

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION—APRIL 21, 1884.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, April 21st, A. D. 1884, at half-past seven o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. John L. McMaster, Mayor, and *ex officio* President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Whar-ton, and Wolf—23.

ABSENT, 2—viz. Councilmen Cowie, and Moran.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE ON CONTRACTS.

The Committee on Contracts, through Councilman Rees, submitted the following report; which was concurred in, and contracts severally awarded as recommended:

To the Mayor and Common Council :

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom sundry proposals were referred, have examined the same, and find them to be as follows, viz:

1st. For grading and graveling the first alley south of Seventh street, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street.

G. S. Roney.....	24	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Richter & Twiname.....	24	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
R. P. Dunning ..	19	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
J. D. Hoss.....	18	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Hanway & Cooper.....	16	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
James Mahoney.....	15½	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Henry Clay.....	14	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
J. L. Spaulding.....	12	cents per lineal foot front on each side.

J. L. Spaulding being the lowest and best bidder, recommend he be awarded the contract.

2d. For grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Bright street, from Michigan street to North street.

For the following prices per lineal foot front on each side:

Names of bidders.	Paving.	Walk-stones.	Bowldering wings.
S. W. & R. H. Patterson.....	56 cents	... cents	... cents.
H. C. Roney.....	45 cents	70 cents	60 cents.
R. P. Dunning.....	43 cents	65 cents	65 cents.
James Mahoney.....	43 cents	65 cents	60 cents.
Richter & Twiname.....	42 cents	70 cents	70 cents.
C. S. Roney.....	42 cents	68 cents	65 cents.
D. A. Haywood.....	41 cents	65 cents	64 cents.
J. L. Spaulding.....	40 cents	60 cents	50 cents.

J. L. Spaulding being the lowest and best bidder, recommend he be awarded the contract.

3d. For grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Park avenue, from Eighth street to Twelfth street.

For the following prices per foot front on each side.

Names of bidders.	Paving.	Walk-stones.	Bowldering wings.
J. L. Spaulding.....	58 cents	62 cents	55 cents.
D. A. Haywood.....	57 cents	.. cents	.. cents.
J. D. Hoss.....	56 cents	78 cents	65 cents.
C. S. Roney.....	54 cents	66 cents	65 cents.
Richter & Twiname.....	53 cents	60 cents	60 cents.
H. C. Roney	49 cents	70 cents	60 cents.
R. P. Dunning	45 cents	65 cents	63 cents.

Robert P. Dunning being the lowest and best bidder, recommend he be awarded the contract.

4th. For grading, bowldering and curbing with stone, the south gutter of Christian avenue, from Central avenue to Ash street.

For the following prices per foot front:

Names of bidders,	Bowldering.	Curbing.	Walk-stones.	Bowldering wings.
S. W. & R. H. Patterson	63 cents	42 cents	69 cents	56 cents.
Henry Clay.....	63 cents	42 cents	65 cents	60 cents.
James W. Hudson.....	63 cents	42 cents	60 cents	63 cents
J. D. Hoss	62 cents	42 cents	68 cents	65 cents.
C. S. Roney.....	62 cents	41 cents	64 cents	60 cents.
Hanway & Cooper	62 cents	40 cents	66 cents	60 cents.
Geo. W. Buchanan.....	61 cents	42 cents	69 cents	61 cents.
Fred. Gansberg	60 cents	42 cents	65 cents	59 cents.
H. C. Roney	59 cents	42 cents	70 cents	60 cents.
D. A. Haywood.....	59 cents	42 cents	64 cents	58 cents.
Richter & Twiname.....	.. cents	100 cents	65 cents	65 cents.
R. P. Dunning.....	58 cents	41 cents	63 cents	57 cents.

R. P. Dunning being the lowest and best bidder, recommend he be awarded the contract.

5th. For grading and bowldering the north gutter of Christian avenue, and curbing with stone and paving with brick the sidewalk thereof, from Central avenue to Ash street.

For the following prices per foot front:

Names of bidders.	Bowldering.	Curbing.	Paving.	Walk-stones.	Bowld. wings.
J. L. Spaulding.....	64 cents	44 cents	42 cents	68 cents	62 cents.
S. W. & R. H. Patterson	63 cents	42 cents	56 cents	69 cents	56 cents.
James W. Hudson.....	63 cents	42 cents	40 cents	60 cents	63 cents.
Henry Clay.....	63 cents	41 cents	43 cents	65 cents	60 cents.
C. S. Roney.....	62 cents	41 cents	40 cents	64 cents	60 cents.
Richter & Twiname.....	.. cents	.. cents	143 cents	65 cents	65 cents.
J. D. Hoss.....	62 cents	42 cents	43 cents	64 cents	68 cents.
Geo. W. Buchanan.....	61 cents	42 cents	42 cents	69 cents	61 cents.
H. C. Roney.....	59 cents	42 cents	43 cents	70 cents	60 cents.
R. P. Dunning.....	58 cents	41 cents	43 cents	63 cents	58 cents.
D. A. Haywood.....	59 cents	42 cents	40 cents	64 cents	58 cents.

David A. Haywood being the lowest and best bidder, recommend he be awarded the contract.

6th. For the construction of a brick sewer, two and one-half (2½) feet internal diameter, in and along Hill street and through the private grounds, from Meridian street to the old bed of the Canal, with the necessary catch basins and man-holes.

Richter & Twiname	\$3.00 per lineal foot; catch-basins \$60.00; man-holes \$30 00
J. A. Whitsitt.....	1 65 per lineal foot; catch-basins 70.00; man-holes 20 00
C. S. Roney.....	1.38 per lineal foot; catch-basins 66.00; man-holes 32.00

D. A. Haywood..... 1.30 per lineal foot; catch-basins 25.00; man-holes 18.00
 A. Bruner..... 1 15 per lineal foot; catch-basins 60.00; man-holes 30.00

A. Bruner being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend the contract be awarded to him.

7th. For the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Downey street, between East street and Madison avenue.

