

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
COMMON COUNCIL.

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REGULAR SESSION.

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CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,  
MONDAY, MAY 4TH, 1868, 7½ O'CLOCK, P. M. }

The Common Council met in regular session.

Present—His Honor, the Mayor, Daniel Macauley, in the chair,  
and the following members:

Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—16.

Absent—Councilmen Burgess and Colley—2.

The proceedings of the regular session held April 27th, 1868, were read and approved.

Business was resumed in the order in which it was left off at last meeting, viz:

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

On motion by Mr. Stanton, special appropriation ordinance No. 22—1868, was taken up, read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Geisel, special ordinance No. 23—1868, was taken up, read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Geisel, special ordinance No. 20—1868, was taken up, read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Brown, special ordinance No. 17—1868, was taken up, read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Brown, special ordinance No. 16—1868, was taken up, read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Foster, special ordinance No. 18—1868, was taken up, read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Dr. Jameson, special ordinance No. 21—1868, was taken up, read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Seidensticker, general ordinance No. 134, authorizing the Junction Railroad Company to lay a track across certain streets, &c., was taken up and read through section by section.

Mr. Brown moved that a further consideration of the ordinance be postponed one week, and called for the ayes and noes.

The question being on postponement, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Henschen, Loomis, MacArthur and Schmidt—9.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Coburn, Goddard, Jameson, Kappes, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—7.

So the motion to postpone was adopted.

On motion by Mr. Brown, special appropriation ordinance No. 20—1868, was taken up, read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Brown, special appropriation ordinance No. 23 was taken up, read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

#### ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Davis called up general ordinance No. 132, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to prohibit the running at large, in the City of Indianapolis, of any swine, boar, sow or barrow, and to regulate the erection and keeping of pig styes and stables.

Mr. Seidensticker moved to strike out the proviso at the latter part of section one, which provides that hogs shall be penned up from the 1st day of March till the 1st day of June in each year.

Mr. Geisel moved to lay Mr. Seidensticker's motion on the table, and called for the ayes and noes.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Cottrell, Geisel, Henschen and Stanton—4.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Brown, Davis, Foster, Goddard, Jameson, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker and Woodburn—10.

So the motion to lay on the table was lost.

The question then being on the motion of Mr. Seidensticker to strike out the latter clause of the first section, the ayes and noes were called.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Davis, Goddard, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt and Seidensticker—7.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Cottrell, Foster, Geisel, Henschen, Jameson, Stanton and Woodburn—7.

There being a tie vote, His Honor, the Mayor, voted in the affirmative.

So the motion was adopted.

The question then being on the passage of the ordinance, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Davis, Goddard, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt and Seidensticker—9.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Cottrell, Foster, Geisel, Henschen, Jameson, Stanton and Woodburn—7.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Brown called up special ordinance No. 17—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to grade and pave with bowlders Meridian street, between Pogue's Run and the south side of South street.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis,

Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—15.

Councilman Jameson voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Brown called up special ordinance No. 16—1868, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for paving with brick the east sidewalk of Meridian street between Maryland and Louisiana streets, except such portions as may be paved with flag stones.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—16.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Stanton called up special appropriation ordinance No. 22—1868, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE appropriating the sum of one thousand dollars to be expended on what is known as the old Military Ground in the City of Indianapolis.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being on the passage of the ordinance, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—16.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Brown called up special appropriation ordinance No. 23—1868, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Fos-

ter, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—16.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Brown called up special appropriation ordinance No. 20—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—16.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

#### REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Mr. Brown introduced general ordinance No. 135, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE providing for the appraisement of real estate in the City of Indianapolis, for the purpose of taxation, for the year 1868.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Brown moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of reading the ordinance the second time.

The question being on a suspension of the rules, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—16.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the rules were suspended, and the ordinance was read the second time and considered engrossed.

Mr. Brown moved a further suspension of the rules for the purpose of passing the ordinance.

The question being on a suspension of the rules, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis,

Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—16.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

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No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Coburn presented the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 25, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I regret very much that such is the case, that I am compelled from necessity to appeal to your honorable body for relief. I have been afflicted for the last fifteen months with the disease of erysipelas in my leg and ankle, which has left me a cripple, and in consequence of my long protracted disease it has left me without the means for a subsistence for myself and family. I am not able to perform hard labor at present, but hope to be able to do so in a few months; therefore, in my present extremities, I thought I would venture upon your benevolence to grant me a permit to peddle in the city of Indianapolis for the space of six months or a year, until I recover from my lameness. I am not able to procure license is the cause of my application. It is not necessary for me to explain to your honors any further my condition, for there are some of you Councilmen that are well acquainted with my condition and character. I have been a citizen of Indianapolis for fourteen years. Should you require any reference from me as a civil citizen I will give it to your satisfaction.

Hoping, gentlemen, that you will favor my petition, I leave my case in your hands.

With regards to all, I remain yours truly,

JOHN JENKINS.

Which was referred to the Committee on Benevolence and City Hospitals.

Mr. Coburn presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

The undersigned would represent to your honorable body that the Franklin Life Insurance Company have purchased the State Bank buildings, so called, located on the corner of Illinois street and Kentucky Avenue, and the said Company desire permission from the Council to curb with stone curbing the gutter on the west side of Illinois street where hitherto it has been wood curb, and pave with brick the pavement where the same is needed,

and repair that portion which is susceptible of repair along said property, and all under the instruction of the City Engineer.

