

**MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS**  
**Of the**  
**Municipal Council of Pictou County**  
**JANUARY SESSION, 1887**

First day  
January 11

The councilors elect for the municipality met at the New Court House on Tuesday at 10 a.m. The following gentlemen were declared duly elected for the ensuing year: No. 1 Adam. C. Bell;. 2. Donald Fraser; 3. James Kitchin; 4. Arch McKenzie; 5. A.J. Mc Kay; 6. J. Rod McDonald; 7. Hugh D. Denoon; 8. H. S. Fraser; 9. Colin Fraser; 10. Geo. H. Sutherland; 11. Geo. M. McKay; 12. Jeffrey McColl; 13. John Weir; 14. Robert McNeil; 15. John McPherson; 16. Evan J. Ross; 17. James McKay; 18. Alex Fraser; 19. D. A. McDonald; 20. Robert Dewar; 21. John D. Fraser; 22. Rod McDougall; 23. D. D. McLeod; 24. David J. Meikle; 25. Alex Grant

All were present and sworn except councilor McLeod, Robert Mc Neil, Esq. was unanimously re-elected Warden, and at once took the oath of office and briefly addressed the council, referring to several of the most important items of business that would come before them.

Councilor Dewar asked information as to whether section men were liable to Statute Labor, as he understood the Minister of Justice had stated that they were not. A discussion took place on the question, and it transpired that in some sections they were exempt, while in others they were not. Coun. J.D. Fraser asked that to test the question this Council guarantee the expenses of a suit in one case so that it might be set at rest. It was decided to leave the matter to the Committee on Statute Labor to report on.

The Warden read the Treasurer's account up to 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. and also the items of which the contingent account was made up of and stated that in revising the Statutes the Legislature had made a mistake in reference to the Coroner's Fee for holding inquests having kept them at the old rate of \$10 instead of \$7, as amended some years ago.

The nominating Committee reported the following standing committees which were adopted:

Finance – Councilors A.C. Bell, Rod McDougall, Colin Fraser, A. McKenzie, Alex Fraser.

County Rates in many cases were not submitted in the Town Officers List as required, and instructed the Councilors in future to have this attended to. Councilor J. R McDonald brought to the notice of the Council, a case of a paper having transferred his property for his support, wished this Council to deal with this matter according to law. The matter was handed to the Poor Committee to report on. Council motion adjourned till Wednesday at 10 o'clock in the a.m.

Council met at 10 a.m. Minutes read and approved. The Warden handed to the Committee all the papers that had come into his possession since yesterday. He also read the act passed in

last Session of Dominion Legislature, in reference to 'leaving unguarded holes in the ice and the penalty attached to parties making these holes.

Adjourned to 10 a.m. Thursday

Third Day  
January 13

Council met at 10 a.m. pursuant to adjournment. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Moved by Coun. A.C. Bell, seconded by Donald Fraser, that no reporter be employed to report proceedings, but that the newspapers be furnished with a copy of minutes for publication. Moved in amendment by Coun. McColl seconded by J.D. Fraser, that a reporter be employed. Being put to vote the original motion was carried, namely, not to employ a reporter.

Roads – J.R. McDonald, A.J. McKay, Jas. McKay, H.D. Denoon, J.D. Fraser

Poor – J. McColl, G.H. Sutherland, D.A. McDonald,

Public Property – Donald Fraser, J. Weir, R. Dewar

Assessment – Jas. Kitchin, Evan J. Ross, D.J. Meikle

License – A. Grant, J.R. McPherson, D.D. McLeod

Statute Labor – G.M. McKay, J.R. McPherson, J. McColl.

Auditors – Wm. Cameron, Sutherland's River, D.W. McKean, Pictou

Council adjourned till 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session

Council met at 2 p.m. Minutes of morning session read and approved.

The Warden handed the several papers such as petitions, etc., to the Committees.

A discussion ensued as to the wisdom of putting a tax on dogs; Coun. McKay (17) having stated \$300 worth of sheep were killed in his section this past year by dogs. The Warden thought the council should take some action in the matter.

The finance committee was authorized to make arrangements to have the proceedings printed in the county newspapers.

A meeting of the Town Councils of Pictou and New Glasgow with a committee of this council was ordered for Friday next to settle as to what amount these towns have to pay of the County assessment.

Road petition of Nathan Langille, River John, to be relieved of his obligation to support his father, owing his inability to do so, which was handed to the Committee on Poor.

The Warden complained that the names of the [unreties] for collectors of.

On motion it was agreed to discuss the general state of all county matters more particularly the questions of assessments, statute labor, and poor.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock Friday

Fourth Day  
January 14

Council met at 10 o'clock, a.m. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

On motions a committee was appointed to look after railway crossing at Browns Point.

Committee on nominations reported recommending a special committee to enquire into the state of the crossing on the ice at Brown's Point, and to recommend any changes at these points, which in their judgment may be necessary for the safety of the traveling public, said a committee to consist of H.D. Denoon, J.R. McDonald, H.S. Fraser, Report Adopted

Letter from county Treasurer to Councilor Dewar in reference to George McKay, Sec 20 having paid the sum of \$7.25 for taxes as he claims twice and requesting to have the amount refunded to him. Referred to Committee for Assessment.

Adjourned to 2 p.m.

#### Afternoon Session

Council met at 2 p.m. pursuant to adjournment. Minutes read and approved.

Councilor McColl asked to be excused from serving on the committee appointed to meet the town councils of Pictou and New Glasgow. The request was granted and the Warden appointed in his place.

Councilor Dewar asked for information in reference to a road in his section, and wanted to know who was liable for the damages.

Adjourned to Saturday at 10 a.m.

#### Fifth Day

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JANUARY 15

Council met pursuant to adjournment at 10 a.m. Minutes read and approved.

Commissioner's report on public property in New Glasgow read and referred to committee on public property to be reported upon.

The Sheriff, as commissioner of public property notified council that the Pictou Market was closed, and asked the Council to take action in reference to it. The committee on public property was instructed to report upon it.

Petitions of inhabitants of Town of Pictou for money to build and maintain a landing from the ice at foot of Coleraine street, read and referred to finance committee.

Councilor Kitchin, chairman of Assessment committee notified Council that Collectors rolls of former years were not squared off, and thought the Treasurer should be instructed to proceed against the delinquents.

The committee on finance reported that the position for a landing at foot of Coleraine Street should be referred to the Committee on roads and bridges. Report adopted and petition referred.

Adjourned to Monday at 2 p.m.

#### Sixth Day

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January 17

Council met pursuant to adjournment at 2 p.m. Minutes of Saturday's session read and approved.

The Warden read a memorial from the County Temperance Alliance, asking the Council to appoint two Inspectors under section 123, Acts of N.S., 1886; also Stipendiary Magistrates, one for East and one for West Pictou, for the better enforcement of the Canada Temperance Act. After remarks from several members it was moved by Councilor McColl, seconded by John D. Fraser that two Inspectors be appointed. Agreed to lay the resolution on the table until tomorrow.

On motion the bridges on West River Road, Section 7, and foot of Carriboo River, Sec. 2, were placed under the provisions of the bridge act.

The matter of a landing from the ice at Irving's wharf was referred to the committee on public property to report upon.

Councilor McColl read the by-laws of the County Asylum, and on motion they were ordered to be sent to the governor in council for approval.

The report and accounts of the Commissioners of the County Asylum were read and received, and laid on the table until to-morrow.

Councilor McDonald, Sec 6 asked for and had read the names of inmates of the asylum. Adjourned to Tuesday at 10 a.m.

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Seventh Day

January 18

Council met at 10 o'clock, a.m. Minutes read and approved.

The memorial of County Temperance Alliance was taken up and discussed, and after legal advice by John U. Ross, Esq., a vote authorizing the appointment was passed, and the memorial handed to the committee on nominations to report upon.

A telegram from Warden of Port Hood, asking at what rate fifteen or twenty harmless insane would be cared for in the asylum, was read, and an answer was sent to the effect that none could be accommodated at present.

On motion of Councilor McColl, seconded by Alex. Grant, and resolved, that a Stipendiary Magistrate be appointed for the municipality of Pictou, in accordance with Sect. 3, Chap. 13 of the Acts of 1885.

Statement from the "Nova Scotia Steel Company, Limited" in re exemption from taxation. Referred to committee on assessments.

Adjourned to 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session

Council met at 2 p.m. Minutes read and approved.

Councilor Kitchin brought to notice of Council that in the County, that there was only one Magistrate besides himself, and that they had trouble in getting a commissioner to distribute statute labor instructions, as the acting justice was infirm and desired to resign.

Report of Committee on Roads and Bridges read and received.

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Report of Road and Bridge Committee

Your committee beg leave to report the following recommendations in the Road and Bridge Service: -

Opening of New Roads and Alterations of Old Ones

1. Inhabitants Upper Settlement, East River, for pent road. Granted. F.W. McKenzie, Com.
2. Inhabitants McGrath's Mountain, for committee to lay out a public road. Granted. F.W. McKenzie, Com
3. Petition for Committee to lay out an alteration on road leading from Matheson's Fork, to Harbourn's, West Branch River John. Deferred to May Term.
4. Petition for pent road for Kenneth Fraser's, Roger Hill. Granted. James S. Fraser, Com.
5. Petition James H. Weir and others, to lay out a public road at Carriboo River. Granted. James S. Fraser, Com.

6. Petition from Geo. Archibald and others, for committee to lay out a pent road from Archibald's Saw Mill to main road, at John Fraser's Deferred to May term.
7. Inhabitants Toney River, for pent road to connect two existing pent roads. Granted. Albert McKean, Com.
8. Inhabitants of Upper Settlement River John, for alteration of North end of road leading from Acadia Bridge, Black River, to River John road, by Daniel Logan's. Granted. James S. Fraser, Com.
9. Petition for Committee to lay out a pent road from the residence of Simon McGregor, McLennan's Brook, to the form lately owned by Geo. Cooke. Deferred to May Term.
10. Petition Inhabitants Bay View, Carriboo, for public road. Granted. Albert W. McKean, Com.
11. Inhabitants College Grant, River John, for committee to lay out a public road from the end of the road at or near Hugh McKay's to the road leading from River John to Earltown. Granted. James S. Fraser, Com.
12. Petition for Committee to lay out an alteration on road between cross roads at Irish Town and McLellan's Brook. Granted. D.W. McDonald, Com.
13. Committee to lay out road from Pleasant valley road to Breton's road, Middle River. Granted. D.W. McDonald, Com.
14. Petition Daniel Fraser and others, for alteration of road from Kenneth J. Fraser's to Mill Brook School House. Granted. D.W. McDonald, Com.
15. Petition for Committee to lay out a road from Brook Bridge at Jas. N. McDonald's to main road at John Cameron's, Bridgeville, East River. Granted. D.W. McDonald, Com.
16. Inhabitants North Shore, Cape John, for access to shore. Prayer of petition granted. January 1886; precept issued and no return made.
17. Inhabitants Poll Sec. 17, to widen road. Granted. D.W. McDonald, Com.
18. Inhabitants Sec. 24, for Committee to lay out pent road. Granted. F.W. McKenzie, Com.
19. Petition for Committee to lay out public road or street at Westville, from Dufferin Street, eastwardly. Granted. A. McBean, com
20. Petition Freeholders, Westville, for road from end of Haymond's road, to Fox Brook road.  
Recommended January, 1886; precept issued 5<sup>th</sup> February, 1886, but not returned.
21. Petition for Committee to lay out a public road from Gairloch road at Westville, eastwardly. Granted. A.W. McBean, Com.
22. Petition of Angus McKinnon, of Wentworth Grant, for pent road. Recommended January 1886; precept issued 6<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1886, but no return made.
23. Petition for committee to lay out a connecting link of road from Bridge on Black River, to a point on the road leading from Pictou to West Branch, by Plainfield. Granted. James S. Fraser, Com.
24. Petition ratepayers Polling sec. 13 & 17, to lay out a public road from Churchville road to Eureka Mills. Granted. D.W. McDonald, Com.