No bids received.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Rees,
 J. W. Wharton,
 Committee on Contracts.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was received, and the estimates (presented therewith) severally approved:

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

Gentlemen.—I herewith report the following estimates of work done according to contract:

A first and final estimate in behalf of Richter & Twiname, for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Meek street, from Noble street to Dillon street.

2,948.50 lineal feet, at 45 cents..... \$1,326 83

A first and final estimate in behalf of Charles S. Roney, for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Cherry street, from Fort Wayne avenue to Peru street.

932.66 lineal feet, at 41 cents..... \$382 39
 251 lineal feet double walk-stone, at 69 cents..... 154 05
 237 square yards of bowldering wings, at 65 cents..... 173 19
 \$709 63

The walk-stone and bowldered wings were not included in the ordinance, but bid on by the contractor, and placed in at price specified in bid.

A first and final estimate in behalf of Charles S. Roney, for grading and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of Liberty street, from New York street to Michigan street.

586.45 lineal feet, at 41 cents..... \$240 44

A first and final estimate in behalf of James Mahoney, for grading and graveling the first alley west of Delaware street, from North street to Delaware street.

544 lineal feet, at 20 cents..... \$108 80

A first and final estimate in behalf of A. Bruner, for building the connection of Washington street sewer with Pogue's Run—order Common Council and Board of Aldermen, November 5th and 12th, 1883.

129,193 brick, at \$16 00..... \$2,067 09
 stone work per certified bill..... 125 75
 929 cubic yards of excavation, at 75 cents 696 75
 864 feet lumber for bottom at \$30 00..... 25 92
 3,600 feet lumber for sides, B. & R., at \$25.00. 90 00
 216 feet sheeting opposite connection, at \$25.00..... 5 40

Total..... \$3,010 91

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The following estimate resolution was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of James Mahoney, for grading and graveling the first alley west of Delaware street, from North street to Delaware street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Richter & Twiname, for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Meek street, from Noble street to Dillon street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Charles S. Roney, for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Cherry street, from Fort Wayne avenue to Peru street (where not already done), be, and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Chas. S. Roney, for grading and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of Liberty street, from New York street to Michigan street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Dowling, Doyle, Enderharter, Gallahue, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

The following communication from the Herdic Phaeton Company, was read and received:

Indianapolis, Ind., April 21, 1884.

To the Honorable Members of the Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, citizens and proprietors of the Herdic Phaeton Company, respectfully ask the early passage of the ordinance now pending in that behalf. We would represent that we are not foreigners, schemers nor speculators, but citizens and business men, engaged in other occupations in your midst; that a strong motive in contributing our means to equip a Herdic line, as a means of transit other than the present horse car system, was to secure some relief from much complained-of abuses, and, at least, to offer, by competition, a wholesome check upon the neglects and grievances of monopoly. We were well aware that a line of vehicles furnishing a more genteel mode of transit, superior accommodations for passengers, and at about 20 per cent lower rate of fare in the use of tickets, would be far less remunerative than horse cars; but it was not for a moment doubted that the enterprise would, at least, be accorded the same exemption from special tax or license now enjoyed by the present street car company, which exacts the best part of the street for its use, excluding other vehicles, not only while its own are passing, but also when not running, practically barring others by the presence of iron rails, incessant repairs, &c., &c.

In view of the prime necessity to every growing city of the means of rapid transit to insure speedy intercommunication, it may well be doubted whether efficient service to the public and revenue by license, are at the same time practicable. But whatever burden in this form might be borne by the horse cars, by reason of their greater carrying capacity, running upon stationary tracks, no such license, above the usual property tax, could be supported by the revenue possible to a Herdic line.

Your petitioners distinctly disclaim any knowledge of the arts or special devices of professional lobbyists, and desire to know no methods but those of directness and frankness; and therefore we represent that the denial or withholding of the exemption asked for in Section 4, would of necessity force a withdrawal of the line, and the discharge of a large number of employes. In fact, it would have the effect of unfriendly legislation in favor of the monopoly complained of, and of breaking down wholesome competition.

We ask attention to the fact that no right or privilege is asked for in the pending ordinance, which are not already accorded the street car company, but, on the contrary, obnoxious rights, secured to them, are not asked for, or desired by us, as for example, the exclusive right of way on any street.

Finally, in support of simple and obvious rights asked for, we present the substantially unanimous petition of citizens, business men and property owners along the route proposed.

Very respectfully, your obedient servants,

Wm. S. Hubbard, Jno. F. Wallick, John H. Ohr, Geo. W. Stout, Geo. K. Schofield, Joseph Becker, A. Levy, Chas. E. Coffin, W. A. Roades, Gates & Pray, J. B. Heywood, E. F. Talbot, W. J. Richards, Benj. Walcott, Chas. M. Walcott, A. J. Morris, Willis C. Vajen, H. V. Conde, John Kidd, Chas. E. Dark.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

The Fire Board, through Councilman Benjamin, submitted the following reports:

To the Mayor and Members of Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Fire Board, to whom was referred the accompanying motion, would respectfully report that the corner lot fronting on Olive and Orange streets, thirty by one hundred and fifty feet, can be purchased for eight hundred and ten dollars, and we would recommend the purchase.

Respectfully submitted,

F. E. Benjamin,
J. W. Wharton,
Geo. W. Spahr,
Fire Board.

To the Mayor and Members of Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Fire Board, to whom was referred the motion to locate a hose reel near the south end of Virginia avenue, would report that, from the absence of water in that locality, that a hose reel would be of no benefit whatever, but from the character of the buildings would recommend a chemical.

Respectfully submitted,

F. E. Benjamin,
J. W. Wharton,
Geo. W. Spahr,
Fire Board.

Councilman Trusler offered the following motion :

That the Fire Board, City Attorney, and Chief Fire Engineer be instructed to purchase the ground and erect a suitable building for hose reel or extinguisher, near the south end of Virginia avenue. The total cost not to exceed five thousand dollars.

Councilman Downey moved to refer the above reports and motion to the Fire Board and Finance Committee.

Which motion failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 11—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Pearson, Rees, Reynolds, Sheppard, Spahr, and Thalman.

