

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION—MAY 4, 1885.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, May 4th, A. D. 1885, at eight o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT.—Hon. John L. McMaster, Mayor, and *ex officio* President of the Common Council in the Chair, and 22 members, viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

ABSENT, 3—viz. Councilmen Moran, Rees, and Spahr.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the regular session, held April 20th, 1885, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

Sealed proposals were received for services as Veterinary Surgeon to all horses belonging to the city; which were opened, read, and referred to the Special Committee on Fire Department.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., FROM THE MAYOR.

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

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the amount of fees and fines due the city, collected by me during the month of April, 1885, as follows:

Marshal's fees.....	\$212 50
Mayor's fees.....	145 70
Fines due city.....	6 15
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	\$364 05

Which said fees and fines I have this day paid over to the City Treasurer, and have filed his receipt therefor with the City Clerk.

Respectfully,

JOHN L. McMASTER, Mayor.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the contract of Leander A. Fulmer and George W. Seibert, with Hiram Seibert and Henry C. Adams as sureties, for making all the excavation required for a Market House building; which was read and approved.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

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

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following estimates of work done according to contract:

A first and final estimate in behalf of George W. Seibert, Jr., for grading and graveling the first alley north of Woodlawn avenue, from Linden street to Laurel street.

1,081.40 lineal feet, at 19 cents.....\$195 97 1/2

A first and final estimate in behalf of David A. Haywood, for grading and bowldering the first alley west of Illinois street, from Maryland street to Georgia street.

838 lineal feet, at 44 cents.....\$368 72

25 square yards of re-bowldering, at 25 cents..... 6 25

\$374 97

A first and final estimate in behalf of Henry C. Roney, for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Seventh street, from Central avenue to the W. L. & P. R. R.

2,266.28 lineal feet, at 33 1/2 cents.....\$759 20

192.40 square yards of bowldering, at 50 cents..... 96 20

\$855 40

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer

The following estimate resolution was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis. That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of George W. Seibert, Jr., for grading and graveling the first alley north of Woodlawn avenue, from Linden street to Laurel street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 15—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Edgerly, Harter, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Thalmann, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis. That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of David A. Haywood, for grading and bowldering the first alley west of Illinois street, from Maryland street to Georgia street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 15—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Edgerly, Harter, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Thalmann, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, that the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Henry C. Roney, for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk of Seventh street, from Central avenue to the W., St. L. & P. R. R., be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

YES, 15—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Edenharter, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS—None.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report, accompanied with estimate resolution; which was referred to the Judiciary Committee and City Attorney:

to the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—In compliance with your order of December 1st and 8th, 1884, and obedience to the writ of mandate of the Superior Court of Marion County, Indiana, issued to me December 1st, 1884, I herewith report a final and corrected estimate of the unpaid balance allowed Thomas Wren for grading and graveling Tennessee street and sidewalks, from Garden street to McCarty street, per lineal foot front of the abutting property on each side, based upon the contract hereinafter mentioned, which was 70 cents per cubic yard for grading, and \$1.60 per cubic yard for gravel, under and in pursuance of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to provide for the grading and graveling Tennessee street and sidewalks, between Garden and McCarty streets," ordained June 28th, 1865. This estimate is made under and in pursuance of an order of the Superior Court of Marion County, Indiana, entered December 1st, 1884, in the case of Thomas Wren vs. The City of Indianapolis, et al., being cause No. 27,326, of said court, and as per order of your honorable bodies, made December 1st and 8th, 1884.

The amounts herein shown, are the balances due from the persons and property described, as per estimate made to the Common Council, by R. M. Patterson, City Civil Engineer, September 6th, 1869, based on the estimate and measurement of Joshua Staples, Jr., City Civil Engineer, reported to Council December 17th, 1866.

Upon examination of the records, I found that Joshua Staples, Jr., City Civil Engineer, did, on the 17th day of December, 1866, report to the Council an estimate of the work done by Thomas Wren under his contract with the city, dated August 14th, 1865, for grading and graveling Tennessee street and sidewalks, between Garden and McCarty streets, showing the amount of work done by said Wren, to be 2,307.4 cubic yards of embankment, at 70 cents per cubic yard, \$1,615.80, and 170.2 cubic yards of gravel, at \$1.60 per cubic yard, \$3,312.32—making a total of \$4,928.12. Three-fourths of said amount, to-wit, \$3,696.09, was allowed said Wren, and the one fourth, to-wit, \$1,232.03, retained, leaving the last named amount as a balance still due Wren. I find, upon further examination of the records, that the city has paid to said Wren the sum of \$814.45, in full for all work done upon the crossings of streets and alleys, including the work done upon the crossings of Tennessee and Garden streets, and Tennessee and McCarty streets. I have therefore assessed the amount of the one-fourth aforesaid, to-wit, \$1,232.03, against the lot owners between Garden and McCarty streets, along the line of said improvement, according to the dimensions of their respective premises; a detailed statement of which is herewith submitted, and made a part of this report.