#### CONFIRMATIONS

1. Petition for confirmation of Road at French River, Sec. 24.  
Recommended that the petitioners forward a Deed of Dedication in May Term.  
Recommendation adopted.
2. Road leading from Archibald's Saw Mill to St. Paul's, main road. Not confirmed.

3. Road by Duncan Fraser's Sunny Brae, East River, leading from his residence to the main road, Confirmed.
  4. Public Road from George Murray's Shoemaker, to Robert Murray's West Branch, River John. Confirmed.
  5. Pent Road leading from West Branch road, at or near old school house, through lands of John Murray and Hugh Murray to James Ritchie's lot, West Branch, River John. Confirmed.
  6. Alteration of road leading from West River to Pleasant Valley, Confirmed.
  7. Alteration of McKay's road, Toney River. Confirmed.
  8. Confirmation of road leading from West River R.R. Station, to County line. Confirmed.
  9. Alteration of road Dalhousie, between Alex. McLeod's and Daniel McKay's. Confirmed.
  10. Confirmation of road from River Road, Churchville, to Island Road. Not Confirmed.
  11. Public road connecting Upper Settlement, East River, and Upper Settlement Barney's River. Confirmed.
  12. Pent road for Hugh McLean of Marshy Hope. Confirmed.
  13. Pent road for Daniel McKenzie's Piedmont Valley. Confirmed.
  14. Pent road for Isabella Stewart of McGrath's Mountain. Confirmed.
  15. Public road from Fox Brook near Oliver's to Westville. Confirmed.
  16. Public road by rear of Marshy Hope. Confirmed.
  17. Public road from Gairloch road near Madden's to Duff Street, Westville. Confirmed.
  18. Public road from South Stellarton, to connect with East River Road, and road at Wylie's, McLellan's Brook. Confirmed Jan. 1887.
- Petitions depositing amount of Damages (\$291,00) with the Warden.
19. Extension of Creighton road to Carriboo road. Not laid out, not thought necessary by committee. Not confirmed.
  20. Road in Carriboo known as Lane Quarry Road. Confirmed.
  21. Public road from Highfield road to Fox Brook road. Confirmed.
  22. Public road or street from Black Diamond Street to College Street, Westville. Confirmed.
  23. Confirmation of street in Westville. Confirmed.
  24. Confirmation of Pent Road for Fred. McDonald of Sunny Brae, East River. Confirmed.

#### CLOSING OLD ROADS

1. Petition from A. McG. Burton, and others, to close the Marsh Road, Pine Tree, where it runs through his property. Ordered that said road be closed. Road closed.
2. Petition John McKenzie of French River, for closing old road. Not granted.
3. Petition Charles Graham of West River, to close part of old road at Section 10. Deferred to May Term.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

1. Petition inhabitants Stellarton, for assistance to repair road and Bridge from Main Highway at Ashphalt, near Stellarton. Recommended to the consideration of Road Board No. 3.
2. Petition Samuel Cameron, Elgin, East River, in re encroachments of Road at Elgin. Recommended that the Supervisor of Roads for Road District No. 3 take action in the matter.
3. Petitions for a landing at foot of Coleraine Street. Not Granted.  
All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN R. MCDONALD  
A.J. MCKAY  
JOHN D. FRASER  
H.D. DENOON  
JAMES MCKAY

Adjourned to Wednesday at 10 a.m.

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Eight Day

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JANUARY 19

Council met at 10 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Minutes read and approved.

Took up matter of road and South Stellarton to connect with East River road at road at Wylie's, McLellan's Brook, left over from yesterday. After several councilors had expressed themselves twelve for and seven against confirmation.

*In re* the amount of \$291 paid by check to the Warden by petitioner for land damages. On motion of Councilors Grant and Jas. McKay, it was resolved that the amount be paid into the County Treasury for the general service of the municipality.

Report of committee on poor read clause by clause and adopted.

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Report of Committee on Poor

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MUNICIPALITY of PICTOU

January Term, 1887

*To the Warden of Municipal Council:*

The Committee on Poor beg leave to report –

1. The principal business before your committee this Term is to report the sums required for the support of the Poor in the several sections for the year 1887 are as follows –  
Polling Section No. 1, Fisher's Grant, \$50.00; Polling Section, No. 1, Pictou Island, \$--; 2, Carriboo, \$50.00; 3, Cape John, \$365.00; 4, River John \$700,000; 5, W.B., River John, \$140.00; 6, Dalhousie, \$300.00; 7, Hardwood Hill, \$50.00; 8, Green Hill, \$230.00; 9, Mount Thom, \$360.00; 10, Gairloch, \$100.00; 11, New Lairg, \$275.00; 12, Abercrombie, \$--; 13, Fraser's Mountain, \$50.00; 13. Churchville, \$100.00; 14, Little Harbour, \$125.00; 15, McLellan's Mt. \$150.00; 16, East Branch, \$150.00; 17, West Branch \$150.00; 18, Middle River, \$250.00; 19, Baillie's Brook, \$--; 20, Barney's River, \$250.00; 21, Merigomish, \$--, 22, Blue Mountain, \$100.00; 23, Westville, \$700.00; 34, Wentworth Grant, \$120.00; 35, Stellarton, \$1186.00. Total \$5,901.00
2. Your committee have considered the petition of Nathan Langille asking to be released of the support of his father and mother, William and Eunace Langille, and have concluded that under the circumstances of the case he should be released to a certain extent. Your committee would recommend that the following order be passed in reference to it.  
*Ordered* That Nathan Langille pay to the Overseers of the poor for Polling Section No. 4, seventy five cents per week towards the support of his Father and mother, William Langille and Eunace Langille, as long as they are supported by the District, in addition to whatever amount there may be due to the Overseers of the Poor for District No. 4, up to 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 1886, and that bonds be taken from the said Nathan Langille for that purpose, when the order

of January 1881 shall be cancelled. Your committee would also recommend the following order to be passed. –

3. *Ordered*, That the Overseers of the Poor for Polling Section No. 6, be authorized by this Council under Section 30, Chapter IX, Revised Statutes, 5 Series, to sell certain lands deeded by Robert Murray, to the Overseers of Poor, Section No. 6, for the Support of said Robert Murray.
4. *Ordered*, That the Overseers of the Poor for Polling Section No. 24, pay to the Clerk and Treasurer of Overseers of Polling Section No. 21, Thirteen Dollars for the support of old paupers, said sum to be paid to said Clerk and Treasurer on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1887/
5. Your committee would examine the accounts of Overseers of the Poor for the past year before they are sent to the Clerk, and have them in such a shape that there will be no trouble at the May meeting.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JEFF. MCCOLL  
D.A. McDONALD  
GEO. H. SUTHERLAND } Com.

On motion the overseers of the Poor for Sec. 6 were authorized to sell and convey all the lands deeded to them by Robert Murray for his support, and the proceeds thereof appropriated for the benefit of the poor of said district, as ordinary funds of the district.

*Ordered*, that the overseers of the poor for Sec. 24 pay to the clerk and treasurer of overseers of Sec 21, thirteen dollars for the support of old paupers, said sum to be paid to said clerk and treasurer, on or before the first day of December, 1887.

*Ordered*, that Nathan Langille pay the overseers of the poor, Sec.4, the sum of seventy-five cents per week towards the support of his father and mother, as long as they are supported by the district, in addition to whatever, amount there may be due up to the 31<sup>st</sup> December 1886, and that bonds be taken from him for that purpose, and on these bonds being satisfactorily completed, the order of council dated January 1881, be cancelled. Laid on the table until 2 p.m.

Councilors A.J. McKay and J.R. McDonald moved in amendment that Nathan Langille of River John be released from further support of his father and mother, and that the order of council of January 1881 be rescinded, cancelled, and set aside. Not passed.

On motion of Councilors A.C. Bell and R. McDougall, *resolved*, that the jail yard limits for the county of Pictou shall be the boundary of the said county, and that any by-laws previously passed to regulate these limits be repealed.

On motion the committee on public property was empowered to arrange with J.T. Paulin concerning his hay scales.

Adjourned to 2 p.m.

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Afternoon Session

Council met at 2 p.m. pursuant to adjournment. Minutes read and approved.  
Report of Committee on Statute labor received and adopted.

Report of Committee on Statute Labor

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*To the Municipal Council of Pictou, January Term, 1887*



1<sup>st</sup>. Your Committee on Statute Labor beg leave to report that they have examined the returns of the surveyors of highways and limits submitted to them, and find that although they are in better shape than formerly, still there is great room for improvement, and would recommend that surveyors when in doubt as to how they should be filled up, should apply to the Councilor for the district for information.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Your committee find the following returns wanting, and would recommend that if the same are not sent to the clerk of the Municipality on or before the first day of the May meeting of this Council, that the Clerk proceed as the law directs against such Surveyors unless the Councilors of their district, make satisfactory explanation at the May meeting of this Council –

In Poll. Sec. No 1, Nos. –

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In Poll. Sec. No. 7 182, 184, 186

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3<sup>rd</sup>. A larger number of petitions for Private Statute Labor than usual have been presented, but as the Councilors for the respective Districts have recommended then who should be acquainted with the circumstances of the several cases better than we are, we cannot do otherwise than grant them; at the same time we would recommend that Councilors in future should be more particular as to their recommendations, or as the present rate of increase of Private Statute Labor, there will be none on the highways. We would recommend the following parties have liberty to do their Statute Labor on their own roads: -

In Sec. No. 1. Malcolm McKenzie, W.M McKenzie Wm. Grant

“ 2. Alex D. Ross, Robert Murray, Don. Grant, Angus McLeod,  
Wall. M. McDonald, David McCulloch, G. Murray

In Sec. No. 3 James McKay, Dan McKenzie

“ 4 Murdoch Patriquin, Jas. W. Langille

“ 5 Don McCulloch, John J. Murray, Murdoch Currie

“ 6 Alex Innes

“ 7 Geo. H. Logan, Wm. McLeod, Hugh McLeod,  
Jno. W. Blackie, William Stewart and Hugh Stewart

“ 8 James S. Fraser, G's son, Jno. J. McCabe, Jas. R. Porter,  
John A. McLean.

