

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL,  
*Monday, December 3d, 1877—7 o'clock P. M.* }

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in regular session.

Present—His Honor, the Mayor, John Caven, in the chair, and the following members: Councilmen Bagby, Brown, Bugbee, Byram, Case, Cochran, Dill, Izor, Layman, Marsee, Morse, McGinty, Reading, Reed, Steinhauer, Stoner, Thomas, Tucker, Walker, Wood, A. L. Wright, and W. G. Wright—22.

Absent—Councilmen Pouder, Sindlinger, and Watts—3.

The proceedings of the regular session, held November 19th, 1877, having been printed, and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, the reading of the same was dispensed with.

Sealed proposals for paving with brick the sidewalks of Fletcher avenue, between Dillon and Linden streets, were received, opened, read, and referred to the Committee on Contracts.

## REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON CONTRACTS.

The Committee on Contracts submitted the following report; which was concurred in, and the several contracts duly awarded, as recommended:

*Indianapolis*, December 3, 1877.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen*:—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom were referred sundry proposals, presented to Council November 19th, 1877, have examined the same, and find them to be as follows, to-wit:

1st. For grading, and paving with brick, the east sidewalk of Park avenue (where not already paved), between Cherry and Vine streets—

James W. Hudson, 34 cents per lineal foot front.

James Mahoney, 30 cents per lineal foot front.

William Morrison, 29 cents per lineal foot front.

E. B. Elliott, 28 cents per lineal foot front.

D. A. Haywood, 27 cents per lineal foot front.

John Schier, 24½ cents per lineal foot front.

John Schier being the lowest and best bidder, your committee recommend that he be awarded the contract.

2d. For grading, and paving with brick, the east sidewalk of Pendleton Pike, between Clifford avenue and Orange street—

William Morrison, 42 cents per lineal foot front.

James W. Hudson, 37 cents per lineal foot front.

John Schier, 33 cents per lineal foot front.

E. B. Elliott, 32 cents per lineal foot front.

Richard Carr, 31 cents per lineal foot front.

D. A. Haywood, 29 cents per lineal foot front.

D. A. Haywood being the lowest and best bidder, your committee recommend that he be awarded the contract.

3d. For grading and graveling East street and sidewalks, except where the sidewalks have already been properly improved, from Morris street to Minnesota street—

Geo. W. Seibert, 26 cents per front foot for grading and graveling the west side of the north portion of said street, where the sidewalks are already improved; 35 cents per lineal foot front for grading and graveling the east side and sidewalks, from Morris street, twelve hundred feet south; and 44 cents per foot front on each side of line improved, for the rest of said street, south, to Minnesota street.

James W. Hudson, 45 cents per lineal foot on each side of line improved.

John Greene, 49 cents per lineal foot front on the east side, and 27 cents per lineal foot on west side, where the sidewalk is already improved, and 49 cents for that part not improved.

Fred. Gansberg, 31 cents per lineal foot, where part of the sidewalk is improved, and 41 cents per lineal foot where not improved.

James Mahoney, 23 cents per lineal foot front on the west side, where the sidewalk is already graded; 35 cents per lineal foot front on the east side, as far south as the west sidewalk is already graveled, and, from that point, south, to Minnesota street, at 39 cents per lineal foot front.

James Mahoney being the lowest and best bidder, your committee recommend that he be awarded the contract.

J. W. BUGBEE,  
M. L. BROWN,  
T. C. READING,  
Committee on Contracts.

#### REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report:

*Indianapolis, December 3, 1877.*

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—I would respectfully report that I have examined the Delaware street viaduct over the Union Tracks, and would recommend that the Street Commissioner be instructed to tighten the bolts and screws that have become loosened.

I would also call your attention to the condition of the Vermont street bridge over the canal. It is in a very unsafe condition, and should be repaired, or re-placed by a new one.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNHARD H. DIETZ, City Civil Engineer.

The first paragraph was duly concurred in, and the subject mentioned in the last paragraph was referred to the Committee on Bridges.

The City Attorney submitted the following report and lease; which report was received, and the accompanying lease was duly accepted, approved, and ordered to be filed for record in the office of the Recorder of Marion County:

*Indianapolis*, December 3, 1877.

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

*Gentlemen* :—I herewith submit, for your approval, a lease from the Board of County Commissioners to the City of Indianapolis of the basement story of the Court House, for the term of five years, from January 1st, 1878, with the privilege of a further term of five years.

Respectfully submitted,

R. O. HAWKINS, City Attorney.

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THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH, That the Board of Commissioners of Marion County, and State of Indiana, have, this day, demised and leased to the City of Indianapolis, of said county and state, the following premises, in said city, county, and state, to-wit :

All of the several rooms and halls of the basement-story of the Court House of Marion County, excepting the two rooms now used for washrooms and water-closets.

The said Board of County Commissioners to furnish said rooms and halls, during the continuance of this lease, with all necessary heat, gas-light, and water; and also to furnish a janitor to properly clean and sweep the stairways leading from said basement story to the story above, and also to clean and sweep the rooms occupied by said washrooms and water-closets.

The said city to hold the said premises, together with the rights, privileges, and appurtenances to the same belonging, for and during the TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, 1878, with the right and privilege of the said City of Indianapolis to continue the same for THE FURTHER TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM JANUARY 1ST, 1883, if she shall so desire, upon the same terms and conditions as herein provided.

And the said City of Indianapolis hereby agrees to pay, as rent for said premises, the sum of THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS PER YEAR—the said rent to be paid quarterly on the first days of April, July, October, and January of each year, without relief from valuation or appraisement laws; which said sum shall be in full payment for the heating, gas, and water to be furnished for said premises, as aforesaid.

The said city shall have the right to occupy any part of said premises from and after the date of this lease, but rent shall not be charged or paid therefor only from and after January 1st, 1878.