NAYS, 12—viz. Councilmen Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Reinecke, Smither, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

Councilman Trusler's motion was then adopted, by the following vote :

AYES, 16—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS, 6—viz. Councilmen Dowling, Downey, Pearson, Rees, Sheppard, and Thalman.

By consent, Councilman Newcomb offered the following motion :

That the Hospital Board be instructed to immediately employ a smallpox physician to attend to smallpox cases at the Pest House, and that may occur in the city.

Councilman Thalman offered the following as a substitute for the foregoing motion; which was adopted:

That the Hospital Board be authorized to employ a physician for thirty days, and that the Hospital Board and Dispensary Board be requested to investigate and report at next meeting as to whose duty it is (if any one's) to attend to such cases — whether Superintendent of Hospital or Dispensary physician.

Councilman Thalman presented the following petition; which was received, and prayer granted:

Common Council, and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I ask an extension of time of sixty days to complete the work of grading and graveling the roadway of Peru street from Lincoln avenue to Seventh street, on account of inability to get raked river gravel has prevented me from completing the work within the time given. HENRY CLAY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of April, 1884.

JAS. A. PRITCHARD, Notary Public.

We recommend that the above request be granted.

Isaac Thalman,
M. M. Reynolds,
R. H. Rees,
Board of Public Improvements.

The Board of Health submitted the following report; which was received:

Indianapolis, Ind., April 21, 1884.

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

Gentlemen:—I regret to have to inform you that two cases of small pox have occurred in a colored family residing at 57 Smith street. There are two children affected aged respectively one and a half and nine years, neither of whom have ever been vaccinated. The mother is a washerwoman. I have ordered them removed to the smallpox hospital, and the sanitary officers have vaccinated all of the exp sed persons. The Superintendent of the City Dispensary declines to assume control or attend any cases of small pox. Dr. Henthorne's term of service having expired, it is absolutely necessary for the protection of the city that some one should be authorized and instructed to render medical services in these and like cases, that may hereafter occur. Please to take the matter under your consideration at once.

Very Respectfully,

E. S. ELDER, M. D., Sec'y of Board of Health.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Bridges, through Councilman Thalman, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

We recommend the motion "That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby directed to build a wooden bridge over Pogue's Run on South Liberty street, the old bridge having been washed away by the last flood," be concurred in, and that the Street Commissioner be directed to have the work done at once.

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Thalman,
Robert McClelland,
Committee on Bridges.

The Judiciary Committee, through Councilman Spahr, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the petition of Jane Cook for refunding of taxes for the years 1880, 1881 and 1882 on over-valuation of \$4,050, amounting to one hundred and thirty-two and two one-hundredth dollars, with interest from date of payment, would respectfully recommend, in view of the clerical error having been made, that the prayer of the petitioner be granted without interest.

Respectfully submitted,

Geo. W. Spahr,
F. E. Benjamin,
Geo. F. Edenharter,
Judiciary Committee.

Also, the following report; which was concurred in, and G. O. 8, 1884, stricken from the files:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred G. O. No. 8, 1884, amending section two (2) of an ordinance making a general tax levy and a special levy for sinking fund purposes, after due consideration would recommend that said G. O. No. 8, 1884, be stricken from the files.

Respectfully submitted,

Geo. W. Spahr,
F. E. Benjamin,
Geo. F. Edenharter,
Judiciary Committee.

The Committee on Markets, through Councilman Rees, submitted the following report; which was received:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Markets, to whom was referred G. O. No. 23, 1884, establishing a public market in the building erected by Daniel E. Reagon on the strip of ground bounded by West Washington street, the old National road and the Canal, and abolishing the present West Market, would respectfully report that we have had the same under consideration, have examined the proposed site and location of the Reagon market, and object to it from the fact it is too far west for convenience, and would be objectionable on account of the mills, factories, pork house, etc., that are continually throwing smoke and dirt over that part of the city, and would injure and damage goods offered for sale. Your committee think that it would be unwise and unjust to remove the present market, as it is patronized by thousands of our citizens from all parts of the city, and also it is a source of considerable revenue to the city, we therefore return the ordinance and recommend that it be stricken from the files.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Rees,
Philip J. Doyle,
J. W. Wharton,
Market Committee.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Wharton, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Members of Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Messrs. Haugh, Ostermeyer, Myer and Cooper relative to vacating alley as described in petition, would report and respectfully recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. Wharton,
F. E. Benjamin,
Sim Coy,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Councilman Benjamin, from the same committee, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the petition of Jos. R. Haugh, A. F. Ostermeyer, and others, for the vacation of the first alley south of Ohio street, from Highland avenue 169 feet east, together with all accompanying papers referring thereto, be, and the same are hereby, referred to the City Commissioners, with instructions to report thereon, and return as a part of their report, all petitions and notices; and the City Clerk is hereby directed to issue the proper notices to the Commissioners.

Which was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 19—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS—None.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Wharton, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen.—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Fletchers, Churchman, Sharpe and others, for change of location of certain streets and alleys, vacating the ground now occupied in Bruce Place addition, would report that we have examined said locality and recommend the prayer of petitioners be granted, and that the accompanying resolution relative thereto be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. Wharton,
F. E. Benjamin,
Sim Cov,

Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the petition of Stoughton J. Fletcher, Francis M. Churchman, Thomas H. Sharpe, Ingram Fletcher, Stoughton A. Fletcher, Albert E. Fletcher, and Aaron C. Goodman, praying for the vacation of Greenwood avenue from Reagan street north to Bruce street; also, the first alley west of said Greenwood avenue, running north and south and parallel to the same, between Reagan street and Bruce street, together with the plat, be referred to the City Commissioners with instructions to assess benefits and damages, and to make due report. The said Commissioners are instructed to return, as a part of their report, all petitions, plats and notices. The City Clerk is hereby directed to issue, and Superintendent of Police 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.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 19—viz. Councilmen Dowling, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

The Committee on Public Property was granted further time to make report on the matter of putting walks, &c., in Circle Park.