I also submit herewith for your information, a copy of my return to the court, in compliance with the writ of mandate.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis That the accompanying corrected and final estimate in behalf of Thomas Wre for grading and graveling Tennessee street and sidewalks, from Garden street McCarty street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Comm Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners a hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was received, and the contract and bond approved:

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

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the contract and bond of Richter & Twiname, f grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk of Delaware street, from Seven street to Eighth street. Bond, \$300.00; surety, Peter Fritz.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

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

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit an itemized statement, showing the amount orders drawn on the city treasury during the month of April, 1885, viz:

Board of Health.....	\$ 291 00	
Bridges.....	318 05	
City Assessor's Department.....	209 60	
City Civil Engineer's Department.....	259 90	
City Dispensary.....	298 27	
City Hall.....	475 00	
City Hospital and Branch.....	1,609 10	
City Treasurer's per centage.....	761 91	
Fire Department.....	5,851 15	
Gas.....	5,535 48	
Incidentals.....	5 00	
Judgments and costs.....	113 18	
Market-Masters' fees.....	186 18	
Parks.....	166 60	
Police.....	4,703 53	
Printing.....	698 92	
Salary.....	5,563 50	
Station House.....	266 74	
Street repairs.....	2,942 10	
Pogue's Run.....	5 80	
		\$ 30,261
School fund.....	\$25,257 11	
Sewer fund.....	11,419 64	
Sinking fund.....	3,444 16	
		40,120
Total.....		\$ 70 381

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

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

Report of I. N. PATTISON, City Treasurer, for the month of April, 1885.

RECEIPTS.

from benefits.....	\$	535 67
from coal licenses.....		4 00
from dog licenses.....		2 25
from express licenses.....		2 55
from fines and fees.....		679 40
from huckster licenses.....		36 00
from liquor licenses.....		260 00
from Market-masters' fees.....		289 40
from pay patients.....		111 75
from peddlers' licenses.....		21 00
from promiscuous.....		244 00
from sale of old material—Fire Department.....		14 55
from show licenses.....		20 00
from tapping sewers.....		1 00
from vault cleaners' license.....		15 00
from taxes current.....	424,710	89
from tax sales current.....		140 62
from tax sales delinquent.....		150 83
from taxes delinquent.....		2,862 39
Total.....	\$430,101	30
Balance on hand April 1st, 1885.....	170,058	46
	<u>\$600,159</u>	<u>76</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

for Board of Health.....	\$	291 00
for bridges.....		318 05
for City Assessor's department.....		209 60
for City Civil Engineer's department.....		252 99
for City Dispensary.....		338 08
for City Hall.....		20 90
for City Hospital and Branch.....		1,552 39
for elections.....		10 00
for Fire Department.....		5,876 65
for gas.....		5,535 48
for incidentals.....		5 00
for judgments and costs.....		69 05
for Market-Masters' fees.....		186 18
for parks.....		166 60
for Pogue's Run.....		5 80
for police.....		4,684 53
for printing.....		698 92
for salary.....		5,376 00
for school fund.....		33,750 56
for sewer fund.....		11,419 64
for sinking fund.....		3,444 16
for Station House.....		266 74
for street improvements.....		13 35
for street openings and vacations.....		36 00
for street repairs.....		2,894 40
for taxes refunded.....		1 62
Total.....	\$ 77,423	60
Balance on hand May 1st, 1885.....	522,736	16
	<u>\$600,159</u>	<u>76</u>

TOMLINSON ESTATE.

Balance on hand April 1st, 1885.....	\$ 65,114 4
Rents.....	98 1
	<u>\$ 65,212 5</u>

Balance on hand May 1st, 1885.....	\$ 65,212 5
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ADDITIONAL CITY HALL FUND.

Balance on hand April 1st, 1885.....	\$ 45,749 4
Balance on hand May 1st, 1885.....	\$ 45,749 4

SINKING FUND.

Balance on hand April 1st, 1885.....	\$ 32,061 4
From March taxes.....	3,444 1
	<u>\$ 35,505 5</u>
Balance on hand May 1st, 1885.....	\$ 35,505 5

SEWER FUND.

Balance on hand April 1st, 1885.....	\$ 2,844 7
From March taxes.....	11,419 6
	<u>\$ 14,264 4</u>
Balance on hand May 1st, 1885.....	\$ 14,264 4

Respectfully submitted,

I. N. PATTISON, City Treasurer.

To GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

The City Clerk submitted the following report:

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

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

Henry C. Roney vs. John C. Kellogg, for..... \$10 20

Respectfully submitted, GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.

Which was received, and the precept ordered to issue, by the following vote:

AYES, 14—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Curry, Dowling, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 2—viz. Councilmen Downey, and Edenharter.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was received:

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Since the last meeting of the Council, the case of Amanda E. McCullough vs. The City, claiming \$5,000 damages for personal injuries sustained in a fall near the Ryan Block, on account of alleged defects in the sidewalk, has been tried, and resulted in a verdict against the city for \$50.00. The plaintiff being dissatisfied with the amount of her recovery, has filed a motion for a new trial, which has not yet been argued. In any event, the property owner can be held by the city for any amount she may be compelled to pay in this case.

