

# PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

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ADJOURNED SESSION—JULY 8, 1881.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber on Monday evening, July 8th, A. D. 1881, at eight o'clock, in adjourned session.

**PRESENT**—Hon. Daniel W. Grubbs, Mayor, and, *ex officio*, President of the Common Council, in the chair, and 21 members, viz: Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

**ABSENT**—Councilmen Bedford, Caylor, Dean, and Mauer—4.

## REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was concurred in, and the City Attorney directed to bring suit against Wm. Kown and his bondsmen, compelling them to complete their contract:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith make the following report for your consideration and action thereon:

The contract for bowldering the gutters of Morrison street, between Alabama and Delaware streets, was awarded to Wm. Kown; bond filed and approved September 22, 1880. Said contractor has failed to do any part of the work, and I learn is now, and has been for sometime, out of the city.

Respectfully submitted,  
S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

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

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith report a first and final estimate in behalf of R. P. Dunning and James W. Hudson, for grading, bowldering and curbing with stone the gutters, and paving with brick the north sidewalk (where not already paved, curbed or bowldered), of Georgia street, from Illinois street to Tennessee street.

872 lineal feet bowldering, at 63 cents.....	\$550 36
435 $\frac{1}{2}$ lineal feet curbing, at 41 cents.....	178 63
394 lineal feet paving, at 53 cents.....	208 82
124 $\frac{1}{2}$ lineal feet re setting curb, at 3 cents.....	3 74
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	\$941 55

Respectfully submitted,  
S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The following estimate resolution was read:

*Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis,* That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of R. P. Dunning and James W. Hudson, for grading, bowldering and curbing with stone the gutters, and paving with brick the north sidewalk (where not already paved, bowldered or curbed), of Georgia street, from Illinois street to Tennessee street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

**AYES, 16—viz.** Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, and Thalman.

**NAYS—None.**

The City Clerk submitted the following report:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

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

August Richter vs. Walter Q. Gresham, for..... \$61 70

And recommend that you order the precept to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

On motion, the above report was concurred in, and the precept ordered to issue by the following vote:

**AYES, 13—viz.** Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Coy, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Reichwein, and Stout.

**NAYS, 3—viz.** Councilmen Cowie, Pritchard, and Thalman.

The following report was submitted and received:

*Indianapolis, July 8th, 1881.*

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

*Gentlemen:*—I herewith submit a report of the collections of the rents of the city property, known as the Tomlinson Estate, for the month of June, 1881:

Received of Theodore Zumbush, 23 west Ohio street.....	\$35 00
Received of Paul Sherman, 21 Indiana avenue.....	15 00
Received of Mary A. Dyer, 113 north Illinois street.....	25 00
Received of H. C. Overman, 115 north Illinois street.....	25 00
Received of W. H. Mahone, 117 north Illinois street.....	25 00
Total receipts.....	\$125 00
Less whitewashing.....	3 00
	\$122 00
Less 3½ per cent. commission .....	4 37
	\$117 63

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM HADLEY, Agent.

## REPORTS, ETC., FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

The Fire Board, through Councilman Thalman, submitted the following report; which was received, and the several recommendations concurred in:

Indianapolis, July 8th, 1881.

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

*Gentlemen:*—Your motions, referred to us for our action, we have carefully considered, and would report as follows:

1st. Is a motion to place a bell and striker on Engine House No. 9. As this will incur an expenditure of some \$1,200, we recommend that it be not concurred in, as it is not essential to the putting out of fires.

2d. Is a motion to locate two 2000-barrel cisterns in the vicinity of Sarven Wheel Works.

We recommend that one cistern be located there, with a capacity of 2000 barrels; such cistern to be located in such place as the Chief Fire Engineer may select.

We have also ordered two extra hydrants located in that vicinity, which we consider will give sufficient protection.

3d. Is a motion to build one 1200-barrel cistern at the intersection of Caven and East streets.

We recommend that this be not built, as we have been unable to locate Caven street.

