

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION—JULY 5, 1880.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, on Monday evening, July 5th, A. D. 1880, at eight o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. John Caven, Mayor, and, *ex officio*, President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 25 members, viz: Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Prier, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

ABSENT—None.

The Proceedings of the Common Council, for the regular session held on June 21st, 1880, having been printed, and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

Sealed proposals for making the below described improvements were opened, read, and referred to the Committees on Contracts:

(S. O. 32, 1880)—For grading and graveling East street and sidewalks, from Minnesota street to Raymond street.

(S. O. 66, 1880)—For bowldering the east gutter, and curbing the outer edge of the east sidewalk, of Alabama street (where not already bowldered and curbed,) from Pogue's Run to the railway track.

For building one 1,200 barrel cistern, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, at or near the corner of Hill and Union streets.

For furnishing and erecting a drinking fountain, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, at the northwest corner of Dillon street and Fletcher avenue.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEES ON CONTRACTS.

The Committees on Contracts, through Councilman Thalman, submitted the following report; which was concurred in, and the several contracts awarded as recommended:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen.—Your Committees on Contracts, to whom was referred sundry proposals, presented to Council June 21, 1880, have examined the same and find them to be as follows :

1. For grading and graveling Ohio street and sidewalks, from Arsenal avenue to State avenue.

John Schier, 74 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 H. C. Roney, 68 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Thos. A. Greene, 65 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Richard Carr, 63 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 J. H. Forrest, 60 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Henry Clay, 57 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 J. L. Spaulding, 56 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 James Mahoney, 55 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

James Mahoney being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

2. For grading and graveling McKernan street and sidewalks, from Buchanan street to the south line of out lot No. 99.

Henry Clay, 64 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 H. C. Roney, 60 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 John Schier, 57 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Thos. A. Greene, 52½ cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Richard Carr, 50 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Fred Gansberg, 50 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 James Mahoney, 49½ cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 J. L. Spaulding, 48 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 John Flaherty, 44 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 C. T. Langhorne, 42½ cents per lineal foot front on each side.

C. T. Langhorne being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

3. For grading and graveling Atwood street and sidewalks, from the south line of out-lot No. 99 to Sanders street.

Henry C. Roney, 75 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Thos. A. Greene, 52½ cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 J. L. Spaulding, 50 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 James Mahoney, 50 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Richard Carr, 48 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

Richard Carr being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

4. For re-graveling the first alley south of Harrison street, running from Harrison street to Cedar street.

C. T. Langhorne, 14 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Richard Carr, 10 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 James Mahoney, 9 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

James Mahoney being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

5. For grading and bouldering the alley between Pennsylvania and Meridian streets, from Georgia street to the south line of lot 6, square 97.

Henry C. Roney, \$1.00 per lineal foot front on each side.
 Dunning & Hudson, 93 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Fred Gansberg, 89 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

Fred Gansberg being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

6. For grading and graveling Spruce street and sidewalks, between Prospect street and Pleasant Run.

- John Schier, 68½ cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Dunning & Hudson, 67 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Richard Carr, 65 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 James Mahoney, 65 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Henry Clay, 63 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Fred Gansberg, 63 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 J. L. Spaulding, 57 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 C. T. Langhorne, 50 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

C. T. Langhorne being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

7. For grading and paving with brick the sidewalks, and curbing the outer edge with stone, and bouldering the gutters of Pearl street, between Delaware street and Alabama street, (where not already properly paved, curbed or bouldered.)

- James Mahoney, 30 cents per lineal foot front on each side for paving; 40 cents per lineal foot front on each side for curbing, and 16 cents per lineal foot front on each side for bouldering.
 Henry C. Roney, 30 cents per lineal foot front on each side for paving; 38 cents per lineal foot front on each side for curbing, and 14 cents per lineal foot front on each side for bouldering.
 John Schier, 27 cents per lineal foot front on each side for paving; 36 cents per lineal foot front on each side for curbing, and 9 cents per lineal foot front on each side for bouldering.

John Schier having failed to file his bond for other work awarded him, we do not consider his bid, and believing Henry C. Roney's proposition to be a low one, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

8. For grading and graveling the first alley east of Union street, from Morris street to Hanway street.

- Henry C. Roney, 29 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Fred Reisner, 28 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 Richard Carr, 28 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 James Mahaney, 25 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 John Flaherty, 24 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
 J. L. Spaulding, 22 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

J. L. Spaulding being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

9. For grading, and paving with brick, the east sidewalk of West street (where not already paved), from St. Clair street to First street.

- Henry C. Roney, 65 cents per lineal foot front.
 John Schier, 49 cents per lineal foot front.

John Schier's bid not being considered, on account of failure to file his contract and bond in other cases, and there being only one other bid, which we consider a high one, we recommend that the City Civil Engineer be directed to re-advertise for new proposals.

10. For improving Malott avenue, from Alvord street to Columbia avenue; by grading and bouldering the gutters, and curbing with stone, and paving with brick the sidewalks thereof, except where already bouldered, curbed and paved.

- John L. Hanna, \$1.20 per lineal foot front on each side.
 Richard Carr, 40 cents per lineal foot front on each side for bouldering; 37 cents per lineal foot front on each side for curbing, and 35 cents per lineal foot front on each side for paving.
 R. P. Dunning & Hudson, 37 cents per lineal foot front on each side for bouldering; 37 cents per lineal foot front on each side for curbing, and 36 cents per lineal foot front on each side for paving.

Henry C. Roney, 36 cents per lineal foot front on each side for bowldering:
38 cents per lineal foot front on each side for curbing, and 36 cents per
lineal foot front on each side for paving.

There being tie bids, and believing the same to be reasonable, we recommend the contract be awarded to Henry C. Roney.

11. For building one 1,800 barrel cistern, under the direction of City Civil Engineer, at or near the corner of Ash street and Tenth street.

H. C. Roney, 75 cents per barrel.

John Schier, 44½ cents per barrel.

J. Bly, 41 cents per barrel.

J. Bly being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Thalman,
James A. Pritchard,
E. H. Koller.
John Newman,
Committees.

The following contracts and bonds were presented and read; the contracts were severally concurred in, and the bonds approved:

Contract and bond of Richard Carr, for grading and graveling Atwood street and sidewalks, from the south line of Out-lot No. 99 to Sanders street. Penalty of bond, \$800; surety, John Schier.

Contract and bond of Fred. Gansberg, for grading and bowldering the alley between Pennsylvania and Meridian streets, from Georgia street to the south line of lot 6, square 97. Penalty of bond, \$900; surety, Richard Carr.

Contract and bond of Henry C. Roney, for improving Malott avenue, from Alvard street to Columbia avenue, by grading and bowldering the gutters, and curbing with stone and paving with brick the sidewalks thereof, except where already bowldered, curbed or paved. Penalty of bond, \$1,000; surety, Richard Carr.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., FROM THE MAYOR.

His Honor, Mayor Caven, presented the following invitation; which was received, and a vote of thanks tendered:

The citizens of Logansport request the attendance of city officials and Common Council at their grand celebration of the 104th anniversary of our nation's independence, Monday, July 5th, 1880. Orations, parades, fire department display, balloon ascension, races and fire-works are among the amusements.

Mayor Samuel L. Jacobs,
T. H. Bringham,
John Donaldson, Jr.,
Charles Ringleben,
Anthony Grusenmeyer,
W. S. Wright,

Committee on Invitations.

His Honor, Mayor Caven, presented the following petition; which was referred to the Joint Committees on Streets and Alleys:

To the Honorable Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Come now, Peter Leser and Mary Leser, and show to the honorable Council, that on 12th day of September, 1874, Peter C. Wetzel made a subdivision of a part of lot number 35, in the Peru & Indianapolis Railroad Company's south addition to the city of Indianapolis, in Marion County, Indiana, into twelve lots, and made and executed, and duly acknowledged a plat thereof, and caused the same to be duly recorded in Plat Book number 7, on page 34, of the Plat Book Records of Marion County, Indiana, thereby donating to the use of the public the alleys named and specified in said plat; and your petitioners file herewith a copy of said plat, and make the same a part hereof, showing the size of said lots, widths of said alleys, location, and surroundings. The each of said lots front on Morris street, and running south to a ten feet alley, and each of said lots is thirty feet front, except lot number 12, being only one foot, or twelve inches in width, and running back to said ten feet alley in the rear of said lots.

That your petitioners, or one of them, Mary Leser, is the owner of the lot immediately on the east of lot 12, of said Wetzel's subdivision, and adjoining to it, and that said Wetzel owns the land immediately south of her lot and joins hers on the south.

That there is an alley between lots 12 and 1 of 7 $\frac{58}{100}$ feet in width, running from Morris street south to the ten feet alley as shown by the following map:

That said Peter C. Wetzel has closed up both of said alleys, and refuses to open them, although donated to the public, and to the use of the public; the one running south from Morris street between lots 12 and 1, closed, on Morris street, as shown by the red lines drawn across said alley in the map filed herewith. And the ten feet alley in the rear of said lot 12, closed, as shown by the red lines drawn across said alley in the map filed herewith.

That your petitioners heretofore contracted with said Wetzel to purchase said lot 12 at his price, and pay him therefor, so that they could have an out-let, but that after the deed was written and the money deposited to his use, he refused to sign said deed and still refuses to do so, and has closed up said alleys more firmly than ever, by driving stakes therein and fencing them up.

That your petitioners have no outlet whatever, except on Morris street; that they have an interest with the general public, in said alleys so donated to the public by said Wetzel; that it would be greatly to the interest of the public, and add greatly to the convenience of the public, to have both of said alleys opened at the place and places where they are closed.

Wherefore your petitioners pray for a resolution, or order of Council, directing the Street Commissioner to open said alleys and remove said obstructions, and they ever pray.

PETER LESER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Peter Leser, this the 22d day of June, 1880.

[SEAL.]

WILLIAM C. NAYLOR, Notary Public.

His Honor, Mayor Caven, presented the following remonstrance; which, together with the ordinance, was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

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

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on Louisiana street, between East street and New Jersey street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance, providing for the laying of a brick sidewalk on said street, at the present time, and your remonstrants will ever pray.

M. A. Siddall, 57 feet; S. A. Wilson, 35 feet;
M. Crum, 50½ feet; Michael M. Madden, 35 feet; James M. Pigg, 28 feet; Margaret M. Miller, 148 feet; Parker S. Carson, 67 feet; Samuel Moore, 67 feet; Albert Leist, 40 feet; F. G. Appleton, by C. E. Coffin, agent, 53 feet.

His Honor, Mayor Caven, presented the following communication; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

Indianapolis, June 29, 1880.

The Members of the Board of Aldermen and the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Some of our worthy representatives in Council, having at your last meetings declared themselves unaware of the existence of ponds of stagnant water within the city limits, and having on that account deemed it unnecessary to take prompt action looking toward a speedy elimination of said ponds, and by their neglect, subjecting those living in the neighborhood of such disease-breeding spots to another fortnight's battle of fever and ague, we would earnestly beg your honorable body to take decisive measures and to direct a betterment of the matters complained of at once.

The ponds, we, in particular, complain about, are situated on the commons of the C. C. C. & I. R. R., east of Pine street and south of Michigan street. The immediate cause for gathering water here is in the deposits of manure from neighboring stables at the head and mouth of the tunnel, running underneath Vermont street, and by which the tunnel is choked so as to hinder the water from flowing off and thereby becoming stagnant. This stagnant water, together with the warm weather, soon decompose the grass and weeds of the grounds covered by the water, creating a most unbearable stench, bringing with it the elements of malaria, which every one will admit without seeing the locality.

In order to facilitate action in affairs pertaining to the city's health, we would recommend that the Board of Health and Street Commissioner be given reasonable authority, and be instructed to act promptly and without having to wait one or two weeks in order to have your honorable body to grant permission to fill up a mud hole or grade a gutter in order to have a little water flow off. Such little matters if done in time would cause but very little expense to the city, and save hundreds of dollars in doctor bills to our people.

We further suggest that it be made a duty of our police to daily inspect all tunnels, culverts and foot-bridges to see if the openings are liable to be clogged up, and if so, to procure a spade or hoe and remove the obstacles. Trusting that our prayer will be heeded at once, we remain the citizens of the Eighth Ward.

Theodore Stein, H. Seibert and others.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was received, and the estimates and assessments (presented therewith) severally approved:

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

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following estimates:

A first and final estimate in behalf of John Schier, for grading, and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of St. Clair street, from East street to Park avenue.

237 $\frac{1}{2}$ lineal feet, at 34 cents..... \$80 63

A first and final estimate in behalf of James Mahoney, for grading and bowldering the east gutter, and curbing with stone the outer edge of the east sidewalk (except where already curbed or bowldered) of Alabama street, from Louisiana street to South street.

413 lineal feet of bowldering, at 39 cents \$161 07
 00 " " curbing, at 36 cents..... 00 00

Total estimate..... \$161 07

A first and final estimate in behalf of David A. Haywood, for grading and graveling Newman street and sidewalks, from Hill avenue to Seventh street.

1741.7 lineal feet, at 60 cents.....\$1,044 95
 Extra, excavating ditch from Newman to Beeler streets—
 60 5-10 yards, at 18 cents..... 10 89

Total estimate.....\$1,055 84

Respectfully submitted,
 R. M. PATTERSON, City Civil Engineer.

