

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1867, 7½ O'CLOCK, P. M. }

The Common Council met in regular session.

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

Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Glazier, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, McNabb, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

Absent—Councilmen Fletcher, Grosvenor, Jameson, Kemker and Schmidt—5.

The proceedings of the regular session held March 25th, 1867, were read and approved.

His Honor, the Mayor, announced that the special order of business was the consideration of the report of the Committee on Fire Department, made at the last meeting of the Council, in relation to the purchase of a new "Steam Fire Engine" for the use of the city.

Mr. Brown moved that the special order of business be postponed, and the regular order of business taken up.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Brown presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1, 1867.

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

We, the teachers of the public schools of Indianapolis, would most respectfully present to your honorable body the following facts, with reference to the present condition of the public schools of our city :

Within the past four years the number of pupils in attendance has increased nearly or quite 50 per cent., and this increase, to a great extent, we believe to be in consequence of an increasing confidence in the *management* of the schools.

The improvement in the matter of absence and tardiness, as shown in the Superintendent's report just issued, goes to show what interest is taken to bring the schools up to the highest standard.

The readiness, after due consideration, with which the Board of Trustees have introduced new systems of instruction, is proof that their highest ambition has been to work for the best interests of the schools.

The appointment of a Board of Visitors, whose duty it is to visit the various schools, and examine the manner in which we, as teachers, perform our work, also shows that they desire that our public schools shall be the pride of our enterprising city.

A training school has just been established for the especial training of teachers, who, when considered competent for the work of teaching, by becoming thoroughly versed in the best methods of instruction in the various grades they are expected to teach, are to enter our schools as teachers. This, it is believed, is a very advanced step in the work of instruction in our city and State.

The purchase of the Second Presbyterian Church property at so reasonable a rate, and its central, and therefore desirable location for a high school, is thought to be worthy of special commendation.

The erection of two elegant school buildings, the purchase of two other lots, and the contract made for the erection of a large three story building in the Sixth Ward, which is to be completed the coming autumn, and the avowed intention of soon erecting a large building in the Second Ward, are also worthy of special notice in this paper.

The improvements in school accommodations and school instruction have been chiefly made under the administration of the present School Board and Superintendent.

The plans for the immediate future, so far as school buildings and course of instruction are concerned, have been matured by this Board, and can, we believe, be best carried out by them.

The time for the election of the Board of Trustees is at hand. Feeling, therefore, that a change of administration would, at the present time especially, work serious consequences in the general management and progress of the schools, and in view of the facts herein stated, we, the teachers of the public schools, whose names are hereunto attached, would most respectfully petition your honorable body to continue in office the present School Board.

If, however, there should seem to be in your minds sufficient reason for the appointing of a new Board, we would further respectfully suggest that they be such men as would approve and continue the present general plans of instruction.

All of which is most respectfully submitted for your consideration, and, as we trust, favorable action.

W. J. Button,
A. P. Funnelle,
Hanna J. Collins,
Nebraska Cropsey,
Annie Barbour,
Mary Bradshaw,
Anna M. Tyler,

Mary P. Currie,
Rebecca R. Jameson,
Grace D. Wilson,
Fidelia Anderson,
Alice Gray,
Clara Walker,
Mary E. Perrott,

Emma L. Root,
H. L. Strong,
Mary H. Swift,
Mattie J. Campbell,
Anna Jones,
Mary M. Richardson,
Lucy B. Cochrane,

Eliza T. Ford,
Mary Taylor,
Helen A. Brown,
W. A. Bell,
Eliza Cannell,
Emily Johnson,
Henrie Colgan,
Augusta F. Brown,
Mary Colgan,
R. S. Ewing,

M. E. Nicholson,
Clara Hoyt,
Mary Cropsey,
Sate A. Collins,
Maggie S. Elder,
Chloe A. Murphy,
Sarah J. Miller,
Anna E. Muirson,
Elia S. Tysen,

M. Selma Ingersoll,
Maria H. Jones,
Mary H. Ingersoll,
Martha A. McEnally,
Clara Harlan,
Geo. B. Loomis,
Sarah Jameson,
Alice Secrest,
Mary Aborn.

