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CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Reports of Committees—Street Crossings Hill & Berry Wharf &c.

Mayor Fenety in the Chair, and a full board of Aldermen being present. After the minutes of the last meeting were

the Auditor's Report No. 11 was read and gentlemen of the County Council pre-ordered. checques ordered to be issued for amounts sent declined to do, and withdrew Mr. George Botsford's complaint of overas follows .-

Public Works. Fire department. Administration of Justice. Contingencies... Sewerage and Water The Water committee presented the fol- follows :-

lowing report -1st. They have examined the accounts for the month and submit the same through the

Auditor.
2nd. The contractor for excavating for the water pipes, Michael O'Leary, finds it very inconvenient to be paid only once a month as he has to employ laborers, who expect to be paid off at least once a fortnight. Your committee therefore ask authority to procure perted at following monthly meeting.

3rd. The service-pipe on hand from last year being nearly exhausted, your committee require authority to purchase about 7000 feet for use during the season.

Respectfully Submitted

M. RICHEY, Chairman. perted at following monthly meeting.

Ald. Gunter thought the practice of drawavoided if possible, and that the present

report was Going Back on a Resolution

passed to that effect, some time ago. The Chairman of the Water Committee, Ald. Richey, was of the opinion that all contractors should be paid as their work progressed, on the proper certificates being furnished by the overseer of work. On motion, the report was received and

The following report of the Wharf Committee was presented .-Your Committee beg to report:-That they have had under consideration, the request of Messrs. Hill & Berry for permission to erect buildings and sheds on their wharf, the same to be paid for at a valuation by the by the City, at the expiration of lease, but year, which draft has been approved by your committee, who, although believing that the interests of the city bave not been carefully guarded in the arrangement, still about on account of the repairs required in deem it incumbent that the contract should be completed and the lease executed. Your committee have therefore recommended that on the production of Mr. Haines' receipt by Mr. Berry, which receipt Mr. Berry is called upon to produce without delay, that the lease be executed and tendered to Messrs.

Respectfully submitted, GEORGE E. FENETY, Mayor. The City Clerk also read the draft of the lease between the City and Messrs. Hill &

Ald. Gunter said this council ought to carry out the arrangements made by their predecessors, and while there were several objectionable clauses in the lease as read, this council had nothing to do but carry out previous agreements. On metion the report was received and

adopted. A communication from Messrs. Hill & Berry was read and referred to Wharf Com-

Ald. Moore presented a petition from Jas. Christie, asking for a ten years lease of the

per annum, Referred to the Committee on

Edwards' petition. Report, Administration of Justice Com-

Your Committee on Administration of Jus That your committee, at the request of the

Warden of York Municipality, met the committee of that body on Friday, May 28th at 3 p.m., in the City Clerk's Office for the pur-

Of Adjusting the Amount

payable by the city, as their proportion of the Administration of Justice in the city and county for the year 1883, as provided by law: and that at such meeting Councillors Pinder and Jewett and County Auditor VanWart, were present on the part of the County Coun-

That on examining the accounts, your committee found charged in the same the follow-

Council Chamber, \$74.08. Costs of altering Court House, Record so-called vouchers for the same, were satisfied that the first item was for chairs for the County Council Chamber only, and \$3324.12 for which no regular voucher or taining the section. vonchers were produced, were intended to be charges for moneys expended by the Munici- placed at the lower gate of the Normal pality in fitting up the main portion of the cil Chamber (exclusively for the use of the it. Lost on division. County Council), County Record Office with vault, Clerk of the Peace Office, and Sheriffs

Your committee on enquiry find that

the lower flat of the County Court House vested in them in common with the county, to be used as a market for ever, was placed by Act of Assembly in the County Council, to be by them fitted up as a Council Chamber and offices at the expense of the county, it appearing as if the Act required the counpairs, but was a large public work, not conministration of Justice account is adjusted, as they had not been before the proper Com- looked as if they had been struck by a westtemplated in the Act under which the Adthe proportion of the same could not be mittee. He also said that Mr. Foster and ern cyclone.

The regular monthly meeting of the City ment towards such alterations, they on Police, at the earliest possible oppor-Council was held in the City Council Cham- have no authority to do so, or to impose tax- tunity. ber. on Tuesday evening last, His Worship ation on the citizens for that purpose.

