

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

FIRST SESSION—AUGUST 1, 1881.

The Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, together with the City Clerk and City Assessor, met as a Board of Equalization, in the Council Chamber, on Monday evening, August 1st, A. D. 1881, at 8 o'clock, pursuant to the following notice:

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK, *Indianapolis, Ind.*, July 20, 1881.

Notice is hereby given to tax-payers that, in pursuance of the provisions of Section 59 of the City Charter, the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, together with the City Clerk and City Assessor, will meet at the Chamber of the Common Council, in the City of Indianapolis, on Monday evening, August 1st, 1881, as a Board of Equalization, to hear and decide complaints, if there be any, and equalize the appraisements for the year 1881, as right and justice may require.

By order of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

A roll-call was had with the following result :

PRESENT—His Honor, Daniel W. Grubbs, Mayor, in the Chair, Joseph T. Magner, City Clerk, Millard F. Connett, City Assessor; Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Musmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman, and Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke—34.

ABSENT—Alderman Wood, and Councilmen Caylor, Hartmann, and Pearson—4.

A quorum being present, the Board of Equalization proceeded to business.

The City Assessor presented the following report, which was duly received:

OFFICE OF CITY ASSESSOR, *July 18th*, 1881.

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

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit my annual report of the taxable property of the city for the year 1881, showing the total valuation of each class of property :

Valuation of Lots	\$23,534,000 00
Valuation of Improvements.....	15,526,500 00
Valuation of Personal Property.....	11,988,615 00
Grand total	<u>\$51,049,115 00</u>

Total No. of Polls13,725.

The increase in personal property is \$1,075,800; the net increase in total valuation is \$1,005,645. To this is to be added the railroad tracks, side tracks and rolling stock, which was \$225,000 in 1880; and I have every reason to believe there will be no decrease from last year, but will be able to give amount in my final report. The increase in polls is 406.

Respectfully submitted,

MILLARD F. CONNETT, City Assessor.

By direction of His Honor, the Chairman, the City Clerk called the roll of the Wards, in order that complaints against the appraisement of 1881 might be presented.

No complaints were presented.

On Councilman Thalman's motion, it was ordered—

That a Committee of five be appointed by His Honor, the Chairman, and that one member be chosen from each of the Aldermanic Districts, who shall assemble at the office of the City Assessor, at 10 o'clock A. M., August 2d, 1881, and shall meet from day to day, as by law required, and to whom shall be referred the assessment list and all complaints against any assessment," reporting their proceedings back to a future meeting of this Board of Equalization, to be held Wednesday evening, August 10th, 1881.

His Honor, the Chairman, appointed the following named members of the Board of Equalization, as the select committee, pursuant to the foregoing motion:

First Aldermanic District—Councilman Ward.
Second Aldermanic District—Alderman DeRuiter.
Third Aldermanic District—Councilman Reichwein.
Fourth Aldermanic District—Alderman Seibert.
Fifth Aldermanic District—Councilman Egger.

On Councilman Dowling's motion, the Board of Equalization then adjourned, to meet again Wednesday evening, August 10th, A. D. 1881, at the usual hour.

DANIEL W. GRUBBS, Mayor,

Chairman of Board of Equalization.

Attest: JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION—AUGUST 1, 1881.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber on Monday evening, August 1st, A. D. 1881, at eight o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Daniel W. Grubbs, Mayor, and, *ex officio*, President of the Common Council, in the chair, and 23 members, viz: Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

ABSENT—Councilmen Caylor, and Pearson—2.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the regular session held July 25th, 1881, having been printed, and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

OPENING AND REFERRING SEALED PROPOSALS FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

Sealed proposals for making the below described street improvements, were opened, read, and referred to the Committee on Contracts. No proposals were received for the erection of lamp-posts, etc., on Greer street:

(S. O. 43, 1881)—For re-grading and re-bowldering Meridian street, from Wash-ton street to Louisiana Street.

(S. O. 50, 1881)—For grading, paving with brick, and curbing with stone, the south sidewalk of Maryland street, from Missouri street to West street.

(S. O. 66, 1881)—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.

(S. O. 80, 1881)—For grading and graveling east Pearl street and sidewalks, from Benton street to Pine street.

(S. O. 82, 1881)—For grading and graveling the first alley north of Bates street, from Concordia street to Benton street.

(S. O. 92, 1881)—For erecting lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Greer street, between Stevens street and Buchanan street.

(S. O. 100, 1881)—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.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., FROM THE MAYOR.

His Honor, the Mayor, submitted the following report; which was received:

Indianapolis, August 1st, 1881.

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The collections for the month of July, were as follows;

Policemens' witness fees.....	\$220 35
Mayor's fees.....	179 55
Fines due the city.....	22 25
Total.....	\$422 15

Which amount I have this day paid to the City Treasurer, and deposited his receipt with the City Clerk.

Very respectfully,

D. W. GRUBBS, Mayor.

His Honor, Mayor Grubbs, presented the following communication; which was received, and the action of the Common Council was reconsidered, in adopting the motion refusing to consider any messages or communications from the Board of Aldermen:

To the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—I trust that the vote by which this body refused to receive further communications from the Board of Aldermen, will be promptly reconsidered. As it now stands it can result in no good, and only serves to intensify a feeling, the existence of which is not creditable to either body.

D. W. GRUBBS, Mayor.

His Honor, Mayor Grubbs, presented the following communication; which was referred to the Committee on Railroads and City Attorney:

Indianapolis, August 1, 1881.

To the Honorable, the Mayor, Common Council, and

Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—In the matter of the extension of Dillon street north of Meek street, we desire to inform you that the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati & St. Louis Railway Co. has caused the switches in or crossing Cruise street, to be removed to a point more than thirty feet east of the east line of Cruise street.

It is believed by the railway company that the interests of the public will be subserved by permanently abandoning the proposed extension of Dillon street by the city from Meek street north to Michigan avenue, and by opening a street sixty feet wide from Meek street north to Michigan avenue, upon the route of Cruise street. For the purpose of aiding in opening Cruise street sixty feet wide upon the route indicated, the railway company proposes to the city that if it will permanently abandon the proposed extension of Dillon street from Meek street north to Michi-

gan avenue, and will extend Cruise street from Michigan avenue south to Meek street, and will open the same for public travel sixty feet wide, the railway company will convey to the city for the public use, to be used as part of Cruise street, a strip of ground thirty feet wide abutting upon Cruise street upon the east side, and extending from Michigan avenue south to the right of way of the Columbus, Chicago & Indiana Central Railway Company.

It is of great importance that immediate action should be taken upon this proposition, and it is respectfully submitted for your consideration.

BAKER, HORD & HENDRICKS,
For the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati & St. Louis R'y. Co.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

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

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

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following estimates, done according to contract.

A first and final estimate in behalf of J. L. Spaulding, for grading and graveling Cypress street and sidewalks, from Linden street to Ohio street:

1,004 $\frac{7}{12}$ lineal feet, at 76 cents.....\$763 49

A first and final estimate in behalf of S. W. Patterson, for grading and paving with brick (where not already paved) the sidewalks of Plum street, from Massachusetts avenue to Christian avenue:

2,285 $\frac{14}{100}$ lineal feet, at 37 cents.....\$845 50

A first and final estimate in behalf of Fred. Gansberg, for grading and bowldering the gutters, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks (where not already bowldered or curbed) of Virginia avenue, from Washington street to its southern terminus:

9,676 lineal feet of bowldering, at 60 cents..... \$5,805 59

8,569 $\frac{8}{12}$ lineal feet of curbing, at 39 cents..... 3,342 16

310 lineal feet of re-setting curb, at 7 cents..... 21 70

Total \$9,169 45

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 J. L. Spaulding, for grading and graveling Cypress street and sidewalks, from Linden street to Olive 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, 20—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

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 S. W. Patterson, for grading and paving with brick (where not already paved) the sidewalks of Plum street, from Massachusetts avenue to Christian avenue, 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 20—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

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 Fred Gansberg, for grading and bowldering the gutters, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks (where not already bowldered or curbed), of Virginia avenue, from Wshington street to its southern terminus, 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, 20—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report ; which was received :

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—Since the 1st of June, I have received for surveying lots, per order of the Board of Public Improvements, the sum of eleven (\$11) dollars, which amount I have paid into the City Treasury, and filed the Treasurer's receipt therefor with the City Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, 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 improvement by precepts, to-wit:

James Mahoney vs. Thomas C. Reading, for.....	\$32 65
Charles S. Roney vs. William A. Bell, for.....	28 95
Charles S. Roney vs. Lucy F. Hines, for.....	7 24
James Mahoney vs. Arthur G. Fosdyke, for.....	12 49

Michael Flaherty vs. Samuel E. Kennedy, for.....	6 00
Michael Flaherty vs. William A. Meyers, for.....	6 00
Michael Flaherty vs. Anton Schmidt, for.....	6 00
Michael Flaherty vs. David S. Beatty's heirs, John C. New, Ex., for	6 00
Michael Flaherty vs. David S. Beatty's heirs, John C. New, Ex., for	6 00
Michael Flaherty vs. David S. Beatty's heirs, John C. New, Ex., for	6 00

And recommend you order the precepts to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

On motion, the above report was concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue (except so much thereof as relates to the precept against William A. Bell), by the following vote:

AYES, 22.—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Thalman.

Councilman Bedford presented the following communication; which was received:

Indianapolis, Ind., June 20th, 1881.

To His Honor, the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Assessments have been made against my property on Malott avenue for street improvement under the old law for making estimates; whereas, I understand that there is a new law in reference to the manner of making estimates, and as I am in doubts as to the legality of the estimates, I would like to be informed as to the amount that I should pay.

Very respectfully,

W. A. BELL.

The City Clerk submitted the following report; which was referred to the Finance Committee:

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 July, 1881, viz:

Board of Health	\$180 00
City Assessor's Department.....	597 50
City Civil Engineer's Department.....	212 66
City Hall.....	482 50
City Hospital and Branch.....	964 29
City Dispensary.....	238 57
Elections.....	2 00
Fire Department.....	7,003 40
Fountains.....	7 43
Garbage.....	450 00
Gas.....	5,184 12
Incidentals	1,200 00
Judgment and costs.....	924 80
Markets.....	7 50
Market-Masters' Fees.....	209 40
Parks.....	105 00
Police.....	4,085 50
Printing	339 54
Salary.....	2,035 00

Sewers.....	2,899 70
Southern Park.....	6 50
Station Houses.....	337 55
Street Improvements.....	1,277 56
Street Repairs.....	4,363 94
Street signs.....	1 10
Tomlinson annuity.....	3,500 00
Total.....	<u>\$36,615 56</u>

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The City Treasurer submitted the following report; which was referred to the Finance Committee:

Report of Wm. G. Wasson, City Treasurer, for the Month of July, 1881.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand June 30th, 1881.....	\$271,726 93
From delinquent taxes.....	4,686 69
From dray licenses.....	265 00
From coal licenses.....	6 00
From dog licenses.....	377 00
From express licenses.....	485 00
From fines and fees.....	427 42
From hack licenses.....	354 00
From hucksters' licenses.....	480 00
From market rents.....	269 00
From market masters' fees.....	409 55
From peddlers' licenses.....	35 00
From promiscuous.....	142 47
From tapping sewers.....	3 00
From vault cleaners' licenses.....	400 00
	<u>\$230,067 06</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

