone else. Q. Not lately? A. I have only seen him in the hall just now.

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Frank Oakley, examined.

I was working in the kitchen. I was in prison 12 months, from 15th July, 1912 to July 1913. I was working ten months in the kitchen and the other two months outside. Walsh was my copartner. I remember Walter Grant. He came to see me occasionally. Generally on a Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning. He came often but not steady all the time. On and off. He told me out of his own mouth he had connection with that girl about twelve times, more or less. When she first came he said he would like to have connection; he said that to us in the cook house. Then he said he had had connection. He did not say where to me. He just said he had had connection with her. He joked about it. I saw her in the family way. The last two months I was working in the house and it was common knowledge around the jail that she was in the family way. You could easily tell. The conversation took place in March or April, I could not tell which. I left the prison on July 15. He used to keep on talking of it once in a while. I did not see him very much the last two months. I was working around the garden. I was committed to prison for theft. It was either Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning about 9.30 or 10 that he visited us. There would be just Walsh and I in the kitchen. No other female prisoners were discussed to my knowledge. No other names were mentioned. He gave me no particulars where it took place but just made the statement. He first said he would like to have connections and then he said he had had connections. On and off he told us that. A month or so after she came in she said she was in the family way. I have known Mr. and Mrs Grant to go out drinking in the night because we were the last ones to get locked up. Walt Grant would not be home to my knowledge. My address is 57 Maynard Street. I could not tell you exactly when this Murphy girl came to the prison. It would be January or March I think.

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Walter Grant, Examined.

I am the eldest son of the Governor. I live on the second floor in the prison on the West side. On the womens corridor side, next to the corridor. I remember Mary Murphy being a prisoner at the prison. She looked after my room at times. I never knew her to come in with coal, wood or water. On one occasion I saw her do so ; on a Saturday afternoon. She did not come to the door when I was in, to my knowledge. I never went into the room and found her there. I have been living at the prison ever since the Governor was appointed. I used to get in the prison with a key sometimes, when father gave me one: and sometimes father let me in. I have not a key regularly. The fence is too high for anyone to crawl over. Q. Is it about 30 feet high? A. I am not a judge of heights. Walsh worked in the cook house. Oakley did the painting. He worked in the cook house too. I used to leave the dockyard between 12 and 1 on Saturday afternoons and sometimes I would spend the afternoon at the prison. I nver went about the place watching the prisoners at work. I never dropped into the stables. I don't think I ever dropped into the cook house. I went to ask an officer to let me out on one occasion. I never talked to Walsh or the other prisoners while there.

Q. Did you ever talk to Walsh in the cook house?

A. I think I remember on one occasion as I was going away he asked me for a cigarette. I gave it to him. I did not think it was against the rules at the time. I did not think I was doing wrong. I gave cigarettes to Oakley at one time. I only learned it was wrong to do that after the new rules came out. I knew a person had been dismissed for something but I did not know it was for giving tobacco to the prisoners. I remember Mary Murphy. I never had a conversation with her when anyone else was around or in my room. The womens corridor is on the West side of the building. I cannot say whether there are two corridors used for women. I never went into the corridor with the keeper. One time we had a crazy woman; she had been drinking; Yeadon, my brother and myself went together and the rest of the officials to the upstairs ward and we were standing in the door. That is the only time. I remember Yeadon unlocking the front door. The corridor was open at nights. Mother and Father and one of the officers went in. I was not there when the door was opened first, or when it was shut. I do not remember a Sunday afternnoon when Mr. Wier was holding service and Mary Murphy was not in attendance.

Q. Do you remember a Sunday afternoon when Mary Murphy touched a match to your fire? (No answer).

Q. Do you remember a Saturday afternoon?

A. She came in the room and I walked right out and went to my brother's room.

Q. Do you remember one Sunday afternoon about 5 o'clock, service was just over, and Mary Murphy came out of your room, and a few minutes later you came out, and Mr. MacDonald spoke to you and said; "Boy, you had better get wise"?

A. He never said that to me. I do not remember the incident. It never happened.

Q. Do you remember in the evening your going to the underkeeps room and running across Mr. Mac Donald and his saying to you: You be careful about that girl coming to your room.

A. Mr. Mac Donald did not say a word of warning to me and I have no recollection of being in the room or of the conversation.

Q. Did you say: "Hell; do you think I would touch her" . A. I never made such a statement to him at any time.

He did not tell me it was customary when the girls came to my room for me to go out of the room. He never told me that these women were prepared to say anything. He never warned me at any time.

Q. Did Mr. MacDonald say it would be just as well when these girls came to your room for you to walk out . A. Mr. MacDonald never said a word to me about them. I never confided anything to either Walsh or Oakley. I say positively that I never said to Walsh that I would like to have connection with Mary Murphy or any one. If they say the reverse they are telling falsehoods. I never said that I would like to have connection with Mary Murphy or that I had had connection with her. I never asked Mary Murphy not to tell my father. I never spoke to Mary Murphy. I never spoke to her or smiled at her; I did not have the opportunity to speak to her. I do not know her at all. I knew there was a girl of the name of Mary Murphy there. I never knew she was in the female ward until Mr. Mac Donald told me. I do not remember the date. If I came home by the car I would get home by about 5.30, but if I walked it would be about a quarter to six. One night when I came in he called me and laughing said: "Hear any news". I said, "What news". And he says, there is going to be something doing around here. I said, There is always something doing around here. Wait and see, he said, and keep your eyes and ears open. I laughed but did not know his meaning and walked away. He never gave me any information. That was the first night, and it was fully a week before he told me the meaning of these remarks. The next night it was the same and I asked him what he was trying to get at, and he said, you will find out. This night he told me I was going upstairs and I think he was off duty that night, and he went to get his basket that he brings his meals in I expect; I had no idea up to this time what he meant. He called me in his room and he says, Come in, I want you. I went in. He said, Did you hear the news? I said, Let's in on this. He said, Did you hear that Mary Murphy was in trouble? I said, No. That is a fact, he said, and there is going to be something doing around here for some one. He says, did you ever have any connections with her? I said, certainly not. He said, You are sure now. I said, Positive, I am not in the habit of associating with the prisoners and people who come to Rock Head. He says, It is a good thing. Then I turned around and walked out and I think it was the next afternoon father told me about it. He told me that Mary Murphy was in trouble. She was then in the prison. I do not know what his purpose was in telling me. I was led to understand Mc.Donald had told this Murphy girl to put the child on me. I don't know whether that was why he told me or not. That was the day after I found she was in trouble; after Mc Donald told me. I think that is about all father told me.

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Q. Did he not say something like this, Mary Murphy is in the family way and Mc Donald blames you? A. He came across and he told me that - I forget what we were talking about first - he told me that Mary Murphy was in the family way; and I said, Yes, Mc Donald told me last night. He said, Mc Donald told you? He asked me how Mc Donald knew, and I told father what Mc Donald had said to me. He said, I do not see how Mc Donald would know. And then he asked me if I ever spoke to Mary Murphy or ever had any

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conversation with her, and I told him, No. I said, I never had any conversation since she came to the Institution. I told him I never spoke to any of the females. He said, Well, That is a good thing. That is about all he spoke to me of. He told me there would be trouble over it. I cannot remember what the date would be.

Q. From your conversation with your father, did he seem to think the woman got into trouble in the prison. A. I could not say.

Q. What did you understand him to mean by, There would be trouble. A. Trouble for the one who did it.

Q. Your father and mother go out driving sometimes. Were you ever in the prison when your father and mother were out. A. No, Sir, I am out every night.

Q. What about Saturday afternoons, are you ever home then? A. Very seldom.

Q. Ever on Saturday afternoon when your father and mother were out? A. No, Sir,

Q. Are you prepared to say you were never on the prison premises when your father and mother were out driving? Are you prepared to swear to that?

A. Well, No. I would not want to swear to that because I do not know whether I was or not.

Q. If you had wanted to have connection, and she was willing, had you the opportunity: assuming you both wanted to, could you have done it? Was the opportunity there? A. No. There was never an opportunity.

I am 22 years old and I am employed at the Dockyard. I have been there three years in April and I get \$33.33 per month.

Q. Sometimes your father goes to his room after dinner? A. I very seldom go home to dinner; on Saturday afternoons I go home at 1 o'clock. I do not know whether Mr. Grant is ever in his room after dinner.

Q. Where you ever in the prison when Mr. Grant was out? Can you swear to that? A. No, Sir.

Q. Was it customary for them to go out driving on Saturday afternoons. A. I do not think on Saturday afternoons.

Q. If some of the keepers in the prison say while your father and mother were out driving you were ~~was~~ in the prison, would you deny it on oath?

A. Yes.

Q. While your father and mother were outside the prison walls, driving or walking, have you never been in the prison; would you swear to that?

A. I would not like to do that.

I deny positively that either my brother or I ever climbed the prison walls to get in; We would either ring the bell or father would give us a key. It is untrue that I used to have conversation with Walsh or another man, particularly on Saturday afternoons. I was never in there on Saturday afternoons.

Q. They both swear you stated in the presence of the two of them shortly after the Murphy girl came to the prison that she was a nice looking piece of stuff, and afterwards you told them you had been with her. A. I swear positively it is a lie. I swear positively that I never had any connection with the girl in my life. I can attribute no motive for those statements.

Q. What would you think of a girl who would make a statement like that? A. I don't know why she would want to get back at me. The Murphy girl

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was never in my room on occasions when I was there for any length of time. After father and Mac Donald had told me about her condition I did not observe her condition before she left the prison. I only had the information from others. I have no theory as to who was the cause of her condition.

Q. Had you any reason to believe from what you had seen that either of the underkeepers were responsible. What motive do you attribute to McDonald in talking to you. A. I cannot ~~say~~ say, Sir.

I deny that on any particular Sunday afternoon the Murphy girl was seen coming out of my room and that I was in there. I have never carried a key to get in at night except one I would get from father if I knew I was going to be late. I was never in the habit of going to the cook house. I would occupy my time in reading when I was at home. I was never there on Sunday afternoon. I do not talk around with the keepers in the prison. I have no idea who is the guilty party. I have never written a note to the girl. I have not heard from her directly in Montreal. Mother has had a letter from her. I do not know how many. I have never seen the letters written by her to my mother. I think mother one time mentioned it to father at supper time. She never told me that Mary Murphy charged me with being the father of her child; I learned it from father. I think Dr. Harrison told father; I don't remember.

Q. When do you think that was. A. A month ago. I had no knowledge that she had given birth to the child.

Q. We undertood you to say that the Murphy girl was in your room to do something to the fire?

A. That was the only occasion I saw the girl in my room. I could not tell you how long she was there; long enough to root up the fire; she came in and I walked out to my brother's room. I did not speak to her. His room is situated next to my room.

Q. Brewster said that your room was down stairs.

A. My room was down stairs but it was too cold and I was shifted and put upstairs in the room next to my brother. I say that this statement of the Murphy girl that I am the father of her child is absolutely a falsehood. I did not say I didn't know the rules of the prison. I walked out of my room when the girl went in because it was my father's orders. I never spoke to the girl all the time she was there. I never nodded my head to her and I cannot say that I looked at her when she was passing. I was never interested enough. I never touched her or put my hand on her. I don't believe I was ever close enough. I never had connection with any girl.

Q. Did ever a girl swear a child on you? A. Yes.

Q. And yet you never had connection with a girl? Did you pay \$100? A. The money was paid.

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Daniel Mc Donald, examined.

I have been keeper at the City prison for the last twenty years. My duties take me to the womens corridor; when I was locking the women up at night; unlocking them in the morning, letting them out of their cells to the water closet. At dinner time we did not lock them up; we gave them their meals at the cook house. I do not remember any occasion on which I found that the cell door bolts or the corridor door had been tampered with. At night we generally lock the men up and take the number of the prisoners, and the matron locks up the women.

Q. Do you remember a Sunday afternoon when Mr. Wier had a prolonged church service, when you were in the rotunda and saw Mary Murphy come out of one of the rooms upstairs?

A. It was on a Sunday afternoon before 5 o'clock in the evening. It was about 5, or ten to 5. I was in charge; we only had three keepers at that time. I had charge on Sunday. There were two off and one on. There was another to help in the morning and two men in the day time. On my regular Sunday on Brewer would come to help me in the morning. I came out of church, Mr. Wier was holding the service, and he was longer than usual. I rang the bell for supper. They lined up for supper, Mrs Grant was not well. When I had served the supper I found I was a supper over. I looked them over and found Murphy missing. I came in and bolted the ward door. Only Brewer was there. I did not see her around anywheres for a minute, perhaps more, and then I saw her coming out of Walter Grant's room at the top of the house. By the time she got pretty near to the bottom Walter Grant came out. I said, What is the matter you did not come for your supper - quite sharp - well, she said, she had to take some water to Walter Grant's room; she still had the pitcher in her hands. I hardly think it likely it was full then because she would have left the water up there. I dont know what Sunday; quite a while after she came in the prison. Either in February or March. I have no dates. It was along the last of February or first part of Marchsomewheres; it could be traced out. There is a record of who is on duty. I gave her her supper and then I came in and bolted the door. Walter Grant was standing in the hall, and I am pretty sure his father. Brewer was there, and I am almost positive Mr Wier was there. I said to Walter, You had better get wise around here. He just shook his head and did not say anything. Brewer was standing a little distance away, and I don't know whether he heard me or not. Brewer was standing in the hall when she came out of the room with the pitcher. He was in the hall when the girl was coming down stairs. She should have been there for meal hour. We are not supposed to be alone with the girls. I have been alone on several occasions but we are not supposed to be. I did not report this incident of Mary Murphy's absence to Mrs. Grant; she had been sick. Murphy had an excuse that she had been up to Walter Grant's room with water; she did not say who sent her. I saw Walter Grant later in the day. He came into our keepers room that evening and I told him that he had better be careful and when women went to his room to step outside and let them do what they had to do and go inside afterwards. He said,

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Hell, you don't think I would have anything to do with her. I said, I don't say you would ; or words to that effect. Nothing more was said. I do not know when I first learned that Mary Murphy was in the family way. Mrs. Grant told me. Mary Murphy never told me she was in the family way. Walter Grant told me she was after a while. Some time after Dr. Harrison went in April, I think. I do not know whether it was two or three days after Dr. Harrison went there. Walter told me Mary Murphy was in the family way. He said, I don't think anybody around here is responsible. He suggested that some one said he was responsible. It was generally know at that time she was in the family way.

Q. Do you remember on one occasion when Mary Murphy was washing clothes in the womens corridor and you went in ? A. There were two prisoners carrying a tub of water. A man prisoner and Mary Murphy was there; there were no other prisoners. She was four or five cells up; I went the full length of the corridor to see about some wrenches and pipes . The plumbers had been there. The Governor had told us to always be careful as the prisoners might make their way out. Murphy was crying. I said, What is the matter Murphy ? She said, They are trying to make me tell something. She did not say who was trying. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ She did not say what the trouble was that she was crying about; I thought something was the matter. I suggested she should tell the matron of her trouble. She said, well perhaps it would not be good for her. I never spoke to her afterwards. One Sunday morning she spoke to me; she was standing at the kitchen door. I was getting the books for the prisoners on Sunday morning, and as I came along she said, Mc Donald what have you to say about me and Walter outside ? I was going through the hall. I had a right to be there. She said I was talking about her and Walter Grant outside. Well, I said, I don't talk outside. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ I did not say, I have not said anything about you, leave decent people alone. I do not know whether she said, I know nothing about Walter Grant. She did not say, I don't know anything about Walter Grant but that is more than I can say about you. I do not know whether she said, If I had done what you wanted me to do I would have been in Dorchester now where you ought to be. That conversation never took place. It is all hearsay.

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Q. In an affidavit of Mary Murphy dated July 2nd - 16th April, two days after Dr. Harrison had been there ? It is not correct. The conversation never took place. I am sure I do not know what the motive is in attributing that conversation to me. I do not know why she would accuse me of saying such things. I can swear to it right now that no conversation ever took place with Mary Murphy. She was never in the underkeepers room when I was there. I do not remember Mrs. Grant coming in and finding Mary Murphy and me in the same room. She might be in the bathroom and I in the keepers room.

Q. Will you say that Mrs. Grant never found you in your room and Mary Murphy in the bath room at the same time. A. That is a pretty hard question to answer.

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I know some Gaelic. (some Gaelic words were quoted to the witness). Q. The charge is that Mrs. Grant came into the corridor and heard you say those words to Mary Murphy. A. I never spoke to a female prisoner in those corridors in my life, except when Mrs. Grant was with me.

