

MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS
Of the
Municipal Council of Pictou County.
JANUARY SESSION, 1893.

First Day.

Tuesday, Jan. 10, Forenoon Session.

Council met at 10 a.m. The Clerk opened the returns of the presiding officer, and declared the following Councillors returned, namely:-

- Section 1. John Ferguson
“ 2. Alex. Fraser
“ 3. James Kitchen.
“ 4. Archibald McKenzie.
“ 5. A.J. McKay.
“ 6. R. McKay.
“ 7. James Campbell.
“ 8. John D. Cameron.
“ 9. Colin Fraser.
“ 10. A. J. McIntosh.
“ 11. Daniel Sutherland.
“ 12. James W. Fraser.
“ 13. Thomas Marshall.
“ 14. John D. McQueen.
“ 15. Alex. McBean.
“ 16. James T. Thompson.
“ 17. Robert McLeod.
“ 18. William McLeod.
“ 19. John D. Murray.
“ 20. Allan McPhee.
“ 21. James Mitchell.
“ 22. Roderick McDougall.
“ 23. John F. Oliver.
“ 24. John D. Fraser.
“ 26. E.M. McDonald.

The councillors were sworn into office. The Clerk called the roll. On motion of Colin Fraser, seconded by James Kitchen, Rod. McDougall, councillor for Sec. 22 was elected Warden. On motion of John D. McQueen, seconded by J.W. Fraser, Alex. J. McKay was elected Deputy Warden.

The Warden upon taking the chair gave the Council some particulars respecting the Jail and Asylum Loan of 1891, the Geldert Case, certain claims against the County for damages, the

proposed by-law respecting peddlers, and other matters. A general discussion followed, shared in by clrs J.D. Fraser, J.D. McQueen, Archibald McKenzie, and the Warden.

The Warden appointed the following nominating committee.

John D. McQueen, John F. Oliver, James Kitchen.

The appointment was on motion approved by the council.

On motion of clr. J.D. Fraser, seconded by clr. J.T. Thompson, it was resolved that a committee on law amendments be appointed.

Clr. John D. McQueen presented the following,

Report of the Nominating Committee.

To the Municipality of Pictou County, January Term, 1893.

Your Nominating Committee beg leave to submit the following standing committees.

Committee of Finance- James Kitchen, Colin Fraser, Archibald McKenzie, John D. McQueen, Allan McPhee.

Committee on Roads and Bridges- John D. Fraser, Alexander J. McKay, Roderick McKay, Alex. Fraser, E. M. McDonald.

Committee on Public Property- Edward M. McDonald, John Ferguson, John F. Oliver.

Committee on Poor- A.J. McIntosh, Jas. W. Fraser, John D. Murray.

Committee on Assessment- James T. Thompson, James Mitchell, Thos. Marshall.

Committee on Highway Labour- Alex. McBean, Robert McLeod, William McLeod.

Committee on Licenses- Daniel Sutherland, John D. Cameron, James Campbell.

Arbitration Committee- James Kitchen, John J. McQueen, James Mitchell.

Committee on Law Amendments- John D. Fraser, John F. Oliver, Daniel Sutherland, James T. Thompson, Colin Fraser, E.M. McDonald, John D. Murray.

We also recommend that the following be appointed as auditors to act forth with.
Viz:-

William Cameron Esq., of Sutherland's River and Samuel A. Foster, Esq. of Fisher's Grant.

John D. McQueen

J.F. Oliver

Jas. Kithen.

Nom. Com.

Court House, Pictou, Jan. 10, 1893.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

On motion at one o'clock the council adjourned till 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

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

Moved by A.J. McKay, seconded by Jas. Kitchen and resolved that no petitions be received after Friday at 2 p.m.

The papers on file were distributed to the proper committees.

The committees proceeded to work and remained in session until 5 p.m.

The Council adjourned to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Second Day.

January 11th. Forenoon Session.

Council met at 10 a.m. The clerk called the roll. The papers filed since last meetings were distributed to the proper committees.

Clrs. Campbell and J.D. McQueen referred to the markets at Pictou and New Glasgow, the discussion was continued by clrs. E.M. McDonald, J.D. Fraser, A. McKenzie, A.J. McKay, J.F. Oliver, and J. T. Thompson.

The clerk read the report of the committee appointed April last in re the proposed electric railway between New Glasgow and Trenton. The report was referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

On motion of clr. J.D. Fraser, seconded by clr. McQueen, the committees proceeded to work. At one o'clock the council adjourned until 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2.p.m. The papers filed since last meeting were distributed to the proper committees.

The clerk read a memorial from the town of New Glasgow respecting the market building and grounds in that town.

On motion Mr. Jennison, Mayor of New Glasgow, addressed the Council in the matter. It was moved by clr. McKenzie, seconded by clr. A.J. McKay that the matter be referred to the Committee on Public Property. The motion was discussed by clrs. E.M. McDonald, J. D. Fraser, J.D. McQueen, J.W. Fraser, J.T. Thompson, T. Marshall, Colin Fraser and John Ferguson, and passed.

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

Third Day.

January 12th. Forenoon Session.

Council met at 10 a.m. The Clerk called the roll. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The papers filed since last meeting were distributed to the proper committees, Clr. Marshall moved, seconded by Clr. J.W. Fraser, the following resolution:-

Pictou , January 12, 1893.

Mr. Warden: - I beg leave to move the following resolution. That whereas on the 18th day of January 1890, this council granted a road from the Fisher's Grant road at Trenton, to the waters of the East River that on the 21st day of January 1891, the said road was confirmed by this council. That on the 24th day of April, 1891, this council granted the sum of \$100 towards a railway crossing on said road, the said sum of \$100 to be paid out of the first fines money and whereas the said sum has never been paid and if paid would not be sufficient. Therefore resolved that this council grant an additional sum of \$60 and that the whole amount of \$160 be paid towards said crossing out of the fines money now on hand, or soon to be received by this municipality.

Clr. J.D. Fraser moved in amendment, seconded by clr. Kitchen, that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee. The amendment was carried.

Clr. Mitchell moved, seconded by clr. J. D. Fraser, the following resolution:

Resolved that the bridge on the Marshy Hope road recently washed away by the freshet, near William Turner's, be placed under the Bridge Act.

The motion passed. Clr. J.D. McQueen read the report of William Smith, License Inspector for East Pictou, showing a balance for him of \$7.88. On motion the report was referred to the License Committee.

Clr. Marshall moved, seconded by Clr. James W. Fraser, the following resolution:

Pictou, January 12, 1893.

Mr. Warden:- I beg leave to move the following resolution. That whereas on the 30th day of April, 1892, the General Assembly of the province of Nova Scotia , passed an act known as the public road act of 1892, and whereas sec. 41 of said act provides that the council of any municipality may submit the question of the adoption of the act to the electors. Therefore resolved that this council submit to the electors of this municipality the question whether the said act shall be adopted by this municipality or not.

Clr. J.D. Fraser moved in amendment, seconded by clr. Kitchen that the resolution be laid on the table until after the committee on law amendments makes it report. The amendment was carried.

Clr. Kitchen moved, seconded by clr. Thompson that the Nominating Committee name a committee to meet with the Town councils in the matter of the apportionment of county rates, between the towns and the municipality, and that the Clerk notify the town councils that the committee will meet with them on Tuesday the 17th inst. At 2 p.m.

Clr. McQueen read the following

Report of the Nominating Committee

Mr. Warden and Gentlemen- We your Nominating Committee beg leave to recommend that the following Committee be appointed to meet with the Committees from the town councils of Pictou, New Glasgow, and Stellarton to adjust the proportion of rates to be borne by said towns for 1893, and that the said Town Councils be notified to meet with said committee at the court house. Pictou on Tuesday the 17th day of January, 1893 at 2 o'clock p.m. Councillors, James Kitchen, Alex. J. McKay, Arch. McKenzie, A.J. McIntosh, John D. Fraser.

Signed J.D. McQueen,
 { J.F. Oliver
Nom. Com. James Kitchen

Court House, Pictou, January 12th, 1893.

The report was on motion received and adopted.

The committees proceeded to work and at one o'clock 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.

Clr. Marshall asked for leave to withdraw a petition from residents of section 13, for an alteration in the old mountain road. Leave was granted.

The clerk read a petition from the New Glasgow Coal, Iron and Railway company, Moved by clr. J.D. Fraser , seconded by clr. A. McKenzie, and resolved that the Nominating Committee name a committee to which the matters mentioned in the petition may be referred for consideration and report.

Clr. McQueen read the report of the committees on the Stewiacke Valley and Lansdowne Railway, presented to the council at the half yearly meeting in 1892, and moved that the Warden and Clerk be instructed to prepare a bill to be sent to the Legislature, for the purpose of carrying out the recommendations of that committee. The motion was seconded by A.J. McKay and passed.

Mr. Warden and Gentlemen:- We, your nominating beg leave to recommend , that the following named councillors be appointed a committee to consider the memorial of the New Glasgow Iron Coal and Railway Company Limited viz:

John D. Fraser
Colin Fraser
John D. Murray
Rod. McKay
A.J. McIntosh

Signed, John D. McQueen
Nom. Com. J.F. Oliver
 James Kitchen

Court House, Pictou, Jan. 12th, 1893.

The report was on motion, received and adopted.

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

Fourth Day.

