

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION—SEPTEMBER 21, 1885.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council chamber, Monday evening, September 21st, A. D. 1885, at half-past seven o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. John L. McMaster, Mayor, and, *ex officio*, President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 21 members, viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edendarter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, Moran, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Smither, Spahr, Thalmann, Trusler, and Wharton.

ABSENT, 4—viz. Councilmen Cowie, Downey, Rees, and Wolf.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the regular session, held September 7th, 1885, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON CONTRACTS.

The Committee on Contracts, through Councilman Newcomb, submitted the following report, and the recommendations were severally considered in:

to the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom were referred the proposals received September 7th, 1885, have examined the same, and find them to be as follows:

1st. For grading, bowldering and curbing the north gutter of New York street, between Pennsylvania and Delaware streets.

Per lineal foot front.

R. P. Dunning..... bowldering, 55 cents; curbing, 42 cents.

James W. Hudson.... bowldering, 55 cents; curbing, 40 cents.

J. L. Spaulding..... bowldering, 52 cents; curbing, 38 cents.

David A. Haywood... bowldering, 50 cents; curbing, 39 cents.

Richter & Twiname.. bowldering, 48 cents; curbing, 38 cents.

Richter & Twiname being the lowest and best bidders, recommend they be awarded the contract.

2d. For paving with brick the north sidewalk of Massachusetts avenue (where it already properly paved with brick), from Pennsylvania street to Delaware street.

At the following prices per lineal foot front.

Name of bidders.	Paving.	Walk-stone.	Bowldering wings
J. L. Spaulding.....	54 cents.....	59 cents.....	49 cents.
Richter & Twiname.....	52 cents.....	50 cents.....	50 cents.
David A. Haywood.....	51 cents.....	... cents.....	... cents.

David A. Haywood being the best bidder, recommend he be awarded the contract.

3d. For graveling the roadway of Hall Place street, from Seventh street to Eighth street.

James W. Hudson.....	30	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
J. D. Hoss & Co.....	20	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Richter & Twiname....	20	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Hanway & Cooper.....	19	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
J. L. Spaulding.....	18½	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
D. A. Haywood.....	16	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
R. P. Dunning.....	15	cents per lineal foot front on each side.

R. P. Dunning being the lowest and best bidder, recommend he be awarded the contract.

4th. For grading and graveling the first alley north of Eighth street, from the first alley west of Illinois street to the second alley west of Illinois street.

Richter & Twiname...	18	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
J. D. Hoss & Co.....	16	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Hanway & Cooper....	15	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
R. P. Dunning.....	15	cents per lineal foot front on each side.

There being a tie bid, and the same being low, recommend the contract be awarded to Hanway & Cooper.

5th. For grading and bowldering the first alley north of New York street, from Tennessee street to the second alley east of Tennessee street.

D. A. Haywood.....	45	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Hanway & Cooper....	32	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
R. P. Dunning.....	31	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
James W. Hudson.....	30	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Richter & Twiname...	29	cents per lineal foot front on each side.

Richter & Twiname being the lowest and best bidders, recommend they be awarded the contract.

6th. For grading and graveling the first alley west of West street, from Prairie street to First street.

R. P. Dunning.....	25	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
J. L. Spaulding.....	24	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
S. W. Patterson.....	23	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Richter & Twiname...	20	cents per lineal foot front on each side.
Hanway & Cooper....	16	cents per lineal foot front on each side.

Hanway & Cooper being the lowest and best bidders, recommend they be awarded the contract.

7th. For grading and paving with brick, the east sidewalk of Union street, from Hill street to Hanway street.

R. P. Dunning.....	32	cents per lineal foot front.
James W. Hudson....	30	cents per lineal foot front.
D. A. Haywood.....	30	cents per lineal foot front.
Bernauer & Nickols..	29	cents per lineal foot front.
Richter & Twiname...	29	cents per lineal foot front.
J. L. Spaulding.....	29	cents per lineal foot front.

There being three bids at the same price, and the same being low, recommend the contract be awarded to Bernauer & Nickols.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Newcomb,
Philip J. Doyle,
M. M. Reynolds,
Committee on Contracts

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 for the month of August, 1885, as follows:

Marshal's fees.....	\$211 80
Mayor's fees.....	179 20
Fines due city.....	32 80
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	\$423 80

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.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

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

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

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

A first and final estimate in behalf of Fred Gansberg, for grading and graveling the first alley west of Arsenal avenue, from Washington street to Market street.

597 50 lineal feet, at 18 cents \$107 52

A first and final estimate in behalf of Isaac C. Snyder, for grading and graveling the roadway of Pine street, from St. Clair street to the first alley south of St. Clair street.

349 lineal feet, at 22 cents..... \$76 78
 12 extra yards of gravel, at \$1.00..... 12 00

\$88 78

A first and final estimate in behalf of J. L. Spaulding, for grading, bowldering and curbing the south gutter of Vermont street, and paving with brick the sidewalks thereof, from Tennessee street to Indiana avenue.

387.33 lineal feet of bowldering, at 49 cents.....\$189 80
 384.75 lineal feet of curbing, at 38 cents..... 146 12
 383.53 lineal feet of paving, at 37 cents..... 143 75

\$479 67

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 Fred. Gansberg, for grading and graveling the first alley west of Arsenal avenue, from Washington street to Market 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 Coy, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh Mack, Moran, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Thalman, 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 Isaac C. Snyder, for grading and graveling the roadway of Pine street, from St. Clair street to the first alley south of St. Clair 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 Coy, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh Mack, Moran, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Thalman, 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 J. L. Spaulding, for grading, bowldering and curbing the south gutter of Vermont street, and paving with brick the sidewalk thereof, from Tennessee street to Indiana avenue, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 15—viz. Councilmen Coy, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh Mack, Moran, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Thalman presented the contract and bond of Bernauer & Nickols, for paving with brick the east sidewalk of Union street, between Hanway and Hill streets. Bond, \$500.00; surety, Geo. Wm. Seibert. Which was approved.

