

**Alexandria
Common Council Minutes
1817 - 1830**

**Volume 2
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**Including
a Chart of Salaries of Alexandria City Officials
as Recorded in the Acts in Council, 1813-1852.**

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Foreword

This Alexandria Archaeology publication is a transcription of the Alexandria Common Council Minutes for a specific period, 1817-1831. I asked Phil Erickson, a most thorough Alexandria Archaeology volunteer researcher, to undertake this task for a number of reasons. First, the original book of minutes sat safely in the City Clerk's Office; yet, the treasure house of knowledge was untapped. The pages could neither be handled well nor photocopied due to their fragile nature. In order to understand many basic aspects of the city's history, someone need to transcribe each page - a major task.

Second, when I asked Phil to undertake the transcription, I centered his work on the earliest surviving documents leading up to 1831. In that year, the Nat Turner Rebellion took place near Jerusalem, in Southampton County, Virginia. The Alexandria African American Neighborhood Project required a better understanding of how the City's leaders viewed the free Black population, and how they chose to respond to increasing conflict between Black and White.

While initially only signing on to transcribe this particular information, Phil quickly saw that the Minutes required complete transcription. Armed with a hand-held tape recorder, Phil spent over 100 hours in this job. He contributed many more hours editing this document.

The Word Center provided the much-needed technology to turn Phil's tapes into a useful written document. The final phases of the project were carried out by Dean Baird and Dr. Steven Shephard. They both edited the document to provide this final copy. Dean indexed the minutes for major topics of interest and locational information. However, due to the redundancy of individual names, a person index is not provided.

Today, microfilm copies of the Alexandria Council Minutes await researchers at the Lloyd House. Transcription and indexing of the post-1831 years will give us even more information. It is my hope that this report will stimulate interest in the Minutes as an archival source of political and governmental history, and also motivate others to further this transcription task.

Pamela J. Cressey, Ph.D.
City Archaeologist

Preface

Historians interested in archaeology try everything they know about, or might learn about, to discover new treasure troves. In this format, with a close working relationship with the Alexandria Archaeology staff and volunteers, a project came into being. Where were the Alexandria wells? Who owned them? Our quest led us to the Minutes in Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia.

Quite fortunately we had access to the original records, the Genesis of another project. (see Alexandria Water Company Permits-the First 1000 Pipers). Delving through these early records, it became apparent that much more was to be learned. The early wells, the City pumps, the tunnels to alleviate water damage, the tunnel gates the underground pipes, the wells -- even the flood gates in the lower regions of the City -- came to the fore.

And then came the question: Should we make a complete survey of those old records? What follows is a transcription of the Minutes In Council, 1817-1830. Reading the Minutes has been a study of the growth of Alexandria.

Some may comment on the spellings of names, the titles, the upper case and lower case of such, but I recorded these as they were reported in the Minutes. In this researching, some problems arose as a new scribe or recorder had to make the books. I am sure that any errors of some ten or fifteen decades ago might be excused. The records are veritable.

Through these recordings, it is sincerely hoped the history of the City will be enhanced and more especially, the clues and targets for the future Alexandria Archaeology "digs" may be enriched.

My great appreciation goes to Pat Walter and the Word Center staff for the production of this study. And also I want to thank Helen Holleman, Beverly Jett and all the people in the City Clerk's Office for providing me such courtesy and gracious working conditions.

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1824

7 January 1824

In Council. Present: Jonathan Swift, Esquire, President. Messrs. Field, Robinson, Hill, Johnston, Longden, Anderson, White, Butcher, Douglass, Vowell, Miller, Davis.

Ordered that the tax on 1 story improperly charged to and paid by Mrs. Deakins be refunded.

The Committee appointed to inquire whether William N. Mills a member of this Council from the Third Ward is entitled to retain his seat, and made a report which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The Committee appointed to ascertain what Amendments are necessary to the Charter of the Town, reported a Bill entitled "An Act further to amend the Charter of the Town of Alexandria" which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

An account of Robert Gray against the Corporation was presented by his trustee, and referred to the Auditor for examination.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police have the gutter taken up and paved in the modern manner on the East side of Fairfax Street from Fayette Alley to King Street.

Ordered, that the tax on 1 tyth improperly paid by John Johnston be refunded.

The Council then adjourned
until Friday at 1/2 past 3 o'clock
Signed J. Swift, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

9 January 1824

In Council. Present: Jonathan Swift, Esquire, President. Messrs. Davis, Vowell, Miller, Douglass, Butcher, Mills, White, Jamieson, Anderson, Longden, Hill, Field, Johnston.

The report of the Committee appointed inquire what Amendments were necessary to the Charter of the Town was taken up and agreed to by the Council.

Resolved that Messrs. Thomas Swann and Jonathan Swift be a Committee to present the memorial and copy of a law amending the Charter of the Town of Alexandria, to Congress.

The Auditor made a report on the debt of Robert Gray against the corporation which was [crossed out-unreadable].

Ordered that Messrs. Miller and Hill be a committee to inquire into the account of Rafael Stevens, late Clerk of the Market and make a report to Council.

The Council then adjourned
J. Swift, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

19 January 1824

In Council. Present: Jonathan Swift, Esquire, President. Messrs. Johnston, Field, Robinson, Hill, Longden, Jamieson, Mills, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Davis.

A letter from the Chairman of the Committee of the Levy Court, was received and read and laid on the table.

Ordered, that the tax on 3 stories charged to Kerr and Fitzhugh be remitted.

Ordered, that a shop tax improperly charged to J. G. Gray be refunded.

Ordered, that \$150.00 in addition to the legacy of Owen F. McGrath, be appropriated to purchase wood for the Poor of the Town, and that Messrs. Swift and Jamieson be a Committee to distribute the same.

Ordered, that the tax on 1 gig charged to J. Swift be remitted.

A communication from T. Mason was received, read, and laid on the table.

Ordered, that the petition of Catharine Stevens be referred to Messrs. Miller and Hill, who have the accounts of Rafael Stevens under consideration.

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. Swift, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

26 January 1824

In Council. Present: Jonathan Swift, Esquire, President. Messrs. Davis, Miller, Douglass, Butcher, White, Jamieson, Anderson, Longden, Hill, Johnston, Field.

A communication from the Board of Health was received and read.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police do fill up and repair so much of Union Street between Queen and Princess Streets as is in great danger of washing into the Potomac, provided, the expense does not exceed \$20.00.

Ordered that the President of Council be authorized to rent to E. I. Lee the office adjoining the Clerk Office, now occupied by him, at the rate of \$50.00 per annum, commencing from the time the previous contract ceased, and that return be made to the Clerk of Council of the terms concluded.

The Council then adjourned
until Thursday next at
1/2 past 3 o'clock
Signed J. Swift, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

29 January 1824

In Council. Present: Jonathan Swift, Esquire, President. Messrs. Mills, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Vowell, Davis, White, Anderson, Longden, Johnston, Field.

The Council resume the consideration of the communication of the Board of Health, but without coming to any determination.

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. Swift, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

9 February 1824

In Council. Present: Jonathan Swift, Esquire, President. Messrs. Longden, Anderson, Jamieson, White, Mills, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Vowell, Davis, Johnston, Field, Hill, Robinson.

Resolved, that the Town be divided into 3 Districts by 2 lines running East and West through the center of King and Prince Streets, that the several divisions be denominated Northern, Middle, and Southern Divisions: that the Northern Division shall embrace that part of the Town lying to the North of King Street; that the second division shall embrace that part of the Town lying between King and Prince: and that the third division shall embrace that part of the Town lying to the South of Prince Street.

Resolved, that 3 physicians be appointed by Ballot, one for each Division whose duty it shall be to visit every family within the District who are not in the habit of regularly calling in a

physician in case of sickness, and inoculate the members of such families also standing in need thereof, with cow pock matter, and give them the necessary attention through the different stages of the disease: and when their duty is over that they report to Council the names of persons vaccinated by each - resolved, that for the purpose of carrying into effect the proceeding resolutions, that the sum of \$150.00 be appropriated to pay each physician \$50.00 for his services from the contingent fund.

On balloting for Physician to carry into affect the foregoing resolution; Doctor Edmund Fitzhugh was appointed to the Northern District: Doctor John Richards, to the Middle District: and Doctor William Washington to the Southern District.

Ordered that the sum of \$113.33 be paid as the proportion in full of this Town of the expenses of a public dinner given by the Corporations of Alexandria, Washington and Georgetown, in November last. To be paid under the direction of the President of Council.

The Council then adjourned
until Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock
Signed J. Swift, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

11 February 1824

In Council. Present: Jonathan Swift, Esquire, President. Messrs. Vowell, Miller, Douglass, Butcher, White, Jamieson, Anderson, Longden, Hill, Robinson, Field, Johnston.

It being the dictate of sound wisdom that every measure should be adopted which will harmonize conflicting opinions on any subject of policy, with the view of gaining a general support for perpetuating such policy, therefore resolved that the President of Council is authorized and required to ask a Conference in the Council Chamber on the Subject of the Charter of the Town between the Committee of the Grand Jury and the Committee of the Levy Court, who had that Subject originally referred to them, on such early day as he may select, and that report be made to the Council, of the proceeding.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tavern license improperly charged to Thomas Whittle be remitted.

The following persons were appointed Commissioners for holding elections in the different Wards on Tuesday the 2nd day of March next for members to serve in the Common Council for the ensuing 12 months, viz.,

Craven P. Thompson
Samuel Lindsay
Joseph B. Ladd

At A. Rhodes' Tavern
for the First Ward

Silas Reed
William Gregory
Guy Atkinson

At the Council Chamber
for the Second Ward

Bathurst Daingerfield
Joseph Smith
Anthony Cazenove

At the Indian Queen Tavern
for the Third Ward

George S. Hough
James Harper
John Lloyd

At Mrs. Mills', corner of
Prince and Alfred Street
for the Fourth Ward

Ordered that Messrs. Vowell, Butcher, Jamieson and Robinson be a committee to examine and settled the accounts of the Corporation for the year ending March 1824, and prepare a report for publication.

Ordered that the taxes due from Suzanna Johnston for the present year be remitted.

Ordered that the tax on 2 STO [stories]: improperly charged to John C. Vowell be remitted.

The report of the Committee appointed to purchase and distribute wood to the poor, was received, and read and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. Swift, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

14 February 1824

In Council. Present: Jonathan Swift, Esquire, President. Messrs. Johnston, Hill, Robinson, Field, Longden, Anderson, Jamieson, White, Mills, Butcher, Douglass, Vowell, Davis.

The report of the Committee appointed to confer with the Committees of the Levy Court and of the Grand Jury, was received and read, and adopted by the Council.

Ordered that the amount advanced by the Auditor to pay expenses incidental to the amendments of the Charter of Town, be paid out of contingent fund.

Ordered, that the account of Robert Gray against the corporation amounting to \$17.31 be paid.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Report of the Committee appointed to distribute wood to the poor, whereupon ordered that the sum of \$75.00 be appropriated to purchase wood for the poor, and that Messrs. Swift and Jamieson be a Committee to purchase and distribute the same.

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. Swift, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

27 February 1824

In Council. Present: Jonathan Swift, Esquire, President. Messrs. Mills, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Vowell, Davis, White, Jamieson, Anderson, Robinson, Hill, Johnston.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tyth improperly charged to and paid by Mrs. Gilpin be refunded.

Ordered, that the tax on 1 story improperly charged to and paid by Samuel Baggett be refunded.

Ordered, that the tax on 1 tavern license improperly charged to Eli Legg be remitted.

Ordered that the tax on 1 dog improperly charged to Jacob Zimmerman be remitted.

Mr. Vowell from the Committee appointed to settle the public accounts reported the annual statement which was ordered to be printed.

On the petition of Police Constables, ordered that an additional compensation of \$40.00 be allowed to each Police Constables for their services this year, and that the said sum be retained until their accounts of the collections of the dog tax be settled.

A communication from the Mayor was received and read.

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. Swift, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Minutes
For the Year Eighteen Hundred and Twenty-Four
Beginning on the 4th Day of March
1824

Members of Council
Returned for the year Eighteen Hundred and Twenty-Four

Matthew Robinson
John A. Stewart
Horace Field
Joseph Harris

For the First Ward

Joseph Mandeville
Robert Jamieson
Bernard Bryan
Robert White

For the Second Ward

Jonathan Butcher
James Douglass
John Grubb
Thompson F. Mason

For the Third Ward

William Veitch
Mordecai Miller
John C. Vowell
Samuel Marsteller

For the Fourth Ward

We the undersigned Commissioners appointed to Superintend an Election at Rhodes Tavern on Tuesday the second inst. for four members to represent the First Ward in the common council of Alexandria for the ensuing year do hereby certify that the following Gentlemen were duly elected, viz.

Matthew Robinson
John A. Stewart
Horace Field
Joseph Harris

Given under our hands and seals this 3rd day of March, 1824.

Joseph B. Ladd
Samuel Lindsay
C. P. Thompson

We the Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election for four members of the Common Council to represent the Second Ward, having proceeded in and performed the duty assigned us, do hereby certify that Joseph Mandeville, Robert Jamieson, Bernard Bryan, and Robert White having the highest number of votes are duly elected.

Given under our hands and seals this 2nd day of March 1824.

Guy A. Kinson
Silas Reed
William Gregory

We, the Subscriber Commissioners appointed by the Common Council of the Town of Alexandria to Superintend an election held at the Indian Queen Tavern for members of the Common Council to represent the Third Ward for the ensuring year, due hereby certify the following Gentlemen to be duly elected - Jonathan Butcher, James Douglas, John Grubb, Thompson F. Mason.

Given under our hands and seals respectively, Alexandria March 3, 1824.

Bathurst Daingerfield
Joseph Smith
Anthony C. Cazenove

We, the undersigned Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election for four members to represent the Fourth Ward with Common Council of Alexandria for the ensuing year, due hereby certify that the following persons were duly elected, viz.

William Veitch
Mordecai Miller
John C. Vowell
S. A. Marsteller

Given under our hands and seals this 2nd day of March 1824.

George S. Hough
James Harper

4 March 1824

In Council: The persons elected in the common council for the ensuring year, at the Council Chamber on Thursday the 4th day of March 1824.

Present: Messrs. Harry, Stewart, Field, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Marsteller, Veitch.

On balloting for a President of Council, John C. Vowell was duly elected, who after taking the Oath of Office prescribed by Law before Thomas Vowell, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace administered the same to the members present.

On balloting for a Clerk and Auditor, J. P. Thompson was re-elected. On balloting for a Messenger to Council, John Johnston was re-elected.

On balloting for a Mayor, John Roberts, Esquire was duly elected.

The rules and regulations of the last Council were adopted as the Rules and Regulations of the present.

Ordered that Messrs. Mandeville, Douglass, Veitch and Robinson be a Committee to bring in Bills for fixing the salaries of the Officers of the Corporation, and for raising a revenue for the present year.

The Mayor-elect appeared and had the Oath of Office administered to him by Thomas Vowell, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace, in the presence of the Council.

The Council then adjourned
'til Monday next at 10 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

8 March 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Field, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Marsteller, Veitch.

Mr. Mason the Member-Elect from the Third Ward appeared, was qualified and took his seat.

Mr. Mandeville from the Committee recorded a Bill for fixing the salaries of the Officer of the Corporation for the present year, which was read a first and second time and, upon motion the ninth rule was suspended, and then the Bill was read a Third Time and then passed.

A communication from Christopher Neal, Esquire, late Mayor of Alexandria, was received and read and laid on the table.

Mr. Mandeville from the Committee reported a Bill for raising a revenue for the year 1824, which was read a First and Second time, and the ninth rule being suspended was read a Third time and passed.

Ordered that the President of Council be authorized to rent to Edmund J. Lee the room adjoining the Clerk's Office for the sum of \$40 per annum for one year, the rent to commence at the time his former lease expired.

Ordered that Messrs. Douglass and Jamieson be a Committee to inquire whether any deduction should be made from the rent already due on the room occupied by the Library Company; and whether the rent should be lowered for the time to come.

The Council then adjourned
until Wednesday, 10 o'clock a.m.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

10 March 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Harris, Field, Stewart, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, White,
Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Marsteller,
Veitch.

The Committee appointed to inquire whether any reduction should be made for the rent of the Library Room, made a report, which was read, whereupon, ordered that the claim for rent now due from the Library Company to the Corporation be reduced to a rate equal to \$60 per year, and that the Company may continue in the present room at that room, for such time as they pleased to occupy it, and until Council is pleased to make another order on the subject.

The Council proceeded to elect by ballot the following officers to serve for the ensuing year, viz.

James Carson, Superintendent of Police
John Johnston, Superintendent of Watch
Peter Rhodes, Keeper of the Powder House
Samuel Wheeler, Clerk of the Market
William Washington, Physician of the Poor House
James Thomas, Keeper of the Poor House
Robert Taylor, Attorney for the Corporation
John Gird, Assessors
George Drinker, Assessors
Ruben Johnston, Trustee of the Poor
Jacob Morgan, Trustee of the Poor
Andrew Schofield, Trustee of the Poor
Amos Alexander, Trustee of the Poor
Benjamin C. Ashton, Treasurer of the Corporation
Loudoun Campbell, Measurer of Lumber
William Campbell, Measurer of Lumber
David Black, Corder of Wood
Anthony Rhodes, Inspector of Fish
Benjamin Barton, Keeper of the Town Clock
James McClish, Gauger of Cask, Inspector of Whiskey & etc.
Augustine Newton, Collector of the Northern District
John Muncaster, Collector of the Southern District

Ordered that Messrs. Robinson, White, Grubb and Veitch be a Committee, in conjunction with the Superintendent of Police and the President of the Council, to rent out the Fish Wharf for the present season.

Ordered that Messrs. Douglas and Mason be a Committee to inquire upon what terms as to time and price Misses Taylor's property on the Fish Wharf could be rented by the Corporation, or on what terms she would sell the same, as now occupied by the Corporation.

Ordered that Messrs. Miller, Robinson, Mandeville and Butcher be a Committee to inquire whether one Police Constable would not be enough with the aide of the County Constables, to fulfill the duties of two, as the Law now stands.

The Council then adjourned
until Friday next at 10 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

12 March 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Mandeville, Marsteller, Veitch.

The following Persons were elected Watchmen for the ensuing year, viz.

Gerrard Arnold, John M. Clark, Henry Tatspaugh, John B. Hancock, Robert Slatford, Henry Manesfield, David Price, Jonathan Steel.

Ordered, that the Clerk do give notice in the papers that proposals will be received by him until the 15th day of April next for furnishing 500 gallons of Winter strained and 250 gallons of summer strained oil for the use of the lamps for the present year, or to light and take care of the lamps as well as to furnish oil for the same, both or separately and that the proposals when received be laid before the Council.

The council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

24 March 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Robinson, Jamieson, White, Bryan, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Veitch, Marsteller, Field.

The Committee appointed to inquire whether one Police Constable would not be enough to perform all the duties at present discharged by two, made a report which was read and concurred in by council.

On balloting for Police Constable, Davis Bowie and Joseph Brodus were re-elected.

The Committee appointed to rent the Fish Wharf made a report which was read and then concurred in.

The resignation of Reuben Johnson as one of the Trustees of the Poor was received and accepted, and Samuel Carson elected to supply his place.

The President of Council reported that he had rented to Edmund Lee, the room adjoining the Clerk's Office for the sum of \$40 per annum to commence from the first day of November 1823.

A communication from the Mayor was received and read, whereupon ordered that the Mayor be authorized to appoint two additional Constables during the Fishing Season to assist the Police Constable in keeping order in the Town and that the compensation for each shall not exceed \$24.

Ordered, that the account of Jonathan Swift against the Corporation amounting to \$8 for expenses incurred as Delegate to Washington with the amendments to our Charter be paid.

Ordered, that the sum of \$15 be paid to Mordecai Miller on account of the money of the Brig Dove in full of this claim for ballots furnished the Corporation.

Ordered that Messrs. Marsteller, Douglass, Jamieson and Robinson be a committee to examine into and report as to the propriety and policy of so improving Henry Street from Cameron to Duke as that the inhabitants living there thereon and in the neighborhood may enjoy better health than they have for several years passed, and to the better enjoyment of their property in other ways arising from such improvements.

On balloting for a Board of Health, the following persons were duly elected, North of King Street, A. Cazenove, Robert Brockett, Jr., and Benjamin Waters.

Between King and Prince Street, Presley Jacobs, Ezra Lunt, and George Coleman.

South of Prince Street, James Harper, Daniel Wright, and George S. Hough.

The council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

27 April 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Field, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Miller, Marsteller, Veitch.

The Committee appointed to inquire into the propriety of improving Henry Street between Cameron and Duke made a Report which was read and thereupon, resolved that the Report of the Committee heretofore appointed to examine the situation of Henry Street, etc. be recommitted to the same Committee, and that one other member from each Ward be added to said Committee, with instructions to inquire into the expense of constructing a permanent tunnel down Henry Street, so that the water now passing down that Street may be carried off in the same direction, and to report the comparative advantages and disadvantages of this claim with that now proposed of carrying the water westward.

On the petition of Benjamin Baden, it is ordered that B. Baden may continue to use the clay on Payne for the purpose of making bricks at the same price and under the same regulations as contained in a Act of Council 17th of June 1822, under subject; but this permission shall not extend for a longer time than the present year.

Messrs. Stewart, Mandeville, Mason and Miller were ordered to be a Committee on the subject of Henry Street.

A petition from the Butchers of the Town was received and read and referred to Messrs. Harris, Jamieson, Mason and Veitch.

On motion it is ordered that Messrs. Stewart, Mandeville, Mason and Veitch be a Committee to take into consideration the different proposals for preparing and lighting the public lamps and report thereon to Council together with any other matters relative to this Subject that shall appear to them proper to report upon.

A Petition from John Roberts and others was received and read and laid on the table.

Ordered that the Messenger of Council be authorized and directed to remove the corner stairs in the Fish Market leading to the Watchhouse and floor over the hole, and that he repair the steps leading to the Council Chamber.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Court of Appeals

3 June 1824

The Court met this day pursuant to public notice.

Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Field, Stewart, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Marsteller, Miller, Veitch.

Ordered, that the tax on two dogs charged to Capt. William Jackson be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one tyth be remitted to William Veitch.

Ordered, that the tax on one tyth be remitted to Thompson F. Mason.

Ordered that the tax on one story be remitted to Andrew Jamieson's estate.

The Court then adjourned
until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

4 June 1824

The Court met this day pursuant to adjournment.

Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Field, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Grubb, Mandeville, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Veitch.

Ordered that the Rules and Regulations formed for the Government of Council be adopted for the Government of the Court of Appeals.

The Court then adjourned
until tomorrow at 10 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

5 June 1824

The Court met this day pursuant to adjournment.

Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Field, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Marsteller, Veitch, Miller, Butcher.

Ordered, that the appeal made by Thomas Preston on the property leased by him by the Corporation be referred to Assessors, and that they report to the next Council a correct evaluation.

The Court then adjourned sine die
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

14 June 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Mandeville, Jamieson, Grubb, White, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Marsteller, Veitch.

The Clerk being absent, Mr. Robert Jamieson, was nominated and elected Clerk pro tem.

The resignation of Presley Jacobs as a Member of the Board of Health, was received and accepted and John Creighton was unanimously elected to supply his place.

A petition from John F. Green was received and read and laid on the table.

A petition from Lewis Beiler and others was received and read and referred to Messrs. White and Butcher.

The petition from John Roberts and others was referred to Messrs. Butcher and Marsteller.

A communication from the President of the Fire Insurance Company was received and read and laid on the table.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the butchers, made a report which was concurred in by Council.

The Committee to whom was referred the Subject of the improvement of Henry Street made a report which was read and concurred in by council.

Ordered, that the Clerk lay before the Council at their next meeting, a summary of accounts and warrants drawn, together with the original vouchers on which the same were drawn agreeable with law.

The Council then adjourned
until Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

16 June 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Harris, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Veitch, Marsteller.

The Committee appointed to consider the various proposals for furnishing oil and lighting the lamps, made a report which was read and laid on the table.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Roberts and others made a report which was read and concurred in by council.

On the application of Mr. Mason, leave was granted him to bring in a Bill entitled "An Act to Divide the County and Town of Alexandria into Two Inspection Districts" which was read a first and second time, and upon motion the the ninth rule was suspended and the Bill was then read a third time and passed.

Ordered that the tax on one tyth, one cart, and one loaf bread baker for the year 1823 improperly charged to and paid by Mrs. Churchman be refunded.

On the petition of William Bartleman and others, it is ordered that the Superintendent of Police do proceed to pave Fayette alley from Fairfax Street to the River Potomac according to law and that he take up and regulate at the Public expense that part which has been paved between Fairfax and the Water Streets, if it shall be found to be above the proper regulation.

Resolved that Messrs. Mason, Stewart, Jamieson, Miller, and the President of Council be appointed to inquire into and report what provisions are necessary for regulating the inspection of flour in the County of Alexandria and for the exportation and shipment thereof together with such further regulations/if any/as may be deemed necessary to amend the present inspections law, with a view to prevent frauds, and that the said Committee have leave to respond by Bill or otherwise.

The Auditor's Report of Expenditures for the first quarter ending on the 15 inst. was referred to Messrs. Stewart and Marsteller.

The Council then adjourned
until Friday evening at 5 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

18 June 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Field, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Mason, Stewart, Grubb, Miller, Veitch, Marsteller, Douglass.

A petition from Guy Atkinson and R. L. Carne was received and read.

Ordered that the sum of \$400 which shall include the Sum already authorized to pay by a contract with the Trustees of the Alexandria Academy be appropriated for the support of the Lancasterian School for the present year.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police do advertise for proposals to build a circular tunnel of good hard brick, three feet in diameter in the clear from King to Prince Street to be done in a substantial manner and that he accept the best terms that may be offered and when the said tunnel is completed that he proceed to fill up Henry Street as aforesaid conformable to the regulations of the Town.

Ordered that Messrs. Marsteller and Butcher be a Committee to review the gutter on the West side of Pitt between Wolfe and Wilkes Street and report to Council ought to be done with a said gutter.

The Committee appointed to examine the Auditor's account, reported that they had examined the same and found them correct.

J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

7 July 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Field, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Marsteller.

The Committee appointed to view the gutter on the westside of Pitt between Wolfe and Wilkes Street made a report which was concurred in by Council.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred, reported a Bill entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Exportation of Flour from the County of Alexandria and to Punish and Prevent Frauds in the Inspection and Shipment Thereof" which was read a first time, and ordered to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Council then adjourned
until Wednesday next @ 3 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

21 July 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Field, Robinson, Bryan, White,
Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Douglas, Miller, Marsteller, Mason.

A communication from the Board of Health was received and read whereupon, ordered that Joseph Mandeville have leave to put down a tunnel through Queen Street between Royal and Pitt Street at his own expense.

A communication from the Superintendent of Police was received and read whereupon ordered that Messrs. Veitch and Miller be appointed to a Committee to examine into the situation of the tunnel on Wilkes Street crossing Washington Street and make a report on the subject to Council.

The Committee on the Subject of renting that part of the Fish Wharf owned by Mrs. Taylor made a Report whereupon, ordered, that the President of Council be authorized to take a lease of Mrs. Taylor for that part of the Fish Wharf owned by her, agreeably to the report laid this date on the table.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled "An Act to Regulate the Exportation of Flour from the County of

Alexandria and to punish and prevent Frauds in the Inspection and Shipment Thereof" and having made progress therein upon motion, adjourned until tomorrow morning at 1/2 past 8 o'clock.

J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

22 July 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Harris, Field, Jamieson, Bryan, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb,
Butcher, Miller, Veitch, Marsteller, Stewart.

The Committee appointed to examine the tunnel on Washington Street, made a report which was concurred in by Council.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Exportation of Flour, Etc.," and having made further progress in the same, upon motion adjourned 'til 3 o'clock.

J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Afternoon Sitting

22 July 1824

Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Field, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Marsteller, Veitch.

A petition from John McKnight and others was received and read and referred to Messrs. Butcher and Veitch.

On motion of Mr. Marsteller, resolved that a Committee of six be appointed with the Mayor and President of Council, whose duties it shall be on the arrival of Major General La Fayette in this County, to make known to him the feelings of our Citizens on the occasion, and that he be invited among us under such circumstances and with such demonstrations of joy and hospitality as they shall direct.

Messrs. Marsteller, Field, Stewart, Mason, White and Veitch were appointed a Committee under the foregoing resolution -

The Council resumed the consideration of the bill entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Exploration of Flour and Etc.," and having finished the second reading, it was upon motion read a Third time and passed.

Ordered that 100 copies of the above bill be printed.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

29 July 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Field, Robinson, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Douglass, Miller, Veitch.

A Petition from Robert Brockett was received and read. Whereupon, ordered Messrs. Miller, Douglass, Mandeville and Stewart, with the President of Council, be appointed a Committee to examine the regulating and paving of Ramsay's or Fayette Alley; and that the Clerk of Council furnish said Committee with all orders heretofore made on this Subject, and that the proprietors of ground interested furnish said Committee with such deeds as they may deem material, and that the said Committee be authorized to consult the Attorney for the Corporation, and make a report to Council.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test: J. P. Thompson, c.c.

3 August 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Field, Robinson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Veitch.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Robert Brockett on the Subject of Ramsays or Fayette Alley made a report which was read, and in the debate which ensued on receiving the report of the Committee, a motion was made by Mr. Mandeville that Mr. William Bartleman be permitted to give evidence on the subject upon which motion Ayes and Noes being called were as follows:

"AYES, Messrs. Harris, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Douglass - 5."

"NOES, Messrs. Stewart, Field, Robinson, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Veitch - 7.

On the question of receiving the report of the Committee the Ayes, Noes were as follows:

"AYES" - Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Field, Robinson, Bryan, White, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Veitch - 11.

"NOES" - Mister Mandeville.

Ordered, that the tax on one cart improperly charged to Thomas Merchant for the year 1823 be remitted.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

14 August 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Field, Robinson, Stewart, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Veitch.

A communication from the Board of Health was received and read.

Doctor Edmund Fitzhugh was appointed Health Officer and William Patterson Assistant Health Officer.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police do have so much of Pitt Street between Prince and Duke Street regulated so as to throw the water off the same.

A petition from Newton Keene and others was received and read - whereupon the following order was moved and seconded. "Ordered that the petition of Newton Keene as well as one on the same Subject signed by John Roberts and others be referred to a Committee." The Ayes and Noes being called for were as follows:

"Ayes" - Messrs. Robertson, Jamieson, Bryan, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Veitch, Vowell - 8.

"Noes" - Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Field, White, Mandeville - 5.

Ordered, that Messrs. Mandeville, Stewart, Douglass, Veitch and the President of the Council be a Committee to bring in a Bill for the auction of stock to the amount of the six percent-stocks of the Corporation now existing and to bear an interest of five percent payable half yearly and redeemable after the period of five years, the proceeds of which a stock to be applied to the redemption of the six percent stock created by the Acts of the Common Council of the 22 March 1819 and 9 January 1822.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

9 September 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Field, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Grubb, Miller, Veitch, Mandeville.

The President being absent; Mr. Miller was elected President pro tem.

A communication from the Mayor enclosing one from the Board of Health was received and read and referred to Messrs. Stewart, Mandeville, and Veitch.

The Council then adjourned
until afternoon at 3 o'clock
Mordecai Miller, President, pro tem.

Test: J. P. Thompson, C.C.

9 September 1824

Afternoon Sessions

In Council. Present: Messrs. Field, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Veitch, Miller.

The President being absent; Mr. Miller was elected President pro tem.

Mr. Stewart to the Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Mayor and the Board of Health reported a bill entitled, "An Act Authorizing the Board of Health to Remove Persons Under Contagious Diseases to Suitable Places, and For Other Purposes," which was read twice and upon motion the ninth rule being suspended, it was read a third time and passed.

The Council then adjourned
Mordecai Miller, President, pro tem.

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

18 September 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, President. Messrs. Miller, Douglas, Grubb, Mason, Mandeville, Bryan, Robinson, Field, Stewart.

A message from the Mayor was received and read and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
until Monday morning at 9 o'clock
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

20 September 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Field, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass.

Resolved unanimously the sum of \$1000 be appropriated to carry into affect the resolution of Council of 22 July last, on the subject of the reception of General La Fayette.

The Committee appointed on the Subject of creating a stock to the amount of six percent stock now existing and to bear an interest of five percent, reported a Bill entitled, "An Act Creating a Corporation Stock Bearing An Interest of Five Percent Per Annum" which was read a first time and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

11 October 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Field, Robinson, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Veitch.

A petition from Alfred Gilpin and others was received and read and laid on the table.

A petition from Charles Bradford was received and read and laid on the table.

Ordered that Messrs. Robinson, Mandeville and Miller be a Committee to examine the well at the intersection of Prince and Fairfax Streets and make report to Council.

The Council then adjourned
until Monday next at 10 o'clock
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

18 October 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Field, Stewart, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Veitch, Marsteller, Douglass.

The tax on one tyth improperly charged to John Shackleford was remitted.

