

# PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

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ADJOURNED SESSION—NOVEMBER 27, 1882.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, November 27th, A. D. 1882, at seven o'clock, pursuant to adjournment.

**PRESENT**—Hon. Daniel W. Grubbs, Mayor, and *ex officio* President of the Common Council in the Chair, and seven members, viz.: Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Fultz, Koller, Pritchard, Reichwein, and Thalman.

**ABSENT**—18, viz. Councilmen Bedford, Caylor, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Morrison, Pearson, Stout, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

It appearing from the roll-call there was no quorum present, on motion by Councilman Reichwein, the Common Council adjourned.

DANIEL W. GRUBBS, Mayor,  
President of the Common Council.

Attest: JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

# MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

TO : [Illegible]

FROM : [Illegible]

SUBJECT: [Illegible]

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# PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—NOVEMBER 27, 1882.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, November 27th, A. D. 1882, at seven o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Francis W. Hamilton, President *pro tem.* of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, and Tucker—7.

ABSENT—Aldermen Mussmann, Wood and President Layman—3.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session held November 13th, 1882, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

The following special message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—The Common Council, in regular session held in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, November 20th, 1882, adhered to their former action, that the following stone crossings be laid by contract:

“On the east side of Dillon street, from English avenue to prospect street.”

“On the alley crossings, south side of McCarty street, between East street and Virginia avenue.”

“One at short Fourth street, on Illinois street.”

And non-concurred in your action, that where brick pavements are hereafter ordered, double stone crossings for the streets and alleys should be included in the ordinances and contracts.

For the Common Council:

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

Alderman Tucker moved to lay the above matter on the table.

Alderman Seibert raised the point of order, that the matter contained in the foregoing message, having originated in the Board of Aldermen, the Common Council could not adhere to their former action; which was sustained by the Chair.

On motion, the Street Commissioner was allowed to make a statement in answer to certain questions asked by Alderman Tucker.

Alderman Seibert moved to non-concur in the action of the Common Council, and that the Board of Aldermen adhere to their former action; which failed of adoption.

On motion, the action of the Common Council was concurred in by the following vote:

AYES, 4—viz. Aldermen DeRuitter, Drew, Hamilton, and Rorison.

NAYS, 3—viz. Aldermen Newman, Seibert, and Tucker.

Alderman Tucker offered the following motion:

That it is the sense of this body that the Street Commissioner do not put down the stone crossings north, as provided for in the last report recommending stone crossings, and that if they are put down, that this Board refuses to pay for the same.

And it failed of adoption by the following vote:

AYES, 3—viz. Aldermen Newman, Seibert, and Tucker.

NAYS, 4—viz. Aldermen DeRuitter, Drew, Hamilton, and Rorison.

The following special message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—The Common Council, in regular session, held in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, November 20th, 1882, adhered to their former action, as to the purchase of a street-sweeping machine for sweeping north Meridian street, etc., and request that a conference committee be appointed.

Councilmen Thalman Egger and Fultz were appointed by the Chair to act as the Council members of such committee.

For the Common Council:

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

Alderman Rorison moved to concur in the action of the Common Council.

Alderman Tucker moved to lay the above motion to concur, on the table; which was adopted.

On motion by Alderman Tucker, the matter as contained in the message, was laid on the table.

The following special message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—The Common Council, in regular session, held in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, November 20th, 1882, adhered to their former action, recommending that the contract for printing and binding the codified ordinances and laws, be awarded to the Journal Printing Co., and requested that a conference committee be appointed.

Councilmen Pritchard, Ward and Dowling were appointed by the Chair to act as the Council members of such committee.

For the Common Council:

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

On motion by Alderman Seibert, the matter as contained in the above message, was laid on the table, by the following vote:

AYES, 4—viz. Aldermen Hamilton, Newman, Seibert and Tucker.

NAYS, 3—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, and Rorison.

The following message was read and received :

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith submit the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at the session held November 13th, 1882.