Pending a settlement of this difficulty, Assessors. your committee would suggest, that in case the County Council require it a payment of the city rents in arrears and was authorized 1.40 \$776.40, being the amount actually due by to proceed against the delinquents.

10.00 City to County, be paid to County, it being Ald. Moore presented the petitions of 39.95 prejudice to their legal rights.

Total amount of County's Bill....

as claimed by County....

Total amount.... 5727.41 Less amount of 2 items 3398.20

Total amount as agreed to by City...2329.21 nount in dispute. \$1132,732 such advances from the Treasurer, from time to time to make such parments, and being satisfied by proper cartificates that the amounts are due, such payments to be reacts of Assembly, your committee would sugsubmitted for the opinion of the Supreme

> A communication was read from Mr. Henry B. Rainsford, Secretary Treasurer of York,

Threatening legal proceedings against the City, unless the amount claimed ing advances from the treasury should be by the County, on the administration of Justice account, was forthwith paid. On motion of Ald. Gunter, the Report was

eceived and adopted.

An account of \$10. of Elizabeth White's for rent of Engine House lot, was ordered to

Ald. Farrell from the committee on John A. Edward's application, reported that the

The Road Committee submitted a lengthy report, in which they recommended, amongst the petition referred to the Road Committee. tural Implement Company. other things, that Mr. George Creighton's request, that his asphalt sidewalk assessment be not exacted until he had completed his Mr. Rainsford's offer of a free street, through your committee on enquiry and after hearing
Mr. Berry, being satisfied that such an
arrangement would not be in the interest of
arrangement would not be in the interest of

the people would see that it was brought

consequence of the breaking of the streets for water service-

Ald. Richev raised objections to the road committee saddling the water committee with any portion of their expenditures. The water committee had quite enough to do to curtail the expenditures, incident to their department, without being required to pay the bills of the road committee.

His Worship explained that it was only to nable the committee to explain any extraordinary expenditure on the roads account. Ald. Edgecombe wanted to know how long a time Mr. Creighton required to complete his building. The Council gave him until the 1st of August.

Ald Parker moved that the road commit tees report be taken up section by section.

There was considerable discussion on the uestion of the road going through the of charge, an expenditure of twenty or thirty lot in rear of Queen Hotel at a rental of \$55 dollars ought to be made towards improving

On the question of Street Crossings, Ald Parker thought the Local Government

Ald. Gunter said that as the cost of th rossings were trivial and the benefits accruing to the city from having the institutions here large, the city should surely put Friday and one class on Monday. them down without question. The section of the report recommending

the letting of the contract for the plank sidewalk on the south side of King Street, between Regent and Carleton streets, to Richardson Boone for the sum of \$125, passed, after meeting with some opposition from Ald. Parker.

On the section of the Report in reference to charging the Water Committee with ome of the Road Committee expenditure. J. A. McNally, chairs for Court House and Ald. Farrell argued at some length on the justness of such an arrangement.

Ald. Davis thought the Water Committee Office, &c., \$3324.12, and on eramining the had enough to pay already, without being burthened with the Road Committee ac-

On motion to strike out that section o could not therefore be in any way a charge the Report, the Council divided evenly. The upon the city, and that the second item of Mayor gave the casting vote in favor of re-Ald. Parker moved that a crossing be

School, similar to the one proposed for the County Court House (lower flat) as a Coun- upper gate. Ald. Black and Farrell opposed A motion that the whole report of the

Road Committee be received and adopted was carried by the casting vote of the The Alms House Committee, Wharf Com-

mittee, City Hall Committee and Finance Committee presented reports which were severally received, read, and adopted without discussion. Ald. Parker from the Police Committee | the fence enclosing the square, to prevent the presented a report an account of \$150 being | populace from roosting on it.