“ 9 Edward McAulay (½), Thos. McAulay (½), M.C. Fraser  
Samuel Creighton, Murdoch Morrison, David Morrison (½)  
W. Irving.

“ 10 Murd. McRae, Wall. Munro, Alex McKenzie, Jas. McLeod,  
D. Williamson

“ 11 James Fraser, Neil Gordon, Jno. W. McLeod, D. Williamson.

“ 13 D.N. McLeod, Donald McGlashin, Hugh S. Fraser, Thos.  
Weatherbee, John Stewart, Wm. Stewart, William Rae

“ 14 James Fraser, Wm. F. Grant

“ 15 Thos. Sutherland, Wm. Wyllie, Murdoch McLeod, Dan Cameron

“ 16 James Cameron, John J. Fraser, John McPhee, Duncan  
Fraser, Fred McDonald, Jno. A. Campbell

“ 17 Ronald Dunbar, Dan Dunbar, Jno McDonald Hector Munro  
Sam Cameron, Alex D. Cameron

In Sec. No. 18 D.W. Beaton, W. Beaton, J.W. McKenzie, John R. McQuarrie  
George McLeod.

“ 19 James McDonald

“ 20 John McIvor, Andrew Murray

“ 21 Jas. W. Foote, Alex. F. Smith, Alex McGregor (3days)

“ 22 Jno. Cameron J's son, Jno. McDonald, Joseph Mason

“ 24 James McLeod, David Hill, William Ross, Alex. Ross, William  
McDonald (one half)

4<sup>th</sup>. The Petition of John R. McIntosh for Private Statute Labor we do not recommend, as the petition shows that he had it granted him last year, and a resolution of this Council precludes any person getting the same privileges two years in succession.

5<sup>th</sup>. The Petition of Peter R. Stuart for Private Statute Labor was referred to Surveyor of Highways for consideration.

6<sup>th</sup>. The memorial of Mr. W.R. Evans, regarding the right of Hugh D. Denoon sitting as a councilor was under consideration, and we would recommend that Mr. Evans apply to the proper authorities, as we have no jurisdiction in the matter.

7<sup>th</sup>. Your Committee have had under consideration the Statute Labor Law, or more particularly it's working in this county. Unless some change is made in this Law it will be impossible to keep the roads in many sections of the County in a passable state, with out resorting to direct taxation, and making the same a County charge. If, however, there were a

right assessment law and property both real and personal now valued at their actual cash value, and not nominally as at present, and all exemption on account of age done away with, we might still go on for a few years under the present Act, but we are in hopes that the Legislature will at its first session so amend the Act that it will suitable for all parts of the Province, and give us such an additional amount of Labor as will keep the Roads in good repair.

8<sup>th</sup>. Your committee recommend that the Road Limits in Sec. 3, No. 85, be defined as follows – No. 85, St. Andrews Street, McLean Street, Black Street, Spence Street and the part of St. George’s Street, now opened in East Johnville.

9<sup>th</sup>. It has been brought to the notice of your committee that Section men and others employed on the Government Railways refused to do their Statute Labor on the ground that they are exempted by Law. Your Committee cannot find that they are, and would recommend that Surveyors of Highways take proceedings against such parties, and that the expenses, if any, be borne by the Municipality.

11<sup>th</sup>. W. McKenzie of Toney River, Surveyor of Highways for No. 42, complains that he has sued Angus McDonald for his Statute Labor, and got judgment, but that McDonald has appealed to the County Court, and the expenses are known. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JEFFREY MCCOLL,        }  
 GEO. M. MCKAY         } Com  
 JOHN R. MCPHERSON }

Petitions for private statute labor passed as certified by the Commissioners.

The matter of Nathan Langille, laid over from the forenoon was again brought up, and a lengthy discussion ensued, when, on motion of Councilors McKenzie and Kitchin it was resolved that Nathan Langille of River John be released from further support of William and Eunace Langille of River John, and that the order of council of January 1881 be rescinded, cancelled and set aside, provided the said Nathan Langille pay up all arrears against him for support of said persons.

Councilor McColl laid on table a resolution in re by-laws in respect to Statute labor, received and laid on table until Thursday morning.

Clerk read

**Report of Committee, Pictou and New Glasgow County Rates**

*To the Municipal Council of the County of Pictou, January Term, 1887;*

The Committee appointed to meet with the Committee of the Town Councils of Pictou and New Glasgow to apportion the County Rates to be paid by these incorporated Towns to the Municipality, beg to report:

The joint Committee agree to take the estimates for 1886 as a basis

The amount being.....	\$32,819.00
Less for Eastern Extension Railroad Damages.....	<u>5,769.00</u>
	\$27,050.00
Less off for Clerk	\$300.00
“       Auditors	40.00
“       Treasurer	250.00
“       Revisers	165.00
“       Collectors	750.00

“	Assessors	500.00
“	Warden & Councilors	800.00
Less of	Municipal Elections	200.00
“	Printing	300.00
“	Roads & c.	500.00
		\$3805.00

To be paid by Incorporated Towns and County, \$23245.00

Your Committee have agreed with the Committees of the Town Councils at Pictou and New Glasgow as to the amount to be paid by each Town as follows:

That the Town of Pictou pay the Municipality of Pictou as their proportion of County Rates and Damages for Eastern Extension R’y.....\$2,901.40

That the Town of New Glasgow pay the Municipality of Pictou their proportion of County Rates and damages for Eastern Extension R’y. ....\$2,610.84

All of which are respectfully submitted.

JAMES KITCHIN  
ARCHD. MCKENZIE  
RODK. MCDUGALL  
H.S. FRASER

Agreed to  
JOHN D. MCLEOD  
Mayor Town of Pictou  
G.W. UNDERWOOD  
Warden, New Glasgow  
Adjourned to Thursday at 10 a.m.

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Ninth Day

January, 20

Council met at 10 a.m. pursuant to adjournment. Minutes read and approved.

Mr. McColl’s resolution laid on table yesterday, in reference to Statute labor was read, as follows – *Whereas*, from the many petitions that have been before this council, it appears there is no understood system of enforcing the doing of statute labor, or the payment of the commutation money.

*And Whereas*, unless there is some by-law by which these things can be enforced better, or no statute labor bill be obtained in the municipality, or commutation money received for the same, and in consequence our roads will be neglected and rendered impassible;

*Therefore Resolved*, that the following by-laws be annexed to the by-laws of the municipality –

All surveyors of highways and limits shall, on the completion of the statute labor for the year, make a return of all the delinquent parties in his limits, and certify to the same, which return on being approved of by the Councilor of the district shall be his guarantee for proceeding against all such parties, and the legal costs of the same shall be a charge on the municipality.

Moved by Coun. McColl, seconded by J.R. McDonald.

Moved by Councilor Robert Dewar, and seconded by H.S. Fraser, *Whereas*, from the experience of the last seven years, we are satisfied that one half the number of Councilors will do the work of the municipality, as well, if not better than the present number.

*And Whereas*, a reduction of the number of members to thirteen would not cost more than one half what it now does for conducting the business before the council;

*Therefore Resolved*, that this council apply to the local legislature at its first meeting for an amendment to the county incorporation act, to reduce the number of councilors in this municipality from twenty-five to thirteen.

This was laid over until the afternoon.

Report of committee on assessments read, received and adopted, also report of committee on license.

### **Report of Committee on Assessment**

*To the Municipal Council County of Pictou, January Term 1887*

Your Committee on Assessment beg to submit the following Report, viz: -

1<sup>st</sup>. They recommend the following amounts to be struck off the several Assessment Rolls for the year 1883, 1884, 1885 and 1886.

No. 7, 1883, \$11.36; No. 6, 1884, 11.23; No. 7, 1884, 3.02; No. 9, 1884, 4.34; No. 4, 1885, 2.90; No. 5, 1885, 5.53; No. 13, 1885, 5.30; No. 23, 1885, 58.74; No. 1, 1886, 1.49; No. 2, 1886, 3.57; No. 3, 1886, 7.19; No. 4, 1886, 11.20; No. 5, 1886, 60; No. 6, 1886, 1.58; No. 7, 1886, 9.14; No. 8, 1886, 12.58; No. 9, 1886, 5.30; No. 10, 1886, 0.60; No. 11, 1886, 9.97; No. 12, 1886, 1.20; No. 13, 1886, 14.23; No. 14, 1886, 0.90; No. 16, 1886, 8.99; No. 17, 1886, 13.41; No. 18, 1886, 11.25; No. 20, 1886, 13.64; No. 21, 1886, 6.00; No. 22, 1886, 11.48; No. 23, 1886, 52.95; No. 24, 1886, 5.29; No. 25, 1886, 54.24; No. 24, 1884, 2.26; No. 24, 1885, 1885, 2.25.

Your Committee having examined the several Collectors Rolls laid before them by the County Treasurer for the years 1883 and to the present date, are pleased to find that your committee's recommendation of last year has been productive of good, and that a large amount outstanding on the Rate Rolls, and we would recommend that the Treasurer be ordered to proceed against delinquent collectors according to law.

Your Committee would also recommend that collectors of County rates be instructed to pay particular attention to the collection of Poll Taxes, as a large amount is annually lost to the county by not enforcing the collection of said Poll Taxes at an early date.

#### **APPEALS AND PETITIONS**

Your committee having examined the several appeals, letters, and petitions laid before them, beg to report as follows, viz -

1<sup>st</sup>. The Appeal of Simpson Forbes of Polling Section No. 7, for reduction of the valuation of his property and refundment of taxes for the year 1886. We recommend that the valuation be reduced \$100, and the Treasurer ordered to refund him the sum of one dollar.

2<sup>nd</sup>. The Appeal of David Huggan of Barney's River, dismissed.

3<sup>rd</sup>. The Appeal of Mrs. Robert Smith, of Polling Section No. 21, for reduction of the valuation of her property. We recommend that the prayer of her petition be granted and said valuation be reduced \$400 as the law directs, and the Treasurer be ordered to refund her the sum of Four dollars and fifty cents.

4<sup>th</sup>. The Appeal of Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, Section No. 16, for a reduction in the valuation of her property and refundment of taxes. We recommend that the prayer of her petition be granted, and the valuation of her property be reduced \$400, and the Treasurer be ordered to refund her \$4.09.

5<sup>th</sup>. The Appeal of Mrs. Wm. Fraser, of Section No. 16, dismissed, not being in order.