For the Common Council:

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The following report from the City Civil Engineer was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 580, *ante*), was concurred in:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—The time for the construction of the cistern at the corner of Deloss and Reid streets, expired November 1, 1882. No part of the work has been done, but that it has not, is no fault of the contractor, as the water in this section of the city has stood so near the surface, before and since the contract was let, that the building of the cistern has been impracticable. This difficulty will be obviated when Reid street sewer is completed. I therefore recommend that the time for the completion of said work be extended to June 1st, 1883.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The following report from the City Clerk was read:

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

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

Henry Clay vs. Fletcher & Churchman, for.....	\$ 32 34
Henry Clay vs. William H. Blunt, for.....	16 17
Henry Clay vs. Mary J. Anderson, for.....	16 17
Henry Clay vs. William H. English, for.....	16 17
Henry Clay vs. Isiah Hawkins, for..	14 70
Henry Clay vs. William H. Green, for.....	14 70
Henry Clay vs. Charles J. Martin, for.....	18 62
Henry Clay vs. Elizabeth A. Newcomb, for.....	23 91
August Richter vs. Louisa Glessing, for.....	19 50
John A. Whitsit vs. Eugene B. McOuat, for.....	127 05

And recommend you order the precepts to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

On motion, the favorable action of the Common Council on the above report, (see page 580, *ante*), was concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue by the following vote:

AYES, 4—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Newman, and Seibert

NAYS, 3—viz. Aldermen Hamilton, Rorison, and Tucker.

The monthly reports of the Chief Fire Engineer, Superintendents of the City Hospital and Branch, and City Dispensary, (see pages 585, 586 and 587, *ante*), were read and received.

The following motions (adopted by the Common Council—see pages 607 and 612, *ante*), were read, and referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage:

That the City Marshal be notified to put the crossing of Delaware street with the Railroads, in good order, as great complaint is made therewith.

That the Street Commissioner be authorized to repair, with gravel, the road-bed of Lawrence street, from Hillside avenue to Rural street.

The following motion (adopted by the Common Council—see page 608, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Railroads and Public Charities:

The Wabash Railroad Company has paid no attention to the order of this Council, to repair their crossing of East street; therefore, *Moved*, That the City Marshal be instructed to again notify said railroad company to immediately repair said crossing; and upon failure, within ten days, to do said work, that the Street Commissioner be instructed to do said work at said company's expense.

The following motion (adopted by the Common Council—see page 610, *ante*), was read:

That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, instructed to place in double stone crossings at the intersections on North street, from the L. C. & St. L. Railroad to Illinois street. While said street is being improved, said work to be done by contract, and contract to be made by the City Civil Engineer.

On motion by Alderman Tucker, the above motion was amended by including "east side of Dillon street, from English avenue to Prospect street, and alley crossings south side of McCarty street, between East street and Virginia avenue."

The motion as amended, was then adopted.

The following motions (adopted by the Common Council—see pages 607, 608, 611 and 613, *ante*), were read and concurrently adopted:

That John C. Lepperd be permitted to put down a brick sidewalk in front of his property on Merrill street, at his own expense, and according to stakes set by the City Civil Engineer. Also, that the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, directed to set the stakes and fix the proper grade for above sidewalk.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to place a wooden culvert over the gutter at the intersection of Cruse street and the Michigan Road.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to place stone crossings on the first and second alleys north of North street on west side of Mississippi street, and that he be instructed to use the stones taken out of the North street improvement.

That the City Marshal notify the property holders to repair the sidewalk in front of their property on the west side of Mississippi street, from Pratt street to St Clair street; said improvement to be done inside of thirty days.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to fill the chuck-holes on Noble street, between Virginia avenue and Louisiana street.

That a double stone crossing be put down across McNabb street, at the east end of Union Depot.

The following petition, and the resolution accompanying the same (see 609, *ante*), was read:

To the Honorable Members of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen

of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen:*—We, the undersigned, respectfully petition your honorable body to grant us the privilege of grading and graveling, at our own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, the third alley north of Ray street, between Meridian and Locusts streets; and we would further represent that we are the owners of all the real estate abutting on either side of said alley.