Which was received and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

That the Street Commissioner be directed by the Board of Public Improvements to immediately raise the foot-bridge over the gutter at the southwest corner of Meridian and Washington streets, (the one at the crossing from the First National Bank to the Indiana National Bank,) to such height as will allow the water to pass under it instead of lying on top of and around it, forming a pond or mud hole.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Emerson offered the following motion :

That the Street Commissioner be authorized to repair the gutter on the south side of Washington street, from the first alley east of the western arm of the canal to the arm, and also to properly boulder the gutter with good boulder stone.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

Mr. Glazier offered the following motion :

The Street Commissioner be instructed to erect three or four posts on the edge of the sidewalk, to keep the teams from crossing on the sidewalk, on Virginia avenue, at the Indianapolis and Cincinnati Railroad track.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Loomis offered the following motion :

That Daniel Collins be allowed thirty day's further time for the completion of his contract to grade and gravel the alley running north and south between East and Liberty streets, with the written consent of his security having been first obtained.

Which was adopted.

Mr. MacArthur presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 30, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned respectfully petition your honorable body to grant us permission to lay piping from our woolen factory to the mill race, for the purpose of obtaining a supply of water for manufacturing.

The ditch will be immediately filled and everything put in good order as fast as the pipe is laid.

C. E. GEISENDORFF & CO.

Which was granted.

Mr. MacArthur offered the following motion :

That the Committee on Revision of Ordinances be instructed to prepare an ordinance and fix penalties against the common practice of defacing private fences with painting or branding advertisements of patent medicines and all other kinds of merchandise.

Which was adopted.

Mr. MacArthur offered the following motion :

That John Gahm be allowed to gravel the sidewalk in front of his property on Indiana avenue, and the City Civil Engineer be instructed to set the proper stakes.

Which was adopted.

Mr. MacArthur offered the following motion :

That Joseph Affentrauger be allowed to grade and gravel the sidewalk in front of his property on North street, subject to the City Civil Engineer's stakes.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Seidensticker presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 25, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, citizens and taxpayers of Indianapolis, beg leave to petition you to open and complete New York street east to the corporation line, and build a bridge across Pogue's run.

By complying with our wishes, you would enable the Company to build a starch factory on the same, south of New York street, which would improve our property and through the employment of many laborers improve our Ward.

Ludwig Meyer,	Henry Hartwig,
F. W. Rasener,	Wm. John Wallace,
	And nine others.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

Mr. Seidensticker presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 30, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—We, the undersigned, citizens of Indianapolis, beg leave to petition to you to build a bridge across Pogue's run, on East New York street, the only street on the city map laid out to the corporation line.

We have formed a co-partnership in a business to manufacture starch, with the intention to build the factory on the ground east of the corporation line and south of New York street, but as there is no road leading there, we are obliged to wait till the bridge is built to enable us to come to our property and commence building.

With the assurance that your honorable body is always ready to co-operate and assist the enterprise of manufactures in the city, we respectfully submit the above petition to your kind consideration.

Very respectfully, yours,
 Edward Miller, Charles F. Wishmeier,
 William F. Piel, Henry Burke.

In relation to which Mr. Seidensticker offered the following motion :

That the prayer of the petitioners in reference to the building of a bridge across Pogue's run, at New York street, be complied with, and the Civil Engineer be directed to prepare specifications therefor, and the Auditor to advertise for proposals.

Which was adopted.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication :

CLEVELAND, March 27, 1867.

HON. JOHN CAVEN :

SIR:—By yours of the 25th inst., I learn you wish to employ a gas inspector. To give you a minute description of the arrangement for testing the gas as to quantity and quality, I am unable to do, except by actual ocular demonstration. It has cost me about seven years hard labor to combat successfully a rich monopoly here; if, however, your Council has the interest of the community at heart, you can have the whole control of how the instruments work, in about a fortnight. It is impossible for me to let you know how much you can save. To do so I must know how many lamps you keep going, and how large the burners are, if they burn all night, or only part of it; but it would be better to know how many hours they actually burn. In that case I can let you know how much you ought to pay, and you can make your own calculations how much you can save. At foot you will find how much we paid during, and for the last year. I am not able to give you a description of the instruments we use, but can state to you the difference in the quantity and quality of the gas used since we applied the instruments.

Yours, respectfully,
SEIGMUND STEIN,
City Gas Inspector.

P. S.—The meters of the American Meter Company, of Philadelphia, are the best and most correct in the United States. S. S.

AMOUNT OF GAS USED DURING 1866.