Q. When it is necessary for the women to go to the yard at night did you let them out - to the closet? A. We have done it, but I do not remember, it is a long time since we let them out at night. We have let them out in the morning.

When Mary Murphy was crying she was sitting on a small bench and we had to pass by her in the corridor. The others went out and left us two there. It might be against the rules; I think it was. I had intended to tell Mrs. Grant.

I have been at the prison 23 years, under two Governors. Murray and Grant. I will swear that I never had any improper connection with Murphy, nor did I ever make any improper proposals to her. There are opportunities for the keepers or young Grant or any one else to have connection with the female prisoners if they desire. I have no knowledge of Brewer ever having had improper connection with this girl. I have seen young Grant in the cook house on Saturday afternoons frequently. I think I called the Governor's attention to it once, shortly after their arrival. Perhaps the boy did not know. I have never seen anyone getting over the fence at night, but I could not swear to that.

Q. Mrs Grant stated in her evidence that you had stated shortly after Brewer left "Brewer has 'petered' out over that Mary Murphy scrape". A. No, I never said anything of the kind. I heard Mr. Grant the Governor say that Mary Murphy cried after Brewer went out of the prison. ~~and then she said that Brewer had left the town on account of the Mary Murphy scrape~~

Q. Did you say to Mrs. Grant, You know the news: they say Brewer has left the town on account of the Mary Murphy scrape. A. I do not remember anything about it. I do not know I ever heard it.

Q. Was that the understanding you had why Brewer left the town. A. No, I do not think it was.

It is quite true that the female corridor is often not locked but just bolted on the outside. Sometimes there is a lock and sometimes there is not. Anyone can walk in from the front door through the womens corridor.

Q. Edna Boutilier has sworn that you pinched the girls legs in the kitchen. A. I never go in the kitchen at all. I am a married man and respect my wife and family. I say it is not true. I am glad to have a chance to deny it. I never did. No one can say that.

Mr. Grant is sometimes on duty as soon as we are, at 5 o'clock. Sometimes I do not see me at all. As a general rule he is around but perhaps I would not see him. Mrs. Grant sometimes turns out when it is time to let the women out of their bunks, that would be about 20 after 7. We don't let them out of their cells in the morning but there are two keepers who unbolt the doors.

Q. One of the prisoners swore that there would be an opportunity for improper connection at that hour in the morning. Brewer also stated that. Would any tradesmen from outside have a chance to have connection with the prisoners. A. Yes, mechanics working in the institution.

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When the heating was being put in there were men working around the institution, and I have seen them alone in all the rooms. Sometimes there would be two and sometimes one. There would be female prisoners round about and they had to go through their rooms. These mechanics were around the best part of last winter. I cannot say what opportunity young Grant would have to have connection with this girl; he was around the house all the time; I do not say he had connection with her at all. He would not have an opportunity in the corridor unless he wanted to take a chance. I saw this girl come out of Walter Grant's room on one occasion. I was standing in the lower hall of the building looking up. I was looking for her. Mrs Grant was not near at the time. I think she had not been well. She had been taking water to the rooms and looking after the fires; it was one of her duties.

Q. Did you tell Mrs. Grant, the day Mary Murphy was supposed to be in the bathroom, that you were changing your boots in your room. A. We changed our boots in the gate house. I never offered such an excuse. Mrs. Grant's statement is not correct. If ever I went to our room outside of proper hours I asked Mrs. Grant. I cannot say exactly that I ever knew of Mary Murphy talking to the plumbers who were working in the institution. I do not know of Mrs. Grant having locked her up on that account. The prisoners go to work in the winter time at 8 o'clock and they get their breakfast at 7.30. In the summer time they start work at 6 and have their breakfast at 8. They work two hours cracking stone before they get their breakfast. I never asked young Grant if he had connection with Mary Murphy. I was not the first to acquaint Walter Grant of her condition; he told me. He said his father told him. I do not know anything at all about it, only he told me. That was in the evening about half past 7. I think he said, There was trouble here, that Mary Murphy was in the family way, but that he did not think it belonged to anybody around here. I did not know what Dr. Harrison was there for. Mrs. Grant had told me previously to Walter but not exactly that she was in the family way, but that there was some trouble. The first person to tell me plain out was Walter Grant.

(Chairman Harris put in the following communication.)

Dr. L.I. Harrison states that he examined Mary Murphy at the City prison at request of Mrs. Grant. Murphy was in family way. Was reticent. Admitted having stayed at a road house where she had met Brown and others. She did not mention anyone else. Was not asked question as to Grant. Said Mrs. Grant knew of her condition. Understood Dr. Trenaman had visited her. Inferred from what she said told me that she was three or four months along in family way. No physical examination. Believe she thought at that time Brown and others responsible for her condition. Two visits April 14th and 19th 1913. Don't remember on which occasion he examined her.

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City Hall,
March 27th, 1914.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11.30 o'clock. Present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hoben and Harris.

Council

Willow Street Sewer and Water
Read report City Engineer re Willow St. sewer and water extension. Approved.

*Lawrence
Council
Engineer*

Fish stop for City Water Supply.
Read report City Engineer re Percy Lawrence's patent fish stop for water supply in-takes. Approved.

Council

York Street Sewer
Read report City Engineer re York St. sewer. Approved.

*Engineer
C. S. Pickford*

Sullivan St. Electric Light
Read report City Engineer re electric light Sullivan St. Approved.

*Hoben
S. S. Shatford*

Almon Street Sidewalk
Read report City Engineer re cinder sidewalk Almon St. north side, west from Windsor St. Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the said sidewalk be improved after the first of May, and copy of the Engineer's report forwarded to C. S. Pickford. Motion passed.

Engineer

Gasoline Tanks Power's Wharf.
Read letter S. S. Shatford, asking for an early meeting of the Special Committee (Controllers Hoben and Scanlan, the City Engineer, and Chief of Fire Department) appointed to report on the matter of underground inflammable oil tanks. Referred to Controller Hoben.

Caretaker Fleming Park.
Read application Maurice McKenna for position of Caretaker of Fleming Park. Filed.

Seldon Street Sewer
Read petition for sewer in Seldon St. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Dilapidated Building 420 Gottingen St.

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Read report City Engineer re condition of building 420 Gottingen St. The Secretary is instructed to notify ^{the heirs of} Mrs. Frank Eden, the owner of the property, that unless the windows and doors of the building are immediately boarded up, proceedings will be taken to condemn the property as a fire menace.

*Mrs. Helen Eden
heir of
Mrs. Frank Eden
Engineer
Chief Fire Dept.*

Ocean Terminals - Moving Buildings

Read report City Engineer, recommending that a permit be granted for the moving of two houses 34 and 42 Pleasant St. to lots of Fenwick St.

Engineer

Approved.

Summer Street Sidewalk

Read petition George A. Wootten, for concrete sidewalk, Summer St., west side from Spring Garden Road north to Sackville St. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer

North West Arm Trunk Sewer

Read petition Waegwoltic Club for connection with the North West Arm trunk sewer, and requesting that sewer work on the Club property be not commenced until after September 1st, next. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

*Engineer
M. Guilloid
Sec W Club.*

Ivanhoe Street Sewer and Water

Read petition Walter A. Black for sewer and water construction Ivanhoe St. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

*Engineer
W.A. Black.*

Special Police Picture Theatre

Read application Empire Theatre, Jacob St. (Moving picture) for the appointment of William White as a special constable. Referred to Controller Harris and the Chief of Police for report.

*Harris
Chief of Police*

Accounts on Bill Posting

Read account E. L. Ruddy Co., Ltd., \$25.00, for posting 300 sheets of lists of voters. Controller Harris stated that previously the charge for this

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work was at the rate of 4¢ per sheet, and that the present account is at the rate of 8 1/3 ¢ per sheet. The Secretary is instructed to inform the Posting Company that the charge is exorbitant, and to offer them at the rate of 4¢ per sheet, the former charge.

Street cleaning
Read report City Health Board as follows:-

Office of City Health Board,
Halifax, Mar. 27th, 1914.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held yesterday, it was on motion unanimously decided to request your Board, in the interest of public health, to immediately have the streets in the centre of the City cleaned, by using the balance of the street fund and increasing the number of men employed.

John H. Watters,
Secretary.

Filed. *W. E. Exhibition Lots*

Alfred Dickie appeared before, and addressed the Board in connection with his offer to purchase certain of the lots on the old Exhibition property.

Controller Scanlan arrives, and takes his seat at the Board.

His Worship the Mayor moved that Mr. Dickie's offer be referred to the City Council and that Mr. Dickie be given an opportunity to present his case before the Council at its next meeting.

Moved by Controller Scanlan that Mr. Dickie's offer of \$5000 for three lots on Morris St. be refused.

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Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by controller Scanlan, that the City Solicitor be requested to submit his opinion in writing at Monday morning's meeting, as to whether the City is bound to accept the offer made by Mr. Clark. Mr. Clerk's offer, enclosing deposit cheque for \$100 is read. The motion of Controller Harris and Scanlan is put and passed.

Solicitor

Maintenance Incurrible Girl.

Rev. Archdeacon Armitage and Dr. Trenaman, the City Medical Officer, appeared before the Board in relation to the incurrible girl now at the Girl's Home, 33 College St. It is admitted that the City is not legally in a position to do anything towards the maintenance of this girl. Dr. Armitage urges that the Province should establish a Home for defective or feeble minded persons.

Home for feeble minded.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by controller Hoben, that the Board of Control approve of the suggestion of Dr. Armitage, and urge upon the Local Government the desirability of establishing a Provincial institution for the care and maintenance of the feeble minded. Motion passed.

Mayor

City Prison Investigation - Mary Murphy

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Hoben, that the City Solicitor submit his opinion in writing at an early date, as to whether the cost of maintaining Mary Murphy in the City of Halifax should be a charge against the City of Sydney.

Solicitor

Building Laws Violations Oxford School - Fire Escapes.
Read report City Engineer re fire-proof stairways

in public schools. The Chief of the Fire Department verbally strongly recommends the construction of a fire-proof stairway in the proposed addition to Oxford

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School.

The Board unanimously decided that the Building Laws in respect to Oxford School must be adhered to.

It is decided to resume the *City Prison Investigation* investigation at 3 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, the 31st inst.

Market-Building

Controller Hoben stated that M. E. Keefe, Contractor for the construction of the City Market Building, had informed him that there were some difficulties encountered in connection with the grades for the Market Building.

Controller Hoben, the City Engineer and Architect Dumaresq are authorized to confer with Mr. Keefe, and to report to the Board on this matter.

Investigations under Oath

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Scanlan, that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft an Act authorizing the Board of Control to hold investigations under oath. Motion passed.

Underground Wires Legislation

Moved by Controller Scanlan, seconded by Controller Hoben, that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft legislation whereby the City may compel any Company using electric wires, to place said wires underground in any street, when requested by the City. Motion passed.

Alterations City Hall

Read report Controller Harris covering details of proposed internal alterations and improvements in the City Hall. Deferred until Monday's meeting.

Canard Street Widening

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the City Engineer forthwith remove the portion of the building at the corner of Coppingen

Engineer

*M. E. Keefe
Engineer
S.P. Dumaresq
Hoben*

Solicitor

*Solicitor
Engineer*

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and Cunard Streets encroaching upon the street lines,
the Engineer to give reasonable notice to the owner
of his intention to remove the said obstruction.

Engineer

Motion passed.

The Board adjourned.

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MAYOR.

L. Fred McLaughlin
CITY CLERK.

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Jurors Lists.

City Hall,

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The City Clerk, with clerical assistance (see Board of Control minutes pp. 668, 669) having previously gone through the Assessment Roll and existing lists of Jurors, and prepared and revised the lists for 1914, the Board of Control met this day at 4 p. m. Present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Harris and Hoben and the City Clerk, who are now sworn into office as Revisors of the Jurors lists before the Stipendiary Magistrate.

The Revisors proceeded to the duty of selecting from the names submitted by the City Clerk from the Assessment Roll, all persons duly qualified as Jurors, and eliminating therefrom, and from the previous lists the names of persons disqualified.

The list *as* so revised, ^{is} ~~and~~ ordered to be typewritten and made ready for the signatures of the Revisors.

The Board adjourned.

J. J. J.
MAYOR.

L. J. J. J.
CITY CLERK.

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Board of Control Chambers,

City Hall,

March 30th, 1914

The Board of Control met this morning at 11.30 o'clock. Present Controllers Harris, Hoben and Scanlan. Controller Harris is appointed to the chair. *Moving Buildings - Damage to Sts.*

Read report City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
Mar. 30th, 1914/

MOVING BUILDINGS .

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

In granting permits for moving buildings, we have not required the applicant to deposit any money to cover damage done. The permit really covers the breaking of soil, as it is necessary in the moving of the building to do considerable damage to the street.

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Engineer

I have instructed the Street Foremen to repair damage done where houses have been moved recently, and I would recommend that when any permit is granted hereafter for moving buildings, a deposit of not less than \$20 be made to cover repairs to the street made necessary by the operations of the building mover, it being understood that the City Engineer shall have authority to require a larger deposit if the distance to be covered would necessitate the expenditure of a larger sum for repairs.

F. W. W. Doane,

City Engineer.

Approved *Ocean Terminals - Taxation of Properties .*
Read letter Hon. Dr. Reid, Acting Minister

of Railways, as follows:-

March 30th, 1914.

Office of
The Minister of Railways & Canals.
Ottawa, Mar. 27th, 1914.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of March 25th re taxes on property at Halifax expropriated for railway purposes, and I beg to enclose copy of a letter I wrote Mr. F. H. Bell, City Solicitor, on March 19th. Since writing Mr. Gutelius has found it impossible to leave Ottawa at the present time and has written Colonel Weston to take the matter up with the City and deal with it.

J. D. Reid,

Acting Minister of Railways & Canals

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,

City Clerk, Halifax, N. S.

Referred to His Worship the Mayor, Controller

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Hoben and the City Engineer.

Lockman Street Rain Water Leaders.

Read letter Joseph Mohra, 33 Lockman St., re

rain water leaders. Referred to the Plumbing Inspector for report.

Deputy Mayor Powell arrives and takes the chair.

Dalhousie College - Morris St.

Professor A. Stanley MacKenzie, President of

Dalhousie College, appeared before the Board, urging that steps be taken before the Legislature rises to secure authority for the City to borrow any necessary money to further the extension of Morris St. westwardly to the new Dalhousie property, known as Studley.

Referred to the City Engineer for an early report.

Oxford Street Building Line.

E. E. Silliker appeared before the Board, asking for a ruling as to whether the building line (25 feet back from the street line) on Oxford St. prohibits

*Mayor
Hoben
Engineer
Council*

*Plumbing Inspector
Morris St.*

Engineer

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the building of verandahs or steps beyond the said building line. The City Engineer stated that in his opinion the regulation prohibits the encroachment of any part of a building beyond the building line. The Board agrees with the City Engineer, and decides that all buildings including steps must be kept back from the building line.

Engineer

Caretaker Reservoir

Read recommendation of Aldermen Parker and Hubley for appointment of Richard Kelley as Caretaker of the Water Reservoir, Shaffroth's Hill. Filed.

Bonds for School Board.

Read Order in Council directing the City to issue debentures to raise the sum of \$1500 for furniture and equipment at the new Bloomfield High School. Referred to the Trustees of the Sinking Fund for report.

City Treasurer

Read copy of Bond filed on appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada in the case of Tobin vs. the City of Halifax. Approved.

Cleaning of Streets - Streets Funds.

Read report City Health Board re cleaning of streets in centre of City, brought up at the request of Controller Scanlan (see minutes Board of Control, March 27th, page 329).

Moved by Controller Scanlan that legislation be sought to empower the City to each year borrow the sum of \$10,000 to be used between January 1st and May 1st each year for cleaning the streets of the City, and to be included in the assessment for each succeeding year.

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His Worship, the Mayor arrives and takes the chair.

Moved by Controller Scanlan, seconded by Contröller Harris, that the City Solicitor prepare an Act to expunge the words "repairing or" in the sixth line of sub-section two of section 354 of the City Charter.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that said resolution be referred to Controller Scanlan and the City Engineer for report. Motion passed.

old Exhibition Lots
The City Solicitor verbally reports that in his opinion the offer made by M. S. Clarke, together with the deposit of \$100 by him with said offer for the purchase for \$7,000 of two of the old Exhibition lots at the corner of Morris and Summer Streets does not make a contract binding on the City.

Alfred Dickie again appeared before the Board, asking the City to accept his offer of \$5,000 for old Exhibition lots on Morris St. Referred to the City Engineer for report at Wednesday's meeting.

