

MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS
Of the
Municipal Council of Pictou County.
JANUARY SESSION, 1892.

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1892.

The Council met at 10 a.m. All the Councillors were present. The Warden opened with prayer.

Clr. H.S. Fraser asked leave to resign his position on the Nominating Committee, but in accordance with the general wish of the Council withdrew his request.

The Warden reviewed the business of the Municipality said the last meeting of Council, referring specially to the Geldert case, the case of Dunn against the County of Pictou, the legislation dealing with the Market and the old Jail, and the erection of a new polling Section, No. 26, out of Sections 2 and 3.

The following Nominating Committee was appointed by the Warden:-

Clrs. H.S. Fraser

“ A.J. McKay

“ George M. McKay

Clr. H.S. Fraser read the following

Report of the Nominating Committee.

To the Municipal Council, Pictou County, January Term, 1892:

We beg leave to recommend that the following Standing Committees be appointed for the present year.

Committee on Finance

Clrs. James Kitchin

“ Colin Fraser

“ George E. Munro

“ John D. McQueen

“ Hugh S. Fraser

Committee on Roads and Bridges

Clrs. John D. Fraser

“ Alex. J. McKay

“ Rodk. McKay

“ James Campbell

“ Alex. Fraser

Committee on Public Property

Clrs. Robert Dewar

“ J.W. Smith

“ John Ferguson

Committee on Poor.

Clrs. W. Scott Fraser
“ A.J. McIntosh
“ . Jas. W. Fraser.

Committee on Assessment.

Clrs. James T. Thompson
“ James Mitchell
“ John Murray

Committee on Highway Labor

Clrs. Geo. M. McKay
“ Robert McLeod
“ Wm. McLeod

Committee on Licenses

Clrs. J.R. Collie
“ Jas. W. Fraser
“ John Ferguson.

We also recommend that the following auditors be appointed, viz: Wm. Cameron, Sutherland's River, and M. G. McLeod, River John.

Signed,
A.J. McKay
H.S. Fraser
Geo. M. McKay
Nominating Committee.

On motion the report was received and adopted, and the appointments therein recommended were made.

Moved by Clr. George M. McKay, seconded by Clr. J.W. Fraser, that Monday, the 18th, at 2 p.m. be the latest date at which petitions will be received this Session.

Moved in amendment by Clr. A.J. McKay, seconded by Clr. J. Kitchin, that Thursday the 14th, at 2 p.m. be the latest date. The motion was carried on division.

The papers on file were distributed to the proper Committees.

On motion of Clr. Dewar, the report of D.W. McDonald on the road from the railway crossing at Barney's River to Menzie's Grant, was read in open Council.

The Warden read the Treasurer's Annual Report for 1891.

The Committees proceeded to work and on motion the Council adjourned until 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2 p.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The papers filed since the morning were distributed to the proper Committees.

On motion the Committees proceed to work, and the Council adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Wednesday, Jan. 13th
Forenoon Session.

Council met at 10 a.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The papers filed since previous meeting were distributed to the proper Committees.

At the request of Clr. Dewar, the Act passes last winter respecting the Pictou Market, was read by the Clerk.

The opinions of Justices Weatherbe and Townshend in the Geldert case were read in open Council.

The Committees proceeded to work, and at 12.30 the Council adjourned to meet at 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

The Council met at 2 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The papers filed since last meeting were distributed to the proper Committees.

The Memorial of the Pictou Steam Ferry Company was read in open Council. Clr. Ferguson said the new boat was a good one for the service, and so far as he knew the facts set out in the Memorial were correct; but the service so far had not been satisfactory. The boat is not run to connect with trains on the Pictou side.

A letter from Sec. 18, complaining of the assessment of that Section was on motion of Clr. Wm. McLeod, read by the Clerk. A general discussion followed, and the matter dropped.

The Committees proceeded to work and at 5 p.m. the Council adjourned to meet at 10 p.m. tomorrow.

Thursday, Jan. 14th
Forenoon Session.

Council met at 10 a.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The papers filed since last meeting were distributed to the proper Committees.

Clr. Colin Fraser moved the following resolution, seconded by Clr. James Campbell, Chairman of Road Board No. 2.

“Resolved that the bridge over West River at Watervale, in Polling Section No. 9 of Pictou County, be placed under the provisions of the Bridge Act.”

The resolution passed.

A communication from the New Glasgow Coal, Iron, and Railway Company, respecting changes in the highways along which their railway runs was on motion referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

On motion of Clr. J.D. Fraser, it was resolved that the Town Councils of Pictou, New Glasgow, and Stellarton be notified to meet with this Council at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, the 19th instead to adjust the proportions of county rates to be paid by said Towns.

The Committees proceeded to work and at 1 p.m. the Council adjourned to meet at 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The papers filed since the last meeting were distributed to the proper Committees.

Clr. Thompson drew attention to the requirements of the Act respecting Boards of Health. Clr. Murray and the Warden also spoke on the subject and the matter was referred to the Nominating Committee.

Clr. H.S. Fraser read the following

Report of the Nominating Committee

We your Nominating Committee beg leave to recommend that
Clrs. John D. Fraser
James Kitchin
Robert Dewar
W. Scott Fraser
Jas. T. Thompson
Colin Fraser and
John Murray,
be appointed a Committee on Law Amendments.

We your Nominating Committee beg leave to recommend that the following Committee be appointed to meet with the Town Council of Pictou, New Glasgow, and Stellarton, to adjust the proportion of rates to be borne by said Towns for 1892.

And that the said Town Councils be notified to meet with said Committee at the Court House, Pictou, on Thursday the 19th day of January, 1892, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Clrs. James Kitchin
John D. Fraser
Rodk. McDougall
Alex. J. McKay
Alex. H. McIntosh

Respectfully submitted, Court House, Jan. 14th, 1892.

Signed,
H.S. Fraser
A.J. McKay
Nom. Com.

The Report was received and adopted.

Clr. J.W. Fraser moved the following Resolution, seconded by Clr. Murray, Chairman of Road Board No. 3.

“Resolved that the Bridge across the Big Gut at Granton, Sec.12, of Pictou County, be placed under the provisions of the Bridge Act.”

The resolution passed.

Clr. McQueen called attention to the expenditure for the Jailor and the jail and Court House at New Glasgow, and pointed out that no such expenditures were made in Pictou or Stellarton, Then Warden and Clrs. W.S. Fraser, J.W. Fraser, Dewar, Kitchin, J.D. Fraser, and Ferguson discussed the question, and the matter was referred to the Committee appointed to adjust the proportion of County Rates to be paid by the Towns.

Clr. Kitchin drew attention to a claim of the County against the County of Cumberland for the expenses of an insane pauper in the Asylum at Stellarton. After some discussion, the matter was referred to the Warden.

Clr. Alex. Fraser said that the Town of Pictou had taken gravel last summer off the side of a road outside of the Town limits and that the excavation had not been properly fenced.

Clr. Dewar mentioned the case of a road limit partly in Sec. 19, and partly in Sec. 20, and expressed doubts as to whether residents in one Section could be compelled to perform statute labor in another.

The Committees proceeded to work, and at 5 p.m. the Council adjourned to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Friday, Jany. 15th.
Forenoon Session.

Council met at 10 a.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The papers filed since last meeting were read and distributed to the proper Committees.

A petition from some ratepayers of Sec. 14 to approve of a bill to add a part of that Section to Sec. 24 was on motion of Clr. J.D. Fraser received, and ordered to be laid on the table.

The following resolutions were moved by Clr. John D. Fraser and seconded by Clr. Mitchell, Chairman of Road Board No. 4.

“Resolved that the bridge spanning East French River, Piedmont Valley Road, District No. 21, be placed under the provisions of the Bridge Act.”

“Resolved that the Bridge on the Garden Rover near the Garden Church, District No. 22, be placed under the provisions of the Bridge Act.”

Both resolutions passed.

The Warden referred to the old Market in the Town of Pictou, explaining the present position of affairs, and asking for an expression of opinion on the subject. Clrs. A.J. McKay, H.S. Fraser, J.D. Fraser, J.W. Fraser, Alex. Fraser, Kitchin, Ferguson, McQueen, Campbell, and Colin Fraser, discussed the matter, and it was referred to the Warden to report as soon as possible this Session.

The Committees proceeded to work and at 1 o'clock the Council adjourned until 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2 p.m.

The minutes at the previous meeting were read and approved. The papers filed since last meeting were distributed to the proper Committees.

Clr. Alex. Fraser complained of nuisances committed every year in Sec.2, by residents of the Town of Pictou depositing carcasses of animals outside the Town limits. After some discussion, it was resolved that each Councillor submit to the Nominating Committee a sufficient list of names to form a Board of Health for his District, and the name of a proper person to be Sanitary Inspector in each District.

The Committees proceeded to work and at 5 p.m. the Council adjourned to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Saturday, Jany. 16th
Forenoon Session.

Council met at 10 a.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The papers filed since last meeting were distributed to the proper Committees.

A letter from Messrs. Borden, Ritchie & Co., was read, stating that Mr. Finlay, the English counsel consulted in the Geldert case, advised an appeal.

The Warden stated the results of a meeting he had last night with representatives of the Pictou Town Council and the Agricultural Society, respecting the old Market. Some discussion followed, and the matter was referred to the Warden and the Committee on Public Property.

Clr. J.W. Fraser called attention to the fact that a part of the road from New Glasgow to Westville has sunk several feet, owing to mining operations of one of the collieries.

Clr. A.J. McKay read the Report of the Road and Bridge Committee. On motion the Report was received. The first clause was read, and on motion of Clr. Munro, seconded by Clr. J.D. Fraser, it was ordered that the extension of time asked for be granted, and that the precept be returned to the Commissioners. On motion of Clr. J.D. Fraser, seconded by Clr. Kitchin that portion of the Report dealing confirmation of roads was adopted and the roads, therein recommended to be confirmed were severally confirmed, and the roads therein recommended to be disallowed, were severally disallowed. On motion the balance of the Report was adopted, and the precepts therein recommend to be issued were severally ordered to be issued.

The following is the Report as finally adopted.

Report of the Road and Bridge Committee

Mr. Warden,-

We your Committee on Roads and Bridges, beg leave to recommend that the following recommendations be approved viz:

Confirmations.

1. Petition for widening North Street, Trenton, the Committee asking for an extension of time.
Time extended and precept ordered to be returned.

