

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
Monday, January 10th, 1876—7 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 Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Curran, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman, Ward and Webster—24.

Absent—Councilmen Reasner and Stuckmeyer,—2.

The proceedings of the adjourned session held December 30th, 1875, and the regular session held January 3d, 1876, were read and approved.

Sealed proposals for covering with cinders the unprotected portion of Kentucky avenue sewer at White River, were received, opened, read and referred to the Committee on Contracts.

Plans and estimates for constructing City Work House, were received, and on motion referred to the Board of Police and Commissioners to be elected to night.

Mr. Thalman moved that the plans be placed on file in the City Civil Engineer's office.

Which motion was adopted.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

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

Gentlemen:—I hereby report the following estimate for work done :

A first and final estimate allowed Henry Sellers, for grading and graveling the first alley west of Plum street, between Vine and Cherry street—

590 lineal feet at 22 cents\$129 80

Also, a first and partial estimate allowed William Morrison, for grading and graveling Peru street and paving the sidewalks thereof, from Home ave to Lincoln avenue—

720 lineal feet grading and graveling at 61 cents\$439 20

720 lineal feet paving at 44 cents 316 80

Total payment.....\$756 00

Also, a first and final estimate allowed Frank Eppert, for grading and graveling the alley running from Virginia avenue to Huron street, between Pine and Cedar streets—

879.5 lineal feet at 17½ cents.....\$153 91

Also, a first and partial estimate allowed J. W. Smith, for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk of Kentucky avenue, between Tennessee street and Mississippi street—

503.8 lineal feet at 97½ cents.....\$491 20

Also, a third and partial estimate allowed Bruner & Riner, for building a brick sewer 4 feet in diameter in and along Massachusetts avenue from Pennsylvania street to south side of Vermont street—

1471.8 lineal feet at \$5.40.....	\$7,947 72
11 catch basins at \$75.00.....	825 00
4 manholes at \$25.00.....	100 00
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	\$8,872 72
Less 15 per cent.....	1,330 72
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	\$7,542 00
Less former payment.....	5,230 00
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Present payment.....	\$2,312 00

Respectfully submitted,

BERNHARD H. DIETZ,

City Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of Henry Sellers for grading and graveling the first alley west of Plum street, between Vine and Cherry streets, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Curran, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman and Webster—21.

Negative—None.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and partial estimate of William Morrison for grading and graveling Peru street. and paving the sidewalks thereof from Home

avenue to Lincoln avenue, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Curran, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman and Webster—21.

Negative—None.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of Frank Eppert, for grading and graveling the alley running from Virginia avenue to Huron street between Pine and Cedar streets be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Curran, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman and Webster—21.

Negative—None.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and partial estimate of J. W. Smith, for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk of Kentucky avenue, between Tennessee and Mississippi street, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig,

Craft, Curran, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman and Webster—21.

Negative—None.

Also, the following estimate resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing third and partial estimate of Bruner & Riner for building a brick sewer 4 feet in diameter in and along Massachusetts avenue from Pennsylvania street to south side of Vermont street, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Curran, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman and Webster—21.

Negative—None.

Also, the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

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

Gentlemen:—S. J. Smock's contract and bond for filling the breaks and repairing the new channel of Fall Creek expired January 1st, 1876.

I have notified Mr. Smock to proceed with said work at once, a few days ago, and directed him to use the earth in the channel for filling the breaks. If Mr. Smock does not ask for an extension of time and renew his contract and bond, the work will have to be readvertised

Herewith find notice served on me to day by S. J. Patterson, esq., and I would respectfully ask for instructions in reference to the same.

SECOND.

I would recommend that the west sidewalk of the Illinois street tunnel be properly

graveled, and the old planks formerly used in said walk removed and stored away, and also, that gates be put up at each end of said walk, so that they can be opened whenever it becomes necessary to use the walk, and the Street Commissioner be directed to do said work.

Respectfully submitted.

BERNHARD H. DIETZ,
City Civil Engineer.

Also, the following communication from Mr. S. J. Patterson :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

To Barnhard H. Dietz, Esq., Civil Engineer of the City of Indianapolis :

Dear Sir:—You are hereby notified that I object to the taking of any sand, gravel earth or soil off of my land for any purpose whatever, and that if any should be taken I shall expect to receive twenty-five cents per yard therefor, and I will not sell at any less price.

Neither the city of Indianapolis nor her contractors have any right whatever to take any gravel, sand or earth, and should it be taken I shall hold the city of Indianapolis responsible for all damages that I may sustain.

I have already sustained a great injury by the negligent acts of the city and her agents in the construction of the new channel of Fall Creek, for which I have a suit now pending, and I positively refuse to allow any other land of mine to be taken without compensation, for the purposes of such channel, and shall expect the city to make good to me all losses I have or may sustain because of the city's negligence in the construction and maintenance of the said channel.

Respectfully,

S. J. PATTERSON,
By Elliott & Ayres, Attorneys.

Mr. Adams presented the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

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

Gentlemen:—On the 27th of September, 1875, the contract to repair both banks of Fall Creek was awarded me. My bid was made and the contract was awarded, as will appear from the contract itself, with the understanding that I should have the right to use the dirt in the channel in making said repairs. By the contract, the work was to be done by January 1, 1876.

When about to begin the work, about the 20th of October, Samuel J. Patterson, the owner of the land through which the channel runs, notified me that I could not

use the dirt in the channel because the city had, as he claimed, agreed with him to make a street 40 feet wide on the top of the levee.