The following estimate resolution was then read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of John Schier, for grading, and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of St. Clair street, from East street to Park avenue 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 it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Prier, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, and White.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution was also read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of James Mahoney, for grading and bowldering the east gutter, and curbing with stone, the outer edge of the east sidewalk (except where already curbed or bowldered) of Alabama street, from Louisiana street to South 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 it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Morrison, McKay, O'Conner, Pearson, Prier, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, and White

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution was also read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of David A. Haywood, for grading and graveling Newman street and sidewalks, from Hill avenue to Seventh 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 it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Dow-

ney, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Morrison, McKay, O'Conner, Pearson, Prier, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, and White.

NAYS—None.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was received, the contracts severally concurred in, and the bonds approved:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following contracts and bonds:

Contract and bond of R. P. Dunning and James W. Hudson, for grading and bowldering the gutters and curbing with stone, (except where already curbed and bowldered,) of Alabama street, from Wabash street to New York street.
Bond, \$1200; surety, Fred Gansberg and A. R. Baker.

Contract and bond of R. P. Dunning and James W. Hudson, for grading and bowldering West street, and grading the sidewalks to make a width of twenty-five feet, and curbing the outer edges thereof with stone, (except where already curbed,) from Washington street to Kentucky avenue.

Bond, \$12,000.00; surety, Fred Gansberg and A. R. Baker.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, City Civil Engineer.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following reports; which were received:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—I was directed to make survey and report whether it be practicable to construct a sewer from, and connecting with, the Illinois street sewer at Home avenue, thence by the most desirable route to the State ditch, thence east to Hill avenue.

Beg leave to report that I have made survey of said proposed line, and find that there is not fall enough; and even if there was, the Illinois street sewer, at said connection, is not large enough to carry off the water drained from such a large amount of territory.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, City Civil Engineer.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—I was directed by the Common Council to examine the first alley east of Tennessee street, between McCarty street and Ray street, and report whether said alley can be improved from 110 feet south of McCarty street.

Would report that I have made examination of the grounds, and find that said alley can be improved advantageously from the cross alley, 110 feet south of McCarty street, to Ray street.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, City Civil Engineer.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was referred to the Councilmen from the wards in which the proposed improvements are located:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of your honorable body, held June 21, 1880, a motion was adopted directing me to report a list of all the streets, alleys and sidewalks that have been ordered improved during the year, previous to May 15, 1880,

where the contractor has failed, in any way, to make said improvements, would report:

The contract for grading and paving, with brick, Madison avenue, from Nebraska street to the J. M. & I. R. R. Company's track, awarded to John Schier; bond filed and approved December 1, 1879; time given to complete contract, thirty days. No part of the work done.

Also, would report the following contract awarded, and contractor failing to file his bond: For grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of North street, from Illinois street to the I. C. & L. R. R. Company's track; awarded to John Schier, June 21 and 23, 1880.

Respectfully submitted,
R. M. PATTERSON, City Civil Engineer.

On motion by Councilman McKay, the action of the Common Council of December 1, 1879, in approving the contract and bond of John Schier, for grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalk. of Madison avenue, from Nebraska street to the J., M. & I. R. R. Co.'s tracks, was rescinded.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with power to act:

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

Gentlemen.—The horse belonging to my department has become disabled and broken down, and can be of no further use to me. I hope your honorable bodies will provide me with another at once, as it is very essential that I should have one in my work.

Respectfully submitted,
R. M. PATTERSON, City Civil Engineer.

The City Clerk submitted the following report:

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

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

R. P. Dunning and Jas. W. Hudson vs. Minerva and Almond A. Scott, for	\$3 90
Henry C. Roney vs. James Applegate et al., for.....	22 00
Henry C. Roney vs. G. E. Park (christian name unknown), for.....	16 50

And recommend that you order the precepts to issue.

Respectfully submitted,
JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

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

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Prier, Pritchard, Shilling, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Thalman.

The City Clerk submitted the following report; which was referred to the Joint Committees on Finance:

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

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit an itemized statement, showing the amount of orders drawn on the city treasury during the month of June, 1880:

Board of Health	\$210 50	
City Assessor's Department.....	725 75	
City Civil Engineer's Department.....	160 89	
City Dispensary.....	143 05	
City Hall.....	82 85	
City Hospital and Branch.....	884 65	
City Treasurer's percentage.....	369 15	
Damages and Costs.....	5,643 00	
Elections	698 50	
Fire Department.....	3,001 33	
Gas	5,119 18	
Incidentals	50 00	
Markets	3 50	
Market-Masters' Fees.....	105 90	
Parks	120 25	
Police	2,027 50	
Printing	408 01	
Station Houses.....	190 90	
Street Improvements.....	136 99	
Street Repairs.....	2,664 56	
Tomlinson Annuity	3,500 00	
Water Rent.....	7,302 80	
		\$33,549 26
School Fund.....		56,536 78
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Total.....		\$ 90,086 03

Respectfully submitted,

Jos. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The City Treasurer submitted the following report; which was referred to the Joint Committees on Finance:

Report of Wm. G. Wasson, City Treasurer, for the month of June, 1880.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand May 31st, 1880.....	\$366,670 09
From delinquent taxes.....	4,175 74
From tax sales.....	66 08
From auction licenses.....	10 00
From benefits.....	5 50
From dray licenses.....	1 50
From coal licenses.....	30 00
From dog licenses.....	1,632 75
From express licenses.....	9 70
From fines.....	38 17
From hack licenses.....	8 00
From hucksters' licenses.....	10 00
From market rents.....	870 00
From market masters' fees.....	328 18
From peddlers' licenses.....	80 00
From promiscuous.....	88 83
From tapping sewers.....	11 00
From interest on bonds ("Belt R. R.").....	15,000 00
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	\$389,035 54

DISBURSEMENTS.

For Board of Health.....	\$210 50
For City Assessor's Department.....	719 25
For City Civil Engineer's Department.....	163 54
For City Dispensary.....	143 05
For City Hall.....	82 85
For City Hospital and Branch.....	885 27
For City Treasurer's percentage.....	369 15
For damages and costs.....	5,643 00
For elections.....	562 50
For Fire Department.....	2,996 40
For gas.....	5,119 18
For incidental.....	53 50
For parks.....	104 97
For Police.....	2,103 25
For printing.....	405 51
For salary.....	406 26
For school fund.....	56,536 78
For station houses.....	94 80
For street improvements.....	136 99
For street repairs.....	2,779 41
For Tomlinson annuity.....	3,500 00
For water rent.....	7,302 80
For market-masters' fees.....	105 90
Balance on hand June 30, 1880.....	298,660 68
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	\$ 889,035 54

Respectfully submitted, W. G. WASSON, City Treasurer.
 To JOSEPH T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The City Attorney submitted the following report :

Indianapolis, July 5, 1880.

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

Gentlemen:—I beg leave to submit a report upon sundry motions referred to me, as follows:

First—Is a motion directing me to report whether the city at this time holds any interest in certain real estate along Fall Creek, donated by Mrs. Fleming and others for a public park. Upon examination I find that the lands donated by Mrs. Fleming were donated upon condition that the city should improve the same, and having failed to do so, the same were by direction of the Council and Board of Aldermen reconveyed to the donor. The Council and Board also afterwards ordered the balance of the lands, donated by others, to be reconveyed to the parties making the donation. I am not informed as to whether all of said conveyances have been made.

Second—Is motion in regard to the proposed improvement of north West street, from First street to where the same crosses the central canal, which was referred to me with directions to ascertain what rights or franchises the White River Gravel Road Company have in said street, and also what steps are necessary to condemn the rights of said company.

I find that the said gravel road company hold and own a right of way between the points named, and as such claim and have a vested interest, which the city cannot interfere with until proper steps are taken to condemn the same, under the right of eminent domain. The city has the power under her charter, in my judgment, to condemn so much of the highway as lies within the corporate limits.

The first proceeding necessary would be an ordinance or resolution declaring the

necessity for such condemnation, describing the parcel of the road proposed to be taken, and referring the matter to the City Commissioners to assess damages and benefits, and such further proceedings as notices, etc., as are provided for in ordinary street openings.

I might add however that the city may, if she sees proper, purchase the franchise of said company, provided a price can be agreed on, and thereby avoid the necessity of condemnation proceedings.

Third—Is a resolution directing me to report what steps are necessary, if any can be taken by the city, to procure a dissolution of the injunction of the United States Court against the opening of Dillon street.

On the application of the receivers of the C., C. & I. C. R. R. Co., a temporary restraining order was issued against said proposed opening. A motion was afterwards made on behalf of the city to dissolve said order, which motion was overruled. The city thereupon made application to said court for leave to make the said receivers parties to said condemnation proceedings, which application was referred to W. P. Fishback, Master, to take evidence as to the necessity for the opening of said street, and the injunction continued in force pending said reference. The opening of the street was then abandoned for the time being. Proceedings for the opening of said street having been renewed, the receivers of the railroad insist upon all their rights given them by said injunction, and I know of no way of procuring a dissolution of the injunction except by taking evidence before the Master, and thereby re-establishing the necessity for the opening of said street, and if this should be shown to the satisfaction of the court, I have no doubt the injunction would be dissolved and permission given to make the receivers parties to the proceedings.

I might say further that I have been informed by Mr. Fishback that there is a strong probability that there will be a settlement of the matters involved in the receivership in a short time, and in that event the settlement of the case would of itself relieve the city from the injunction. In view of the probable expense that might be incurred by taking evidence before the Master, together with the fact that we may be able to reach the same result by a reasonable delay, I would recommend that the matter be postponed for the present at least.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. HENRY, City Attorney.

The first clause was received.

Second clause: Councilman Pearson moved that the necessary action be had to condemn so much of said Gravel Road as lies within the city limits.

On motion by Councilman Van Vorhis, the whole subject was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, the Joint Committees on Streets and Alleys, and the City Attorney.

Third clause: Councilman Van Vorhis moved to refer back to the City Attorney, with instructions to proceed in the matter as rapidly as circumstances will permit.

Councilman Dowling moved to amend by receiving the report, and requiring the City Attorney to make a report on the subject at the first regular meeting in August.

On motion by Councilman Caylor, Councilman Van Vorhis' motion was laid on the table.

Councilman Lamb moved that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet next Monday night, and that the Dillon street opening case, G. O. 23, 1880, and Special Ordinances be made the special order.

Which motion was not adopted.

On motion by Councilman Dowling, the third clause in the report from the City Attorney was then received, and the subject made the special order for the first regular meeting in August.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was referred to the Joint Committees on Judiciary and City Attorney:

Indianapolis, July 5, 1880.

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

Gentlemen:—The Superior Court in general term has affirmed the judgment of court at special term in the case of Henry Kollman vs. The City, wherein the plaintiff recovers judgment for \$500 on account of loss of services and expenses incurred for medical services for his wife by reason of injuries alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the city.

I am of the opinion that the judgment might be reversed if an appeal was taken to the Supreme Court, but in view of the amount involved, it might not be best to incur the expense of an appeal. I therefore beg leave to submit the matter for such instructions as you may deem proper.

Respectfully,

JOHN A. HENRY, City Attorney.

The Street Commissioner submitted the following report; which was received:

Indianapolis, July 5th, 1880.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—I have examined the fountain on Indiana avenue, as ordered by the Council, and report that it is on a gutter not bowldered; and the sink, being only an old well, will not carry off the waste water.

I would respectfully recommend an ordinance be passed to bowlder said gutter.

L. A. FULMER, Street Commissioner.

The Superintendent of the City Hospital and Branch submitted the following report; which was received:

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

Gentlemen:—The following reports of the City Hospital and Branch, for the month of June, 1880, are respectfully submitted:

	First Week.	Second Week.	Third Week.	Fourth Week.	Two Days.	Monthly Total.
Number of paid Officers and Employes in Hospital	11					
Number of paid Officers and Employes in Branch.....	1					
Number of beds in Hospital	100					
Number of beds in Branch.....	10					
No. of adult patients in Hospital at beginning of week.....	45	38	40	40	42	45
No. of infant patients in Hospital at beginning of week.....	3	3	3	3	3	3
No. of adult patients received during week	4	7	6	9	9	35
No. of infant patients received or born during week.....	1		1	1		3
No. of adult patients discharged during week	10	4	5	6	2	27
No. of infant patients discharged during week.....			1			1
No. of adult patients who died during week.....	1	1	1	1		4
No. of infant patients who died during week.....	1			1		2
No. of patients in Branch at beginning of week.....						
No. of patients in Branch at end of week.....						
No. of adult patients in Hospital and Branch at end of week	38	40	40	42	49	49
No. of inf't patients in Hospital and Branch at end of week	3	3	3	3	3	3
No. of pay-patients at beginning of week.....						
No. of pay-patients at end of week						
Aggregate number of days of patients in Hospital.....	322	287	297	330	103	1339
Aggregate number of days of patients in Branch						394
Aggregate number days of employes in Hospital.....						394
Total.....						1733

Number of prescriptions filled during the month.....	650
Total expenditures for month	\$848 21
Cash collected from pay-patients and other sources, and paid to City Treasurer.....	\$30 00
Aggregate number of days subsistence furnished	1733
Average daily cost of each patient63-3 cts.
Average daily cost for patients, officers, and employes.....	.48-9 cts.

WILLIAM N. WISHARD, M. D., Superintendent.

The Superintendent of the City Dispensary submitted the following report; which was received:

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

Gentlemen:—The following reports of the City Dispensary for the month of June, 1880, are respectfully submitted:

Number of Patients treated at Dispensary.....	144
Number of Medical cases at Dispensary	90
Number of Surgical cases at Dispensary	45
Number of Disease of Nervous System.....	4
Number of Disease of Eye and Ear.....	5
Number of Diseases of the Throat.....	0
Number of Out-door Patients treated	89
Number at Station House.....	21
Number at News Boys' Home	0
Total number of Patients treated during month.....	254
Total number of Visits made during month.....	335
Total number of Prescriptions filled during month.....	578
Number of Births during month.....	3
Number of Deaths during month.....	2

EXPENDITURES FOR MONTH.

