

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

ADJOURNED SESSION—APRIL 7, 1886.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Council Chamber, Wednesday evening, April 7th, A. D. 1886, at 7:30 o'clock, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT—Hon. Caleb S. Denny, Mayor, and *ex officio* President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 24 members, viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenbarter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

ABSENT, 1—viz: Councilman Smith.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the regular session, held March 15th, and the adjourned session held March 22d, 1886, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

OPENING AND REFERRING SEALED PROPOSALS FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

Sealed proposals for making the below described improvements were opened, read, and referred to the Committee on Contracts:

(S. O. 119, 1885)—For grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk of Belfontaine avenue, from Eighth street to Ninth street.

(S. O. 18, 1886)—For grading and graveling Tenth street and sidewalks, from Central avenue to Greenwood street.

(S. O. 4, 1885)—For the construction of a brick sewer, two and one-half feet internal diameter, in and along McCarty street, from Delaware street to Madison avenue.

The following communication from His Honor, the Mayor, and City Clerk, was read and approved:

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

Gentlemen.—The undersigned would respectfully report that they did, in pursuance of the resolution concurrently adopted by your honorable bodies on March 8th, and the instructions of your Finance Committees, execute Time Warrants of the city to the amount of \$32,100, drawing 4 per cent. interest per annum, dated April 1st, and maturing December 1st, 1886, payable at the County Treasurer's of-

face, in this city, and other warrants to the amount of \$67,900, drawing 4½ per cent., dated April 1st, and maturing December 1st, 1886, payable in New York—all of which were negotiated at par.

We did not negotiate the loan of seven thousand four hundred and forty dollars (\$7,440.00) to meet the interest on certain of the city's outstanding bonds, as authorized by your honorable bodies, for the reason that there was sufficient funds in the hands of the Treasurer to meet said interest.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY, Mayor.

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The City Clerk submitted the following report; which was read and received:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit an itemized statement, showing the amount of orders drawn on the city treasury during the month of March, 1886, viz:

Board of Health.....	\$ 181 00
Bridges.....	999 00
City Civil Engineer's Department.....	203 80
City Dispensary.....	309 10
City Hall.....	574 68
City Hospital and Branch.....	1,555 23
Fire Department accounts.....	7,287 31
Fire Department—pay-rolls.....	4,925 00
Gas.....	6,022 28
Incidentals.....	140 45
Interest on bonds.....	2,200 45
Judgments and costs.....	52 60
Market-Masters' fees.....	178 18
Parks.....	112 00
Police.....	4,118 29
Printing.....	283 18
Salary.....	146 33
Station House.....	205 87
Street repairs—pay roll, \$1,371 80; accounts, \$188 82.....	1,560 62
Street openings and vacations.....	204 00
Water rent.....	8,035 00
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	\$ 39,294 37
Market House and Public Hall.....	2,340 00
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Total.....	\$ 41,634 37

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The following report from the City Clerk was read and approved:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—I hereby inform your honorable bodies that I did, on April 23d, 1886, serve notice on the Indianapolis Water Company, of Indianapolis, to lay water mains on English avenue, between Harrison and Dillon streets, in accordance with the resolution adopted by you on March 15th and 22d, 1886. Such service was made by reading and leaving a copy of said resolution to and with F. A. W. Davis, Vice President and Treasurer of Indianapolis Water Company.

Respectfully submitted,

March 24, 1886.

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The following report from the Treasurer for the City was read, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

Report of Hiram W. Miller—Receipts and Disbursements for the City of Indianapolis, March, 1886.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand March 1.....	\$ 12,846 30
Proceeds of loan.....	40,000 00
Sale of city bonds.....	32,100 00
Miscellaneous receipts.....	7,396 30
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	\$ 92,342 60
Less one days' orders redeemed in February, and omitted in former report.....	649 00
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Total receipts.....	\$ 91,693 60

DISBURSEMENTS.

By city orders redemed in March.....	\$ 36,347 96
Draft to Winslow, Lanier & Co., sale of bonds, &c.....	33,100 00
Exchange.....	33 10
Balance on hand.....	22,212 54
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	\$ 91,693 60

Respectfully submitted,
HIRAM W. MILLER, Treasurer for City.

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

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—By your action had at the last meeting of the Council, I was directed to report my opinion in answer to the inquiry as to whether or not the city can sub-lease the vacant rooms in the Court House basement. On a careful examination of the lease, I find that the city's lease of the basement of the Court House expires January 1st, 1888, and that during the continuance of the present lease, the city is expressly prohibited from sub-leasing any part of said basement, or of using it for any other than city purposes.

Respectfully submitted, WM. L. TAYLOR, City Attorney.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was read and received:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—By direction of the Council and Board of Aldermen, I was directed to visit the Sellers Farm, and make an estimate of the cost of protecting said Farm by break-waters. I have visited said Farm, and find that portion of the same on which the buildings are located, has been greatly damaged, and is being so at times of even an ordinary high water, by reason of the currents cutting away the west bank of the River. In my opinion, the best and cheapest protection to said bank, would be by building two crib break-waters, which I have estimated, and find would cost \$1,500.00.

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

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 Joseph Bernauer, for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk of Ninth street, from Tennessee street to the first alley east of Tennessee street.

252 lineal feet, at 29 cents.....	\$73 08
7.82 square yards of bowldering, at 55 cents.....	4 30
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	\$77 38

A first and final estimate in behalf of J. W. Cooper & Co., for grading and bowldering the south gutter of Noble street, from Pennsylvania street to Meridian street.