A suit between Frank McWhinney and Geo. P. Anderson, Trustee of A. E. Pitcher, to which the city was a nominal party, contesting the rights of the principal parties to the damages awarded some years ago for the condemnation of two lots in Wooten's addition for the extension of Wilson street, has been disposed of. I succeeded in getting the decree of the court to provide that the city should only be required to pay over the amount of benefits she has already collected, the balance to be paid out as she may collect the same. Judgment was also rendered in my favor for costs.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Boundaries, City Attorney, City Assessor and City Civil Engineer:

to the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—By a motion passed at your last meeting, I was requested to advise the Council as to the manner to be pursued in straightening the city boundaries, and to make such suggestions as I might think proper in connection therewith.

I prepared and had presented to the last General Assembly a bill to simplify the annexation and dis-annexation of territory by cities. It was intended particularly to enable this city to straighten its boundaries, which could have been accomplished in a very simple and definite manner under its provisions. It failed to pass, however; and if the Council desires to do anything in that direction within the next two years, it must be done, as best it may, under existing statutes. These statutes make the following requirements:

1st. To annex territory which has been subdivided into building lots, the plat thereof being of record in the Recorder's office, it requires only the adoption of a resolution by a majority vote of the Council and Board of Aldermen. See section 85 of Charter.

2d. In order to legally annex territory not platted into lots, it requires (1) either that the owners consent thereto in writing, and that the Council and Board of Aldermen adopt a resolution by a two-thirds vote annexing the same; or (2) in case the owners will not so consent, that the Council and Board of Aldermen petition the Board of County Commissioners, setting forth the reasons for such annexation, and filing with said petition an accurate description of the lands to be annexed, together with a plat thereof. First giving thirty days' notice of said intended petition publication in some newspaper, &c. See Section 85 of the Charter.

Of course the lots or lands proposed to be annexed must be contiguous to the then city limits; that is, the territory to be annexed must adjoin some portion of the city which has theretofore been *legally* annexed thereto. And herein lies the difficulty, for, in some of the cases where it is desired to bring in additional territory, there being disputes as to the regularity of several annexations made some ten years ago, some of which, perhaps, adjoin the territory desired to be annexed. I do not know at this is true, however.

In order to dis-annex territory, either platted or unplatted, it is necessary for the Council and Board of Aldermen to petition the Board of Commissioners, following certain formalities set out in an act of 1881, which may be found on page 45 of the new revision of ordinances.

There is another act, however, found at page 44 of said volume of ordinances, which authorizes the Council and Board of Aldermen to dis-annex unplatted territory, on the application of the owner thereof, without reference to the Board of Commissioners.

If I were to offer any suggestions, under the authority given me in your motion, it would be to appoint a committee, including the City Assessor and City Engineer, to take this whole matter under consideration, and that the Board of Aldermen be requested to appoint a committee of its body to act with your committee. As to all matters of litigation concerning the question of boundaries, I think I can fully ad-

wise the committee, if one shall be appointed; and as to this and any other matters connected therewith, I will be glad to render all the assistance I can; for I feel in view of the many suits that have been brought and threatened, to test the legality of certain annexations, and to recover back taxes paid on the same, that it is very important to take immediate steps to definitely ascertain and establish the boundaries of the city.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was approved and the City Clerk instructed to insert one hundred dollars in the appropriation ordinance, to be used in defraying minor court expenses:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Under certain provisions contained in an act passed at the recent session of the Legislature, the Judges of our County Courts refused to appoint short-hand reporters to take down the evidence at the expense of the county, heretofore done. The reporters have generally agreed, I believe, to hereafter work for \$5.00 a day, instead of \$7.50, heretofore paid, provided their fees are paid at the time of doing the work. It would be very bad economy to allow any of the important city cases to be tried without having the evidence reported. In many cases I can get the opposing parties to pay one-half of the per diem, and the party afterwards requiring the evidence written out, to pay for it, of course. But in some instances I can not do this

I therefore ask your honorable bodies to authorize me to employ a reporter in such cases as I deem proper to be reported, and that you make at this time a small appropriation, to be placed in the hands of the City Clerk, and by him paid out on my order, in defraying such minor expenses as these, and others that come in this department, which can not await the usual mode of appropriations.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

Later in the session, the Chief Fire Engineer presented the following estimate; which was approved, and the City Clerk instructed to insert the amount in the appropriation ordinance:

Indianapolis, May 4, 1885.

MR. WEBSTER:—The following is an estimate of the work done on the Prospect Engine House up to date:

Excavation, completed.....	\$ 40 00
Rubble stone work, completed.....	390 00
Cut stone work, on account.....	80 00
Brick work, on account.....	500 00
Carpenters' work and lumber, on account.....	690 00
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	\$1,700 00
Less 10 per cent.....	170 00
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Amount due this date.....	\$1,530 00

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS F. BURTIN.

I respectfully recommend that the above sum be allowed,

J. H. WEBSTER, Chief Fire Engineer.

Wm. Hadley, Rental Agent, submitted his report for April, 1885; which was read and received.

The Superintendent of the City Hospital and Branch submitted his reports for March and April, 1885; which were read and received.