The conditions of this lease are that the premises are to be used and occupied by said City of Indianapolis, in her corporate capacity, for offices for the several city officers, Mayor's court room, and Council and Aldermanic Halls, and for no other purposes; that the same are not to be sub-leased by said city, or occupied by other persons or for other purposes than herein expressed; that no waste shall be committed or damage done the said premises.

At the expiration of this lease, or on the failure to pay the rent when the same is due, or on a failure to comply with any of the conditions of this lease, the same shall terminate at once, at the option of the Board of County Commissioners.

Witness our hands and corporate seals, this 3d day of December, 1877.

[SEAL.]

A. C. REMY,  
WILLIAM WORMAN,  
J. RUBUSH,

Commissioners of Marion County, Indiana.

[SEAL.]

CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,  
By JOHN CAVEN, Mayor.

THE STATE OF INDIANA, *Marion County* :

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, this 3d day of December, 1877, personally appeared the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, by Allison C. Remy, William Worman, and Jacob Rubush, and the City of Indianapolis, by John Caven, Mayor, and acknowledged the execution of the annexed lease.

Witness my hand and official seal

[SEAL.]

ROSCOE O. HAWKINS, Notary Public.

The same officer also submitted the following report ; which was duly received :

*Indianapolis*, December 3, 1877.

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

*Gentlemen* :—I would report that, since the last meeting, the case of Louisa Jones vs. The City has been decided, in the Circuit Court, in favor of the city.

This was a case brought by the residents of N. Illinois street, in 1873, to enjoin the collection of the sewer assessment that was made by the Council on account of the N. Illinois street sewer. The amount of the assessment was about \$15,000.

I would also report that the case of Valentine Foland vs. The City, in the Superior Court, has been tried since the last meeting of Council, and resulted in a judgment in favor of the city.

This was a suit for damages on account of the overflowing of Foland's premises by the water from the Merrill street sewer.

Respectfully submitted,

R. O. HAWKINS, City Attorney.

The same officer also submitted the following report and petition ; which report and petition were duly received, and the recommendation made in the report was duly concurred in :

*Indianapolis*, December 3, 1877.

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

*Gentlemen* :—In the matter of the vacation of Market and Wabash streets, between Mississippi and Tennessee streets, and Huron street, between Ohio and Market streets, for the purpose of making the same a part of the State House Grounds, I would report that, in pursuance of your directions, I have had the necessary petition and plat prepared, and signed by at least three freeholders, asking for said vacation, and I herewith present the same.

It will be necessary to refer the same to the Committee on Opening and Laying out Streets and Alleys, and, if they shall report favorably upon the petition, then it should be referred to the City Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

R. O. HAWKINS, City Attorney.

To the Honorable, the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

The undersigned, three freeholders of the City of Indianapolis, respectfully represent to your honorable body that it is desirable that certain streets, as hereinafter described, lying and situate within the limits of said city, should be vacated, for that the ground now occupied by said streets is necessary to the use of the Board of State House Commissioners in the erection of the new State House for the State of Indiana. And your petitioners accordingly pray for an order for such vacation.

The streets referred to are described as follows, to-wit :

1st. That part of Market street, running between Tennessee and Mississippi streets;

2d. That part of Wabash street, running between Tennessee and Mississippi streets;

3d. That part of Huron street, running between Market and Ohio streets.

Accompanying this petition is attached a plat of said streets and adjoining property.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

R. Browning, John C. Wright, Jno. C. New,  
W. H. Morrison, Franklin Landers.

*Indianapolis*, December 3, 1877.

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I, Ebenezer Henderson, Auditor of the State of Indiana, hereby acknowledge service of copy of within petition, and notice that it will be presented to the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis at their meeting on Monday night, December 3, 1877; and, as custodian of the lands of said State, consent to the vacation of the streets, as prayed for in said petition.

E. HENDERSON, Auditor of State.

The City Clerk submitted the following report from the City Treasurer; which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

*Report of Wm. M. Wiles, City Treasurer, from November 1st to November 30th, 1877, inclusive:*

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand as per last report, October 31st, 1877.....	\$183,622 47
From delinquent taxes.....	6,937 63
From dog licenses.....	1 50
From dray licenses.....	18 00
From express licenses.....	44 00
From fines and fees.....	30 40
From hack licenses.....	22 00
From loan (S. A. Fletcher & Co.).....	48,707 00
From peddlers' licenses.....	66 00
From promiscuous.....	50 50
From tapping sewers.....	20 00
	<u>\$239,519 50</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

For Fire Department.....	\$6,821 62
For Police.....	4,002 50
For street repairs.....	2,604 38
For City Hospital and Branch.....	758 71
For Civil Engineer's Department.....	257 14
For assisting City Assessor.....	67 50
For City Dispensary.....	500 00
For costs.....	380 75
For gas.....	7,081 25
For Home of Friendless.....	427 15
For ice.....	8 33
For incidentals.....	1,082 25
For office fixtures.....	3 05
For parks.....	19 00
For posting bills.....	10 00
For printing, stationery, and advertising.....	82 45
For refunding sewer assessment.....	97 52
For salary.....	155 75
For State Militia.....	8 00
For Station Houses.....	499 25
For street improvements.....	164 86
For tunnel.....	2 00
Balance on hand.....	214,486 04
	<u>\$239,519 50</u>

## TOMLINSON ESTATE.

Balance on hand as per last report, October 31st, 1877.....	\$14,677 06
From rents.....	215 00
	<u>\$14,892 06</u>
For repairs and insurance.....	74 35
Balance on hand .....	14,817 71
	<u>\$14,892 06</u>
Balance on hand, general fund.....	\$214,486 04
Balance on hand, Tomlinson estate.....	14,817 71
Total balance on hand .....	<u>\$229,303 75</u>

Respectfully submitted,

WM. M. WILES, City Treasurer.

To BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

The same officer submitted the following report; which was also referred to the Committee on Finance:

Indianapolis, December 3, 1877.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit an itemized statement of the amount of orders issued on the City Treasurer, during the month of November, 1877:

NATURE OF CLAIM.	AMOUNT.
City Assessor's Assistants .....	\$ 67 50
City Civil Engineer's Department .....	257 44
City Dispensary.....	500 00
City Hospital and Branch.....	772 16
Costs .. .. .	364 90
Fire Department.....	6,811 74
Gas .....	7,081 25
Home for Friendless Women.....	427 15
Ice.....	8 33
Incidentals.. .. .	1,081 50
Office Fixtures .....	3 05
Parks.....	19 00
Police.....	3,974 50
Posting Bills .....	10 00
Printing, Stationery, and Advertising.....	82 45
Salary .....	62 00
Station Houses .....	534 94
Street Improvements .. .. .	164 86
Street Repairs.....	2,596 44



Tomlinson Estate .....	\$	48 75
Tunnels.....		2 00
		\$24,869 96

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

The same officer submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

*Indianapolis, December 3, 1877.*

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen*:—I would respectfully report the following affidavits, now on file in my office, for the collection of street assessments by precept, to-wit:

John Flaherty vs. Benjamin F. Riley, for.....	\$4 22
John Flaherty vs. Benjamin F. Riley, for.....	13 75
Richard Carr vs. Oliver S. Dean, for.....	28 05
Richard Carr vs. Oliver S. Dean, for .....	28 05
David A. Haywood vs. Samuel M. Seibert, for.....	24 85
David A. Haywood vs. Charles Kuetemeier, for.....	24 72
Fred Gansberg vs. Winslow S. Pierce, for .....	40 95
Fred. Gansberg vs. J. H. Pierce et al. (christian name unknown) for..	30 95
James J. McKnight vs. James E. Foster, for .....	51 00
Samuel J. Smock vs. John M. Todd, for.....	5 00
David A. Haywood vs. George W. Gabbert, for .....	29 13
David A. Haywood vs. John W. Muir, for.....	14 43
David A. Haywood vs. August Jackman, for... ..	9 00
David A. Haywood vs. Catharine Buchanan, for .....	6 85
David A. Haywood vs. John Hauck, for.....	7 13
John Greene vs. Winslow S. Pierce, for .....	30 36

And respectfully recommend that you order the precepts to issue.

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

The precepts were ordered to be issued by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Bugbee, Byram, Case, Cochran, Dill, Izor, Layman, Morse, McGinty, Reading, Reed, Steinhauer, Stoner, Thomas, Tucker, Walker, Wood, A. L. Wright, and W. G. Wright—20.

Negative—None.

The Street Commissioner submitted the following report; which was approved, with the exception of the expenditure on account of the repair of drinking-fountain at corner of Illinois and Washington streets, and this item was referred to the Committee on Water-Works, with instructions to report whether Water-Works Company should not have made aforesaid repairs at its own expense:

To the Honorable Mayor, Common Council, and Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen*.—I have the honor to submit the following report of work done in my Department, for the month of November, 1877:

Repaired, with gravel, the following streets: St. Clair street, from Pennsylvania to Delaware streets; Madison avenue, from Meridian street to J., M. & I. R. R.

Covered, with cinders, Delaware street, from Washington street to Massachusetts avenue.

Repaired block pavement on Delaware street, from St. Clair to Seventh streets.

Repaired the bowldered streets as follows: Virginia avenue, from Delaware street to I., C. & L. R. R.

Raised and rebowldered the north gutter of Washington street, from Delaware street to Pennsylvania street.

Repaired 27 culverts.

Repaired 43 foot-bridges.

Pay Rolls for month of November.....	\$2,282 57
Wm. Hillman & Son, blacksmithing .....	15 50
P. E. Everett, repairing fountain corner Illinois and Washington streets.....	11 55
E. J. Hardesty, rent of shop and lots for city, six months.....	36 00
McDonough & Townsend, for 16 feet 8-inch pipe....	4 80
Ike King, smithing.....	11 21
R. H. Adams, 4,000 paving brick.....	26 00
Clemens Vonnegut, hardware .....	22 03
G. H. Shover, smithing.....	7 90
Hildebrand & King, lumber... ..	97 70
C. E. Geisendorff, 1,554 loads gravel.....	155 40
Henry Shilling, 40 loads gravel.....	4 00
Peter Earley, bowldering crossing of alley between Tennessee and Mississippi streets.. ..	6 75
H. C. Roney, paving with brick southeast corner Illinois and Market streets .....	11 25
Hamilton Bailie, 80 loads sand delivered.....	40 00

George Breunig, 116 affidavits for Street Commissioner.....	\$ 40 60
John Benson, 22 loads boulders, at \$1.50.....	33 00
Indianapolis Rolling-Mill Company, 200 loads cinders, at 20c.....	40 00
A. P. Shauver, oak lumber.....	71 34
Aaron Grube, oak lumber.....	96 00
James M. Buchanan, smithing.....	12 20
<b>Total amount..</b>	<b>\$3,025 77</b>

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. FULMER, Street Commissioner

REPORTS, ETC., FROM BOARDS.