680 lamp posts, 4,545,760 feet, at \$1.50 per thousand	-----	\$6,818 64
City Hall	----- 38,200 feet	
City Prison	----- 231,300 "	
W. S. Prison	----- 32,000 "	
High School	----- 14,400 "	
High School, W. S.	----- 12,300 "	
Gas Inspector's Office, four months	----- 2,200 "	
Engine House, No. 1	----- 50,100 "	
Engine House, No. 2	----- 28,400 "	
Engine House, No. 3	----- 35,100 "	
Engine House, No. 4	----- 25,900 "	
Engine House, No. 5	----- 20,000 "	
Total, 489,900, at \$1.50	-----	735 00
Cost of lighting and extinguishing lamps	-----	734 85
Cost of cleaning lamps 680, at \$3.50	-----	2,380 00
Cost of instrument for testing the quantity, quality, and regulating the pressure of the gas	-----	700 00

We began to operate in November, 1866, and the quality, as you will see below, has steadily improved as follows :

November, 1866,	-----	8 3-10 candles.
December, 1867,	-----	11 "
January, 1867,	-----	11 8-10 "
February, 1867,	-----	12 4-10 "
March, 1867,	-----	12 6-10 "

The better the quality, the smaller the bills.

Which was received and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

That the Council now proceed to elect, by ballot, three School Trustees for the City of Indianapolis, to serve as such for two years, and until their successors are elected and qualified; and that in determining the choice of the Council the three persons receiving a majority of all the votes cast shall be declared duly elected.

Which was adopted.

Messrs. W. H. L. Noble, T. B. Elliott and Clemens Vonnegut were placed in nomination.

His Honor, the Mayor, appointed Councilmen Allen and Glazier as tellers.

W. H. L. Noble received.....	13	votes.
T. B. Elliott received..	12	“
Clemens Vonnegut.....	12	“
Gustavus Zschech received	1	“

Messrs. Noble, Elliott and Vonnegut having received a majority of all the votes cast were declared duly elected School Trustees in and for the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, for the term of two years, and until their successors shall be elected and qualified, and the City Clerk was directed to issue certificates of election to them.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS.

Mr. Coburn, from the Board of Public Improvements, made the following report :

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, March 27, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Improvements would respectfully report to your honorable body that the motion to take Merrill street, from the canal east to the point where Pogue's run first strikes Merrill street, for the new channel of Pogue's run, appears to us the cheapest and best line for the creek, and would recommend that the Civil Engineer be instructed to carry out the motion to make the change to Merrill street.

HENRY COBURN, }
 JNO. B. MACARTHUR, } *Board.*

Which, on motion, was laid over.

Mr. Coburn, from the Board of Public Improvements, made the following report :

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, March 27, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom the matter was referred, would respectfully report to your honorable body that the ordinance

for the improvement of New Jersey street, between McCarty and the south line of Rosett's subdivision, together with the remonstrance against the same, has been examined, and we find that there is eleven hundred and eighty-six feet contemplated to be improved, and that six hundred and thirty-six feet remonstrate against it, being more than one half.

HENRY COBURN, *Pres't Board.*

On motion the report was received, and the ordinance for the improvement of New Jersey street, between McCarty street and the south line of Rosett's sub-division was stricken from the files.

Mr. Cobuan, from the Board of Public Improvements, made the following report :

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, March 27, 1867. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom the matter was referred, would respectfully report to your honorable body that the remonstrance against the grading and graveling of the alley between Huron and Elen streets, and Cedar street and the first cross alley west, is remonstrated against by 360 feet of property out of 720 feet, one-half of the whole length to be improved.

HENRY COBURN, }
JNO. B. MACARTHUR, } *Board.*

Which was received.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Wm. Spotts, for a vacation of a part of Noble street, at the intersection of said street with South street, Harrison street and Fletcher avenue, in out-lot 91, in the City of Indianapolis, report that they have examined the matters therein set forth, and recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, and said vacation be ordered and decreed by Council

AUSTIN H. BROWN,
Chairman Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Which was received.

Mr. Brown also offered the following order of vacation :

ORDER OF VACATION OF A PART OF NOBLE STREET.

