

# PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION—NOVEMBER 17, 1884.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, November 17th, A. D. 1884, at seven o'clock, in regular session.

**PRESENT**—Hon. John L. McMaster, Mayor, and, *ex officio*, President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 20 members, viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallabue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

**ABSENT**, 5—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Moran, Pearson, Sheppard, and Wolf.

Councilman Downey was excused for the first part of the session.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the regular session, held November 3d, 1884; the adjourned session, held November 7th, 1884, and the Joint Convention, held November 10th, 1884, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

## OPENING AND REFERRING SEALED PROPOSALS FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

Sealed proposals for making the following street improvements, were opened, read, and referred to the Committee on Contracts:

(S. O. 89, 1884)—For grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk of Michigan street, from Blackford street to Blake street, where not already done.

(S. O. 96, 1884)—For grading and graveling the first alley west of West street, from Maryland street to Chesapeake street.

(S. O. 114, 1884)—For grading and bowldering the first alley west of Illinois street, from Maryland street to Georgia street.

(S. O. 117, 1884)—For grading and paving with brick the sidewalks of Lord street, from Noble street to Pine street.

(S. O. 121, 1884)—For grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of New Jersey street, from McCarty street to Coburn street.

(S. O. 123, 1884)—For grading and bowldering the first alley west of Liberty street, from New York street to Miami street.

(S. O. 124, 1884)—For grading and graveling Tennessee street and sidewalks from Ray street to Morris street.

(S. O. 133, 1884)—For grading and graveling the first alley north of Woodlawn avenue, from Linden street to Laurel street.

Councilman Dowling presented the following remonstrance :

Indianapolis, Nov. 17, 1884.

To His Honor, the Mayor of Indianapolis, and to the Honorable, the Members of the City Council :

*Gentlemen:*—We, the undersigned, owners of an entire half of the ground, 405 feet, fronting on Chesapeake alley, extending from Illinois street to Tennessee street, and between Maryland street and Georgia street, do hereby respectfully remonstrate against the proposed grading, bowldering and paving of said alley.

F. S. Chatard, by D. O'Donaghue; Sisters of Providence, St. John's Academy, per Sister M. Albertine; James McHugh, James Renihan, Joseph V. McKernan, Jno. F. O'Hara, Thos. J. Hamilton, D. J. Sullivan, Trustees St. John's Cathedral.

Councilman Benjamin moved that the Committee on Contracts report at this session on the improvement of the first alley west of Illinois street, from Maryland street to Georgia street.

Which was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 11—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Gallahue, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 7—viz. Councilmen Coy, Curry, Dowling, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, and Reinecke.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., FROM THE MAYOR.

His Honor, the Mayor, submitted the following report; which was received:

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith report the amount of fees and fines due the city, collected by me for the month of October, 1884, as follows:

Marshal's fees.....	\$274 90
Mayor's fees.....	200 35
Fines due city.....	152 60
	\$627 85

Which said fees and fines I have this day paid over to I. N. Pattison, City Treasurer, and have filed his receipt therefor with the City Clerk.

Respectfully, JOHN L. McMASTER, Mayor.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was received, and the estimates (presented therewith) 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 Charles S. Roney, for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk of Ash street, from Christian avenue to Home avenue.

551.50 lineal feet, at 34 cents.....	\$187 50
39 lineal feet double walk-stone, at 64 cents.....	24 96
30 square yards bowldered wings, at 60 cents.....	18 00
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	\$230 46

A first and final estimate in behalf of David A. Haywood, for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of St. Joseph street, from Delaware street to Alabama street.

908.40 lineal feet bowldering, at 42 cents.....	\$381 53
904 60 lineal feet curb, at 42 cents.....	379 93
29 40 lineal feet double walk-stone, at 60 cents.....	17 64
32 76 square yards bowldered wings, at 54 cents.....	17 70
27 lineal feet curb re-set, at 7 cents.....	1 90
Cleaning the gutters of Alabama street.....	1 00
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	\$799 70

A first and final estimate in behalf of George W. Seibert, Jr., for grading, bowldering and curbing (where not already done), Chesapeake street, from Delaware street to Pennsylvania street.