Tramway Legislation
Read letter H. H. Wickwire, Chairman of Committee on Private and Local Bills, stating that Bill No. 97, a Bill to incorporate the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company, will be considered by the Committee on Tuesday morning, the 31st inst. at 11 o'clock. His Worship the Mayor and City Solicitor are authorized to request the postponement by the Committee of the consideration of the Bill, failing which the Solicitor and the members of the Board, together with any solicitor appointed by the Mayor, appear before the Committee in protection of the City's interests.

*Scanlan
Engineer*

Engineer

*Mayor
Solicitor
Hoben
Harris
Scanlan
Scanlan*

Legislation

March 30th, 1914.

The Board decided to meet at 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening to consider proposed legislation.

City Prison Investigation

The Board decided to leave the City Hall at 12.30 o'clock sharp on Wednesday, 1st April, prox., to continue, and if possible conclude the investigation into the City Prison affairs.

Police Supplies

Controller Harris is authorized to advertise for tenders for police helmets and any other supplies required during the summer for the Police Department.

Tramway Legislation

Sidney Mosher, President of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railways Employees of Halifax, appeared before the Board, and submitted proposed amendments to Bill No. 97, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company, Limited," now before the Legislature. The amendments contained provision for the recognition of the employees's union, and for the arbitration of matters in dispute between the employees and the Company.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Scanlan that the principle of the amendments proposed be approved by the Board of Control. Motion passed.

Moving Building North Clifton Street
Read report City Health Board re application

of John Wright for permission to remove a building from North Clifton street to Livingston street. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

*Harris
chief of police*

Solicitor

Engineer

Town Planning

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Read letter Commission of Conservation re International Conference of City Planning at Toronto, May 25, 26 and 27. Referred to the Commercial Committee.

Connaught Avenue

Read report City Engineer re acceptance of Connaught Avenue. Filed, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to John W. Regan, President Halifax Realty Corporation, Limited.

The Board adjourned.

Fred Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

J. M. [unclear]
MAYOR.

E. A. Saunders

John W. Regan

Legislation - No Quorum.

Board of Control Chambers.

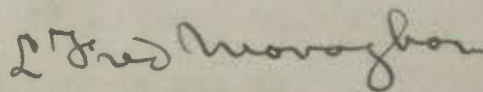
City Hall,

April 1st, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Control was called for this evening to consider legislation, at 8 o'clock. Present His Worship the Mayor.

At 8.30 o'clock there being no quorum present to do business, the meeting stands adjourned.


Mayor.


City Clerk.

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Board of Control Chambers,
City Hall.

April 3rd, 1914.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11.30 o'clock. Present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hoben, Harris and Scanlan.

Marina Bauer - Maritime Lumber Co
Read letter Maria Bauer, 76 Veith St., re suit now in the Supreme Court between Alfred Myra and Maria Bauer on behalf of the heirs of Richard Myra, against the Maritime Lumber Co. Referred to the City Solicitor for report.

Fire Escape Argyle St - SA Harbor.
Read report Assistant City Engineer, covering application with plan from Hillis & Sons, Ltd. for a permit for the erection of a fire escape on People's Palace (Salvation Army Harbor) on Argyle St., which will project over the street about 40 inches. The plan is approved, the encroachment authorized, and a permit ordered to be issued.

North West Arm Sewer
Read report City Engineer re intercepting sewer North West Arm. Referred back to the City Engineer for further report as to the authority of the City to expropriate the fee simple of the right of way for the sewer, or to expropriate only the rights required therein for sewer purposes.

Edinburgh Street Light and Sewer
Read petition for sewer and electric light Edinburgh St. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Vernon Street - Water Supply for Construction
Robert Daw appeared before the Board, complaining that he had been unable to obtain water

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supply for construction purposes at houses, Vernon St. Referred to the City Engineer for action as soon as possible.

Engineer

Building Permit - Livingston St
Read report City Engineer re permit for dwelling Livingston St. Filed.

Engineer

Old Exhibition Lots
Read letter Alfred Dickie withdrawing all offers made by him for the purchase of lots on the old Exhibition property.

Read report City Engineer on offer of Alfred Dickie to purchase lots on old Exhibition property.

Read letter His Worship the Bishop of Nova Scotia suggesting that the City offer for sale by tender the remainder of the old Exhibition property building lots.

These several papers are ordered to be forwarded to the City Council, together with the offer made by M. S. Clarke.

South Park Street - Curb.

Read report City Engineer re South Park St. curb. Referred back to the City Engineer to consult with the Management of the School for the Blind, and further report.

Engineer

Sidewalks St-Georges Church.
Read report City Engineer re side-walks. The same is considered clause by clause.

Read clause re St. George's Church sidewalk.

Approved. *Young Avenue Sidewalks*
Young Avenue. Approved.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the City Engineer report on the advisability of laying a concrete sidewalk on the

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east side of Young Avenue from Inglis Street to Atlantic Street. Motion passed.

Sidewalks

Albemarle and Grafton Streets. Approved.

Henry Street. Approved.

Summer Street. Approved.

Artillery Place. Approved.

South Park St. Moved by Controller Scanlan, seconded by Controller Hoben that this clause be approved, the curb and gutter only to be laid in its turn out of the sidewalk appropriation, the balance of the permanent sidewalk to be constructed later. Motion passed.

Moved by Controller Scanlan, seconded by Controller Harris that the City Engineer report on the advisability of laying a permanent sidewalk curb and gutter on the west side of South Park St. from Spring Garden Road to Sackville St. Motion passed.

King's Place Repairs and Light

Alderman Parker submits petition for electric light and street repairs King's Place. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Almon Street Sewer

Read report City Engineer re sewer extension Almon Street, between Windsor and Dublin Streets. Approved.

Mott and Seldon Sts Sewer

Read report City Engineer re sewer extension Mott and Seldon Streets. Approved.

Elm Street Water

Read report City Engineer re water extension Elm St. between Quinpool Road and Oak St. Approved.

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Street-noises - Schools.

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Read letter Board of School Commissioners covering letters from the Principals of the County Academy, Alexandra School and St. Patrick's Boys' School, re street noises interfering with class work. Referred to Controller ^{Harris} ~~Hoben~~ for suggestions as to amending the Street Ordinance, and for report.

Harris

Ocean Terminals Inspector

Read application William J. DeWolfe, Bridgewater, for position as Inspector of the new Terminal Works in the City's interest. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer

DeWolfe Wharf Sewer Outlet

Read letter Commander F. H. Larnder, Cable Ship Mackay-Bennett, re City sewer out-fall at the head of the Mackay-Bennett wharf. Referred to the City Engineer for report, Captain Larnder to be informed as to the action of the Board.

Engineer
Capt Larnder

Accounts for Bill Posting

Read letter E. L. Ruddy Co. Ltd. in explanation of the increase in their charges for posting lists of voters, 8 1/3 ¢ this year, as against 4 ¢ last year. Referred to the City Solicitor for report.

Solicitor

Accounts

Read account Findlay's News Store, \$9.00, for printing for Citizens' Free Library. The same is passed for payment.

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Watersheds City Lakes

Read report City Engineer covering plans of the water-sheds on the lakes from which the City obtains its water supplies.

Engineer

The City Engineer is instructed to report on the estimated cost of expropriating lot No. 5 of the Beechville lots and of properties to the west

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thereof on the water-shed.

Legislation

The Board decided to meet at 4 o'clock this afternoon to consider proposed legislation.

Henry Street - sidewalk

Read letter Henry Hechler re sidewalk Henry

St. Referred to the City Engineer for immediate action.

Police Dept - Supplies

Controller Harris submits tenders for supplying 45 or more police summer helmets as follows:-

Kline & Mullins, \$3.50 each.

Colwell Bros. Ltd., \$3.49 each.

The tender of Colwell Bros., Ltd., being the lowest, is accepted.

Controller Harris submits tenders for supplying rubber boots for the Police Department as follows:-

Amherst Boot & Shoe Co. Ltd., \$4.15, \$4.35 and \$4.25.

William Taylor Co. Ltd., \$4.00

The tender of William Taylor Co. Ltd., being the lowest, is accepted.

City Prison Investigation - Yes.

Read accounts John McDonald, Hillside Stables, and C. McSweeney, \$7.00 each for cab hire for City Prison. The same are passed for payment.

Accounts.

Controller Harris submits and recommends for payment accounts against the Police Department amounting to \$155.97. Same are passed for payment.

Special Police Picture Theatres

Read report Controller Harris and Chief of Police re special Constable for Empire Theatre,

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Jacob Street, as follows:-

Office of Chief of Police,
Mar. 31st, 1914.

Re application for appointment Special
Police Empire Theatre.

The Board of Control,
City of Halifax.
Gentlemen:-

In the matter referred to the under-
signed for report, we beg to state that we would
recommend that the application be granted, and Mr.
White appointed, provided that the applicants will
strike out the taking of tickets from the duties
set out in their application, and that they will
not require Mr. White to do this work, it being
considered not advisable that Police Officers
should have other than police duty to perform.

Empire Theatre

John A. Rudland,
Chief of Police.

Reginald V. Harris,
Controller.

Approved.

Electric Wiring Ordinance

Read application Clayton & Sons for permission
to instal an electric lighting system on the sewing
machines in their clothing factory. Referred to
the City Electrician for report.

Electrician

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS.

City Prison Investigation

John McDonald	Cab hire	\$7.00	
Hillside Stables	do	7.00	
C. McSweeny	do	7.00	\$21.00

Citizens' Free Library

Findlay's News Store	Printing	9.00	9.00
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Police Department.

Maritime Tel. Co.	Phone, Feb.	\$11.67
do	do Mar.	12.31
A.H.Lamphier		12.50
T.C.Allen & Co.	Forms, etc.	4.40
H.K.Martin	Handcuffs	57.00
H.R.Bergman	Repg. Badges	.50
Blackadar Bros	Advertising	4.65
do	do	4.65
Chronicle Pub. Co.	do	6.27
do	do	5.01
do	do	6.27
do	do	6.27
Blackadar Bros.	do	2.25
Chronicle Pub. Co.	do	3.75
Blackadar Bros.	do	1.50
Chronicle Pub. Co.	do	3.12
Strond & Eveleigh	Patrol Waggon Tire	12.00
Neil Fox	Repairing Reins	1.25
A.M.Bell & Co.	Oil Hat	.60
		<u>\$155.97</u>

The Board adjourned.

J.P.S.P.
MAYOR.

J. J. McLaughlin
CITY CLERK.

Board of Control Chambers,

City Hall,

April 3rd, 1914.

The Board of Control met this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Present His Worship the Mayor, and Controllers Harris, Hoben and Scanlan.

Council
Read accounts City Health Board, \$117.91. Said accounts are passed for payment.

Accounts
City Prison Investigation
In connection with the City Prison Investigation, Controller Harris is authorized to go to the Prison tonight and obtain a statutory declaration from Jane Devaney, a prisoner, whose term expires tomorrow.

Harris
Legislation
The Board proceeds to the consideration of general City legislation proposed to be submitted at the present session of the Local Legislature.

The various draft acts considered at a meeting of the Board of Control at an evening session held February 12th, present Controllers O'Connor, Harris and Scanlan, and reported up to the City Council at its meeting March 4th, 1914, and printed are read clause by clause, and the following amendments made thereto:

Water St Widening - Brister Property
For the purchase of land of Charles Brister in the schedule on page 2, the amount is filled in at \$5,000, and in the same schedule for land for diversion of Mumford Road, the amount is filled in at \$1,000.

Gasoline at Pumps.

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Council

On page 6, re permits for street pumps, after the word "gasoline", the following words are added: "or other volatile oils".

Salaries of new officials

Council

On page 7, the clause relating to salaries of officials is amended by filling in the blank therein in the third line the words "two-thirds", and in the fifth line of said paragraph after the work "shall", the word "not".

City Prison Deficit

Council

On page 10, in the schedule of borrowings, the blank for City Prison deficit is filled in at \$1,600.

City Prison Improvement

Council

On motion of Controller Harris, the following clause is added to the schedule on page 2;-"For alterations and improvements at the City Prison, \$2,500".

Billiard Boards for Fire Stations

Council

Moved by Controller Scanlan, seconded by Controller Harris that the sum of \$1,250 be added to the short term borrowing bill for the purpose of providing a billiard board in each of five of the fire stations, and that regulations be provided under which the revenue derived from the use of said billiard boards be paid in to the City until the said revenue has amounted to the cost of the boards.

The motion being put, Controllers Scanlan and Harris voted for its adoption, and His Worship the Mayor and Controller Hoben against.

Tuberculosis Hospital

The City Solicitor submits a draft act enabling the City to contribute a sum not exceeding \$2,500

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per year towards the cost of maintenance of a Tuberculosis Hospital. Approved.

Controller Harris submits a draft act to amend the act of 1912 entitled "An Act Respecting Municipal Sanitariums". Same is approved.

Council, City and Dartmouth Agreement?
The City Solicitor submits an act to legalize

the tri-party agreement made September 25th, 1913, between the City of Halifax, the Town of Dartmouth and the County of Halifax, relating to joint expenditure. Approved.

#50,000 for street-repairs.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Scanlan that the following clause be added to the borrowing bill:- "To be expended in macadamizing the main thoroughfares leading from the suburbs to the centre of the City, not exceeding \$50,000". Motion passed.

Electric Wires Underground.

The City Solicitor submits draft act re the placing of electric wires underground. Said draft is approved, and the City Clerk instructed to forward a copy thereof to the Maritime Telephone Co.

Investigations under Oath

The City Solicitor submits a draft authorizing the Board of Control to hold investigations under oath. Approved.

City Prison under Public Management.

On motion of Controller Harris, the City Solicitor is instructed to draft an act bringing

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the City Prison Management under the control of the Police Department.

Arbitration

The City /Solicitor submits an act relating to arbitration in expropriation proceedings.

Approved. *Officials Superannuation Act:*

The City Solicitor submits amendments to the City officials superannuation act. Approved.

Borrowing Bill

At request of Controller Hoben, the City Solicitor drafts the following to be added to the borrowing bill, and the same is approved:- "For the purchase of land from time to time required for widening streets in connection with the paving or laying of permanent sidewalks thereon, not exceeding in any year \$1,000."

Police Force Pay.

Controller Harris submits the following:-

"The remuneration of the members of the Police Force shall be such as is from time to time determined by the Council." Section 255, sub-section 2, and section 257, sub-section 1, are hereby repealed.

The motion for the adoption of this act being put, Controllers Harris and Scanlan voted for it, and His Worship the Mayor and Controller Hoben against.

Police Superannuation Fund.

Controller Harris submits the following draft

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act:- Section 264 is amended by striking out
in the third line thereof the word "four" and
substituting the word "five". Approved.

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City Health Board.

P.J.Otto	Ice	\$7.00	
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising	27.39	
Maritime Tel. Co.	Phones	24.49	
National Drug Co.	Drugs	.50	
Halifax Electric Tram.	Light for Hospital	13.52	
City Home	Wood	.30	
Robinson Ltd.	Conveyance	2.50	
Kelly & Glassey	Brandy	1.50	
T.C.Allen	Stationery	.50	
E.W.Crease & Son	Groceries	9.98	
Farquhar Bros.	Work @ Emergen- cy	3.75	
Michael Day	Plumbing @ Infectious	26.48	\$117. 91

The Board adjourned.

[Signature]
Mayor

[Signature]
City Clerk.

Board of Control Chambers,

/City Hall,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 11.30 o'clock. Present His Worship the Mayor, and Controllers Harris, Hoben and Scanlan.

Controller Scanlan submits for payment ^{accounts} against the Fire Department amounting to \$1,064.45. The same are passed for payment.

Controller Hoben submits for payment general accounts for various services amounting to \$738.53. The same are passed for payment.

Controller Scanlan submits accounts against the City Home, amounting to \$2,510.63. The same are passed for payment.

Controller Scanlan reports 335 inmates in the ^{City Home} City Home, March 31st, and recommends that the work mentioned in the report of the Institution for March, covered in reports of the Plumbing Inspector and the Engineer of the City Home, or as much of it as can be done be proceeded with and paid for out of this year's appropriation, as far as such appropriation will allow. Controller Scanlan's recommendation is approved.

^{Francklyn Street Repairs.}
Read petition G. Fred Pearson for repairs to Francklyn St. Referred to the City Engineer for report, Mr. Pearson to be notified of the action of

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G. F. Pearson

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the Board.