C. A. Ritter, Superintendent.....	\$ 61 66
F. M. Morrison, 1st Assistant	45 83
C. I. Fletcher, 2d Assistant.....	37 50
F. M. Ferree, Prescription Clerk.....	30 00
W. A. & I. N. Pattison, drugs.....	39 25
C. A. Ritter, postage	5 00
Indianapolis Gas Light & Coke Co.....	1 20

Total expenditures for month..... \$220 44

C. A. RITTER, M. D., Superintendent.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

The Fire Board, through Councilman Pearson, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:—Your Fire Board and Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred a petition of the Western Union Telegraph Company, asking permission to erect a line of poles along the north side of Washington street from Noble street to White river, also along the south side of Washington street from Meridian street to Illinois street, for carrying telegraph and telephone wires, recommend that said permit be *not* granted.

Respectfully submitted,

James T. Layman,
John R. Pearson,
Isaac Thalman,
Fire Board.

The Fire Board, through Councilman Pearson, submitted the following report; which was referred to the Board of Health and the City Attorney:

Indianapolis, July 2, 1880.

To His Honor, Mayor Caven, and the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—In a motion referred to the Fire Board and Chief Fire Engineer, requesting us to examine and report on the condition of the Indianapolis Oil Tank Line Co., located on Bates street, we offer the following:

We have examined said premises, and do not regard it as extremely dangerous to the adjoining property, if proper care is taken by the proprietors in the manufacture and warehousing of oils. As to the health of the citizens in that vicinity being affected on account of the Oil Tank Line and Refinery Co. being located there, we are unable to determine, but would recommend that the Board of Health would be the proper committee to refer this matter to.

Respectfully submitted,

James T. Layman,
John R. Pearson,
Isaac Thalman,
Fire Board.

JOHN G. PENDERGAST, Chief Fire Engineer.

The Board of Public Improvements and the Street Commissioner, through Councilman Morrison, submitted the following report; which was received:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—We herewith report the expenditures of the Street-Repairs Department for the month of June, 1880:

Pay-rolls	\$ 2,178 96
Freight on stone.....	24 00
Stone spawls.....	19 20
Bowlders	33 00
Blacksmithing.....	16 80
Gravel	149 90
Sewer pipe	1 20
Lumber.....	192 90
Sand	20 60
Serving official notices.....	28 00
Total.....	\$ 2,664 56

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. H. Morrison,
Edward H. Dean,
Hiram Seibert,
Board of Public Improvements.

L. A. FULMER, Street Commissioner.

The Board of Public Improvements, through Councilman Morrison, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—On examination, we find the bridge on West street, over the canal, to be, and has been for some time, in a dangerous condition; and we recommend that the City Marshal be directed to notify the Gravel Road Co. owning said bridge to repair and place the same in good and safe condition.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. H. Morrison,
Edward H. Dean,
Board of Public Improvements.

The Board of Public Improvements, through Councilman Morrison, submitted the following report; which was received, and the several recommendations concurred in, except the 18th clause, which was referred back to said Board:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom sundry papers were referred, beg leave to report thereon as follows:

1st. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair the east sidewalk of East street, at the crossing of Gregg street. Recommend the work be done.

2d. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner improve the gutter on the south side of Pendleton Pike, from the Bee Hive Planing Mill to the intersection of Clifford avenue. Recommend that the Councilman from this ward and Board of Health introduce a resolution to have lots filled.

3d. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner open the gutter on south side of Massachusetts avenue, from a point in front of August Smith's property to East street. Recommend that the City Civil Engineer set stakes, and that the work be done.

4th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner change the wooden culvert at the intersection of West and North streets, in line of north gutter of North street, across West street. Recommend the work be done.

5th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair and clean the gutters of Chesapeake alley, from Mississippi to Missouri streets. Recommend the gutters be opened.

6th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner clean the gutters on Maryland street, between Tennessee and Mississippi streets, and to clean the north gutter of Maryland street, according to stakes set by the City Civil Engineer last December. Recommend that the Councilman introduce an ordinance to bowlder the gutters.

7th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair the sidewalk on Ray street, just west of Pogue's Run. Recommend the work be done.

8th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair the south sidewalk on McCarty street, just west of the old Canal. Recommend the work be done.

9th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair Kentucky avenue, from Louisiana street to Merrill street, by filling chuck-holes and cleaning gutters. Recommend that when the gutters are bowldered, that the street be put in good condition.

10th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner clean gutters, and fill chuck-holes, in Liberty street, from New York street to Massachusetts avenue. Recommend the work be done.

11th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner re-lay the bowlders at the mouth of the alley near Enterprise Hotel. Recommend bowldering and stone foot-walks.

12th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner clean gutters, and fill chuck-holes on Cincinnati street, at the intersection of Michigan street. Recommend the work be done,

13th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner clean gutters, and fill chuck-holes on Michigan street, from East street to Noble street. Recommend the work be done from East street to Noble street.

14th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair the gutters on Bellefontaine avenue, from Christian avenue to Home avenue. Recommend that an ordinance be passed to bowlder the gutters.

15th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair with gravel the first alley west of Dillon street, between Georgia and Meek streets. Recommend that the sanitary police notify the property holders along the alley, to stop throwing dirt and other material in the alley, and it will be in good shape.

16th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner clean gutters on Pine street, from Maryland street to the C., I., St. L. & C. R. R. tracks. Recommend the work be done.

17th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair the alley west of Illinois street, between St. Clair and Pratt streets. Recommend the work be done.

18th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner clean the gutters, and fill the chuck-holes on Vermont street, west of the Canal. Recommend the work be not done.

19th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner put down a new floor on the bridge across the Canal, on Market street, at the intersection of Geisendorff street. Recommend the work be done.

20th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner raise the bowlders at the first alley west of Circle street, on Market street, to a level with the sidewalks on each side, sloping to the center. Recommend the work be done, and that stone crossings be put in.

21st. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner notify the property owners, on the northwest corner of Meridian and New York streets, to raise the sidewalks to a proper grade, if the same is not done within ten days after such notice, that the Street Commissioner be directed to do the work and collect the cost from the property owners. Recommend that the requirements of the motion be carried out.

22nd. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner fill chuck-holes in Fort Wayne avenue, between Pennsylvania and Alabama streets. Recommend the work be done.

23rd. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner fill holes in first alley north of St. Clair street, between New Jersey street and Fort Wayne avenue, with the best street scrapings. Recommend that an ordinance be introduced to improve the alley.

24th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner fill a hole in the first alley north of North street, between Alabama street and the first alley west of Alabama street, with street scrapings. Recommend the work be done with gravel.

25th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner repair the bridge over Pleasant Run, on Shelby street. Recommend the work be done.

26th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner clean the gutters on School street. Recommend the work be done.

27th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner clean the gutters on Elm street, between Cedar and Grove streets. Recommend the work be done.

28th. Is a motion that Locust street be suitably drained, between McCarty and Ray streets. Recommend the work be done.

29th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner fill the chuck holes in Noble street, between New York and North streets. Recommend the work be done.

30th. Is a clause in the report of the Board of Public Improvements, of June 21st, referred back, that the Street Commissioner examine and repair the bridge on Prospect street, over Pleasant Run. Recommend that the City Marshal be, and is hereby, directed to notify the County Commissioners to repair the bridge, as it belongs to the county.

31st. Is a petition of Henry Boercher, asking for the allowance of a bill of \$30, for improvements made at the crossing of West and Second streets. Recommend the bill be not allowed.

32d. Is a communication of William Armstrong and recommendation of the Board of Health, to improve the first alley north of Arch street, from Broadway street to Plum street. There being an ordinance now pending before the Board of Aldermen, for improving said alley, we would recommend that said ordinance be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. H. Morrison,
Edward H. Dean,
Board of Public Improvements.

The Board of Health submitted the following report; which was received:

Report of Deaths in the City of Indianapolis, from the 15th day of June, to the 30th day of June, 1880—inclusive.

Under 1 year.....	45
1 to 2 years.....	12
2 to 5 ".....	6
5 to 10 ".....	5
10 to 15 ".....	0
15 to 20 ".....	5
20 to 25 ".....	3
25 to 30 ".....	4
30 to 40 ".....	4
40 to 50 ".....	4
50 to 60 ".....	0
60 to 70 ".....	3

70 to 80 "	3
80 to 90 "	1
90 to 100 "	0
100 and upwards.....	1
Unknown.....	0
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Total.....	96

Respectfully, E. S. ELDER, M. D., President,
W. E. JEFFRIES, M. D., Secretary,

REPORTS, ETC., FROM COMMITTEES.

The Joint Committees on Finance, through Councilman Kahn, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To His Honor, the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen.—Your Joint Committees on Finance, to whom was referred the reports of the City Treasurer and City Clerk, for the fiscal year from June 1st, 1879, to May 31st, 1880, inclusive, would report that these reports had our careful consideration, and after comparing the same with the books of these respective officers, find them in proper form and correct; showing an expenditure for the last fiscal year, including School Fund, Gregg's Bequest, Home for Friendless Women, and Tomlinson Estate—of \$575,919.13. The Bonded Indebtedness of the city being at this time, according to the City Clerk's report, \$1,914,500.00—\$500,000 of which is Belt R. R. bonds. The City Treasurer's report shows a balance, May 31st, 1879, of \$319,613.98, and receipts from June 1st, 1879, to May 31st, 1880, \$562,929.41; orders paid, \$587,873.30—leaving a balance, for the expenditures of this year, of \$366,670.09. *Gentlemen, govern yourselves accordingly!*

The following motion was also referred to the Committee on Finance:

"That the pay of the Deputy Assessors be due and payable semi-monthly, instead of monthly, as now."

We consider this impracticable, at present, and report adversely on the same.

Respectfully submitted,	Leon Kahn,
James T. Layman,	M. H. McKay,
D. Mussmann,	E. H. Koller,
F. W. Hamilton,	John R. Pearson,
	Jas. T. Dowling,
	Committees.

Councilman Bedford, in behalf of the Joint Committees on Printing, stated that said committees, on June 22d, 1880, received proposals for doing city printing, press work, city advertising, publishing delinquent tax list, bill posting, and furnishing stationery supplies; and that after careful examination of the several bids submitted, they awarded contracts to the lowest and best bidders, and that he now presents, for approval, the contracts and bonds of the parties to whom the contracts had been awarded.

The following contracts and bonds were then read; the contracts severally concurred in, and the bonds approved:

THIS AGREEMENT, Made and entered into this 28th day of June, 1880, by and between Otto H. Hasselman, of the Indianapolis Journal Company, of the county of Marion, State of Indiana, of the first part, and the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, in said County and State, of the second part

Witnesseth, That the party of the first part does covenant and agree to do the City Printing, such as Job-Work, Book-Work, Printed Blanks, and Blank Books, complete for use, and to furnish all Stationery supplies, at the prices set forth in his certain bids, hereto attached, and which bids are made a part of this contract.

This contract shall continue and be in force from the 29th day of June, 1880, till the 31st day of May, 1881, and shall include all of the work and supplies of like character above designated for the City of Indianapolis for the time named, and shall continue in force until a new contract shall be awarded for such work and supplies, but not to exceed three years from this date.

OTTO H. HASSELMAN,
INDIANAPOLIS JOURNAL Co.

THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,

By J. CAVEN, Mayor.

Schedule of Printing, required by the City of Indianapolis, during the year ending May 31st, 1881.

BOOK WORK.

1. PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL—To include composition, book paper (40 lb No. 2 Book), press-work, folding and stitching. Type to be used: For text, Long Primer, solid. For papers introduced, Brevier, solid. For 200 copies, per page, 45 cents. Size of page, 25 by 45 ems Pica.
2. PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN—(Same items as in No. 1.) For 200 copies, per page, 45 cents.
3. PROCEEDINGS OF JOINT CONVENTIONS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN AND COMMON COUNCIL—(Same items as in No. 1.) For 200 copies, per page, 45 cents.
4. INDICES to Nos. 1, 2, AND 3—(Same items as in No. 1.) Type to be used: Nonpareil leaded, per page, \$1.20; Brevier solid, per page, \$1.20.
5. BINDING Nos. 1, 2, AND 3—White sheep back and corners, paper sides. Per 100 copies, and less than 125 copies, each, \$1.65 cents. Full sheep, not more than 15 copies, each, 65 cents.
6. COMPOSITION ON ANNUAL REPORTS AND OTHER WORK—Plain matter, per 1000 ems, 40 cents. Figure work, per 1000 ems, 50 cents. Rule and figure work, per 1000 ems, \$1.55.
7. PRESS-WORK — (Per token of 250 impressions.) [All forms of less number to count full token.] Regular forms, 16 pp. For single token, 10 cents. Each additional token, 10 cents.

PRINTED BLANKS.

	Per 100 copies.	Per 500 copies.	Per 1,000 copies.
36 lb Medium.....	\$1 50	\$2 50	\$4 00
Half Medium.....	1 00	2 00	3 00
Quarter Medium.....	75	1 75	2 50
28 lb Demy.....	1 25	2 25	3 00
Half Demy.....	75	1 75	2 50
Quarter Demy.....	50	1 00	1 50
20 lb Crown Cap.....	1 00	1 25	1 75
Half Crown Cap.....	75	1 00	1 50
18 lb Flat Cap.....	2 50	9 00	19 00
Half Flat Cap.....	2 50	8 50	13 75
Quarter Flat Cap.....	2 25	8 00	12 00
Eighth Flat Cap.....	90	1 40	2 00

Extra charge for each additional "strike": per quire, 15 cents.