420 lineal feet, at 46 cents.....	\$193 20
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A first and final estimate in behalf of Fred. Gansberg, for grading and graveling the first alley south of Prospect street, from Olive street to the first alley west of Olive street.

320 lineal feet, at 15 cents.....	\$48 00
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A first and final estimate in behalf of Fulmer & Seibert, for grading and bowldering the north gutter of Merrill street, from Alabama street to the J., M. & I. Railroad tracks.

603.60 lineal feet, at 33 cents.....	\$199 18
1.25 square yards re-bowldering, at 25 cents.....	37
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	\$199 55.

A first and final estimate in behalf of J. R. Miller, for painting the following bridges, according to contract:

New York street bridge over the Canal.....	\$ 48 00
Vermont street bridge over the Canal.....	60 00
North street bridge over the Canal.....	48 00
Walnut street bridge over the Canal.....	34 00
First street bridge over the Canal.....	20 00
Third street bridge over the Canal.....	20 00
Fifth street bridge over the Canal.....	30 00
Indiana avenue over Fall Creek.....	160 00
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	\$420 00

A first and final estimate in behalf of John W. Cooper & Co. for grading, bowldering and curbing the south gutter of First street, from Tennessee street to Mississippi street.

494.16 lineal feet of bowldering, at 38 cents.....	\$187 78
443.95 lineal feet of curbing, at 38 cents.....	168 70
63.80 lineal feet of double walk-stone, at 60 cents.....	38 28
42.50 lineal feet of curb re-set, at 7 cents.....	2 97
9.60 square yards brick re-laid, at 25 cents.....	2 46
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	\$400 13

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 Joseph Bernauer, for grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Ninth street, from Tennessee street to the first alley east of Tennessee 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, 20—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

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. W. Cooper & Co., for grading and bowldering the south gutter of North street, from Pennsylvania street to Meridian 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, 20—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

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 Fred. Gansberg, for grading and graveling the first alley south of Prospect street, from Olive street to the first alley west of Olive 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, 20—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

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 Fulmer & Seibert, for grading and bowldering the north gutter of Merrill street, from Alabama street to the J., M. & I. Railroad tracks, 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, 20—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

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. W. Cooper & Co., for grading, bowldering and curbing the south gutter of First street, from Tennessee street to Mississippi 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, 20—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

The City Rental Agent submitted the following report; which was read and received:

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

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit report of rents collected from Tomlinson estate, as follows:

Mrs Thomson, No. 113 north Illinois street, for March.....	\$25 00
Mrs. Thomson, back rent for February	2 00
Mrs. Mahan, No. 115 north Illinois street, March.....	25 00
Mrs. Mahan, back rent	5 00
Mrs. Overman, partial payment for March.....	13 00
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	\$70 00
Less commission.....	2 45
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	\$67 55
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Respectfully submitted,

April 5th, 1886.

WM. HADLEY, Agent.

The following communication from the City Rental Agent was read, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

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

Gentlemen:—I have a proposition for the sale of the south two-thirds of the Tomlinson Block. If it is the desire of your honorable bodies to sell the same, will you please take the necessary steps to consummate the sale?

WM. HADLEY, Agent.

The following communication from the Street Commissioner was read, and referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

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

Gentlemen:—I would ask what disposition I shall make of the old Steam Road Roller "Romeo," or what is left of it. It is stored on the "Park Lot." Said lot having been sold by the city, the property holder has notified me to have it removed.

Respectfully submitted, C. S. RONEY, Street Commissioner.

The Chief Fire Engineer submitted his first quarterly report, showing receipts and disbursements from January 1st, 1886, to April 1st, 1886; which was read and received, and placed on file in the City Clerk's office.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

The Superintendent of the City Dispensary submitted his report for March, 1886; which was read and received.

The Board of Health submitted the Mortality report for the two weeks ending March 31st, 1886; which was read and received.

The Board of Public Improvements and Street Commissioner, through Councilman Herig, 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 March, together with the total expenditure to April 1, 1886:

Pay-rolls.....	\$ 1,371 80
Blacksmithing.....	11 40
Bowlders.....	6 00
Castings for sewers.....	13 77
Fountain repairs.....	10 75
Gravel.....	25 10
Hardware.....	13 75
Lumber.....	99 05
Rent for Lumber Yard.....	9 00
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Total expenditure for March, 1886.....	\$ 1,560 62
Total expenditures per last report.....	2,839 55
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Expenditures to April 1st, 1886.....	\$ 4,400 17

Respectfully submitted,

John H. Herig,
C. H. Stuckmeyer,
R. McClelland,
Board of Public Improvements.

C. S. RONEY, Street Commissioner.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance, through Councilman Thalman, submitted the following report; which was read and approved:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred a motion to report the amount of the late Treasurer Pattison's deficit, and the amount lost from each fund, report that the books show as follows; also Pattison's report of Jan. 4, 1886:

Of General Fund.....	\$ 77,055 29
Tomlinson Estate fund.....	7,655 65
Additional City Hall fund.....	52,943 92
Sewer fund.....	12,634 99
Sinking fund.....	46,753 57

\$197,043 42

Out of which has been paid :

Bonds and interest.....	\$ 9,124 31
Interest to Winslow, Lanier & Co.....	56,917 69
Balance credited to the following funds :	
General fund.....	20,137 60
Tomlinson fund.....	182 43
Amount of Treasurer's deficit.....	110,681 39

\$197,043 42

Or, in other words, amount due from Pattison and his bondsmen, to each of the following funds, is :

Tomlinson fund.....	\$ 7,473 22
Additional City Hall fund.....	52,943 92
Sewer fund.....	12,634 99
Sinking fund.....	37,629 26

\$110,681 39

- A communication was also referred to us from the Sexton of Greenlawn Cemetery, regarding the purchase of three Lots, No. 19, belonging to the heirs of Wm. Boaz, and Lots No. 22 and 26, belonging to the heirs of Samuel P. Daniels. We recommend that \$15 00 each be paid for them, and that the amount of \$45.00 be placed in the next miscellaneous appropriation ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Thalman,
J. F. Reinecke,
Joseph H. Howes,
Committee on Finance.