Ordered that the President of Council do write to Mister Levi Disbrow and know in what terms he will bring his boring instruments to Alexandria and make the experiment of boring for water, and report the same to Council.

The Council resumed consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act Creating a Corporation Stock Bearing Interest of Five Percent Per Annum," which was read a second time and the Title be amended by striking out the word "of" and inserting "not exceeding" before the words "five percent per annum" and the several blanks being filled, it was then read a third time and passed.

On motion resolved that the thanks of the Common Council be presented to the Mayor, the Committees of Arrangements, the Marshals, the Gentlemen of the Civic Escort, the Officer of the Staff, the Officer and men of the Volunteer Company of the Town, and to the Officers and men of the Volunteer Companies of Georgetown and Washington for their services in the late reception of our distinguished visitors Major General La Fayette.

The Common Council do also in a particular manner return their acknowledgment to the Committees of Ladies and Gentlemen who so kindly and handsomely prepared and arranged the Juvenile procession at the reception of General La Fayette.

The petition of Alfred P. Gilpin and others was referred to Messrs. Stewart, Jamieson, Butcher and Marsteller.

Ordered that the Committee appointed on the petition of Alfred P. Gilpin and others be also instructed to examine Cameron Street at its intersection with Henry Street and report whether it would be a convenience to the public to make a path for them in their approach to the diagonal pump.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

26 October 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Jamieson, Bryan, White, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Marsteller, Mandeville, Field.

A letter from Levi Disbrow to the President of Council on the subject of making an experiment of boring for water in Alexandria was received and laid before the Council whereupon, ordered that the President of Council continue to correspond with Levi Disbrow and know what will be the actual expense of bringing that Gentlemen to Alexandria to make the experiment of boring for water and to ascertain in case of failing to get water, whether

he will charge anything for making said experiment more than his traveling expenses and cost of tools, and if his terms appear to the President to be reasonable, that he do conclude an Agreement with him in behalf of the Corporation.

The tax on 2 tyth improperly charged to Thomas Tuley was remitted.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

9 November 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Robinson, Bryan, Mandeville, Grubb, Douglass, Veitch, Mason.

There not being a quorum, is adjourned.

12 November 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Robinson, Bryan, Mandeville, White, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Veitch, Mason.

A Communication from the Mayor was received and read and referred to Messrs. Mason, Miller, and Robinson.

A letter from Amos Alexander was received and read entering his resignation as a Trustee of the Poor, which the Council refused to receive.

A letter from Mr. Marsteller was received and read and laid on the table.

A letter from Charles Bradford was received and read and referred to Messrs. Butcher, Veitch and Harris.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

19 November 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Robinson, Bryan, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Jamieson, Mason, Grubb, Douglass, Miller, Veitch.

A petition from Henry Bayne and others was received and read and referred to Messrs. Douglass, Mandeville, Mason and Robinson.

Ordered that the Treasurer of the Corporation do furnish the Council at their next meeting with a statement of the amount of money paid into the Treasury since the last General settlement of accounts, designating the amount paid by each Collector, and that the Messenger of Council do notice the Treasurer of such meeting; and it is further ordered that the Auditor do furnish a statement of the amount of Warrants drawn on the Treasurer for the same period.

The resignation of Mr. Horace Field, a Member of the First Ward, was received and read and accepted by the Council.

The resignation of Mr. S. A. Marsteller, a Member from the Fourth Ward which was presented at the last meeting, was taken up and accepted by the Council.

Ordered that an election be held on Monday, 29 November at the house of Anthony Rhodes to elect a Member to the Council for the First Ward to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Horace Field and that C.P. Thompson, Samuel Lindsay, and John Gird be Commissioners to Superintend this said election.

Ordered that an election be held on the 29th day of November at the house of Mrs. Mills at the corner of Prince and St. Asaph Streets in the Fourth Ward for a Member of the Common Council of Alexandria to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of S. A. Marsteller, and that George S. Hough, Josiah H. Davis, and N. R. Fitzhugh be and are hereby appointed Commissioners to hold said election.

Ordered, that the Clerk of Council do furnish a book at the expense of the Corporation in which he shall record all contracts, leases and charges between the Corporation and the bodies or persons, which contracts and etc. shall extend beyond a year in duration and shall embrace contracts, etc. now existing and which shall hereafter exist, and that he shall arrange and preserve an index of the same.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

15 December 1824

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Robinson, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Veitch.

Mr. Norman R. Fitzhugh, the Member elect from the Fourth Ward, appeared, was qualified and took his seat.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Bayne and others reported a Bill entitled, "An Act Regulating the Coaler" which was read a first time and laid on the table.

The Committee on the petition of the Charles Bradford made a Report which was read, thereupon ordered, that the Superintendent of Police notify the proprietors of lots on the West side of Pitt between Wolfe and Wilkes Street to open a footway on the said street, and that they be allowed 30 days for removing their fences.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of A. P. Gilpin and others made a Report which was read, and thereupon ordered that the Superintendent of Police do make a footway from William Lamphiers' corner to the bridge on Pitt Street, three feet wide of durable materials - also the following footways to the pump corner of Cameron and Fayette Streets, viz., one from the footway opposite John Douglas's house on Cameron Street to the high ground west of Henry Street, and one from the pavement opposite Wesley Beedles' dwelling house on Fayette Street.

A communication from the Mayor on the subject of the Act creating a Corporation stock was received and read and referred to Messrs. Mandeville, Douglass, Veitch, and the President of Council.

A communication from the Board of Health was received and read whereupon the recommendation of the Board of Health for an allowance of \$250 to the Superintendent of Police, in addition to his present salary, and \$12.50 to the messenger was concurred in.

The tax on one dog charged to Alexius Johnson was remitted.

The tax on one STO: [story] and one LTT [lot]. improperly charged to Kerr and Fitzhugh was remitted.

A communication from S. A. Marsteller was received and read, and referred to Messrs. Robinson, Mason and Fitzhugh.

The tax charged on two dogs to Alexin Thorp was remitted.

The tax on one dog charged to Robert Anderson was remitted.

Ordered that the Attorney of the Corporation do furnish Council at their next meeting with a written opinion of how the Law of Congress at the Session amended the Charter of Washington operates on the Town of Alexandria; and that the Messenger do serve him with a notice of the meeting of Council.

The Auditor's report of expenditures was presented and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned

J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

1825

21 January 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Robinson, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Douglass, Miller, Fitzhugh, Veitch.

A Petition from the Police Constables was received and read and referred to Messrs. Douglass and Veitch.

Mr. Joseph B. Ladd, the Member elect from the First Ward, appeared was qualified and took his seat.

Ordered that the tax on one STO. and one dog charged to Hugh Leddy be remitted.

Ordered that the tax on one dog charged to John Thomas be remitted.

Ordered that the tax on one tyth charged to J. A. Douglas and paid be refunded.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Mayor on the Subject of the Act creating a Corporation Stock, reported a Bill entitled, "An Act Amending An Act Entitled 'An Act Creating a Corporation Stock Bearing an Interest Not Exceeding Five Percent Per Annum'", which was read a first and second time, and upon motion the ninth rule being suspended, it was read a third time and passed.

Ordered that \$200 together with the monies arising from McGrath's legacy be appropriated to the purchase of fuel for the poor, and the Trustees of the Poor are hereby appointed for the purchase and distribution of the same.

Ordered, that William H. Robert and John S. Miller be permitted to sink a part of a hulk on their water lot situated between Wilkes and Gibbon Streets to enable them to fill up said lot.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act Regulating Coal Yards," and having made some progress in the second reading, it was upon motion laid on the table.

Ordered that Messrs. Stewart, Jamieson, Douglass and Miller be a Committee to examine the laws in existence on the subject of Huckstering and forestalling, and if in their opinion those in existence are insufficient, to report by Bill or otherwise a proper remedy to protect the Citizens of the Town from the present abuses of our market.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

28 January 1825

In Council. Present: Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Robinson, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Douglass, Grubb, Butcher, Veitch, Fitzhugh, Mason.

The President being absent, Mr. Mason was elected President pro tem.

A message from the Mayor was received and read whereupon ordered that Thompson F. Mason and Edmund I. Lee, Esquire be a Committee to carry into effect the recommendation of the Mayor as expressed in the above message and that Clerk of Council do notify them of their appointment with a request that they accept the same, and handing over to them the said Communication.

The Committee appointed on the Subject of Huckstering and Forestalling were discharged from the further consideration of the Subject.

"Act Regulating Coal Yards," which was read a Second and Third time and passed.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Police Constables made a report which was read and concurred in by the Council; whereupon ordered that \$50 be paid to each of the Police Constables in addition to the salary already voted them for this year's services.

Ordered that the taxes on dogs charged to Ameila Vary, Gerrard Arnold, James Brooks and Margaret McCque be remitted.

Ordered that in future, the Collectors of the taxes shall strictly obey the injunctions contained in the Fifth Section of the Fifty Third page of the Laws of the Corporation, requiring weekly payments with the Treasury, and report of the same to the Auditor.

The Council then adjourned
Thompson S. Mason pro tem.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

14 February 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Robinson, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Veitch, Fitzhugh.

Ordered that the one story tax charged to Ann Brashears be remitted.

The following persons were appointed Commissioners for holding elections in the different Wards on Thursday, the first day of March next for the members to serve in Common Council for the ensuing twelve months, viz.,

Craven P. Thompson	At A. Rhodes Tavern for the
Samuel Lindsay	First Ward
John Gird	

William Gregory	At the Council Chamber for the
Guy Atkinson	Second Ward
Silas Reed	

A. C. Cazenove	At the Indian Queen Tavern for the
Bathurst Daingerfield	Third Ward
Joseph Smith	

James Harper	At Mrs. Mills', Corner of Prince &
George S. Hough	Alfred Street for the
Josiah H. Davis	Fourth Ward

Ordered that the tax on dogs charged to R. M. Scott and K. Griffith be remitted.

Ordered that \$3 the difference between and two and four wheeled carriage be remitted Andrew Scholfield.

Ordered that \$5 a difference between a female and male dog be remitted to Lewis Beeler.

Resolved that the Order passed on the 15th December 1824 respecting a fence to the West of Pitt and southward of Wolfe Streets be rescinded.

Ordered that Messrs. Mandeville, Ladd, Fitzhugh and Douglass be a Committee to examine the general accounts of the Corporation and prepare the annual report thereon, and that the Auditor, Treasurer, and Collectors present their accounts to said Committee on or before the 21st of this month.

Ordered that the tax on one horse improperly paid by Theodore Meade be refunded.

A petition from the Watchmen was received and read, and upon motion the petitioners had leave to withdraw their petition.

The Council then adjourned
'til Wednesday 1/2 past 6 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

16 February 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Ladd, Stewart, Robinson, Mason, Grubb, Douglass, Miller, Veitch, Fitzhugh.

Ordered that the \$2.50 the difference between a retail and shop tax be refunded Mrs. Coleman.

Ordered that the tax for 1821 on one male dog improperly paid by James McDemmick be refunded.

Ordered that \$4.75 be deducted from the tax bill against Caleb Vernons' estate and the collection of the balance be suspended for six months.

Ordered that \$2 be deducted from the tax bill of James Miller being overcharged on a one horse wagon.

Ordered that the tax on one tyth improperly paid by James H. Anderson be refunded.

Ordered that the tax of \$1 charged Jane Shaw be remitted.

Ordered that Messrs. Mason, Fitzhugh, Jamieson and Stewart be a Committee to bring in a bill for the reassessment of property in the Town of Alexandria agreeably to the Act of Congress of 26 May 1824.

Mr. Mason, from the Committee to whom was referred the message of the Mayor presented on the 28th of January, made a communication which was read, whereupon resolved the Mayor do transmit to the Honorable Charles F. Mercer, the Representative from the adjourning District in Virginia, the communication from the Committee appointed by the Common Council, to the Committee of the District of Columbia upon the subject of a penitentiary and jail, and respectfully request him to aid in effecting the wishes of the Common Council and citizens of Alexandria.

The account of Commissioner Moore in the case of the Common Council against W. A. Harper was ordered to be paid.

Ordered that the tax on one dog improperly charged to Camillus Griffith be remitted.

The Council then adjourned
until Saturday evening
next @ 1/2 past 6 o'clock
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

19 February 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Robinson, White, Jamieson, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Douglass, Miller, Veitch, Fitzhugh.

The resignation of Mr. Joseph Smith as one of the Commissioners of election in the Third Ward was received and accepted by the Council, and Mr. Thomas Jacobs was appointed in his place.

Mr. Joseph B. Ladd was excused from serving on the Committee for settling the public accounts and Mr. Joseph Harris was appointed in his place.

Ordered that the lamp tax and story tax charged to Patrick Turner amounting to \$2.60, be remitted, and the collection of the balance of his taxes be suspended for six months.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police do forthwith place large flat stones as footways at the intersection of King and Royal Streets, viz.; from McKnight's to Harper's corner, from Harpers to Washington, from Washington to Sherron and from the latter to McKnights corner.

Leave was granted Mr. Douglass to bring in a bill entitled, "An Act Supplemental to an Act entitled, 'An Act Recommending an Act entitled An Act reducing into one and amended the several Acts respecting streets, pavements, pumps, and the Superintendent of Police,'" which was read a first time and laid on the table.

Ordered that the Auditor pass the expense for sundry postages to and from New Brunswick amounting to \$2.06 for letters on the Subject of boring for water, and charge the same to the General Fund.

On motion it is ordered that the Superintendent of Police shall on the application of Mr. Joseph Mandeville for that purpose, proceed to regulate and pave Henry Street from its intersection from King Street, on the side fronting said Mandeville's property so far as the said property extends on Henry Street, upon the terms and under the Regulation of the Law prescribing paving.

Ordered that 75 cents, the difference between the tax on a horse and a cow, be remitted to George W. Carlin.

The following order was moved and seconded -

"Ordered that the Auditor do settle and pay the claim of Thomas Braddock according to the evidence that is to be found in the assessors report." The Ayes and Nays being called for were as follows:

Yeas: Messrs. Ladd, Jamieson, Grubb, Douglass, Veitch, Miller.

Nays: Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Robinson, White, Mandeville, Mason, Fitzhugh, Vowell.

The council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

25 February 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Ladd, Stewart, Robinson, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Fletcher, Douglass, Miller, Veitch, Fitzhugh.

The Committee appointed to settle the annual accounts reported a general statement of the same, which was ordered to be printed.

A Communication from the Mayor was received and read.

Leave was granted Mr. Fitzhugh to bring in a Bill entitled, "An Act In Addition to An Act Entitled 'An Act Reducing Into One and Amending In Several Acts Respecting the Clerk of the Common Council and the Auditor of the Public Accounts,'" which was read a first time and laid on the table.

The Council resumed the consideration of a Bill entitled, "An Act Supplemental to An Act Entitled 'An Act Amending An Act Entitled An Act Reducing Into One and Amending the Several Acts Respecting Streets, Alleys, Pavements, Pumps, and the Superintendent of Police'" and having made progress in the second reading it was upon motion laid on the table.

The following order was moved and seconded, "Ordered that the Captain of the Watch do retain and safely keep all persons lodged in the Watchhouse by the Police Constables by order of the Mayor or any Magistrate between sundown and the hour of 10 o'clock p.m. until otherwise ordered by Council."

The Yeas and Nays being called for were as follows:

Yeas: Messrs. Robinson, Jamieson, Mason, Grubb, Douglass, Veitch, Fitzhugh, Vowell, 8.

Nays: Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, White, Mandeville, Miller, Butcher, 7.

Mr. Mason from the Committee reported a Bill entitled, "An Act to Amend An Act Reducing Into One the Several Acts Respecting Assessors, and Collectors of Taxes, and the Treasurer of the Corporation," which was read a first time and recommitted to the Committee.

The Council then adjourned
until tomorrow evening at 1/2 past 6 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

26 February 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Harris, Ladd, Stewart, Robinson, White, Jamieson,
Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Veitch, Fitzhugh,
Douglass.

The Committee was discharged from the further consideration of
the Bill entitled, "An Act to Amend An Act Reducing Into One the
Several Acts Respecting Assessors and Collectors of Taxes, and
the Treasurer of the Corporation."

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An
Act In Addition to An Act Reducing Into One, and Amending Several
Acts Respecting the Clerk of the Common Council, and the Auditor
of Public Accounts," which was read a second and third time and
passed.

The tax of \$5 on one R. M. improperly charged to John Rumney was
remitted.

The Council then adjourned sine die
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Minutes For the Year Eighteen Hundred and Twenty-Five Beginning on the 3rd Day of March 1825

Members of Council
Returned for the Year Eighteen Hundred and Twenty-Five

John A. Stewart	
Reuben Johnson	For the First Ward
Joseph Harris	
Joseph B. Ladd	

Joseph Mandeville	
Robert Jamieson	For the Second Ward
R. S. Blacklock	
R. L. White	

Thomson F. Mason
John Grubb
Jonathan Butcher
John W. Massie

For the Third Ward

John C. Vowell
William Veitch
Mordecai Miller
William A. Williams

For the Fourth Ward

We, the Undersigned Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election at Rhodes Tavern on Tuesday, the first Instant, for members to represent the First Ward in the Common Council of Alexandria for the ensuring year do hereby certify that the following Gentlemen were duly elected viz.,

John A. Stewart
Reuben Johnson
Joseph Harris
Joseph B. Ladd

Given under our hands and seals this second day of March.

C. P. Thompson
Samuel Lindsay
John Gird

We, the Undersigned Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election at the Council's Chamber on Tuesday, the first Inst. were members to represent the Second Ward in the Common Council of Alexandria for the ensuing year - do hereby certify that the following Gentlemen were duly elected, viz.,

Robert Jamieson
Joseph Mandeville
R. S. Blacklock
R. L. White

Given under our hands and seals, this second day of March 1825.

Guy Atkinson
Silas Reed
William Gregory

We, the Undersigned Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election for members of the Common Council, for the Town of Alexandria, in the Third Ward returned the following Gentlemen as duly elected, viz.,

Thomson S. Mason
John Grubb
Jonathan Butcher
John W. Massie

Given under our hands and seals, this 1st day of March 1825.

B. Daingerfield
A. C. Cazenove
Thomas Jacobs

The Undersigned Commissioners appointed to hold an election in the Fourth Ward for members of the Common Council of Alexandria do return the following Gentlemen duly elected - viz.,

John C. Vowell
William Veitch
William A. Williams
Mordecai Miller

Alexandria, 1st March 1825

James Harper
Josiah H. Davis

At a Meeting of the Persons elected to serve in the Common Council for the ensuing year at the Council Chamber on Thursday the 3rd day of March, 1824:

Present: Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Johnston, Jamieson, White, Blacklock, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Massie, Miller, Williams, Veitch.

On balloting for a President of the Council, John C. Vowell, Esquire was unanimously re-elected, who after taking Oath of Office prescribed by Law, before Nathaniel S. Wise, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace, administered the same to the Members present.

On balloting for a Clerk and Auditor, J. P. Thompson was re-elected.

On balloting for a Messenger to Council, John Johnston was re-elected.

On balloting for a Mayor, John Roberts, Esquire was unanimously re-elected.

The Rule and Regulations of the last Council were read, and adopted as the Rules and Regulations of the present.

Ordered that Messrs. Mason, Miller, Jamieson, and Stewart be appointed a Committee to prepare a revenue Bill, and a Bill to fix the Salaries of the Officers of the Corporation for the present year.

The Mayor-elect appeared and the Oath of Office administered to him by Nathaniel S. Wise, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace, in the presence of the Council.

The Council then adjourned until
Monday evening at 1/2 past 6 o'clock
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

7 March 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Johnston, Blacklock, White,
Jamieson, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Massie, Miller, Veitch,
Williams, Mason.

Mr. Mason from the Committee reported a Bill for raising a
revenue for the Year 1825 which was read twice and Committee -

Mr. Mason from the Committee reported a Bill for fixing the
Salaries of the Officers of the Corporation for the present year,
which was read a first and second time, and the ninth rule being
suspended, it was then read a third time and passed.

The Council proceeded to elect by ballot the following officers
to serve for the ensuing year.

James Carson, Superintendent of Police
John Johnston, Superintendent of Watch
Samuel Wheeler, Clerk of the Market
Peter Rhodes, Keeper of the Powder House
William Washington, Physician to the Poor House
Benjamin C. Ashton, Treasurer of the Corporation
Robert Taylor, Attorney for the Corporation
Loudoun Campbell, & William Campbell, Measurers of Lumber
David Black, Corder of Wood
Anthony Rhodes, Inspector of Fish
Benjamin Barton, Keeper of the Town Clock
James McClish, Gauger of Casks, Inspector of Whiskey, etc.

Ordered that Messrs. Miller, Johnston, Massie and Jamieson be
appointed a Committee to visit the Poor House and report to
council the situation of that establishment.

The Council then adjourned.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

14 March 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Johnson, Harris, Ladd, Jamieson, Blacklock, White, Mason, Grubb, Massie, Veitch, Miller, Williams.

The Committee appointed to visit the Poor House, made a report which was read and laid on the table.

A communication from a Committee of the Levy Court was received and read, and a Committee of Conference, consisting of Messrs. Mason, Stewart, Jamieson, and Miller was appointed by the Council.

On balloting for a Keeper of the Poor House, James Thomas was re-elected.

The following persons were elected Watchmen for the ensuing year, viz., Gerard Arnold, John M. Clarke, Henry Tatspaugh, John B. Hancock, Robert Slatford, Henry Mansfield, David Price, Jonathan Steel.

On balloting for Trustees of the Poor, Thomas Sandford, Jacobs Morgan, Thomas Jacobs, and George S. Hough, were duly elected.

On balloting for Assessors, George Drinker, and John Gird were duly elected.

On balloting for a Board of Health the following persons were duly elected: North of King Street - A. Cazenove, Robert Brockett, Jr., Benjamin Waters. Between King and Prince Streets - George Coleman, John Creighton, Ezra Lunt. South of Prince Street - David Wright, Robert H. Miller, Thomas Vowell.

Dr. Edmund Fitzhugh was appointed Keeper of the Dispensary.

On balloting for Police Constables, Davis Bowie and Joseph Brodus were duly elected.

On the petition of William N. Manaydin and others, it is, ordered, that Messrs. White and Johnston be a Committee. Ordered, that the Superintendent of Police do, forthwith, place large flag stones, as footways, at the intersection of Washington Street, viz., across King on the west side of Washington Street.

Ordered, that Messrs. Veitch, Johnson, White and Mason with the President of Council and the Superintendent of Police, be a Committee to rent the Fish Wharf on the 17th Inst. -

Ordered, that the Superintendent of Police do cause flag stones to be placed at the intersection of King and Union Streets, crossing the streets at right angles from the corners, and also at the intersection at Prince and Union Streets.

The Council then adjourned.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

22 March 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Harris, Ladd, Johnston, White, Blacklock, Grubb, Massie,
Miller, Veitch, Butcher, Mandeville, Stewart -

Mister Veitch from the Committee appointed to rent the Fish Wharf reported that it had been rented by them to sundry persons for the sum of \$1,250.

Ordered, that Messrs. Johnston, Mandeville, Butcher, Veitch and the President of Council be a Committee to superintend the experiment of a boring for water, conformably to the former codes of Council relative to that Subject with authority to draw on the Treasurer through the Auditor for the necessary expenses.

The Committee appointed to examine the well at the intersection of Prince and Fairfax Streets, made a report which was read and laid on the table.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police do forthwith put the trunk and gate at the intersection of Water and Pendleton Streets, in such order as to exclude the tide from the low grounds west of Fairfax Street.

The Council then adjourned.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

11 May 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Johnston, Jamieson, Blacklock,
White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Massie, Miller,
Williams, Veitch.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act for Raising a Revenue for the Year 1825," which was read a third time and passed.

The Committee appointed to confer with the Committee of the Levy Court on the subject of the Communication received from them, made a report which was read and laid on the table.

Leave was granted Mister Mason to bring in a Bill entitled, "An Act to Provide More Effectually For the Collection of the Public Revenue," which was read a first and second times, and upon motion the ninth rule being suspended, it was read a third time and passed by the ayes and noes as follows:

Ayes, Messrs. Harris, Ladd, Johnson, Jamieson, Blacklock, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Massie, Miller, Williams, Vowell, 14.

Noes, Messrs. Stewart, Veitch, 2.

A communication from the Mayor on the Subject of the Public Docks was received and read and referred to Messrs. Mandeville, Grubb, Williams, Stewart.

A communication from the Mayor directing the attention of the Council to his communication of the 28th January last, was received and read and referred to the Committee who had the former communication under consideration, and to which Committee the President of Council is added.

On the petition of Mandeville and Lawrason, it is ordered that Mandeville and Lawrason be permitted under the Superintendent of Police to conduct the water from the well on their lot on the west side of Water Street across the street to a large well attached to the soap establishment on the east side of the said street.

Ordered, that the Superintendent of Police sell to B. Baden, the brick clay on Payne Street between Prince and Duke Street for the present year at a sum of not less than 15 cents per thousand bricks, and that no sand shall be used except for making bricks and provided, he shall not go below the regulation of the Town.

Ordered, that the Clerk give notice in the newspapers of the Town, that the Common Council will sit as a Court of Appeals on the fourth Monday of May and 3rd Monday's of July and September and that no appeal will be heard except at a regular session of the Court of Appeals.

A petition from Josiah H. Davis and others, was received and read and referred to Messrs. Johnston, Stewart, and White.

An application from John C. Mandell was received and read, and laid on the table.

A letter from James Harris was received and read, and laid on the table.

A communication from the President of the Board of Trustees was received and read and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Court of Appeals

The Court met this day May 23, 1825 pursuant to public notice.

Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Johnston, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Massie, Miller, Williams.

Ordered, that two tyth be deducted from the amount of Samuel Miller.

Ordered, that \$500 be deducted from the valuation of J. Mandevilles' estate.

Ordered, that one Story be deducted from the account of M. Miller.

The Court then adjourned until
a third Monday of July next.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

4 June 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Johnson, Harris, Ladd, Mandeville, Jamieson, Blacklock, White, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Massie, Veitch, Williams.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Josiah H. Davis and others made a report, which was read and adopted by Council. Whereupon, the following Preamble and Order was moved and adopted by the Council:

Whereas it appears to the Common Council that a nuisance exist for a great part of the year on that part of Fairfax Street which lies between Wolfe and Wilkes Streets, and that the paving thereof is necessary, both for the convenience and health of the citizens - it is therefore ordered, that the Superintendent of

Police do proceed to pave this street and sideways on Fairfax, between Wolfe and Wilkes Streets agreeably to the General Regulations for the paving of streets in the Town of Alexandria.

Ordered that the uncollected balances and tax Bills, heretofore received by the Common Council from John H. Phillips and others Collectors, be placed in the hands of John Johnson for collection, and that a receipt for the same be taken, as usual with Collectors, and that bonds and security to the amount of said balances and tax bills be required for the faithful discharge of his duties as Collector, in collecting the said old balances and tax bills and that a commission of 10 percent, upon all monies collected of said balances be allowed the said Collector.

Leave was granted to bring in a Bill to reduce the present rates of paving, and Messrs. Stewart, Jamieson, Massie and Williams an appointed a Committee for that purpose.

Ordered that 3 and 1/2 percent be allowed to the Collectors on their collections for the present year.

On balloting for Collectors for the present year, Augustine Newton was elected a Collector of the Northern District, and John Muncaster, a Collector for the Southern District.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

13 June 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Johnson, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Mason, Butcher, Massie, Miller, Williams, Veitch.

The Committee appointed to bring in a Bill to reduce the present price of paving, reported a Bill entitled, "An Act to Reduce the Present Price of Paving," which was read a first time and recommended for amendment.

The Auditor made a report to Council of the expenditures for the first quarter ending on the 13th June, which was read, and referred to Messrs. Massie and Jamieson.

A petition from Horace Fields and others, was received and read and laid on the table.

Ordered, that Messrs. Johnson, and Mandeville be a Committee to let biannual lease all the rooms belonging to the Corporation in the Market Square, and to inquire regarding the rents heretofore charged for the said rooms, and what part of the said rents have been paid and report to Council.

The council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Court of Appeals

The Court met this day July 18, 1825, pursuant to adjournment.

Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Ladd, Johnston, Jamieson, Blacklock, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Williams, Veitch, Harris, Massie.

Ordered, that the taxes of Thomas Smith for the present year be remitted.

Ordered, that one tyth, improperly charged to Sally Parsons, be deducted from her account.

Ordered, that the taxes charged to Chris Casey for 1824 and 1825 be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one shop charged to Milley Middleton for the years 1824 and 1825 be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one tyth, one STO [story], one horse, and one cart improperly charged in 1823 to William Devaughn be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one male dog charged in 1824 to John Knowles be remitted.

Ordered, that the taxes on two male dogs, improperly charged in 1824 to Richard H. King be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one male dog improperly charged in 1823 to William Wood be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one male dog for 1825 charged to John Rotch be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one STO [story] and one L.STO [lower story]: for the Years 1824 and 1825, improperly charged to Joseph Cowing be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one male dog for 1824 improperly charged to Henry Harmon be remitted.

Ordered, that the taxes for 1824 and 1825 charged to George Newman be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one tyth and two STO. for the Year 1824 improperly charged to William Grant be remitted.

Ordered, that the collection Enoch Pelton's tax for a tavern license for years 1824 and 1825 be suspended for three months.

Ordered, that \$6.70 be deducted from the amount of taxes against Peter Paris, for the years 1824 and 1825.

The Court then adjourned.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

18 July 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Ladd, Johnston, Jamieson, Blacklock, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Williams, Veitch, Harris, Massie.

A Communication from the Board of Health was received and read, whereupon, it is ordered that the sum of \$200 be placed at the disposal of the Board of Health, subject to the Order of the President, countersigned by the Secretary.

Leave was granted to Mister Miller, to bring in a Bill entitled, "An Act to Amend an Act entitled An Act for the Regulation of the Market for the Adjustment of Weights and Measures, for Regulating the Weight of Bread, and to Prevent Forestalling," which was read and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

4 August 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Johnson, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Miller, Veitch.

The Committee on the Public Docks, made a report, enclosing sundry documents relative thereto, numbered from one to nine, which was read, and ordered to be filed.

The Committee appointed to lease the room belonging to the Corporation in the Market Square and to inquire regarding the rents, and etc. made a report which was read and laid on the table.

A petition from Joseph Smith and others was received and read - whereupon, it was ordered that the Superintendent of Police do cause the side stones, at the southwest corner of King and Fairfax Streets to be reset agreeably to the regulation, and the gutters on each side of said corner paved in the modern manner.

Ordered, that the Superintendent of Police render to the Auditor, a separate account for the expense of laying the flagstones at the intersection of King and Royal Streets. A Communication from the Mayor enclosing a letter from the Committee appointed by Council to confer with the Congressional Committee on the Subject of a jail for the County of Alexandria, and/or penitentiary for the District, and etc. was received and read, and on motion the Committee was continued.

The following Order was moved and seconded - "Ordered, that the Superintendent of Police be directed to have a well dug of the usual size and pump erected at the corner of Prince and Fairfax Streets, and the work to be done in the best manner and by the lowest bidder."

The Yeas and Nays being called for were as follows,

Yeas, Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Johnston, Jamieson, White, Miller, Veitch, 8.

Nays, Messrs. Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Vowell, 4.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

3 September 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Johnson, Jamieson, Blacklock, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Miller, Massie.

The President being absent, Mister Miller was elected President pro tem.

A communication from the Mayor was received and read, whereupon, resolved, that the Common Council of Alexandria will in conformity with the invitation to that effect given through the Marhsall of the District, attend on Wednesday next to witness the final departure of General La Fayette as the Nation's guest from the seat of the National Government; and that Messrs. Stewart and Grubb be a Committee to make the necessary arrangements.

Resolved that a Copy of this Resolution be communicated to the Mayor and that he be requested to join the Members of the Common Council at their hall at 10 o'clock on Wednesday next for the purpose before mentioned.

The Council then adjourned
Mordecai Miller, President, pro tem.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Court of Appeals

The Court met this day September 19, 1825.

Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Johnston, Jamieson, Blacklock, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Massie, Miller, Veitch, Williams.

Ordered, that the tax on one tyth improperly charged to John Corse be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one tyth improperly charged to John Rogers be remitted.

Ordered, that the taxes due from W. Arnold for the years 1824 and 1825 be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one male dog charged to John H. Ladd be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one male dog charged to Fannie Brooks be remitted.

Ordered, that the Collector be directed to give Patrick Turner a receipt in full for his taxes of 1824 and 1825 for his paying 1/2 the amount within 14 days.

Ordered, that the taxes due by Nicholas Dreesse be remitted.

Ordered, that the tax on one male dog charged to Mrs. Helen be remitted.

Ordered, that the taxes on one male and one female dog charged to Mrs. Latham be remitted.

Ordered, that the payment of the tax on a lot of Prince and Henry Streets charged to Benjamin Baden be suspended until application shall be made to Robert S. Taylor, Trustee in a conveyance of the same, for the benefit of Phineas Janney, and to Nathaniel S. Wise Trustee for the Creditors of the said Benjamin Baden.