Extra charge for numbering: per C, 15 cents.

Extra charge for perforating: per C, 15 cents.

Extra charge for canvas covers: 90 cents.

Extra charge for whip-stitching: nothing.

Proportionate charges for half sheet books, $\frac{2}{3}$ of above prices, except on stub-books mentioned above. All additional work not enumerated to be done at fair and reasonable prices, and all work to be in the same general style and of same sizes heretofore used.

We agree to furnish the above articles, at prices designated, until a new contract is awarded.

O. H. HASSELMAN,

INDIANAPOLIS JOURNAL CO.

Schedule of Stationery, required by the City of Indianapolis, during the year ending May 31, 1881.

LEGAL CAP—16 lb, per ream, \$4.50; 18 lb, per ream, \$6.50.

FOOLSCAP—14 lb, per ream, \$4.00; 16 lb, per ream, \$4.50.

LETTER PAPERS—10 lb, per ream, \$2.00; 12 lb, per ream, \$2.50.

COMMERCIAL NOTE—9 lb, per ream, \$1.60.

ENVELOPES—No. 10, White, XXX, per 1000, \$3.75.

No. 6, White, XXX, per 1000, \$3.25.

No. 10 Buff, XX, per 1000, \$4.50; No. 6 Buff, XX, per 1000, \$2.75.

No. 10 Manilla, per 1000, \$1.75; No. 6 Manilla, per 1000, \$1.25.

BOOK PAPER—Cut to order and blocked, per ream, \$12.00; per half ream, \$6.00.

BLOTTING PAPER—Cut to order, $\frac{1}{4}$ sheets, white, 100 lb, per 25—50 cents.

Cut to order, colored, $\frac{1}{4}$ sheets, 160 lb, per 25—90 cents.

STEEL PENS—Gillott's, No. 404, per gross, 50 cents.

Webster & Morton, per gross, \$1.25.

Esterbrook & Co.'s Bank, per gross, 50 cents.

Esterbrook & Co.'s, No. 122, per gross, 75 cents.

Esterbrook & Co.'s, No. 267, per gross, 85 cents.

Esterbrook & Co.'s Falcon, per gross, 50 cents.

Esterbrook & Co.'s, No. 130, per gross, 75 cents.

Esterbrook & Co.'s, No. 161, per gross, 85 cents.

INK—Arnold's Genuine Black, per quart, 65 cents.

Arnold's Genuine Crimson, per 3 ounces, 25 cents.

Carter's Crimson Fluid, per 8 ounces, 90 cents.

Carter's Writing Fluid, per dozen quarts, \$7.50.

Carter's Raven Black, per dozen quarts, \$.....

INK STANDS—3 inch flat glass, each, 15 cents; Paragon, each, \$1.25.

PEN HOLDERS—Good quality, wood, per gross, \$2.00.

Common quality, wood, per gross, 40 cents:

LEAD PENCILS—Faber's Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, Hexagon, per gross, \$7.20.

Eagle, Nos. 2 and 3, Hexagon, per gross, \$6.50.

STEEL ERASING KNIVES—Cocoa handles, each, 40 cents.

INK AND PENCIL ERASERS—Faber's Mammoth, per dozen, \$2.75.

Faber's small, per dozen, \$1.25.

RUBBER BANDS—By Nos., per box—Faber's No. 11, 25 cents; No. 14—30 cents;

No. 16—35 cents; No. 18—40 cents; No. 19—50 cents; No. 30—70 cents;

No. 31—80 cents; No. 32—90 cents; No. 33—\$1.00; No. 50—40 cents;

No. 0 $\frac{1}{4}$ —\$1.00; No. 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ —\$1.00; No. 0 $\frac{3}{4}$ —\$1.25; No. 00 $\frac{1}{4}$ —\$1.25; No. 00 $\frac{1}{2}$ —

\$1.50; No. 00 $\frac{3}{4}$ —\$2.00; No. 000 $\frac{1}{4}$ —\$1.50; No. 000 $\frac{1}{2}$ —\$1.25; No. 000 $\frac{3}{4}$ —

\$2.00; No. 0000 $\frac{1}{4}$ —\$1.75; No. 0000 $\frac{1}{2}$ —\$1.50; No. 0000 $\frac{3}{4}$ —\$2.00.

- PAPER FASTENERS—McGill's Round Heads, No. 1, per box, 35 cents.
 No. 2, per box, 45 cents; No. 4, per box, 55 cents.
 McGill's Flat Heads, No. 1, per box, 35 cents;
 No. 2, per box, 45 cents; No. 4, per box, 50 cents.
- WIRE STAPLES—Per 500 box, each, 50 cents; Heyl's No. 1, per box, 50 cents;
 Heyl's No. 2, per box, 50 cents.
- PAPER FASTENER PRESS—McGill's, each, \$2.25; Heyl's, each, \$2.25;
 Office Pet, each, \$2.50.
- BANKERS' PINS—Elm City, per $\frac{1}{2}$ lb box, \$1.25; Pyramid, assorted, per doz., \$1.25.
- MUCILAGE—Per quart bottle, Carter's, \$1.00.
- MUCILAGE CUPS—Each, \$1.00.
- MOORE'S BLOTTERS—Each—\$1.00.
- JAPANNED STEEL PAPER CUTTERS—Each, 75 cents.
- RULERS—Artists' Flexible, 12 inch, each, 35 cents; 18 inch, each, 55 cents.
 Hard Rubber, 12 inch, each, 45 cents; 18 inch, each, 65 cents.
 Wood, 12 inch, each, 20 cts.; 18 inch, each, 25 cts.; 24 inch, each, 30 cts.
- COLORED PENCILS—Faber's, Hexagon, per dozen, 60 cents.
 Faber's, round, small, per dozen, 60 cents.
 Faber's, round, large, per dozen, 75 cents.
 Blue checking, per dozen, 75 cents.
- SCRATCH BOOKS—Legal, 20 cents; letter, 15 cents; and note, 10 cents, each.

We agree to furnish the above articles, at prices designated, until a new contract be awarded.

O. H. HASSELMAN,
 INDIANAPOLIS JOURNAL Co.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Otto H. Hasselman, L. W. Hasselman, W. C. Smith, and Isaac L. Hedges, of the County of Marion, State of Indiana, are held and firmly bound to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, in the sum of Three Thousand (\$3,000) Dollars, the payment whereof, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs executors, and administrators, firmly by these presents.

The conditions of this obligation are such, that if the above bounden Otto H. Hasselman shall faithfully comply with the foregoing contract, and fulfill the conditions and stipulations therein contained, according to the true intent and meaning thereof in all respects, then this obligation is void; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Witness our hands and seals, this twenty.eighth day of June, 1880.

OTTO H. HASSELMAN, [SEAL]
 L. W. HASSELMAN, [SEAL]
 W. C. SMITH, [SEAL]
 I. L. HEDGES, [SEAL]

THIS AGREEMENT, Made and entered into this 5th day of July, A. D. 1880, by and between Dynes and Hastings, publishers of the Indianapolis Republican, of Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana, of the first part, and the city of Indianapolis, in said county and State, of the second part;

Witnesseth, That the said parties of the first part do covenant and agree to do the public advertising of the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, for twelve (12) cents per square, (240 ems nonpareil), each insertion, as set forth in their bid, marked "Exhibit A," which is made a part of this agreement—such work to be performed to the satisfaction of the Committees on Printing, of said Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and according to specifications of said committees, herewith made a part of this contract and marked "Exhibit B."

And the said parties of the first part do further covenant and agree with said second party, to do the publishing of the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, Delinquent

Tax List, in the said Indianapolis Republican, for the sum of ten (10) cents for each description, as set forth in said first party's bid, marked "Exhibit C," which is made a part of this agreement—such work to be performed to the satisfaction of the Committees on Printing, of said Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and according to the specifications of said committees, herewith made a part of this contract and marked "Exhibit D."

This contract to continue and be in force until the 31st day of May, A. D. 1881, and until a new contract may be awarded for doing such work.

DYNES & HASTINGS.

THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,

By J. CAVEN, Mayor.

"EXHIBIT A."

Indianapolis, June 22, 1880.

To the Council and Aldermanic Committees on Printing of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, hereby propose to do the advertising of the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, for the ensuing year, and until a new contract is made, for the sum of 12 cents per square (240 ems nonpareil), each insertion; the said advertising to be done in the INDIANAPOLIS REPUBLICAN, the average weekly circulation of which, for the past three months, has exceeded three thousand (3,000) copies. Said contract is to be made in accordance with the specifications prepared by your committees, now on file in the City Clerk's office.

We will furnish each week as many copies of THE REPUBLICAN as may be needed by any of the city officers, or will furnish a specified number to each, to be named by your committees.

We will furnish a proof of all city advertisements to the city officials, from which the same may have emanated before publishing such advertisement for the first time. Set up advertisements in nonpareil type, solid, with run-in headings, or according to instructions given by your committees. Bound volumes of the REPUBLICAN, at the end of the year, will be furnished each city officer named by your committees, free of charge.

At the low rate at which the REPUBLICAN did the city advertising for the year just ended, the proprietors did not realize but little more than the cost of printing the same, while at the same time they were the means of saving to the city near a thousand dollars, on this item alone, by reason of the exceedingly low rate at which the advertising was done. The REPUBLICAN has now a much better circulation than a year ago, and in view of the increased values of wages and materials, and the fact that the city has increased the wages in nearly all its departments, is our present rate of doing the city advertising placed higher than last year. Attention is called to accompanying testimonial from city officers.

DYNES & HASTINGS,

Proprietors Indianapolis Republican.

"EXHIBIT B."

Specifications governing the making of Proposals for doing Public Advertising for the City of Indianapolis, during the year ending May 31st, 1881.

No bid for city advertising will be entertained from any newspaper which has not a general circulation in the city of Indianapolis, and is not printed and published within the limits of said city as frequently as once a week.

All bids shall be made on the basis of a square of not less than two hundred and forty (240) ems of type, printer's measure, for each insertion of each advertisement.

Proposals for city advertising must be accompanied by the statement of the publisher of the newspaper bidding, as to the *actual* daily or weekly circulation of said newspaper within the limits of the city of Indianapolis—such stated circulation to be an average of the number of copies delivered, or otherwise disposed of, within the limits of said city, during a period of not less than three months immediately preceding the filing of the bid.

It is also understood and agreed that the bidder to whom the contract hereun-

der may be awarded shall, when so required, verify, by oath, his actual local circulation during any particular period for which a bill is rendered; and such publisher shall pledge himself to accept a *pro rata* compensation for the city advertising done by him, in case such oath shall develop the fact that his newspaper does, at any time, exhibit a material diminution in circulation from proposal figures.

It is also understood and agreed that the bidder to whom the contract hereunder may be awarded shall comply with the following stipulations:

To set up the city advertisements in solid type, not smaller on its face than that known as nonpareil; to use only "run-in" headings and display, unless otherwise ordered by proper city authorities; to arrange all such advertisements under the heading "City Advertisements" for which line only one-half square shall be allowed and paid for each column thereof, and at least such space shall be actually used; and to place such advertisements in suitably-prominent place or places in his said newspaper, and not to scatter the same to suit his convenience, whim, or caprice.

To send proof of each and every city advertisement to the city officer, departmental head, or chairman of committee from which the same may have emanated, before publishing such advertisement for the first time; and to publish such advertisement for the number of times and on the dates required by law, or in accordance with directions endorsed thereon. If this stipulation is not strictly complied with, the offending contractor may be required to re-publish any erroneous advertisement, and shall be held liable for any loss or damage that may arise from his neglect or failure to be governed hereby.

To accompany each and every bill rendered under his contract with a printed copy of each advertisement charged for therein, which shall be attached to said bill in such manner that each and every advertisement may be fully and completely examined and audited.

To furnish the Committees on Printing, the City Clerk, the City Treasurer, the City Civil Engineer, and the City Attorney, at their several offices in the City Hall, with at least one copy of each issue of his paper, that the same may be placed on file therein; and such contractor shall also retain and preserve two copies of each of his issues during the continuance of his contract, and shall bind the same, promptly, after the 31st day of May, 1881, and place such bound files in the office of the City Clerk and in the Committee Room, City Hall, on or before June 15th, 1881—all to be done without cost to the city of Indianapolis.

To furnish "proof of publication" of each advertisement, when so required, without cost to the city of Indianapolis.

"EXHIBIT C."

Indianapolis, June 22, 1880.

To the Council and Aldermanic Committees on Printing of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned propose to publish the Delinquent Tax List of the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, in the INDIANAPOLIS REPUBLICAN, four distinct issues, (of the first issue seven hundred (700) copies, of which two hundred (200) copies shall be placed in the City Treasurer's office; of the second, third and fourth issue—six hundred each, one hundred (100) of each list issued to be placed in the City Treasurer's office); date to be printed at the head of each page, and no charge to be made by us for copies of the list until the twenty-five hundred (2,500) copies, contracted for by the city, shall have been issued, and then not more than ten cents per copy shall be charged.

We propose to make publications of the City Delinquent Tax List, as above, and in full accordance with the specifications now on file in the City Clerk's office, for the sum of ten cents per description.

DYNES & HASTINGS,
Proprietors Indianapolis Republican.

"EXHIBIT D."

Specifications governing the making of Proposals for publishing the Delinquent Tax List of 1880, for the City of Indianapolis.

All bids for publishing the Delinquent Tax List of 1880 for the city of Indianapolis shall be governed by the following stipulations:

1. The style and form of the Delinquent Tax List of 1878 is hereby adopted and approved, and bids shall be made in accordance therewith, subject to the modifications hereinafter set forth.