Mercantile Trust Co.,  
By C. E. East, agent,  
Thomas Madden,  
Ellen Madden.

*Resolved*, That the prayer of petitioners herein be granted, and that the work named in the petition shall be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer within sixty days.

And the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 609, *ante*), was concurred in, and the resolution concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, and Tucker.

NAYS—None.

The following resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 611, *ante*), was read:

*Resolved*, That the City Attorney be, and is hereby, directed to make a contract with Hawkins & Norton, attorneys, to defend the city in the case of Melinda L. Murphy against the city, and report the fees agreed upon to the Council and Board of Aldermen, and if by them considered reasonable, to be approved, and paid out of the City Treasury, and charged to the account of Judiciary Committee.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 4—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Newman, and Rorison.

NAYS, 3—viz. Aldermen Hamilton, Seibert, and Tucker.

The following report from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 613 and 614, *ante*), was not concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned, your Committee, to whom was referred the motion of the Board of Aldermen, directing that the City Clerk cause the proper street numbers to be placed on Park avenue within thirty days, report, that in their opinion it would be impracticable for the Clerk to attempt to do the work required without the proper data to work by. We would, therefore, recommend that said motion be not concurred in, and that the following substitute be passed.

That the City Civil Engineer make a plain map or profile of Park avenue, indicating thereon the proper numbers to be placed on the different houses or lots, and place the same in the hands of the City Clerk, who is hereby directed to cause said numbers to be so placed on the houses on said avenue, and for the purpose of notifying the owners of said houses, he is authorized and directed to call to his assistance the members of the police force, through the Chief of Police.

George Weaver,  
B. W. Cole,  
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

The following report from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, was read, (see page 614, *ante*), and referred, with the accompanying resolution, to the Judiciary Committee:

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

83*Gentlemen:*—The Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Mary Burgman, Daniel Chenowith and John B. Stumph, for the narrowing of Sanders street, from a width of eighty (80) feet to that of fifty (50) feet, by vacating fifteen (15) feet on each side, have examined said locality, and recommend the prayers of the petitioners be granted, and that the accompanying resolution relative thereto be adopted.

George Weaver,  
B. W. Cole,  
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

*Resolved,* That the petition of Mary Burgman, Daniel Chenowith and John B. Stumph, praying for the narrowing of Sanders street, its whole present length, from a width of eighty (80) feet, now existing, to that of fifty (50) feet, and the vacating of fifteen (15) feet on each side to the respective property-owners on the north and south sides of said Sanders street, be referred to the City Commissioners, with instructions to determine what persons, if any, will be benefitted thereby, and to assess benefits to persons and property effected thereby. The said Commissioners are instructed to return, as part of their report, all petitions and notices. The City Clerk is hereby directed to issue, and the City Marshal to serve, the proper notices upon the Commissioners, and the petitioners are hereby required to serve the proper notices upon all interested parties, as may be designated by the City Commissioners.

The following message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith transmit to your honorable body, the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its session held November 20th, 1882.

For the Common Council:

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The following report from the City Civil Engineer was read:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith report the contract and bond of James W. Hudson, for re-grading and bowldering the roadway of Tennessee street and curbing the gutters thereof (when not already curbed), from the north line of Georgia street to the Union Railway tracks. Bond, \$5,000; surety, Fred. Gansberg.

Respectfully submitted, S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.



On motion, the action of the Common Council on the above report, (see page 639, *ante*), was concurred in, and contract awarded by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, and Tucker.

NAYS—None.

