

# PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

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## REGULAR SESSION—NOVEMBER 19, 1878.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis met in the Aldermanic Chamber, on Tuesday evening, November 19th, A. D. 1878, at eight o'clock, in regular session.

**PRESENT**—His Honor, the President, Wm. D. Wiles, in the Chair, and Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and Stratford—9.

**ABSENT**—Alderman Chandler—1.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen, for the regular session, held on November 5th, 1878, having been printed, and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said proceedings were duly approved as published.

### MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message from the Common Council was read :

To the Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen* :—At a regular session of the Common Council, held last evening (November 18th, 1878), said body reconsidered all its previous action on that subject, and determined to retain all the Fire Department apparatus in the service.

I hereby notify you of this action, for your consideration of the same.

For the Common Council :

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

On Alderman Foster's motion, the Board of Aldermen determined to adhere to its action of 5th instant [see page 577, *ante*], by and through which, by partial concurrence with previous Council action, the Fire Board was instructed to put No. 7 Fire Engine out of service.

The following message from the Common Council was duly received :

To the Board of Aldermen :

*Gentlemen* :—I herewith transmit certain papers, which were favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its regular session, held last evening (November 18th, 1878), for your action upon same.

For the Common Council :

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.

Mayor Caven's report of the amount of fines (\$57.65) by him collected and paid into the city treasury, during the month of October, 1878 [see page 583, *ante*], was read; and the action of the Common Council, in approving such report, was duly concurred in.

City Civil Engineer's report of the following estimates was read:

A first and final estimate in behalf of John Greene, for improving Beech street, from Valley Drive to Lawrence street, by grading and graveling the roadway thereof—

2199½ lineal feet, at 16½ cents.....	\$362 91
15 yards extra gravel, at culvert, at 60 cents.....	9 00
<b>Total amount .....</b>	<b>\$371 91</b>

Also, a first and final estimate in behalf of R. P. Dunning, for improving McCarty street, from Delaware street to East street, by bowldering the gutters, and paving with brick and curbing with stone the sidewalks thereof—

2797.6 lineal feet bowldering, at 28 cents.....	\$783 33
2740.9 lineal feet curbing, at 33 cents .....	904 49
2380.4 lineal feet paving, at 26½ cents.....	630 80
Extra work on gutter.....	75
<b>Total estimate .....</b>	<b>\$2,319 37</b>

Also, a first and final estimate in behalf of John Schier, for improving Hoyt avenue, from Dillon street to Linden street, by grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalks thereof—

2082 lineal feet, at 24½ cents .....	\$510 09
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Also, a first and final estimate in behalf of James Mahoney, for improving the first alley south of Elizabeth street, from Blake street to Douglass street, by grading and graveling—

579.75 lineal feet, at 13 cents .....	\$75 36
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Also, a first and final estimate in behalf of John L. Hanna, for improving the third alley east of the intersection of Clifford avenue and Pendleton Pike, from Pendleton Pike to the first alley south of Pendleton Pike, by grading and graveling—

270 lineal feet, at 8½ cents.....	\$22 50
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Also, a corrected first and final estimate in behalf of James Mahoney, for grading and graveling East street and sidewalks (except where the sidewalks have already been properly improved), from Morris street to Minnesota street—

1164 lineal feet, at 23 cents.....	\$267 72
1164 lineal feet, at 35 cents.....	407 40
2781.5 lineal feet, at 39 cents .....	1,084 78
17.4 cubic yards ditch excavation, at 15 cents.....	2 61
63.6 cubic yards extra gravel at street intersection, at 50 cents.....	31 80
<b>Total estimate.....</b>	<b>\$1,794 31</b>
<b>Former estimate.....</b>	<b>1,794 31</b>

This estimate is reported to correct error in assessing wrong property owner.