Cunard Street Widening

Read letter Dr. A. C. Hawkins, asking for delay of two weeks in the removal of the encroachment by his house at the corner of Cunard and Gottingen Streets. The Secretary is instructed to notify Dr. Hawkins that the Board accedes to his request, but that they will refuse to consider any further delay than that asked for in his present petition.

*Dr. Hawkins
Engineer*

Tobin vs City of Halifax

The City Solicitor submits the following to be added to the City's borrowing bill:-

To provide for any amounts ultimately found to be due by the City in the action of Tobin vs. the City of Halifax, including the costs of defending same, not exceeding \$3,000. Approved.

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Walnut St Drainage and Repairs
Alderman Smith and Arthur C. MacKay appeared

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before the Board requesting repairs and drainage, Walnut St. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Tramway Legislation

Read letter E. Mackay, President Greater Halifax Central Conference, covering resolution passed by said Conference relating to the proposed capitalization of the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company, as follows:-

Resolved that the Greater Halifax Central Conference view with concern the proposed recapitalization of an important and vital public utility as contemplated in bill No 97. now before the legislature, and desire to put themselves in record as opposed to this

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obvious over-capitalization and the tying up of our civic franchise therein proposed, without the consent of the civic authorities and the citizens of Halifax.

Moved by R. M. Hattie
Seconded by A. McKay.

Referred to His Worship the Mayor.

Accounts

Controller Harris submits accounts against City Prison amounting to \$143.57. Said accounts are passed for payment.

Offer to Purchase Water Pipe

Read offer Brandram-Henderson Ltd. to purchase a small piece of water pipe to be used as roller. The Secretary is instructed to write that the City has use for the pipe, and therefore cannot dispose of it.

Lucknow Street - Sidewalk

Read petition Bishop of Nova Scotia for permanent sidewalk Lucknow St., east side, from Inglis St. to Victoria Road. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Kane Street - Sewer and Water

Read report City Engineer re sewer and water extension Kane Street. Approved.

Blind Persons - Maintenance

The City Clerk calls attention of the Board to House of Assembly Bills Nos. 126 and 127, providing for an increase of 50% in a contribution to be made by the City towards the maintenance of persons in the institution. *for the Blind* The City Clerk is instructed to write the Clerk of House of Assembly, requesting that said Bills be not considered before Committee of House of Assembly previous to the 11th inst., and that the Board of Control be notified when said Bills will be before Committee for consideration.

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Brandram-Henderson Ltd.

Engineer
Bishop Wonnell

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W.A. Dickson
Clerk H/A

Special Police C P Ry

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Controller Harris informed the Board that the Canadian Pacific Railway desired the appointment for one month of two special police constables, and recommended for such appointment Percy Turner and Philip George. Agreed to, and the said two men are appointed and sworn into office by His Worship the Mayor.

Contract for Granite

Read letter John Kline asking that the City make its contract for supply of granite to run for a period of three or five years instead of for one year, as at present. The Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Kline that it is now too late to comply with his request.

*John Kline
Engineer*

Ocean Terminal - Mumford Road.

Read report City Engineer re Mumford Road diversion, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
April 3rd, 1914.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I have taken all the preliminary steps as provided by law, and beg to submit herewith a resolution for the expropriation of the land required for the proposed diversion of Mumford Road at the Ocean Terminal Railway Crossing.

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F. W. W. Doane,

City Engineer.

Approved.

City Prison Investigation

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Con-

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troller Scanlan, that the City Prison investigation be resumed at the City Hall at 3 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, the 5th inst. Motion passed.

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Controller Harris asked that the City Engineer report on electric light corner Fawson and Lower Water Streets .

Building Laws - Ordinances
Controller Harris submits draft of an amendment

to the building laws authorizing the City Council to pass ordinances in respect to the same. Approved.

City Prison Improvements - Loan
Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller

Scanlan, that the resolution passed April 3rd (see minutes Page 848) providing for a loan of \$2,500 for improvements at the City Prison be amended to read \$4,000 instead of \$2,500. The motion being put,

Controllers Harris and Scanlan voted for the same, and His Worship the Mayor and Controller Hoben against it.

Tramway Legislation
Read resolution passed by Executive Committee of

Civic Improvement League in re bill to incorporate the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Co., Ltd., as follows:-

Resolved that in the opinion of the Executive of the Civic Improvement League it would be decidedly detrimental to the interests of Halifax if Bill 97 now before the Nova Scotia Legislature were to become law; that the dividend demands of so huge a capital as that proposed would tend to prevent the improvement and cheapening of the public services which the Halifax Electric Tramway Co. now provides, and burden consumers of electric current and users of the trams in Halifax City; that the requirements of the public for extension to the suburbs and the improvement of the service on suburban branches would be delayed or defeated; that many civic improvements, such as underground wiring and ornamental lighting, in which the League feel a special interest, would be made more remote if the proposals were to be carried out, while the provisions respecting the cutting of Trees are contrary to the spirit of the Street Tree Act, and may be exercised to the detriment of street tree planting carried out or contemplated as a result of the League's activities; that the Executive further feel opposed to the granting of so many and extensive

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powers and privileges, and especially feel concerned at the proposal to tie up in perpetuity franchises that are rightly only in the gift of Halifax City. The Executive, therefore, hope that Bill 97 will be defeated and urge the Board of Control, City Council and Citizens at large to use all the influence they can bring to secure the defeat of this Bill.

Moved by Rod McDonald.
Seconded by W. E. Schwartz.

Referred to His Worship the Mayor.
Moving of Buildings - Routes.

Engineer

Controller Harris requested the City Engineer to report as to the fixing of routes in permits for the moving of buildings, and for the protection of trees along said routes.

Intoxicating Liquors Legislation

Council

Controller Harris submits amendments, drafted by the City Solicitor, to the ~~Local~~ ^{Liquor} License Act and to the Nova Scotia Temperance Act. Approved.

Scanlon Sp Garden St Sidewalk - Fire Dept.

Engineer
Clerk Works
Chief Fire Dept

Controller Harris calls attention to the accounts rendered to the Fire Department by the Works Department for \$42.39, for alterations made by the Works Department to a new sidewalk laid in front of the Spring Garden Road engine house. The Controller originally claimed that the work should have been done in the manner in which it was afterwards altered, and that the Fire Department should not be charged with the cost.

Umlah Property Wood.

In connection with the application of John W. Umlah for an extension of five years to the privilege of cutting wood on property at the corner of St. Margaret's Bay and Prospect Roads (see minutes Jan. 16th, and Feb. 6th, 1914).

Controller Harris submits the following resolution;

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That John Umlah be permitted to cut fire-wood on the lot purchased from him for a period of five years from March 1st, 1914, the wood cut to be for his own private use, the quantity not to exceed 20 cords in any one year, only soft wood to be cut, and no more than one horse to be allowed on the property at one time. A formal agreement to be drawn by the City Solicitor covering these terms, and providing that no further extension of time shall be given after March 1st, 1919.

*Council
Engineer*

The resolution is seconded by Controller Scanlan, and passed, Controller Hoben dissenting on the ground that the City Engineer is opposed to it.

Water Extension Thornvale.

Read petition Margaret J. Kenney for water extension from the property known as "The Lodge" to the property known as "Thornvale" between South St. and Coburg Road. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

*Engineer
J B Kenney*

Gasoline Tanks Power Wharf.

Controller Harris stated that John Tobin & Co. desired to be heard in the matter of the application of the Imperial Oil Co. to instal underground tanks on Power's Wharf. Referred to the special committee having this matter in hand.

*Engineer
Chief Fire Dept.*

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS.

Fire Department.

Hfx. Tram Co.	Light	\$15.68	
	Power	17.45	\$33.13
H. R. Bergmann & Co.	Files etc.		2.80
Northern Electric Co.	Supplies		.72
C.L. Newman, Ltd.	Chains		28.10
Gunn & Co.	Fodder		39.55
S. C. Thompson	"		213.21
F. A. Shaw	"		130.32
Imperial Oil Co.	Gasoline, etc.		43.45
Canadian Rubber Co.	Packing		9.38
J. Stair Son & Co.	Fixtures, etc.		23.50
National Drug Co.	Acid, etc.		14.62
Can. Gen. Electric Co.	Supplies		.55
Wm. Robertson & Son	Oil Coats		8.00

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Lawrence Hardward Co.	Saws, etc.	3.80
H.D.MacKenzie Co.	Charcoal	.60
David Roche	Painting	8.84
G.M.Smith & Co.	Towels	.50
Wentzells Ltd.	Scap, etc.	11.25
Jas. Dempster Ltd.	Lumber	21.11
Hfx. Steam Laundry	Work	34.52
Telephone Co.	Phones	53.50
John Dawson & Son	Lumber	5.03
Cragg Bros.	Paper	3.25
Shroud & Eveleigh	Carriagework	5.35
A.J.McNutt	"	16.75
T.C.Allen & Co.	Printing	2.00
Kelly's Ltd.	Saddlery	14.25
W. & A. Moir	Machine Work	21.90
Never Skid Mfg. Co.	Chains	38.00
Maritime Paint Co.	Chamois	6.00
Geo. A. Perrier	Plumbing	37.77
Burns & Kelliher	Brass finishing	16.25
Geo.E.Smith & Co.	Hardware	3.20
Dr.Lewis Thomas	Medical attendance	5.00
Henry Lovett	Leather	16.43
City Home	Wood	1.25
Army Pay Office	Rent of encroach- ment	.25
Western Union Tel. Co.	Telegrams	1.89
Hillis & Sons		13.20
Geo.E.Boak & Son	Coal	15.60
Brander Morris & Co.	Carpet Etc.	89.00
F.P.Farquharson		7.15
Jas.Simmonds Ltd.	Hardware	63.45

\$1,064.45

General Accounts.

Registrar of Deeds	Descriptions	1.60
Medical Examiner	Certificates of Death	24.00
A. & W.MacKinlay Ltd.	Blank Books	88.90
T.C.Allen & Co.	Printing and Stationery	180.32
Chronicle	Advertising	115.44
Recorder	"	48.00
Herald	"	3.75
London Rubber Stamp Co.	Key Check	.25
Office Specialty Co.	Transfer Cases	.90
Royal Litho Ltd.	Printing List of Voters	173.37

\$636.53

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Dillon Bros.	Flour	202.75
E.W.Crease & Son	Groceries	335.99
J.A.Leaman & Co.	Meats	456.87

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A. Wilson & Son	Fresh Fish	\$43.25
Smith & Proctor	Butter	157.16
C.F. Holland	Milk	101.37
J. & M. Murphy Ltd.	Dry Goods	251.10
Fleischman & Co.	Yeast	3.90
H.D. McKenzie & Co.	Coal	386.74
S.C. Thompson	Forage	23.82
Gunn & Co., Ltd.	"	11.49
F.A. Shaw	"	18.72
Halifax Elec Tram Co.	Light	35.50
Arthur Fordham & Co.	Leather	13.28
T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	1.35
Maritime Tel. Co.		7.50
Vic. Gen. Hospital	Medicine	92.08
C.E. Putner	Dispensing Medicine	50.00
Snow & Co.	Coffin Fixtures	17.80
Niel Fox	Axle Grease	.90
William Grant	Rope	30.00
N.J. O'Connell	Horseshoeing	2.90
Robt. Horner	"	3.31
Howard McPatridge	"	1.25
Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	Hardware	6.05
Lawrence Hardware Co.		38.80
Thos. C. Johnson & Son	Clock	3.00
T.C. Ryan	Repairs Clock	1.50
W.S. Munnis	Men's Clothing	70.80
Wallace Bros.	Men's Boots	33.00
John Munnis & Son	Lumber	9.00
Brookfield Bros.	Lumber	2.75
Baldwin & Co.	Crockeryware	2.20
F.V. Woodbury, M.D.	Lunacy Certificate	5.00
C.L. Morton, M.D.	do	5.00
B.J. Mulcahy	Cash expended	85.50

\$2,510.63

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Moir's Ltd.	Bread	18.24
Wentzells Ltd.	Groceries	34.88
W.A. Maling Ltd.	Ox Heads	18.25
Stairs Son & Morrow	Hardware	10.83
J.E. Murphy	Drygoods	7.70
Robert Taylor & Co.		3.10
F.A. Shaw	Fodder	14.70
Gunn & Co. Ltd.	"	5.45
Chronicle	Advertising	6.27
Dr. Gough,	Professional services	3.00
LeMont Buskins	Chimney Sweep	6.00
Maritime Telephone Co.	Rental	4.50
Halifax Electric Tram.	Current	3.00

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City Prison -Continued.

Irwin & Sons	Drugs	\$3.40
Neil Fox	Harness supplies	1.25
Covey & Traise	Repairs to organ	3.00
		<u>\$143 .57</u>

The Board adjourned.

W. B. J. J.
Mayor.

L. Fred Monaghan
City Clerk.

Board of Control Chambers, City Hall

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The Board of Control met this morning at 11.30 o'clock. Present His Worship the Mayor, and Controllers Harris, Hoben and Scanlan.

Accounts

Read accounts Works Department, \$7,769.32. The same are passed for payment.

Works Dept - Motor Truck.

The Clerk of Works is instructed to make a return to the Board of the cost of repairs to the Works Department motor truck since its purchase.

Granville Street Sidewalk Building Permit -

Henry Roper, representing S. M. Brookfields, Ltd.

asked permission to occupy a space of about 12 feet from the building on the west side of Granville St., near the corner of George St. for about one week for construction purposes. The City Engineer is authorized to grant a permit on condition that the issuing thereof is not to be considered as a precedent in the case of future applications in other parts of the City.

Bilby Street Sewerage Rates

Henry Goudge, representing the Estate of John

Caldwell, Kempy Road, appeared before the Board, asking relief from the payment of sewerage rates, Bilby St., charged against properties on both sides of Bilby St. at the corner of Robie St. Mr. Goudge is informed that under the provisions of the City Charter the property is liable for the frontage rates.

Read report coal weighers for March, showing each weigher to have received \$45.55. Filed.

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Coal Weighers

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Simon Cummins, Supervisor of Coal Weighers, requested that the Board authorize His Worship the Mayor to appoint and swear into office a supernumerary weigher to weigh coke sold by the Halifax Electric Tramway Co. Approved.

Mayor

Accounts

The City Clerk submits the following accounts:-

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Dr. Finn, Medical Examiner, Certificates of Death, \$24.00
Royal Print & Litho Co., Printing City Charter, \$78.85

The said accounts are passed for payment.

Funds for School Board.

Council

Read report City Treasurer, stating that C.N.S. Strickland, Trustee, offers to loan the City \$6,000 at 9 1/2% for School purposes, and recommending that said offer be accepted. Approved.

Underkeepers City Prison

Council

Read resignation W. H. Handsley, an Underkeeper at the City Prison, to take effect April 15th.

Accepted.

Council

Read resignation Daniel McDonald, an Underkeeper at the City Prison, to take effect April 6th.

Accepted.

Henry Street - Taking over and sidewalk.

Council

Read report City Engineer, recommending the taking over by the City of Henry St., and the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the east side of said street, between Coburg Road and Bliss St., also covering a resolution respecting the taking over of the street, and a description thereof. Approved.

Canadian Northern Railway

Read letter Single Tax Association of Ontario, covering a petition to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario for the taking over by the Dominion Government of the Canadian Northern Railway

E.A. Saunders

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System. Referred to the Board of Trade.

Ivanhoe Street Sewer and Water

Read report City Engineer re sewer and water

construction Ivanhoe St. Approved.

Lucknow St and Young Ave Sidewalks

Read report City Engineer re sidewalks Lucknow

St. and Young Avenue. Approved.

Street Noises - Truck Ordinance

Read report Controller Harris re street noises,

covering an ordinance to amend ordinance No.15 of

the City of Halifax "On the Regulation of Trucks".

Controller Harris's report is approved, and the

ordinance accompanied therewith ordered to be for-

warded to the City Council for confirmation.

Changing City Year - Street Funds.

Read report Controller Scanlan re changing of

City's fiscal year from April 30th to February 28th

or in the alternative that the \$5,000 street fund

now yearly available between January 1st and May 1st

be increased to \$8,000, \$3,500 of such amount to be

for the use of the Street Department between January

1st and May 1st, and \$4,500 for the Internal Health

Service, between said dates.

In connection with his report, Controller Scanlan submits the following resolution:-

That the City Solicitor prepare such amendments to the City Charter as are necessary to make the civic year end at the end of February, so that civic appropriations will be available on March 1st, instead of May 1st; the civic elections to take place on the last Wednesday in February, and the Mayor elected in April, 1915, to serve until March 1st, 1916, the Controllers and Aldermen elected on said date, to serve until March 1st, 1917.