On application to the Committee on Streets and Alleys to learn the rights of Mr. Patterson, I was directed to communicate the facts to the Common Council, which I did on the 25th day of October, 1875.

The matter was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, with the City Attorney and City Civil Engineer, who reported to the Common Council on the 22d of November, 1875, and in their report said :

“After an examination of the creek, channel and surroundings, we are of the opinion that any repairs the city may make on the embankments of the creek with a view of keeping the same in its present channel will only serve for a time, as the first heavy rise of the creek will break over the same. In order to bring the matter before the Council, we recommend the Council to instruct the City Civil Engineer to make an estimate of the cost to the city necessary to change the channel,” etc.

The matter was accordingly referred to the City Civil Engineer, who reported the cost of changing and straightening the channel on the 13th day of December, 1875, and recommended that in order to protect Michigan street, it will be necessary to take steps to repair and strengthen the south bank of Fall Creek.

This report was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, who reported on the 27th day of December, 1875, as follows :

“ Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the report of the City Civil Engineer, in relation to taking immediate steps for repairing the South bank of Fall Creek, would report recommending that Samuel J. Smock, the contractor for said work, be notified to proceed with the same at once, according to the plans and specifications of the City Civil Engineer, the work to be done under his supervision and direction.” This was, on the 27th day of December, 1875, concurred in by the Council.

On the 5th of January, 1876, four days after the time for the completion of the contract made on the 27th day of September, notice of the action of the Council was formally served on me.

I would respectfully show that the delay has been caused, not by my fault, but by the deliberations of the Council with reference to changing and straightening the channel of the creek.

I would further call the attention of the Council to the fact that the contract awarded to me on the 27th day of September, embraced the repair of both banks, of the present channel of the creek, and that I am now directed, after the time in which said work was to have been done has been consumed by the deliberations of the Council as to changing the channel, to repair the south bank at the present

channel, which seems to involve an abandonment of the contract for repairing and strengthening both banks of the present channel made September 27th, 1875.

As the property holders most interested are strongly opposed to any attempt to repair the channel as it now is, and claim that it will be a needless expenditure of money, and threaten litigation if the attempt is made, and as no definite action has been taken as to the change of the channel, while I am directed to proceed with the repairs on the south bank only, I have thought it proper in order to avoid confusion, litigation and trouble in the future, in justice to your honorable body as well as myself, to call your attention to the facts in the case.

SAMUEL J. SMOCK.

On motion by Mr. Thalman, the first clause of the report and the two communications were referred to the City Attorney.

The second clause of the report was concurred in.

The City Clerk submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

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

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

Henry Clay vs. Mary L. Maloney for.....	\$17 49
John Schier vs. Joseph Raible for.....	11 33
John Schier vs. Henry J. Lacy for.....	21 60
John Schier vs. Anna M. Bungler for.....	21 06
John Schier vs. Joseph T. Dougherty for.....	25 11
John Schier vs. James W. Smithers for.....	10 60
John Schier vs. George F. Adams for.....	21 69

And respectfully recommend that you order the precepts to issue.

BENJ. C. WRIGHT,

City Clerk.

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

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Curran, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Stratford, Thalman and Webster—22.

Negative—Councilman Schmidt—1.

The City Treasurer submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 13, 1876.

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

Gentlemen :—I have the honor to report the collection of \$20.00 benefits on the 7th inst., in the matter of opening Peru street as per report of City Commissioners approved October 25, 1875.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. TUTEWILER,

City Treasurer.

Which was received.

Also, the following monthly statement :

REPORT showing the receipts and disbursements of the City Treasury of the city of Indianapolis for the month of December, 1875 :

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 1st, 1875.....	\$41,302 03
Taxes collected.....	41,692 15
From licenses and all other sources.....	2,463 77
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Total receipts ...	\$85,457 95

DISBURSEMENTS.

Assisting City Assessor.....	\$161 49
Assisting City Civil Engineer.....	499 93
Assisting City Marshal	35 44
Board of Health.....	4 39
Bridges	2,973 22
Costs	293 34
Cisterns	743 46
Damages.....	157 77
Elections.....	5 26
Fire Department	6,724 38
Gas Fixtures.....	37 53
Hospital.....	1,348 87
Home of the Friendless.....	1,548 51
Lighting and extinguishing lamps.....	729 36
Military Park.....	23 31

Office fixtures.....	65 12
Posting Bills.....	15 33
Printing.....	2,792 19
Police.....	6,358 40
Percentage.....	1,701 46
Real estate.....	26 36
Salary.....	2,020 37
Street sprinkling.....	231 20
Street repairs.....	2,014 38
Station House.....	53 60
School Board.....	9,388 34
Sewets.....	3,648 33
Taxes refunded.....	221 16
Transfers.....	121 80
Tomlinson estate.....	3,877 95
Street improvements.....	3,417 37
Balance on hand January 1st, 1876.....	34,218 33
Total.....	\$85,457 95

The above balance consists of the following—

Sinking Fund.....	\$1,537 60
School Fund.....	6,756 10
Payment interest January 1st, 1876.....	25,924 63
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	\$34,218 33

All orders redeemed during the month were received in payment of taxes, except in the items of School Board, Tomlinson estate, and percentage.

HENRY W. TUTEWILER,

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10th, 1876.

City Treasurer.

To BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The City Attorney submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

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

Gentlemen :—In reference to the question of the fee of Commissioners appointed under the late act to assess benefits and damages to property by reason of the opening, widening or improving of streets, etc., the act providing for the appointment of such Commissioners, fixing no compensation for their services.

I submit as my opinion that in the absence of such provision, such Commissioners when duly appointed and authorized to act in such capacity, are entitled to a reasonable compensation for their services in making such assessments, to which should be added an additional reasonable allowance for the extra clerical work necessary in making out and submitting their report.

Respectfully submitted,

CAS. BYFIELD,

City Attorney.

Which was referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims.

Also, the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

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

Gentlemen:—I herewith return to you a communication from the City Assessor, asking that I report an opinion to your honorable body on the question of the assessment of City taxes, in respect to the time when the same should be made.

In response thereto, I will say that, in my opinion, under the provisions of an act of the General Assembly of 1875, entitled, "An act legalizing the assessment equalization, levy and collection of municipal taxes for the years 1873 and 1874, providing that the general law governing State and county taxation so far as the same provides for the manner and time of making the assessments and collection of taxes shall apply to incorporated cities and towns, and declaring an emergency," approved March 11, 1875, assessment of city taxes should be made on property owned on the first day of April of each year, and that such taxes become a lien on property so assessed on and after the first day of April.

Respectfully submitted,

CAS. BYFIELD,

City Attorney.

Which was concurred in.

The Circle Park Commissioner submitted the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

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

Gentlemen:—During last summer I had about 75 dead trees removed from Circle Park, and the wind blew down quite a number of trees afterwards, so that there is now a need of about 100 trees in place of those removed. There is also a constant

need of repair of tree boxes, especially since this beautiful little park, which is seen by all visitors to the city and should be the city's pride, has been made a stand for carts and express wagons.

I am informed that the Council have not made any appropriation to replace trees or to keep them or the tree boxes in order, and I respectfully ask an appropriation of three hundred dollars for that purpose.

Very respectfully,

WM. H. ENGLISH,
Commissioner for Circle Park.

Which was referred to the Committee on Parks.

The Board of Health submitted the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

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

Report of deaths in the City of Indianapolis from 6 o'clock P. M., on the 1st day of January, to 6 o'clock P. M. on the 8th day of January, 1876.

Under 1 year.....	6
1 to 2 years.....	2
2 to 3 ".....	0
3 to 4 ".....	0
4 to 5 ".....	2
5 to 10 ".....	1
10 to 20 ".....	4
20 to 30 ".....	4
30 to 40 ".....	2
40 to 50 ".....	0
50 to 60 ".....	2
60 to 70 ".....	2
70 to 80 ".....	1
80 to 90 ".....	0
90 to 100 ".....	0
Above 100 ".....	0
Unknown ".....	0
Total.....	27

C. E. WRIGHT, M. D.,

A. STRATFORD, M. D.,

President Board of Health.

Secretary Board of Health.

Which was received.

Mr. Craft stated that a committee representing the Indianapolis Benevolent Society, was present, and moved that they be permitted to address the Council on the subject of aid for said society.

Which motion was adopted.

Col. J. W. Ray then addressed the Council on the subject, and asked the Council to make an appropriation of \$2,500 at this time for the Indianapolis Benevolent Society.

Dr. Stratford moved to refer the application of the society to the Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals.

Mr. Craft offered the following amendment :

Moved, That the Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals be and are hereby instructed to report an ordinance on next Monday night, making an appropriation of sufficient funds to the Benevolent Society and the Ladies' Relief Society for present needs.

Mr. Reed offered the following substitute for the whole matter :

Moved, That the Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals report an ordinance to-night for the relief of the poor of the city, granting so much of the city's funds to the Indiana Benevolent Society, and to the Ladies' Relief Society, as they may deem proper at the present time for immediate relief.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Kahn, from the Committee on Contracts, submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

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

Gentlemen :—Your Committee on Contracts, to which was referred sundry proposals submitted to Council January 3d, 1876, respectfully report that they have examined the same and find them to be as follows, to-wit:

FIRST. For constructing a brick sewer in and along Madison avenue from the outh side of Yeizer street to and connecting with the Ray street sewer.

^s Joseph Hanna, \$4.20 per lineal foot run for sewer; catch basins, 24 inch pipe, \$50.00 each; catch basins, 18 inch pipe, \$45.00 each; catch basins, 15 inch pipe, \$40.00 each.

O. W. Kelley, \$4.10 per lineal foot run for sewer; catch basins, 24 inch pipe, \$85.00 each; catch basins, 18 inch pipe, \$75.00 each; catch basins, 15 inch pipe, \$70.00 each; man-holes, \$22.00 each.

C. S. Roney, \$3.98 per lineal foot run for sewer; man-holes, \$40.00 each; catch basins, \$70, \$75 and \$80 each, according to size.

John Greene, \$3.90 per lineal foot run for sewer; man-holes, \$20.00 each; catch basins, 24 inch pipe, \$2.75 per lineal foot; catch basins, 18 inch pipe, \$1.95 per lineal foot; catch basins, 15 inch pipe, \$1.50 per lineal foot.

Lampard & Sindlinger, \$3.80 per lineal foot run for sewer; man-holes, 9 inch wall, \$45.00 each; catch basins, 24 inch pipe, \$100.00 each; catch basins, 18 inch pipe, \$90.00 each; catch basins, 15 inch pipe, \$80 each.