Ordered, that the taxes due from Milley Russell for the Years 1824 and 1825 be remitted.

Ordered, that the collection of the tax on one tyth charged to Richard Wood be suspended until the further order of Council.

Ordered, that the sum of 75 cents, the difference between the tax on a cow and a horse, and also the tax on one tyth, charged to John Harper be remitted.

Ordered, that the sum of \$400 be deducted from the valuation of a lot of ground on Washington, Gibbon and Wilkes Streets charged to Thomas White's estate.

Ordered, that the tax on one dog charged to Zebedie Hall be remitted.

Ordered, that the taxes due from Mrs. Grigsby for the years 1824 and 1825 be remitted.

Ordered, that the sum of \$1,000 be deducted from the valuation of the Smoke house on King between Water and Union Streets, charged to Mandeville and Lawrason.

Ordered, that the sum of \$1,000 be deducted from the valuation of a house on King between Fairfax and Water Streets charged to Samuel B. Larmour.

Ordered, that the sum of \$500 be deducted from the valuation of a warehouse at the corner of King and Water Streets charged to Mandeville and Larmour.

The Court then adjourned, sine die
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

15 October 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Johnston, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Massie, Miller, Veitch, Ladd.

Ordered, that Messrs. Johnston, Jamieson, Massie and Miller be a Committee to rent the public property at the lower end of Duke Street where leases expire on the 21st of the present month, for such time as they may deem best for the interest of the Corporation.

Ordered, that the Superintendent of Police do contract for and caused to be sunk at the intersection of Prince and Fairfax Streets a well of the largest size not less than 8 feet diameter in the clear, and have a pump erected in the same.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

22 October 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Johnston, Jamieson, Blacklock, White, Mandeville, Massie, Miller, Veitch, Williams.

A communication from the Mayor was received and read, Whereupon, ordered that Messrs. Mason, Vowell, Mandeville, Stewart and the Attorney for the Corporation be a Committee to examine the provisions of an Amendment of the Charter of the Town of Alexandria submitted to Council by the Mayor this day, and report to Council at their next meeting any amendments they may think expedient.

Ordered, that the Auditor furnish the Council at their next meeting [text blanked out] with the whole amount of the money expended in regulating and paving Fairfax Street between Wolfe and Wilkes Street excluding the intersection.

Ordered, that the Clerk and Collector of the Northern District do arrange the tax on a two story house occupied in part by Spencer Bennett.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

7 November 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Ladd, Stewart, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Williams, Massie.

Resolved, that all the amounts and statements of the Collectors now presented by the Clerk, be referred to Messrs. Mason, Ladd, and Williams for the purpose of stating a more accurate list of all the uncollected and outstanding taxes, together with the causes that have prevented the collection of the same, and that the Clerk of Council be directed to attend said Committee for the purpose of drawing up such statements as they may deem necessary.

Ordered, that the Clerk do advertise that the Council will, at their next meeting, proceed to the election of a Gauger of Casks and Inspector of whiskey and other liquors.

Ordered, that the collection of the taxes due from Mrs. Hillright be suspended for six months.

The Council then adjourned
until Friday at 6 p.m.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

11 November 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Johnston, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Massie, Miller, Williams, Veitch.

The Clerk made a report to Council of the amount of expenditures in paving and regulating Fairfax between Wolfe and Wilkes Streets.

On balloting for a Gauger of Casks and Inspector of whiskey and other liquors, George McClish was unanimously elected.

Ordered, that Messrs. Williams and White be a Committee to settle with the Clerk of the Market, Collector of balances, and the collector of the dog tax, and make a report to Council.

The following order was moved and seconded.

Ordered that the Memorial to Congress for the Amendment of the Charter for the Town of Alexandria, together with the DFT [draft] of the Law to be submitted with it to Congress be published in an extra sheet for the information of the Citizens of the Town.

On motion that the latter part of the Order from the word "Congress" be stricken out, and the words "be previously submitted to a Town Meeting" be inserted, the ayes and noes being called for by Mr. Mandeville were as follows,

Ayes - Messrs. Johnston, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Massie.

Noes - Messrs. Stewart, Ladd, Harris, Miller, Williams, Vowell - lost.

The following Amendment was moved and seconded.

"That all the words of the Order after the word Alexandria be stricken out and the words, "be published and that the laws intended to be submitted with the said memorial be left at the Mayor's Office for the inspection of the Citizens of the Town" be inserted.

The ayes and noes being called for by Mr. Mandeville, were as follows,

Ayes - Messrs. Johnston, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Massie, Miller, Vowell, Veitch, (10).

Noes - Messrs. Stewart, Ladd, Harris, Williams, (4), carried.

The Order as amended is as follows,

"Ordered, that the Memorial to Congress for the Amendment of the Charter of the Town of Alexandria be published, and that the laws intended to be submitted with a said Memorial be left at the Mayor's Office for the inspection of the Citizens of the Town" -

The question being taken, it was carried by ayes and noes as follows,

"Ayes" - Messrs. Johnston, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Butcher, Massie, Miller, Veitch, Vowell, (10).

"Noes" - Messrs. Ladd, Stewart, Harris, Williams, (4).

The following Preamble and order was moved and seconded -

Whereas, in the Regulation of the Market it has been the practice without any law or Order of Council to that affect, to forbid and prevent all farmers and other persons from the County who expose meat for sale to cut or divide the same in pieces less than one quarter by which means much inconvenience and injury has resulted to people of that description, as well as to families in the Town, Therefore it is ordered, that the Clerk of the Market do not hereafter forbid or prevent the disposal of such meats in such manner as may suit the sellers and the buyers thereof, and that no injury may thereby be done to the benches occupied by County Dealers, it is ordered that the Clerk, if it appears

necessary do procure one or two blocks suitable to cut meat upon and to place the same in such part of the Market that shall be most convenient to the persons interested.

On motion, to lay the foregoing Preamble and Order on the table the Ayes and Noes being called for were as follows -

Ayes - Messrs. Stewart, Johnston, Grubb.

Noes - Messrs. Harris, Ladd, White, Mandeville, Mason, Butcher, Massie, Miller, William, Veitch -

The question was then taken on the passage of the Order of ayes and noes, as follows:

Ayes - Messrs. Harris, White, Mandeville, Mason, Butcher, Massie, Veitch, (7).

Noes - Messrs. Ladd, Johnston, Stewart, Grubb, Miller, Williams, Vowell, (7) and lost.

The Council then adjourned until
tomorrow evening at 6 1/2 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

12 November 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Massie, Miller, Williams, Veitch.

Mr. Mason from the Committee appointed to examine the Accounts of the Collectors, made a report which was read - whereupon resolved, that Messrs. Mason, Miller, Mandeville and Stewart be a Committee to examine all the lists of taxes and dues now reported to Council as separate are ultimately good, and report what portions of them ought immediately to be placed in the hands of a Collector, or in the hands of the Attorney for the Corporation for collection and such as in their opinion cannot at present be collected.

The Auditor made a report of of expenditures to October.

Ordered, that the Collector of the Southern District proceed forthwith, and when necessary under the direction of the Attorney for the Corporation to collect all rents due to the Corporation within his District and that the list for that purpose be furnished by him to the Clerk of the Council.

Signed J. C Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

18 November 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Ladd, Harris, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Miller, Williams, Veitch.

The Committee appointed to examined the List made a report which was read, whereupon ordered that the Committee return all accounts as they were listed by said Committee to the said Collectors to make what they can out of them by courtesy or warrant, agreeable to their best judgments, with the exception of the following accounts, which are hereby directed to be placed in the hands of the Corporation Attorney, viz., Alexander Veitch \$70.56 same for \$11.88, J. Ellis \$51.77, Charles Lees' Estate, \$55.48, same \$32.83, Thomas Brocchus and others \$466.18 same \$168.01 - and that the Clerk charge the bills so returned to the Collectors, and that the said Collectors have granted to them an extension of time until the 20th February next, to complete the collection for the present year.

The Committee appointed to rent out the Public Property in the Southern District made a report which was read and ordered to be recorded.

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

The Committee appointed by Council to rent out the Public property at the lower end of Duke Street, and on the Potomac Strand, beg leave to report accordingly -

Rented Hooe's Wharf, according to its boundaries in a former lease to Josiah H. Davis for 2 years at \$175.00 per annum, payable half yearly.

Also separately, to Josiah H. Davis the Stone Warehouse on lower end of Duke Street and fronting on the Strand at \$100.00 and payable half yearly.

Also a lot binding on the alley and fronting on the Potomac Strand agreeable to former leases, as to dimensions, to Mordecai Miller, for Thomas Preston for the sum of \$40.00.

Also a lot on Duke Street between L. Pickerings and 1 formerly rented to Captain Bayne running to the alley rented to Josiah H. Davis at \$25.00 per annum, payable half yearly.

Also a lot on Duke Street 25 ft., front running back to the alley, to Captain Bayne at \$15.00 per annum payable half yearly.

Also rented to Levy Pickering the lot whereon his half stands the corner of Duke Street and the Potomac Strand, boundaries as per former lease, for the sum of \$50.00 per annum payable half yearly.

Agreeable to S. A. Marsteller's statement, all of which is duly submitted -

Saturday, 22 October 1825 Reuben Johnston, Chairman

30 November 1825

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Johnson, Jamieson, White, Grubb, Williams, Miller, Veitch.

The Committee appointed to examine the tax lists Reported that they have placed in the hands of the Attorney for the Corporation the several accounts as directed in the order of Council at their last Meeting.

A communication from the Collector of the Southern District was received and read, whereupon ordered, that the Collector for the Southern District place the balance of rents, uncollected, into the hands of the Marshall for collection and that the Council will indemnify the Marshall.

The Police Officer represents that a dangerous nuisance exists on the property on Prince Street, formerly owned by Robert Evans and now claimed by Mutual Insurance Society of Virginia, it is therefore ordered that the Police Officer do remove said nuisance forthwith and charge the expense to the occupier.

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

19 December 1825

In Council. Present: Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Johnston, White, Mandeville, Jamieson, Grubb, Butcher, Massie, Williams, Veitch, Ladd.

The President being absent, Mr. Miller was appointed Pres:pro tem.

The Council proceeded to consider the draft of a Bill amending the Charter of the Town of Alexandria which was read and concurred in and ordered to be delivered to the Committee to whom the Subject was referred for the purpose of laying the same before the Congress of the United States.

A Communication from Christopher Neale, was received and read and referred to the Committee of accounts, consisting of Messrs. Mason, Ladd, White and Williams for examination and settlement.

A Communication from the Board of Health was received and read, whereupon, ordered that the sum of \$240.00 be paid to the Superintendent of Police and \$10.00 to the Messenger for extra services rendered during the present year under the direction of the Board of Health.

Ordered that the tax on 2 tyth, improperly charged to and paid by John Johnson be refunded.

The Council then adjourned
Signed Mordecai Miller, Pres:pro tem.

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

20 December 1825

In Council. Present: Messrs. Stewart, Harris, Johnston, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Massie, Grubb, Butcher, Williams, Veitch, Miller.

The President being absent, Mr. Veitch was appointed Pres:pro tem.

A Communication from the Mayor recommending the appointment of Delegates from the Town of Alexandria to the Committee to be held at the City of Washington on Thursday next to take into consideration the propriety of establishing a Territorial Government for the District, was received and read whereupon, John Vowell, Robert Taylor, Edmund I. Lee, Mordecai Miller, Hugh Smith and William F. Thornton, Esquire, were appointed Delegates to attend the said meeting.

Ordered, that \$500.00 be appropriated together with the money arising from McGrath's Legacy, to the purchase of wood for the Poor, to be distributed under the Direction of the Trustees of the Poor, and that Messrs. Johnston and Jamieson be appointed a Committee to purchase the wood.

The Committee resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act for the regulation of the Market, for the adjustment of weights and measures, for regulating the weight of bread, and to prevent forestalling'", which was read in part, and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
Signed W. Veitch, Pres:pro tem.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

1826

4 January 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Johnston, Mandeville, Grubb, Massie, Williams, Miller, Veitch.

The Committee appointed to attend a Convention at the City of Washington, made the following report which was read and approved by the Council.

"We, the Common Council of Alexandria"

The Subscribers appointed a Committee to attend a meeting to be held at the City of Washington on 22nd of this month to take in to consideration the propriety of establishing a Territorial Government for the District of Columbia, respectfully report, that on the day appointed they proceeded to the City Hall of the City of Washington, as directed by the resolution of your body, and that they there found no Committee authorized to represent the people or the constituted authorities of Washington, of Georgetown - your Committee therefore in consulting with each other came unanimously to the following resolution, "that it was inexpedient to enter into any discussion touching the Government or other interest of the District, until Representatives shall have been chosen, and authorized by the People of the District to take such matters into their consideration" 24 December 1825

Signed:

John C. Vowell
R. Taylor
E. I. Lee
Mordecai Miller
W. F. Thornton
Hugh Smith

Committee

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

10 January 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Johnston, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Miller, Veitch, Williams.

No business being transacted the Council adjourned.

17 January 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Johnston, Stewart, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Massie, Williams, Veitch.

A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a letter from the Acting Chairman of the Committee of the District of Columbia on a subject of a Territorial Government for the District was received and read, whereupon, resolved unanimously that John C. Vowell, Robert I. Taylor, Edmund I. Lee, Mordecai Miller, Hugh Smith, and William F. Thornston, Esquire, be appointed to wait on the Committee of the District of Columbia on th 20th inst. to express their most dissent on the part of the Common Council in behalf of the people of Alexandria to the establishment of a Territorial Government for the District of Columbia.

Ordered that the tax on 1 dog improperly charged to and paid by James Bloxham for the year 1828 [sic] be refunded.

A petition from the Second Ward on the Subject of Sunday Market was presented by Mr. Jamieson, and upon motion to refer the said petition to a Committee with leave to report by Bill or otherwise, the yeas and nays being call by Mr. Mandeville were as follow:

Yeas - Messrs. Johnston, Jamieson, Grubb, Williams, Veitch, Vowell.

Noes - Messrs. Harris, Stewart, White, Mandeville, Butcher, Massie, lost.

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

13 February 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Ladd, Johnston, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Mason, Grubb, Massie, Miller, Williams, Veitch.

Mr. Vowell, from the Committee, made the following report, "the Committee appointed by Council to attend that the meeting of the Committee of the District of Columbia at Washington on 20th day of last month have performed the duties assigned to them by making known the wishes of the people of Alexandria as adverse to the establishment of a Territorial Government for the said District, February 11, 1826, signed John Vowell, Chairman."

The following Persons were appointed Commissioners for holding elections in the different Wards, Tuesday, the 7th day of March next for Members to serve in the Common Council for the ensuing 12 months.

Craven P. Thompson
Samuel Lindsay
Mathew Robinson

At Rhodes Tavern for
the First Ward.

William Gregory
Guy Atkinson
Silas Reed

At the Council Chamber
for the Second Ward.

Anthony C. Cazenove
Bathurst Daingerfield
James Douglass

At Sam'l Hills' Tavern,
King Street, for the
Third Ward.

James Harper
George Hough
Josiah Davis

At Mrs. Mills' at the
corner of Prince and
Alfred Streets, for the
Fourth Ward.

Ordered that Messrs. Miller, Johnston, Jamieson, Grubb and the President of Council be appointed a Committee in conjunction with the Superintendent of Police to rent out the Fish Wharf on the 4th day of March, if fair, and if not, the next fair day, and that the Superintendent do advertise forthwith that he will proceed on that day to lay out and rent out stands, thereon, according to Law, and that the said committee be authorized to treat with the representatives of Mrs. Taylor for the portion of said Wharf belonging to her estate.

The Committee appointed to purchase wood for the poor made a report which was read and received.

Ordered that Messrs. Mandeville, Mason, Miller and Ladd be a Committee to examine the General Accounts of the Corporation and prepare the Annual Report thereon, and that the Auditor, Treasurer and Collectors, present their accounts to said Committee on or before the 20th inst.

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

15 February 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Johnston, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Mason, Massie, Veitch.

Mr. Mandeville offered for consideration the following amendment to the Bill transmitted by Council to Congress for amending the Charter of the Town of Alexandria - "and the said Common Council shall have power to subscribe to the Stock of the Turnpike Road which is authorize to be made by an Act of General Assembly of Virginia passed the 14th of February 1818, entitled 'An Act incorporating a Company to establish a Turnpike road from Wileys Tavern in the County of Fairfax to a point of intersection on the Little River Turnpike Road, or on the line of the District of Columbia, and to any Turnpike road or other public improvement which has been or maybe authorized by any Act of Congress, leading to the Town of Alexandria' - and the said Common Council may lay any tax on the property in the said Town to promote any public improvement for the benefit of the said Town when in the opinion of the said Common Council it may be expedient, which said taxes may be collected as all other taxes are or may be directed to be collected."

The Council proceeded to consider the above amendment, and adopted the same unanimously - and thereupon ordered that the Committee to whom the Subject of the charter as referred be directed to transmit the said amendment to the Committee of the District of Columbia.

A petition from James Caden and others were received and read and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

1 March 1826

In Council. Present: Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Johnston, Mandeville, Jamieson, Grubb, Butcher, Miller, Williams, Veitch, Mason.

The President being absent, Mr. Miller was elected Pres:pro tem.

The Committee appointed to settle the annual accounts reported a general statement of the same which was ordered to be printed.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tyth charged to Philip Conn for the year 1823, and against him in the tax bill of his daughter Elizabeth Logan for the years 1824 and 1825 be remitted he being unable to pay the same.

Ordered that the tax on 1 dog charged to William Morris be remitted, and the expenses of prosecution amounting \$1.70 be refunded the Officer.

Mr. Mason from the Committee to whom was referred the settlements of the accounts of Christopher Neale, Late Mayor, made a report which was read and concurred in by Council signed Mordecai Miller, Pres:pro tem.

The Council then adjourned

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

6 March 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harris, Stewart, Johnston, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Grubb, Butcher, Massie, Miller, Veitch.

The Committee appointed to rent the Fish Wharf, made a report which was read and concurred in by Council.

Ordered that the President of the Council do place the note taken by the Committee for the rent of the Fish Wharf into the hands of the Collector of the Northern District for collection.

Ordered that the collection of the tax on 1 dog charged to Gregory Snead be suspended for 6 months.

On motion of Mr. Mandeville, ordered, that the following Amendment be recommended to the committee for the District of Columbia to the bill reported by them to the House of Representative on 24th day February last.

"That the Common Council be authorized to borrow money for the use of the said Town to such amount and upon such terms as the said Common Council may deem reasonable and proper and to pledge the funds of the Town for the payment of the principal and interest thereof" - the Committee to rent that part of the Fish Wharf belonging to the heirs of Jessie Taylor, reported that they have made an arrangement for the same for 1 year at the rent of \$200.00.

The Council then adjourned
Signed John C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

For the Year Eighteen Hundred and Twenty-Six
Beginning on the 9th Day of March
1826

Returned for the year Eighteen Hundred and Twenty-Six

For the First Ward

For the Second Ward

For the Third Ward

For the Fourth Ward

We the undersigned Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election at Rhodes Tavern on Wednesday the 7 inst. for Members to represent the First Ward in the Common Council of Alexandria for the ensuing year, due hereby certify that the following gentlemen were duly elected: viz.,

Joseph Harriss

Given under our hands and seals this 8th day of March 1826.

Samuel Lindsay

We the Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election in the Second Ward for members of the Common Council to serve during the ensuing year, due hereby certify that,

Robert Anderson

Alexandria March 7, 1826

William Gregory
Silas Reed
Guy Atkinson

We the subscribers Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election held at Hills Hotel for Members to represent the Third Ward in the Common Council of the town of Alexandria for the ensuing year due hereby certify that the following Gentlemen to be duly elected - viz.,

Thomson F. Mason
William C. Gardner
John W. Massie
Jonathan Butcher

March 7, 1826

Anthony C. Cazenove
Bathurst Daingerfield
James Douglass

We the Subscribers Commissioners for holding an election for the Common Councilmen, for the Fourth Ward; have been qualified according to law, due hereby certify that:

William Veitch
Robert I. Taylor
John C. Vowell
Phineas Janney

Were duly elected -

Given our hands this 7th day of March, 1826.

George S. Hough
James Harper
Josiah H. Davis

At a meeting of the Persons elected to serve in the Common Council for the ensuing year, at the Council Chamber on Thursday, the 9th of March, 1826 -

Present: Messrs. Stewart, Thompson, Johnson, Harriss, Jamieson, White, Anderson, Mandeville, Gardner, Mason, Butcher, Massie, Taylor, Veitch, Janney, Vowell.

On balloting for a President of Council, John C. Vowell, Esquire, was unanimously re-elected, who after taking the Oath of Office prescribed by law before Nathaniel S. Wise, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace, administered the same to the Members present.

On balloting for a Clerk and Auditor J. P. Thompson was unanimously re-elected.

On balloting for a Mayor, John Roberts, Esquire was re-elected.

The Council then adjourned
until Monday next at 10:00
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

13 March 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Harriss, Thompson, Stewart, Johnson, Jamieson, White,
Anderson, Mandeville, Butcher, Gardner, Massie, Veitch, Janney.

On balloting for a Messenger, John Johnston was re-elected.

The Rules and Regulations of the last Council having been
amended within adopted as the Rules and Regulations of the
present.

Ordered that the tax of \$5.00 on 1 male dog charged to Robert A.
Mills be remitted and that he be released from his confinement.

Ordered that Messrs. Edmund I. Lee, Thomson F. Mason and the
President of Council be a Committee to attend to the Subjects of
Amendments of the Charter of Town, and the establishment of a
penitentiary, now before the Congress of the United States; and
also to such other subjects of a local nature, interesting to the
Town which may at any time during the present session, be brought
before Congress by the Common Council.

Ordered that Messrs. Janney, Gardner, Mandeville, Johnston
President of Council be appointed to a Committee to bring in
bills for raising a Revenue and for fixing the salaries of the
Officers of the Corporation for the present years.

The Council proceeded to elect by ballot the following officers
to serve for the ensuing year.

James Carson, Superintendent of Police.
John Johnston, Superintendent of Watch.
Samuel Wheeler, Clerk of the Market.
John B. Hancock, Keeper of the Powder House.
William Washington, Position at the Court House.
Benjamin C. Ashton, Treasurer of the Corporation.
Robert I. Taylor, Attorney for the Corporation.
Loudoun Campbell and William Campbell, Measurers and
Inspectors of Lumber.
David Black, Corder of Wood and Bark.
Anthony Rhodes, Inspector of Fish.
Benjamin Barton, Keeper of the Town Clock.

George McClish, Gauger of Casks, Inspector of Whiskey, and etc.
James Thomas, Keeper of the Poor House.
Edmund Fitzhugh, Keeper of the Dispensary.

The following persons were elected Watchman for the ensuing year, viz., Gerard Arnold, Robert Slatford, John M. Clarke, John B. Hancock, Henry Mansfield, Henry Tatspaugh, Jonathan Steel.

Joseph Brodus, Northern District, Police Constable.
Davis Bowie, Southern District, Police Constable.

Ordered that the Auditor issue a warrant in favor of E. I. Lee for \$1.18 being the expense concurred by him and sending to Richmond for a copy of the law incorporating a Company for making a turnpike road from Wileys to the Town of Alexandria.

Ordered that Messrs. Gardner and Massie be a Committee to ascertain the quantity of powder stored in the Corporation building and to be delivered the same over to the Keeper elect on his compliance with the Law of the Corporation on that subject, and that said Committee be instructed to advertise all owner of the powder so stored, to report the same forthwith so that a correct statement may be made for that purpose.

A petition from James B. Nickolls and others was received and read and referred to Messrs. Janney, Anderson and Johnston.

The Council then adjourned
until Friday evening next at 6:00
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

17 March 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, Jamieson, White, Anderson, Mandeville, Taylor, Janney, Butcher, Massie, Gardner, Mason.

Mr. Janney from the Committee, reported a Bill for fixing the salaries of the Officers of the Corporation for the year 1826 which was read twice and the blanks being filled, upon motion the ninth rule was suspended, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Janney from the Committee, reported a bill for raising a Revenue for the year 1826 which was read twice and laid upon the table.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of James B. Nickolls and others made a report, whereupon ordered that the Superintendent of Police do cause the sidestones on the

Southside of Prince Street between Washington and Saint Asaph Streets or such parts thereof as may require it, to be reset, and the gutter paved agreeably to the present plan of paving the street gutters.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tythe improperly charged to, and paid by William Page be refunded.

On balloting for a Watchman, John Keisendorffer was duly elected.

Ordered that the Clerk be directed to procure a copy of the late Law of Congress amending the Charter of the Town and that Messrs. Taylor, Mason and Janney be a Committee to examine the same and make a report to Council.

Mr. Gardner from the Committee appointed to ascertain the quantity of powder stored in the Powder House and to settle the accounts of the late Keeper made a report in part, which was read, and thereupon order, that the Subject be recomitted to the same Committee with the instructions to have such repairs made to the house as may be necessary to place it in a state of safety.

On balloting for Trustees of the Poor, Matthias Snyder, Jacob Morgan, Thomas Jacobs, George S. Hough were duly elected.

On balloting for a Board of Health the following the Persons were duly elected: North of King Street, A. C. Cazenove, Robert Brockett, Jr., Benjamin Waters.

Between King and Prince; George Coleman, John Creighton, Ezra Lunt.

South of Prince Street; Daniel Wright, Robert H. Miller, Thomas Vowell.

Ordered that the Keeper of the Poor House do purchase two bulls not less than 3 years old and in good order, and that he cause them to be well fed and taken care of at the lot attached to the Poor House, and that he be authorized to draw on the Auditor for the cost.

Ordered that Messrs. Johnson, Mandeville, Butcher, Veitch and the President of Council, be a Committee to superintend the boring for water in the Market Square.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

15 April 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, Jamieson, Anderson, Mandeville, Gardner, Janney, Veitch.

The Bill for raising a revenue for the Year 1826 was recomitted to the Committee who reported it.

Mr. Janney from the Committee to whom the above Bill was reported, reported a Bill for that purpose which was read twice, and laid on the table.

The Mayor elect appeared in Council and had the Oath of Office administered to him by Adam Lynn, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace.

The Mayor transmitted to the Council a copy of a Bill now before Congress entitled, "A Bill concerning the Orphans Courts in the District of Columbia," Whereupon, ordered that the communication of the Mayor and accompanying bill be referred to Messrs. Janney, Gardner, Anderson, Stewart and the President of Council.

The petition of Sundry inhabitants on Royal Street on the Subject of the gutters on said street, was referred to Messrs. Johnston and Veitch.

Ordered, that the Clerk advertise the 17th inst., that the Council will at their meeting on the 18th inst. proceed to elect Assessors for the present year.

The Council adjourned
until Tuesday next at
1/2 past 6:00 p.m.
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

18 April 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, Anderson, Mandeville, Mason, Butcher, Taylor, Veitch, Janney, Gardner.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry inhabitants on Royal Street, made a report, whereupon, ordered that the Police Officer proceed to repair the sidestones and gutter on the Eastside of Royal Street from Green's Alley to the corner of Prince Street on the cheapest and best plan to prevent a nuisance.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Mayor and the accompanying Bill concerning the Orphans Court, made the following report -

"The Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the Mayor of the 15th inst. relative to a Bill concerning the Orphans Court in the District of Columbia now pending before Congress,"

"Report, that they have examined said Bill attentively and are unitedly of the opinion that has grant powers to the Judges of said Courts that would be impolitic and unsafe to grant to an Inferior Court so constituted, that the powers to which your Committee allude with the exception of that of punishing contempt's out of Court, are now exercised by the Circuit Court without inconvenience to that Court, and in a manner satisfactory to the Citizens and your Committee believe that the transfer of the Jurisdiction, Whilst it will tend to increase litigations, it is not calculated to promote the ends of justice, that many of the provisions in the Bill are such as your Committee deemed unnecessary and uncalled for by the citizens of the Town and County of Alexandria - in consideration whereof; your Committee respectfully recommend that the President of the Common Council of Alexandria be requested forthwith to communicate to the Chairman of the Committee for the District of Columbia their decided this disapprobation of the aforesaid Bill, and to respectfully request the committee to prevent the enactment of all such parts of the Bill as relates to the County of Alexandria."

All of which is submitted, signed by Order of the Committee, Phineas Janney, Chairman.

On balloting for Assessors for the present year William Harper, Sen. and George Drinker were duly elected.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

5 May 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, Jamieson, Anderson, White, Mandeville, Mason, Massie, Janney, Veitch.

A Communication from the Mayor was received and read and referred to the Committee on the Amendment to the Charter of the Town.

A Communication from the Keeper of the Powder House was received, and read and referred to the Committee on the Powder House.

Ordered that Messrs. Janney, Massie, White and Stewart be a Committee to inspect the Steeple of the new Market House, and also to examine the state of the Warehouse on the Fish Wharf and report to Council the repairs that are requisite to be made.

A petition from Mary Hayes, was received and read, and laid on the table.

A petition from James Caden and others, presented 15th of February was taken up by the Council, and thereupon the petitioners had leave to withdraw their petition.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Court of Appeal

The Court met this day June 12, 1826 pursuant to public notice.

Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Thompson, Anderson, White, Mandeville, Butcher, Gardner, Taylor, Veitch, Janney, Jamieson.

Ordered that \$1,000.00 be deducted from evaluation of a house and lot corner of Fairfax and Prince Streets charged to Douglass and T. Vowell.

Ordered that \$300.00 be deducted from evaluation of H. L. on Union Street, charged Andrew Scholfield.

Ordered that \$200.00 be deducted from evaluation of a lot on Duke Street charged to Joseph Mandeville.

The Court then adjourned
until tomorrow morning at 10:00
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

13 June 1826

Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Thompson, Anderson, White, Mandeville, Butcher, Veitch, Janney, Gardner, Taylor.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tythe improperly charged to William Veitch be remitted.

The Court then adjourned
until tomorrow morning at 10:00
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

14 June 1826

Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Thompson, Anderson, White, Mandeville, Massie, Taylor, Veitch, Janney, Jamieson.

Ordered that the sum of \$400.00 be deducted from the evaluation of a lot on Water Street charged to John Dundas's Estate.

The Court then adjourned, sine die
signed John C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

12 June 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Anderson, White, Mandeville, Butcher, Gardner, Taylor, Veitch, Janney, Jamieson.

The Bill for raising a Revenue for the year 1826 was read a third time and passed.

The Committee appointed to examine the Steeple of the Market House and the Warehouse on the Fish Wharf made a report which was concurred in by Council, whereupon, ordered, that the same Committee have such repairs made as they may be necessary and expedient to the Fish Wharf and to the Warehouse thereon, also to employ a suitable person to do what may be necessary for the security of the Steeple of the Market House, and that the expense incurred be charged to the General Fund.

A communication from the Mayor was received and read and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

13 June 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Thompson, Anderson, White, Mandeville, Gardner, Taylor, Janney, Veitch.

Ordered that 3% be allowed to the Collectors on their collections for the present year.

On balloting for Collectors for the present year, Augustine Newton was elected a Collector for the Northern District, and John Muncaster a Collector for the Southern District.

A Communication from John Rumney was received and read and referred to Messrs. Taylor and Gardner.

The Committee to Superintend the boring for water was discharged and a new Committee consisting of the President of Council and Messrs. Mandeville, Thompson, Butcher and Veitch appointed.

A Communication from the Superintendent of Police on the subject of sinking a new well where drinking water may be procured, was received and read, whereupon, ordered that the President of Council and Messrs. Thompson, Anderson, Butcher and Veitch be a Committee to choose a situation for a well of the largest dimensions and that they direct the Superintendent to have a pump place therein, and that the said well shall be finished in workmanlike manner, and puddled if necessary.

The Council then adjourned
signed John C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

14 June 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Thompson, Anderson, White, Mandeville, Massie, Taylor, Veitch, Janney, Jamieson.

Order that the sum of \$4.50 the amount of a stall rent due from Mrs. Tatspaugh previous to 20th February 1825 be remitted.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tyth improperly paid by John McKnight for the year 1825 be refunded.

Ordered that Messrs. Taylor, Stewart and Massie be a Committee to bring in a Bill for taxing and licensing the vendors of lottery tickets within the Corporation.

Mr. Taylor from the above Committee reported a Bill entitled "An Act to provide for licensing and taxing the vendors of lottery tickets" which was read twice, and the blank being filled, upon motion the ninth rule was suspended, and then the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered that the Watch Tax of \$1.00 per story assess to Charles Scott, as owner of a house on King Street be remitted, he having been assessed as occupier of a house on Prince Street - and it further ordered that in all cases where the Watch Tax has been charged on houses not occupied, to the owner of said house for the present year, the same be remitted, the assessment having been made under an erroneous idea of the law upon the subject.

Ordered, that Messrs. Thompson, Stewart and Anderson be a Committee to examine the state of the alley leading Northwardly from Prince Street between Water and Union Streets, to ascertain whether it now is, or is, likely to become a nuisance, and if necessary to report the best means of removing or preventing the same.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

6 July 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, Mandeville, Veitch, White, Anderson, Massie, Taylor.

The Committee appointed to examine the alley leading Northwardly from Prince Street between Water and Union Streets, made a report which was concurred in by Council.