2. Bids shall be made, and bills rendered, at a certain price for each description, or line.

3. There shall be four distinct issues of such Delinquent Tax List, in numbers as follows: For the first week of publication, seven hundred (700) copies; and for the second, third and fourth weeks of publication, six hundred (600) copies each. Of the first week's publication, two hundred (200) copies shall be delivered at the office of the City Treasurer; and one hundred (100) copies of each subsequent week's publication shall be delivered at aforesaid office. Each weekly issue shall have the date of publication thereof printed at the head of each page.

4. Each bidder shall state the name of a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the city of Indianapolis, county of Marion, and State of Indiana, through which the edition of five hundred (500) copies are to be issued weekly, and the name of such paper shall be printed on each page of the List immediately before the publication date thereof.

5. If the publisher, to whom the contract for publishing the Delinquent Tax List shall be awarded, shall choose to issue a larger edition thereof than the twenty-five hundred (2,500) copies stipulated in these specifications, he is hereby required to sell the same to any person who may desire to purchase such List, for a price not exceeding ten cents (10c) a copy.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Dynes & Hastings, David D. Long and Marcus L. Brown, of Marion county, and State of Indiana, are held and firmly bound to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, of the city of Indianapolis, in the sum of one thousand dollars (1,000), the payment whereof, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, firmly by these presents.

The conditions of this obligation are such, that if the above bounden Dynes & Hastings shall faithfully comply with foregoing contract, and fulfill all the conditions and stipulations therein contained according to the true intent and meaning thereof, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Witness our hands and seals this 5th day of July, 1880.

DYNES & HASTINGS, [SEAL.]
DAVID D. LONG, [SEAL.]
MARCUS L. BROWN, [SEAL.]

THIS AGREEMENT, Made and entered into this 22d day of June, 1880, by and between Harbison & Abrams, of Marion County, Indiana, of the first part, and the City of Indianapolis, said County and State, of the second part,

Witnesseth, That the said party of the first part does covenant and agree to do the work of posting city bills in accordance with the laws and ordinances governing such matters, and to the satisfaction of the said party of the second part, through her proper committees and city officers, at the prices fully set forth in their certain bid hereto attached, marked "Exhibit A," and which bid is made a part of this contract.

This contract to continue and be in force from the 22d day of June, 1880, to and including the 31st day of May, 1881, and until a new contract shall be awarded for doing the above described work.

HARBISON & ABRAMS.

FOR THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS:

J. CAVEN, Mayor.

EXHIBIT A.

Indianapolis, Ind., June 22, 1880.

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

Gentlemen:—We propose to do the city bill-posting for the following prices arranged, to-wit:

Street improvement notices, twenty bills, more or less, as the law and ordinances require to a street, in both English and German, for the sum of twenty cents per street.

Notice to contractors, number of bills as the law and ordinances require to a street, for the sum of fifteen cents per street.

We further propose to do miscellaneous posting for the sum of sixty cents per hundred for quarter sheets, and one dollar per hundred for half sheets.

One sheet poster, if used by the city, two dollars per hundred.

Election notices, twenty cents per precinct.

We will agree to furnish good and approved security for the above work.

HARBISON & ABRAMS.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Alexander Harbison, Milton Abrams, Samuel N. Bannister, Henry Jordan, of the County of Marion, State of Indiana, are held and firmly bound to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, in the penal sum of five hundred dollars, the payment whereof, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, firmly by these presents.

The conditions of this obligation are such, that if the above bound Harbison & Abrams shall faithfully comply with the foregoing contract, and fulfill all the conditions and stipulations therein contained, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Witness our hands and seals, this the 22d day of June, A. D. 1880.

Alexander Harbison,	[SEAL.]
Milton Abrams,	[SEAL.]
Samuel N. Bannister,	[SEAL.]
Henry Jordan.	[SEAL.]

STATE OF INDIANA, MARION COUNTY, ss:

Before me, Thomas I. Heiskell, a Notary Public in and for said county, personally appeared Alexander Harbison, Milton Abrams, Samuel N. Bannister and Henry Jordan, and acknowledged the execution of the within bond.

Witness my hand and notarial seal, this 22d day of June, 1880.

[SEAL.]

THOMAS I. HEISKELL, Notary Public.

The Committee on Public Health, through Councilman VanVorhis, submitted the following report; which was received:

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

Gentlemen :—Your Committee on Public Health have at almost every meeting during the past year, in some way, called attention to the fact that a very large majority of the citizens obtain their supply of water from wells, and that in many instances, owing to the proximity of privy vaults and other receptacles of filth, the supply thus obtained has been so impure as to be unfit for use. We have further frequently expressed the opinion that unless the proper steps are soon taken to prevent, this most valuable source of water supply will be lost to the city. We have made frequent recommendations in regard to this matter. And, in our opinions and recommendations, we have in every instance had the approval of, and been sustained by the Board of Health.

Mr. J. T. Hurty, a competent chemist of this city, has examined, at the instance of private parties, more than one hundred samples of water from as many different wells at different localities throughout the city, and has very kindly given us the advantage of these examinations. Of the results of these examinations this body has been repeatedly informed. It is sufficient now to say that they fully sustain the opinions of your committee and of the Board of Health, and fully warrant all recommendations that have been made.

Your committee, together with the board have insisted, and still insist, that or-

dinances should be passed to prevent the soil, and bed of gravel and sand under this city, from being saturated with the contents of privy vaults and other filth.

Some months ago, upon the recommendation of your committee and the Board of Health, this body passed an ordinance containing provisions looking to this end. Since our last meeting the Board of Aldermen have by a vote of 6 to 3 refused to pass this ordinance. This leaves us in regard to this question just where we were one year ago.

Your committee desire to renew their recommendation that an ordinance be passed, requiring all vaults hereafter constructed to be cemented and made watertight, and requiring all buildings that may hereafter be erected or materially repaired, and situated along the line of any sewer (except such sewers as were only intended for drainage,) in the city to have proper sewer connections. We therefore submit the accompanying ordinance and recommend its passage.

This ordinance does not contain all that in the judgment of your committee should be done, but in the light of past experience it contains all we are encouraged to expect will pass this body and the Board of Aldermen. It will however do much, if enforced, to prevent the loss of that which is of immense value to this city. It is a matter of common information that there is under this city an abundant supply of pure water that is easily obtained. If it does not remain pure it will be our own fault.

Your committee believe that at present the question for this body and the Board of Aldermen, and the public also to consider, is not from what source a supply of pure water can be obtained, but rather a question of how to protect the supply we have. Nothing can be done for the citizens of this city that will be of more pecuniary advantage to them than to protect, by proper legislation, that which comes to them free. That as a sanitary measure such protection is necessary, there can be no doubt in the mind of any one who has given the subject any attention.

Certainly to the citizens of this city, of all classes, and more particularly to those who are not property holders, this source of water supply is of very great importance, and for us to allow it to be destroyed is little less than criminal negligence. For us to go on pouring into the soil of the city filth of the most deleterious character, at the rate of ten thousand tons per annum, expecting that it can be continued without calamity overtaking the city, both in loss of life and money, is to set at naught all human experience and defy the best known natural laws.

Your committee further desire to call attention to the fact that the existing ordinance regulating the cleaning of vaults, and making it unlawful for any one to engage in the business of emptying vaults without license is not being enforced, and that to-day there is not a licensed vault cleaner in the city of Indianapolis. Since the passage of the ordinance only two parties have been licensed, and these allowed their license to expire June 30, 1879, and have not since renewed them; nor are the provisions of the ordinance in regard to the character of the apparatus to be used in emptying vaults being enforced. While it is true that all ordinances should be enforced while they remain in effect, your committee are of the opinion that the enforcement of the present ordinance will result in placing the entire business of cleaning vaults in the hands of a few parties. This, in our judgment, would be detrimental to the interests of the citizens of the city.

To us therefore, there appears to be an urgent necessity for proper legislation in regard to this matter, that the cleaning of vaults, cess-pools, etc., may be thrown open to the widest possible competition consistent with public health, comfort and convenience.

In our opinion any ordinance upon this subject should contain a provision, making it the duty of the Board of Health to enforce it, and giving the board sufficient power and assistance to enable them to perform that duty. We therefore submit the accompanying ordinance and recommend its passage.

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. Van Vorhis,
C. T. Bedford,
John W. Fultz.

Committee on Public Health.

Councilman VanVorhis, in behalf of the Board of Health, submitted the following report; which was received:

To the Committee on Public Health of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Health for your city deem it their duty to call your attention to exceedingly heavy mortality of our city, as presented by the reports from this office.

For the last six months the average mortality per month has been $152\frac{1}{2}$, while for the same corresponding period last year it was $106\frac{2}{3}$ —showing an increase of over 43 per cent. over last year's report for the same months. For the last seven years the first six months' death rate was on an average 114 per month. For this year $152\frac{1}{2}$ per month for same time, showing an increase of more than 33 per cent. on the average semi-annual mortality for the last seven years. At the rate of mortality for the past six months, Indianapolis will exhibit at the close of the next six months a yearly death rate of 27.6 per thousand of her inhabitants, a death rate heavier than that of any other city on the American continent, excepting New Orleans, Louisiana; Charleston, South Carolina, and Augusta, Georgia. Take the month of June just closed. The average mortality for June for the last seven years has been 109, but for the last month it reached the alarming figure of one hundred and sixty-six (166), an increase of 51 per cent. over the average for the last seven years, and this semi-yearly and monthly increase has occurred in the absence of any epidemic or of a great amount of sickness.

This rapid increase in the death rate of our city should cause the most serious apprehension and a careful investigation as to its cause, and if any remedy to arrest this unfavorable progress can be found, it should at once be suggested and adopted. While the weather for the last month has not been the most desirable, it has been about as healthy as we usually have during this season of the year. The same is true of the last six months also. Hence we are compelled to exclude epidemic and telluric causes, and to attribute this excessive mortality to other sources. Our population are comparatively well fed and clothed, our dwelling houses comfortably constructed. There has been no disturbances of social or political conditions, nor any other depressing influence. Therefore we are unable to avoid the conclusion that the real cause is the bad sanitary condition of our city. This is especially demonstrated when we examine the class of diseases that are set down as the causes of death. For instance, the June mortality for intestinal diseases for the last seven years has been $14\frac{1}{2}$, while for last month these diseases were given as the cause of death in no less than 30 cases, an increase of more than one hundred per cent. The presence of so large an amount of these diseases, depending as they do so largely upon miasmatic influence, is at once conclusive evidence that the sanitary condition of the city is not as good as it ought to be. Let us look at the facts as they exist, and try and find some solution to the problem.

You remember that during June we had an unusual number of sudden and copious rainfalls, and that the surface of all the low ground was covered with water, overflowing the various pools, gutters, sinks, reservoirs, and many privy vaults, and the contents of these receptacles were washed in all directions, finding their way into cellars, cisterns, yards and wells throughout the city, contaminating the drinking water in one case, or left scattered over the surface of the grounds of the streets, yards and gardens, there to lie exposed to the rays of the hot sun, and decomposing, generate and throw off poisonous gases to be breathed into the lungs, and lighting up irritations of the lungs or bowels, speedily followed by inflammation and death. When we reflect that this is a very mild presentation of the actual state of affairs, need we longer wonder at our high death rate and the rapidly increasing depletion of our city's population?

Under the present condition of affairs, your Board of Health are powerless to adopt any measures that will arrest this great evil. We may discover and designate any number of diseases, breeding pools of stagnant water, and yet we have no way of abating the nuisance.

The overflowing of privies and the scattering of their poisonous contents, is going on all around us, and we have no means of arresting it.

Wagons and machines for the cleaning of privies and sinks are unlicensed, unnumbered and unknown, and we have no authority to license, number or hunt them up.

Garbage and slops accumulate in the gutters and back yards, and we cannot order their removal.

Privy vaults overflow and become filled to the top. We order them cleansed, and we have no means of knowing whether our orders are obeyed in all or any part. We have ascertained that in numerous instances a partial compliance with them is all that has been done, one load of excrement being removed, leaving the principal mass of the contents in a worse condition than before being touched.

Privy vaults are being daily sunk into the loose sand and gravel with which our city is underlaid, and without any attempt to render them impervious to water from without, or their contents from within. They are only so many additional centers of poisoning our chief supply of drinking water, and only a very short time will elapse before the entire bed of gravel and sand underneath our city will become so thoroughly impregnated with the poisonous contents of privy vaults, that to drink the water of our wells will be to invite speedy sickness and probable death.

Scores of wells are now known to us, where many cases of sickness and death have been traced directly to the use of their poisoned waters; yet we have no power to close up the wells, or to compel the abandonment of the use of their contents.

We are satisfied that if an epidemic of yellow fever, cholera, or small-pox, was to occur in our city, and cause the death of 50 per cent. more than the ordinary number annually dying, public opinion would justify and compel the most radical measures to intercept the progress of the malady. Yet we see daily dying all around us from diseases as easily controllable as the ones alluded to above, scores of our citizens, and we are looking on and permitting this literal poisoning of our wells and water supply. The ultimate effects will be a fearful harvest of disease and death. The laws of health and hygiene cannot be violated with impunity and no bad results follow.

Excuse us for our earnestness. We feel that if you looked at this matter from the favorable position that our association with disease and death gives us, that you would be impressed with more than our earnestness. These are no gloomy ferebodings, but are naked truth and actual facts and figures, and instead of making them public, we have thus privately given them to you.