Comes now the petitioner, William Spotts, and produces proof that he has given the legal notice required by law, of the pendency before the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, of his petition for an order to vacate that part of Noble street fronting his property, as shown on plat made a part of said petition, by a publication in the Indianapolis *Daily Journal*, a newspaper of general circulation, published in Indianapolis, for twenty (20) days previous to the 1st day of April, 1867, which proof is as follows, to-wit:

STATE OF INDIANA, }
MARION COUNTY, } ss:

Personally appeared before the undersigned, Ansel C. Grooms, book keeper for Douglass & Conner, publishers of the Indianapolis Daily Journal, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the city of Indianapolis, in the county aforesaid, who being duly sworn, upon his oath saith, that the notice of which the attached is a true copy, was duly published in said paper for three times, one time a week, successively, the first of which publication was on the thirteenth (13th) day of March, 1867, and the last on the twenty-seventh (27th) day of March, 1867.

ANSEL C. GROOMS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the twenty-eighth day of March, 1867.

JOSEPH T. LONG, Notary Public.

NOTICE OF VACATION.—The undersigned gives notice that a petition is pending before the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis, for the vacation of a part of Noble street, at the intersection of said street with South street, Harrison street, and Fletcher Avenue, being a part or offset in said Noble street, on the point between Fletcher Avenue and Harrison street, in out-lot No. 91, and that the same will be taken up and acted upon by the said Common Council, at its meeting to be held on the 1st day of April, 1867, or as soon thereafter as the same can be heard.

WILLIAM SPOTTS.

And also, by posting up copies of said notice at four of the most public places in the neighborhood of said part of said street, which proof is as follows, to-wit:

STATE OF INDIANA, }
COUNTY OF MARION, } ss:

Personally appeared before me the undersigned, James M. Dishon, who being duly sworn upon his oath, says that he has posted in four conspicuous places, in the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, copies of the attached notice, three of which notices were posted on the streets named on the notice, of which the attached is a true copy, and that said notices were the same size of the one hereto attached, and were posted by me on the 19th day of March, 1867.

JAMES M. DISHON, [SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of March, 1867.

J. W. NICHAL, Notary Public.

NOTICE OF VACATION.—The undersigned gives notice that a petition is pending before the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, for the vacation of a part of Noble street, at the intersection of said street with South street, Harrison street and Fletcher avenue, being a part or offset in said Noble street, on the point between Fletcher avenue and Harrison street, in out-lot No. 91, and that the same will be taken up and acted upon by said Common Council, at its meeting to be held on the 1st day of April, 1867, or as soon thereafter as the same can be heard.

WILLIAM SPOTTS.

And no person appearing to object or remonstrate against said vacation, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Common Council that the petitioner is the owner of all the lot and ground bordering on the east line of said street proposed to be vacated, lying between Harrison street and Fletcher avenue, and the Common Council being fully advised in the premises, it is hereby ordered and decreed by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, that the following described portion of Noble street, in said City of Indianapolis, be and the same is hereby vacated, viz: Commencing at the north-west corner of lot 80 in Fletcher's sub-division of out-lot No. 91, thence running west 20 feet, more or less, to a point 60 feet east of the west line of

Noble street; thence south, parallel with the west line of Noble street 62 feet and 10 inches, more or less, to the north-east line of Fletcher avenue, extending thence south-east along the north-east line of Fletcher avenue 24 feet 6 inches, more or less, to the south-west corner of said lot 80, in out-lot 91; thence north along the west line of said lot 80, 76 feet, to the place of beginning, making the east line of Noble street parallel to and sixty feet from the west line of said Noble street, between Harrison street and Virginia avenue south, and thus giving a uniform width to Noble street between the points above named.

The question being on the adoption of the order of vacation, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Glazier, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, McNabb, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the order of vacation was adopted.

His Honor, the Mayor, for Dr. Jameson, from the Committee on Printing and Stationery, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1, 1867.

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

Your committee would respectfully report the following accounts, with the accompanying ordinances. We have examined vouchers and found them correct :

Douglass & Conner, amounting to.....	\$687 31
E. J. Metzger, " "	\$807 70

P. H. JAMESON, *Chairman*
By J. CAVEN.

Also, special appropriation ordinance No. 16—1867, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating moneys for the payment of City Printers,

Which was read the first time by its title, and passed to a second reading.

Mr. Kappes, from the Committee on Benevolence and City Hospital made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—We beg leave to introduce the report of the Superintendent of the Hospital, together with an ordinance appropriating monies for the payment of sundry claims on account of City Hospital for the month of March, 1867. The average expense per capita per diem is 57 cents.