In behalf of the Franklin Life Insurance Company,  
WM. S. HUBBARD, Vice President.

In reference to which, Mr. Coburn offered the following motion :

That the Franklin Life Insurance Company be allowed to curb and pave their sidewalk as petitioned for, provided the same is done to the satisfaction of the Civil Engineer.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following motion :

That the Street Commissioner be directed to have the gutter on the south side of Washington street, at the intersection of New Jersey street, properly planked.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

Mr. Cottrell introduced special ordinance No. 25—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and bowldering Virginia Avenue and curbing the outside edges of the sidewalks with white oak plank from the south side of Pogue's Run to the south side of Louisiana street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Davis presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 29, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned petitioners, living along the line of Madison Avenue, between South and Merrill streets, respectfully request of your honorable body that you direct the Indianapolis Gas Light and Coke Company to extend their mains along the line of said street between the points above named, and we hereby agree to take the required number of burners.

Augustus Fiel,	J. S. Hildebrand,
Ferd. McKay,	John M. Wachstetter,
J. R. Buell,	And 3 others.

Which was referred to the City Clerk.

Mr. Foster presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 27, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—We the undersigned, property holders on Maple street, respectfully petition your honorable body to have Maple street and sidewalks properly graded and graveled from McCarty street to the corporation line.

Richard Carr,	F. Hirley,
James Hamil,	Elihue Wolf,
Thomas Flinn,	And 16 others.

Which was received.

Also, special ordinance No. 26,—1868 entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling Maple street and sidewalks, between McCarty street and the Corporation line:

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Geisel presented the following petition and bond :

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—We the undersigned, property holders on Chatham street, between Massachusetts Avenue and the north side of St. Clair street, respectfully petition your honorable body to light said street with gas between the points named, and as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

J. E. Ludlum,	B. F. Gresh,
Julius Mannfield,	Joseph T. Elliott,
M. G. I. Stern,	And 3 others.

Know all men by these presents, that we, J. E. Ludlum, B. F. Gresh and M. G. J. Stern, are firmly held and bound unto the Indianapolis Gas Light and Coke Company, in the sum of one thousand dollars, upon the condition following:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to the Common Council, of the City of Indianapolis, praying that main and service pipes be laid on Chatham street, between Massachusetts Avenue and the north side of St. Clair street, and the said Indianapolis Gas Light and Coke Company are about to lay such pipes. Now, if the citizens along the line of said street, between the limits aforesaid, shall take and use, consuming to each burner the fair average amount of gas consumed in the vicinity of such street, fifteen or more burners to each space of five hundred and ten feet along the street where such pipes are laid, this obligation shall be void, else in force.

Witness, our hands and seals this 1st day of April, 1868.

J. E. LUDLOW,  
B. F. GRESH,  
M. G. J. STERN.

Which were received and referred to the City Clerk.

Mr. Geisel offered the following motion :

That the City Clerk notify the Gas Company that the Bond has been filed by the property holders on Chatham street, between Massachusetts Avenue and St. Clair street, in pursuance of their charter, and that they be directed to lay the mains for gas purposes on said street.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Geisel introduced special ordinance No. 27—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling Vine street from Jackson street to Ash street, including the sidewalks.

Mr. Geisel, also, introduced special ordinance No. 28—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling Lockerbie street and sidewalks, between Liberty and Noble streets.

Which was read the first time.



Mr. Goddard presented the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

The undersigned, resident property holders along the line of Maryland street, between West and Helen streets, understanding that as a petition and ordinance for the grading and graveling of said street is about to be presented, respectfully remonstrate against said work at this time,

1. Because said work is not very urgently needed.
2. Because the expense will be heavy, and we are hardly able to bear the same now.
3. Because the present city grade of said street would bring the same at some points six feet and ten inches under the general grade of the lots, which would force us to grade the lots as well as the street.

For which reasons we respectfully remonstrate against said work at the present time and grade.

Samuel Perrott,	J. P. Meikel.
E. J. Benford,	S. Perrott, Agent,
Winslow S. Pierce.	

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Henschen offered the following motion :

That permission be granted to the Trustees of the German Reform Church to pave the sidewalk in front of their church on Alabama street, between Washington and Market streets, and the City Engineer be instructed to set the proper grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Jameson introduced special ordinance No. 29—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling the west alley running north and south through Square No. 41.

Which was read the first time.

Dr. Jameson offered the following motion :

That the City Clerk notify, in writing, O. H. P. Bly, the City Lamp Lighter, that the city having made other arrangements, they will not need his services any longer for lighting the city street lamps, and that his contract is terminated.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Jameson, also, offered the following motion :

That the Mayor, Treasurer and Clerk be directed to cancel all the 7 per cent. War Bonds not used as collateral security in bank loan.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Jameson offered the following resolution :

*Resolved,* That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby, authorized to collect from the following named Railroad Companies the amounts due from them to the City of Indianapolis for work done by the Street Commissioner, as per annexed report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

Report of August Richter, Street Commissioner, for work done for the Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, and for the Cincinnati and Lafayette Railroad Company:

Work done for the Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company—

1. Planked seven crossings with the intersection of East street, cost	\$214 36
2. Planked one crossing with the intersection of Ohio street, cost	30 23
3. Planked one crossing with the intersection of New York st., cost	41 64
4. Planked one crossing with the intersection of Vermont st., cost	34 48
5. Planked one crossing with the intersection of Michigan st., cost	20 28
6. Planked one crossing with the intersection of North street, cost	14 88

Total,	\$355 92
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Work done for the Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette R. R. Co.:

Planked one crossing with the intersection of Georgia street,	} cost \$106 01
Planked one crossing with the intersection of Maryland st.	