In conclusion we would respectfully represent to you that there exists an immediate necessity to confer on the Board of Health the following powers:

1st. To condemn and order drained and cleaned any cess-pool or other body of stagnant water which, in the judgment of the Board, is deleterious to the public health.

2d. Giving the Board of Health power to perfect a system of removing garbage and slops from the yards and residences of our citizens.

3d. Referring the manner of constructing privy vaults to the Board of Health, and at once arrest the further building of vaults that will continue to poison the wells of the city.

4th. Give the Board of Health authority to inspect and compel the licensing and registering of all vault cleaning apparatus, and compel vault cleaners to report promptly the cleaning of all vaults and the amount of work done.

With the powers as indicated above given us, with the hearty co-operation that has been extended to us heretofore, we can safely promise you that a further increase in our mortality report will be prevented, and the health and lives of the inhabitants of our city better preserved than at present.

E. S. ELDER, M. D.

W. E. JEFFRIES, M. D.

W. J. ELSTUN, M. D.

Councilman VanVorhis introduced the following entitled ordinances; which were severally read the first time :

- G. O. 28, 1880—An Ordinance to further regulate the construction of Privy Vaults, and providing that certain buildings shall be provided with sewer connections.
- G. O. 29, 1880—An Ordinance regulating the Emptying and Cleaning of Privy-Vaults, Cess-pools, and other Receptacles of Human Excrement, and other forms of Fluid and Semi-fluid Filth; and requiring persons who may engage in such business to be duly licensed before undertaking such work.

Councilman Prier was excused for the remainder of this session.

Councilman Van Vorhis moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of placing G. O. 28 and 29 on the their passage. Which motion failed of adoption by the following vote:

AYES, 4—viz. Councilmen Bernhamer, Bryce, Pritchard, and VanVorhis.

NAYS, 20—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Conner, Pearson, Shilling, Thalman, White, and Yoke.

Councilman McKay moved that when this Council adjourns, it adjourn to meet on next Monday night, and that General Ordinances Nos. 28, and 29, 1880, and all special ordinances, be made the special order. Which motion was adopted.

On motion, G. O. 28 and 29, 1880, were ordered printed in pamphlet form.

The Joint Committees on Public Property, through Councilman Pearson, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:—Your Joint Committees on Public Property, together with the City Attorney, to whom was referred a motion instructing us to examine into the feasibility of an immediate conversion of all or a portion of the Tomlinson Estate property into cash, would report that we have secured the services of Messrs. Robert C. Dain, Wm. Hadley and Dr. Bence, to make an appraisement of said property, such appraisement to be sealed up and filed with the City Clerk.

We would recommend that the City Clerk be and is hereby directed to advertise in the Indianapolis Journal, Sentinel, and News three times each week, and the Indianapolis Republican, for three consecutive weeks, for bids for the purchase of said property, bidders to submit proposals on each piece of property, and on the following terms: One-third cash, balance in one and two years, with six per cent. interest, the Common Council and Board of Aldermen reserving the right to reject any and all bids. Bids to be deposited with City Clerk on or before 4 o'clock P. M., July 28th, 1880.

Your committee would further recommend that the pay of the Park Policemen be made \$1.75 per day instead of \$1.50, as now.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. H. Tucker,
J. Newman,
D. W. Grubbs,
Aldermanic Committee.

John R. Pearson,
John W. Fultz,
W. E. Shilling,
Council Committee.
John A. Henry,

Councilman Bernhamer moved that the advertisement be inserted in the Daily Telegraph, The People, and Indianapolis Herald.

Councilman Dowling moved to amend by adding The Western Citizen, and The Leader.

Councilman Thalman moved as a substitute for the foregoing motions, to insert in the Daily Telegraph.

Which substitute was adopted.

It now being nearly eleven o'clock, Councilman Shilling moved the suspension of the following section of the rules, viz :

"Sec. 5. This Council shall not, without a suspension of the rules by a two-thirds vote, sit later on any evening than eleven o'clock."

Which motion was adopted, and the rules suspended by the following vote :

AYES, 24—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, OConnor, Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The Committee on Sewers and Drainage, through Councilman Kahn, submitted the following report; which was concurred in :

Indianapolis, July 5th, 1880.

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

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Sewers and Drainage, to whom sundry papers were referred, beg leave to report on them as follows :

1st. Is a communication from the Board of Health, in regard to stagnant ponds of water within the city. We recommend that the same be returned to the Board of Health, with instructions that they report the location of any ponds that may need attention, in order that the Council may take proper action to have the same filled or drained.

2d. Is a report from the City Civil Engineer, showing the number of feet necessary to be cut down below the surface of the ground, in order to take the water from the east end of English avenue down Reid street to Pleasant Run. The plan is entirely impracticable, and the only plan for relief would be the construction of a sewer by the citizens, along that line, who desire the change.

3d. Is S. O. No. 22, 1880. An ordinance granting D. Ricketts et al. right to construct, at their own expense, a sewer in and along the first alley north of Washington street, from Tennessee street to and connecting with the Illinois street sewer. We recommend that the ordinance be passed, and that the rules be suspended for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon Kahn,
E. H. Koller,
Jno. T. Downey,
Committee.

The Joint Committees on Water and Fire Board, through Councilman McKay, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Water, together with the Fire Board and City Attorney, to whom was referred a resolution directing them to confer with the Water Works Company, for the purpose of devising some plan for sprinkling the streets of the city from the hydrants now in use, or hereafter to be used, each day during the dry and dusty times in the months of May, June, July, August, September, and the first two weeks of October, in each year, and report the most practicable plan, and at what cost per lineal foot of street, such sprinkling can be done, and the best way for making collection from the persons benefitted, after due consideration of the resolution recommend that it be not adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Pearson,
Isaac Thalman,
Fire Board.

M. H. McKay,
Wm. G. White,
H. J. Mauer,
Hiram Seibert,
Committee.

JOHN A. HENRY, City Attorney.

The Joint Committees on Water, through Councilman McKay, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:—Your Joint Committees on Water, to whom was referred a resolution "that the Water Works Company of Indianapolis be, and is hereby, required to lay water mains in and along Cherry street, from Broadway street to East street, connecting with the mains at the intersections of said East and Broadway streets with said Cherry street, one fire-plug to be erected at the corner of Park avenue and Cherry street, under the direction of the Chief Fire Engineer," recommend the resolution be amended so as to read "water main not less than six inches in diameter," and when so amended that the resolution be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Seibert,
Aldermanic Committee.

M. H. McKay,
W. G. White,
H. J. Mauer,
Council Committee.

The following resolution was then read and amended by inserting the words "not less than six inches in diameter" after the words "water mains."

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the Water Works Company of Indianapolis be, and is hereby, required to lay water mains in, and along, Cherry street, from Broadway street to East street, connecting with the mains at the intersections of said East and Broadway streets, with said Cherry street; one fire plug to be erected, at the corner of Park avenue and Cherry street, under direction of the Chief Fire Engineer.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 24—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

SIG. 93.

Councilman Morrison, in behalf of certain Special Committee, submitted the following report; which was approved:

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

Gentlemen:—Your committee to whom was referred the motion to investigate and report the condition of Greenlawn Cemetery, would, after making a personal examination of said grounds, make the following report:

1st. We find a portion of the fence now down, and other portions that need repairs, and we would suggest that the City Attorney examine the deeds to said property, and if any portion of the same is the property of the city, in or along the outside fence, that the city repair the same without delay.

We find that no member of the lot owners' committee has been upon the grounds to give instructions as to what should be done in order to beautify the grounds, save Mr. Nelson, and we think he has transcended his authority, and that he should be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

We also find from Nelson's own statement, that he has sold 12 or 15 tomb stones, and that he now has, in what he calls his marble yard, about 40 tomb stones that have been taken from the yard and the *names defaced* in such a manner as to make it impossible to tell to whom they formerly belonged, and that the said Nelson had them for sale at from \$25.00 to \$1.00 each.

Nelson has also sold two walnut trees for \$25.00, and one vault for \$30.00; 66 cords of wood at from \$1.50 to \$3.00 per cord, and a very large lot of cedar fence posts; all of which he should be made to refund, and the money used to repair fences and beautify the Cemetery.

Wm. H. Morrison,
W. E. Shilling,
John R. Pearson,
Jas. T. Dowling,
John A. Lang.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The following message was read:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its regular session, held on June 23, 1880, determined to adhere to its action of June 9th, 1880, when the following motion was adopted:

"That the Committees on Printing be, and are hereby, instructed to print Mayor's Proclamations in the official city paper, only."

For the Board of Aldermen:

Geo. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

Councilman Kahn moved that this body adhere to its former non-concurrent action, and that two members be appointed to serve as conference committee on foregoing subject.

Which motion was adopted, and the chair appointed Councilmen Kahn and Dowling as the Council members of such committee.

The following message was read, and the motions concurrently adopted:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—I herewith transmit to your honorable body the following motions, which were offered in and adopted by the Board of Aldermen, at its regular session held on Wednesday evening, June 23, 1880, for your action upon same.

For the Board of Aldermen,

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

“That the City Civil Engineer re-advertise for proposals to grade and gravel the alley between Cherry street and Christian avenue, and between Park avenue and Broadway street, the contractor having failed to do the work.”

“That the City Marshal be instructed to notify Geo. W. Scott & Co., that if they do not, within twenty days, repair the fences around the Southern Park, that notice will be given to cancel the lease granted to said Scott & Co.”

The following message was read:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its regular session held on June 23, 1880, refused to concurrently pass the following entitled ordinances, viz:

S. O. 68, 1879—An Ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Seventh street, from Meridian street to Illinois street. Passed by the Common Council May 24, 1880.

S. O. 58, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for re-grading and re-bowldering Meridian street, from Washington street to Louisiana street. Passed by the Common Council May 31, 1880.

G. O. 10, 1880—An Ordinance relative to the Erection and Maintenance of Privies, Water-Closets, Urinals, Cesspools, and other Receptacles of Fluid or Semi-Fluid Filth in the City of Indianapolis; and regulating the Location, Construction, Cleansing, and Emptying of the same. Passed by the Common Council April 12, 1880.

I herewith return the foregoing entitled ordinances for your further consideration and action.

For the Board of Aldermen,

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

In relation to S. O. 68, 1879, and G. O. 10, 1880, the action of the Board of Aldermen was approved, and the ordinances stricken from the files.

In regard to S. O. 58, 1880, the Council determined to adhere to its former action, and directed the Clerk to re-transmit the ordinance to the Board of Aldermen.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

This being the regular appropriation night, the foregoing entitled Appropriation Ordinances were introduced and read the first time, and were then placed on their second and third reading, and final passage, without suspension of the rules:

By the Fire Board, through Councilman Pearson:

Ap. O. 42, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department.

By the Hospital Board, through Councilman Bryce :

Ap. O. 43, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the City Hospital and Branch.

By the Police Board, through Councilman Downey :

Ap. O. 44, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station-Houses.

By the Committees on Accounts and Claims, through Councilman Van-Vorhis :

Ap. O. 45, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis.

By the Committees on Printing, through Councilman Bedford :

Ap. O. 46, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Printing, Stationery, and Advertising.

By the Board of Public Improvements, through Councilman Morrison :

Ap. O. 47, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, on account of the Street-Repairs Department of the City of Indianapolis.

Appropriation Ordinances Nos. 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, and 47, 1880, were severally read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Ap. O. 42, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$1,166.48.]

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

AYES, 24—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

Ap. O. 43, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the City Hospital and Branch. [Amount appropriated, \$848.21.]

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

AYES, 24—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

Ap. O. 44, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station-Houses. [Amount appropriated, \$334.81.]

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

AYES 24—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

Ap. O. 45, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis. [Amount appropriated, \$14,087.27.]

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

AYES, 24—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

Ap. O. 46, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Printing, Stationery, and Advertising. [Amount appropriated, \$333.29.]

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

AYES, 24—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

Ap. O. 47, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, on account of the Street-Repairs Department of the City of Indianapolis.

Was read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

AYES, 24—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

NEW ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business, the following entitled ordinances were introduced, and were severally read the first time:

By Councilman Bedford :

S. O. 88, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with good hard burned brick, the west sidewalk of Broadway street, from St. Clair street to Vine street.

By Councilman Bernhamer :

- S. O. 89, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of Virginia avenue, from Buchanan street to Dougherty street.
- S. O. 90, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley south of Dougherty street, from Virginia avenue to Short (formerly Hunter) street.
- S. O. 91, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of Lamp-posts, Lamps, and Fixtures, (complete to burn gas except the service pipes,) on Water street, from Stevens street to McCarty street.
- S. O. 92, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of Lamp-posts, Lamps, and Fixtures, (complete to burn gas except the service pipes,) on Greer street, from Stevens street to Buchanan street.

The above entitled ordinances Nos. 91 and 92, were referred to the Committees on Public Light.

By Councilman Lamb :

- S. O. 93, 1880—An Ordinance providing for the construction of a brick sewer in and along Washington street, from the east line of New Jersey street to, and connecting with, the Washington street sewer at the intersection of Pennsylvania street; and providing for the assessment and collection of the cost thereof.

On motion by Councilman Lamb, the foregoing entitled ordinance was referred to the Board of Public Improvements and Committee on Sewers and Drainage, with instructions to report at next meeting of this body.

By Councilman Pearson :

- G. O. 30, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for the removal of garbage, etc., from the City of Indianapolis.

By Councilman Thalman :

- S. O. 94, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of the first alley south of Ohio street, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street.
- S. O. 95, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Ohio street, (where not already properly bowldered or curbed,) from Meridian street to Pennsylvania street.