Councilman Rooker, in behalf of the Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney, submitted the following report; which was read and approved :

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

Gentlemen:—Your Committee to whom was referred the annexed resolutions, (see page 177, *ante*), report that on the 20th day of March, we met in conjunction with Messrs. Wallick, Brownell and Hockett, of the Central Union Telephone Company, and after discussing and considering said resolutions, and holding conference with said gentlemen, it was mutually agreed that the committee should adjourn, and meet again on the 3d inst., at which time the Central Union Telephone Company would determine and report to this committee whether they would discontinue business or comply with the law now in force, regulating their company. And that said company, by Messrs. Wallick and Brownell, submitted to this committee the following as their ultimatum and final decision as to their future action in the premises.

CENTRAL UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY,
MANAGER'S OFFICE, Indianapolis, Ind., April 3d, 1886. }

Hon. C. S. Denny, Mayor, C. A. Rooker, Chairman, and Members of the Judiciary Committee :

Gentlemen:—Referring to the matter under discussion at the meeting of your committee on the 20th inst., which we were kindly invited to attend, we beg leave to submit the following :

It seemed to be the sense of the majority of the committee that the Telephone Company would be guilty of unfair discrimination between its patrons, by discontinuing the service of a portion of its subscribers April 1st, and the remainder July

1st, and for this reason the City Council should intervene and repeal at once the ordinance granting the use of the streets and alleys for its poles and wires.

To this it was replied, and is here repeated, that the company has no intention to discriminate in any way between its various subscribers, but is governed solely in its action by two considerations: First, to close its Exchange business at the earliest possible practicable time, as it has declared it would be obliged to do ever since the passage of the Williams bill in the Legislature. Secondly, to carry out its contracts with each and every patron according to their respective terms. These contracts differ in this: that in a portion the company is required to give notice of termination 30 days preceding the end of a quarter, while in the others a simply 15 days' notice is permitted by their terms. The company has, however, expressed its willingness to immediately cancel the contract of any subscriber who requests it.

We were asked to procure from the Board of Directors—and time was given for that purpose—an answer to substantially the following question: If the Council will refrain from immediately repealing the ordinance giving said company the right to use the streets and alleys for telephone lines, will the company continue its service up to the first of July to all subscribers desiring it whose contracts terminate April 1st? This question has received very careful consideration from the Board of Directors and the legal advisers of the company, and they have decided that business and legal considerations alike require that it should not deviate from the course already marked out, *i. e.* to terminate all contracts at the earliest possible date.

In conclusion, we desire to submit as reasons why no hostile action should be taken against this company: That it has given its patrons prompt and efficient service, that the large majority have always conceded was worth all that was asked for it; That it has given the city in return for the privilege granted, the free use of 23 telephones, and of about 600 of its 1000 poles, for fire-alarm wires, and proposes to continue doing so as long as it uses the streets and alleys for any purpose.

It has always carried out its contracts in good faith, and therefore most respectfully protests on its own behalf, and on that of its patrons, against any action on the honorable body you represent, which will in any way hinder it from completing its contract with them.

Very respectfully submitted,

C. H. BROWNELL }
Jno. F. WALLICK, } Directors.

Your Committee now report the accompanying ordinance, and recommend a suspension of the Rules, and the immediate passage of the same. We recommend the passage of this ordinance because said company will not comply with the law now in force, and inasmuch as said company claim that they can not and will not comply with it.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. Rooker,
M. M. Cummings,
Geo. F. Edenharter,
Committee on Judiciary.

C. S. DENNY, Mayor.

WM. L. TAYLOR, City Attorney.

Councilman Rooker, in behalf of the Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney, introduced the following entitled ordinance, which was read the first time:

G. O. 10, 1886—An ordinance to repeal an ordinance entitled "An ordinance granting E. W. Gleason and his associates, under the name and style of the 'Indiana District Telephone Company,' the privilege of using the streets and alleys of the City of Indianapolis in constructing, operating and maintaining lines of telephones in said city;" ordained and established the 17th day of February, 1879.

On motion by Councilman Cummings, the Rules were suspended for the purpose of placing G. O. 10, 1886, on its final passage, by the following vote:

AYES, 23—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

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

AYES, 23—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Rooker, in behalf of the Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney, offered the following resolution; which was read:

Be it Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That all resolutions heretofore passed, granting to the Central Union Telephone Company the right and privilege of erecting, maintaining and operating telephone lines on the streets and alleys of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 23—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reinecke, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Rooker, in behalf of the Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney, submitted the following reports; which were concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney, to whom was referred the petition and resolution of J. I. Ferguson, C. A. Ferguson and others, to the effect that if the city would pay the expense of paving the sidewalk "through their ground, they would quit-claim to the city a strip of ground 126 54 100 feet front and 16½ feet deep" on Seventh street, would report that, in their opinion, said strip of ground now belongs to the city, and therefore recommend that said petition be not granted, and that said resolution be not adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. Rooker,
M. M. Cummings,
Geo. F. Edenharter,
Committee on Judiciary.