4th. Is a motion to place a fire-alarm box on the corner of South and Meridian streets.

In this we recommend not to concur, as there are two (2) boxes within two squares of this location.

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Thalman,  
Phil Reichwein,  
Fire Board.

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

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—The Board of Public Improvements, together with the Street Commissioner and City Civil Engineer, to whom was referred the matter of improving Fletcher avenue, by widening the sidewalks and curbing and bowldering the gutters, would report:

Recommend that the Special Ordinance now pending in the Council contemplating improving said avenue in the above mentioned manner, be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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

L. A. FULMER, Street Commissioner.  
S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The Superintendent of the City Dispensary presented an invoice of stock, showing total amount of property at Dispensary \$166.25.

The Committee on Public Light, through Councilman Bryce, submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

*Gentlemen:*—Your Committee on Public Light have had under consideration the question of making a new contract with the Indianapolis Gas Light and Coke Company, to furnish light for the year beginning August 1st, 1881, and terminating July 31st, 1882. In view of the fact that the present contract with the Indianapolis Gas Light and Coke Company has, so far as we have been able to ascertain, been favorable and satisfactory to the citizens generally, your committee recommend the continuance of the same contract for the year ending July 31st, 1882; and we herewith transmit the contract of the Indianapolis Gas Light and Coke Company for your consideration, and which we recommend be accepted, and the Mayor be authorized to execute the same.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter F. Bryce,  
H. B. Stout,  
Jas. T. Dowling,  
Committee on Public Light.

The following contract, submitted with the above report, was referred to the Committees on Public Light, Judiciary, and City Attorney:

**THIS AGREEMENT**, made this — day of ———, 1881, by and between the City of Indianapolis, party of the first part, and the Indianapolis Gas Light and Coke Company, party of the second part,

*Witnesseth*, That whereas, on the 22d day of July, 1876, said parties entered into a contract in writing, whereby the party of the second part undertook and agreed for a period of five years from August 1st, 1876, to furnish gas to light the public lamps of said city, upon the terms therein stated; and

*Whereas*, On the 2d day of August, 1878, the same parties made a provisional agreement for the furnishing of gas by the party of the second part to the party of the first part, which contract expired August 1st, 1879; and

*Whereas*, On the 24th day of July, 1879, the same parties made another provisional contract for the furnishing of gas by the party of the second part to the party of the first part, which contract will expire July 31st, 1880; and

*Whereas*, The same parties made another provisional contract for the furnishing of gas by the party of the second part to the party of the first part on the 2d day of August, 1880, which contract will expire on the 1st day of August, 1881:

Now Therefore, The parties hereto make this provisional agreement for the term of one year from the first day of August, 1881, to-wit:

The said party of the second part agrees to furnish gas to the said party of the first part, of the quality and kind provided for in the third section of the ordinance of the Common Council of said city, enacted March 19th, 1866, for Twenty-four hundred and nineteen (2419) lamps, all of which are now in a serviceable condition in and upon the streets of said city, said lamps to be lighted upon time-tables to be furnished by the said city which tables shall provide for Twenty-five hundred (2500) hours per year for each and every lamp, and the burners thereof shall be of the capacity of not less than four cubic feet per hour for each and every lamp. Said party of the second part also agrees at proper and regular times to light and extinguish said lamps according to the schedule furnished by said party of the first part, to keep said lamps clean and in repair; and if said party of the second part shall fail or neglect to keep the same clean and in repair, the said party of the first part shall have the right to do so and deduct the cost thereof from any sum due said Gas Company.

It is further agreed that the party of the first part shall have the right to deduct from any amount due the said party of the second part the sum of fifteen (15) cents for each and every post for each and every night that it is not lighted and kept lighted during the time provided in the time-table; *provided*, that this provision shall not apply to cases of failure to light and keep lighted that are caused by frost, over which said party of the second part has no control, but said party of the second part agrees to use the utmost reasonable dispatch in thawing out such posts.