Resolved that the Auditor do prepare a list of the tenements and lots of ground within the Town of Alexandria on which taxes, assessed or charges remain due and unpaid to, the Common Council for the space of two years, showing the amount due, for what due, the names of the persons to whom the lots has been last assess on the books of the assessors, their places of resident as far as can be ascertained - the streets on which the said lots lie, and the street by which the Square on which they lie is bounded, and that he report said list to Council for further proceedings.

Ordered that the tax on 1 dog charged to James Birch be remitted.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

14 July 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Anderson, White, Mandeville, Massie, Taylor, Veitch.

A Communication from the Mayor on the Subject of recent death of John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, two of the most distinguished Citizens of our Country, was received and read, whereupon, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Council.

"Whereas on the last anniversary of our Nation's freedom, it has pleased divine providence to removed from us two of our most illustrious Citizens, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, citizens who, 50 years before signed the Declaration of their Country's Independence; citizens, who, after that period was raised to the highest stations in the gift of a free people; citizens who won our nations benefactor, and whose memories will be amongst the most grateful recollections of prosperity: as it is not fitting that on this solemn occasion they should pass into the silent tomb without some expressions of the Public feelings; it is recommended that as a testimonial respect to the Memory of the never to be forgotten deceased, the citizens of Alexandria wear the usual badge of mourning on the left arm for 30 days - and that it further resolved, that John Hooff, John Muncaster, John Longden, Jonah Thompson, John Roberts, Humphrey Peake, William Cranch and Thompson F. Mason, Esquire, be a Committee to carry into effect whatever further measurers they may think proper to adopt, to events their respectful gratitude of the Citizens of Alexandria have for their deceased patriots."

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

4 August 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Johnston, Jamieson, Anderson, White, Mandeville, Veitch, Janney.

A Communication from the Mayor was received and read, and referred to Messrs. Janney, Gardner, Mandeville and Johnston.

Ordered that Jonathan Ward be released from jail, on his paying or securing to be paid the costs incurred in his case for which he is now confined, and having the dog killed on which the tax was levied - the Police Constable to see the dog is destroyed.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police repair the gutter on the Northside of King Street between Payne and Fayette Streets, as far as may be necessary.

A petition from Jonah Thompson and others, was received and read and referred to Messrs. White, Johnston and Veitch.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police repair the gutter and reset the sidestones on the East side of Saint Asaph Street between Prince and Duke Streets as far as may be necessary.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

9 October 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, Anderson, White, Jamieson, Massie, Taylor, Veitch, Janney, Gardner.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Jonah Thompson and others made a report, and thereupon it is ordered that the Superintendent of Police have the gutter on the Eastside of Fairfax Street from Guy Atkinson's line to Cameron Street be taken up and paved in the modern manner, also to have the curbstones properly arranged, using the old, first as far as they will answer, and the balance that may be wanting to be of Falls [sic] stone.

Order, that the Superintendent of Police have the gutter on the Southside of Cameron Street between Royal and Fairfax Streets taken up and paved in the modern manner, the curbstones arranged, using the old, first as far they will answer and the balance to be of Falls [sic] stone.

A Communication from the Mayor to the President of the Council was received and read and referred to Messrs. Taylor, Mason, Mandeville and Stewart.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Rumney, made the following report in part which was concurred in by Council.

The Committee appointed on the petition of John Rumney report in part, that an examination of the title under which the said Rumney Holds, the property mentioned in his petition, it appears that in 1808 the Common Council rented a water lot on the Northside of Duke Street to Leonard and Thomas Cooke for the term of 50 years at the annual rent of \$170.00 the lease containing a stipulation for the payment of taxes on the part of the lessees, the rent to be paid on the 20th February annually, that Leonard

and Thomas Cooke assigned their interest to Jackson and Rumney who afterward conveyed a part of said lot with a brick warehouse on it to Brown and Wilson freed from rent reserving the rent as charged exclusively on the lot, warehouse and Wharf now in the tenure of said Rumney - that on the 20th February 1825 more than 2 years rent was in arrear amounting to \$390.00 and that another year's rent amounting with the above balance of \$560.00 was due on the 20th February last, that from Mr. Rumney's proposal the Council can scarcely expect to received the current rent, and have no prospect of securing the arrearages, that the Common Council is not bound by the contract between Jackson and Rumney and Wilson and Brown, and have therefore a right to look to both tenements as well for arrearages as for future rents - that an acceptance of the proposal of Mr. Rumney would preclude the Common Council from exercising the right of distress or re-entering on the tenements and lot conveyed to Wilson and Brown and thus a practicable abandonment of their claim to rent on that property - Your Committee are of the opinion that it would therefore be unadvisable at this time to accede to the said proposal of John Rumney.

The Committee recommend that proper measures be taken to re-enter on the whole premises devised to Leonard and Thomas Cooke when the rents shall next fall due and when the legal title shall be vested in the Common Council that the said John Rumney be allowed to apply for such equitable relief as the circumstances of his case may require.

The Committee are of the opinion that no mistake has been in the assessment of the taxes on the said tenement and lot held by the petitioner until the current year, and that the mistake then made was favorable to the petitioner inasmuch as the evaluation was reduce \$1,000.00 most probably from an ignorance on the part of the Assessors of this Covenant in the original lease for the payment of taxes.

The Committee ask further time to report on such part of the Said Petition as refers to the distressed heretofore levee.

Signed: Robert I. Taylor, William C. Gardner.

Ordered that Messrs. Mandeville, Janney and Gardner be a Committee to examine the several Acts for licsening Auctioneers and to report such Alterations and Amendments as to them may seem necessary.

A Communication from the Superintendent of Police of received and referred to Messrs. Veitch and White.

Ordered that the tax of \$2.00 improperly charged to Thomas Dennison be remitted.

Ordered that the tax of \$2.00 on 1 cart improperly charged to John Hoffman be remitted.

Ordered that the tax on 2L.STO. [lower stories] improperly paid by William Simms be refunded.

Ordered that the tax on 1 4.W.C.[four wheeled carriage] \$6.00 improperly charged to Charles Bennett be remitted.

Ordered that the Attorney for the Corporation give instructions to the Collector of the First Ward for making re-entry on the property leased by the Corporation to Leonard and Thomas Cooke.

Ordered that the tax on 1 dray improperly charged to John C. Vowell be remitted.

The Committee appointed to repair the Powder House, made a final report which was concurred in by the Council.

Ordered that the tax on 2S.STO. [second stories] improperly charged to Lawrence Hill be remitted.

Ordered that Messrs. Gardner, Taylor, Mandeville and Stewart be a Committee to consider and report to Council the best means of exercising the power vested in the Common Council of raising money for effecting importance improvements in and to the Town, which the ordinary funds and revenues thereof will not accomplish.

Ordered that the Auditor be allowed \$100.00 for extra services in preparing the accounts of the arrearages of taxes for paven [sic] and on real estate as order by Council July 6, 1826 to be paid to him when the amounts shall be posted.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, C.C.

1 December 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Johnston, Mandeville, White, Anderson, Gardner, Mason, Butcher, Janney, Taylor, Veitch.

A communication from the Mayor was received and read, and thereupon resolved that the President of Council, Hugh Smith and Thompson F. Mason, Esquires, be appointed in the places of Jonathan Swift deceased, and of Thomas Swann and Charles Catlett, Esquires, removed from town, to represent as Delegates with Phineas Janney, Humphrey Peake, and Robert I. Taylor, Esquires, heretofore appointed, in the Corporation of Alexandria at the Convention of the Friends of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to be held at Washington on the 6th inst.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Inspection of Fish reported a Bill entitled an Act to repeal an Act entitled "an Act to repeal a part of the twentieth section of the Act entitled, 'an Act reducing into one and amending the several Acts respecting gaugers measurers of lumber, wood and bark and Inspectors of Beef, Pork, Fish, Whiskey, Peach and Apple Brandy'" which was read twice, and upon motion the ninth rule was suspended, and the Bill was read third time and passed.

On motion that it ordered that the President of Council and Messrs. Thompson, Mason and Hugh Smith be a Committee to obtain information regarding the intended survey of the contemplated public road from Fort Cumberland to Washington City: to use their endeavors to promote the entrance of Alexandria therein, and report thereon to Council.

Ordered that the Clerk of the Common Council do call upon the Collectors of the Public Revenue for their accounts of collections and payments during the current year, that he report such accounts regularly stated with a list of insolvents according to law, to the Common Council at their next meeting.

The application of Joseph Harriss for repayment of tax improperly paid by him for the years 1824 and 1825 was referred to the Auditor for examination with directions to report to the next Council.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, C.C.

21 December 1826

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, White, Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, Mason, Gardner, Veitch, Taylor, Janney.

A Communication from the Mayor was received and read and referred to Messrs. Janney, Taylor and Gardner with instructions to report to Council the manner in which the several Acts for the creation of Corporation Stock, and providing a fund for the payment of the principal, have been executed - and what amount of due bills are now in circulation, and whether at this time, a further emission of due bills is expedient.

A petition from William N. Mills was received and read and laid on the table.

A Communication from the Board of Health was received and read, and whereupon ordered that the sum of \$200.00 be paid to the Superintendent of Police and \$12.00 to the Messenger for services rendered during the present year under the direction of the Board of Health.

Leave was granted Mr. Mason to bring in a bill entitled an Act repealing in part "An Act vesting in the Board of Health certain powers deemed necessary in the discharge of their duties" which was read twice, and upon motion the ninth rule suspended, and the bill was read a third time and passed.

The application of John Dunlap for the repayment of a tax on 1 tyth improperly charged to him was referred to the Auditor for examination and settlement.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

1827

5 January 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, Anderson, Jamieson, White, Mandeville, Mason, Gardner, Butcher, Massie, Veitch, Janney.

A Communication from the President of the Trustees of the Poor was received and read, whereupon ordered that \$200.00 together with the monies arising from McGraths Legacy be appropriated to the purchase of wood for the Poor, the wood to be purchased by a committee consisting of Messrs. Jamieson and Johnston, and distributed by the Trustees of the Poor.

A letter from Levi Disborough was received and read and referred to the Committee appointed to Superintend the boring for water.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tyth improperly paid by William Harper, Jr. be refunded.

Ordered that the tax on 4L.STO. [lower stories] improperly paid by Edward Sheehy be refunded.

The Council resumed the consideration of the memorial of William N. Mills presented at the last meeting. Whereupon ordered that the sum of \$100.00 be allowed and paid to William N. Mills for extra services performed by him during the last year.

A letter from the Mayor enclosing a Communication from the Honorable Charles F. Mercer was received and read, whereupon resolved, that the President of Council and Messrs. Mason, Taylor and Janney be a Committee respectfully to request of the President of the United States that he will cause to be surveyed, a line of still water navigation to Council to connect the Town of Alexandria with the contemplated Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, and also the best point on the River Potomac for the erection of an aqueduct bridge for that purpose.

Resolved that the Council will meet on Friday the 19th inst. for the purpose of receiving the accounts of the Collectors, and that the Clerk be directed to give them notice of the said meeting.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

19 January 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, White, Jamieson, Anderson, Mandeville, Mason, Gardner, Massie, Taylor, Veitch, Janney.

The Committee appointed to purchase wood for the Poor made a report which was read and accepted, and thereupon ordered that \$20.00 be appropriated to make up that sums received short of McGrath's dividends.

Ordered that the Auditor issue warrants for the refreshments directed by the Mayor at the late fire.

Ordered that unless the accounts of the Collectors be properly adjusted and placed in the hands of the Clerk of the Common Council on or before Wednesday morning next the 24th inst., their bonds be placed in the hands of the Attorney of the Common

Council with directions immediately to institute suits thereon, or adopt such measures as may seem to him, best calculated to obtain a prompt settlement and payment of their accounts.

Ordered that \$200.00 be appropriated to purchase wood for the Poor; and that the wood be purchased and distributed by the Trustees of the Poor.

Ordered that Messrs. William Veitch, Edmund I. Lee, Thomas Preston, and George Drinker be appointed a Committee ascertain as far as practicable, the cause of the late disastrous fire, and the extent of the losses incurred in consequence of it.

Ordered that Messrs. Janney, Gardner, Mandeville, Stewart and the President of the Council be a Committee to examine the Laws of the Corporation relative to the prevention and extinguishment of fire, and to report to Council what alterations, if any, be necessary in said laws.

The following Preamble and Resolution was moved by Mr. Taylor and unanimously adopted by the Council.

"The Common Council of Alexandria deeply expresses with sentiments of gratitude towards the citizens of Washington and Georgetown for the prompt and effectual aid rendered by them in the disastrous fire of the 18th inst.; and the sympathy manifested by them in the occasion, and believing that the people of Alexandria are indebted to the generous emotions of their sister towns, for the safety of a large and valuable portion of their town, resolved unanimously, that the thanks of the Common Council on behalf themselves their constituents be tendered to the citizens of Washington and Georgetown for the prompt, friendly and efficient aid rendered by them to the citizens of

Alexandria, at the destructive fire before mentioned, and that copies of this resolution be transmitted by the Mayor, on behalf of the Common Council, to the Mayors of Washington and Georgetown."

The Council then adjourned
until tomorrow evening at 6 1/2 o'clock
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, C.C.

20 January 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Thompson, Stewart, Johnston, White, Anderson, Mandeville, Jamieson, Massie, Butcher, Taylor, Veitch, Janney, Gardner, Mason.

A Communication from the Mayor transmitting Sundry resolutions of the Board of Aldermen, and the Board of Common Council of the Corporation of Georgetown, appropriating the sum of \$500.00 for the relief of such of the unfortunate sufferers by the late fire, as are in indigent circumstances, was received and read, and thereupon it was resolved that the Mayor be requested acknowledge in suitable terms the prompt and liberal donations presented by the Corporation of Georgetown and others, for the use of indigent sufferers by the late fire.

Resolve that Messrs. Phineas Janney, Edmund I. Lee, Thompson F. Mason, John A. Stewart and the President of Council be a Committee in conjunction with the Mayor to distribute the donations heretofore received, towards the immediate relief of the indigent sufferers by the late fire, and to devise and report to the Council, a plan for appropriation and distribution of such future donations as may be received, in such manner as may be productive of the most effectual and extensive relief to the sufferers by the said the fire.

The following report was received and adopted by the Council -

The Committee appointed to investigate the cause of the late fire; and the amount of the losses our fellow citizens have sustained, make the following report,

We have made a careful examination of the workmen in the employment of Mr. Green in whose shop the fire originated, and have unable to ascribe it to any marked neglect on their part. It appears from the best evidence we can obtain, that those have been consumed 53 buildings consisting of dwelling, ware and store houses, exclusive of a number of stables and other out buildings not enumerated: All which are value at \$60,920.00; and personal property which we have estimated at \$46,357.00, making the aggregate sum of \$107,277.00 - the fatal affects of this calamity

presses particularly hard on a number of the sufferers, who have lost their all, and are compelled at this inclement season to seek shelter where charity may afford them a place to reside, until they can be more permanently provided for. It may be proper for us further to state, that the amount of personal property is in the nature vague and indefinite, the sufferers being at this early period, unable to determine the precise amount of their loss.

We have not been governed exclusively in the estimation of the loss of personal property, by the statements of the parties - we herewith transmit the evidence of James Green and his apprentices. We have not been able to discover any other who could give information as to the cause of the fire.

Signed: Edmund I. Lee, George Drinker, Thomas Preston, William Veitch.

20 January 1827

Ordered, that a sum not exceeding \$400.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of repairing and putting in good order the engines belonging to the several Fire Companies of the Town; the sums to be apportioned by the Mayor and President of the Council between the companies, in such manner as they may deem most expedient, and expended under their direction. The sum to be appropriated to be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, and charged to the General Fund.

Ordered that \$100.00 be, and the same is hereby, appropriated for the purpose of supplying the suffering poor with soup during the inclement season, to be under the direction of the Trustees of the Poor, and Alexander McKenzie, Guy Atkinson, Andrew Scholfield, and Jonathan Janney who are hereby appointed and requested to assist the said Trustees. The sum appropriated to be paid out of any monies in the Treasury and charged to the General Fund.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

3 February 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, White, Jamieson, Anderson, Mandeville, Mason, Gardner, Massie, Veitch, Taylor, Janney.

The following report was presented by the Committee to whom the subject was referred, and unanimously adopted by the Council.

The Committee appointed by Council on the 20th of January in conjunction with the Mayor, to distribute the donations then received, towards the immediate relief of the indigent sufferers by the fire of the 18th and to report to Council and plan for the appropriation, and distribution of such future donations as might be received, - REPORT. that they have, in conjunction with the Mayor, proceeded agreeably to the first part of the Order of their appointment to distribute funds amongst those that they believe the most needy to relieve their immediate wants. And that they have with great assiduity and attention to the important object of their appointment, collected and examined the statements and exhibits of the individual sufferers, and estimate the amount of lost of personal property of each individual claimant according to the best evidence that they have been able to procure, and are unanimously of opinion, that it will be impossible to lay down any general plan or rule for distributing the donations amongst the sufferers, other than for it to be done under the direction, and at the discretion of a discrete committee to be appointed by the Common Council to act in conjunction with the Mayor, which is pointed out in the Law of Congress making the munificent appropriation of \$20,000 for the relief of the indigent sufferers by the fire in Alexandria of the 18th of January, an Act which exhibits in the most satisfactory manner, the fostering care and protection of the Government to those placed under their exclusive jurisdiction and as such in the opinion of your Committee, entitle the Congress of the United States to the warmest thanks of the Common Council of Alexandria, and the citizens thereof your Committee further report, that they have paid attention to the claim for loss of houses burnt, but as all of those claims have not yet been handed in, it was thought best not to defer their report, particularly as those claims can be handed in to such Committee as Council may appoint for completing the work, as to the present Committee.

Signed by order of the Committee: Phineas Janney, Chairman,
Alexandria, February 3, 1827.

And it is thereupon Resolved that the same Committee in conjunction with Mayor, be requested to proceed to make an apportionment at their discretion, of such funds as have been or may be received for the indigent sufferers by the late fire, keeping in view the intention of the donors, and that such apportionment, when completed, be reported to Council for their consideration.

The Committee for distributing funds for the relief for the indigent sufferers by the fire of the 18th January communicated to Council an application made to them in behalf of Joseph Grant a Blacksmith, residing in Washington dependent on his labor for the support of his family and now confined to his bed, and has been so every since the time of the fire here, when he volunteered his services, and came to our assistance, by which means he received a serious injury from a fall into a cellar clearing himself from the folding brick wall of a house where he was stationed at work, to assist in extinguishing the fire. The

injury received by his fall is believed to be the cause of his present illness, by which his family is deprived of their support and with him now suffering for want of the common necessities of life.

The Committee being of opinion this was case that called for the interference of the Common Council, have reported it with the document accompanying the application - whereupon, it is ordered that \$100.00 be in the same is hereby appropriated for the relief of Joseph Grant to be paid out of any monies in the Treasury and charged to the General Fund, and that the sum be transmitted to C. W. Goldsborough, Esquire, to be applied by him for the benefit of the said Joseph Grant.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Mayor under the date of 9th of October 1826, made a report accompanied by the following bills, viz.;

"An Act to provide for the removal of all paupers, vagrants, and such other persons as may not be legally entitled to residence within the limits of the Corporation of Alexandria."

"An Act respecting Apprentices, slaves and free people of color." Which was severally read a first time and laid on the table.

Ordered that Messrs. Veitch, Jamieson, Gardner and Johnston in conjunction with the President of Council and the Superintendent of Police be appointed a Committee to rent the Fish Wharf on the first day of March, and that the Superintendent of Police do advertise forthwith that he will proceed on that day to lay out and rent the stands thereon according to law, and that the said Committee do take bonds or notes with good security for the payment of the rents contracted for.

A petition having been presented by Mary D. Washington asking that certain taxes should be refunded to her which she alleges have been improperly charged on the real estate of Lawrence A. Washington and paid by her since the Year 1822 - ordered that the Auditor be directed to examine the lists of taxes as charged to said Lawrence A. Washington or his representatives since the year 1822, and to ascertain whether any and what amount of taxes have been so improperly charged - and further that he ascertain and report to Council to what other persons, and to what amount said taxes ought to have been regularly charged.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tythe and 1STO [story] improperly paid by Frances Hoyer, be refunded.

Ordered that Messrs. Jamieson, White and Anderson be a Committee to examine that lower end of Princess Street, and the situation of the Wharf at the foot of the same, and report to Council what repairs are necessary to the same.

Ordered that Messrs. Mason, Mandeville, Thompson and Veitch be a Committee to settle the accounts of the Collectors of the Northern and Southern Districts, and of all other receivers of public monies, and that they are also directed to settle the accounts of the Auditor and Treasurer at the proper time.

Ordered that Messrs. Taylor and Mandeville be a Committee to report to Council the terms in which the rooms in the new Market House now occupied by E. I. Lee have been rented, and to receive proposal for the rent of of the vacant rooms.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

12 February 1827

In Council. Present: Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Johnston, Thompson, White, Mandeville, Jamieson, Anderson, Mason, Butcher, Massie, Taylor, Veitch, Gardner, Janney.

The President being absent, Mr. Janney was appointed President pro tem.:

A petition from John Churchman was received and read and referred to Messrs. Taylor and Mandeville.

A communication from N. S. Wise, Esquire, Chairman of the Committee of the Levy Court was received and read and was referred to the Committee appointed at the last meeting on the subject of renting the rooms in the new Market House.

Ordered that the tax on 1 house improperly charged to, and paid by William Stabler be refunded.

Ordered that the tax on 1. 4W carriage improperly charged to and paid by Edward Stabler be refunded.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bills entitled "An Act respecting Apprentices, slaves, and free people of color" and "An Act to provide for the removal of all paupers, vagrants, and such other persons as may not be legally entitled to residence within the limits of the Corporation of Alexandria," which was recommitted to the Committee who reported them.

Ordered that the tax on 1 dog improperly charged to Jessie Smith be remitted.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tythe, improperly charged to and paid by Edward Sauls, be refunded.

A petition from the Police Constables was received and read, and referred to Messrs. Veitch and Butcher.

The Council then adjourned
signed Phineas Janney, President pro tem.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

15 February 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Johnston, Thompson, White, Jamieson, Anderson, Mandeville, Mason, Gardner, Massie, Veitch, Janney, Taylor.

A communication from the Mayor in relation to the case of Henry Keys a colored man injured at the late fire was received and read and referred to Messrs. Thompson and Veitch.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Churchman made a report which was adopted by the Council and thereupon ordered that the fine of \$1.07 imposed on the petitioner by the Mayor for selling bread in the public Market on the Sabbath Day, and cost amounting to \$1.00, be returned to him.

Mr. Taylor from the Committee reported the bills, entitled,

"An Act to provide for the removal of paupers, vagrants, and such other persons as may not legally be entitled to residence within the Corporation."

"An Act respecting Apprentices, slaves, and free people of color" which were severally read a first time and laid on the table.

Ordered that the Clerk of Council do cause to be presented 150 copies of the Act of Congress "Further to amend the Charter of the Town of Alexandria," and of such Acts of the Common Council as have been passed since the last publication of their laws, for the use of the Common Council, the expense to be charged to General Fund.

The following persons were appointed Commissioners for holding elections in the different Wards on Tuesday the 6th day of March next, for members to serve in the Common Council for the ensuing 12 months.

Samuel Lindsay
Matthew Robinson
Thomas Sanford

At Rhodes Tavern for the
First Ward

Guy Atkinson
William Gregory
Silas Reed

At the Council Chamber for
the Second Ward

A. C. Cazenove
Bathurst Daingerfield
James Douglass

At the Indian Queen Tavern for
the Third Ward

James Harper
George S. Hough
Jonah H. Davis

At Mrs. Mills', corner of Prince
and Alfred Streets for the Fourth
Ward.

A Communication from the Mayor was received enclosing the following list of donations received by him for the relief of the sufferers by the fire of 18th January.

TABLE A

<u>Date</u>	<u>Donation Received From</u>	<u># Dollars</u>	<u># of Cents</u>
Jan 20	Corporation of Georgetown. By the Mayor	\$500	.00
Jan 20	A gentleman in Washington.	\$100	.00
Jan 20	Richard Smith, Esquire, Cashier. B. R., B. K. U. S. Washington.	\$50	.00
Jan 20	A gentleman in Washington.	\$5	.00
Jan 20	Doctor William Washington, Alexandria.	\$20	.00
Jan 22	Several gentlemen of Georgetown by Mr. S. Nickolls, Esquire.	\$216	.00
Jan 22	Consul General of Great Britain, Washington.	\$20	.00
Jan 22	Vice Consul of Great Britain, Washington.	\$10	.00
Jan 22	Collected at Christ Church of Washington	\$47	.25
Jan 23	Members of Congress by T. Davenport, Esquire.	\$645	.00
Jan 23	Judge Washington, Mount Vernon.	\$100	.00
Jan 23	Mrs. Zantbringer by J. B. Ingale, Washington.	\$5	.00

Jan 24	Richard Harrison, Esquire. Washington. By J. Thompson.	\$15	.62
Jan 24	Thomas Fairfax, Esquire, Alexandria.	\$100	.00
Jan 24	William Brown, Manager of Ciscies, Washington.	\$116	.00
Jan 24	Corporation of Washington, by the Mayor.	\$1,000	.00
Jan 24	John B. Grubb, Philadelphia.	\$10	.00
Jan 24	Mrs. C. Foxall, Georgetown by the Reverend W. Hemphill.	\$100	.00
Jan 25	Bank of Washington by W. A. Bradley, Cashier.	\$300	.00
Jan 25	Alexandria Lodge #22 by the Worshipful Master.	\$10	.00
Jan 25	Baron D. Maziecil, Minister from France, Washington.	\$50	.00
Jan 25	A member of Congress by W. A Bradley, Esquire.	<u>\$16</u> \$3,435	<u>.00</u> .87
Of forward			
Jan 25	Enclosed in a blank letter through the Post Office.	\$25	.00
Jan 25	Robert Taylor, Esquire, House of Representatives.	\$10	.00
Jan 27	Treasury by the United States by Law of Congress.	\$20,000	.00
Jan 27	Enclosed in a letter without signature.	\$20	.00
Jan 30	Silvestre Ribello Charge d'Affairs from Brasil.	\$30	.00
Jan 31	Nathaniel Burwell, Esquire, Virginia by C. P. Thompson.	\$20	.00
Jan 31	Lawerence Lewis, Esquire, Woodlawn, Fairfax County.	\$20	.00
Jan 31	H. C. Scott, Esquire, Upper Marlboro by A. C. Cazenove.	\$5	.00

Feb 1	The Managers of a Concert at Washington by N. P. Poor.	\$262	.00
Feb 5	Robert Bentley, Esquire, Leesburg by S. Snowden.	\$10	.00
Feb 5	Patriotic Bank of Washington by A. Bradley, Esquire.	\$200	.00
Feb 10	George Fayette, Washington by J. Hooff, Esquire.	\$20	.00
Feb 10	Doctor William Beans, Upper Marlboro by A. C. Cazenove.	\$10	.00
Feb 14	Sundry Citizens of Leesburg by the Mayor.	\$100	.00
Feb 14	Simon Summners, Esquire, County of Alexandria.	<u>\$10</u> <u>\$24,177</u>	<u>.00</u> <u>.87</u>
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The Committee appointed to make an apportionment and etc., this day returned their report with a schedule showing the names of the sufferers and the sums assigned to them respectively; whereupon the said report was received and confirmed, and it is thereupon ordered that Phineas Janney, Esquire, be appointed Agent on behalf of the Common Council to make distribution of the funds amongst the sufferers according to the said report and schedule, which follow, and to make a report on the same when completed - report - report - [sic]

The Committee appointed by the Common Council to act in conjunction with the Mayor for apportioning the donations for the benefit of the indigent sufferers by the fire of the 18th of January, report that in conformity with the resolution of Council of the third inst., they proceeded in conjunction with the Mayor to apportion the donations received amounting, including the grant by Congress, to \$24,177.87, amongst those sufferers by the fire that appears to come within the view of the donors, and have apportioned the whole sum as per the Congress list, with the sum or sums apportioned to each one set opposite to their names in different columns denoting the amount on each, personal and real estate, and the sum total, with the remarks of the committee opposite to each apportionment, to which please refer - how with much labor and attention to duties of their apportionment, in which the Mayor has cordially united brought the business referred to them to a close with much unanimity, and although they dare not flatter themselves that they labors will give entire satisfaction to the receivers of the bounty of the donors, yet they indulge the hope that the Common Council will be satisfied that they have done all in their powers to comply with the object of their appointment.

All of which is respectfully submitted for the consideration of Council.

By order of the Committee signed Phineas Janney, Chairman

Date: Alexandria, February 14, 1827.

Apportionment of the donations for the indigent sufferers by the fire of the 18th of January 1827 by the Committee of the Council and the Mayor.

TABLE B

	<u>Last Names</u>	<u>Personal</u>	<u>Real</u>	<u>Total Sum</u>	<u>Remark</u>
A	Adam, John, Silversmith	0	750	750	On condition of the house being rebuilt.
B	Brocchus, Thomas	250	0	250	Paid in part \$25.
	Baggett, Samuel	10	150	160	
	Brown, John	30	0	30	
	Brent, Moses	5	0	5	Paid to him by the Mayor.
	Butler, John	7	0	7	Paid to him by the Mayor.
	Boler, Fanny	5	0	5	Paid to her by the Mayor.
C	Cartwright, Seth, heirs of,	0	300	300	
	Cohagen, and Whittle	100	0	100	
	Caton, Mrs.	40	0	40	Paid in advance \$10.
	Churchman, John	30	0	30	
	Chauncey, John	40	0	40	Paid in advance \$10.

	Creighton, John	20	0	20	Paid to him by the Mayor.
D	Degge, Robert, F.	20	0	20	Paid to him by the Mayor.
	Dean, Widow of Samuel	20	0	20	Paid to her by the Mayor.
	Drury, Ann	5	0	5	Paid to her by the Mayor.
	Davis, Thomas, Maltster	40	0	40	
	Dodd, Joseph	200	0	200	
	Douglas, Dr. Charles, Estate	0	400	400	
E	Entwisle, Mary	5	0	5	Paid by the Mayor.
F	Farrell, Grafton	10	0	10	
	Fottrel, Jacob	20	0	20	
	Fields, Johnathan	40	0	40	
	Fitzhugh, Norman, R.	0	750	750	On condition of the houses being rebuilt.
G	Green, James	200	0	200	
	Green, Mrs.	30	0	30	Paid by the Mayor.
H	Hunt, Mrs.	20	0	20	Paid by the Mayor.
	Head, Lucy	3	0	3	Paid by the Mayor.
	Hewes, Widower of Aaron	10	0	10	Paid by the Mayor.
	Hill, Gadadus	25	0	25	

	Hill, George	250	0	250	
	Hill, Mrs. Eleanor	35	0	35	
	Harper, William	0	400	400	
	Harper, Dr. William	400	500	900	On condition that the house is rebuilt and paid in advance of \$50.
	Horwell, Richard	130	0	130	Paid in advance \$6.
	Horwell, Lucinda	20	0	20	
	Hobbs, Henry	75	0	75	Paid in advance \$25.
	Harris, John	30	40	70	Paid in advance \$10.
	Hepburn, John	25	0	25	
I	Isabel, William	600	0	600	
J	Johnston, John and daughters	150	0	150	Paid in advance \$30.
	Jackson, Isaac	10	0	10	Paid by the Mayor.
L	Leary, Sarah	10	0	10	Paid by the Mayor.
	LaBlanch, Fanny	10	0	10	Paid by the Mayor.
	Labille, L.I.C.	20	0	20	
M	May, Jonathan, C.	2,500	600	3,100	On condition of rebuilding to- bacco factory house.

	May, John, Estate of	0	500	500	To rebuild ad- joining J.C. Mays tobacco factory.
	Marsteller, S.A.	250	0	250	
	McFarland, John	175	0	175	Paid in advance \$70.
	Mount, Thomas	100	0	100	
	Murphy, Mrs.	60	0	60	Paid in advance \$5.
	McClish, A.	25	0	25	
	Morse, and Josseline	20	0	20	
	Mansfield, Henry	30	0	30	
	Masterson, Laughlin	25	0	25	
	Massey, Robert	20	0	20	
	Mills, Widow	10	0	10	Paid by the Mayor.
	Mortimer, Julia	8	0	8	Paid by the Mayor.
N	Nickolls, Matilda	5	0	5	Paid by the Mayor.
	Nicholas, Zachariah	75	0	75	Paid in advance \$4.
	Nightingale, James	75	0	75	
	Newton, Augustine, I.	150	0	150	

P	Price, William	50	0	50	Paid by the Mayor.
R	Robinson, James	500	0	500	
	Rhodes, Anthony	100	500	600	On condition of rebuilding on Prince Street.
	Rhodes, A.	0	200	200	On condition of rebuilding on Union Street.
	Rhodes, Peter	40	0	40	Paid in advance \$8.
	Riddle, Joshua Estate	0	500	500	To rebuild with brick.
	Rumney, John	120	0	100	Paid in advance \$20.
	Rudd, John	75	0	75	
	Resler, Mary	10	0	10	
	Robey, Eliza	40 ⁷ / ₈	0	40 ⁷ / ₈	Paid by the Mayor.
	Reynolds, I., Painter	20	0	20	Paid by the Mayor.
S	Saunders, Hannah	5	0	5	Paid by the Mayor.
	Smith, Margaret	5	0	5	Paid by the Mayor.
	Swain, George	20	0	20	
	Sleigh, William	5	0	5	
	Sheehy, Edward	4,000	400	4,400	On condition of rebuilding house.