845 lineal feet of bowldering, at 65 cents.....	\$549 25
495.57 lineal feet of curbing, at 39 cents.....	193 29
38.20 lineal feet of curb re-set, at 7 cents.....	2 67
88.73 square yards of bowldering, at 58½ cents.....	51 90
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	\$797 11

A first and final estimate in behalf of J. L. Spaulding, for grading and paving the sidewalks of California street, from North street to Pratt street.

2,380.30 lineal feet, at 34 cents.....	\$809 32
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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 Charles S. Roney, for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk of Ash street, from Christian avenue to Home avenue, 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,** 17—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Dowling, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

**NAYS,** 1—viz. Councilman Curry.

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 David A. Haywood, for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of St. Joseph street, from Delaware street to Alabama 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, 17—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Dowling, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Curry.

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 George W. Seibert, Jr., for grading, bowldering and curbing (where not already done), Chesapeake street, from Delaware street to Pennsylvania 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, 17—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Dowling, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Curry.

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 J. L. Spaulding, for grading, and paving with brick the sidewalks of California street, from North street to Pratt 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, 17—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Dowling, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Curry.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was received, the contracts concurred in, and bonds approved;

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith report the following contracts and bonds:

Contract and bond of Geo. W. Seibert, Jr., for grading, bowldering the gutters, and curbing with stone, the sidewalks of Mississippi street, from Maryland street to Washington street. Bond, \$1,500; surety, Hiram Seibert.

Contract and bond of S. W. & R. H. Patterson, for grading and graveling Minerva street and sidewalks, from New York street to its southern terminus. Bond, \$1,000.00; surety, J. L. Spaulding.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The City Clerk submitted the following report:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

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

Richter & Twiname vs. Nancy J. and Eliza E. Lowman, for.....	\$25 07
Richter & Twiname vs. Nancy J. and Eliza E. Lowman, for.....	7 74
James Mahoney vs. Charles Mansfield and A. Dearth (christian name unknown), for.....	15 40
James Mahoney vs. J. S. & E. A. Jordan (christian names unknown), for.....	15 40
Richter & Twiname vs. Peter Gutperle, for .....	31 04
Fred. Gansberg vs. George W. Stubbs, for.....	22 26
Fred. Gansberg vs. J. H. and S. R. Kappes (whose christian names are unknown), for .....	12 30

Respectfully submitted, GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

Which was received, and the precepts ordered to issue, by the following vote :

**AYES, 15**—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, and Trusler.

**NAYS, 2**—viz. Councilmen Edenharter, and Thalman.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was received :

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—Since the last meeting of the Council, the Supreme Court of Indiana has affirmed the judgment of the Superior Court, in the case of Frank McWhinney vs. The City, in which the plaintiff sought to recover back some \$700.00 taxes and street assessments paid by him at delinquent sales, the court having refused to enforce his supposed lien against the property. This is the end of the litigation.

Respectfully submitted, C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

The Chief Fire Engineer submitted the following report; which was received:

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

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith report for your consideration, the following hydrants as having been located, tested and reported in duty to me by the Indianapolis Water Company, the same to be dated from November 8th, 1884:

No. 643—Northeast corner of the alley and Ohio street, between Pine and Harvey streets.

No. 644—North side of Ohio street, between Harvey street and Highland avenue.

No. 645—Northeast corner of Ohio street and Highland avenue.

No. 646—North side of Ohio street, between Highland and Arsenal avenues.

No. 647—North side of Ohio street, between Highland and Arsenal avenues.

No. 648—North side of the alley on Broadway street, between Seventh and Eighth streets.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. WEBSTER, Chief Fire Engineer.

The Mayor presented a petition of John J. Smith, asking for a redress of grievances, on account of the improvement of Roanoke street; which was referred to the Committees on Streets and Alleys, Judiciary, and City Attorney, and ordered not printed in the Proceedings.

## REPORTS, ETC., FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

The Board of Health presented the Mortality report, showing 67 deaths during two weeks ending November 15th, 1884.