The city and her officers shall have the right at any time to test both the quality of the gas furnished and the capacity of the burners on the street lamps. The aforesaid Twenty-four hundred and nineteen (2419) posts shall be such as shall be selected and designated by the proper committee or committees of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen and a representative committee of said Gas Company; and the said party of the second part also agrees to furnish gas for all offices occupied by City Officers, for all Engine Houses, for the Council Chamber, for all Tunnels, Bridges and Station Houses, and all other places where gas is required for the use of said city in her corporate capacity, at the price of two dollars per thousand cubic feet.

In consideration of the foregoing agreements of said party of the second part, the said party of the first part agrees to pay said party of the second part for each and every street lamp of said city to which gas is supplied, the sum of twenty-five (\$25) dollars per annum, or the sum of Sixty thousand four hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$60,475.00) for said Twenty-four hundred and nineteen (2419) posts; said sum to be full compensation for all gas furnished, and for cleaning, lighting, and keeping in repair and in order for service, such lamps and posts as above undertaken and agreed by the party of the second part. And the party of the first part further does agree to pay for gas furnished said city in her corporate capacity, except street lamps, the price of two dollars per thousand cubic feet, as above mentioned.

The compensation herein agreed to be paid shall be paid by the party of the first part in equal monthly installments at the end of each and every month, and City Warrants or Orders shall be received at par in such payments.

And the party of the first part further agrees with the party of the second part that during the continuance of this contract all fines and damages collected by the said city from persons for breaking or damaging said street lamps or posts, shall be paid, when collected, to said party of the second part

And said party of the second part also agrees that if the city should at any time require a greater number of lamp-posts lighted than above mentioned, the said party of the second part will furnish gas, light and keep the same in repair in the same manner as the said twenty-four hundred and nineteen (2419) lamps above mentioned, and at the same rate; *provided*, that when new posts shall be erected

along lines where new mains are to be laid, then such work shall be performed according to the terms and requirements of section six (6) of said Gas Company's charter of March 19th, 1866; and said party of the second part does further agree to dismantle any gas lamps now erected and re-light in lieu thereof any lamp-posts now erected or that may hereafter be erected upon the lines of existing mains when so ordered by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen during the existence of the present contract and due notice being given by the City Civil Engineer, without any cost to said city.

This contract to take effect from and including the first day of August, 1881, and be and remain in force for the period of one year. After the expiration of the term of this contract the parties hereto are to be remitted to whatever rights they or either of them may have under the contract of March 19th, 1866, the same as if this contract or any other modifying contract had not been made.

*In Witness Whereof*, The parties hereto, by their proper officers, have hereunto signed their corporate names and caused their corporate seals to be affixed.

Councilman Brundage presented the following entitled ordinance; which was read the first time:

Ap. O. 46, 1881—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of a certain claim against the city of Indianapolis, in behalf of A. Naltner, on account of Garbage.

Councilman Brundage moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of placing Ap. O. 46, 1881, on its final passage.

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

AYES 21—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

Ap. O. 46, 1881, was then read the second time, ordered engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Cowie introduced the following entitled ordinance; which was read the first time, and referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

S. O. 106, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the gutters of West street, from Washington street to Indiana avenue (where not already properly bowldered.)

## PENDING ORDINANCES.

The following entitled ordinance was stricken from the files :

S. O. 31, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick (where not already paved), the south sidewalk of Second street, from Illinois street to the canal.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time :

S. O. 41, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Ohio street, and curbing and bowldering the gutters thereof, from 222 feet east of Harvey street to Arsenal avenue.

On motion, the above ordinance was amended so as to read “from 222 feet east of Harvey street to the alley on the east line of lot eleven (11), Douglass’ addition.”

The ordinance, as amended, was ordered engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote :

A YES, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time :

S. O. 50, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, paving with brick, and curbing with stone, the south sidewalk of Maryland street, from Missouri street to West street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

A YES, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time :

S. O. 52, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick (where not already paved), the south sidewalk of First street, from Illinois street to the Canal.