Councilman Thalman, in behalf of the Market House and Public Building Commissioners, submitted the following report:

To the Common Council, and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee appointed under G. O. No. 60, 1883, known as “An ordinance providing for the erection of a Market House and Public Buildings, on the East Market Square, in the City of Indianapolis,” make the following report:

That pursuant to the directions of said ordinance, your committee advertised for plans, specifications and estimates, by notice in the various newspapers, and by sending circulars to Architects, inviting them to compete; and as an inducement to such competition, offered the sum of four hundred dollars for the best plan, and two hundred dollars for the second best plan. In response to said action of the committee, plans, specifications, &c., were submitted on the 20th day of February, 1884, by the following named Architects: George W. Bunting, Charles G. Mueller, E. J. Hodgson, D. A. Bohlen and J. H. & A. H. Stem. After the submission of said plans, the various Architects were given a hearing before the committee, for the purpose of explaining their respective plans, to enable the committee to more fully understand and pass upon the same.

After such explanation by the Architects, to-wit: on the 4th of March, 1884, the committee referred all of said plans to the following named experts: Adolph Sherrer, State House Architect; S. H. Shearer, City Civil Engineer, and T. O. Morris, Civil Engineer, and member of the committee, for the purpose of making an estimate as to the cost, and the quality and strength of the materials to be used.

On the 24th of March, 1884—said experts having completed their labors—made their report, showing the cost of the different plans, as follows:

G. W. Bunting's plan.....	\$158,122 18
Chas. G. Mueller's plan.....	140,223 52
E. J. Hodgson's plan.....	153,303 33
D. A. Bohlen's plan.....	141,274 90
J. H. & A. H. Stem's plan.....	150,316 52

At a meeting of the committee on the 29th of March, 1884, the report of said experts was considered, and the committee balloted first for the two plans from which the choice should be made. Said ballot resulted in the selection of the plans submitted by D. A. Bohlen and J. H. & A. H. Stem, and a further ballot resulted in the selection of D. A. Bohlen's plan as the first choice, for which the premium of four hundred dollars was offered, and the plan of J. H. & A. H. Stem was selected as second choice, entitling them to the premium of two hundred dollars.

The plan of D. A. Bohlen, as selected by the committee, after making certain changes considered desirable, but not affecting the general design of the building, may be briefly described as follows:

The extreme outside dimensions will be 147 feet by 200 feet. Market space with market offices, cover entire ground floor, with four fire-proof and two wooden stairs to give access to upper hall. Cellars on both ends of building 30 by 147 feet each, connected by tunnel. Cellars will contain heating apparatus, coal room and water closets. The main hall on second floor, will be 138 feet by 140 feet in the clear, with galleries on both sides and the end over entrance, with a seating capacity of about 5,800; the seats to be movable. The stage at the east end will be 30 by 58, ante-rooms, &c., connected with the hall. The height of first story will be 15 feet; of the second story, 42 feet in the clear. The exterior is treated in a modernized Renaissance style, with cut stone corners, belts, &c. and brick work of well selected stock bricks, with rodded joints. The roof to be of slate or tiles for the steeper, and of tin for the flatter parts.

The estimated cost, according to the report of the experts—who made ample allowance for all contingencies—is \$137,600. This includes plumbing, sewer connections and steam heating apparatus.

The main room is adapted for general commercial purposes, such as a Market Exchange, Expositions, Fairs, &c.

The market space under the Hall can be fitted up with about 300 stalls, dimensions $6\frac{1}{2}$ by $6\frac{1}{2}$. The partitions between the stalls may be made movable, so that if larger stalls should be desired in certain cases, the partitions may be omitted or removed. It is safe to place the rental of each stall at \$50.00 per annum, representing a total income on the market stalls alone, of \$15,000.

CONDITION OF THE BUILDING FUND.

Cash in hands of City Treasurer, from Tomlinson Estate.....	\$ 65,190 85
Cash from liquor licenses, to date.....	38,155 34
Due from city on Dispensary property.....	4,625 00
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Total available cash on hand.....	\$107,971 19
Tomlinson Real Estate unsold (as per appraisalment).....	15,500 00
Two years' revenue from liquor licenses, estimated.....	32,000 00
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Total.....	\$155,471 19

The estimated receipts from liquor licenses to the time of the probable completion of the building, have been placed at \$16,000 per annum, which is an entirely safe estimate, as the amount of the receipts from the same source from August, 1882, to August, 1883, was \$16,390.88.

Your committee feel safe in saying that the plan recommended can be readily built within the amount named in the ordinance, to-wit: \$150,000, and that the city is now in condition to make said improvement, and that the same should be made.

The provision of Dr. Tomlinson's will, devising his property to the city, contains the following language: "And I further direct that there be no unnecessary delay in converting the property hereby bequeathed to the use designated, as I do not wish to endow the city with property to be held indefinitely for rent."

More than thirteen years have elapsed since said bequest was made, and in point of law, said fund may be endangered if further delay is had; and whether this is the case or not, there is at least danger that the city may be involved in tedious and expensive litigation over the same. Business prudence would seem to dictate prompt action. But even if there is no danger of losing said fund in point of law, yet there is certainly a strong moral obligation resting upon the city to carry out the injunction contained in said will.

Your committee having faithfully and carefully considered the various plans submitted, selected Mr. Bohlen's plan as the one to be reported for your consideration. This selection was unanimously confirmed by the committee; and a resolution was also unanimously adopted, whereby each member pledged himself to acquiesce in the decision of the committee, without complaint or criticism.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration and action.

JOHN L. McMASTER, Pres't.
 BRAINARD RORISON, Sec'y.
 D. W. GRUBBS,
 J. H. BALDWIN,
 ISAAC THALMAN,
 T. O. MORRIS,
 JOHN R. PEARSON,
 THOMAS TALLENTIRE,
 WILL F. A. BERNHAMER.

Councilman Thalman moved to refer the foregoing report to a special committee of seven, and the City Attorney.

Which motion was adopted, and the Chair appointed Councilmen Newcomb, Trusler, McClelland, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack and Curry, as the members of said committee.