January 13th, Forenoon Session:-

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

Clr. Oliver moved, seconded by clr. Wm. McLeod a resolution that the fines collected for offences against the Scott Act in Westville be applied to the making and repairing of the bridges and streets in Westville. Moved in amendment by clr. J.S .Fraser seconded by clr. A.J. McKay that the resolution lie on the table until the April term then to be submitted to the Road and Bridge Committee. The matter was discussed by clrs. J.D. Fraser, Oliver, J.D. Murray, McQueen, Thompson, E.M. McDonald, and Arch McKenzie. The amendment was carried.

The Clerk read a petition from John D. Ross and others, Stellarton, for payment to them of money deposited in the county treasury for estreated recognizance in Scott Act cases in Stellarton. The petition was referred to the Finance Committee.

Clr. Alex. Fraser read a petition from residents of that part of section 26 which formerly made part made part of sec. 2, asking the council to take steps to have the act creating sec. 26 amended by restoring to sec. 2 the territory taken from it by said act. The warden stated that the council had no jurisdiction in the matter; it should be brought up in the form of a bill and merely read in council.

The committees proceeded to work, and at one o'clock the council adjourned to meet at 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

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

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

January 14th, Forenoon Session.

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

The clerk read a petition from residents of Sec.10 asking the council to urge to construction by the government of a bridge across the West River at Miller's Forks. The petition was on motion referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Moved by clr. Thompson seconded by clr. Kitchen that the council adjourn at noon to meet on Monday at 2 p.m.

The committees proceeded to work and at 12 o'clock the Council adjourned to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday the 16th instant.

Fifth Day.

January 16th, 1893. Council met at 2 p.m. The Clerk called the roll. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

A letter from the agents of the Department of Justice respecting the public wharf on Pictou, and a resolution proposed by the Harbor Commrs., were read by the clerk and referred to the committee on Public Property.

On motion of clr. Alex. Fraser a petition of A.D. McKenzie, Sec.2 for a refund of taxes was received and referred to the Assessment Committee.

Clr. McPhie referred to the vote of \$15 at the last April term to Ann Sutherland for fencing, and the Finance Committee was directed to include the amount in its estimates.

Clr. A.J. McKay read the following.

Report of the Road and Bridge Committee

We beg leave to submit the following report for the approval of Council, viz:

Confirmations.

1. Confirmation of a public road from Daniel A Fraser's and W.P. Grant's Section 17, through Robert Campbell's lands. Disallowed.
2. Confirmation of alteration of road from Gairloch church to New Lairg. Disallowed.
3. Confirmation of public road from the Marshy Hope road to the Lynch road.- Disallowed.
4. Confirmation of alteration in road from Lime Rock to the main road at Saltsprings bridge. Confirmed.
5. Confirmation of Pent road from Daniel Campbell's to the end of French River road Section 22. Confirmed.
6. Confirmation of public road from the Marshy Hope road at McLaren's to the road at Hugh Chisholm's. Disallowed.
7. Confirmation of alteration in the road leading from the Mill Brook road to the Brooklyn road. Confirmed.
8. Confirmation of a public road from the farm lately owned by John W. McLean to Hopewell. Confirmed.
9. Confirmation of a public road from Wentworth to Ross Bridge Sutherland's River. Confirmed.
10. Confirmation of an alteration in the road from Gairloch church to Mill Brook. Disallowed.
11. Confirmation of public road from the Island road near Eureka Mills to the Hopewell road near Thomas Falconer's. Confirmed.
12. Confirmation of a public road from McLaughlin's West River to the road on the east side of West River. Confirmed.
13. Confirmation of extension to Green's Brook road near Green's. Brook school house, of the road leading from the Post road to near Thomas McBain's south line, Confirmed.

14. Confirmation of public road from the highway to the cemetery Pictou Island.
Disallowed.
15. Confirmation of pent road for William McLeod and John W. McLeod section 11.
Disallowed.
16. Confirmation of extension of the new road from the late T. Murray Hodson, to
Angus McKenzie's, Poplar Hill, Deferred to April term.
17. Deed of dedication of street, Daniel McKenzie, Trenton to county of Pictou.
Accepted.
18. Confirmation of a road from the West Branch road to Ferrona thence to Eureka.
Disallowed.

Opening New Roads.

1. Petition for committee to lay out pent road to new cemetery, New Gairloch. Granted
and precept ordered.

D.W. McDonald, Com.

2. Petition for a public road in Pictou Island from the central wharf to the main road along
the line between Alex McDonald's and Lauchlin McCallum's. Granted and precept
ordered.

Alex. F. Campbell, Com.

3. Petition for committee to lay out a landing at Mark Cameron's, Carriboo River.
Granted and precept ordered.

A.W. McBean, Com.

4. Petition of John McKinnon and others for a pent road section 24. Granted and precept
ordered.

Jas. A. Meikle, Meiklefield, Com.

5. Petition of William Turner, French River, for a pent road. Granted and precept ordered.

Robt. Turner, French River, Com.

6. Petition for an alteration in the old mountain road leading from New Glasgow to Pine
Tree, section 13. Granted and precept ordered.

James Roy, Com.

7. Petition of Daniel McKenzie and others for a street at Trenton. Not granted.

8. Petition of Neil Matheson for a pent road at Lansdown.

D.W. McDonald, Com.

9. Petition relative to W. E. McLean's road, section 9. Deferred to April Term.

10. Petition for committee to lay out a public road and bridge site from the River road at or near John Robertson's barn to the iron bridge near Eureka woolen mills. Granted and precept ordered.

James Roy, Com.

11. Petition to widen the old Mill Brook road through the lands of James McKay. Not granted.

12. Petition to widen North Street Westville. Deferred till April Term.

13. Petition John E. McDonald and others to lay off a pent road in section 14 Little Harbor. Granted and precept ordered.

M.C. Olding, Com.

14. Petition for a road at Westville from the northern terminus of the present road leading from the Acadia Coal Co.'s office to Munroe's planing mills, thence through the lands of the Black Diamond Coal Co. to the road to the Middle River. Granted and precept ordered.

A.W. McBean, Com.

15. Petition to open out and widen the road leading through the lands of J. Campbell and J. Gunn, to west side of River to county line, section 22. Granted and precept ordered.

James S. Fraser, Com.

16. Petition from Trenton for an alteration in a road,. Granted and precept ordered.

James Roy, Com.

17. Petition for road from the main Toney River road, on the west side of the River to Northumberland Strait. Granted and precept ordered.

A.W. McBean, Com.

Miscellaneous Items.

1. Confirmation of James Roy's report to define the boundaries of section 12. Confirmed.
2. Report of chairmen of Road Boards of County of Pictou held at New Glasgow. Accepted.
3. Dedication of road at Pine Tree at John Weir's to municipality. Accepted.
4. Petition to reconsider a confirmation of road from a point at or near George McDonald's to the Stewiacke road. Not granted.
5. Report of supervisor of roads and bridges road district No.1. Accepted.
6. Report of supervisor of roads and bridges, road district No.3. Accepted.

7. Report of James W. Fraser and others, Committee respecting proposed street railway at Trenton.

Recommended that the minute recommended by said Committee be adopted subject to the following provisions, viz:

We recommend that the report of the special Committee be adopted; that the necessary switches and sidings connected with said railway be not constructed without the express consent of the Council being first signified; and also provided that the rails shall be laid and maintained at such level and gradient as not to interfere with the ordinary and usual traffic on said road or street through the said village of Trenton, or elsewhere through the roads or streets of the County over which said railway may pass; and that James McDonald of Iron Ore, in said County be appointed an inspector to see that such provisions be carried out, and that his services as such Inspectors be paid for by said Company, and that his decisions be further subject to reversal by this council. Adopted.

8. Petition of rate payers section 10, asking the council to urge the government to construct a bridge across the West River, at or near Miller's Ford. Granted.

Recommended that the report of the chairmen of the different road boards of the County held at New Glasgow, authorizing a survey of a bridge at Millers Ford, West River to be proceeded with, be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

John D. Fraser,
Alex J. McKay
Alexander Fraser
Roderick McKay
E.M. McDonald

Court House, January 16th, 1893.

(The above report is printed in the form in which was finally adopted.)

The report was received. Moved by clr. McQueen seconded by clr. McPhee that the report be laid on the table until 10:30 a.m. tomorrow, then to be read clause by clause. After some discussion the motion was withdrawn. On motion the report was read clause by clause.

On the clause not recommending the granting of the petition from Trenton for an alteration in a road, being read it was moved by clr. Marshall, seconded by clr. J. W. Fraser that eh clause not be adopted, but that the petition be granted and a precept ordered to James Roy. The motion was discussed by clrs. J.W. Fraser, J.D. Fraser, McQueen and Alex. Fraser, and passed.

The remaining clauses were adopted and the roads therein recommended to be confirmed were severally confirmed, and the several petitions therein recommended to be granted were severally granted, and the precepts therein recommended to be ordered were severally ordered to be issued.

Clr. McIntosh moved the following resolution seconded by Cr. Jas. Campbell.

Resolved, that the recommendations of the Chairman of the various Road Boards of the county convened during last summer authorizing a survey of the bridge at Miller's Ford, West River, to be proceeded with, be adopted by this Council.

And further resolved that this Council respectfully request the Hon. Commissioner of Mines and Works to take such steps in the matter as will ensure the erection of such bridge at the earliest date possible.

Also that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded by the clerk to the Hon. C. E. Church immediately.

The motion was discussed by the Warden, Colin Fraser and J.D. Murray and passed.

The Committees proceeded to work and at 5:30 p.m. The Council adjourned to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Sixth Day.

Forenoon Session, January 17th, Council met at 10 a.m. The clerk called the roll. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Clr. James Campbell moved, seconded by Clr. Colin Fraser, the following resolution:

“Resolved that the bridge on the west end of the Loch Broom in polling section 7, Pictou County, be placed under the provisions of the Bridge Act.”