The Board of Public Improvements, through Councilman Reynolds, submitted the following reports; which were severally concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom were referred sundry motions, report thereon as follows, viz:

1st. "That the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, instructed to fill the chuck-holes in Market street, from Delaware street to Noble street, with broken stone or good gravel." Recommend the work be done.

2d. "That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to repair the embankment at the east side of the south abutment of the Shelby street bridge."

Recommend that there be a stone wall built extending east fifteen or twenty feet.

3d. "That the Street Commissioner be instructed to gravel the first alley south of Prospect street, between Shelby and Spruce streets."

Recommend that the work be not done.

4th. "That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, directed to have the contractor for paving the sidewalks of California street, between North and Pratt streets, to put in double row of walk stones, and bouldered on all street and alley crossings." Recommend the work be not done.

Respectfully submitted,

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

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom the following motions were referred, would report:

1st. Is "That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to level up the holes in the grade of Market street, between Pine and Highland streets, and to re-gravel the roadway of said street between the points named."

Recommend the work be done when the gutters shall have been properly bouldered and curbed.

2d. Is "That the Street Commissioner be authorized to place stone crossings on Pine street, between Noble street and Virginia avenue."

Recommend the work be done.

3d. Is "That the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, directed to fill the chuck-holes in East street, from Washington street to New York street."

Recommend the work be done.

4th. Is "That the Street Commissioner, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, be, and is hereby, instructed to put in double stone crossings across Illinois street, on the south side of Chesapeake street."

Recommend that the work be done.

5th. Is "To have stone crossing put in across Delaware street, at the intersection of Duncan street."

Recommend that the Street Commissioner be instructed to do the work.

Respectfully submitted,

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

To the Mayor and Common Council :

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom was referred the motion "That the Street Commissioner be directed to place a stone crossing on Butler street, at the intersection of Central avenue," have examined said locality, and find a stone crossing already in at said crossing. It is evident that the intention was to have a crossing placed across Central avenue on the north line of Butler street, as we believe that a crossing should be placed there, and we so recommend.

Respectfully submitted,  
M. M. Reynolds,  
R. H. Rees,  
Board of Public Improvements.

To the Mayor and Common Council :

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom was referred the following motion: "That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, directed to advertise for proposals for building a protection stone wall from the west line of the Eddy street bridge south to Tennessee street, and from the west side of Tennessee street bridge to such a distance, not exceeding twenty-five feet thereof," recommend the work be not done.

Respectfully submitted,  
M. M. Reynolds,  
John R. Cowie,  
Board of Public Improvements.

I do not concur in the above report.

WM. CURRY.

To the Mayor and Common Council :

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom the following motion was referred, viz:

"That the Street Commissioner be directed to build a wooden bridge over Crooked Run at Walcott street, and south of Michigan street."

Recommend said work be done, the cost not to exceed three hundred dollars.

Respectfully submitted,  
M. M. Reynolds,  
R. H. Rees,  
J. W. Wharton,  
Isaac Thalman,  
Board of Public Improvements.

#### PENDING ORDINANCES.

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

S. O. 136, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the first alley east of Alabama street, from Washington street to Pearl street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 137, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the first alley west of Illinois street, from Maryland street to Kentucky avenue.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 140, 1884—An ordinance to provide for paving with brick the north sidewalk of Ninth street, from Tennessee street to the first alley east of Tennessee street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, and action thereon postponed until the next meeting:

G. O. 76, 1884—An ordinance providing for the appointment of assistants for the Board of Health.

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

G. O. 73, 1884—An ordinance prohibiting the change, alteration or extension of service and other pipes connecting with the mains of the Indianapolis Water Company, without the consent of said company; also prohibiting the furnishing or using of water by persons not entitled to the same, of water furnished by said company, and to prevent the re-opening or re-connection of the water supplied by said company, where the same has been discontinued, without the consent of said company, and fixing a penalty for its violation, &c.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Gallahue, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, and Wharton.

NAYS, 9—viz. Councilmen Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Reinecke, and Trusler.