WM. L. TAYLOR, City Attorney.

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

Gentlemen.—Your Committee, to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 9, 1886, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and that understanding that there will be a number of other ordinances introduced before this Council of a similar nature to the one under consideration, your committee recommend that no action be taken on the ordinance pending, until next Monday evening, at which time your committee recommend that a special meeting of the Council be had.

Your committee further recommend that the City Clerk be instructed to at once give public notice that there will be a general meeting of the Councilmen and Aldermen next Saturday afternoon, in this Council Chamber, at two o'clock, at which time all parties desiring telephone franchises can be present and present their claims therefor.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY, Mayor.
W. L. TAYLOR, City Attorney.

C. F. Rooker,
M. M. Cummings,
Geo. F. Edenharter,
Committee on Judiciary.

Councilman Cummings offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That when the Council adjourns, it adjourn to meet next Monday night.

Councilman Rooker, in behalf of the Committee on Public Light, submitted the following reports; which were concurred in, and the recommendations adopted:

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

Gentlemen.—Your Committee on Public Light, to whom was referred Special Ordinances Nos. 40 and 155, year 1883; Special Ordinances Nos. 20, 107, 130, year 1884; Special Ordinances Nos. 53, 63, 65, 66, 67, 71, 72, 78, 87, 88, 115 and 128, year 1885, and Special Ordinances Nos. 4, 16, 24, 25, year 1886, have carefully considered the same, and report that inasmuch as the city's finances will not justify the passage of said ordinances, we recommend that they all be stricken from the files.

We have examined Special Ordinances Nos. 9, 21, 22 and 26, of 1886, and No. 50, of 1885, and recommend their passage.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. Rooker,
Theo. F. Smither,
C. E. Haugh,
Committee on Public Light.

S. O's. 40 and 155, 1883; S. O's. 20, 107, and 130, 1884; S. O's. 53, 63, 65, 66, 67, 71, 72; 78, 87, 88, 115 and 128, 1885, and S. O's. 4, 16, 24 and 25, 1886, were, on motion, stricken from the files.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen.—The following motion was referred to your Committee on Public Light:

"That the lamp-post just east of Ellsworth street, on New York street, be moved west to the corner of New York and Ellsworth streets, so as to light both of the streets."

We recommend the above motion be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. Rooker,
Theo. F. Smither,
C. E. Haugh,
Committee on Public Light.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen.—The following motion was referred to your Committee on Public Light:

"That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to erect two vapor lights on Railroad street."

We have considered the same, and recommend the motion be *not* adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. Rooker,
C. E. Haugh,
Committee on Public Light.

To the Mayor and Common Council, City of Indianapolis, Ind.:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee, to whom was referred the following motion, to-wit:

"That the City Civil Engineer be directed to instruct the Vapor Light Company to erect seven lamps on English avenue, between Dillon and Linden streets, and also seven lamps on Lexington avenue, between Dillon and Linden streets."

Report that the city's finances will not justify, at this time, the erection of said lamps; and we therefore recommend that said motion be not passed.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. Rooker,
Theo. F. Smither,
C. E. Haugh,
Committee on Public Light.

Councilman Mack, of the Committee on Public Property, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Public Property, to whom the following communication was referred, viz:

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

Gentlemen:—We would respectfully represent to your honorable bodies that the present Station House and Police Headquarters are not adequate to the needs of the Police Department of the city, and we ask you to take such action as will result in affording the department sufficient room, and other facilities needed by it.

J. W. Murphy,
Chas. Schurmann,
M. A. Downing,
Metropolitan Police Commissioners."

Report that there is need of more room at the Central Station, and we find the lot immediately south of the Station could be purchased. We would suggest that the Police Commissioners be instructed to ascertain what said premises could be obtained for.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred. J. Mack,
Isaac Thalman,
Edward Dunn,
Committee on Public Property.

Councilman Benjamin, in behalf of the Special Committee on Fire Department, and the Chief Engineer, submitted the following reports; which were approved:

To the Mayor and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—We, your Special Fire Committee and Chief Fire Engineer, would recommend that a fire-alarm box be placed at the corner of Orange and Laurel streets.

F. E. Benjamin,
A. L. Newland,
M. M. Cummings,
J. H. Herig,

J. H. WEBSTER, Chief Fire Engineer.

Special Committee on Fire Department.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and Members of Council:

Gentlemen.—Your Committee, together with the Chief Fire Engineer, to whom the following motion was referred, viz:

“That the Chief of the Fire Department be instructed to place a hose wagon at No. 10 Reel House.”

Would recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank E. Benjamin,
A. L. Newland,
M. M. Cummings,
J. H. Herig,

Special Committee on Fire Dep't.