Bruner & Riner, \$3.80 per lineal foot run for sewer; man-holes, each complete, \$20.00; catch basins, each complete, \$60.00.

Bailey & Keely, \$3.65 per lineal foot run for sewer; man-holes, \$47.00 each; catch basins, 24 inch pipe, \$95.00 each; catch basins, 18 inch pipe, \$85.00 each; catch basins, 15 inch pipe, \$75.00 each; house-connections, 75 cents each.

Bruner & Riner being the lowest and best bidders, taking into consideration their bids on man-holes and catch basins, your committee would recommend that they be awarded the contract.

SECOND. For constructing a brick sewer in and along Georgia street from the Illinois street sewer to the first alley east of Meridian street.

Joseyh Hanna, \$2.75 per lineal foot run for sewer; catch basins, \$60.00 each; man-holes, \$25.00 each.

Bailey & Keely, \$2.65 per lineal foot run for sewer; man-holes, \$40.00 each; catch basins, 12 inch pipe, \$65.00; catch basins, 15 inch pipe, \$75.00; house-connections, 75 cents each.

Lampard & Sindlinger, \$2.10 per lineal foot run for sewer; man-holes, 4 inch wall, \$35.00, each complete; catch basins, 15 inch pipe, \$80.00, each complete; catch basins, 12 inch pipe, \$70.00, each complete.

Bruner & Riner, \$2.10 per lineal foot run for sewer; man-holes, \$20.00, each complete; catch basins, \$60.00, each complete.

Bruner & Riner being the lowest and best bidders, your committee recommend that they be awarded the contract.

THIRD. For constructing a two foot cement pipe, glazed earthen ware, or brick sewer in and along Potomac street or West Court street, from the first alley east of

California street to Missouri street, and connecting with the sewer in said Missouri street.

Joseph Hanna, brick sewer, \$2.40 per lineal foot run; cement pipe sewer, \$3.00 per lineal foot run; glazed earthen pipe sewer, \$3.20 per lineal foot run, catch basin, \$50.00 each; man-holes, \$30.00.

Francis Boyd, cement pipe sewer, \$3.87 per lineal foot run; Akron pipe sewer, \$4.00 per lineal foot run; brick sewer, \$4.20 per lineal foot run; catch-basins, \$75.00 each; man-holes, \$18.00 each; house-connections, 80 cents each.

Bailey & Keeley, brick sewer, \$2.35 per lineal foot run; man-holes, \$35.00 each; catch basins, 12 inch pipe, \$65.00; catch basins, 15 inch pipe, \$75.00; house connections, 75 cents each.

Indiana Cement Pipe Company, cement pipe, round and 2 feet internal diameter for \$2.15 per lineal foot; also, oval cement pipe sewer, 20x30 inches in diameter, equal to 2 foot sewer, for \$2.25 per lineal foot; catch basins, \$60.00 each; man-holes, \$22.00 each, and house-connections, \$1.00 each.

The Indiana Cement Pipe Co. being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend that they be awarded the contract for their oval cement pipe sewer, at \$2.25 per lineal foot.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON KAHN,
P. H. CURRAN,
Committee on Contracts.

Dr. Stratford moved not to concur in first clause or recommendation.

Mr. Schmidt moved to lay Dr. Stratford's motion on the table.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Curran, Darnell, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Madden, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt and Thalman—15.

Negative—Councilmen Albershardt, Diffley, Geiger, Kenzel, Laughlin, McGill and Stratford—7.

Mr. Laughlin moved to postpone until next spring.

Mr. Schmidt moved to concur in the first clause of the report.

Which motion was adopted and the contract awarded by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Curran, Darnell, Diffley, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Ward and Webster—21.

Negative—Councilmen Geiger, Laughlin and Thalman—3.

The second clause of the report was concurred in and the contract awarded.

The third clause or section of the report was taken up.

Mr. Thalman offered the following motion:

Moved, That the matter of sewerage Potomac street be referred back to the Committee, with instructions to report in favor of a brick sewer in accordance with the wishes of the property owners who have to pay for the same.

Which was adopted.

By consent, Mr. McGill, from the Committee on Printing, submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

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

Gentlemen :—Your Committee on Printing and Stationary, to whom was referred the matter of indexing the Council proceedings for 1874, respectfully report that we have received figures from two or more parties for doing said work, and find that Chas. Fant is the lowest bidder at \$100.00, and we recommend that he be awarded the contract.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBT. C. MCGILL,
J. C. ADAMS,
THOMAS MADDEN,

Committee on Printing and Stationary.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1876.

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

Gentlemen.—Your Committee on Printing and Stationery respectfully submit the following report of expenditures on account of advertising, printing, blanks and stationery to date, viz :

FOR JUNE, 1875.

Indianapolis Sentinel Co.....	\$56 42
C. Gehring.....	14 35
Harbison & Abrams.....	17 50

FOR JULY, 1875.

Indianapolis Journal Co.....	838 28
Julius Boetticher heirs.....	197 60
The Sunday People.....	5 00

FOR AUGUST, 1875.

Indianapolis Sentinel Co. (June and July bills)	517 48
Indianapolis Sentinel Co.....	387 57
C. Gehrig	34 20
Baker, Schmidlapp & Co.....	48 50
Harbison & Abrams (July and August bills).....	125 00
Gutenberg Co	263 75

FOR SEPTEMBER, 1875, APPROPRIATION.

