July 10th, 1917.

## SHIP BUILDING PLANT, AFRICVILLE, TULLY PROPERTY.

Read joint report City Assessor and Acting City En-

ginner, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office, July 5th, 1917.

His Worship the Mayor. Sir:-

We beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control that we have discussed the matter of the valuation of that portion of the Tully property asked for by Mr. McKean for ship building purposes.

If the land were valued as so much land without any reference to its value in connection with the water lot, probably a fair price for it would be about \$1300, but we wish to point out that this is hardly a fair way to value this, as on account of the waterlot attached and owing to the fact that water front properties are becoming scarce in Halifax, and also owing to the fact that it divides up the large lot of the city into two small ones, we think the City should obtain for the land and water lot together at least \$3000.

> H. W. Johnston, Acting City Engineer. P. J. McManus, City Assessor.

Referred to Controller Murphy for report as to whether Mr. McKean would consider the lease instead of the purchase of the property.

WATER BILL # CABOT STREET - THOMAS STOKES.

Read report Acting City Engineer re water bill Thomas Stokes, #4 Cabot Street, as follows:-

> City Engineer's Office, July 10th, 1917.

His Worship the Mayor. Sir:-

Board of Control and attached letter from Thomas Stokes asking to be exempt from the payment of water rates on a new bond for water extension on Cabot Street.

The water was extended to Mr. Stokes' property on Cabot Street under bond dated the 31st of May, 1899. In July 1914 the City Council decided that after ten years, bonds be cancelled, and regular rates charged. The water bonds are revised in March of each year, and Mr. Stokes' bond was cancelled in 1915.

Through an error the bills have been sent out for the bond rate. I have notified the City Collector so that corrected bills may be sent.

H. W. Johnston Acting City Engineer

Approved.