The Superintendent of the City Dispensary submitted his report for April, 1885; which was read and received.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

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

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—We herewith report expenditures in the Street Repair Department, for the month of April, together with total expenditures to May 1st, 1885:

Pay-rolls.....	\$ 2,708 17
Blacksmithing.....	13 50
Bowlders.....	76 00
Brick.....	23 00
Cement.....	6 00
Drinking fountain repairs.....	19 45
Gravel.....	2 72
Hardware.....	17 81
Lumber.....	9 40
Rent of lumber yard.....	9 00
Rubber boots.....	5 00
Sand.....	12 60
Sewer pipe.....	39 45
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Total expenditures for April.....	\$ 2,942 10
Total expenditures per last report.....	2,006 42
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Total expenditures to May 1st, 1885.....	\$ 4,948 52

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Reynolds,
John R. Cowie,
Wm. Curry,
Board of Public Improvements.

C. S. RONEY, Street Commissioner.

Councilman Reynolds presented the following petition; which was granted:

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

Gentlemen:—On account of bad weather and the failure of the city to remove the old bridge, I have been unable to do but little work on the abutments for the East street bridge. The time allowed in which to finish the work expired April 15th. I therefore ask an extension of ninety days' time in which to complete the same.

JOHN A. WHITSIT.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4th day of May, 1885.

[Seal.]

WM. C. PHIPPS, Notary Public.

Recommend the time be extended.

M. M. Reynolds,
John R. Cowie,
Wm. Curry,
Board of Public Improvements.

The Board of Health submitted the Mortality report for the last half of April, 1885; which was read and received.

The City Commissioners submitted the following report; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The Board of City Commissioners of the City of Indianapolis, duly appointed, qualified, and acting under the provisions of the Statutes of the State of Indiana, in relation to laying out, opening, widening, altering and vacation of streets, alleys and highways, beg leave to submit the following report in the case of opening and extending the first alley west of Shelby street, and the vacation of the present alley west of Lot 1, in Dougherty's subdivision of Out-lot 99, on petition of August Richter, et al.

1st. We met at the office of the City Clerk, in Room 6, in pursuance of notice, on the 4th day of March, 1885, a full board being present, to examine into the matter of the proposed vacation and opening.

2d. We proceeded at once to view the ground over which said alley is proposed to be opened, as well as the alley proposed to be vacated, and the contiguous property along the line of said alleys, and find the following persons owning the property herein described, interested in said vacation, viz: Louisa H. Mueller, Lot 1, Dougherty's subdivision of Out-lot 99; Margaret Breyer, 58 feet east end of Lot 10, Dougherty's subdivision of Out-lot 99; Edward Foster, 48 feet west of 58 feet east end of Lot 10, Dougherty's subdivision of Out-lot 99; Isaac Foster, 68 feet west end of Dougherty's subdivision of Out-lot 99. We made due report of said facts to the City Clerk, and required him to have due notice served on said interested parties to meet the Commissioners on the 27th day of April, 1885, in the Clerk's office.

3d. We further report that we did meet at the time and place named, and a number of the interested parties were present, and put in their objection to closing said alley, which facts we report to your honorable body.

By order of the Board of City Commissioners,

April 27th, 1885.

WM. HADLEY, Sec'y.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Judiciary, through Councilman Newcomb, submitted the following reports; which were severally concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Judiciary Committee and City Attorney, to whom was referred the communication of the Indianapolis Fertilizer Company, beg leave to report that they have visited the "Sellers Farm" since said reference. We find the River bank and Eagle Creek levee in bad condition, as stated in said communication. We do not think, however, that your committee is the proper one to determine what improvements, if any, the city ought to make on the farm. Neither do we care to suggest what rent the city should charge for the farm in the future; at least not without the advise of the Committee on Public Property and Board of Public Improvements.

As to the request of the Fertilizer Company that the city cancel all past rent now due, however, for the reason that the company has been to certain expenses not properly chargeable to the tenant, we beg to suggest that this, in our opinion, should not be done. The city did not order these improvements, or agree to pay for them. If any concessions are to be made, they should be based on future contracts.

We recommend that the City Treasurer be directed to proceed to collect all overdue rent on the basis of the old contract, and that the other matters referred to in the communication of the company, be referred to the Committee on Public Property and Board of Public Improvements.

Respectfully submitted, -

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

W. C. Newcomb,
P. M. Gallahue,
Geo. F. Edenharter,
Judiciary Committee.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the petition of W. T. Steele, with accompanying statement of facts, asking the refunding of \$25 64 and interest, on account of erroneous sale of Lot 15, in Bradshaw & Holmes' subdivision of Out-lot 100, for street improvement, find that the State did own the lot when the improvement was made, and that the consent of the proper State officers was not procured. Mr. Steele ought therefore to have his money back, as he got no lien; and we recommend that \$27.20 be paid him.

On the statement of City Treasurer Pattison, which accompanies the petition of Byram & Cornelius, we recommend that the \$84.00 street opening assessment against Lot 5, in Fiscus' subdivision of Johnson's heirs' addition, be cancelled.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Newcomb,
Geo. F. Edenharter,
P. M. Gallahue,
Judiciary Committee.

The Committees on Judiciary and Railroads, through Councilman Newcomb, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, to whom was referred the question of moving the track of the C., I., St. L. & C. R'y Co. further west into Missouri street, between Georgia and Market streets, have carefully considered the matter. Many interested parties came before us, and we return with this report a petition favoring a removal and a remonstrance against it.