The motion passed.

Clr. Marshall moved, seconded Clr. J. W. Fraser, the following resolution:

“Resolved, that all the officers appointed by the Council be notified personally of such appointment, and that surveyors of highways and limits be also notified of time and place of meeting with the several persons appointed to distribute statute labor instructions.”

The motion was discussed by the Warden and Clrs. T. Marshall, McQueen, Kitchen, E.M. McDonald, J.D. Murray, J.D. Fraser, A. McKenzie, J.D. Cameron, R. McKay, and Colin Fraser. Moved in amendment by Clr. J.D. Fraser, seconded by Clr. A. McKenzie, that the resolution be laid on the table for six months. The amendment passed.

Clr. E.M. McDonald moved, seconded by Clr. John D. Cameron, that the Warden be instructed to enquire of the revisors for Revisal Section 2, the reason why they failed to place upon the voters list of 1892 the electors living in that part of Section 26 taken from Section 2. The motion was discussed by the mover, and Clrs. McQueen, Alex. Fraser and Kitchen. The motion passed.

The committees proceeded to work, and at 1 o'clock, 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 clerk read a petition from rate-payers of the county asking for a precept for a road from Riverton to Eureka Junction. Moved by Clr. R. McKay, seconded by Clr. J.

D. Fraser that the prayer of the petition be granted, the precept to be directed to A.W. McBean.

On motion of Clr. A.J. McKay, seconded by Clr. A. McKenzie, the disallowance of the road from Hodson to Poplar Hill was reconsidered and consideration of the proceedings was deferred to the half yearly meeting.

The Committees proceeded to work.

Clr. E.M. McDonald read the following.

Report of Committee on Public Property.

Court House, January Term, 1893.

To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Pictou County

Gentlemen. The Committee on Public property beg leave to report that we have visited the County Jail, and found that it was in good condition, and we believe carefully looked after by the Sheriff and Jailor. There are no further improvements at present necessary so far as we can see.

We would recommend that an additional coil be placed in the court house in order to complete the heating apparatus and put it in a satisfactory condition. The county building is in good condition and not requiring repairs. We did not deem it necessary to visit the County Asylum as the usual inspection by the whole Council in April will enable each Councillor to examine the building and grounds for himself. We had submitted to us a petition from Bridgeville for a lock-up to be erected at that place, but as no police district has been laid off at that place, and no representations indicating the absolute necessity for the same at present have been made to us, we recommend that the petition be not granted.

Your committee examined the court house in New Glasgow, and can not report the same to be in a satisfactory condition. We recommend the party in charge to see that it is thoroughly cleaned as soon as possible. The building requires some repairs at once in order to avoid a very large expenditure, and we have asked the commissioners to call for tenders for kalsomining and fixing the plaster, and for closing up the gallery, and to report to the Council the tenders received at the April Term with a view to having the work done if reasonable offers are received.

We would recommend the commissioners of the lock-up at Westville to have the bar in the Court House removed from its present position out about six or seven feet and to provide a table or desk as the present condition of the court room is not satisfactory.

Your committee have had before them a memorial from the town council of New Glasgow asking that the present lease of the market and grounds be cancelled, and that a new lease be executed for the term of 99 years at nominal rental under changed conditions. It appearing to us that there is not at present in the eastern part of the County a desire for the maintenance of a market in New Glasgow except in a limited manner, we would recommend that the present lease be cancelled and that the market building at New Glasgow and the grounds in rear thereof to a point in a straight line from the small fence running from near the immediate rear of the Court House be leased to the town of New Glasgow for the term of 99 years at a nominal rental upon the following conditions, viz:

1. That the said town shall insure and keep insured during said term for the benefit of the Municipality of Pictou County, the said market building for the sum of \$2500 and shall pay all premiums accruing thereon, and that in the event of said market being burnt down the said property to revert to the County.
2. That the said town shall provide and keep open in said market building and in good condition for actual use, four stalls for the use of rate payers of the county, for the sale of meats and produce, said stalls to be kept open for usual market hours.
3. That the said town shall keep in good condition and repair the hay scales belonging to the County, and situate to the south of the market building, and shall provide and furnish, and renew if necessary from time to time, a set of scales of the same size and condition for the use of the rate payers of the Municipality during said term in or about said market building and grounds.
4. That the said town shall fill in and make level and in a condition suitable for horses and carriages to stand, within a reasonable time to be fixed by said lease, the piece of land 150 feet in length, and extending the full width of the lot immediately in the rear of the market building and lot herein before mentioned 1 and the county to retain the full ownership and control over the same.
5. That the County shall have the power to cancel the said lease at any time before the expiration of the term upon breach of any of the above conditions, or upon giving twelve months notice of their intentions, and desire to do so, and upon payment of the value of the improvements upon said buildings, to be fixed by arbitration as provided in the original lease. We also recommend that the county lease to the said town for the said term of 99 years at a nominal rental, the balance of the County property in the rear of the market building, and of the lot of 150 feet in length above mentioned, upon the condition that the County be at liberty on giving twelve months notice in writing and upon writing upon payment of the value of the improvements thereon, to be fixed as provided above or upon breach of any of the conditions above stated, to enter into and take possession of said lot, and to repossess themselves of the same and to cancel the said lease. Your committee also recommend that the Warden and Clerk be appointed to see that the terms of the lease are fixed in accordance with above conditions.

Your committee have had before them a proposition from the Pictou Gas Light Co. to light the Court House and we are of the opinion that the increased accommodations in that particular would tend to shorten the terms of the courts, lessen jury fees, and be a great convenience as well as completing the Court House with all necessary equipments, and we would recommend that the commissioners arrange to have said gas placed in the court house at a cost of \$75.00.

We have had before us a communication from the law agents of the Dominion Government in this province representing that the desire to have completed the title to water lot on which said government now have a public wharf., and suggesting that the county should convey to the government said property. The also suggested the submission of the questions of title and compensation to the exchequer court. A resolution drawn up at the instance of the harbour commissioners was also laid before us. We are of the opinion from the information before us that the title to said lot is

vested in the Municipality ,and that a fair compensation should be received for said lot and would recommend that the Warden and Clerk be instructed to communicate with the government representatives and harbour commissioners , and intimate the willingness of the Municipality to convey its title to said property , and to arrange a satisfactory compensation for the same, and to report to the April Council the results of the conference.

Your Committee would recommend that in pursuance of the resolution passed by the Council on the 20th day of January, 1892 with reference to the market property in Pictou the sum of \$500 be assessed this year upon the Municipality of the County of Pictou outside of the incorporated towns, as provided for in said resolution.

Dated Court House, January 17th, 1893.

Signed E.M. McDonald
J.F. Oliver
John Ferguson

On motion of Clr. Thompson, seconded by Clr. McIntosh, the report was received to be read clause by clause.

On the clause referring to the market building and lot at New Glasgow being read. It was moved by Clr. J.D. Fraser, seconded by Clr. McPhie, that consideration of that clause be deferred to the April Term. The motion was discussed by Clr. J.D. Fraser, Thompson, E.M. McDonald, Marshall, McQueen, Ferguson, J.D. Murray, Alex. Fraser, Allan McPhie, Oliver, Colin Fraser, and the Warden. The motion passed.

On motion of Clr. Kitchen, seconded by Clr. A.J. McKay, consideration of the balance of the report was deferred till tomorrow at 10 a.m.

At 6 o'clock, the Council adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Seventh Day.

January 18, Forenoon Session- Council met at 10 a.m. The clerk called the roll. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Clr. McQueen moved, seconded by Clr. Sutherland that the motion passed last evening, deferring consideration of the clause of the report of the committee on public property dealing with the New Glasgow market be reconsidered. The motion passed.

Clr. Kitchen moved, seconded by Clr. McQueen that the said clause be passed and adopted. The motion was discussed by Clrs. Thompson, Colin Fraser, and E.M. McDonald and passed.

Clr. E. M. McDonald moved, seconded by Clr. A. McKenzie that the following clause be added to the conditions in the proposed lease: "That no buildings be erected upon the lands by the town of New Glasgow without the express consent of the County Council" The motion passed.

On the clause respecting the public wharf in Pictou being read, Mr. Tanner by leave addressed the council on behalf of the harbour commissioners. Moved by clr. E.M. McDonald, seconded by clr. A. McKenzie that the clause be amended by adding the words "and the Harbour Commissioners." The motion passed. The clause as amended was adopted.

On the clause referring to the market in Pictou being read, it was moved by clr. J.D. Murray, seconded by clr. McPhee, that the clause be not adopted. The motion

was discussed by clrs. E.M. McDonald, Thompson, and A. McKenzie. Moved in amendment by clr. A. McKenzie, seconded by J.W. Fraser that the time for assessing the amount be extended to 1894 and 1895. The matter was further discussed by clrs. Kitchen, Mitchell, and the Warden. The amendment passed. The other clauses were adopted. On motion the report as amended was adopted as a whole.

Clr. J.W. Fraser moved, seconded by Clr. Marshall that the bridge over Potter's book, and the bridge at Stellarton, on the road leading to the Middle River and Westville, be placed under the act respecting bridges. Moved in amendment by clr. J.D. Fraser, seconded by clr. A. McKenzie, that consideration of the matter be deferred until the April term. The amendment was carried.

The clerk read the following

Report of the committee on the New Glasgow Coal, Iron and Railway Company.