	Snyder, Matthias	500	800	1,300	On condition of rebuilding house.
	Slacum, George Estate	0	600	600	On condition of rebuilding house.
	Simmonds, Jane	0	600	600	On condition of rebuilding house.
	Smith, Samuel	10	0	10	
	Smoot & Company, Charles	50	0	50	
	Sacks, Lucy	5	0	5	Paid by the Mayor.
T	Triplett Mrs.	10	0	10	Paid by the Mayor.
	Talbott, Sara Widow	5	0	5	Paid by the Mayor.
U	Urie, Arthur T.	50	500	550	On condition of rebuilding.
V	Vowell, Dr. John, D.	0	400	400	On condition of rebuilding.
W	Wilson, James, daughters of	200	1,900	2,100	On condition of rebuilding.
	Wise, Peter, for Mary Anne	0	750	750	On condition of rebuilding.
	Wright, Daniel	20	50	70	
	Wedderburn, Dr. William	80	0	80	Paid in advance \$50.

Wells, John	5	0	5	Paid by the Mayor.
Warner, Leander A.	100	0	100	Paid by the Mayor.
Wiley, Mary wife of Thomas	5	0	5	Paid by the Mayor.
Waters, Jonathan	12	0	12	Paid by the Mayor.
Williams, Joseph	5	0	5	Paid by the Mayor.
Wilson, James	10	0	10	Paid by the Mayor.
Paid to Sundry Persons in small sums by the Mayor as shown to the Committee	52	0	52	
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The amount apportioned \$24,177.87.

Signed: Phineas Janney, Chairman
John C. Vowell
Edmund I. Lee
John A. Stewart
Thompson F. Mason

Date: Alexandria, February 14, 1827.

Resolved that the thanks of the Common Council be returned to the Mayor and Members of the Committee appointed to make an apportionment and for the zeal and ability manifested by them and the discharge of the duty assigned to them.

The Council then adjourned
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c

28 February 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, Mason, Gardner, Taylor, Janney, Veitch, Massie.

Thomas Smith was appointed a Commissioner of Elections for the Third Ward in the place of Bathurst Daingerfield deceased.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred reported a Bill entitled "an Act to amend 'an Act entitled an Act reducing into one and amending the several Acts respecting Auctioneers'", which was read a first, and laid on the table.

Ordered that the tax on 3 tythes and 1 STO. improperly charged to Leander Warner in 1824 be remitted.

Ordered that the tax on 2 STO. and 2 LSTO [lower story] improperly charged to and paid by William McKnights' Estate for 1826 be refunded.

Ordered that the collection of the balance of taxes due from John McFarland for 1826 be suspended for 6 months.

Ordered that the tax on 1 STO., improperly charged to and paid by Peter Loudoun for 1825 and 1826 be refunded.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tythe improperly charged to Thomas Steel be remitted.

Ordered that Gardner, Massie and Butcher be a Committee to examine into the condition of the well at the intersection of King and Columbus Streets, and make a report to the Council.

The Committee to whom was referred the case of Harry Keys made a report which was concurred in by the Council, and thereupon, ordered that the sum of \$10.00 be paid to Harry Keys in consideration of the injury sustained by his exposure and exertions at the fire of the 18th ultmo.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Police Constables made report which was read and laid on the table.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Mayor on the subject of the Corporation stock, and the emission of Due Bills, made report accompanied by a Bill entitled "an Act authorizing the issuing of the Due Bills and for the use of the Corporation of Alexandria," which Bill was read a first time and laid on the table.

The Committee appointed to examine the Laws of the Corporation relative to the prevention and extinguishment of fire, made a report, accompanied by a Bill entitled, "An Act authorizing an appropriation annually for the benefit of Fire Companies, and for other purposes" which Bill was read a first time and laid on the table.

The Committee appointed to examine and settle the Public Accounts of the Collectors, Auditor and Treasurer made a report on the subject which was adopted by the Council.

The above Committee reported a general statement of the accounts of the Corporation which was ordered to be presented.

Ordered that Messrs. Mason, Gardner, Mandeville and Taylor be a committee to ascertain and report the Council what legislative provisions may be necessary to carry into affect the measures suggested by the report of the Committee on Accounts, this evening adopted by the Common Council.

Resolved that the balance of \$341.87 now charged as rent of warehouse to John Muncaster, Collector of the Southern District, be allowed to him as a credit for so much of the balance of account this evening reported against him by the Committee of Accounts.

The Committee then adjourned
until tomorrow evening at
5 1/2 o'clock
signed John C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

1 March 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Thompson, Stewart, Anderson, Mandeville, Jamieson, Mason, Butcher, Janney, Veitch, Gardner, Taylor, Massie, White, Johnston.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled an Act to reducing into one and amending the several Acts respecting Auctioneers," and after having made some progress in the second reading, it was upon motion laid on the table.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act to provide for the removal of paupers, vagrants, and such other persons as may not legally be entitled to residence within the Corporation", which was read second time and amended, and on motion it was then read a third time and passed.

The Committee appointed to rent out the Fish Wharf, made a report which was accepted by the Council.

The Committee appointed to examine the well at the intersection of King and Columbus Street, made a report which was read, and accepted by the Council, and thereupon order the Superintendent of Police be directed to cause a well to be dug in the same neighborhood not less than 8 feet in diameter in the clear, and provided with proper pump.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act authorizing the issuing of due bills in the name, and for the use of the Corporation of Alexandria," which was read a second and third times and passed.

The Council resumed the consideration of the bill entitled, "An Act authorizing an appropriation annually for the benefit of Fire Companies, and for other purposes" which was read a second and third time and passed.

The Council then adjourned
until tomorrow evening at
5 1/2 o'clock
signed J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

2 March 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Anderson, Jamieson, Butcher, Veitch, Mandeville, Janney, Johnston, Gardner, Mason, Taylor, Massie.

Resolved that the balance of the bills amounting to the sums of \$1,553.37 returned by the Committee of Accounts, as held up for collection, be forthwith placed in the hands of John Johnston for collection, and that 10% be allowed for their collection, and that bond and security be taken in the penalty of \$1,500, faithfully to collect and account for the same.

The Council resumed the second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'an Act reducing into one and amending the several Acts respecting Auctioneers'", and having gone through the same, the Bill was upon motion read a third time and passed.

The Committee appointed to ascertain and report to Council what legislative provisions may be necessary to carry into affect the measures suggested by the report of the Committee of Accounts adopted on the 28th of February, reported an Bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'an Act to provide more effectively for the collection of the public revenue'", passed the 11th day of May 1825, which was read twice, and upon motion ninth rule was suspended, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act respecting Apprentices, Slaves, and free people of color," which was read a second and third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows,

Yeas - Messrs. Thompson, Johnston, Jamieson, Mandeville, Gardner, Mason, Veitch, Taylor, Vowell - 9.

Nays - Messrs. Stewart, Harriss, White, Anderson, Butcher, Massie, Janney - 7.

The Mayor transmitted to the Council his account of fines and forfeitures, which was ordered to be filed.

Ordered that the Auditor issue a warrant in favor of John Johnston for \$20.00 for extra services and expenses as Messenger during the present year.

Ordered that the sum of \$25.00 be allowed to Davis Bowie for extra services as Police Constable for the present year.

Resolved unanimously, that the thanks of the Common Council be and hereby tendered to John C. Vowell, Esquire, for the faithful and impartial discharge of his duties as President of the Council.

The Council then adjourned, sine die
signed John C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Minutes
For the Year Eighteen Hundred and Twenty-Seven
Beginning on the 8th Day of March
1827

Members of Council

John A. Stewart
Thomas Sanford
Joseph Harriss
Craven P. Thompson

For the First Ward

Robert Anderson
Robert Jamieson
James McGuire
Joseph Mandeville

For the Second Ward

William C. Gardner
John W. Massie
Thomas Smith
Robert Brockett, Jr.

For the Third Ward

John C. Vowell
William Veitch
Phineas Janney
Robert I. Taylor

For the Fourth Ward

We, the undersigned Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election at Rhodes Tavern on the 6th instant for Members to represent the First Ward in a Common Council of Alexandria for the ensuing year, do hereby Certify that the following Gentlemen were duly elected, viz.:

John A. Stewart
Thomas Sanford
Joseph Harris
C. P. Thompson

Given under our hands and seals this 7th day of March, 1827:

Matthew Robinson
Saml. Lindsay
Thomas Sanford

We, the undersigned Commissioners appointed to Superintend an Election held at the Council Chamber on March 6, 1827 where Members of Council for the Second Ward, due hereby Certify that:

Robert Anderson
Robert Jamieson
James McGuire
Joseph Mandeville

Having received the greatest number of votes, are duly elected,
given under our Hands and Seals:

Alexandria, March 7, 1827

Guy Atkinson
Silas Reed
William Gregory

The Subscribers appointed to Superintend an Election held at the
Indian Queen Tavern, where members to Represent the Third Ward in
the Common Council for the ensuring year, do hereby Certify the
following Gentleman to be duly elected:

John W. Massie
William C. Gardner
Thomas Smith
Robert Brockett, Jr.

Given under our hands and seals respectively:

Alexandria, March 6, 1827

Anthony C. Cazenove
James Douglass
Thomas Smith

The Subscribers, Commissioners for holding an election for Common
Councilmen in the Fourth Ward, do hereby Certify that:

John C. Vowell
William Veitch
Phineas Janney
Robert Taylor

Were duly elected, as witness our Hands and Seals this Sixth day
of March 1827:

George S. Hough
James Harper
Josiah H. Davis

At a Meeting of the Persons elected to serve in the Common
Council for the ensuing year at the Council Chamber on Thursday
the Eighth day of March 1827.

Present: Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Sanford, McGuire,
Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, Smith, Brockett, Massie, Gardner,
Vowell, Taylor, Veitch, Janney.

On Balloting for a President of Council, John C. Vowell, Esquire,
was unanimously re-elected, who, after taking the Oath of Office,
Prescribed by Law before Jacob Morgan, Esquire, a Justice of the
Peace, administered the same to the Members present.

On balloting for a Clerk and Auditor, J. P. Thompson was unanimously re-elected.

On balloting for Messengers, John Johnston was unanimously re-elected.

On balloting for Mayor, Thomson F. Mason, Esquire, was duly elected.

The Rules and Regulations of the last Council were adopted as the Rules and Regulations of the Present.

Ordered, that Messrs. Mandeville, Janney, Gardner and Thompson be a Committee to bring in Bills, "Fixing the salaries of the Officers of the Corporation" and "For raising a revenue for the present year."

The Mayor-elect appeared in Council and had the Oath of Office administered to him by Jacob Morgan, Esquire a Justice of the Peace.

Ordered that Messrs. Janney and Veitch be a Committee to examine the Fish Wharf, and if in their opinion it is necessary to have a log or logs placed upon the front or southeast corner thereof, they cause the same to be done.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

12 March 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President, Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, Smith, Brockett, Gardner, Massie, Veitch, Taylor, Janney.

Mr. Mandeville, from the Committee, reported a Bill "for fixing the Salaries of the Officers of the Corporation for the year 1827," which was read twice, and the blanks being filled in, upon motion, the 9th rule was suspended, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Council proceeded to elect by ballot the following Officers to serve during the ensuing year viz.:

James Carson, Superintendent of Police
John Johnston, Superintendent of Watch
Samuel Wheeler, Clerk of the Market
John Shakes, Keeper of the Powder House
William Washington, Physician for the Poor House
Benjamin C. Ashton, Treasurer for the Corporation

Robert I. Taylor, Attorney for the Corporation
James Thomas, Keeper of the Poor House
David Black, Corder of Wood and Bark
Anthony Rhodes, Inspector of Fish
George McClish, Gauger of Casks, Inspector of Whiskey, etc.
Benjamin Barton, Keeper of the Town Clock
Loudoun Campbell, William Campbell, Measurers and Inspectors of Lumber
Matthias Snyder, Jacob Morgan, Thompson Jacobs, George S.
Hough, Trustees of the Poor.

The following Persons were elected Watchman for the ensuing year, viz.:

John B. Hancock
Henry Mansfield
John M. Clarke
George Johnston
Gerrard Arnold
Henry Tatspaugh
John Keezendorfer
Robert Slatford

The following Persons were appointed a "Board of Health" for the ensuing year, viz.:

North of King Street --

A. C. Cazenove
Benjamin Waters
Humphrey Peake

Between King and Prince --

N. R. Fitzhugh
John Creighton
Ezra Lunt

South of Prince Street --

Daniel Wright
Robert H. Miller
Thomas Vowell

On the application of the owner of the property on the east side of Columbus, between Duke and Wolfe Streets, to have a footway regulated, side stones set, and the gutter paved, it is Ordered that Messrs., Taylor, Janney, and Massie be a Committee to Examine the Premises, and report to Council thereon.

The Council then adjourned
until tomorrow evening at 6:00
John C. Vowell, President

Test:

J.P. Thompson, c.c.

13 March 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, Smith, Brockett, Gardner, Massie, Veitch, Taylor, and Janney.

On balloting for Assessors, Isaac Robbins and William Harper were duly elected.

On balloting for Police Constables, Davis Bowie and John M. Clarke were duly elected.

On balloting for a Watchman in the place of John M. Clarke, appointed a Police Constable, James Heatherington was duly elected.

Ordered that Messrs. Mandeville, Sanford and Smith be a Committee to inquire whether it be expedient to provide by Law for the Establishment and support of a Dispensary.

Ordered that Messrs. Gardner, Janney, Mandeville, Thompson and the President of Council be a Committee to inquire into the expediency of preparing the room called the Town Hall for the future meetings of the Council.

Ordered that the Scavenger employed by the Corporation shall hereafter be required to clean all streets, alleys, and gutters within the limits of the Corporation, and to remove all nuisances therefrom, under the direction of the Superintendent of Police and that the advertisement for proposals, these requirements shall be fully expressed.

Ordered that Messrs. Janney, Gardner, Mandeville, Stewart, and the President of Council be a Committee to Examine and Report what provisions are expedient and necessary for the prevention and extinguishment of fire, and that the Report of the Committee of the last Council on this Subject be referred to the said Committee.

The Committee appointed to inquire whether it be expedient to provide by law for the Establishment and Support of a Dispensary, made a Report which was concurred in by Council, and thereupon, ordered that Messrs. Taylor, Smith, and Anderson be a Committee to bring in a Bill Providing for the Establishment of a Dispensary for the Town.

Ordered that Messrs. Taylor and Mandeville be a Committee to Report to Council, the terms on which the rooms in the New Market House, now occupied by E. I. Lee have been rented, and to reserve proposals for the rent of the vacant rooms.

A communication from Mordecai Miller on the Subject of the Law for licensing Auctioneers, was received and read and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

22 March 1827

In Council. Present. John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, Smith, Brockett, Massie, Gardner, Veitch, and Janney.

Resolved that the Mayor and Robert I. Taylor, Edmund I. Lee, and Humphrey Peake, Esquires, or any two of them be a Committee from the Corporation of Alexandria to meet the President and Directors, on stockholders of the Leesburg Turnpike Road, to consult with them regarding their continuance of that road to Wiley's Tavern in Fairfax County, to ascertain definitively what that Company will do towards the Object, and to report their proceedings and the result thereof to Council.

A petition from Sundry Property Holders on Prince, between Fairfax and Union Streets, was received and read and referred to Messrs. Mandeville, Stewart, Smith, and Janney.

Resolved, that Cohagen and Whittle have permission to keep a stove in the front room of the building rented by them from the Corporation, and that the same be put up under the direction of the Superintendent of Police.

Ordered that the Laws now enforced regulating auctions in the Town of Alexandria be referred to Messrs. Janney, Stewart, Mandeville, Smith, and the President of Council, who are appointed a Committee to examine the Same and Report whether any and what alterations are necessary therein, and that they have liberty to report by Bill or otherwise.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

31 March 1827

In Council. Present. John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Mandeville, Smith, Brockett, Massie, Veitch, and Janney.

Ordered that the tax on one STO improperly charged to and paid by Henry Wilbar be refunded.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry Property Holders on Prince, between Fairfax and Union Streets, made a report which was read and concurred in by Council.

The Committee appointed to inquire into the expediency of preparing the room, called the Town Hall for the future meetings of Council, made a report which was concurred in by Council, and thereupon, ordered that Messrs. Janney, Gardner, Mandeville, Thompson and the President of Council be a Committee to prepare the same, and that \$100 be appropriated for that purpose.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the proprietor of the lot on the southside of Duke, and east side of Columbus Street, made a Report which was concurred in by Council, and thereupon, ordered that the Superintendent of Police be directed to regulate Columbus Street, from Duke to Wolfe Street, the said regulation to extend inwards from the east line of Columbus, to the west footway thereof; the west footway to be left for the present undisturbed; and that the petitioners be allowed at his own expense to set the side stones, and pave the footway on the east side according to such Regulation.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred reported An Act, entitled "An Act for the Establishment and Support of a Dispensary," which was read a first time and laid on the table.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred reported a Bill entitled "An Act Amending the Acts Respecting Auctioneers" which was read a first time and laid on the table.

A Communication from William Harper, was received and read and referred to Messrs. Taylor, Smith, Anderson, and Stewart.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

27 April 1827

In Council. Present. John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, Smith, Brockett, Massie, Veitch, Janney, Taylor, and Gardner.

A Communication from the Mayor on the Subject of the new jail was received and read and referred to Messrs. Janney, Gardner, Mandeville, Stewart, and the President of the Council.

Reported that the tax on one dog, charged to James Fugate, be remitted.

The Bill appointed to meet the President and Directors or the stockholders of the Leesburg Turnpike Road, to consult with them regarding their continuance of that road to Wiley's Tavern in Fairfax County, and to ascertain definitively what that Company will do towards the object, made a Report which was read and referred to Messrs. Veitch, Smith, Mandeville, and Sanford with directions to report on the Subject by Bill or otherwise.

Resolved that the Council will sit as a Court of Appeals at the Council Chamber on the 10th, 11th, 12th days of May next from 10:00 until 1:00, each day.

Ordered that the amount of Commission charged by Samuel A. Marsteller for renting the Corporation property at the lower end of Duke Street be carried to his credit on account of his debt due to the Corporation for his Auction license.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act Amending the Acts Respecting Auctioneers" which was read a second and third time, and passed.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act for the Establishment and Support of a Dispensary" which was read a second and third time and passed.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

28 April 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Sanford, Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, McGuire, Smith, Massie, Brockett, Veitch, and Janney.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Mayor on the Subject of the new jail, made a report which was concurred in, and thereupon ordered that Messrs. Janney, Mandeville, and the President of the Council be appointed a Committee to await on the Commissioner and the Architect of the Public Buildings at Washington, and on the President of the United States, if necessary, to obtain an alteration of the present plan of the building.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Court of Appeals

The Court met this day May 10, 1827 pursuant to public notice.

Present: Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, Gardner, Brockett, Massie, Smith, Veitch, Janney.

The President being absent, Mr. Gardner was appointed Pres: pro tem.

Ordered that the tax on one shop be remitted William N. Mills.

The Court then adjourned
until tomorrow.

William C. Gardner, Pres: pro tem.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

11 May 1827

The Court met this day pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Mandeville, Jamieson, Smith, Brockett, Gardner, Veitch, Janney, Sanford, Taylor.

The President being absent, Mr. Gardner was appointed Pres: pro tem.

Ordered that a lot on Water Street and Alley charged to Edmund I. Lee, be transferred to the account of Alexander Veitch.

The Court then adjourned
until tomorrow.

William C. Gardner, Pres: pro tem.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

12 May 1827

The Court met this day pursuant to adjournment.

Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Mandeville, Jamieson, Smith, Gardner, Brockett, Massie, Veitch, Janney, Taylor.

Ordered that the sum of \$200 be deducted from the valuation of H. and lot on Union Street, charged to Christian Hellrigel.

Ordered that the sum of \$500 be deducted from the valuation on H. and lot, corner of King and Waters Streets, charged to Mandeville and Larmour.

The Council then adjourned, sine die
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

12 May 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Harriss, Thompson, Sanford, Stewart, McGuire, Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, Smith, Gardner, Brockett, Massie, Veitch, Janney.

A Communication from the Mayor advising the Council of the receipt of a donation from Alexander Henry of Manchester, England, was received and read, whereupon resolved that the Mayor be requested to acknowledge the receipt of the donation from Alexander Henry, Esquire, of Manchester, England, and to tender him the thanks of the Common Council of Alexandria, in behalf of the indigent sufferers by the fire of the 18 January for his liberality.

Ordered, that the Mayor be requested to pay over the amount of the above mentioned donation to the Committee appointed by the last Council to distribute the donations heretofore received.

The Mayor transmitted to the Council an account of Way and Gideon of Washington for printing 2,000 copies of the Proceedings of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Convention, and thereupon Ordered that the Auditor be directed to issue a warrant for one-third of the amount of the above account.

A Communication from Christopher Neale was received and read, and preferred to Messrs. McGuire, Sanford, Gardner, and Veitch.

A Petition from Peter Paris was received and read and transferred to Messrs. Gardner and Jamieson.

A Communication from the Superintendent of Police on the Subject of the fence round the Public Burying Ground was received and read and referred to Messrs. Janney, Smith, McGuire and Thompson.

Ordered, that the Superintendent of Police be directed to fill up the lot of Alexander Kerr on Pitt Street, so far as it may be necessary to remove the existing nuisance.

The Committee appointed to wait on the Superintendent of Public Buildings to request certain alterations to be made in the Plan of the New Jail presented to the Council, a letter from the Commissioner at Washington consenting to the same, and ordering them to be made.

The Committee to whom was referred the Subject of the road to Wiley's Tavern in Fairfax County, made a Report accompanied by a Bill entitled, "An Act Authorizing a Subscription by the Common Council of Alexandria for the Stock of the Middle Turnpike Company," which Bill was read a first time, and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
until Tuesday at 6 1/2 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

15 May 1827

In Council. Present: Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Thompson, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, Smith, Brockett, Gardner, Massie, Taylor, Veitch, Janney.

The President being absent Mr. Janney was appointed Pres: pro tem.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act Authorizing a Subscription by the Common Council of Alexandria, for Stock of the Middle Turnpike Company."

The following Amendment was moved by Mr. Taylor.

"Provided, however, that no such Subscription shall be made until the Leesburg Turnpike Company shall have entered into such engagements satisfactory to the Common Council to continue their road to the West Bank of Difficult Run."

The ayes and those being called for on this amendments were as follows:

Ayes -- Messrs. Stewart, Thompson, Anderson, Taylor, Veitch, Janney. (6)

Noes: Messrs. Harriss, Sanford, McGuire, Jamieson, Mandeville, Smith, Brockett, Gardner, Massie -- (9).

The following Amendment was proposed by Mr. Taylor:

"That an annual tax of [left blank] cents in the hundred dollars on the assessed value of the real property in the town of Alexandria be, and is hereby imposed, to be appropriated exclusively to the payment of the interest and the reduction of

the principal of such loans as may hereafter authorized to pay the said subscription -- which tax shall continue until such loans shall be paid."

The Ayes and Noes being called in this Amendment were as follows: Ayes -- Messrs. Thompson, Taylor, Janney -- (3).

Noes -- Messrs. Harriss, Stewart, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Jamieson, Mandeville, Smith, Brockett, Gardner, Massie, Veitch (12).

The title of the Bill was amended so as to read, "An Act Authorizing a Subscription by the Common Council of Alexandria for the Stock of Certain Turnpike Companies therein mentioned."

The second reading of the Bill having been gone through, it was upon motion read a third time and passed.

Ordered that the tax on one Sto. improperly charged to and unpaid by David Dick be refunded for the year 1826.

The Council then adjourned
Phenias Janney, President, pro tem.

Test:

J. C. Thompson, c.c.

6 June 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. McGuire, Anderson, Mandeville, Harriss, Stewart, Taylor, Veitch, Brockett, Smith, Gardner, Massie.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred, reported a Bill entitled, "An Act for Raising a Revenue for the Year 1827," which was read a first time and laid on the table.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication from Christopher Neale, made a Report which was read and concurred in by Council. A Petition from James M. Stewart was received and read and referred to Messrs. Veitch, Stewart and the Superintendent of Police.

A petition from Jonathan C. May, was received and read and referred to Messrs. Veitch, Anderson and Gardner with directions to unite with the Superintendent of Police in renting the Corporation Wharf for the Summer Season, and to make a report to Council.

On balloting for a Keeper of the Dispensary, William Washington was unanimously elected.

The Council then adjourned
until tomorrow evening at 6 1/2 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

7 June 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Brockett, Gardner, Smith, Massie, Taylor, Sanford,
Thompson, Stewart, McGuire, Anderson, Mandeville, Veitch.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James M. Stewart made a report which was concurred in by Council.

Ordered that the President of Council be directed to vote the following ticket at an Election for President and Director of the Middle Turnpike Company to be held on the 9th instant, viz.: Thompson Fellason, President -- Hugh Smith, William C. Gardner, John A. Stewart, John C. Vowell, James McGuire -- Directors.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jonathan C. May, made a Report which was concurred in, and thereupon ordered that the buildings and improvements now his possession be rented to him for one year from the first Inst. for \$50, and that the Superintendent of Police take a bond with security, as usual, payable on the first day of May 1828.

The Bill entitled, "An Act for Raising a Revenue for the Year 1827" was recommitted to the Committee who reported it with the addition of Mr. Taylor.

A Communication from the Treasurer was read and referred to Messrs. Gardner and McGuire.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

11 June 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Brockett, Smith, Massie, Taylor, Veitch, Thompson, Stewart, Harriss, McGuire, Mandeville, Sanford, Gardner.

A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a letter from the Honorable Charles F. Mercer, on the Subject of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, was received and read and laid on the table.

Ordered that the tax on one Sto. [story] for the year 1823 and for one cart for the year 1826, improperly charged to and paid by Thomas Cooke's estate be refunded.

Resolved that Messrs. Taylor and Smith be a Committee to examine and report whether any and what Amendments are necessary to the Act providing for the Collection of the Revenue of the Corporation.

Resolved, that the Auditor do give notice once a week for six weeks by advertisement in the Phoenix Gazette that the statement of tenements and lots of ground on which taxes and assessments have remained unpaid for the space of two years or more, with the names of the proprietors and the amount of such taxes and assessments, has been prepared and will remain in his hands until the first day of August next, for the inspection of the public, and that after that time the Common Council will proceed to enforce the payment of the said taxes and assessments by the sale of the said tenements and lots according to the provisions of the Act of Congress. And it is further Resolved, that until the said 1st day of August the Council will receive from the parties charged, any information or proofs tending to show that the Said taxes and assessments have been paid or improperly charged.

Ordered that Messrs. Gardner, Veitch and the President of the Council be a Committee to rent the Corporation property/late Rumney's/at the front of Duke Street.

Ordered, that Messrs. Gardner, Stewart, Veitch and Thompson be a Committee to count and destroy the defaced due bills of the Corporation in the hands of the Treasurer.

A petition from the Coopers of the Town was received and read and laid on the table.

The Auditor made a Report of the expenditures for the quarter ending the 9th day of June. A Petition from John B. Hepburn was received and read and thereupon the Council refused to grant the prayer of the petitioner.

Ordered that the Treasurer present a statement to Council to this day, exclusive of the sums of money, stating each payment, received by him in the collection of the Northern and Southern Districts separately, since the Treasurer's last account was rendered.

Ordered that Messrs. Mandeville, Sanford, Massie, and the President of Council be a Committee to bring in a Bill providing for the payment of the interest on such sums of money as may be borrowed by the Corporation for meeting the installments on their stock in the Middle Turnpike Road.

Ordered that the Clerk give notice that the Council will proceed to the election of Collectors on Wednesday next.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred, reported a Bill entitled, "An Act to Repeal the Third Section of An Act Passed the 3rd Day of March, 1827, entitled 'An Act Authorizing the Issuing of Due Bills in the Name and for the Use of the Corporation,'" which was read a first time and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

12 June 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Massie, Smith, Brockett, Taylor, Harriss, Stewart, Gardner, Anderson, Mandeville, Veitch, Thompson.

The Committee to whom this Subject was referred, reported a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Collectors," which was read a first time and laid on the table.

A Petition from John Adam was received and read and referred to Messrs. Taylor and Smith.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Peter Paris were, upon application discharged from further consideration of the said Petition.

The Committee on the Revenue reported a "Bill for raising a Revenue for the year 1827," which was read a first and second time, and upon motion the 9th rule being suspended, the Bill was then read a third time and passed.

The Treasurer made a report in compliance with the order of yesterday.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act to Repeal the Third Section of an Act Passed the 3rd Day of March 1827, entitled 'An Act Authorizing the Issuing of Due Bills in the Name, and for the Use of the Corporation,'" which was read a second and third times and passed.

Ordered that Messrs. Taylor, Gardner, Mandeville and Stewart be a Committee to consider, and report to Council the best means of exercising the Powers vested in the Common Council, of raising money for effecting important improvements in, and to the Town, which the ordinary funds, and revenue thereof will not accomplish.

The Council then adjourned
until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

13 June 1827

In Council. Present: Messrs. Anderson, Mandeville, Harriss, Thompson, Taylor, Gardner, Stewart, Smith, Brockett.

The President being absent, Mr. Stewart was appointed Pres: pro tem.

On balloting for Collectors, Augustine Newton was appointed Collector for the Northern District, and John Muncaster Collector for the Southern District.

Ordered that Messrs. Thompson and Harriss be a Committee to examine the side stones at the southwest corner of Prince and Union Streets, and report to Council what repairs may be necessary to the same.

Ordered that the Auditor issue a warrant in favor of John Neale for three dollars for his services on making a re-entry for the Corporation on Rumney's property.

The Council then adjourned
John Stewart, Pres: pro tem.

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

19 July 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Smith, Brockett, Veitch, Taylor, Sanford, Stewart, Janney, Harriss, McGuire, Anderson, Mandeville, Thompson, Jamieson, Gardner.

A Communication was received from the Mayor, in relation to the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, which being read and considered by the Council, it was thereupon resolved, that as the Said communication relates to a Subject of the highest importance to the Freeholders of the Country, as well as those of the Town, the Mayor, and the President of the Levy Court, be requested to call a meeting of the Freeholders of the County and Town of Alexandria at such time and place as they make think most expedient, to take the Subject of the said Communication into consideration, and to recommend such proceedings thereat, as well as promote the interest of the Citizens of the County and Town, and to the public at large.

Ordered, that Superintendent of Police to cause the fence round the Public Burying Ground to be repaired: and also the side stones at the southwest corner of Prince and Union Streets.

A proposition being made to Council to receive a pump as public property that was provided by the late J. H. Hooe, on or near Washington Street extended, on condition of repairing the same and hereafter keeping it in order, the Subject was referred to Messrs. Janney, Smith and Brockett to report thereon.

Ordered that Messrs. McGuire, Mandeville, Veitch and Sanford be a Committee to examine the different fire engines of the Town, and also the bills for repairs made thereon, and report to Council a result of their investigation.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, C.C.

8 October 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Massie, Smith, Gardner, Brockett, Janney, Veitch, Stewart, Thompson, Sanford, Mandeville, Jamieson, Anderson, McGuire, Taylor, Harriss.

Ordered that the tax on one dog, improperly charged to James Nightingale be remitted.

Ordered that the fines imposed on James Hatton, and William Demaine, for swimming at one of the public wharfs be remitted.

Ordered that the fine imposed on Philip Helligle for keeping swine, within the limits of the Corporation be remitted, on his paying the costs of the warrant.

The application of Mrs. Baggett for a remission of a tax was referred to the Clerk, with directions to report thereon.

Ordered that the tax on one tythe, improperly charged to and paid by Louis J. C. Labille be refunded.

The Committee appointed to examine the fire engines and the bills for repairs thereon, made a report which was concurred in, and thereupon order that the Auditor issue a warrant in favor of Issac Kell for \$83.39 in full of his amount.

On balloting for a Watchman in the place of Gerrard Arnold, deceased, William Johnston was duly elected.

Ordered that the Auditor issue a warrants for \$50, each, in favor of Walter Jones and Robert I. Taylor, for appearing in the Supreme Court in favor of the Corporation.

The Council then adjourned
until tomorrow evening at 6 1/2 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, C.C.

9 October 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Jamieson, Stewart, Mandeville, Taylor, Janney, Gardner, Veitch, Brockett, Massie, Smith, Harriss, Sanford, Thompson, Anderson, McGuire.