C. Gehring.....	12 00
The Sunday People	31 50
W. W. Richie (city map).....	15 00
Harbison & Abrams.....	45 00
Gutenberg Co. (May and June bill).....	234 20
Gutenberg Co.....	160 50
Indianapolis Sentinel Co.....	824 61

FOR OCTOBER, 1875, APPROPRIATION.

The Evening News.....	121 15
Edward Carey (Notaries)	37 50
Harbison & Abrams.....	22 00
Gutenberg Co.....	77 70
Indianapolis Sentinel Co.....	53 40

FOR NOVEMBER, 1875, APPROPRIATION.

Indianapolis Sentinel Co (October and November).....	1,009 16
Harbison & Abrams.....	36 50
Sunday People.....	2 00
C. J. Whitridge, (Notaries).....	17 50
Indianapolis Sentinel Co. (Advertising).....	180 20

FOR DECEMBER, 1875, APPROPRIATION.

Indianapolis Sentinel Co. (Printing, etc.).....	380 53
Indianapolis Sentinel Co, (Advertising).....	216 20
C. J. Whitridge (Notaries)	30 00
The Sunday People.....	5 00
Indianapolis Journal Co.....	3 50
Gutenberg Co. (November bill)	323 70
Gutenberg Co.....	304 20

FOR JANUARY, 1875.

Gutenberg Co.....	209 40
Indianapolis Sentinel Co.....	368 75
C. J. Whitridge (Notaries)	35 00
W. J. Cunningham & Co.....	500 00
Total.....	\$8,129 70

Of this amount there has been paid the sum of \$1,807.38, that should have been paid in 1874, it being for purchases of last year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBT. C. MCGILL,
THOMAS MADDEN,
J. C. ADAMS,

Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Which was concurred in.

By consent, Mr. Gimber presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1875.

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

Gentlemen :—The undersigned, petitioner, would respectfully show to your honorable body that he is the sole and exclusive owner of lots numbered from one (1) to fourteen (14) inclusive, in Yohn's administrator's subdivision of a part of out-lot

one hundred and twenty-seven (127) in the city of Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana.

That it is to his interest and to the interest of the city of Indianapolis, for the reasons hereinafter shown, that the following described alleys, lying and being within and surrounded by said above-described real estate, should be vacated and changed as follows. to wit: That the first alley running north and south in said out-lot west of Missouri street, and also so much of the alley running east and west in said out-lot as extends from Missouri street to the second alley west of Missouri street, be vacated, and that the alleys in the above described portion of said out-lot, a correct plat of which as they now exist is filed herewith, marked exhibit "A," be changed made to conform to the plat filed herewith, marked exhibit "B."

That it will be advantageous to the city and especially to property owners in that vicinity for the following reasons:

1st. That by the proposed change the second alley west of Missouri street will be changed to a forty foot street.

2d. There will be two alleys running east and west through that portion of said out-lot instead of one, and because the same are much better located for the convenience of lot owners.

That his consent thereto in writing has been filed with the City Clerk.

Wherefore, he prays that said alleys may be vacated and changed in conformity to said above described plat, marked exhibit "B."

ARTHUR L. WRIGHT.

Which was received.

Also, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the petition of Arthur L. Wright for the vacation and change of certain alleys in a part of out-lot one hundred and twenty-seven (127) in the city of Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana, be granted, and that the plat filed therewith marked exhibit "B," be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Curran, Darnell, Duffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman and Webster—21.

Negative—None.

Also, the following consent or agreement :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1875.

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

I hereby consent that the alleys lying and being with the following real estate owned by me, to-wit: Lots numbered from one (1) to fourteen (14) inclusive, in Yohn's administrator's subdivision of a part of out-lot one hundred and twenty-seven (127) in the city of Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana, be vacated and changed as follows, to-wit :

That the first alley, running north and south, west of Missouri street, and also, so much of the alley running east and west in said out-lot, as extends from Missouri street to the second alley west of Missouri street, be vacated, and that the same be changed to conform to plat marked "Exhibit B," filed with my petition for the vacation, and change of the same.

ARTHUR L. WRIGHT.

By consent, Mr. Darnell, from the Committee on Gas Light, submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 3, 1875.

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

Gentlemen :—Your Committee on Gas, to whom was referred motion of Councilman Schmidt, concerning the use of oil instead of gas in the public buildings of the city, would recommend its adoption as far as practicable.

We recommend its use in the Engine Houses, Police Stations and City Hall, as per appended list. Also Market House.

We would further recommend your Committee on Gas, or some other Committee be authorized to inquire into what, in their judgment, would be the best style of lamp to use, and report next Monday night.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. DARNELL,

P. H. CURRAN,

JOHN J. DIFFLEY,

Committee on Gas.

Engine House No. 1.....	11
Engine House No. 2.....	10
Engine House No. 3.....	12
Engine House No. 4.....	11
Engine House No. 5.....	19
Engine House No. 6.....	17

Engine House No. 7.....	19
Engine House No. 8.....	3
Engine House No. 9.....	3
Hook and Ladder No. 2.....	10
Headquarters.....	20
The Central Station House.....	17
Clerk's office.....	2
Treasurer's office.....	1
Board of Health.....	1
Assessor's office.....	2
Engineer's office.....	3
Committee's room.....	2
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Total number of lamps.....	163

Mr. Schmidt offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Committee on Gas purchase and furnish lamps and oil for all the houses they mention in their report; also for the Council Chamber.