The Hospital Board, through Councilman Izor, submitted the following reports from the Superintendent of the City Hospital and Branch; which were referred to the Committee on Finance:

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

The following report of the City Hospital and Branch, for the month ending November 30th, 1877, is respectfully submitted:

	First Week.	Second Week.	Third Week.	Fourth Week.	Two Days.	Total.
NO. OF BEDS IN HOSPITAL—100.						
Number of Patients at last report—adults.....	36	35	40	42	43	.....
Number of Patients at last report—infants.....	3	3	3	3	4	.....
Received New Patients—adults.....	8	13	15	12	4	52
Births, or Received—infants.....	.....	1	2	1	.....	4
Discharged—adults.....	8	8	13	10	4	43
Discharged—infants.....	.....	1	2	.....	.....	3
Died—adults.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	2
Died—infants.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Number of Patients remaining—adults.....	35	40	42	43	43	.....
Number of Patients remaining—infants.....	3	3	3	4	4	.....
Number of Patients in Branch—adults.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Number of Patients in Branch—infants.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Aggregate No. days of Patients in Hospital—adults.....	262	273	287	309	89	1220
Aggregate No. of days Patients in Hospital—infants.....	21	19	21	26	8	95

Total Expenditures for month.....	\$1,032 72
Expended on account of permanent improvements.....	219 81
Net Expenditures for the month.....	812 91
Aggregate number of days subsistence furnished.....	1811
Average expense per capita per diem of patients.....	.61.81 cts.
Average expense per capita per diem of patients, officers and employes, 44.9 cts.	

W. H. DAVIS, M. D., Superintendent.

The Fire Board, through Councilman Case, submitted the following report; which was concurred in :

To his Honor, the Mayor, and Members of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen* :—A motion, passed by your bodies, instructing the Chief Fire Engineer to examine the stairways and halls of the Surgical Institute, on S. Illinois street, and report if the same is provided with sufficient means of escape, in case of fire, beg leave to make the following report :

The Chief Fire Engineer has carefully examined the building, and finds no provision made for the escape of the inmates in case of fire, excepting a narrow back-stairway, which would easily become blockaded, were a fire to break out in said building; and it is the opinion of the Chief that loss of life would be great.

We therefore recommend that the City Marshal notify the proprietors of said building to proceed at once, and provide sufficient means of escape to the occupants in case of fire, and to conform to the law passed by the last Legislature, regarding fire-escapes.

R. S. FOSTER,  
J. L. CASE,  
JAMES T. LAYMAN,  
Fire Board.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Bridges, through Councilman Morse, submitted the following report; which, on Councilman Thomas's motion, was laid on the table until a report should be made by the special committee charged with investigating the possibility and expediency of using the Delaware street viaduct for bridges over the canal, etc. :

*Indianapolis*, December 3, 1877.

To the Mayor and Common Council :

*Gentlemen* :—Your committee to whom was referred the motion instructing the City Civil Engineer to advertise for proposals to erect an iron bridge, with stone abutments, across the canal on Vermont street, would report that we have referred the matter to the Engineer, who furnishes the following estimates of cost :

For wooden bridge, with stone abutments... ..\$1,975 80  
For iron bridge, with stone abutments... ..\$3,896 70

Your committee would recommend the construction of an iron bridge, with stone abutments.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. MORSE,  
MARTIN MCGINTY,  
W. M. COCHRAN,  
Committee on Bridges.

The Committee on Finance, through Councilman A. L. Wright, submitted the following report; which was considered and duly concurred in by clauses :

*Indianapolis*, December 3, 1877.

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

*Gentlemen* :—Your Committee on Finance, to whom were referred sundry papers, respectfully submit their report on the following :

1st. Petition of John W. Davis, for refunding \$5.71 taxes paid, by mistake, on lot 103, in Noble's Sub. of out-lot 55.

As the taxes were due the city, the payment by the petitioner was voluntarily made, and, if refunded, could not be collected from the present owner, if payment should be resisted, your committee recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted.

2d. Petition of Sophia Smith, for refunding a portion of her taxes.

The petitioner was not entitled to an exemption for 1875, her property being appraised, that year, for \$1000, which your committee think, at that time, was a reasonable valuation; and for 1876, she has received the benefit of all the exemption allowed by law. Your committee, therefore, recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted.

3d. Petition of Henry Boecher, for refunding taxes on lot 13, in out-lot 121, claiming an excessive appraisement.

Your committee believe the appraisement to be fair and reasonable, and in accordance with the appraisement of adjacent property, and that it should not be changed; and recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted.

4th. Petition of Thomas C. Burdsal, for refunding \$106 84, with interest at 6 per cent., because of an erroneous sale to him of certain property for delinquent taxes.

Your committee find the statements in the petition to be correct, and recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, and that the Clerk be ordered to bring the taxes of 1876 against the property erroneously sold, and treat it as delinquent.

5th. Petition of John Conway, for refunding money paid by him for tax-title on lot 5, in out-lot 127, and for the city to reimburse him for money expended in improvements subsequent to such purchase.

Your committee find that, by a suit in the Marion County Superior Court, the original owners of said property dispossessed the petitioner, and obtained possession, by defeating his title thereto; and recommend refunding to him the original purchase money, and six per cent. interest, but against reimbursing him for money expended in improvements.

6th. Petition of Laurena Griffith, for refunding \$7, taxes of 1876 on \$500, under the Widows' Exemption Law.

Your committee recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

7th. Your committee was instructed by this Council, November 5th and November 19th, upon the recommendation of the City Treasurer, to examine and audit coupons No 1, from bonds 1 to 400, inclusive, of the City Bonds issued in aid of Union R. R. Transfer and Stock-Yard Company, then in the hands of said Treasurer, and, if found correct, to destroy the same.

Your committee made the examination, found the coupons as reported, and destroyed them as instructed.

8th. City Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Payments, for month of October, 1877.

Your committee examined the books of the City Treasurer, and find his report correct, and recommend its approval.

9th. Report of City Clerk, of Orders issued during the month of October, 1877.

Your committee examined the books of the Clerk, and find them to correspond with his report, and recommend that the report be approved.

10th. Petition of Otto Golnish, for refunding amount paid by him on tax-certificate No. 6746, on account of erroneous tax-sale.