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

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

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

Contract and bond of Freaney Brothers, for erecting lamp-posts on Michigan street, between Noble and Pine streets. Bond, \$100.00; surety, J. F. Holt.

Contract and bond of Freaney Brothers, for erecting lamp-posts on Yandes street, between Malott avenue and Seventh street. Bond, \$100.00; surety, J. F. Holt.

Contract and bond of Freaney Brothers, for erecting one lamp-post on Mississippi street, between Herbert and Twelfth streets. Bond, \$10.00; surety, J. F. Holt.

Contract and bond of Richter & Twiname, for grading and paving the west sidewalk of Douglass street, from New York street to North street. Bond, \$700.00; surety, Fred. Gansberg.

Contract and bond of Richter & Twiname, for building one 1000-barrel cistern, at or near the corner of Walcott and Carter streets. Bond, \$800.00; surety, Fred. Gansberg.

Respectfully submitted, S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The City Clerk submitted the following report:

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

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

George W. Seibert vs. Minnie L. Taylor, for.....\$14 20
John H. Forrest vs Esther L Adams, for..... 9 60

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

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

AYES, 13—viz. Councilmen Coy, Dowling, Doyle, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, Moran, McClelland, Pearson, Reinecke, Keynolds, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 3—viz. Councilmen Edenharter, Newcomb, and Thalman.

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

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—In one of the McWhinney cases against the city for some \$600.00 taxes paid by him on sales of lots which were afterwards found to be outside of the city limits, I allowed judgment to go since the last meeting of the Council, for \$63.52, without a trial, that being the amount for which his claim could be enforced under the decision of the Supreme Court rendered in the same case some months ago, on appeal by the plaintiff.

Respectfully submitted, C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

The City Clerk presented the following communication; which was received:

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 17th, 1885.

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

Gentlemen:—In answer to your communication of August 26th, directing us to extend our tracks along Shelby street to the tracks of the Belt Railroad Company, we regret to state that owing to hard times and decreased receipts, we are financially unable to make such extension this season.

Very respectfully, A. W. JOHNSON, Pres't.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

The Hospital Board, through Councilman Newcomb, submitted the following report, accompanied with resolution:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Hospital Board and Hospital Committee respectfully report that we had Mr. John W. Ralph, a competent engineer and draughtsman, prepare plans and specifications for supplying the City Hospital with steam heating apparatus complete, and after advertising for bids, have received three (3) proposals, as follows:

J. S. Farrell & Co., of Indianapolis.....	\$6,875 00
Porter Steam Heating Co., of Minneapolis Mining Co.....	6,600 00
Kelly & Jones Company, of Pittsburg, Pa.....	6,410 00

Kelly & Jones Company being the lowest and best bid, we recommend the said Kelly & Jones Company be awarded the contract, and that the resolution set below, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Newcomb,
P. M. Gallahue,
Philip J. Doyle,
Hospital Board.

Will F. A. Bernhamer,
of the Aldermanic Hospital Committee.

Resolved, That Kelly, Jones & Co., of Pittsburg, Pa., be awarded the contract to furnish steam heating apparatus for the City Hospital, according to the plans and specifications prepared by John W. Ralph, for the sum of \$6,410 00, as soon as the proper contract has been entered into by said company with the Mayor, on behalf of the city, and bond executed to the satisfaction of the City Attorney; twenty (20) per cent. of said \$6,410.00 to be retained until April 1st, 1886.

Councilman Edenharter moved to strike out of the above resolution the firm name of Kelly, Jones & Co., and insert J. S. Farrell & Co.

Which failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz. Councilmen Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Mack, Moran, Pearson, Reinecke, and Sheppard.

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

There being a tie vote, the name of the Mayor being called, and casting his vote in the negative, the amendment failed of adoption.

Councilman Dowling moved that the contract be awarded to J. S. Farrell & Co., provided they would do the work at the same price as Kelly Jones & Co.

Which failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 5—viz. Councilmen Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, and Mack.

NAYS, 15—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Moran, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

The resolution as presented by the Hospital Board, was then adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 15—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 4—viz. Councilmen Curry, Mack, Moran, and Reinecke.

The Board of Public Improvements, through Councilman Reynolds, submitted the following report, and the recommendations were severally concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom the following motions were referred, would report thereon as follows:

1st. That the City Civil Engineer advertise for bids for building a six-foot stone wall along the east bank of Pogue's Run, beginning at Garden street.

Recommend said motion be not adopted.

2d. To put in a catch-basin at the southwest corner of Maryland and Delaware streets. Recommend the work be done.

3d. To repair McCarty street with gravel, between south East street and Virginia avenue. Recommend the work be done.

4th. To lay a double stone crossing across New Jersey street, between the Union tracks and Wabash tracks. Recommend the work be not done.

5th. To lay double stone crossings at the corner of New Jersey street and Virginia avenue. Recommend the work be done.

6th. To repair Darnell street. Recommend the work be done.

7th. To grant H. Mitschrick permission to place a wooden culvert over the gutter in front of his place of business, on Prospect street. Recommend its adoption.

8th. To spread a coat of gravel on Mississippi street, from Second street to Twelfth street. Recommend the work be not done.

9th. To widen the gutters on south West street, at the crossing of Maryland and Chesapeake streets, and repair the crossings of West and Maryland streets. Recommend the work be done.

10th. To repair Washington street, between Noble and State streets, Recommend the work be done.

11th. The Board of Aldermen, in regular session, held in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, August 24th, 1885, recommended that the gutters of Pratt street, between Pennsylvania and Illinois streets, be bowldered and curbed, instead of the motion adopted by the Common Council ordering the Street Commissioner to clean up Pratt street where necessary.

Recommend the work be done under ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Reynolds,

Wm. Curry,

Board of Public Improvements.

