

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }  
*Monday, September 13th, 1875—7½ o'clock P. M.* }

The Common Council met in regular session.

Present—His Honor, the Mayor, John Caven, in the chair, and the following members :

Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, Ward and Webster—24.

Absent—Councilmen Kahn and McGill—2.

The proceedings of the regular session, held September 6th, 1875, were read and approved.

Sealed proposals for grading and graveling the alley running east and west from Japan street to Madison avenue, between Yeiser and Denny streets.

Also, for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks of Christian avenue between Ash and Bellefontaine streets to a width of six feet.

Also, for grading and graveling Pleasant street and sidewalks from Dillon to Linden street.

Also, for grading and graveling the first alley east of East street, running from North to Michigan street.

Also, for grading and graveling the alley running east and west between Buchanan and Dougherty street, from Wright street to Virginia avenue.

Also, for grading and graveling Ash street and paving with brick the sidewalks thereof from the south side of Tenth street to the north side of Reagan street.

Also, for grading and paving with what is known as Lefler Paving stone, the north sidewalk of North street, between Meridian and Pennsylvania street.

Also, for grading, graveling, curbing, paving and bouldering the gutters on Market street, from Alabama street to Noble street.

Were received, opened, read and referred to the Committee on Contracts.

Sealed proposals for filling up the breaks and repairing the bank of the new channel of Fall Creek.

Also, for building 1,000 barrel cistern corner Patterson and Michigan streets.

Were received, opened, read and referred to the Committee on Contracts.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

Gentlemen :—I hereby report the following estimates for work done :

A first and final estimate allowed Bernard Hammill for widening the north sidewalk on Michigan street, to a width of 17 feet, and curbing the outside edge with stone, from Meridian to Pennsylvania streets—

437 6 lineal feet at 47 cents.....\$205 67

Also, a first and final estimate allowed R. H. Patterson for grading and graveling Susquhanna alley and sidewalks, through square No. 4, being from Michigan to North street—

846 lineal feet at 41 cents.....\$346 86

Also, a first and final estimate allowed R. H. Patterson for grading and graveling Columbia street and sidewalks from New York street to Ohio street—

840 lineal feet at 43 cents.....\$361 20

Also, a first and final estimate allowed Bernard Hammill for grading and graveling Huntington or Second street and sidewalks, from the Michigan Road to the west line of Mayhew's heirs' addition to the City of Indianapolis—

1408 lineal feet at 54 cents.....\$760 32

Also, a first and partial estimate allowed Thomas H. S. Peck & Co., for erecting lamp posts, lamps and fixtures complete to burn gas, except the service pipe on Clifford avenue, from Massachusetts avenue to Jefferson avenue—

27 lamp posts, lamps and fixtures, at \$22.00.....\$594 00

Also, a first and partial estimate allowed D. R. Root & Co., for erecting lamp posts, lamps and fixtures, on Columbia avenue from Malott avenue to Eighth street—

15 lamp posts, lamps and fixtures at \$23.90.....\$358 50

Respectfully submitted.

BERNHARD H. DIETZ,  
City Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Bernard Hammill for widening the north sidewalk on Michigan street to a width of 17 feet, and curbing the outside edge with stone from Meridian to Pennsylvania streets, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Gimber, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman, Ward and Webster—20.

[ Negative—None.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed R. H. Patterson for grading and graveling Susquhana alley and sidewalks, through square No. 4, being from Michigan to North streets, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Gimber, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman, Ward and Webster—20.

Negative—None.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed R. H. Patterson for grading and graveling Columbia street and sidewalks from New York to Ohio street, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Gimber, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman, Ward and Webster—20.

Negative—None.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Bernard Hammill for grading and graveling Huntington or Second street and sidewalks from the Michigan road to the west line of Mayhew's heir's addition to the city of Indianapolis, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Gimber, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman, Ward and Webster—20.

Negative—None.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and partial estimate allowed Thomas H. S. Peck & Co., for erecting lamp posts, lamps and fixtures, complete to burn gas except the service pipe on Clifford avenue from Massachusetts avenue to Jefferson avenue, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Gimber, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden,

Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman, Ward and Webster—20.

Negative—None.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

*Resolved*, That the foregoing first and partial estimate allowed D. Root & Co., for erecting lamp posts, lamps and fixtures on Columbia avenue from Malott avenue to Eighth street, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Gimber, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman, Ward and Webster—20. ■

Negative—None.

Also, the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen*:—In compliance with your orders, I have located forty-two new lamps on the following streets, to wit:

On Clifford avenue from Massachusetts avenue to east line of Woodruff Place.... 27  
On Columbia avenue from Malotte avenue to Seventh street..... 15

The same have been erected and finished, and I would respectfully ask an order to light said lamps from and after the 15th day of September, 1875.

## SECOND.

As the Market Master has been directed to rearrange the lighting of the East Market House, and as there is no further need of the six public lamps located therein, I would recommend that you grant me an order condemning the said six lamps from and after this date.

## THIRD.

I have advertised, as per your orders, for proposals for improving the first alley east of East street, running north and south from McCarty street to the first alley north of Buchanan street.

I find upon examination that said alley varies in width from 5 to 20 feet, and would suggest that the said improvement be postponed until the proper width of the alley can be established.

## FOURTH.

I was instructed to establish the grade, and if the grade was established to report how much above or below the grade the railroad tracks were on Georgia street between Missouri and West streets, and also to recommend to your honorable body what steps could be taken to improve the condition of said street.

Would report, recommending that the railroad track on said street, between West street and the first alley east, should be lowered  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches; and that the north sidewalk on said street, between Missouri and West streets, be raised  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches with gravel, and the said street be filled up with gravel 7-10 of a foot between the north gutter and railroad track from West street east three hundred feet.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNHARD H. DEITZ,

City Civil Engineer.

The first paragraph was concurred in, except so much as refers to Clifford avenue, which was referred to the Committee on Gas; the second and third paragraphs were concurred in; in regard to the fourth paragraph, Mr. Duffley offered the following motion:

*Moved*, That that portion of City Civil Engineer's report of this date, concerning Georgia street, between Missouri and West streets, be concurred in, and the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to carry out the same.

Which was adopted.

