#4 I would suggest the propriety of the corporation owning as many carts and horses as might be necessary to remove the filth accumulated in the City, and that a proportion of them should be employed for the purpose of receiving daily from each and every house, the dirt and offal that might be accumulated in each family, and that none should be allowed to be thrown in the Streets. The Citizens are much annoyed, their lives frequently in danger, and the pavement much injured by the unwarrantable speed with which the drays, carts and waggons pass in the Streets: It appears to me, that loaded or unloaded, they ought not to be allowed to go out of a walk.

Many of our Streets require to be repaved, partly owing to the before mentioned cause, partly to the Streets being paved with stone of a great variety of sizes and partly age: It must be obvious to every one that the nearer the stones are of a size, the more regular the pavement will wear: some Streets may be paved with large and others with small stone.

The upper part of the centre market is considerably impaired; the roof has decayed, and requires to be covered anew. I would suggest the propriety of the foundation being raised to admit a curb stone, so that the market be 8 or 10 inches above the Street; that the shed part be extended 3 feet further out, which would give the Country people a shelter in bad weather; and that the foot pavement next the Houses be made 2 or 3 feet wider: then the tails of the waggons might be turned to it, which would not only make it much more agreable both to seller and buyer, but leave that space in front of the waggons clear for all that might be brought in or taken out of market, without incommoding the Citizens. These alterations would require that market space be repaved, and I beg leave to submit to your inspection a plan for that purpose: the stones are to be square and even faced of a sufficient thickness to sanction the idea that the pavement will not require repair for a century: it would be easily kept clean and an ornament to the City.

Hanover Market never has been completed, its situation is an eligible one, and it appears to me only to require to be finished, to make it the most commodious and handsome I have ever seen, with the exception that the Shute on the north side ought to be public; I am informed it is private property. #5

The Butchers are in the habit on other than market days, of leaving their carts and horses in Market Space, abreast of their Stalls: they are not only in the way of the scavengers, but they render ineffectual the pains taken to keep market space clear: The public ground that is unoccupied from the south side of Water Street to the head of the Elder's Dock, might be a proper place for them to be deposited on Market days, or at any other time that the owners may attend the market.

The Ordinance for clearing the Streets of snow meets public approbation; it is defective nevertheless, but only as relates to the unimproved or unoccupied property: it appears desirable, that in all Streets where the footways are paved with brick or stone, that the proprietors of the property ought to be compelled to have the snow removed, and that the corporation ought to have that on the Cross Streets and Footways of the Bridges also removed. Considerable difficulty arises in keeping the Streets and footways from being incumbered with Merchandize and empty packages, owing to an indulgence for them to remain a limited time in the Street. Nothing will induce some men to restrain their disposition to impose on the public, but the fear that they will have to pay for it. I believe that no more indulgence ought to be given, than sufficient time to pass the goods from the dray or cart into the stores.) A price on bread, altho of the first importance, appears not to be fairly explained, except as to the weight of the loaf, the price of which I believe ought to be in proportion to the price of flour, or the weight of the loaf proportioned to the price paid for it. The driving of Hacks takes unwarrantable liberties and advantages of strangers, to the disgrace of our corporation regulations: it appears to me, that from the time they come on the stands, they are public property; but neither to abuse or be abused; which can only be remedied by prescribing rules and distances by which they shall be governed.

I think it worthy the reflection of the Council, whether the Powder Magazine is not too near the City? when full of powder as it may be, should it take fire by lightning or otherwise, the survivors would for ever regret that it had not been more remote from the City.