Moved by Controller Scanlan, seconded by Controller Harris.

The matter is deferred until the next meeting

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of the Board.

Bliss Street

Alderman Smith asked that Bliss St. be improved by the dumping of clinkers, not ashes.

Engineer

The City Engineer is instructed to make improvements Bliss St. after the 1st of May.

Tuberculosis Hospital

Controller Harris informed the Board that the Management of the Tuberculosis Hospital desired a member of the Board of Control to confer with them in regard to proposed legislation, etc. Agreed to, and Controller Harris is appointed.

Harris

Civic Cleaning Movement

Controller Harris submits the following resolution:

That the City Engineer report to the Board as to the possibility of the City Works Department co-operating with the Civic Improvement League in a general cleaning up and fire prevention day, the cost of same and plans for carrying out such proposal.

Engineer

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Scanlan, and passed.

Tender for Lead Pipe

The Clerk of Works submitted a telegram received by him from Jenkins and Hardy, Toronto, re tender for lead pipe, and said that he had replied to the same that that firm were now too late to put in a tender.

Works Dept - Tenders

Tenders for various supplies for the Works Department for 1914-15 are opened, as follows:-

Bricks.

Brookfield Bros., Ltd., for 50,000 delivered I. C. R. Freight Depot, per thousand.....\$11.00

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The tender is recommended for acceptance.

Maintenance of City Clocks.

F. C. Ryan..... \$148.00

Recommended for acceptance.

Wheels for Waggon and Carts.

	L.F.W.	S.F.W.	L.H.W.	S.H.W.	F.W.	H.W.
Patrick Dowd...	15.00	14.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	16.00

It is decided to recommend the acceptance of this tender, provided Mr. Dowd will agree to furnish such wheels as may be required at the City Prison at the same price.

Cement.

Frank A. Gillis & Co., 1,500,000 pounds 87½ lb. bags, 55½¢ per 100 lbs. & 10¢ each bag.

Brookfield Bros., 1,500,000 lbs, 87½ lb. bags, 40½¢ per 100 lbs. & 10¢ each bag.

The tender of Brookfield Bros., being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Special castings.

Tenders received from Douglas & Co., Hillis & Sons, Ltd., Flemming Bros., and Dartmouth Iron Foundary. The same are referred to the City Engineer and Clerk of Works to figure out and report as to the lowest tender.

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City works.*

Drain Pipe.

Brookfield Bros.	500 ft. 6 in.	@ 12¢ per foot.
	500 " 12 "	@ 31½¢ " "

Said tender is recommended for acceptance.

Explosives.

Canadian Explosives, Ltd. Blasting powder, per keg 25 lbs.....1.80

Dynamite per 100 lbs.,	40%,	\$14.75,	50%,	\$16.25
Dynamite, low freezing,	40%,	14.15,	50%,	15.65
Detonators, No. 3, per 100,	75¢,	No. 6, per 100,		\$1.00

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Fuse hanks, 12½¢ per 25 ft.
Electric Fuses, \$3.00 and \$3.50

The tender is recommended for acceptance.

Granite.

John Kline, Isaac Yeadon, and A. W. Yeadon.

The tender of Isaac Yeadon, being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Hardware.

James Simmonds, and Lawrence Hardware Co.

These tenders are referred to the City Engineer and the Clerk of Works to work out as to which is the lower, and report to the Board.

Kerosene, Gasoline and Linseed Oil

Imperial Oil Co., Ltd.

	<u>In Barrels</u>		<u>In Bulk.</u>
Kerosene Oil.....	17 7/8¢ per gal.		14¼¢ per gal.
Gasoline, .65-68....	24¢ " "		21¢ " "
" 72.....	28¢ " "	If in cans, add 50¢	
" 74-76.....	33¢		
Linseed Oil, raw... 64¢		If in cans, 50¢ per 5 gal.	
" " boiled, 67¢		do	

This tender is recommended for acceptance, provided the tenderer will give the Fire Department the privilege of the same terms.

Lumber.

The tender of Brookfield & Bros., being the only tender received, is recommended for acceptance.

Water Meters.

Neptune Meter Co., 5/8 in. Trident,.....\$8.00 each.
H.B. Clarke & Son, " " Lambert..... 8.00 "

It is decided to recommend for acceptance the tender of H. B. Clarke and Son.

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Veterinary Services.

Dr. H. S. McFtridge, \$3.15 per horse

Recommended for acceptance.

Sand and Gravel.

James. Freda, sand, per bus.....	5¢
Gravel " "	5 1/2¢
W.H. Boutlier, Sand, " "	4 1/2¢
Gravel " "	5 1/4¢

The tender of James Freda, being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

7000 ft. 15-inch Cast Iron Water Pipe.

Drummond McCall Co., Ltd.....	\$30.80	per ton.
Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow.....	32.70	" "
D.Y. Stewart Co.....	31.90	" "
R.D. Wood Co.....	32.15	" "

The tender of Drummond McCall Co. Ltd., being the lowest is recommended for acceptance.

Corporation Stop Cocks.

T. McAvity & Sons, 1/2 in. cocks.....	\$1.10
1/4 " "	1.20

The tender, being considered too high, is rejected.

Valves.

T. McAvity & Sons, 20 15-in. valves,.....	each	\$64.00
10 9-in "	"	25.50
1 15-in. cheque valve....		165.00

Glenfield & Kennedy, 20 15-in valves.....	each	77.86
10 9-in. "	"	27.25
1 15-in. cheque valve....		110.00

Drummond McCall Co., Ltd.

	<u>Blakeborough</u>	<u>Kelpie</u>
20 15-in valves,	\$64.50	\$61.50
10 9-in. "	24.25	22.00
1 15-in. cheque valve	85.00	80.00

It is decided to accept the tender of Drummond McCall & Co., it being the lowest, provided they

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will manufacture said valves according to the City's specification.

Teams for Sprinklers.

Frank Adams, 2 horses and 1 driver, per day,\$5.00
Wm. Parsons, Sr. 1 or more teams, per $\frac{1}{2}$ day, \$4.00, per day \$5.00
F.S. Fader, \$3.00 per $\frac{1}{2}$ day, \$4.00 per day.
Jas. Nolan, 3 prs. horses, and 3 drivers, per day \$4.50

The tender of F. S. Fader, being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Supply of Horses, Carts and drivers

For Truckage and Material.

Jas. Nolan, for each load hauled $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, 25¢, for each $\frac{1}{2}$ mile additional length of haul after the first $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, 10¢

It is decided to recommend the rejection of this tender, and a continuance of the present system of cartage.

Purchase of Scrap Iron.

Wm. McFatrige, per ton..... \$12.50
Wm. Grant, " "12.25
John Simon " " 12.50
Hillis & Sons, Ltd. " 12.00

It is decided to recommend the acceptance of the tender of William McFatrige

Tramway Legislation.
Controller Hoben submits the following resolution respecting the Halifax Electric Tramway Co.:-

WHEREAS in the year 1895 a Charter was given to the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, with limited powers and capitalization to operate the people's franchises and tramway, and to generate and dispose of electric energy, for lighting purposes and motive power.

AND WHEREAS the said franchise was afterwards

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extended to include the right to manufacture and sell gas,

AND WHEREAS the said Charter and the early amendments thereto embody and confirm the understanding as between the Company and the City and Citizens,

AND WHEREAS the said Halifax Electric Tramway Company through its directors and controlling owners, are seeking to break, annul and impair the said Charter, and rights and security of the people, and to have the property sold and transferred to a new company intending to enter into a speculative venture by developing a water power of doubtful value,

AND WHEREAS said new company proposes to issue bonds and other securities, including mortgages, upon the property of said Halifax Electric Tramway Company and the people's franchises, in conjunction with the said water power venture, thus making the Halifax Electric Tramway property and the people's franchises subject to and liable for the payment of said securities, including mortgages, and the interest charges, sinking funds, and operating charges upon the same.

AND WHEREAS it is authoritatively stated that said water power proposal of said new company cannot pay its way, or be a financial success, and that if added to the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, it will be a mill-stone upon the people's franchises in Halifax,

AND WHEREAS the net profits of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, for the year 1913 were \$260,000, of which \$30,000 was paid in bond interest, \$112,000 in dividends, and \$118,000 was carried to reserve profits,

AND WHEREAS the said Electric Tram Company is now making excessive profits,

AND WHEREAS in the present application to the Legislature for a new Charter, it is evident that it is desired to make these profits liable for, and subject to the payment of mortgage debts, interest charges, and sinking funds, etc., unwarrantably.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Solicitor of this City again register the objection to this Board of Control with the members of the Legislature against the application made by the controlling owners and directors, to break, amend or impair the present Charter now existing in respect to the franchises referred to.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that, in the opinion of this

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Board, the rates and charges of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company are excessive and abnormal, and should be reduced, and that, in the opinion of this Board, the proposed legislation, now before the Legislature, is intended to make reduction improbable, if not impossible, by making the Halifax Electric Tramway Company property, its earning capacity, and the people's franchises here, subject to, and liable for the bonded debt and sinking funds of the proposed combined undertaking.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City Solicitor be instructed to use all endeavors to prevent the passage of said bill now before the Legislature, making the Halifax Electric Tramway property and the Citizen's franchises and privileges thereunder subject to a mortgage, as proposed, and thus making the people of this City and the users of electric light, gas and tramway, subject to, and liable for the principal, interest, and sinking fund charges, under said proposed mortgage, and, in particular, making the people's franchises of electric light, tramway and gas, responsible for an unbusinesslike and non-commercial water power venture.

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Solicitor be instructed to forthwith make application to the Public Utilities' Commissioners, on behalf of the Citizens and of this Board, for a reduction in the rates and charges of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, and that the City Solicitor be requested to lend all possible assistance in connection with said application for reduction of rates, supplying and presenting to said Board of Public Utilities Commissioners all data and necessary information, in respect to the rates charged in this City, and the excessive net profits now being made thereon.

C. R. Hoben,
M. Scanlan, Jr.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Scanlan, and passed.

Newfoundland Seal Fisheries Disaster
Robert Theadston, representing St. George's

Society, appeared before the Board, asking that His Worship the Mayor would favor the raising of a public subscription for the benefit of those distressed through the loss of life of the seal fishermen off the coast of Newfoundland. His Worship the Mayor

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agreed to notify the public by advertisement in
the newspapers that the City Treasurer would
receive contributions towards such a fund.

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS.

Works Department.

Sewerage	\$1147.53
Teams and Stables	1346.75
Fuel	619.88
Insurance	11.13
Permanent Sidewalks	48.54
City Prison Fire Acct.	10.00
City Hall Lighting	79.46
Electric Wiring Inspection	15.45
Telephones	67.04
Sewer Maintenance	4.86
Streets	335.62
City Property	70.09
Street Lighting	1756.57
Cleaning Aved Streets	2.88
Internal Health	31.40
Cunard St. Widening	105.74
Deposits for Private work	5.02
Water Construction	603.50
Water Maintenance	1987.86

\$8249.32

The Board adjourned,

J.P. Byr
Mayor.

L. J. Redmond
City Clerk.

CITY PRISON INVESTIGATION.

City Hall.

Wednesday, April 8th, 1914.

Present: Messrs. Harris, Powell, Hines, Toben,
Scanlan, Davison, Wier; Mayor.

Mrs. STANHOPE, examined.

I am Mrs. John Stanhope. I am a relative of Mrs. Grant; I am her Sister in Law; I am married to her brother. When Mrs. Grant was sick in January 1913 I went to assist there, and was there all the time. I did not sleep there except one night; the night Mrs. Grant took sick. I would leave at 5pm; at other times at 7.30; sometimes a little earlier, perhaps 6.30. I did not live at the prison. On the night of January 21st, the night Mrs. Grant took sick, Mr. Grant called for me. I was in bed; it must have been about 12 o'clock or after; I just forget the time. I drove to the prison with him. When we got to the gate Mr. Grant rang the bell and nobody was there to answer. It was a cold night and I was freezing; and I was uneasy because Mrs. Grant was alone. Mr. Grant got out the team and he went to the front door, and when he did this a man opened the gate; I think his name is Brewer. We were there just a few minutes waiting; I guess it would be about three minutes, I cannot say just how long. I know I was cold. When the gate was opened I called to Mr. Grant and he ran back again, and then I drove the horse in myself. No one took the horse. I went right in but I suppose the man took charge of the horse afterwards. There was no one only himself there. He spoke to me and said, "It is a cold night" and I said, "Yes it is cold out this way".

Chairman Harris then read the following letter:

Pte A. Crust,
B. Squadron,
Lord Strathcona's Horse,
Winnipeg.

March 30th, 1914.

In reference to your letter. I well remember the night when Mrs. Grant was confined and you was on night duty. You came and woke me up and asked me to harness up Mr. Grant's horse and trap which you helped me to do and after Mr. Grant had gone you took me in the gate house and we both waited until Mr. Grant returned and then we unhitched the horse and returned to my cell and then you locked me up for the night and you was with me all the time that Mr. Grant was going to the doctor's. And I am prepared to give the above statement on oath if necessary.

I remain, Yours truly, (signed)
Alfred Crust.

Examination resumed.

I have never seen that man Crust. He was not around the gate house. I only saw one man. I know him, Mr. Brewer. I cannot say if there was anyone in the gate house because I did not see any one. I did not notice a light in the gate house. We were there about three minutes, although it seemed longer than that to me.

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In answer to Controller Hoben;

I would leave at 6.30, sometimes later, and sometimes it would be 7.30. I left no one in charge except Mr. Grant. There were no women around then, they would be all locked up. There was not a single one around; I never saw anyone. Mr. Grant generally locked them up. I got back in the morning about 8.30 or 8.45; I would not be later than that. I do not think I would be as late as 9 o'clock.

Q. Would there be any women around in the mornings when you got back? A. Well, there would be one woman; she used to do the top floor; I cannot think of her name, I think they called her Edna. I would not see more than one. Once there was a squaw woman doing washing. Mr. Grant never had his breakfast until I went there. The second boy used to get the breakfast generally. I never saw any girl except this elderly woman. I saw Mary Murphy there twice. She was never around in the mornings; I suppose she would be in her cell. She did work a couple of times in the afternoon and then she had to be locked up at 5. She was washing dishes at the table. She would not be out of her corridor before I got there. I never saw her around the kitchen until afternoon. Edna Boutilier would be around; I only saw that woman the first week. I looked after Mrs. Grant's room myself, and the boys room. I did what Mrs. Grant asked me to do. I went into the corridors. Mr. Grant saw to the locking of the corridors, they were locked up at nights. I saw the locks. I cannot say I would recollect the locks; those padlocks look like them.

In answer to Mr. Powell;

Q. What time did Walter Grant return from work in the evening. A. I never saw him until tea time, about 6. I never saw him on Saturday afternoons. He never used to come home very early; we had always done tea when he came in. I am not sure about Saturday afternoons.

Q. You never remember seeing Walter Grant at home on Saturday? A. I do not know; he used to go out the road with his cousins on Saturday afternoon; it was the only afternoon he had off. I don't remember, it is so long ago.

In answer to Controller Hoben.

Q. Do you remember him spending an evening at home? A. He has a young lady. He was always out. I don't know what time he got home. I would be there when he came home to tea, then he dressed himself and went out. I had a general understanding he went out in the evenings. He would generally be dressed and out before I would go. Some nights when I would be going he would be there. I could not tell you whether he spent his evenings at home or not. He was out at his young lady's; that was the general belief. On Sunday he would go to Bible Class and it would be late when he got home.

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GEO: YEADON, examined.

I am an underkeeper at the prison at the present time. I was appointed in June, 1912, and went there in July. I was there when Brewer was there; and also Mary Murphy. Brewer went there three days before me. I recognise those locks. They used to be on the mens corridors, and the same kind were used on the womens. That lock was never out of order to my knowledge. My keys open that lock. Every keeper has a bunch of keys. Each keeper has a set, and Mr. and Mrs. Grant. We have them all the time, wther on duty or not. Those locks are not now in use. These keys will not fit the new locks. I have no keys for the new locks. I remember when Mary Murphy came there. I don't remember the day. I remember a conversation; I said to Brewer, "It is a long time Mary Murphy has come to do"; he said, "I would like to have connections with her" - just like that, without any previous conversation. He was sort of thinking aloud. He never said any more than that. He never said whether he did have connections. I never heard anything more about that sort of thing. Someone told me, I cannot think who it was, that Brewer went over on the railway where he had doings with the women; I would not like to say who it was. Someone told me and I am not sure who the man was. Some prisoner told me that Brewer told him. Tom Berringer didn't tell me anything.