And it was passed by the following vote :

A YES, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

S. O. 71, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the roadway of West street, from First street to McIntyre street, and for widening the sidewalks thereof.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

S. O. 72, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, paving with brick and curbing with stone, the west sidewalk of West street, from Third street to McIntyre street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

S. O. 73, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of Tennessee street, from the first alley north of Third street to Fourth street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

S. O. 74, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Louisiana street, from Alabama street to East street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.



The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

S. O. 77, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Vermont street, from Illinois street to the Canal.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

S. O. 78, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick (where not already paved), the sidewalks of Spann avenue, between Dillon and Linden streets.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

S. O. 80, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling east Pearl street and sidewalks, from Benton street to Cady street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

S. O. 82, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of Bates street, from Noble street to Benton street.

On motion, the above ordinance was amended by striking out the word "Noble," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Concordia," so as to read from Concordia street to Noble street.

The ordinance, as amended, was ordered engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

**AYES, 20**—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

**NAYS**—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time :

S. O. 86, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Third street, from Tennessee street to Illinois street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

**AYES 20**—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

**NAYS**—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time :

S. O. 94, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters, of South street, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street (where not already properly bowldered or curbed.)

And it was passed by the following vote :

**AYES, 20**—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

**NAYS**—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time ; ordered engrossed, and read the third time :

S. O. 96, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Eddy street and sidewalks, from Norwood street to Merrill street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

**AYES, 13**—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

**NAYS**—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time :

S. O. 98, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the north sidewalk of Twelfth street, from Meridian street to Illinois street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

**AYES**, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

**NAYS**—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time :

S. O. 99, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of Fifth street, from Tennessee street to the first alley west of Tennessee street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

**AYES**, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

**NAYS**—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time, ordered engrossed, and read the third time :

S. O. 100, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for improving Fletcher avenue, from Cedar street to Dillon street, by grading and bowldering the gutters, widening and grading the sidewalks to the width of twenty feet, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks.

And it was passed by the following vote :

**AYES**, 20—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Morrison, Pearson, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

**NAYS**—None.

The following entitled ordinances were read the second time :

S. O. 87, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for paving with wood blocks the roadway of Meridian street, and bowldering the gutters thereof, from New York street to St. Clair street.

S. O. 88, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for paving with wood blocks the roadway of Meridian street, and bowldering the gutters thereof, from St. Clair street to Seventh street.

Councilman Pritchard offered various amendments to the above ordinances, which were referred, with the ordinances, to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, Judiciary Committee, and City Attorney, to report at the next meeting.

Councilman Cole moved that when this Council adjourns, it adjourn to meet on the next Monday evening.

Which motion was adopted.

Councilman Dowling offered the following motion :

That the Judiciary Committee, City Attorney, and Committee on Public Light report on next Monday evening, at a special meeting of this Council, upon the report of the Committee of Public Light as presented to the Council this evening.

Which failed of adoption by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Councilmen Bryce, Coy, Dowling, Harrold, Koller, Pearson, Stout, Thalman, and Weaver.

NAYS, 12—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Cole, Cowie, Egger, Fultz, Hartmann, Knodel, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Ward, and Yoke.

The Committee of Conference, through Councilman Bryce, submitted the following report :

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

*Gentlemen:*—Your Conference Committee, appointed in the matter of improving South Meridian street, from Washington street to Louisiana street, under S. O. 42 1881, recommend that said ordinance be so amended that the city shall pay the expense of re-grading said street, and after so amended passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter F. Bryce,

Frederick Hartmann,

Isaac Thalman,

Council.

F. W. Hamilton,

W. H. Tucker,

H. E. Drew,

Aldermanic.

On motion, the above report was concurred in, the amendment adopted, and the ordinance re-passed by the following vote :

AYES, 17—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dowling, Egger, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Pearson, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS, 3—viz. Councilmen Fultz, Pritchard, and Ward.