Mr. Geiger offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Committee on Gas Light be and are hereby instructed to have the street lamps on Washington street, between East and West streets. changed to coal oil or gasoline for the space of two months, and report the expense of the same to the Council.

Mr. Madden moved to refer to the Committee on Supplies.

Mr. Thalman, as a substitute moved to refer the report with the motions back to the Committee on Gas Light, with instructions to report estimate of cost of lamps and expense of lighting by coal oil and gasoline, and to make such report next Monday night.

Which motion as offered by Mr. Thalman was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES.

Mr. Gimber introduced general ordinance No. 1, 1876, entitled :

An ordinance providing for the compensation of the members of the Board of City Commissioners of the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman introduced special ordinance No. 1, 1876, entitled :

An ordinance to provide for bouldering and curbing with stone Indiana avenue from West street to the west side of St. Clair street.

Which was read the first time.

ROLL CALL.

Mr. Adams presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, December 31, 1875.

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

Gentlemen :—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on Meridian and Pennsylvania streets, between Second street and Fifth street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the opening of an alley 20 feet wide, running in a northerly direction from Second street to connect with an alley already opened, running in a southerly direction from Fifth street, said alley to be taken equally off the lots fronting on Meridian street, and those fronting on Pennsylvania street, so that the property holders shall contribute equally thereto in proportion to the amount of frontage they respectfully have on the line of said proposed alley.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

Fred Goepper, 144 ft.; G. A. Wells, 82½ ft.; Rebecca M. Sweetser, J. N. Sweetser, 65 ft.; Cyrus C. Hines, 33½ ft.; Lucy F. Hines, 33½ ft.; Geo. H. Chapman, 120 ft.

Which was received.

Mr. Adams offered the following motion :

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby directed to prepare a plat of the ground as described in the petition of Mr. Geopper and others, asking that an alley be opened through certain grounds.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, December 20, 1875.

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

Gentlemen.—On the 9th day of October, 1871, the Common Council approved my contract and bond for grading Summit street and sidewalks from Washington street

to Michigan Road, which contract had previously been awarded to me under ordinance properly passed. I proceeded to do such work, and by order of the then City Civil Engineer, put in cement pipe at the sidewalk on the crossing of Michigan Road and Summit street. Said cement pipe I purchased at a cost of \$87.80 (as per bill hereto attached), and which sum of \$87.80 has never been allowed and paid by the city. I therefore respectfully request your honorable body to make me an allowance for said amount. By giving this, my petition, your immediate attention you will oblige.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN RICHARDSON,

Per SAMUEL LEFEVVER.

Which was referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims.

Also, the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, December 9, 1875.

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

Gentlemen :—Your honorable body is no doubt aware that some twenty months ago I was seriously injured while passing along the sidewalk in front of Martindale's block. On a trial before the Hon. Solomon Blair and a jury I was awarded a verdict of \$8,500.00, and judgment was rendered thereon in my favor. On appeal to the General Term the Hon. H. C. Newcomb affirmed the judgment. The City Attorney was present and heard the judgment pronounced that I was clearly entitled to the relief given me.

I beg to state that since the time of my inquiry I have been wholly unable to practice my profession, and as the members of your body are perhaps aware, am disabled for life. I therefore pray your honorable body to pay me the sum awarded, or, if you can not now pay all, at least pay me a part, for I am now compelled to say that I am greatly in need of the money, which is, at most, a poor compensation for the injuries I have and must suffer during the remainder of my life.

Most respectfully yours,

JNO. M. GASTON.

Which were referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That James H. Ruddell be and is hereby granted permission to grade and gravel Jefferson avenue from Michigan street to the north line of Ruddell's Glenwood addition to the city of Indianapolis, the same to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer and at his own expense, within ninety days.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Albershardt presented the following petition or claim :

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
INDIANAPOLIS April 23, 1852.

I, A. F. Shortridge, Treasurer of the city of Indianapolis, in the county of Marion and State of Indiana, do hereby certify, that pursuant to the provisions of an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Indianapolis, approved January 26, 1847," I sold the following described real estate, to wit: Lot 11 in out 53, situated in said city, to Louis Klusmann, for the sum of one dollar and seventeen cents, that being the amount of taxes assessed thereon by the City Council of Indianapolis, for the year 1851, as the real estate of James M. Reading, including costs.

I further certify that said Louis Klusmann, his heirs and assigns, shall be entitled to receive a deed for the above described real estate, at the end of three years, unless the owner thereof shall redeem the same on or before that time, according to the provisions of the above recited act.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand this 23d day of April, 1852.

A. F. SHORTRIDGE,
Treasurer of the City of Indianapolis.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
INDIANAPOLIS, April 23, 1852-

I, A. F. Shortridge, Treasurer of the city of Indianapolis, in the county of Marion and State of Indiana, do hereby certify, that pursuant to the provisions of an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Indianapolis, approved January 26, 1847," I sold the following described real estate, to-wit: Wood's add lot 32, in square 41, lot 1 in square 31, situated in said city, to Louis Klusmann, for the sum of two dollars and sixty-eight cents, that being the amount of tax assessed thereon by the City Council of Indianapolis, for the year 1851, as the real estate of Benjamin Ahis' heirs, including costs.

I farther certify that said Louis Klusmann, his heirs and assigns, shall be entitled to receive a deed for the above described real estate, at the end of three years, unless the owner thereof shall redeem the same on or before that time, according to the above recited act.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand this 25th day of April, 1852.