Could not Recommend

charged to the city under such Act (1879), Mr. D. Mechan had bills against the Comand that even if the committee or council mittee, which with Mr. Barker's account for were desirous of consenting to pay such pay- extras, would be laid before the Committee

The Alms House Commissioner For these reasons, your committee request- submitted a statement of expenditures in ed these items to be withdrawn from the acconnection with that Institution, and asked count, and if withdrawn, agreed to, then that the sum of \$500 be placed to his credit few days ago while leading a cow to pasture. read approved of and signed by the Mayor, agree to balance of same. This, the for general purposes. A cheque for \$500 was

chargeable against the different departments leaving the account still unsettled. valuation of his property was referred to the The Treasurer submitted a statement of

> paid and accepted by both parties without John Allen and Fred P. Thompson, asking permission to enter the city sewers, by a The amount actually in dispute is as waste pipe from their respective dwellings. Petitions complied with; the Road Surveyor to superintend the work.

A communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department asking permission for No. 1 Hose Company To Go to Woodstock

and take the Hose Cart with them on the As the question is one depending almost | 19th inst., on the occasion of the waterworks entirely upon the construction of certain opening celebration at that town, was advocated strongly by Ald. Parker, and granted by the Council. An appropriation of \$12 was made by the Council for the purpose of painting and fitting up the Hose Cart.

Mr. Wilmot Guion asked permission to put down a plank sidewalk in front of his premises on York Street without charge to the city. Ald. Parker moved that permission be granted. Ald. Richey moved in amendment that the matter be referred to the road committee. Ald. Farrell spoke in favor of the original motion, which was carried the Mayor's casting vote.

Ald. Wiley presented a petition of nnmerous ratepayers, asking that necessary repairs be made on York Street. Ald. Wiley moved that the prayer of the petition be complied with. Ald. Richey ing the connection of the Bay Chaleur Railmoved in amendment that the petition be way with the I. C. R. at Campbellton, by committee could not recommend leasing the referred to the Road Committee. Ald. Black means of a bridge across the Restigouche lot in the rear of the Queen Hotel, at the pres- moved in amendment to the amendment that opposite the Station. being taken, the amendment was carried and two-story building for the Moncton Agricul-

Stable keepers, asking, that the water Canadian militia and will sail for Canada in building on Queen Street, be granted—that rate for livery stables be reduced to \$25. June. Referred to the water committee. Ald. Davis presented the petition of Wm. Wheeler and others, asking that a four inch pipe be laid from the Queen Street main to

o water committee On motion of Ald. Pinder, John B. Hawthorne was appointed Pound Keeper, and

Richardson Boone a commons driver.

On motion of Ald. Edgecombe, The Policemen Were Appointed ommons drivers, and the City Clerk instructed to notify them that they would be required to take out their appointments forthwith, and to see that the by-laws relating to the running a large of cattle were rigidly enforced.

Ald. Wiley presented the petition of Wm. Calder, asking for a lease of a boat landing at a nominal rent. Referred to Wharf Com-

Ald. Moore had the insurance on the Engine House building renewed, and a Cheque for \$26.25 to pay the premium passed. On motion of Ald. Parker a checque was ordered in favor of John B. Hawthorne for \$10. being for use of the County jail as a city lock-up, for the month ending 1st June. On motion Ald. Richey cheques for \$50, hore property. The Council thought were ordered in favor of the Chief and Assisthat as the road was donated to the city free | tant Engineers of the Water Work's Engine. On motion Ald. Edgecombe cheques for \$38.75 were ordered in favor of the police-

Ald. Moore moved a resolution requiring all persons

Having Bills against the City to hand in the same before 4 o'clock p. m. on on the Monday preceeding the day of the regular monthly meetings, according to

whichever committee the bills had to come before, one class of committees meeting on On motion of Ald. Edgecombe the police committee was authorized to procure summer clothing for the policemen.

Ald. Davis enquired what the road committee intended doing with the city cart and sleds and the harness of the city team. (Ald. Wiley-"hear, hear.") As the two hundred dollars, the proceeds of the sale of the horse was already eaten up in paying truck charges (Ald. Wiley-"Yes, and \$178 more for street cleaning") he, Ald, Davis, thought the gear ought to be sold to provide funds for further hauling expenses. "But then" said Ald. Davis "I have no doubt the Council will soon see the foolishness of their act in disposing of the team, and provide another one, so we might as well keep the cart and harness, to set the team to work at once."