The City Attorney submitted the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen*:—I respectfully report the trial of the following causes in which the City was a party, to-wit:

1. Joseph Essex vs. City of Indianapolis, in Marion Superior Court, September Term, 1875. Trial by jury and verdict and judgment in favor of the city.

2. Wm. Kalb vs. City of Indianapolis, in Marion Superior Court, September Term, 1875. Trial by the Court and finding and judgment in favor of the City.

3. Andrew N. Davis vs. City of Indianapolis, in the Marion Civil Circuit Court, August Term, 1875. Judgment in favor of the City for the sum of forty-one and sixty-seven one hundredth (\$41.67) dollars.

4. In the case of the Home for Friendless Women vs. City of Indianapolis, on appeal to the Supreme Court, the judgment of the Superior Court was affirmed, so that under this decision, the city will have to pay to the Home for Friendless Women, all fines collected for violations of the ordinances mentioned in the act approved February 3, 1873.

Respectfully submitted,

CAS. BYFIELD,  
City Attorney.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—I herewith return the claim of Williom Regenour for services as janitor, which was referred to me for an opinion as to the power of the Council to allow it :

By the terms of an ordinance passed at the beginning of this year, fixing the salaries of the officers of the city, the wages of said Regenour were fixed at two dollars per day, which amount he has regularly received. The claim referred to me is for fifty cents per day in addition to the two dollars fixed by the ordinance aforesaid.

The fact that the price was fixed by the city at two dollars per day, and that said Regenour acquiesced therein and continued in the employ of the city, constitutes a contract between him and the city at that price, and he could not enforce the payment of any greater sum from the city for the ordinary service required of him as janitor.

The section of the statute requiring the Council to fix within one month after the annual election, the salaries of the city officers, which shall not be incresed during the year, has reference only to the oflcers mentioned in the charter, to-wit :

Mayor, Councilmen, Clerk, Treasurer, Marshal, City Civil Engineer and Street Commissioners and Assessor, and does not have reference to or include the janitor of the city buildings.



I am therefore of the opinion that the Council has the power to increase the wages of Mr. Regenour, if the wages already paid are not a reasonable compensation for his services.

And if Mr. Redenour has performed any additional or extra labor not required of him under his employment as janitor, the Council has the power to allow and pay him for such extra services.

Respectfully submitted,

CAS. BYFIELD,

City Attorney.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—The report of the City Commissioners, of benefits and damages for opening Ohio street from Highland to Arsenal avenue, was made and accepted by the Council on the 8th of June, 1874.

Upon examination of the report, I find that benefits were assessed to property as belonging to S. A Fletcher, which at the time the assessment was made was the property of one S. J. Fletcher, and that said S. J. Fletcher never had any notice of the time and place of meeting of said City Commissioners to assess said benefits and damages. Said S. J. Eletcher has appealed from the same to the Marion Civil Circuit Court.

I am of the opinion that the city has the right to dismiss said proceedings for the opening of said street, and that the same can be opened under the recent act of the Legislature, so that the benefits and damages will be assessed to and against all the property affected.

I suggest that the Council dismiss the original proceedings, and proceed, if petitioned, under the new law, and I herewith submit the form of a resolution to be adopted, if the Council should conclude to adopt this suggestion.

Respectfully submitted,

CAS. BYFIELD,

City Attorney.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following resolution :

Whereas, heretofore, towit: On March 30, 1874, E. C. Hagar, F. M. Churchman, S. J. Fletcher, S. M. and J. B. Douglas, presented a petition to this Council asking

that Ohio street in said city be opened to a width of sixty feet, from Highland street to Arsenal avenue, and

Whereas, on said 30th day of March, 1874, said petition was received by this Council, and referred to the City Commissioners, directing them to assess the benefits and damages accruing to the property through which said street was proposed to be opened, and

Whereas, on the 8th of June, 1874, said City Commissioners, J. George Stiltz, George W. Alexander, Peter Wies, Ignatius Brown and Wm. J. Elliott, reported to this Council their assessment of benefits and damages to the land through which said street was to be opened, and among the assessments of benefits and damages assessed, there was the sum of one hundred dollars benefit on each of the following lots as the property of S. A. Fletcher, Sr., to-wit: lots 1, 80 and 81 in Fletcher's Arsenal Park addition to the city of Indianapolis, and the sum of three hundred dollars benefit to lot 121 in said addition to as belonging to said Fletcher, and

Whereas, on said 8th day of June, 1874, this Council, acting upon the information conveyed in said report, and believing said assessment to have been made upon proper notice to all the parties and according to law, did accept the terms of said report, and

Whereas, it appears that the property above described, was, at the time said assessments was made, the property of one S. J. Fletcher, and not the property of S. A. Fletcher, Sr. and that said S. J. Fletcher, had never received any notice of the time and place of meeting of said Commissioners to assess the benefits to his property, and

Whereas, the said S. J. Fletcher has appealed from said report to the Marion Civil Circuit Court, now therefore, be it

*Resolved*, By this Council, that the report of said Commissioners aforesaid, and the acceptance of the terms thereof by this Council, and proceedings and orders of this Council in reference to the opening of Ohio street from Highland street to Arsenal avenue, be and the same are hereby set aside and annulled, and proceedings for the collection of benefits so assessed, as accruing by reason of the opening of said street, be and the same are hereby dismissed.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, Ward and Webster—22.

Negative—None.

The City Clerk submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—The City Clerk respectfully reports the following affidavits now on file in his office for the collection of street assessments by precept, to-wit :

O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	\$420 00
O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	262 50
O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	262 50
O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	262 50
O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	262 50
O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	262 50
O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	262 50
O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	483 00
O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	448 00
O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	262 50
N. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	262 50
O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	262 50
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O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	262 50
O. W. Kelley vs. Oscar F. Moore, for.....	446 25

And respectfully recommend that you order the precepts to issue.

BENJ. C. WRIGHT,  
City Clerk.

Which was concurred in and the precepts ordered to issue by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, Ward and Webster—22.

Negative—None.

The Board of Health submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 6, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

Report of deaths in the City of Indianapolis from 6 o'clock P. M., on the 4th day of September, to 6 o'clock P. M. on the 11th day of September, 1875.