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 August, together with total expenditures to September 1st, 1885:

Pay-rolls.....	\$ 2,538 12
Blacksmithing.....	45 30
Bowlders.....	57 00
Castings for sewers.....	17 81
Cement.....	15 00
Fountain repairs.....	37 18
Gravel.....	1 68
Hardware.....	21 74
Lumber.....	96 59
Rent of lumber yard.....	9 00
Sand.....	34 65
Toll.....	6 94
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Total expenditures for August.....	\$ 2,881 00
Total expenditures per last report.....	15,776 96
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Total expenditures to September 1st, 1885.....	\$18,657 96

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Reynolds,

Wm. Curry,

Board of Public Improvements.

C. S. RONEY, Street Commissioner.

The Board of Health submitted the Mortality report; which was read and received.

The Board of City Commissioners submitted the following report, accompanied with resolution:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen.—The undersigned, members of the Board of City Commissioners of said city, duly appointed, qualified, and acting under the provisions of the Statute of the State of Indiana, in relation to the laying out, widening, opening, altering, and vacation of streets, alleys and highways, beg leave to submit the following report on the matter of the vacation of a strip of ground on the south side of Eleventh street, from Central avenue to the Wabash Railroad:

1st. We met at the office of the City Clerk, in Room No. 6, on the 22d day of June, 1885, to examine into the matter of the vacation of said strip of land between the points named, in accordance with a notice of the City Clerk, which notice and the return of the Superintendent of Police endorsed thereon, is filed herewith, as a part hereof, and marked Exhibit "A."

2d. We immediately proceeded to view the street and the strip of land proposed to be vacated, and made due note of the benefits to be derived from said proposed action, both to the city and to the petitioners, and find that the following person owning property, more particularly described in our report to the Clerk of June 22d, 1885, are interested in said vacation, viz: Frances E. and Richard M. Smock, Nancy G. Roberts, Henry L. Wetherald, Wilson Morrow, Guardian of Minnie and Nellie Wiles; Martha A. Wilson, Mary J. Kreig, Susan Porter, Frank Thornton, Sarah C. Heath, Sarah H. Clark, E. E. Holderman, David Roder, Horace M. Hadley, Catharine Meyers, Chas. A. Howland, Joshua Eliason, Rebecca J. Martin, Wm. Wallace, Rec.; Isaac H. and M. A. Harrington, Benj. C. Wright, Samuel Dillon, Henry A. Johnson, Helms, Russe & Plogstroth, Glens Falls Insurance Co. Asa Dollerhide, Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company; That we made due report of said facts to the City Clerk, and required said Clerk to have the petitioner notify said interested parties to meet us on the 17th day of August, at 10 o'clock A. M., when evidence would be heard as to said matters. Said report is filed herewith, as part hereof, and marked exhibit "B."

3d. We further report that we met at the time and place named, and that owing to proper notice not having been served to non-resident owners, we adjourned to meet on Monday, September 21st, 1885, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

4th. We now, on said Monday, the 21st day of September, 1885, further report that the petitioners report proper service made to above named interested parties as shown by affidavit on notice to property owners furnished said petitioners by the Clerk, and made a part of this report, marked exhibit "C;" also, that no objection was made by any of the interested parties to the vacation of a strip of land along the south side of Eleventh street of various widths, as shown by the plat herewith filed and made a part of this report, said strip extending from Central avenue to the Wabash Railroad.

5th. The value of the land vacated is \$250.00, and the number of petitioners benefited is sixteen.

6th. The benefits to the parties desiring the vacation, is in amount equal to the costs of vacation, \$47.70.

7th. There are no persons objecting to said vacation.

8th. The expenses attending this vacation, to be paid by the petitioners, is forty-seven dollars and seventy cents.

We therefore recommend the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that said vacation be made as prayed for.

Respectfully submitted,

William Hadley,
James Renihan,
John L. F. Steeg,
Wm. Johnson,
Jos. T. Magner,
City Commissioners.

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the report of the Board of City Commissioners in the matter of petition of H. M. Hadley et al. asking for the vacation of so much of Eleventh street as will make it of a uniform width of seventy feet between Central avenue and the Wabash railroad be and the same is hereby in all things accepted, adopted and approved, and that in accordance with said report a strip of land along the south side of Eleventh street of various widths, as shown by the plat herewith filed, said strip extending from Central avenue to the Wabash railroad tracks be and the same is hereby vacated.

Resolved further, That the petitioners be and they are hereby required to pay to the City Treasurer within twenty days from the adoption of this resolution, the sum of \$47.70, the amount of expenses reported by the City Commissioners as taxed in this matter, and that said petitioners be and they are hereby required to procure and have recorded in the office of the Recorder of Marion County, the proper certified copies of proceedings and maps, as required by law, at their own expense, and that until such expenses are paid, and proceedings and maps recorded as aforesaid, said portion of Eleventh street shall not be vacated or used otherwise than as now.

Which report was approved, and the resolution adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 19—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, Moran, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Thalman offered a resolution appointing Inspectors and Judges; which was amended, on motion by Councilman Coy, so as to include the Democratic Judges, and as amended, the resolution reads as follows:

Resolved, That the following named persons be, and they are hereby, appointed Inspectors and Judges for the various voting precincts of the several Wards of the City of Indianapolis, at the General City Election to be held on Tuesday, October 13th, 1885, viz:

First Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Ed. A. Castor; Judges, John Furnas and no. A. Webber. 2d Precinct—Inspector, J. E. Watts; Judges, Calvin J. Lindley and Wm. Schulty. 3d Precinct—B. Wade Ritter; Judges, Horace M. Hadley and Samuel I. Craig.

Second Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Jas. P. Baker; Judges, Jos. T. Magner and E. J. Waddle. 2d Precinct—Inspector, Vinson Carter; Judges, A. J. Hay and Fred. Reible. 3d Precinct—Inspector, A. F. Denny; Judges, J. A. Closser and Jackson Landers.