2. Dedication of Road from Hugh P. Davidson, Sec.2, to the Municipality of the County of Pictou.
Dedication accepted and ordered to be filed.
3. Precept for the alteration of the Public Road from New Glasgow to South Pictou Loading Ground. Deferred to April Term.
4. Precept for Street at Thorburn, between McKay Street and the main road at Brown's store. Disallowed.
5. Precept for public road at a point on the road between Daniel McDonald's gate and Thorburn Church to the main post road from Sherbrooke. Confirmed.
6. Precept for road at or near Thorburn, from the residence of Alex McDonald and others to the main road from Thorburn to Sutherland's River. Confirmed.
7. Precept for alteration in the public road from McLellan's Brook to Stellarton. Deferred to April Term.
8. Precept for pent road by John Fraser, Fox Brook. Not Confirmed.
9. Precept for defining the limits of the pent road through the lands of Paul McKenzie, Three Brooks, Carriboo. Confirmed.
10. Precept for widening Blackie's pent road. Confirmed.
11. Precept for straightening the main road, Toney River, through the lands of John McDonald and Robert Baillie. Confirmed.
12. Precept for confirmation of public road from Gairloch road to Sinclair's South line. Confirmed.
13. Precept for public road from the cross roads at Daniel McDonald's, Green Hill, to the main road leading from Alma to Salem Church. Disallowed.
14. Precept for the cross streets at Trenton, from the old to the new Fisher's Grant road through the property of P.G. Fraser. Confirmed as to line mark A. on plan. Disallowed as to lines marked B and C on plan.
15. Precept for public road at Barney's River from the Railway Crossing at the North side of East Branch, Barney's River, to the corner of the new road leading to Menzie's Grant. Disallowed.
16. Precept for public road from main road to the New Cemetery, near Gairloch Church, Sec.11. Deferred to April Term.
17. Precept for pent road from Main Street, Westville, near Murdock McLeod's to Picken's Street. Disallowed. Report of Committee approved.
18. Precept for alterations of Railway Crossing between Horne's Brook and Westville. Disallowed. Report of the Committee approved.
19. Precept for pent road for Wm. E. McLean, Mount Thom. Deferred to April Term.
20. Precept for pent road from South Mount Thom to the West River road along the lands of Mrs. Proudfoot and others. Confirmed.
21. Precept for public road to connect the highway on the East and West side of the I.C.R. at Glengarry. Disallowed. Report of Committee approved.
22. Precept for widening part of public road from Concord to Glengarry. Confirmed.
23. Precept for alteration in Mill Brook road at its junction with Middle River road. Granted.
24. Precept for alteration of main road from Elgin to Lorne. Disallowed.
25. Precept for alteration of an unfinished part of the public road from Bridgeville to Centredale and Elgin. Disallowed.

26. Precept for pent road for Andrew Reeves. Sec. 15. Deferred to April Term.
27. Precept for public road, from McGrath's Mountain road to Blue Mountain Road. Deferred to April Term.
28. Precept for public road from Marshy Hope road to the road at Hugh Chisholm's. Deferred to Jany. Term 1893.
29. Precept for public road at Mt. Adam. Confirmed.

Opening of New Roads.

1. Petition for the alteration of the public road from Gairloch Church to New Lairg. Deferred to April Term.
2. Petition for public road from main road to Cemetery, Pictou Island. Granted.

Alex. F. Campbell, Com.

3. Petition for public road at West River, from at or near McLaughlin's, to the road on the east side of the River. Granted.

D.W. McDonald, Com.

4. Petition for pent road from Daniel Campbell's to the end of French River road, Sec.22. Granted.

Jas. S. Fraser, Com.

5. Petition of John Wilkison and others for a road from Marshy Hope road to Lynch road. Not granted.

6. Petition of A. Sillers, Sec. 3, for a pent road. Granted.

7. Petition for road from David Bigney's to Munroe's road near Widow Baillie's brook. Granted.

John Gollan

8. Petition of Wm. Benvie and others for alteration of road leading from Lime Rock to main road at Saltsprings Bridge. Granted.

D.W. McDonald, Com.

9. Petition for road from the Island road near Eureka Mills to the Hopewell road at or near Thos. Falconer's. Granted.

D.W. Crockett, Com.

10. Petition for street at Hopewell, from Robert McLeod's on Main Street to the Station. Not granted.

11. Petition for road from John McLean's farm to Hopewell. Granted.

D.W. Crockett, Com.

12. Petition for pent road through the lands of Robert Campbell, Glengarry, Sec. 17, Granted.

D.W. Crockett, Com.

13. Petition for alteration of main road from Gairloch Church to Mill Brook. Granted.

D.W. McDonald, Com.

14. Petition for public road from the main road at or near the lands of James Sutherland and James McBain, or near the end of McNab's road, to meet a proposed road from Denmark Station to the County Line. Not Granted.

15. Petition for Wm. McLeod for a pent road. Granted.

D.W. McDonald, Com.

Miscellaneous.

1. Report of Supervisors of public grounds, Egerton, on roads at Trenton. Ordered to be filed.
2. Petition of Ann Sutherland, for compensation for fencing In Section 20. To be considered in open Council.
3. Petition of Sarah C. Fraser, Sec.15, for compensation for fencing. To be considered in open Council.
4. Petition respecting the rebuilding of the bridge on East River, opposite Stellarton, Deferred.
5. Petition of Wm. Fraser, Sec.17, for leave to lay water pipes along highway. Recommended to the consideration of Road Board No. 3.
6. Petition for repair of road, west side of Barney's River from Avondale to shore. Recommended to the consideration of Road Board No.4.
7. Communication from New Glasgow Iron, Coal and Railway Company, respecting changes in highways. Changes referred to supervision of Road Board No.3.
8. Petition of A.W. McBean asking for an extension of time till April Term to bring in his report on the road leading from Back Meadows to Carson's corner. Granted.
9. Petition for money to construct the road from Beach Hill School House, Sec7, to Hardwood Hill road. Referred to Road Board No.2
10. Petition of Alexander Fraser, Watervale, to place a gate on the west end of the road leading from the Cairg settlement. Granted.

Respectfully submitted.

Signed,
Alex. J. McKay
John D. Fraser
James Campbell
Alex. Fraser
Rodk. McKay

The Committees proceeded to work, and at 1 o'clock the Council adjourned, to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday the 18th inst.

Monday, Jany. 18th.
Afternoon Session.

The Council met at 2 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The papers filed since last meeting were distributed to the proper Committees.

On motion of Clr. W.S. Fraser the petition of Sarah C. Fraser for an allowance for fencing mentioned in the Report of the Road and Bridge Committee adopted on Saturday, was read by the clerk. Clr. W.S. Fraser then addressed the Council explaining the matter and advocating the claims of the petitioner. He moved that the petitioner be paid \$15 as a full settlement of her claim. The motion was discussed by Clrs. Thompson, Smith, C. Fraser, Murray, and the Warden. Clr. W.S. Fraser then withdrew his motion and moved that Robert Campbell Esq., McLellan's Brook, be a Commissioner to investigate the claim of the petitioner and report to the Council at the April Term. Carried.

Clr. Colin Fraser read the By-Law relating to noxious animals, which expires in December 1892, and moved the following resolution seconded by Clr. McQueen.

“Resolved that this Municipality continue Sec.6, of By-Law XII, passed in 1886, for the term of five years from December 31st, 1892.”

The resolution passed.

The following resolution was moved by Clr. John D. Fraser, seconded by Clr. Geo. M. McKay, and passes unanimously:-

“Resolved that this Council express its deepest sympathy with our Beloved Queen and the Royal Family in their sad bereavement caused by the death of the Duke of Clarence and Avondale.”

Clr. A.J. McKay read the following:-

Supplementary Report of the Road and Bridge Committee.

1. Petition of John Gordon and Alex McLeod. Sec. 11, for a pent road. Granted.
A.W. McBean, Com.
2. Petition for alteration of the pent road from D.R. McKay's lands, Granted.
A.W. McBean, Com.
3. Petition for alteration of main road leading though Landsdowne on the north side of Middle River. Granted.
A.W. McBean, Com.
4. Petition of ratepayers Sec.3, to alter and extend road form late Thos. Murray's Hodson, to Angus McKenzie's, Poplar Hill. Granted.
James S. Fraser, Com.

Signed, John D. Fraser
A.J. McKay
Rod McKay
Alex. Fraser
James Campbell.

On motion the Report was received and adopted and the several precepts therein recommended to be issued were severally ordered to be issued.

The report is given above in the form in which it finally passed.

The Committees proceeded to work and at 5 p.m. the Council adjourned to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Tuesday, Jan. 19th.
Forenoon Session.

Council met at 10 a.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Clr. Munro, seconded by Clr. H.S. Fraser, a petition of John Grant Sec. No. 23, for exemption from County rates for 1892 was received, and referred to the Assessment Committee.

Clr. A.J. McIntosh read the following:

Report of the Committee on Poor.
To the Municipal Council of Pictou, January Term, 1892.

Your Committee on Poor beg leave to report as follows, viz:-

That the returns from the several Poor Districts of the County have been before them and examined.

That in many cases those returns have been carelessly or partly filled out causing much trouble and labour to your Committee, and we regret that the repeated recommendations of your Committee on this matter have been as repeatedly disregarded.

That many of the returns have been late in coming to hand thereby causing delay.

That by a comparison of this year's report with that of last year it will be seen that the number of poor in the County has increased thirteen.; that the average cost of maintenance has increased three dollars and eighty six cents; and that the total amount to be assessed is \$355.62 less than last year. Hereto we attach an abstract of returns of Overseers of Poor for the several Districts. Respectfully submitted.

W. Scott Fraser

A.J. McIntosh

James W. Fraser

Jany. 19, '92

**Abstract of Report of Overseers of Poor for the Municipality of Pictou, for the
Year ending, 31st. December, 1891, together with Estimates of Expenditure for
next Year.**

No. of Section	No .of Poor	Males	Females	Children	Average Age	Average Cost per Year	Bills unpaid including balance due Overseers	Balance on Hand	Amount to be Assessed Next Year
1.	2	1	1	0	72	\$70.00	\$30.00	\$18.00	\$150.00
2.	3	2	1	0	77	67.00	.....	45.73	150.00
3.	10	2	7	1	70	38.00	64.20	12.20	535.00
4.	10	3	3	4	71	.....	.....	106.37	500.00
5.	1	0	1	0	78	52.84	.....	.....	52.84
6.	2	1	1	0	77	59.00	36.00	128.00	150.00
7.	2	1	1	0	56	85.00	.....	28.49	150.00
8.	4	1	3	0	80	56.65	.....	10.00	270.00
9.	7	5	2	0	64	40.00	.....	19.31	300.00
10.	2	0	2	0	76	52.00	52.00	1.66	250.00
11.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12.	2	0	1	1	19	104.00	.....	77.73	.....
13.	1	0	1	0	78	30.16	7.00	41.63	40.00
14.	0	0	0	0	.....	00.00	.....	.....	135.00
15.	4	1	3	0	.....	26.68	2.87	122.82	.....
16.	2	0	2	0	.....	52.00	115.13	.....	200.00
17.	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
18.	5	1	4	0	57	13.00	45.00	98.00	240.00
19.	2	1	1	0	72	.....	34.00	105.85	.....
20.	7	1	4	2	80	54.60	64.00	26.88	234.00
21.	6	2	2	2	70	39.00	46.12	.....	300.00
22.	3	0	3	0	55	10.25	.....	12.71	50.00
23.	19	2	11	6	61	37.00	385.00	20.10	600.00
24.	3	1	2	0	70	13.60	8.00	8.00	50.00
	100	25	58	17	68	\$47.49	\$889.32	\$958.32	\$4356.84

On motion the Report was received and adopted.