Under 1 year.....	18
1 to 2 years.....	7
2 to 3 ".....	2
3 to 4 ".....	0
4 to 5 ".....	0
5 to 10 ".....	0
10 to 20 ".....	1
20 to 30 ".....	6
30 to 40 ".....	0
40 to 50 ".....	3
50 to 60 ".....	1
60 to 70 ".....	1
70 to 80 ".....	0
80 to 90 ".....	0
90 to 100 ".....	0
Above 100 ".....	0
Unknown ".....	0
Total.....	40

C. E. WRIGHT, M. D.,

A. STRATFORD, M. D.,

President Board of Health.

Secretary Board of Health.

Which was received.

On motion by Mr. Ransdell, the matter of obtaining Council Chamber and rooms for city offices in the new Court House was made a special order of business for next Monday night, and the Council were requested to examine the rooms in said Court House.

#### ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING.

Mr. Schmidt introduced special ordinance No. 192, 1875, entitled

An ordinance to provide for grading and paving the sidewalk, and bouldering the gutter on the north side of Massachusetts avenue, from Pennsylvania to Delaware street.

Which was read the first time.

Dr. Stratford presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—We, your petitioners, property holders, would respectfully ask of your honorable body to cause the alley leading from Grove street south-east to Dillon street, and between Huron and Elm streets in the Thirteenth Ward, to be graded and graveled, so as to carry off the water which now stands in said alley, greatly to the detriment of the health of all who reside near to it.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.,

MARY CURTIS,

J. E. METTE.

The Board of Health recommend the improvement of the above named alley as a sanitary measure.

A. STRATFORD,

Secretary.

Which was received.

Also, special ordinance No. 193, 1875, entitled :

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveled the alley running southeast and northwest between Huron and Elm streets, from Grove to Dillon streets.

Which was read the first time.

Also, special ordinance No. 194, 1875, entitled :

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveled Sanders street and sidewalks from Shelby street to the western terminus of said Sanders street.

Which was read the first time.

#### ROLL CALL.

Mr. Adams offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That the Chairmen of the Committee on Water Works and Streets and Alleys be and the same are hereby directed to hire sufficient sprinkling carts, not to

exceed four, to sprinkle the streets in the immediate neighborhood of the Exposition from September 16 to October 9.

Dr. Stratford moved to refer to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Which motion to refer was laid on the table by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Thalman, Ward and Webster—15.

Negative—Councilmen Bollman, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Stratford and Stuckmeyer—9.

Mr. Thalman offered the following motion as a substitute to Mr. Adams' motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer advertise for proposals for sprinkling the following named streets from the 15th of September to the last day of the State Fair and Exposition : Central avenue from Christian avenue to the Exposition; Delaware street from Tinker to the Exposition; and Tinker street from Tennessee street to Central avenue. Said bids to be received by the City Clerk until Tuesday evening, September 14, at five o'clock, P. M., then to be referred to the Committee on Contracts with instructions to contracts with the lowest bidder.

Mr. Geiger moved to lay the whole matter on the table.

Which motion failed to pass by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bollman, Buehrig, Geiger, Laughlin, Madden, Stratford and Stuckmeyer—7.

Negative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Thalman, Ward and Webster—17.

Mr. Thalman then withdrew his substitute.

Mr. Craft offered the following motion as a substitute :

*Moved*, That the Committee on Contracts be and is hereby authorized and instructed to secure, at a cost not to exceed \$18.00 per day, the sprinkling of the following streets : Western avenue from Christian avenue to Exposition ground ; Delaware street from Tinker to Exposition avenue ; and on Tinker from Tennessee to Central avenue, from 15th of September to 10th of October, 1875.

Mr. Reed offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That the entire subject of sprinkling the streets be referred to the Committee on Water Works, with power to act, providing no street is sprinkled south of Tinker street, and provided further, that the cost does not exceed \$324.

Mr. Gimber moved to lay the whole matter on the table.

Which motion failed to pass by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bollman, Buehrig, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Stratford and Stuckmeyer—11.

Negative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Hall, Hook, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Thalman, Ward and Webster—13.

On motion, the previous question was ordered.

Mr. Reed's motion was then adopted by the following vote ;

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Thalman, Ward and Webster—17.

Negative—Councilmen Geiger, Gimber, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Stratford and Stuckmeyer—7.

Mr. Adams offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Attorney be requested to give his opinion to this Council in regard to legal right of the City to widen and deepen the State ditch in accordance

with the plans and profile made by the City Civil Engineer, and report the same next Monday night.

Which was adopted.

Also the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen* :—The undersigned would represent that on the 20th day of July, 1874, an estimate was allowed me for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks on Ray street, from Washington street to White River, and that said estimate was erroneous in this, to-wit :

Lot 7, square 4, out-lot 12, is assessed against Fred. Schmidt and whereas, the said Fred. Schmidt never owned said lot. Now on the 12th day of October, 1874, I precepted said lot in accordance with said estimate, and in the name of the aforesaid Schmidt. Afterwards, to-wit, I bought the lot in upon the sale of the City Treasurer, for the sum of \$116.85 as per tax sale hereto annexed, which is the amount of estimate, \$99.00, and costs \$17.85.

Therefore, I pray that your honorable body will refund me the sum of \$116.85 and direct the Engineer of said city to make out and certify a second and corrected estimate, in order that all proceedings may be proper and legal.

I trust that you will consider the above claim, as I do not think that I should suffer a loss by reason of an error of the officers of the city.

Very respectfully,

JOHN SCHIER,

Per F.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby directed to advertise for proposals for the construction of a wooden bridge over the State ditch over New Jersey street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Bridges.