6<sup>th</sup>. The Appeal of Mrs. Catherine Chisholm, of Lismore, for reduction in valuation of her property and refundment of taxes. We recommend that the prayer of her petition be granted, and said valuation be reduced \$400 according to law, and the Co. Treasurer be ordered to refund her sum of \$4.38.

7<sup>th</sup>. The Appeal of Mrs. Thomas Irving, Polling Section No. 20, for reduction in the valuation of her property and refundment of taxes. We recommend that her petition be granted, and that said valuation be reduced \$400 and the Treasurer be ordered to refund her sum of \$4.31.

8<sup>th</sup>. The Appeal of James Sillers, Section No. 3, for reduction in valuation of his property for the year 1886. We recommend that his petition be granted and said valuation be reduced \$70 and Treasurer ordered to refund him the sum of 76 cts.

9<sup>th</sup>. The Petition of Kenneth Urquhart, Section No. 23, for refundment of taxes, dismissed.

10<sup>th</sup>. The Appeal of James Patterson, Section No. 8, for reduction of the valuation of his property for the year 1886. We recommend that the prayer of his petition be granted and that the valuation of his property be reduced \$100, and that the Co. Treasurer be ordered to refund the sum of \$1.04.

11<sup>th</sup>. The Petition of Peter McNabb, for the refundment of Taxes for 1886. We recommend that the prayer of the Petition be granted and that the Co. Treasurer be offered to refund him the sum of \$2.40.

12<sup>th</sup>. The letter of the Co. Treasurer to Robt. Dewar, Esq. , in reference to complaint of G.W. McKay, respecting his taxes. Mr. McKay claims having paid his taxes to the Treasurer, and afterwards by Warrant to the Collector. We find on investigation that the said Taxes have not been paid into the Treasury twice.

13<sup>th</sup>. The Appeal of Thomas Cameron, of Stellarton, for refundment of taxes. We recommend that the prayer of his petition be granted, and that the Treasurer be ordered to refund him the sum of \$1.90.

14<sup>th</sup>. The Petition of Thomas Reid, of Stellarton, for refundment of taxes. We recommend that the prayer of his petition be granted, and that the Treasurer be ordered to refund him the sum of \$3.33.

15<sup>th</sup>. The Petition of the Inhabitants of Eight Mile Brook, Section No. 9, to exempt William Robertson from taxation for the year 1887. We recommend that the prayer of the Petition be granted.

16<sup>th</sup>. The letter and statement of the President of the Nova Scotia Steel Co., situated at Trenton, claiming exemption from taxation for twenty years in accordance with a resolution of this Council, passed in January last and likewise the Act passed by the Local Legislature of Nova Scotia, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1886, entitled an Act in reference to the manufacture of Iron and Steel in the County of Pictou. We recommend that they be exempt in accordance with such act.

Your committee find that in many cases the collectors of county rates have not complied with the By-Laws, instructing them to make a return of all defaulters to a Justice of the Peace, and otherwise neglecting the duties imposed upon them by right, by-laws, and in order to obviate any excuses in future, your Committee recommend that the Municipal Clerk have the following additional instructions printed and furnished to the several Collectors, viz:

All Collectors of County Rates on receiving the rate rolls shall forthwith proceed to collect the rates, and shall complete the collection of the same on or before the first day of November then next ensuing.

They shall on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November in each year, make a return to a Justice of the Peace of all the defaulters on their Rolls, to the Councilor for their respective Districts with a

written statement annexed, giving satisfactory explanations of every rate thereon not collected, to be laid before the Council at its first meeting thereafter.

Collectors neglecting to comply with the foregoing provisions shall be liable to a penalty of not less than Five dollars, nor more than Twenty dollars for each offence, to be enforced by the Treasurer in the name of the Municipality.

Your Committee would also recommend that Collectors be directed to carry out the instructions furnished them by this court, otherwise they will be held responsible for any loss which may accrue to the County by their negligence, in addition to their being liable to the fines specified by the foregoing instructions. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES KITCHIN,  
EVAN J. ROSS, } Com.  
DAVID J. MEIKLE,

Report of Committee on License

The above Committee beg leave to say there has not been any application for License, consequently nothing to report,

ALEX GRANT  
JOHN MCPHERSON } Com  
DONALD MCLEOD

Adjourned to 2 p.m.

*Afternoon Session.*

Council met at 2 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Minutes read and approved.  
Report of Committee on Finance read, received and adopted,

Report of Committee on Finance

*To the Municipal Council of Pictou County, January Term, 1887*

Your Committee on Finance having examined the accounts placed before them, and the report and references of the Auditors therein, beg to report as follows –

The sum of \$8817.66 hereinafter recommend to be paid for the services of 1886 should be added to the liabilities of the County at 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 1886, as set forth in the last report of the Municipal Treasurer.

We recommend the following accounts to be paid out of the Fines money, viz:

To William McKay, per act.....	\$10.00
“ Jas. Ross, Big Gut.....	\$2.50
“ John Fraser, Sup Road District No. 4.....	9.00

We recommend the following accounts to be paid viz:

To the assessors for 1886:

Sec. No. 1 Fisher Grant, John T. McPherson, Dan McDonald.....	\$10.00
“ Pictou Island, John McFarlane, John C. McDonald.....	6.00
“ 2 Carriboo, Dan Sutherland, Robert D. Ross.....	20.00
“ 3 George L. Sellers, Simon Chisholm.....	22.00
“ 4 Danford Langille, Wm. McNabb.....	20.00
“ 5 George Murray, Isaac Ross.....	18.00
“ 6 Angus McKay, Watson McKeen.....	20.00
“ 7 Norman McKay, Alex McQuarrie.....	20.00
Sec. No. 8 Roderick Fraser, Jno. D. Cameron.....	20.00

“ 9 John Fraser, Duncan McKenzie.....	22.00
“ 10 Walter Matheson, D.R. McDonald.....	20.00
“ 11 Kenneth McKenzie, Robert Baillie.....	16.00
“ 12 Wm. Fraser, Eldridge Archibald.....	16.00
“ 13 Archd. Cameron, Jno. Horn.....	20.00
“ 14 Daniel McDonald, James H. Fraser.....	18.00
“ 15 Dan. McGregor, Alex McKay.....	20.00
“ 16 Archibald Thompson, Joseph McKay.....	20.00
“ 17 Euon McDonald, Daniel Fraser.....	18.00
“ 18 John T. Fraser, W. Crockett.....	20.00
“ 19 Angus McDonald, Jas. W. Patten.....	20.00
“ 20 Hugh Walker, Alex. Ross.....	24.00
“ 21 Jno. J. Copeland, Jas. A. McDonald.....	20.00
“ 22 Angus Cameron, Don Miller.....	20.00
“ 23 Andrew W.H. McLeod, Jas. Keir.....	18.00
“ 24 Geo. Smith, Jas. S. Meikle.....	15.00
“ 25 John McQuarrie, B.D. Rogers.....	<u>12.00</u>
	\$475.00

*For Medical Services, Etc.*

To Dr. McMillan, Pictou, .....	\$55.00
“Dan Murray, per, Dr. Norrie.....	5.00
“J.P. Smith.....	5.00
“Wm. Mitchell.....	5.00
“John Stewart.....	5.00
“Linton.....	5.00
To Dr. McKenzie.....	20.00
“Stewart.....	5.00
“J.F. McDonald.....	5.00
“G.L. McKenzie.....	5.00
“Geo. Murray.....	<u>15.00</u>
	\$135.00

*For Prothonotary, Justices, Etc.*

To Robert Matheson.....	\$28.40
“H.B. Narraway, J.P. ....	22.96
“J.D. McDonald, J.P. ....	4.25
“A.W. McBean .....	5.40
“John McPhee.....	1.00
“R. Matheson and others.....	12.00
“John D. McDonald, .....	70.00
“A.M. Fraser.....	50.60
“D.W. McKean, .....	<u>3.00</u>
	\$128.31

*For Constables, Etc.*

To John D. McKenzie.....	\$14.00
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“Wm. Sutherland.....	7.60
“Hugh McKenzie.....	5.12
“Angus Cameron.....	6.50
“Daniel Chisholm.....	13.06
“Alex. Gordon.....	15.25
“John Wood.....	<u>2.00</u>
	\$63.53

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*For Jail Accounts*

To J. Sim. Harris, Sheriff.....	\$370.00
J.S. Harris, Jailor.....	491.75
Commissioner of Court House.....	270.18
Comms. Court Ho. New Glasgow.....	292.57
Comms. Town Hall, River John.....	12.83
Comms. Stellarton Lockup.....	12.00
Wm. Smith, Jailor N.G.....	309.06
To H. McKenzie, Jailor, Westville Lockup.....	19.50
Miles C. Geldert.....	20.00
Hugh McKenzie, Jailor.....	75.00
Andrew Murray.....	7.20
D.T. Cameron.....	62.07
H. Henderson.....	3.15
J. Clish.....	17.87
Don. Grey, Com. Lockup, Stellarton.....	<u>50.80</u>
	\$2062.46

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*For Printing, Stationery, Etc.*

To Col. Standard Co. ....	\$138.00
S.M. McKenzie.....	25.00
S.M. McKenzie.....	2.75
W.S. MacDonald.....	49.64
James McLean.....	18.00
Est. Wm. Harris.....	<u>2.00</u>
	\$235.39

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*For Road Committees, Supervisors, Etc.*

To D.W. McDonald.....	\$17.00
A.W. McBean.....	43.70
F.W. McKenzie.....	51.00
John McPhee.....	1.00
James S. Fraser.....	56.90
Edward Dawson.....	3.00
Supervisors Public Grounds.....	<u>43.50</u>
	\$216.10

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*For Bushing Ice*

To N.P. Olding .....	27.60
Smith Foster.....	29.23
Adams Archibald.....	<u>16.00</u>
	72.83
Presiding Officers per account.....	107.50

*For Miscellaneous Bills*

To Over'srs. Poor No. 14 .....	21.50
"J.T. Paulin.....	3.00
"M.C. Olding .....	1.00
"A.W. McBean.....	2.00
To A.W. McBean.....	6.00
Donald Miller.....	4.64
Anthony McLennan.....	14.00
Samuel Cameron.....	30.00
Oversrs. Poor No. 20 .....	10.60
Brd. of Health N.G. ....	56.20
Warden for Office expenses for 1886 .....	50.00
Don Gray.....	90.70
Angus Falconer per account.....	11.90
Comm Co. Asylum.....	5000.00
G. Bailiff, Ferryman for 1886 .....	20.00
	<u>\$5321.54</u>
Total.....	\$8817.66

We also beg to make the following recommendations, viz:

- 1<sup>st</sup>. That the medical attendance on prisoners in Pictou Jail for 1887 be arranged for by the Clerk and Warden.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>. That the commissions to be paid to Collectors of county rates for 1887 be as follows: In Section No. 25, two per cent, in other sections three per cent.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>. That the sum of Four Hundred and Forty Dollars be assessed on Stellarton Police Division for Police purposes.
- 4<sup>th</sup>. That the sum of Four Hundred Dollars be assessed on Westville Police Division for the current year for Police purposes.
- 5<sup>th</sup>. That \$20.00 be granted for a ferry between Cariboo Island and the mainland, subject to existing regulations.
- 6<sup>th</sup>. That the payments in the Treasurer's Account for 1886 as Contingencies be approved of.
- 7<sup>th</sup>. That the Treasurer make immediate demand for the payment of the amount due from the Town of Pictou for County Assessment, and notify all collectors and their bondsmen to settle accounts forthwith to the end of 1885.
- 8<sup>th</sup>. That the Clerk take steps to enforce payment of fines due the Municipality which have been collected by Justices of the Peace in 1885 and 1886 and not yet paid over.
- 9<sup>th</sup>. That no jail fees be paid by the County.
- 10<sup>th</sup>. We recommend that as Pictou Bank is closing its business, that the Warden transfer the account from the Pictou Bank to the Agency of the Merchant's Bank of Halifax. The Merchant's

Bank agrees to give interest on the daily balance at credit of Municipality at the rate of six per cent.