On motion of Ald. Black the jail yard was constituted a pound and the necessary mendment made in the bye-law. The applications of William Fisher, Moses have not heard any other names mentioned. Pond, Joseph Douglas, Michael McNally and __Advocate. H. S. Carman for relief from taxes were re-

Adjourned sine die.

Lawn Tennis

A number of ladies and gentlemen engaged in a game of lawn tennis in the Officer's tively new to Fredericton the game of yesternay drew hundreds of spectators. A barbed wire has been put around the top of

pants all banged and chewed off at the bot-the St. John papers: toms of the legs, and his shoes-well they ly put in an appearance at this place. It mounted.

GLEANINGS.

A Good Budget of News from all Parts of the Province. The residence of Rev. S. H. Weyman, at

Butternut Ridge, three miles from Havelock corner, was destroyed by fire on Saturday night. The family had a narrow escape, A lad named Watters was badly injured a The animal suddenly started and Watters was thrown down and dragged a considerable distance on the ground. His face was bruised and his legs nearly broken, when he was extricated from his unenviable position by a gentleman who happened to be near.

The Coroner's jury, on the body of John McKinney, who committed suicide in Petersville. Q. C., some days ago, returned a verdict that the "deceased came to his death by a wound made in his throat with a razon in his own hand, while laboring under a emporary fit of insanity."

pen which he had erected for the purpose, a time after the accident, was brought to this excursions of 30 or 40 miles, and notbear, the weight of which when dressed was city last evening. no less than 300 pounds. The carcass was brought to the city yesterday by Mr. Barnes, steward of the Soulanges, and placed in the market for sale. Its skin measured seven feet in length.-Sun.

Abstract of the trade of the Stephen for May :-Value of dutiable goods Value of free goods entered, 58,798 00

Total value of imports....\$103,827 00 \$29,953 00 \$19,572 00 4,069 12 399 50

Total collections\$7,026 05 At the request of a number of the ratepayers, the Town Clerk at Campbellton has called a public meeting, to be held in the Masonic Hall on Thursday evening, 15th inst., for the purpose of taking steps towards secur-

Ald. Farrell presented the petition of Col. Middleton has been appointed to suc-John B. Orr and all the other city Livery ceed Gen. Luard in the command of the

Mr. E. E. Phair, of the Kent Northern Rail-

The death is announced of Alexander Mc-Acadian hotels of Halifax.

to build a new public hall at Hillsboro,

Annapolis, June 2 .-- The formal inauguration of the New England and Acadia steamship line took place to-day, by an excursion to Bar Harbor, Me., on the first trip of the S. S. Frances. Owing to the severe rain storm only about seventy-five excursionists left

continent. Charter rates range very low,

and unless the English quotations take an upward turn after this month, shipments will be very limited and an unusually large quantity of lumber will be carried over until Miss Hooper, a returned Missionary from next year. The mills at Chatham and vicinity are all in active sawing operation. A young man named Randolph committed suicide by hanging himself to a small tree in the bushes near Paradise, Annapolis County, N. S., on Sunday morning. When found he

respectably connected, and was generally of putting down the Normal School crossing, the Friday preceding the day of the regular Among the causes assigned for the rash act, wards fitting up the hose cart that our fireand the Dominion Government the expense monthly meetings, or before 4 o'clock p. m. it is stated that he was recently disappointed Comparative statement of collection at the port of Moncton, N. B., April, 1883 and

28,930 00 Increase. \$ 3,736 91 1883, April, \$ 650 00 . 23,290 00

..\$22,640 0 The above exceed in collections and value of exports any one month since Moncton was created a port of entry .- Transcript. Five salmon were brought into Newcastle

and sold on Thursday last. They were Chatham side of the river. On Saturday quite a number were caught apolis News 2nd May above Newcastle. Mr. Thomas Vye had ten, Mr. W. Vye four, and Mr. Joseph Vye was known. also one of the fortunate ones. Doubtless

others might be added to the list, but we

At a special meeting of the St. John mun- on Tuesday evening last. icipal Council, held to consider the question of granting liquor license to the out lying parishes, the following resolution was passed by a vote of 10 to 7:-

Whereas, The Parliament of Canada has passed an Act to regulate the sale of spirit-uous liquors, and to limit the number of licenses to be issued in the various cities, towns and municipalities throughout the ninion, and by enactment has determined to enforce this right; and