Third Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, J. E. Scott; Judges, J. R. Raynor and John Michalis. 2d Precinct—Inspector, N. S. Byram; Judges, A. A. Barnes and Mathew Garver.

Fourth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Charles Lanier; Judges, Jacob Smith and Andrew Bowman. 2d Precinct—Inspector, Jonas F. Parker; Judges, Abel Davis and John McGee.

Fifth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, S. K. Fletcher; Judges, R. O. Hawkins and Cass, Byfield. 2d Precinct—Inspector, John Tarlton; Judges, Horace T. Mathews and Theo. Woerner.

Sixth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Boswell Ward; Judges, F. A. Lehr and John Landers. 2d Precinct—Inspector, James McMurry; Judges, Sidney H. Johnson and Frank Landers.

Seventh Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Thos. D. Amos; Judges, F. W. Hamilton and August Schmidt. 2d Precinct—Inspector, John Rheinschild; Judge Wm. L. Pyle and Wm. F. Robinson. 3d Precinct—Inspector, J. L. Thompson. Judges, Levi Marshall and Geo. Stumph.

Eighth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, H. C. Zimmerman; Judges, Wm. Koehler and John Schier. 2d Precinct—Inspector, Christopher Zimmerman; Judge H. H. Hutchins and John Helm.

Ninth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Geo. Anderson; Judges, Henry Coburn and Jacob Mitchell. 2d Precinct—Inspector, Philip Reichwein; Judges, Fred Thoms and Chris. Gumph.

Tenth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, James E. Robertson; Judges, Ralph Hill and Conrad Gabel. 2d Precinct—Inspector, John Reynolds; Judges, Chas. F. Munson and W. F. Christian.

Eleventh Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, J. M. Kitchen; Judges, Jno. S. Span and Firman Stout. 2d Precinct—Inspector, J. T. Lecklider; Judges, G. M. Ballard and Joseph Becker. 3d Precinct—Inspector, J. H. Vajen; Judges, Frank Reynolds and J. L. Jones.

Twelfth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, P. H. Fitzgerald; Judges, Charles Johnson and Henry Vogt. 2d Precinct—Inspector, John A. McGaw; Judges, George H. Burton and Jacob Wachstetter.

Thirteenth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, M. F. Connett; Judges, J. S. Hinton and M. F. Farrell. 2d Precinct—Inspector, James Isgrigg; Judges, Derk De Ruyter and Frank A. Maus.

Fourteenth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, W. H. Fulton; Judges, Chas. Herrold and S. B. Corbaley. 2d Precinct—Inspector, John Drake; Judges, Anderson Lewis and Michael McGlenn.

Fifteenth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Lafayette Williams; Judges, Charles Townsend and Daniel Vollmer. 2d Precinct—Inspector, Tim Splann; Judges, John Burns and Henry Albertsmeyer.

Sixteenth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Adam Scott; Judges, Hannibal Taffel and James Renihan. 2d Precinct—Inspector, Wm. Gulliver; Judges, A. S. Paterson and James McHugh. 3d Precinct—Inspector, Hugh J. Drummond. Judges, Jno. M. Wilson and Patrick McDonald.

Seventeenth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, John Geis; Judges, J. M. South and John Stroble. 2d Precinct—Inspector, B. F. Hetherington; Judges, Thomas Gambold and J. Geo. Fahrion.

Eighteenth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Geo. W. Hill; Judges, Joseph Sanger and W. W. Kerr. 2d Precinct—Inspector, Cassius Cornelius; Judges, Joshua S. Coffman and O. H. P. Abbott.

Nineteenth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Hiram Seibert; Judges, John T. Pressley and R. W. Feldkamp. 2d Precinct—Inspector, G. C. Krug; Judges, Jno. Buddenbaum and Daniel Kirk. 3d Precinct—Inspector, Henry Freeman. Judges, R. H. Church and Wm. Piel, Sr.

Twentieth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Joseph Morris; Judges, Geo. W. Hill and Henry Olsen. 2d Precinct—Inspector, L. A. Fulmer; Judges, George Hitz and John W. Hoppe.

Twenty-first Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Gust. Rosberg; Judges, W. F. Barrows and Samuel L. Marrow. 2d Precinct—Inspector, G. S. Bradley; Judges, Levi C. Bowser and Albert Ducket.

Twenty-second Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, M. Steinhauer; Judges, R. S. Colter and Henry Peters. 2d Precinct—Inspector, I. C. Crane; Judges, B. W. Hartley and James Carroll.

Twenty-third Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Tim. McCarty; Judges, David Thone and John Buehler. 2d Precinct—Inspector, August Schultz; Judges, Joseph Hasely and John Vondersaar.

Twenty-fourth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, Levi Sutherland; Judges, E. F. Nodel and August Summer. 2d Precinct—Inspector, Jas. W. Hudson; Judges, N. Norwood and James Johnston.

Twenty-fifth Ward, 1st Precinct—Inspector, John Riley; Judges, Francis Ramoy and Jno. Glickert. 2d Precinct—Inspector, John A. Brown; Judges, Samuel Rice and Geo. W. Foster. 3d Precinct—Inspector, John R. Sourbeer; Judges, Mer J. Funk and John W. Blackwell.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

YES, 19—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, Moran, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynolds, Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Thalman offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following named places be, and the same are hereby, designated as the places for holding the General City Election, to be held on Tuesday, October 13th, 1885, in the City of Indianapolis, viz:

1st Ward, Precinct 1.—No. 1 Clifford avenue. Precinct 2.—Northwest corner of Home and Columbia avenues. Precinct 3.—Northwest corner of Seventh and Alvord streets.

2d Ward, Precinct 1.—Southwest corner of Home avenue and Ash street. Precinct 2.—No. 9 Engine House, corner of Ash and Seventh streets. Precinct 3.—Northeast corner of Alabama and Seventh streets.