The following report from the City Clerk was read:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith report the following entitled affidavits now on file in my office, for the collection of street improvement assessments by precepts, to-wit:

J. L. Spaulding vs. Francis L. Farman's heirs, viz: Mary M. Farman, Emma L. Farman, Eliza E. Farman, Anna J. Farman, Martha Farman, George F. Farman, Mary A. Farman, John H. Farman, Owen E. Farman, George F. Farman, Mary A. A. Taylor, and Elizabeth J. Carmichael, for.....	\$9 45
J. L. Spaulding vs. Francis L. Farman's heirs, viz: Mary M. Farman, Emma L. Farman, Eliza E. Farman, Anna J. Farman, Martha Farman, George F. Farman, Mary A. Farman, John H. Farman, Owen E. Farman, George F. Farman, Mary A. A. Taylor, and Elizabeth J. Carmichael, for.....	\$9 45
J. L. Spaulding vs. Francis L. Farman's heirs, viz: Mary M. Farman, Emma L. Farman, Eliza E. Farman, Anna J. Farman, Martha Farman, George F. Farman, Mary A. Farman, John H. Farman, Owen E. Farman, George F. Farman, Mary A. A. Taylor, and Elizabeth J. Carmichael, for.....	\$1 82
J. L. Spaulding vs. Francis L. Farman's heirs, viz: Mary M. Farman, Emma L. Farman, Eliza E. Farman, Anna J. Farman, Martha Farman, George F. Farman, Mary A. Farman, John H. Farman, Owen E. Farman, George F. Farman, Mary A. A. Taylor, and Elizabeth J. Carmichael, for.....	\$9 45
H. C. Roney vs. Michael Beckler, for.....	\$89 94

On motion, the favorable action of the Common Council on the above report (see page 640, *ante*), was concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue by the following vote:

AYES, 6—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, and Tucker.

NAYS, 1—viz. Alderman Hamilton.

The following report from the City Attorney was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see pages 640 and 641, *ante*), was concurred in:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—1. Since the last special meeting of the Council the case of the Board of School Commissioners vs. The City Clerk, known as the "poll tax case," has been orally argued before the full bench of the Supreme Court, and the unanimous decision of the Court pronounced against the legality of the levy attempted to be imposed by the Board, and the judgment of the lower court affirmed in favor of Mr. Magner.

2. Some time before my election as City Attorney, your honorable bodies discovered that a small addition southeast of the city, known as the Stanton & Francis addition to Indianapolis, had never been legally annexed to the city, the same

being some distance from the boundaries at the time of the attempted annexation, which was by the Batty resolution of 1874. You thereupon passed a motion, ordering the lots in said addition stricken from the tax duplicates, and said lots were thereupon disannexed. The owners of said lots then petitioned your honorable bodies to refund them the money they had paid to the city as taxes thereon during the years the same had been assessed as city property. Desiring to make a test case as to the liability of the city, said petitions were refused. Mrs. Mary J. McAvoy thereupon brought suit for the sum of \$67 and interest, being the amount paid by her on certain lots owned by her in said addition. The facts were all fully and, as I believe, truthfully pleaded by her in her complaint, so that a demurrer which I interposed thereto properly raised all the legal questions involved. After oral and written arguments, and a long consideration of the questions involved, Judge Howe has overruled the city's demurrer, thus holding her liable to the parties who have paid such taxes. This ruling only applies to the *owners* of such lots, however; and I do not believe parties (and there are some) who bought lots at a tax sale, can recover back, even though this ruling of Judge Howe may be sustained. I ask for instructions in this matter, as to whether I shall appeal said cause or not; and if so, whether to the Supreme Court, or only to the General Term of the Superior Court, in case the judgment of Judge Howe should there be affirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

The mortality reports of the Board of Health from October 16th to November 15th, 1882, (see 651 and 652, *ante*), were read and received.

The analysis of Prof. T. C. Van Nuys, showing the condition of the driven wells in different parts of the city (see pages 652, 653 and 654, *ante*), and the communications of the Board of Health, as to the analysis, (see pages 654 and 655, *ante*), were read and received.