Mr. Albershardt offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That Cristsan Gaumpf Hen A. Reuske and Chas. Dehne have permission to curb their sidewalk with stone or wood, on Liberty street between Market street and Court street, at their own expense, and the City Civil Engiheer is hereby directed to set the grade stakes for the same.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer be and he is hereby instructed to move a gas post four feet further west, which is now on Ohio street opposite the entrance of a ten foot alley, running north in the south-west quarter of square No. 38, and between Delaware street and Hudson alley.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the owners of the new hotel on corner of Pennsylvania and Ohio streets be and they are hereby authorized to repair and relay the stone pavement on Pennsylvania street in front of said building, the work to be done at their own expense, to the satisfaction of the City Civil Engineer, and to be completed within thirty days.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to repair the sidewalk on Market street east of Noble street, damaged by the recent flood.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer contract with H. R. Bellamy to put down

the so called Bellamy pavement in front of the Engine House, corner Massachusetts avenue and New York street, where now paved with brick.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the gas post now standing in square 63 and in front of lot 2 be lighted, and the City Civil Engineer is hereby directed to carry out the provisions of this motion

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Light and City Civil Engineer.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—The undersigned, your petitioners, pray your honorable body to cause to be vacated, a strip of ground 5 feet seven inches in width, lying between lots 11, 12 and 15, in out-lot 72, running from Market street south the distance of lot 11 ; also the same strip of ground continuing in a westward direction to Cruse street through lot 15, in out-lot 72.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

JOSEPH SCHUSTER,  
HUBERT BECKER,  
FERD. SCHELLSCHMIDT.

Which was referred to the Committee on Opening and Laying Out Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 9, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Ohio street, between Meridian street and Noble street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the improvement of the above named street with

cedar blocks or any other wooden street improvement. Delaware street shows us that an improvement of that kind is a willful waste of money.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.,

Oliver S. Keely, 96 ft.; C. F. Ostermeyer, 96 ft.; Wm. H. Keely, 48 ft.; W. E. Davis, 48 ft.; Christian Nottmeyer, 48 ft.; Geo. Wishmeier, 48 ft.; Charles Wesse, 72 ft.; F. Danndyn, 48 ft.; Friedrick Dickmann, 144 ft.; C. F. Hartman, 24 ft.; Caroline Hitchcock, 24½ ft.; Mary Temilink, 24 ft.; John Fred Will, 96 ft.; Richard Randolph, 48 ft.; Christian Waterman, 48 ft.; Martha C. Miller, 48 ft.; W. F. Resenar, 48 ft.; Mrs. Mary Seybold, — ft.; August Mueller, 69½ ft.; Lewis Wehle, 28 ft., E. Smith, 40 ft.; Wm. Patterson, 48½ ft.; M. Halle, 28 ft.; T. Louis Klaiber, 35 ft.. J. P. Bundy, 30 ft.; C. L. Meyer, 24 ft.; Jane C. Graydon, 48 ft.; John Coburn, 100 ft.; Mary Coburn per J. Coburn, 135 ft.; Frederick Baggs, 202½ ft.; Jas. M. Tomlinson, 16 ft.; M. A. Parry, 195 ft.; H. H. Sheets, 202½ ft.; Anna R. Maguire, 64½ ft.. William Smith, 202½ ft.; W. P. Rhodes et al., 100 ft.; T. Bullard's heirs, 202½ ft.; W. W. Woollen, 35 ft.; Jas. M. Hume and Mary E. Hume, 185 ft.; F. Ridgeway, 128 ft.; J. B. Ritzinger, 135 ft. John L. Avery, 110 ft.; William Mansur, 103 ft. Total, 3,474½ ft.

Which was referred to the Councilmen from the Ninth Ward with the ordinance, with instructions to report next Monday night.

Mr. Bollman offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer be directed to advertise for proposals for an iron bridge over Pogues Run at the crossing of Virginia avenue.

Which, on motion by Mr. Thalmen, was laid on the table.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That Henry Bierman have permission to set curb in front of his property on north side of McCarty street between New Jersey street and the first alley west of New Jersey street; said work to be done under the direction of City Civil Engineer, at his own expense.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: the 4<sup>th</sup> 5 and 11, lots south of the lots fronting on South street, on the west side of East street, the same not being numbered on plat, said lots are in Coffman's sub-division of out-lot No. 20, of the City of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of this Council, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance, and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof, and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled: "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of ponds, excavations and holes, and prescribing penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same," and that in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance, provided, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, Ward and Webster—24.

Negative—None.

Also, the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 6, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—The underssgned, owners of the real estate fronting on McCarty and Sinker streets, between the first alley east of Alabama street, and the first alley west of New Jersey street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of said ally, running east and west.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

J. W. Clem, 40 ft.; Patrick O'Mara, 38 ft.; Michael Donlon, 56 ft.; A. J. Stewart, 35 ft.; Michal Kiefe, 25 ft.; Edward Doyle, 25 ft.; Michael Logan, 21 ft.; John J. Logan, 21 ft.; John Campbell, 31½ ft.; Wm. H. Brown, 36 ft.; David Hutchinson, 37 ft.; Thomas Landers, 31 ft.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Also, the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Common Council :

*Gentlemen*.:—We, the undersigned, petitioners, with the number of feet owned opposite our names, beg leave to protest against the passage of an ordinance to grade and gravel first alley east of Alabama street, between Merrill and McCarty streets ; to be decided Sept. 6, as entirely useless and incurring expense we are not able to meet.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

Sarah Duval, 33 $\frac{1}{4}$  ft.; Christopher Overmeyer, 33 $\frac{1}{4}$  ft.;  
James Robinson, 33 $\frac{1}{4}$  ft.; John Uerman, 33 ft.;  
A. Oehler, 55 $\frac{1}{2}$  ft.; J. W. Brough, 66 $\frac{1}{2}$  ft.; S. Wilson,  
50 ft.; J. Henry Ballman, 143 ft.; Mrs. Fieber,  
100 ft.; Wm. M. French, 136 ft.; Jane M. Ketcham,  
by H. W. Davis, att. in fact, 530 ft.; Bettie E. Cox,  
50 ft.; Charles Secrest, 33 ft.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Mr. Buehrig offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That the Fire Committee be and are hereby ordered to report to this Council next Monday night in regard to exchanging the Latta engine on Sixth street for the Dean-Silsby on Maryland street.

Which failed to pass by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bollman, Buehrig, Diffley, Gimber, Laughlin, Madden, Reasner, Stratford and Stuckmeyer—9.

Negative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Thalman, Ward and Webster—14.

Mr. Craft offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby instructed to remove the gas post in front of Shover & Christian's block on Massachusetts avenue, between New York and Vermont streets, twenty feet south to the corner of alley.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to fill the chuck holes on East Michigan street in front of U. S. Arsenal.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lots 8, 9, 10, 33, 32 and 31, in Wright's subdivision of the city of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of this Council, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof, and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled: "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of ponds, excavations and holes, and prescribing penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same," and that in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided by said ordinance: Provided, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman Ward and Webster—24.