3d Ward, Precinct 1.—McCormick's carpenter shop, on Fifth street, between Tennessee and Seventh streets. Precinct 2.—No. 5 Engine House, on Sixth street.

4th Ward, Precinct 1.—No. 251 Indiana avenue. Precinct 2.—No. 347 north California street.

5th Ward, Precinct 1.—No. 306 north Illinois street. Precinct 2.—No. 39 west First street.

6th Ward, Precinct 1.—No. 123 Ft. Wayne avenue. Precinct 2.—Bacon's Block, on Ft. Wayne avenue.

7th Ward, Precinct 1.—No. 2 Engine House, on Massachusetts avenue. Precinct 2.—No. 317 Massachusetts avenue, Capital City Planing Mill. Precinct 3.—Munell's shop, on Peru street.

8th Ward, Precinct 1.—Southwest corner of New York and Davidson streets. Precinct 2.—Northeast corner of New York and Davidson streets.

9th Ward, Precinct 1.—No. 153 east Market street. Precinct 2.—Northwest corner of East and Market streets.

10th Ward, Precinct 1.—No. 92 Massachusetts avenue. Precinct 2.—No. 150 Massachusetts avenue.

11th Ward, Precinct 1.—Headquarters Fire Department, on Massachusetts avenue. Precinct 2.—No. 34 east Ohio street (City Dispensary.) Precinct 3.—No. 12 west Ohio street.

12th Ward, Precinct 1.—No. 1 Engine House, on Indiana avenue. Precinct 2.—No. 118 Indiana avenue.

13th Ward, Precinct 1.—No. 226 west Vermont street. Precinct 2.—No. 223 west Vermont street.

14th Ward, Precinct 1.—No. 74 Minerva street. Precinct 2.—No. 166 Elizabeth street.

15th Ward, Precinct 1.—No. 509 west Washington street. Precinct 2.—No. 50 south West street.

16th Ward, Precinct 1—No. 50 Kentucky avenue. Precinct 2—No. 124 south Tennessee street. Precinct 3—No. 210 south Tennessee street.

17th Ward, Precinct 1—No. 7 Engine House, on Maryland street. Precinct 2—No. 198 south Meridian street.

18th Ward, Precinct 1—Dr. Moore's office, corner of Louisiana street and Virginia avenue. Precinct 2—No. 147 Virginia avenue.

19th Ward, Precinct 1—Northwest corner of Noble and Georgia streets. Precinct 2—Southeast corner of Noble and Georgia streets. Precinct 3—No. 615 east Washington street.

20th Ward, Precinct 1—In rear of Henry Poehler's, No. 430 Virginia avenue. Precinct 2—Rear of No. 444 Virginia avenue.

21st Ward, Precinct 1—Northeast corner of Olive street and Woodlawn avenue. Precinct 2—Engine House on Prospect street.

22d Ward, Precinct 1—Rear of northwest corner of Bradshaw street and Virginia avenue. Precinct 2—Rear of No. 531 Virginia avenue.

23d Ward, Precinct 1—Northwest corner of McCarty and New Jersey street. Precinct 2—No. 10 Engine House, on Madison avenue.

24th Ward, Precinct 1—No. 351 south Meridian street. Precinct 2—No. 5 south Meridian street.

25th Ward, Precinct 1—Southeast corner of Merrill and Missouri streets. Precinct 2—Northwest corner of Maple and Ray streets. Precinct 3—Northeast corner of Wilkins and Maple streets.

Councilman Coy offered the following amendment:

To have voting place of first Precinct, Eighteenth Ward, at Dr. Moore's office

To have voting place of second Precinct, Eighteenth Ward, at No. 147 Virginia avenue.

Councilman Trusler moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Which failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 10—viz. Councilmen Gallahue, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynold Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS, 11—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharte Haugh, Mack, Moran, Reinecke, and Sheppard.

The amendment was then adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 11—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharte Haugh, Mack, Moran, Reinecke, and Sheppard.

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

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted, by the following vote

AYES, 19—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharte Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, Moran, McClelland, Newcomb, Pearson, Reynold Smither, Spahr, Thalman, Trusler, and Wharton.

NAYS—None.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

to the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Judiciary Committee, to whom were referred certain papers, report thereon as follows:

1. We recommend that the \$10 paid by Dr. James M. Tomlinson for repair of sidewalk on Massachusetts avenue, be refunded, as asked in his petition of September 7, he having made the repairs under the order of the Street Commissioner at his own expense previously.

2. We recommend that the motion of the Board of Aldermen instructing the Street Commissioner to file against John Edwards be not concurred in, and that Mr. Fohl's proposition to cancel his contract with the city on the refunding of his money heretofore paid, be accepted.

We also recommend that all bill-boards be removed from the city's bridges, lamp-posts, and public grounds by the Street Commissioner, and that none be allowed to be erected until the further action of the Council and Board of Aldermen.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Newcomb,
P. M. Gallahue,
Committee on Judiciary.

The Committee on Ordinances, through Councilman Benjamin, introduced the following entitled ordinance; which was read the first time:

Ord. O. 34, 1885—An ordinance prohibiting the peddling of fruit on certain streets in the City of Indianapolis, and repealing all ordinances coming in conflict therewith.

Later in the session, Councilman Thalman moved a suspension of the rules for the purpose of placing the above ordinance on its final passage.

Which failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 16—viz. Councilman Benjamin, Coy, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, Moran, McClelland, Pearson, Reynolds, Sheppard, Spahr, Thalman, and Wharton.

NAYS, 4—viz. Councilmen Curry, Newcomb, Reinecke, and Trusler.

On motion by Councilman Reinecke, later still in the session, the above motion was reconsidered, by the following vote:

AYES, 14—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Doyle, Edenharter, Haugh, Mack, Moran, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Spahr, Thalman, and Wharton.

NAYS, 4—viz. Councilmen Gallahue, McClelland, Newcomb, and Trusler.