11<sup>th</sup>. We recommend that no commissions be paid to officials of the County Council for the Collection or disbursement of moneys which come into their hands in the discharge of their duties unless authorized by the order of Council.

12<sup>th</sup>. The salaries of the under-mentioned officers for 1887 to be paid as follows: -

The Sheriff as Jailor at Pictou, Caretaker of Court House, attending Criminal Suits, etc....	\$200.00
The Jailor at N.G. ....	200.00
The Jailor at Westville.....	75.00
The Jailor at Stellarton.....	75.00
The Jailor at R. John .....	60.00
The County Treas. for Salary and Postage, and for Road and Bridge Services, on per cent on amount of Co. Road Grant.....	425.00
The Mun. Clerk for Salary, Postage and Stationery.....	500.00
Revisers of Elect. Lists for Dist 1, 2 and 7.....	15.00
“ 3 and 4 .....	15.00
“ 5 and 6 .....	15.00
“ 8 and 9 .....	15.00
“ 10 and 11 .....	15.00
“ 12, 13, and 14 .....	15.00
“ 15 and 16 .....	15.00
“ 17 and 25 .....	15.00
“ 18 and 23 .....	15.00
“ 19 and 20 .....	15.00
“ 21, 22, and 24 .....	<u>15.00</u>
	\$165.00

Your Committee submit the following estimates of the sum required for the service of the year 1887, and recommend that the County be assessed therefore: -

*Estimates*

County Clerk for Salary, Stationery and postage .....	\$500.00
County Treas. for Salary and postage.....	425.00
Sheriff for services.....	130.00
Jailors at Pictou, New Glasgow, Westville, Stellarton, River John.....	610.00
Revisors .....	165.00
Collectors.....	750.00
Warden, Counsel and Auditors.....	850.00
Assessors .....	500.00
Removal of Lunatics and Examination, etc.....	400.00
Maintenance of Lunatics at Mount Hope.....	2000.00
Maintenance of Lunatics at County Asylum.....	3000.00
For paying accounts now due Co. Asylum.....	2000.00
Grand and Petit Jurors, .....	500.00
Public Buildings, Insurance, Fuel, Repairs etc.....	500.00
Printing Stationary etc.....	240.00
Bushing Ice.....	100.00
Road Damages, committees etc.....	450.00

Board, Bedding etc for Prisoners.....	750.00
Inquests, Prosecutions etc.....	600.00
Contingencies.....	500.00
County Asylum Debentures.....	1450.00
For Public Schools.....	<u>140660.00</u>
	\$32849.00
To pay Debentures and Interest for Eastern Extension Railway Damages to be levied as apportioned by Municipal Council on 16 <sup>th</sup> Jany, '82 with amendment passed 20 <sup>th</sup> Jany, 1886 .....	
	5769.00
	\$32849.00
Less proportion for railway damages and general County Rates payable by the towns, viz: for Pictou.....	
	2901.40
For New Glasgow.....	2610.84
	\$5512.24
Balance.....	\$27336.76

To be assessed on the County of the Towns of Pictou and N.G. for the current year 1887. Respectfully submitted.

A.C. BELL  
 RODK. MCDOUGALL  
 ARCHD. MCKENZIE  
 COLIN FRASER  
 ALEXR FRASER

To the Finance Committee of the Municipal Council, January Term, 1887

GENTLEMEN –

Your auditors beg leave to report that they have examined the accounts of the past year as contained in the books of the Clerk and Treasurer together with their vouchers and found the same correct. The Treasurer has submitted a statement of the receipt and expenditure which we trust is sufficiently explicit.

We have also examined the several bills filed for payment and endeavored to direct attention to any items which we considered required special investigation.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID W. MCKEAN  
 WILLIAM CAMERON

*Auditors*

Councilors McColl read protest in re expenses of criminals, as follows – “I protest against the following payments out of the county treasury: 1<sup>st</sup>. All accounts that may be presented for keep of prisoners that have been sentenced for short terms by the Judges of the Supreme Court. 2<sup>nd</sup>. All accounts that may be presented for board of prisoners that may have been committed to the county jail by the Justices of the Peace waiting their trial at the first term of the Supreme Court. 3<sup>rd</sup>. All accounts that may be presented by Justices, constables, or other officers of the law for their services in bringing criminals to justice. 4<sup>th</sup>. All accounts that may be presented for keeping court house, jail etc. in repair, for the purpose of carrying out the criminal law of the Dominion. 5<sup>th</sup>. All other accounts that may be presented, purporting to be for carrying out of the criminal law of the Dominion, whether mentioned especially above or not.

(Signed) JEFFREY MCCOLL  
 (Councilor Sec. 12)

On motion of Jeffrey McColl and J.D. Fraser, *Resolved*, that the Municipal Treasurer be requested to make out a statement of all the expenditures of this municipality for the carrying out of the criminal law of the dominion since first July, 1851.

And further resolved, that on completion of these accounts the Warden be requested to demand payment of the same from the Dominion Government, either direct or through the representatives of the county at Ottawa.

The Report of the committee on railway crossing at Brown's Point and Loch Broom Point was received and adopted.

Report of Committee on R. R. Crossings

*To the Municipal Council of Pictou, January Term, 1887*

Your Committee appointed to examine and ascertain the best way of crossing the Railway Bridge on Pictou Harbor beg leave to report: -

After examining and inquiring of residents in the vicinity, they would recommend that the Council ask the Railway authorities to construct two suitable ways under the Bridge at high water mark, say one at Brown's Point, and the other at Loch Broom, where the Bridge connects with the dump or embankment, - said ways to be not less than twelve feet in breadth. All of which is respectfully submitted.

H.D. DENOON

J. ROD MCDONALD

H.S. FRASER

Also, ordered that the same committee, viz. Denoon, McDonald and H.S. Fraser be a committee to look after this matter and secure the best crossing possible.

Councilor Dewar's resolution to reduce the number of Councilors from twenty-five to thirteen was taken up, and after animated discussion was defeated by a vote fourteen to eight.

On motion of Councilors McColl and Bell the chairman of road boards were instructed to make up the account of expenditure to Dec. 31, 1886, and send the same to the municipal clerk, and that the same be published with the minutes of Council.

On motion of Councilors McColl and John D. Fraser the commissioners of the County Asylum were requested to make up their accounts anew, showing the details of expenditure for building, furniture, and running expenses from the commencement to the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 1886, and that the same be presented to the May meeting.

Report of committee on public property read and ordered to lie on the table until tomorrow morning.

Adjourned to 10 a.m. Friday.

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Tenth Day

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JANUARY 21

Council met this morning pursuant to adjournment. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

Took up report on public property laid over from yesterday.

It was moved and seconded that the report be received and adopted as follows:

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Report of Committee on Public Property

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To the Warden and Council now assembled, Jan. Term, 1887.

Your committee on public property beg leave to report as follows:

1<sup>st</sup>. Your committee made the usual inspection of the old Court House and jail, and are much pleased to find everything in good order, the prisoners well provided for, the jail nice and clean, and well ventilated.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Your committee beg leave to remind this Council, that an offer was made to the Pictou Town Council of the market and grounds on similar terms and agreement as made with the Town of New Glasgow.

3<sup>rd</sup>. And Whereas a willingness was expressed by the Councilor of No. 1 Sect. and then Mayor of the Town of Pictou to accept the same, and consequently a Clerk of Market was not appointed, and during last summer the market was closed, and the Farmers of this side of the County were put to a great inconvenience and loss of time.

4<sup>th</sup>. Therefore your committee would recommend the appointment of a Clerk of Market, and a small sum be provided for repairs of platform around the building. The matter of the hay scales in the Town of Pictou was brought to the notice of the Council, stating that the Hay scales were condemned, and that there was no qualified weigher of hay appointed last January term.

5<sup>th</sup>. And whereas your committee were instructed to see James Paulin and arrange with him for the use of his scales and have them put on the old site opposite the Market on Water Street which your committee did, alter Jas. Paulin considering the matter he agreed to remove the scales to the old site, providing the expenses for masonry required be allowed him, the sum not to exceed twenty five dollars, and that he be appointed weigher of hay at usual rate, the same as heretofore charged. Your committee beg leave to suggest this offer be accepted.

6<sup>th</sup>. Your committee has also found the New Court House in good repair, but our attention has again been called to the necessity of having the Court House and ground fenced, and the great necessity of improving the sound or hearing in the Court Room. Your committee cannot do any better than to give you the views of the Sheriff of the County, which are as follows – I beg leave to bring to your notice the want of a fence of some kind around the Court House Lot. My attention, as well as that of my late brother and father, has been called to this matter by the Judges who preside at Courts in Pictou, quite often. The school children who use it as a playground breaks the glass in the building as you may see by the bills from year to year, and have three times broken the stained glass behind the Judge's seat, besides grounds being open and the building vacant, all kinds of filth is left about the doors, and if fenced in and a few trees planted around , would make the place look quite respectable. Again the sound in the building as well as the heat rushes up into the gallery, making it almost impossible to hear a person when speaking in an ordinary voice, and as I am led to believe from persons, who should know, that it would help the sound to shut up the gallery, and I am of the opinion the cost of so doing would be paid for in two years, that much less coal, and not having to burn out the furnace to keep it comfortable in the Court room.

(Signed)

J. SIM. HARRIS

In this case your committee would recommend that the commissioners of Court House and public property ask for tenders for the above named work, and submit the same at the ensuing May meeting, the municipality not bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

*From the Report of Commissioners of Public Property, New Glasgow.*

Your Committee finds that the sum of \$292.57 has been expended on the court House and Jail, which acct. annexed, and in our opinion is a large sum to be expended in repairs in one year; and further we find in the Commissioners report that a further sum is required to put the prison

cells in order, but we do not feel justified in recommending any further expenditure this year without the consent of the Council,

Memo, from Acct. Com'rs. New Glasgow.