For Board of Health.....	\$ 180 00
For City Assessor's Department.....	597 50
For City Civil Engineer's Department.....	177 66
For City Dispensary.....	238 57
For City Hall.....	32 50
For City Hospital and Branch.....	852 15
For elections.....	22 50
For Fire Department.....	7,223 79
For fountains.....	7 43
For garbage.....	450 00
For gas.....	5,184 12
For incidentals.....	1,350 00
For judgments and costs.....	927 80
For Market-masters' fees.....	209 40
For parks.....	105 00
For Police.....	4,087 50
For printing.....	339 54
For salary.....	1,807 92
For Sewers.....	2,899 70
For Station Houses.....	331 60
For street improvements.....	1,155 53

For street repairs.....	4,243 11
For street signs.....	1 10
For taxes refunded.....	95 36
For Tomlinson annuity.....	3,500 00
Balance on hand.....	244,047 28
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	\$280,067 06

Respectfully submitted,

W. G. WASSON, City Treasurer.

To JOSEPH T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The Chief Fire Engineer submitted the following report; which was referred to the Finance Committee:

To His Honorable, Mayor Grubbs, Board of Aldermen, and

Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—In compliance with your orders of July 4th and 11th, I beg leave to submit the following report:

June 1.	Balance on hand, as per last report.....		\$217 61
" 1.	Thos. Surber, old hose.....	\$ 15	
" 6.	J. Steelsmith, 7 feet old hose.....	70	
" 8.	J. Harwood, 2½ feet old hose.....	25	
" 11.	Coburn & Jones, extinguishers.....	45 00	
" 13.	Henry Jordon, 3½ feet old hose.....	35	
" 13.	Wood & Brey, damaged oats.....	4 70	
" 13.	Henry Wilouskey, old rags.....	94	
" 17.	A. Fry, damaged oats.....	3 40	
" 17.	A. Ward, old lumber.....	2 00	
" 17.	C. G. Haag, old harness.....	11 00	
" 17.	L. Neubacker, old lead.....	5 85	
July 8.	Mt. Adams Inclined Railway, old hose.....	67 55	
" 8.	E. B. Dell, 6 feet old hose.....	60	
" 8.	M. Blackburn, old hose.....	4 00	
" 14.	J. Jordon, 7½ feet old hose.....	75	
" 14.	John Sinker, 40 feet old hose.....	4 00	
" 28.	Fred. Prenscher, 7 feet old hose.....	70	
" 28.	John Chew, 4 feet old hose.....	40	152 34
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Total.....			\$369 95

Prior to receiving your order, I have paid out as follows:

June 7.	I., C. & St. L. R. R. Co., for freight.....	\$ 53
" 10.	C., C., C. & I. R. R. Co., for freight.....	1 85
" 11.	Postage stamps.....	1 00
" 12.	John Stanley, hay.....	16 20
" 22.	Western Union Telegraph Co., telegram.....	25
" 24.	U. S. Express Co., expressage.....	55
July 5.	J. A. Wildman, postage stamps.....	5 00
" 9.	K. Munter, 1 large horse.....	235 00
" 30.	W. G. Wasson, City Treasurer, check.....	109 57
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Total.....		\$369 95

J. G. PENDERGAST, Chief Fire Engineer.

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 July, 1881, are respectfully submitted:

	First Week.	Second Week.	Third Week.	Fourth Week.	..... Days.	Monthly Totals
Number of paid Officers and Employes in Hospital	12					
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.....	46	43	40	42	40	46
No. of infant patients in Hospital at beginning of week....	4	6	5	4	3	4
No. of adult patients received during week	8	14	16	12	4	54
No. of infant patients received or born during week.....	2	1	3	1	..	7
No. of adult patients discharged during week	10	17	13	14	2	56
No. of infant patients discharged during week.....	..	2	2	2	..	6
No. of adult patients who died during week.....	1	..	1	..	..	2
No. of infant patients who died during week.....	..	..	2	..	..	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 at end of week	43	40	42	40	42	42
No. of infant patients in Hospital at end of week	6	5	4	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.....	340	328	318	327	134	1447
Aggregate number of days of patients in Branch.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aggregate number of days of employes in Hospital .....	..	..	..	..	..	408
Number of prescriptions filled.....	..	..	..	..	..	675
Total.....	..	..	..	..	..	..

Total expenditures for month	\$ 880 49
Aggregate number of days subsistence furnished	1855
Average daily cost of each patient	60.8×cts.
Average daily cost for patients, officers, and employes.....	46.6×cts.

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

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

Gentlemen:—The following reports of the City Dispensary for the month of July, 1881, are respectfully submitted:

Number of Patients treated at Dispensary	220
Number of Medical cases at Dispensary	122
Number of Surgical cases at Dispensary	78
Number of Disease of Nervous System.....	11
Number of Disease of Eye and Ear.....	9
Number of Diseases of the Throat.....	0
Number of Out-door Patients treated	109
Number at Station House	8
Number at News Boys' Home	0
Total number of Patients treated during month.....	337
Total number of Visits made during month.....	266
Total number of Prescriptions filled during month.....	746
Number of Births during month.....	1
Number of Deaths during month.....	3

EXPENDITURES FOR MONTH.

C. A. Ritter, Superintendent.....	\$ 70 00
H. O. Pantzer, Assistant	41 66
F. M. Ferree, Assistant	41 66
S. B. Sperry, Druggist	30 00
W. A. & I. N. Pattison, drugs and instruments.....	74 60
Tyner & Hadley, pump and tubing.....	5 45
Johnson & Bennett, slop pails, etc.....	2 75
Vajen & New, hardware.....	1 00
Indianapolis Gas Light & Coke Co.....	1 80

Total expenditures for month..... \$268 92

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

Councilman Pritchard moved that the business of the Council commence where concluded the previous meeting, and that S. O. 107 and S. O. 108, 1881, be taken up.

Which motion was adopted.

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

S. O. 107, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for paving with wood blocks the roadway of Meridian street, and bowldering the wings of street and alley crossings thereof, from New York street to St. Clair street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

On motion by Councilman Thalman, the passage of the above ordinance was reconsidered by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Thalman moved that the word “shall” be stricken out of the tenth line of the second section of the above entitled ordinance, and the word “may” be inserted instead.

Which amendment was adopted.

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

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time :

S. O. 108, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for paving with wood blocks the roadway of Meridian street, and bowldering the wings of street and alley crossings thereof, from St. Clair street to Seventh street.

Councilman Thalman moved that the word "shall" be stricken out of the tenth line of the second section of the above entitled ordinance, and the word "may" inserted instead.

Which amendment was adopted.

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

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinances were read the second time and stricken from the files :

S. O. 124, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the first alley east of Alabama street, from Michigan street to North street.

S. O. 35, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Alabama street, and bowldering and curbing the gutters thereof, from Michigan street to St. Clair street.

S. O. 49, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the first alley east of Delaware street, from Pearl street to Maryland street.

S. O. 75, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, paving with brick and curbing with stone, the west sidewalk of Blake street, from Indiana avenue to New York street.

S. O. 76, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, paving with brick and curbing with stone, the east sidewalk of Blake street, from Indiana avenue to New York street.

S. O. 91, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas except the service pipes), on Spann avenue, from Dillon street to Linden street.

S. O. 92, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters, of South street, from Meridian street to Illinois street.

S. O. 93, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Georgia street, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street.

On motion, the following entitled ordinances were referred to the Board of Public Improvements :

S. O. 130, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the gutters of South street, from New Jersey street to South street.

- S. O. 142, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for placing gutter stones in the east gutter of Delaware street, from Pearl street to Virginia avenue.
- S. O. 155, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of McCarty street, from East street to Greer street.
- S. O. 26, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk of Maple street, from Ray street to Wilkins street.
- S. O. 56, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling (with raked river gravel), the first alley south of Cherry street, from Park avenue to East street.

On motion, the following entitled ordinance was referred to the Committee on Public Light:

- S. O. 79, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Yeiser street, between East street and Madison avenue.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

- S. O. 19, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Michigan street, from Liberty street to East street.

Councilman Dowling moved to strike the above ordinance from the files.

Which motion failed of adoption.

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

AYES, 17—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dean, Egger, Knodel, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS, 6—viz. Councilmen Coy, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, and Koller.

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

- S. O. 81, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Benton street, from Meek street to Georgia street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwin, 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. 95, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas except the service pipes), on Morris street, from Meridian street to Dacotah street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 22—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilmen Thalman.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time :

S. O. 85, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, paving with brick, and curbing with stone, the sidewalks of Georgia street, from Noble street to Dillon street, (where not already properly paved.)

The above ordinance was amended by striking out the words “and curbing with stone.”

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

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, 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. 90, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of McCarty street, from the first alley east of Alabama street to the first alley west of New Jersey street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, 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. 97, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Madison avenue, from McCarty street to Ray street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, 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. 101, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the first alley east of Meridian street, from the south line of lot number six, square ninety-seven, south to Pogue's Run.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, 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. 102, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering Georgia street, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Cow, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

S. O. 103, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering South street, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks, from Meridian street to Illinois street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, 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. 105, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the south half of the roadway of Brinkman street, from Rural street to Baltimore avenue.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, 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. 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.)

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, 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. 109, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes) on Georgia street, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 22—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Thalman.

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

S. O. 110, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes) on Merrill street, from Delaware street to Pennsylvania street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 22—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Thalman.

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

S. O. 82, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering New Jersey street, and curbing with stone (except where already curbed), the outer edges of the sidewalks thereof, from Washington street to the south line of Lot No. 5, in Yandes & Wilkens' subdivision of square No. 62.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 23—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Brundage, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time :

G. O. 34, 1881—An Ordinance to license the sale of intoxicating liquors in the City of Indianapolis, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof.

Councilman Dowling moved to strike the above entitled ordinance from the files.

Which motion was adopted, and the ordinance stricken from the files by the following vote :

AYES, 13—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Coy, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Reichwein, Thalman, and Weaver.

NAYS, 10—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dean, Morrison, Pritchard, Stout, Ward, and Yoke.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time :

G. O. 35, 1881—An Ordinance to require a license to be paid by persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors in the City of Indianapolis, under the provisions of any law of the State of Indiana, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof.

Councilman Dowling moved to strike the above entitled ordinance from the files.

Councilman Morrison moved to amend Councilman Dowling's motion, to refer the ordinance to the Judiciary Committee and City Attorney

Councilman Reichwein moved to lay Councilman Morrison's motion on the table.

Which motion was adopted, and Councilman Morrisons motion was laid on the table by the following vote :

AYES, 13—viz. Councilman Brundage, Coy, Dowling, Egger, Fultz, Harrold Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Reichwein, Thalman, and Weaver.

NAYS, 10—viz. Councilmen Bedford, Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Dean, Morrison, Pritchard, Stout, Ward, and Yoke.

Councilman Dowling's motion to strike the ordinance from the files, was then adopted.

The following communication from the Board of Aldermen was read :

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at their session, held this Monday evening, August 1st, 1881, adopted the following report from its Committee on Contracts and Bridges; thus non-concurring in your action of July 25, 1881, where you approved the report of your Committees on Finance and Public Health, in relation to increasing the compensation of the garbage contractor, viz:

“To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Contracts and Bridges, to whom was referred the matter of increasing the pay of A. Naltner, garbage contractor, recommend that the action of the Common Council in making said increase of pay be not concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,
Geo. P. Wood,
Brainard Rorison,
Committee.

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

On motion by Councilman Thalman, the Common Council receded from their former action, and the action of the Board of Aldermen, as set forth in the foregoing message, was concurred in.