J. H. WEBSTER, Chief Fire Engineer.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Dunn, submitted the following report; which was referred to the City Attorney:

To the Common Council:

Gentlemen.—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Geo. W. Snider, William Henderson and J. D. Condit, asking the vacation of a part of Fifth street, extending from Illinois street eastward 109½ feet, beg leave to report that they have carefully examined said petition and the premises. The petitioner Snider, who owns the real estate on the north of the strip asked to be vacated, has submitted a written statement to your committee, giving his reasons why the city ought to vacate it, which we hand to the Clerk herewith, for the information of the Council, but not to be printed in the Proceedings. Said Snider has also filed a written proposition with us to pay the sum of \$300.00 into the city treasury in consideration of said vacation. We think the strip of ground is worth several times that sum; and while it is of very little use as a street (never having been improved as such), yet we think as the whole of it will go to Mr. Snider when vacated, that he ought to pay the city more than he has offered. We recommend that if he will secure \$600.00 to the city, to be paid when the vacation is complete, that the proper resolution be adopted, referring the matter to the City Commissioners for action, but not until that time.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Dunn,
Julius F. Reinecke,
John H. Herig,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Councilman Rooker presented the following remonstrance; which was referred with the above report:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen.—We, the undersigned, citizens and property holders who live and own property in the neighborhood of Fifth street, would most respectfully ask your honorable bodies not to vacate that part of Fifth street which lies east of Illinois street, at and north of Fifth street which runs back from Illinois street 109 feet 8 inches east, which has a frontage on Illinois street of about 50 feet. Fifth street was opened to the public a few years ago, at a cost of \$100.00 per foot front to the city, and a great deal of delay and trouble Fifth street, at the present day, is considered the most dangerous street for travel there is in the city, for its width is only 20 feet from Meridian street to Illinois street, except that portion of 109 feet 8 inches, which would make the said street near 60 feet wide. Nearly every fire alarm that is sounded that the No. 5's has to respond to, goes through Fifth street, to the great danger of life and limb. The only escape for buggies and wagons from this danger, is out onto this piece of street which is asked to be vacated for private gain. Gentlemen, if you wish to do us a great benefit, please widen Fifth street 20 feet more; and we will ever pray.

M. Garver, Ann Webster, Omer Tousey, C. F. Darnell,
Jno. Carroll, Omer Rhodibaugh, J. L. McCormick,
A. H. Gladen, Catharine Darnell, J. E. Scott, W. W.
Hall, W. A. Pattison, Franklin Hall, A. M. DeSouchet,
Agent for Geo. P. Bissell, Trustee.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Councilman Dunn, submitted the following report; which was adopted:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of E. S. Elder and others, residents of Miley's addition, west of White River, asking that the city have some drain-pipe laid, or open ditch made, to drain the water from the intersection of Washington street and the second street west of the Belt Railroad. We believe that the city is not in a financial condition to make all the improvements asked for; and this being a part of the city not very thickly settled, recommend the work be not done at present.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Dunn,
Julius F. Reinecke,
John H. Herig,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Councilman Dunn, in behalf of the Committee on Streets and Alleys, and City Civil Engineer, submitted a report of the estimated cost of the paving with red cedar blocks the roadway of Delaware street, from St. Clair street to Seventh street, as proposed by S. O. 50, 1886; which report was referred to the City Civil Engineer, with instructions to report what the said proposed improvements would cost the city.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The following message was read, and the action of the Board concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held March 22, 1886, non-concurred in your action of March 15, 1886, in directing that electric light wires be placed in the new City Hall.

I report the foregoing for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

JOSEPH T. FANNING, Clerk.

The following message was read, and the action of the Board was non-concurred in:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, at its session held March 22, 1886, adopted a set of Rules for the government of said body, and ordered that one hundred copies of said Rules, in connection with the Rules of your honorable body be printed.

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen.

JOSEPH T. FANNING, Clerk.

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 submitted the following entitled ordinance, which was read the first and second times, ordered engrossed, and read the third time:

Ap. O. 17, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$989.57.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

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. 18, 1886—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, \$1,451.60.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

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

Ap. O. 19, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis. [Amount appropriated \$21,027.69.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

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. 20, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station House. [Amount appropriated, \$541.52.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

SIG. 23.

AYES, 21—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

By the Finance Committee, through Councilman Thalman, the following entitled ordinance was introduced, read the first and second times, ordered engrossed, and read a third time:

Ap. O. 21, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of the compensation of the officers and members of the Fire and Police Departments, the Committee Clerk and City Janitor. [Amount appropriated, \$8,850 83.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 21—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, Markey, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

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 Burns, accompanied with petition:

S. O. 60, 1886—An ordinance to provide for the grading and paving with brick the sidewalk of Washington street, from Bloomington street to the west Corporation Line.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on the north side of Washington street, between Bloomington street and the west corporate limits, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and paving with brick, the north sidewalk of Washington street, from Bloomington street to the west corporate limits.

W. E. Sulwick, 42 feet; John S. Crosby, 100 feet; Wm. Hild, 150 feet; Jefferson Dye, 90 feet; Christ, Lentz, 119 feet; Lafayette Williams, 40 feet; J. E. McCormick, per Wallick & Co., agents, 180 feet.

S. O. 61, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of California street, from Maryland street to Chesapeake street.

By Councilman Cummings:

S. O. 62, 1886—An ordinance to provide for the construction of a brick sewer in and along Washington street, from Mississippi street to Missouri street.

By Councilman Dell:

S. O. 63, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk of Washington street, from State street to the first alley west of State street.

By Councilman Herig, which was referred to the Committee on Public Health:

S. O. 64, 1886—An ordinance providing for the construction of a brick sewer in and along Ray and Rockwood streets, from its present terminus of the sewer now in Ray street, at Pogue's Run, to the east bluff of White River.

S. O. 65, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling McGinnis street and sidewalks, from McCarty street to Ray street.

Councilman Herig presented the following petition; which was ordered filed with the ordinance (S. O. 65, 1886):

Indianapolis, March 3d, 1886.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on McGinnis street, between McCarty and Ray streets, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and graveling the roadway and sidewalks of McGinnis street, between McCarty and Ray streets.

