

PROCEEDINGS OF JOINT CONVENTION.

FIFTH SESSION—NOVEMBER 20, 1879.

The Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis convened in Fifth Joint Convention for the year 1879-1880, in the Council Chamber, on Thursday evening, November 20th, A. D. 1879, in compliance with the following call:

Indianapolis, November 20, 1879.

To His Honor, Mayor John Caven, President of Joint Conventions:

Sir:—The undersigned, Councilmen and Aldermen, respectfully request your Honor to call a Joint Convention of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen on this (Thursday) evening, at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of electing a "Clerk for the Committees," &c., of said bodies.

H. E. Drew,	F. J. VanVorhis,
H. Seibert,	F. W. Hamilton,
John Newman,	C. F. Rooker,
D. Mussmann,	C. F. Wiese,
T. E. Chandler,	Jas. T. Dowling,
J. M. Ridenour,	Peter F. Bryce,
W. F. Piel,	D. W. Grubbs.

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

Gentlemen:—In answer to a request presented by several Councilmen and Aldermen, I hereby notify you to meet in Joint Convention this (Thursday) evening, for the purpose of electing a "Clerk for the Committees, etc., of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen," under the provisions of an ordinance passed on November 17th and 19th, 1879.

Respectfully yours,

J. CAVEN, President of Joint Convention.

November 20th, 1879.

The roll was called at eight o'clock P. M.

PRESENT—His Honor, Mayor Caven, President of the Joint Convention, in the chair, and Aldermen Chandler, Drew, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, President Ridenour, and Councilmen Dowling, Hamilton, O'Connor, Rooker, Shepard, Shilling, VanVorhis, Wiese, and Wood—17.

ABSENT—Aldermen Coburn, Grubbs, Layman, and Councilmen Bermann, Bieler, Brown, Bryce, Carey, Downey, Harmening, Kahn, King, Lamb, Morrison, McGinty, McKay, Pearson, Prier, and Tucker—19.

There being no quorum, on motion by Councilman Hamilton, the City Marshal was instructed to notify absentees to present themselves.

At half-past eight o'clock a second roll-call was had.

PRESENT—His Honor, Mayor Caven, President of the Joint Convention, in the chair, and Aldermen Chandler, Drew, Grubbs, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, President Ridenour, and Councilmen Dowling, Hamilton, O'Connor, Rooker, Sheppard, VanVorhis, and Wiese—16.

ABSENT—Aldermen Coburn, Layman, and Councilmen Bermann, Bieler, Brown, Bryce, Carey, Downey, Harmening, Kahn, King, Lamb, Morrison, McGinty, McKay, Pearson, Prier, Shilling, Tucker, and Wood—20.

There being no quorum, the members present decided to wait until nine o'clock, for absentees.

At nine o'clock a third roll-call was had.

PRESENT—His Honor, Mayor Caven, President of the Joint Convention, in the chair, and Aldermen Chandler, Drew, Mussmann, Newman, Piel, Seibert, President Ridenour, and Councilmen Dowling, Hamilton, O'Connor, Rooker, Sheppard, VanVorhis, and Wiese—15.

ABSENT—Aldermen Coburn, Grubbs, Layman, and Councilmen Bermann, Bieler, Brown, Bryce, Carey, Downey, Harmening, Kahn, King, Lamb, Morrison, McGinty, McKay, Pearson, Prier, Shilling, Tucker, and Wood—21.

There being no quorum, Councilman VanVorhis moved that this Joint Convention take a recess until to-morrow evening, at half-past seven o'clock; and that the City Marshal be instructed to notify all members not answering to roll-call, to be present to-morrow evening, and that he make a written report of the answer of each member to such summons, whether he will be present or not.

Which motion was adopted.

The Joint Convention then took a recess until to-morrow evening (November 21st), at half-past seven o'clock.

JOHN CAVEN, Mayor,
President of Joint Convention.

Attest: JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk,
Secretary of Joint Convention.