It can not be denied that the track as now located is too near the east line of Missouri street, between the points named. It is not only injuring the walls of adjacent buildings, but is dangerous to travel on Washington street. If the canal had not been in the center of this street when the railroad was built, the track would certainly never have been placed as near to the east side as it now is. There ought to be a sidewalk along the east side of the street, which can not be laid with the track remaining where it now is. The track can not be removed to the center of the street, for fear of injury to the large sewer at that point.

Under all the circumstances, we think the track ought to be removed, so that the east rail would be twenty feet from the east line of Missouri street, and that the switch tracks between said Georgia and Market streets, ought to be removed further away from private property.

We therefore recommend, that the Railroad Company be requested to comply with the above suggestions, and that if it accepts, an ordinance be passed giving said company the right to so locate and maintain its said tracks.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Newcomb,
P. M. Gallahue,
Geo. G. Edenharter,
Judiciary Committee.

John R. Pearson,
Isaac Thalman,
J. H. Sheppard,
Committee on Railroads.

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

The Committee on Public Light, through Councilman Gallahue, submitted the following reports; which were severally concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Public Light to whom sundry papers were referred, would report thereon as follows:

1st. Is a motion "That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to direct the Gas Company to dismantle the first lamp post west of Mississippi street, on the south side of Fifth street, and remantle and light the lamp on the northeast corner of Mississippi and Eighth streets." Recommend said motion be adopted.

2d. Is a motion "That the first lamp east of Tennessee street, on Maryland street, on the north side, be remantled and relit, and the lamp on the south side of Kentucky avenue and west of Mississippi street, be dismantled." Recommend said motion be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

P. M. Gallahue,
T. F. Smither,
Fred. J. Mack,
Committee on Public Light.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Public Lights, to whom was referred the matter of allowing J. R. Robinson, 349 Massachusetts avenue, to paint a barber sign on the lamp post in front of his residence, recommend the same be granted.

P. M. Gallahue,
T. F. Smither,
Committee on Public Light.

The Committee on Public Light, through Councilman Gallahue, submitted the following report; which was referred back to the committee, with instructions to ascertain of the City Civil Engineer the number of corner lamp-posts, and estimate the cost:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Public Light, to whom was referred the resolution looking to the placing of proper guides on lamp-posts, showing the names of streets, beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the matter. We believe the guide manufactured by M. J. Vieira is the best that has been devised. They can be had complete for \$1.50 per post.

We recommend that action be taken looking to the placing of this guide on a sufficient number of street corner lamp-posts to properly indicate the courses of the principal streets and avenues.

Respectfully submitted,

P. M. Gallahue,
T. F. Smither,
Fred. J. Mack,
Committee on Public Light.

The Committee of Public Property, through Councilman Mack, submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Public Property, to whom the following motion was referred, "That the Committee on Public Property be instructed to report the advisability of purchasing lots in the old cemetery," have investigated the same, and find that several lots can be purchased at reasonable prices. We herewith submit propositions from parties for sale of lots, which we recommend be accepted: Provided however, that the City will not pay more than \$15 for each of said lots.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred. J. Mack,
Wm. Curry,
Theo. F. Smither,
Committee on Public Property.

Councilman Pearson moved that the report be concurred in, and that the City Sexton be instructed to purchase the three lots at fifteen dollars each.

Councilman Pearson moved the *previous question*.

Which failed of being admitted, by the following vote:

AYES, 5—viz. Councilmen Pearson, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 16—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, and Wolf.

The motion as offered by Councilman Pearson, was then adopted.

The Committee on Sewers and Drainage, through Councilman McClelland, submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Sewers, to whom the following ordinances and motions were referred, would report thereon as follows:

1st. Is S. O. No. 4, 1885, "An ordinance to provide for the construction of a two and one-half foot brick sewer in and along McCarty street, from Delaware street to Madison avenue." Recommend said ordinance be passed.

2d. Is S. O. No. 5, 1885, "An ordinance to provide for the construction of a brick sewer, three and one-half feet in diameter, in and along Delaware street, from North street to St. Mary street." Recommend said ordinance be not passed.

3d. Is S. O. No. 12, 1885, "An ordinance to provide for the construction of a brick sewer, four feet in diameter, in and along Morris street, from East street to White River." Recommend said ordinance be passed, provided there is enough money in the Special Sewer Fund to do the work.

4th. Is S. O. No. 29, 1885, "An ordinance to provide for the construction of a brick sewer, four feet in diameter, commencing at Pine street, in and along Virginia avenue and Merrill street to Kentucky avenue."

Recommend said ordinance be passed, provided there is enough money in the Special Sewer Fund to do the work.

5th. Is a motion "That the City Civil Engineer advertise for bids for the construction of a three foot brick sewer from South street, in and along East street, alleys and Merrill street to Virginia avenue." Recommend said work be not done.

6th. Is a motion "That the City Civil Engineer advertise for bids for the construction of a three and one-half foot sewer in and along Coburn street, from East street to Madison avenue." Recommend said motion be not adopted.

7th. Is the report of the City Civil Engineer, relative to the informality of Special Ordinance No. 141, 1884, "An ordinance to provide for the construction of a brick sewer in and along Morris street, from Chestnut street to Madison avenue," passed by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen January 5th and 12th, 1885. Recommend said ordinance be repealed.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert McClelland,
P. H. Wolf,
Committee on Sewers.

Councilman Thalman moved that action on the report be postponed until the first meeting in January, 1886.