The rules were then suspended, by the following vote:

AYES, 17—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Curry, Dowling, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, Moran, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Sheppard, Spahr, Thalman, and Wharton.

NAYS, 3—viz. Councilmen McClelland, Newcomb, and Trusler.

The ordinance was then read the second time, ordered engrossed, read the third time, and failed of passage, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz. Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Dowling, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Spahr, and Wharton.

NAYS, 12—Councilmen Curry, Doyle, Edenharter, Gallahue, Haugh, Mack, Morand, McClelland, Newcomb, Sheppard, Thalman, and Trusler.

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

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Your committee to whom were referred the erection of vapor lights on the following streets, viz: One on Hanway street, between Meridian and Chestnut street; one on Eighth street, between Tennessee and Illinois streets; one on Ninth street, between Tennessee and Illinois streets; one on Mississippi street, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets; three on Seventh, between Mississippi street and Michigan Road; one at the bridge across the Canal, on Sixth street. Also, that the furthest lamp west on Third street, together with three additional ones to be placed on Second street, west of West street. Recommend the same be done.

Respectfully submitted,

P. M. Gallahue,
T. F. Smither.

The Committee on Sewers and Drainage, through Councilman McClelland, submitted the following report; which was received:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Sewers and Drainage, together with the City Civil Engineer, to whom was referred the matter pertaining to the extension of the Ray street sewer from Pogue's Run to the river, submit the following as the report:

We have made a careful examination of the condition of Pogue's Run, as caused by the disposing of the sewage from the Ray street sewer, and agree with the petitioners asking for relief, in the fact that in dry weather the stench arising from the impurities in said run is very injurious to the comfort and health of the residents of that part of the city. We further find, upon investigation, that the matter complained of only exists at times when there is no water in said Run. Further, we find that during a greater portion of the summer, and particularly the time of the greatest complaint, that on account of the several bridge abutments being built along the run, that there was absolutely no water in said run, that the whole of it was turned into the Washington street sewer at Noble street, and there was not sufficient water discharged into the run by the Ray street sewer, that the foul matter was permitted to become a nuisance.

We find by the survey made by the City Civil Engineer, that the extension of the Ray street sewer to White River, would be impracticable, we were therefore inclined to the opinion that to construct a branch from the present terminus of the Ray street sewer to the river, for the purpose of carrying the dry weather flow was the proper thing to do, until by the survey of the engineer we learn that would involve excavating to the depth of twenty-five feet, and for nearly nine hundred feet to a depth of twenty feet.

After learning these facts we are of the opinion that as the branch could only be of benefit during extreme dry weather, that the benefits derived would not compensate for the large amount of money expended.

We are of the opinion that to afford relief to the immediate vicinity as well as to benefit all the property along Pogue's Run subject to overflow, that Pogue's Run should be straightened by cutting a new channel from the bend just north of Catherine street, and empty into the river at the foot of McCarty street, this new channel could be walled up, and, if necessary, arched over, and the run for a short

distance thus be made a large sewer. The distance from the proposed cut-off would be but one-fourth of a mile, whereas the distance by the present channel to the river from the same point, is one and one quarter miles.

Pogue's Run south of Catherine street could then be filled up, and property through which it now runs would be reclaimed. The Ray street sewer could then be extended to the river, and the nuisance complained of, as well as the floods, would be permanently abated. For the reasons above given we are of the opinion that no temporary expedient should be resorted to, and as it is found practicable the city should consider the advisability of making the change above referred to.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert McClelland,
Isaac Thalman,

Committee.

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Curry, as to the above report, offered the following motion; which was amended, "requiring the City Civil Engineer to report to the Common Council the probable cost," and then adopted:

That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, directed to prepare plans and invite bids for the straightening of Pogue's Run, from the bend north of Catharine street to the River at the foot of McCarty street, as contemplated by the report of the Committee on Sewers and Drainage and City Civil Engineer, of this date.

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

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys to whom sundry papers were referred, would report:

1. Is a resolution to change the name of Noble street, west of White River, to Traub street, and State street changed to Spaulding. Recommend said resolution be amended to change name of Noble street to Kelly, and State street to Traub, and then adopted.

2. Is a motion "That the City Civil Engineer set stakes adjusting the grade of the sidewalk at and near the northeast corner of Mississippi and Vermont streets to the surrounding grades, and that the Street Commissioners relay said walks on said new grade at the city's expense." Recommend the matter be referred to the City Attorney with instruction to ascertain the city's liability.

3. Is the proposition of John W. Ray to sell to the city certain piece of ground for proposed straightening Massachusetts avenue for five hundred dollars. Recommend said proposition be accepted, providing said conveyance be made for four hundred and fifty dollars.

4. To change the name of Biddle street to Walnut street. Recommend said change be made.

5. Is the matter of opening and widening of the first alley east of the Belt railroad from Walnut street to the first alley, so as to intersect with the street that Traub has opened. We recommend that the money appropriated some time ago for opening a street on the bank of the river be used, or so much of said appropriation as may be necessary for the opening of this street, the property owners interested binding themselves to pay all further expenses in opening and improving said street.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Reynolds,
J. W. Wharton,
Julius F. Reinecke,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Councilman Smither was excused for the remainder of this session.

By consent, Councilman Newcomb presented the following petition which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Madison avenue and East street, between Lincoln Lane and Nebraska street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the vacation of the plat of ground known as Woodruff's subdivision of Morris' addition, as recorded in Plat Book 4 page 45, in the Recorder's office of Marion County, in which small strips of ground 30 feet in width were left in the streets, making the streets 90 feet and 116 feet wide respectively, in order to substitute therefor the plat herewith submitted, which makes the streets more nearly uniform in width with streets in the vicinity, and of much less expense, should the owners who have small homesteads in the addition desire them improved.