Jos. V. McKernan, Wm. H. Bartlett, Lackey Gaughan,
John Rupp, Annie Knott, M. L. Roach, And. Kane,
Wm. Flynn, Wm. F. Shuzard, Hugh Kelly.

By Councilman Mack:

S. O. 66, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks of Morris street, from Meridian street to Chestnut street.

By Councilman Markey:

S. O. 67, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Alabama street, from McCarty to Merrill street.

Councilman Markey presented the following petition; which was read and received:

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Davis street, between Wyoming street and the southern terminus of Davis street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks, and curbing with stone the outer edges thereof of Davis street between the points named.

Joseph Ernst, 60 feet; M. Glanson, 60 feet; Jos. Zink, 30
feet; Louis Beermann, 30 feet; August Hook, 30 feet.

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

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, property owners, herewith call your attention to the following facts, viz: That the first alley north of McCarty street, from the first alley west of New Jersey street to the first alley east of Alabama street, is of irregular width, and that the matter has been before the Council several times. In 1883 the property holders petitioned to have the alley opened to a regular width of 15 feet. The matter was referred to the City Commissioners, and they reported back

"that the property owners wanted it made 10 feet wide." The matter was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys. They reported back that no further action be taken until the property owners present a petition for a 10 foot alley.

Now, therefore, we the undersigned, owners of real estate adjoining said alley, pray your honorable bodies to cause said first alley north of McCarty street, from the first alley west of New Jersey street and the first alley east of Alabama street, to be made to the uniform width of ten feet, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: "Beginning at a point one hundred and forty-eight (148) feet north of the southwest corner of Lot number thirteen (13), in Samuel Merrill's subdivision of Out-lot number one hundred and four (104), in the City of Indianapolis, as per plat recorded in Plat Book No. 1, at page 99, in the Recorder's office of Marion county, Indiana; thence running east parallel with McCarty street to the west line of the first alley west of New Jersey street; thence north ten feet to a point; thence due west, and parallel with said McCarty street to the east line of the first alley east of Alabama street, and to a point 158 feet north of the southwest corner of said Lot number thirteen (13); thence south ten (10) feet to the place of beginning," for the reason that in its present irregular width, said alley can not be improved.

A proper plat of said proposed straightening of said alley, is herewith filed and made a part hereof. Franklin Insurance Co., by I. C. Robertson, Pres't.; H. T. Brandt, August Hook, Mary Darmody, A. J. Stewart.

By Councilman McClelland:

S. O. 68, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, paving with brick and curbing with stone the sidewalks of St. Clair street, from Massachusetts avenue to the C., C., C. & I. R. R. tracks.

S. O. 69, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the second alley west of the intersection of Noble street and Massachusetts avenue, from Massachusetts avenue to Noble street.

By Councilman Newland:

S. O. 70, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the first alley south of Fletcher avenue, from Dillon street to Linden street.

S. O. 71, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Oscar street and sidewalks, from Shelby street to its eastern terminus.

Councilman Newland presented the following petition and remonstrance; which were filed with the ordinance—S. O. 71, 1886:

Indianapolis, Ind., March ..., 1886.

To the Honorable Mayor, and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned petitioners, owners of real estate, and residing on Oscar street, in the corporate limits of the City of Indianapolis, do hereby pray your honorable body to immediately order the grading and graveling of said Oscar street, from Shelby street and extending east to the terminus of said Oscar street (two squares); averring that said street is utterly impassable in rainy weather, being almost entirely flooded with water its whole length, making an unwholesome pond, which in summer endangers the health and life of residents in its vicinity, from malaria arising therefrom.

Peter Derleth, Michael Derleth, Lizzy Stubbs.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned owners of real estate on Oscar street, between Shelby and Abigail streets, hereby remonstrate against the improvement by grading and graveling of the said street.

Mary Criqui, owner of Lots 46, 45, 44, 43, 42, 41, 40, 39, 38, 37, 36, 35, 34, 33, 32, 31, 30 and 29 all in Michael Criqui's southeast addition, being on the north side of

Oscar street, with a frontage of full length, except 160 feet of said street; also, owner of Lots 48, 50 52, 54, 56 and 57, in same addition, being on the south side of Oscar street, and each having a frontage of from 35 to 50 feet; Mrs. Josephine Yoke, Nelia Criqui, Kate Richter, Albert Criqui, Estella Criqui.

By Councilman Newland, which was referred to the Committee on Public Light:

- G. O. 11, 1886—An ordinance authorizing the "Sun Vapor Light and Stove Co." to erect and maintain additional lamps in the City of Indianapolis.
- G. O. 12, 1886—An ordinance regulating the use of the streets and other public places by persons engaged in the business of blacking boots and selling newspapers.

On motion, G. O. 12, 1886, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, with instructions to report at the next meeting.

By Councilman Reinecke, accompanied with petition:

- S. O. 72, 1886—An ordinance to provide for curbing with stone the east gutter of Greer street, from Stevens street to the second alley south of Stevens street.

Indianapolis, April 2d, 1886.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Greer street, between Stevens street and the second alley south of Stevens street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for curbing with stone the east gutter of Greer street, from Stevens street to the second alley south of Stevens street; curb to be 30 inches wide

Hiram Seibert, 68 feet; Abbie Thomas, 34 feet; John A. Porter, 34 feet.

By Councilman Reynolds:

- G. O. 13, 1886—An ordinance authorizing the I. P. & C. R. R. Co. to lay a switch track across the first alley west of Alvord street and Ninth street.

Councilman Reynolds moved to suspend the Rules, and place the above entitled ordinance on its final passage.