Also, a first and partial estimate in behalf of Henry C. Roney, for building a fire-cistern at the intersection of Huron and Laurel streets—

2423.43 barrels, at 32 cents.....	\$775 50
2 cistern rings and covers, as per bill.....	16 87
Total.....	\$792 37
Less 15 per cent. withheld.....	118 00
Present estimate.....	\$674 37

Alderman Foster stated that he had been informed that R. P. Dunning had used soft brick on a portion of his McCarty street contract; and, on his motion, the second estimate set forth in preceding report, together with the resolution allowing the same, were referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with instructions to investigate the complaint made, and to report thereon at the next meeting of this body.

The action of the Common Council, in approving the other items of preceding report [see pages 583 and 584, *ante*], was then duly approved.

The following estimate resolution [which had been duly adopted by the Common Council—see page 585, *ante*] was read:

*Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed John Greene, for improving Beech street, from Valley Drive to Lawrence street, by grading and graveling the roadway thereof, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.*

And was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution [which had been duly adopted by the Common Council—see page 585, *ante*] was also read:

*Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed John Schier, for improving Hoyt avenue, from Dillon street to Linden street, by grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalks thereof, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.*

And was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution [which had been duly adopted by the Common Council—see page 586, *ante*] was also read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed James Mahoney, for improving the first alley south of Elizabeth street, from Blake street to Douglass street, by grading and graveling, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles,

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution [which had been duly adopted by the Common Council—see page 586, ante] was also read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, That the foregoing first and final estimate, allowed John L. Hanna, for improving the third alley east of the intersection of Clifford avenue and Pendleton Pike, from Pendleton Pike to the first alley south of Pendleton Pike, by grading and graveling, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution [which had been duly adopted by the Common Council—see page 586, ante] was also read :

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, That the foregoing corrected first and final estimate, allowed James Mahoney, for grading and graveling East street and sidewalks (except where the sidewalks have already been properly improved), from Morris street to Minnesota street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

City Clerk's report that the following affidavits had been filed in his office, for the collection of street assessments by precept :

Fred. Gansberg vs. M. and Otto Caylor, for.....	\$17 20
Fred. Gansberg vs. Wm. H. Morrison, for.....	17 20
Fred. Gansberg vs. Anna M. Winkle, for.....	10 05
John Greene vs. Samuel Hanway, for.....	6 65
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John Greene vs. Samuel Hanway, for .....	22 17
John Greene vs. James F. Phillips, for.....	4 03
Robert P. Dunning vs. Louis Kolb, for.....	54 00
Robert P. Dunning vs. Louis Kolb, for.....	54 00
David A. Haywood vs. Talbott Bullard's Heirs, viz.: Katharine Bullard, Wm. H. Bullard, and Harry F. Bullard, for.....	179 33

and recommending that the precepts be ordered to issue [see page 587, *ante*], was read; and the action of Common Council, in approving such recommendation and in ordering the precepts to issue, was concurred in by the following vote :

**AYES**, 8—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, and President Wiles.

**NAYS**—None.

The following report from the City Attorney was read :

*Indianapolis*, November 18, 1878.

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

*Gentlemen*.—I would report that, since the last meeting, the case of Stanton Turner vs. The City has been tried in the Superior Court, and resulted in a verdict of \$5,000 against the city.

This was a case where the plaintiff, a member of the Fire Department, while going to a fire, drove over a large stone lying in what was claimed to be a street of the city, and was injured in such a manner that his right leg had to be amputated.

The principal questions in the case were, Whether the place where the accident happened was a public street? and Whether the city had ever accepted and adopted it as such? And, in this case, these questions were largely questions of law, as there was very little conflict in the evidence. Under these circumstances, I am of the opinion that the law of the case should be settled by the higher courts; and I would, therefore, recommend that the case be appealed.

Respectfully submitted,

R. O. HAWKINS, City Attorney.

And the action of the Common Council, in ordering the appeal of the Turner case, as in preceding report recommended [see page 587, *ante*], was duly concurred in.