Ordered that the fines imposed on Henry Christ, and William Hunt, for swimming at one of the Public Wharfs be remitted,

Ordered that the following taxes be remitted:

Alexander Baggett's Estate (the difference between then and now)	1826	\$75
Elizabeth Hall (Shop Tax)	1826	\$250
Same as above	1827	\$250
Katherine Green	1827	\$3.20
Robert Fisher	1827	\$3.10
Mrs. Avery	1827	\$4.50
Mary Addison	1827	\$4.10
Mrs. Piles	1827	\$2.10
Judy Eddick	1827	\$1.87
John Humphreys	1827	\$2.50
Elizabeth Stoops	1827	\$1.50
Alexander Baggett's Estate	1827	\$4.50
John Buck (Tax on one Dog)	1827	\$5.50

Mrs. Johnston (difference between tax [should be tavern?] lic. and shop tax)	1827	\$27.50
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William Crook	1827	\$2.50
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Ordered that the collection of the following taxes be suspended for three months.

John Reston	1827	\$3.10
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Mrs. Stott	1827	\$2.10
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Fannie Brooks	1827	\$1.60
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Rezin White (balance)	1827	\$1.50
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Mr. Taylor, from the Committee appointed to consider and report the best means of exercising the Powers vested in the Common Council, of raising money for effecting important improvements in and to the Town which the ordinary funds and revenues thereof will not accomplish, made a Report which was read and concurred in by Council, and thereupon, ordered that Messrs. Mandeville, Stewart, Veitch and Smith be a Committee to devise a plan for raising by lottery the sum of \$30,000, and to report a Law to carry the same into effect.

Ordered that Messrs. Taylor, Gardner and Thompson be a Committee to inquire and report to Council whether any Amendments are necessary to the Act to provide for the licensing and taxing of the Vendors of Lottery Tickets.

The Committee on the Communication of William Harper, were on application, discharged from the further consideration of the Subject.

A Communication from the Mayor, transmitting copies of the proceedings at the Sundry Town meetings held on the Subject of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, was received and read and referred with the accompanying papers to Messrs. Janney, Taylor, Thompson and Gardner and the President of the Council with directions to report by Bill or otherwise.

A petition from A. Newton and others on the Subject of intersection of King and St. Asaph Streets was received and read and laid on the table.

A Communication from the Superintendent of Police was received and read and referred to Messrs. Janney, Veitch and Gardner.

The Council then adjourned
until Friday evening at 6 1/2 o'clock
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

12 October 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Mandeville, Stewart, Thompson, McGuire, Harriss, Massie, Smith, Gardner, Brockett, Taylor, Janney, Veitch, Jamieson, Anderson, Sanford.

Ordered that the tax on one Sto. improperly charged to and paid by Thomas Grimes be refunded.

Ordered that the tax on one 2 WC [2 wheeled cart] improperly charged to and paid by Samuel Lindsay be refunded.

Ordered that the following taxes be remitted.

Edmund Daileys Estate (1 tythe)	1822 & 1826	
Edward May (2 tythe)	1827	
Mrs. Hill (taxes)	1827	\$4.50
Mary Jones (taxes)	1827	\$3.50
Mrs. Richardson (1 sto [story])	1827	\$1.00

Ordered that the collection of the taxes charged to Mrs. Richardson on real estate, for the year 1827 be suspended for three months.

Ordered that the sum of \$800 be taken from the valuation of an H and L [house and lot] charged to Robert Hall, the same having been accidentally overcharged by the Assessors.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Superintendent of Police made a report which was read and concurred in by Council, thereupon ordered that the Superintendent of Police be directed to pave a gutter with stone at the eastern intersection of Wolfe and Columbus Streets, right [sic] across Wolfe Street and not less than 5 feet wide.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the Mayor on the Subject of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal made a report accompanied by a Bill, which Report was read and laid on the table.

The Committee appointed to inquire whether any Amendments are necessary to the Act to provide for the Licensing and Taxing the Vendors of Lottery tickets reported a bill entitled, "An Act to Amend the Act to Provide for Licensing and Taxing the Vendors of Lottery Tickets," which was read a first time and laid on the table.

A Communication from the Mayor on the Subject of the tax on the Theater was received and read and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

5 November 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Brockett, Janney, Stewart, Harriss, Thompson, Smith, Veitch, Mandeville, Jamieson, Anderson, McGuire, Gardner, Taylor, Massie.

The Committee appointed in pursuance of a Report of the 9th October last, on the Subject of Raising money by Lottery, made a Report accompanied by a Bill entitled, "An Act to Authorize the Drawing of Lotteries for the Purpose of Making a Turnpike Road from near Wiley's Tavern in Fairfax to Alexandria," which was read a first and second times and laid on the table.

Ordered that the collection of the fine imposed on Steven Pritchard for selling liquor without a license be suspended for three months.

The Committee appointed to rent the Corporation property/late Rumney's wharf/reported that they had rented the same to John S. Miller for two years commencing the 23rd of August last at an annual rent of \$275, payable half yearly which Report was concurred in by the Council.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill reported by the Committee on the Subject of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal entitled, "An Act Authorizing a Subscription by the Common Council of Alexandria for Stock of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company." A motion was made by Mr. Thompson to strike out the following words "so soon as the Congress of the United States shall have authorized a subscription for not less than 10,000 shares of the capital stock of the said Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company" and the yeas and nays being called for were as follows.

Yeas: Messrs. McGuire, Thompson, Mandeville, Veitch.

Nays: Messrs. Anderson, Jamieson, Stewart, Harriss, Taylor, Janney, Brockett, Gardner, Smith, Massie, Vowell.

The Bill having been read a second time, on motion the 9th rule was suspended, and it was then read a third time and passed by the yeas and nays as follows.

Yeas: Messrs. Anderson, Jamieson, Stewart, Harriss, Taylor, Janney, Brockett, Gardner, Smith, Massie, Vowell.

Nays: Messrs. McGuire, Thompson, Mandeville, Veitch.

Ordered that William Veitch be appointed to replace the decayed logs on Duke Street Dock, and that the expense be charged to the General Fund.

Ordered that the tax on 2 tyth improperly charged to William Johnston be remitted.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

10 November 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Massie, Smith, Brockett, Janney, Veitch, Sanford, Thompson, Stewart, Harriss, McGuire, Anderson, Mandeville, Jamieson.

The Bill entitled, "An Act Authorizing a Subscription by the Common Council of Alexandria for Stock of the Present of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company," was returned to the Council by the Mayor, with his objections in writing.

A Motion was made that the Council do adhere to the Bill as already passed, and the yeas and nays being called for were as follows.

Yeas: Messrs. Anderson, Stewart, Sanford, Janney, Massie.

Nays: Messrs. McGuire, Jamieson, Mandeville, Harriss, Smith, Thompson, Brockett, Veitch, Vowell.

The following Amendment was proposed by Mr. Thompson to insert after the eighth line the following words: "which subscription shall be binding and obligatory on the Corporation when the Congress of the United States shall have authorized a subscription for not less than 10,000 shares of the capital stock of the said Company." The yeas and nays being called for, were as follows:

Yeas: Messrs. Brockett, Smith, Veitch, Stewart, Thompson, Harriss, McGuire, Jamieson, Mandeville, Vowell.

Nays: Messrs. Massie, Janney, Sanford, Anderson.

The Bill, as amended, was then read a third time and passed unanimously by the Council.

Ordered that the taxes for the present year due from Mrs. Gavin be remitted.

Ordered that Messrs. McGuire, Sanford, Massie and Veitch be a Committee to rent out the property on or near Duke Street, for which the leases have expired, and that they report to the next meeting of Council.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

3 December 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Mandeville, Anderson, Jamieson, McGuire, Sanford, Thompson, Stewart, Harriss, Janney, Veitch, Massie, Smith, Brockett.

Ordered that the personal taxes due from the estate of William Lewis be remitted, and the collection of the tax on real estate be suspended for three months.

Ordered that the collection of taxes due from Rebecca Mills and George Davis for the present year be suspended for three months.

Ordered that the tax on 1. 2W.C.[two wheeled carriage], one cart, and one dray charged to Jacob Curtis be remitted, the same having been unfit for use during the last year.

The Committee appointed to lease the Public Property at the lower end of the Duke Street, reported that the same had been leased agreeably to the order of Council for two years from the 28th day of November, 1827 as per the following statements. The rents payable half yearly.

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| 1 | The red warehouse with the privilege of 15 feet opening on the south and 10 feet on the east not to be enclosed or built upon. The building the property of Thomas Preston. Leased to Thomas Preston. | \$40 per an [annum] |
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2	The wharf about 115 feet, more or less, on the river to the eastside of the Strand with the lines of the openings. Leased to Josiah H. Davis.	\$121	do.
3	The stone warehouse. Leased to Josiah H. Davis.	\$75	do.
4	A lot of ground on Duke Street 20 feet front by 50 feet deep to the North, more or less. Leased to Levi Pickering.	\$10	do.
5	A lot of ground on the Strand 46 feet front by 34 feet deep on Duke Street, more or less. Leased to Levi Pickering.	\$30	do.
6	A lot on the Strand 25.3 feet in front by 50 feet deep, more or less. Leased to Thomas Preston.	\$30	do.
7	A lot on Duke Street 21 feet front and extending back to the Alley, more or less. Leased to Thomas Preston.	\$12	do.
8&9	A lot on Duke Street extending from Number 7 to Captain Baynes property. Leased to Jonathan Janney.	\$11	do.
10	A lot on Potomac Strand 27.3 feet in front, more or less, and extending back to the line of the Corporation property. Leased to Josiah H. Davis.	\$11	do.
11	A lot on Duke Street about 71 feet, more or less. Leased to S. and W. Campbell.	\$50	do

James McGuire, Comsr.
William Veitch, Comsr.
Thomas Sanford, Comsr.
John W. Massie, Comsr.

The foregoing Report was accepted by the Council.

Ordered that the Clerk in making out the Bills against the former lessees of the Public Property at the lower end of Duke Street, due charge the previous rent up to the 28th day of November, the day on which the new leases commence.

Ordered that Messrs. Smith, Janney, Sanford and Jamieson be a Committee to bring in a Bill laying a tax on real property for the payment of the interest on any loan to be made to pay the Subscription of the Corporation to the Middle Turnpike Company, and to report at the next meeting of the Council.

On motion Messrs. Janney, Sanford and McGuire were ordered to the Committee appointed to repair the lower end of Duke Street. Present: W. Gardner.

Ordered that Messrs. Smith, Thompson, Jamieson and Veitch be a Committee to settle the Public accounts and receive reports from the Collectors of Taxes according to the Law on the subject.

A petition from William Yeaton, and Guy Atkinson on behalf of the proprietors of the Alexandria Theater was received and read, and referred to Messrs. Smith, Harriss, McGuire and Gardner.

The Council then adjourned
until Wednesday evening at 6 1/2 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

5 December 1827

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Massie, Smith, Gardner, Brackett, Veitch, Sanford, Thompson, McGuire, Stewart, Harriss, Mandeville.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred, reported a Bill entitled, "An Act Authorizing the Borrowing of \$30,000, and Providing for Paying the Interest on the Same," which was read a first and second time and upon motion, the 9th rule was suspended and the Bill was then read a third time and passed.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of William Yeaton and Guy Atkinson, reported a Bill entitled, "An Act for the Relief of the Proprietors of the Alexandria Theater," which was read a first and second time, and upon motion the 9th rule being suspended, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act to Authorize the Drawing of Lotteries for the Purpose of Making a Turnpike Road from Near Wiley's Tavern in Fairfax County to Alexandria," which was read a third time and passed, and thereupon, the Mayor and Humphrey Peake, Esquire, were appointed a Committee to lay the said Bill before the President of the United States, for his sanction.

Ordered that Messrs. McGuire, Sanford, Mason and Veitch be a Committee to examine into the affairs of the Lancastrian School, and report to the next Council how many poor children are now at said institution, and how many have been educated during the last year.

Ordered that Messrs. Taylor, Gardner, Thompson and Mandeville be a Committee, to examine the accounts of old balances due on real estate, and to select such as may now be legally acted on.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

1828

26 January 1828

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Brockett, Gardner, Smith, Janney, Veitch, Harriss, Stewart, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Jamieson, Thompson.

A letter from the President of the Board of Trustees of the Poor was received and read, Whereupon, ordered that the sum of \$100 be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of supplying the Poor of the Town with soup to be under the direction of the Trustees of the Poor, and Alexander McKenzie, Guy Atkinson and Andrew Scholfield, and Jonathan Janney who are hereby appointed, and requested to assist the said Trustees. And also that a sum not exceeding \$100, in addition to the donation of the late Reverend Owen F. Magrath, be appropriated for the purchase of wood for the poor, and to be distributed by the Trustees of the Poor.

Ordered that the Committee appointed to fit up the new Council Chamber be authorized and directed to prepare the small room adjacent to the South, for the purpose of preserving the records of the Common Council. A Communication from the Board of Health was received and read, and thereupon ordered that the sum of \$12 be paid to John Johnston for his services as Messenger to the Board for the present year.

Ordered that the President of Council be authorized to received the dividends on the stock of the late Owen F. Magrath, and pay the amount to the President of Board of Trustees of the Poor.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

11 February 1828

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Smith, Brockett, Janney, Sanford, Thompson, Stewart, Harriss, Gardner, Anderson, Jamieson.

A Communication from the Mayor enclosing one from Doct. Gustavus A. Brown on the Subject of Vaccination, was received and read and laid on the table. Present: Mister Massie.

Taxes remitted and refunded.

Timothy Crondwell 1 sto. 1 L Sto. refunded

Margaret Walker	1 cart		remitted, and a collection of the balance of the taxes suspended until April 1.
Margaret Walker	1 male dog		remitted
Suzanna Cannon	2 sto	2 l.sto	do.
Hugh Peper	1 male dog		do.
John Myers	1 male dog		do.
Alexius Johnston	1 shop. 1826		refunded, the applicant not having kept one during that year.

The application of Mrs. Price for the remission of a fine imposed upon her son, William Price, and of Mrs. Davis for one imposed upon her grandson, Edward Davis, were referred to Messrs. Anderson, Thompson and Brocket.

On the application of Mrs. Rudd, it is ordered that the tax charged upon a dog the property of the applicant, be remitted upon the production of evidence that the said dog has been killed.

A Communication from the Inspector, the Superintendent of Police was received and read, and referred to Messrs. Janney and Thompson.

Ordered that the fine of \$20 imposed upon Mrs. Moore be remitted.

The following Report was read and accepted:

The Committee appointed to destroy the defaced due Bills of the Corporation, respectfully report, that on the 28th January, \$10,329.75 in notes of the Corporation of Alexandria were counted and burned, agreeable to the Resolution of the 11th June last.

Signed:

W. C. Gardner
C. P. Thompson
John A. Stewart.

One bundle containing \$3,424.75, 1st March 1826.

One bag containing \$2,371.55, 1st March 1825.

One bundle containing \$2,683.30, 1st March 1823.

One do. containing \$1,900.15, 1st March 1827.

Total \$10,379.75.

Note: The due bills for the year ending 1st March 1824, and amounting to \$1,596.34 were destroyed by a Committee, consisting of Messrs. Rawl, Butcher, Jamieson.

The following Report was read and accepted. The Committee appointed to examine the Lancastrian Schools having attended to that duty, beg leave to report, that they find there have been about 130 scholars in the School during the last year, and that the present number is 87.

Signed:

James McGuire
Thompson Sanford
John W. Massie.

The Council then adjourned
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

19 February 1828

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President. Messrs. Janney, Veitch, Brockett, Smith, Thompson, Stewart, Harriss, Jamieson, McGuire, Anderson.

The Committee to whom was referred the application of Mrs. Price and Mrs. Davis, presented at the last meeting, reported that they had examined the cases and found the costs charged according to Law.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the Superintendent of Police made a report on the Subject, which was accepted by the Council. Present: Mr. Sanford.

The following Persons were appointed Commissioners for holding elections in the different Wards on Tuesday, the 4th day of March next, for members to serve in the Common Council for the ensuing 12 months.

Samuel Lindsay
Matthew Robinson
Alexander McKenzie

To meet at Rhodes Tavern
for the 1st Ward.

Guy Atkinson
William Gregory
Jacob Morgan

At the Old Council Chamber
for the 2nd Ward.

A. C. Cazenove
James Douglass
Henry Daingerfield

At the Indian Queen Tavern
for the 3rd Ward.

George S. Hough
Josiah H. Davis
William Fowler

At Mrs. Mills', corner of
Prince and Alfred Streets
for the 4th Ward.

Taxes refunded.

John Harper, 1 cart 1827, refunded.

William L. Gibson, 1 male dog 1827, do. [ditto]

Ordered that the bonds of Samuel A. Marsteller for Auctioneer's License be placed in the hands of the Committee for settling the accounts of the Corporation, with directions to said Committee, to proceed in such way as they may deem best, and most likely to bring about a speedy collection of said bonds.

The Council then adjourned
until Monday evening at 1/2 past 6 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

25 February 1828

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Jamieson, McGuire, Anderson, Sanford, Thompson, Stewart,
Harriss, Smith, Janney, Veitch, Brockett, Gardner.

The Mayor made a report to Council of the fines, forfeitures and license tax for the present year amounting to \$356, which was read and accepted by the Council.

Ordered that the tax on 2 tythes improperly charged to and paid by James Kerr be refunded.

The Committee appointed to settle the annual accounts made a report on the Subject whereupon, ordered, that the said Committee be permitted to receive from the Collectors of Taxes, such tax bills, as in their judgment, ought to be taken off their hands, but which the 5th Section of the "Act to Provide More Effectually for the Collection of the Public Revenue" passed May 12, 1825, would preclude them from so receiving.

Ordered that such part of the Mayor's communication as relates the Compensation to be allowed to the Persons employed in taking the Census of the free people of color be referred to Messrs. McGuire, Brockett and Sanford.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police do advertise, that the Fish Wharf and buildings thereon will be rented by him on the 10th day of March next, under the direction of a Committee to be appointed by Council.

The Mayor reported to Council a list of the free colored persons desiring permission to reside within the Town of Alexandria under the Provisions of the fourth section of an Act entitled, "An Act to Provide for the Removal of Paupers, Vagrants and Such Other Persons as May Not Legally be entitled to residence within the Corporation," which was read and considered by the Council, Whereupon ordered that the Mayor be directed to take bonds, according to law from the several persons named in the following list, and that licenses be granted to them to reside within the Corporation during the pleasure of the Council.

A list of free negroes and mulattos resident in the Town of Alexandria on the 1st of January 1827, and desires to obtain licenses from the Common Council to reside within the Town according to Law.

NAMES	CHARACTER	SECURITY OFFERED
Ann Gibson	Good	
Nancy King	"	
King Harper	"	
Susan (his wife)	"	
Nancy Gales	"	
Samuel Carr	"	
Henry Morris	"	
Jonathan Waters	"	
Sophy Barnes	"	
Sarah Thomas	"	
Bessie Newman (alias Wilson)	"	
Nathl. Bordrey	"	
Pompey Primus	"	
Alice (his wife)	"	
Theresa Bottler (alias Crump)	"	
Sally	"	
Thomas Grymes	"	
Ann Bowles	"	
Harriet West	"	
John Pepsico	"	
Maria Tyser	"	
Lydia Middleton	"	
Charity Anderson	"	
Ambrose Clarke	"	
Betsy Young	"	
Nancy Ferguson	"	
Washington Davis	"	
Natt	"	
Aminta French	"	
William Dudley	"	
Sally Gales	"	
Hanny Miles	"	

William Spencer
Whittington Carpenter
Lewis Dandy
Mary Bennett
Delila Page
Helen Sales
Ann Maria Sales
George Murray
Nancy (his wife)
Matilda Armiger
John Tyler

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The Council then adjourned
until tomorrow evening at 1/2 past 6 o'clock.
J. C. Vowell, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

26 February 1828

In Council. Present: John C. Vowell, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Veitch, Janney, Massie, Brockett, Smith, Thompson,
Sanford, Stewart, Harriss, McGuire, Jamieson, Anderson.

The Committee to whom was referred the Subject of the compensation to be made to the persons employed in taking the Census of the free people of color, made a report recommending the payment of \$50, to each of the Police Constables for the performance of that duty, so soon as they shall furnish the list of the free people of color within the Town of Alexandria, and furnish a fair copy of the same to the Clerk of Council. The above recommendation was concurred in by Council.

The Committee appointed to settle the Annual Accounts reported a statement of the same which was accepted, and order to be printed.

Ordered that the Messenger of Council be allowed \$15 for his services in attending on the Committee appointed to settle the Police Accounts.

Resolved unanimously, that the thanks of the Common Council be hereby tendered to John C. Vowell, Esquire, for the faithful and impartial discharge of his duties as President during the past year.

The Council then adjourned
sine die:
J. C. Vowell, President

Test: J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Minutes
For the Year Eighteen Hundred and Twenty-Eight
Beginning on the 7th Day of March
1828

Members of Council

Thomas Sanford	
John A. Stewart	For the First Ward
C.P. Thompson	
Ruben Johnston	

Robert Jamieson	
Robert Anderson	For the Second Ward
James McGuire	
William Gregory	

Robert Brockett, Jr.	
Thomas Smith	For the Third Ward
John W. Massie	
William C. Gardner	

Phineas Janney	
William Veitch	For the Fourth Ward
Mordecai Miller	
Robert I. Taylor	

The undersigned Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election at Rhodes Tavern, on Tuesday the fourth inst. for Members to Represent the First Ward in the Common Council of Alexandria for the ensuing year, do hereby certify that the following gentlemen were duly elected.

<u>viz.:</u>	Thomas Sanford
	John A. Stewart
	C.P. Thompson
	Ruben Johnston

Given under our hands and seals this fifth day of March 1828.

Samuel Lindsay
Matthew Robinson
Alex. McKenzie

We the undersigned Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election before Members of Council for the Second Ward, do hereby certify that:

Robert Jamieson
Robert Anderson
James McGuire
William Gregory

were duly elected.

Given under our hands and seals this fifth day of March 1828.

Guy Atkinson
William Gregory
Jacob Morgan

We, the undersigned Commissioners appointed to hold an election in the Third Ward for members to serve in the Common Council for the present year, return the following gentlemen as duly elected.

Robert Brockett, Jr.
Thomas Smith
John W. Massie
William C. Gardner

Given under our hands and seals respectively, in Alexandria, this fourth day of March 1828.

Anth: C. Cazenove
Dan Henry Dangerfield
James Douglass

The subscriber's Commissioners appointed to hold an election for Common Councilmen for the Fourth Ward do hereby certify that

Phineas Janney
William Veitch
Robert I. Taylor
Mordecai Miller

Were duly elected.

As witnesses our hands and seals this fourth day of March 1828.

Josiah H. Davis
William Fowle
George S. Hough

At a meeting of the persons elected to serve in the Common Council for the ensuing year at the Council Chamber on Friday the 7th day of March 1828.

Present,

Mssrs. Sanford, Stewart, Thompson, Johnston, Jamieson, Anderson, McGuire, Gregory, Brockett, Smith, Massie, Gardner, Janney, Veitch, Miller, Taylor.

On balloting for a President of Council, Robert I. Taylor, Esquire was unanimously elected, who after taking the Oath of Office, prescribed by law before Jacob Morgan, Esquire, Justice of the Peace, administered the same to the Members present.

On balloting for a Clerk and Auditor J. P. Thompson was unanimously re-elected.

On balloting for a Messenger, John Johnston was re-elected.

On balloting for a Mayor, Thompson F. Mason, Esquire, was re-elected.

The Rules and Regulations of the last Council were read, and adopted as the Rules and Regulations of the present.

Ordered that Mssrs. Janney, Thomas Sanford, Jamieson, and Smith be a Committee to bring in bills for fixing the salaries of the officers of the Corporation, and for raising a revenue for the present year.

Ordered that Mssrs. McGuire, Johnston, Gardner and Veitch be a Committee to attend with the Superintendent of Police to the renting of the fish wharf on the 10th inst. according to public notice.

A communication from Samuel A. Marsteller was received and read and referred to the Attorney for the Corporation.

The Mayor-elect appeared, and had the oath of office administered to him in the presence of the Council, by Jacob Morgan, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace.

The Council then adjourned
R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

10 March 1828

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. Miller, Janney, Massie, Smith, Gardner, Brockett, Johnston, Sanford, Thompson, Stewart, Gregory, Jamieson, McGuire.

The Committee to assist the Superintendent of Police in renting the Fish Wharf being under the necessity of attending to that

duty at 10:00 o'clock this morning, the Council adjourned to meet again at 1/2 past 6:00 o'clock in the evening.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. Johnston, Thompson, Jamieson, McGuire, Anderson, Miller, Janney, Veitch, Brockett, Massie, Smith, Gregory, Stewart, Sanford.

The Committee appointed to assist in renting the fish wharf made a report which was read, and concurred in by Council.

Ordered that Mssrs. Miller, Gardner, Johnston and McGuire be a Committee to take into consideration the propriety of repealing or amending the 14th and 15th sections of the Act entitled "An Act reducing into one and Amending the Several Acts Respecting Removal of Nuisances, and the Preservation of the Health of Town", and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The Committee to whom the subject was referred reported a bill entitled "An Act Fixing the Salaries of the Officers of the Corporation for the Year 1828", which was read a first time - on the second reading the Council proceeded to fill the blanks, and having made progress in the same, a motion was made and seconded, that the Council do reconsider that part of the bill which fixes the salaries of the Mayor, and Clerk and Auditor, and the question was taken by Ayes and Noes as follows.

Ayes - Mssrs. Stewart, Brockett, Massie, Veitch.

Noes - Mssrs. Sanford, Thompson, Johnston, Jamieson, McGuire, Anderson, Gregory, Smith, Gardner, Miller, Janney, Taylor.

So the Council refused to reconsider -

The Bill having been read a second time, and the blanks being filled, upon motion the 9th rule was suspended, and it was then read a third time and passed.

A memorial from John H. Gibbs was received and read and referred to Mssrs. McGuire, Thompson, Brockett and Miller.

The Council then adjourned until Friday evening at 1/2 past 6:00 o'clock.

R. I. Taylor, President.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

14 March 1828

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. Johnston, Sanford, Thompson, Stewart, Gregory, Anderson, McGuire, Jamieson, Miller, Janney, Veitch, Massie, Gardner, Smith, Brockett.

The Committee to whom was referred the memorial of John H. Gibbs made a report which was read and laid on the table.

The Council proceeded to elect by ballot the following Officers to serve during the ensuing year viz.:

James Carson - Superintendent of Police
John Johnston - Superintendent of the Watch
Samuel Wheeler - Clerk of the Market
John Shakes - Keeper of the Powder House
William Washington - Physician to the Poor House
James Thomas - Keeper of the Poor House
Benjamin C. Ashton - Treasurer of the Corporation
Robert I. Taylor - Attorney for the Corporation
David Black - Corder of Wood and Bark
Anthony Rhodes - Inspector of Fish
George McClish - Gauger of Casks, Inspector of Whiskey
Benjamin Barton - Keeper of the Town Clock
Loudoun Campbell and William Campbell - Measurers and Inspectors of Lumber
Jacob Morgan - Matthias Snyder
Thomas Jacobs - Trustees of the Poor
George S. Hough - Trustees of the Poor

The following persons were elected Watchmen for the ensuing year viz.; John B. Hancock, Henry Mansfield, George Johnston, Henry Tatspaugh, John Kiesendorfer, Robert Slatford, James Heathrington, James Birch.

George Drinker - Assessors.
Issac Robins - Assessors.

The Council then adjourned
Robert I. Taylor, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c. c.

24 March 1827

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. Jamieson, Miller, Anderson, Janney, Veitch, Stewart, Massie, Brockett, Johnston, Gregory, McGuire, Smith, Sanford, Gardner.

A Communication from the Mayor recommending the immediate appointment of the Police constables, was received and read.

On balloting for Police Constables, Davis Bowie and John M. Clarke were duly elected.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred reported the Bill entitled, "An Act to Alter and Amend the 14th and 15th Sections of an Act Reducing Into One and Amending the Several Acts Respecting the Removal of Nuisances, and the Preservation of the Health of the Town", which was read a first and second time. A motion was then made to suspend the 9th rule and carried, after which, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred, reported a Bill entitled, "An Act for Raising a Revenue for the Year 1828", which was read a first and second time, and the blanks being filled, the motion was made to suspend the 9th rule, and carried, after which the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Committee on the Revenue reported a Bill entitled "An Act to Alter and Amend the 26th Section of an Act Passed the 20th day of January 1821, entitled 'An Act Reducing Into One and Amending Several Acts Respecting Streets, Alleys, and the Superintendent of Police'", which was read a first and second time. A motion was then made to suspend the 9th rule and carried. After which the Bill was read a third time and passed.

A Communication from George Johnston was received and read and referred to Mssrs. Smith, Gardner, Miller and Gregory.

Ordered that the Attorney for the Corporation do examine into that part of the amended Charter which empowers the Common Council to advertise and sell real estate for taxes and expenditures thereon to remove nuisances, and make a report of the proper course to be pursued in relation thereto.

A report of the Corder of Wood was received and ordered to be filed.

The Council then adjourned.
R. I. Taylor, President.

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

6 May 1828

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. McGuire, Anderson, Jamieson, Gregory, Johnston, Sanford, Miller, Janney, Veitch, Brockett, Smith, Massey, Thompson.

Resolved that the Council will sit as the Court of Appeals on Wednesday, the 21st and Thursday the 22 inst. from 10 - 1:00 o'clock during each day.

An Application from P. Allison and Co. was received and read and laid on the table.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of George Johnston reported a Bill entitled, "An Act Amending the Acts Respecting Auctioneers", which was read a first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Sanford asked leave to bring in a Bill to abolish the Sunday Markets.

The question upon granting the Permission asked was taken by Ayes and Noes as follows:

Ayes - Mssrs. Veitch, Smith, Johnston, Sanford, Thompson, Stewart, Gregory, McGuire, Jamieson - 9.

Noes - Mssrs. Miller, Janney, Brockett, Massie, Anderson, Taylor - 6.

A Bill entitled "An Act for the Suppression of Sunday Markets", was then presented to the Council and read a first time - a motion was made that the Bill be read a second time, which did not prevail, and it was then laid on the table.

The following persons were appointed a Board of Health for the ensuing year viz.:

South of King Street - A.C. Cazenove, Benjamin Waters, Humphrey Peake.

In-between King and Prince - N.R. Fitzhugh, John Creighton, Ezra Lunt.

South of Prince Street - Daniel Wright, Thomas Vowell, Josiah H. Davis.

A petition from John Roberts and others was received and read and referred to Mssrs. Massie, Janney, Sanford, and McGuire.

Ordered that the Mayor and Clerk of Council be and they are hereby instructed to prepare and present for the consideration of Council a plan for carrying safely into effect the Act passed the 5th December 1827 and approved by the President of the United States, for raising money to be appropriated towards the making of the turnpike road from near Wiley's Tavern in Fairfax County, to Alexandria; such plan previously to being presented to Council, to be submitted to the Attorney of the Corporation for his opinion with regard to its probable safety to the Corporation in the operation of the plan to be devised.

Ordered that the Clerk do furnish Council at their next meeting with the order or law authorizing Abraham Faw to act as Weigher of Hay.

Council then adjourned.
R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c. c.

Court of Appeals

At the court met this day May 21st, pursuant to public notice.

Present Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President.

Mssrs. Johnston, Sanford, Thompson, McGuire, Anderson, Smith, Gregory, Jamieson, Miller, Stewart, Janney, Veitch, Brockett, Gardner.

Remissions.

Ruben Johnston - First Ward.

2. L. Sto.[lower story] - improperly charged to be deducted.

Phineas and Sam'l Janney - Second Ward.

6. Sto. - to be deducted.

Robert I. Taylor - Fourth Ward.

H.L.L. St. As-Duke \$1400 to be charged to Philip Lettig and Son. Balto.

Thomas Braddock -- Third Ward.

\$300.00. H.L.S. [house and lots] Henry and Queen to be transferred to the account of C.A. Alexander.

The Court then adjourned
until tomorrow.
R.I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Court of Appeals

The court met this day May 22nd pursuant to adjournment.

Present, Mssrs. Miller, Veitch, Janney, Gardner, Smith, Brockett, Thompson, Sanford, Johnston; McGuire, Anderson, Gregory, Jamieson.

The President being absent, Mr. Stewart was appointed pro tem.

Remissions.

Josiah H. Davis - First Ward.

1. Merchant tax deducted.

Ordered that the lamp tax be deducted from the accounts of the proprietors of houses on Fairfax between Prince and Duke, the said square not being lighted according to law.

The tax on one dog charged to Mrs. Rudd for the year 1827, was remitted.

The Court then adjourned
John Stewart, Pres: pro tem.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

9 June 1828

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. Miller, Janney, Veitch, Brockett, Gardner, Smith, Massie, Johnston, Sanford, Thompson, Stewart, Anderson, McGuire, Jamieson.

Ordered that \$2.50, the difference between the tax on a retail merchant and a shop keeper, be refunded to Thomas Kingston.

A petition from R.S. Blacklock and others was received and read, and referred to Mssrs. Gardner, Janney and Miller, with instructions to inquire into the expediency of regulating by law, the inspection of lime.