Which failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Councilmen Gallahue, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 14—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Reinecke, Sheppard, and Wolf.

Councilman Pearson moved to re-commit.

Councilman Trusler moved to refer the report to the Finance Committee, with instructions to report as to the condition of the finances providing for the construction of sewers.

Which motion was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 12—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 10—viz. Councilmen Coy, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Doyle, Mack, McClelland, Reinecke, Sheppard, and Wolf.

On motion by Councilman Edenharter, it was ordered that the Committee on Finance report at the next regular meeting.

REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee on Fire Department, through Councilman Thalman, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Fire and Chief Fire Engineer to whom was referred sundry motions in regard to locating and building fire cisterns, would say that we have carefully investigated the same and recommend as follows:

That a 1,000-barrel cistern be built at the intersection of National Road and Miley avenue.

Also a 1,000-barrel cistern corner of Hill avenue and Newman street.

That the Clifford avenue and Archer street motion be deferred, and that the Councilman of that ward be requested to ascertain whether the Water Works Company will lay mains in that vicinity soon, as is now contemplated.

Respectfully,

Isaac Thalman,
P. C. Trusler,
Fred. J. Mack.

Special Committee on Fire Department.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

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

The Chief Fire Engineer introduced the following entitled ordinance, which was read the first and second times, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

Ap. O. 21, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$4,656.75.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Curry, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Sheppard, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

The Hospital Board introduced the following entitled ordinance, which was read the first and second times, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

Ap. O. 22, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the City Hospital and Branch. [Amount appropriated, \$1,889.21.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Curry, Downey, Doyle, Edenhar-ter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Sheppard, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

By the Committee on Accounts and Claims, through Councilman McClelland, the following entitled ordinance was introduced and read the first and second times:

Ap. O. 23, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis.

On motion by Councilman Thalman, the above ordinance was amended by inserting the claims of "James Sowders, \$3.50;" "Geo. W. Blue, \$2.62," and "J. Matzke, \$2.77," then ordered engrossed as amended, read the third time and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Curry, Downey, Doyle, Edenhar-ter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Sheppard, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

By the City Clerk, on behalf of the Police Commissioners, the following entitled ordinance was introduced, read the first and second times, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

Ap. O. 24, 1885—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station House. [Amount appropriated, \$229.12.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 18—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Curry, Downey, Doyle, Edenhar-ter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Sheppard, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

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

By Councilman Benjamin:

S. O. 35, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the east gutter of Pennsylvania street, from South street to Merrill street.

By Councilman Haugh, which was referred to the Committee on Sewers:

S. O. 36, 1885—An ordinance to provide for the construction of a brick sewer in and along Vermont street, from Liberty street to and connecting with the Massachusetts avenue sewer at Alabama street.

By Councilman Mack, accompanied with petition:

S. O. 37, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering, and curbing the gutters of Union street, from Merrill street to McCarty street.

S. O. 38, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the roadway of Meridian street, from Morris street to the south line of Palmer street.

Indianapolis, January 28, 1885.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, your petitioners, would respectfully represent and show that they are the owners of the real estate in several and separate parts hereinafter respectfully shown, fronting on and adjoining the west line of south Meridian street, from Wisconsin street south to street. That said ground so owned by us respectively is not within the corporate limits of the City of Indianapolis. That the ground on the east side of said street is in the corporate limits of said city, and said street has been purchased and is now owned by said city.

Your petitioners further represent that they are desirous of having said south Meridian street improved from said Wisconsin street south; and to this end they now hereby agree, each for himself, to pay the pro-rata portion of the cost of said improvement, as the same may be assessed against said property owned by them respectively, the same as if their said ground was in the corporate limits of said city.

Your petitioners therefore ask that an ordinance may be passed providing for the grading and graveling said Meridian street from Wisconsin street south to street.

Wm. Wundram, 66 feet 8 inches; M. Clune, 234 feet; R. Essigke 75 feet; Geo. Rech, 113 feet; Katharine Rech, 115 feet; Fred. Beck, 138 feet; P Sindlinger, 150 feet; George Knarzer, 60 feet; Luther Mehring, 165 feet; S. Fischer; Henry Budenz, 55 feet; Jno. Wagner, 82½ feet; E. A. Grandstaff.

By Councilman McClelland:

S. O. 39, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the roadway of Pine street, from St. Clair street to the first alley south of St. Clair street.

By Councilman Newcomb:

S. O. 40, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Gregg street, from New Jersey street to East street, where not already done.

By Councilman Smither, accompanied with petition:

S. O. 41, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Indiana avenue, from St. Clair street to Leland street.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Indiana avenue, between St. Clair and Leland streets, respectfully petition for the passage of an or-

linance providing for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk of said avenue, between the points named.

A. Hornberger, 33 feet; C. Held, 82½ feet; Dennis Sullivan, 110 feet; Conrad Monninger, 33 feet; B. Pumphrey, 66 feet.

By Councilman Benjamin, for Councilman Spahr :

S. O. 42, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of Christian avenue, from Central avenue to College avenue.

S. O. 43, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Ash street, from Seventh street to Eighth street.

S. O. 44, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Central avenue, from Eighth street to Ninth street.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on the first alley east of Central avenue, from Eighth street to Ninth street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and graveling the above described alley.