Your committee has examined into this matter, and find the sale to have been erroneous, and recommend that the Treasurer refund to him the amount of original purchase, with six per cent. interest, less the amount of taxes legally due the city from the property described in said certificate.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. WRIGHT,  
N. S. BYRAM,  
J. THOMAS,  
MARTIN MCGINTY,  
J. B. DILL,

Committee on Finance.

WM. HADLEY, City Assessor.

R. O. HAWKINS, City Attorney.

The Committee on Gas-Light submitted the following report; which was concurred in :

To His Honor, the Mayor, and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

*Gentlemen*.:—Your Committee on Gas-Light, to whom was referred the matter of erecting four lamp-posts on West street, between Georgia and South streets, would most respectfully report as follows :

That, in our opinion, there should be two lamp-posts erected—one on the north side of the tracks and the other on the south side. In so doing, it will give the people that have occasion to cross at that point after nightfall, much more protection, as, in the present condition it must be very dark at night—especially a dark night.

ALBERT IZOR,  
W. H. TUCKER,  
T. C. READING,  
Committee on Gas-Light.

On Councilman Thomas's motion, the report of the Committee on Road-Roller, which had been duly received at the last regular session of this body, was considered, and said committee was instructed to have the building in which aforesaid machine is stored properly repaired.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Layman, submitted the following report :

*Indianapolis*, December 3, 1877.

To the Mayor and Common Council :

*Gentlemen*.:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom sundry papers were referred, would report on the following :

1st. Is a petition of sundry business men for the laying of a stone cross-walk over Washington street, from the northeast corner of Pennsylvania street to the building of the Bank of Commerce.

We recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and the above mentioned cross-walk be laid. The probable cost will be near \$150.

2d. Is a motion to instruct the Street Commissioner to lay a stone cross-walk over Dillon street, on line with the north sidewalk of Fletcher avenue.

We recommend that a single-line crosswalk be laid at this point.

3d. Is a motion to instruct the Street Commissioner to take up the drainage-pipe now in the gutter, at the southwest corner of Delaware and Maryland streets, and make such gutter an open one, by bowldering same.

We recommend above work be done as indicated in the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. E. WATTS,  
JAMES T. LAYMAN,  
GEO. P. WOOD,  
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Action on the first and second clauses of above report was postponed, and the third clause was duly concurred in.

The Committee on Opening, etc., Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Steinhauer, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

*Indianapolis*, December 3, 1877.

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

*Gentlemen*:—Your Committee on Opening and Laying Out Street and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of R. Browning, John C. Wright, John C. New, and others, asking that Market and Wabash sts., between Mississippi and Tennessee streets, and Huron street, between Ohio and Market streets, be vacated, so that same may be used for State House grounds, would report that we have had the same under consideration, and are of the opinion that the prayer of the petition should be granted.

We would, therefore, recommend that the said petition be referred to the City Commissioners, for their action in the matter, and that the City Clerk be directed to give the proper notices for their meeting to consider the same.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL STEINHAUER,  
ABRAHAM L. STONER,  
W. G. WRIGHT,

Committee on Opening, etc., Streets and Alleys.

#### REPORT FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The special committee and City Attorney, which had been charged with the duty of drafting an ordinance creating a "Board of Street Improvements," submitted the following report; which was duly received:

*Indianapolis*, December 3, 1877.

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

*Gentlemen*:—Your special committee and City Attorney, who were directed to prepare and submit an ordinance creating a Board of Public Improvements, would report that we have prepared such an ordinance, and herewith submit the same, and recommend that it be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES T. LAYMAN,  
T. C. READING,  
N. S. BYRAM,

Special Committee.

R. O. HAWKINS, City Attorney.



The following general ordinance was then read the first time, and, on Councilman Marsee's motion, further consideration of same was postponed, and it was ordered to be printed, *in extenso*, in the minutes :

G. O. 43, 1877—An ordinance creating a Board of Public Improvements, prescribing their powers and duties, and the manner of their election.

SECTION 1. *Be it ordained by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis*, That there shall be annually elected, by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, in joint convention, a Board of Public Improvements; which Board shall consist of three members, one of whom shall be a member of the Board of Aldermen, and two of whom shall be members of the Common Council. Said Board of Public Improvements shall be so elected, as aforesaid, by the joint convention held in May of each year, and at the same time that the Fire, Hospital, and Police Boards are elected, and shall take an oath to faithfully perform their duties. The members of such Board of Public Improvements shall serve for the term of one year, or until their successors are elected; *provided*, that any member of such Board may be removed, at any time, by a majority vote of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen. Any vacancy in such Board may be filled, at any time, by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, in joint convention, and any person so elected to fill such vacancy shall only be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor; *and provided further*, that, after this ordinance shall be ordained and established, the Common Council and Board of Aldermen shall meet in joint convention, and shall elect a Board of Public Improvements, to serve until their successors shall be elected by the joint convention in May, 1878; *and provided further*, that the Street Commissioner shall be, *ex-officio*, a member of the Board of Public Improvements.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of such Board of Public Improvements to keep a complete record of all their transactions and proceedings. They shall have general supervision and control of the repairing of all the streets, alleys, culverts, and bridges of the city, the cleaning and scraping of all the streets, alleys, and sewers of the city, the employment of all laborers and teams, and the purchasing of all supplies and materials used therein, and fix the prices to be paid by the city for laborers and teams, subject to the directions and orders of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen. All pay-rolls for labor and teams used and employed in the Street-Repair Department, and all bills, accounts, and claims for materials or labor used in the same, shall be certified to by the Street Commissioner and approved by said Board, before any order shall be drawn or issued upon the Treasurer for the payment of the same. It shall be the duty of said Board of Public Improvements to report to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, once a month, the amount of the entire expenditures for the previous month, with

a general statement of what the expenditures were for; and they shall, in such report, state the total amount of the expenditures of their Department from the beginning of the fiscal year up to the date of such report.