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUST RICHTER, *Street Commissioner.*

Which was concurred in.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, MacArthur, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—16.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the resolution was adopted.

Dr. Jameson presented a claim against the City of Indianapolis, in favor of Joseph Kruger, for \$24.75.

Which was referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims.

Mr. Kappes presented the following remonstrance:

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned would respectfully petition your honorable body to suspend the proposed ordinance to provide for paving the north side of North street, between Alabama and Delaware streets, until times shall become better. The high prices of living, and the high taxes we are obliged to pay, exhausts our means, so that we are unable at this time to bear this expense. If we could sell some of the property on this street at fair prices we would willingly do so and appropriate the proceeds to the proposed improvement, but situated as we now are we have not got means to pay for it.

ELIZABETH FRAZEE,  
EDWARD RASCHIG.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

Mr. Loomis offered the following motion :

That the Street Commissioner be directed to open the gutter on Liberty street, between Pogue's Run and Washington street, so as to admit of a free flow of water on and along said street.

Which was adopted.

Mr. MacArthur introduced special ordinance No. 30—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading, paving and curbing with wood the sidewalk on the west side of Mississippi street, between the first alley north of Market street and Ohio street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. MacArthur introduced special ordinance No. 31—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling Wabash street and sidewalks, between Mississippi and Missouri streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Seidensticker offered the following motion :

That Frederick Kissel be permitted to boulder the gutter and put down oak curbing in front of his premises on McCarty street and Russell street, provided the same be done to the satisfaction of the Civil Engineer, and that the Engineer be directed to set the proper grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Stanton offered the following motion :

That a partial estimate be allowed Mr. Navin on his contract to fence the Military Park; the estimate to be fixed by the City Civil Engineer, and that the City Clerk be directed to include the same in his next appropriation ordinance.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Stanton presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868

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

GENTLEMEN:—Your petitioner respectfully represents to your honorable body that there is a ditch about two and a half or three feet deep and about eight feet wide excavated by the city, running immediately along by the side of the sidewalk east of his residence property, on the southwest corner of Bright and New York streets; that said ditch is a nuisance and dangerous; that he has formerly petitioned this Council about the same matter, and is informed that your Board of Public Improvements reported that the city should cover the same; that the same has never been done; and he now asks that your honorable body will take such action in the matter as will secure the doing of what is right and necessary in the premises.

Respectfully,

JOSIAH SMITH.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

Sealed proposals for public improvements were opened and read by the City Clerk, and referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS.

Mr. Loomis, from the Board of Police, made the following report :

OFFICE BOARD OF POLICE, }  
Indianapolis, April 4, 1868. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—Your Board of Police herewith present the Annual Report of Thomas S. Wilson, Chief of Police, for the year ending April 30th, 1868, which will, by a careful perusal, show your police force to be in a healthy, efficient condition, having made during the year one thousand five hundred and fifty-five arrests for violations of national, State and municipal laws, besides two hundred and sixty arrests for minor offences.

One hundred and seventy arrests were made for grand larceny, sixty-five of whom were convicted and sent to the Penitentiary. Twenty-seven arrests made for robbery, and seventeen sent to the Penitentiary. Eight were arrested for highway robbery, and all convicted and sentenced to serve in the State Prison from three to eight years.

Your Board only refer to these matters to show the efficiency of your Police Force. Their efforts, however, are no doubt directed to the prevention of crime rather than punishment. We are of the opinion that a thorough system of uniforming the force will add materially to its efficiency. This we have endeavored to inaugurate, and with the assistance of your honorable body shall be enabled to carry out, as we trust, to the entire satisfaction of all parties interested.

Your Board propose at present to make but few, if any, changes in the force as now organized, and then only where we may consider the same unavoidable, looking always to the efficiency of the force.

Your Board feel called upon in this report to refer to the decease of Frederick Sponsel, a Night Policeman of the 7th Ward, who died in August last, leaving a large family in destitute circumstances. The afflictions of his estimable family we are glad to say were most liberally assuaged by his surviving comrades on the force, who at once contributed a sum of money exceeding one hundred dollars for the relief of his family.

Mr. Sponsel had been a soldier in blue over two years, and as such gained the respect of all who knew him.

Your Board have, from a thorough examination of witnesses and facts as presented to them, found it necessary to make a few removals and changes in the Police Force of the City, and what we regarded as our duty in the premises, we have done "without fear or favor."

We have removed two policemen for disobedience to rules and inefficiency. Two for conduct unbecoming a policeman and an officer of the police.

Four have been suspended for neglect of duty from 10 to 30 days and reinstated

Two have been suspended for insubordination.

Three have resigned.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

AD. SEIDENSTICKER, }  
W. H. LOOMIS, } *Board of*  
A. P. STANTON, } *Police.*

Which was received and approved.