The following report from a certain special committee, was read, (see page 660, *ante*); and, on motion by Alderman Rorison, was referred to the Committee on Markets and Public Property:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee, to whom was referred the petition of Mason J. Osgood, asking that thirty-seven acres of lands be conveyed to James A. Bruce, and by virtue of said deed to Mason J. Osgood, said land having been deeded to the City of Indianapolis in July, 1873, for park purposes, the Council on said date, when they accepted the donation of said George Bruce, made what your Committee deem a wise provision, viz.: That the city would not improve it until its finance would permit. And your committee are of the opinion that said real estate is now worth from five to seven thousand dollars. James A. Bruce does not ask the lands be conveyed to him, but on the contrary prefers the city to own them, and we therefore recommend that the prayer of the petition be not granted; and would further recommend that the City Civil Engineer make a survey of said land and report what the expense would be to build a fence, enclosing the same.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. H. Morrison,  
John W. Fultz,  
Isaac Thalman.

The following reports from the Finance Committee were read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 662, *ante*), were severally concurred in:

## To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned, your Committee, to whom was referred the petition of C. O. Britton, presented to the Council on the 13th inst., would respectfully recommend, that if said petitioner will make and file with the City Treasurer his affidavit as to the facts stated in his petition, accompanied with a receipt for said sum of \$30.00, and also file with said Treasurer, to his acceptance, a bond indemnifying the city against loss, said Treasurer be directed to pay him said money, and that said affidavit and receipt be filed under the proper number in lieu of said warrant.

John R. Pearson,  
B. Ward,  
Isaac Thalman,  
E. H. Koller,  
Finance Committee.

November 20, 1882.

## To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned, your Committee, to whom was referred the petition of Pattison M. E. Church, (see page 612, *ante*) asking that the liens on its lots in L. D. Johnson's subdivision, of the south half of block 28, in Johnson's Heir's Addition, be satisfied of record as prayed for.

John R. Pearson,  
Isaac Thalman,  
B. Ward,  
E. H. Koller,  
Finance Committee.

The following motion (adopted by the Common Council—see page 664, *ante*), was read; and, on motion by Alderman Rorison, was referred to the Committee on Railroads and Public Charities:

That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the Citizens' Street Railway Co., to fill up with good gravel, between their tracks, on Christian and College avenues, and also to notify said railway company to clean the wooden culverts, between the tracks, on said avenues, so as to make it passable for pedestrians.

The following motions (adopted by the Common Council—see pages 660, 662, 663 and 964, *ante*), were read and concurrently adopted:

That J. A. Hanson be permitted to pave with brick the south sidewalk on Second street, in front of his property, from Delaware street to first alley west, the same to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, at his own expense.

That the City Civil Engineer be directed to have a double row of stone crossings on Wabash street, at the intersection of Delaware

That the City Attorney be, and is hereby, directed to bring suit on bond of John Stump, at once, contractor for fire cistern on Eddy street, between Merrell street and Fogue's Run, in order to collect the sum due for material and labor in excess of the estimate.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean Eddy street, between South and Merrill streets, and Garden street, between Illinois and Eddy streets, said streets having been bowldered by the owners of adjacent property, and have never been cleaned since the said streets were improved.

## REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Contracts and Bridges, through Alderman Rorison, submitted the following report:

To the President and Members Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom was referred the bids for erecting lamp-posts and fixtures on Broadway street, between Seventh and Ninth streets, recommend that the action of the Council in awarding the contract to W. J. Freaney, at \$18.50 per post, be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

Brainard Rorison,  
John Newman  
Committee on Contracts

On motion, the above report was concurred in, and the contract awarded by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, and Tucker.

NAYS—None.