Later in the session, Councilman Coy offered the following resolution; which was referred, as instructions, to the foregoing special committee:

Resolved, That the Committee investigate the manner in which the Bohlen plan was adopted by the Commission; what changes, if any, have been made in said plan since its submission; the nature of the title, if any, the city has to the ground known as the Market Space, and what interest, if any, the city has in what is known as the Tomlinson Fund, and report at the next regular meeting of this Council.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business, the following entitled ordinances were introduced and severally read the first time.

By Councilman Doyle, accompanied with petition:

S. O. 52, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the south sidewalk of Washington street, from White River to the I., B. & W. R. R. tracks.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Washington street, between White River bridge and I., B. & W. railway tracks, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of the south sidewalk of Washington street or National road between the points named. Such an improvement is public necessity.

Jacob Huber, Andrew P. Bletzinger, George Fette,
Peter Spitzladen, John Hauck, with permission to do
his work in person.

By Councilman Edenharter:

S. O. 53, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Michigan street, from Noble street to Pine street.

S. O. 54, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Vermont street, from Noble street to Pine street.

S. O. 55, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of North street, from Noble street to Pine street.

S. O. 56, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Ohio street, from Noble street to Pine street.

S. O. 57, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of New York street, from Noble street to Pine street.

By Councilman Nemcomb, accompanied with petition:

S. O. 58, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Fort Wayne avenue, from Pennsylvania street to New Jersey street.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Ft. Wayne avenue, between Pennsylvania and New Jersey streets, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and graveling the roadway with screened gravel, and bowldering and curbing the gutters of Ft. Wayne avenue between the points named.

J. W. Hadley, Wm. & H. T. Hadley.

By Councilman Rees, accompanied with petition:

S. O. 59, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering the roadway, curbing the gutters and paving the sidewalks of Wabash street, from Illinois street to Tennessee street.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owner of real estate fronting on Wabash street, between Illinois and Tennessee streets, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the improvement of Wabash street, between said streets, with good and proper curbing, paving and bowldering.

THOS. A. HENDRICKS.

By Councilman Reynolds:

S. O. 60, 1884—An ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Hill avenue, between Columbia avenue and Sheldon streets.

By Councilman Smither:

S. O. 61, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of California street, from North street to First street.

Councilman Smither returned to the files S. O. 1 and 2, 1884.

By Councilman Spahr:

S. O. 62, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of Ash street, from Christian avenue to Home avenue.

G. O. 38, 1884—An ordinance concerning the removal of dead animals from the city.

By Councilman Thalman, accompanied with petition:

S. O. 63, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering the roadway, curbing the gutters and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Sciota street, from Ohio street to New York street.

To the Honorable Aldermen and City Council:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned would pray that you would direct that Sciota street, between Ohio and New York streets, in square 36, be improved, sidewalk to be paved with brick, curbed with stone, and roadway bowldered in the same manner (profile) of Pearl street and Court street, and that credit be allowed where said street is now paved and curbed.

JAS. M. TOMLINSON, 67½ feet.

By Councilman Wharton:

G. O. 39, 1884—An ordinance authorizing William H. Hildebrand to lay and maintain a railroad switch track from the main track of the C., I., St. L. & C. R. R. Co. across the west side of Lafayette Railroad street, between Third and Fourth streets.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The following message was read, and referred to the Committee on Railroads:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen at its session of April 14, 1884, adopted the following motion:

"That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to notify the Citizens' Street Railway Co. to remove all 'T' rails within the corporate limits within sixty days from the passage of this motion, and substitute the most approved rail as provided by its charter, and in the event of the Company's failure so to do, the Street Commissioner is hereby instructed to at once remove all such rails from the streets of the city and report at the second regular meeting of the City Council in June next whether the work is done."

For the Board of Aldermen,

FRANK W. RIPLEY, Clerk.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Councilman Benjamin offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the J. M. & I. R. R. be and are hereby instructed to replank the crossing on South street immediately.

Councilman Benjamin offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to put in stone crossings on the north side of Merrill street, across Pennsylvania and Delaware streets.

Councilman Benjamin offered the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys and City Attorney:

Resolved, That J. R. Ryan & Co. be, and they are hereby, authorized to place and maintain a weigh scale in front of their commission house, Nos. 62 and 64 east Maryland street, in the City of Indianapolis, provided the platform thereof be so laid as not to obstruct travel on said street, and the frame work thereof so constructed as to afford the least possible obstruction to public travel.

Councilman Coy presented the following communication; which was referred to the City Attorney and Committee on Public Health, with instructions to prepare proper ordinance:

To the Honorable Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—We desire to call your attention to some abuses in the Vault cleaning business, and respectfully request you to appoint a committee to consider the propriety of remedying the same. We have reason to suspect that persons in the business are using one license, and farming it out, by allowing other parties to operate under their license. This should be prohibited. Again, there is no means by which their wagons can be distinguished. They should all be numbered. Again, all persons who apply for license, should be required to fill out an application, stating the kind of apparatus employed, size of pumps, and number of donnegans used, and the license should be graded according to the number of wagons and equipments employed. These are some of the errors that should be corrected.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SUTCLIFFE, M. D., Pres't.,
E. S. ELDER, M. D., Sec'y.
M. T. RUNNELLS, M. D.,
Board of Health

Councilman Doyle offered the following motion; which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The River is cutting away the lot of Wm. Housen, in Indianola, and endangering the safety of the dwelling; therefore, be it

Moved, That Wm. Housen be permitted to move his house up to the south line of his lot.

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

That C. S. Aldage, be, and is hereby, granted permission to bowlder and curb in front of his property on east Market street, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That John Schier, be, and is hereby, granted permission to pave with brick the sidewalk in front of his property on New York street, between Spring and Railroad streets, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Edenharter offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Railroads:

That the I., B. & W. and C., C., C. & I. Railways be directed to place a flagman at their crossings on Michigan street, immediately.

Councilman Haugh presented the following remonstrance; which was filed with the ordinance:

Indianapolis, April 18th, 1884.

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Michigan street, between East and Liberty streets, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading, bowldering and curbing of Michigan street, between the points named, and more particularly against S. O. 37, 1884, so far as it relates to the above square.