A petition from Thomas Vowell and others was received and read, whereupon ordered that the sum of \$25 be paid to the President of the Relief Fire Company, for repairs to their engine.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled "An Act Amending the Acts in Respecting Auctioneers", which was read a second and third times and passed.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police have the wooden house on the Market Square removed and the lumber sold, and the proceeds placed to the account of the General Fund.

Ordered that Mssrs. McGuire, Smith, and Brockett be a Committee to enquire and report to Council the extent and boundaries of the lots belonging to the Corporation at West's Point.

Ordered that a commission of 3 1/2 % be allowed to the Collectors on the amount of Collections paid into the Treasury for the ensuing year.

On balloting for Collectors for the present year, Augustine Newton was appointed for the Northern, and John Muncaster for the Southern District.

Resolved that the Council will proceed at their next meeting to take into consideration the propriety of forming a ticket for the President and Directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, to be voted on the subscription of the Corporation at the meeting of the stockholders on the 20th Instant.

The Council took up the subject of the application of P. Allison and Co. and after consideration refused to grant it.

Ordered that Mssrs. Janney, Brockett, McGuire and Sanford be a Committee to examine into the situation of East end of Duke Street, and report to Council what repairs are necessary.

The Auditor made a report of expenditures for the first quarter ending the first June.

The Council then adjourned.
R. I. Taylor, President.

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

14 June 1828

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. Gregory, Jamieson, Johnston, Anderson, Sanford, Stewart, Miller, Janney, Veitch, Brockett, Smith, Gardner.

Ordered that the Mayor, or in his absence the President of Council be and is hereby authorized to apply for and negotiate a loan at the Bank of Alexandria for \$2,500 for ninety days, to pay the first installment on the 2,500 shares of stock in the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company subscribed for by the President of Council under a law of the 10th day of November 1827.

Ordered that the Mayor and President of the Common Council in conjunction with Hugh Smith, A.C. Cazenove, and Thomas Sanford be, and they, or a majority of them are hereby constituted a Joint Committee authorized to represent the Common Council of Alexandria, and write in their names under shares of stock of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company owned by the Corporation of Alexandria, at the election to be held at the City Hall in Washington on Friday the 20th instant for the purpose of electing a President and 6 Directors to conduct the concerns of the company for such time not exceeding three years, as the stockholders then said company shall think fit.

Ordered that Hugh Smith be appointed on behalf of the Common Council of Alexandria to meet the Delegates appointed by the Corporations of Washington and George Town on the 18th instant, on the subject of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal.

Petitions from John B. Hancock and others, and Matthew Robinson and others were read and laid on the table.

Mr. McGuire. [sic]

A petition from Jefferson Fitzgerald was read and referred to the Mayor and attorney of the Corporation.

The Council then adjourned
R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

19 June 1828

In Council. Present. Mssrs. Miller, Janney, Veitch, Massey, Smith, Gardner, Brockett, Johnston, Sanford, Thompson, Anderson, Gregory, Jamieson.

The President being absent, Mr. Stewart was appointed as Pres: pro tem.

The following order was adopted,

Whereas the Common Council did on the 14th day of the present month pass an order appointing a Committee consisting of the Mayor, the President of Council, and H. Smith, A.C. Cazenove, and Thomas Sanford to attend a general meeting of the stockholders of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company to be held in Washington on the 20th instant, and to vote on the shares of stock subscribed by the Common Council for a President and six Directors of said company, and it, having been since suggested, that it would be proper to extend the powers of the said Committee; it is now further ordered, that the aforesaid Mayor, President of Council and Hugh Smith, A.C. Cazenove, and Thomas Sanford, or a majority of them, be, and they are hereby fully authorized and empowered to do all other legal acts at the aforesaid general meeting of the stockholders, for and on behalf of the Common Council of Alexandria.

The Council then adjourned.
John A. Stewart, President pro tem.

Test:

J.P. Thompson, c.c.

3 July 1828

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. Miller, Veitch, Smith, Brockett, Gardner, Johnston, Sanford, Thompson, Stewart, Gregory, Jamieson, McGuire, Anderson.

Ordered that the Common Council of Alexandria will assemble in a body tomorrow morning at 6 o'clock at Tilley's Tavern in George Town and there joined in the procession to be formed for breaking ground on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal.

Ordered that the Mayor, President of the Council and William C. Gardner be appointed a Committee of Arrangements on behalf of the Common Council of Alexandria, on the breaking ground upon the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal on the 4th instant.

Ordered that the sum of \$15.48 be paid to the Clerk of the Council Court, being the amount of costs incurred by James Cloud, Inspector, in a pact instituted by Peter Hewett for an infraction of the inspection law.

Ordered that the sum of \$10, the tax on a female dog be refunded Mrs. Deakins by Davis Bowie, Police Constable.

The Council then adjourned
R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

2 September 1828

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. Massie, Smith, Gardner, Brockett, Miller, Janney, Veitch, Stewart, Sanford, Gregory, Anderson.

A Communication from the President of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company was received and read, and referred to Mssrs. Janney, Gregory, Sanford, Smith, and the President of the Council.

The following resolution of the President and directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company was read,

"The President and directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, in meeting August 9, 1828:

"Whereas difficulties and doubts exist as to the proposed eastern termination of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, some of which arise from considerations of expediency, some from respect for the understanding of the Corporate subscribers to the stock of the Company at the period of their subscriptions, and some from the construction of the common charter, and it is believed that the embarrassment which these difficulties might otherwise occasion

the company, may be amicably and satisfactorily obviated - be it therefore unanimously resolved that a Committee consisting of Frederick May, Walter Smith, and Phineas Janney be authorized and instructed to inquire into the expediency of recommending to the General Meeting of the stockholders expected to assemble at the City Hall in Washington on the 10th day of September next, the adoption of the following resolution

"Resolve that in the event that William Wirt, Attorney General of the United [States], shall be of opinion that the present charter of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company authorizes the extension of the said canal to the western bank of Rock Creek in the town of George Town, or the Congress of the United States, in the event that he shall not think so, shall, at the request of the Company, authorize such extension, the same shall be so extended in manner following, and upon the conditions hereinafter expressed. The said canal shall continue from the contemplated basin next above George Town to the said town, and to a point therein between Water Street and Bridge on the same level with the section next above the said basin, and shall preserve a course between the said streets as far down toward Rock Creek and shall favor a connection of the contemplated Maryland branch from the said Canal, keeping so far the same elevation, and shall then descend to the Western shore of said creek by one or more locks at such elevation above the tide as may suit the construction of a canal leading once to the Tiber Creek, by the City of Washington or for the benefit thereof, and by the mouth of Rock Creek into the river Potomac, upon condition that the corporations of Washington, George Town, and Alexandria shall have, upon terms agreeable to themselves, respectively, assented to the said extension."

And also an estimate made by the Company's Engineer was produced by Phineas Janney, one of the Committee named the aforementioned resolution, estimating the cost of extending the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal from the heretofore contemplated Basin above George Town to Rock Creek, and forming a Basin and Pier at the mouth of said creek at the sum of \$60,537.82, exclusive of damages to be paid for passing through property, whereupon the following resolution was moved.

"That the Common Council of Alexandria will do hereby authorize the before named Phineas Janney to agree to such extension of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal as above stated on condition that the President and Directors of the said Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company do pledge themselves and the said company to provide and secure a suitable site for, and do erect thereon at the time of making the main canal, a substantial and proper abutment to support.

4 September 1828

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. Gregory, Jamieson, McGuire, Anderson, Johnston, Sanford, Stewart, Miller, Janney, Veitch, Brockett, Gardner, Smith, Massie.

A Communication from the Mayor enclosing Sundry resolutions of the President and directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company was received and read, whereupon the resolution offered at the last meeting was withdrawn, and the following being substituted was accepted by the Council, viz.: "Resolved that the Common Council of Alexandria do approve of the said resolutions of the President and Directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, and agree to such extension of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal as therein stated, on condition that the President and Directors of the said Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, do pledge themselves and the said Company to provide and secure a suitable site for, and erect thereon at the time of making the named canal, a substantial and proper abutment to support an aqueduct for a lateral canal to be taken from the main canal at such point and elevation as may be fixed upon as most eligible by the companies engineer, above George Town, to convey the water for said lateral canal to Alexandria across the river Potomac and to provide the necessary basin at the entrance to said aqueduct.

Resolved that the Mayor be appointed to represent the stock of the Corporation of Alexandria, at the meeting of the stockholders to be held at the city of Washington on the 10th instant.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the President of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company of the 14th of August, reported a Bill entitled "An Act to provide additional security for the payment of all installments on the stock of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, subscribed for by the Corporation of Alexandria, and for other purposes", which was read a first and second time, and the ninth rule having been suspended, it was then read a third time, and passed.

The Council then adjourned
R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

13 October 1828

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. Brockett, Janney, Miller, Johnston, Sanford, Thompson, Stewart, Anderson, Gregory, Jamieson, Gardner.

Ordered that Mssrs. Miller, Brockett, Thompson, and Anderson be a committee to inquire into the state of the laws regulating the weighing of hay, and what further provisions may be necessary on that subject.

Ordered that the rent for the room at present occupied by the Library, be reduced for the ensuing year, to \$50.

The Council then adjourned
R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

1 December 1828

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Mssrs. Janney, Veitch, Massie, Smith, Brockett, Stewart, Thompson, Sanford, Johnston, Gregory, Jamieson, McGuire, Miller.

A communication from the Mayor was received and read, whereupon ordered that the Mayor, President of the Council and Mssrs. Phineas Janney, A. C. Cazenove, and Hugh Smith be a Committee to prepare and present a memorial to Congress praying the passage of a law to incorporate a Company for making a lateral canal from the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to the town of Alexandria.

A Communication from the Treasurer was received and read.

The following copy of an order of the circuit court of the District of Columbia, was laid before Council.

"At a United States Circuit Court of the District of Columbia continued and held for the County of Alexandria the 15th day of November 1828,"

"The rooms which the United States have been permitted by the Corporation of Alexandria to occupy as a Courthouse for the use of the Circuit and District courts for this district, having been recently repaired and furnished by the United States at considerable expense, the judges of the said court do not think themselves authorized to sanction the use of the said rooms for other purposes, it is therefore this 15th of November 1828, ordered, that the said rooms shall not be used for any other purpose and the administration of justice by the courts of the United States and the District, unless at the request of the Common Council of Alexandria."

Whereupon it is ordered that the rooms therein sanctioned shall not for the future be used for any other purposes than the Administration of Justice by the said Court without the special permission of the Council.

Ordered that the tax on one horse and two L.STO improperly charged to Owen Levy be remitted.

Ordered that the tax on one Tav.Lic [tavern license] improperly charged to Benjamin Bradfield be remitted and a shop tax substituted.

The Council then adjourned
R.I. Taylor, President

Test:

J.P. Thompson, c.c.

1829

13 January 1829

In Council. Present. Mssrs. Miller, Janney, Veitch, Smith, Massie, Johnston, Sanford, Thompson, Gregory, Jamieson, McGuire, Anderson.

A communication from the President of the Board of Trustees of the poor was received and read, whereupon ordered that \$100 be appropriated in addition to the donation of the late O.F. McGrath, and placed under the management of the Trustee of the Poor.

13 January 1829

In Council. Present. Mssrs Miller, Janney, Veitch, Smith, Massie, Johnston, Sanford, Thompson, Gregory, Jamieson, McGuire, Anderson.

A Communication from the President of the Board of Trustees of the Poor was received and read, whereupon ordered that \$100 be appropriated in addition to the present donation of the late O. F. McGrath, placed under the Management of the Trustees of the Poor, for the purchase of wood to be distributed amongst the Poor of the Town, and that the President of the Council be and he is hereby authorized to draw the dividend from the Bank of Alexandria on the stock devised by the aforesaid O. F. McGrath, and pay over to the Trustees of the Poor.

A petition from Samuel Wheeler, the Clerk of the Market was received and read, and thereupon the Petitioner had leave to withdraw his petition.

The President being absent W. Stewart was appointed Pres: pro tem.

The Council then adjourns
John Stewart, President, pro tem.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

9 February 1829

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, President. Mssrs. Smith, Gardner, Brockett, Veitch, Janney, Thompson, Gregory, McGuire, Anderson, Miller.

The following persons were appointed Commissioners for holding Elections in the different Wards on Tuesday the 3rd day of March next for Members to serve in the Common Council for the ensuing twelve months.

Samuel Lindsay
Alexander McKenzie
Charles Murray

At Rhodes' Tavern
for the "First Ward"

Guy Atkinson
Silas Reed
Bernard Bryan

At the Old Council
Chamber for the
"Second Ward"

A. C. Cazenove
James Douglass
Henry Daingerfield

At the Indian Queen
Tavern for the
"Third Ward"

George S. Hough
Josiah H. Davis
William Fowle

At Mrs. Mills', Corner of
Prince and Alfred Streets
for the "Fourth Ward"

Ordered that the sum of Two Hundred Dollars be allowed the Treasurer of the Corporation as full compensation for his services for the present year ending in March next.

Present, W. Massie.

The Committee appointed to enquire into the state of the laws regulating the Weighing of Hay and what further provisions may be necessary on the subject reported a Bill entitled "An Act for Regulating the Inspection and Weighing of Hay", which was read a first time, and the Council having made some progress in the second reading, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed until the next meeting.

Ordered that the tax on 1 Tyth improperly charged to and paid by John C. Mandell be refunded.

Ordered that the judgment of the Common Council against Judy Curry for a tax paid on 1 male dog be remitted with the exception of the costs.

A Petition from T. W. Hewett and others was received and read and referred to Mssrs. McGuire, Stewart, Veitch and Brockett.

Ordered that Mssrs. Gardner, Veitch, Stewart and Gardner be a Committee to settle the Public Accounts and prepare the same for publication.

The Council then adjourned
R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

16 February 1829

In Council. Present. Mssrs. Johnston, Sanford, Thompson, Gregory, Anderson, Jamieson, Veitch, Janney, Miller, Brockett, Gardner, Massie.

The President being absent, Mr. Stewart was appointed Pres: pro tem.

Ordered that a sum not exceeding \$120 be and is hereby authorized to be expended under the director of the Trustees of the Poor, and Alexander McKenzie, Guy Atkinson, Andrew Scholfield and Jonathan Janney in aiding the Poor in such way as they may deem most expedient.

The following Resolution was moved and seconded.

Resolved that the Commissioners of the several Wards at the ensuing election for members of the Common Council be requested to take the sense of the voters within their respective Wards for and against Sunday Markets.

The "Ayes" and "Noes" being called for were as follows:

"Ayes" Mssrs. Johnston, Thompson, Anderson, McGuire, Janney, Brockett, Gardner, Massie, Stewart.

"Noes" Mssrs. Sanford, Gregory, Jamieson, Miller, Veitch.

Ordered that the tax on 1 male dog improperly paid by Oliver Edwards be refunded.

Charles Murray, appointed a Commissioner of Election in the First Ward, not being a resident in that Ward, Thomas Vowell was elected by ballot in his place.

The Council then adjourned
John Stewart, President, pro tem.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

20 February 1829

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor, Esquire President. Mssrs. Miller, Janney, Veitch, Brockett, Gardner, Stewart, Thompson, Sanford, Johnston, Gregory, McGuire, Jamieson, Anderson, Massie.

Communications from the Mayor and Board of Health announcing that two cases of Small Pox had occurred one at the Poor House and the other within the Town; that the latter had been promptly removed without the Corporation, and that no other case existed at the time within the Town, were received and read, whereupon.

Resolved that four Physicians be appointed by ballot, one for each Ward in the Town, whose duty it shall be to visit every family within the Ward who are not in the habit of regularly calling in a Physician in cases of sickness, and inoculate the members of such families who stand in need thereof with Cow Pox matter, and give them the necessary attention through the different stages of the disease and when their duties shall have been performed that they report to Council the names of the persons vaccinated by each. And for the purpose of carrying into effect the above resolution, that the sum of \$150 be appropriated to the equally divided between the Physicians to be appointed.

On balloting for Physicians to carry the foregoing resolution into effect, Doctors William Washington, John Richards, Thomas Semmes and John Vowell were elected.

The Council then adjourned
R. I. Taylor, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

2 March 1829

In Council. Present. Robert I. Taylor President. Mssrs. Janney, Veitch, Brockett, Massie, Gardner, Johnston, Thompson, Stewart, Anderson, Gregory, Jamieson.

The Committee appointed to settle the Annual Accounts reported a Statement of same, which was accepted and ordered to be printed.

Ordered that the sum of 10 dollars be allowed to John Johnston for his attendance on the Commission of Accounts.

A petition from Michael Morris was received and read.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police do advertise that the Fish Wharf will be rented to the highest bidder on the 9th inst., by him and a Committee of Council to be appointed for that purpose.

Resolved unanimously that the thanks of the Common Council be presented to Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, for the faithful and impartial discharge of his duties as President during the past year.

The Council then adjourned
sine die
Robert I. Taylor, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Minutes
For the Year Eighteen Hundred and Twenty-Nine
Beginning on the 7th Day of March
1829

Members of Council

Richard Rock
Thomas Sanford
Reuben Johnston
Matthias Snyder

For the First Ward

Robert Anderson
James McGuire
Presley Jacobs
Robert Jamieson

For the Second Ward

Robert Brockett, Jr.
William Gardner
John W. Massie
Henry Daingerfield

For the Third Ward

Robert I. Taylor
John Roberts
Mordecai Miller
George S. Hough

For the Fourth Ward

The undersigned Commissioners appointed to Superintend an Election at Rhodes Tavern on Tuesday the 3rd Inst. For Members to represent the First Ward in the Common Council of Alexandria for the ensuing year, do hereby certify that the following Gentlemen would duly elected, viz.:

Richard Rock
Thomas Sanford
Reuben Johnston
Matthias Snyder

Given under our hands and seals that this 4th day of March 1829.

Thomas Vowell
Alexr. McKenzie
Saml. Lindsay

We, the Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election in Ward No. 2 for Members to serve in the Common Council for this ensuing year, do hereby certify that the following persons have been duly elected.

Robert Anderson
James McGuire
Presley Jacobs
Robert Jamieson

Given under our hands and seals, this 4th day of March 1829.

Guy Atkinson
Ber. Bryan
Silas Reed

We, the Commissioners for holding an election for 4 persons to serve in the Common Council for the present year from Ward No. 3 do hereby certify that:

Robert Brockett, Jr.
W. C. Gardner
John W. Massie
Henry Daingerfield

Had the highest number of votes, and are hereby declared duly elected.

Given under our hands and seals in Alexandria, this 3rd day of March 1829.

Arth. Chas. Cazenove
Jas. Douglass
Henry Daingerfield

The Subscribers, Commissioners for holding an election for the Common Councilmen for the Fourth Ward, certify that:

Robert I. Taylor
John Roberts
Mordecai Miller
George S. Hough --

Were duly elected as [blank]

Witness our hands and seals this 3rd day of March 1829.

W. Fowle
Geo: S. Hough
Josiah H. Davis

At a Meeting of the Persons elected to serve in the Common Council for the ensuing year at the Council Chamber on Saturday the 7th day of March 1829.

Present. Messrs. Sanford, Johnston, Rock, Snyder, McGuire, Anderson, Jacobs, Brockett, Massie, Gardner, Daingerfield, Taylor, Miller, Hough.

On balloting for a President of the Council, Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, was unanimously re-elected, who, after taking oath of Office prescribed by Law before Nathaniel S. Wise, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace, administered the same to the members present.

On balloting for Clerk and Auditor, J. P. Thompson was unanimously re-elected.

On balloting for a Messenger, John Johnston was unanimously re-elected.

On balloting for Mayor, Thomson F. Mason, Esquire was re-elected.

The Rules and Regulations of the last Council were read and adopted as the Rules and Regulations of the present.

Ordered that Messrs. Hough, Daingerfield, Sanford and Anderson be a Committee to bring in bills for fixing the salaries of the Officers of the Corporation, and for raising a revenue for the present year.

Ordered that Messrs. McGuire, Johnston, Brockett and Miller be a Committee to attend with the Superintendent of Police, on Monday next, for the purpose of renting the Fish Wharf.

The resignation of Robert Jamieson a Member returned from the Second Ward, was received and read, and accepted by the Council.

Whereupon, ordered that Jacob Morgan, William Gregory, and Silas Reed be appointed Commissioners for holding an election at the old Council Chamber on Wednesday the 18th Inst., for a Member to serve in the place of Robert Jamieson resigned.

The Mayor-elect appeared and had the Oath of Office administered to him in presence of the Council by Nathaniel S. Wise, Esquire, a Justice of the Peace.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

9 March 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Brockett, Daingerfield, Hough, Snyder, Rock, Sanford, Jacobs, Johnston.

This being the day appointed for renting the Fish Wharf, the Council adjourned until 1/2 past 6 o'clock in order to afford the Committee appointed at the last meeting, an opportunity of attending to that business.

Signed R. I. Taylor

9 March 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Miller, Massie, Daingerfield, Brockett, Snyder, Rock, Johnston, McGuire, Anderson, Jacobs, Hough.

The Committee appointed to assist in renting the Fish Wharf, reported, that they have rented the same for \$1610.

Present: Messrs. Sanford and Gardner.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred, reported a Bill entitled "An Act fixing the salaries of the Officers of Corporation for the year 1829," which was read a first and second time, and the blanks being filled, upon motion the ninth rule was suspended, and it was then read a third time, and passed.

Ordered that the Clerk do prepare and label for the Council at the next meeting a statement of all matters referred to committees, during the last year, which have not been reported on, or have not been finally disposed of by the Council.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

13 March 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Johnston, Sanford, Rock, Snyder, McGuire, Jacobs, Anderson, Daingerfield, Massie, Gardner, Brockett, Miller, Hough.

The Council proceeded to elect by ballot, the following Officers to serve during the ensuing year, viz.:

James Carson	Superintendent of Police
John Johnston	Superintendent of Watch
Samuel Wheeler	Clerk of the Market
John Shakes	Keeper of the Powder House
James Thomas	Keeper of the Poor House
William Washington	Physician to the Poor House
Robert I. Taylor	Attorney for the Corporation
Benjamin C. Ashton	Treasurer of the Corporation
David Black	Corder of Wood and Bark
Anthony Rhodes	Inspector of Fish
George McClish	Gauger of Casks, Inspector of Whiskey
Benjamin Barton	Keeper of the Town Clock
Loudoun Campbell & William Campbell	Measurers and Inspectors of Lumber
George Drinker &	

William Veitch	Assessors
Jacob Morgan &	
Thomas Jacobs &	
Jonathan Janney &	
John Wood	Trustees of the Poor
Davis Bowie &	
John M. Clarke	Police Constables

The following persons were elected Watchman for the ensuing year,
viz.:

Robert Slatford, Henry Tatspaugh, James Birch, John Keisendorfer,
George Johnston, James Heathrington, Henry Mansfield, John B.
Hancock.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

13 March 1829

In Council. [blank]

Ordered that Messrs. Miller, Brockett, Gardner and McGuire be a
Committee to inquire into the expediency of amending so much of
the 25th Section of the Act entitled "An Act reducing into one
and amending the several Acts respecting Gaugers and etc." as
relates to the amount of wharfage demanded for the fish delivered
into vessels alongside: and also that the said Committee be
instructed to inquire into the propriety of amending the 18th
Section of the same Act.

24 March 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Miller, Hough, Daingerfield, Gardner, Johnston, Sanford,
Rock, Snyder, Anderson, Jacobs.

The Commissioners appointed to Superintend an election of a
member for the Second Ward in the place of Robert Jamieson
resigned, made the following return.

We, the subscribers appointed appointed by the Common Council of
Alexandria Commissioners to Superintend an election to be held at
the Old Council Chamber on the 18th March 1829, for a Member of
Council for the Second Ward, viz., Robert Jamieson resigned, do
hereby certify that Joseph Mandeville was duly elected.

Given under our hands and seals this 18th day of March.

Signed,

Silas Reed
Jacob Morgan
William Gregory

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred reported a Bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act reducing into one and amending the several Acts respecting Gaugers, Measurers of Lumber, Wood, Bark and etc.'", which was read a first time; upon the second reading, a motion was made to strike out the second section of the Bill, which was carried, and the Bill was then laid on the table.

A communication from William N. Mills was received and read, and referred to Messrs. Gardner, Hough, Sanford and Anderson.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred, reported a Bill entitled "An Act for raising a revenue for the Year 1829", which was read a first time and laid on the table.

A petition from the Sun Fire Company was received and read and referred to Messrs. Gardner, Hough and Jacobs.

Ordered that Messrs. Miller, Roberts, Gardner, Sanford and Hough be a Committee to examine into the situation of the Lancastrian School and obligation of the Council in regards to the support of the same.

Leave was granted to Mr. Miller to bring in a Bill entitled "An Act regulating the Inspection and Weighing of Hay" which was read a first time and laid on the table.

Ordered that Messrs. Sanford, Anderson, Daingerfield and Johnston be a Committee to examine into the situation of the lower end of Duke Street, and to make such repairs thereon as they may deem necessary.

The Council then adjourned
until Thursday evening at 6 1/2 o'clock
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

26 March 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Johnston, Sanford, Rock, Snyder, Anderson, Jacobs, Miller, Hough, Gardner.

A petition from Thomas Semmes and other was received and read and laid on the table.

A communication from John Shakes was received and read and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
until Monday evening at 6 1/2 o'clock
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

30 March 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Massie, Daingerfield, Hough, Miller, Johnston, Sanford, Rock, Snyder, Jacobs, Anderson.

Several members being absent, and it being desirable that as many should be present as possible for the consideration of the business to be brought before them.

The Council adjourned
until Wednesday evening at 6 1/2 o'clock
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

1 April 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Johnston, Sanford, Rock, Snyder, Jacobs, Anderson, Hough, Daingerfield, Miller, Massie, Gardner.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled "An Act regulating the Inspection and Weighing of Hay" which was read a second and third time and passed.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Sunfire Company, made a report, whereupon, resolved that the Sunfire Company have permission to move their Engine House to the public square on Fairfax Street as near to that belonging to the Hydraulion Company, as it can conveniently be placed.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled "An Act for raising a revenue for the Year 1829" which was read a second and third time and passed.

The Committee to examine into the situation of the Town at the lower end of Duke Street made a report, whereupon ordered that the said Committee proceed to have the work done as soon as convenient.

Resolved that the Mayor be requested to inquire into the state of the balances in the hands of the Collectors, and to take such measures as to him may seem proper to have the same forthwith settled as far as practicable.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

6 April 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Miller, Hough, Brockett, Gardner, Massie, Johnston, Sanford, Rock, Snyder, McGuire, Anderson, Jacobs.

Mr. Mandeville the Member elect from the Second Ward, appeared, was qualified, and took his seat.

A communication from the Mayor transmitting Sundry documents in relations to the loan authorized by the Act of the Fourth of September last, was received and read, whereupon leave was granted to bring in a bill entitled "An Act supplementary to an Act entitled 'An Act to provide additional security for the payment of all installments on the stock of the Chesapeake and the Ohio Canal Company, subscribed for by the Corporation of Alexandria and for other purposes, passed the 4th day of September 1828,'" which was read a first time and laid on the table.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled "An Act reducing into one and amending the several Acts respecting Gaugers, Measurers of Lumber, Wood, Bark and etc.", which was recommitted to the Committee which reported it.

A petition from Julianna M. Lowe and others was received and read and referred to Messrs. Sanford, Anderson, Gardner and Hough.

A petition from Christopher Neale was received and read and laid on the table.

An application from Davis Bowie was received and read and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

7 April 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Miller, Hough, Brockett, Gardner, Massie, Daingerfield, Johnston, Rock, Snyder, Mandeville, Jacobs, Anderson, McGuire.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled "An Act supplementary to an Act entitled, 'An Act to provide additional security for the payment of all installments on the stock of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, and etc.'" which was read a second and third time and passed.

The Bill entitled "An Act respecting Gaugers, Measurers of Lumber, Wood and Bark, and etc.", was reported by the Committee, and passed by yeas and nays as follows,

Yeas - Messrs. Miller, Hough, Brockett, Gardner, Massie, Daingerfield, Johnston, Jacobs, McGuire.

Nays - Messrs. Rock, Snyder, Mandeville, Taylor.

Resolved that the Messenger be directed to take charge of the keys of the Old Council Chamber, and not to deliver them to any person without an order from the Mayor or President of Council.

On balloting for a Weigher of Hay, John Shakes was unanimously elected.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

18 April 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Miller, Brockett, Johnston, Sanford, Snyder, Mandeville, Jacobs, Anderson, McGuire.

Mr. Roberts, the Member elect from the Fourth Ward appeared, was qualified and took his seat.

A communication from the Mayor was received and read, whereupon leave was granted to bring in a Bill entitled "An Act authorizing the Mayor forthwith to issue certificates for a loan to the amount of \$250,000.00, and repealing in part the First and Third Sections of an Act entitled, 'An Act to provide additional security for the payment of all installments on the stock of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company subscribed for by the corporation of Alexandria, and for other purposes, past the 4th day of September 1828'", which was read a first and second times - upon motion, the ninth rule was suspended, and the bill was then read a third time and passed.

On the petition of the Sunfire Company, it is ordered that the sum of \$15.00 be appropriated out of the General Fund for the removal of the Engine House of the said Company.

The following persons were appointed a Board of Health for the ensuing year - viz.;

North of King Street - A. C. Cazenove, Benjamin Waters, Humphrey Peake.

Between King and Prince - John Creighton, Ezra Lunt, James D. Kerr.

South of Prince - Josiah H. Davis, John Harper, James Entwisle.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

25 May 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Daingerfield, Brockett, Roberts, Hough, Johnston, Sanford, Snyder, McGuire, Anderson, Jacobs, Mandeville.

Resolved that the Council will set as a Court of Appeals on Monday the 8th and Tuesday the 9th of June from 10 til 1 o'clock of each day.

Present: W. Miller.

A petition from James Irwin and others was received and read and referred to Messrs. Roberts, Daingerfield and Hough.

Ordered that Messrs. Mandeville, Sanford, Miller and Massie be a Committee to inquire into the purpose to which the third story of the public buildings has been appropriated, and the propriety of resuming any grant of the use of the same, which may have been theretofore made, if any such there be.

An application from B. Rotchford for the remission of a fine was received and read and laid on the table.

Present: Messrs. Gardner and Massie.

An application from James L. McKenna was received and read and laid on the table.

Ordered that the Mayor, President of Council, Hugh Smith, A. C. Cazenove and Thomas Sanford be a Committee to represent the Common Council of Alexandria at a general meeting of the stock holders of the Chesapeake and the Ohio Canal Company to be held on the first Monday in June next; and at the said meeting to do all legal Acts on behalf of the Common Council in right of their stock in the said Company, and to vote for a president and 6 Directors of said Company at the next election; of which Committee a majority shall be competent to act.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Julianna M. Lowe and others made a report which was read and laid on the table.

Ordered, that George S. Hough be appointed to correspond with Messrs. Fabisham, Draper, Underwood and Company for the purpose of procuring 5,000 impressions of \$1.00 Corporation notes.

Ordered that all those persons who have disturbed the meeting of the Council this evening be summoned before the Mayor on the charge of disorderly conduct, and that the Messenger of Council be heard before the Mayor, in evidence.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, Pres: C.C.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

4 June 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Roberts, Miller, Hough, Brockett, Gardner, Daingerfield, Johnston, Sanford, Mandeville, Anderson, Jacobs, McGuire, Rock, Snyder.

Ordered that the Clerk of Council be directed to vote the following ticket at an election for President and Directors of the Middle Turnpike Company, to be held on the 6th inst.

Thomson F. Mason, President
William C. Gardner
Hugh Smith
James McGuire
George S. Hough
Joseph Mandeville

Directors

Ordered that the President of Council make application to the President and Directors of the Middle Turnpike Company for an account of the various items of expenditure, so as to include all the work done to the intersection of the Fairfax Turnpike Road, for the information of the Common Council.

Andrew Scholfield, was elected a Member of the Board of Health in the place of A. C. Cazenove, resigned.

Thomas Vowell and William A. Williams were elected Trustees of the Poor in the places of Jonathan Janney and John Wood resigned.

A petition from Harriet McCue was received and read and laid on the table.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of James Irwin and others reported a Bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled, 'An Act to regulate the exportation of flour from the County of Alexandria, and to punish and prevent frauds in the inspection and shipment thereof'", which was read a first time.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police do forthwith remove or cause to be removed a grievous nuisance that exist on the Fish Wharf by covering the low places on the said Wharf with sand or clay.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President, C.C.

Test:
J. P. Thompson, C.C.

Court of Appeals

The Court met this day June 8, 1829 pursuant to public notice, Present Messrs. Roberts, Hough, Massie, Daingerfield, Rock, Brockett, Johnston, Snyder, Mandeville, Anderson, McGuire, Jacobs.

President being absent Mr. Roberts was appointed Pres:Pro:Tem:
[sic]

Remissions Second Ward

Martha McClish.