Respectfully,

J. H. KAPPES,	} <i>Committee.</i>
W. CLINTON THOMPSON.	
W. H. LOOMIS.	

RECAPITULATION OF THE MONTHLY REPORT OF EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY HOSPITAL, ENDING MARCH 31, 1867.

Total expenditures for the month	\$565 26
Aggregate number of days for which subsistence, etc, was furnished.....	976
Average expense per capita per diem	\$0 57

RECAPITULATION OF THE WEEKLY REPORT OF THE CONTENTS OF REGISTER OF PATIENTS OF CITY HOSPITAL ENDING MARCH 30, 1867.

Number of patients in Hospital at last report	30
Number of patients received in Hospital since last report	5
Number of patients born in Hospital since last report.....	1
Number of patients discharged from Hospital since last report.....	6
Number of patients died in Hospital since last report	3
Number of patients remaining in Hospital at present report.....	27

RECAPITULATION OF THE MONTHLY REPORT OF CONTENTS OF REGISTER OF PATIENTS OF CITY HOSPITAL, ENDING MARCH 31, 1867.

Number of patients in Hospital at last report.....	24
Number of patients received in Hospital since last report	22
Number of patients born in Hospital since last report	3
Number of patients discharged from Hospital since last report.....	18
Number of patients died in Hospital since last report.....	3
Number of patients remaining in Hospital at present report	27

Which were received and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

Also, special appropriation ordinance No. 17—1867, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE appropriating moneys for the payment of sundry claims on account of City Hospital for the month of March, 1867,

Which was read the first time by its title, and passed to a second reading.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—Having tested eight (8) dozen of the iron fish-tail burners, lately ordered for the city street lamps, the following is the result:

At 8-10 of an inch pressure, they burned 4 feet of gas per hour.

At 1 inch, the lowest pressure, they burned 4 56-100 feet of gas per hour.

At $\frac{1}{2}$ inch, the average pressure, they burned 5 82-100 feet of gas per hour.

At 2 8-10 inches, the highest pressure, they burned 7 83-100 feet of gas per hour.

I find these burners will not stand over 8-10 or 1 inch pressure, without blowing. By taking the greatest pressure, and turning the gas down so it will not blow, they will then burn 3 6-10 feet of gas per hour; and at the average, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch, they will only burn 2 6-10 feet of gas per hour.

I think this is a fair average of the burners, but if you wish them all tested, please direct me in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSHUA STAPLES, JR., *Civil Engineer.*

In relation to which Mr. Brown moved

That the Civil Engineer be instructed to consult with the Board of Public Improvements, and make test of the McHenry burner, and, if the same be found such as it is the interest of the city to purchase, the Civil Engineer make a purchase of such number of burners of that, or of some other good burner, as may be necessary to replace the iron burners lately purchased, and which failed to bear the proper test.

Which was adopted.

The City Civil Engineer made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1, 1867.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit profiles of Lord, Harrison and Pine streets, and Forrest avenue, and a part of Cady streets, for your approval. If either Harrison or Lord street is graded, a portion of Pine and Cady streets will have to be graded to allow the water to run to Fletcher avenue, and from thence to the culvert under Ehn street, unless the water can be run to the I. and C. R. R., and from thence to East street and Pogue's run.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSHUA STAPLES, JR, *Civil Engineer.*

On motion, the report and profiles were accepted and approved, and the Engineer directed to set the grade stakes as may seem best, according to his own judgment.

The City Assessor made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, March 30, 1867.

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

During the month of March I have received..... 2,569 lists
Which added to the number reported..... 3,613 "

Makes the total number of lists received..... 6,182

WM. HADLEY, *City Assessor.*

Which was accepted and approved.

The Street Commissioner made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1, 1867.

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

1. Filled the crossings on Alabama and Washington streets with gravel.
2. Filled the crossings on Delaware and Washington streets with gravel.
3. Filled the crossings on Kentucky Avenue and Maryland street with gravel.
4. Filled the crossings on Liberty and Market streets with gravel.
5. Filled the crossings on Liberty and Ohio streets with gravel.
6. Filled the crossings on West and Vermont streets with gravel.
7. Filled the crossings on Noble and North streets with gravel.
8. Filled the crossings on West and New York streets with gravel.
9. Filled the crossings on Market and Tennessee streets with gravel.
10. Filled the mouth of the first alley south of Washington street, on the west side of New Jersey street.
11. Filled the crossings on Mississippi and Ohio streets with gravel.
12. Filled three crossings on Alabama and North streets with gravel.