Also, the following report of the Chief of the Police Force of the City of Indianapolis, for the year ending 30th April, 1868 :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 30, 1868.

To Hon. A. Seidensticker, Pres't, and Members of the Police Board :

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit my Annual Report for the year ending April 30, 1868, as follows :

NUMBER OF ARRESTS AND WHAT FOR.

For Intoxication .....	222
Prostitution .....	43
Associating with Prostitutes .....	18
Keeping house of ill-fame .....	17
Occupying house of ill-fame .....	30
Visiting house of ill-fame .....	24
Unlawful assembly .....	112
Notorious lewdness .....	1
Fornication .....	2
Adultery .....	3
Public indecency .....	15
Profanity .....	27
Murder .....	6
Assault and battery with intent to commit murder .....	15
Assault and battery .....	222
Provoking assault and battery .....	74
Robbery .....	27
Conspiring to commit felony .....	6
Grand larceny .....	107
Petty larceny .....	35
Disturbing the peace .....	123
Driving or riding on sidewalk .....	19
Exhibiting Show without license .....	9
Peddling without license .....	5
Desecrating the Sabbath .....	9
Obstructing sidewalks, gutters, streets and alleys .....	18
Hitching to shade tree .....	3
Hitching to lamp-post .....	6
Fast riding and driving .....	14
Violating Hack ordinance .....	7
Violating Railroad ordinance .....	14
Violating Fire ordinance .....	1
Violating Dog ordinance .....	9
Violating Cemetery ordinance .....	2
For rape .....	2
Committing nuisance .....	7
Carrying concealed weapons .....	28
Passing counterfeit money .....	5
Leaving cellar door open .....	2
Highway robbery .....	10
Shooting in street or alley .....	3
Bathing in Canal or White river .....	3
Vagrancy .....	10
Malicious trespass .....	20
Erecting sign across sidewalk .....	1
Building without permit .....	2
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>1,470</b>

MISCELLANEOUS ARRESTS.

For Marrying unlawfully .....	1
Contempt of Court .....	1
Desertion .....	1
Violations of Market Ordinance .....	2

For Obtaining money falsely -----	3
Renting to Prostitutes -----	2
Gambling -----	31
Riot -----	5
Selling liquor to minors -----	3
Perjury -----	4
Embezzlement -----	2
Wandering prostitution -----	1
Obtaining goods under false pretences -----	5
Carrying burglarious tools -----	5
Burglary -----	19
Total miscellaneous arrests -----	85
Addenda—Men taken home slightly inebriated -----	260
Grand total -----	345

Sixty-five were committed for grand larceny and sent to the Penitentiary, out of a total number arrested of 107.

Twenty-seven were arrested for robbery and sixteen found guilty and sentenced to the Penitentiary.

Eight were arrested for highway robbery, and on trial found guilty.

Nineteen were arrested for burglary and eleven convicted.

The Force, as at present constituted by your Board, and as appears by the Pay Roll, consists of the following named officers and men :

Chief of Police—Thomas S. Wilson.

Lieutenants—Henry Paul and George Taffe.

Day Police—1st Ward, George W. Bennett.

Night “ “ Thomas Horniday and Robert P. Barbee.

Day Police—2d Ward, James N. Stevens.

Night “ “ John L. Brown and Andrew J. Wells.

Day Police—3d Ward, Hannibal Taffe.

Night “ “ John Cabill.

Day Police—4th Ward, William Boland.

Night “ “ William Brenemer and George Busier.

Day Police—5th Ward, Samuel Busier.

Night “ “ Fred'k Sheigart and Erick B. Hoppee.

Day Police—6th Ward, J. P. Duvall.

Night “ “ Hiram Minnick and Omer B. Boardman.

Day Police—7th Ward, William Williams.

Night “ “ Michael Murphy and Francis Otwell.

Day Police—8th Ward, L. M. Russell.

Night “ “ Abram H. Catterson and Augustus Reick.

Day Police—9th Ward, Jesse T. Murphy.

Night “ “ Pauline Lendaime and George Thomas.

In conclusion, I have the pleasure to report the entire force in a healthy and efficient condition.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

THOMAS S. WILSON, *Chief of Police.*

Which was concurred in.

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. Coburn, from the Committee on Accounts and Claims, reported back special appropriation ordinance No. 24—1868, appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis.

Which was read the second time and considered engrossed.

Mr. Coburn moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of passing the ordinance.

The question being on a suspension of the rules, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—15.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the rules were suspended, and the ordinance read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—15.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Coburn, from the Committee on Fire Department, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Fire Department would report that the Fire Alarm Telegraph is completed and ready to be turned over to the city. A trial of its working was had on Wednesday of last week, and it was found to work well. We would therefore recommend that it be received from the contractors and put in operation as soon as possible. Fifteen and one-third miles of wire was used in making the line, the cost of the whole being \$5,533.33. We would therefore recommend that the first payment, amounting to \$2,766.66, be allowed.

HENRY COBURN,	} <i>Com. on Fire Dep't.</i>
J. H. KAPPES,	
J. W. DAVIS,	

Which was received and concurred in.