By Councilman White :

- S. O. 96, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the alley between Linden and Olive streets, from Prospect street to Pleasant Run.
- S. O. 97, 1880—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Linden street and sidewalks, from Orange street to Pleasant Run.
- S. O. 98, 1880—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley south of Prospect street, from Olive street to Laurel stree

G. O. 31, 1880—An Ordinance to repeal sections '51, 52, and 53, of an ordinance relating to the Rules and Regulations of Public Markets, etc., ordained July 2d, 1878.

The foregoing entitled ordinance was accompanied by the following petition; which was received:

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

We, the undersigned, do hereby petition your honorable body to repeal sections 51, 52 and 53, of an ordinance making the Rules and Regulations of the Government of Public Markets in the city of Indianapolis, prescribing restrictions on the sale of sundry articles of food in other portions of said city, and imposing fines and punishments for violations thereof.

H. Syrup, L. Lockwood, E. H. Smith, J. F. Moore, S. N. Gold, L. F. Adams & Co., and 66 others.

By Councilman Yoke:

S. O. 99, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of Lamp-posts, Lamps, and Fixtures (complete to burn gas except the service pipes), on Hosbrook street, from Grove street to Elk street.

The foregoing entitled ordinance was accompanied by the following petition; which was referred to the Committees on Public Light, with the ordinance:

Indianapolis, July 5, 1880.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Hosbrook street, from Grove street to Elk street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the erection of lamp posts, lamps and fixtures complete to burn gas. And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

Wm. Howden, Geo. Gray, Joseph Davis.

S. O. 100, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of Lamp-posts, Lamps, and Fixtures (complete to burn gas except the service pipes), on Lord street, from Noble street to Pine street.

The foregoing entitled ordinance was referred to the Committees on Public Light.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Councilman Bedford offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Railroads:

That the culvert under the switch extending from Massachusetts avenue to the Capital City Planing Mills, at the crossing of said Railroad with Peru avenue, be lowered, so that the water may be drained off.

Councilman Bedford presented the following remonstrance; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with the ordinance:

Indianapolis, July 3d, 1880.

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

The undersigned, property owners on the line of Cherry street, between Fort Wayne avenue and Bellefontaine street (north side,) respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance requiring the laying of a brick sidewalk on the north side of Cherry street, between the streets named, on the following grounds:

- 1st. The improvement is not needed, there being a gravel walk all the way.
- 2d. We are not now able to pay the expense thereof.

And we pray the ordinance may be stricken from the files.

Signed,

Trustees North Baptist Church, 140 feet; G. D. Green, 140 feet; J. Q. A. Ringer, 80 feet; Henry Swinge, 161 feet; Charles Mutchett, 80 feet; Arthur Jordan, 40 feet; Smith & Hannaman, agents, about 60 feet; Francis Jos. Deschler, 40 feet; Jacob Streicher's heirs, 208 feet.

Councilman Bernhamer presented the following remonstrance; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with the ordinance:

To the Honorable Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, residents and owners of three hundred and thirty (330) of the four hundred and forty (440) lineal feet bordering on the alley running south from Dougherty to Coburn street, between Wright and McKernan streets, do respectfully and earnestly remonstrate against the grading and graveling of said alley, at this time.

John Curran, 110 feet; Davis Milner, 110 feet;
Thomas Cottrell, 110 feet.

Councilman Bernhamer presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

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

Gentlemen:—I would respectfully petition your honorable body to take such steps as may be necessary, to cause the obstructions to be removed from the alley running north and south through Seidensticker and Naltner's Subdivision (a subdivision in the southern part of the city), from Texas street to Weghorst street, in the City of Indianapolis. The alley is now being used as a chicken pen, which is a nuisance, and I wish to have said alley properly opened to the use of the public. By giving this your attention, and giving the relief prayed for, I am your most obedient, &c.

CHARLES KERKHOFF, 171 Coburn street.

Councilman Bernhamer offered the following motions; which were severally adopted:

That the Committee on Sewers and Drainage and the City Civil Engineer be instructed to inquire into the cause of the alleged overflow of the sewer on the north side of Stevens street, near the north end of Greer street, and report what action, if any, is necessary to prevent such overflow.

That the Committee on Markets and the Market Master examine into, and report on, the advisability of making the stalls on the north side of Market street, rentable by the year.

That the Committee on Streets and Alleys be instructed to inquire into the expediency of opening Valley street, from its eastern terminus to Virginia avenue,

as there is no alley across leading west from said avenue between East and Merrill streets.

That the Committee on Streets and Alleys, with the City Civil Engineer, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of changing the grade of the alley between Dougherty and Coburn streets, from East street to Wright street, and at whose expense this should be done.

That the Committee on Sewers and Drainage, with the City Civil Engineer, be instructed to inquire into the expediency and necessity of constructing a sewer in Virginia avenue, south of Stevens street; with what sewer it should connect; its probable cost, and who should bear the expense.

Councilman Bernhamer offered the following motions; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to build a culvert over the gutter on the east side of Sullivan street, at the intersection of the first alley south of McCarty street.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to build a culvert over the gutter on the south side of McCarty street, at the intersection of Sullivan street.

Councilman Bernhamer offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot number sixty-six (66,) in Dougherty's subdivision, as per Plat Book 2, page 105, of a part of out-lot 99, in the City of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby, required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance, and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof; and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled: "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of Ponds, Excavations and Holes, and prescribing Penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same;" and that, in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance, *provided*, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Resolved, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot number eighty-four (84,) in Dougherty's subdivision, as per Plat Book 2, page 105, of a part of out-lot 99, in the City of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby, required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance, and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof; and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled: "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of Ponds, Excavations and Holes, and prescribing Penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same;" and that, in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance, *provided*, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Resolved, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot

number one hundred and sixty (160,) in Dougherty's subdivision, as per Plat Book 2, page 105, of a part of out-lot 99, in the City of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby, required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance, and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof; and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled: "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of Ponds, Excavations and Holes, and prescribing Penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same;" and that, in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance, *provided*, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Resolved, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot No. thirty (30,) in Thomas A. Hendricks' subdivision, as per Plat-Book 2, page 36, of a part of out-lot 99, in the City of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby, required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance, and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof; and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of Ponds, Excavations and Holes, and prescribing Penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same;" and that, in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance, *provided*, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Resolved, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot No. thirty-four (34,) in Thomas A. Hendricks' subdivision, as per Plat Book 2, page 36, of a part of out-lot 99, of the City of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby, required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance, and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof; and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of Ponds, Excavations and Holes, and prescribing Penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same;" and that, in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance, *provided*, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Resolved, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lots thirteen (13) and fourteen (14,) in Bradshaw & Holmes subdivision, as per Plat Book 2, page 133, of a part of out-lot 100, in the City of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby, required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance, and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof; and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled: "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of Ponds, Excavations and Holes, and prescribing Penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same;" and that, in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance, *provided*,

that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Resolved, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lots thirty-seven (37) and thirty-eight (38,) in Bradshaw & Holmes subdivision, as per Plat Book 2, page 133, of a part of out-lot 100, of the City of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby, required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance, and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof; and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled: "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of Ponds, Excavations and Holes, and prescribing Penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same;" and that, in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance, *provided*, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Resolved, That the owners of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot two (2) in McKernan's subdivision, as per Plat Book 2, page 78, of a part of Out-lot 100, in the City of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby, required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance, and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof; and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled: "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of Ponds, Excavations and Holes, and prescribing Penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same;" and that, in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance, *Provided*, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Which were severally adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Dowling, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Lamb.

Councilman Caylor offered the following motions; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements :

That the Street Commissioner repair the alley between West and California streets, from Indiana avenue to St. Clair street, with gravel.

That the Street Commissioner clean the gutters on North West street, from Indiana avenue to St. Clair street, and fill chuck-holes with gravel.

That the Street Commissioner open the gutters on west Pratt street, from Paca street to west end of said Pratt street, to give free passage for water.

That the Street Commissioner clean the gutters on Indiana avenue, from West street to Fall Creek.

That the Street Commissioner open the gutters on Douglass street, from Indiana avenue to North street, so as to drain the water away from said premises, where it is now standing and becoming stagnant.

Councilman Dean offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims:

That the claim of Mrs. Ellen McGriffin, herewith presented, on account of overflow of water, be allowed.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 3d, 1880.

Mrs. Ellen McGriffin, to Brunnhover & J. L. Pringle,
Bricklayers and Contractors, Dr.

July 3d. To repairing damaged cellar wall on lot ninety-one (91),
Downey street..... \$ 10 00

Councilman Dowling offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board and Committee therein named:

WHEREAS, The south Illinois street tunnel is in a very bad and deplorable condition, the result of bad and imperfect sewerage, so much so as to very seriously injure the health and business of our citizens along south Illinois street, and other streets in the vicinity; therefore,

Moved, That the Board of Public Improvements, the Aldermanic Committee on Railroads, the City Civil Engineer, together with the officers of the Citizens' Street Railway Co., be requested to immediately improve the sewerage of the tunnel. And also look after and prevent, if possible, in some manner the escape of gas from the Gas Company's pipes; request the Street Railway Company to raise and improve their track through the tunnel, and take such steps as will abate the intolerable nuisance and unbearable odors now so prevalent from this tunnel. Also, that the above committees be directed to pay immediate attention to this matter; and that in the matter of improving the tunnel, the aforesaid committees have full power to act.

Councilman Downey presented the following remonstrance; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with the ordinance:

Indianapolis, June 25th, 1880.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on the alley south of Market street, from East street to Liberty street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the improvement of said alley, it being dry, not filthy, and perfect as a thoroughfare.

And your petitioners will ever pray for an exact examination of the condition of said alley and a just decision accordingly.

Guido Bell, 115 feet; L. H. Mueller, 33½ feet; Michael
Mode, 70 feet; Tob. Bender, 33½ feet; Christ Gompf,
124 feet; C. Preeb, 60 feet; C. Waterman, 31 feet.

Councilman Downey offered the following motion: which was adopted:

That when motions to clean gutters are offered, and referred to the Board of Public Improvements, and said Board do not think it best or advisable to clean the same, that they present ordinances to bowlder such gutters, instead of recommending that the Councilman introduce such ordinance.

Councilman Fultz offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner clean the gutters, and repair the sidewalk, on McCarty street, from Tennessee street to Pogue's Run.

Councilman Kahn presented the following communication; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

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

Gentlemen:—But for the cruel and unjust assault made upon me in a communication presented to the Council June 21st, I would not trouble you with another word. Whether I am the hard-hearted, selfish, cruel monster described in said communication, I submit to those who know me; and before the jury of those who do not know me, I plead "not guilty." If I was the owner of low ground upon Market street, through which a natural drain ran; and should I, for the purpose of preventing the natural flow of water through my grounds, seek to have the property of my neighbor destroyed, *then* I would plead guilty to every charge made in said communication against me.

I knew nothing of the location of that "sacred cistern" upon the topmost peak of that seven foot mountain ("hill") at the intersection of Market and Highland streets, until after it was located. The fire engine that was represented as being almost lost in the mud of Market street, while going to the Sam Vance fire, mired down—not upon market street—but between Washington and Market, upon Highland street; the improvement of which, more than a year ago, my accuser said to your honorable body, was a "public necessity;" and then within a year, when the improvement was ordered by your honorable body, protested against it, and threatened you with "the law," if you didn't desist, as he now threatens you with the "courts for redress," if you don't do just what *he* wants. "Public spirit!!"

That I was the "accidental Mayor" of this city, I can't help. The people elected me, and I performed the duties of the office to the best of my abilities. Why, in said communication, I should be designated as "accidental Mayor," except for the purpose of trying to excite a partizan feeling against me, I don't know. My absence from my home, is a forced one, on account of sickness in my family, as all my neighbors know, and not because I wouldn't rather live there than any other place in the world. The first foot of ground I ever owned, was on the "northeast corner of Market and Highland streets." I bought a lot there and paid for it, as I paid for the street improvements in its front; and the only reason I didn't pay "\$450" for the street improvement was, because my possessions were not so extensive as to require that expenditure. And while my home there is humble, it is as dear to me as the more elegant home of my neighbor is to him, though beautified with flower gardens and a classic fish-pond.

That "hill" at the intersection of Market and Highland streets, described in said communication as being "at least seven feet higher than Market street in its center," is Market street itself; the grade of which was established as it now stands, by the proper city authorities; and under section 27 of the act of the Legislature approved March 14th, 1867, that grade cannot be changed, until the damages occasioned thereby are assessed and tendered, &c. As the change asked by Gen. Knefler would damage my property the full value of the house—which would then be perched upon an elevation 10 or 12 feet above the streets, and on Highland street within 10 or 12 feet of the same—I most respectfully remonstrate against a change in the grade. I don't believe six families along the whole line of Market street, from Arsenal avenue to Pogue's Run, want, or would consent to a change of grade of said street in front of their property; and I therefore hope that your honorable bodies will not force a change not needed, and one that would be against the interests and wishes of a large majority of the property holders on said street.

Most respectfully,

J. L. MITCHELL.

Councilman Koller presented the following remonstrance; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with the ordinance:

Indianapolis, June 22d, 1880.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Ohio street, from

Highland street to Arsenal avenue, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of said Ohio street and the sidewalks, on both sides of said Ohio street, between Highland street and Arsenal avenue. And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

S. J. Fletcher, 986 feet; Edward King, 410 feet;
D. M. Bradbury, 72 feet; F. M. Finch, 138 $\frac{1}{2}$
feet; Lydia P. Harrison, 80 feet; Indiana
Banking Co., 72 feet. Total feet owned by
remonstrants, 1,758 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The total number of feet in the proposed improvement is 2,360, showing that all the property owners except two or three persons, are opposed to this improvement at this time.