Councilman Thalman, in behalf of the Committee on Contracts, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Contracts recommend that the report made to your honorable body, July 8th, 1881, (see page 307, *ante*) fourth clause, awarding the contract of Samuel Keers & Co., be concurred in, and he be awarded the contract, being the lowest and best bidder.

Respectfully submitted,

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

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

This being the regular appropriation night, the following entitled Appropriation Ordinances were placed on their final passage without suspension of the rules.

By the Fire Board, through Councilman Thalman:

Ap. O. 47, 1881—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 Bedford:

Ap. O. 48, 1881—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 Brundage:

Ap. O. 49, 1881—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis on account of Station-Houses.

By the Committee on Accounts and Claims, through Councilman Brundage:

Ap. O. 50, 1881—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis.

By the Committee on Printing, through Councilman Bedford:

Ap. O. 51, 1881—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Printing, Stationery, and Advertising.

Appropriation Ordinances Nos. 47, 48, 49, 50 and 51, 1881, were severally read the second time, and ordered engrossed.

The following entitled ordinance was read the third time:

Ap. O. 47, 1881—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$868.80.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Dowling.

The following entitled ordinance was read the third time:

Ap. O. 48, 1881—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, \$880.49.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Dowling.

The following entitled ordinance was read the third time:

Ap. O. 49, 1881—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station Houses. [Amount appropriated, \$148.83.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Dowling.

The following entitled ordinance was read the third time:

Ap. O. 50, 1881—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis. [Amount appropriated, \$9,252.67.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Dowling.

The following entitled ordinance was read the third time :

Ap. O. 51, 1881—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Printing, Stationery and Advertising. [Amount appropriated, \$1,168.46.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS, 1—viz. Councilman Dowling.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

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

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

Gentlemen:—We herewith report expenditures of the Street Repairs Department for the month of July, 1881, together with the total amount of expenditures to August 1st, 1881:

Pay-rolls.....	\$ 3,354 49
Blacksmithing.....	77 55
Bowlders.....	86 29
Freight on stone.....	32 00
Freight on lumber.....	13 00
Gravel.....	255 25
Hardware.....	117 10
Lumber.....	191 48
Sewer cart.....	23 00
Advertising.....	150 00
Sand.....	77 80
Stone crossing.....	116 48
Painting signs.....	18 00
Total expenditures for July, 1881.....	\$ 4,863 94
Total expenditures per last report.....	3,649 86
Total expenditures to August 1st, 1881.....	\$ 8,013 80

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. FULMER, Street Commissioner.

Edward H. Dean,
Wm. H. Morrison,
John R. Cowie,
Board of Public Improvements.

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

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

Gentlemen:—We herewith submit for your confirmation the name of Jacob W. Lepper, as Inspector of Public Works, for four months, beginning August 2d, 1881, at \$80.00 per month

Respectfully submitted,

Edward H. Dean,
John R. Cowie,
Wm. H. Morrison,
Board of Public Improvements.

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

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—We submit the following for your consideration and action thereon:

We recommend that the pay of the Rodman and Axeman of the City Civil Engineer's Department be increased 25 cents per day, making \$2.00 per day for time actually employed.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward H. Dean,
Wm. H. Morrison,
John R. Cowie,
Board of Public Improvements.

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

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

Gentlemen:—We submit the following report for your consideration and action thereon:

We recommend that the pay of Robert McClintock, foreman of the bowlder gang, be increased 25 cents per day. Our reason for making said increase is, said foreman is paid by the day, and a large portion of the year he is not able to work, on account of the weather, yet is at all times subject to the call of the Street Commissioner, thereby prevented from seeking other employment. We believe said increase is just, and due Mr. McClintock, and should be made.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward H. Dean,
Wm. H. Morrison,
John R. Cowie,
Board of Public Improvements.

Councilman Brundage was excused for the remainder of this session.

Councilman Dean presented the following petition; which was received, and the prayer of the petitioner granted:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, contractor for grading and graveling Newman street and sidewalks, from Hill avenue to Pendleton Pike; also, said Newman street and sidewalks from Pendleton Pike to Brookside avenue, asks your honorable bodies for forty days additional time to complete the above work; and he says that he has used due diligence in the prosecution of the work, and that he was delayed in doing the same.

R. H. PATTERSON.

STATE OF INDIANA, *Marion County*, ss:

R. H. Patterson, being duly sworn, says the above statement is true.

Sworn to this 1st day of August, 1881.

[Seal.]

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Notary Public.

We have considered the above application, and recommend the request be granted—

Respectfully submitted,

Edward H. Dean,
Wm. H. Morrison,
John R. Cowie,
Board of Public Improvements.

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

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom sundry papers were referred, would report:

1st. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to correct the grade of the gutters of Massachusetts avenue, from Liberty street to Noble street, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer (as the water refuses to run up hill)

Recommend the gutters be cleaned.

2d. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters of Noble street, between Vermont and New York streets, and to raise the bridge over the gutter at Lockerbie street and Noble street high enough to permit the free flow of water.

Recommend the work be done.

3d. Is a motion that a double stone crossing be placed across Meridian street, on the north side of South street.

Recommend the work be done.

4th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to place a stone crossing across Maryland street, west side of Alabama street, instead of one ordered to be placed on Alabama street, north side of Pearl street.

Recommend the work be done.

5th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the west gutter, and repair the same, of Illinois street, between Washington and Maryland streets, so as to carry off the water now standing in said gutter.

Recommend the work be not done.

6th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to clean the gutters of Garden street, between Tennessee and Mississippi streets. Also, clean the gutters of Willard street, between Garden street and Pogue's Run.

Recommend the work be done.

7th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to erect a fence on the west side of Geisendorff street, between Washington street and the National Road, as said short street is in a very dangerous condition at present.

Recommend that the Water Works Company be directed to build the fence and, if not done in ten days, that the Street Commissioner do the work and collect the cost thereof from said Water Works Company.

8th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to replace the foot bridge at the southwest corner of Ray and Maple streets.

Recommend the work be done.

9th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to deposit two loads of gravel on the west sidewalk of Tennessee street, joining No. 474, near Ray street, and that he open the pipe connecting Tennessee street gutters with the Ray street sewer.

Recommend the work be done.

10th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, ordered to clean the gutters on Russell avenue, between Illinois and Meridian streets.

Recommend the work be done.

11th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to clean the gutters and fill the chuck-holes on Pine street, between Market and North streets.

Recommend the work be done.

12th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, authorized to clean the gutters on the west side of Noble street, between Washington and New York streets.

Recommend the work be done on both sides.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward H. Dean,
William H. Morrison,
John R. Cowie,
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 July, to the 31st day of July, 1881—inclusive.

Under 1 year.....	23
1 to 2 years.....	6
2 to 5 ".....	4
5 to 10 ".....	1
10 to 15 ".....	2
15 to 20 ".....	1
20 to 25 ".....	4
25 to 30 ".....	4
30 to 40 ".....	7
40 to 50 ".....	4
50 to 60 ".....	5
60 to 70 ".....	3
70 to 80 ".....	2
80 to 90 ".....	3
90 to 100 ".....	0
100 and upwards.....	0
Unknown.....	0
Total.....	69

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

The Committee on Public Health, through Councilman Bedford, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Public Health and Board of Public Improvements would report in reference to the Geisendorff mill race:

That we have examined the same, and find that it is not being used for the purpose of mill race, and that stagnant and unwholesome water is standing there, eliminating poisonous gases. We believe it to be a nuisance, and should be filled up. We are also of the opinion that the proprietors of Maus' brewery should be notified to conduct their waste water and slop into some more suitable place than the above mentioned race.

Respectfully submitted,

C. T. Bedford,
Phil. Reichwein,

Committee on Public Health.

Edward H. Dean,
Wm. H. Morrison,
John R. Cowie,
Board of Public Improvements.

JOHN A. HENRY, City Attorney.

The Committee on Public Health, through Councilman Bedford, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

Gentlemen:—Your committee, to whom was referred the communication from the Board of Health, in reference to the "future water supply of our city," would report that we have gone over the grounds through which the proposed Gallery System adopted by the Water Company is to run, and find that instead of starting at the junction of Michigan street and the river, that they propose to start from a point north of Fall Creek, near the Belt Railroad, and extend northwest 6,000 feet. We are assured by the company's officials that they do not want the river water in any shape, but as it has been urged by some that the Gallery System *might not* meet an extreme emergency, it may be wise as a precautionary measure to connect with the river at some point above Fall Creek, to be used only in said cases of extreme emergency, consequent upon an extensive conflagration. Said connection to be regulated by a system of gates or storage reservoirs. They propose to sink said gallery 20 to 30 feet below the water mark at the beginning, rising on a grade of from 3 to 4 feet to the mile, corresponding to the rise in a mile of the low water mark. From the point of commencement of the gallery to their pump works they propose to convey the water in light pipes.

We are of the opinion that the plan, if carried out as proposed, is a good one, and will supply our city and citizens with pure and wholesome water. As the company are earnest in their desire to do this work promptly, we would recommend that they be given every encouragement and assistance on the part of the city and citizens.

The company, through their manager, Mr. S. M. Dyer, desire that the work as it progresses, be carefully examined by the city officials, that the public may feel satisfied that every precaution be taken to avoid any mistakes and prevent the contamination of the water in any way.

Respectfully submitted,

C. T. Bedford,
Phil. Reichwein,
Simeon Coy,

JOHN A. HENRY, City Attorney.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Weaver, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

Indianapolis, July 25, 1881.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the following motion, to-wit:

"That Charles Jones be notified by the City Marshal, to cease standing his sprinkling wagon on southwest corner of Illinois and Fifth streets; and that he remove immediately his sprinkling plug on west side of Illinois street, a few feet south of Fifth street; and on his failure for five days after notice to move the same, the Street Commissioner shall remove said sprinkling plug at his expense."

report thereon as follows:

We are informed that the residents of the square on which this plug is located do not desire it, and therefore recommend that the motion be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

George Weaver,
B. W. Cole,
Simeon Coy,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

The Committee on Water, through Councilman Ward, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Water, to whom was referred the motion granting Chas. H. Wiese permission to erect a water plug, for sprinkling purposes, at the corner of Massachusetts avenue and Noble street, recommend said permission be not granted, as the party holding lease on property in front of which said plug is to be located, objects to having it placed there.

Respectfully submitted,

B. Ward,
Edward H. Dean,
F. Hartmann,
Committee.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The following message was read, and the matter as set forth therein, was referred to the Committee on Printing:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, in regular session, held in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, July 11th, 1881, adopted the following motion:

That the City Clerk be instructed to advertise for proposals for advertising, publishing delinquent list, and for posting bills for the city of Indianapolis, for the year ending with August 1st, 1882; said proposals to be filed with the Clerk on the 30th day of July, 1881, by 4 o'clock, P. M., for consideration of Council committee, and approval of this Board.

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

The following message was read, and on motion by Councilman Thalmann, the former action of the Common Council was adhered to.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held Monday evening, July 11th, 1881, refused to concur in so much of the ninth clause of the report of the Committee on Contracts as directs the City Civil Engineer to make all his specifications for the old style of curbing, except in cases where the property owners petition for the "extra finish."

I submit the same for your further consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

The following message was read, and the action of the Board of Aldermen concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held July 11, 1881, adopted the following motion (adopted by your honorable body July 4th, 1881), after amending the same so as to provide for the enforcement of all city ordinances, viz:

"That the City Marshal and Police Force be, and are hereby, directed to file against all owners who allow their geese to run at large within the city limits, and that said parties be first notified."

I submit the above for your further consideration and action.

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

It being now nearly eleven o'clock, Councilman Thalman moved that the time be extended for the further consideration of the order of business.