Negative—None.

Also, the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis ;

*Gentlemen*.:—The undersigned, for himself and other owners of property in the Woodlawn additions to the city of Indianapolis, respectfully represent that there has been a great want of a street from that section of the city, across to the Michigan road or Washington street ; there being no cross street until recently, all the way from Cady street to State avenue, the distance of nearly a mile.

To remedy this the people petitioned for the continuation of Dillon street through to Michigan street, but their application is tied up by an injunction sued out by the P. C. & I. Railroad company. The people then applied for the grading and graveling of State street through from English avenue to the Michigan Road, and this work was hardly completed, before the railroad company aforesaid, without the consent of the Common Council, and to the great injury of said street, and inconvenience of the citizens, have put down a net work of rails across Leota street, under pretence of switches, so as to ventually block up the way over said Leota street into the Michigan Road. An evil, which it is hoped your honorable body will promptly remedy, by ordering the removal of said obstructions.

WM. H. ENGLISH.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Darnell offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby ordered to get up a new schedule for the lighting and extinguishing of the city lamps.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby ordered to locate catch basins at the corner of Mississippi and Tinker streets.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby ordered to close up the two walk-ways of the Tunnel for a term of one month.

Which was referred to the Committee on Tunnels.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby ordered to locate the corner stone on the sectional line between Drake, Morris and St. Clair's addition.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell,

Geiger, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman, Ward and Webster—16.

Negative—Councilmen Bollman, Buehrig, Diffley, Gimber, Laughlin, Madden and Stuckmeyer—7.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby ordered to lower the north gutter of Tinker street, from Meridian street to the east end of the sewer pipe.

Which was referred to the City Civil Engineer, with power to act.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the Board of Police be and are hereby ordered to discharge the special policemen James B. Dickey from the Southern Park grounds, as his services are not needed in that locality.

Which was referred to the Board of Police by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Diffley, Gimber, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Reasner, Reed, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman and Ward—18.

Negative—Councilmen Darnell, Geiger, Hall, Ransdell, Schmidt and Webster—6.

Also, the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 28, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on the north side of First street, between Tennessee and Mississippi streets, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the curbing and paving of the north side of First street between Tennessee and Mississippi streets.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

John H. Heevers, 100 ft.; Henry Salsbury, 208 ft.  
W. H. Lewis, 32 ft.

Which was received.



Mr. Diffley presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—Your petitioner shows that he is the owner of certain real estate on the corner of Kentucky avenue and Maryland street ; the course thereof making it of triangular form, and at the intersection of the two streets being but a mere point of ground. Along and in Kentucky avenue is laid a large sewer, and one also has been placed in Maryland streets, for the construction of which \$1.50 per foot has been assessed against your petitioner.

Your petitioner shows that the sewer on Maryland street is of no benefit whatever to him, and that the assessment therefor against him is illegal and unjust, and he prays your honorable body to set the same aside.

EDWARD T GASTON.

[ Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also, the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 25, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—We, the undersigned, property holders on Ellis street, between Maryland and Georgia streets, hereby protest against the ordinance introduced in the Council, Monday, August 23, 1875, for the improvement of said street.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

I. C. Carey, 180 ft.; A. & H. Winter, 180 ft.; George Buchter, 60 ft.; Geo. P. Wood, 30 ft.; John Rupp, 90 ft.; David McVey, 60 ft.; Fred. J. Lang, 30 ft.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Mr. Geiger offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That M. Burton have permission to pave the sidewalk in front of his property on north Meridian street ; the same to be done at his own expense, and the City Civil Engineer to set the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That George Lyon have permission to pave with boulders the sidewalk in front of his blacksmith's shop on Tennessee street, between Market and Ohio streets.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Clerk advertise for proposals for the erection of a drinking fountain at the south-east corner of Mississippi and First street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to locate a catch basin at the south-east corner of Illinois and Walnut streets, and to raise the gutters along Illinois street near said place to a proper grade.

Which was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Also, the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—An ordinance having passed its first reading before your honorable body providing for the opening of Catharine street, from its present terminus on Missouri street to Tennessee street, we, the undersigned, owners of all the property fronting on the said street and its proposed extension, respectfully remonstrate against said opening for the following reasons :

Catharine street at present runs from West street to Missouri street, a distance of one square ; the proposed extension will make it only three squares long without benefiting any one. The street is never used for vehicles, and not one family lives on it or on the property through which the proposed extension would run.

Moreover, the extension will utterly ruin the rolling mill property, obliging them to take up their side tracks, at great expense and preventing them from receiving their coal and iron on the south side (a matter of vital importance) thus rendering valueless one of the largest and most important industries in the city. It would stop Catharine street at Tennessee street in the same condition in which it left Missouri street, as there is a twenty-five foot alley running east from Tennessee street for an out-let in that direction.

It cannot be urged as a reason for the improvement that the street in question is blocked at Missouri street, as an examination of our city map will show that nine out of ten of our streets are in the same condition, while the majority of them are of vastly more importance than Catharine street. That section of the city does not need it as there are two thoroughfares on either side, viz :

Merrill on the north and McCarty on the south. The extension will not benefit adjacent property in the least, as it is sparsely settled ; in fact, not one house belonging to others than the subscribers, standing on the street as it is or its proposed extension as will be seen by the attached plat ; a portion of the street has never been platted.

Trusting the foregoing reasons will satisfactorily show to your honorable body the uselessness and inexpediency of the proposed improvement, and that you will abandon the project, we remain,

Respectfully,

J. H. McKERMAN,  
 AQUILLA JONES,  
 Prest. Indianapolis Rolling Mill Co.  
 W. O. ROCKWOOD, Treas.  
 C. B. PARKMAN, Sec.  
 C. F. JONES, Manager.  
 J. THOMAS, one of owners.  
 D. YANDES, " "  
 E. HECK, " "  
 R. J. BRIGHT. " "

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Geiger, in behalf of the Committee on Industrial Parade, invited the members of the Council and city officers to attend the parade September 16, 1875.

Which was accepted.