Q. About this back door leading to the womens corridor? A. There is a door on the side leading to the corridor. It is only open when we open it with the keys; every time I took the womens dishes out. I used to let the women out. Q. There is a door opening out into the main yard? A. That is the one we take the dishes out to the woman and we always lock it afterwar-ds. Q. The back door of the prison itself? It is locked up at night and anyone coming in through the main gates would have to have that door unlocked to get into the prison. Q. And the back door? A. We used always to lock that. It is always locked. Q. And anyone who crawled over the fence would have to get through that door to get through the prison building? A. Yes. I am prepared to swear it has been locked every night I am on duty. I lock it myself. I am not able to say for the nights I am not on duty. I am on duty every second night and when Brewer was there I was off two nights and on one. I have to go around about 8 or 9 o'clock and report all correct; to see that everything is all right around the yard; that the locks are on the corridors; and if anything was wrong I would have to report it.

In answer to the Mayor.

Q. It has been alleged by the underkeepers MacDonald and Brewer that anyone can have access and walk right into these cells. A. I deny it; they cannot get in without the keys. Their statement is untrue. Those locks would be on there. I say their evidence is incorrect; I do not know about their nights, I am speaking of the nights I was on myself. The governor's son nor anyone else could not positively get in; the keepers could

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not get in without a key. I never heard of young Grant getting into the prison over the fence. The fence is about 16 feet high and it would be a pretty hard thing and then if the door was bolted he could not get in. I never saw him in the cookhouse. I was on friendly terms with Grant. I board there. I pay \$3.50 a week. I have had no conversation with Mr. Grant about this evidence. The Governor asked me, "You always saw them locks on the corridors" and I said, "Yes".

In answer to Ald; Hines:

Another keeper always went with me to the womens cells. I did not know the girl had got into trouble until I saw it in the papers. I have no reason to have suspicions as to who it might be. I noticed familiarity by underkeepers MacDonald and Brewer. I have not been familiar myself at any time.

Q. Would you have chance to have connection and nobody see you. A. Oh, Yes. In the night time you could go around the yard and enter the side door and get into the womens corridors and no one would know; the governor would not hear you. There would be times when you could go down and the Governor would not know; when you were taking down the prisoners clothes and putting them away, and some times when going to the furnace.

Q. In order to get to the coal bin you have to go through the laundry and the women are working there?

A. Sometimes the keepers go and get coal and take a prisoner with them. I always took a prisoner with me. I do not know about the other men. There is no other way to get at the coal bin except through the laundry.

In answer to Mr. Davison;

Q. It would be a very easy matter to force the locks on the womens corridors? A. You cannot do it without the key. Q. It was stated by two of the keepers that they had seen the womens corridor unlocked at night? A. I never saw that. Q. Bolted but unlocked? A. It was always locked when I was on. The night I was on I would go around and see that they were all right. I would go through, and then go down the cellar, and down the back way and bolt up the doors; the governor gave that order in case a prisoner got down there.

In answer to the Mayor;

I have never found anything wrong with the locks on the womens corridor. I do not know why the locks were changed. We cannot get into the womens corridors with the other locks. Mrs. Grant unlocks them; we have no key now. I cannot remember when they were changed; not very long ago since they were put on; guess it is over a month; I don't know how long ago. The Grant boys had no communication with the prisoners to my knowledge. They were not on friendly terms with them. I never saw them around the cook house. I would be around there on Sunday. On Saturday I would be around but I would be busy. We have quite a lot of work to do changing the mens clothing etc., Two keepers would be on duty on Sunday; generally one in the yard and the other in the building. One looks after affairs outside. Sometimes they would both be in the building; when we would be shifting the benches from the corridors into the committee room for church; they might pass in and out at different

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times and meet sometimes.

Q. Do you know if a person could get in the back door without being heard. A. They would be heard coming in because the door makes a noise. There is no way of getting in if the door was bolted, then they could not get in with a key; it is bolted on the inside. I know the gate house. The fire is not in all night; it is always out when we go on our rounds. It would be a pretty cold place to stay in in January without a fire. We burn coal there, and towards night time we let it die down so that it always out when we go on our rounds. A keeper would not be likely to stay there unless he had special business at midnight.

In answer to Controllor Hoben;

I board with Mr. Grant and pay \$3.50 a week. I do not know whether it is a personal arrangement or with the consent of Mr. Harris. It was inconvenient for me cooking for myself and the Governor said he would board me. I live across the Arm two miles. I could not get board outside. I know Walter Grant very well. He was out every night as far as I know. I did not see him after tea time. Sometimes he comes into the keepers room and talks with them. I do not know what time he gets back at night, I am asleep; I go to bed about 9.30. I would not know whether he would be in or not. I do not know whether he spends his nights out or not. I do not know if I ever got up to let him in when I was on night duty; the governor might let him in; I never let him in. I do not know whether he carries a key of the jail. I knew Mary Murphy to see her; she was around the house. She would begin her duty in the house after breakfast. In the early mornings she would begin at 6 and work until 8, and then go and get breakfast and stay until 9, and then go out; she would be around the house after that. She would be working around alone.

Q. If you had desired to have personal conversation with her without having it public you would have had an opportunity? A. I do not think so, Mrs. Grant was generally around back and forth.

Q. Would it be possible for her to have had ten minutes conversation with a man without Mrs. Grant being there. A. I don't know. I have seen Mr. and Mrs. Grant out after tea. It would be for about an hour. Never before tea. Mary Murphy's duties would cease after tea; after 5 o'clock. I never saw her out after that. I never saw Mrs. Grant out driving and any women around. Everyone was locked up before she would go. I never saw Walter Grant talking to Mary Murphy. I saw Mr. MacDonald talking to two of them in the kitchen one time there. I never saw anyone else. Only once I saw him talking to them. I never saw Walter Grant talking to them. He never talked to me about them. I never heard anyone say she was in the family way when she left. I never suspected it. I never heard the rumour. Mr. Grant never mentioned it to me. I never knew until I saw it in the papers. I do not know when that was; just lately. After she gave birth to the child. I did not know she was in the family way when she left.

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Q. Didn't you say she was in for a long time ?

A. Yes.

Q. Did she stay ~~xxxxxx~~ in a long time ?

A. Yes, quite a while. I said she was going to be there a long time. Two years I heard.

Q. You know she did not stay two years ? A. I knew her term was not up when she left. I never wondered why she left. I thought it was ticket of leave, on good behaviour. Q. Did it occur to you that it was hard to get leave from the prison.

A. There are some of them that get ticket of leave. There have been two or three since I have been there. Men. I do not know of any women who have got ticket of leave. The men were Knight, Blackburn, and a man who was in the cookhouse, from Dartmouth. I never knew why they got the ticket. I know they got out on ticket of leave. I had not the slightest idea this woman was going to give birth to a child, either from Mac Donald or any one else; I never heard Mac Donald saying that she ought to blame somebody for it.

Q. Did you ever hear it said or rumoured that Mac Donald had tried to blame somebody ? A. No, Sir. I never knew there was trouble between Grant and MacDonald over it. No keeper ever hinted to me that she was in trouble. I did not know she was going out some little time before she did. I do not know who drove her away, I did not see her go. She was gone a couple of days before I knew she had gone. I missed her and someone told me she had gone. I do not know who told me. I never asked where she was.

In answer to Mr. Davison.

I came into the hall and Mac Donald was talking to Mary Murphy. I never saw him familiar with the ~~girls~~ girls. It was Mary Murphy he was talking to in the kitchen. I have been out there a year last July. I have never had a charge laid against me. Brewer was dismissed, but I do not know exactly what for.

Q. Do you know of any charges against Mac Donald since you have been there.? A. Yes, there was a charge. For being intoxicated.

In answer to Controller Hoben.

Q. Did you ever see Walter Grant around the house in the evening ? A. No. Well, last Summer. I did.

In answer to Controller Harris.

The cook house has two men in it all the time. There are two entrances; one we give the women their meals out of, and the other from the yard.

Q. Is the gate and the door locked all the time ?

A. Yes; you could not get in the first gate, and no possible chance to get over, and the second you could not get in without a key. Walter Grant could not be in there on Saturday afternoon without a key.

In answer to Controller Hoben.

There are no means now of getting into the

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womens corridors from the back door. The womens cells are not locked but bolted. There were locks on them but I cannot say they were all locked.

Q. My understanding of the evidence was that these cell locks were not all good. A. Yes, I could always lock them, and I could not unlock them without a key. Some were locked but not all. Mrs. Grant was always with me when I went into the womens corridor, I never went there alone. When I was reporting all well at night I never went into that corridor. We would shove the bolt. When we closed that door we would shove the bolt first and put the lock on it. It would always be locked. The object of locking and bolting was so that the women could not get out. Some women were locked in the cell and some were not; but all were locked with a bolt.

Q. It was not necessary to put a lock on the corridor door? A. I do not know; I was ordered to do it and I did it.

In answer to the Mayor.

Q. You spoke of Mac Donald speaking with the Murphy girl. A. Yes.

Q. Was that the first and only time you saw a keeper speaking to a girl in the prison? A. It was not unusual what I saw; he might have been in there for something, I do not know. I did not hear the conversation.

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R.B.Riley, examined.

The Chairman read over to him his Affidavit.

To which he answered, I have nothing to add to that statement.

In reply to Controller Hoben.

I have been sentenced to the City prison three times in fourteen years. I believe it is the practice of the keepers to buy things from the men. Did Yeaton ever do it? I do not know. I have seen Yeaton giving chews to the men before the rules went into force; before they were tacked up. I was in the prison last Summer. I have seen the Murphy girl there. I was in while she was in. I did not know anything about her condition. I hardly ever saw her except in church. She left the day I arrived there this time. I was out one and a half months from the time I left to the time I came back. She was still there when I left the first time.

Q. Did you ever see any men or keepers having intimate relations with prisoners there? A. No, Sir. I was in the cobblers shop locked up all day. I do the shoe repairs.

Q. Did you ever hear any of the keepers say they would like to have connections. A. A girl told me that Handsley had connections with her down the cellar. May Grady; I saw her in Albemarle Street after I left the prison.

Q. Did she tell you anybody else did? A. No, Sir. She told me once.

Q. Has Mac Donald been talking to you since you made this statement? A. No, Sir. And I did not say anything to him.

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JAMES WILSON, examined.

The Chairman read over his Affidavit, to which he replied, "That statement is true. I do not want to add anything to it".

I do not know any other underkeepers who are in the habit of giving tobacco to the men. Handisley nor Yeadon never gave me any. MacDonald gave me some but whether it was for the boots I do not know. I do not know of other prisoners getting tobacco. I saw prisoners smoking. A month ago. I have seen them chewing when tobacco was allowed. When one could bring tobacco into the prison. I understood the rules were that prisoners could use tobacco if it was given to them. I have seen tobacco going in there; brought in by visitors who went up to see people who were doing time. They brought me none. I have seen visitors bringing in tobacco. The governor stopped it because someone was spitting on the white washed walls and they were making unnecessary dirt. The governor stopped all the men in the yard and lined them up. He ordered the man who did it to step to the front. He asked him four times and said if the man came to the front he would not punish him, but the man would not step out. Two days later the man was found out, and he locked him up in his cell for two days. He had his bed at night time. He was working on the farm. The underkeeper would know who the party was who gave tobacco to the prisoners. The underkeeper who locked this man up was Yeadon. When visitors came to see a prisoner the underkeeper would call you out and take you into the round house. You would leave the tobacco there and you would get a package at a time. The visitors would leave the tobacco with the governor or the underkeepers and you would be allowed so much at a time, out of what the visitors left. No visitor ever left me any, but I have seen it done myself. The governor has had charge of the tobacco; it would go through his hands; I know that to be so. It was done for Donovan, Jones, Sharp and Davies. Two of them did nine months and one six months; they left last September. I do not know of the Governor doing that kind of thing since last September. Whenever a prisoner asked for it he would give it to them.

In reply to Controller Hoban.

If we had money to buy tobacco the underkeeper would buy it for us. They would give it direct to us. Yeadon never bought tobacco for me. He bought it for anybody who had money. Any keeper would. It was before Mickerson came. He would not do it now. If you had any money when you were in there you could give it to the underkeeper and he would get tobacco if you wanted it. I had no money on me when I arrived. I had 65¢ when I was arrested. The police took it off me. Detective Hanrahan bought tobacco for me. I am still in prison. I have been there pretty nearly 17 months. I was sentenced to 18 months. I am 21 years old September coming. I am a Scotchman. I went in there a year ago last November. It was about 18 months after I had been

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made the deal with Mac Donald that I made the declaration.

Q. Who induced you to make the charge? A. I was locked up, doing five days cells and Yeadon came up one night and says to me, Where's your boots; and I says, I don't know where they are; I would not tell him, In the morning he brought me down to wash and he says, It's no use your lying, you sold your boots for two packages of Prttigrew tobacco; and I owned up. That was a year after I sold them. Yeadon did not suggest that I should make a charge.

Q. What caused you to make it? A. Mr. Wier asked me how my clothing was, and I said I had no boots. He asked me where they were put when I came in and I told him MacDonald bought them. The conversation I had with Yeadon was when I was locked up. It was on the 15th March when I made the charge; when I spoke to Mr. Wier. The Boots were put in the dressing room when I went in the prison. I had access; you can go at any time with a keeper. A box is locked with the jewellery. The boots were put in a box with the clothes and that is not locked. Yeadon was told by a prisoner that I had sold the boots, but I do not know who told him. I told about it to Wambolt, Davies and Riley. I told those fellows last Summer, but I only told Yeadon in March when I was locked up.

In answer to Mr. Wier;

I was in solitary confinement. I was put in solitary confinement because when I was working in the cookhouse an officer accused me of trying to break out, and I told him that I had no such intentions. He reported me as using profane language and the Governor gave me five days.

By Mr. Wier; You saw me after three days solitary confinement. You saw me simply because I sent for you. I asked you about your clothes. You told me you were going out in May. I asked you how you were fixed for clothing and you said you had a pretty good suit but no boots. I thought it funny and my enquiries led to the fact that you had traded with an underkeeper for tobacco.

A. Yes, sir.

Q. You have yourself seen Governor Grant receiving tobacco. A. I did not see Governor Grant receiving tobacco directly. I had reason to believe he receives packages brought by visitors. I have no knowledge of what Governor Grant does with the packages. He has never given me any tobacco during my time there.

Q. Will you relate briefly the circumstances that led up to your breaking into the Deaf and Dumb institution one morning.

A. I came from St. John to the Halifax Hotel. I had two or three dollars. I found that the waiters were on strike and so I would not take the job. I was going around town two or three days and then I got stranded. I tried to get a job at that new restaurant on Sackville Street but they were full; then I tried to get on the plant boats, and I tried all round town for a job.

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I had no money. I stopped two people for something to get a bed for the night. That would be about nine o'clock at night on Pleasant Street. One man gave me enough for a bed and breakfast. I got up the next morning and started out to see if I could get a job. I went to the Deaf and Dumb Institution on Cottenham Street; I went in there with the intentions of getting some money; I was hungry; it was about three in the afternoon. I had had no dinner. I just walked into the main building and went up - stairs, walked into a bedroom and got \$5.00 in the room. I went there again on the Monday afternoon and got \$25 in one of the rooms; in a lady's pocketbook. I went and got something to eat; then I went to the Acadian Hotel and stayed all night; in the morning I got my clothes pressed, caught a train and went to St. John. I could not get a job so I came back again and tried to get on the Ferry to go down South; and then I got stranded again. I went back to the Deaf and Dumb Institution and got a dollar and a watch. A man met me in the Hall as I was going out and I says, "Good afternoon". He says, What do you want here. I said, One of the students, Mr. Richards. He said, You had better come with me. You are the man we are looking for. I ran away and he ran after me, and a policeman caught me on Gerrish Street. My home is at 27 Center Street, Glasgow, Scotland. My father and mother are living. They do not know where I am.

I worked in the cookhouse. I was not locked up until the morning I was accused of trying to break out. There are two entrances; one is the gate leading into the womens corridor and the other the door leading out into the main yard. The gate into the womens corridor has three locks on the womens side; the other door is locked on the outside in the yard. I am locked in the cookhouse.

I have never been in trouble before. This is the first time. I will be glad to get a job. I have 44 days to do yet. I was working in a dry goods store. I was on the D.A.R. boats running between St John and Digby. I have been four years in Canada. I lost the job on the boats through drinking.