Clr. A.J. McKay proposed the passing of a By-law to impose a license on peddlers and transient traders. Clr. J.D. Fraser moved, seconded by Clr. A.J. McKay that the License Committee be instructed to draft a By-Law on the subject and report this term.

The Warden introduced the subject of the action of G.J. Geldert against the Municipality and the Appeal taken thereon to the Privy Council. The matter was discussed by Clrs. J.D. Fraser, Geo. M. McKay, James W. Fraser, John D. McQueen,

James T. Thompson, Jno. Smith, Jas. Mitchell, Colin Fraser, Alex. Fraser, John Ferguson, and James Campbell. Clr. J.D. Fraser moved the following resolution, seconded by Clr. A.J. McKay.

“Resolved that the matter of the Geldert Case be left with a Committee, together with the Warden and Clerk, to take such steps as may be necessary in the meantime; and to consider offers for settlement, if any, without prejudice, and also to see what aid towards paying the cost of the Appeal can be obtained from the other Municipalities in the Province, and the Local Government.

The resolution passed.

Clr. W.S. Fraser moved, seconded by Clr.R. McLeod.

“Whereas the Bridge on the road leading from Plymouth to the Town of Stellarton already placed under the provisions of the Bridge Act, is in a dangerous condition.”

“Therefore resolved, that the Council recommend the Provincial Authorities to give this matter immediate attention and have this bridge rebuilt so as to insure the safety of the traveling public.”

The resolution, after discussion by the Clrs. Murray, Alex. Fraser, W.S. Fraser, J.D. Fraser, J.T. Thompson, and Colin Fraser, was carried.

The Committees proceeded to work and at one o'clock the Council adjourned till 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

The Council met at 2 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A report from the Supervisor of Road Board No. 1, respecting gravel pits dug by the Town of Pictou on the side of the road near Barry's Mill Dam was read, and on motion of Clr. J.D. Fraser, it was ordered that a copy of the Report be sent to the Town Council of Pictou with a request to attend to the matter.

The Committees proceeded to work and at 5 p.m. the Council adjourned to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Wednesday, Jan. 20th.

Forenoon Session.

Council met at 10 a.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Warden read a reply from Lord Stanley to the resolution respecting the death of the Duke of Clarence.

Clr. G.E. Munro read the following:

Reports on Horn's Brook Railway Crossing.

Your Committee appointed to look after the Railway Crossing at Horn's Bridge beg leave to report that the Railway Department has done the work in a very satisfactory manner, and made a good road. But your Committee think they should have made a more level crossing for twenty feet on each side of the track.

Signed,
G.E. Munro
James W. Fraser
John Murray

The Report was received and adopted and the Committee re-appointed.

Clr. Kitchin brought up the question of lunatics who are a charge upon the County, and mentioned a case at River John. Clr. Alex. Fraser mentioned several cases in Section 2. A general discussion followed and the matter was referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Clr. A.J. McKay read the following:

“Whereas it is desirable that a market building be erected on the old Market Square in the Town of Pictou, and a country market thereon.

And whereas by Chapter 100, of the acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia passed in 1891, the Municipality of Pictou County is authorized to convey said Market Square to the Town of Pictou upon condition that the said Town shall erect a Market Building and Market thereon, subject to such terms and regulations as may be agreed on by the Warden of the County and the Mayor of said Town.

Be it therefore resolved that the sum of \$1000 be assessed upon the Municipality of the County of Pictou outside of the incorporated Towns; namely the sum of \$500 in the year 1893, and the sum of \$500 in the year 1894, for the erection of a Market house in the Town of Pictou for the purpose aforesaid, provided the said Town shall erect upon said square a suitable market building costing not less than two thousand five hundred dollars exclusive of the value of the site, and shall erect the same under the supervision and to the approval of the Warden of the Municipality and of such persons as he may select as Inspectors; but no part of the said sum shall be paid to the said Town unless the said town shall duly fulfill and perform all the conditions specified in the second Section of said Act, and shall accept the conveyance mentioned therein, in accordance with the meaning of said Act; and provided also that if any rights or privileges pertaining to trade within the town now exercised by persons residing within the bounds of the Municipality shall hereafter be restricted or interfered with by the Town or Town Council or at their instance then the town shall repay the said sum to the Municipality with interest at 4 per cent.”

The resolution was seconded by Clr. Alex. Fraser, and discussed by Clrs. Colin Fraser, John Ferguson, John D. McQueen, the Warden, John D. Fraser, and James Kitchin. On motion the resolution was amended by providing for the assessment of the amount in 1893 and 1894, instead of in 1892 and 1893. The matter was further discussed by Clrs. J.W. Fraser, and J.D. Fraser and passed, subject in all respects to the Act passed last winter respecting the Pictou Market.

On motion of Clr. Kitchin, seconded by Clr. A.J. McKay it was ordered that Revisal Section 2, hereafter include Polling Sections 3, 4 and 26.

Moved by Clr. Kitchin, seconded by Clr. Alex. Fraser, that the Legislature be requested to pass an Act to legalize the Assessment and Collector's Rolls as made out for the old Sections 2 and 3 for 1892.

Clr. Thompson read the following:

*Report of the Assessment Committee
To the Municipal Council January Term 1892.*

Your Committee on Assessment beg leave to report as follows:

The Report of the Board of Revision and Appeal passed.

Petition of Alex. McKenzie, Section 18, praying for exemption from taxation for the year 1892. Granted.

Ordered that 23 cents be returned to Angus McKinnon, collector for Section No. 16. The same being overpaid by him.

Ordered that the sum of \$5.34 be returned to Adam Campbell, collector of Section 6, the same being overpaid by him.

Ordered that the sum of \$2.97 be retained by the Treasurer out of commissions on County rates now about to be paid in to by E. Cameron and refunded to A.S. McKenzie Sec. 23.

Petition Walter Patterson, Section 19, praying for a refund of taxes, not granted. Should have come before B.R. and A. of 1891.

Petition of Alex and Murdock McInnis. Not granted.

Petition of Jane Matheson for a refund of taxes. Not granted as we think \$400 was exempted by Assessors.

Petition of D.S. Fraser for a refund of &17.91. Not granted.

Petition of Thomas Young, Sec.6. referred further to Board of Revision and Appeal for January 1892.

Petition of John D. Cameron asking for a refund of \$4.27. Granted.

Ordered that the Overseers of Poor refund said John D. Cameron, the sum of 44 cents.

Petition of Mrs. Mary B. McLellan asking for exemption from taxation for year 1892 on property assessed in name of Dan McLellan, Section 17. Granted.

Petition Peter Anderson of Section 23. Not granted.

Petition of Hugh McDonald of Section 21. Not granted.

Petition of D.W. McDonald, section 17, deferred to April term.

Petition of W.G. Beach, Section 13; deferred to April Term.

Petition of David McLean, Sec. 8; deferred to April Term.

There is still due to the County the amount of \$175.53 from E. Cameron, Collector of Section 13, for year 1890. Bondsmen hold themselves responsible and it is expected it will be paid in a few days.

There is a large amount in the several accounts of Mr. McKenzie of Section 23. We would ask the Treasurer to notify him to appear before your Committee and show reason why it has not been accounted for.

The following tables will show the amounts of taxes registered, refunded and struck off.

Your Committee recommend that the following named persons be entitled to a refund of taxes, viz.

Polling
Section

No.3	John W. McCabe,	\$1.50
No. 2	Dan Fraser	2.16
No. 2	Moses Fraser	2.16
No. 6	Thomas McBeth	3.00
No. 6	Angus Murray	9.59
No.6	John C. McKay and D. McKay	3.40
No.6	Angus Sutherland	3.00
No. 12	Mrs. Sophia Fraser	2.27
No. 13	John W. Sutherland	4.09
No.17	Mrs. Margaret A McDonald	3.15
No.18	Edward Harris	2.32
No.19	Jane Read	2.50
No. 21	Mrs. Simon Smith	2.50
No.10.	Elizabeth McKenzie	2.14
No.10.	William McDonald	2.80
No.10	Thomas Fraser	3.05
No. 17	Chas. B. Beard	2.67
No. 6	Thomas Young	4.14
No. 23	John Grant	2.14
No. 24	James D. Meikle	1.14
No. 7	Angus Campbell	7.88
No. 7	Barry Bros.	1.24

\$74.38

Polling Section No.	Struck off for Year 1891	Struck off For Year 1890	Stuck off For Year 1889	Struck off For Year 1888	Registered for Year 1891	Struck off For Year 1887	Dropped from Roll 1891
1	.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1	4.58	12.48	.....	.....	\$3.06	.....	.....
2	12.38	8.95	37.19	40.41	34.44
3	10.72	2.29
4	7.69	1.79
5	21.74	12.45	7.28
6	22.25	17.51
7	18.56	2.65
8	12.16	3.87
9
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11	6.24
12	4.46	4.05	11.59
13	47.38	30.85	9.16	For 1890
14	3.57
15	24.84	12.90	61.98
16	7.80	2.65
17	8.19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
18	.....	20.72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
19	4.25	6.17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
20	25.58	.....	.....	.....	9.61	.....	.....
21	20.44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
22	1.11	.....	.....	.....	10.24	.....	.....
23	36.22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
24	.....	3.36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
25	.....	.....	114.99	.....	.....	.....	.....

Signed,
James T. Thompson
James Mitchell
John Murray.

The Report was received and was discussed by Clrs. Kitchin, McQueen, Thompson, W.S. Fraser, J.D. Fraser, Alex. Fraser, Mitchell, A.J. McKay, and the Warden. On motion the Report was adopted. On motion the Treasurer was directed to notify the sureties of McIvor, Collector for Sec. 2. of the settlement of his case.

Clr. Smith read the following.

Report of the Committee on Public Property
Court House, Pictou, January Term, 1892
To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Pictou Co.

GENTLEMEN,- Your Committee on Public Property , after having made their investigations for the year, beg leave to report that we have visited the difference public buildings owned by this county, and find them generally in a satisfactory condition. First on visiting the Asylum, we found it in very good order, the building being well painted and cleaned, both inside and out. Since the last meeting of Council, the Commissioners have had a building erected on the farm, to be used as a root cellar; this we approve of, as in our opinion it was something much required. The only matter in which we would offer a suggestion is, that the ventilation of the building in which the patients are confined, might be a little better than it is at present.

Second,- The Jail is in every respect, so far as we can see, satisfactory to the county, and creditable to the Sheriff and our jailor. It has been painted in a thorough manner by the prisoners confined therein, at a very slight cost to us, and is now in a condition that we may point to it as an institution that is a credit to this county.

Third,- That the County Building in which are situated the offices of Clerk, Treasurer, and others, we find in a satisfactory condition, only requiring some slight repairs. That will be attended to at once by the Commissioners of Public property.

