

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION—AUGUST 13, 1888.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, August 13th, A. D. 1888, at eight o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Granville S. Wright, President of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, and Tousey—9.

ABSENT, 1—viz: Alderman Connett.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session held July 23d, 1888, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was read and received :

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its regular session held July 2d, 1888.

For the Common Council :

Jno. W. BOWLUS, City Clerk.

The following motion (see page 432, *ante*), was read, and concurrently adopted :

That the Street Commissioner, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, be instructed to build a stone abutment on the south side of Pleasant Run, at the crossing of Spruce street.

The following message was read and received :

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith the following paper for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at an adjourned session, held July 23d, 1888.

For the Common Council :

Jno. W. BOWLUS, City Clerk.

The following motion (see page 477, *ante*), was read, and concurrently adopted :

That Mrs. James Ryan be, and is hereby, granted permission to lay a three-foot brick walk on the east side of the first alley west of Mississippi street, from her property to New York street, at her own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

The following petition (see page 477, *ante*), was read, and the action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in:

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, Robert N. Lamb, shows that he was heretofore appointed by the Superior Court of Marion county, Receiver of A. & J. C. S. Harrison, a partnership, in cause No. 32,604, A. Harrison vs. J. C. S. Harrison, pending in said court, and is still acting as such Receiver. That of the assets of such receivership, was the following real estate, situate in Marion county, Ind., to-wit:

Lot number ten (10), in George W. Parker's subdivision of Lots numbered one (1) to eight (8), inclusive, in Butler's north addition to College Corner, in the City of Indianapolis.

That the said A. & J. C. S. Harrison acquired title to said real estate by the foreclosure of a certain mortgage dated July 20th, 1872, Albert R. Ketcham to George W. Parker, recorded in Mortgage Record No. 25, page 82, said mortgage having been foreclosed in said Superior Court, cause No. 22,690, purchased at Sheriff's sale by the said Harrisons, and Sheriff's deed issued to them December 26th, 1879, recorded in Town Lot Record No. 130, page 357.

That proceedings were had during the year 1875, by your honorable body, by which Peru street, between Lincoln avenue and Seventh street, was opened and widened. That fifteen (15) feet off of the west end of said lot was taken for the street, and in addition thereto eighty-nine dollars was assessed against said lot as benefits. Said petitioner alleges that the holder of said mortgage in 1875 had no notice whatever of the proceedings to open and widen said Peru street, as is shown by the record of said proceedings; that by virtue of this fact, the said sum of eighty-nine dollars as a lien upon said lot, is null and void, and is merely a cloud upon the title. That thereafter said Receiver sold and conveyed said real estate to Ida M. Hoffman, his joint petitioner herein, and she alleges that she still owns said lot. Wherefore, in order to avoid litigation, and to remove the cloud upon the title, the said Lamb offers to pay, for the use of the city, the sum of fifteen (\$15.00) dollars, if your honorable body will accept the same in full for said assessment and discharge and release said lot therefrom.

ROBERT N. LAMB, Receiver
of A. & J. C. S. Harrison.

IDA M. HOFMANN,
per Stanton & Scott, Att'ys.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 21, 1888.

Subscribed and sworn to by the said Robert N. Lamb, Receiver, this 21st day of July, 1888.

[Seal.]

JOHN E. SCOTT, Notary Public.

I recommend that the petition be granted.

WM. L. TAYLOR, City Attorney.

The following motion (see page 477, *ante*), was read, and concurrently adopted:

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to survey and set stakes for Randolph street, from Koller street to Washington street, and the Street Commissioner be ordered to move back the fence to the line thus fixed by the City Civil Engineer.

The report of the City Civil Engineer, accompanied with estimate, (see page 478, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The following estimate resolution (see page 478, *ante*), 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 Robert Kennington, for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of New Jersey street, from Merrill street to McCarty 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 concurrently adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The report from the City Civil Engineer, submitting certain contracts and bonds, (see page 478, *ante*), was read, and the action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The following report from the City Clerk (see page 478, *ante*), was read:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following entitled affidavit, now on file in the office of the City Clerk for the collection of street improvement assessment by precept, to-wit:

J. L. Fisher & Co. vs. Josh Zimmerman, for.....\$23 10

Respectfully submitted, JNO. W. BOWLUS, City Clerk

And the favorable action of the Common Council thereon was concurred in, and the precept ordered to issue, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The report of the City Clerk, stating the acceptance of G. O. 34, 1888, (see page 479, *ante*), was read and received.