Whereas, Our Local Legislature has adopted precautionary legislation to protect the municipalities, etc., in their revenues deriva-

A White's Cove correspondent writes to the St. John papers:—

Company "A." Infantry School Corps had a "march out" yesterday, in heavy marching order with knapsacks, tin cans, &c. The ing order with knapsacks, tin cans, &c. The

tion to Blackville. This section is 20 miles in length. Whether the second section of 20 miles will be undertaken from Blackville extending southwest, or from Fredericton terminus, somewhat depends upon informa-

will be completed by the 15th of August.

various sub-contractors locating the section

of the Miramichi Railway from Chatham Junc-

Mr. David Hatfield Porter, whose people live in this city, was drowned on Monday On Sunday last, Gilbert Wiggins of Wig- last at Hampton, Maine, while stream-drivgins Cove was successful in enticing into a ing. The body which was found a short

> One of the Normal School students, Miss. Price of Havelock, Kings Co. died of Typhoid fever on Tuesday afternoon after a short illness. Her father left with the remains pes-

terday morning. Connor's Men. About one hundred and twenty men belonging to Connor's drive arrived in town last

night.

Central Railway. A despatch from St. John on Tuesday giv-

ing the names of the directors of the Central Railway arrived too late for insertion on that day. The directors are as follows. Alex. Gibson, Hon. Isaac Burpee. Chas. Burpee, M. P., G. G. King M P., C. W. Wetmore, Geo. White and L. Ferris. Julius L. Inches event of importance. was elected Secretary. At a meeting of the directors held yester-

Mr. Moses Burpee was appointed engineer. merchants of Glasgow, have failed for The survey will be begun at Salmon River £70,000. as well as on the eastern end.

day afternoon at St. John it was decided to

MONTREAL, June 1, 1884. The authorities way, was in St. John recently purchasing an as the charge of bringing stolen money into They will be used as a play ground for the outfit for the dining saloon which will be the Province, on which the accused was ar- scholars. The price paid for both lots was shortly opened at Kent Junction where the rested, must first be heard. From Fahey, \$400. who arrived in this city to-day, and returned shortly afterward in Quebec, the following information was obtained: When Eno was that he was proprietor of the Caledonia and have committed no offence under the British formed. flag." He was shown the warrant, and Efforts are being made to provide the funds | then went freely with the detective, chaffing him on in the way about the mistake he was making. On arrival at the St. Louis Hotel, where he is lodged, the prisoner sent for Mr. Dunbar, the government crown prosecutor, and, after retaining him, the latter proceeded

corpus for Eno's release, which will be the money or valuables found on the prison- state. There are about 40 vessels in port at Chat- er, who appears to treat his difficulty nonham loading with deals for U. K. and chalantly. Missionary Entertainment. A Missionary entertainment will be held in the Free Baptist Church, this evening.

India, will give an account of her labors amongst the Eastern heathen. To Join the Woodstock Celebration. About twenty men from the St. Mary's fire department, and a like number from this had been dead for some time. He was city will join the Woodstock firemen in their celebration on the 19th instant. The City

> Another Land-mark Gone. The last of those beautiful buildings or Queen street, just above the old barracks was removed to its last resting place or Carleton street, this morning, leaving not a rack behind, not even a stone to mark the spot, where of late many a monument stood Justice and Peace which once dwelt round it, long since departed.

A Fredericton Boy heard from "Miss Nellie Trigale and Frank Tweedale were united in marriage at the residence of FLOUR. CORN MEAL, the bride's sister, Mrs. E. S. Winters, 1535 Franklin avenue, yesterday, Rev. D. D. MacLaurin officiating. The young people MOLASSES, TEAS, TOBACCOS, are well known in Southtown, and have caught below the Canadian Marsh on the a large circle of friends, including the News, who tender their congratulations .- Minne- BEANS, DRIED APPLES, Mr. Tweedle is a Fredericton boy, wel

> Entertained at Mess. Lieut.-Col. Marsh and other officers of the 71st Batt. were entertained at mess by the officers of Co. "A" Infantry School Corps

Fresh Strawberries Strawberries are already in the market. They are sour. We've tried 'em. Four quarts of sugar to each quart of straw-

Repairs on the Telegraph Office. The Telegraph Office has been newly whitewashed, papered and painted, and now presents a very neat and attractive appearance. The Military Fence.