Fourth. - The Jail at Westville requires some painting and repairs which will be attended to by the Commissioners.

Fifth. - The Sheriff of this County has made your Committee an offer of fifty dollars for the stone wall around the old jail lot, and this we would recommend for your consideration.

Signed, John W. Smith
John Ferguson

On motion the Report was received and was discussed by Clrs. Smith, Ferguson, Kitchin, J.W. Fraser, and the Warden, and on motion the Report was laid on the table till tomorrow at 10.30 a.m.

Clr. Ferguson read the following.

Report of the Committee on Licenses.
Court House, Pictou, Jany. Term, 1892.
To the Warden and Municipal Council:

1. We your Committee on License beg to report that we have examined the returns of Mr. Wm. Smith, one of the inspectors of License under the Scott Act for the County. We find that he collected fines amounting to \$168.15 during last year; that he has also collected from old fines the sum of \$110. Balance due the County at last Annual report was \$22.18, making in all \$300.33. We find he paid out in Magistrates courts as costs the sum of \$151.86; Attorneys and others fees \$128.25, total costs \$280.11, which shows

a balance in the Inspector's hands of \$20.22, within \$2.00 of the same balance of last year. He reports a fine against John Evans of \$50.00 and costs of appeal \$19.72, which he says will be collected before very long.

We also find another fine against John Evans for \$50.00 and costs, and another fine against Mrs. E Evans for \$100, which when collected will be to the County's credit.

2. We have also examined the returns of Mr. Thomas Madden of Westville, another Inspector under the Scott Act. We find that has collected from fines the sum of \$450, that he has paid out in Magistrate courts, Attorneys fees, \$C., the sum of \$458.18, leaving a balance due Mr. Madden of \$8.68. There is a fine of \$50.00 and costs to which he expects to get before many days. There is also another fine indisposed of \$50.00, which he expects to collect.

Mr. Madden has tried thirty-nine suits and won twenty-five cases. He states that he has closed ten liquor saloons. There are four petitions or recommendations for the re-appointment of Mr. Madden to the office of Inspector of License.

3. In view of the fact that these Inspectors have received no remuneration for their services, we would recommend that Mr. Smith and Mr. Madden be allowed to retain the sum of \$50.00 each out of the first moneys coming into their hands from fines.
4. We recommend that Mr. William Smith of New Glasgow, Mr. Thomas Madden of Westville, and Mr. Robt. Sutherland of River John be re-appointed Inspectors under the Scott Act.
5. We further recommend that peddlers and hawkers of goods, not freeholders, pay an annual license fee as follows:-

A traveler on foot with pack.....	\$5.00
A single horse team.....	10.00
A double horse team.....	20.00

And that any person found violating these rules be fined double the amount of the license fee. That the Clerk and Warden be appointed a Committee to frame a suitable by-law on this matter and have it submitted to the Governor in Council for ratification at its first sitting. We would also recommend that the parties named as persons to distribute Statute Labor Instructions in their several Polling Sections to Overseers of roads, be the issuers of those licenses; that the issuers of those licenses be allowed to retain ten per cent of the amount collected; that the issuers of those licenses make a semi-annual return to the Council.

6. There was a petition from Mr. Alex. Fraser, asking for an Auctioneer's license in this Municipality, but we think the prayer of the petition should be deferred until the by-law regulating Auctioneers and Peddlers be obtained.

J.R. Collie,
John Ferguson
Jas. W. Fraser
Com. on Licenses

On motion, the Report was received.

On motion at 1 oc'clock, ,the Council adjourned till 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2 p.m. The mintues of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Warden read the claim of A. Muirhead for damages resulting from the construction by the Government of the Saw Mill Bridge, and stated that he intended to meet with the claimant this afternoon, and inspect the property alleged to be damaged.

On motion the Report of the Committee on Licenses was taken up to be read clause by clause. On motionm the first clause was adopted. On motion the 2nd clause was adopted. On motion the 3rd clause was adopted. The 4th clause was on motion referred to the Nominating Committee. On motion, the 5th clause was amended by substituing the words “ ratepayers of the Municipality” for the word “ freeholders,” and by providing that prined forms of license be prepared by the Clerk and sent to the Distributers of Statute Labor Instructions. On motion the clause as amended was adopted. On motion, the 6th clause was adopted.

Clr. A.J. McKay proposed that an arbitrator be appointed to meet with arbitrators to be appointed by the Towns, to settle the proportions of County Rates to be paid by the Towns in 1893. After some discussion, the Nominating Committee was instructed to name an arbitration Committee and an Arbitrator.

On motion at 5 p.m., the Council adjourned to meet at 7 p.m.

Evening Session.

The Council met at 7 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Report of the Committee on Law Amendments was read. On motion the Report was received and after discussions by Clrs. J.W. Fraser, John D. Fraser, Alex. Fraser, Ferguson, and Rodk. McKay, was adopted. The following is the:

Report of Committee on Law Amendments.
To the Municipal Council of the County of Pictou,
January Term, 1892.

Your Committee on Law Amedments be leave to report as follows:

1st. That (a.) Chap. 46 Rev. Statutes be amended as follows:-

That Municipalities shall in no case be liable for damages for accidents that may occur by trucking, riding, driving or walking on the highway, except neglect can be shown on the part of the official required to keep the highway or bridge in repair, and the Municipality shall in no case be liable for damages for accidents when the road bed is of the width of fourteen feet free from obstructions.

2nd. The municipality shall in no case be liable unless actual notice be given to the Councillor of the District or the Supervisor of the Road Board of the defect, for at least ten days before the injury.

3rd. The Municipality shall in no case be liable unless notice has been given by a ratepayer under Section 14 of Chap. 47 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chap.53 of the Acts fo 1889, and by Chap.25 of the Acts of 1891; nor shall the Municipality in any case be liable if after such notice the provisions of said Section and amendments shall have been carried out in so far as the same may legally be done.

4th. Where a road or bridge becomes unsafe or impassable in the judgment of the Road Board and no means are available for the purpose of repairing the same the Road Board may order the Supervisor to close said road or bridge by fencing and to post notices at or near the vicinity stating that said road or bridge has been closed; and after such road or bridge has been closed and notices posted as aforesaid, all persons using said road or bridge or travelling over the same shall do so at their own risk and the Municipality shall not be liable for any inury resulting from any defect in said road or bridge.

5th. (b) Your Committee recommends that Section 15, Chap. 47, 5th series be amended by substituing the sum of 80c. instead of 50c. for each day's labour which he is liable to perform.

That Section 4, Chap. 47, 5th Series shall be amended by inserting after the word "labour" in line 3, the words " unless a son of the owner liable to perform Statute labour resides on the same property, in which case the owner shall be liable in accordance with the scale in Section 3.

That Section 8, Chap. 56, be amended as follows:

The Municipal Council may appoint more than one presiding officer in each Polling District and may fix the place where the poll shall be taken by each presiding officer in cases where more than one persiding officer shall be appointed in any Polling Section. The Council shall have power to make all necessary regulations for the counting of ballots and declaring the results of the poll.

That Chap., 45, 5th Series be amended as follows:

That Chap. 45, Series be amended as follows: - Before entering upon lands required for the construction of a new road or the alteration of an old road, instead of tendering to the owner the amount of compensation allowed, it shall be sufficient to provide the Treasurer with the necessary funds and to serve the owner with a notice that the funds are deposited with the Treasurer subject to the order of such owner. Notice shall be signed by the Municipal Clerk.

That whenever it shall be necessary in constructing; altering or repairing a highway to divert a water course, the damage occasioned thereby to any persons or property shall be ascertained by appraisers in the same manner as provided in acquiring lands for highways under Chap. 45 of the Revised Statutes, except that no petition from ratepayers shall be required, but the Council shall order the precept to be issued of its own motion.

Where errors or omissions have been made or changes are required in the Assessment Rolls between the posting of the revised Assessment Rolls and the collection

of the rates the Clerk shall be authorized to make such corrections on the order of the Assessors of the districts where the property is situate.

That the Act relating to the Harmless Insane Asylum be amended by granting power to the Wardens of Municipalities to transfer real estate of the inmates of said Asylum.

That the Assessment Act be so amended that no taxpayer shall have the benefit of the Insolvent Debtors Act.

That the County Incorporation Act be so amended that in no future no bonus or subsidy be granted by any Municipality to any body corporate except by the vote of the electors of said Municipality.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

John D. Fraser
Jas. Kitchen
Colin Fraser
W. Scott Fraser
John Murray
Jas. T. Thompson

Clr. Kitchin read the following:

Report of the Finance Committee

To the Municipal Council of Pictou County, January Term, 1892

Your Committee on Finance having examined the accounts, petitions, &c. placed before them and the report of the Auditors thereon beg leave to report the following:

The sum of \$18993.89 hereinafter recommended to be paid for services of 1891 shall be added to the liabilities of the County to 31st December 1891 as set forth in the last Report of the Municipal Treasurer.

We recommend the following accounts to be paid, viz:-

To the Assessors of 1891.

Section No.1, Fisher's Grant,

J. Harris, David McDonald \$12.00

Pictou Island, Alexander F. Campbell, John C. McDonald, \$8.00

Sec. No. 2., Daniel McKenzie, Daniel Munro	22.00
Sec. No. 3, Allan McQuarrie, Geo. L. Sellars	24.00
Sec. No. 4, J.R. Langille, Wm. Wilson	22.00
Sec. No. 5, George Murray, A. Baillie	20.00
Sec. No.6, George McIntosh, William Murray	22.00
Sec. No. 7, David Ferguson, Duncan McMillan	22.00
Sec. No.8, Saml. S. Archibald, John Brown	22.00
Sec. No. 9, W McQuire, Simon Reid	24.00
Sec. No. 10, Alex. McDonald, W.H. McKay	22.00
Sec. No. 11, W. H. Sutherland, David Ferguson	18.00
Sec. No. 12, Howard S. Kennedy, Donald Matheson	18.00
Sec. No. 13, Jas. A. McIntosh, R.G. Murray	24.00
Sec. No. 14, Angus Cameron, Daniel McDonald	20.00

Sec. No. 15, John McRae, James McLean	24.00
Sec. No. 16, Wm. McDonald, Hugh McIntosh	22.00
Sec. No. 17, Johnston Cameron, Arthur Proudfoot	20.00
Sec. No. 18, Angus McGillivray, Donald Gordon	20.00
Sec. No. 19, John D. McGillivray, Donald McDougald	22.00
Sec. No. 20, William Robertson, John McKay	26.00
Sec. No. 21, Duncan McIntosh, John S. Copeland	22.00
Sec. No. 22, James McKay, David Ross	22.00
Sec. No. 23, William Madden, Murdock McLeod	20.00
Sec. No. 24, James Ross, Alex. Fraser	17.00

\$ 515.00

For Medical Service, & c.