13. Filled the crossings on Indiana Avenue and West streets with gravel.
14. Filled the crossings on West and Michigan streets with gravel.
15. Filled the crossings on Georgia and Tennessee streets with gravel.
16. Filled the crossings on Illinois and South streets with gravel.
17. Filled the crossings on New Jersey street and Virginia Avenue with gravel.
18. Filled the crossings on Alabama street and Virginia Avenue with gravel.
19. Filled the crossings on Noble street and Fletcher's Avenue with gravel.
20. Repaired the sidewalks on Indiana Avenue, between James and West streets
21. Put six foot bridges on Georgia and Benton streets.
22. Put two foot bridges on Benton and Bates streets.
23. Put two foot bridges on New York and Blackford streets.
24. Put one foot bridge on Virginia Avenue and East street.
25. Put one foot bridge on Virginia Avenue and Maryland street.
26. Put three foot bridges on Virginia Avenue and Georgia street.
27. Put two foot bridges on Circle and Market streets.
28. Built two culverts on Blackford and New York streets.
29. Built one foot bridge on Washington street, between Illinois and Tennessee streets, on the north side, in front of the alley.
30. Rebuilt two sewers on Market street and the Canal.
31. Put two foot bridges on Michigan and West streets.
32. Put one foot bridge on Washington street, between Delaware and Pennsylvania streets.
33. Put one foot bridge on Indiana Avenue and West street
34. Re-floored the foot bridge on Ohio street, across the Canal.
35. Filled three crossings on Meridian and Ohio streets with gravel.
36. Cleaned Delaware street, between Washington street and Pogue's Run.
37. Cleaned Louisiana street, between Illinois and Meridian streets.
38. Cleaned Illinois street, between Louisiana and Market streets.
39. Cleaned Circle street.
40. Cleaned Kentucky Avenue, between West and Tennessee streets.
41. Cleaned Market street, between Pennsylvania and Illinois streets.
42. Cleaned Pearl street, between Pennsylvania and Illinois streets.
43. Cleaned Meridian street, between Ohio and Louisiana streets.
44. Filled the crossings on Georgia and Tennessee streets with gravel.
45. Filled the crossings on Georgia street and Kentucky Avenue with gravel.
46. Filled four crossings on Benton and Georgia streets with gravel.
47. Put two foot bridges on New York and Railroad streets.
48. Put two foot bridges on Michigan and Railroad streets
49. Built a small culvert on Railroad street, between North and Michigan streets.
50. Built a culvert on North and Railroad streets.
51. Built a small culvert on Railroad street, between St. Clair and North streets.
52. Built a culvert on Michigan and Railroad streets.
53. Built a culvert on New York and Railroad streets.
54. Built two culverts on St. Clair and Railroad streets
55. Built two culverts on St. Clair street and Massachusetts Avenue.
56. Put two new plats on the centre trussel at the bridge on Ohio street, across the centre Canal.

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUST RICTER, *Street Commissioner.*

Which was accepted and approved.

The City Clerk made the following report :

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK, }
Indianapolis, April 1, 1867. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The City Clerk reports that the following affidavits have been filed in his office for the collection of street assessment by precept, as follows.

John Scheier vs. Mary J. Hughes, for.....	\$9 60
John Scheier vs. James Crane.....	107 75

And would recommend that you order precepts to issue.

Respectfully,
C. S. BUTTERFIELD, *City Clerk.*

Which was accepted and approved and the precepts ordered.

The City Clerk made the following report :

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK, }
Indianapolis, April 1, 1867. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—I would respectfully report that J. J. Palmer, for Charles H. Kelly (contr,) has, as per instructions from the City Attorney, filed in the office of the City Clerk an affidavit against the unknown heirs of I. I. Keeley, for the collection of the sum of twenty-nine (29) dollars and twelve (12) cents, assessed against "ten and one-half (10½) feet, east of twenty-seven (27) feet west ends of lots 77 and 78 in Noble's sub-division of out-lot 45, City of Indianapolis," for the grading and graveling of North street and sidewalks, between Noble and Winston streets; also, that said J. J. Palmer has filed an affidavit setting forth that Isaac I. Keely died the owner of the real estate above described, and that the heirs of said Isaac I. Keely are unknown, and that the said J. J. Palmer asks your honorable body to order the issuing of a precept against the said heirs for the collection of said sum.