To the Municipal Council of Pictou:

January Term, 1893. Your committee appointed to consider the petition of the New Glasgow, Coal, Iron and Railway company beg leave to report as follows, viz:-

By a resolution passed in this Council at April term, A.D., 1891, granting any company building and operating a line of railway connected the Intercolonial Railway with the iron mines at the East River at or near Sunny Brae, a sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) per mile for each mile of railway constructed not to exceed on the whole four thousand, dollars (\$4000), subject to certain conditions embodied in said resolution.

The said company show by petition that they have constructed twelve and a half (12 ½) miles of railway between the points stated in said resolution of Council and request the payment of the amount voted for right away. As your Committee has not sufficient evidence, that said resolution passed in April term, 1891, not has any guarantee that the said Company shall hereafter continue to comply with or fulfill the requirements of said resolution in every particular:

Therefore your committee would recommend that no sum be paid to the said Company by virtue of said Resolution except said company shall furnish the necessary proof and give bonds to the Municipality with sufficient surety that they the said company their successors and assigns shall hereafter from time to time and at all times comply with the requirements of said resolution of council and also that legislation shall be obtained to ratify any agreement that me be entered into between the said company and the Municipality.

We also recommend that they receive no exemption from taxation. We also recommend that the Warden and clerk be a committee to enter into an agreement with the said company, said agreement to be subject to ratification at the April meetings of council A.D. 1893.

John D. Fraser,
A.J. McIntosh,
Colin Fraser,
Roderick McKay,
John D. Murray.

The report was on motion received and adopted.
Clr. D. Sutherland read the following:

Report of the License Committee

Court House, Pictou,
January Term, 1893.

To the Warden and Municipal Council;

1. We your Committee on License beg to report that we have examined the returns of Mr. William Smith, one of the inspectors of license under the Scott Act for the County. We find that he collected fines amounting to \$218.25 during last year. Balance due the County at last annual report was \$20.22. Received from W.C.T.U. Thorburn, \$7.00, making in all \$245.47. We find he paid out in Magistrates Courts as costs the sum of \$144.85. Attorneys and other fees \$58.50. Retained as per order of Municipal Council January 1892, \$50.00, which shows a balance due the Inspector of \$7.88. We also find a fine against John J. Bain of \$50 and costs, and another fine against Charles Arbuckles of \$50 and costs, which when collected will be to the credit of the County, which we recommend the Inspector be required to collect as soon as possible.
2. We have also examined the returns of Mr. Robert Sutherland of River John, another inspector under the Scott Act. We find that he has collected from fines the sum of \$50 that he has paid out in Magistrate's Courts as costs \$19.35, Attorney's fees \$10; retained one half of the net profit \$10.33, showing a balance in the Inspectors hands of \$10.32.
3. We have also examined the report of Thomas Madden of Westville, another inspector under the Scott Act. We find that he has collected from fines the sum of \$250. Donation by temperance committee, \$6.00, that he has paid out in magistrates' court \$145.16, paid for Scott Act papers \$1.00, for legal advice \$11.50, retained as per order of Municipal Council 1892, \$50.00, which shows a balance in the Inspectors hands of \$48.34. we also find a fine against William McDonald of \$50.00 and costs, which when collected will be to the County's credit, which we recommend the inspector be required to collect as soon as possible.
4. We recommend that Mr. William Smith of New Glasgow be reappointed inspector under the Scott Act for East Pictou, and Mr. Alexander Gordon of Pictou be appointed inspector under the Scott Act for West Pictou.
5. We recommend that the by-law framed by the clerk in reference to peddlers, hawkers, &c. be approved by the Council and sent to the Legislature.

Daniel Sutherland,
John D. Cameron,
James Campbell.

Moved by Clr. Sutherland, seconded by Clr. Ferguson that the report be received and adopted. The motion was discussed by clrs. E.M. McDonald and Marshall and the Warden and passed.

The Committees proceeded to work and at one o'clock 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.

Clr. Thompson read the following:

Report of the Assessment Committee
To the Municipal Council, Jan. Term 1893.

Your Committee on Assessment beg leave to report as follows.

We have examined the report of the Board of Revision and Appeal and would recommend that the report be read in open council.

Petition of A.D. McKenzie, Section No. 2 for refund of taxes for 1892. Granted a refund \$3.36.

Petition of Arthur Collier, Section No. 6 for refund of \$3.00 taxes for 1892. Granted.

Petition of Angus H. McKenzie, Section no 6 for a refund of \$2.11 for 1892. Not granted.

Petition of Mrs. Angus Murray, Section No. 6 for a refund of taxes for 1892. Granted a refund of \$6.34.

Petition of Angus Sutherland, Section No. 6 for a refund of \$4.00 taxes for 1892. Granted a refund of \$3.00.

Petition of Alexander Innes, Section No. 6 for a refund of taxes for 1892. Granted a refund of \$1.00.

Petition of John Graham, Section No. 9 for a refund of part of taxes for 1892. Granted a refund of \$3.00.

Petition of John R. McDonald, Section No. 9 for a refund of part of taxes for 1892. Granted a refund of \$1.35.

Petition of John Landsburg, Section No. 9 for refund of taxes for 1892. Granted a refund of \$2.00.

Petition of Alex Fraser Section No. 18 for a refund of taxes for 1892. Granted a refund of \$2.50.

Petition of D.W. McDonald, Section No. 18 for a refund of taxes for 1892. Not granted.

Petition of Robert Fraser, Section No. 18 for a refund of taxes for 1892. Not granted.

The following table will show the amount of taxes registered, and struck off the collectors rolls, also balances due county at this date.

Polling Section	Amount Struck off 1892	Struck off 1891	Struck off 1890.	Struck off 1889	Struck off 1888.	Registered 1892	Registered 1891	Registered 1890	Balance Due 1892	Balance Due 1891	Balance Due 1890	Balance Due 1889	Balance Due 1888
P.I.1.	\$2.85												
F.G.1	1.91								2.03				
2	15.50					22.90			17.75	12.89			
3	14.41					3.79							
4	10.49					7.81			1.98				
5									23.12				
6									28.23	8.31			
7	4.05								21.84	17.91			
8	5.80	.48							15.12				
9									22.11	19.92			
10	2.46												
11	7.23								4.16				
12	4.47								27.82				
13									168.22				
14	3.24												
15	19.52				65.54	1.96							10.01
16	3.69												
17									49.40				
18									15.24	29.97			
19	4.11	1.00							248.52				
20	22.30	3.39				12.32	3.71		1.03				
21	17.06		13.96			2.46		3.55	52.85	5.76			
22	13.56					.93							
23	51.74					4.23			263.49	319.61	68.60	127.78	77.39
24	4.54								14.06	3.15			

Your committee would recommend that as the ratepayers of the Municipality have had ample time to learn the workings of the Assessment Act of 1888, hereafter no refunds of taxes be granted except in accordance with the law.

We would also recommend that the balances due by Section No. 23 for the last few years be taken up and acted on by the whole Council.

James T. Thompson,
James Mitchell,
Thos. Marshall

On motion the report was received and discussed by clr. McQueen, Marshall, J. D. Murray, Sutherland, Kitchen, Oliver and the Warden.

On motion of clr. A. McKenzie seconded by Clr. A.J. McKay the report was adopted.

Clr. R. McLeod read the following

Report of the Committee on Highway Labour
To the Municipal Council of Pictou Co. January Term, 1893.

Your Committee on Highway Labour beg to submit for consideration the following report. That your committee have carefully examined all the returns received and find the following list of returns missing.

Section 3 no. 51, 49, 52, 74
Section 4 no. 96
Section 5 no. 108, 113, 118, 127, 130
Section 6 no. 137
Section 7 no. 175, 190, 191, 198, 199 ½
Section 8 no. 213-
Section 9 no. 225, 248
Section 10 no. All in.
Section 11 no. 293, 308
Section 12 no. All in.
Section 13 no. 327, 332
Section 16 no. 383, 384, 411, 412, 414
Section 17 no. 416, 422, 438
Section 18 no. 443, 470
Section 19 no. 481
Section 20 no 487, 495, 497, 505, 506 ½
Section 21 no. 530
Section 22 no. 532, 549
Section 24 no. 563, 565
Section 26 no. 43B, 43C, 43G, 43H, 43, I. 73, 86

We find that Section 20 limit 512, return irregular. We recommend that it be sent back to be rectified and returned at April term.

Your Committee have considered petition of rate payers of Section 20. Requesting that a new road limit be established from junction of road at D. N. Robinson's to George Brace's house, to be known as road limit no. 512 ½ . Gabriel Evans, Overseer.
Recommended.

We recommend that the clerk be directed to renumber the road limits of the county consecutively from section 1 to section 26 and get a new set of slips containing limits with new numbers.

We recommend that the above mention returns be sent to the clerk of the municipality on or before the April term of Council; failing to make such returns, that the Clerk of Municipality be instructed to proceed against such surveyors as the law directs.

As a number of returns have no number of section or limit marked, your Committee would further recommend that the officers appointed to distribute statute labour lists be

instructed to endorse the number of the section, the road limit on each list issued to Surveyors.

We recommend that the following parties be granted private statute labour:

Section 2, M. McDonald.

Section 3, Asa Sellers, John Innis, Jas. D. Miller.

Section 4, James W. Langille.

Section 5, John J. Murray, Jno. McTavish, Donald McCulloch.

Section 6, Daniel McKenzie.

Section 7, H. D. Denoon, George D. Denoon, Robert G. McDonald, Angus McDonald, James W. McConnell, Alex. R. McConnell, George Grant, Dan McKay, Norman McKay, Robert Patterson, Smith, Patterson.

Each of the following parties be granted one half of their statute labour on Big Meadow road.