F. A. Lehr, 150 feet; D. B. McDonough, 70 feet; Little Sisters of the Poor, by Sister Barbara, Superior, 125 feet; Gottlieb Geiseking, 35 feet; F. S. Chatard, 137 feet; S. P. Rowe, 50 feet; A. D. M. Krewson, 34½ feet.

Councilman Rees presented the following petition; which was referred to the Judiciary Committee:

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner, Patsey Patterson, would respectfully represent that she is the owner in fee-simple of the real estate now known upon the record erroneously as "Patterson's Extended" addition to the City of Indianapolis, (see Plat Book No. 3, page 96 of the Recorder's office of Marion County, Ind.), excepting such portions as are hereinafter mentioned. That said land descended to her and her sister, in the latter part of the year 1823, upon the death of her father, Isaac Wilson, deceased. That ever since the 9th day of July, 1863, she has been the sole owner of said land in her own right and title. That said tract of land contains about eight and one-half acres of farm land. That said land has been used continuously as agricultural lands ever since the year 1821, and contains the house curtilages and orchard established thereon by her father, Isaac Wilson, and has been her home and place of residence with husband and family, for more than fifty years. That the fencing and farm building now stand upon said land in the exact position of their first establishment. That in the year 1864, she deeded to her daughter, Mrs. Riley, a small portion of said land, and in the year 1866, she deeded to her son, S. W. Patterson, another small portion of said land—all of which portions lie in the northeast corner of said tract, and contain about two acres.

That on the 31st day of December, 1868, some person to her unknown, made a plat of said ground, and secured to the same her husband's signature and acknowledgment, and placed the same upon record, in Plat Book No. 3, page 96, of the Recorder's office of Marion County, Ind.—all of which was without her knowledge and consent. That she in no way contributed to the execution or expense of making and recording of said plat. That she has not since, in any way, to her knowledge, ratified the execution and recording of said plat.

Your petitioner further represents that upon the 18th day of December, 1871, the municipal power of said city wrongfully and unlawfully assumed municipal authority over said land, for the uses and purposes of taxation; and said city has ever since said 18th day of December, 1871, exercised, wrongfully and unlawfully, said authority, and has wrongfully and unlawfully assessed said land for taxation, by valuation per lot, and has wrongfully and unlawfully caused your petitioner to pay said taxes up to the present time, upon the following valuation and rate of each year, as shown by the following schedule hereto attached.

Wherefore your petitioner prays this illegal tax, and interest at six per cent per annum, be refunded to her; and that her said land be stricken from the tax duplicate of said city, and that she be granted all proper relief in the premises.

PATSY PATTERSON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 21st day of April, 1884.

[Seal.]

E. A. PARKER, Notary Public.

Schedule of Taxation.

Year.	Aggregate Val.	Rate.	Int. 6 per ct.	Am't. of Tax.	Interest.	Total Am't.
1872.....	\$ 6,275.....	\$1 50.....	12 years.....	\$ 94 12.....	\$67 68.....	\$ 161 80
1873	12,100.....	1 10.....	11 years	133 10.....	87 78.....	220 88
1874	12,550.....	1 10.....	10 years.....	139 05.....	83 40.....	222 45
1875.....	10,850.....	1 50.....	9 years.....	162 75.....	87 48.....	250 23
1876.....	8,000	1 40.....	8 years.....	112 00.....	53 76.....	165 76
1877.....	7,100.....	1 12.....	7 years.....	79 52.....	33 18.....	112 70
1878.....	5,550.....	1 08.....	6 years.....	59 94.....	21 24.....	81 18
1879.....	5,050.....	93.....	5 years.....	46 96.....	13 80.....	60 76
1880.....	5,250.....	1 07.....	4 years	56 17.....	13 44.....	69 61
1881.....	5,250.....	1 07.....	3 years.....	56 17.....	10 08.....	66 25
1882.....	5,250.....	1 12.....	2 years.....	58 80.....	6 96.....	65 76
				\$998 58	\$478 80	\$1,477 38
Total amount due petitioner.....						\$1,477 38

Councilman Reinecke presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen;—We, the undersigned, property owners and tax payers residing on Shelby street, in Squares Nos. 1 and 2, in Barth's heirs addition, would respectfully represent that said Squares are platted and recorded, and that Orange street bounds Square No. 1 on the north, and is 25 feet wide, and said 25 feet was given by Barth's heirs, and that 25 feet should be taken from the Square north, to make said Orange street of uniform width west from Shelby street. Said Square No. 1 is bounded on the south by Jeck street, on the west by Barth avenue, and that Square No. 2 is bounded on the north by Jeck street, on the south by Roll street, and on the west by Barth avenue; and we ask that said Orange, Jeck and Roll streets, together with the alleys in Squares Nos. 1 and 2, be opened from Shelby street west to Barth avenue. All of the above streets and alleys are fenced up, from the first alley west of Shelby street to Barth avenue, to the injury of our property; and they being all public streets and alleys, should be opened to the public; for which we will ever pay.

James A. Johnson, 40 feet; J. W. Davis, 80 feet; F. M. LePert, 40 feet; Chas. W. Evans, 40 feet; P. J. Mahoney, 40 feet; David H. Bristow, 80 feet; Ambrose Hodges, 25 feet; Chas. Hansing, 40 feet.

Councilman Reinecke offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, That the City Street Commissioner be and is hereby directed to open to the public for use and travel all the streets and alleys laid out and dedicated for public use in block two (2) by Anna M. Jack and husband, Francis G. Roll and husband and Carrie L. Leonard and husband, in Barth heirs' subdivision of part of the northeast quarter Section 13, Township 15 north, in Range 3 east, in County of Marion, State of Indiana, into two (2) blocks, streets and alleys as recorded May 1, 1877, in plat book 7, page 173, No. 3,111 in the Recorder's office of Marion County, State of Indiana.

Which was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Reynolds offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Public Property:

That the Committee, on Public Property be instructed to repair the fence and paint the same, around what is commonly called "Brookside Park."

Councilman Sheppard offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be directed to remove the fences and other obstructions on New York street, between Geisendorff's mill-race to White River and the same be done inside of the next ten days.