Mr. Goddard, from the Committee on Markets, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

The Committee on Markets, to whom was referred the motion that the Market Master be authorized to remove the fence around the West Market House and replace the same west of said house, have considered the same, and respectfully report that it will greatly add to the convenience of those attending that market, and that the Market Master have power to use the chain gang for such purpose, and be authorized to draw from the Street Commissioner any necessary material needed for such alteration.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. MACARTHUR, }  
SAMUEL GODDARD, } *Committee.*  
WM. H. HENSCHEN, }

On motion, action on the report and a consideration of the subject was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Kappes, from the Committee on Printing and Stationery introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 25—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Kappes, from the Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee beg leave to introduce the report of the Superintendent of the City Hospital, together with an ordinance appropriating \$480.30 on account of City Hospital.

Respectfully,

J. HENRY KAPPES, }  
W. H. LOOMIS, } *Committee.*  
HENRY GEISEL, }

Which was received.

Also, the following :

RECAPITULATION OF THE MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CONTENTS OF REGISTER OF PATIENTS OF CITY HOSPITAL ENDING APRIL 30, 1868.

Number of patients in Hospital at last report .....	26
Number of patients received in Hospital since last report.....	13
Number of patients born in Hospital since last report.....	4
Number of patients discharged from Hospital since last report.....	16
Number of patients died in Hospital since last report .....	2
Number of patients remaining in Hospital at present report.....	25



Also, the following :

RECAPITULATION OF THE WEEKLY REPORT OF CONTENTS OF REGISTER OF PATIENTS OF CITY HOSPITAL, ENDING MAY 14, 1868.

Number of patients in Hospital at last report.....	24
Number of patients received in Hospital since last report.....	4
Number of patients born in Hospital since last report.....	1
Number of patients discharged from Hospital since last report.....	3
Number of patients died in Hospital since last report.....	1
Number of patients remaining in Hospital at present report.....	25

Also, the following :

RECAPITULATION OF THE MONTHLY REPORT OF EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY HOSPITAL, ENDING APRIL 30, 1868.

Total expenditures for the month .....	\$496 55
Aggregate number of days for which subsistence, etc., was furnished....	849
Average expense per capita per diem.....	\$0 58

Amount received from patients \$20.00.

Which were received.

Also, special appropriation ordinance No. 26, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating moneys for the payment of sundry claims on account of the City Hospital for the month of April, 1868.:

Which was read the first time.

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Dr. Jameson, from the Select Committee, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Special Committee on Gas beg leave to report a contract in accordance with the proposals of the Gas Light and Coke Company, and recommend that the same be filed and approved, and a copy thereof be spread on the minutes, and that the Gas Inspector be directed to prepare a time table of 2,000 hours per annum inclusive of at least 100 hours to be expended on dark nights, at his discretion, and that said Inspector be directed to designate immediately such posts as shall not longer be lighted, in accordance with the minimum per square, as per terms of contract.

Respectfully,

P. H. JAMESON,  
A. SEIDENSTICKER, } Committee.  
J. A. WOODBURN.

Mr. Brown called for a division of the question upon concurring in the report.

Mr. Brown moved that the report be concurred in with the exception of the last clause, designating what lamps should be lighted, &c.

Which was adopted.

The ayes and noes being demanded upon concurring in the last clause,

Those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stauton and Woodburn—13.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Brown and Loomis—2.

So that part of the report was concurred in.

The report, as a whole, was then concurred in.

The following is the agreement:

This agreement made and entered into this first day of May, A. D., 1868, by and between the City of Indianapolis of the State of Indiana, of the first part, and the Indianapolis Gas Light and Coke Company of the second part, witnesseth: That the said party of the second part hereby contracts and agrees to and with the said party of the first part, to furnish good, pure gas of the quality provided for in the contract between the parties of March 19, 1866, for all the public lamps of said city, at a rate of consumption which shall average four cubic feet per hour per lamp, for the price and sum of twenty-four dollars per annum for each lamp; and to light and extinguish said lamps, and keep the same in good order and repair, and pay the Government tax on said gas, for the price and sum of six dollars per annum for each lamp, for and during the term of three (3) years from and after the first day of May, A. D., 1868. Said lamps shall not be burned more than an average time of two thousand (2,000) hours for each lamp in each year, and the number of such lamps so to be supplied with gas on the streets where the gas mains are now laid shall not be less than four (4) to each space equal in length to one original square, including the avenue squares. Said city shall not be bound to increase the present number of lamps, but the number shall not be diminished below four (4) to a square as aforesaid, and if so diminished the compensation of the party of the second part shall not be decreased, but shall be estimated upon the basis of four (4) lamps to each square along which the mains are now laid.

On streets along which gas mains shall hereafter be laid, the number of lamps shall be wholly within the discretion of the Common Council of said city.