Section 8, John J. McCabe, R. Robinson.

Section 10, Thomas Fraser.

Section 13, D. F. Murray, Alex. McGregor.

Section 14, Angus Cameron, James S. Fraser.

Section 15, John F. McDonald, Alex. F. McDonald, Thomas Sutherland.

Section 16, D. C. McDonald, James McKenzie, William McDonald.

Section 17, William H. Cameron, Samuel Cameron.

Section 18, John Thompson.

Section 22, W. G. Cruickshanks, John Cameron.

Section 23, James D. Crockett, James J. Crockett, James D. Grant.

Section 24, John Sutherland, Daniel Fraser, James D. Grant.

Section 26, Moses Falconer, Alex. Ross, Robert McLeod, (Signed) William McLeod, Alex. McBean.

On motion of Clr. Colin Fraser, seconded by Clr. A. J. McKay. The report was received. It was discussed by Clrs. Alex. Fraser, R. McKay, J. W. Fraser, and Marshall. Moved by Clr. R. McKay, seconded by Clr. McIntosh, that the report be adopted. The motion passed.

Clr. A. J. McIntosh read this following REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON POOR. Court House, Pictou. To the Municipal Council of Pictou, January Term, A. D., 1893.

Your Committee on poor beg leave to report as follows: That the returns of the several poor districts of the county have been before them and examined, and though in some cases, they have been carelessly filled out, we have generally been able to arrive at their intention. The number of poor as shown by the reports of last year is ninety-nine, a decrease of one since the previous year, but while the average annual cost the previous year was \$47.49; the cost last year was \$38.71, a decrease of 18.4 percent. In the case of the petition of overseers of poor of section No. 10 for a refund of moneys alleged to have been paid for medical treatment, attendance, and funeral expenses of a person for whom

another section was liable, we cannot find that the usual course in such cases has been fully complied with in every particular.

We therefore recommend that the petition be laid over till the April term, and in the meantime the overseers of Section 23 be notified to appear before Council, and show cause why they should not refund to section 10 the money so expended.

The amount asked to be assessed for the support of poor for the ensuing year is \$4165.00 or \$191.84 less than last year, while four sections had no poor to support, viz. Nos. 11, 12, 17, 26, and five sections asked for assessment viz: No. 11, 12, 14, 17, 19.

In regard to the formation of poor district no. 26, and the proportion of poor which was formerly chargeable to Sections No. 2 and 3. and should now be chargeable to said new poor district No. 26, we recommend that section 26 take and support Christie Henderson of Section 3, and pay to said Section 3, the sum of \$50.00 per year additional and that section 26 take and support John Munro of Section 2, from January 1st, 1893. The arrangement between Section 26 and Section 3 to be subject to readjustment as circumstances may require.

A. J. McIntosh.
James W. Fraser.
John D. Murray

Abstract of Reports of poor for the municipality of Pictou for year ending December 31, 1892, together with estimates for next year.

No. of section	No. of Poor	Males:	Females:	Children:	Average Age:	Average Cost per year:	Bills Unpaid	Balance on Hand:	Amount to be assessed next year:
1	2	1	1	0	73	\$71.50	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$160.00
2	6	4	2	0	73	18.92	97.00	.....	160.00
3	9	2	6	1	77	42.13	.....	32.40	423.00
4	11	3	8	0	53	41.00	.....	108.67	500.00
5	1	0	1	0	79	50.00	.....	.....	80.00
6	3	1	2	0	75	74.00	77.00	82.00	275.00
7	2	1	1	0	82	104.00	.....	.....	225.00
8	3	0	3	0	73	46.54	.....	100.00	120.00
9	6	4	2	0	70	40.25	.....	34.00	300.00
10	2	0	2	0	74	52.00	.....	.....	160.00
11	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	63.04	.....
12	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	59.73	.....
13	3	1	2	0	....	9.00	.....	37.63	.....
13	3	0	2	1	71	32.00	.....	.....	120.00
14	0	0	0	....	....	.....	.....	14.00	.....
15	2	0	2	0	59	.....	42.00	110.00	100.00
16	1	0	1	0	80	.....	116.00	.....	200.00
17	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....

18	6	2	4	0	58	38.00	10.00	93.72	250.00
19	2	1	1	0	73	10.00	4.75	76.82	.....
20	3	1	2	0	77	19.07	.....	.....	140.00
21	3	....	1	2	27	27.73	.....	.....	50.00
22	4	1	2	1	32	20.94	49.00	.....	125.00
23	24	3	10	11	60	20.00	235.00	30.00	675.00
24	3	0	3	0	60	18.40	17.08	32.92	40.00
26	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	60.00
Totals:	99	25	58	16	66	38.71	661.83	889.93	4160.00

The report was on motion received and accepted.

Clr. Alex. Fraser moved, seconded by Clr. Thompson that Poor Section 26 be ordered to pay to poor Section 2, the sum incurred for the support of John Munro, Prior, to January 1st, 1893. The Warden decided that the motion was out of order.

Clr. Kitchen moved, seconded by Clr. A. J. McKay, that the recommendations of the committee as to the support of the poor by section 26 be and the same are hereby ordered to be carried out. The motion passed.

On motion the Council adjourned till 9 a.m. tomorrow.

Eighth Day

January, 19th, 1893. Council met at 9 a.m. the Clerk called the Roll. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Clr. E. M. McDougald read the following:

Report of the Committee on Law Amendments:
Court House, Jan. 19, 1893. To the Municipal Council, Pictou Co.

Your Committee on Law Amendments beg leave to recommend that the following Bye-law be passed by this council.

- a. Bye-laws as to peddlers (annexed.)
- b. Bye-law as to surveyors of lumber (annexed.)

They recommend that bills providing for the following amendments to the law be prepared and forwarded to some one of the representatives of the County in the Local Legislature to have the same introduced and if possible carried through the Legislature namely:

- a. That chapter 2 section 6 of the Acts of 1888, "Municipal Assessments" be amended by inserting after the word "minor" in the thirteenth line of said Section the following words "residing with his or her mother if she be a widow."
- b. That Chapter 41, of the Acts of 1888 entitled "an Act to amend Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes" of the settlement, and support of poor, be repealed and that the original provisions of said Chapter 35 be revised so as to apply to all cases affecting questions between overseers of poor of different sections in the same Country, and that the

provisions of said Chapter 41 of the Acts of 1888 be enacted so as to be applicable only to cases arising between Overseers of poor of sections situate in different countries.

c. That Chapter 45, 5th 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 person or property shall be ascertained by appraisers in the same manner as provided in acquiring lands for highways under Chapter 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.

d. that Chapter 2, of the Acts of 1888, be amended by providing that 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 situated.

e. That the Act providing for the abolition of imprisonment for debt be amended by exempting from the provisions of the said act all delinquent taxpayers.

f. That the County Incorporation Act be amended by providing that in future no bonus, subsidy, or exemption be granted to any body corporate or individual by any Municipality without the same first approved of by the Municipal Council to which the application for the same is made, and subsequently submitted at a special election, or at the regular election of members to the Council, to the votes of the electors of the Municipality and be approved of by a majority vote of such electors.

Your Committee would recommend that the Clerk in furnishing instructions for assessors, state more fully the exact position of the law in regard to the rights of widows and minor children to exemption from taxation, and call attention to the fact that properties must be taxed where an heir is of age notwithstanding the widow's right of dower in the land, and that unless a widows dower is set off to her by law, where any of her children are of age there is no exemption from taxation where she has no title other than her right of dower.

Your Committee would also recommend with reference to Clr. Marshall's resolution in regard to the Road Act that consideration of the same be deferred to the April meeting of Council.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

John D. Fraser,
E. M. McDonald,
Daniel Sutherland,
James T. Thompson,
J.F. Oliver,
Colin Fraser,
John D Murray.

Dated Jany. 20, 1892.

The Following are the Bye-laws mentioned in the Report:

BY-LAW RESPECTING PEDDLERS, &C.

1. Every peddler, hawker of goods, and trader who is not a ratepayer within the Province, shall pay an annual fee, if a traveler on foot, of five dollars, if employing a single horse team, of ten dollars, if employing a double team, twenty dollars.
2. The said fees shall be paid by such peddler, hawker of goods or trader, to any one of the person appointed by the Municipal Council to distribute statute labour lists in each polling section.
3. Upon such payment a license signed by such distributor of Statute Labour Lists shall be given to such peddler, hawker of goods, or trader, which License shall be valid for one year from the date thereof in all parts of the Municipality.
4. All such licenses shall be signed by the Warden or the Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Municipality, and shall be countersigned by the distributor of Statute Labour Lists to whom the fee therefore shall have been paid and also by the Licensee.
5. Every peddler, hawker of goods, or trader, not being a rate payer within the Province, who shall begin or carry on his occupation within the Municipality without having first obtained the proper license therefore, or who shall neglect or refuse to produce and show his license to any rate payer or customer upon demand of such ratepayer or customer, shall be liable to a penalty of no more then double the amount of the fee payable for such license, such penalty to be recoverable before any Justice of the Peace.
6. The fees paid by such licensees shall be forthwith remitted to the Municipality Treasurer by the person receiving the same and issuing the license, after deducting ten percent of the amount thereof for his own remuneration.
7. Every distributor of statute labour lists shall during the first week in February of each year send in to the Clerk of the Municipality a return of the licenses issued by him during the preceding year, and of the number of un-issued licenses remaining in his hands, specifying in each case the nature of the licenses which un-issued licenses he shall hand over to his successor in office, taking a receipt therefore, and such receipt shall be forthwith deposited with the Clerk of the Municipality.
8. Every distributor of Statute Labour Lists shall be liable to a penalty equal to the license fee on every un-issued license not handed over by him as aforesaid to his successor in office.