Which motion was adopted, and the time extended by a unanimous vote.

Councilmen Dean and Pritchard were excused for the remainder of this session.

The following message was read :

To the Mayor and Common Council :

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, in regular session, held in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, July 11th, 1881, non-concurred in your action of June 20th, 1881, in concurring in the following recommendations of your Committee on Public Light:

"4th. Is a motion that the City Civil Engineer be directed to request the Gas Company to re-light lamp at entrance of alley on south side of Vermont street, between Delaware and Alabama streets.

Would report in favor of the motion, and recommend its passage.

5th. Is a motion that lamp opposite No. 565 east Seventh street, be re-lit.

Your committee find seven lamps in a distance of one square. We therefore recommend the motion be not passed. On the contrary, your committee recommend the lamp north side of Seventh street, between Peru street and Bellefontaine avenue, and the lamp on southeast corner Peru street and Seventh street, opposite Bellefontaine avenue, be dismantled and discontinued.

9th. Your committee would recommend that the lamp south of the first alley on the east side of West street, between Vermont and Michigan streets, be dismantled, and the lamp now dismantled on the west side of West street, between Vermont and Michigan streets, be re-lit, after said lamp is moved south to the corner of the first alley south, on west side.

10th. For the purpose of affording light on Wabash street, between New Jersey and Alabama streets, your committee recommend the removal of the following lamps: Move the lamp on the east side of Alabama street, south of Wabash street, between Market and Ohio streets, north to the corner of Wabash street, same side. Also, move lamp on west side of New Jersey street, between Market and Ohio streets, south to the corner of Wabash street.

11th. Your committee recommend the following lamps dismantled: 1 lamp on Plum street, between Cherry street and Christian avenue, first alley east side of Plum street; 1 lamp north side of Vine street, between Plum and Broadway streets."

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen :

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

On motion, the Common Council adhered to their former action, and requested that a Committee of Conference be appointed. Councilmen Dowling, Cowie and Yoke were appointed to act as the Council members of such committee.

The following message was read; and the matter as set forth therein, was referred to the Committee on Water :

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—At a regular session of the Board of Aldermen, held July 25th, 1881, the following motion was offered and adopted:

“WHEREAS, The Board of Health has reported to this body that the Indianapolis Water Works Company propose to furnish to the city and citizens water from an impure source;

Resolved, That this Board disapproves and protests against the water proposed to be furnished by said company from any source, until approved by the Board of Health and Health Committees of this Board and the Common Council.

Resolved, That the City Clerk advertise in the leading daily newspapers, twice a week for four consecutive weeks, for proposals for furnishing this city and citizens with pure water from such source and in such manner to be approved by the Board of Health, the Common Council and this Board.

I submit the above for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

The following message was read; and, on motion, the Common Council adhered to their former action:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held July 25th, 1881, concurred in the report of the Committee on Public Property (adopted by your honorable body July 18th, 1881), relative to the Tomlinson Estate property, except the following clause, which was amended by striking out the name of Wm. Hadley, and inserting “City Treasurer, City Attorney and City Marshal”:

“No. 27 west Ohio street is occupied by Dr. Pritchard, and we are informed the rent is collected by the Fire Department, and the amount of rent paid to said department, we are not able to state; and your committee would recommend that the collection of the rent on this property be turned over to Wm. Hadley, that the funds may be placed where they properly belong.”

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

The following message was read; and, on motion, the action of the Board of Aldermen was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held July 25th, 1881, amended the motion providing for the employing of an “Inspector of Public Work,” by adding the following:

“That the appointment of such Inspector shall be confirmed by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen; and such Inspector shall not in any manner, directly or indirectly, be interested in any contracts.”

The motion as amended, was then adopted.

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

The following message was read; and, on motion, the action of the Board of Aldermen was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held July 25th, 1881, adopted the following report from its Committee on Markets and Public Property, thereby

non-concurring in your action of July 4th, 1881, in awarding the contract to Messrs. Harbison & Abrams for bill-board privileges at the east and west Markets:

"To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Markets and Public Property, to whom was referred the matter of the use of bill-boards on the east and west Markets, would respectfully recommend that the committee be authorized to receive sealed proposals for the same for one year, and that the contract be awarded to the highest bidder.

Respectfully submitted,

D. DeRuiter,
Geo. P. Wood,
Committee."

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

The following message was read:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held July 25th, 1881, adopted the following report from its Committee on Judiciary, Ordinances and Rules:

"To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Judiciary, Ordinances and Rules, to whom was referred the following motion (adopted by the Common Council, July 11th, 1881);

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

Recommend that the above motion be not concurred in; that instead thereof, the City Attorney be instructed to bring suit for the possession of the property, the said Scott & Co. having failed to comply with the terms of the lease as to its transfer, without consent of Common Council and Board of Aldermen; he having failed, also, by allowing the grounds to go to waste.

Respectfully submitted,

Brainard Borison,
W. H. Tucker,
Committee."

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

On motion by Councilman Morrison, the matter as set forth in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Public Property and City Attorney, to report at the next meeting.

The following message was read:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held July 25th, 1881, on recommendation of its Committee on Fire Department, non-concurred in your action of July 4th, 1881, when you adopted the recommendation of the Fire Board to purchase a Chemical Fire Extinguisher, and a new hose carriage.

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

Councilman Thalman moved that the Common Council recede from their former action, as to the purchase of a Chemical Fire Extinguisher, but adhere to their former action to purchase a new hose carriage.

Which motion was adopted.

The following message was read; and, on motion by Councilman Dowling, the Common Council adhered to their former action:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held July 25th, 1881, refused to concur in the following report (adopted by your honorable body July 18th):

“To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The committee to whom was referred the matter of removing the bars across the entrances to the south Illinois street tunnel, beg leave to report that we have examined the matter, and would recommend that the Street Commissioner be instructed to place the bars one inch lower than the new lamps now being placed in the tunnel.

Respectfully submitted,

B. W. Cole,
John W. Fultz,
E. F. Knodel,
Special Committee.”

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

The following message was read:

“To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—At the meeting of your honorable body, held July 25th, 1881, you adopted the following motion:

“That the Board of Aldermen be most respectfully asked to take action on the Council's action in regard to the safety gates across the Union Railway tracks, and the plank crossing on east side of Tennessee street across Louisiana street.”

On June 8th, the Board of Aldermen took action upon said motions by adopting the following recommendations of its Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, to which committee the aforesaid motions had been referred, viz:

“4th. Is sundry motions in reference to safety gates at various railroad crossings.

We recommend that the Board of Public Improvements confer with the Union Railway to arrive at a definite understanding with them.

5th. Is a motion instructing the Street Commissioner to lay plank crossings on the east side of Tennessee street, across the Union Railway and other tracks.

We recommend that the Marshal be ordered to notify the Indianapolis Rolling Mill Company, Terre Haute & Indianapolis Railway Company, and any other railway company that crosses the street at this point, to plank the crossing. The Union Railway Company report that their part of the work has been done.”

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

On motion by Councilman Dowling, the action of the Board of Aldermen was concurred in, on the matter set forth in the foregoing message, except so much thereof as relates to the erection of safety-gates, which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

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

By Councilman Brundage:

G. O. 37, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for constructing a brick sewer, at the expense of the city, from the intersection of English avenue and Reid street, in, and along, Reid street to Pleasant Run.

By Councilman Bryce:

S. O. 120, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing, the east gutter of Pennsylvania street (where not already properly bowldered or curbed), from South street to the first alley south of South street.

By Councilman Cole:

S. O. 121, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for curbing with stone, the sidewalks of Massachusetts avenue (where not already curbed), from Pennsylvania street to New Jersey street.

By Councilman Cowie:

S. O. 122, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing, the gutters of New York street, from Missouri street to Bright street (where not already properly bowldered or curbed.)

By Councilman Dowling:

S. O. 123, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley south of Henry street, from Mississippi street to Missouri street.

By Councilman Egger:

S. O. 124, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of McCarty street, from East street to Virginia avenue.

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

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on McCarty street, between East street and Virginia avenue, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of said street, between the points named, the width of seven feet.

Christian F. Schrader, 200 feet; M. C. Staley, 30 feet;
Fred. C. Krentler, 60 feet; T. F. Quill, 70 feet.

By Councilman Hartmann:

S. O. 125, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Bates street, from Noble street to Grant street.

By Councilman Koller :

S. O. 126, 1881--An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of Market street, from the first alley east of Arsenal avenue to the first alley west of State avenue.

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

Indianapolis, June 28, 1881.

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

Gentlemen:--The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on the first alley north of Market street, between the first alley east of Arsenal avenue and the first alley west of State avenue, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and graveling the above named alley between the points mentioned. And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

James Landers, Thomas H. Buch, J. H. Forrest.

By Councilman Morrison :

G. O. 38, 1881--An Ordinance to license the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Indianapolis, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof.

By Councilman Stout :

S. O. 127, 1881--An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the alley between Park and Central avenues, from Seventh street to Eighth street.

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

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

Gentlemen:--The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Park avenue and Central avenue, between Seventh street and Eighth street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of the alley between Park avenue and Central avenue, from Seventh street to Eighth street.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

A. D. May and Sister, 113 feet; R. S. Hill, 79 feet; H.
C. Roney, 51 feet; Hatch, 40 feet.

By Councilman Thalman :

S. O. 128, 1881-- An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the first alley north of Ohio street, from Meridian street to Bird street.

By Councilman Thalman :

S. O. 129, 1881--An Ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing, the north gutter of Ohio street, from Meridian street to Illinois street.

By Councilman Ward :

S. O. 130, 1881--An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Walnut street (where not already paved), from Delaware street to Pennsylvania street.

By Councilman Ward:

- S. O. 131, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of North street (where not already paved), from Alabama street to East street.

By Councilman Weaver:

- S. O. 132, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Hill avenue and sidewalks, from the intersection of Baltimore avenue to Brinkman street.

By Councilman Weaver:

- S. O. 133, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Orange street and sidewalks, from Hill avenue to Brookside avenue.

By Councilman Weaver:

- S. O. 134, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Nevada street, from Hill avenue to Sheldon street.

By Councilman Weaver:

- S. O. 135, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Sheldon street and sidewalks, from Hill avenue to Ninth street.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, made a verbal report, recommending the following ordinance be stricken from the files; which was approved, and the ordinance so ordered.

- S. O. 111, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Sheldon street and sidewalks, from Hill avenue to Seventh street.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to lay a double stone crossing on the east side of Plum street, at the first alley north of Massachusetts avenue, from the sidewalk at the northwest corner of out lot 1, Coburn's subdivision of out lot 182, to the southwest corner of lot 4 Allen's subdivision of out lot 181.

Councilman Brundage presented the following petition; which was referred to the Judiciary Committee and City Attorney.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF }
MICHAEL T. MORIARITY. } *Petition.*

To the Honorable Members of the Board of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

1st. Your petitioner, Michael T. Moriarity, respectfully represents that on the 13th March, 1877, the legislature of this State approved an act which, from that date, took effect, providing that lands lying within the limits of this (or any) city, and used solely for agricultural purposes, etc., should not be taxed for general city purposes at a higher rate than was assessed against lands in outside townships for township purposes. For said law, see Laws of 1877, part II, page 74.]