*Court House*

Sheathing and scantling \$14.69; Shingles \$106.50.....	\$121.19
Hardware.....	11.73
Spouting, \$10.00, Plumbing \$29.10 .....	39.10
Windows \$6.26, Blazing \$10.35 .....	16.55
Labour viz, Shingling .....	\$41.87
" Masonry .....	13.21
" Painting .....	12.00
" Repairing Steps.....	<u>13.62</u>
	80.70
Com'ns. \$13.90, Interest or Diet. \$9.40.....	<u>23.30</u>
	\$292.57

*The Report of Supervisors of Public Grounds for the Township of Egerton*

The report of supervisors of public ground was laid before us.

The Supervisor report states two cases in particular that gave them a considerable of trouble. The first was at Elgin, where Samuel Cameron's saw mill through the lands of the said Angus and Duncan Chisholm, along the side of the Brook one hundred and seventy-one rods, but as the road is now fenced, Cameron has not more than from ten to fifteen feet in some places, and they think that the same Committee should again be sent, with instructions to give the said Samuel Cameron a curved road twenty feet wide along the side of the Brook to connect with the main road at Chisholm's, and leading to the main road at McPhee's.

The next was at the Eureka Mills, where some parties complained that Robert Muir and Mr. Barkelay had been encroaching on the public highway from the Mills to the Main West Branch Road leading from Hopewell to Stellarton, by keeping their fences up at thirty feet instead of fifty. The supervisors states that Mr. Barkelay removed his fence at their request but Mr. Muir positively refused, which gave them three trips to the place with cost to the amount of twenty-five dollars, nearly half their account.

Now, in the case of Samuel Cameron at Elgin, your Committee finds on searching the records of the County, that as late as the year 1885, that a precept was granted, and committee laid off a road, and the plan is filed with the report, and confirmed by the Council, twenty feet wide along the said Brook, and through the lands of Angus Chisholm, Duncan Chisholm and Daniel Urquhart.

Your Committee recommends that Road Superintendent for Road Board District No. 3 be instructed to examine said Samuel Cameron's pent road, and remove any encroachments or fencing off the bounds of the road.

Next, in the case of Robert Muir, at Eureka Mills, at the Forks of West Branch, East River, Robert Muir appeared before us, and claimed that part of the land taken from him was never appraised, and that he received no damages for a distance of nine rods. However your committee on searching the records, find that as recent as 1870 a precept has been granted, and a committee laid off said road and appraised damages together with plans and report showing the road to be laid off fifty feet wide, said road being confirmed the 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1871.

In this case your Committee would recommend that the Supervisor of Road Board District No. 3 be instructed to remove all obstructions, fencing otherwise.

Your Committee has been instructed to make enquiry as to the closing of the landing to and from the ice on Kempt Street, which has been used by the public for the last fifty years, known to be the most central and safe landing on the Town of Pictou.

We beg leave to submit the following information which was courteously supplied by the Register of deeds of this county, which we annex to this report, which in our opinion positively shows that Kempt Street has been dedicated to the public.

And Whereas, The Railway has closed the different landing places, your Committee are of the opinion that the Town Council and the County Council should take immediate action to have all obstructions removed, in order that the public may have a landing as heretofore, which in our opinion is the most suitable for a railway crossing as the Town of Pictou.

Your Committee has nothing to report from River John.

No report from Stellarton.

No report from Westville.

In conclusion, your Committee would recommend the Municipal Clerk be instructed to have all the public buildings insured against fire in an office of good standing, in the name of the Municipality of County of Pictou.

All which is respectfully submitted.

DONALD FRASER

JOHN WEIR

ROBERT DEWAR

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DEED

JOSEPH CHIPMAN AND OTHERS TO JAMES PURVES

Dated 19<sup>th</sup> April, 1834, Reg. in Book 17, page 61.

All that certain lot piece or parcel of land partly covered with water, in the Town of Pictou, marked as lots No. fifteen and sixteen, on a plan and division of the Estate of the late John Dawson, Esq. deceased, filed in the Probate Office at Pictou, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the West Side of Kempt street, on the South East corner lot number fourteen on said plan; hence South twenty degrees West along Kempt street, into the Harbour of Pictou, nine hundred feet; thence West seventy six feet to John Patterson's East Line; thence north twenty degrees East nine hundred feet to lot number fourteen aforesaid, thence South Seventy degrees East seventy eight feet to the place of beginning.

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JAMES PURVES AND WIFE TO CHARLES T. IRVING

Dated 5<sup>th</sup> July, 1854. Regd. In Book 40, page 194.

All that lot, piece or parcel of land partly covered with water, situate lying and being in the Town of Pictou aforesaid, on the East side of what is commonly called Deacon's Wharf, at the South West angle of lot number 14, in a plan of sub-division made by Peter Crear, Deputy land surveyor of the property of the late John Dawson, Esq. in the said Town of Pictou, from thence to run South twenty degrees West to the channel of the Harbour of Pictou aforesaid, thence South seventy degrees East seventy eight feet nine inches to the West side of an intended water landing and street, called on said plan Kempt Street; thence north twenty degrees East to the South East corner of lot number 14 on said plan; hence north seventy degrees. West seventy eight feet nine inches to the place of beginning.

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DEED



EXRS. OF JAS. MCKINNON TO CHAS. T. IRVING

Dated 4<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1877. Regd. In Book 74, page 340

All that certain lot of land, and land covered with water, situate in front of the Town of Pictou, marked on the plan of the division of the Estate of the late John Dawson, Esq., deceased, among the seven heirs thereof, and how on file in the office of the Registrar of Probate as lot number ten of Town property, bounded as follows: Beginning on the South side of Dawson Street, in said Town of Pictou, at the north west corner a lot number nine on said plan; thence north sixty six and one half degrees West thirty eight feet, more or less, to the north west angle of Dawson and Kempt Street, thence South twenty three and one half degrees west nine on said plan; thence north nineteen and one half degrees east along said lot to the place of the beginning.  
PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

Registrars Office, Pictou, 19<sup>th</sup>, Jan. 1887. I certify that the foregoing paper writing is a true and correct copy of the description contained in Deeds from Joseph Chipman, et al, to James Purves, registered in Book 17, page 61, and Deed, James Purves and wife to Charles Irving, registered in Book 40, page 194, and Deed Exrs. of Jas. McKinnon to Chas. T. Irving, registered in Book 74, page 340, of the Books of Registry of Deeds in my office.

JOHN FERGUSON, Reg.

Councilors who were absent during the term were excused by order of Council.

Report of nominating committee read by the chairman, and after an exciting discussion it was moved and seconded that the report be received and adopted as follows.

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Report of Nominating Committee

*To the Municipal Council of Pictou County, January Term, 1887*

Your Committee on Nominations beg to report as follows –

Be it resolved by the Municipal Council of Pictou County that the following persons respective shall be officers of the Municipality as hereinafter set forth, viz-

COUNTY CLERK

Robert Matheson till 1<sup>st</sup> May 1887, James McG. Stewart from 1<sup>st</sup> May till his successor is appointed.

COUNTY TREASURER

John D. MacDonald, Esq.

REVISORS

For Revisal Section No. 1, for Polling Districts Nos. 1, 2 and 7, exclusive of the Town of Pictou – Jno. Ferguson, Fisher Grant, Daniel McLeod, James Campbell.

For Revisal Section No. 2, Polling Districts No. 3, 4 – Adams Archibald, R. John; George Gordon, R. John; Geo Munro, R. John.

For Revisal Section No. 3, Polling Districts No. 5, 6 – Roderick R McKenzie, W. B. R. John, Alexr. Baillie, W.B. R. John; David Ross, Tanner R. John.

For Revisal Section No. 4, Polling Districts No. 8, 9, - John D. Cameron, L. Broom; Robt. Falconer, Green Hill; Angus Davis, M. Thom.

For Revisal Section No. 5, Polling Districts No. 10, 11 – Hugh Fraser, Lime Rock; Wallace Munro, Mill Brook; Alexander J. McPherson.

For Revisal Section No. 6, Polling Districts Nos. 12, 13, 14 – James W. Fraser (Basin), Colin McLean, Fraser's Mountain, Robert Mitchell, Pine Tree.

For Revisal Section No. 7, Polling Districts No. 15, 16 – Kenneth McKenzie, Esq. McL. Mt; John McPhee, Esq., John McDonald (Roy).

For Revisal Section No. 8, Polling Districts, Nos. 17, 25 – Daniel Fraser (Taylor), J.D. McKean, James Cameron (Brickmaker).

For Revisal Section No. 9; Polling Districts Nos. 19, 20 – William McGillivray, Esq., B. Brook; John D. Murray, L.B. River; Lauchlin Blair.

For Revisal Section No. 10, Polling Districts 21, 22, 24 – W. C. Olding, Alexander Fraser, Duncan Grant.

For Revisal Section No. 11, Polling Districts 18, 23 – Robert Fraser, Esq., Rocklin; Murdock Sutherland, M.D., George McDonald, Concord.

#### AUDITORS

William Cameron, S. River, David W. McKean, Pictou.

#### SUPERVISORS OF PUBLIC GROUNDS

Township of Pictou – James S. Fraser, West River; Wm. McKay, W. R. Road; Wm. Redmond, River John.

Township of Egerton – Archibald Cameron, East River; Henry McLean, Hopewell; William F. McKenzie, New Glasgow.

Township of Maxwelton – Robert Brown, Merigomish; Alexr. Ross, F. River; James Ross, B. Mountain.

#### COMMISSIONERS FOR BUSHING ICE

For Pictou Harbour – Smith Foster, Fisher's Grant.

For Cariboo Harbour – Alexander McKenzie, C. Island.

For River John Harbour – Jno. McKenzie

For Merigomish Harbour – Nicholas P. Olding.

Commissioners for insuring County Buildings – The County clerk

Commissioners of County Buildings at Pictou – J. Sim Harris, Joseph Gordon, Fred W. Fraser, Druggist.

At New Glasgow – John C. Reid, Joseph C. Graham, N.T. Sutherland

At Westville, - M. Sutherland, M.D., A.M. McBean.

At River John – John Henry, John Gollan.

At Stellarton – Jas. Mitchell, John Fraser

#### KEEPERS FOR LOCK UP

George Christie, Alfred McCoul, E. Graham

#### COMMISSIONERS FOR CO. ASYLUM

John McDougald, Westville; John McQuarrie, Stellarton, John F. Cameron, Stellarton.

JUSTICES TO DRAW JURIES IN COUNTY COURT UNDER SECTION 53, CHAPTER 105.

R.S.

Henry R. Narraway, John D. McDonald

COMMITTEE TO ENQUIRE RESPECTING MEANS OF RELATIVE TO SUPPORT PAUPER LUNATICS, ETC., UNDER SECTION 37, CHAPTER 38, R.S.