To Dr. McKenzie per acct.	\$5.00
“ “ McMillan	35.00
“ “ Sutherland	20.00
“ “ Smith	5.00
“ “ Collie	15.00
“ “ Murray	15.00
“ “ Wylde	15.00
“ “ C.H. Munro	15.00
“ “ Robertson	5.00
“ “ H.R. Munro	25.00
“ “ Keith	5.00
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	\$ 160.00

For Prothonotary and Justices.

To R. Matheson	\$18.40
“ A.W. McBean \$13.85 & \$29.76	43.61
“ James Roy	35.96
“ Rodk. F. Cameron	2.00
“ D.W. McKean	7.20
“ D. Gray	6.59
“ C. Fraser	2.00
“ David McKay	.60
“ C.E. Tanner	29.39
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	\$145.75

For Constables

To R. McBeth	\$13.42
“ Jas. E. Fraser	6.00
“ Andrew Murray \$11.00 & \$5.20	16.20
“ D.R. Bannerman	3.55
“ Geo. Spence	4.00
“ Dan Chisholm	46.25
“ Hugh McKenzie	12.45

\$ 101.87

For Jail Accounts

To J.S. Harris, Jailor,	\$200.00
“ J.S. Harris, Board & c.	837.23
“ Wm. Smith, Jailor, New Glasgow	270.33
“ Hugh McKenzie, Westville Lock Up	95.70
“ Hugh Campbell, River John Lock Up	73.00
“ Commissioners Public Property, Pictou	369.84
“ Commissioners Public Property, New Glasgow	24.14
“ Commissioners Public Property, Westville	128.42
“ Albert McKean, Court House,	2.50
“ Melville McKean	15.20
“ Dan McDonald	4.50
“ G. Dwyer & Co., per acct.	1.50
“ John A. Stalker,	.80

\$ 2023.16

For Printing and Stationary

To Enterprise	\$9.00
“ Colonial Standard	90.25
“ Eastern Chronicle	2.00
“ J.D. McDonald	7.50
“ J.D. McDonald	3.75
“ Morning Herald	10.50
“ A.J. Pineo	11.25
“ A. & W. McKinlay	20.00
“ Estate John Ferguson	22.05
“ Jas. McLean	7.61
“ John Yorston	10.70

\$ 194.61

To Road Committees, Supervisors, & c.

To Jas. S. Fraser	\$48.60
“ D.W. McDonald	31.42
“ James Roy	16.50
“ A.W. McBean	70.90
“ A. McHardy, \$10.50 and \$11.50	22.00
“ Alpin Grant	6.25
“ Robt. Campbell	7.75
“ Hugh Fraser	2.50
“ Angus McMillan	2.50
“ Joseph Fraser	1.00
“ Robt. Cavanagh	1.00
“ Simon Bannerman	1.00
“ John W. Fraser	1.00
“ Warren Fraser	1.00
“ Dan W. McPhie	1.00
“ John Robertson	3.00
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	\$ 217.42

For Miscellaneous Bills.

To Valuators	\$94.00
“ Auditors	40.00
“ Board of Appeal	19.70
“ M. Geldert, Crier	10.00
“ J.B. Sutherland, Health	5.00
“ Borden, Ritchie & Co.	192.69
“ Stewart and Tanner	232.56
“ B. Russell	20.00
To H.V. Jennison, Costs Suit	62.97
“ W.B. Ross	10.00
“ Sinclair & Patterson	5.00
“ Overseers Poor, Sec. 23	14.50
“ Board Health, Trenton	7.86
“ Clerk for extra work rendered necessary by recent Legislation	50.00
“ Cariboo Ferry	20.00
“ Jail Committee	50.00
“ County Committee	15.00
“ Jas. McDonald for stone, Culvert at Trenton	56.39
“ A. McDonald	5.50
“ John Gillis, balance acct. for	

conveying insane person to Port Hood	17.00
“ Warden for services and expenses for 1891	125.00
“ Wm. Oliver, \$103.75, less paid last year \$26.00	77.75
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	\$ 1130.92
“ Commissioners for County Asylum	\$ 14, 505.16

We also recommend the following:

- 1st. That Dr. McMillan be paid the sum of \$25.00 for Jail services for 1892 as per agreement.
- 2nd. That the Commission to be paid Collectors of County Rates for 1892 be paid 3% in all Sections of the County.
- 3rd. That the sum of four hundred and twenty dollars (\$420) be assessed for Police purposes on Westville Police Division for current year.
- 4th. That \$20 be granted for a Ferry between Carriboo Island and main land subject to existing regulations.
- 5th. That the payments by the Treasurer in Treasurer’s account for 1891 as contingencies be approved of.
- 6th. That no Jail fees be paid by the County.
- 7th. We recommend that no commissions be paid to the County officials for collecting or disbursement of moneys which come under their hands in the discharge of their duties unless authorized by the Council.
- 8th. We recommend that the sums appraised for damages on the abandoned portions of the Short Line Railway amounting to \$766 be paid by the Treasurer to persons names in the appraiser’s report, upon receiving from them under seal releases in a form to be approved by the Warden.
- 9th. We have again to specially call the attention of Coroners to the law providing that no fees be paid to Medical witnesses at Inquests unless the evidence of such witnesses be called for by a majority of Jurors, and the vouchers therefore be signed by the Coroner and Chairman of Jury.
- 10th. We also recommend that all accounts against the County be certified by the party ordering the work and material for which the account is charged.
- 11th. We recommend that the amount be assessed on Westville Police District \$420 be collected at the same rate as County rates and paid in to the County Treasurer to be paid out quarterly on the certificate of the Councillor of the District as follows:
The sum of \$40 to the Stipendiary Magistrate and \$360 to the Policeman, this amount being their salaries for the year.
- 12th. We recommend that out of the amount placed in the estimates for improvements of Public Property a sum not exceeding \$150 be expended on the Westville Lockup for painting, &c., and a sum not exceeding \$250 be expended on the New Glasgow Court House for repairs.

That the salaries of the under mentioned Municipal officers for 1892 be paid as follows:

The Sheriff as Jailor at Pictou, Caretaker of Court House, Attending Council, Suits, etc.	\$200.00
Jailor at Westville	75.00
Jailor at River John	60.00
County Treasurer for Salary and Postage	425.00
For Road and Bridge Service one per cent of amount of County Road Grant	
The Municipal Clerk for Salary Postage and Stationary	500.00
Extra for new services performed imposed by Statute	50.00

Your Committee submit the following estimates of the sums required for the services of the year 1892 and recommended that the County be assessed therefore.

Estimates

County Clerk for Salary Stationary and Postage	\$500.00
For extra work	50.00
County Treasurer for Salary and Postage	425.00
Sheriff for services	130.00
Jailors at Pictou, New Glasgow, Westville, and River John, \$525.00, less from New Glasgow	
\$150.00	375.00
Revisors	200.00
Collectors	750.00
Warden, Councillors and Auditors	900.00
Assessors	530.00
Removal of Lunatics and Examination	300.00
Maintenance of Lunatics at Mount Hope Asylum	3000.00
County Asylum for maintenance	8000.00
For paying accounts now due County Asylum	
Grand and Petit Jurors	450.00
Public Buildings Insurance Repairs, etc.	800.00
Printing and Stationary	200.00
Bushing Ice	150.00
Road Damages, Committee's, etc.	300.00
Board, Bedding, etc. Prisoners	800.00

Inquests and Prosecutions	400.00
Contingencies	1000.00
County Asylum Debentures	1200.00
Public Schools	10, 368.00
To pay interest on Debentures, Pictou Town Branch Railway	630.00
To pay three Debentures, Pictou Town Branch Railway	1500.00
To pay interest on Jail and Asylum Loan 1891	900.00
Board of Revision and Appeal	120.00
To Costs, Dunn vs. Co. Trenton	200.00
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	\$ 34, 178.00

Less proportion for Railway Damages and general County rates payable by the Towns of New Glasgow, Pictou, and Stellarton, viz:-

Pictou	\$3077.50	
New Glasgow	3140.50	
Stellarton	1678.92	7896.92
Balance	\$26281.08	

To be assessed on the County of Pictou outside of the Incorporated Towns of Pictou, New Glasgow and Stellarton for the current year 1892.

The Finance Committee beg leave to report that they have agreed with A. Dennis of the "Standard" of Pictou to print Proceedings of Council for April 1891 and January 1892 for the sum of \$60.00, the pamphlet to in size and type the same that of 1891. Five hundred copies and to be completed no later than 15th February next.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Jas. Kitchin
Colin Fraser
John D. McQueen
Geo. E. Munro
H.S. Fraser

Court House, Pictou
Jan. 20th, 1892.

The following is the

Auditors Report

Referred to by the Committee.

The Finance Committee of the Municipal Council January Term 1892.

Your auditors beg leave to report that they have examined the accounts submitted to them and find that many of them have not the necessary vouchers notwithstanding the published recommendation of preceding Committees.

They have also examined the books of the Treasurer and the books and papers of the Secretary of the Commissioners of the County Asylum and found them correct and very carefully kept.

We recommend that the \$2765.40 for "Grand Jury Presentments" appear no longer as a liability and that any payments made by the Treasurer on that account be charges to "Contingent account".

Respectfully submitted,
M.G. McLeod
William Cameron
Auditors

On motion the Report of the Committee was received and was discussed by Clrs. J.D. Fraser, J.D. McQueen, Kitchin, and the Warden. On motion to adopt the Report, Clr. Campbell called attention to the petition of the inhabitants of Lyon's Brook. Sec.7, for a grant for hay scales at Logan's Tannery. Clr. Kitchin stated that the Committee could not recommend the granting of the petition. Clr. Campbell then moved in amendment, the following resolution, seconded by H.S. Fraser:-

"That the petitioners of Lyon's Brook, and surrounding districts be granted the sum of \$100 by this Council to erect a scale for the weighing of hay and coal in accordance with the foregoing petition."

The amendment was discussed by Cars. J.D. Fraser, A.J. McKay, Alex. Fraser, and was defeated on division, and the motion to adopt the Report was carried.

Clr. Kitchen read the following;

Report of the Commissioners of the County Asylum.
Report of the Commissioners for the Pictou County Asylum for the year Ending
Dec. 31, 1891
To the Municipal Council, County of Pictou, Jany. Term, 1892

The Commissioners of the Pictou Co. Asylum beg to submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31st 1891.

The number of patients in the Asylum on the 31st. Dec. 1890 was:

Insane.....65
Poor..... 23
Total..... 88

Of the Insane, 6 were discharged, 10 died and 14 admitted.

Of the Poor, 3 were removed, 3 died, and 5 admitted during the past year.

There are at present in the Asylum:

	Males	Females	Total
Insane	34	29	63
Poor	13	9	22

The following is an abstract of the Financial Statement.

Dr.		
By last year's report the balance due by the Asylum 31 st Dec. 1890 was		\$12280.26
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All of which is respectfully submitted.

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Pictou, 13th Jany., 1892

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Hugh S. Fraser
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Court House, Pictou
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On motion the Report was received and adopted.

The following resolution was moved by Clr. A.J. McKay, seconded by Clr. H.S. Fraser.