I never saw the boots after I parted with them. I have never had a conversation with MacDonald about them from that day to this. Handsley told me he saw the boots on Saturday morning and they were never wore. He said they were up in MacDonald's locker in his room. I have never seen the cuff links from the day they were put in the box. He never said the boots were tight.

Q. Did you ever see these boots before.

A. (After examining boots). These are the boots. They are 8 $\frac{1}{2}$. That is the only evidence I have. They have been worn since I had them. The heels are all worn. I had them three days before I went to the prison. I did not have rubber heels. My heels were high.

In answer to Controller Hoben:

Q. Do you know anything about the relations of the men and women in the City Prison. Ever know

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prisoners getting in contact with the women. A. No, Sir, I never heard of it. No prisoner ever told me he had intercourse. It was never talked of by the keepers. I knew the Murphy girl well. I knew she was in the family way all the time she was in the City prison. I could see it. One day Davies (he was an old soldier) told me this girl had a miscarriage in the prison and the prisoners took her mattress out. That would be last Spring some time. It must have been a month before she left the prison that they told me about it. They did not say who was guilty.

Q. Was Walter Grant ever familiar with the prisoners.

A. He never talked with me. I have seen him in the gate house with the keepers. He was never in the cook house while I was there. I have seen him in the gate house; I was in there with him one day. I have never seen him talking to the women up there. I was told Murphy was in the family way but I never heard anyone accused of it. I never heard Yeadon say the girl was in the family way. I never saw him speaking to her.

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Mr. Grant, examined.

In answer to Chairman Harris;

The night Mrs. Grant was sick Brewer was on duty and I called him and asked him to harness the horse. He did not get Albert Crust to harness the horse. I ordered him not to disturb the prisoners. Brewer was a farmer. He knew a lot; and a lot he did not know. He could hitch a horse up. I was gone about one hour. I got back about 12 o'clock. There was no light in the gate house. There was no fire there.

Q. How long after you gave the alarm was the gate opened? A. I was half way down the alley way, 25 yards and Mrs. Stanhope called me back saying somebody was coming. Brewer came. I do not know from what direction he came. Brewer did not say a word. Crust was not around. I am positive no one assisted Brewer in harnessing the horse.

Q. When Water is out at nights how about his getting back? A. Any night he requests me I give him a key. Q. Ever knew him to go in through the main prison, the gate everyone enters by? A. Not unless an officer unlocked the gate. Q. What time of day would that be? A. That might happen about 5 o'clock. I am not prepared to say he goes through that way at all because it is after five when he gets home. A. In the evenings how does he get back. A. Sometimes I give him a key to the family entrance and at other times I sit up and let him in by the front door. Q. Has he ever come in by the prison gate after hours? A. He could not get in that way. Q. Has any underkeeper let him in? A. Not to my knowledge; it would not be allowed. Q. Has he ever been out of the prison for the evening and come back without your letting him in? A. Yes, when I gave him a key; then he would come in by the front door. Q. Are there cases where he has not come back by the front door? A. He could not get back by any other way. Q. Is that back door locked at nights? A. Yes, I do not know of any case where it was not locked. Q. When the underkeeper reports all correct, does that imply to you that the back door was locked? A. That everything that should be safe is safe; the locking of the back door, the mens corridors, and the bolting of the cell doors. They are supposed to be done at 6; it includes locking the womens corridor. I do not know of any instance in which Walter came back and did not use the key I gave him. Beside the main gate and the front door there is a side door, the annexo. An officer can get in there with a key. Walter can get back at night if an underkeeper let him in. That would be without my knowledge. There are locks on the corridor doors. It is the duty of an underkeeper to report if the locks are out of order. I never had any reported out of order or broken. I recognize these locks. They were on the West wing, the two lower corridors, the womens. I never heard of them being out of order. I could not exactly tell you the date when the present locks were substituted. It would be I suppose about a month. Perhaps not that. Mrs. Grant and I hold

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the keys now and the officers have nothing at all to do with them. I do not know that it is altogether safe under present conditions in case of fire.

Q. Brewer says, Only the cells were supposed to be locked; to my knowledge no lock was on the womens door. A. I say it is false.

Q. Are there no locks on the womens cells? A. No. I don't think there is at the present time. As you are aware I have discussed locks from time to time; it was under discussion between you and I and it was decided to leave it over and get along as best we could as it was too great expense. Bolts on the cell doors are quite sufficient in my opinion, for the females; they have not the same propensities for getting out as the men. When the bolt is shot on the cell door there is no possibility for the women to open the door.

Q. What is the method of locking up at nights?

A. It takes place at 6 in the short hours; that has been since the controllers were there and gave the order; it used to be 5.30. It is 6.30 in the long hours. The matron does it. Q. Anyone else?

A. Yes. An officer does it in turn and she is present.

The women retire before the officer goes in the corridor and then he shoots the bolts. He does not see the women. They are in the cells and they are in before he shoots the bolts. Q. Who unlocks them in the mornings? A. Mrs. Grant; the officer rings the bell. Q. She unlocks the corridor? A. Yes, now.

Q. How long has that been? A. The officers have had nothing to do with the female prisoners. About three weeks, when the lavatory was out of order and the back door had to be used I considered it too cold for Mrs. Grant to undo the door and I ordered the officers. That was this last winter.

Q. How long has it been the custom for Mrs. Grant to open the corridors? A. I should say this time last year. Q. When she unlocks it is any keeper present?

A. Oh, No, Sir, it is not necessary. The officer rings the bell. He does not go in to ring it. Mrs. Grant draws the bolts on the cell doors. The under-keeper does not enter the corridor in the mornings now, not since this time last year. Q. Was the Murphy girl ever working in the kitchen to your knowledge. A. Yes, for a while, washing dishes.

There are two underkeepers on duty on Sunday afternoon. Q. Assuming that MacDonaid is to be on duty that night he would be on duty with the man who would be on night duty the following Sunday. The two on duty on the Sunday were the man to be on duty that night and the man to be on duty the following Sunday night? They were two sundays on and one off?

A man would be on duty this Sunday with the man who would be on duty that night, and the following Sunday he would be on duty with another man and would stay on duty that night himself; so that each man would be two Sundays on and one off? A. Yes.

Q. How many underkeepers look after the feeding of the women. A. One. Q. Who lines the women up or takes them out of the corridor? A. He simply locks or unlocks the doors and hands the food to the female prisoners. The matron is always there. That has always been the rule.

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Mrs. Murray did it that way . Q. In regard to your own habits on Sunday afternoons; it was stated in evidence that you and Mrs. Grant would retire for an hour or so on Sunday afternoons. A. Mrs. Grant is always at church at the prison and on Sunday I have to do considerable writing. I do not attend the service very often myself. It is very seldom I go driving on Saturday afternoons. When Mrs. Grant was getting better I had her out two or three times; that was about this time, the month of April. Sunday mornings I never go out; and never on Sunday afternoons. Q. Were you ever both away at the same time on Sunday evening, Mrs. Grant and yourself? A. Yes, we have been at church. Very frequently. I do not remember ever spending the evening with friends. Two prisoners were on duty in the cookhouse all the time. There are two entrances to the cookhouse, the womens gate and the yard door. They are locked. They are only unlocked only when the prisoners require to be doing the chores outside. Walter could not get into the cookhouse without a key. He never had a key that would fit a lock on the cookhouse to my knowledge. The key I gave him for the family entrance would not fit; that key only fits the one door. It is locked up in the prison in my desk. The cookhouse is only open to those having a key; the officers and myself. It is not the practise to give the women their meals in the cookhouse. The women line up in the annex at the cookhouse door, and get their food and go right to the corridor. Q. There would be no opportunity for conversation with those in the cookhouse? A. They were not allowed to look, never mind to speak. Q. Did MacDonald ever call your attention to the fact that Walter used to go to the cookhouse? (The evidence of MacDonald was read) A. Not as I am aware of. I am not aware that Mac Donald said that some of the children were going to the cookhouse. Q. How could they get there? A. That is what I want to know. The children were not at home to get in, only the two little ones and they were at school. They were at Sunday school on Sunday. They were not allowed to go to the cookhouse and they could not get in if the officer had the doors locked. Q. Do you know any occasion when the cookhouse was unlocked? A. Yes, many a time. The children might have followed the keepers; one does it now; four years old. Will you get some information from Mrs. Grant as to what this Gaelic is? She preferred not to tell us. This memo is what the Gaelic is.? In the Summer time the men are out at 5am; they get washed and ready for work at 6; breakfast at 8; go to work at 9; dinner at 1; to work at 2; supper at 6. From the 1st October to the 1st April they get breakfast at 7.30 and go to work at 8. There are two keepers on duty every night. At one time we had a governor, matron, 4 officers and messenger and we had fewer prisoners then. Now we have a smaller staff to handle a larger number of prisoners than at any time in the history of the prison from the records.

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Q. Have you objected to the appointment of any underkeeper since you have been governor? Did you object to the appointment of Brewer? A. Yes, I objected. I left the reinstatement of Handsley in the hands of the Committee. The MacDonald case was the same. Q. What do you say of the character of Yeadon? A. He is a good man. I would recommend him for any position he is able to fill.

Q. If he said he did not know Mary Murphy was in the family way, and that he did not hear any talk, would you believe him? A. I would believe him.

Q. What makes you so firm about Yeadon? A. From observation. He knows his place. He attends strictly to business. Q. Would you suspect him of giving tobacco to the prisoners? A. Not in the least, Sir. I have given it to male prisoners years ago; but not since I was Governor.

Q. Do you remember visitors coming and giving tobacco to you at any time. A. Yes, it was allowed since I was governor; but it was not given by myself. When I spoke to you about it, it was becoming a nuisance; that was about 12 months ago. Q. Since

you have been governor tobacco was not ordered along with other prisoners supplies. A. Yes, for the first year; but not since I spoke to you about it.

Q. What about Nickerson? A. As far as I think of him he is a very good man. Q. Do you suspect him of giving tobacco? A. I never found him guilty of a breach of discipline. I would recommend him for continuance as an underkeeper. I would like to have him continued; I am perfectly satisfied. I keep a diary of everything of importance that happens and I put down every day the events of the day. I put down who is on night duty.

Q. I find from your diary on January 26th, MacDonald was on night duty; February 2nd, Brewer on night duty. February 9th, Yeadon on night duty; and then follows Mac Donald, Brewer, Yeadon, right to the end of March. These entries in your diary are correct?

A. Yes, Sir. Q. If MacDonald was on duty on March 26th, he would have Brewer, the man who was to be on night duty the next Sunday. A. Yes, Sir.

Q. MacDonald being on duty on January 26th along with Brewer, he would not have Brewer with him again until February 16th, three weeks later; and the next time they would be both together for day duty would be March 9th, three weeks later; and the next time they would both be together would be March 30th, three weeks later. Those are the only occasions between January 26th and March 30th when this Mary Murphy incident must have taken place when Brewer and MacDonald were on duty on Sunday afternoon?

A. My records are correct.

Q. What do you say about the diet of the women? I am told that you give tea to the women prisoners on one occasion during the week and no more.

A. That is all we are allowed. They get it oftener than that just the same. I could not give a correct statement. I bring a loaf of bread every day for the women and for the man who runs the furnace up to nine o'clock at night. The present diet list is one we are obliged to follow by the ordinance. We serve tea on Friday with fish. Those who are working on wash and scrub days and in the laundry get tea twice a day. When we were making up the estimates last year I prepared a proper diet list.

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Taking that as a basis I made up the supplies that would be required. Estimating on an average of 45 prisoners. I recommended that this diet list should be adopted when we got the appropriation. I think the diet list would be improved if that was adopted.

Q. Are prisoners examined before they go up there as to whether they are diseased? I am not able to tell you. I have always urged they should be. I am in favour of that. Take prisoners with syphilitic tendencies, we try our best to isolate them according to the doctors orders.

Q. Dr. Trenaman could examine them at the police station before they left to go there to see if they had any disease and whether they should be isolated.

A. I would be in favour of that.

Q. What about refractory prisoners? A. Shires has been kicking up a row lately. The discipline is simply locking in the cell.

Q. Ever know of any other punishment? Have you ever heard of chains? A. Not on female prisoners. We never put them in straight jackets. Q. Ever under Governor Murray? A. Not the females. I would have to consider that matter. Q. In cases of this kind where these women have been behaving disgracefully what do you recommend? A. I think if they were taken down and given more time it would be a preventative. Q. Did Mrs. Grant ever tell you

of any women having infectious diseases? A. There was Green and another; they were kept in the same corridor; it was not necessary to isolate them.

We had the doctor to examine them. We gave them their own towel. Q. Do you remember Annie Peterson mattress being taken out and burned? One of the prisoners here a moment ago said two prisoners had taken out a mattress and they had said to this man that Murphy had had a miscarriage and they were taking out the mattress. A. That is garbled talk.

Q. Do you know of any mattress being taken out of the womens cells? A. The beds are taken out and fresh ones filled. Q. Does Annie Peterson work

for Mrs. Grant at any time? A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Does Walter Grant smoke cigarettes? A. I have never seen him. I am strictly against that kind of thing. I have good reason to believe he does smoke. I have spoken to him and he says he does not. I think he does. He says he does not smoke cigarettes. I know he smokes a pipe. I have never seen him smoke. He has told me he does smoke. He does not smoke before me. I simply would not permit it.

Q. About the tea, do they get milk and sugar with tea on Fridays? A. No, it is sweetened with molasses on Friday, and they get milk if there is any to spare. We have a cow that furnishes milk; it is for the use of the family.

Q. About these cast off uniforms; have you been getting them and making use of them from Wellington Barracks. A. We have never got out of them; we have always a supply on hand.

Q. Is it your custom daily, or nearly every day, to retire to your room after dinner for two or three hours; that was stated in evidence. A. That is false

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In answer to Mr. Wier;

Q. Did you ever see a male prisoner put in a straight jacket since your time there? A. The chains have been put on one man since I have been there; shackles around the legs. Q. Ever see a prisoner knocked down with somebody's fist? A. No.

In answer to Controller Eohen:

Q. You stated that sometimes you gave Walter Grant your key; what key is that? A. The key of the front door private entrance. Q. How many keys are there? A. The officers have one to the gate; a key to the front door, along with a key to the dressing room. Q. A key to the front door of the prison? A. I have one beside that; there are two keys. Q. When Walter has one the officer in charge has the other? A. Yes. When he retires for the night the officer takes that key with him.

Q. In the event of fire you would have to get the officer in charge up before you could get the front door open? A. We would open the back door. I do not carry keys of the back door. The two officers have keys of that door. There are two on duty at night, they are both in the one room. There are two on duty every night. Yeadon boards at the prison. he pays me \$3 dollars.

Q. These keys of the womens corridor; who has these keys? A. Now, Mrs. Grant holds one and I hold the other, and nobody ~~has possession but Mrs. Grant and myself~~ has possession but Mrs. Grant and myself; and won't get it without an order to the contrary. I have them right here. We have not been to church since I sprained my foot the day after Christmas. We have not been to church since that I am ashamed to say. We have been carrying the keys for a month. I have been out for a drive since I sprained my foot. Not since I get possession of the keys. Q. If you go out who will have the keys? A. I will give the key to whatever officer is on duty. Then they go out of my possession. I do not know anything about the matter of Mac Donald buying the boots from the prisoner. I have an indirect knowledge of it. I do not know when he bought them. I did not see the affidavit. I was not present when he gave the affidavit; when Mr. Harris and Mr. Wier was there, I was not present; I was in the prison. I do not know who wrote the affidavit; I don't know the contents. I did not have any conversation with Mr. Harris. I have not the slightest idea when the shoes were sold. I would not think an officer would do anything like that.

Q. Was tobacco prohibited a year ago among the prisoners. A. Well, since the new contract was taken over by Wentzelle I have not had tobacco. About a year ago it became a nuisance and caused unnecessary filth. I am not aware of any officer giving tobacco to the prisoners or I would charge him.

Q. When did the prisoner spit on the walls and make an unnecessary dirt? A. I would have to go to my book. Q. Has it occurred since it was prohibited? A. I could not tell you exactly; there was something quite recently about that.

We do not search the prisoners very often in the cold weather as they are not so liable to make an escape in the winter time as they are from now on. They are searched periodically.

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Q. How long is it since you last found out who spat on the walls? Was it three or six months ago?

A. I don't think it is six months ago. Q. After you ceased having tobacco ordered?

A. Oh, Yes. I never found out how they got the tobacco. We have tried to suppress it, but they cannot even do it in Dorchester. I have tried to find out.