BYE-LAW-SURVEYORS OF LUMBER.

1. "No surveyor of lumber shall act as such surveyor in any case where he shall be in the employ, or be the servant or clerk in any other capacity, of either the seller or buyer of the shingles, timber, bark or other lumber to be surveyed except by the express consent of both parties.
2. The surveyor of lumber shall receive the following fees in addition to those provided for by Chapter 73, Section 41. Revised Statutes Fifth Series, viz:

For measuring and surveying every cord or bark nine cents, together with seven cents for every mile they shall necessarily travel in coming to the place of the survey.”

On motion the Report was received to be read clause by clause. The Report was discussed by Clrs. E. M. McDonald, Marshall, McQueen, Mitchell, Thompson and the Warden.

On Motion of Clr. E. M. McDonald seconded by Clr. C Fraser, a clause was added to the By-law respecting peddlers requiring them to show their licenses on demand.

On motion of Clr. John D. Fraser, seconded by Clr. Thompson the by law as amended was adopted and ordered to be sent to the Governor in Council for approval.

On motion of Clr. A. J. McKay seconded by Clr. R. McKay, the Report was adopted.

On motion of Clr. E. M. McDonald, Seconded by Clr. Thompson, the By-law respecting surveyors of lumber and bark was ordered to be sent to the Governor in Council for approval.

The Warden referred to the lamented death of Hugh S. Fraser for many years Councillor for polling section NO 8. Clr. J. D. McQueen, moved, seconded by Clr. Colin Fraser the following resolution:

Whereas the late Hugh S. Fraser, Esq. of Durham, who represented that district from the date of the first Council to his death, by his courteous demeanor and thoroughly consistent conduct, gained the confidence and respect of his associate.

Therefore Resolved, that this Council desire to express their sympathy with the relatives of the late lamented Mr. Fraser and agree to record, on the records of the Council, their high appreciation of his character and conduct whilst a member of this body.

The resolution passed unanimously. Clr. A. J. McKay read the following

Report of the Committee on County Rates to be paid by the Towns:
Municipal Council of the County of Pictou January Term, 1893.

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, viz:

That your Committee has entered into an agreement with the Committees of the Town Councils of Pictou, New Glasgow and Stellarton, as the amount to be paid by the said towns respectively.

Town of Pictou	\$2700.00
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Town of New Glasgow	\$3140.50
Additional for Jailor,	\$150.00
	\$3290.50
Stellarton	\$1678.90

Your Committee still find that the Town of Pictou Is largely in arrears to the County and that unless the sum is paid within a reasonable time the Warden be authorized to take such steps as will recover the same.

James Kitchen,
John D. Fraser,
A J. McKay,
ARCH. McKenzie,
A J. McIntosh,

The Report was on motion received and adopted. Clr. J. D. McQueen read the following:

Report of the Nominating Committee
To the Municipal Council of the County of Pictou, January Term, 1893.

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, John McKenzie.
For River John Police Division, John McKenzie.

CONSTABLES FOR PICTOU:

John McKenzie, Thomas Anderson, Alex. Gordon, Peter O. Carroll, James Arbuckles, John McIsaac, William Geldert, James P. English, Nelson Watson Allan, George Spence.

CONSTABLES FOR NEW GLASGOW:

Daniel Chisholm. William McDonald, James, Chisholm, William Smith, Joseph Kitchen.

CONSTABLES FOR STELLARTON:

Archie Nicholson and James Keith.

COMMISSIONERS FOR BUSHING ICE:

For Pictou Harbour, Malcolm McKenzie, Fisher's Grant
For River John Harbour, Chas. H. McLellan, River John.
For Merigomish Harbour, D. S. Copeland, Merigomish.
For Carriboo Harbour, Alexander McKenzie.

COMMITTEE TO ENQUIRE, RESPECTING MEANS OF RELATIVES TO SUPPORT
PAUPER LUNATICS, &C. UNDER SEC. 37, CHAP 383 REVISED STATUTES:

In Pictou Township, David W. McKean Esq. Pictou, Daniel McDonald, Esq. Fishers
Grant, John McKenzie, Esq. River John.

In Egerton Township, A. M. Fraser, Esq. New Glasgow, John McPhee, Esq.
Springville, A. W. McBean, Esq. Westville.

In Maxwellton Township, Malcolm Fraser, Esq., Sutherlands River, James Grant Esq.
Merigomish, David Huggan, Esq., Barney's River.

SUPERVISORS OF PUBLIC GROUNDS:

Township of Pictou, James S. Fraser West River. William McKay, West River Road,
William Redmond, River John.

Township of Egerton, James Roy, New Glasgow, Joseph S. Crockett, Hugh Fraser,
Lorne.

Township of Maxwellton, Alexr. Ross, French River, Duncan McIntosh, Merigomish,
James Ross, Blue Mountain.

COMMISSIONER FOR INSURING CO. BUILDINGS:

The County Clerk.

WEIGHERS OF HAY, ETC.:

Section 3 and 4, John McKenzie, Henry McKenzie, John McNab.

Section 7, Dougall Logan.

Section 13, Brown Henderson.

Section 17, Isaac McNaughton.

Section 23, R. A. McDonald, Duncan Balfour.

JUSTICES TO DRAW JURIES IN COUNTY COURT:

Under Sec. 53, CHAP. 105, R. S. F. Wyatt Fraser, Esq., David McKean, Esq.

AUDITORS:

William Cameron, Esq. M. P. P., S. River, Samuel A. Foster, Esq., Fisher's Grant.

COMMISSIONERS OF COUNTY ASYLUM:

Duncan McGregor, Esq. Westville, John B. McKay, Esq., Riverton, Hugh W.
McGillvray, Esq., McLellan's Brook.

COMMITTEE OF CO. COUNCIL TO CONSULT WITH COMMISSIONERS OF
COUNTY ASYLUM:

Councillors Robert McLeod, Alex McBean, John F. Oliver.

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. McBean.
At Stellarton, James Mitchell, John Fraser.
At River John, John McKenzie, John Henry.

LOCKUP KEEPERS:

Jailor and Caretaker Court House at
New Glasgow, William Smith.
At Westville, Angus McLeod.
At River John, Hugh Campbell.

COUNTY STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATES:

For Pictou County, John Gollan, James Roy, A.W. McBean.

INSPECTORS APPOINTED UNDER SEC 23, CHAP. 3, NOVA SCOTIA STATUTES, 1886

West Pictou, Alexander Gordon.
East Pictou, William Smith.
James Johnston, for Westville Police Division.

BOARD OF REVISION AND APPEAL:

George H. Sutherland, Mill Brook. Thomas McDonald, Sunny Brae. Alexr. McDougall, Blue Mountain.

FERRYMAN FOR PICTOU

Steam Ferry Company.

FERRYMAN FOR CARRIBO

John Murray, Carriboo Island.

Committee to guard the interests of the County: Councillors Alex. J. McKay, Roderick McDougall, Warden, and John D. Fraser.

Day of meeting with persons authorized to distribute Statute labour Instructions, Saturday, April 1st, 1893, (time) 10 a. m., and at the following places, viz:

Section no. 1. Fisher's Grant, at the residence of M. Sproull, Esq: Pictou Island at the residence of Alex. F. Campbell Esq., at Pictou Island.

Section no. 2. Central School House, 10 a.m. Lower caribou River School House, 3 p.m.

Section no. 3. School House, River John, 10 a.m.

Section no. 4. Town Hall, River John, 10 a.m.

Section no. 5. At the residence of R. McCulloch, Loganville. At 10 a.m.

Section no. 6. At Young's, Dalhousie, at 10 a.m. and at David Ross', Plainfield, at 2:30 p.m.

Section no. 7. School House, Hardwood Hill, at 10 a.m.

Section no. 8. The residence of John McKenzie, Esq.

Section no. 9. The residence of John R. Bell, Saltsprings.
Section no. 10. The residence of A.J. McIntosh, Mill Brook.
Section no. 11. The residence of Robert G. McLeod at 10 a.m.
Section no. 12. The residence of Howard S. Kennedy, Esq., at 10 a.m.
Section no. 13. Court House, New Glasgow, at 10 a.m.
Section no. 14. At Olding's residence, at 10 a.m.
Section no. 15. At McLellan's Mountain School House, at 9 a.m.
Section no. 16. School House, Bridgeville, at 10 a.m., Sunny Brae School House, at 3 p.m.
Section no. 17. School House, Hopewell at 10 a.m.
Section no. 18. The Residence of George Campbell, Esq., at 10 a.m.
Section no. 19. At Thomas Henderson's Ponds.
Section no. 20. The residence of George Campbell, Esq., at 10 a.m.
Section no. 21. Town Hall, Merigomish, near Dunns.
Section no. 22. School House, Garden of Eden.
Section no. 23. Court House, Westville.
Section no. 24. At the residence of David J. Meikle, Esq.
Section no. 26. At the residence of Alex McDonald, Toney River.
All of which is respectfully submitted.
John D. McQueen,
J. F. Oliver,
Jas. Kitchen.

Court House Pictou, Jan 19th, 1893.

The report was on motion received. Clr. J. W. Fraser moved, seconded by Clr. McPhie, that the name of David W. McKean be substituted for that of John Gollan as a County Stipendiary Magistrate. The motion was defeated.

Clr. Thompson moved, seconded by Clr. J. W. Fraser, that the name of James Johnson be omitted from the number of Inspectors under the Scott Act. The motion was discussed by Clrs by Clrs. Thompson, Oliver, E. M. McDonald, and J. D. Fraser. The motion was defeated.