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That the Act relating to the Harmless Insane Asylum be amended by granting power to the Wardens of Municipalities to transfer real estate of the inmates of said Asylum.

That the Assessment Act be so amended that no taxpayer shall have the benefit of the Insolvent Debtors Act.

That the County Incorporation Act be so amended that in no future no bonus or subsidy be granted by any Municipality to any body corporate except by the vote of the electors of said Municipality.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

John D. Fraser
Jas. Kitchen
Colin Fraser
W. Scott Fraser
John Murray
Jas. T. Thompson

Clr. Kitchin read the following:

Report of the Finance Committee
To the Municipal Council of Pictou County, January Term, 1892

Your Committee on Finance having examined the accounts, petitions, &c. placed before them and the report of the Auditors thereon beg leave to report the following:

The sum of \$18993.89 hereinafter recommended to be paid for services of 1891 shall be added to the liabilities of the County to 31st December 1891 as set forth in the last Report of the Municipal Treasurer.

We recommend the following accounts to be paid, viz:-
 To the Assessors of 1891.

Section No.1, Fisher's Grant,

J. Harris, David McDonald	\$12.00
Pictou Island, Alexander F. Campbell, John C. McDonald, \$8.00	
Sec. No. 2, Daniel McKenzie, Daniel Munro	22.00
Sec. No. 3, Allan McQuarrie, Geo. L. Sellars	24.00
Sec. No. 4, J.R. Langille, Wm. Wilson	22.00
Sec. No. 5, George Murray, A. Baillie	20.00
Sec. No.6, George McIntosh, William Murray	22.00
Sec. No. 7, David Ferguson, Duncan McMillan	22.00
Sec. No.8, Saml. S. Archibald, John Brown	22.00
Sec. No. 9, W McQuire, Simon Reid	24.00
Sec. No. 10, Alex. McDonald, W.H. McKay	22.00
Sec. No. 11, W. H. Sutherland, David Ferguson	18.00
Sec. No. 12, Howard S. Kennedy, Donald Matheson	18.00
Sec. No. 13, Jas. A. McIntosh, R.G. Murray	24.00
Sec. No. 14, Angus Cameron, Daniel McDonald	20.00
Sec. No. 15, John McRae, James McLean	24.00
Sec. No. 16, Wm. McDonald, Hugh McIntosh	22.00
Sec. No. 17, Johnston Cameron, Arthur Proudfoot	20.00
Sec. No. 18, Angus McGillivray, Donald Gordon	20.00
Sec. No. 19, John D. McGillivray, Donald McDougald	22.00
Sec. No. 20, William Robertson, John McKay	26.00
Sec. No. 21, Duncan McIntosh, John S. Copeland	22.00
Sec. No. 22, James McKay, David Ross	22.00
Sec. No. 23, William Madden, Murdock McLeod	20.00
Sec. No. 24, James Ross, Alex. Fraser	17.00

\$ 515.00

For Medical Service, & c.

To Dr. McKenzie per acct.	\$5.00
“ “ McMillan	35.00
“ “ Sutherland	20.00
“ “ Smith	5.00

“	“	Collie	15.00
“	“	Murray	15.00
“	“	Wylde	15.00
“	“	C.H. Munro	15.00
“	“	Robertson	5.00
“	“	H.R. Munro	25.00
“	“	Keith	5.00
			\$ 160.00

For Prothonotary and Justices.

To	R. Matheson	\$18.40
“	A.W. McBean \$13.85 & \$29.76	43.61
“	James Roy	35.96
“	Rodk. F. Cameron	2.00
“	D.W. McKean	7.20
“	D. Gray	6.59
“	C. Fraser	2.00
“	David McKay	.60
“	C.E. Tanner	29.39
		\$145.75

For Constables

To	R. McBeth	\$13.42
“	Jas. E. Fraser	6.00
“	Andrew Murray \$11.00 & \$5.20	16.20
“	D.R. Bannerman	3.55
“	Geo. Spence	4.00
“	Dan Chisholm	46.25
“	Hugh McKenzie	12.45
		\$ 101.87

For Jail Accounts

To	J.S. Harris, Jailor,	\$200.00
“	J.S. Harris, Board & c.	837.23
“	Wm. Smith, Jailor, New Glasgow	270.33
“	Hugh McKenzie, Westville Lock Up	95.70
“	Hugh Campbell, River John Lock Up	73.00
“	Commissioners Public Property, Pictou	369.84
“	Commissioners Public Property, New Glasgow	24.14

“ Commissioners Public Property, Westville	128.42
“ Albert McKean, Court House,	2.50
“ Melville McKean	15.20
“ Dan McDonald	4.50
“ G. Dwyer & Co., per acct.	1.50
“ John A. Stalker,	.80
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	\$ 2023.16

For Printing and Stationary

To Enterprise	\$9.00
“ Colonial Standard	90.25
“ Eastern Chronicle	2.00
“ J.D. McDonald	7.50
“ J.D. McDonald	3.75
“ Morning Herald	10.50
“ A.J. Pineo	11.25
“ A. & W. McKinlay	20.00
“ Estate John Ferguson	22.05
“ Jas. McLean	7.61
“ John Yorston	10.70
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	\$ 194.61

To Road Committees, Supervisors, \$ c.

To Jas. S. Fraser	\$48.60
“ D.W. McDonald	31.42
“ James Roy	16.50
“ A.W. McBean	70.90
“ A. McHardy, \$10.50 and \$11.50	22.00
“ Alpin Grant	6.25
“ Robt. Campbell	7.75
“ Hugh Fraser	2.50
“ Angus McMillan	2.50
“ Joseph Fraser	1.00
“ Robt. Cavanagh	1.00
“ Simon Bannerman	1.00
“ John W. Fraser	1.00
“ Warren Fraser	1.00
“ Dan W. McPhie	1.00

“ John Robertson	3.00
	\$ 217.42

For Miscellaneous Bills.

To Valuators	\$94.00
“ Auditors	40.00
“ Board of Appeal	19.70
“ M. Geldert, Crier	10.00
“ J.B. Sutherland, Health	5.00
“ Borden, Ritchie & Co.	192.69
“ Stewart and Tanner	232.56
“ B. Russell	20.00
To H.V. Jennison, Costs Suit	62.97
“ W.B. Ross	10.00
“ Sinclair & Patterson	5.00
“ Overseers Poor, Sec. 23	14.50
“ Board Health, Trenton	7.86
“ Clerk for extra work rendered necessary by recent Legislation	50.00
“ Carriboo Ferry	20.00
“ Jail Committee	50.00
“ County Committee	15.00
“ Jas. McDonald for stone, Culvert at Trenton	56.39
“ A. McDonald	5.50
“ John Gillis, balance acct. for conveying insane person to Port Hood	17.00
“ Warden for services and expenses for 1891	125.00
“ Wm. Oliver, \$103.75, less paid last year \$26.00	77.75
	\$ 1130.92
“ Commissioners for County Asylum	\$ 14, 505.16

We also recommend the following:

- 1st. That Dr. McMillan be paid the sum of \$25.00 for Jail services for 1892 as per agreement.
- 2nd. That the Commission to be paid Collectors of County Rates for 1892 be paid 3% in all Sections of the County.
- 3rd. That the sum of four hundred and twenty dollars (\$420) be assessed for Police purposes on Westville Police Division for current year.

- 4th. That \$20 be granted for a Ferry between Carriboo Island and main land subject to existing regulations.
- 5th. That the payments by the Treasurer in Treasurer's account for 1891 as contingencies be approved of.
- 6th. That no Jail fees be paid by the County.
- 7th. We recommend that no commissions be paid to the County officials for collecting or disbursement of moneys which come under their hands in the discharge of their duties unless authorized by the Council.
- 8th. We recommend that the sums appraised for damages on the abandoned portions of the Short Line Railway amounting to \$766 be paid by the Treasurer to persons names in the appraiser's report, upon receiving from them under seal releases in a form to be approved by the Warden.
- 9th. We have again to specially call the attention of Coroners to the law providing that no fees be paid to Medical witnesses at Inquests unless the evidence of such witnesses be called for by a majority of Jurors, and the vouchers therefore be signed by the Coroner and Chairman of Jury.
- 10th. We also recommend that all accounts against the County be certified by the party ordering the work and material for which the account is charged.
- 11th. We recommend that the amount be assessed on Westville Police District \$420 be collected at the same rate as County rates and paid in to the County Treasurer to be paid out quarterly on the certificate of the Councillor of the District as follows:
The sum of \$40 to the Stipendiary Magistrate and \$360 to the Policeman, this amount being their salaries for the year.
- 12th. We recommend that out of the amount placed in the estimates for improvements of Public Property a sum not exceeding \$150 be expended on the Westville Lockup for painting, &c., and a sum not exceeding \$250 be expended on the New Glasgow Court House for repairs.

That the salaries of the under mentioned Municipal officers for 1892 be paid as follows:

The Sheriff as Jailor at Pictou, Caretaker of Court House, Attending Council, Suits, etc.	\$200.00
Jailor at Westville	75.00
Jailor at River John	60.00
County Treasurer for Salary and Postage	425.00
For Road and Bridge Service one per cent of amount of County Road Grant	
The Municipal Clerk for Salary Postage and Stationary	500.00
Extra for new services performed imposed by Statute	50.00

Your Committee submit the following estimates of the sums required for the services of the year 1892 and recommended that the County be assessed therefore.

Estimates

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For extra work	50.00
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Sheriff for services	130.00
Jailors at Pictou, New Glasgow, Westville, and River John, \$525.00, less from New Glasgow	
\$150.00	375.00
Revisors	200.00
Collectors	750.00
Warden, Councillors and Auditors	900.00
Assessors	530.00
Removal of Lunatics and Examination	300.00
Maintenance of Lunatics at Mount Hope Asylum	3000.00
County Asylum for maintenance	8000.00
For paying accounts now due County Asylum	
Grand and Petit Jurors	450.00
Public Buildings Insurance Repairs, etc.	800.00
Printing and Stationary	200.00
Bushing Ice	150.00
Road Damages, Committee's, etc.	300.00
Board, Bedding, etc. Prisoners	800.00
Inquests and Prosecutions	400.00
Contingencies	1000.00
County Asylum Debentures	1200.00
Public Schools	10, 368.00
To pay interest on Debentures, Pictou Town	
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To pay three Debentures, Pictou Town	
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To Costs, Dunn vs. Co. Trenton	200.00

\$ 34, 178.00

Less proportion for Railway Damages and general County rates payable by the Towns of New Glasgow, Pictou, and Stellarton, viz:-

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To be assessed on the County of Pictou outside of the Incorporated Towns of Pictou, New Glasgow and Stellarton for the current year 1892.

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All of which is respectfully submitted.

Jas. Kitchin
Colin Fraser
John D. McQueen
Geo. E. Munro
H.S. Fraser

Court House, Pictou
Jan. 20th, 1892.

The following is the

Auditors Report

Referred to by the Committee.

The Finance Committee of the Municipal Council January Term 1892.