SEC. 3. Such Board of Public Improvements shall report to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, from time to time, any needed public improvement of the streets and alleys of the city, and submit any plans or improvements in the mode or manner of making the same, that, in their judgment, should be adopted by the city.

SEC. 4. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

The contract and bond of John Schier, for grading, and paving with brick, the east sidewalk of Park avenue (where not already paved), between Cherry and Vine streets, was submitted, and aforesaid contract was concurred in and the bond duly approved.

#### MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The following message from the Board of Aldermen was received, and the motion therein embodied was duly adopted:

*Indianapolis, December 3, 1877.*

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—At a regular session of the Board of Aldermen, held Tuesday evening, November 6th, 1877, the following motion was adopted, and I herewith transmit it, for your action upon the same, viz.:

*Moved,* That the Council be requested to instruct their Committee on Streets and Alleys to report resolutions changing the names of streets and alleys where the same names have been duplicated.

Respectfully,

GEO. T. BREUNIG,  
Clerk of Board of Aldermen.

The following message was also received, and the finding of the investigating committee, thereto appended, was duly approved:

*Indianapolis, December 3, 1877.*

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—At a regular session of the Board of Aldermen, held November 20th, 1877, the appended report (from the special investigation commit-

tee, to whom was referred the charges against Leander A. Fulmer, Street Commissioner) was received, and concurred in.

Respectfully,

GEO. T. BREUNIG,  
Clerk of Board of Aldermen.

To the Board of Aldermen :

The undersigned beg leave to report, in the matter of charges against Leander A. Fulmer, Street Commissioner, preferred by Alderman Stratford, as follows :

Alderman Coburn, and Councilmen Morse and Sindlinger were necessarily absent during most of the time of the investigation ; but, by consent of the accused and the prosecution, the matter was submitted to the undersigned.

Careful investigation was made ; every facility afforded for the production of witness and books and papers on both sides ; and the result of the investigation is, That we find Leander A. Fulmer not guilty of the charges preferred against him.

We do find some irregularities in the manner of paying some small accounts for work on the streets and bowlders, not in any way affecting the integrity of the Commissioner and the parties to whom moneys were paid. It was shown that orders were issued, which embraced the accounts of several persons for work and labor and materials, the money paid to the Commissioner, who then paid it to the persons entitled thereto. This was done to save a notary fee of fifty cents, and lessen the discount on orders, which was less on large orders than on small ones. In all cases where this was done, it was proven before us that the account was correct, and the party got his money. We allude to this matter, because it is an exceedingly loose way to do business, and dangerous to the city officials as well as to the city. It would be an easy matter for the small claimants to make out their accounts and properly assign them, and thus afford to the city, and all persons, written and legal evidence of the regularity of their transactions ; or, better still, endorse upon the account an order to pay the person or persons whom they wish to collect the money. We recommend that some such rule as this be established by ordinance, if there be none such in force.

WILLIAM WALLACE,  
ROBT. C. MCGILL,  
A. L. WRIGHT,  
Committee.

#### APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

The Fire Board, through Councilman Case, introduced the following ordinance ; which was read the first time :

Ap. O. 83, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Fire Department.

The Hospital Board, through Councilman Izor, introduced the following ordinance ; which was read the first time :

Ap. O. 84, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of City Hospital and Branch.

The Board of Police, through Councilman Brown, introduced the following ordinance ; which was read the first time :

Ap. O. 85, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station Houses.

The Committee on Accounts and Claims, through Councilman Layman, introduced the following ordinance ; which was read the first time :

Ap. O. 86, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery, and Advertising, through Councilman Reed, introduced the following ordinance ; which was read the first time :

Ap. O. 87, 1877—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Printing, Stationery, and Advertising.

Appropriation ordinance No. 83, 1877, was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bagby, Brown, Bugbee, Byram, Cochran, Dill, Izor, Layman, Marsee, Morse, McGinty, Reading, Reed, Steinhauer, Stoner, Tucker, Walker, Wood, A. L. Wright, and W. G. Wright—20.

Negative—Councilman Thomas—1.

Appropriation ordinance No. 84, 1877, was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bagby, Brown, Bugbee, Byram, Cochran, Dill, Izor, Layman, Marsee, Morse, McGinty, Reading, Reed, Steinhauer, Stoner, Tucker, Walker, Wood, A. E. Wright, and W. G. Wright—20.

Negative—Councilman Thomas—1.

Appropriation ordinance No. 85, 1877, was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bagby, Brown, Bugbee, Byram, Cochran, Dill, Izor, Layman, Marsee, Morse, McGinty, Reading, Reed, Steinhauer, Stoner, Tucker, Walker, Wood, A. L. Wright, and W. G. Wright—20.

Negative—Councilman Thomas—1.

Appropriation ordinance No. 86, 1877, was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bagby, Brown, Bugbee, Byram, Cochran, Dill, Izor, Layman, Marsee, Morse, McGinty, Reading, Reed, Steinhauer, Stoner, Tucker, Walker, Wood, A. L. Wright, and W. G. Wright—20.

Negative—Councilman Thomas—1.

Appropriation ordinance No. 87, 1877, was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bagby, Brown, Bugbee, Byram, Cochran, Dill, Izor, Layman, Marsee, Morse, McGinty, Reading, Reed, Steinhauer, Stoner, Tucker, Walker, Wood, A. L. Wright, and W. G. Wright—20.

Negative—Councilman Thomas—1.

## INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES.

Councilman Brown presented the following petition and estimate; which were received:

To his Honor, the Mayor, Members of the Common Council, and Board of Aldermen:

The undersigned, property holders on Maryland and Pearl streets, understanding that it is the desire of the city authorities to establish sewer connections from the Station House to the sewer, ending at Virginia avenue and Maryland street, respectfully petition that said sewer connection be located along Pearl street, from the Station House to the first alley east of Delaware street, down said alley to Maryland street, and along Maryland street to the present terminus of the sewer on Virginia avenue and Maryland street, believing that, by said location, the sewer will be of most utility and convenience for the largest number of property holders in said vicinity.