Which motion failed of adoption, by the following vote:

AYES, 14—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Coy, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, McClelland, Newland, Pearson, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Swain, and Thalman.

NAYS, 7—viz: Councilmen Burns, Cummings, Dunn, McGroarty, Reinecke, Stuckmeyer, and Waterman.

On motion by Councilman Reynolds, the Ordinance (G. O. 13, 1886), was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Councilman Rooker, which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, the Mayor and City Attorney:

- G. O. 14, 1886—An ordinance granting John L. Safely, his associates and assigns, under the name of "The Indianapolis Telephone Company," the privilege of using the streets and alleys of the City of Indianapolis in constructing, operating and maintaining telephone and telegraph lines in said city.

By consent, Councilman Cummings offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, the Mayor and City Attorney:

That when any privilege is granted to any company to erect poles for telephone wires, that the city shall have the top arm on all poles now erected and hereafter to be erected in all cases, and no other use to be made of the said cross bar.

Councilman Rooker presented a communication from J. L. Bay, relating to city telephone service; which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, the Mayor and the City Attorney.

By Councilman Rooker:

G. O. 15, 1886—An ordinance providing for the compensation of the officers and members of the Fire Department of the City of Indianapolis.

S. O. 73, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Herbert street and sidewalks, from Tennessee street to Mississippi street.

By Councilman Stuckmeyer:

S. O. 74, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley south of Huron street, from Noble street to Pine street.

S. O. 75, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Virginia avenue, from Huron street to Noble street.

By Councilman Swain, accompanied with petitions:

S. O. 76, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Alabama street, from Seventh street to the "State Ditch."

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 Alabama street, between Seventh street and the State Ditch, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and graveling the first alley east of Alabama street, from Seventh street to the State Ditch.

Jno. W. McQuiddy, Will. C. Furgason, Frank Mc-
McQuiddy, Fred. Yeaton, R. H. Frank, R. D. Fisher,
John S. Berryhill, G. C. Krug, Welcome Rice, H. L.
Sielkea.

S. O. 77, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of Park avenue, from Christian avenue to Butler street.

Indianapolis, March 18th, 1886.

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 Park avenue, between Christian avenue and Butler street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and graveling said alley between the points named.

M. F. Hammond, 48 feet; D. M. Ransdell, 90 feet; Egan
& Treat, 48 feet; Mrs. P. A. Ward, 48 feet.

G. O. 16, 1886—An ordinance granting Jonathan M. Ridenour and his associates, under the name and style of "The Citizens' Co-operative Telephone Company," the privilege of using the streets and alleys of the City of Indianapolis in constructing, operating and maintaining lines of telephones in said city.

On motion, the above entitled ordinance (G. O. 16, 1886), was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, the Mayor and the City Attorney.

G. O. 17, 1886—An ordinance to amend Sections one and two of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance prohibiting cows, horses and other animals, from running at large within the corporate limits of the City of Indianapolis; to provide for the impounding, keeping, sale and redemption thereof; and providing penalties for the violation thereof;" ordained and established June 11, 1883.

By Councilman Thalman:

S. O. 78, 1886—An ordinance to provide for re-paving with stone flagging, the north sidewalk of Washington street, from Illinois street to Delaware street.

On motion by Councilman Markey, S. O. 85, 1885, was stricken from the files.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Councilman Benjamin offered the following motion; which was referred to the City Attorney:

That the City Attorney be, and is hereby, instructed to answer, at the next meeting, the following: What progress, if any, has been made in the suit of The City of Indianapolis vs. I. N. Pattison and sureties? Has the Record of Transfers been examined? Can I. N. Pattison, under the law, be proceeded against for embezzlement?

Councilman Burns introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Certain lots and parcels of lands adjoining the City of Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana, and described in the following resolution, have been laid off into city building lots, and proper plats thereof made and recorded in the office of the Recorder of Marion county, Indiana; and

Whereas, The Common Council and Board of Aldermen, pursuant to the provisions of Section 3,195, of the Revised Statutes of 1881, are desirous to extend the corporate limits of the City of Indianapolis, so as to include said lots; therefore,

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the boundary lines of the City of Indianapolis be, and the same are hereby, extended so as to include the following contiguous territory, to-wit:

1. Traub's west addition to the City of Indianapolis; being a subdivision of part of the southwest quarter of Section three (3), Township fifteen (15), north of Range three (3) east, in Marion county, Indiana; also, a strip of ground about fifty (50) feet front on the National Road, running north about one hundred and seventy-five (175) feet, lying immediately east and adjoining Lot one (1), in said Traub's subdivision, which lot is shown on the plat of said Traub's west addition, recorded in Plat Book 8, page 69, in the Recorder's office of Marion county, Indiana.

2. William H. Traub's addition to the City of Indianapolis; being a subdivision

of part of the southwest quarter of Section three (3), Township fifteen (15), north of Range three (3) east, in Marion county, Indiana; recorded in Plat Book 8, page 83, in the Recorder's office of Marion county, Indiana.

3. Lots seven (7) to fourteen (14) inclusive, in David B. Fatout's subdivision of the south part of the northwest quarter of Section three (3), Township fifteen (15), north of Range three (3) east, in Marion county, Indiana; recorded in Plat Book two (2), page 120, in the Recorder's office of Marion county, Indiana.

Which said lots and parcels of lands above described shall hereafter form a part of said city, and be within the jurisdiction of the same.

Resolved, further, That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby, directed to file a certified copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution, and the action of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen thereon, in the office of the Recorder of Marion county, Indiana, who is authorized and directed to record the same.