Councilman Spahr presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

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

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned property owners, respectfully petition your honorable body to vacate a strip of ground seven (7) feet and nine (9) inches wide, running east and west on the north line of Block 16, Hamlin's subdivision of Johnson's heirs addition, from Central avenue to Ruckle street, and set apart for an alley, for the following reasons, to-wit:

1st. Said strip was set apart and donated for a part of an alley, by the owners of said Block 16, said strip being a surplus left after platting said ground.

2d. That afterwards, the owners of Bruce Place ground adjoining on the north, laid off said ground into lots, and gave 70 feet of their ground for a street, which is now open and known as Reagan, or Twelfth street, which is of ample width for all street purposes.

A plat of said ground is hereto annexed, and made a part of this petition.

Wherefore your petitioners ask that said strip be declared vacated.

J. B. Roberts, for Nancy G. Roberts, his wife; Frances E.
and Richard M. Smock; Reuben and Matilda Andrus.

Councilman Spahr offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Indianapolis Water Company be instructed to lay water mains on Peru street north from Christian avenue five hundred (500) feet.

Which was adopted, by the following vote:

SIG. 33.

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

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

That Alex. Metzger and J. R. Marott be, and are hereby granted permission to bowlder the alley in the rear of their property on Pennsylvania and Meridian streets at their own expense and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That Ferdinand Christman be granted permission to put in a coal vault in front of his place of business, No. 44 West Washington street, under the direction of the Civil Engineer.

Councilman Thalman presented the following petition; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

I respectfully request that the Street Commissioner be instructed to re-bowlder the gutters on North street, between Pennsylvania and Delaware streets, so as to run the water from the intersection of Pennsylvania and North streets into the sewer on Delaware street.

ALEX. METZGER.

Councilman Thalman presented the following petitions; which were referred to the Judiciary Committee:

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

STATE OF INDIANA, County of Marion, ss:

The undersigned, John D. Condit, of the City of Indianapolis, being duly sworn, upon his oath says: That he is a citizen of said County and State, and that on the first day of April, 1883, he owned thirty shares of the par value of three thousand dollars of stock in the First National Bank of Indianapolis; that on said date he owed a *bona fide* indebtedness in the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00); that the said indebtedness has not been by him claimed as an offset for any property owned by him on said date, and that he had no credit from which he could deduct the same. He therefore asks that the sum of three thousand dollars be deducted from the aforesaid bank stock, and that the said amount be exempt from taxation. See decision of the U. S. Supreme Court, October Term, 1881, Nos. 1,149 and 1,156.

JOHN D. CONDIT.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31st day of March, 1884.

[Seal.]

WILLIAM ROWE, Notary Public.

Indianapolis, Ind.

To the Honorable County Commissioners of Marion County, Indiana:

The undersigned stockholders, respectfully represent, that we are the owners of the number of shares with their par value as placed opposite our respective names, and that on the first day of April, 1883, we were indebted in the sums also placed opposite our respective names in the column headed "Indebtedness," and that on said first day of April, we had not, and that we now have, no credit due us from which the same or any part thereof can be deducted; and we respectfully ask that the said amounts of our indebtedness shall be deducted on the assessment of our taxes from any amount assessed against us by reason of said ownership of said stock in the First National Bank of Indianapolis, Ind; and being sworn, said stockholders say that the facts stated in the foregoing, are true. See decision of the U. S. Supreme Court, October Term, 1881, Nos. 1,149 and 1,159.

STOCKHOLDERS.	No. of Shares of Stock.	Par Value.	Indebtedness.
Jno. M. Gaston	16	\$ 1,600 00.....	\$ 2,800 00
John C. Wright.....	50	5,000 00.....	5,000 00
Fred. Knefler.....	10	1,000 00	2,000 00
William Rowe.....	60	6,000 00	7,200 00
H. W. Moore	50	5,000 00	5,000 00
M. L. Pierce, by H. W. } Moore, Att'y. in fact }	50	5,000 00	5,000 00
James Wymond.....	40	4,000 00.....	1,694 00
W. W. Johnston.....	25	2,500 00.....	2,500 00
J. C. McCutcheon.....	1,233	12,300 00.....	2,300 00
L. S. McDougall.....	300 00.....	300 00
James Greene.....	6	600 00.....	233 00
Roswell S. Hill.....	50	5,000 00.....	5,000 00
M. A. Downing.....	100	10,000 00.....	10,000 00

STATE OF INDIANA, *County of Marion, ss:*

Personally appeared before me, John M. Gaston, John C. Wright, Fred. Knefler, H. W. Moore, M. L. Pi rce, by H. W. Moore, Att'y. in fact, James Wymond, W. W. Johnston, L. S. McDougall, John C. McCutcheon, James Greene and Roswell S. Hill, and made oath that their respective statements herein made, are true.

[Seal]

June 1, 1883.

WILLIAM ROWE,
Notary Public.

STATE OF INDIANA, *County of Marion, ss:*

Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, William Rowe, and made oath to his statement herein made.

[Seal.]

June 1, 1883.

HENRY T. THOMPSON,
Notary Public.

STATE OF INDIANA, *Dearborn County:*

William E. Gibson, of the City of Aurora, in said County and State, being duly sworn, upon his oath says: That he is a citizen of said County; that on the first day of April, 1883, he owned stock in the First National Bank of Indianapolis, Ind., to the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00); that on said date he owed a *bona fide* indebtedness in the sum of ten thousand dollars; that the said indebtedness has not been by him claimed as an offset for any property owned by him on said date. He therefore asks that the sum of ten thousand dollars be deducted from the aforesaid bank stock, and that the said amount of stock be exempt from taxation.

W. E. GIBSON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this May 26, 1883.

[Seal.]

WILL A. GREER, Notary Public.

Indianapolis, April 19th, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the report of the First National Bank, of Indianapolis, for the year 1883, now on file in this office.

T. B. MESSICK, Township Assessor,
per Palmer.

Indianapolis, March 31st, 1884.