The Committee on Markets and Public Property, through Alderman Drew, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Markets and Public property, to whom was referred sundry bills for repairs on the Tomlinson Estate and Parks, viz:

E. Boring, account Tomlinson estate .....	\$ 4 00
Samuel Davis, account Tomlinson estate .....	25 70
Builders' and Manufacturers' Association, account Tomlinson estate..	28 36
William Hadley, account Tomlinson estate.....	60 05
Anderson Hardware Co., account parks.....	14 00

Have examined same, and recommend they be approved and inserted in the next general appropriation ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

D. DeRuiter,  
H. E. Drew,  
Geo. P. Wood,  
Committee.

Alderman Tucker, in behalf of the Committee on Public Light, submitted the following entitled ordinance, with the recommendation that the ordinance be so amended, by *providing* "that a lamp is extinguished in some other part of the city, and placed as provided in this ordinance;" which was concurred in.

The ordinance was read the second time, amended as recommended, ordered engrossed as amended, and read the third time:

S. O. 118, 1882—An ordinance to provide for the erection of one lamp post, lamp and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on south side of Seventh street, at the alley between Tennessee and Mississippi streets.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, and Tucker.

NAYS—None.

The Committee on Railroads and Public Charities, through Alderman Drew, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred G. O. 13, 1882, requiring the J., M and I. Railroad Company to station a flagman on Madison avenue. Your committee believe that a flagman is needed at this crossing, and respectfully recommend that the ordinance be passed.

H. E. Drew,  
John Newman,  
F. W. Hamilton,  
Committee on Railroads.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

G. O. 13, 1882—An Ordinance requiring a flagman to be stationed at the intersection of the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis Railroad Company's tracks with Madison avenue, between Lincoln and Minnesota streets.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, and Tucker.

NAYS—None

#### REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES.

Alderman Rorison, in behalf of a certain special committee, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Cemetery report in favor of the rejection of the accompanying proposals of Wm. A. Ketchum and I. C. Walker.

Brainard Rorison,  
F. W. Hamilton,

I will undertake to give (\$10,000) ten thousand dollars for the property commonly known as the Sellers farm, the same to consist of not less than (223½) two hundred and twenty three and a half acres, whenever proper title thereto can be made.

WM. A. KETCHUM.

Indianapolis, Sept. 12th, 1882.

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, Ind.:

*Gentlemen:*—Referring to your advertisement of "Sellers Farm, for Sale or Exchange," in Indianapolis Times, of October 5th, 1882, I desire to submit the following proposition, viz:

I will give for said Sellers farm, being these parts of the south half of the northwest quarter, and the southwest quarter of section 22, and the northwest quarter of section 27, township 15 north, range 3 east, in Marion county, Indiana, which lie west of White River, in even exchange, my thirty (30) acres, more or less, situate about one block east of Shelby street, and immediately south of Colgrove avenue, being 178 lots in D. M. Bradbury & Co.'s Southeast Addition to the city of Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana.

This tract of land adjoins the city on the southeast, and is particularly well located and suitable for the purposes named in your advertisement above referred to.

Respectfully submitted,

I. C. WALKER.

## INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Alderman Hamilton offered the following motion; which was referred to the Judiciary Committee and City Attorney:

That the City Clerk advertise for ten days for proposals for printing and binding 200 copies of city ordinances.

Alderman Newman offered the following motion:

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to repair the east side of Shelby street, opposite the old Shelby House.

Alderman Drew's motion to refer the above motion to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, failed of adoption.

The motion was then adopted.

Alderman Rorison offered the following motion:

That the Chief of Police be instructed to detail a policeman to keep cattle out of University Park at night, until further ordered.

On motion by Alderman Tucker, the above motion was amended, by instructing one of the Sanitary Police to act.

The motion as amended, was then adopted.

Alderman Tucker offered the following motion; which was referred to the Judiciary Committee and City Attorney:

That the Judiciary Committee and City Attorney report at the next meeting of this Board, if the city's contract with O. H. Hasselman, or the Journal Company, covers the printing of all book work, such as codification of ordinances, etc., etc.

Alderman Tucker offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Finance Committee of this Board be, and are hereby, directed to report at our next meeting the amount of money expended during the last fiscal year in excess of the revenues received. Also, to report the amount expended during the first six months of the present fiscal year in excess of the revenues.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

FRANCIS W. HAMILTON, President *pro tem*.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.