In Maxwelton – Malcolm Fraser, Esq., W. C. Olding, Esq., David Huggin, Esq.

In Pictou Township – Henry R. Narraway, Esq., John Falconer, Esq. John Gollan, Esq.

#### CONSTABLES IN PICTOU

John McKenzie, Thomas Anderson, Danl. Leslie, Alex Gordon, James Arbuckles, Jas. Munro (A. son), John, N. Campbell, Peter O'Carroll ( P. son), George Donaldson, Robert Fullerton, George Johnson, Senr.

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4, John Gollan, Esq.  
5, Donald McKay, Esq.  
6, David McKay, Esq.  
7, David Ferguson, Esq.  
8, John Falconer, Esq.  
9, Angus Davies, Esq.  
10, Richard Fraser, Esq.  
11, Daniel Sutherland, Esq.  
12, Thomas Kennedy, Esq.  
13, John Murray, Esq.  
14, M.C. Olding, Esq.  
15, Charles J. McKinnon  
16, Samuel Fraser, Esq. Bridgeville.  
17, Hugh Gray, Esq.  
18, Robt. Fraser, Esq.  
19, Wm. McGillivray Esq. B. Brook  
20, John Fraser, Esq.  
21, James Mitchell, Esq.  
22, Charles McDougall, Esq.  
23, A.W. McBean, Esq.  
24, Malcolm Fraser, Esq.  
25, Daniel Gray, Esq.

Clerk of Market for Pictou, John D. McKenzie.

#### PRESIDING OFFICERS FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

In Polling District No. 1, Samuel Foster, Esq.

- No. 2, Alex McKay, Esq.  
3, M.G. McLeod  
4, Oliver Langille  
5, John McMillan  
6, John J. McIntosh, Dalhousie.  
7, David Ferguson, Esq.  
8, James S. Fraser  
9, William Munro, W. River  
10, James Fraser, Merchant  
11, Alex Matheson, Esq.  
12, James W. Fraser, Basin.  
13, Evan McLellan, Esq.  
14, John D. McQueen  
15, Kenneth McKenzie, Esq.  
16, Duncan McDonald  
17, Hugh Gray  
18, Wm. McLeod, Union Centre.  
19, Wm. McGillivray, Esq.  
20, John Ross

21, Duncan McIntosh  
22, A.N. Gunn  
23, James Johnston  
24, Daniel Ross  
25, Donald Gray

#### WEIGHERS OF HAY

At Pictou – James T. Paulin

At New Glasgow – In District No. 4, John McKenzie, M.G. McLeod

No. 7, Dougal Logan, 3 Mile House  
17, Henry McLean, Hopewell  
21, A.P. Miller  
23, Robt. A. McDonald, Duncan Belfour  
25, James W. McPherson, James Gregory

#### LOCAL ASSESSORS

For Fisher's Grant, Daniel McDonald, Smith Foster

For Pictou Island, James W. Hogg, John C. McDonald.

In Section No. 2, Daniel Sutherland, Robert D. Ross

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No. 4, William McNab, John Gollan  
No. 5, A.N. Murray, Alex Ross, South  
No. 6, Rod McLennan, Alexr Noble  
No. 7, James McIntosh, James A. McConnell.  
No. 8, John D. Cameron, John W. Munsie  
No. 9, Duncan McKenzie, Ebenezer Brown  
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No. 12, William Fraser, Abercrombie, Daniel Desmond, Granton  
No. 13, John Murray, John Horn.  
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No. 15 Alexr. McGregor, Brook Duncan Fraser  
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No. 21 John J. Copeland, James A. McDonald  
No. 22 Donald Miller, Donald Gunn  
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No. 24 James D. Meikle, William Turner  
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#### STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATES

For Stellarton Police Division, Donald Gray, Esq.

For Westville, A.W. McBain, Esq.

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For Section No. 1, Pictou Island, Malcolm Patterson, John McFarlane.

No. 1, Fishers Grant, John Ferguson, David McDonald, William Christie.

- No. 2, Daniel McKenzie, James McNaught, Angus McDonald
- No. 3, Adams Archibald, George Gordon, Simon Chisholm
- No. 4, William McKenzie, B.S. William McDonald, Thomas B. Gould
- No. 5, Donald Murray, John McLean, Alexander Baillie.
- No. 6, J.G. Matheson, Roger's Hill, Thomas Young, Daniel McKenzie, Roger's Hill
- No. 7, Alexander McKay, Hugh McLeod, William McLeod.
- No. 8, James R. Douglass, Samuel S. Archibald, James R. Porter
- No. 9, William McLean, George Gray, Edward Davies
- No. 10, John T. Sutherland, Robert Sutherland, John R. Ross.
- No. 11, Daniel Fraser, Crarig, Daniel Sutherland, Robert Baillie
- No. 12, George Stewart, John McRae, Robert Dunbar
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For Fraser's Mountain, Robert Murray, Trenton, Jno. Horne, Jon Cameron.
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- No. 15, John Forbes, Alex. McDonald, F. Son, John McDonald, Turner.
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- No. 17, John McDonald, Hector Munro, James Wm. McDonald
- No. 18, Hugh Munro Middle River, Neil Matheson, Glengarry, William McLeod Middle  
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- No. 22, Jas. McKay, John A. McDonald, Donald Miller
- No. 23, Wm. Gray, Walter Sutherland, Norman McKenzie,
- No. 24, Daniel R. McDougald, Jas. D. Grant and James W. Kennedy
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- No. 2, John McIver
- No. 3, George McConnell
- No. 4, Baxter Langille
- No. 5, George Ross, Loganville
- No. 6, David McKay, Scotsburn
- No. 7, John McBain
- No. 8, Samuel W. McDonald
- No. 9 Wm. E. McLean
- No. 10, John T. Sutherland, Mill Brook
- No. 11, Daniel Sutherland, G, son, N. Lairg
- No. 12, James McG, Fraser
- No. 13, John Grant, Fin. Mountain.
- No. 14. Wm. F. Grant
- No. 15, Donald Fraser, Farm, McLellan's Mountain
- No. 16, David R. McIntosh, Sunny Brae
- No. 17, John Fraser, S.M. Lorne
- No. 18, Alex. Nicholson, Concord
- No. 19, Angus McGee, Knoydart

- No. 20, George Campbell
- No. 21, James W. Smith
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- No. 23, Norman McKenzie
- No. 24, Robt. Turner
- No. 25, John Fraser

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  - No. 20, George Campbell
  - No. 21, James W. Smith
  - No. 22, Alex McMillan
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  - No. 9, George Gray
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No. 5, George Murray, Post  
No. 8, Frank Fraser  
No. 9, Charles Fraser, Junr.  
No. 10, James W. Fraser, West River  
No. 11, Daniel McLean  
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Mountain, John A. Grant  
No. 14, Daniel McDonald  
No. 15, John A. McDonald, M.T.  
No. 16, Alexander McDonald (Roy), Sunny Brae, Joseph Chisholm, Springville  
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No. 18, Alexander Fraser, (Ogg), John T. Kerr  
No. 19, James Arbuckle, Senr. Ponds  
No. 20, F.W. McKenzie  
No. 21, John R. Dempsey  
No. 22, Donald Miller  
No. 23, Hugh McKenzie  
No. 24, William Munro, James D. Meikle  
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- No. 4, William McKenzie, John W. Forbes, David Holt, Isaac Langil, Brook, David Sutherland, George Rogers, Joseph S. Langill
- No. 5, James Ross, Shoemaker, John Dilworth, W.B. River John
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- No. 22, James McKay, Donald Fraser, A's son.
- No. 23, James McDonald, (Billy) Daniel Murray, Alexander McKinnon
- No. 24, Angus Cumming, Arthur Dillon, A. Lamont, John A. Sutherland
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- No. 5, Kenneth J. McKenzie, W.B. River John, Donald Sutherland, Frank Ritchie, Roderick R. McKenzie
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- No. 8, Alexander Cameron, A.W. Smith, John R. Fraser
- No. 9, John Cameron, Samuel Archibald, Murdoch McIntosh, Christopher Irving, Daniel Graham
- No. 10, James Fraser, Mill Brook, George McKenzie, Gairloch, William McDonald
- No. 11, Hugh MacDonald, Robert McBeath, Peter A. Grant, John McKay, Neil Gordon, Robert McLeod, John R. McKay, George McKenzie, Kenneth McKenzie, Alvin McDonald, Hiram Leithead, Archibald Fraser.



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No. 15, Daniel McDonald, McL. Brook, William Webster, Jr, Mountain, William McPherson, S.R., Alexander McKinnon, Vale, Edward S. Fraser, Brook, Robert C. Stewart, W.G.

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No. 18, Donald Oliver, William Kerr, James Murray, James Balfour, Neil Matheson, John Robinson.

No. 19, Donald McDougall, Esq., B. Brook, John D. Murray, L. B.R., John D. McGillivray, B.B.

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No. 22, Thomas Cameron, McCunnochie Gunn, Angus Cameron, George Sutherland

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Section 8, Geo. W. McKenzie, James R. McKenzie, Robert Hislop, Wm I. Clarke.

Section 9, John D Sillers, Wm. Creighton, Jas. Creighton, Alex. Morrison, Kenneth Davidson

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Section 11, John Matheson, Alex Murray, Hugh McDonald, Robert Anderson

Section 12, Albert G. Fraser, Reuben Wooden, Edward Walters, Graton, Jas. Roach, David Horne, Jas. W. Fraser

Section 13, Kenneth McMillan, Wm. G. Robertson, Wm. Purvis, Daniel Cameron, Alex. Fraser, R.S., Wm. Smith, Daniel Chisholm, D.G. McDonald, James B. Smith, N.G., Daniel Murray, Trenton.

Section 14, Daniel McDonald, D. son, Andrew Reid, James S. Fraser, Thos. Christian, Angus Cameron

Section 15, Evan Cameron, John W. McDonald, Alex W. McPherson, Hugh W. McKay, Vale, Neil McKay, miner, Vale, Alex Munro

Section 16, John Thompson, Chas Fraser, John Cruickshank, Dan A. McDonald, Bridgeville, James Grant, Wm. McGillivray, A. McN. Grant, John McLellan

Section 17, Hector Munro, John S. Fraser, R.W. Cunningham, Duncan Robertson

Section 18, Isaac S. Fraser, John R. McLeod, Daniel McKay, Alex McArthur, Alex Murray, Alex, Munro

Section 19, Jas. R. Murdoch, Ponds, Rod McDonald, Bailey's Brook, Lauchlin McKinnon, Hugh McGillivray, Lismore, James McDonald, Big Island

Section 20, Geo McKay, John Craigie, Joseph Fraser, Hugh McLean, John Ross, John Robertson, George W. Smith, Wm. Sutherland

Section 21, Jas. R. McDonald, John Cameron, Jas. D. Smith, Johnstone Hingley, Rob. Smith, Chas. Smith, John R. Smith, W.H. Simpson.