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—The undersigned would respectfully represent that he is the owner of a part of the northwest half of Lot 12, in Square 12, City of Indianapolis, and that he has been erroneously charged with the entire northwest half of said lot, when he owned in fact only 64 feet thereof—the northwest point thereof having been owned by the C. I., St. L & C. R. R. since 1873. Your petitioner would ask your honorable bodies to refund the taxes assessed and collected thereon, as indicated below. The rates of tax and value of land were obtained at the offices of the City Treasurer and City Assessor.

1874.....	value of land	\$550 00.....	at \$1 10.....	\$ 6 05
1875.....	value of land	550 00.....	at 1 50.....	8 25
1876.....	value of land	550 00.....	at 1 40.....	7 70
1877.....	value of land	550 00.....	at 1 12.....	6 16
1878.....	value of land	550 00.....	at 1 08.....	5 94
1879.....	value of land	550 00.....	at 1 07.....	5 88
1880.....	value of land	550 00.....	at 93.....	5 11
1881.....	value of land	550 00.....	at 1 08.....	5 94
1882.....	value of land	550 00.....	at 1 12.....	6 16

Total amount erroneously charged and paid \$57 19

This amount (\$57.19) your petitioner respectfully asks you to refund him.

DAVID RICHARDSON,
By John S. Spann & Co, Agents.

Councilman Wharton presented the following remonstrance; which was ordered filed with the ordinance:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Fifth street, between Illinois and Tennessee streets, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Fifth street, between the points named, for the reason that we have a first class graveled walk.

Louis Schulmeyer, 210 feet; Ann Webster, 208 feet:
Berkshire Life Insurance Company, by Wm. Henderson, 210 feet; Hannah T. Hadly, President of the Board of Managers of the Orphans' Asylum, 210 feet.

PENDING ORDINANCES.

The following entitled ordinances were read the second time, and stricken from the files:

G. O. 52, 1883—An ordinance to repeal Section 14 of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to increase the public revenues of the City of Indianapolis, by licensing Saloons, Telegraph Companies and wagons or other vehicles used by Express Companies doing business in said city, and to provide for the erection of a City Hall and Market House," ordained May 23d, 1882, and providing for the transfer of the funds collected under the provisions of said ordinance from the fund known as "Additional City Hall Fund," to the "Viaduct Fund," and making provision for the building of a viaduct over the railroad tracks on Virginia avenue.

G. O. 61, 1883—An ordinance concerning the maintenance of the West Market, in the City of Indianapolis.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

G. O. 15, 1884—An ordinance requiring the Indiana District Telephone Company to pay a special tax of five dollars per annum on each instrument maintained by it in the City of Indianapolis.

Councilman Rees offered the following amendment; which was adopted:

Amend G. O. No. 15, of 1884, by striking out of the title and the body thereof the words "Indiana District Telephone Company" wherever the same occur therein, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "Central Union Telephone Company, successor to the Indiana District Telephone Company."

The ordinance was then ordered engrossed as amended.

The following entitled ordinance was then read the third time:

G. O. 15, 1884—An ordinance requiring the Central Union Telephone Company, successor to the Indiana District Telephone Company, to pay a special tax of five dollars per annum on each instrument maintained by it in the City of Indianapolis.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 19—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

G. O. 29, 1884—An ordinance making it unlawful to deposit or leave any scraps of iron or wire, any paper, rags and rubbish, on the streets and alleys of the City of Indianapolis.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 19—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

G. O. 36, 1884—An ordinance authorizing Samuel Brundage to place and maintain boot black chairs upon certain sidewalks in the City of Indianapolis.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 19—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

G. O. 30, 1884—An ordinance making it unlawful to injure shade trees, in the City of Indianapolis.

Councilman Dowling moved to strike the ordinance from the files.

Councilman Spahr, as a substitute, moved to refer the ordinance to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Which last motion was adopted.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

G. O. 31, 1884—An ordinance granting the "Herdie Pheaton Company" certain rights and privileges in, along and upon the streets of the City of Indianapolis.

Councilman Thalman moved to amend by striking out the word "twenty," in line two, of Section one, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five."

Councilman Spahr moved as a substitute, to insert the word "ten."

On motion by Councilman Edenharter, the substitute was laid on the table.

Councilman Thalman's amendment was then adopted.

Councilman Thalman moved to amend Section one, line ten, by striking out the words "or driven in a slow pace."

Which amendment was adopted.

Councilman Thalman moved to amend Section one, line twelve, by inserting after the words "or any of them," the words "so that it would prevent their progress."

Which amendment was adopted.

Section two of the ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 17—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Downey, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, and Wharton.

NAYS, 5—viz. Councilmen Coy, Dowling, Doyle, Trusler, and Wolf.

Section three was amended by inserting the words "or alley," after the words "on any street."

The first clause of Section four was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, and Wharton.

NAYS, 3—viz. Councilmen Dowling, Trusler, and Wolf.

On motion, the blanks in Section four, providing penalties, were filled by inserting the word "fifty" (dollars.)

It being now nearly eleven o'clock, on motion by Councilman Spahr, the time was extended, by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton

NAYS, 2—viz. Councilmen Coy, and Doyle.

On motion by Councilman Pearson, Section four was amended by striking out the words "but, should more liberal privileges be granted to some other company, then this company shall be entitled to the full enjoyment of such additional privileges also."

Councilman Spahr offered the following amendment; which was adopted:

Amend by adding to the end of said ordinance the following:

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force after its passage and publication for one day each week for two consecutive weeks in the Indianapolis (Daily) Times.

The ordinance, as amended, was then ordered engrossed, read the third time and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 19—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Curry, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS, 2—viz. Councilmen Dowling, and Trusler.

Councilman Benjamin offered the following resolution; which, on motion by Councilman Thalman, was referred to the Committee on Railroads:

WHEREAS, The Citizens' Street Railway Company have usurped the right of placing a transfer car on Washington street, near Illinois street, and obstructing the street thereby; and whereas, the same company, at the hour of midnight, placed a turn-table in the same vicinity, interfering with vehicles passing along that street; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Citizens' Street Railway Company be, and are hereby, ordered to remove said car and turn-table immediately.

On motion, the Common Council then adjourned.

JOHN L. McMASTER, Mayor,

President of the Common Council.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.