

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 1870, 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, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kenning-
ton, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms,
Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—17.

Absent—Councilman Locke—1.

The proceedings of the regular session, held Augst 13th, 1870,
were read and approved.

Sealed proposals for public work were opened and read by the
Clerk, and referred to the Committee on Contracts.

On motion by Dr. Woodburn, the bids for paving the south sidewalk on Michigan street, from Delaware street to Susquehana alley, were rejected.

CALL OF THE ROLL.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

That Daniel Macauley have permission to pave with cement stone the sidewalk in front of his residence, No. 18 West North street—the same to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, at his own expense, and within ninety days.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

That Henry Langenberg be authorized to construct a brick building, already commenced, on so much of the alley west of his lot, in square 51 (known as Columbia street), as may be necessary to give to him the full number of feet and inches of frontage on Washington street for which he has a deed; it being ascertained by engineers that the whole number of frontage of said square does not hold out by actual measurement.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion :

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to employ a deputy for the purpose of collecting the assessments of benefits made by the City Commissioners against property holders benefitted by the opening of Georgia, Dillon, Gregg and other streets, and also for the purpose of copying delinquent lists to be placed in the hands of collectors, and that a sum not to exceed three dollars per day shall be allowed to the Treasurer for a person so employed.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Brown presented the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 20, 1870

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

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned would respectfully represent to your honorable body, that he is the publisher of *The Evening News*, and as such is prepared to do all the advertising which may be ordered by the Council, or by

the City Officers, upon equally as advantageous terms as are offered to private individuals. The fact that these advertisements are intended to reach the largest number of readers in the city, leads him to ask for a favorable consideration of this proposition, as the city circulation of *The Evening News* is largely in excess of that of any other paper, if, indeed, it be not equal to all combined. A schedule of rates is herewith annexed.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. HOLLIDAY.

Which was referred to the Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

That the City Marshal be directed to cause the obstructions in Severn alley, between Georgia street and Mobile alley, to be removed at once, that the contractor for grading and graveling such alley may proceed with his work.

Which was adopted.

By consent, Mr. Newman made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 20, 1870.

To Honorable Daniel Mahaley, Mayor of the City of Indianapolis ;

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, members of the Special Committee, to whom was referred the petition of most of the members of Council for an investigation of alleged charges of corruption of members of Council and others, connected with the letting of certain contracts for Sewerage, beg leave to report, that no defined charges of corruption nor any specifications of bribery or corruption, have been made that your Committee are aware of. That your Committee do not feel that they have any power to compel the attendance of witnesses nor to swear them if any should attend. That no investigation they could make would have any official or binding character, and that the employment of stenographers and other expenses necessarily attending an investigation of the proposed character, would be large, and in their opinion subserve no good purpose. The Committee do not propose to censure any person or persons where they have no power to make a legal scrutinising investigation; nor do they propose to be instruments to whitewash any characters that may need such a thing, and pray to be discharged from any action in the premises.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. NEWMAN, }
LEON KAHN, } Committee.
EDWARD REAGAN, }

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Cottrell presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 20, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I respectfully request permission to grade and pave with brick the sidewalk in front of my property, on East Cumberland street (lot No. 1, in square 62), at my own expense; and ask that the City Engineer be directed to set the stakes therefor.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT DENNY.

Which was granted.

Mr. Cottrell introduced Special Ordinance No. 160, 1870, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and bowldering the gutter on the east side of Delaware street, and curbing the outside edge of the sidewalk with stone, from the north side of lot 15 to the south side of the first alley south of McCarty street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Harrison presented the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 20, 1870

Hon. John S. Newman, Chairman Judiciary Committee :

GENTLEMEN:—Having received a permit from your honorable body to grade and gravel my sidewalk on Plum street, to be done according to the directions of the Civil Engineer, having complied with the above requirements as stated, and having it all right—now when they came to grade this street they tore up my sidewalk and put new gravel on it, which, in my opinion, and in the opinion of a great many of my neighbors, is not as good as my old one. And now they come with a bill for the grading of the whole thing, making no deduction for my sidewalk. Now, I think this unjust; and, as I am a poor man, I hope your honorable body will investigate this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS McHUGH.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys and Civil Engineer.