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

G. O. 74, 1884—An ordinance supplemental to an ordinance entitled "An ordinance regulating the digging of trenches, and the making of other forms of excavations in the streets, alleys, sidewalks and public places of the City of Indianapolis, and requiring certain persons to be duly licensed and under bonds before undertaking such work," ordained April 23, 1878.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Gallahue, McClelland, Newcomb, Rees, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, and Wharton.

NAYS, 9—viz. Councilmen Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Reinecke, and Trusler.



## REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom was referred the proposals for grading and bowldering the first alley west of Illinois street, from Maryland street to Georgia street, have examined the same, and find them to be as follows, viz:

S. W. Patterson.....	77 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
J. L. Spaulding.....	65 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
R. P. Dunning.....	59 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Geo. W. Seibert, Jr....	59 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Geo. W. Seibert, Sr....	53 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Richter & Twiname...	52 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
H. C. Roney.....	51 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Hanway & Cooper.....	46 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
James W. Hudson....	45 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
David A. Haywood...	44 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Newcomb,  
M. M. Reynolds.  
Committee on Contracts.

The following contract and bond was read and approved:

Contract and bond of David A. Haywood, to grade and bowlder the first alley west of Illinois street, from Maryland street to Georgia street. Bond, \$800.00; surety, J. L. Spaulding.

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

To the Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—We have investigated the claim of Harrison Kemp, for injuries to his mare, in falling through the bridge over the Canal, on West street. We believe he ought to be compensated, as the bridge was evidently in a bad condition, and the accident was without fault on Mr. Kemp's part. We recommend that ten dollars be allowed, provided it shall be received in full of all demands.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Newcomb,  
P. M. Gallabue,  
Judiciary Committee.

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

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

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

*Gentlemen:*—The Committee on Railroads has investigated the motion "That W. L. Higgins have permission to lay a track, or railroad switch, across Alabama street, near Virginia avenue, as per plat herewith submitted," and recommend the adoption of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Pearson,  
Isaac Thalman,  
Committee on Railroads.

The Committee on Sewers and Drainage, through Councilman McClelland, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee, to whom was referred the ordinance for the construction of a sewer on Massachusetts avenue, from Alabama street to Bellefontaine street, would respectfully report that we have examined the same, and recommend that the work be done.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert McClelland,  
Geo. W. Spahr,  
Committee on Sewers.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The following message was read:

To the Mayor and City Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Aldermen in regular session, held in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, November 10th, 1884, non-concurred in your action of October 6th, 1884, in adopting the motion requiring "Richards & Butler" to remove the boilers, &c., from Missouri street, on the west side of their premises.

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

FRANK W. RIPLEY, Clerk.

Councilman Newcomb moved to concur in the action of the Board of Aldermen; which was laid on the table, on motion by Councilman Trusler.

On motion by Councilman Dowling, the Common Council adhered to their former action.

The following message was read, and the amendment approved:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Aldermen, in regular session, held in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, November 10th, 1884, amended the resolution approving the agreement of William Beatty, as to the widening of Shelby street, by striking out *all* requiring the assessment of benefits to be first paid into the City Treasury. The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

FRANK W. RIPLEY, Clerk.

Councilman Curry was excused for the remainder of this session.

The following message was read, and the matter laid on the table:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Aldermen, in regular session, held in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, November 10th, 1884, ordered that the Market Master collect the rent of the Scales at West Market.

For the Board of Aldermen:

FRANK W. RIPLEY, Clerk.

## 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 Dowling, for Councilman Wolf, with petition:

S. O. 141, 1884—An ordinance to provide for the construction of a brick sewer two (2) feet internal diameter, in and along Morris street, from Chestnut street to and connecting with the Madison avenue sewer, and providing for the manner of the assessment and collection of the cost thereof.

To the Honorable Mayor, Members of the Common Council and

Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

*Gentlemen:*—We, the undersigned, owners of property along the line of Morris street, between the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis Railroad Company's tracks and Madison avenue, respectfully petition your honorable bodies for the construction of a two foot sewer along said street.