A. F. SHORTRIDGE,
Treasurer of the city of Indianapolis.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That Fred. Wm. Reasner have permission to put in a scale on Cruse street, provided it in no way interferes with the travel on said street, the beam box to go off the street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby instructed to tender the money to the parties on Court street, between East and Noble streets, in accordance with the report of the City Commissioners made to this Council December 13, 1875.

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and the City Attorney.

Dr. Ward, from the Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals, submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS January 10, 1875.

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

Your Committee on Benevolence, to whom was referred a motion of Mr. Reed, instructing said committee to report an ordinance appropriating equal amounts of money to the Indianapolis Benevolent, and Ladies' Relief Societies, would respectfully report the following ordinance and recommend its passage.

B. WARD,

H. F. ALBERSHARDT,

ROBT. C. MCGILL,

Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals.

Which was concurred in.

Dr. Ward introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 5, 1876, entitled :

An ordinance appropriating money in aid of the Indianapolis Benevolent Society and the Ladies' Relief Society.

Which was read the first time.

On motion, by Mr. Kahn, the rules were suspended by unanimous consent for the purpose of placing the ordinance on its passage.

Special appropriation ordinance, No. 5, 1876, was read the second time and engrossed and read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Craft, Curran, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman, Ward and Webster—24.

Negative—None.

Mr. Buehrig offered the following motion:

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be and he is hereby directed to advertise for bids for the furnishing of lamps and frames complete to burn coal oil or gasoline; said lamps to take the place of the present street lamps in the city of Indianapolis, and only such of said bids shall be considered as will apply to those lamps which have stood satisfactory test, and are recommended by the Committee on Gas and and Civil Engineer. Bids to be received on Monday evening, January 24, 1876.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That Conrad Westfield have permission to put down a stone crossing on Louisiana street opposite his place of business, at his own expense and to the satisfaction of the City Civil Engineer, who is hereby instructed to set the proper stakes.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Craft presented the following petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, undertakers of this city, humbly petition your honorable body to direct the proper person to fill a mud hole in the old cemetery,

on the north side of the old ground running to the colored ground, occasioned by the drain off of Ferguson & Co.'s hog pens, as they daain in the road all the water from the south side of their pork house, thereby making it impassible in wet weather and a stiff dirty mud when drying up, thereby injuring our horses, hearses and carriages

And your petitioners will ever pray.

Elijah Hedges, Lyons, Shaw & Co., David Kregelo & Son, George Grinsteinner, F- J. Hurmann, Weaver & Wert, Renihan, Long & Hedges.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with power to act.

Mr. Craft offered the following motion :

Moved, That Dr. Brown, former Gas Inspector, be employed by the Committee on Gas to test the quality of the gas furnished to the city and citizens, and report to this Council on next Monday night.

The motion was amended by adding "the cost of such services not to exceed \$100.00."

The motion, as amended, was referred to the committee with power to act.

Mr. Darnell offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby ordered to build two platforms on the east bank of the canal, one on Fourth street and one on Second street, for the use of the fire engines in case of a fire in that locality, as there is no fire cistern in that neighborhood.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Marshal notify Dr. Pierce to make his old building located on North Mississippi street, between Fourth and Fifth street, to place the same in a good, safe condition, or take the same down within fifteen days from this date, January 10, 1876.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Diffley offered the following motion :

Moved, That Messrs. English & Smith, contractors, be and are hereby granted an extension of time until April, if necessary, to complete their contract for laying sidewalk on south side of Kentucky avenue, from Mississippi to West streets, also the same extension for contract for similar work on east side of West street between South and Maryland streets.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the property owners on West street, between Washington and South streets, be and are hereby given permission to cover the center of said street to a width of twenty (20) feet with broken stone or coarse gravel, the same to be done at the expense of said property owners, and under the instruction and supervision of the City Civil Engineer.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the I. & St. L. R. R. Co. is hereby granted a permit to place a switch stand on Georgia between Missouri and West streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Dr. Hook offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to place a wooden culvert over the Ditch on Columbia avenue, at the intersection of Seventh street, and one at the intersection of Rohampton and Seventh street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Marshal be directed to notify the President of the I., P. & C. R. R. Co. to plank their railroad tracks at the following crossings: Home avenue, Lincoln avenue, and Eighth street.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That M. M. Hook have permission to brick the sidewalk in front of his property on Vermont street at his own expense; the City Engineer is hereby directed to set the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Madden offered the following motion :

Moved, That we now proceed to the election of three members of the Board of Managers of the City Work House.

Mr. Stratford moved to amend by postponing until after the completion of roll call.

Which amendment was accepted by Mr. Madden.

The motion, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Ransdell presented the following petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, January 13, 1875.

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

Gentlemen :—The undersigned would respectfully represent that about the year 1858, D. B. Cully, former City Clerk, made an account against me as indebtedness to the city after my time had expired as City Treasurer. I did not hesitate, but immediately gave the city an indemnifying bond and agreement, to secure the city of any claim I might be liable for, which bond and agreement was made a matter of record upon the records of Marian county, Indiana.

After a fair investigation, arbitration was had, and the case decided in 1864 in my favor. I have made diligent search for the original papers, but it is thought that they were lost in changing the old offices for the new.

I believe I have complied with all the requirements, and ask the City Council to instruct the honorable Mayor to enter full satisfaction in the county records.

And your petitioner will ever pray.