That on the 13th February, 1878, the following described lands were sold at tax sale for delinquent taxes which had accrued in 1876 and 1877, and had not been paid by the then owner of said lands, Joshua R. McKibben, to-wit: "Five (5) acres north one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of Lot No. D., I. & C. Railroad Co.'s addition to the city of Indianapolis." That your petitioner purchased said property at said tax sale, and paid said delinquent taxes, the sum of \$246.90; that included in said sum of delinquent taxes so paid by your petitioner, was the sum of \$89.60, being the taxes for 1877, levied for general *City purposes* (the rate being \$1.12); that said sum of \$89.60, as your petitioner has discovered since he paid the same, was too high, and was illegal and contrary to said law of March 13th, 1877—for he says the said lands above described were within the city limits when the taxes for 1877 were assessed; that said lands were not platted as city property, and were not in any way dedicated for corporation purposes, and were used solely for agricultural purposes; that the appraised value thereof for taxation, was \$8,000—the rate of taxation for general city purposes was \$1.12, and the rate of the township taxes for townships outside the city, for township purposes, was only 33 cents, instead of \$1.12. He says, therefore, that he was charged and paid 79 cents per hundred too much, and that instead of \$89.60, the amount he was charged and paid, he should have paid only the sum of \$26 40 for general city purposes. Being without remedy at law, and the matter being wholly within the province of your honorable Board, he prays that you order the overcharge above shown, to be refunded to him, the same amounting to \$63.20.

2d. The said petitioner also represents to you that for the year 1878, while the said law of March 13th, 1877, was still in full force and effect, said lands, which were still used solely for agricultural purposes, and had not been platted, nor in any way dedicated to corporation purposes, were taxed for general city purposes in the sum of \$75 60, the same being at the rate of \$1.08; and on the 11th April, 1879, he was compelled to pay, and did pay, said sum to W. M. Wiles, City Treasurer; that said sum of \$75.60, so paid, was too much, was illegal and contrary to said law of 1877, as your petitioner has first learned and discovered since he paid the same; that he should have been charged only township rates, viz: 46 cents, or \$32.20 in full. Your petitioner, therefore, also prays that this additional overcharge, amounting to the sum of \$43.40, be also refunded to him.

3d. He further represents that on 21st March, 1879, the legislature passed a law, which took effect on that date, providing that lands containing five acres, lying within the limits of this (or any) city, which were not platted as city property, and were not used for other than agricultural purposes, and had not been dedicated in any way for corporation purposes, should not be taxed for general city purposes at a higher aggregate rate than the aggregate rate levied for township, special school, local tuition and road purposes in the civil township wherein such land is located. [See Laws of 1879, page 94.]

That while said law was in full force and effect, there was assessed against your petitioner's said lands herein before described, the sum of \$56.73, the same being for taxes for 1879, for general city purposes, and being at the rate of 93 cents; that at that time said lands did not contain less than five (5) acres, and were lying within the city limits, and had not been platted as city property, and had not been dedicated in any way for corporation purposes, and were not used for other than agricultural purposes, and therefore should have been assessed only the sum of \$18.91, or at the rate of 31 cents, which was the aggregate percentage levied in 1879 for township, special school, local tuition and road purposes, in the civil (Centre) township

where said lands were situated. He therefore here shows and says that on 5th April, 1880, he was compelled to pay, and did pay, to Wm. G. Wasson, City Treasurer, the said sum of \$56.73, which, as he has first since then learned and discovered, was too much, illegal, and contrary to said law of March 21, 1879. He says the overcharge so paid, was \$37.82, which he also prays may be returned to him.

4th. He further represents that on the 21st day of March, 1879, the legislature passed an act which took effect on that date, providing that lands containing five acres, lying within the limits of this (or any) city, which were not platted as city property, and were not used for other than agricultural purposes, and had not been dedicated in any way for corporation purposes, should not be taxed for general city purposes at a higher aggregate rate than the aggregate rate levied for township, special school, local tuition and road purposes, in the civil township wherein such land is situated. That while said law was in full force and effect, there was assessed against your petitioner's said lands herein before described, the sum of \$55.64, the same being for taxes for 1880, for general city purposes, and being at the rate of 107 cents; that at that time said lands did not contain less than five acres, and were lying within the city limits, and had not been platted as city property, and had not been dedicated in any way for corporation purposes, and were not used for other than agricultural purposes, and therefore should have been assessed only the sum of \$13.52, or at the rate of 26 cents, which was the aggregate percentage levied in 1879 for township, special school, local tuition and road purposes, in the civil (Centre) township wherein said lands were situated. He therefore shows and says that on April 13th, 1881, he was compelled to pay, and did pay, to Wm. G. Wasson, City Treasurer, the said sum of \$55.64, which he, however, paid under protest, as being too much, illegal, and contrary to said law of March 21, 1879. That said overcharge so paid, amounts to \$42.12, which he asks to also have returned to him.

Following is a summary of the total overcharges he has paid as aforesaid:

For 1877.....	\$ 63 20
For 1878.....	43 40
For 1879.....	37 82
For 1880.....	42 12
	\$186 54

Respectfully submitted,

Councilman Bryce offered the following motion ; which was referred to the Police Board :

That something be done to enforce the law in regard to carrying concealed weapons.

Councilman Bryce presented the following request ; which was granted:

I would respectfully ask my brother Councilmen to grant me leave of absence for ten weeks.

PETER F. BRYCE.

Councilman Bedford was excused for the remainder of this session.

Councilman Cole presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys and Board of Public Improvements:

Indianapolis, Ind., July 22, 1881.

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

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, owners respectively of lot 3 in out lot No. 53 of McQuat's subdivision, and lots 1 and 2 in out lots Nos. 51 and 52 of said subdivision, in the City of Indianapolis, respectfully petition your honorable bodies to

close up and vacate the alley running between our said lots: the same being the short alley running between our lots, north from Lockerbie street to the alley running east and west between Lockerbie and Vermont streets, to the Holt heirs' property.

Your petitioners respectfully show that this alley is not a continuous or open one north at all beyond our said lots, and that practically it is of no use to any one but ourselves. The closing of said short alley would beautify Lockerbie street, and in no way incommode or obstruct the public, or any other citizen. It subserves now no real public use as a highway.

We also file herewith the written consent to such vacation of certain other property holders in the vicinity.

We respectfully ask you to view the location, and pray your favorable consideration of this petition.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. F. Holt, Mrs. W. Despa, P. F. Igoe.

We, the undersigned, owning realty in the vicinity, consent to the vacation of the alley between the Igoe and Despa lots, running north from Lockerbie street to the alley running east and west between Lockerbie and Vermont streets, as petitioned for by P. F. Igoe and Mrs. W. Despa, July 22, 1881.

J. F. Holt, P. F. Igoe, Mrs. W. Despa, Mrs. M. W. Kinder, S. H. Cobb, Jno. R. Nickum, Mrs. Charlotte Nickum, Mrs. Rachel K. Clark.

Councilman Cowie offered the following motion, which was adopted; and Councilmen Cowie, Thalman, Stout, Fultz and Koller appointed as members of such special committee:

That a Committee of Inquiry, composed of five members, be selected by the Mayor to investigate the city dumping ground, its origin, and the method of conducting the same, and report at the next meeting of the Council.

Councilman Coy offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the City Civil Engineer be directed to measure the alley on the west side of south New Jersey street, between South and Merrill streets, so as to report back to this Council the city's portion of the work done by Mr. Taley in grading and bowldering the aforesaid alley and gutters thereof.

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

That a fire alarm box be placed at the intersection of south East street and Lincoln lane.

Councilman Fultz offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the City Clerk be, and is hereby, directed to advertise for bids for the removal of dead animals from the city for the year ending July 1st, 1882.

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

That the Street Commissioner be directed to lay double stone crossings across Merrill and Grant streets, on the west side of West street.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to construct a bridge

across Pogues Run at Wilkins street; the bridge to be built with the remains of the Delaware street viaduct.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters and fill the chuck-holes on Illinois street, between Ray and Morris streets.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters on Missouri street, between Merrill and McCarty streets.

Councilman Hartmann offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Board of Health be, and is hereby, revuested to investigate and abate the nuisance caused by the continued standing of water at the head of Meek street, north side, at the intersection of Dillon street, south of the Junction Railroad.

Councilman Knodel offered the following motion ; which was adopted:

That Clemens Vonegut be, and is hereby, granted permission to grade and gravel the alleys running east and west between lots 10 and 11, and between lots 8 and 9, in Gatling's Sub. of O. L. 117, between Mulberry street and Madison avenue, and also the alley running north and south between said alleys and Mulberry street and Madison avenue, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

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

That the gutters on Market street, between Pine street and Arsenal avenue be cleaned by the Street Commissioner, and chuck-holes of said street be filled.

Councilman Morrison, for Councilman Dean, presented the following petition ; which was referred to the Judiciary Committee :

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

Gentlemen:—The undersigned would respectfully show that as guardian of George Adam Drechsel, a minor, he gave in the personal estate of said minor along with his own personal estate, and paid taxes thereon to said city for the year 1880. He would further show that the estate of said minor, which consists solely of money, was also assessed in the name of said minor, without the knowledge of affiant; and, upon the imperative demand of the city collector, he paid the amount of tax claimed on said separate assessment, after he had paid taxes upon the same along with his own personal property. Said amount is \$19.00, which the city has received twice for the tax on the same property, and in justice and right said city ought to refund said amount to petitioner ; and he prays the honorable Council to direct a warrant to be drawn in his favor for the sum of \$19.00.

HENRY EMRICH.

STATE OF INDIANA, *Marion County*, ss :

Henry Emrich makes oath and says that the allegations of the foregoing petition are true, as he verily believes.

HENRY EMRICH.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of July, 1881.

[SEAL]

JOHN L. McMASTER, Notary Public.

Councilman Morrison offered the following motions ; which were adopted :

WHEREAS, The charter of the Indianapolis Water Works Company says they shall not charge the citizens of Indianapolis a greater price than is charged in other cities of like population; and in view of the fact that many of our citizens are complaining that the price now charged and paid by them is excessive;

Moved, That the Committee on Water, together with the City Attorney, be, and are hereby, requested to make a calculation as to what our citizens are now paying; and if said amount is at a greater price than is charged in other cities of like population, that they report the same to this Council for a proper schedule of prices to be paid by the citizens of Indianapolis.

That the Committee on Public Property be, and is hereby, ordered to place in the office of the Mayor a telephone, at the least expense possible to the city.

That Fred. Baggs, custodian of the Post Office building, be, and is hereby, granted permission to sink a driven well on Market street, to supply the drinking fountain on north side of the Post Office with good water for public use—said well to be constructed without any cost to the city.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, authorized to put a culvert over the gutter on New Jersey street, west side, and north of crossing of Washington street; the same to extend thirty feet.

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

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters on Fifth street, from Illinois street to Mississippi street.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean gutters on Second street, from Illinois street to Tennessee street.

Councilman Stout offered the following motions; which were adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to cut the Canada thistle on College avenue, between Seventh and Eighth streets, east side.

That patrolman Henry Williams be allowed full pay for the last half of the month of July, on account of the breaking of his arm while on duty.

Councilman Stout offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Improvements and Street Commissioner, together with the City Civil Engineer, be, and are hereby, instructed to receive bids for the supply of water from the second vein at or near Circle Park, connecting the same with drinking fountains at the intersection of Massachusetts and Virginia avenues with Pennsylvania street, and Kentucky and Indiana avenues with Illinois street; also at or near the center of Circle Park, and that they be and are hereby authorized to make the proposed improvement, provided the cost of the same shall not exceed fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500).

Councilman Thalman moved to strike out so much of the above resolution as *authorizes* the making of the proposed improvement.

Which motion was adopted, and the resolution so amended.