Respectfully submitted,
CYRUS S. BUTTERFIELD, *City Clerk.*

Which was accepted and approved and the precept ordered.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

On motion by Mr. Allen, special appropriation ordinance No. 16—1867, was taken up and read the second time.

On motion by Mr. Kappes, special appropriation ordinance No. 17—1867, was taken up and read the second time.

ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Allen moved that the rules be suspended and special appropriation ordinance No. 16—1867, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the payment of the City Printers,
Be taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

The question being on the suspension of the rules, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Glazier, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, McNabb, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the rules were suspended, and the ordinance read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, on the passage of the ordinance, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Glazier, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, McNabb, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Kappes moved that the rules be suspended and special appropriation ordinance No. 17—1867, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims on account of City Hospital for the month of March, 1867,

Be taken up, read the third time, and placed upon its passage.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Glazier, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, McNabb, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the rules were suspended, and the ordinance read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Glazier, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, McNabb, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Brown called up special appropriation ordinance No. 15—1867, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the relief of the poor and suffering of the City of Indianapolis,

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Glazier, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, McNabb, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Emerson called up special ordinance No. 7—1867, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling the sidewalk on the south side of New York street, between the Canal and West street,

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Glazier, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, McNabb, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

His Honor, the Mayor, called up Special Loan ordinance No. 1—1867, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City Treasurer to borrow the sum of \$100,000 for one year, and making an appropriation to pay the interest thereon.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Glazier, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, McNabb, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Mr. Brown introduced general ordinance No. 81, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to amend section 8 of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance prescribing rules and regulations for the government of the City Council, its officers, and officers connected with the City Government," passed August 20th, 1866,

Which was read the first time by its title, and, on motion, was read the second time.

Mr. Colley moved to amend by inserting 2 o'clock instead of 7.

Which amendment was adopted.

Mr. McNabb introduced special ordinance No. 13—1867, entitled :
AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and paving so much of the sidewalk on the north side of Louisiana street, between Meridian and Illinois sts., as is not already paved with brick,

Which was read the first and second times and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Seidensticker introduced special ordinance No. 14—1867, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling New York street, between Winston street and the Corporation line east,

Which was read the first and second times and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Coburn, from the Board of Public Improvements, made the following report :

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, March 27, 1867. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The bids for erecting lamp posts have been examined, and we find that the Gas Company are the lowest bidders, on all the streets advertised for, \$34 for the small posts and \$36 for the large ones.

The following are the streets bid for:

1. South street, between Pennsylvania and Tennessee streets.
2. West street, between Vermont and North streets.
3. Indiana avenue, between Tennessee and West streets.

We therefore recommend that the contract be awarded to them.

HENRY COBURN, }
JNO. B. MACARTHUR, } *Board.*

Which was concurred in, and the contract awarded.

Mr. Coburn, from the Board of Public Improvements, made the following report :

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }
Indianapolis, March 27, 1867. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom the matter was referred, would respectfully report to your honorable body that there is a heavy remonstrance against the improvement of Harrison street, between Noble and the corporation line east. The property between Lord and Harrison streets runs from street to street, and all the improvements are on Lord street, for the improvement of which there is a petition now before your honorable body. We would therefore recommend that the ordinance for the improvement of Harrison street be stricken from the files, and here-

with introduce an ordinance for the improvement of Lord street, between Noble street and the corporation line east.

HENRY COBURN,
JNO. B. MACARTHUR, } *Board.*

Which was concurred in.

Also, special ordinance No. 15—1867, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling Lord street, between Noble street and the west line of Coe's sub-division,

Which was read the first time by its title, and, on motion, was read the second time.

Mr. Loomis moved that the rules be suspended and the ordinance read the third time and passed.

The question being on the suspension of the rules, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Glazier, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, McNabb, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the rules were suspended, and the ordinance read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being on the passage of the ordinance, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Allen, Brown, Coburn, Colley, Emerson, Glazier, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, McNabb, Seidensticker, Staub and Thompson—13.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

That the street known as Railroad avenue, lying west of the Madison Railroad track and between McCarty street and the corporation line south, be hereafter designated as Chestnut street.

Which was adopted.

On motion by Mr. Colley the Council adjourned.

JOHN CAVEN, *Mayor.*

ATTEST :

C. S. BUTTERFIELD, *City Clerk.*