H. D. S. Fairfax, \$200.00 to be deducted from the valuation.

Present: Mr. Gardner.

Third Ward

Robert Brockett, Jr.

H. L. D. Washington, \$1,000.00 to be deducted from the valuation.

First Ward

Thomas Preston.

Warehouse permit, Lumley, \$200.00 to be deducted from the valuation.

Present: Mr. Miller.

Thomas Preston.

LT. Duke \$300.00 to be deducted from his account and charged to the John C. Hunter.

The Court then adjourned
until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock
Signed J. W. Roberts, Pres:Pro:Tem. [sic]

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

The Court met this day June 9th pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Messrs. Roberts, Miller, Hough, Brockett, Rock, Daingerfield, Johnston, Snyder, Anderson, Jacobs, Mandeville, Massie.

The President being absent, Mr. Roberts was elected Pres:Pro:Tem. [sic]

Fourth Ward
Phoebe Moore.

H. L. S. Washington, \$100.00 to be deducted from the valuation.

The Court then adjourned, sine die
Signed J. W. Roberts, Pres:Pro:Tem [sic]

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

8 June 1829

In Council. Present: Messrs. Miller, Hough, Brockett, Daingerfield, McGuire, Johnston, Rock, Snyder, Anderson, Jacobs, Mandeville, Roberts, Massie, Gardner.

The President being absent, Mr. Roberts was elected Pres:Pro:Tem. [sic]

On motion, Harriet McCue had leave to withdraw her petition.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tythe, improperly charged to and paid by George S. Hough be refunded.

Ordered that the tax on 2 L.STO [lower story]: improperly charged to and paid by Norman R. Fitzhugh be refunded.

The Council then adjourned
Signed Roberts Pres:Pro:Tem. [sic]

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

9 June 1829

In Council. Present: Messrs. Miller, Hough, Brockett, Daingerfield, Johnston, Rock, Snyder, Anderson, Jacobs, Mandeville, Roberts, Massie.

The President being absent, Mr. Roberts was appointed Pres:Pro:Tem. [sic]

A petition from Humphrey Peake and others was received and read and laid on the table.

A communication from the Superintendent of Police was received and read and laid on the table.

Ordered that the tax on 1 L.STO. and 1 cow, improperly charged to and paid by B. E. Harrison be refunded.

The Council then adjourned
Signed J. W. Roberts, Pres:Pro:Tem [sic]

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

12 June 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Miller, Roberts, Hough, Daingerfield, Brockett, Johnston, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Jacobs, Mandeville.

The Committee appointed to examine into the situation of the Lancastrian School, made a report on the Subject, and presented for the consideration of the Council a Bill entitled, "An Act concerning the Lancastrian or free School of Alexandria," which was read a first time and laid on the table.

Present: Mr. Gardner.

Thomas Reston was elected a Trustee of the Poor in place of Thomas Vowell resigned.

On the petition of James Douglass and Thomas Smith, on behalf of the Library Company, it is ordered that the Alexandria Library Company be allowed to use the room appropriated to that purpose free of rent during the pleasure of the Council.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled, 'An Act to regulate the exportation of flour from the County of Alexandria and etc.'" which was read a second and third time and passed by ayes and noes as follows:

Ayes - Messrs. Roberts, Daingerfield, Brockett, Johnston, Sanford, McGuire, Anderson, Jacobs, Mandeville, Taylor.

Noes - Messrs. Miller, Hough, Gardner.

The Council resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee on the petition of Julianna M. Lowe and others, whereupon the following order was moved and seconded, "Ordered that the sum of \$100.00 be appropriated for the hire of a house to be placed in charge of the Directors of the Orphan Asylum of Alexandria" the ayes and noes being called for were as follows:

Ayes - Messrs. Sanford, Miller, Roberts, Gardner, Brockett, Daingerfield.

Noes - Messrs. Johnston, Mandeville, Jacobs, Anderson, McGuire, Hough, Taylor.

The Committee appointed to Inquire into the purposes to which the 3rd story of the public buildings has been appropriated, made a report which was read and laid on the table.

Ordered that the Clerk of Council make out a list of all real estate on which taxes are due, of residents as well as non-residents, and lay the said statement before Council on or before the first day of July next.

Leave was granted to bring in a Bill entitled "An Act to amend the several Acts for the appointment of Collectors" which was read a first and second time and laid on the table.

Ordered that Messrs. McGuire and Brockett, with a Superintendent of Police, be a Committee to sell the wrought iron belonging to the Corporation, and deposit the proceeds in the hands of the Treasurer.

Ordered that Messrs. McGuire, Johnston, Brockett and Hough be a Committee to have such repairs made to the public property in the Market Square as they may deem proper, provided said repairs do not exceed \$30.00.

The Council then adjourned
until tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock
Signed R. I. Taylor, Pres: [sic]

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

13 June 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Snyder, McGuire, Jacobs, Mandeville, Miller, Roberts, Hough, Gardner, Brockett, Daingerfield, Anderson, Rock, Sanford, Johnston.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled, "An Act concerning the Lancastrian or Free School of Alexandria" and having made some progress in this same, the bill was upon motion laid on the table.

Ordered that the Auditor do pay to Townshend Waugh, Teacher of the Lancastrian School, whatever sum may be due to him on the 21st inst., at the rate of \$400.00 per annum.

Ordered that a commission of 2 1/2 percent be allowed for all monies collected and paid to the Treasurer on account of the corporation for the present year by the Collectors.

On balloting for Collectors for the present year Charles Scott was elected for the Northern District, and John C. Mandell for the Southern District.

Ordered that Messrs. Mandeville, and Roberts be a Committee to inquire what Amendments are necessary in the 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, and 47th sections of the Acts entitled, "An Act reducing into one and amending the several Acts respecting streets, alleys, pavements, pumps, and the Superintendent of Police" with leave to report by Bill or otherwise.

Ordered that suits be forthwith brought against Samuel A. Marsteller and his securities for all sums of monies due from said Marsteller to the Corporation, for an account of auction licenses.

Ordered that the communication from the Superintendent of Police presented on the 9th inst. be referred to Messrs. McGuire, Hough, Brockett, and Johnston.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, Pres. C.C.

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

29 June 1829

In Council. Present: Messrs. Daingerfield, Roberts, Hough, Johnston, Snyder, Mandeville, Jacobs, Anderson, McGuire, Sanford, Miller, Gardner.

The President being absent, Mr. Roberts was appointed Pres:pro tem.

A Communication from the Mayor transmitting a copy of the Resolution of the Board of Older Men, and Board of Common Council of the Corporation of Georgetown, was received and read, whereupon resolved that the Mayor, Messrs. McGuire, Gardner, and Miller be a Committee on the part of this Corporation to meet at the Mayor's Office in Georgetown tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, to join and confer with any other Committees appointed on the part of the Corporations of the District of Columbia, to make arrangement for celebrating the laying of the corner stone of one of the Eastern Locks of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal on the 4th day of July next.

The Council then adjourned
J. Roberts, Pres:pro tem.

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

5 September 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Miller, Roberts, Hough, Brockett, Massie, Johnston, Sanford, Snyder, McGuire, Anderson, Jacobs, Mandeville, Daingerfield.

The Committee to whom the Subject was referred reported a Bill entitled, "An Act to amend an Act entitled, 'An Act reducing into one and amending the several Acts respecting streets, alleys, pavements, pumps and the Superintendent of Police'" which was read a first and second times, and upon motion, the ninth rule being suspended, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Committee appointed to Superintend the repairs to the new Market House made a report, whereupon, ordered that the sum of \$20.00 be appropriated for the payment of the work done on the porch of the new Market House; in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for that purpose.

Ordered, that the sum of \$2.50 improperly charged to William Morgan for 1 tythe and 1 STO. be struck out of his account, and that the Assessors do inquire and report to the Clerk the names of the persons to whom the said taxes are properly chargeable.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tythe, improperly paid by William D. Nutt be refunded.

Ordered that the Auditor do receive back from John Muncaster, late Collector of the Southern District, the uncollected tax bills now in his hands, and place the same in the hands of the present Collector, provided the securities of the said John Muncaster shall agree in writing that the receipt of the said tax bills shall not prejudice any claim that the Common Council may have against them for or on account of the negligence of the said John Muncaster, or for money collected by him, or on any other account. It being understood that the said John Muncaster, and his securities shall be entitled to critic only for such a tax bill so received back as shall be collected by the present Collector. And that it further ordered that the Auditor do report the present state of the said John Muncaster's account of his paid collections.

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police have the pavement on the alley between the property of James Lawrason deceased and William Fowle and Company so repaired as to prevent the water from remaining on it.

Leave was granted to Mr. Roberts to bring in a Bill entitled "An Act providing for the collection of the taxes, assessments, or charges on tenements and lots of ground which remain due and unpaid for 2 years." Which was read a first time and referred to the Attorney of the Corporation.

Mr. Miller from the Committee appointed to unite in celebrating the laying of the corner stone of one of the Eastern Locks of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal made a report which was read and excepted.

On balloting for a Town Surveyor, William Yeaton was duly elected.

Mr. Hough reported that he had procured 10,006 Corporation \$1.00 notes according to the order of Council of May 25th, and that they were now in the hands of the Auditor.

Ordered that Messrs. McGuire, Sanford, Brockett and Hough be a Committee to rent out the Corporation property at the end of Duke Street, for a term not exceeding 2 years.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

6 October 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Daingerfield, Massie, Gardner, Brockett, Miller, Roberts, Hough, Johnston, Sanford, Rock, Snyder, Mandeville, Jacobs, Anderson, McGuire.

The resignation of James Carson as Superintendent of Police was received and accepted by the Council.

Ordered that Messrs. Miller, Sanford, Gardner and Anderson be Committee to take in to consideration the Subject of the Superintendent of Police, and report to the next meeting of Council the propriety of transferring the duties of the Superintendent of Police to some other Officer of the Corporation for the remainder of the year.

Ordered that the Auditor call on A. Newton for a list of uncollected taxes that remain in his hands, and report the same to the next meeting at Council.

Leave was granted to Mr. Mandeville to bring in a Bill entitled "An Act for appointing Superintendent Measurers of corn, salt, and coal, and to regulate the measurement thereof" which was read and laid on the table.

Ordered that the collection of the taxes due from Mrs. Entwisle, and Leonard Adams be suspended until the 1st of March next.

The account of Samuel Smith was referred to Messrs. Snyder, Hough and Mandeville.

In consequence of the Regulation, heretofore passed by the Common Council calling upon the resident and Directors of the Middle Turnpike Company for information in relation to the expenditures and the affairs of the Company generally, the President of that company appeared in Council and gave a detailed report and statements on all the points suggested, whereupon it was unanimously resolve that the report of the President of the Middle Turnpike Company, respecting the cost and conditions of said row, is entirely satisfactory to this Council.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Superintendent of Police of the 8th June, made a report which was read and laid on the table.

A petition from John Lloyd was received and read, and laid on the table.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

12 October 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Massie, Brockett, Hough, Roberts, McGuire, Mandeville,
Snyder, Johnston, Jacobs.

Adjourned until 6 o'clock.

Evening session.

Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President.
Messrs. Johnston, Sanford, Snyder, Mandeville, Jacobs, McGuire,
Anderson, Massie, Gardner, Brockett, Hough, Roberts, Miller.

Ordered that the tax on \$2,000.00 erroneously assessed on a lot of ground on Union Street, belonging to the estate of Andrew Jamieson be refunded.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tythe improperly charged to Ann Kennedy be remitted.

Ordered that the tax on 1 dray improperly charged to and paid by Edward McLaughlin be refunded.

Ordered that the tax on \$200.00 improperly paid by Martha McClish be refunded.

The Committee appointed on the Subject of the Superintendent of Police, made a report which was read and accepted by Council, whereupon, leave was granted to bring in a Bill entitled "An Act to fix the compensation of the Superintendent of Police for the residue of the current year," which was read a first and second times, and the ninth rule being suspended, it was read a third time and passed.

The Council proceeded to considered the Bill entitled "An Act providing for the collection of taxes, assessments or charges on tenements and lots of grounds which remain due and unpaid for two years" which was read a second and third times and passed.

The Committee appointed to rent out the Corporation Wharf and Warehouse, reported that they had rented the same to Jonathan Janney and Mordecai Miller and Son, for the term of 2 years from the 23rd of August last at the rate of \$276.00 per annum, and that they had taken notes for the same at 6, 12, 18, and 24 months which had been placed in the hands of the Auditor.

Ordered that the lighting of lamps be suspended until further orders of the Council.

A communication from Townshend Waugh was received and read and laid on the table.

On the motion of Robert I. Taylor, it is ordered that the Auditor do examine his claim against the Corporation for taxes paid on the lot of William A. Harper's heirs, and report to Council.

The Council then adjourned
until tomorrow evening at 6 o'clock
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

13 October 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Daingerfield, Gardner, Brockett, Miller, Hough, Roberts, Johnston, Rock, Snyder, Mandeville, Jacobs, McGuire, Massie.

On balloting for a Superintendent of Police, William Veitch was duly elected.

Ordered that Messrs. Hough, Roberts and Mandeville be a Committee to settle with Augustine Newton, late Collector of the Northern District, the accounts of his collections and that the said Committee do report to Council such a settlement for their consideration, and to be subject to their approbation or rejection - and that it is further order that the same Committee be authorized to settle on the same terms with the Representatives or securities of John Muncaster deceased, late Collector of the Southern District.

The Council resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee on the communication of the Superintendent of Police of the 8th of June. Whereupon, it was ordered that the same be accepted, and that so much of the side stones on the East side of Royal Street between Cameron and Queen, as may require it, be repaired in such manner as the Superintendent of Police shall think necessary.

The communication of John Lloyd was referred to Messrs. Robert and Hough.

The Council proceeded to consider the application of Townshend Waugh, whereupon ordered that Townshend Waugh have leave to withdraw his petition and prayers.

Ordered that the Bill in relation to the Lancastrian School be recommitted to the Committee, by whom it was reported with leave to report such matters in relation thereto, as they may think material.

Ordered that the tax on 1 male dog charged to Betsey Dorsey be remitted.

Ordered that the tax on 1 male dog charged to David Bruce be remitted.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

4 November 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Miller, Hough, Roberts, Brockett, Gardner, Johnston, Sanford, Snyder, Mandeville, McGuire, Jacobs.

The Committee appointed to settled with the Representatives or securities of John Muncaster, deceased, late Collector of the Southern District, made a report, which was read, whereupon, resolved that the Auditor be authorized to receive back from John Muncaster's securities the uncollected tax Bills as reported by the above committee, and give a receipt for the same.

The same Committee made a report also on the accounts of Augustine Newton, late Collector of the Northern District, which was read, whereupon, resolved that the Council will receive back from Augustine Newton, late Collector of the Northern District, the uncollected tax bills reported by the Committee, and will credit the same against his liability as collector, on his forthwith paying to the Treasurer the balance of \$267.13 reported to be due from him, and that the Auditor, on the said payment being made, be authorized immediately then to receive said uncollected bills, and give a receipt for them.

Resolved that a commission of 5% on the sum collected be allowed to the Person who shall be appointed to collect the old balances which may be received back from A. Newton, and from the representatives of John Muncaster, as full compensation for the faithful performance of his duties, as Collector of the same. And it further ordered that the Collector of the aforesaid balances give bond with good and sufficient security to be approved of by the Mayor, in double the amount of the tax bills put into his hands.

On balloting for a Collector of the above balances, Charles Scott was duly elected.

The following order was moved and seconded.

"Ordered that the tax on 1 male dog, imposed upon George Hill be remitted."

The ayes and nays being called for were as follow:

Ayes - Messrs. Gardner, Brockett, Miller, Roberts, Johnston, Sanford, Snyder, Jacobs, Taylor.

Nays - Messrs. Hough, McGuire, Mandeville.

Ordered that the application of Leonard Cook for a remission of a tax be referred to the Assessors.

Ordered that the tax on 1 shop charged to Mrs. Butts be remitted, and that the Collector of the balance of her taxes be suspended until the 1st Monday in March next.

The Committee to whom was recommitted the Bill in relation to the Lancastrian School, made a report accompanied by a Bill entitled "An Act concerning the Lancastrian or Free School of Alexandria," which was read a first time, and laid on the table.

Ordered that Messrs. Miller, McGuire, and Mandeville be a Committee to rent out all the property belonging to the Corporation at the South and West ends of the Town, as soon as the present leases expire, for terms not exceeding 2 years, and make report to the Council.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

X- A petition from James Harris was received and referred to the Assessors.

7 December 1829

In Council. Present: Messrs. Hough, Miller, Daingerfield, Gardner, Brockett, Johnston, Sanford, Snyder, Mandeville, Jacobs, Anderson, McGuire, Massie.

The President being absent Mr. Roberts was appointed Pres:pro tem.

The Committee appointed to lease the public property at the lower end of Duke Street, reported that the same had been leased agreeably to the order of Council for 2 years, from the 16th day of November 1829, as per the following statement.

The rents payable half yearly.

1. The red warehouse with the privilege of 15 feet on the South and 10 feet to the East, not to be enclosed or built upon. The building on the property of Thomas Preston - leased to Thomas Preston at \$37.00
2. The frame warehouse with its breath of wharf and right in common with lot No. 3 to an opening of 10 feet on the South side of said warehouse. Leased to Thomas Vowell at \$42.00
3. The Wharf to the East side of the Strand with the line of openings about [blank] feet more or less on the river - this lot with lot No. 2 were together designated as lot No. 2. Leased to Thomas Vowell at \$140.00
4. The stone warehouse. Leased to J. H. Davis at \$81.00.
5. The lot on Potomac Strand 27 feet 3 inches front. Leased to H. Davis at \$12.00.
6. A lot of ground on the Strand 46 feet front by 72 feet deep on Duke Street, more or less. Leased to S. Pickering at \$46.00.
7. A lot of ground on the Strand 24 feet by 72 feet deep on the alley, more or less. Leased to T. Preston at \$30.00.
8. A lot of ground on Duke Street extending from lots No. 6 and 7 to Captain Baynes property. Leased to H. Davis at \$13.00.
9. A lot on Duke Street about 71 feet more or less. Leased to L & W Campbell at \$50.00.

Total \$451.00

Ordered that the Superintendent of Police do give notice to the parties concerned, to remove the lumber, plank, spars, plaster and etc., which now encumber the lower end of Duke Street, Potomac Strand, and the alleys adjacent, and on their neglecting to do so; that he remove the same at their expense.

Ordered that the Surveyor of the Town do lay off, measure, and plat all the lots belonging to the Corporation in a book to be purchased for that purpose, and make a report to Council the situation of each lot, whether it is held by the Corporation in fee simple, or on ground rent; designating those who have been rented out by Council, and to whom, numbering them as they have been rented, and that he be allowed a reasonable compensation for his services to be paid out of the general fund.

The said book, when completed, to be left with Clerk of Council.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication of William N. Mills made a report, whereupon ordered that the Superintendent of Police be authorized to extend the time for cleaning the streets with the present contractor to the 1st of January 1831 at the rate of \$450.00 per annum.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Bill entitled "An Act concerning the Lancastrian or Free School of Alexandria" which was read a second and third times and passed by yeas and nays as follow:

Yeas - Messrs. Daingerfield, Massie, Gardner, Brockett, Miller, Hough, Sanford, Snyder, Mandeville, Anderson, McGuire, Roberts.

Nays - Messrs. Johnston, Jacobs.

Leave was granted to Mr. Roberts to bring in a Bill entitled "An Act to prevent the sales of firecrackers and etc." which was read first and second time, and the ninth rule being suspended, it was upon motion, and read a third time and passed.

The application of Ann Grigsby for a remission of her taxes, was referred to the Committee for settling the Public Accounts.

The Committee to whom was referred the application of John Lloyd made a report, whereupon ordered that the Auditor issue a warrant in favor of John Lloyd for \$3.12, and that he charge John C. Herbert with \$7.61, error by short assessment of his taxes in 1828, and have the tax account of said John Lloyd for the present year credited with the sum of \$7.61 erroneously paid by him for taxes in 1828.

Ordered that the Auditor adjust the account between Jane Dade and the other owner of the Square of ground assessed to the said Jane Dade on Oronoco Street, that the collection be suspended until such settlement is made; and that a report be made to the Council at their next meeting.

The Council then adjourned
until Tuesday Evening at
1/2 past 6 o'clock
Signed I. W. Roberts, Pres:pro tem.

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

14 December 1829

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Mandeville, Jacobs, Anderson, McGuire, Snyder, Sanford, Johnston, Miller, Hough, Brockett, Gardner, Massie.

The Collectors of the Southern and Northern Districts reported statements of their accounts whereupon, ordered that Messrs. Hough, Mandeville, Sanford, Gardner and Roberts be appointed to examine the Collectors' accounts, and to make a report as early as practicable, and that the same Committee be authorized to make a final settlement in February next, and make a general settlement of the Corporation accounts.

Ordered, that a Commission of 5% in addition to the Commission allowed by the former order, making in the whole a Commission of 10% on the amount collected, be allowed to the Collector of old balances as full compensation for his services.

Ordered that the tax on 1 horse, improperly charged to John Bukey, for the present year, be remitted.

On balloting for Guardians of the Lancastrian or Free School of Alexandria, the following persons were duly elected, viz.: The Reverend Elias Harrison, Messrs. Benjamin Hallowell, William L. Hodgson, Hugh C. Smith, and Robert H. Miller.

An application from Newton Keene was received and read, and referred to the Committee of public accounts.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

1830

Minutes
For the Year Eighteen Hundred and Thirty
Beginning on the 28th Day of January

28 January 1830

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Johnston, Sanford, Snyder, Mandeville, Jacobs, Anderson, McGuire, Miller, Hough, Roberts, Daingerfield, Massie, Brockett, Gardner.

The Committee appointed by the Act of the 4th September 1828, made a Report accompanied, by a copy of the Minutes of their proceedings - the report of Richard Rush, Esquire, their agent to effect a loan in Europe, and the correspondence referred to in the last mentioned report, and the letter of Messr. Crommelius -

Whereupon, ordered that the agents appointed to effect a loan for the use of the Corporation, be authorized to sell bills for the amount of that part of the loan for which the Corporation is empowered to draw, and deposit the amount received in the Treasury.

A Communication from the Treasurer was received and read and laid on the table.

On the application of Richard Stanton, it is ordered that Messrs. Brockett, Miller, Johnston and McGuire be a Committee to inquire into the expediency of disposing of the clay on Payne between Prince and Wolfe Streets, so far as the removal of the same may be necessary for the regulation of Payne Street.

Ordered that the tax on 1 tyth improperly charged to and paid by Daniel Hooe be refunded.

Ordered that the collection of the taxes due from Katherine McRea be suspended until the 1st of June next.

Ordered that Messrs. Roberts, Brockett, McGuire and Sanford be a Committee, in conjunction with the Superintendent of Police, to rent out the Fish Wharf for the ensuing fishing season.

The account of Charles Scott D. M. for the amount of Sundry fee bills due him from the Corporation, was referred to the Attorney of the Corporation.

Ordered that \$50.00 be appropriated for the benefit of the poor, and paid over to the Trustees, and also the dividend on the legacy of the late Owen F. McGrath, be applied to the same purpose.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

8 February 1830

In Council. Present: Messrs. Daingerfield, Gardner, Brockett, Hough, Miller, Johnston, Sanford, Rock, Snyder, Jacobs, Anderson, McGuire.

The President being absent Mr. Miller was appointed Pres:pro tem.

The Committee to whom was referred the Enquiry into the expediency of disposing of the clay on Payne between Prince and Wolfe and Streets, made a report, which was concurred in by Council: whereupon ordered, that the Superintendent of Police be directed to dispose of the clay on Payne Street, to the regulation of said street from Prince to Wolfe, in any manner best calculated to benefit the Corporation, that he shall pay the proceed into the Treasury of the Corporation, and report his proceedings under this order semi-annually to the Common Council

- Present: Messrs. Mandeville and Massie -

Ordered, that \$51.32 be appropriated for the purpose of purchasing wood for the poor, in addition to the appropriation heretofore made, to be distributed under the Superintendence of Trustees of the Poor.

The following persons were appointed Commissioners for holding Elections in the different Wards on Tuesday the 2nd day of March next, for members to serve in the Common Council for the ensuing 12 months, viz. -

Alexander McKenzie
Thomas Vowell
Robert S. Blacklock

To meet at Rhodes' Tavern
for the First Ward.

Jonah Thompson
Robert Barry
William Gregory

To meet at the Old Council
Chamber for the Second Ward.

A. C. Cazenove
Charles Bennett
James Douglass

To meet at Mrs. McRea's corner
of King and Saint Asaph Streets
for the Third Ward.

Josiah H. Davis
William Fowle
William D. Nutt

To meet at Mrs. Mills' corner
of Payne and Alfred Streets
for the Fourth Ward.

The report of William Yeaton, Surveyor, was received and read and ordered to be recorded in the book containing the platts of the public property.

Ordered that the account of William Yeaton, for services in platting the public property, amounting to \$48.00, be paid.

Ordered that the report of William Yeaton, Surveyor, just presented, be referred to the first meeting of the next Council.

The Council then adjourned
Mordecai Miller, Pres:Pro:Tem [sic]

15 February 1830

In Council. Present: Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, President. Messrs. Daingerfield, Gardner, Brockett, Roberts, Hough, Miller, Johnston, Sanford, Rock, Snyder, Mandeville, Jacobs, Anderson, McGuire.

Leave was granted to bring in a Bill entitled, "An Act authorizing the agents heretofore appointed on the part of the Corporation to negotiate a loan not exceeding \$250,000.00 to draw for and receive the same" which was read a first and second time, and on motion the ninth rule being suspended, it was read a third time and passed.

The Council then adjourned
Signed R. I. Taylor, President

Test:
J. P. Thompson, c.c.

27 February 1830

In Council. Present: Messrs. Miller, Hough, Gardner, Brockett, Johnston, Sanford, Snyder, Jacobs, Anderson, McGuire, Massie.

The President being absent, Mr. Roberts was appointed Pres:Pro:Tem. [sic]

The Committee to whom was referred the renting of the Fish Wharf and appurtenances, report that they have rented the said property for the ensuing season to end on the 1st of June next, to Ezra Lunt, and Edward Smyth and Company for \$1,807.00 payable on the 1st of May.

The Committee appointed to settled the annual accounts reported a statement of the same, which was accepted by the Council.

Ordered that the Auditor draw warrants in favor of the attorneys in the case of William Fowle against the Corporation, for \$100.00 each.

The application of Thomas Vowell was read and laid on the table.

Ordered that the sum of \$1.86 be paid to John Johnston for postages paid by him on account of the Board of Health.

Present: Mr. Daingerfield.

Andrew Scholfield was appointed a Commissioner of election in the Third Ward, in the place of A. C. Cazenove resigned.

Resolved unanimously that the thanks of the Common Council be presented to Robert I. Taylor, Esquire, for his faithful and impartial discharge of his duties as President during the past year.

The Council then adjourned, sine die
Signed Pres:Pro:Tem [sic]

Test:

J. P. Thompson, c.c.

Appendices

**Salaries Of Alexandria City Officials
As Recorded In The Acts In Council
1813-1852**

Date Approved	1813 3/13	1814 5/9	1815 4/20	1816 3/22	1817 3/13	1818	1819	1820
Mayor	300(a)	300(a)	00(a)	600(c)	500(c)	[These Pages are Missing From The Original Documents]		
Supt. of Police & Street Commsr.	500	500	500	600	500			
Clerk of Market	150	250	300	300	300			
Clerk of Council & Auditor	450	450	450	540	500			
Superintendent of Watch	300	300	300	350	350			
Keeper of Powder House	350	150	150	150	150			
Each Watchman	220	220	220	275	275			
Physician of Poor House	150	150	150	150	200			
Each Constable	(b)	100	100	(b)	(b)			
Public Printer	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)			

NOTES

- (a) - includes \$1 for each official use of seal (to be added to salary).
- (b) - no provision in Act.
- (c) - includes \$2 for each use of seal (to be added to salary).
- (d) - plus \$50 for night services.
- (e) - includes night services.
- (f) - responsible for such lamps as may be lighted in Market Square.

Official Salaries (cont'd)

Date Approved	1821 3/9	1822 3/13	1823 3/10	1824 3/8	1825 3/7	1826 3/18	1827 3/13	1828 3/10
Mayor	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)
Supt. of Police & Street Commsr.	350	400	400	400	400	400	600	550
Clerk of Market	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	150
Clerk of Council & Auditor	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400
Superintendent of Watch	275	275	250	250	250	250	250	225
Keeper of Powder House	150	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Each Watchman	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	175
Physician of Poor House	150	150	150	200	200	200	200	150
Each Constable	150	150(d)	150(e)	150(e)	150(e)	150(e)	150(e)	150(e)
Public Printer	75	75	75	75	75	75	100	(e)
Keeper of Poor House	(b)	500	400	350	300	300	300	300
Messenger of Council (Fewel [fuel]/ Stationery)				150	150	150	150	150
Regulator of Town Clock				50	50	50	50	50
Attorney for Corporation				100	100	100	100	100

Official Salaries (cont'd)

Date Approved	1821 3/9	1822 3/15	1823 3/14	1824 3/16	1825 3/11	1826 3/13	1827 3/14	1828 3/14
Mayor	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	300(c)	300(c)
Supt. of Police & Street Commsr.	550	300	350	400	400	400	400	300
Clerk of Market	150	150	125	175	175	175	175	175
Clerk of Council & Auditor	400	350	400	400	400	400	400	400
Superintendent of Watch	225	225(f)	225(f)	225	225	275	275	275
Keeper of Powder House	100	75	75	50	50	50	50	50
Each Watchman	175	175	184	(b)	184	184	184	184
Physician of Poor House	150	250	250	250	250	250	250	250
Each Constable	150(e)	150(e)	225(e)	225(e)	225(e)	275	200(e)	200(e)
Public Printer	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Keeper of Poor House	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300
Messenger of Council (Fewel [sic]/ Stationery)	140	In Full (incl. all fuse lites)	In Full +80	In Full +80	80	80	80	100
Regulator of Town Clock	50	30	25	50	50	50	50	50
Attorney for Corporation	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Treasurers of Corporation		200	200	200	200	200	200	200

Official Salaries (cont'd)

Date Approved	1837 3/14	1838 3/15	1839 4/13	1840 3/11	1841 3/13	1842 3/10	1843 3/21	1844 3/13
Mayor	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)
Supt. of Police & Street Commsr.	300	300	300	300	300	400	400	400
Clerk of Market	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175
Clerk of Council & Auditor	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400
Superintendent of Watch	275	275	275	225	225	225	225	240
Keeper of Powder House	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
Each Watchman	184	184	184	184	184	184	184	200
Physician of Poor House	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250
Each Constable	200(e)	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
Public Printer	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Keeper of Poor House	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300
Messenger of Council (Fewel [sic]/ Stationery)	100	100	100	100	105	105	105	105
Regulator of Town Clock	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
Attorney for Corporation	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Treasurers of Corporation	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200

Official Salaries (cont'd)

Date Approved	1845 3/20	1846 3/18	1847 3/23	1848 3/17	1849 3/21	1850 3/21	1851 3/14	1852 3/19
Mayor	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)	400(c)
Supt. of Police & Street Commsr.	400	400	400	350	350	350	400	400
Clerk of Market	175	175	(b)	175	175	200	200	150
Clerk of Council & Auditor	400	400	400	400	500	500	500	500
Superintendent of Watch	240	240	240	240	240	240	240	200
Keeper of Powder House	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
Each Watchman	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
Physician of Poor House	2 @ 125 ea.	2 @ 125 ea.	2 @ 125 ea.	2 @ 125 ea.	2 @ 125 ea.	(b)	(b)	(b)
Each Constable	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
Public Printer	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Keeper of Poor House	300	300	300	350	350	(b)	(b)	(b)
Messenger of Council (Fewel [sic]/ Stationery)	105	120	120	120	120	120	150(f)	150(f)
Regulator of Town Clock	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
Attorney for Corporation	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Treasurers of Corporation	250	300	300	300	400	400	400	400

**Annual
Example Of An Appropriation
For The City of Alexandria
April 16, 1816**

Mayor	\$600*	
Superintendent of Police & Street Commissioner	600	
Clerk of Market	300	
Clerk of Council & Auditor	540	
Keeper of Powder House	100	
Physician of Poor House	150	
Police Constables	600	(Constables patrolled streets with truncheons [night sticks] to preserve public order)
For lighting of town and paying each watchman	3,300	(Lamps Lit) [Each watchman received \$275; therefore 12 watchman were employed]
For support of Alms house & keeper	3,500	
For support of maintenance of free Lancastrian schools	600	
For cleansing of docks and sewers/dock repair	200	
For repairing streets & public alleys & carrying off stagnant waters	500	
Expenses of Board of Health	150	
Cleansing of Town, generally	800	
Board of Regulators & Surveyors for regulating ascents & descents of streets	500	
Incidental expenses of Council	150	
Salary of Messenger of Council & "finding fewel [fuel] and candles"	200	

*Despite this appropriation, the Mayor received only \$500 in 1817