The following motion (see page 479, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Public Property:

That W. H. Fulton be, and is hereby, granted permission to fence up Shoe String Park, and use the same for horse and cow pasture, until such time as the city may want to improve it, or make other disposition thereof. The said W. H. Fulton to have permission to remove the fence when he vacates the premises.

The following motions (see pages 479, 480 and 481, *ante*), were read and concurrently adopted:

That F. A. Horn be allowed to grade and pave with brick, the sidewalk in front of his property on Wisconsin street, and that the City Civil Engineer set the grade stakes.

That Daniel A. Chenowith be, and is hereby, given permission to bowlder the sidewalk for a wagon drive in front of Lot 17, of Chenowith's subdivision of Brinkmyer's addition, the same being located on Shelby street; work to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to repair the bridge on Tennessee street across Pogue's Run, the same being in a dangerous condition.

That all owners of vacant lots be, and are hereby, ordered to cut or have cut, all weeds growing on the same; and if this order is not complied with before August 10th, 1888, the Street Commissioner may have such work done, and the expense charged against the property as a direct tax.

That the City Civil Engineer be directed to notify the Western Union Telegraph Company to remove the pole from the sidewalk on Pearl street, near the east side of Meridian street, so it will not be an obstruction.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to repair the bridge on Randolph street over Crooked Run.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to remove the fire-plug at the north-east corner of Dillon and Prospect streets, to a point nearer the curb, and out of the way of pedestrians.

The following message was read and received :

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council at a regular session, held August 6th, 1888.

For the Common Council:

JNO. W. BOWLUS, City Clerk.

The following communication from His Honor, the Mayor (see pages 495 and 496, *ante*), was read and received :

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 6, 1888.

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—Philip H. Sheridan, General of the Army of the United States, died at Nonquitt, Mass., yesterday, after a lingering illness. The flags have already been displayed at half-mast on the City Buildings, but it seems to me that more notice than this should be given to this sad event by the city's representatives.

General Sheridan was born of very humble parents, and even the place of his birth has never been definitely settled. But whether he first saw the light on this or the other side of the Atlantic, he was every whit an American from the time the public first learned of him. He fought her battles bravely and gloriously. He earned every star he received, and richly deserved the last great honor done him by Congress.

As a slight token of the esteem we bear to his memory, and of the love cherished for him by our fellow citizens who followed him to victory on many of the hard-fought fields of the Rebellion, I respectfully suggest the adoption of the memorial and resolutions herewith submitted.

C. S. DENNY, Mayor.

The following resolution (see page 496, *ante*), was read :

IN MEMORIAM.

We have heard with deep sorrow of the death of General PHILIP H. SHERIDAN. He was a model soldier and a true patriot. He possessed one element of the true soldier in a marked degree, which is too often lacking in those who are suddenly elevated to high rank and power: he knew how to meekly obey, as well as to sternly command. He never thrust himself forward, or courted promotion. The applause of his soldiers over a brave act done or a wise command given, was dearer music to him than the announcement of a new star added to his shoulder from the War Department.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the widow and family of this great soldier and patriotic citizen, and mourn with them the country's loss in his death.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to send, under the seal of the city, a copy of this memorial to the widow of the deceased.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The report of the City Civil Engineer, accompanied with estimates, (see pages 496 and 497, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The following estimate resolution (see page 497, *ante*), 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 north sidewalk of Michigan street, from Blackford street to Blake 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, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see pages 497, *ante*), 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 West street, from Ray street to Morris 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 497, *ante*), 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 bowldering the first alley north of Ohio street, from Delaware street to the first alley east of 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see pages 497 and 498 *ante*), 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 Joseph Bernauer, for grading and paving with brick, the east sidewalk of Chadwick street, from Ray street to Morris 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 498, *ante*), 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 & Co., for grading and graveling Clark street and sidewalks from Hill avenue to Valley Drive, 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The report of the City Clerk, showing the amount of orders drawn on the City Treasury during the month of July, 1888, (see page 498, *ante*), was read and received.

The reports of the City Clerk, reporting the acceptance and filing of contracts of the Indianapolis Gas Light & Coke Company, and the Indianapolis Brush Electric Light & Power Company, for lighting the city, (see page 499, *ante*), were read and received.

The following report from the City Clerk (see page 499, *ante*), was read:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following entitled affidavit, now on file in the office of the City Clerk for the collection of street improvement assessment by precept, to-wit:

J. W. Cooper & Co. vs. Ed. Meighan, for..... 17 80

Respectfully submitted, JNO. W. BOWLUS, City Clerk.