August Buschmann, 120 feet; Jno. Reagan, 40 feet; J. P. Bonn, 40 feet; A. B. Chapin, 40 feet; J. M. Taylor, 40 feet; W. H. Mansfield, 40 feet; H. J. Craft, 80 feet; J. M. Paver, 40 feet; A. W. Reagan, 40 feet; A. W. Brayton, per D. W. Pierson, 40 feet; A. E. Faught, 40 feet; Wm. C. Irick, 40 feet.

By Councilman Trusler, accompanied with petitions and remonstrance :

S. O. 45, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley south of Spann avenue, from Linden street to Laurel street.

Indianapolis, April 29, 1885.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Spann avenue, between Linden and Laurel streets, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and graveling the first alley south of Spann avenue, between Linden and Laurel streets.

Clark Miller, Fred. Janke, Albert Raash.

S. O. 46, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the first alley south of Fletcher avenue, from Dillon street to Linden street.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on the alley between Fletcher and Hoyt avenues, from Dillon street to Linden street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and bowldering the above described alley.

William H. Hoefgen, 30 feet; Frank L. Daugherty, 30 feet; Mary E. Shelton, 30 feet; Henry Behrent, 30 feet; Henry Bokeloh, 30 feet; J. M. Eades, 30 feet; S. S. Rhodes, 30 feet; W. F. Browder, 30 feet.

Indianapolis, April 20, 1885.

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Hoyt and Fletcher avenues, between Dillon and Linden streets, respectfully remonstrate against the

passage of an ordinance providing for the improving of the alley between Fletch and Hoyt avenues, in said locality.

Edward L. Mick, 30 feet; J. C. Woods, 60 feet; Wm. S. Hubbard, 150 feet; Melvina H. Read, 50 feet; Robert Henderson, 30 feet; Margaret Conkling, 30 feet; Wm. H. Groff, 30 feet; Fannie Morton, 35 feet; Mollie J. Grover, 30 feet; Lydia Mintshall, 30 feet. John Simmons, 30 feet; Rich. Leggo, 146 feet; Lucy J. Herndon, 30 feet; Lena Griffith, 30 feet; Joseph Tobler, 30 feet; Fred. Glaische, 30 feet; Louisa A. Branch, 30 feet; John T. Walker, 60 feet; George Raper, 60 feet; J. M. Shumaker, 30 feet; Thos. S. Tallentire, 30 feet; H. S. Runyon, 30 feet; Fred. Reisner, 30 feet; D. S. Jordan, 30 feet.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to clean the gutters on the east side of Pennsylvania street, between South and Merrill streets.

Councilman Cowie offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the City Clerk be instructed to inform the Chief of Police to arrest any person dumping garbage in the old coal yard, between Geisendorff and Blake streets where the sewer is now being built.

Councilman Edenharter presented the following remonstrance; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

Indianapolis, May 4th, 1885.

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, interested owners of real estate fronting on Herman street, between Ohio and Market streets, respectfully remonstrate against widening said street, between the points above named.

Mary J. McCollum, William Kothe, John Moran.

Councilman Dowling presented a remonstrance to changing the location of the Expressmen located on the Circle; which was referred to the Committees on Public Property and Streets and Alleys.

Councilman Coy offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That St. Vincent's Hospital be allowed to make the proper connection between its property on the southeast corner of Delaware and South streets with the South street sewer without charge.

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

That the Street Commissioner be instructed, under the supervision of the City Civil Engineer, to place stone crossing on Grove street, between Dillon street and Fletcher avenue.

Councilman Haugh offered the following motions; which were severally adopted:

That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, directed to re-advertise for the erection of lamp posts on Michigan street, between New Jersey and East streets, under S. O. 109, 1884.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the property holders on the east side of Alabama street, between Michigan street and the first alley north, to raise and widen the brick sidewalk to a width of eight feet, and to cut down the lawn to grade of curbstone.

Councilman Newcomb presented a petition of various citizens, asking for compromise of assessments for the laying out of the first alley east of East street, from McCarty street to the first alley north of Buchanan street; which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, and City Attorney.

Councilman Newcomb offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The rules of this Council authorize the removal of any member of any committee who fails for the term of six months to meet with said committee; herefore

Resolved, That the Chairman be requested to appoint a member of the Sewer Committee in place of Geo. W. Spahr, who has failed to meet with said committee since its organization.

Which was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 13—viz. Councilmen Curry, Doyle, Gallahue, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wolf.

NAYS, 8—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Coy, Dowling, Edenharter, Haugh, Sheppard, and Wharton.

Councilman Pearson offered the following motions; which were severally adopted:

That the Street Commissioner serve notice on S. A. Morrell or other proprietor of the scales recently placed in West street near the southeast corner of West and Washington streets, to remove the same within five days. Is the same be not removed as ordered, the Street Commissioner is then ordered to tear out and remove the same forthwith, no permit having been applied for or obtained to place the same in said street.

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to re-advertise for bids to erect lamp-posts on Agnes street according to ordinance.

Councilman Reynolds presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Eleventh street, between Central avenue and the Wabash Railroad, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the vacation of so much of said street as will make it of a uniform width of 70 feet, the width varying as shown by the record

as at present from 77 to 86 feet. Accompanying this petition is a plat showing the strip proposed to be vacated.