John Grosh, 67 feet, on alley east of Delaware street; German Mutual Fire Insurance Co., by A. Seidensticker, President, 63 feet, on alley east of Delaware street; H. Severin, 19½ feet, on alley east of Delaware street; H. W. Schoppenhorst Heirs, 33 9-12 feet, on alley east of Delaware street; Anna Albershardt, 19½ feet; Wm. Dell, 36 feet; Albert Gall, 80 feet; A. D. Gall's Heirs, 32 feet; John N. Heim, 59¾ feet; German-English School Association, Clemens Vonnegut, President, 240 feet.

Estimate of cost of sewer, from the east line of the Central Station House, in and along Pearl street and the first alley east of Delaware street, to Maryland street; thence, west, to and connecting with the Virginia avenue sewer:

926 lineal feet at \$2.40 . . . . .	\$2,222 40
Of which the city's portion will be—	
498 lineal feet at \$1.20 . . . . .	597 60
4 manholes at \$25.00 . . . . .	100 00
	\$697 60

Also, the following special ordinance; which was read the first time:

S. O. 41, 1877—An ordinance to provide for the construction of a brick sewer, from the east line of the Central Station House, in and along Pearl street, to the first alley east of Delaware street; thence, south, in and along said alley to Maryland street; thence, west, in and along Maryland street, to and connecting with the Virginia avenue sewer.

Councilman Byram presented the following petition; which was received:

*Indianapolis*, November 19, 1877.

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

*Gentlemen*:—The undersigned, owner of real estate fronting on First street, between Illinois street and Meridian street, respectfully petitions for the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalks of First street, between the above named streets.

And your petitioner will ever pray, etc.

T. A. LEWIS.

Also, the following special ordinance; which was read the first time:

S. O. 42, 1877—An ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalks of First street, from Illinois street to Meridian street.

On Councilman Marsee's motion, the rules were now suspended, for the purpose of taking up general ordinance No. 42, 1877, and of reading said ordinance the second and third times, and placing same on its passage, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Bagby, Brown, Bugbee, Byram, Cochran, Dill, Izor, Layman, Marsee, Morse, McGinty, Reading, Reed, Steinhauer, Stoner, Thomas, Tucker, Walker, Wood, A. L. Wright, and W. G. Wright—21.

Negative—None.

The aforesaid general ordinance, entitled

G. O. 42, 1877—An ordinance making and providing for the execution of a Contract between the City of Indianapolis and the Water-Works Company of Indianapolis.

Was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed (as printed on page 540, *ante*), read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Bagby, Brown, Bugbee, Byram, Cochran, Dill, Izor, Layman, Marsee, Morse, McGinty, Reading, Reed, Steinhauer, Stoner, Thomas, Tucker, Walker, Wood, A. L. Wright, and W. G. Wright—21.

Negative—None.

#### INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Councilman Bugbee offered the following motions ; which were severally adopted :

*Moved*, That the Pattison M. E. Church have permission to remove the frame building used by them as a place of worship, from its present location, on Yandes street, to the corner of Bellefontaine avenue and Seventh street.

*Moved*, That E. B. Elliott be granted ten days further time in which to complete his contract for grading and graveling Herbert street.

Councilman Byram offered the following motion :

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the property owners to put in repair the several cellar-doors on the north side of Washington street, between Meridian and Illinois streets.

Councilman Reed moved to lay the preceding motion on the table. Lost.

Aforesaid motion was then duly adopted.

Councilman Dill offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

*Moved*, That D. M. Young have permission to dig a vault, immediately adjoining his premises, in the alley in the rear of No. 69 W. Market street, said vault to be constructed under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, at the expense of the said Young, and to be completed within thirty days.

Councilman Izor offered the following motions ; which were severally adopted :

*Moved*, That the Finance Committee, City Assessor, and City Treasurer inquire into the expediency of examining the records of the County Recorder's office, and obtaining such other proof as will lead to the correction of



omissions in the returns, for taxation, of mortgages, mortgage notes, etc., and report at our next meeting.

*Moved*, That a committee of three be appointed, to ascertain what city property, in possession of city officers, can be dispensed with; also, appraise and list the same; and report to the Council, at the next meeting.

The Chair appointed Councilmen Izor, A. L. Wright, and Stoner as the special committee required by last preceding motion.

Councilman Layman presented the following remonstrance; which was referred, with special ordinance No. 37, 1877, to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

*Indianapolis*, November 20, 1877.

To His Honor, the Mayor, Common Council, and Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen*:—We, the undersigned property holders, owning property fronting on the south side of St. Mary street, between Alabama and Delaware streets, would respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance for paving with brick the sidewalk in front of our property, between the points above named, now pending before your honorable body, for the reason that the work can be done much better in the spring, and because there is now a good gravel walk.

James Moore, 110 feet; Henry Raefert, 55 feet;  
Caroline Klusmann, by L. Klusmann, 55 feet;  
Henry Peine, 55 feet; J. H. Vajen, 55 feet.

The same gentleman, by consent, presented sealed proposals for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps, and fixtures, complete to burn gas, except the service-pipes, on Bellefontaine street, between Home avenue and Tinker street; also, for same improvement on Peru street, between Home avenue and Tinker street; which were received, opened, read, and referred to the Committee on Contracts.

Councilman Marsee offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner put down a stone crossing over Noble street, at the intersection of Bates street, on line with the south sidewalk of Bates street.