And the action of the Common Council thereon was concurred in, and the precept ordered to issue, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The report from the City Rental Agent (see page 500, *ante*), was read and received.

The Superintendent of the City Dispensary submitted his report for July, 1888; which was read and received.

The report from the Board of Public Improvements and Street Commissioner, showing expenditures in the Street Repair Department for the month of July, together with the total expenditures to August 1st, 1888, (see pages 500 and 501, *ante*), was read and received.

The report from the Board of Public Improvements, recommending the laying of certain stone crossings, (see page 501, *ante*), was read, and the action of the Council thereon, concurred in.

The following resolution (see page 501, *ante*), was read:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to borrow such sum as may be necessary to meet current expenses for the months of August and September, the same to be borrowed on time warrants, to run until current taxes are collected in November.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The following message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at a special session, held August 7th, 1888.

For the Common Council:

JNO. W. BOWLUS, City Clerk.

The report of the Rental Committee, reporting rents collected during the month of June, 1888, from Tomlinson Hall, (see page 509, *ante*), was read and received.

The following resolution from His Honor, the Mayor, (see pages 509 and 510, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Railroads:

WHEREAS, The Indianapolis Cable Street Railroad Company has been enjoined by order of the Superior Court of Marion County, Indiana, at the suit of the Citizens' Street Railroad Company, from the use or occupation of all of Georgia street west of Meridian street; all of Meridian street north of Georgia street, and all of Alabama street and Home and Central avenues, in the City of Indianapolis, and has been so enjoined at a time when it was laying and constructing track on that main line; and

Whereas, The grounds upon which the said Court granted the order so enjoining said Indianapolis Cable Street Railroad Company, are such grounds as, if ultimately maintained as matters of law, will preclude the said company from any present use and occupation, under existing ordinances passed by these municipal bodies, of any of the streets of the City of Indianapolis; and

Whereas, It is deemed by these municipal bodies that the public interest will be best subserved if the said Indianapolis Cable Street Railroad Company shall and will abstain from attempting to further use or occupy any of the streets of said City of Indianapolis under said existing ordinances until such time as the grounds upon which said order of the said Superior Court rests have been fully and finally adjudicated upon by a court of the last resort; therefore, be it

Resolved, That upon the express condition that such full and final adjudication shall be had by the said Indianapolis Cable Street Railroad Company, with all convenient speed, and the stopping of all work by said cable company until said adjudication, the said Indianapolis Cable Street Railroad Company be, and hereby is, released from any and all necessity, in order to the preservation of any license, rights or privileges it may legally have or claim under such existing ordinances, or either of them, to proceed to complete, equip or operate any and all main lines or branch lines within the time or times provided in said existing ordinances, or either of them; and that the time between the passage of this resolution and such full and final adjudication by a court of the last resort upon said grounds, shall not be counted under said existing ordinances, or either of them, but said time shall be, and is hereby, added to the time therein specified for the completion of said lines, together with such further time as has elapsed between the date of such order of said Superior Court of Marion County, Indiana, and the passage of this resolution.

The following communication from the Indianapolis Cable Street Railroad Company, (see page 510, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Railroads:

Indianapolis, Ind., August 7th, 1888.

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

Gentlemen:—The Indianapolis Cable Street Railroad Company hereby agrees that in the event of the adoption of the resolution in relation to the preservation of any and all rights of said company conditioned on their ceasing to further use or occupy streets of said city under the provisions of existing ordinances in relation to said company, until adjudication by a court of the last resort, said company will accept and abide by the terms, conditions and requirements contained in said resolution.

INDIANAPOLIS CABLE STREET RAILROAD COMPANY,

By U. J. HAMMOND, Sec'y. and Treas'r.

The report from the Fire Committee, instructing the Chief Fire Engineer to purchase two thousand feet of hose for use in the Fire Department, (see page 511, *ante*), was read, and the action of the Council thereon, concurred in.

The report from the Committee on Judiciary, in relation to the petition of Joshua Zimmerman, asking for the refunding of \$90.30,—the amount which he asserts to have been erroneously paid for street improvements—(see page 511, *ante*), was read, and the action of the Council thereon, concurred in.

The report from the Committee on Judiciary, requesting the City Attorney not to interfere with the private lamp-post at No. 60 East Washington street, (see page 511, *ante*), was read, and the action of the Council thereon, concurred in.

The report from the Committee on Judiciary, (see page 511, *ante*), was read, and the second clause concurred in.

The report from the Committee on Public Light, in relation to the location of vapor lights on certain streets, (see page 512, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Public Light.