The Committee on Contracts, through Councilman Thalman, submitted the following report; which was concurred in, except the fourth clause, which was referred back to the Committee :

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

*Gentlemen:*—The Committee on Contracts, to whom was referred sundry proposals presented to Council July 4th, 1881, have examined the same, and find them to be as follows, viz :

1st For grading and bowldering Chesapeake alley, from Meridian street to Pennsylvania street.

R. H. Patterson, \$1 20 per lineal foot front on each side.

James Mahoney, \$1.16 per lineal foot front on each side.

Blume and Stumph, \$1.12 per lineal foot front on each side.

Hefgen and Bernauer, \$1.05 per lineal foot front on each side.

H. C. Roney, \$1.03 per lineal foot front on each side.

Richard Carr, \$1.02 per lineal foot front on each side.

Dunning and Hudson, 95 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

Dunning and Hudson being the lowest and best bidders, we recommend they be awarded the contract.

2d. For grading and graveling Chadwick street and sidewalks, from McCarty street to Catherine street.

- S. Keers & Co., 85 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- R. Kennington, 65 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- Henry Clay, 60 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- Jas. Mahoney, 59½ cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- Michael Doherty, 59 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- J. L. Spaulding, 58 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- Dunning and Hudson, 55 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- R. H. Patterson, 53 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- Henry C. Roney, 49 cents per lineal foot front on each side

Henry C. Roney being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

3d. For grading and paving with brick (where not already paved), the south sidewalk of St. Clair street, from Meridian street to Tennessee street.

- Henry C. Roney, 40 cents per lineal foot front.
- J. L. Hanna & Co., 40 cents per lineal foot front.
- J. W. Smith, 39½ cents per lineal foot front.
- John Schier, 38 cents per lineal foot front.

John Schier being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

4th. For grading and graveling Seventh street and sidewalks, from Columbia avenue to Hill avenue.

- Henry Clay, 93 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- Blume & Stumph, 85 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- Richard Carr, 85 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- R. H. Patterson, 85 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- Dunning & Hudson, 85 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- Henry C. Roney, 71 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- Samuel Keers & Co., 65 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

Samuel Keers & Co. being the lowest and best bidders, we recommend they be awarded the contract.

5th. For grading and paving with brick (where not already paved), the east sidewalk of West street, from South street to Merrill street.

- Dunning & Hudson, 51 cents per lineal foot front.
- J. W. Smith, 46 cents per lineal foot front.
- H. C. Roney, 46 cents per lineal foot front.
- John Schier, 42 cents per lineal foot front.

John Schier being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

6th. For grading and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of West street (where not already paved), from Washington street to Kentucky avenue.

- Dunning & Hudson, 71 cents per lineal foot front.
- H. C. Roney, 68 cents per lineal foot front.
- J. W. Smith, 67½ cents per lineal foot front.
- John Schier, 61 cents per lineal foot front.

John Schier being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

7th. For grading and graveling the alley between Union and Chestnut streets, from Hanway street to Hill street.

- R. H. Patterson, 49 cents per lineal foot front on each side.
- H. C. Roney, 26 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

- R. Kennington, 25 cents per lineal foot front on each side.  
 M. Dougherty, 25 cents per lineal foot front on each side.  
 J. L. Spaulding, 24 cents per lineal foot front on each side.  
 J. Mahoney, 23 cents per lineal foot front on each side.  
 John Greene, 22½ cents per lineal foot front on each side.  
 Robert Thomas, 21 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

Robert Thomas being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

8th. For grading and graveling the first alley east of the intersection of South street and Virginia avenue, from South street to Virginia avenue.

- M. Dougherty, 50 cents per lineal foot front on each side.  
 J. L. Spaulding, 34 cents per lineal foot front on each side.  
 James Mahoney, 29½ cents per lineal foot front on each side.  
 Robert Kennington, 25 cents per lineal foot front on each side.