Mr. Harrison presented the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 20, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—On or about the 14th day of June last past, your honorable

body accepted an invitation from the City Council of the city of Connersville to attend and witness an exhibition of the Holly System of Water Works in said city, given in connection with the "Prize Drill" between Co. A, Cincinnati Zouaves, Co. A, Connersville Zouaves, and A, Co., Indianapolis National Guards. The proceeds, less expenses, were to be divided between the three military companies equally; and one item of expense presented by the committee at Connersville, was \$85 for carriages and dinner for the City Council of Indianapolis, which amount was deducted from the share coming to A, Co., Indianapolis National Guards. Believing that the citizens of Indianapolis desire the maintainance of a military company in our city, and such organizations can not live without money, I would most respectfully ask your honorable body to appropriate th sum of eighty-five dollars, payable to Co A, I. N. G.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN L. HANNA, Capt. A Co. I. N. G.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Heckman introduced Special Ordinance No. 161, 1870, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling Dougherty street and sidewalks from Wright street to Virginia avenue.

Which was read the first time.

Also Special Ordinance No. 162, 1870, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of Fletcher avenue, running from Harrison street east to Pine street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Heckman introduced General Ordinance No. 48, 1870, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE amending and explanatory of an Ordinance extending the city limits.

Which was referred to the Committee on Revision of Ordinances.

Mr. Kahn offered the following motion:

That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to fix with stone culverts the street crossings on Pennsylvania and New York streets.

Was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Kahn introduced Special Ordinance No. 163, 1870, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for paving with brick the east sidewalk of Liberty between North and Lockerby streets, the sidewalk to be five feet wide,

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Kenninnton offered the following motions :

That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to report at the next meeting of the Council what disposition has been made of the bowlders removed from bowldered streets, to give way to stone crossings, laid down under the order of the Council.

That the Street Commissioner is hereby instructed to clean the gutters on Delaware street, from South to Ray street, and remove the bridge from over the gutter.

Which were adopted.

Mr. Newman introduced Special Ordinance No. 164, 1870, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to light with gas North street, between Noble and Winston streets.

Mr. Newman introduced General Ordinance No. 49, 1870, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to regulate the passage of Railroad trains across Illinois and Meridian streets, in the city of Indianapolis, on Louisiana street and at the Union Passenger Depot, and to prevent the stoppage of trains at such points.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Shepherd offered the following motion :

That the Gas Inspector be and is hereby ordered to reset the center gas post on Maryland street, between California and Helen streets, to make the same conform to the rule adopted by this Council.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Light.

Mr. Shepherd offered the following motion :

That Herman Hartrot be allowed to build a well in front of his property on Kentucky avenue, subject to the Ordinance governing the same.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Thalman presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 20, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—We, the undersigned, respectfully petition your honorable body to direct the Street Commissioner to build a wooden bridge over the tail-race of Geisendorff's Mills, as the Cotton Mill (by the building of the Railroad switch), is entirely cut off from benefit of the Fire Department, or passage to and from their mills with loads of machinery or material.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBT. B. DUNCAN,
Supt. Indianapolis Cotton Manufacturing Co.,
B. COFFIN,
GEISENDORFF, RICHARDSON & CO.,
JAMES C. YOHN.

Which was referred to the Street Commissioner, with instructions to build she bridge.

Mr. Thoms offered the following motion :

That Councilman Pyle be and is hereby excused for his non attendance on Saturday evening two weeks ago.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Wiles offered the following motion :

That the Civil Engineer be instructed to order the curb stone on the east side of Delaware street, opposite Friends' Church, to be sunk four inches lower than the other curb, in order that carriages may be driven off the street and stand on the space between the Nicholson pavement and the sidewalk.

Which was referred to Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Wiles introduced Special Ordinance No. 165, 1870, to light with gas Delawere street, from St. Joseph to St Mary street.

Which was read the first time.

Also, Special Ordinance No. 166, 1870, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to light with gas Noble street, from North street to Massachusetts avenue.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Wiles presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 20, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, property owners on North Delaware street, between Massachusetts avenue and St. Clair street, petition your honorable body to pass an Ordinance to improve the space between the sidewalk and the curb stone of the Nicholson pavement, by grading the same to a regular grade with the line of the curb stone, and sodding the same with blue grass sod, and enclosing the same with a neat fence according to the following specifications: The fence to be made of good white oak timber, the posts to be 4 by 4 inches, set in the ground 18 inches, and project above the grade 2½ feet, the posts not to be further apart than 7 feet—the fence to be made of two rails, the top rail to be 3 by 3 inches, and the bottom rail to be 1½ by 3½ inches, mortised in the posts and beveled at the top; and opposite each lot, in front of the gate, there shall be cross rails, leaving a space 6 feet at the curb stone and 4 feet at the sidewalk. The fence to be painted white with three coats of paint; also a hitching post in front of each gate, of white oak, 5 inches at base and turned tapering to the top, 4 feet high and painted the same as the fence. Also, wherever vacancies occur in the shade trees, to fill the spaces with soft or hard maple, and boxed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. WINGATE,
H. PARROTT,
WILLIAM HADLEY,
JOHN KNIGHT.

And 19 others.

Which was received.

Mr. Wiles introduced Special Ordinance No. 167, 1870, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading, sodding with blue grass, and enclosing the space between the out edge of the brick pavement and the curb stone, of the Nicholson pavement, with a suitable fence and planting shade trees.

Which was read the first time.

Dr. Woodburn introduced Special Ordinance No. 168, 1870, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk on Massachusetts avenue, from New Jersey to Liberty street.

Which was read the first time.

Dr. Woodburn introduced Special Ordinance No. 169, 1870, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE to light with gas Mississippi street, from First to Seventh streets.

Which was read the first time.

Dr. Woodburn introduced Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 43, 1870, entitled:

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

Which was read the first time

Dr. Woodburn presented the following communication:

INDIANAPOLIS, August 20, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—As the progress of the Water Works in the city will supersede the need of fire cisterns (as it has in other cities where the Holly System of Water Works is in operation), it has occurred to the officers of this Company to suggest to the City Council whether, in place of constructing cisterns outside of the line of pipes now being laid, under its present undertaking, it would not be more judicious and economical to reasonably compensate the Company for extending its pipes beyond the line to be reached by the present operations, to the same outside locations where it is now proposed to locate and construct cisterns, thus dispensing with the cisterns and permanently providing for the supply of water for fires from the hydrants of the Company.

If this view is deemed worthy of consideration by the Council, the Board of Directors of the Company will be pleased to confer with any committee appointed by the Council as to what, in that event, would be mutually just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted, on behalf of the Company,

JAMES M. RAY, Vice Prest.

Which was referred to the Committee on Fire Department, and Chief Fire Engineer.

Dr. Woodburn presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 20, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned respectfully represents, that at the time of the listing for taxation last year, it was not his intention to make this city his home, and for that reason refused to be listed. Recently he has ascertained that the material with which he was working has been listed by a deputy assessor at \$1,500, when it should be not above \$150; in proof of which your petitioner has the written statement of a well known citizen, who is better acquainted with said material than any other. The undersigned respectfully petitions for a correction of said error.

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. DRAPIER.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance :

Dr. Woodburn offered the following motion :

That W. S. Hubbard be granted time till the 15th of October next in which to complete his brick pavement on North Illinois street.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Woodburn offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the meetings of this Council shall hereafter be held on Monday evenings, seven o'clock, instead of Saturday.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Those who voted in the affirmative were, Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Marsee, Pyle, Shepherd, Thalman, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—13.

Those who voted in the negative were, Councilmen Kennington, Newman, Reagan Thoms—4.

Mr. Cottrell called up the following report of the City Commissioners :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 6, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of City Commissioners, to which was referred the petition of Alanson G. Stevens and others, asking the opening of a fifteen-

foot alley south along and on the dividing line of out lots 103 and 104, from Merrill street to the north end of a fifteen-foot alley running north from Sinker street, have considered the petition, and after viewing the premises and hearing testimony in the case, report—

That a necessity exists for opening said alley, and that the benefits will equal the damages resulting from said opening. We, therefore, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted and said alley be opened as prayed for, to the width of fifteen feet, south from Merrill street along the dividing line between out lots 103 and 104 (said line being the middle of said alley), to the north end of the present fifteen foot alley running north on said line from Sinker street.

We think the property of the heirs of Alanson G. Stevens will be most benefitted by said opening, much more than the value of the ground taken. We think the property of the heirs of John L. Ketcham will be benefitted to a less degree, but still to a greater amount than the values of the ground taken. The property of E. T. Sinker, of Andrew Curtis and of F. A. W. Davis is benefitted to a less degree.

We submit the following assessment of damages and benefits to the several property holders along and on the line of the proposed alley:

Damages to F. A. W. Davis, by seven feet six inches of ground fronting on Merrill street and running south one hundred and fifty feet on the east side of out lot 104, together with improvements on the same, taken for said alley.....	\$350 00
Benefits to F. A. W. Davis, from opening said alley.....	50 00
Balance of damages sustained by and due to F. A. W. Davis.....	\$30 00
Damages to Andrew Curtis, for seven and one-half feet by one hundred and twenty-five feet off west side of out lot 103, n. w. cor., taken for alley..	\$250 00
Benefits to Andrew Curtis from the opening of said alley.....	50 00
Balance of damages sustained by and due to said Curtis.....	\$200 00
Damages to Susan M. and Elizabeth Ketcham, for seven and one-half feet by one hundred and twelve and one-half ft. off east side of middle part of out lot 104, south of Davis and north of Jane M. Ketcham, taken for said alley.....	\$25 00
Benefits to said Susan M. and Elizabeth Ketcham from the opening of said alley.....	70 00
Balance of benefits to and due from said S. M. and E. Ketcham.....	\$45 00
Damages to Jane M. Ketcham, for seven and one-half feet by one hundred and fifty feet, along and next the east line of out lot 104, north of Sinker and south of E. and S. M. Ketcham's corner, taken for said alley.....	\$35 00
Benefits to Jane M. Ketcham from opening said alley.....	90 00
Balance of benefits to and due from said J. M. Ketcham.....	\$55.00

Damages to the heirs of Alanson G. Stevens, for seven and one-half feet strip off the west end of lots 52, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59 and part of lot 60, in out lot 103, Stevens' subdivision, taken for said alley (damages \$6 50 on each lot).....	\$50 00
Benefits to Alanson G. Stevens' heirs from opening said alley in rear of	
Lot 52, out lot 103, Stevens' addition.....	\$41 50
Lot 53, out lot 103, Stevens' addition.....	41 50
Lot 54, out lot 103, Stevens' addition.....	41 50
Lot 56, out lot 103, Stevens' addition.....	41 50
Lot 57, out lot 103, Stevens' addition.....	41 00
Lot 58, out lot 103, Stevens' addition.....	41 00
Lot 59, out lot 103, Stevens' addition.....	41 00
Lot 60, out lot 103, Stevens' addition.....	41 00
Lot 61, out lot 103, Stevens' addition.....	20 00
Lot 62, out lot 103, Stevens' addition.....	20 00
Lot 63, out lot 103, Stevens' addition.....	20 00
	<u>\$390 00</u>
Balance of benefits to and due from heirs of Alanson G. Stevens.....	\$340 00
Damages to Mary S. Brooks, for seven and one-half feet off lot 55, out lot 103, Stevens' addition, taken for said alley.....	\$5 00
Benefits to Mary S. Brooks, to lot 55, out lot 103, Stevens' addition, from opening said alley.....	40.00
	<u>\$35 00</u>
Balance of benefits to and due from Mary S. Brooks.....	\$35 00
Benefits to Edmund T. Sinker, on lot 17, out lot 104, Merrill's addition, from opening said alley.....	\$25.00

The excess of benefits to Stevens' heirs, Brooks, Sinker and Ketcham's heirs, equals the excess of damages to Davis and Curtis.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL M. SEIBERT, }
 JOHN F. RAMSEY, } Commissioners.
 IGNATIUS BROWN. }

Which was accepted and approved by the following vote:

Those who voted in the affirmative were, Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—17.

Negative—none.

Mr. Cottrell introduced Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 44, 1870, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating the lands condemned by the Commissioner on Streets and Alleys, for a public alley, fifteen feet wide, running north and south, between out lots 103 and 104, and appropriating money to pay for the damages sustained by such appropriations of lands.

Which was read the first time.

By consent, Mr. Newman made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, August 20, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN:—Your Finance Committee, to whom was left in charge the sale of one hundred thousand dollars of two year ten per centum city bonds, beg leave to report, that after giving three day' notice, consecutively, for bids for said loan, up to two o'clock on Thursday, the 18th day of August, 1870, they received bids as follows, viz:

Jeremy Mansur, for \$10,000 of the bonds at one-half of one per centum premium.

William Willard, for \$1,500 of said bonds at par.

The First National Bank of Indianapolis, for the whole amount of said bonds at par.

Woollen, Webb & Co, for the whole amount of said bonds at 52 75 of one per centum, being \$52 50 premium for the entire loan; and they being the highest and best bidders for the purchase of said bonds, we have awarded said loan to said Woollen, Webb & Co., for the sum of one hundred thousand, five hundred and twenty-seven dollars and fifty cents, and have paid the same over to the City Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. NEWMAN, }
AUSTIN H. BROWN, } Committee.
ISAAC THALMAN, }
J. H. WOODBURN, }

Which was concurred in.

Dr. Woodburn offered the following motion :

That the Committee on Revision of Ordinances be directed to present an Ordinance regulating the use of streets and alleys, by persons building or

otherwise improving property, prohibiting useless or unnecessary obstruction of the same, and prescribing such rules and regulations as may allow proper facilities for improvements, and at the same time protect neighboring business people and citizens generally in the free use and passage of such streets and alleys.

Which was adopted.

By consent, reports from City Officers were taken up.

The Civil Engineer made the following reports:

OFFICE OF CITY CIVIL ENGINEER, }
Indianapolis, August, 20, 1870. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—I hereby report the following work, finished according to contract:

Patterson & Dunning, for grading and bouldering New Jersey street, from the north side of St. Clair street to Fort Wayne avenue.

Length of lots, east side.....	722 ft. 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.	
Length of lots, west side.....	697 ft. 6 in.	
Total	1419 ft. 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.	
At \$2.40 per lineal foot.....		\$3,407 75
(City's portion) 1 stone foot-crossing.....		62 00
1 stone foot-crossing.....		163 00
1 stone foot-crossing.....		95 00
222.75 lineal feet curb, at 75 cts.....		167 06
974.5 yards bouldering, at 81 cts.....		789 34
Total		\$4,624 17

Also, Richard Carr, for grading and graveling Louisiana street, from East to Noble street.

Length, 898 feet, at \$1.50 per lineal foot..... \$1,347 00

Also, John A. Whitsit, for building cistern No. 16.

Capacity, 729.29 barrels, at 64 cts.....	\$466 74
Deduct former payment.....	396 74
Present payment.....	\$70 00

Also, Samuel Lefever, for grading and graveling Phipps street and sidewalks, from Meridian street to Madison avenue.

North side.....	434 ft. 6 in.	
South side.....	460 ft. 2½ in.	
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Total.....	894 ft. 8½ in.	
At fifty cents per foot.....		\$447 39

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, Civil Engineer.

OFFICE OF CITY CIVIL ENGINEER, }
 Indianapolis, August 20, 1870. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—I hereby report the following work finished, according to contract, viz:

§ John A. Whitsit, for grading and paving the south sidewalk on Virginia avenue, from Louisiana to South street.

Length, 550 ft. 10 in., at sixty-five cts. per lineal foot.....	\$358 04
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Also, Hanway & Rubush, for grading and paving the south sidewalk on Ohio street, from New Jersey to East street.

Length, 349 ft., at sixty-four cts. per lineal foot.....	\$223 36
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Also, Richard Carr, for grading and bouldering Chesapeake alley, from Illinois to Meridian street.

North side.....	433 ft. 6 in.	
South side.....	433 ft. 6 in.	
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Total.....	867 ft. 0 in.	
At ninety cts. per lineal foot.....		\$780 30

Also, Richard Carr, for grading and bouldering the gutter on Benton street, from Maryland to Meek street.

East side.....	145 ft.	
West side.....	145 ft.	
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Total.....	290 ft.	
At seventy cts. per lineal foot.....		\$203.00

Also, Hanway & Rubush, for grading and graveling the east sidewalk on the Michigan Road, from Washington street to corporation

line east, and curbing the outside edges of the same with white-oak plank.

Length, 2,612 ft., at eighty-two cts. per lineal foot----- \$2,141 84
 113 ft. cement pipe, under sidewalk----- 112 72

Total----- \$2,254 56

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, Civil Engineer.

OFFICE OF CITY CIVIL ENGINEER, }
 Indianapolis, August 20, 1870. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—I have examined the intersection of Indiana avenue with North and West streets, with a view to improve the drainage at this point.

I respectfully recommend that the gutter on the north side of the avenue be regraded, and bouldered seven feet wide, from West to St. Clair street. I estimate the cost at sixty-three cts. per lineal foot.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, Civil Engineer.

Which were concurred in.

The Chief Fire Engineer made the following report :

OFFICE CHIEF FIRE ENGINEER, }
 Indianapolis, August 20, 1870. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Chief Fire Engineer respectfully reports, that John A. Whitsit, the contractor for building cistern No. 16, has finished the same according to contract, and that he be paid the balance due him for building the same, which is seventy dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL GLAZIER, Chief Fire Engineer.

Which was concurred in.

The City Clerk made the following report :

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK }
 Indianapolis, August 20, 1870. }

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

The City Clerk respectfully reports to Council :

First—Contract and bond of John Richardson, for grading, curbing and paving with brick the west sidewalk on Illinois street, from Washington to South street.

Second—Hanway & Rubush, for grading and graveling the alley running north and south from Pratt to St. Joseph street, and between Delaware and Alabama streets.

Third—Contract and bond of Renard and Burke, for grading, paving and curbing the outside edge of the sidewalks with stone, the sidewalks on Pearl street, from Meridian to Illinois street.

Fourth.—Final and amended estimate allowed Patterson and Dunning, for grading and bouldering New Jersey street, from the south side of Massachusetts avenue to the north side of St. Clair street.

Fifth—First and final estimate allowed Hanway & Rubush for grading and graveling the east sidewalk on the Michigan Road, from Washington street or National Road, to corporation line east.

Sixth—First and final estimate allowed Hanway and Rubush, for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk on Ohio street, from New Jersey to East street.

Seventh—Contract and bond of J. J. Palmer, for grading and graveling Davidson street and sidewalks, from the north side of North street to the Peru Railroad track.

Eighth—First and final estimate allowed Samuel Lefever, for grading and graveling Phipps street and sidewalks, from Madison avenue to Meridian street.

Ninth—Contract and bond of James Mahoney, for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks on Georgia street, from East to Noble street.

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. RANSELL, City Clerk.

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

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing, first and final estimate allowed Hanway and Rubush, for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk on Ohio street, from New Jersey to East street, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Those who voted in the affirmative were, Councilmen Brown, Cot-

trell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—17.

Negative—none.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Hanway & Rubush, for grading and graveling the east sidewalk on the Michigan Road, from Washington street, or National Road, to corporation line east, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Those who voted in the affirmative were, Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—17.

Negative—none.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing final and amended estimate allowed Patterson & Dunning, for grading and bouldering New Jersey street, from the south side of Massachusetts avenue to the north side of St. Clair street, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Those who voted in the affirmative were, Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—17.

Negative—none.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Samuel Lefever, for grading and graveling Phipps street and sidewalks from Meridian street to Madison avenue, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Those who voted in the affirmative were, Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—17.

By consent, Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 43, 1870, appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims, was taken up and read the second time, and after some amendments, ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Wiles offered the following motion :

That the estimate for bouldering between and two feet outside of the rails of the Citizens' Street Railway line, on North New Jersey street, between Massachusetts and Fort Wayne avenues, be paid by the City; and that the City Attorney be instructed to institute proceedings in court against said Citizens' Street Railway Company for the recovery of the same.

Pending which,

On motion the Council adjourned.

DANIEL MACAULEY, *Mayor*.

ATTEST :

DANIEL M. RANSELL, *City Clerk*.