Report from same officer, stating that the case of William C. Thompson and others vs. The City (to avoid assessment of about \$14,000 for construction of N. Illinois street sewer) had been tried in the Superior Court, before a jury, and had resulted in a verdict and judgment in favor of the city [see page 588, *ante*], was read, and was duly received.

Alderman Stratford appeared, and took his seat.

Aforesaid gentleman demanded, and was allowed, to have his vote on appeal of the Turner case recorded in the negative.

The following clauses in the report of the Board of Public Improvements [see pages 589 and 590, *ante*], were read :

1st. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to lower the street crossing of Meridian and McCarty streets.

We would recommend that instead of lowering said crossing, cinders or gravel be filled in on each side thereof.

2d. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to clean the gutters of Noble street, between Washington street and the P., C. & St. L. Railroad tracks.

We recommend this work be done.

4th. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to fill the chuck-holes in Kentucky avenue, between Missouri and West streets.

We recommend this work be done.

5th. Is a motion directing the City Civil Engineer to notify the contractor to bowlder the street and alley crossings along the present line of improvement, between Delaware and East streets, on McCarty street, *provided* said contractor will do the work at his present contract price, the entire cost not to exceed \$110.

We would recommend that only the alley-crossings be bowldered, and that the same be done by the Street Commissioner.

7th. Is a motion directing the Street Commissioner to clean the gutters of New Jersey street, between Massachusetts and Fort Wayne avenues.

We recommend said work be done.

9th. Is the report of the City Civil Engineer, estimating the cost of bowldering the intersection of Washington and Illinois streets.

This is an important and much-needed improvement, and we would recommend it be done at once, and that, in addition to the bowldering, there be four double-stone crossings laid at said intersection.

We would also recommend that the proper officer notify the Citizens' Street Railway Company of the city's intention to repair said intersection, and that they be ready to repair their portion at the same time.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen refused to approve the Council's favorable action on the recommendation made in the 1st clause of foregoing report.

The Council's concurrence in the recommendations made in the remaining clauses, was duly approved.

Report from Board of Health, giving a tabulated statement, by ages, of deaths registered in the City of Indianapolis, during the two weeks ending November 16th, 1878 [see page 590, *ante*], was read, and duly received.

Report from City Commissioners, in the matter of widening Shelby street, from Prospect street to the south corporation line [see pages 549 to 557, *ante*], was read; also, a petition from John Fike [see pages 557 and 558, *ante*], and the resolution approving the report of the City Commissioners [see page 591, *ante*], were read.

On Alderman Stratford's motion, the Fike petition was referred to the Aldermanic Committee on Opening, etc., Streets and Alleys, with instructions to report thereon at an adjourned meeting of this body, which, on his motion, was ordered to assemble on next Monday evening, the 25th instant.

The following report from the (joint) Committees on Finance was read :

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

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committees on Finance have examined sundry papers referred to them, and submit the following report:

*First.* We have examined the reports of the City Clerk and City Treasurer, showing receipts and payments for month of October, 1878, and find said reports to be correct.

*Second.* Is a motion by Councilman Rodibaugh, asking that the Market Committees be allowed to expend \$100 in fixing up East Market House.

Some improvements and repairs are badly needed, and we recommend that the motion be passed.

*Third.* Is Chief Fire Engineer Jno. G. Pendergast's report, for quarter ending September 1st, 1878.

This report shows a detailed and itemized account of receipts, payments, and expenses of the Fire Department for supplies for said quarter. It shows that the expenses are carefully guarded, and the money received is accurately accounted for.

*Fourth.* Are reports of ex-Chief Fire Engineer Sherwood, for years ending May 15th, 1877, and May 15th, 1878.

These reports are not satisfactory to your committees. They do not state from whom the money was received, or to whom a large portion of it was paid.

These reports also show a balance of \$295 to be due the city for condemned horses and old material, sold and not paid for.

We recommend that the City Attorney be directed to investigate the matter, and ascertain who are liable for this amount due the city, and that he take such action as will best secure to the city the amount due.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. WRIGHT,  
S. MORRIS,  
JAMES T. LAYMAN,  
S. SHOWALTER,  
G. SINDLINGER,  
J. M. RIDENOUR,  
T. E. CHANDLER,  
D. MUSSMANN.