The military fence is making slow but, it is hoped, sure progress towards completion. March Out. Company "A." Infantry School Corps had

has been seen by several persons and by two TELEGRAPHA young men who pass the place haunted by it on their way to school. It is described as being a ferocious animal, with fierce and RI Mahdi bound for Meccal blood-red eyes, and shaggy head and mane. Osman Digma to Viear not unlike the lion. Such an animal has naturally excited the curosity of the people, the Way. and attempts are being made to capture it. Over 100 men are now employed under the

Rebellions Jubans Seek Safety in Swamps-Russia and Germany Fraternizing.

dairs in Cuba Special of Gleaner.]

New York, June 5.—A letter from Havana, under date of 31st ult., says the tion daily expected from Ottawa. It is expected that the grading of section No. 1 29th confiscated and its editor fined \$100 in gold. The newspaper Elmercurio, published at Santiago de Cuba, has been fined \$250 in gold. It is reliably, reported that Aguero has a deposit of arms and amunition in Zapata Swamps, where his head-quarters are. When he needs provisions or desires to give his orders to the other confederate bands, he makes withstanding the swamps are closely guarded by troops, returns unmolested. In truth since he landed, Aguero has suffered no privations.

El Mahdi's Plans.

(Special to Gleaner.) CAIRO, June 5 .- Osman Dignas' persistant attacks on Suakim are on account of El Mahdi's intention to cross over to Mecca before moving northward. He therefore requires that seaport. tribes which were dispersed after the battle of El Teb and Tamaraeb have rejoined Osman. The latter swears that he will capture Suakim before June 10.

Russia and Germany. (Special to Gleaner.) BERLIN.—The Excessive friendliness of the Czarina's reception by the Government at Berlin amounts to a politica

Come to Grief. (Special to Gleaner.) Glasgow, June 5.—Geo. Brown £ Co.

The School Trustees have purchased from the O'Dell estate, two additional lots of land in Quebec declined to give up John C. Eno on Charlotte Street, in rear of the one upon to Detective Fahey yesterday to come here, which the new school house is being built.

Arm Badly Scalded.

A woman named Wilbur belonging up the Kay, of Truro. He was well known to a very arrested, he put on a smiling face and said to river, but who was visiting at St. Mary's, large number of the travelling public, hav- his captor: "You are not so foolish as to fell into a tub of hot lye one day last week, ing been for many years proprietor of the take me into custody, for I have been legally and had her arm so badly scalded that it is Prince of Wales hotel in Truro. Previous to advised that I cannot be extradited, and I thought amputation will have to be per-

The Road Master, with a promptness that cannot but be commended after our paragraph on Tuesday, has had planks placed pavement. He would receive the thanks of to court and applied for a writ of habeas the citizens if he would show the same promptness in attending to the platform on urged before Judge Tessier on Monday. King Street, between Carleton and Regent One thousand dollars in British gold was all Streets, which is in a shockingly bad

NextDoor Below People's Bank& Opp. Randolph's. WILL OPEN ON THURSDAY,

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JOHN HARVEY.

Fredericton, May 20th, 1884.

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TIMOTHY AND CLOVER SEED, Wholesale only at Nos. 11 & 12 NORTH WHARF OATS, CORN, BRAN, SHORTS AND CRACKED FEED,

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No. 4 PORTLAND BRIDGE.

Contract from [the] City

THE SERVICE PIPES OF THE WATERL WORKS. He begs to announce that he is now in a position to arrange for the plumbing of all houses into which water is introduced in the most satisfactor

FORCPUTTING IN

N. A. LAFOREST. Fredericton, May 20th.

The Soldier on Guard.

The commandant ought surely to see that

The commandant ought surely to see that it appearing as if the Act required the county to pay all expenses in consideration of being allowed to use such lower flat, belonging to city and county jointly, as a Council Chamber for the county's exclusive use. It further appears to your committee that as further appears to your committee that as over and beyond the work specified in the county is as a council of the process and the process are process. this alteration was not of the nature of re-