The resolution as amended was then adopted by a unanimous vote.

Councilman Thalman presented the following proposition; which was referred to the Committee on Public Light:

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

Gentlemen:—The Indianapolis Brush Electric Light and Power Company make you the following modified and more definite proposition for lighting your city with electric light, as follows:

The light to be placed upon towers, as in former proposition described, or upon posts, and the light to be equal to fifteen towers, with a 16,000 candle power light to each, or equal in the total to a light of 240,000 candle power; to be practically and beneficially distributed over the city, so as to light fully and amply. And at the remotest points from the electric lights on the streets to be lighted by them, the light shall be equal to twice the light from the present gas lamps at a point midway between such gas lamps, placed one hundred feet apart; and where, to full and complete lighting, it will be better to place some portion of said light upon posts than upon towers, such portion of said lights will be placed upon posts 25 to 30 feet in height, and similar to and equal in lighting capacity to the posts and lights now in use in Cleaveland, Ohio; for and in consideration of \$60,000 per annum, payable in monthly installments, after a month's lighting has been furnished according to contract. Everything to be done entirely at the cost of the company.

As the company will require steam engines made and buildings erected, and the building of these towers is a great and expensive work, and it is desirable to have this all done before the short days and cold weather, the company would be pleased to have prompt action. And if you would direct your City Attorney to prepare a well guarded contract, and, when this is signed and the towers located, the company will commence work at once, and within 120 days light the City according to contract, and for any number of years, from one to fifteen.

THE INDIANAPOLIS BRUSH ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY,
By JOHN CAVEN, President.

Indianapolis, August 1st, 1881.

Councilman Thalman presented the following petitions for the refunding of taxes; which were referred to the Judiciary Committee and City Attorney:

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would respectfully represent that on the 10th day of February, 1880, he purchased a tax certificate on the north one-half of lot 3, square 28, L. D. Johnson's subdivision of Johnson heirs' addition, sold in the name of Sarah J. Johnson (duplicate No. 10,082 of 1879) for which he paid the sum of \$27.58.

The above sale was erroneous from the fact that the property described above was absorbed in Gerrard's subdivision of square 28. (See plat of Gerrard's subdivision May 10, 1876; plat recorded in book 7, page 154.)

Your petitioner would therefore ask and demand that the above sum be refunded him, with interest, from date of purchase.

And, as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

E. B. HUTCHINSON, petitioner.

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would respectfully represent that on the 9th day of February, 1880, he purchased a tax certificate on 35 feet south of 68 feet north ends of lots 7 and 8, square 3, Harris' subdivision of out lot 157, for which he paid the sum of \$45.27, sold in the name of Amelia Chism. Duplicate No. 3,009 of 1879.

The above sale was erroneous, as the same property was charged double in the duplicate, in the duplicate, in the name of M. A. Toohey.

Your petitioner would therefore ask and demand that the above sum be refunded him, with interest from the date of purchase.

And, as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

M. L. McWHINNEY, petitioner.

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would respectfully represent that on the 13th day of February, 1880, he purchased a tax certificate on lot 25, out lot 105, sold in the name of Thomas Walsh. Duplicate 21,272 of 1879, for which he paid \$21.09.

The above sale was erroneous, from the fact that the description should be, 25 feet north side of lot 25, Merrill's subdivision of out lot 105.

Your petitioner would therefore ask and demand that the above sum be refunded him, with interest from date of purchase.

And, as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

J. W. HADLEY, petitioner.

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would respectfully represent that on the 10th day of February, 1880, he purchased a tax certificate on lot 282, Fletcher et al. subdivision of out lot 98, sold in the name of E. T., S. K., S. A. and A. E. Fletcher (Duplicate No. 6,173 of 1879), for which he paid the sum of \$11.45.

The sale was erroneous, as the same property was charged double, in the name of Fletcher S. Hines.

Your petitioner would therefore ask that the above sum be refunded him, with interest.

And, as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

HYAM COHEN, petitioner.

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would respectfully represent that on the 13th day of February, 1880, he purchased from the City Treasurer a tax certificate on lot No. 436, Fletcher et al. subdivision, in out lot No. 98, for which he paid the sum of \$30.12, sold in the name of Wm. Teal. Duplicate No. 20,279.

The above sale was erroneous, for the reason that the same property was charged double on the duplicate in the name of M. A. Birer, and paid in that name.

Your petitioner would therefore ask and demand that the above sum be refunded him, with interest from date of purchase.

And, as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

G. R. FRIES, petitioner.

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would respectfully represent that on the 12th day of February, 1879, he purchased from the City Treasurer a tax certificate on lot 40, Blake's subdivision of out lot 169, in the name of Jas. H. Perry, for 1878 (Duplicate No. 15,725), for which he paid the sum of fifty dollars and thirty cents (\$50.30).

The above sale was erroneous, for the reason that the delinquency against the lot had been paid previous to sale, and the same carried against the lot.

Your petitioner would therefore ask that the above sum be refunded to him, with interest from date of purchase.

And, as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

JAMES G. DOUGLASS, petitioner.

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would respectfully represent that on the 29th day of January, 1881, he paid the taxes for 1880, on lot No. 7, Seidenstickers subdivision of out lot 15, in the name of Jacob L. Greene.

Upon examination it was found that there was an overcharge in computing the tax of five dollars and thirty-five cents (\$5.35).

Your petitioner would therefore ask and demand that the above sum, with interest, be refunded him.

And, as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

J. A. MOORE, petitioner.

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would respectfully represent that on the 19th day of August, 1880, he purchased at private sale from the City Treasurer a tax certificate on lot No. 37, Kapps & Frank's subdivision, B. F. Morris' addition, for which he paid the sum of three dollars and fifty-two cents (\$3.52). The property was sold in the name of Samuel Jones; duplicate No. 10,142, of 1879.

The above sale was erroneous, from the fact that the description should have been lot 37, Kapps & Frank's south addition.

Your petitioner also bought, on February 11th, 1880, 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet on Louisiana street, west of 63 $\frac{8}{12}$ feet east end of lot No. 6, in square 87, sold in name of Frank McWhinney (duplicate No. 14,401 of 1879), for which he paid the sum of one hundred and twenty-six dollars and seventeen cents (\$126.17).

This sale was void, for the reason that the same property is double in the name of George P. Bissell, trustee, and the taxes paid. Tax of 1880 since paid, \$58.85; paid January 4, 1881.

Your petitioner also bought lot 5, G. G. & H.'s subdivision, D. & T.'s addition, on October 29, 1879, (duplicate No. 14,499) for which he paid the sum of \$10.97, sold in name of Frank McWhinney, and is double in name of G. Dollman. Tax of 1880, since paid, \$1.02; and paid January 4, 1881.

Your petitioner also bought on August 19th, 1880, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre east of $\frac{5}{100}$ acre west side of lot 21, Cress addition, for which he paid the sum of \$15.32.

This sale was erroneous, for the reason that the property described was absorbed in the laying out of the lots.

Your petitioner also bought on the 11th of February, 1880, (except 30 feet south of 150 feet north end of) lot 130 in McKernan & Pierce's subdivision of out lot 121-8, and paid the sum of \$14.70, and has since paid the taxes for 1880, being \$6.42, and paid January 4, 1881.

Your petitioner would therefor ask and demand, for the reasons above set forth, that the above several sums be refunded to him, with interest from the dates of the said payments.

And, as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

FRANK MCWHINNEY, petitioner.

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would respectfully represent that on the 19th day of April, 1880, he paid to the City Treasurer the sum of twelve dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$12.78), being the city taxes for 1876, 1877, 1878 and 1879, on lot

No. 94 in Patterson's addition to the City of Indianapolis, in the name of Martha Gard. Duplicate No. 6,851 for 1879.

The above described property was sold for the above taxes for 1876, 1877, 1878 and 1879, on February 10th, 1880, to M. L. McWhinney, by mistake. The property was not marked sold on the duplicate. The payment of the tax was therefore erroneous, for the reason that the city had already received the tax by sale.

Your petitioner would therefore ask and demand that the above sum, \$12.78, with interest, from April 19th, 1880, be refunded him.

And, as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

J. H. VAJEN, petitioner.

Indianapolis, August 1st, 1881.

Councilman Cowie moved to reconsider the vote by which G. O. 28, 1881, was passed, at the last meeting.

Which motion was adopted, and the action of the Common Council reconsidered by the following vote :

AYES, 11—viz. Councilmen Bryce, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Keller, Morrison, Stout, and Weaver.

NAYS, 8—viz. Councilmen Egger, Hartmann, Knodel, Mauer, Reichwein, Thalman, Ward, and Yoke.

Councilman Ward presented the following petition; which was received:

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

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, citizens of Indianapolis, would respectfully petition your honorable body, that in view of the fact that the city has no adequate accommodation for its sick poor, that such steps may be taken by your honorable bodies to insure such proper accommodation, and would suggest that a committee be appointed by the Council, to confer with the Commissioners of Marion county, to ascertain if suitable provision can not be made by the county and city, jointly, for the purpose herein mentioned, and also for the establishment of a work house.

Respectfully submitted,

THAD. M. STEVENS.

This matter certainly deserves serious consideration, and that at an early date.

Ingram Fletcher, A. M. Hannab, G. A. Wells, F. A. W. Davis, E. S. Elder, L. L. Todd, R. N. Todd, R. F. Kennedy, Jno. B. Conner, Alex. C. Jameson, Charles Dennis, W. R. Holloway, O. S. Runnels, Henry Jameson, L. H. Jameson, A. L. Wright, Cyrus T. Nixon, Edward T. Johnson, I. N. Patterson, John Coburn, Albert W. Wishard, M. R. Barnard, D. M. Bradbury, W. Morrow, Charles M. Walker, J. L. Thompson, Moses T. Runnels, L. Abbett, S. Merrill, R. Browning, Geo. Hasty, John F. Johnston, Alfred Harrison, Samuel W. Watson, W. H. Allen, E. Hadley, W. A. Pattison, W. H. Thomas, M. D., W. F. Coughlen, J. L. Mothershead, C. A. Ritter, Jno. A. Cominger, Wm. S. Hubbard, LeRoy N. Pattison, Austin H. Brown, William C. Lamb, W. H. English, W. H. Kendrick, Wm. S. Haymond, M. D., J. K. Bigelow, Jno. E. Cleland, Robt. W. Cathcart, Earl Reed.

Councilman Ward offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That the Board of Aldermen be requested to appoint a committee from their body to act with the Council committee and County Commissioners in the matter of the petition of Dr. Henry Jameson, Ingram Fletcher, and others, presented to Council to-night, and contemplating the erection of a new City Hospital and Work House.

Councilman Weaver offered the following motion ; which failed of adoption :

That the City Civil Engineer, in drawing up the specifications for paving north Meridian street, reserve the right for the city to use such old blocks that are sound, for repairing Brookside avenue; which the Street Commissioner be directed to do.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to build a culvert across Hill avenue, at the intersection of Valley Drive, and dig the necessary trench to drain the water at said point through Nevada street to Sheldon street.

Councilman Ward offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That the City Civil Engineer be directed to bowlder the wings and place stone crossings on Alabama and Walnut streets, at their intersection, as the gutters on Alabama street are being curbed and bowldered at that point.