Section 22, David Ross, James W. Patrick, Alex Sutherland, Neil A. Campbell

Section 23, Alex. Chisholm, Daniel Robertson, Kenneth McKenzie, John Johnstone, Hugh McKenzie, Alex McDonald, Malcolm Martin, Peter Caulder, Andrew Murray, Wm. Munsie

Section 24, James A. Meikle, Alex Ross (P. son), Francis Love, William Turner, James C. Smith, James D. Grant

Section 25, H. Cunningham, Arch Nicholson, James R. Murray

#### FENCE VIEWERS

District No. 1, Pictou Island, Malcolm McDonald, Alexander F. Campbell, Charles McLean, Fisher Grant, George Foster, Geo Christie, Charles Fraser

Section No. 2, Donald Grant, Jno. McNaughton, Finley McKenzie

Section 3, Simon Chisholm, James Sellers, Jr. Wm. Hamilton

Section 4, Levi Langill, Albert Langill, Alexr. Langill

Section 5, John McLean, W.B. River John, John A. McKenzie, W.B. R.J., Rodk. R. McKenzie, W.B.R.J.

Section 6, John J. McKenzie, Millville, William McKay, Alexander Rae, Millville

Section 7, Peter McConnell, R.H., George Grant, Heather Bell, William Stewart, Scotsburn

Section 8, Daniel McC. Fraser, John R. Douglas, Wm McKay, L.B.

Section 9, Daniel McPherson, Dan. Cameron, John A. McLean

Section 10, Daniel Fraser, Wallace Munro, John Beaton

Section 11, Alex J. McPherson, Gairloch, Wm. H. Sutherland, Lairg, Daniel Williamson, Craig.

Section 12, Alexr. Sylvester, Alma, Donald Fraser, John English, Robert Waters

Section 13, Archibald Cameron, Robert Robertson, John Purvis, David Murray, John Cameron, James A. McIntosh.

Section 14, William Morton, Alex Reid, (meadow), Daniel Stewart, Pine Tree

Section 15, Wm. D. Fraser, John W. McDonald, John McRae, Farmer, McLennan's Mountain

Section 16, Dan Fraser, Sunny Brae, John A. Cameron, St. Paul's, John McLennan, Springville

Section 17, Duncan Matheson, John M. Dunbar, John McDonald (Wms. Son)

Section 18, Daniel Ross, Paul Sutherland, William Grant

Section 19, Hugh McGillivray (Big), Lismore. Donald McLean, B. Brook, Duncan McIntosh

Section 20, John Cameron, Joseph Fraser, George McDonald, George Clunis

Section 21, John McDonald (Cal), David Simpson (S. son), Alexander McGregor, William Ross

Section 22, John Fraser, (A. son), James McKay, John McIntosh

Section 23, Roderick McLeod, Joseph Crockett, James D. Crockett

Section 24, John R. Hingley, Adam McInnis, Robert Turner, A. Cummings, Thos. McGrath

Section 25, Capt. J.C. McKay, D. R. McKay, James Culton

#### FIRE WARDS

Section 3, Adams Archibald, Patrick Burke, Simon Chisholm, Alexander Dwyer, William Morrill

Section 4, William Redmond, Geo. Munro, Hugh Campbell

Section 9, John A. Murray, Wm. Maxwell, Mt. Thom

Section 15, John C. Munro, Thorburn, Peter McKay, Thorburn

Section 17, H.D. McLeod, Alexr. Grant, Duncan Matheson

Section 23, Fred Cameron, James Roy, Sr., James McLeod, George Saunders

Section 25, John McQuarrie, John Bell, W. Cameron, John McIntosh, Wm. Miller, J.M. Baillie, W. McKinlay

#### HEALTH WARDENS

No. 1, Duncan Rankin, Pictou Island

No. 2, Fisher's Grant, Daniel McLeod, Wm. McDonald

No. 3, Daniel Salisbury, Jr., Simon Chisholm, Adams Archibald, Donald McDonald, C.J., Alex Fraser, T.R.

No. 4, John Henry, Archibald McKenzie, John T. Cameron, M.D.

No. 5, Wm. Norrie, M.D., James Ritchie

No. 6, Kennedy Munro, M.D., Millville, Charles Graham, Elmsfield, Albert McNab, Plainfield

No. 8, C.H. Munro, M.D., John McKenzie, Thomas A. McDonald

No. 9, C.H. Munro, M.D., Rev. James Fitzpatrick, William McDonald

No. 10, Wallace Munro, Mill Brook, William Ross, Pleas. Valley

No. 11, Robert Baillie, Daniel Fraser, Daniel Sutherland

No. 15, Donald McGillivray, M.D., Charles J. McKinnon, Esq.

No. 16, John A. McDonald, Kero, Hugh McIntosh, Sunny Brae, John McDonald, Roy, Bridgeville

No. 17, John McDonald, Carriagemaker, John Fraser, merchant, J.F. McDonald, M.D.

No. 19, John P. Smith, M.D., D.D. McDonald, Bailey's Brook, John McDonald, M.D. (B. Smith)

No. 20, Kenneth Cameron

No. 21, James Mitchell, James Roy, Mitchel Copeland

No. 22, William Patrick, A.N. Gunn, John A. McDonald,  
No. 23, James Johnson, Roderick McDougal, Wm. J. Bell, George Saunders, Roderick  
McLeod

No. 24, George Smith, Esq., James Ross, Daniel Ross  
No. 25, Evan Kennedy, M.D. Lewis Johnson, M.D., Robert Drummond

#### TOWN CLERKS

Section 2, Thomas McLeod  
Section 3, George L. Sillers  
Section 4, William Redmond  
Section 5, George Murray (Post).  
Section 6, Thomas Young, Millville  
Section 7, John J. Logan  
Section 8, James s. Fraser  
Section 9, John Fraser, W.R.  
Section 10, Hugh Fraser, Lime Rock  
Section 11, Alex Matheson  
Section 12, Eldridge Archibald  
Section 13, John R. McMillan  
Section 14, James Stewart  
Section 15, Kenneth McKenzie, Esq. Mt.  
Section 16, John McPhie  
Section 17, John D. McLean  
Section 18, Donald Murray, Esq., Union Centre  
Section 19, John Thompson  
Section 20, D.A. Robertson  
Section 21, Mitchel Copeland  
Section 22, George McDonald  
Section 23, Alex W. McBean  
Section 24. Malcolm Fraser  
Section 25, D.W. Culton

#### COMMISSIONERS OF STREETS

Section No. 23, John McDonald, Thomas Madden, Wm McDonald  
For North Westville, comprising the roads and streets within Westville Police Division  
north of Miss MacKean's store, including the Gairloch Road from the Great Post Road to  
Westville

John Fraser, Butcher, Wm. Dryden, Henry Russell, Norman McKenzie

Paul McDonald for South Westville, comprising the Roads and Streets within Westville  
Police Division, South of Miss MacKean's store, and to the West of the Fox Brook Road  
including the Gairloch Road, from Skinner's Brook to A.F. McDonald's.

Section No. 25, Leonard Stewart and William McKenzie for Stellarton Albion Mines and  
Ashphalt

#### STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATES

For Stellarton Police Division, Donald Gray, Esq.

For Westville Police Division, Alex W. McBean

Inspectors appointed under Section 123, Cap. 3, Nova Scotia Statutes 1886. "An Act  
respecting the sale of intoxicating liquors."

ALEXANDER R. WATT, Pictou  
WILLIAM SMITH, New Glasgow

County Stipendiary Magistrate

H.R. Narraway, Pictou

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Hugh S. Fraser,

Adam C. Bell

Committee on Nomination

Rodk. McDougall

Court House, Pictou, Jan. 21, 1887

Read names security of County Treasurer's Bonds in open Council approved.

Moved that the minutes as read, and was read from day to day be adopted to January 21, 1886. Moved by Councilor McColl, seconded by J.D. Fraser, carried unanimously.

Moved by Councilor McKenzie and seconded by Councilor McColl, that

*Whereas*, a large portion of the time of the members of this Council is taken up with merely clerical work which might be performed by either the Auditors or the Clerk of the Municipality before the Council meets, and thus save three or four days of the time of the Council.

*Therefore Resolved* that the Auditors be instructed by the Warden to audit all the accounts presented to the clerk up to the 31<sup>st</sup> December of each year, and report as to whether the same are correct or not, and if not in what way they are incorrect. *And Further Resolved* that the Auditors be further instructed by the warden to make up a list of town officers of the Municipality or Townships or Towns in which the whole Municipality is interested, and have the same ready on the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) day of the January term. Passed.

Supplementary report of nominating committee read by the Warden in re clerk. Report received. As there was quite a controversy as to who should be clerk, there being three applicants.

Moved by Councilor Bell and seconded by Councilor McDougall that the names of two be selected by ballot from the three submitted by the committee for the office of Clerk. Passed. The ballot being taken resulted as follows: Stewart 12, Matheson 9, and McKean 4. Names being called for on a vote for the two highest stood as follows: For Matheson, Councilors J.D. Fraser, McKenzie, J. Kitchin, J.R. McDonald, H.S. Fraser, Alex Fraser, Alex Grant, R. McDougall, Meikle, Ross, Dewar and the Warden. Against: Councilors G.M. McKay, McColl, A.J. McKay, D.D. McLeod, D. Fraser, Bell, McPherson, Sutherland, Colin Fraser, Jas. McKay, John Weir, D.A. McDonald, H.D. Denoon, 13.

For Stewart: Bell, A.J. McKay, G.M. McKay, D. Fraser, McLeod, Denoon, McPherson, Sutherland, C. Fraser, McKay, Wier, and D.A. McDonald, Jas. Kitchin, McKenzie, J.D. Fraser, McColl, Dewar, Ross, Meikle, McDougall, Grant, Fraser and the Warden, 13.

Council adjourned at 2:10 p.m., until 3 o'clock p.m.

*Afternoon Session*

Council met at 3 o'clock, pursuant to adjournment. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Finance in re publishing the town officers, report read, received and adopted. Passed.

On motion the matter of re consideration of the County Clerk was taken up, when the following letter was then read by Councilor Bell.

Pictou, Jan'y 21, 1887

HON. A.C. BELL:

Dear Sir – In reply to your enquiry I may state, that if appointed to the position of Municipal Clerk to the County, I shall be willing to give legal opinions upon such questions as may be submitted to me by the Warden of Council without charge.

Signed J.McG. STEWART

After this letter was read it was then moved, seconded and resolved that Robert Matheson be Clerk of this Municipality until the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 1887, and that James McG. Stewart be Clerk of May until the end of the year, or his successor is appointed.

Moved, seconded and resolved that the minutes as a whole and as read from day to day be adopted. Passed.

Council adjourned at 3:50 p.m., until the first Tuesday in May, 1887,  
(Signed)

Robert Matheson *Municipal Clerk*

Robert McNeil *Warden*