Your auditors beg leave to report that they have examined the accounts submitted to them and find that many of them have not the necessary vouchers notwithstanding the published recommendation of preceding Committees.

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Respectfully submitted,
M.G. McLeod
William Cameron

Auditors

On motion the Report of the Committee was received and was discussed by Clrs. J.D. Fraser, J.D. McQueen, Kitchin, and the Warden. On motion to adopt the Report, Clr. Campbell called attention to the petition of the inhabitants of Lyon’s Brook. Sec.7, for a grant for hay scales at Logan’s Tannery. Clr. Kitchin stated that the Committee could not recommend the granting of the petition. Clr. Campbell then moved in amendment, the following resolution, seconded by H.S. Fraser:-

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The amendment was discussed by Clrs. J.D. Fraser, A.J. McKay, Alex. Fraser, and was defeated on division, and the motion to adopt the Report was carried.

Clr. Kitchin read the following;

***Report of the Commissioners of the County Asylum.
Report of the Commissioners for the Pictou County Asylum for the year Ending
Dec. 31, 1891
To the Municipal Council, County of Pictou, Jany. Term, 1892***

The Commissioners of the Pictou Co. Asylum beg to submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31st 1891.

The number of patients in the Asylum on the 31st. Dec. 1890 was:

Insane.....65
Poor..... 23
Total..... 88

Of the Insane, 6 were discharged, 10 died and 14 admitted.

Of the Poor, 3 were removed, 3 died, and 5 admitted during the past year.

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Commissioners.

Pictou, 13th Jany., 1892

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Court House, Pictou
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Nominating Committee

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The following resolution was moved by Clr. A.J. McKay, seconded by Clr. H.S. Fraser.

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On motion the Resolution was received. On motion the resolution was amended by substituting April 2nd for 26th March. On motion, the Resolution as amended was adopted.

On motion at 10 p.m. the Council adjourned to meet at 9.30 a.m., tomorrow.

January 21st.

Forenoon Session

The Council met at 9.30 a.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Warden referred to the resolution respecting the Stewiacke Valley and Lansdowne Railway, and the Act passed last winter confirming the same.

Clr. Geo. M. McKay read the Report of the Committee on Highway Labor.

On motion the Report was received and after discussion by Clrs. J.W. Fraser, John Murray and W. Scott Fraser, the Report was on motion sent back to the Committee to be amended.

Clr. Kitchin read the following:

Supplementary Report of the Finance Committee.

To the Warden and Municipal Council County of Pictou, January Term 1892.

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following supplementary report.

1st. The petition from the Inhabitants of Lyons Brook for money to erect a Public Scale. Not recommended.

2nd. The petition of William McLeod Sec. 7, for compensation for wood destroyed by the Oxford and New Glasgow Railway. Not recommended.

3rd. The following accounts not passed viz: The Journal-news for advertising \$4.25, not being ordered, for posters \$1.50 not certified.

Geo. Campbell for filing in Statute Labor lists \$2.00, not authorized by law.

Daniel Gray for Warrant of Committal for Insane Patient to Mount Hope \$2.00 Second Warrant not considered necessary. Dr. Moore's account for attending prisoners in Westville Lock-up and for attendance on escaped lunatic, both accounts amounting to \$12.00 as we don't consider the Municipality liable for same, Dr. Moore's account \$15.00 claimed for Witness fees giving evidence in the Supreme Court in criminal case, not being a charge on the Municipality.

Commissioners for Bushing Ice on Merigomish and Carriboo Harbour deferred till the April Term, as the work has not been performed. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Jas. Kitchin
 Colin Fraser
 John D. McQueen
 Hugh S. Fraser

On motion the Report was received and adopted.
 Clr. Kitchin read the following:

Report on County Rates to be paid by Towns.
To the Municipal Council of the County of Pictou, January Term 1892.

Your Committee appointed to meet with the Committees of the Town Councils of Pictou, New Glasgow and Stellarton to apportion the County Rates to be paid by these Incorporated Towns to the Municipality, beg leave to report as follows:

The Joint Committee agreed to take the estimates of 1891 as a basis.

The Amount being	\$36529 00	
Less for Eastern Extension		
Railway Damages	3339 00	
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	\$ 33190 00	

Less Interest on Pictou Town		
Branch Debentures	630 00	
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	\$ 32560 00	

Less for

Clerk	\$300 00	
Warden and Clrs.	900 00	
Treasurer	250 00	
Revisors	200 00	
Collectors	750 00	
Assessors	530 00	
Printing	200 00	
Roads	300 00	
Contingencies	250 00	3680 00

\$28880 00

Your Committee has agreed with the Committees of the Town Councils of Pictou, New Glasgow and Stellarton as to the amounts to be paid by the said towns respectively.

Town of Pictou	\$3077 50
Town of New Glasgow	\$3140 50
Additional for Jailor	150 00
	\$3290 50
Stellar ton	1678 90

Your Committee would recommend that the Treasurer be requested to make an immediate demand for the amount due from the Town of Pictou, and that unless the same be paid within a reasonable time this year the Warden be authorized to take legal proceedings to recover the amount.

All of which is respectfully submitted

James Kitchin
John D. Fraser
R. McDougall
Alex. J. McKay
Alex J. McIntosh

On motion the Report was received and adopted.

Clr. Geo. McKay read the following:

Report of the Highway Labour Committee
To the Municipal Council of Pictou County, January Term 1892.

Your Committee on Highway Labour beg to submit for your consideration the following report.

That your Committee have carefully examined all the returns of Surveyors of Highways received, and regret that some of the recommendations made last year have not been carried out, principally the recommendation “ That every Surveyor of Highways shall endorse upon his return the date of commencement and completion of Statute Labour on his road limit.”

Your Committee would urge that this recommendation be acted upon, in view that the fact that in many cases Statute Labour is not performed until the fall of the year, when it is generally useless; and your Committee is of opinion that legal steps should be taken to compel Surveyors of Highways to comply with this recommendation.

The following is a list of the returns missing:-

Sec.2, No. 20

- “ 3, “ 49, 61, 68 ½, 83, 86
- “ 5, “ 111, 112, 113, 117, 124, 125, 128, 130
- “ 6, “ 138 ½, 139, 172

- “ 7, “ 177, 179, 182, 184, 187, 189, 198, 199, 199 ½
- “ 8, “ 218
- “ 9, “ 223, 241, 256
- “ 10, “ 261, 270, 273
- “ 11, “ 301, 307, 308, 309 ½
- “ 13, “ 318, 322, 325, 326, 332, 336
- “ 14, “ 339, 349 ½
- “ 15, “ 369, 376, 378, 382
- “ 16, “ 387, 388, 389, 390, 397, 399, 406, 412, 414
- “ 18, “ 442, 447, 460, 468, 470
- “ 20, “ 487, 493, 497
- “ 21, “ 522, 526
- “ 24, “ 584

We recommend that the above mentioned missing returns be sent to the Clerk of the Municipality on or before the April meeting of Council; failing to make such returns, that the Clerk of the Municipality be instructed to proceed against such Surveyors as the law directs.

Your Committee having considered a petition from ratepayers of Thorburn and Marsh asking that the Marsh Road limits No. 379 be included in Thorburn road limit 381.

We recommend that the prayer of this petition be granted.

Your Committee have also considered petition of ratepayers of Section 16, requesting that a road limit be established from the main road at John McLellan's to the Blanchard road at Duncan Fraser's and be known as road limit 411 ½. Recommended.

Your Committee also considered a petition in relation to establishing a new road limit on the road leading from Thorburn to Sutherland's River; as said petition is irregular; your Committee recommend that this prayer be not granted.

We recommend that the following parties be granted private Statute Labor for 1892.

Sec.2, Robert Murray, George T. Dealy, Donald Grant, David Falconer.

“ 3, John Innis, John J. McDonald.

“ 4, Charles McDonald, ½.

“ 5, George Ross, Donald McCulloch, John McCulloch, George McCulloch, John McLean ½, John McTavish, ½, Alex. And Hugh Murray

Sec. 6, George McIntosh, Andrew Munroe, John P. Cotter, John McKenzie, Robert Thompson, Alex. Noble.

“ 7, William Ross, William S. McKean, J.D. Matheson, ½ each.

“ 8, James S. Fraser, G. S., C.H Clarke.

“ 9, Jonathan Henderson, Roderick Munroe, Samuel Creighton, ½, William Creighton. ½; D. Morrison ¼.

“ 11, Alexander McKay, Alex McKenzie, Daniel Murray, D.R. McKay

- “ 13, Thomas Weatherbe, Thomas McKay, George F. Logan, William McDonald, Thomas Grant.
- “ 14, Donald Grant, ½; John McGregor, Edward McGregor, Daniel A. McQueen.
- “ 15, John McDonald, Neil McDonald, Hugh McLellan, Thomas Sutherland.
- “ 16, John R. McIntosh, Alex. Ross, Dan McDonald, John A. Campbell, Fred McDonald.
- “ 17, Samuel Cameron, William H. Cameron, Archie Dunbar.
- “ 18, James A. Collie, A.R. Munro, John McKenzie.
- “ 19, Donald McKinnon, (wid's son) James E. Mason.
- “ 21, Donald McKenzie, James Foote.
- “ 22, John Chisholm, ½; N.G. Cruikshanks, James Cameron, Kenneth Stewart, Duncan Ward.

Petition of Hugh McDonald and Alex McDonald, of Section 15; be deferred to April Term, for further information.

George M. McKay,
Robert McLeod,
William McLeod

On motion the Report was received and adopted.

Clr. J.D. Fraser moved the following resolution, seconded by Clr. J.D. McQueen.

“Whereas at the meeting of Council in January Term 1891, this Municipality voted a bonus of \$8000 to the Stewiacke Valley and Lansdowne Railway Company;

And whereas a misunderstanding appears to exist as to the conditions under which the said bonus may become payable:

Therefore resolved that a Committee be appointed to ascertain the legal liabilities of the County in said mater, and report in April Term, 1892.”

The resolution was discussed by Clrs. J.D. Fraser, George M. McKay, the Warden, Kitchin, J.D. McQueen, and A.J. McKay, and passed.

Moved and seconded that the time for reconsidering the Resolution passed at the half yearly meeting in 1891, granting a bonus to the New Glasgow Iron, Coal and Railway Company, be extended to the half yearly meeting in 1892. Lost on division 12 to 7.

Clr. H.S. Fraser read the following

Report of the Nominating Committee

To the Municipal Council, of Pictou County, January Term, 1892.

Your Committee on Nominations beg to report as follows:-

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

County Clerk.
James McG. Stewart.

County Treasurer
Peter M. McDonald

Stipendiary Magistrates.
For Westville Police Division, A.W. McBean.
For River John Police Division, John Gollan.

Constables for Pictou.
John McKenzie, Thomas Anderson, Daniel Leslie, Alex. Gordon, Jas. Arbuckles,
James Munro (A.'s son) John A. Campbell, Robert Fullerton, George Johnston,
junr., Wm. Geldert, Wm. Frehill, Geo. Spence.