Mr. Gimber presented the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 6, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—I will convey and warrant to the City of Indianapolis for the price of one thousand dollars per acre, all the lands which may be contained within the following boundaries, viz.: Beginning at the south side of the embankment on Fall Creek at the lower Geisendorff milldam, running thence westwardly to White River

to low water mark, thence with the said low water mark along the left bank of White River across the mouth of Fall Creek, northwardly to the north line of my lands where said north line strikes White River at low water mark; thence eastwardly along my said north line along or near Fall Creek to the north end of said milldam; thence across Fall Creek on the line of said milldam to the place of beginning. The price to be paid me in twenty year six per cent bonds of the city of Indianapolis.

This proposal to be good for thirty days, and if not accepted within that time it is to be deemed withdrawn.

SAMUEL J. PATTERSON.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That general ordinance No. 63, 1875, entitled "An ordinance regulating the removal of garbage, offal and waste matter from the corporate limits of the city of Indianapolis be and is hereby stricken from the files.

Dr. Hook moved to postpone further action in the matter until the ordinance comes up on second reading.

Which motion to postpone was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Bollman, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Thalman, Ward and Webster—15.

Negative—Councilmen Albershardt, Buehrig, Diffley, Gimber, Hall, Kenzel, Madden, Stratford and Stuckmeyer—9.

Mr. Hall offered the following motion :

*Resolved*, That the Market Committee negotiate with some parties adjacent to the east market place for a suitable place to erect a privy for the use of the market; the same to be under the control of the Market Master.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets with power to act.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved,* That the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to advertise for building eight or ten stalls at the west end of the east market space ; the same to be done under the supervision of the Market Master.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

On motion, the session of the Council was extended to complete the roll call.

Dr. Hook offered the following motion:

*Moved,* That Amos Marshall have permission to remove a frame house from Liberty street north of Market to Nevada street, near Hill avenue.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved,* That the City Civil Engineer be hereby directed to locate and erect a lamp post on the north side of Massachusetts avenue at the crossing of the C. C. C. & I. R. R.

Which was referred to the City Civil Engineer.

Mr. Kahn offered the following motion :

*Moved,* That the City Marshal is hereby directed to notify the merchants all along Washington and other streets that the ordinance against obstructing the sidewalks will be strictly enforced ; the Marshal is hereby instructed to enforce said ordinance within three days after such notification.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Kenzel offered the following motion :

*Moved,* That the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby directed to make an examination of the locality on West street at the crossing of Merrill street, with a

view to the prevention of overflow of water in that locality, and report to this Council what is best to be done in the premises.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—We, the undersigned, property owners fronting on Norwood street, do earnestly remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance now pending before your honorable body for the improvement of said Norwood street, between Tennessee and Illinois streets, except said improvement be continued to the terminus of said street, viz : Russell avenue, which continuation is only 110 ft.; said 110 feet being 4 feet or more above grade in the center, and impassable for loaded vehicles, and in the winter season dangerous to pedestrians on account of the sloping grade, thereby cutting off the travel which is due said Norwood street, all of which is a great drawback and damage to the advancement of our property.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

Thomas Comory, 95 ft.; Jacob Grube, 120 ft.; S. B. Morris, 42 ft.; W. M. Lock, 95 ft.; Catharine Arthur, 42 ft.; John Morton, 42 ft.; Indianapolis Rolling Mill, Co., 95 ft.; Samuel R. Lippincott, 95 ft.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Mr. Laughlin presented the following petitions :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—The undersigned, citizens of West Washington street and those adjacent thereto, would respectfully represent to the Mayor and Common Council of the city of Indianapolis that they believe the convenience and interest of said citizens would be subserved by an order of said Council establishing the weighing and wood measuring market on North Tennessee, near Washington street, where it was before. That is, between Washington and Market streets, on Tennessee.

J. C. BRINKMEYER,  
C. C. POTTAGE,  
MORGAN, GREEN & CO.,  
R. M. FOSTER,

And fifteen others.

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—The undersigned, who was appointed in May, 1875, as Weighmaster and Woodmeasurer in the Western Market, would respectfully represent that he is engaged in the discharge of the duties of said position, and find from experience that the place pays poorly, that that market for wood, hay and corn, etc., appears to be run down from some cause or causes unknown to me, but from information derived from sources which appear reliable, the market there has not done any good since it has been there located. I am informed also by Mr. I. Ford and others, who had all chances of knowing, that when the market was down on Tennessee street near Washington, it was an excellent market, and paid well and furnished all the conveniences and accommodations in the way of hay, corn, wood, etc., to the citizens of that part of the city that they could desire, and did not have to travel way up to the eastern market to lay in their supplies as they now do. These are some of the reasons why the change is desirable. This petition will be accompanied with a petition of the business men and citizens that are immediately interested in the change.

I therefore, for the reasons above set forth and such others as may occur to the members of Council, respectfully ask the Council to make an order directing the said weighing and wood measuring market to be established on Tennessee street east of the State House square, between Washington and Market streets.

WM. C. NAYLOR,  
Weigh Master, West Market.

Which were referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Madden offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That James Johnson have permission to repair his sidewalk with brick, at his own expense, in front of Nos. 87 and 91, on east Washington street.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to place a wooden culvert at the intersection of Mobile alley, on the west side of Meridian street, and raise the bouldering at mouth of said alley, so as to correspond with grade of said culvert ; the work to be done under the supervision of the City Civil Engineer.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys and City Civil Engineer, with power to act.

Also, the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen*.—The undersigned petitioner, respectfully represents that he is the contractor for the work of grading and graveling Michigan street and sidewalks from the east line of the U. S. Arsenal grounds to the east line of Woodruff Place.

That said work has been completed and received by the City Civil Engineer, and an estimate allowed therefor. That the city has allowed our claim for the crossing of streets and alleys on the south side of Michigan street, but withheld that on the north side amounting to \$930.90, for the reason that the Committee Clerk refused to put in the claim, believing the same to be out of the city, and we therefore present it to your honorable body, praying that you make a special appropriation for the same this evening, holding that the bill is just and due us from the city.