The report was on motion adopted as a whole.

On motion the officers named in the report, and in the Township Officers List as filed were severally appointed to the offices to which they are therein respectively designated.

Clr. Kitchen read the following

Report of the Finance Committee

To the Municipal Council of Pictou County, January Term, 1893:

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 \$10257.60 herein after recommended to be paid for services of 1892 shall be added to the liabilities of the County to 31st December, 1892, as set forth in the last report of the Municipal Treasurer.

We recommend the following accounts to be paid viz:

TO THE ASSESSORS FOR 1892.

Section No. 1. Fisher's Grant David McDonald and Wm. J. Scott ...	\$12.00
Pictou Island, John C. McDonald and Murdock E. McKenzie.....	\$8.00
Section No. 2. Daniel Munro and Peter Grant.....	\$18.00
Section No. 3. G L. Sillers and Hugh Gunn.....	\$18.00
Section No. 4. Wm. Wilson and John R. Langill.....	\$22.00
Section No. 5. Geo. Murray and Hector McKay.....	\$20.00
Section No. 6. Geo. McIntosh and Watson McKean.....	\$22.00
Section No. 7. Jas. A. McConnell and David F. Ferguson.....	\$22.00
Section No. 8. John Brown and George I. Stewart.....	\$22.00
Section No. 9. Manes C. Fraser and Simon Reid.....	\$24.00
Section No. 10. Wm. H. McKay and George Baillie.....	\$22.00
Section No. 11. David Ferguson and Robert McLeod.....	\$18.00
Section No. 12. Howard S. Kennedy and Roderick Forbes.....	\$18.00
Section No. 13. Alex. McArthur and James A. McIntosh.....	\$24.00
Section No. 14. Angus Cameron and Daniel McDonald.....	\$20.00
Section No. 15. Hugh W. McGillivray and Daniel A. Johnson.....	\$24.00
Section No. 16. Hugh McIntosh and William McDonald.....	\$22.00
Section No. 17. James McKay and Hugh D. McLeod.....	\$20.00
Section No. 18. Wm. Munro and Donald Gordon.....	\$20.00
Section No. 19. John D. Murray and Alex. McDonald.....	\$22.00
Section No. 20. Wm. Robertson and John McKay.....	\$26.00
Section No. 21. Jas. A. McDonald and John S. Copeland.....	\$22.00
Section No. 22. Donald Miller and David Fraser.....	\$22.00
Section No. 23. Murdock MacLeod and Patrick Mahoney.....	\$20.00
Section No. 24. James Ross and Alex. Fraser.....	\$17.00
Section No. 26. Samuel McMaster and Daniel McKenzie.....	\$18.00
Total:.....	\$523.00

PRESIDING OFFICERS

Section No. 1.	\$3.00
No. 2.	\$5.50
No. 3.	\$3.00
No. 4.	\$5.50
No. 5.	\$3.00
No. 6.	\$3.00
No. 7.	\$3.00
No. 8.	\$5.50
No. 9.	\$3.00
No. 10.	\$3.00
No. 11.	\$5.50
No. 12.	\$3.00
No. 13.	\$5.50
No. 14.	\$3.00
No. 15.	\$5.50

No. 16. \$3.00
No. 17. \$5.50
No. 18. \$5.50
No. 19. \$3.00
No. 20. \$5.50
No. 21. \$3.00
No. 22. \$3.00
No. 23. \$5.50
No. 24. \$5.50
No. 26. \$5.50
Total: \$107.50

FOR MEDICAL SERVICE:

To Dr. Wylde per acct	\$15.00
To Dr. M. Sutherland	\$25.00
To Dr. J. W. McKay	\$35.00
To Dr. H. R. Munro	\$40.00
To Dr. McMillan	\$25.00
To Dr. J. P. Smith	\$10.00
To Dr. Johnson	\$25.00
To Dr. Stewart	\$15.00
To Dr. Mitchell	\$5.00
To Dr. Miller	\$5.00
To Dr. H. H. McKay	\$20.00
To Dr. McDonald	\$15.00
<u>Total:</u>	<u>\$235.00</u>

FOR PROTHONOTARY AND JUSTICES:

To Robert Matheson	\$21.40
To McKean	\$3.00
To Fraser (F. Wyatt)	\$3.00
To John Gollan	\$15.25
To Donald Grey	\$8.00
To A. W. McBean, and others	\$6.00
To William F. McKenzie	\$2.00
To George Kerr	\$1.00
To William McLean	\$1.00
To James Roy	\$8.65
To A. W. McBean	\$12.66
To D. W. McKean	\$24.85
<u>Total:</u>	<u>\$106.81</u>

FOR CONSTABLES:

To P. O'Carroll	\$14.90
To William Frehill	\$8.15
To J. D. McDonald	\$7.40

To Andrew Murray	\$6.95
To W. R. Geldert	\$22.72
To Daniel Chisholm	\$45.70
To Hugh Campbell	\$18.45
To Thomas Madden	\$13.50
To Archibald Nickelson	\$14.30
To J. M. Baillie	\$19.48
To Isaac McKay	\$19.18
To Alex McDougall	\$4.40
To G. W. C. McDonald	\$30.90
Total:	<u>\$266.07</u>

FOR JAIL ACCTS:

To J. Sim Harris, Jailor	\$200.00
To J. Sim Harris, Board &c	\$781.15
To J. Sim Harris, Services	\$130.00
To William Smith, Jailor New Glasgow	\$266.85
To Hugh McKenzie, Jailor, Westville	\$101.60
To Hugh Campbell, Jailor, River John	\$60.00
To Commissioners Public Property Pictou	\$___
To Commissioners Public Property, New Glasgow	\$199.98
To Commissioners Public Property Westville	\$136.85
Total:	<u>\$1876.43</u>

FOR PRINTING AND STATIONERY:

To Colonial Standard	\$65.50
To J. D. McDonald	\$34.75
To Eastern Chronicle	\$18.25
To Morning Chronicle	\$10.50
To John Yorston	\$54.80
To James McLean	\$39.25
To J. McK. Beattic	\$2.79
Total:	<u>\$225.84</u>

TO ROAD COMMITTEES, SUPERVISORS, &c:

To James S. Fraser	\$36.80
To Ann Sutherland	\$15.00
To John Fraser	\$4.00
To A. W. McBean	\$78.40
To Geroge Smith	\$8.50
To D. W. Crockett	\$47.25
To James McDonald	\$25.00
To D. W. McDonald	\$21.50
To James Roy	\$44.52
Total:	<u>\$280.97</u>

FOR MISCELLANEOUS BILLS:

To Ross Sedgewick and McKay	\$5.00
To Board Health no. 13	\$20.00
To Dr. Kennedy Board Health, No 13	\$17.00
To John S. Copeland, Inspector	\$1.50
To Board Health, Sec No. 21	\$1.50
To Mrs. McLeod, Board Health, Section 13	\$7.00
To George W. Sillers	\$2.90
To James McG. Stewart for Elections	\$54.56
To Mrs. Daniel Langille	\$11.50
To Board Revision and Appeal	\$139.51
To James W. Smith, Collector	\$2.09
To Alex McKenzie, Bushing ice	\$9.50
To Malcolm McKenzie	\$23.90
To William Munro, Sec. No. 24	\$4.60
To Carriboo Ferry	\$20.00
To Pictou Steam Ferry Co.	\$175.00
To Warden for Services and expenses	\$125.00
To John Brown	\$28.40
To David Logan	\$7.64
To J. P. English	\$20.50
To Hugh Henderson	\$25.64
Total:	\$700.64

Commissioners County Asylum \$5975.40

We also recommend the following:

1st. That Dr. McMillan be paid the sum of \$25.00 for jail services for 1894 per agreement.

2nd. That the commission to be paid to Collectors of County rates for 1893 be 3 percent in all sections of the County.

3rd. That the sum of four hundred and twenty dollars (\$420.00) be assessed for police purposed on Westville police division for current year, and that the amount 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 Councilor of the district as follows:

The sum of \$40.00 to the Stipendiary Magistrate, and \$360.00 to the policeman, this amount being their salaries for the year.

4th. That \$20.00 be granted for a ferry between Carriboo and mainland, subject to existing regulations.

5th. That the payments by the Treasurer in Treasurer's account for 1892 for 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 disbursing moneys, which come under their hands in the discharge of their duties unless authorized by the Council.

8th. We recommend that the sum of \$25.76 be paid to road board, No. 1, for interest for over expenditure in 1891.

9th. 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.

10th. We recommend that not more than one jury be drawn for each Supreme Court term as jurors, and that they remain so long as their services are required, and that the Clerk and Warden prepare a bill for necessary legislation.

11th. We recommend that any repairs or expenditures required to be made by the commissioners of public property exceeding the sum of \$20.00 be done by tender and contract.

12th. The petition of Daniel McLeod, Hardwood Hill, for remuneration for cut on the abandoned portion of American and European Short Line Railway passing through his property. As this Council appointed appraiser in 1890 to appraise said damages and as they allowed said McLeod the sum of \$20.00 in consideration for the damage to his property, we cannot recommend the payment of any further sum as it would be unfair to those who accepted said appraisalment.

13th. In the matter of the Temperance Committee, petition from the town of Stellarton, Your Committee find that the money referred to in said petition has not been paid into the County Treasury, and as there is likely to be more litigation in connection with the said money, we would recommend that the petition be laid over for consideration at the January term, 1894.