Q. Something over a year ago MacDonald gave tobacco to a prisoner, was that strictly against the rules?

A. I don't know at that time. Up to that time tobacco had been ordered for prison supplies.

I keep a diary, but the nature of the records I make I could not give in detail from memory. For instance, if a prisoner commits an offence and is reported by an officer, if punishment is meted out, I record the punishment and what it was for; if a prisoner is sick, if the medical officer is called, the attendances and so on. Visitors. Work done.

Condition of the weather. Days work done. Who is on duty at night. Solitary confinement. I have never had to put in if a female was in the family way. If she is found to be in the family way I do not put that in.

Q. Do you honestly think Walter was never in the cookhouse?

A. Not to my knowledge. It would be against the rules if he did go there.

Q. Think he was ever in the gate house?

A. I would not say for that. I don't just like to cut my boys adrift from the underkeepers; they are responsible officers.

Q. Is it against the rules to go in the underkeepers room?

A. Yes. I think the underkeepers are as good as my sons, no doubt about that. I don't want them to have anything to do but walk in and out of the front entrance. I believe they have been in the keepers room; one of them.

The women are unlocked in the mornings about 7 or 6.45. The first bolts are drawn about 6.45 or 7; that is in the Winter time, the short hours.

In the Summer time the bolts are drawn about 25 to 6, or about 5.30. Mrs. Grant does that.

She has not done it always. We get up when the bell rings in the mornings. We ring out the men and then the women.

Q. What time does Mrs. Grant go on duty?

A. In the Summer time 5 o'clock. We get out of bed when the bell rings. We are down there about 5.30 or 25 to 6. She has unlocked the cells but not always.

Mrs. Grant has done it practically all through except those three weeks I told you about.

When she does not do it the officers do it. Not since this time last year, except for the three weeks I told you of this Winter,

when the lavatory was out of order and the back door had to be opened.

Ever since last April Mrs. Grant has opened the womens doors every morning, except for three weeks; without a single exception that I know of.

Yes, I have positive knowledge. I don't know of the officers being there to draw the bolts since last April until three weeks ago to the best of my knowledge.

Q. The girl about the house is used pretty much as a servant girl in the Institution?

A. I do not know what freedom they get; Mrs. Grant gives them the work about the house.

Q. Would the work the girl or girls have to do as prisoners in the main body of the house; would the work carry them

all over the house. A. I do not think so. If she starts from the top to scrub she goes right from the top; pretty nearly the whole building. There would be two together all the time; might be three or four. I do not think there would be only one at any time. When doing the rooms they would be separated. In case of scrubbing there would be two or three. But when you go to the rooms it is a different thing.

Q. Was Mary Murphy alone any portion of the time?
 A. I do not know that she was. Mrs. Grant had to put her off; she caught her talking to one of the pipe fitters; she was caught on one of the stair landings; on the east stair.

Q. Was she not 15 minutes in one of the keepers rooms?
 A. I do not know about that.

Q. If she was with one of the pipe fitters would she have an equal opportunity with anyone else working around?
 A. I suppose she would. I do not what time she had. Not very long out of Mrs. Grant's sight.

Walter Grant is out pretty well every night.

Q. Do you think it might be possible the corridor doors might be opened without your knowing of it?
 A. If they are the officers are not doing their duty.

Q. Do you feel under an official responsibility to see if the officers are reporting correctly?
 A. At times. I don't follow them at all times; I would resent it strongly myself; I would feel I was mistrusted. I went my rounds for several years.

Q. Have you any knowledge of fornication between the keepers and some of the women up there?
 A. I have no knowledge of such a thing.

Q. Do you believe it would be possible?
 A. Yes, quite possible. They would have to get up in the night. They would have to be pretty clever to do it in the day time.

Q. If a man's conscience, and the woman's conscience, would allow them, would they have a chance to get together in the furnace room?
 A. If an officer could bring them together below to make an appointment.

Q. Do you think there is a chance?
 A. Very little chance. I do not say it is impossible, really: sometimes officers have to take clothes down and deposit them; but there is always more than one woman there.

Q. It is alleged that Handsley and Brewer had intercourse with women up there. Could they do it if they had the desire with the organization you have there?
 A. They would have to be pretty clever to do it in the day time; only by appointment. A keeper can do a whole lot if he wants to. He carries the keys.

Q. It is reported that Yeason was giving tobacco to the prisoners; do you think that it is right?
 A. I doubt it very much; not in recent times.

Q. Did you find yourself handicapped for the lack of rules?
 A. Yes.

Q. In what way?
 A. Well, I feel that when the rules are there there is some thing to guide you and for your protection.

Q. You felt the lack of rules?
 A. Yes, I did.

Q. Did you report it?
 A. At inspection I spoke about it and you are one of the gentlemen who thought them too drastic.

Q. Did you ever report you had insufficient rules?
 A. I did when I wanted them adopted. I didn't say I helped to make the rules; I got in possession of them. They were taken from Guelph prison farm in February 1912.

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I asked for these rules two years ago. I wrote Dr Hawkins suggesting the rules should be put in operation.

Q. One of the keepers says when you are locking up the women prisoners you are in the habit of locking up some and not others, because there were no locks.

A. To my mind it is not necessary to have the woman locked there.

Q. Why are some not locked?

A. I doubt if you will find a lock there today. They were locked just because the locks were there.

Q. But why lock some in and not others?

A. Just because the locks were there. As the locks were there we used them. If they were not locked it was really a matter of no consequence so long as they were bolted. Sometimes we get up against a man who will create a lot of trouble; we follow them up pretty closely and assure them we will get after them on the side of right.

Q. Have you any doubt Mary Murphy got into the family was in prison?

A. According to nature. The only thing I hinge any evidence on is Mrs. Grant seeing Brewer coming out of the corridor.

Q. Miss Jane Devaney gave evidence and said about 5 o'clock in the morning there was an opportunity for a man and woman to come in contact; for the keepers to have intercourse there was opportunity then.

A. There is no more opportunity then than at any other time except an officer wants to do it.

Q. Could he go to their corridor?

A. He had the keys.

Q. Is that not about the time they are unlocked?

A. What date did she say? If it was in the short hours, but not in the long hours.

Q. When they went in to ring the bell?

A. I do not see what chance; they would be taking great chances if they did. They ring the bell in the morning for men and then for the women.

In reply to Controller Harris?

Q. The rules now in force were introduced last November by the Board of Control; they had been on the table for two years so to speak. You have been following them as a guide and I told you to do that when I entered upon my duties. What suggestions have you to make to prevent an underkeeper or your son.

A. The first suggestion I would make is to appoint men of integrity; that is the main suggestion. Then I would say the laundry wants to be altered - to put a door coming in from the furnace room into the cellar apart from the laundry, apart from coming through the laundry. That is possible by cutting through the partition.

Q. What else would you suggest?

A. The only preventative we have is to get locks for the corridors and hold the keys; and the keepers not to have keys.

Q. How would you prevent your son, assuming he is guilty of the offence, having access to the women corridors? Or preventing prisoners having access to him in his room; how would you prevent that?

A. I would simply say at once that if my son was found guilty of that I would put him outside the door.

Q. Would you go so far as to say they should live outside the prison?

A. I would much sooner, but they are not getting enough to maintain themselves.

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Q. Is there any way to isolate them so as not to get at the womens apartments. A. The boy gets out of bed at 8 am, dresses, opens the door and goes down to his breakfast and gets off to work at 9 o'clock and we see him no more until 5.30. On Saturday afternoons the women are not around. On Sunday mornings they are at church.

Q. The son who was not working, how old is he ? A. 20. Q. It is reported that sometimes he would be in bed until 11 or 12 o'clock; is that so ? A. No, Sir. Q. What would he be doing all day when he was not working ? A. For one day he would be around he would be around the City a good many. I have nine sons, all at the City prison. Their ages are 22, 20, 17, 15, 12, 11, 9 and two younger.

Q. You remember when you were appointed I said it was no place to take a family like that ? A. Yes.

Q. After having them there a year, and with scandal and matters going on such as we have had, are you still satisfied it is a good place to have these boys ? A. The whole amount of it comes from one man and if he had not been appointed this would never have occurred. I can control my family. Outside the prison I would not have the same opportunity.

In reply to Mr. Davison:

Q. It has been said that Walter was in the habit of climbing over the wall and getting in by the backdoor by means of your key ? A. That would be impossible. It would be bolted on the inside.

Q. About employing this Mary Murphy girl about the house; did you try to get other help ? A. Yes we did. Q. At the time this Murphy girl was on chamber work were you able to get outside help to do that work ? A. It was necessary to employ a female prisoner; they have to do prison work in addition to that. No one else would do the work and it must be looked after by a female prisoner. Q. Did you hire a prisoner to do that work after she was discharged ? A. Yes. It is not possible to get outside help; it is necessary to use a female prisoner. Mrs. Grant kept a close watch on them. Q. Do you remember on one occasion the Murphy girl going to Walter's room on Saturday afternoon ? A. I do not know.

Q. Was it ever reported to you by any of the keepers that the locks on the womens corridor were in bad condition ? A. Never. Q. Brewer said the locks were bad and easily forced. A. He never reported that. I have the locks in my possession here now. Q. There is some evidence about you and Mrs Grant going out driving. A. That would be sometime after she got up. She would not be able to go out for some time after she got up. About April I think it was ; about this time ; before she would be able to go out. Q. When this man Brewer was appointed to the Institution you protested ? A. That is so, to the Chairman of the Committee. Q. But Brewer was appointed over your protest. Did you have confidence in that man to leave him in charge of the prison when you were away , A. I won't just say whether we had or not, but I didn't do it. Q. You had a reason for not ? A. I do not know I had a specific reason, but I just did not do it.

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I have never been up but once. A prisoner, Sellers, a very light, little man, used to carry kindling wood down to the cellar and he got a piece of rope and improvised a ladder with kindling sticks and one day he was drying blankets and they obscured him from my view and he was over the fence and got away. Four or five have escaped since I became governor.

Controller Hoben: Personally, I think when a boy is 17 years old he might get along pretty well outside. Would you be willing to have your three sons moved outside the prison? A. Well, it will not be long before one will be going and I don't want the other two to go outside yet.

Board of Control Chambers,
City Hall,

April 15th, 1914.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11.30 o'clock. Present His Worship the Mayor, and Controllers Harris, Hoben and Scanlan.

Coburg Road and Spring Garden Road Paving

R. M. Hattie appeared before the Board on behalf of the petition recently presented for the paving of Coburg Road, and requested that such paving be continued along Spring Garden Road to Tower Road. Mr. Hattie was requested to have a petition presented for this portion of the work. Mr. Hattie submits photographs of the present condition of Coburg Road.

Water Extension Thornvale

Read report City Engineer on petition of Margaret J. Kenny for water extension to "Thornvale". Approved.

Maintenance Blind and Deaf Persons.

Read letter William A. Dickson, Clerk of the House of Assembly, re bills now before the Legislature, to increase the amount of fees payable by the City of Halifax towards the maintenance of pupils at the School for the Deaf and the School for the Blind.

Filed.

South Park Street Sidewalk.

Read petition for concrete sidewalk South Park St., west side, between Inglis St. and Victoria Road.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

City vs N.S. Car Works - Accounts.

Read account Lumley & Lumley, London, England, for £250 for counsels' fees, etc., in the suit, City of Halifax vs. the Nova Scotia Car Works. Said account is passed for payment.

City Home Boilers April 15th, 1914.

Jan W. Bryan

Read report Secretary City Home re inspection of boilers at the institution. *filed.*

Maria Bauer & Maritime Lumber Co

Solicitor

Read extract minutes of City Council referring to this Board petition of Maria Bauer that the Attorney General be requested, as Crown Prosecutor, to take charge of the case in the Supreme Court in the name of Alfred Myra and Maria Bauer on behalf of the heirs of Richard Myra, against the Maritime Lumber Company. Referred to the City Solicitor for report.

Electric Wiring Ordinance

Read report City Electrician on the application of Clayton & Sons for permission to instal a low voltage, grounded return, lighting system in their factory.

*Clayton & Sons
City Electrician
City Solicitor*

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Scanlan that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft an amendment to the electric wiring ordinance, providing that the Board of Control may, on favorable recommendation of the City Electrician, relax the general rules in particular cases, so that applications such as Messrs. Clayton & Sons may be complied with.

Motion passed.

Underkeepers City Prison

Read applications Carl Kemp and W. Newby for position of Underkeeper at the City Prison.

Gov. Enders

Controller Harris informs the Board that Underkeeper Hansley agrees to remain on duty for one more month. Approved, and the applications are filed.

Changing Civic Year April 15th, 1914.

The proposals submitted at last meeting for the changing of the dates of the civic year are further deferred.

Taxation Goods arriving by Train.

Controller Harris asked that the City Solicitor submit his opinion as to whether persons bringing goods by train and disposing of same direct to retailers are liable to taxation.

Solicitor

Grafton Park Walk.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Harris that the City Engineer report on the advisability and cost of laying a concrete walk through Grafton Park. Motion passed.

Engineer

Building Movers Destroying Trees.

Controller Harris requested that the City Solicitor report as to the authority of the City to prosecute contractors moving buildings, for destroying trees.

Solicitor

Board of Control Chambers Furniture

The City Engineer is instructed to exchange the table in the Board of Control Room for that used by the Committee on Works in the City Auditor's office.

*Engineer
Auditor*

Tramway Matters

Controller Harris submits the following resolution, and requests that the same be forwarded to the City Council for approval:

That the application ordered to be made to the Public Utilities Commission include the following claims on behalf of the City and its citizens:

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- (1) The use of "limited" tickets between the hours of 5 p. m. and 6.30 p. m., as well as between 5.30 a. m. and 8 a. m.
- (2) The use of special Sunday tickets (9 for 25¢) for use all day Sunday, and during "limited" hours on week days.
- (3) The installation of an improved car fender designed to pick up anyone on the track.

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(4) Screen guards placed in front of the front wheels.

(5) Improvements in the signals and route signs for day and night service.

(6) Better interior lighting for all cars.

(7) The extension of the tram lines from the corner of Cogswell St. and Gottingen St. to the corner of Quinpool Road and Windsor St.

(8) Increasing the frequency of service on the Gottingen St. spur line in both winter and summer.

(9) More cars on all lines so as to give more frequent service.

(10) Watering streets on lines traversed by cars.

(11) Air brakes on all cars.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Scanlan, and passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned.

J. P. Bell
Mayor.

L. D. O'Connell
City Clerk,

Council Chamber, City Hall,

April 9th, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Control was held this evening at 8.15 o'clock. Present His Worship the Mayor, and Controllers Harris, Hoben and Scanlan.

Newfoundland Seal Fisheries Disaster \$1000⁰⁰
Controller Hoben submits the following resolution:-

Amongst all the people of the Dominion of Canada none feel more keenly, nor realize more intimately the appalling disaster which has befallen the seal hunters of the Colony of Newfoundland, than those of the Province of Nova Scotia, with its large population of seamen and fishermen.

To the widows and orphans and other members of the families of those who lost their lives upon the frozen seas, the deepest sympathies of this City Council, representing the citizens of the City of Halifax, go out.

Whilst hope remains that the Steamship Southern Cross may not have foundered with the members of her crew, the citizens of Halifax will await with the gravest anxiety news of her safety.

RESOLVED that the City Council of Halifax extend to the people of Newfoundland this expression of its deep sense of the affliction they have suffered, and request the Hon. John R. Bennett, Acting Premier of Newfoundland, to communicate the purport of this resolution to the inhabitants of the Colony, and further request that he may be pleased to accept from the City of Halifax toward the relief of the afflicted the sum of One Thousand Dollars.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Scanlan,

and adopted, and ordered to be submitted to

the City Council for concurrence.

Borrowing Bill \$1000⁰⁰
Controller Hoben submits the following resolution:

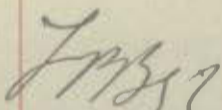
RESOLVED that the City Solicitor be instructed to incorporate in the City's borrowing bill a clause authorizing the City to borrow the sum of One Thousand Dollars to be contributed to the Colony of Newfoundland for the relief of those afflicted by the recent

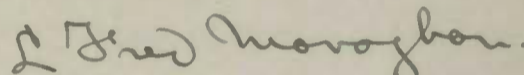
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disaster to the seal hunters; the said sum to be borrowed from any Bank or other fund available and rated and collected along with the assessment for 1915-16.

Moved by Controller Hoben, seconded by Controller Scanlan, and passed, and ordered to be submitted to the City Council for concurrence.

The Board adjourned.


Mayor.


City Clerk.