Annexed find petition and ordinance concerning this matter, with the action had on the same, and certified to by the Clerk,

Very respectfully,

JAMES O. WOODRUFF,

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys and City Attorney, with instructions to report next Monday night, and the matter made a special order of business for that evening.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the consideration of general ordinance No. 66, 1875, be made a special order for next Monday evening.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Ransdell offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That Messrs. Ford & Noel have permission to plank the sidewalk to a width of ten feet on north side of Market street, and also to place a drive way over the gutter so as to drive into the private alley in rear of Millers' block.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer be directed to take up and remove the lamp post on the west side of Meridian street, between Ohio and New York, the same having been condemned.

Which was adopted.



Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the Central Elevator Co., have permission to lay a switch track across St. Clair street to connect the Miley switch with their buildings.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer advertise for proposals for building an iron bridge over the canal on Walnut street to the width of fifty feet.

Dr. Stratford moved to lay the motion on the table.

Which failed to pass by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bollman, Buehrig, Gimber, Laughlin, Madden, Reasner, Reed, Stratford and Stuckmeyer—9.

Negative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Ransdell, Schmidt, Thalman, Ward and Webster—13.

Dr. Stratford moved to refer to the Committee on Bridges.

Which failed to pass by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bollman, Gimber, Laughlin, Madden, Reasner, Reed, Stratford and Stuckmeyer—8.

Negative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Ransdell, Schmidt, Thalman, Ward and Webster—13.

The original motion was then adopted.

Mr. Reasner presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen* :—The undersigned, respectfully represent to your honorable body, that since the filing of the plat of Allen Root and English's Woodlaw addition, the

County Commissioners have made an order straightening the east line of Reid street (sometimes called State avenue) north from English avenue, and vacating twenty-five feet in width off the west side said street, north of the city corporation line.

The effect of this order is to straighten Reid street north of English avenue, and make it a uniform width of seventy-five feet; except opposite lots 36 and 37, in said addition, (where there is a jog twenty-five feet wide, the length of said lots, occasioned by the order of the County Commissioners aforesaid, as will be more fully understood by the plat herewith filed.

The ground on the opposite side of the street is owned by the State and is outside the corporation. The undersigned own said lots 36 and 37, and being the sole owners of abutting property in the city, respectfully petition that said strip be vacated so as to leave said street a uniform width.

Very respectfully,

WM. H. ENGLISH,  
FRED. CLAFFEY.

*Ordered,* That a strip twenty-five feet wide off the west side of Reid street (sometimes called State avenue) between English avenue and Deloss street, be and the same is hereby vacated.

Which was referred to the Committee on Opening and Laying Out Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following petition and motion :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—The undersigned, petitioners and property owners, request that your honorable body pass some law requiring the coal oil factory on Bates street to vacate such neighborhood, as it endangers our lives and property.

Very respectfully,

GEO. HARSIN,  
THOMAS CURRAN,  
TIMOTHY SHEEHAN,  
MICHAEL CASMEN,  
and twenty others.

*Moved,* That the petition be referred to the Committee on Fire Department and Chief Fire Engineer to examine the matter and report as to the danger represented in said petition, and if as stated in petition, to recommend to Council the steps to be taken to eradicate the evil.

Which motion was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer survey the ground and prepare a plat for the opening of Dillon street from Deloss street to the Michigan Road.

Which was referred to the City Civil Engineer with power to act.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That Antone Donnemeyer be and is hereby granted permission to grade and gravel the alley in the rear of his property, fronting two hundred feet on Washington street, between Cady and Oriental street ; the work to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, and at said Donnemeyer's expense.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Reed presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen* :—The undersigned, officers of the general government, occupying the U. S. Court House and Post Office Building in said city, respectfully represent—

That the drinking fountain on Market street, near the northwest corner of said building, is located so near the crossing of said street from the post office to Martindale's corner block, as to greatly obstruct said crossing as well as the entrance to the post office by its northwest door on said street. Carriages and wagons of every description, when stopping to water their horses, frequently occupy the whole breadth of the crossing to the great inconvenience of the public, and, as vehicles often crowd together at the fountain waiting for water, it is dangerous to pass by, especially to ladies and children.

We therefore respectfully ask your honorable body to cause said drinking fountain to be removed thirty feet directly east on Market street. By so doing the obstruction, inconvenience and danger complained of will be entirely obviated.

And we will ever pray.

W. Q. Gresham, Judge, U. S. District Court; J. D. Howland, Clerk U. S. Courts; W. R. Holloway, Postmaster; W. H. H. Terrell, U. S. Pension Agent; Ben. Spooner, U. S. Marshal; Frederick Baggs, U. S. Collector; G. M. Ballard, Registerer U. S. Land Office; E. Browning, Receiver U. S. Land Office; Nelson Trusler, U. S. District Attorney.

I concur in the above.

B. V. Enos, Sup't U. S. Court House and P. O. Building.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works with power to act.

Also, the following resolution :

Whereas, the workingmen of the city have determined upon a parade on Wednesday, the 15th of Sept. and the grand industrial parade of the city is to take place on the 16th, be it

*Resolved*, That a detailed police force of the city be granted the privilege of turning out in parade with both the workingmen on the 15th and the industrial parade on the 16th.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Mad-den, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, Ward and Webster—22.

Negative—None.

Mr. Schmidt offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That Shover & Miller have the consent of this Council to move a frame building from the south side of east Market street to the north side of east Market street, between north New Jersey and Alabama streets.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—Your petitioners would respectfully ask that you have erected a fountain on Washington street at the north-east corner of Arsenal avenue; the same being wanted badly at this time.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

E. T. KEIGHTLY,  
R. G. THOMAS,  
CHAS. JASSMER.  
H. N. CRONKLIN,  
DUNCAN DEWAT.  
and 18 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—The undersigned, residents and property owners, would respectfully represent that owing to the property known as the homestead of Wm. Willard, fronting on east Washington street, not being included in the corporate limits of the city, great injury is the result to the property adjoining and surrounding the premises of the said Willard, who, having sold a considerable portion of his land at large price, gave it to be understood that no obstacle should be in the way of properly improving the same.

We therefore pray your honorable body that the corporate limits of the city be extended as follows: commencing on State avenue at south-west corner of J. M. Ridenour's Highland Home sub division, thence east along the street forming the southern boundary of said sub-division, and that of Pettibone and Rickard, to Randolph street, thence south with said street to Washington street, thence west with said street to State avenue, thence north to place of beginning, including all the streets and alleys and grounds named or included within said boundaries. Such extension we claim as a matter of justice to a large number of persons, and who have invested their money in property now on the city tax duplicate, yet cannot be properly improved so long as the disability indicated exists.