A. F. SHORTRIDGE.

Which was referred to the Mayor and City Attorney with power to act.

Mr. Reed offered the following motion :

Moved, That hereafter, in the case of the purchase of a new fire engine, the City Council alone shall have the authority to give the name to said engine, the name to be chosen by a majority of the members of the said City Council.

Mr. Gimber moved to refer to the Committee on Fire Department.

Which motion failed to pass by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Bollman, Buehrig, Curran, Gimber.
—4.

Negative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman, Ward and Webster.
—20.

Mr. Laughlin moved to lay the motion on the table.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Albershardt, Bollman Buehrig, Curran, Darnell, Diffley, Gimber, Hall, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Schmidt, Stratford, Ward and Webster.—16.

Negative—Councilmen Adams, Craft, Hook, Kahn, Reed and Thalman.—6.

Mr. Kenzel and Geiger refusing to vote.

Mr. Schmidt offered the following motion :

Moved, That the City Marshal notify Jake Crone to remove the dirt and ashes in front of his gate on Alabama street immediately.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be and he is hereby directed to advertise for bids for street lamps to burn coal oil or gasoline, said lamps to take the place of

the present street lamps of the city of Indianapolis, bids for said lamps to be received on Monday evening, January 24th, 1876. The City Civil Engineer and Committee on Gas are also directed to test all oil lamps presented for trial, and report the result to this Council on Monday evening, January 24th, 1876, together with the cost per year of running each of the different lamps presented.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Light.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby directed to fill up the hole at the intersection of Home avenue and Pennsylvania street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with power to act.

Dr. Stratford offered the following motion :

Moved, That Chas. Wonnell be allowed to bridge the gutter in front of his shop on Virginia avenue, at his own expense.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Chief Fire Engineer be and is hereby instructed to have the new engine, now in course of construction, named "Dan. Glazier," in honor of our late distinguished chief.

Mr. Darnell moved to refer to the Committee on Fire Department.

Dr. Stratford moved to amend by instructing Chief Fire Engineer to have the name of Daniel Glazier erased from the No. 1 hook and ladder truck.

Mr. Darnell moved as a substitute for the whole matter to instruct the Chief Fire Engineer to have the name of "Daniel Glazier" engraved on the No. 1 Engine, stationed on Indiana avenue.

Which substitute was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Curran,

Darnell, Duffley, Hook, Kahn, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Thalman, Ward and Webster—14.

Negative—Councilmen Bollman, Buehrig, Geiger, Gimber, Hall, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, McGill and Stratford—10.

Mr. Thalman presented the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, January 10, 1875.

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

Gentlemen :—We, the undersigned property holders on Ellis street, between Georgia and Maryland streets, hereby protest against the ordinance introduced in Council Friday evening, December 3, 1875, for the improvement of said street.

Witness our hands this 10th day of December, 1875.

J. S. Carey, 180 ft. on said street; A. & H. Minter, 180 ft. on west side; John Rupp, 90 ft. on east side; David McVea, 60 ft. on west side; Geo. Buchter, 60 ft. on west side; Fred. J. Lang, 30 ft. on west side.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Mr. Thalman offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commlsioner be directed to put in a wooden or cement pipe culvert across the ditch on the north side of Michigan street, at the crossing of California street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be directed to lower the top of the cistern at the corner of Indiana avenue and St. Clair street to the grade of the street.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Marshal be directed to notify the Citizens' Street Railway Co. to repair the bouldered street between their tracks, from Meridian street to its

western terminus on West Washington street. If not complied with within 15 days the Street Commissioner be directed to have said work done, and collect the expense from said company.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the property owners on the west side of Washington street, at the corner of Washington and Missouri street, to repair the pavement ; also the property owners near the corner of West street, to put down the pavement in good order that was taken up some months ago, and if said order is not complied with within twenty days, that the Street Commissioner do said work, and collect the same from the said property owners.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Ward offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, be and is hereby directed to place a wooden culvert over the gutter, at the intersection of Plum street and Massachusetts avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the City Marshal be and is hereby directed to notify the I, P & C. Railroad Co. to plank with two-inch oak planks between and two feet on either side of their switching tracks where they cross St. Clair street, said work to be done within ten days, and in case of said company failing to do the same, the Street Commissioner shall plank the said crossing and collect the expense thereof from the said Railroad Co.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to place a wooden culvert over a drain that crosses the road leading to the Pest House, just north of the Crawfordsville pike.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to properly place in position the perforated iron crossings on Pennsylvania street north of St. Clair.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Adams asked leave to have his vote changed from the negative to the affirmative, on the motion offered by Mr. Reed in relation to naming steam fire engines.

Which was granted.

The matter of electing three Work House Commissioners was then taken up.

Mr. Madden offered the following :

I place in nomination the following named persons to serve for one, two and three years, respectively, from the 1st of May, 1876 : Thomas H. Sharpe, John W. Murphy, Col. B. C. Shaw.

Mr. Darnell nominated Arthur L. Wright.

Mr. Buehrig moved to adjourn.

Which motion was adopted and the Council adjourned by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Albershardt, Bollman, Buehrig, Curran, Duffley, Geiger, Gimber, Kenzel, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Reed and Stratford—13.

Negative—Councilmen Adams, Craft, Darnell, Hall, Hook, Kahn, Ransdell, Schmidt, Thalman, Ward and Webster—11.

JOHN CAVEN, Mayor.

Attest :

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.