D. Root, Executor of the will of Kate H. Root, 1510 feet;
Peter Schoob, 80 feet; Caroline Coburn, 200 feet;
Henry D. Pierce (Lot 30) 40 feet; T. A. Hendricks,
Lots 1, 14, 54, 97 and 99, 220 feet; James Maloy, 62
feet; Wm. H. English, 120 feet; Louis G. Ruth, 40 feet.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The following message was read, and the matter referred to the Committee on Public Property:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, in regular session, held in the Alderman Chamber, Monday evening, September 14th, 1885, concurred in the report of certain Special Committee, recommending the following proposition of the Indianapolis Fertilizer Company be accepted; that the Sellers Farm be advertised for rent to the highest bidder, and the City Civil Engineer be instructed to visit said Farm and make an estimate of the cost of making proper and necessary break waters, &c., to protect said Farm.

"Indianapolis, Ind., August 18th, 1885.

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

Gentlemen:—Owing to some dissatisfaction among the members of your honorable body, with regard to our proposition to erect a break-water and mattress on the White River front of the Sellers Farm, we will so modify our bid of April 20th 1885, as to leave out the contract mentioned, and will pay the city (\$500) five hundred dollars in cash for a receipt in full for all claims for rents against us up to September 1st, 1885, the city then to be free to let the contract for the work to the lowest bidder. Trusting this may meet your approval, we are respectfully, &c.,

INDIANAPOLIS FERTILIZER Co.,

Per G. Wiselogel, Treas'r.

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

FRANK W. RIPLEY, Clerk.

The following message was read and received:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen in regular session, held in the Alderman Chamber, Monday evening, September 14, 1885, ordered two vapor light lamps placed on Second street.

For the Board of Aldermen:

FRANK W. RIPLEY, Clerk.

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 Doyle:

S. O. 98, 1885—An ordinance to provide for graveling the roadway of River street or avenue, from Kentucky avenue to White River bridge.

By Councilman McClelland:

S. O. 99, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of John street, from Massachusetts avenue to Hanna street.

S. O. 100, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of North street, from Noble street to Pine street.

G. O. 35, 1885—An ordinance requiring the Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific Railway Company; the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati & Indianapolis Railway Company, and the Indiana, Bloomington & Western Railway Company, to station and maintain a Flagman at the crossing of their tracks and St. Clair street.

By Councilman Newcomb, which was referred to the Judiciary Committee:

G. O. 36, 1885—An ordinance regulating the use of the streets and other public places by persons who are engaged in the business of blacking boots and selling newspapers, &c.

By Councilman Reinecke, accompanied with petition:

S. O. 101, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley south of Stevens street, from Water street to Virginia avenue, and establishing the width of the same.

Indianapolis, Sept. 7, 1885.

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 south of Stevens street, between Virginia avenue and Water street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance for grading and graveling the above alley, and to provide for sidewalks.

JOHN H. RATHERT,
WM. PHELAN.

By Councilman Spahr:

S. O. 102, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Park avenue, from Eighth street to Ninth street, and widening the sidewalks thereof.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

Councilman Reynolds introduced the following entitled ordinance, which was read the first time:

SIG. 60.

Ap. O. 47, 1885—An ordinance appropriating the sum of Three Thousand (\$3,000) Dollars, on account of improving the State Ditch, in the City of Indianapolis.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Councilman Benjamin offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That W. H. Travis be granted license to auctioneer goods at No. 71 East Washington street for the period of three months.

Councilman Benjamin offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Public Light:

That one Vapor light be placed at the intersection of Chesapeake street and the first alley running north, between Meridian and Illinois streets.

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

That the Street Commissioner be directed to lay a single stone crossing on Virginia avenue, between South and Louisiana streets.

That the Street Commissioner fill with broken stone on Virginia avenue between the Union and Bee-Line tracks.

Councilman Coy offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Water:

That the Street Commissioner be directed to remove the fountain from the north-east corner of South and East streets to the point of Virginia avenue and New Jersey streets.

Councilman Curry offered the following motions; which were referred to the Committee on Public Light:

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to locate three Vapor lamps on Chadwick street.

That two Vapor lamps be located on Grant street, west of West street.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to lay double stone crossings across Market street, on both sides of Hanna street.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill with broken stone the holes in Davidson street, between Market and North streets.

Councilman Gallahue offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Water:

That the Street Commissioner, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, be directed to remove the water fountain at the corner of East street and Virginia avenue, sixty feet further north on the east side of East street, in order to clear the street crossings of teams that congregate at the fountain for water.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to put a culvert over the east gutter of New Jersey street, at the crossing of New York street.

Councilman Pearson presented the following petitions; which were referred to the Judiciary Committee:

To the Hon. Board of Councilmen and Aldermen, City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, on the 9th day of February, 1880, bought at city tax sale 18 feet west side of middle part of Out-lot 160, in the City of Indianapolis, sold in the name of C. Harris, under certificate 8,013, paying therefor, February 9th, 1880. \$35 81
 Paid subsequent tax, January 4, 1881..... 2 67
 Paid subsequent tax, February 23, 1883.. 4 04
 Paid subsequent tax, February 5, 1884..... 6 35
 Interest, at 6 per cent. on the several amounts to date 13 54

Amount due and refundable..... \$62 41

Said sale was void, for the reason that there is no such ground in said Out-lot answering said description. Said C. Harris did not own of record any property in said Out-lot, so charged or described on tax books. Wherefore sale should be cancelled and money refunded. Petitioner therefore prays refunding of said sum of \$62.41.

F. McWHINNEY,

By J. T. Lecklider, his Attorney in fact.

I find it impossible to locate any part of a lot by the above description.

Indianapolis, April 27, 1885.