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

STATE OF INDIANA, *Marion County.*

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, Marion County, Ind.:

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner, the Indianapolis Oil Tank Line Company, respectfully represents, that it is the owner in fee-simple of Lots 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, in the Indianapolis, Cincinnati & Lawrenceburg Railroad Company's subdivision of Out-lot 90, in the city of Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana, said lots being bounded on the north by Louisiana street, and on the south by Lord street, and Pine street bounds lot 20 on the east. That there is an alley fifteen feet wide between lots 16 and 15, which commences on the south side of Louisiana street, and runs thence south to Harrison street. Your petitioner desires to have all its lots together, without being separated by said alley, so as to enable petitioner to the better erect certain improvements thereon, necessary to its business.

Your petitioner therefore respectfully asks that so much of said alley as extends and is between said lots 16 and 15, running from said Louisiana street to Lord street, be vacated and changed, and opened and established so as to extend and be along, across and over the west side of said lot 15 the same width, 15 feet; all of it to be on said lot 15 so owned by petitioner. That the buildings it expects and intends to erect, will be for the public benefit as well as the use of the petitioner, and it is respectfully prayed that this petition be granted.

INDIANAPOLIS OIL TANK LINE Co.,

By E. L. Williams.

Councilman Yoke offered the following motion ; which was adopted :

That the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis Railroad be, and is hereby, directed to dig and build cattle guards, within the next twenty days, at the intersection of the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis Railroad and the street on the south line of the Southern Park; and that the City Marshal serve the proper notice.

On motion, the Common Council then adjourned.

DANIEL W. GRUBBS, Mayor,
President of Common Council.

Attest: JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

ADJOURNED SESSION—AUGUST 1, 1881.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, on Monday evening, August 1st, A. D. 1881, at eight o'clock, in adjourned session.

PRESENT—His Honor, President Layman, in the Chair, and Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, and Tucker—9.

ABSENT—Alderman Wood—1.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session held on July 25th, 1881, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith transmit to your honorable body certain papers, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its regular session, held on Monday evening, July 25th, 1881, for your action upon the same.

For the Common Council:

Jos. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The following report from the City Civil Engineer was read; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 361, *ante*) was concurred in:

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

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

Contract and bond of Robert Thomas, for grading and graveling the alley between Union and Chestnut streets, from Hanway street to Hill street. Bond, \$500; surety, Nelson Thomas.

Contract and bond of John Schier, for grading and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of West street, from Washington street to Kentucky avenue. Bond, \$2,000; surety, R. P. Dunning and C. S. Roney.

Contract and bond of John Schier, for grading and paving with brick (where not already paved), the south sidewalk of St. Clair street, from Meridian street to Tennessee street. Bond, \$300; surety, R. P. Dunning.

Contract and bond of John Schier, for grading and paving with brick (where not already paved), the east sidewalk of West street, from South street to Merrill street. Bond, \$500; surety, James W. Hudson.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The following report from the City Civil Engineer was read; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, July 18th, 1881, (see page 338, *ante*) was concurred in by the Board of Aldermen July 25th, 1881, and owing to error, was omitted from proceedings of that date, and now ordered inserted:

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 Chesapeake alley, from Meridian street to Pennsylvania street. Bond, \$800; surety, C. S. Roney.

Contract and bond of Henry C. Roney, for grading and graveling Chadwick street and sidewalks, from McCarty street to Catharine street. Bond, \$500; surety, R. P. Dunning.

Contract and bond of Robert Kennington, for grading and graveling the first alley east of the intersection of South street and Virginia avenue, from South street to Virginia avenue. Bond, \$200; surety, C. H. O'Brien.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The contract and bond of W. D. Watson, in the penal sum of Two Thousand Dollars, with Wm. G. Wasson as surety, for furnishing coal to the City Hospital and Branch, for the year ending June 30th, 1882, was read; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 361, *ante*) was concurred in.

The following clauses from the report of the Board of Public Improvements were read, (see pages 362, 363 and 364, *ante*) and referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage; and, on further motion, the Street Commissioner was instructed not to do any of the work until the committee makes a report:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

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

1st. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to re-grade and bowlder the entrance to the alley on the north side of Michigan street, between Alabama and New Jersey streets.

Recommend the work be done.

3d. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to clean the gutters of Tennessee street, between South and Merrill streets.

Recommend the work be done.

4th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, ordered to lay a double stone crossing on the crossing of Michigan street across Mississippi street.

Recommend the work be done.

5th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, ordered to repair Indiana avenue, from Illinois street to the canal, with good raked river gravel, as said avenue is now in a bad and dangerous condition for the Fire Department to make the necessary runs over said avenue; and since the completion of the sewer, the avenue is much in need of said repairs.

Recommend the work be done.

6th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, ordered to repair Mississippi street, from Washington street to North street.

Recommend the work be done.

7th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to build the approaches to the Fifth street bridge across the canal.

Recommend the work be done, and that the Councilman from that Ward introduce the necessary papers for opening said street through to West street, as soon as possible.

8th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to clean out the gutter sewers on Illinois street, at Fifth and Sixth streets.

Recommend the work be done.

13th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters of Broadway, from Seventh street to Eighth street.

Recommend the work be done.

14th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to fill with gravel a low place in the alley between East and north New Jersey streets, just south of St. Clair street; the same to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Recommend the work be done.

15th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner place a few loads of gravel in a low place in the first alley north of St. Clair street, between Pennsylvania and Delaware streets; the same to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Recommend the work be done.

16th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to re-gravel Huron street, from Dillon street to Virginia avenue.

Recommend the chuck-holes be filled.

17th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutter in front of Engine House No. 10, and place a plank crossing over the same.

Recommend the work be done.

18th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to put a few loads of gravel on the sidewalk in front of the Church on Woodlawn avenue.

Recommend the work be done.

19th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to clean the gutters and fill the chuck-holes on West street, from Merrill street to Morris street.

Recommend the work be done from Merrill to Ray streets.

20th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to clean the gutters on Shelby street, from Prospect street to the first alley south.

Recommend the work be done.

21st. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner clean the gutters on Indiana avenue, from West street to Fall Creek.

Recommend the work be done.

22d. Is a motion that the City Civil Engineer be instructed to make a survey and prepare plat of Sullivan street and surrounding territory, showing width of said street.

Recommend the work be done.

23d. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to repair with proper material, the sidewalk on south side of West Washington street, opposite No. 6 Engine House.

Recommend the work be done.

25th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to repair sidewalk, with plank and brick, in front of Engine House No. 5, on Sixth street.

Recommend the work be done.

26th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters of Michigan street, between New Jersey and East streets.

Recommend the work be done.

27th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean gutters of Michigan street, between Alabama and Delaware streets.

Recommend the work be done.

28th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to clean gutters on Wabash street, between East and Noble streets.

Recommend the work be done.

29th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to fill the chuck-holes on Christian avenue, between College avenue and Bellefontaine avenue.

Recommend the work be done.

30th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to fill the chuck-holes on Alabama street, between Michigan and St. Clair streets.

Recommend the work be done when the contract for improving said street is completed.

31st. Is a motion 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.

Recommend the work be done.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward H. Dean,
Wm. H. Morrison,
John R. Cowie,
Board of Public Improvements.

The following report from the Committee on Water (see page 365, *ante*) was read, and referred to the Committee on Water and Public Health:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Water, to whom was referred the petition of E. S. Folsom and others, asking that water mains be laid on Park avenue, between Home and Lincoln avenues, recommend the accompanying resolution, in lieu of Councilman Stout's resolution relative thereto, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

B. Ward,
E. H. Dean,
Committee.

The following resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 365, *ante*) was read, and referred, with the above report, to the Committee on Water and Public Health:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, That the Water Works Company of Indianapolis be, and is hereby, required to extend their line of water mains from the corner of Home avenue, in and along Park avenue to Lincoln avenue, and locate one hydrant on said extension, under the direction of the Chief Fire Engineer; and the City Clerk is hereby directed to notify said Water Works Company to lay said water mains.

The following motions (adopted by the Common Council—see pages 373 and 374. *ante*) were read, and concurrently adopted :

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to examine into the grade of the first alley east of Linden street and south of Orange street, with power to act, as the stakes are set so as to cause great damage to property, and to act at once, for the contractor has begun the work.

That Jos. T. Magner be authorized to place a driveway across the sidewalk immediately fronting his property on Broadway; said crossing to conform to existing ordinances, and placed under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the City Marshal notify contractor Wm. G. Smith to remove the surplus brick left on Buchanan street, near East, as the paving of the sidewalk has been completed some three weeks ago.

That the City Marshal be instructed to ascertain by whom the first alley east of White River, on Washington street, is now inclosed, and by whose authority; and if inclosed without authority, to order said alley opened at once.

The following motion (adopted by the Common Council—see page 374, *ante*) was read, and failed of adoption :

That the City Marshal be, and is hereby, instructed to again notify the officers of the P., C. & St. L., and C., H. & D. Railways to repair and re-plank their crossing of the tracks of said railroads at their intersection with Noble street, within fifteen days; and if not done in said time, said work be done by the Street Commissioner, at the expense of said railway companies.

Later in the session Alderman Newman moved to reconsider the vote by which the above motion failed of adoption.

Which motion was adopted, and the action reconsidered by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

NAYS—None.

Alderman Newman then moved to amend the above motion, by striking out, all the words after the words "fifteen days."

Which amendment was adopted.

The original motion, as amended, was then adopted.

The following motion (adopted by the Common Council—see page 374, *ante*) was read :

That the City Marshal be, and is hereby, directed to notify the P., C. & St. L., and the C., H. & D. Railway Companies to plank their track, according to the terms of their charters, on Grant street, at the intersection of their tracks and said street; and if not done within twenty days from the date of notice, the Street Commissioner is hereby instructed and directed to do the same, at the expense of said companies.

The above motion was amended by striking out all after the words "said street," and further amended by inserting "within thirty days from date of notice."

The original motion, as amended, was then adopted.

The following motion (adopted by the Common Council—see page 374, *ante*) was read:

That the Police officers be especially instructed to enforce any and all ordinances now in force in reference to blockading streets against the P., C. & St. L., and C., H. & D. railroads at the intersection of Grant street and the crossing of said railroads.

Alderman Hamilton moved to amend the above motion by adding the words "and all other city ordinances."

Alderman Drew moved to lay Alderman Hamilton's amendment on the table.

Which motion to lay on the table failed of adoption by the following vote:

AYES, 2—viz. Aldermen Drew, and Newman.

NAYS, 7—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Hamilton, Mussmann, Korison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

The amendment was then adopted.

The original motion, as amended, was then referred to the Committee on Railroads and Public Charities, and City Attorney.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first time, and, on motion by Alderman Hamilton, was referred to the Committee on Public Light and Education:

G. O. 28, 1881—An Ordinance investing The Indianapolis Brush Electric Light and Power Company with the privilege of erecting towers or masts, and posts, necessary for the purpose of supplying the city of Indianapolis and its inhabitants with Electric Light and Power.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Contracts and Bridges, through Alderman Rorison, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The Committee on Contracts and Bridges, to whom was referred the report of the City Civil Engineer and Street Commissioner, relative to repairing certain city bridges, recommend that the action of the Common Council relative thereto, be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

Brainard Rorison,
John Newman,
Committee.

The Committee on Contracts and Bridges, through Alderman Rorison, submitted the following report:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The Committee on Contracts and Bridges, to whom was referred the matter of increasing the pay of A. Naltner, Garbage contractor, recommend that the action of the Common Council in making said increase of pay, be not concurred in; and would further recommend that the contract of A. Naltner with the city for the removal of garbage, etc., be declared forfeited, for failure to comply with its terms, and that the contract be awarded to the next lowest responsible bidder for the remainder of its term, provided he immediately files the necessary bond, and commences work at once.