And the action of the Common Council, in concurring in the several clauses of foregoing report [see page 592, *ante*], was duly approved.

Legal opinion from Council Judiciary Committee and City Attorney, in answer to motion of Councilman Morris [for which see page 567, *ante*], in which it is set forth that the Citizens' Street Railway Company had been recently violating its charter-ordinance in the kind of rails laid and in the method of laying same, and stating that the remedy for this wrongdoing is a notice to the company to make such change as is required by such charter-ordinance, and, upon refusal, to remove the tracks [see pages 592 and 593, *ante*], was read; and the action of the Common Council, in approving such opinion, was duly concurred in.

The following report from the Council and Aldermanic Committees on Markets was read :

Indianapolis, November 18, 1878.

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

*Gentlemen*:—Your Committees on Markets would report that one H. Roemer, who has been occupying a stand upon the West Market for some fourteen weeks, has failed and refused to pay the market charges as fixed by your committees and adopted by the Council and Board; that he still refuses to pay any of such charges; and he has also induced other persons to refuse to pay their fees, fixed as aforesaid, and has thereby caused a great deal of trouble, and prevented the Market-Master from collecting the dues, of which a part belongs to the city.

We are of the opinion that said Roemer should be expelled from said market, and prohibited from occupying any stand at said market. We would, therefore, recommend that said stand, so occupied by him, be declared vacant, and that he be expelled from the market; and that the Market-Master be instructed to remove his stand from the market, and prohibit and prevent him from occupying any place in said market until he shall have paid all amounts now due for the stand heretofore occupied by him.

Respectfully submitted,

OMER RODIBAUGH,  
GEORGE ANDERSON,  
J. M. BRUNER,  
H. COBURN,  
W. F. PIEL,  
Committees on Markets.

And the action of the Common Council, in concurring in the recommendation therein contained [see page 593, *ante*], was duly approved.

Petition from sundry citizens, in the vicinity of No. 7 Engine House, asking the Common Council and Board of Aldermen to reconsider their action discontinuing from service Steam Fire-Engine No. 7 [see page 597, *ante*], was read, and duly received.

[The Common Council receded from its action in the matter—see page 598, *ante*; but the Board of Aldermen determined to adhere—see page 603, *ante*.]

Petition from sundry citizens, with regard to obstruction of a certain sidewalk of Russell avenue [see page 601, *ante*], was read; and then, on motion of Alderman Stratford, said petition was referred to the Aldermanic Committee on Streets and Alleys and the City Attorney, with instructions to report a remedy, by ordinance or otherwise, for this and similar cases.

The following Council motions were read, and were severally adopted:

That Anthony Prange be granted permission to lay a brick sidewalk in front of his new store, Nos. 308 and 310 Massachusetts avenue—the work to be done at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That Theodore Dietz and Anthony Prange be granted permission to lay a stone crossing over Massachusetts avenue, at Oak street—the work to be done at their own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That thirty days' additional time be granted John Low, in which to complete his contract on the first alley west of Blake street, from New York to Michigan street.

That John Matz be granted permission to fill a dead well in front of No. 286 W. Washington street, at his own expense.

That the attention of the proper authorities be called to the continued violation of the [huckster] licensing section of the market ordinance. But few of those coming properly within the provisions of said ordinance have complied therewith.

That Christian Karle and Daniel Kiley be granted permission to bridge twelve feet of the gutter and plank twelve feet of the sidewalk, at No. 187 Indiana avenue, so as to make a driveway to their wagon and blacksmith shop; also to bridge and plank the same amount on North street, to enter same shop—work to be substantially done, under the supervision of the City Civil Engineer, and at their own expense.

That the Board of Public Improvements be directed to put a new gate and post at the main entrance to Greenlawn Cemetery.