The necessity is urgent, and we hope the proper action will be had without delay.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

J. M. RIDENOUR,  
W. R. HOLLOWAY,  
JAS. BRADEN.  
R. W. PARKS,  
and 6 others.

Which was referred to the City Attorney.

Dr. Stratford presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—I would respectfully represent to your honorable body that on Wednesday, September 1, A. D. 1875, at about 6 o'clock P. M., I was walking north on Illinois street, and in attempting to cross Pogues Run on that part of the bridge over said stream, then still standing, as many others on that day had done before me, and while I was walking on the same, it broke in and threw me into the creek some rocks, stone and mortar falling on me and breaking my right arm and other-

wise disabling me so that I will not be able to resume my work again for a long time, and perhaps to a certain extent, disable me for life. I have also had bills to pay for medicines, and will have to pay surgeons' bills, besides being thrown out of employment, and as the injury resulted from no act or carelessness on my part, I ask your honorable body to have the matter investigated, and make such allowance as may be just and proper under all circumstances.

Very respectfully,

MICHAEL ENGLERT,

by WM. F. A. BERNHAMER, his Attorney.

STATE OF INDIANA, }  
MARION COUNTY. } SS

I say on my oath that the above statement is true.

M. ENGLERT.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of September, A. D. 1875.

WM. F. A. BERNHAMER,

Notary Public.

I do hereby authorize and empower my said attorney Will F. A. Bernhamer, for me and in my name, place and stead, to receipt for me and accept in full for all damages direct and consequential such sum or sums of money, city order or city orders as may be allowed me by said city, provided, he thinks proper to do so and thinks such sum or sums sufficient, otherwise I authorize him to bring suit for damages against said city.

M. ENGLERT,

No. 142, Maple street, 12th Ward.

Attest : JOHN L. F. STEEG.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Stuckmeyer presented the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen*.—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on Orange street, between Shelby street and Spruce street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage

of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of said street and sidewalks between the above named points.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etct.

Dr. B. Atkinson, 150 ft; W. T. Royse, 150 ft.; Patrick Walsh, 150 ft.; E. H. Ferguson, 150 ft.; John Gunn, 181 ft. 6 in.; Henry Myer and Mary Myer, 181 ft. 6 in.; H. Hemening, 181 ft. 6 in.; Matthias Mentick, 181 ft. 6 in.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Mr. Stuckmeyer offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Clerk advertise for bids for furnishing the city with fuel.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Clerk advertise for bids for a drinking fountain on Shelby street on the intersection of Virginia avenue and Dillon and Prospect and Coburn streets.

Which were referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also, the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60, in Berkemeyer's sub-division; all of said lots fronting on Sanders street, (south-east) of the city of Indianapolis be, and they are hereby required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of this Council, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof, and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of ponds, excavations and holes, and prescribing penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same, and that in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same; the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or

drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance; provided, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, Ward and Webster—20.

Negative—None.

Mr. Thalman presented the following petitions:

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—The undersigned, respectfully represents that on or about the 18th day of August, 1875, he was coming to the city of Indianapolis, upon what is known as Indiana avenue, with a wagon loaded with wood, and that between White river and Fall Creek, and within the corporate limits of said city, he found said avenue obstructed by a large Sycamore log; that said obstruction was such as to compel the petitioner to drive from the centre of the road and around it, and that in doing so his wagon was unavoidably, on his part, broken, and that he thereby sustained damage to the amount of \$10.00.

Wherefore your petitioner prays that your honorable body will allow him the said sum of \$10.00.

And your petitioner will ever pray, etc.

SYLVANUS HOLLINGSWORTH.

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—About the middle of August I broke my wagon, being compelled to turn from the Crawfordsville Pike, between Fall Creek and White River bridge, on account of an obstruction which was suffered to remain across said road by the city authorities. I am a poor man and only ask you to pay me what the repairs actually cost me.

JOHN POWERS.

Which were referred to the Committee on Judiciary.



Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the street between Torbet street and Indiana avenue about seventy five feet east of the bank of Fall Creek be named "Creek street," and that the Clerk be directed to notify the City Assessor to so note it on the plat.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following petition and motion :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 6, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—We the undersigned, property holders fronting on Creek street near the bank of Fall Creek, respectfully petition your honorable body to be permitted to grade and gravel the same from Indiana avenue to Torbet street, according to stakes set by City Civil Engineer.

A. T. REED,  
JAMES T. BOYLE,  
WILLIAM BACON.

*Moved*, That the prayers of the petitioners be granted, provided, they grade and gravel to the full width of street and sidewalks between Torbet street and Indiana avenue ; said work to be done at their own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, who is hereby directed to set the grade stakes.

Which motion was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That H. C. Cox and John Clark be allowed to plank across the sidewalk and gutter leading to their property on Columbia street ; said work to be done at their own expense.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be directed to boulder the crossing on north side of Ohio street at the intersection of Columbia street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen* :—I hereby tender my resignation as Commissioner of Military Park.

S. E. PERKINS JR.

Which resignation was accepted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That Enos R. Reed be appointed Commissioner of Military Park.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

*Moved*, That the City Marshal be allowed to continue his deputy for giving street opening notices, etc., sixty days.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, September 13, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen*.—We hereby recommend the appointment of Al VanCamp as Commissioner of Military Park.

S. E. PERKINS, jr.

HUGH DAILEY,

GEO. C. HARDING.

Which was received.

Dr. Ward offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That Special Ordinance No. 162, 1875, be read the second and third times and passed, and that the rules be suspended for said purpose.

Which was adopted and the rules suspended by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, Ward and Webster—19.

Negative—Councilman Laughlin—1.

Special ordinance No. 162, 1875, entitled :

An ordinance to provide for grading and paving the east sidewalk of Broadway street, from Christian avenue to Cherry street.

Was read the second time and engrossed, and read the third time and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, Ward and Webster—19.

Negative—None.

Mr. Craft moved that the Council and city officers meet at the City Hall at 9 o'clock A. M., September 16th, to attend the Industrial Parade, and that the city offices be closed during the parade.

Which was adopted.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

JOHN CAVEN, Mayor.

Attest :

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.