Respectfully,

W. Kautsky, Fr. Dietz.

By Councilman Mack:

S. O. 142, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of Meridian street, from Morris street to Wilkins street.

By Councilman Newcomb, which was referred to the Committees on Contracts, and Streets and Alleys:

G. O. 77, 1884—An ordinance in relation to street improvements.

By Councilman Rees:

S. O. 143, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the first alley west of Mississippi street, from Michigan street to Indiana avenue.

By Councilman Smither:

S. O. 144, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks of California street, from Pratt street to First street.

By Councilman Thalman, for Councilman Pearson:

S. O. 145, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley south of St. Joseph street, from Illinois street to the first alley east of Illinois street.

By Councilman Trusler:

S. O. 146, 1884—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Orange street and sidewalks, from Spruce street to Re'd street.

## INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

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

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned respectfully petition your honorable bodies for the vacation of two alleys, fully described herein according to the plat here o annexed, to-wit: The alley (12 feet wide) running from Railroad street to Peru street or avenue, between lots one hundred and thirty (130) and one hundred and thirty-one (131), in out-lot forty-five (45), Indianapolis; also, the alley (12 feet wide) running from said Railroad street to Peru street or avenue, between lots one hundred and twenty-nine (129) and one hundred and thirty (130), in said out-lot forty-five (45), Indianapolis, and between North and Walnut streets. And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

Roderick A. King, Edward King, Sarah Suydam,  
W. B. Allen & Co.

Councilman Rees presented the following petition; which was approved:

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

*Gentlemen:*—The undersigned respectfully make application for license to conduct a Museum and Theatre in the building situate on the corner of Washington and Tennessee streets, commonly known as the Park Theatre.

DREW & Co.,  
per J. E. Sackett.

Councilman Smither offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Mayor give Mr. Hays an order for the possession of the Scales on West Market, the same having passed both Council and Board of Aldermen.

Councilman Spahr offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the owners of the real estate abutting on Bellefontaine and Greenwood streets, are hereby permitted and authorized to grade and gravel said streets and the alleys corresponding, between Bruce street and Eleventh street (formerly Reagan street), at their own expense, according to grade which the City Civil Engineer shall furnish.

Councilman Smither was excused for the remainder of this session.

Councilman Spahr offered the following motion; which was referred to the Judiciary Committee and City Attorney:

That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to satisfy the lien held by the city on Lot number six (6), in Fiscus's subdivision of the east half of Lot 21, in Johnson's heirs' addition to the City of Indianapolis, Marion County, State of Indiana, said lien being for the opening of Rohampton street—said lot being now owned by Mrs. Alice Echols, widow.

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

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

*Gentlemen:*—Your petitioner would respectfully represent that at the public tax sale held by the city on February 11th, 1884, he purchased from the City Treasurer tax sale certificates on Lots 413, 414 and 415, in Fletcher et al's. subdivision of Out-lot 98, for which he paid the sum of \$41.94. Of this amount there was an over-charge of \$12.20, by an error in carrying the amount of the tax on the lots for 1882, as that had been paid, and the credit overlooked when the tax was carried. The full amount of the legal taxes have been paid to the petitioner by the owner of the property, leaving the overcharged taxes paid by me to the city, still unpaid and

due me. Owing to the above statement of facts in the overcharge of taxes, and still unpaid to me, your petitioner would respectfully ask and demand that the sum of \$12.20, overcharged taxes, be refunded me, with interest from February 11, 1884; and as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

E. B. HUTCHINSON, Petitioner.

Councilman Dowling offered the following motion; which was adopted:

The first lamp-post north of Kentucky avenue, on Mississippi street, east side, be dis-mantled, and a bracket lamp be erected on the corner of Chesapeake street and the alley west of Illinois street, on the corner of the said street and alley.

Councilman Trusler offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the monthly reports of the Superintendent of the City Hospital and Branch, Superintendent of the City Dispensary, and the Mortality reports of the Board of Health, be placed on file in the office of the City Clerk, and not printed in the Proceedings.

Councilman Trusler offered the following motion, which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to repair the gutters on Spruce street, below Orange, so that the water may be discharged into Pleasant Run without injury to the banks, or bridge across said Run.

On motion, the Common Council then adjourned.

JOHN L. McMASTER, Mayor,  
President of the Common Council.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk,