

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1870, 7 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, Kennington, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—17.

Absent—Councilman Locke.

The proceedings of the regular session held November 21st, 1870, were read and approved.

Mr. Thalman introduced General Ordinance No. 68, 1870, entitled:

An Ordinance amendatory of an Ordinance regulating the placing and maintaining of signs and sign-boards on or near building in the city of Indsanapolis.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman introduced Special Ordinance No. 220, 1870, entitled:

An Ordinance to provide for planting shade trees on Michigan street, between Mississippi and Blackford streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman introduced Special Ordinance No. 221, 1870, entitled:

An Ordinance to provide for planting shade trees on West street, between Washington and First streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman introduced Special Ordinance No. 222, 1870, entitled:

An Ordinance to provide for planting shade trees on Indiana avenue, between Mississippi and Locke streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thalman introduced Special Ordinance No. 223, 1870, entitled:

An Ordinance to provide for planting shade trees on Bright street, between New York and North streets.

Which was read the first time.

Dr. Woodburn introduced Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 67, 1870, entitled:

An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims.

Mr. Thoms introduced Special Appropriation Ordinance No. 68, 1870, entitled:

An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The Civil Engineer made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5, 1870.

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

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

Thomas Rooney, for grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk on Noble street, from Washington to Market streets:

Length, 403 ft., at 74 cents per foot.....	\$298 22
23.33 yards bouldering, at 90 cents per yd.....	21 00

Total.....	<hr/>	\$319 22
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Also, Hampton Clark, for planting and boxing shade trees on Blackford street, from New York to North street, and on Blake street, from New York street to Indiana avenue:

Blackford street, 98 trees and boxes, at \$1.50..	\$147 00
Blake street, 207 " " at 1.50..	310 50
Blake street, 14 boxes, at 90 cents.....	12 60

Total.....	\$470 10
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Also, Hanway & Rubush, for grading and bouldering the alley running north and south through square 57, from Washington to Market street:

East side, 426 feet,
West side, 426 feet,

Total, 852 feet, at 58 cents per foot.....	\$494 16
34 ft. 6 in. stone curbing at 85 cents per foot..	29 32

Total.....	\$523 48
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Also, same, for grading and graveling Cumberland street and sidewalks from Mississippi to Missouri street:

North side, 420 feet,	
South side, 420 feet,	
City.....	16 feet,

Total.... 856 feet, at 40 cents per foot.....	\$342 40
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Also, same, for building bridge over Pogue's Run, on South street:

8,495 ft. 8 in., at \$4 per 100 feet.....	\$339 83
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Also, Louis Rennard, for grading, paving with brick and curbing the outside edge with stone, the south sidewalk on Washington street, from Missouri street to western arm of canal:

Paving, 1,461 ft. 8 in., at \$1.66 per foot.....	\$2,426 36
Curbing, 830 ft. 3 in., at 75 cents per foot...	622 68
Bouldering, 255.5 yds., at 85 cents per yd...	217 17
Flag stone crossings, three, estimated at....	122 00

Total.....	\$3,388 21
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Also, Samuel Lefever, for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk on Pratt street, from Meridian to Illinois streets :

Paving, 425 ft., at 50 cents per foot.....	\$212 50
32.2 yds. bouldering, at 90 cents per yd.....	28 98

Total estimate.....	\$241 48
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Also, August Richter, for building wooden bridge over Pogue's Run on Davidson street :

13,058 feet, at \$3.48 per 100 feet.....	454 41
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Also, Thomas Rooney, for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk on Michigan street, from Pennsylvania to New Jersey street :

Length of paving 1,003 ft. 4 in., at 72 cents per foot.....	\$722 40
75 feet flagstone, estimated at.....	41 20

Total estimate.....	\$763 60
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Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON,
Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in.

The City Clerk made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec 5, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN : The City Clerk respectfully reports to Council :

First. First and final estimate allowed Thomas Rooney for grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk on Noble street, from Washington to Market street.

Second. First and final estimate allowed Hampton Clark for planting and boxing shade trees on Blackford street, from New York to

North streets, and on Blake street, from New York street to Indiana avenue.

Third. First and final estimate allowed Hanway & Rubush for grading and bouldering the alley running north and south, through square 57, from Washington to Market streets.

Fourth. First and final estimate allowed Hanway & Rubush for grading and graveling Cumberland street and sidewalks, from Mississippi to Missouri streets.

Fifth. First and final estimate allowed Louis Rennard for grading and paving with brick, and curbing the outside edge with stone, the south sidewalk on Washington street, from Missouri street to the western arm of the canal.

Sixth. First and final estimate allowed Samuel Lefever for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk on Pratt street, from Meridian to Illinois streets.

Seventh. First and final estimate allowed Thomas Rooney for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk on Michigan street, from Pennsylvania to New Jersey streets.

Respectfully submitted,

DAN. M. RANSDELL,

City Clerk.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Thos. Rooney for grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk on Noble street, from Washington to Market 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:

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heck-

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

Negative—None.

Also, the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Hampton Clark for planting and boxing shade trees on Blackford street, from New York street to North street, and on Blake street, from New York street to Indiana 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:

Affirmative—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:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Hanway & Rubush for grading and bouldering the alley running north and south through square 57, from Washington street to Market 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:

Affirmative—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:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Hanway & Rubush for grading and graveling Cumberland street and sidewalks from Mississippi street to Missouri 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:

Affirmative—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:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Louis Rennard for grading, paving with brick, and curbing the outside edge with stone the south sidewalk on Washington street, from Missouri street to the western arm of the canal, 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:

Affirmative—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:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Samuel Lefever for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk

on Pratt street, from Meridian street to Illinois 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:

Affirmative—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:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Thomas Rooney for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk on Michigan street, from Pennsylvania street to New Jersey 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:

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

Negative—None.

The City Gas Inspector made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: I have accepted the following work, as finished according to contract, and do now recommend that estimates be allowed for collection of the cost of the same, viz.:

D. Root & Co., for erecting lamp posts, lamps, and fixtures, complete to burn gas, except the service pipes, on

East Merrill street, between Delaware and East streets:

7 intermediate lamps, at \$28.....\$196 00

Madison avenue, between McCarty and Delaware streets:

2 corner lamps, at \$30.....\$60 00

3 intermediate lamps, at \$28..... 84 00

Total\$114 00

West Pearl street, between Meridian and Illinois streets:

2 bracket lamps, at \$16..... \$32 00

Total.....\$342 00

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. FLEMING,

City Gas Inspector.

Which was concurred in.

The City Clerk made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: The City Gas Inspector having certified the work as completed according to contract, I would now report resolutions allowing first and final estimates to

D. Root & Co., for erecting lamp posts, lamps, and fixtures, complete to burn gas, except the service pipes, on

East Merrill street, between Delaware and East streets.

Madison avenue, between Merrill and Delaware streets.

West Pearl street, between Meridian and Illinois streets.

Also, a corrected estimate, to same contractors, on

Indiana Avenue, between North and St. Clair streets.

Respectfully submitted,

DAN. M. RANSELL,

City Clerk.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimates be allowed D. Root & Co. for erecting lamp posts, lamps, and fixtures, complete to burn gas, except the service pipes, on East Merrill street, between Delaware and East streets; also, on Madison avenue, between McCarty and Delaware streets; also, on West Pearl street, between Meridian and Illinois streets, 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 :

Affirmative—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 :

Resolved, That the foregoing corrected estimate allowed D. Root & Co. for erecting lamp posts, lamps, and fixtures, complete to burn gas, except the service pipes, on Indiana avenue, between North and St. Clair streets, 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 :

Affirmative—Councilmen Brown, Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Shep-

herd, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—17.

Negative—None.

The City Clerk made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: I would respectfully report the following affidavits for the collection of street assessments by precept, as follows:

John Anderson & Co. vs. The Trustees of the Fourth Presbyterian Church.....	\$717 25
John Anderson & Co. vs. Rebecca Maguire for.....	634 20
“ “ Douglass Maguire, Trustee, for... 1,467 21	
“ “ Mary E. Jones for.....	202 12½
“ “ Laz. Noble for.....	152 12½
“ “ John F. Wingate for.....	210 85
“ “ Mary Coburn for.....	377 50
“ “ Caroline Bence for.....	675 72
“ “ Henry Coburn for.....	690 82½
“ “ John Coburn for.....	377 50
“ “ Isaac Kahn for.....	298 22½
“ “ Margaret Norris for.....	298 22½
“ “ Trustees of Roberts Park for.....	1,056 37½
“ “ George F. Meyer for.....	330 38½
“ “ Mary Ann and John Weiss for... 304 30½	
Thomas J. Vater vs. Sarah A. Hibben for.....	29 25

Pending which, the Mayor presented the following:

THE STATE OF INDIANA, ss:

In the Marion Civil Circuit Court.

Andrew Wallace, et. al., vs. The City of Indianapolis, et. al. }	Civil action for injunction.
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The defendants are hereby notified that the plaintiffs have filed a supplemental complaint in the above entitled cause, will, on the 8th

day of December, A. D. 1870, move said Court for an injunction restraining them, their agents and employees, from any and all further proceeding towards collecting the assessments against plaintiffs, made as in their original and supplemental complaints mentioned, for curbing and laying down Wooden Block Pavement on that portion of Delaware street in said city, which lies between Washington street and Massachusetts avenue, and in case plaintiffs can not be heard on the day above named, they will as soon thereafter as they can be heard, move said Court for such injunction, restraining defendants, their agents and employees, in manner and form aforesaid.

A. WALLACE, ET. AL.,
BY J. R. TROXELL, and
TEST, BURNS & WRIGHT.

Which was received.

The report was then concurred in, and precepts ordered to issue, by the following vote.

Affirmative—Councilmen Cottrell, Harrison, Heckman, Kahn, Kennington, Marsee, Newman, Pyle, Reagan, Thalman, Thoms, Weaver, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—15.

Negative—Councilmen Brown and Shepherd—2.

The City Treasurer made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 22, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to report, that in the matter of opening of Gregg street, through Lot 66, in out-lot 181, all persons against whom assessments of benefits were made, on account of opening of said street, have paid such assessments, with the exception of Martin Burton, against whom is an assessment of \$40, and I therefore respectfully suggest, that your honorable body order a precept to issue against said Burton, to enable me to collect such assessment by the sale of lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, in out-lot 179, the property benefited by the opening of said street.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT S. FOSTER,
City Treasurer.

Which was concurred in and the precept ordered to issue.

The Sewerage Engineer made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: The following is the first and partial estimate allowed John W. Dodd & Co., on account of Illinois street sewer and material delivered for the same :

400 lineal feet, at \$3.25.....	\$1,300 00
37 House Connections, at 75 cents.....	27 75
2 Manholes, at \$30.....	60 00
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	\$1,387 75
Less 15 per cent.....	208 10
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Balance.....	\$1,179 59

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. BROWN.

Which was concurred in.

The City Attorney made the following report :

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

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, City Attorney, to whom was referred a resolution instructing him to examine the General Ordinances and ascertain whether there is any ordinance now in force providing for safely protecting and lighting such streets and sidewalks as may be opened or obstructed for the purpose of erecting buildings or other improvements, &c., reports:

That he has examined the General Ordinances of said city, and the only ordinance he finds relating to the matter is section 16 of an ordinance passed December 28, 1863, entitled, "An Ordinance regulating and protecting streets, alleys, sidewalks, gutters, shade trees &c., &c. (See page 155 of the compilation of ordinances of 1869.)

That believing that said section does not meet the views of the Council, he reports the following ordinance to be passed, to take the place of and supercede said section 16.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. HARVEY,

City Attorney.

Which was concurred in.

Also, General Ordinance No. 69, 1870, entitled:

An Ordinance to protect the public against injury from obstructions in or on the streets, sidewalks, alleys, and other exposed places in the city of Indianapolis, and to regulate the use thereof.

Which was read the first time.

The City Attorney made the following report:

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

The undersigned, City Attorney, to whom was referred an ordinance to provide for grading and paving with boulders Louisiana street, between Illinois and Tennessee streets, and for curbing with Flatrock stone the sidewalks of said street, with instruction to report whether, in my opinion, the Terre Haute & Indianapolis Railroad Company are liable for such bouldering and curbing, or any part thereof, reports:

That, in my opinion, said company would not be liable for said bouldering and curbing, or any part thereof, except on account of ground owned by them bordering on said street, same as other property holders.

This opinion is based upon the terms and provisions of an order passed by the City Council July 2, 1849, granting said company the right of way over and along said street. See Book of Ordinances, page 283.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. HARVEY,

City Attorney.

Which was concurred in.

The Street Commissioner made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to report the following work done in my department since November 1, 1870:

FIRST WARD.

Placed six foot bridges on Vermont and Libertie streets.....	\$30 00
Opened the gutters on Winston street, between New York and North streets.....	28 00
Put down two foot bridges on Winston and New York streets..	9 00
Put down two foot bridges on Winston and Vermont streets...	9 00
Put down three foot bridges on Liberty and Lockerby streets..	14 00
Repaired the culvert on New Jersey and Michigan streets.....	9 00
Extended with brick the pavements at the crossings of North and Delaware streets, Michigan and Delaware streets, and Vermont and Delaware streets.....	135 00
Cleaned Delaware street, between New York and North streets.....	43 00
Cleaned Massachusetts avenue, between New York and Michigan streets.....	58 00
Cleaned Pennsylvania street, between New York and Michigan streets.....	45 00
Cleaned New Jersey street, between North and Michigan streets.....	31 00
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	\$411 00

SECOND WARD.

Cleaned New Jersey street, between North and St. Joseph streets.....	\$65 00
Cleaned Delaware street, between North and St. Clair streets..	38 00
Filled the holes on Meridian street, between First and Second streets.....	48 00
Paved with brick the sidewalk crossing on Walnut street and Ft. Wayne avenue.....	83 00
Repaired the crossing on Plum street and Christian avenue..	7 00

Repaired St. Clair street, between Delaware and New Jersey Streets.....	31 00
Opened the gutters on Winston street, between North and St. Clair streets.....	23 00
Built a culvert on Christian avenue and Bellefontaine street..	48 00
Repaired the culvert on North and Pennsylvania streets.....	9 00
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	\$352 00

THIRD WARD.

Repaired culvert on Illinois and North streets.....	\$7 00
Repaired culvert on Mississippi and New York streets.....	14 00
Cleaned Washington street, between Meridian and West streets.....	38 00
Cleaned Illinois street, between Washington and Ohio streets..	28 00
Cleaned Market street, between Illinois and Circle streets....	11 00
Cleaned Meridian and Circle streets, between Washington and New York streets.....	45 00
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	\$043 00

FOURTH WARD.

Filled the holes on Indiana avenue, between Mississippi and West streets.....	\$38 00
Filled the approaches to Bright street, on Michigan street....	28 00
Opened the gutters on Market street, and placed foot bridges at the crossings of California and Blackford streets with Market street.....	19 00
Cleaned Washington street, between Mississippi and West streets.....	38 00
Repaired the culvert on Mississippi and New York streets....	17 00
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	\$140 00

FIFTH WARD.

Opened the gutters on Bluff road, between Morris and Ray streets.....	\$17 00
Raised the grade of Tennessee street, between Garden street and Pogue's Run.....	138 00

Repaired the culvert on Maryland and Tennessee streets.....	7 00
Cleaned Illinois street, between Washington and Louisiana streets.....	28 00
Cleaned Kentucky avenue, between Washington and Maryland streets.....	26 00
Cleaned Washington street, between Illinois and West streets..	53 00
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	\$269 00

SIXTH WARD.

Cleaned Illinois street, between Illinois and Meridian streets..	\$23 00
Cleaned Meridian street, between Washington and Louisiana streets.....	55 00
Cleaned Maryland street, between Illinois and Delaware streets	49 00
Cleaned Virginia avenue, between Pennsylvania and Delaware streets.....	23 00
Cleaned Delaware street, between Washington street and Pogue's Run.....	27 00
Cleaned Washington street, between Delaware and Illinois streets	38 00
Repaired the bowldering on the east side of Meridian street, between Maryland and Georgia streets.....	19 00
Built a culvert over the gutter at Illinois street and Chesapeake alley.....	22 00
Repaired culvert on Meridian and Maryland streets.....	11 00
Repaired the culvert on Washington and Meridian streets....	4 00
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	\$271 00

SEVENTH WARD.

Opened and repaired the gutter on the west side of East street, between South street and Pogues run.....	23 00
Repaired the culvert on Alabama and South streets.....	7 00
Repaired the culvert on East and South streets	2 00
Cleaned Virginia avenue, between Delaware and New Jersey streets.....	35 00
Cleaned Delaware street, between Washington street and Pogues Run	27 00

Cleaned Washington street, between Delaware and East sts..	38 00
Cleaned Alabama street, between Washington street and Pogues Run.....	63 00
Filled the holes on Alabama street, between South and New Jersey streets	49 00
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	\$247 00

EIGHTH WARD.

Placed foot bridge and made cinder crossing on Fletcher avenue and Cedar street.....	21 00
Put in a cement pipe and repaired the crossing on Washington street and the Michigan road.....	40 00
Cleaned Washington street, between East and Noble streets..	28 00
Filled with cinder the holes on Washington street and Michigan road.....	27 00
Repaired with cinder the sidewalks on Meek street, between Georgia street and Cincinnati Railroad tracks.....	47 00
Repaired the culvert on Virginia avenue and corporation line	17 00
Repaired the sidewalk on Cedar and Pine streets.....	18 00
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	\$207 00

NINTH WARD.

Repaired the culvert on Ohio and Meridian streets.....	8 00
Cleaned Washington street, between Noble and Meridian streets.....	69 00
Cleaned Pennsylvania street, between Washington and New York streets.....	38 00
Cleaned Delaware street, between Washington and New York streets.....	40 00
Cleaned Massachusetts avenue, between Ohio and New York streets	27 00
Extended with brick the pavement on New York and Delaware streets	29 00
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	\$211 00

BRIDGES.

Repaired the bridge over the Canal at the Robert's House....	12 00
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Filled up to the bridge over Pogues Run, on Garden street...	42 00
Repaired the bridge over the Canal on Michigan street.....	49 00
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	\$103 00

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Cleaned and repaired East Market square.....	87 00
Opened the new channel of Pogues Run, between Illinois and Missouri streets.....	985 00
Set to the proper grade the Citizens Street Railway track on Christian avenue, between Ash and Peru streets.....	235 00
Removed the earth left by the Water Works Company over their mains on Pennsylvania, Meridian and Illinois streets at a cost of.....	28 00

And have put down the following stone crossings:

2 across Market, on east and west side of Illinois street.....	200 00
2 across Vermont, at the crossing of Pennsylvania street.....	200 00
2 across Maryland and Delaware, on Virginia avenue.....	250 00
2 on New York, at the crossings of Pennsylvania and Meridian streets.....	200 00
2 across Meridian, at the crossing of Maryland and Georgia streets.....	200 00
1 across Illinois, on north side of Louisiana street.....	100 00
1 across Washington, on the west side of Delaware street....	125 00
1 across Michigan, on the west side of Massachusetts avenue	125 00
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	\$2,735 00

Have sold street scrapings as follows :

To Gen. Fred. Knefler, 118 yards, at 20 cents per yard.....	\$23 60
To Harvey Bates, 80 yards, at 25 cents per yard.....	20 00
To Samuel Hanway, 133 yards, at 15 cents per yard.....	20 00
To Fred. Rusch, 14 yards, at 20 cents per yard.....	2 80
To George W. Buchanan, 28 yards, at 20 cents per yard.....	5 60
To A. Mays, 28 yards, at 20 cents per yard.....	5 60
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	\$77 61

The above amount has been collected, and turned over to the City Treasurer.

I have also sold dirt to the following parties, but have not yet been able to make the collections :

To B. F. Witt, 250 yards, at 20 cents per yard.....	\$50 00
To H. Seibert, 34 yards, at 30 cents per yard	6 80
To Roberts Park Church, 230 yards, at 30 cents per yard.....	69 90
To Samuel Hanway, 248 yards, at 15 cents per yard	37 20
	\$163 00

RECAPITULATION BY WARDS,

Showing the amount on hand November 1, 1870, the amount expended since November 1, 1870, and the amount on hand at the present date.

WARDS.	Deficit Nov. 1, 1870.	Bal. on hand Nov. 1, '70	Approp'n	Total with Appropri- ation.	Am't exp. since Nov. 1, '70	Balance on hand.	Deficit.
First		\$438 00			\$411 00	\$27 00
Second		682 00			352 00	330 00
Third	128 00				143 00		271 00
Fourth		106 84			140 00		33 16
Fifth		349 92			269 00	80 98
Sixth		46 00			271 00		225 00
Seventh		477 00			247 00	230 00
Eighth		318 35			207 00	111 35
Ninth		16 35			211 00		194 65
Brg. fd.	713 00				103 00		816 00
Misc. fd.		2,405 00			2,735 00		330 00
Total	\$841 00	\$4,939 52			\$5,088 00	\$779 33	\$1,869 81

Respectfully submitted,

A. BRUNER,

Street Commissioner.

Which was concurred in.

CALL OF THE ROLL.

Mr. Brown presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 17, 1870.

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

We, citizens of Indianapolis, respectfully petition for an amendment to the existing law in reference to the coal trade of this city :

1. The appointment of a Coal Inspector, who shall have power to require all vehicles used for hauling coal to have on them, in a conspicuous place, the name of the owner or seller of the coal hauled in them, and the weight of said vehicle, also, when it is a cart, the weight of the horse that hauls it, under a penalty of not less than \$5 and not more than \$100.

2. That every driver of every vehicle loaded with coal shall carry a printed or written statement (in English) of the date, purchaser's and seller's names, gross, tare and net weight, and variety of coal, which statement he shall deliver, on demand, to purchaser or inspector, under a penalty of not less than \$5, and not more than \$100.

3. That all drivers of vehicles loaded with coal shall afford said inspector or purchaser all needful facilities for weighing this said driver's team and load of coal under a penalty of not less than \$5, and not more than \$100.

4. That all coal found to weigh materially less than the amount called for on the aforesaid statement, shall be forfeited to the city, the proceeds of which shall be credited to the General Fund, &c.

5. The inspector shall be by law bound to weigh any load of coal, vehicle, &c., that any person shall require to be weighed, under a penalty of not less than \$5, and not more than \$100.

JOHN C. WRIGHT,
DAVID GIBSON,
THOS. B. ELLIOTT,
S. V. B. NOEL,
JOHN FISHBACK,

And 35 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Heckman offered the following motion:

Moved, That Mr. Samuel Love be and he is hereby permitted to grade and gravel the sidewalk in front of his property on the corner of East and Lord streets, and that the Civil Engineer be and he is hereby directed to set the proper grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following petition :

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

The undersigned, owners of property in the immediate vicinity of the improvements herein contemplated, respectfully ask that Willard street be extended south from its present termination at Blake alley to the Michigan Road; that said extension be graded, and the whole of said street be graveled from Washington street to the Michigan road.

Also, that South Arsenal avenue, from Blake alley to the Michigan road, be opened and graded, and that the same be graveled from Washington street to the Michigan road.

Also, that Market street be opened from North Arsenal street to the corporation line, and that the same be graded and graveled.

Also, that the north sidewalk on Washington street, from Arsenal avenue to the corporation line, be graded to the width of twelve feet, and paved to the width of eight feet on the inner side of said sidewalk.

J. W. JOHNSON,
JOHN F. HILL,
J. L. KETCHAM,
And 9 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Pyle offered the following motion :

Moved; That the Street Commissioner notify the new Hotel Company to remove as much of the sand as is necessary, and put the sidewalk on Ohio street in good condition, to be done in ten days, if not done, the Street Commissioner do the same and charge the same to the Hotel Company; and that the rope be immediately removed from the sidewalk.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Reagan offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be authorized to put a few

loads of cinders at the crossing of the sidewalk of Louisiana and Tennessee streets.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 22, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on West and Maryland streets, between Maryland and Georgia streets, respectfully remonstrate against the erection of a stave and barrel factory on the corner of West and Georgia streets, as said barrel and stave factory, when erected, will greatly depreciate our property, as we will be in more danger of burning down from the sparks of said factory, and we respectfully ask you to prevent the erection of said factory, if in your power so to do.

WILLIAM H. COOPER,
PATRICK CONROY,
RICHARD MOORE,
SAMUEL PERROTT,
And 25 others.

Which was laid on the table by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Cottrell, Kahn, Kennington, Newman, Pyle, Thoms, Weaver, Wiles and Woodburn—9.

Negative—Councilmen Brown, Harrison, Heckman, Reagan, Shepherd, Thalman and Whitsit—7.

On motion by Mr. Brown, Col. Wm. R. Holloway addressed the Council in regard to the manner of taking the late census, stating that a large number of manufactories and other establishments had been omitted, clearly showing that the census had been very loosely taken, and on his suggestion a committee of three, consisting of His Honor the Mayor, Messers. Brown and

Wiles, was appointed to confer with General Spooner in regard to retaking the census of the city.

Mr. Shepherd offered the following motion :

Moved, That Hanway & Rubush be ordered to level the dirt hauled by them on the west bank of the Central Canal immediately.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby ordered to build culverts at the intersection of Norwood and Russell streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Thalman offered the following motion :

Moved, That Erie Locke be granted leave of absence for two weeks.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Blackford street, and in the immediate vicinity of Blackford street, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass an ordinance providing for the extension and opening of Blackford street, from North street to Indiana avenue, and your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

ISAAC THALMAN,

AARON ROZIER,

WILLIAM BELL,

And 6 others.

Which was referred to the City Commissioners.

Also, the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5, 1876.

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

GENTLEMEN: We, the undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on Vermont streets, between New York and Michigan streets, and vicinity of Vermont street, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass an ordinance providing for the extension of Vermont street from the first alley west of Bright street to the corporation west, and your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

GEO. L. D. ROOKER,
THEO. PFAFFLIN,
FRED. SMITH,
G. N. WOOLEN,

And 14 others.

Which was referred to the City Commissioners.

Mr. Whitsit offered the following motion :

Moved: That John Fike be allowed to bowlder the sidewalk in front of lot No. 4, in Greer & Waters' subdivision of out-lot 101, the same to be done under the direction of the Civil Engineer, and at his expense.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Woodburn offered the following motion :

Moved, That Jere. McLene have permission to pave, with cement stone, the sidewalk in front of his residence on Pennsylvania street, between Ohio and New York streets; the same to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, and within 60 days.

Which was adopted.

Also the following :

Weekly report of the City Hospital for the week ending November 28, 1870 :

Number of patients in Hospital at last report..... 46

Number of patients received in Hospital since last report.....	5
Number of patients born in Hospital since last report.....	1
Number of patients discharged from Hospital since last report...	13
Number of patients died in hospital since last report
Number of patients remaining in Hospital at present report.....	39

E. HADLEY,
Superintendent.

Weekly report of the City Hospital for the week ending December 3, 1870 :

Number of patients in Hospital at lost report.....	39
Number of patients received in Hospital since last report.....	13
Number of patients born in Hospital since last report.....	...
Number of patients discharged from Hospital since last report...	10
Number of patients died in Hospital since last report.....	...
Number of patients remaining in Hospital at present report.....	42

E. HADLEY,
Superintendent.

Which were received.

His Honor the Mayor presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: We the undersigned, former owners of the following real estate in the city of Indianapolis, to wit: 48 feet south of 12 foot alley, north-east corner of east half of square 98, all of lot 38, and 23 feet off of the north side of lot 37, (being 48 feet,) in square 98, respectfully ask your honorable body to release us from taxation on the above described lot of ground for the year 1870, the same being the ground used by the city in the extension of Georgia street, from Pennsylvania to Delaware streets. As we have had no benefit from the ground used, as above set forth, for more than a year past, we we think it but just that our prayer be granted.

Very respectfully,

SINKER & CO.,
GEORGE B. YANDES,
DANIEL YANDES.

Which was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Brown introduced General Ordinance No. 70, 1870, entitled:

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the city to appoint all members of the Police Force, except Chief of Police, and to suspend and remove from office any member of such force for neglect of duty or other good cause.

Which was read the first time.

By consent, Mr. Kennington made the following report:

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

GENTLEMEN: The Select Committee, appointed to make inquiry as to the practicability of sewerage the streets and culverting gutters at street crossings by means of cast iron, as patented by M. G. Freeman, of Bloomington, Illinois, beg leave to report that they have taken some pains to enquire as to the expense of such a system of drainage, and have consulted mechanics, whose opinions are worthy of consideration, and their conclusion is, that the introduction of the system is both practical and economical, as compared with drainage by means of brick or drain tile.

The estimates of a competent mechanical engineer of this city are herewith submitted, as to the comparative cost of the two systems of drainage, and from which it will be seen that the cost of a sewer of brick and cement, of the size of the one now being constructed on Kentucky avenue, is \$5.93 per foot, or \$30,992 per mile, greater than the cost of a sewer of similar size of cast iron of the Freeman patent.

Your committee would suggest that the cheapest and best way of introducing the system would be, to make purchase of the patentee's right for the whole city, and then invite competition from our own mechanics for such work as might be ordered from time to time.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT KENNINGTON,
EDWARD REAGAN.

ESTIMATE FOR SEWER OF CAST IRON, AS PATENTED BY M. G. FREEMAN.

Sewer 8 feet wide and 8 feet high of cast iron, in sections 4 feet long, iron $\frac{3}{8}$ ths thick, will weigh 406 lbs. per lineal foot, at 3 cents per pound.....	\$12 18
Excavating.....	1 06
Setting castings.....	13
Cementing.....	26
Filling in earth.....	04
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Total cost per foot.....	\$13 67
“ “ “ mile.....	\$72,176 00

Cost of brick sewer on Kentucky avenue per foot, \$19.60, or \$103,-168, making a difference of \$5.93 per foot, or \$30,992 per mile.

The amount of excavating for this size sewer is 100 square feet sectional area; that is, 10 feet deep by 10 feet wide. Any additional depth required will cost $1\frac{1}{4}$ cents per foot, on an average, up to 6 feet. This estimate is based on the substance excavated weighing 137 lbs. per cubic foot.

The sectional area of this sewer is $54\frac{7}{10}$ square feet.

The masonry of culverts on Pagues run, between Delaware and Railroad streets, cost \$21.00 per lineal foot, or \$110,880 per mile. This is a 10 foot culvert. A 10 foot cast iron culvert would cost \$88,151 20, making a difference in favor of iron culverts of \$22,728 80 per mile.

An iron sewer $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide by $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet high, in sections 4 feet long, will weigh 113 lbs. per lineal foot, iron $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick, at $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents per lb.....	\$3 95
Excavating.....	12
Setting castings.....	10
Cementing.....	15
Filling in earth.....	03
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Total cost per lineal foot.....	\$4 35
“ “ “ mile.....	\$22,958 00

Sectional area of this sewer is 8 square feet.

Excavation 5 feet deep by 3 feet wide, equal to 15 square feet sectional area; for every additional foot in depth the expense will be, for excavating, $\frac{3}{4}$ of a cent per lineal foot extra.

Sewer of iron $1\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide and 2 feet high, in sections 4 feet long, iron $\frac{1}{4}$ inch thick, will weigh 65 lbs. per lineal foot, at $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents per lb.....	\$2 28
Excavating.....	08
Setting castings.....	08
Cementing.....	09
Filling in earth.....	02
Total cost per lineal foot.....	\$2 55
“ “ “ mile.....	\$13,464 00

Sectional area of this sewer is $2\frac{6}{10}$ square feet.

Excavating $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet deep by 2 feet wide, equal to 7 square feet sectional area; the extra cost for every additional foot in depth will be $\frac{6}{10}$ ths of a cent per lineal foot.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec 5, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: We, the undersigned citizens of Indianapolis, do hereby express our desire that his Honor the Mayor and City Council will take under consideration, and have a thorough investigation made of the improvement in the construction of sewers and culverts introduced by Mr. Freeman, of Bloomington, Illinois.

If his statements of cost and durability are correct, the adoption of his system will be of immense value to the city, and the right to use it ought to be secured as early as possible.

D. ROOT & CO.,
SINKER & DAVIS,
CHARLTON EDEN,
WM. BELLIS,
J. G. LIGHTFORD,
Consulting Engineer and Mechanical Draughtsman.
P. KIRLAND,
MOONEY & CO.,
JOHN FISHBACK,
And 10 others.

Which was received, and the committee continued, with instructions to ascertain upon what conditions the said culvert

can be obtained, and also to consult with Master Mechanics, and report at next meeting.

Dr. Woodburn presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5, 1870.

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

GENTLEMEN: We, the Trustees of the Bobbs Free Dispensary, respectfully petition your honorable body for an appropriation of six hundred dollars, for the purpose of carrying out the objects of that institution, viz: "The gratuitous dispensing of medicines, and giving medical and surgical aid to the deserving poor."

GEO. W. MEARS, President.

R. T. BROWN,

L. D. WATERMAN,

T. B. HARVEY,

THAD. M. STEVENS,

J. A. COMINGOR, Secretary,

R. N. TODD,

W. B. FLETCHER,

J. M. DUNLAP.

On motion, the petition was received, and referred to the Committee on Benevolence, with instructions to confer with the County Commissioners and Medical Faculty, and instructing said committee to pledge a sum not exceeding the amount asked for in the petition.

On motion, the Council adjourned to meet December 19, 1870, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Mayor.

ATTEST:

City Clerk.