The following report from the Committee on Water, accompanied with resolution, (see pages 512 and 513, *ante*), was read, and referred to the Committee on Water:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen.—We would recommend the passage of the following resolution, referred to the Committee on Water, April 23d, 1888:

“*Resolved*, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, directed to lay water mains in Morris street, from Meridian street to Madison avenue, and from Morris street southward in Union street to Hill street, and locate two hydrants, under the direction of the Chief Fire Engineer. Also, extend mains on Union street from present terminus to Phipps street, and locate fire hydrants at the intersection of Phipps and Union streets.”

Respectfully submitted,

Henry L. Smith,
John O'Connor,
M. M. Cummings,
Committee on Water.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Railroads:

G. O. 26, 1888—An ordinance authorizing the construction, extension and operation of a certain street railway in and upon the streets and alleys of the City of Indianapolis.

President Wright presented the following remonstrances against the passage of the foregoing entitled ordinance; which were ordered filed with the ordinance:

Indianapolis, Ind., August 13th, 1888.

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

Gentlemen.—The undersigned, residents and owners of real estate fronting upon north Delaware street, respectfully show that said street is now in good condition and improved as a gravel street; that the roadway of said street is only forty (40) feet in width, and that there exists no necessity whatever for the street car line or lines upon said street, there being ample street car facilities for the accommodation of the public on north Pennsylvania street and north Alabama street, being streets only one square east and west of north Delaware street. And further, that the construction of a street car line or lines upon north Delaware street at this time, would be a serious injury to property located upon said street—a great annoyance and inconvenience to residents upon said street, and in view of the narrow roadway, to all persons using the street, and without compensating benefits to the public. We therefore most earnestly remonstrate against the granting of any right or franchise to any person or corporation to construct a street car line on north Delaware street.

A. B. Conduitt, 135 feet; O. H. Hasselman; Jno. M. Gaston, 100 feet; Joseph F. Flack, 116 feet; Frank W. Lee, 48½ feet.

Indianapolis, Ind., August 13th, 1888.

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

Gentlemen.—The undersigned, residents and owners of real estate fronting upon

north Delaware street, respectfully show that said street is now in good condition and improved as a gravel street; that the roadway of said street is only forty (40) feet in width, and that there exists no necessity whatever for the street car line or lines upon said street, there being ample street car facilities for the accommodation of the public on north Pennsylvania street and north Alabama street, being streets only one square east and west of north Delaware street. And further, that the construction of a street car line or lines upon north Delaware street at this time, would be a serious injury to the property located upon said etreet—a great annoyance and inconvenience to residents upon said street, and in view of the narrow roadway, to all persons using the street, and without compensating benefits to the public. We therefore most earnestly remonstrate against the granting of any right or franchise to any person or corporation to construct a street car line on north Delaware street.

Jas. H. Wilson, Mrs E. T. Fletcher, by Geo. B. Yandes;
Henry Coe, John R. Rankin, John J. Caurger, Cam-
ger & Greene, J. H. Eagle—and 16 others.

Indianapolis, Ind., August 13th, 1888.

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

Gentlemen.—The undersigned, residents and owners of real estate fronting upon north Delaware street, respectfully show that said street is now in good condition, and improved as a gravel street; that the roadway of said street is only forty (40) feet in width, and that there exists no necessity whatever for the street car line or lines upon said street, there being ample street car facilities for the accommodation of the public on north Pennsylvania street and north Alabama street, being streets only one square east and west of north Delaware street. And further, that the construction of a street car line or lines upon north Delaware street at this time, would be a serious injury to property located upon said street—a great annoyance and inconvenience to residents upon said street, and in view of the narrow roadway, to all persons using the street, and without compensating benefits to the public. We therefore most earnestly remonstrate against the granting of any right or franchise to any person or corporation to construct a street car line on north Delaware street.

T. B. Harvey, 35 feet; Thos. G. Alford, 35 feet; James
C. Yohn, 101 feet; Henry Jameson, 27 feet; Samuel
Delzell, 40 feet—and 7 others.

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

Gentlemen.—We, the undersigned, owners of real estate on Park avenue, between St. Clair street and Eighth street, in the City of Indianapolis, hereby remonstrate against granting the right to any company to lay tracks and operate cars on said street between the streets above named, the same being against the wishes of a large majority of the residents and real estate owners on said street, and a public injury.

E. S. Folsom, 45 feet; John B. Elam, 70 feet; F. Mum-
menhoff, 46½ feet—and 4 others.

Indianapolis, August 13th, 1888.