That the Board of Police and Hospital Board be authorized to contract with the Indiana District Telephone Company for putting up and maintaining telephonic connection between Central Police Station, City Court Room, Sixth street Station, and City Hospital, at an expense not exceeding \$5 per month; and that said company be allowed the use of the Fire-Alarm Telegraph poles for the use of their wires for said purpose.

That C. H. Smith be permitted to move a house from the corner of Morris and Meridian streets, about a half square north on Meridian street—said work to be done within one week.

That Isaac M. Levy be granted a license as auctioneer, at 96 E. Washington street, for the term of one year, subject to the ordinances of the city in such cases made and provided.

#### NEW BUSINESS.

The Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals, through Alderman Ridenour, submitted the following report; and the recommendation, therein contained, was duly concurred in:

To the Board of Aldermen:

The Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals, to whom was referred the following motion—

That the Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals be instructed to inspect the ponds near east bank of White River, in the vicinity of the Michigan street bridge, with a view to suggest the best and most economical means of abating the public nuisance arising from the same—

Report that they have visited the localities indicated in the motion, and find quite a number of ponds, and some of large proportions, made by the original bed of one branch of Fall Creek and bayous connecting therewith, from which running water was turned, by the construction of the levee over it at its intersection with the main stream. There is evident need of these depressions being filled, or drained by a continuous straight ditch from the levee into the river below, to prevent the stagnant water and its evil effects. In either case, it would require a large outlay of money, which, of course, the city could not undertake, and would perhaps be oppressive to the owners of the land.

In view of all the facts, your committee would recommend that the City Engineer be instructed to inspect the premises, and report the best and most feasible manner to make the improvement desired, and the estimated cost thereof (which information will be both for the city and the owners of the property), when further action may be taken.

J. M. RIDENOUR,  
W. H. SNIDER,  
R. S. FOSTER.

The Judiciary Committee, through Alderman Grubbs, submitted the following report :

To the President and Board of Aldermen :

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred certain papers from the Common Council, have considered the same, and report as follows :

*First.* Is a communication from the Board of County Commissioners, asking that all cases that could be tried in the Mayor's Court, as violations of the city ordinances, be so tried.

We recommend that the action of the Common Council, instructing the city officers to prosecute in the Mayor's Court all cases that can be so prosecuted, be concurred in.

*Second.* Is a motion of Councilman McKay—"That the Common Council and Board of Aldermen recommend that all city officers be paid by salary, and that no fees or per cent. be allowed such officers."

Your committee recommend that the action of the Council be concurred in, and the motion adopted.

D. W. GRUBBS,  
J. M. RIDENOUR,

I concur in the second section of this report.

I. W. STRATFORD,  
Committee on Judiciary.

On demand, the "ayes and nays" were called upon the recommendation made in the first clause of preceding report ; and said recommendation was duly concurred in by the following vote :

AYES, 6—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Ridenour, and Snider.

NAYS, 3—viz.: Aldermen Piel, Stratford, and President Wiles.

The second clause of foregoing report was concurred in by a *viva voce* vote.

The Committee on Railroads, through Alderman Ridenour, submitted the following report ; which was duly concurred in :

To the Board of Aldermen :

The committee, to whom was referred the motion requiring flagmen to use lanterns after dark, etc., report that, in their opinion, the action asked for would not be attended with any beneficial results.

J. M. RIDENOUR.

The Committee on Public Schools submitted the following report ; which was duly concurred in :

To the President and Board of Aldermen :

The Joint Committees on Public Schools, to whom was referred the matter of vacation of Arsenal Park Addition, on petition of Stoughton J. Fletcher, would report that since said reference was made (to-wit, on October 14th, 1878), S. J. Fletcher executed a deed of dedication to public use of all that portion of Ohio street embraced in said Arsenal Park Addition, which deed is, so far, a relief from the objection to the general vacation of said Addition.