Respectfully submitted,

Geo. P. Wood,
Brainard Rorison,
Committee.

Alderman Drew moved that all that part of the above report be stricken out after the words "not concurred in."

Which motion was adopted.

The balance of the report was then concurred in.

The Committee on Judiciary, Ordinances and Rules, through Alderman Rorison, submitted the following report:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Judiciary, Ordinances and Rules, to whom was referred the following report (approved by Council July 18), viz:

"To the Mayor, and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Judiciary Committee, in regard to the order of the Council that the City Attorney be directed to proceed with the codification of ordinances, under the supervision of your committee, report thereon as follows:

Your committee have considered the cost of this work, and recommend that the City Attorney proceed with the work, and that sums of money, not to exceed five hundred dollars, be from time to time appropriated to pay the City Attorney for this extra work.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Pritchard,
N. Yoke,
Jas. T. Dowling,
Judiciary Committee."

July 18, 1881.

Recommend that the Council action be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted.

Brainard Rorison,
W. H. Tucker,
John Newman,
Committee.

Alderman Tucker moved that action on the above report be indefinitely postponed.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 5—viz. Aldermen Drew, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and Tucker.

NAYS, 3—viz. Alderman DeRuiter, Rorison, and President Layman.

The Committees on Judiciary, Ordinances and Rules, and Finance and Accounts and Claims, through Alderman Rorison, submitted the following report:

To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Judiciary, Ordinances and Rules, and Committee on Finance and Accounts and Claims, to whom was referred the following report (approved by Council July 18, 1881), viz:

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

Gentlemen:—Your Joint Committees on Printing, are of the opinion that bids should be received for printing 200 copies of the City Charter, etc., as per motion of February 5th, 1881. We would therefore ask that the City Clerk be instructed to advertise for bids to be received up to Saturday, August 13th, 1881.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. Hamilton,
Aldermanic Committee.

C. T. Bedford,
Edgar Brundage,
John W. Fultz,
Council Committee”

Recommend that the above be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. Hamilton,
Finance and Accounts and Claims.

Brainard Rorison,
W. H. Tucker,
John Newman,
Judiciary, Ordinances and Rules.

Alderman Hamilton moved to amend the report as submitted from the Common Council, by adding the words “for codifying, printing and binding two hundred copies.”

Alderman DeRuiter moved to amend Alderman Hamilton’s motion, by requiring the bidders to state who will make the codification.

Which amendment was accepted by Alderman Hamilton.

Alderman Rorison then moved to lay the amendments on the table.

Which motion was adopted, and the amendments laid on the table by the following vote:

AYES, 6—viz. Aldermen Drew, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Tucker, and President Layman.

NAYS, 3—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Hamilton, and Seibert.

Alderman Tucker moved that action on the above report be postponed until January 1st, 1882.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 5—viz. Aldermen Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and Tucker.

NAYS, 4—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Rorison, and President Layman.

The report from the Police Board, referred to the Committee on Police Department (see page 251, *ante*) with the bonds of the respective officers (see page 218, *ante*) was called from the committee, and, on motion, the report was concurred in, and the bonds approved.

The Committee on Water and Public Health, through Alderman DeRuiter, submitted the following report; which was concurred in :

To the Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—The Committee on Water and Public Health, to which was referred the matter of placing a driven well in Circle Park, for the purpose of supplying with water the fountains on Illinois street and Kentucky avenue, Illinois street and Indiana avenue, Pennsylvania street and Virginia avenue, met with the Board of Public Improvements and the City Civil Engineer, and would respectfully report that the plan seems feasible.

Respectfully submitted,

D. DeRuiter,
Hiram Seibert,
D. Mussmann,
Committee.

The Committee on Water and Public Health, through Alderman DeRuiter, submitted the following report; which was received :

To the President and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Water and Public Health, to whom was referred the report from Council Committees on Judiciary and Water, in reference to the laying of water mains, by the Street Commissioner, on north Illinois and Meridian streets, on examination find that the Water Works Co. are now doing the work on north Meridian street.

Respectfully submitted,

D. DeRuiter,
H. Seibert,
Committee.

The following message was read and received :

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—I herewith transmit to your honorable body certain papers, which were favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its regular session, held on Monday evening, August 1st, 1881, for your action upon the same.

For the Common Council:

JOS. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The following report from the City Civil Engineer was read; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 409, *ante*) was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following estimates, done according to contract.

A first and final estimate in behalf of J. L. Spaulding, for grading and graveling Cypress street and sidewalks, from Linden street to Ohio street:

1,004 $\frac{7}{12}$ lineal feet, at 76 cents.....\$763 49

A first and final estimate in behalf of S. W. Patterson, for grading and paving with brick (where not already paved) the sidewalks of Plum street, from Massachusetts avenue to Christian avenue:

2,285 $\frac{14}{108}$ lineal feet, at 37 cents.....\$845 50

A first and final estimate in behalf of Fred. Gansberg, for grading and bowldering the gutters, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks (where not already bowldered or curbed) of Virginia avenue, from Washington street to its southern terminus:

9,676 lineal feet of bowldering, at 60 cents..... \$5,805 59

8,569 $\frac{8}{12}$ lineal feet of curbing, at 39 cents 3,342 16

310 lineal feet of re-setting curb, at 7 cents..... 21 70

Total Total \$9,169 45

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The following estimate resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 409, *ante*) 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 J. L. Spaulding, for grading and graveling Cypress street and sidewalks, from Linden street to Olive 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—*viz.* Aldermen Drew, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 410, *ante*) 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 S. W. Patterson, for grading and paving with brick (where not already paved) the sidewalks of Plum street, from Massachusetts avenue to Christian avenue, 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote :

A YES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 410, *ante*) 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 Fred Gansberg, for grading and bowldering the gutters, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks (where not already bowldered or curbed), of Virginia avenue, from Washington street to its southern terminus, 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote :

A YES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinances (passed by the Common Council), were severally read the first time :

- S. O. 82, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering New Jersey street, and curbing with stone (except where already curbed), the outer edges of the sidewalks thereof, from Washington street to the south line of Lot No. 5, in Yandes & Wilkens' subdivision of square No. 62.
- S. O. 81, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Benton street, from Meek street to Georgia street.
- S. O. 85, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Georgia street, from Noble street to Dillon street, (where not already properly paved.)
- S. O. 90, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of McCarty street, from the first alley east of Alabama street to the first alley west of New Jersey street.
- S. O. 95, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas except the service pipes), on Morris street, from Meridian street to Dacotah street.
- S. O. 97, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading, and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Madison avenue, from McCarty street to Ray street.
- S. O. 101, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the first alley east of Meridian street, from the south line of lot number six, square ninety-seven, south to Pogue's Run.

- S. O. 102, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering Georgia street, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street.
- S. O. 103, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering South street, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks, from Meridian street to Illinois street.
- S. O. 105, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the south half of the roadway of Brinkman street, from Rural street to Baltimore avenue.
- 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.)
- S. O. 107, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for paving with wood blocks the roadway of Meridian street, and bowldering the wings of street and alley crossings thereof, from New York street to St. Clair street.
- S. O. 108, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for paving with wood blocks the roadway of Meridian street, and bowldering the wings of street and alley crossings thereof, from St. Clair street to Seventh street.
- S. O. 109, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes) on Georgia street, from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street.
- S. O. 110, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes) on Merrill street, from Delaware street to Pennsylvania street.

Alderman Tucker moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of placing the above entitled ordinances on their final passage.

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

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen DeRuitter, Drew, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

NAYS, 1—viz. Alderman Hamilton.

The following entitled ordinance was taken up and read the second and third times :

S. O. 107, 1881—An ordinance to provide for paving with wood blocks the roadway of Meridian street, and bowldering the wings of street and alley crossings thereof, from New York street to St. Clair street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen DeRuitter, Drew, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

NAYS, 1—viz. Alderman Hamilton.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

S. O. 108, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for paving with wood blocks the roadway of Meridian street, and bowldering the wings of street and alley crossings thereof, from St. Clair street to Seventh street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

NAYS, 1—viz. Alderman Hamilton.

Alderman Hamilton moved to refer the above street improvement ordinances to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, and the gas ordinances to the Committee on Public Light and Education, except S. O. 82, 1880, and S. O. 95 and 106, 1881.

Which motion was adopted, and the ordinances so referred.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

S. O. 82, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering New Jersey street, and curbing with stone (except where already curbed), the outer edges of the sidewalks thereof, from Washington street to the south line of Lot No. 5, in Yandes & Wilkins' subdivision of Square No. 62.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times :

S. O. 95, 1881—An Ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on Morris street, from Meridian street to Dakotah street.

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman..

NAYS—None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

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.)

And it was passed by the following vote :

AYES, 9—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

NAYS—None.

The following report from the Committee on Contracts was read; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 422, *ante*) was concurred in :

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

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Contracts recommend that the report made to your honorable body, July 8th, 1881, (see page 307, *ante*) fourth clause, awarding the contract of Samuel Keers & Co., be concurred in, and he be awarded the contract, being the lowest and best bidder.

Respectfully submitted,

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

The following report from the Board of Public Improvements was read; (see favorable action of the Common Council thereon—page 424, *ante*) and on motion by Alderman DeRuiter, was referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage :

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

Gentlemen:—We herewith submit for your confirmation the name of Jacob W. Lepper, as Inspector of Public Works, for four months, beginning August 2d, 1881, at \$80.00 per month.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward H. Dean,
John R. Cowie,
Wm. H. Morrison,
Board of Public Improvements.

PENDING ORDINANCES.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times :

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.

And it failed to pass by the following vote :

AYES, 3—viz. Aldermen Mussmann, Newman, and Rorison.

NAYS, 6—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times

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, 9—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, Tucker, and President Layman.

NAYS—None.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Alderman Hamilton offered the following motions; which were adopted:

The City Council is respectfully requested to forward the ordinance pending before that body, providing for the impounding of horses, etc.

That the Committee on Water and Public Health ascertain and report why the Water Works Co. has not lain main pipes on Cherry and Nebraska streets, as ordered a year ago.

Alderman Rorison offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That whenever the Street Commissioner finds the crossings of railroads out of repair, he shall notify such road through the City Attorney, who shall warn said road that repairs must be made within thirty days after notice has been received, or suit will be instituted by the city.

Alderman Rorison offered the following motion:

WHEREAS, The revenues of the city for the current year are likely to be largely exceeded by the expenditures;

Moved, That the City Attorney be directed to prepare an ordinance, and to offer the same to the Common Council for their action, to license grocery stores and saloons where liquors are sold, requiring a license fee of \$50 per annum.

Alderman Mussmann moved to amend by including all classes of business and professions.

Which amendment was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 6—viz. Aldermen Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, and Tucker.

NAYS, 3—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Drew, and President Layman.

The original motion, as amended, was then adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen DeRuiter, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Rorison, Seibert, and Tucker.

NAYS, 2—viz. Aldermen Drew, and President Layman.

The motion was then referred to the Committees on Judiciary, Ordinances and Rules, and Finance and Accounts and Claims, and City Attorney.

Alderman Tucker offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be requested to notify parties to stop the nuisance of overflowing Georgia street, between Pennsylvania and Delaware streets, as it is almost impassable in its present condition.

Alderman Layman offered the following motion; which was adopted:

INASMUCH as several members of this Board will be absent at our next regular meeting, therefore

Moved, That this Board meet to transact such business as may be before the Board, on Wednesday evening, August 3d, and that the regular meeting be postponed which would occur on Monday, July 8th.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

JAMES T. LAYMAN, President.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.