To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen.—We, the undersigned, owners of real estate on Park avenue, in said city, respectfully protest against the passage of the ordinance providing for the construction of a street railroad on and along Park avenue.

J. W. & Nette Hadley, 103 feet; N. H. Kipp, 64 ½ feet;
C. A. Howland, 90 feet—and 15 others.

To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen.—We, the undersigned, owners of real estate on Park avenue, in said city, respectfully protest against the passage of the ordinance now pending in the Board of Aldermen providing for the construction of a street railroad in and along Park avenue.

Carl von Hake, 100 feet; J. R. Budd, 65 feet; A. W. Cof-
fin, 50 feet; J. S. Smith, 60 feet—and 13 others.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 20th, 1888.

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

Gentlemen:—We, the property owners on Park avenue, in the City of Indianapolis, from St. Clair to Ninth street, do hereby petition your honorable body to restrain and deny all rights and privileges for the use of said street for the purpose of constructing a street car line on Park avenue, for the following reasons, to-wit:

1st. The street is narrower than will admit of the use of said street for a car line and for the ordinary purposes of a street. 2d. The greatest distance from any one point of the proposed line to a point of the present line, is two squares, while the average distance from the proposed line to the present line, from the point of beginning on Park avenue to Ninth street, is less than one and a-half squares. 3d. The present line is all that is necessary for the convenience of the residents on said street. 4th. If the proposed line should be built, it would be necessary to construct two turns—one at East and St. Clair streets, and one at Park avenue and St. Clair street, within sixty yards—seriously effecting the entrance to Park avenue.

We consider that our property will be damaged by the construction of a car line on said street. We therefore petition that the line on Park avenue be abandoned.

J. W. Hadley & Nettie Hadley, 152½ feet; C. A. Howland, 96 feet; Mrs. Mary Ward, 49 feet; Lucretia C. Sexton, 134 feet; S. A. Lee, 64 feet—and 59 others.

In the above is not included thirteen parties who are non-residents, and who have not been consulted. Taking these names into consideration, it would make the remonstrance almost unanimous.

The total number of feet remonstrating is 5,375 10-12.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first time:

S. O. 73, 1888—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Washington street, from Bloomington street to White River, where not already properly done.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

This being the regular appropriation night, the following entitled Appropriation Ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were placed on their final passage, without a suspension of the Rules:

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 45, 1888—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of the salaries of the officers and members of the Fire and Police Departments; of the Committee Clerk; of the Janitor and Assistant Janitor of the City Hall; of the Janitor and Assistant Janitor of Tomlinson Hall, and of the East and West Market Masters. [Amount appropriated, \$11,413.33.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 46, 1888—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the City Hospital and Branch. [Amount appropriated, \$1,649.31.]

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time :

Ap. O. 47, 1888—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the City Hospital—(Special appropriation) [Amount appropriated, \$754.50.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time :

Ap. O. 48, 1888—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$1,354.76.]

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time :

Ap. O. 49, 1888—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station House. [Amount appropriated, \$273.02]

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time :

Ap. O. 50, 1888—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis. [Amount appropriated, \$12,447.91.]

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Clark, Laut, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Taylor, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS—None.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the following motions, beg leave to report as follows:

1st. Is that the Street Commissioner be ordered to lay a stone crossing on Washington street, at No. 8 Reel House. Recommend to concur.

2d. Is that the Street Commissioner be ordered to lay a sewer pipe from Union street to Meridian street along Hill street, large enough to carry water to the sewer on Meridian street. Recommend to concur.

Respectfully submitted,

Will. E. Tousey,
J. H. Taylor,
Julius F. Reinecke,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Alderman Laut offered the following motions; which were adopted:

That Mr. Huruff and Mr. Petterson be allowed to raise the sidewalk in front of their premises, 186 Virginia avenue, to the satisfaction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the City Attorney be, and is hereby, instructed to report at the next meeting of the Board of Aldermen what authority, if any, the present incumbent of Garfield Park has for pasturing cows and horses therein.

Alderman Smith offered the following motion:

To reconsider the motion to refer to the Committee on Railroads the Indianapolis Cable Railroad Company's resolution.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 6—viz: Aldermen Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS, 2—viz: Aldermen Clark, and Laut.

The action of the Common Council thereon in adopting the resolution, (see page 510, *ante*), was then concurred in, by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz: Aldermen Clark, Rail, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smith, Tousey, and President Wright.

NAYS, 1—viz: Alderman Laut.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned, at 9:15 o'clock, P. M.

W. E. Tousey, President.

Attest: *W. E. Tousey*, Clerk.