H. M. Hadley, Catharine Myers, R. H. Myers, Rebecca J. Martin, Wilson Morrow, Guardian of Minnie and Nellie Wiles; F. C. & R. M. Smock, Eva E. Halderman, Sarah H. Clark, G. C. Heath, Josephine Wiles, J. B. Roberts.

Councilman Smither offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Committee on Public Property have instructions to have the policemen at Military Park dig a dry well to carry off surplus water.

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

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to put in two culverts on Indian avenue, or cut down the crossings on First street and Locke street.

Councilman Reinecke offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with power to act:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to fill with broken stone the chuck-hole on Virginia avenue, between Stevens and Coburn streets, once.

Councilman Reinecke presented a protest, signed by a committee of the Gardners' Association, relating to the placing of gardners, by the Market Master at the East Market Space; which was referred to the Building Committee of the City Hall.

Councilman Thalman presented the following petition, accompanied with motion; which was received, and the motion adopted:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, interested property holders in Indianola would most respectfully petition your honorable bodies to instruct the City Civil Engineer to make examination and report what lands or lots it will be necessary to appropriate for the opening and widening of the first alley east of the Belt Railroad, from Walnut street to the first alley north, to intersect with the street that Traub had opened, and appropriate money for the same.

William H. Traub, James W. Smith, John S. Spann & Co., agents for Athon land; Thomas Moore, Dillingham, Brown & Fowler, J. L. Spaulding, T. D. Earls, D. B. Fatout.

Moved, That the Engineer be so instructed, and requested to report at as early a day as practicable.

Councilman Thalman presented a petition of Elizabeth Nicholson, asking for relief from a street assessment on Lot 30, Block 19, Johnson's heirs' addition; also petition from Wm. H. English, as to taxes on real estate in King's Arsenal Heights addition; which was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Councilman Thalman presented the following petition; which was granted:

Indianapolis, May 1, 1885.

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned respectfully makes application for Auctioneers' license for one year, or one or more quarters of a year.

Respectfully,

JOHN J. HARLAN.

Councilman Thalman offered the following motions, which were severally adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be directed to repair and put in good order all stone crossings, without delay.

That the City Civil Engineer be directed to dismantle the lamp post on the west side of Meridian street, on the inner side of the Circle, and place the same at the crossing of the first alley west of the Circle between Market and Meridian streets

That the City officers be notified not to purchase any supplies nor postage stamps unless on an order from the Printing Committee.

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

That the Street Commissioner be directed to put in a stone crossing on west side of Delaware crossing of New York street.

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

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the first alley south of Fletcher avenue, from Dillon street to Linden street.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters on Linden street, from English avenue to Lexington avenue.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters of Olive street, from Prospect street to Pleasant Run.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters on English avenue, and to take such steps as are necessary to remove the obstructions to the flow of water at the crossing of English avenue and Linden street.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutter on the south side of Spann avenue, east of Linden street, where necessary.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutter on the east side of Dillon street, from Deloss street to Fletcher avenue.

Councilman Wharton, for Councilman Rees, presented a petition asking for the passage of an ordinance preventing the public display of likenesses of female forms; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

PENDING ORDINANCES.

The following entitled ordinance was called up by Councilman Pearson

G. O. 12, 1885—An ordinance amending Section eight (8) of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to increase the public revenues of the City of Indianapolis by licensing Saloons, Telegraph Companies and Wagons or other vehicles used by Express Companies doing business in said city, and to provide for the erection of a City Hall and Market House," by increasing the license fee therein provided for to one hundred dollars per annum.

Councilman Pearson offered the following amendment; which was adopted:

Amend section one of G. O. No. 12 of 1885 by striking out of the same all after the words "to be paid by the person receiving such license," and by inserting in lieu thereof the following words, to-wit: "No one who has received and paid for a license under the provisions of the ordinance amended hereby, shall be required to take out a new license or pay any additional sum, until the expiration of said running license."

Councilman Pearson moved that the ordinance be engrossed as amended.

Councilman Dowling moved as an amendment to the above motion, that the ordinance be stricken from the files

Which motion failed of adoption (requiring a two thirds vote,) by the following vote:

AYES, 12—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Mack, Reinecke, Sheppard, and Wolf.

NAYS, 10—viz. Councilmen Gallahue, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

Councilman Newcomb moved that the Common Council do now adjourn.

Which failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz. Councilmen Gallahue, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 13—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Reinecke, Sheppard, and Wolf.

On motion by Councilman Dowling, the ordinance was ordered engrossed.

On motion by Councilman Dowling, the ordinance was then stricken from the files, by the following vote:

AYES, 12—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Mack, Reinecke, Sheppard, and Wolf.

NAYS, 10—viz. Councilmen Gallahue, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

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

S. O. 15, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of Pennsylvania street, from Eighth street to the first alley south of Ninth street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Coy, Curry, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 31, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of Noble street, from New York street to Lockerbie street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 20—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Cowie, Coy, Curry, Downey, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Thalman, Trusler, Wharton, and Wolf.

NAYS—None.

On motion, the Common Council then adjourned.

JOHN L. McMASTER, Mayor,

President of the Common Council.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.