14th. We recommend that bills presented by the Board of Health, Sections 13 and 21 be paid, that the amount be assessed on the respective Sections, and paid into the Treasury as provided by Statute.

15th. That the sum of \$42.00 be added to the amount of County rates to be assessed on polling Section No. 15. The sum having been paid by the treasurer on behalf of said section to the town of New Glasgow for the expenses connected with a pauper chargeable to said Section No. 15.

16th. We recommend that acceptance of S. M. McKenzie's Tender, Eastern Chronicle, New Glasgow, to print proceedings of Council for April 1892, and January 1893, for the sum of \$55.00. The Pamphlet to be in size and type the same as that of 1892. Five hundred copies to be supplied.

17th. As to the request of the Asylum Commissioners to be relieved from person liability to the bank for current expenses, we recommend that the matter be referred to the Warden with authority to arrange with the bank and the Commissioners, such payment to be subject to audit at the January term, 1894.

18th. We recommend that the subsidy to the Pictou Steam Ferry Company. Limited, be \$300.00 for the year of 1893, and that they be granted a ferry license subject to regulations to be made in April term, 1893.

19th. We recommend that the petition of William Douglass, Middle River, respecting loss of horse and wagon be referred to the Committee appointed to guard the interest of the County.

That the salary of the under mentioned Municipal Officers for 1893, be paid as follows: The Sheriff as Jailor at Pictou, caretaker of Court House, attending Council, suits, &c. \$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, 1% of amount of County road grant.	
The Municipal Clerk for salary postage and stationery .	\$500.00
Extra for new service performed imposed by statute.	\$50.00

Your Committee submit the following estimates of the sums required for the services for the year 1893, and recommend that the County be assessed therefore.

ESTIMATES:

County Clerk for salary stationery 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
Leos 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	\$300.00
Maintenance of Lunatics at Mount Hope Asylum	\$3000.00
County Asylum for maintenance	\$7500.00
Grand and petit Jurors	\$450.00
Public buildings insurance re-pairs &c	\$800.00
Printing and stationery	\$250.00
Bushing Ice	\$100.00
Road Damages Committees, &c	\$500.00
Board, bedding, &c. for prisoners	\$800.00
Prosecutions	\$400.00
Pictou Steam Ferry Co. Limited.	\$300.00
Contingencies	\$800.00
County Asylum Debentures	\$1150.00
Public Schools	\$10368.00
To pay Interest on Debentures, Pictou town Brand 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	\$28.00
Legal Expenses	\$1400.00
	<u>Total: \$35036.00</u>

Less Portion Payable by the towns, Pictou, New Glasgow, and Stellarton, viz:

Pictou	\$2700.00
New Glasgow	\$3140.50
Stellarton	\$1678.82

\$35036.00 - \$7519.42
Total: \$27516.58

To be assessed on the County of Pictou, outside of the incorporated towns of Pictou, New Glasgow and Stellarton. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Court House, Pictou, Jan. 19th, 1893

Finance Committee: James Kitchen,
Colin Fraser,
Arch. McKenzie,
Jno. D. McQueen,
Allan McPhee.

On motion the report was received. Clr. J. D. Fraser moved, seconded by Clr. J. W. Fraser that the report be adopted with the exception of the clause referring to the subsidy and license to the Pictou Steam Ferry Company, and that said clause be deferred till April term. On a standing vote the motion was defeated 6 to 12. Clr. McKenzie moved, seconded by Clr. J. D. Fraser, that the report be received and adopted. Moved in Amendment by Clr. J. D. Fraser, seconded by Clr. J. W. Fraser, that the report be amended by providing that the subsidy to the Pictou Steam Ferry Company be \$175.00. The amendment was defeated 5 to 13. Clr. McKenzie moved, seconded by Clr. Kitchen, that the sum of \$300.00 be added to the estimates, and the report as so amended adopted as a whole. The motion passed.

Clr. Kitchen read the following

AUDITORS REPORT:

The Finance Committee of the Municipal Council, January term 1893.

Your Auditors beg leave to report that they have examined the accounts submitted to them, and endeavored to indicate the inaccuracies therein.

Many accounts are so insufficiently itemized that they would suggest that in future such accounts would be returned to those rendering them for particulars.

The 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 kept in a very careful manner.

They would also recommend that not more than one jury be drawn for each Supreme Court term, as Jurors for the second and third weeks have not in recent years been required. Respectfully submitted

Auditors:

S. A. Foster,
Wm. Cameron.

The report was received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Clr. Kitchen read the following:

REPORT OF THE ASYLUM COMMISSIONERS:

To the Municipal Council County of Pictou, January Term, 1893:

The Commissioners of the Pictou County Asylum beg to submit the following report, for the year ending December 31st, 1892.

The number of patients in the asylum on the 31st December, 1891 was:

Insane 63
Poor 22
 Total: 85

Of the insane 7 were discharged, 3 were sent to Mount hope, and 6 died. In all 16 were removed during the year.

Of the poor 7 were released, and 3 died. In all 10 were removed while 8 new poor patients were admitted.

There are at present in the Asylum

	Males	Females	Total
Insane	37	28	65
<u>Poor</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>20</u>
	47	38	85

The following is an abstract of the Financial Statement:

DR.

By last year's report the balance due by the Asylum 31st Dec., 1891 was \$14,505.16

Total Expenditure in 1892	\$7,176.04
	<u>\$14,505.16 + \$7,176.04</u>
Total:	\$22,381.20

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The receipts were as follows:

Rec'd from the Council to pay off old balance	\$14,505.16
Rec'd for support of the poor	\$1,591.29
Rec'd for support of the insane	\$100.00
Rec'd for farm produce sold	\$127.35
Rec'd for ice sold	\$7.00
Rec'd for horse sold	\$75.00
	<u>\$22,381.20 - \$16,405.80</u>
Balance Due:	\$5,975.40

The Commissioners beg to call the attention of the Council to the fact that in consequence of their having received no money from the Treasurer during the year for the maintenance of the Asylum, the sum of \$5975.40 stands at the debit of the Asylum with the Merchants Bank of Halifax, which holds the personal obligations of the Commissioners as security for the amount. The County is paying interest on this balance at a rate of 6%.

The commissioners most respectfully submit that they cannot be expected to maintain the institution without funds and they decline to continue to give their person security for the debts of the County, consequently they request the Council to make arrangements to pay the present debt and to provide funds from month to month for the needs of the Asylum in future.

The following statement will show the cost per head, per week, for the past year of all patients cared for.

Total Expenditure	\$7,876.04
Deduct Farm produce sold	\$127.35
Deduct Ice Sold	\$7.00
<u>Deduct Horse sold</u>	<u>\$75.00</u>
	\$7,876.04 - \$209.35
Net cost:	\$7,666.69

The aggregate time of all patients cared for was 4543 weeks, showing cost per head to be nearly \$1.69

The following calculation is submitted to show the actual cost per head, per week, of maintaining the insane. After deducting receipts from poor sections and all other sources:

Total Expenditure	\$7,876.04
Deduct produce sold	\$127.35
Deduct ice and Horse sold	\$82.00
Deduct Rec'd for support of insane	\$100.00
Deduct rec'd Poor	\$1,591.29
Less \$569.81	
Due last year	\$1,021.48
Amt. due by Poor Sections	\$285.53
	<u>\$7,876.04 - 1,616.36</u>
Net Cost:	\$6,259.68

By dividing this amount by 3394 weeks the cost per head for the insane is slightly under \$1.85.

Your Commissioners would strongly recommend that the poor patients be either removed from the Asylum entirely or that additional accommodation be provided for them.

Your Commissioners have to report that the water facilities at the asylum are inadequate to the requirements of the institution, although so far it has never suffered from actual scarcity.

The Town Clerk of Stellarton has submitted an offer to supply the Asylum with water for \$150.00 per annum, the county providing the pipe which is estimate by their Engineer to cost \$4,396.00, as the interest on this sum, together with the annual tax would about to about \$370,000 a year, we cannot recommend that the offer of the Town of Stellarton be entertained.

The keeper estimates the crop raised on the farm in 1892 as follows: Hay 18 tons, straw (green) 3 tons; Fodder Corn, 2 tons; Potatoes, 350 bushels; Turnips, 400 bushels; Mangels, 800 Bushels; Carrots, 40 bushels; Beets, 4 Bushels; Parsnips, 6 bushels; Tomatoes, 7 bushels; Beans (green) 3 bushel; Cabbages, 500 heads; Peas (green) 2 bushels.

H. R. Munro Esq., M. D., has been reappointed Medical Officer for 1893.

The Contracts for Supplies for 1893 have been awarded as follows:-D. A. McLeod, Meat; James Connell, Bread; James McArthur, Groceries.

The Commissioners submit the following estimate for 1893.

For ordinary expenditure	\$8,500.00
Less receipts from poor, &c	\$1,300.00
Net amount:	\$7,200.00

The following papers accompany this report, viz.:

- A – Expenditure for the year classified.
- B – Package containing vouchers for monies paid.
- C – Balance Sheet.
- D – Accounts due the Asylum.
- E – List of Inmates, deaths, admissions, &c.
- F – Inventory, Supplies, &c., in hand.
- G – Copies of Tenders for Supplies for 1893.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

James M. Carmichael,
James, Yorston,
Duncan McGregor,
Hugh W. McGillivray,
J. B. McKay,

Commissioners

The Report was received and ordered to be printed in the minutes, consideration to be deferred to April Term.

The minutes of the present meeting were read and approved.

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

The Council adjourned sine die.

R. McDougall, *Warden*
J. McG. Stewart, *Municipal Clerk.*

Pictou Jan. 19th 1893.