Robert Kennington being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

9th. For improving New York street, from Delaware street to New Jersey street, by widening the sidewalks, curbing with stone the outer edges thereof, and bowldering the gutters.

- Dunning & Hudson, 99 cents for curbing, and 65 cents for bowldering, per lineal foot front on each side.  
 Richard Carr, 90 cents for curbing, and 60 cents for bowldering, per lineal foot front on each side.  
 James Mahoney, 45 cents for curbing, and 70 cents for bowldering, per lineal foot front on each side.  
 Hefgen & Bernauer, \$1.15 per lineal foot front on each side for curbing and bowldering.  
 S. W. Patterson, 40 cents for curbing, and 69 cents for bowldering, per lineal foot front on each side.

The stone curbing for this improvement appears to be of a peculiar "extra finish," adding double the cost of the old style of curbing, which a number of contractors have misunderstood in their bids, and which would create a hardship to property owners having to pay for same, and add nothing, in our opinion, to the durability of the improvement. We recommend that the matter be re-advertised, and the City Civil Engineer be directed to make all his specifications in future for the old style curbing, unless the property owners petition for the "extra finish."

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Thalman,  
 E. H. Koller,  
 Committee on Contracts.

#### INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

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

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters of Michigan street, between New Jersey and East streets.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean gutters of Michigan street, between Alabama and Delaware streets.

Councilman Dowling offered the following motion ; which was adopted, and Councilmen Dowling, Pearson and Ward, appointed to act as members of such committee :

WHEREAS, It is currently reported that certain foremen and teams in the employ of the city, have been used for the purpose of building an embankment for private parties, and while engaged in building such embankment, were paid by the city for such work ; therefore

*Moved*, That a special committee of three be appointed to investigate the alleged misdoings of certain employes who work under the supervision of the Board of Public Improvements.

Councilman Egger offered the following motion ; which was referred to the Fire Board :

That a two thousand barrel fire cistern be built at the intersection of south East street and Lincoln lane.

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

To amend ordinance S. O. 81, by striking out the words and curbing with stone.

Councilman Morrison offered the following motion ; which was adopted, and Councilmen Morrison, and Hartmann appointed as such committee:

The Hospital Board having reported that the present Hospital is inadequate for the purpose for which it is intended, and that the building is a discredit to the city and should be condemned—accompanying said report is a recommendation that the county and city build a Hospital jointly.

*Resolved*, That the Chair appoint a committee of five (5), said committee to include the members of the Hospital Board, for the purpose of having a consultation with the County Commissioners, and report what can be done looking to the erection and maintainance of a Hospital by the city and county in a more suitable location, and one that will be a Hospital in fact as well as name.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to clean gutters on Wash street, between East and Noble streets.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to put a coat of gravel on Ohio street, between East and Noble streets, to put the same in good order, the gutters having recently been bowldered and curbed.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to fill the chuck-holes on Christian avenue, between College avenue and Bellefontaine avenues.

Councilman Stout offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That the City Marshal, R. S. Coulter, be, and is hereby, granted leave of absence to visit Europe.

Councilman Thalman offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the committee to whom was referred the Meridian street ordinance, be directed to amend as follows:

That the crossings of New York street be laid with white cedar blocks; the crossing of Vermont street with red cedar blocks, and the crossing of Michigan street with white pine blocks.

Councilman Yoke offered the following motions; which were adopted:

That Michael Staley be allowed to erect and light a lamp-post, at the corner of Cedar street and Virginia avenue, at his own expense.

That the Committee on Office Fixtures and Supplies, be, and are hereby, instructed to purchase and place in the Mayor's office a suitable book case, for the purpose of preserving the reports of this and other cities, for the use of present and future Councils and Boards.

That the City Marshal be, and is hereby, instructed to enforce the order in regard to removing the present occupant of the Southern Park.

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

That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill the chuck-holes on Alabama street, between Michigan and St. Clair streets.

On motion, the Common Council then adjourned.

DANIEL W. GRUBBS, Mayor,

President of the Common Council.

Attest: JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.