S. H. SHEARER.

To the Hon. Councilmen and Board of Aldermen of City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen—Your petitioner shows that on the 8th day of May, 1880, the following described property was sold for city taxes, to-wit: "38 by 117 feet east of 89 feet in southwest corner Square 5, in Out-lot 157, Wiley's subdivision," for the sum of..... \$29 00
 That subsequent taxes were paid January 4, 1881..... 2 68
 That subsequent taxes were paid March 4, 1883..... 4 04
 That subsequent taxes were paid January 30, 1885..... 4 95
 Interest on said sums to date.....

And says said sale was void, because there is no such property, Wiley never having made a subdivision in Square 5, in Out-lot 157; that it was sold as property of Wm. Y. Wiley's heirs; that at the time of sale, there was no such ground in said square certified to above description as delinquent.

F. McWHINNEY,

By J. T. Lecklider, Att'y. in fact.

Councilman Reinecke offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Committee on Railroads be requested to make a report to this Council at the next meeting, on the resolution offered by me some three months ago in regard to moving the C, I, St. L. & C. Railroad tracks across Virginia avenue.

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

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to dig a small trench from the southern terminus of Wright street to the low ground on Munson street.

Councilman Reynolds presented the following petition; which was granted:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Owing to delay in receiving material I respectfully request thirty days additional time to complete my contract on Maryland street, between West and Helen streets.

J. L. SPAULDING.

Indianapolis, Sept. 21, 1885.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of September, 1885.

[Seal.]

WM. C. PHIPPS, Notary Public.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Reynolds,

Wm. Curry,

Board of Public Improvements.

Councilman Reynolds presented the following communication; which was referred, on motion by Councilman Thalman, to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, with power to act, under instructions from the City Attorney:

To the Honorable, the Common Council of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would respectfully ask your honorable body for relief from the following annoyance: The market wagons, containing all kinds of produce, poultry, &c., brought to the city for sale, are backed up against the sidewalk in front of Nos 96, 98 and 100 north Alabama street, and place their marketing in the grass plat between the curb and the pavement, continuing from three to five hours, killing the grass, and obstructing all carriages from stopping in front of the house, also leaving the manure from the horses and chickens, rotten tomatoes, corn husks, and all kinds of garbage, festering in the sun, and I am compelled to rake it up and burn what I can after they leave, to relieve ourselves from the bad smell, and to prevent disease. My tenants have complained, and threaten to vacate the premises, and I respectfully ask if they have the right to thus use private property to the injury of the same, and discomfort of the occupants.

Very respectfully,

FREDERICK BAGGS,

No. 100 north Alabama street.

Councilman Spahr presented the following petition, accompanied with motion; which was referred to the Committee on Water:

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

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, hereby pray your honorable bodies to require the Indianapolis Water Company to lay a water main on Delaware street, from Seventh to Eighth street.

Austin F. Denny, W. H. Coburn, A. S. Benson, W. H. Kandleberger, John T. Wilson, Jno. B. Gough, W. J. Richards, Chas. Rouser, J. W. Harper.

Moved by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, the Board of Aldermen of said city concurring, That the Indianapolis Water Company be, and is hereby, required to lay a water main in Delaware street, from Seventh street to Eighth street.

Councilman Thalman, for Councilman Smither, offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That G. W. Walker be allowed to make a bowldered driveway across sidewalk at 522 North California street, the crossing to be made on First street at his own expense and under supervision of City Engineer.

Also, the following motions; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner lay one single stone crossing corner of Elizabeth and Blake streets across Blake street.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to re-gravel three squares on west Pratt street, and re-gravel on Leland and Pratt streets where below the street.

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

That the Police Commissioners be requested to instruct the Police officers to file against the Union Railway Company whenever it comes to their notice that the safety-gates at the railroad crossings are not used as is required by ordinance; and that they be instructed to give this their special attention, when in such localities.

That the sidewalks of Springfield street when improved be graded to a width of twenty feet, and that J. L. Spaulding be permitted to pave and curb the sidewalk in front of lots 6 and 7, square 3, out-lot 12, at his own expense and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, who is hereby directed to set the necessary grade stakes.

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

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to repair the sidewalk on the east side of Spruce street, between Orange street and Pleasant Run, where damaged by overflow from the gutter.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following charges:

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

Gentlemen.—Henry W. Ridpath, M. D., prefers the following charges against the management of the Indianapolis City Hospital, as conducted by Dr. W. N. Wishard, Superintendent thereof, and asks that the same be given due consideration:

1st. The Superintendent, Wishard, is neglectful of the comfort, health and rights of the employes of said institution.

2d. That he is grossly neglectful of the interests and welfare of the patients therein.

3d. That his personal habits and conduct in and about said institution are bad, and such as render him unfit for the discharge of the duties of his position.

4th. That he wilfully, and with gross carelessness, often neglects and fails to make proper disposition of the dead.

HENRY W. RIDPATH.

STATE OF INDIANA, *Marion County*:

Personally appeared before me, this 21st day of September, Henry W. Ridpath, who subscribed the foregoing statement, and being duly sworn, upon his oath, said the same is true in substance and in fact.

Witness my hand and Notarial seal, this 21st day of September, 1885.

[Seal.]

WM. A. FOSTER, Notary Public.

Councilman Sheppard presented the following:

Moved in amendment: That the committee be also directed to examine into and report to this Council the alleged fact of one Dr. Ridpath having attempted to bribe one or more members of this Council.

Councilman Haugh moved to refer the above to a Special Committee of three; which was laid on the table, on motion by Councilman Pearson

On motion, the whole matter was referred to the Hospital Board.

Councilman McClelland moved that when this Common Council adjourns, it adjourn to meet next Monday evening, September 28th, 1885

Councilman Coy moved to amend the above motion so that the Common Council adjourn to meet a week from Monday, viz: October 5th 1885.

It being now eleven o'clock, by virtue of Rule 61, "*The Council shall not, without a suspension of the rules by a two-thirds vote, sit later on an evening than eleven o'clock,*" the Common Council was declared adjourned

JOHN L. McMASTER, Mayor,
President of the Common Council.

Attest: GEO. T. BREUNIG, City Clerk.