There is a good sidewalk on the south side of Ohio street leading to the school house from the streets nearest the school house, east and west. The land is an open common on the north side of this street, and covered with forest trees. When the time comes that this vacant ground is wanted for building purposes, the above remonstrants will be the first to ask for the improvement of this street in a substantial and attractive manner; but at present there is no need of the improvement, and "the times" do not justify unnecessary taxation of unproductive property.

Councilman Lamb offered the following motions; which were severally adopted:

That the Fire Board and Chief Fire Engineer be, and are hereby, requested to examine the district between Virginia avenue and South street, along the line of Delaware street, and report if, in their opinion, the interests in this district are sufficiently protected with fire protection; if not, to recommend such additional protection as, in their opinion, they may believe necessary.

That the police force be and are hereby, instructed to notify all property owners, or the agents for the same, to properly trim the shade trees in front of their property, where they in any way interfere with the street lamps, and to remove any and all trees and limbs that are broken, which in any way interferes with the free use of the streets or sidewalks.

Councilman Lang offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to open the gutter on First street, south of Hanway street, between Union and Meridian streets.

Councilman Mauer offered the following motions; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters on Blake street, from Washington street to Indiana avenue.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters on Douglass street, from North street to New York street.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters on New York street, from the Canal to Agnes street.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters on Athon street, from Rhode Island street to Indiana avenue.

Councilman Morrison presented the following petitions; which were received:

Indianapolis, July 5, 1880.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Mississippi street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the improvement of the gutters, by bowldering and curbing same, and by making sidewalks wider. And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

Clara Morrison, 44 feet; Wm. Giezendanner,
90 feet.

Indianapolis, June 30, 1880.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Mississippi street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for bowldering and curbing the gutters of said Mississippi street, and to provide for the widening of the sidewalks on said street. And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

George Sprandel, John Cahill, Henry A. Walter,
Lewis Walter, Wm. Clifford, Charles
Pierce.

Councilman Morrison offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Masten Dashiell be declared elected to the office of Weigh-Master and Wood-Measurer for the West Market, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of S. Goins, for the remainder of said term.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Downey,
Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, Morrison, McKay, O'Connor,
Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, Van Vorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Morrison presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney:

Indianapolis, July 5th, 1880.

To His Honor the Mayor and the Honorable Members of the

Board of Aldermen and City Council:

I hereby present to you a bill for Damages by the recent overflow of the gutters of Mississippi and Vermont streets and Indiana avenue, damaging me to the extent of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), by flooding the basement of my block.

Respectfully yours,

WM. GIEZENDANNER.

Moved, That the above claim be allowed, and that the committee report at the next regular meeting of this Council.

Councilman McKay presented the following petition; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

To the Honorable, the Common Council and the

Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, Ind.:

The undersigned, owners of lots fronting on Meridian street, between St. Clair and Seventh streets, in said city, respectfully represent to your honorable bodies that the wooden blocks laid upon said street a few years ago have become so worn-out

and decayed that said street, between said points, has become almost impassable, and is consequently but very little used as a public thoroughfare. That it is desirable and the best interest of the property holder requires, that said wooden blocks shall be removed and said street be improved with some permanent and lasting material. We therefore respectfully ask your honorable bodies to pass an ordinance for taking up and removing said wooden blocks, and to cause said street, between said points, to be improved by bowldering the gutters thereon to a suitable width, with good suitable stone bowlders, and the road or drive-way between the bowlders with good screened or dragged river or Fall creek gravel, to the thickness of twelve (12) inches in the center and six (6) inches at the sides adjoining the bowlders. The cost of such improvement to be paid by the owners of the property on said street pro rata, according to the number of feet owned by each fronting thereon, as provided by law.

We hereby respectfully but most earnestly protest and remonstrate against any cedar or other wooden blocks being put upon said street.

C. A. Ferguson, (at the expense of city), 200 feet; Isaac Pattison, 110 feet; J. D. and Margaret R. Carmichael, 62½ feet; E. H. Ferguson, 62½ feet; Estate of Geo. Tousey, by Mrs. Tousey, 200 feet; William S. Hubbard and Mary M. Hubbard, by W. S. Hubbard, 464 feet; Fred Gøpper, 157 feet; Wright & Allen, 135 feet; Mrs. J. D. Howland, 80 feet; Mrs. T. H. Bowles, 40 feet; M. A. Van Doren, 35 feet; Wm Sullivan, 130 feet; James Hasson, 31¼; W. S. Webb, 125 feet; John H. Ohr, 31¼ feet; Sarah Reeves, 31¼ feet; Geo. D. Staats, 37½ feet; Mrs. J. O. Radcliffe, 37½ feet; J. A. Root, 65½ feet; John S. Spann, 62½ feet; Marietta A. Davis, by John S. Spann & Co., 61 feet; Christina Hug, 56 feet; J. D. Vinnedge, 101 feet; Geo. W. Johnston, 31 feet; A. F. Morrison, for Barbara Morrison, 50 feet; W. M. and S. E. Tout, 120 feet; Wm B Burford, on reconsideration and to get a street of some kind at once), 62½ feet; Charles Mayer, 209 feet; Jno. C. Shoemaker, 62½ feet; Drew & Bennett, 247 feet; Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, by Jos. A. Moore, agent, 40 feet; Third Presbyterian Church, by Conrad Baker, President of Board of Trustees, 100 feet; T. C. Vinton, by M. E. Vinton, 200 feet; J. H. Ruddell, by M. E. Vinton, 80 feet; Mrs. L. D. Athon, by W. H. Hobbs, agent, 140 feet; Estate of Geo. Tousey, by Mrs. Tousey, 50 feet; Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, by A. S. Ames, agent, 32½ feet. Total number of feet owned by remonstrants, 3,740.

July 1, 1880.

Councilman McKay offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, directed to examine the north-eastern portion of the city, near and north of the "Atlas Works," and ascertain if the great quantity of water that overflows that portion of the city, cannot be greatly lessened by draining, at small expense, into Fall Creek. It is absolutely necessary, as a sanitary measure, that this portion of the city be, if possible, relieved from overflow after every rain.

Councilman McKay offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner repair the sidewalk, with gravel, at the northwest corner of Christian avenue and Ash street, and repair the east crossing of Christian avenue at the intersection of Ash street, with one load of broken stone.

Councilman O'Connor offered the following motions; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters on Meek street, from Noble street to Dillon street.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters on Georgia street, from Noble street to Dillon street.

Councilmen Dowling and Morrison were excused for the remainder of this session.

Councilman Pearson offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Board of Public Improvements be instructed to examine the work done on north Tennessee street. There has been several property holders on said street complaining regarding the size of bowlders and gravel put on said street.

Councilman Pritchard offered the following motions; which were severally adopted:

That the City Marshal notify the Citizens' Street Railway Company of Indianapolis, to fill with gravel the center of their track on north Illinois street, from Fourth street to the north side of Seventh street, at places where necessary, so that the track shall not be elevated above the grade of the street.

That Mr. Ross, contractor, have 30 days further time in which to complete the graveling of the first alley south of Twelfth street, between Illinois street and Tennessee street, the work having been delayed on account of so much rain.

That the City Marshal notify the owner of lot on northwest corner of Sixth street and Mississippi street (known as Ross & Lynn's coal yard), to remove fences and sheds built across alley between Sixth and Seventh streets, running from Mississippi street to the railroad, said obstructions being built on the east and west side of said coal yard, across said alley.

Councilman Pritchard offered the following motions; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill the chuck-holes, with broken stone and gravel, on north Illinois street, from Second street to Seventh street.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean out the gutter on the west side of north Mississippi street, from Seventh street to Ninth street, so that water will run therein.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill with gravel, the chuck-holes on Seventh street, from Meridian street west to Mississippi street.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to lay a stone crossing across north Illinois street, on a line with the north sidewalk, on "short" Fourth street.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill with gravel, the chuck-holes on Sixth street, from Tennessee street west to the railroad.

Councilman Downey, in behalf of Councilman Prier, offered the following motions; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean out the State Ditch, between Central avenue and Columbia avenue.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters on Peru street, between Christian avenue and Home avenue.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill the chuck-holes on Yandes street, between Seventh street and Malott avenue.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to fill the chuck holes with gravel, on Bellefontaine avenue, between Home avenue and Seventh street.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutter on the north side of Brookside avenue, from Clifford avenue east about three squares.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill the chuck holes on Columbia avenue, between Seventh street and Malott avenue.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to put a bridge across the State Ditch, on Hillside avenue.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters on Hill avenue, between Columbia avenue and Hillside avenue.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters on Beeler street, between Seventh street and Hill avenue.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutter on the south side of Seventh street, from Bellefontaine avenue to Columbia avenue; also clean the culvert under the L, P. & C. R. R., where it crosses Seventh street.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to put in a gutter bridge at the intersection of Yandes and Seventh streets.

Councilman Shilling offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters on Bright street.

Councilman Shilling offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be, and is hereby, directed to give the proper legal notice, by publication, of the meeting of the Common Council, Board of Aldermen, the City Clerk and City Assessor as the Board of Equalization, such meeting to be held on Monday evening, August 2d, 1880, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 22—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Thalman offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That the City Civil Engineer be directed to advertise for proposals for lettering the names of streets on street corners, where not already lettered. Said signs to be painted on tin, and in such quantities as the Council and Board of Aldermen may order.

Councilman VanVorhis offered the following motions ; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements :

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters, and fill the chuck-holes with broken stone, and to level down the knobs on Alabama street, between North street and Fort Wayne avenue; and that he be directed to clean the gutters, and otherwise put the street in good repair, between Ft. Wayne avenue and Morrison street.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to put in crossings of some kind, at the intersection of Delaware and Walnut streets, so that the children who attend the Second Ward School can cross said streets without wading in the mud.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters on Walnut street, between Pennsylvania and East streets.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters on North street, from Pennsylvania street to New Jersey street.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to put the gutters on Morrison street, between Alabama and Delaware streets, in such condition that the water will not stand in them.

Councilman VanVorhis offered the following motions ; which were severally adopted :

That the Board of Public Improvements be instructed to bowlder the crossing of Massachusetts avenue and Delaware street, so that the bowldering on Massachusetts avenue, on either side of Delaware street, may be connected across said street.

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to report to this body, at the next meeting, why it is that the water, every time there is a rain, accumulates at the crossing of Delaware and North streets, until the whole street is covered; and what is necessary to be done to furnish a proper outlet for the water so accumulating.

That the Street Commissioner be ordered to report to this body, at our next regular meeting, why the directions of this body and Board of Aldermen, to make a proper opening through or across St. Clair street, so that water can run south on the east side of Pennsylvania street, has not been obeyed.

That the attention of the Committee on Markets be called to the fact that tainted and otherwise unwholesome meats, and spoiled vegetables, are being openly

exposed for sale in the public markets of this city; and that said committee be instructed to report to this body, at our next regular meeting, what action, if any, is necessary on the part of this body and the Board of Aldermen, to properly enforce the ordinances prohibiting the sale of such unhealthy articles of food.

Councilman White offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Bridges:

That the City Engineer be instructed to advertise for bids, for a wagon and foot bridge, at the intersection of Spruce street and Pleasant Run.

Councilman Yoke presented the following remonstrance; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with the ordinance:

Indianapolis, June 28th, 1880.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on English avenue, from Harrison street to Dillon street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading, and paving with brick (where not already paved), the sidewalks of English avenue, from Harrison street to Dillon street. S. O. No. 87, 1880; published notice June 22, 1880.

The following are our reasons for protest: We have a good and substantial gravel sidewalk, comparatively new, answering all demands of present travel thereon. To now tear this up and replace with brick would entail us with an expense of laying two pavements and use of only one. Many are laborers, and have not the means to pay for it.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

Matthew McCabe, 100 feet; Fred. Kline, Administrator, 80 feet; Jemima Deshong, 40 ft; Roy & McCoy, 40 feet; Margaret M. Howe, 178 feet; Minnie Tebbe, 140 feet; Smith & Hanneman, Agents, 40 feet; Charles F. W. Rasener, 40 feet; Charles H. Bade, 40 feet; C. Claffey, 80 feet; Adrian Bouvy, 80 feet; H. Lupton, 40 feet; E. J. Hardesty, 60 feet; James M. Pigg, 55 feet; Malinda Davis, 30 feet; John Downey, 25 feet; Michael Quinlan, 40 feet; Fred'k Weiland, 50 feet; Michael Madden, 40 feet; Nancy A. Ford, 30 feet; Ernst Dreier, 30 feet; J. E. McKnight, 60 feet; Henry Simmons, 20 feet; Henry Aebker, 40 feet; J. C. Johnston, Agent, 40 feet; Firman Marshall, 30 feet.

Councilman Yoke offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the owners of the following described real estate, to wit: Lot No. 390, Fletcher et al. subdivision of out-lots Nos. 96, 97 and 98, in the City of Indianapolis, be, and they are hereby, required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance, and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof; and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, required to notify the owners thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1866, entitled, "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of Ponds, Excavations and Holes, and prescribing Penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same;" and that, in case of the failure of the owners thereof to fill or drain the

same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance, *provided*, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 22—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bernhamer, Bryce, Caylor, Dean, Downey, Fultz, Harrold, Kahn, Koller, Lamb, Lang, Mauer, McKay, O'Connor, Pearson, Pritchard, Shilling, Thalman, VanVorhis, White, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

On motion, the Common Council then adjourned.

J. Leaven Mayor,
President of the Common Council.

Attest: *Jos. T. Magnard* Clerk.