The same gentleman offered the following motion; which was adopted:

*Moved*, That — Hagerhorst be permitted to lay a stone crossing over Washington street, in front of lot 3, in square 63, fronting the Court House—said work to be done within sixty days, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Morse offered the following motion; which was adopted:

*Moved*, That the City Civil Engineer be directed to examine the drainage of the gutters at the crossing of Indiana avenue and West street, and, if any improvement can be made, report the same, at the next meeting of the Council.

The same gentleman presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

*Indianapolis*, December 3, 1877.

To the Honorable Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Sirs*:—I do most respectfully request your honorable body to have the City Engineer set the stakes to the proper grade, for grading, and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of New York street, from Bright street to the first 10-foot alley east of said last-named street; also, that the Street Commissioner be requested to bowlder and flag the said alley crossing, and extend the sidewalk to Bright street with brick pavement.

Respectfully,

D. H. PRUNK.

Councilman McGinty offered the following motion; which was adopted:

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be directed to examine the building containing the road-roller, and see that the same is in a condition to protect said machine.

The same gentleman also offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill the chuck-holes on Kentucky avenue, between Missouri street and White River.

Councilman Reading presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney:

Indianapolis, December 3, 1877.

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen*:—Your petitioner would respectfully ask your honorable body that he be granted permission to auctioneer for three months, under restrictions of an ordinance now in force, regulating the issuing of such license.

And your petitioner will every pray.

G. W. McCURDY.

Councilman Reed presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney:

Indianapolis, December 3, 1877.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen*:—Your petitioner, James C. Davis, would respectfully represent that, on the 10th day of February, 1875, he returned to the Assessor, two thousand, four hundred and thirty-five dollars for taxation, which consisted of notes, which were then worthless, and nothing has ever been realized from them. They were returned with the understanding that they should be returned at the amounts represented by them

Your petitioner would respectfully ask that the erroneous tax, amounting to forty-four and ten one-hundredths dollars, be certified off of the duplicate, and that he be allowed to pay the balance of tax assessed against him.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES C. DAVIS, 71 Columbia avenue.

Councilman Tucker offered the following motions; which were severally referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, with instructions to report estimate of cost of each repair they may recommend as proper and necessary:

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to fill the chuck-holes in Noble street, between Washington street and Virginia avenue.

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to fill the chuck-holes in Fletcher avenue, between Noble and Dillon streets.

*Moved*, That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to fill in with cinders or other suitable material, on the north side of Huron street, at the corner of Pine street, to protect the sidewalk.

The same gentleman offered the following motion; which was adopted:

*Moved*, That the City Marshal and police be instructed to order all wood teams to the wood-stands provided for by city ordinance, when found standing around the streets, offering wood for sale.

The same gentleman also offered the following motion :

WHEREAS, One of the members of this body has been personally threatened with chastisement at the hands of the turnkey of the Central Station, for doing what he considered to be his duty—namely, the removal of said turnkey for conduct unbecoming a city official;

*Moved*, That a committee be appointed, of three Councilmen and two Aldermen, to examine into the charges preferred, and report to this body at as early a day as practicable.

Councilman A. L. Wright moved that the investigation above asked for be conducted by the Board of Police.

Councilman Tucker moved to add a special committee of three Councilmen to aforesaid Board.

Which amendments were duly adopted.

Preceding motion, as amended, was then adopted; and the committee of investigation, as added to by the appointment of the Chair, is constituted as follows :

The Board of Police, and Councilmen Tucker, Walker, and Reading.

Councilman A. L. Wright presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys :

*Indianapolis, October 24, 1877.*

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

*Gentlemen* :—Your petitioners would respectfully represent to your honorable body that the crossing on Washington street, between the Occidental Hotel and the intersection of Washington street and Kentucky avenue, across the wooden-block pavement, is in very bad condition after a rain, the water standing in many places, and there being a great deal of mud, because the crossing has no elevation. Your petitioners, therefore, ask that this crossing (which is in great and constant use by the public) be repaired and improved in some way, so as to be a convenient and comfortable crossing.

J. W. Adams & Co., E. S. Elder, R. L. Shilling,  
W. H. Mansfield, A. W. Sharpe, J. W. Smith  
& Co., Niblock, Merrifield & Co., J. M. Dunlap,  
R. L. McOuat, J. V. McKernan, G. G. Holman,  
John F. Orndorff, A. A. Barnes, John C. Dunn,  
Speigel, Thoms & Co., Robert Catterson, James  
Frank, C. L. Rice, C. G. Root, Dorey & French,  
Joseph Curson, William Hubbard, O. H. Sulli-

van, J. S. Thompson, L. G. Hay, A. D. Lynch, Sherwood & Co., J. A. Lyons, E. E. Case, William S. Marsh, Charles E. Pottage, Thomas W. Pottage, W. A. Moore, Jesse Johnson, L. H. Kersey, John Osterman, L. E. Morrison, L. M. Locke, J. D. Steep & Co, J. Mitchell, H. B. Livingston, S. T. Marcy, H. B. Cole & Co., W. H. Reed, Iliff Bro's., Henry Daumont, W. H. Bartlett, L. S. Ayres & Co.

The same gentleman offered the following motions ; which were severally adopted :

*Moved*, That the ordinance creating a Board of Public Improvements be made the special order for the next regular meeting of the Council.

*Moved*, That Richard Sellers have permission to take up a portion of the brick sidewalk in front of his residence (No. 129 Massachusetts avenue), and to boulder the same, so as to make a drive-way—work to be done under the supervision of the City Civil Engineer, and within sixty days.

*Moved*, That Messrs. Shover & Christian have permission to put down a double-stone crossing over Massachusetts avenue, opposite the Enterprise Hotel—the same to be done at their own expense, under the supervision of the City Civil Engineer, within sixty days.

On motion, the Common Council then adjourned.

JOHN CAVEN, Mayor.

Attest :

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.