The time of lighting and extinguishing said lamps shall be fixed from time to time by the said Common Council, but if said table shall be so fixed as to give more than two thousand hours per annum to each lamp, or if, by direction of the party of the first part said lamps are burned for any additional time, then for such excess of time the party of the second part shall be paid at the same rate as above provided. The party of the second part shall furnish the burners for said lamps, which shall be of an average capacity and consume four cubic feet per hour; and the matches for lighting. The party of the second part shall also purchase the necessary material for the repair of said lamps, and the necessary ladders and tools for lighting, cleaning and repairing the same at the lowest market price, and shall charge the same to said city at the cost price thereof. And the city may elect to store and control said materials and tools at her own expense, otherwise it shall be done by the Gas Company. But if the City shall elect to store said materials and tools, the place of deposit shall be conveniently located for the party of the second part, and shall be at all reasonable times accessible to the agents and servants of the party of the second part. And the said party o

the first part covenants and agrees to give to the party of the second part the exclusive right to furnish gas to the said public lamps of said city and to light, extinguish and repair the same for and during the term aforesaid, and to pay to the said party of the second part the sum of twenty-four (24) dollars per annum for each of said lamps for the gas, and the further sum of six (6) dollars for each lamp per annum for lighting, extinguishing and repairing the same, and for the Government tax on the gas, (which the party of the second part is to pay,) and such further sums as the party of the second part may expend as aforesaid for materials to be used in repairs, and for the ladders and tools needed for lighting said lamps and keeping the same in repair; said sums to be paid monthly as follows, to-wit: The party of the second part shall render to the Common Council of said City, at the end of each month, an account of the amount due for such month under this contract. The amount due, if anything, for gas consumed beyond the stipulated amount, and for materials and tools purchased, shall be specifically and separately stated therein; such accounts as may be for materials and tools shall be duly verified by the President or Secretary of said Gas Company, and the Common Council of said City shall audit such accounts, and shall, during the succeeding month, issue to the party of the second part the orders or treasury warrants of said City for such sum as may be due for the gas furnished at the rate aforesaid, and shall pay in currency such sum as may be due for lighting, extinguishing and repairing said lamps, and for the Government tax, and for materials and tools purchased by the party of the second part for the uses aforesaid.

And it is further agreed, that should the said party of the first part so elect, this contract may be continued in force for the period of two (2) years after the expiration of said term of three (3) years; the said party of the second part to be notified of such election at or before the expiration of said term of three (3) years. And it is further stipulated and agreed that nothing in this contract shall alter, modify, annul or suspend the provisions of the contract at this time existing between the said Gas Company and the said City of Indianapolis, as evidenced by the ordinance of the Common Council of March 19th, 1866, except so far as may be necessary to give effect to the provisions of this contract; and when this contract shall terminate, either by expiration of the time limited or by the failure or refusal of the City to perform its part thereof, then the said contract of March 19th, 1866, shall stand and continue for the unexpired term thereof, to be the contract between the parties hereto, as well touching the gas furnished to the public lamps as that furnished to private consumers, and in all respects as though this contract had not been made.

And it is further agreed, that should the United States tax on gas be, at any during the continuance of this contract, reduced below the present rate, the City shall have the benefit of such reduction by a deduction of a like amount from the price to be paid as aforesaid; and should said tax be increased during the time aforesaid, the City shall pay to the Gas Company the amount of such increase with their monthly bills. In witness whereof, the said parties have subscribed this contract; the said City by P. H. Jameson, J. H. Woodburn and Ad. Seidensticker, a Committee of the Common Council thereof thereunto duly authorized, and by the attestation of the Clerk of said City and the corporate seal thereof, and the said Gas Light and Coke Company by its President and Secretary, attested by the corporate seal thereof.

P. H. JAMESON,  
J. H. WOODBURN, } Committee.  
A. SEIDENSTICKER, }

Attest:

D. M. RANSDALL, City Clerk.

E. J. PECK, President.

Attest:

L. VANLANINGHAM, Secretary.

Mr. Cottrell, from Select Committee, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, a Special Committee, to whom was referred the question, "what would, in their opinion, be the best mode of drainage for the southern part of the city," respectfully report the following in answer to said question:

The City Engineer kindly furnished us with the distance, fall, and estimated cost of a brick sewer from what is locally known as "Lake McCarty," thence north along Delaware street to McCarty street, thence west along McCarty street to Bluff Road, thence northwestwardly along Russell street to Illinois street thence north along Illinois street to Pogue's Run, distance 3,300 feet, with a fall of 12 feet.

Also, from Lake McCarty west along Ray street to Pogue's Run, distance 2,500 feet, with a fall of 23 feet.

Also, from a point a little south of Lake McCarty, thence west along Wilkins street to Pogue's Run, distance 2,700 feet, with a fall of 24 feet.

Your committee, having carefully examined the several plans (and estimated cost) proposed, whereby to drain the southern part of the city, have come to the conclusion that the best mode to accomplish the purpose will be to build a sewer commencing at Lake McCarty, thence west along Ray street to Pogue's Run, this being the shortest distance, and will best accommodate the drainage of intersecting streets and alleys as are now, or may be hereafter, graded. Your committee therefore recommend the adoption by the Council of the following:

*Resolved*, That the Civil Engineer be directed to advertise for sealed proposals for the building of a brick sewer of not less than five (5) feet internal diameter, commencing at Delaware street, thence running west along Ray street a distance of 2,500 feet. The city reserving the right to reject any and all such bids.

THOMAS COTTRELL, J. W. DAVIS, C. F. SCHMIDT, W. H. LOOMIS, WM. H. HENSCHEN,	}	Committee.
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Which, on motion by Dr. Jameson, was referred to the City Attorney, with instructions to report as to the power of the Council to assess benefits.

The Civil Engineer made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

I hereby report the cost of the cistern at the corner of Alabama and Cumberland streets, the same having been reported by the Chief Fire Engineer as finished according to contract.

Feary & Dillon 1,269.3 barrels at 75 cents per barrel,	\$951 97
Deduct 20 per cent.,	190 39
	\$761 58
Deduct former payment,	600 00
	\$161 58
Present estimate,	
Respectfully,	R. M. PATTERSON, <i>Civil Engineer.</i>

Which was concurred in.

## The Street Commissioner made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1867.

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

Report of the Street Commissioner from the 6th day of April to the 2d of May, 1868.

1. Built two culverts on West Washington street, between the Central Canal and Mississippi street.
2. Boulderder the alley crossings on McCarty street, the first alley north of Water street.
3. Laid 3 foot bridges on Tennessee and Vermont streets.
4. Laid 2 foot bridges on Delaware street and the Eastern Market Square.
5. Laid 1 foot bridge on Illinois and Vermont streets.
6. Laid 1 foot bridge on Washington and Liberty streets.
7. Laid 2 foot bridges on Stevens and Water streets.
8. Laid 1 foot bridge on Alabama and St. Clair streets.
9. Laid 1 foot bridge on Alabama and St. Joseph streets.
10. Laid 2 foot bridges on Meridian and Merrill streets.
11. Laid 4 foot bridges on Mississippi and Vermont streets.
12. Laid 1 foot bridge on Indiana Avenue and Vermont street.
13. Laid 1 foot bridge on Ohio and Mississippi streets.
14. Opened the gutters on Stevens street, between East street and Virginia Avenue.
15. Opened the gutters on McCarty street, between Water street and Virginia Avenue.
16. Opened the gutters on Water street, between Stevens and McCarty sts.
17. Opened the gutters on Delaware street, between South street and the Lake McCarty.
18. Opened the gutters on Noble street, between Massachusetts Avenue and Washington street.
19. Opened the gutters on Michigan street, between Davidson and Noble sts.
20. Opened the gutters on New York street, between Winston and Liberty streets.
21. Opened the gutters on Market street, between Pogue's Run and Liberty street.
22. Opened the gutters on Ohio street, between Davidson and Liberty sts.
23. Opened the gutters on Huron street, between Cedar street and Virginia Avenue.
24. Opened the gutters on Noble street, between Louisiana street and Virginia Avenue.
25. Opened the gutters on Cedar street, between Huron street and Virginia Avenue.
26. Opened the gutters on South street, between Noble and East streets.
27. Opened the gutters on Vermont street, between Noble and Davidson sts.
28. Cleaned Kentucky Avenue between Illinois and Tennessee streets.
29. Cleaned Washington street between Liberty and Noble streets.
30. Cleaned Market street between Delaware and Alabama streets.
31. Cleaned Delaware street between Washington and Ohio streets.
32. Repaired the bridge on West street across the Canal.
33. Built two culverts on Massachusetts Avenue and New Jersey street—one is 142 feet long, and the other 75 feet long.
34. Built a foot bridge across Pogue's Run and McCarty street.
35. Repaired the sidewalk on Stevens street between Virginia Avenue and East street.
36. Re-built a culvert on McNabb and Illinois streets.
37. Built a stone tumble on South street and Pogue's Run.
38. Built a culvert on South and New Jersey streets.
39. Opened the gutters on School street.
40. Set 14 posts on Missouri street between Kentucky Avenue and Merrill street.

41. Hauled 170 yards of gravel on the crossings of Tennessee and Maryland streets and Kentucky Avenue.
42. Filled the crossings on Market and Mississippi streets.
43. Repaired the crossings on Tennessee street between Pratt and First sts.
44. Filled the crossings on First and Tennessee streets.
45. Hauled 165 yards of gravel on South and Meridian streets.
46. Filled the crossings on Indiana Avenue and Mississippi st. with gravel.
47. Filled the crossings on Pratt and Mississippi streets.
48. Hauled 191 yards of gravel at the crossings on Massachusetts Avenue and New Jersey street.
49. Hauled 88 yards of gravel at the crossings of Delaware street and Fort Wayne Avenue.
50. Filled the holes and repaired the sidewalks on Market street between Noble street and Pogue's Rnn.
51. Repaired the culvert on Vermont and New Jersey streets.
52. Repaired the bowldering on McNabb street which settled down on account of the high filling up, and repaired the pavement and raised the stone curbing on the said McNabb street.

The following shows the amount expended, since April 6th, in the different Wards, and the total amount expended during the year ending May 1st, 1868. Also, the balance credit to each Ward on \$1,750, allowed by the Common Council to each Ward for the expenses of one year, ending on said 1st day of May, 1868:

	Expenses since April 6, 1868.	Expenses during the year ending May 1, 1868.	Balance Cr. on \$1,750.
1st Ward.....	\$8 00	\$976 10	\$773 90
2d Ward.....	163 75	1,102 39	647 61
3d Ward.....	61 00	1,140 70	609 30
4th Ward.....	67 00	1,056 61	693 39
5th Ward.....	35 50	1,269 48	480 52
6th Ward.....	48 50	1,442 87	307 13
7th Ward.....	27 50	1,115 09	634 91
8th Ward.....	159 00	1,102 11	647 29
9th Ward.....	211 00	1,211 32	538 68

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUST RICHTER, *Street Commissioner.*

Which was received.