Yet, in the opinion of your committees, the prayer of the petitioner should not now be granted, for the reasons that said Addition was platted and put on the market at high figures, and many persons settled east of it, on lower-priced ground; and, on this record, the School Board located and built a valuable school-house, looking to the future as well as the present accommodation of all the platted ground in its immediate neighborhood. A vacation of this plat, and enclosing the same from the public, would be a public detriment to that section of the city; and the only reason that can be assigned for such vacation is, to avoid city taxation. This your committee believe to be against public policy, as the public have vested rights in this case; therefore would advise that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted, but that he may be allowed to revise the same, so as to conform its streets to those streets in the city which, when extended, would pass through it.

J. M. RIDENOUR,  
D. W. GRUBBS,  
I. W. STRATFORD.

Alderman Coburn offered the following resolution :

WHEREAS, Certain property owners on Railroad street, between St. Clair street and Massachusetts avenue, have fenced the same, and have erected buildings in said street; Therefore,

*Resolved (the Common Council concurring),* That the City Marshal, under the direction and advice of the City Attorney, notify the parties to move the fences and buildings from the street; and, if not done at once, to take the proper measures to re-open the same.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, Stratford, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

Alderman Grubbs submitted the following claim; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims and the City Attorney :

THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS to CLAYPOOL & KETCHAM,	Dr.
To fee in the case of John S. Kennedy, Trustee, v. The City of Indianapolis <i>et al.</i> , in the U. S. Circuit Court.....	\$2,500 00

Alderman Mussmann offered the following motion; which, at his request, was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with power to act :

That the Street Commissioner be ordered to fill up the chuck-holes in Russell avenue.

Alderman Ridenour offered the following motions; which were severally adopted:

That the Board of Public Improvements be instructed to inquire into the matter of protecting the west bank of White River, above and below the Michigan street bridge, by planting the bank, freely, with willows, and, if thought the most feasible and economic plan, to order the same done.

That the Street Railway Company be forbidden from taking or using the broken stone taken from their road-bed on E. Washington street, beyond the amount necessary to fill their said roadway; and that the Street Commissioner be instructed to take charge of the same at once, and save the same for future repairs of said E. Washington street.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to deposit on the Michigan street embankment, with a view of widening the same, from the bluff to the river bridge, all the street scrapings or other matter he may be required to move from all the territory west of, and including, Meridian street, north of Washington street and south of North street, and including those two streets—such deposits to be made at the necessary points, in his judgment, to protect the travel.

Alderman Stratford offered the following motion; which, at his request, was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with power to act:

That the Street Commissioner be directed to build a new culvert at the intersection of Olive street with Prospect street.

#### PENDING ORDINANCES—PROCEEDINGS HAD THEREON.

General Ordinances 51, 53, and 54, 1878, and Special Ordinance 51, 1878, were taken from the files, read the second time, and were severally ordered to be engrossed.

General Ordinance 55, 1878, was also taken from the files, and read the second time; and then, on Alderman Coburn's motion, said ordinance was referred to the Aldermanic Committee on Revision of Ordinances, with instructions to report it back, with recommendations, on next Monday evening.

The following entitled ordinance was then read the third time:

G. O. 51, 1878—An Ordinance requiring the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati & Indianapolis Railway Company and the Indianapolis, Peru & Chicago Railway Company to station a Flagman at their Davidson street crossing.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, Stratford, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was also read the third time:

G. O. 53, 1878—An Ordinance granting Cynthia Butsch the right to construct a Switch over, along, and upon certain lands of the City of Indianapolis.

And was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, Stratford, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was also read the third time :

G. O. 54, 1878—An Ordinance establishing a Wood-Market upon certain streets therein named.

And was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, Stratford, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was also read the third time :

S. O. 51, 1878—An Ordinance to provide for improving the first alley south of Prospect street, from Laurel street to Everson street, by grading and graveling.

And was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz.: Aldermen Coburn, Foster, Grubbs, Mussmann, Piel, Ridenour, Snider, Stratford, and President Wiles.

NAYS—None.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned, to meet next Monday evening, at the usual hour.

W. D. WILES, President.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.