Commissioners for Bushing Ice.
For Pictou Harbor, Malcolm McKenzie, Fisher's Grant.
For River John Harbor, Adam Archibald, River John.
For Merigomish Harbor, D.S. Copeland, Merigomish.
For Carriboo Harbor, Alex. McKenzie, Carriboo Island.

Committee to Enquire
.respecting means of relatives to support pauper lunatics etc., under Sec. 37, chap.
38, Revised Statutes.
In Pictou Township, David W. McKean, Esq., Daniel McDonald, Esq., John
McKenzie, Esq., River John.
In Egerton Township, A.M. Fraser, Esq., John McPhee Esq., A.W. McBain, Esq.
In Maxwelton Township, Malcolm Fraser, Esq., James Grant Esq., David
Huggan, Esq.

Supervisors of Public Grounds.
Township of Pictou, James S. Fraser, West River, Wm. McKay, West River
Road, William Redmond, River John.
Township of Egerton, James Roy. Esq., Joseph S. Crockett, Hugh Fraser, Lorne.
Township of Maxwelton, Alex. Ross, F. River, Duncan McIntosh, Merigomish,
James Ross, B. Mount.

Commissioners for Insuring County Buildings.
The County Clerk.

Weighers of Hay
Section 4, Henry G. McKenzie
“ 7, Dougall Logan.
“ 13, Brown Henderson
“ 17, Isaac McNaughton

“ 23, R.A. McDonald, Duncan Balfour.

Fire Wards.

Section 3, Patrick Burke, Wm. Redmond, J.B. Sutherland.

“ 4, John McKenzie, R. John, Hugh Campbell, Daniel McKenzie.

“ 15, John C. Munro, (Thorburn) W.L. Ormond, John Leadbetter.

“ 17, John Tait, Hugh D. McLeod, R.W. Cunningham, Isaac McNaughton,
Archibald McLeod, Lorne.

“ 23, John A. McDonald, Thos. T. Gray, D.A. Patton, Wm. McDonald, John
D.B. Fraser, Alexander McKenzie.

Justices to Draw Juries in County Courts Under Sec. 53, Chap. 105.

F. Wyatt Fraser, J.P.

David W. McKean, J.P.

Auditors.

Wm. Cameron, Sutherland's River, M.G. McLeod, River John.

Commissioners of County Asylum.

James McKay, Riverton, Duncan McGregor, Westville, Hugh W. McGillivray,
McLellan's Brook.

Committee of County Council to Consult with Commissioners of County Asylum.

John Murray, George E. Munro, W. Scott Fraser.

Commissioners of County Buildings viz:-

Court House Jail and County Buildings, at Pictou. - J.S. Harris, J. McG. Stewart,
Fred. W. Fraser, (Druggist)

At New Glasgow, - H.T. Sutherland, James Roy, Joseph C. Graham.

At Westville, - M. Sutherland, M.D., A.W. McBain.

At River John, - John Henry, John Gollan.

At Stellarton,- James Mitchell, John Fraser.

Lock-up Keepers.

Jailor and Care-taker, Court House, New Glasgow, Wm. Smith.

Westville, - Hugh McKenzie

River John, - Hugh Campbell

County Stipendiary Magistrate.

John Gollan.

Inspectors Appointed Under Sec. 23, Chap. 3, Nova Scotia Statutes, 1886.

Pictou.

New Glasgow, Wm. Smith.

Westville, Thomas Madden.

River John, Robert Sutherland.

Boards of Health.

Section No.1, Daniel McDonald, Esq., Hector McKinnon, David McDonald, Smith Foster.

Inspector. Robert Fraser, Pictou Landing.

Section No.1, Pictou Island, Sanitary Inspector, Alex. F. Campbell.

Section No.2, John McIvor, Carriboo River, Daniel McLeod, Esq., Carriboo Island, Wm. McDonald, Bay View, Robert McLeod.

Kenneth Urquhart, Inspector.

Section No.3 and 4, George Gordon, Adam Archibald, George Munro, Wm. Redmond, Merchant, John McKenzie, Merchant.

James B. Sutherland, Inspector.

Section No.5, John J. Ritchie, Daniel Campbell, Rodk. R. McKenzie, Hugh Williamson.

Wm. Norrie, M.D., Inspector.

Section No.6, James Graham, Plainfield, A.F. McKay, Plainfield, C.W. Graham, Elmfield, John R. McDonald, Elmfield.

Section No.7, Thos. Grant, Logan's Tannery, Capt. Thomas O'Brien, Logan's Tannery, James McConnell, Logan's Tannery, John McLean, Scotsburn.

Henry Higg, Inspector.

Section No.8, Daniel Clarke, West River, Robt. Grant, West River, Robt. Stewart, West River, C.R.B. Bryan, Green Hill.

Ernest Clarke, Inspector.

Section No.9, John R. Bell, Esq., S. Archibald, Esq., Daniel McDonald, Esq., John Proudfoot.

Wm. McDonald, Inspector.

Section No.10, C.H. Munro, M.D., Wallace Munro, Wm. Ross, Pleasant Valley, Robert Sutherland, Mill Brook.

James McKay, Inspector.

Section No.11, Capt. Daniel Sutherland, New Lairg, Robert McLeod, New Lairg, M.T. McKay, Landsdowne, F.H. Matheson, Landsdowne.

Inspector, Alex. Murray, New Lairg.

Section No.12, Thomas Kennedy, Esq., Alma, Daniel Desmond, Granton, John McRae, Granton, Simon Murray.

Section No.13, P.G. Fraser, Trenton, A.G. Reynolds, Trenton, Daniel McKenzie, Trenton, Harvey Torey, Trenton, Edward Fraser, Trenton.

Daniel Murray, Inspector.

Section 14, Wm. Cameron, M.P.P., Thomas Ross, Sutherland's River, John W. Roy, Woodburn, Geo. Forbes, Little Harbor.

Geo Milne, Woodburn, Inspector.

Section No.15, J.W. McKay, M.D., Thorburn, Geo. Fraser, Thorburn, Alex. McKinnon, Thorburn, Hugh McKay, Thorburn.

Alex. McBain, Inspector.

Section NO.16, Isaac McKay, Sunny Brae, Fred McDonald, St. Paul's, John W. Cameron, Bridgeville, John A. Cameron, Bridgeville.

James McDonald, Inspector.

Section No.17, J.F. McDonald, M.D., Hopewell, J.M. Robertson, M.D.,
Hopewell, D.W. Crockett, Hopewell, Hugh Gray, Hopewell.
Alex. Grant, Hopewell, Inspector.
Section No.18, A.F. McDonald, Union Centre, Robt. Sutherland, White Hill,
Robert J. McLeod, Lairg, Andrew Matheson, White Hill.
Section No. 19, Daniel McGregor, Island, David Walker, D.D McDougald, Esq.,
Angus McGee.
John D. Murray, Inspector.
Section No. 20, Donald McKenzie, Geo. McDonald, Hugh Walker, David
Huggan.
Geo. Campbell, Inspector.
Section No. 21, Thomas Grant, Merigomish, Chas. Dempsey, Merigomish, John
Dunn, Merigomish.
John S. Copeland, Inspector.
Section No. 22, Donald Gunn, East River St. Mary's, Neil McLaren, Moose
River, Geo. McIntosh, Garden of Eden, Charles McDougald, Garden of Eden.
Alex. Fraser, Garden of Eden, Inspector.
Section No.23, Rodk. McDougald, Westville, Jas. Johnston, James Roy, John W.
Sutherland, W.A. Patton.
M. Sutherland, M.D., Inspector.
Section No.24, Daniel T. Ross, James A. Meikle, Daniel Ross, David McDonald.
David J. Meikle, Inspector.

Committee to Prepare and Revise Jury Lists.

A.J. McKay, Councillor, John D. McQueen, Councillor, John W. Smith,
Councillor.

Board of Revision and Appeal.

Alex. McDougall, Blue Mount., Thos McDonald, Sunny Brae, James S. Fraser,
West River.

Ferryman for Pictou.

Ferryman for Carriboo.

John Murray, Carriboo Island.

Respectfully submitted,

H.S. Fraser,
Alex. J. McKay
Committee on

Nominations

Court House, 21st Jany., 1892.

On motion the Report was received. On motion to adopt the Report it was
moved in amendment by Clr. Kitchin seconded by Alex. Fraser, that the name of
George Gordon be substituted for that of James S. Fraser as a member of the

Board of Revision and Appeal. The amendment was discussed by Clrs. Kitchin, A.J. McKay, the Warden, and Colin Fraser. The amendment was lost on division 7 to 5. Clr. Colin Fraser moved in amendment, seconded by Clr. A.J. McIntosh that the name of Daniel McDonald, Mount Thom be substituted for that of James S. Fraser, as a member of the Board of Revision and Appeal. The amendment was lost 9 to 6. Moved in amendment by Clr. Alex. Fraser, seconded by Clr. A.J. McKay, that John Gollan, River John be substituted for David W. McKean, as County Stipendiary Magistrate. The amendment was carried.

Clr. Geo. M. McKay read the following minority report:

“I agree to all the foregoing nominations with the exception of Thomas Madden. I am of the opinion that another name should be substituted therefore.”

Signed, Geo. M. McKay.

Moved that the Majority Report as amended be adopted. Moved in amendment by Clr. Alex. Fraser, seconded by Clr. Geo. M. McKay, that the name of John F. Oliver be substituted for that of Thos Madden as Inspector of Licenses. The amendment was defeated. The motion was carried and the Majority Report as amended was adopted. On motion the officers named in the Majority Report and in the Township Officers’ lists as filed for the year 1892 were thereupon appointed to the several offices to which they are therein respectively designated.

On motion of Clr. Alex. Fraser, seconded by Clr. W.S. Fraser, the Jail Committee appointed last Jany. Was reappointed and ordered to report at the April Meeting in 1892.

On motion the Report of the Committee on Public Property received yesterday was adopted; and the offer of the Sheriff of \$50 for the stone in the wall surrounding the old jail was accepted.

Clr. A.J. McKay read the following Report of the Nominating Committee.

“We your Committee recommend that Alex. Fraser, A.J. McIntosh, and Jas. W. Fraser, be a Committee to ascertain and investigate the legal liabilities of the County in the matter of the Lansdowne Railway bonus.

Sgd. A.J. McKay
H.S. Fraser”

We also recommend that the following Jail Committee be reappointed.

James Kitchin,
Robert Dewar,
James Campbell,
Alex. Fraser,
John Ferguson.

Sgd. A.J. McKay
H.S. Fraser
G.M. McKay

Court House, 21st. Jany., 1892.

On motion the Report was received and adopted.

On motion the Treasurer's sureties, being the same as last year, were approved.

The Minutes of the present Session were read and approved.

The Minutes as read from day to day were adopted as a whole.

The Council adjourned, to meet at the date fixed by by-law for the half yearly meeting.

Sgd.

R. McDougall,
Warden.

J. McG. Stewart,
Clerk.