The City Assessor made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit the following report for the week ending May 4, 1868:

Weekly Report.	This Week's Report.				Last Week's Report.				Total Amount.			
	Lists.	Polls.	Dolls.	Cts.	Lists.	Polls.	Dolls.	Cts.	Lists.	Polls.	Dolls.	Cts.
May 4th, 1868.												
Asa M. Strong.....	71	54	11,810	00	1541	1182	445,232	00	1612	1236	457,042	00
Samuel Strong.....					854	727	227,708	00	854	727	227,708	00
William C. Phipps....					1074	1014	754,818	00	1074	1014	754,818	00
Nelson Hoss.....	17	14	7,927	00	915	651	452,967	00	932	665	460,894	00
H. P. Randail.....					1762	1380	1,687,600	00	1762	1380	1,687,600	00
William Hadley.....	32	15	222,523	00	896	693	2,540,042	00	928	708	2,762,565	00
							Totals.....		7162	5730	6,350,627	00

Respectfully submitted,

WM. HADLEY, *City Assessor.*

Which was received.

Mr. Brown offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That in accordance with section 59 of the City Charter, this Council, together with the Clerk and Assessor, will sit as a Board of Equalization at the regular meeting of the Council on Monday, May 25th, and the Clerk is hereby directed to give notice for two weeks in the Indianapolis Daily Journal of the meeting of said Board.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Cottrell, Davis, Foster, Geisel, Goddard, Henschen, Jameson, Kappes, Loomis, Schmidt, Seidensticker, Stanton and Woodburn—15.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the resolution was adopted.

The City Assessor made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—In accordance with section 24 of the City Charter, I have this day delivered to the City Clerk the return of taxable property for the year 1868, of which the following is a condensed summary :

Value of lots and parcels of land	- - - - -	\$9,266,641 00
Value of houses and other structures,	- - - - -	7,360,348 00
The amount of personal property,	- - - - -	6,374,782 00

Total amount of taxables, - - - - - \$23,001,771 00

Number of polls, 5,730.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. HADLEY, *City Assessor.*

Which was concurred in.

The City Clerk made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4, 1868.

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

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the honorable Common Council :

1st. The contract and bond of James Mahoney for grading and graveling Broadway street and sidewalks, between St. Clair street and the Corporation line north, is presented for your approval.

2d. The contract and bond of James Mahoney for grading and graveling Merrill street and sidewalks, between the east side of west street and the west side of Missouri street, is also presented for your approval.

3d. I would also state that eighty-two thousand dollars worth of City Bonds, issued to sundry persons under an ordinance passed by your honorable body on the 3d day of September, 1866, and dated October 1st, 1866, have all been redeemed by the Treasurer, and in pursuance of an ordinance passed April 6th, 1868, I have drawn orders on the Treasury, in his favor, for the amount. The bonds canceled are now in my possession, and I desire that a committee be appointed to destroy the same, and also coupons paid by the Treasurer and presented to me for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. RANSELL, *City Clerk.*

Which was concurred in, and the contracts and bonds approved.

The Chief Fire Engineer made the following report :

OFFICE OF CHIEF FIRE ENGINEER, }  
Indianapolis, May 4, 1868. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—Complete success and efficiency of the Telegraph Fire Alarm, depending as it does on its being kept in good order and condition, and as none of the present Fire Department is conversant with or accustomed to taking care of or repairing the batteries, lines or instruments, and as an arrangement can be made with a gentleman now here, who comes highly recommended as fully competent to take charge of and superintend the Lines, Batteries and Instruments, and who will drive and take care of the extra Hose Reel for the sum of eighty-five dollars per month; and as you are now paying two dollars and twenty-five cents per day for the extra Hose Reel driver, I respectfully recommend that the Committee on Fire Department, or Chief Fire Engineer, be directed to employ this gentleman as extra Hose Reel driver and superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph, for the reasons and at the price above named, which is only about fifteen dollars more than the city now pays the extra hose reel driver.

I would also recommend that the Committee on Fire Department, or Chief Fire Engineer, be directed to purchase from Messrs. Shawk & Franz some repair materials, they having some left here which they propose to sell at cost. Poles at \$1.50, and wire at \$40 per mile, and other material in proportion. I would also recommend that Mr. J. F. Wallick be permitted to put up an Instrument in his office connecting with the line of city on Glenns' Block roof, at his own cost, he being responsible for false alarms from his office.

Very respectfully yours,

GEO. W. BUCHANAN, *Chief Fire Engineer.*

The first and third paragraphs were concurred in. The second paragraph was referred to the Committee on Fire Department.



By unanimous consent, Mr. Loomis introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 27—1868, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE appropriating three thousand dollars to the Indiana State Board of Agriculture, specifying the amount and conditions of the within appropriation.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Loomis introduced general ordinance No. 136, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to amend section two of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance prescribing rules and regulations for the government of the City Council, its officers, and officers connected with the City Government," ordained and established the 8th day of July, 1867.

Which was read the first time.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Brown introduced special ordinance No. 32—1868, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures complete to burn gas, except the service pipe, on Meridian street (or Bluff Road), between McCarty street and ———.

Which was read the first time.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

DANIEL MACAULEY, *Mayor*.

ATTEST:

D. M. RANSELL, *City Clerk*.