Councilman Cummings moved to refer the resolution to the Committee on Boundaries.

Which motion failed of adoption, and the resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 17—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Dell, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, Markey, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Reynolds, Stuckmeyer, and Watrman.

NAYS, 7—viz: Councilmen Cummings, Dunn, McClelland, Rooker, Smither, Swain, and Thalman.

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

That the City Civil Engineer be, and is hereby, directed to notify the Sun Vapor Light Company to erect six (6) vapor lamps on Duncan street, between Delaware and New Jersey streets.

Councilman Cummings offered the following motions; which were adopted:

That the City Sexton be ordered to not allow any of the county paupers' bodies buried in the lots bought for city purposes.

That the proper persons be ordered to fix the Fountain on Indiana avenue and New York street, so as to prohibit the flow of water from the sidewalk.

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

That the Street Commissioner be ordered to at once clean the gutters of Elizabeth street, only being one square in length.

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

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to fill all chuck-holes on Noble street, from Washington street to the P., C. & St. L. Railroad Co's tracks; and if this be sent to the Board, that they report at the next meeting of Council, as this improvement should have immediate attention.

Councilman Haugh offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Chief Fire Engineer be, and is hereby, instructed to move the fire-alarm box from the corner of Michigan and Delaware streets to the corner of North and Alabama streets.

Councilman Haugh offered the following motion; which failed of adoption:

That the Janitor be, and is hereby, instructed to not allow the use of the Council Chamber to any body or bodies that may desire the use of it.

On request, Council Markey was excused for the balance of the evening.

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

That the Street Commissioner is hereby ordered to clean the gutters, fill the chuck-holes and put gravel where needed, on Blake street, from Washington street to Indiana avenue.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to place double stone crossing on the north side of New York street, at Minerva street.

Councilman Mack offered the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Railroads:

Resolved, That the Citizens' Street Railway Company be directed to extend their line on south Meridian street to Palmer street.

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

That the Street Commissioner be directed to place double stone crossings on Madison avenue across McCarty street.

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

That the City Civil Engineer be instructed to place one vapor light lamp on Railroad street, between North and St. Clair streets.

Councilman Reinecke offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Ellen Powers, who owns the lot on the northeast corner of East and Morris streets, known as Lot number 63, of Vajen's subdivision of Out lot 108, and also claims title to certain of the real estate lying adjacent thereto on the north and east of said lot, by virtue of a quit-claim deed from John H. Vajen, recently executed to her; and

Whereas, The city is desirous of obtaining said Lot 63 for the purpose of widening Morris street at said point, thus providing a better and safer turn at said corner; and

Whereas, All previous attempts to obtain said Lot 63 by condemnation proceedings, or by exchange of said lot for any interest the city may own in the sur-

rounding real estate on the east and north, formerly composing Japan street, have failed; and

Whereas, Said Ellen Powers and her husband now propose to make a good and sufficient warranty deed to the City of Indianapolis for street purposes, for the greater part of said Lot 63, and a quit-claim deed to said city for street purposes, for strips north and east of said lot, provided the city will give her a quit-claim for all the balance of said real estate east to Lot number 17, of Section one of Martindale & Stilz's addition, and north to the first alley north of Morris street, and the sum of \$75.00 cash, to enable her to move her house now situated on said Lot 63 to the ground north thereof; and

Whereas, It is believed to be to the interest of the city to have said Morris street widened, as aforesaid, and that it can well afford to quit-claim any and all interest it may have in the ground referred to, formerly used and known as Japan street, and pay said sum of \$75.00 in exchange for said Lot 63; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby, directed to execute a quit-claim deed on behalf of the City of Indianapolis, to Ellen Powers for the following described real estate in said city, to-wit: Beginning at a point forty (40) feet north of the north-east corner of Morris and East streets, on the east line of East street; running thence north to the south line of the first alley; thence east along the south line of said alley to the east line of Lot 17, of Section one (1) of Martindale & Stilz's addition, owned by Thomas Hopkins; thence south along the west line of said lot, to a point six (6) feet north of Morris street; thence west ten (10) feet; thence northwesterly to the place of beginning.

Provided, however, Said deed shall not be delivered until said Ellen Powers and her husband execute to the City of Indianapolis, for the purposes of a public street, a warranty deed for all that part of Lot 63, of Vajen's subdivision of Out-lot 108, not included in the above description, and a quit-claim deed for all the balance of the real estate north of Morris street and south of the last two lines above described, and has satisfied said Mayor that her title to said Lot 63, is wholly unincumbered.

And Resolved further, That the city will pay to said Ellen Powers the said sum of \$75.00 as soon as she shall have removed her house off of said Lot 63, and given undisputed possession thereof to the city.

Which was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 22—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reincke, Reynolds, Rooker, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS, 1—viz: Councilman Cummings.

Councilman Rooker presented the following petition; which was read, and the request granted:

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

Gentlemen:—I petition your honorable bodies to grant me the privilege of paving my sidewalk, on Seventh street, in this city, with flag-stone or brick, under the supervision and approval of the City Civil Engineer. My property is on the north side of west Seventh street, and is eighty (80) feet front.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK HINDMAN.

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

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to repair West street, and fill the chuck-holes on the same, from North street to First street.

Councilman Smither offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That this Council appoint a committee of five to inspect Pratt street, west of West street, to propose some plan to keep said street cleaned up.

His Honor, the Mayor, appointed Councilmen Smither, Dunn, Howes, Stuckmeyer and Cummings as the above provided-for Committee.

Councilman Swain offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Hospital Board be, and are hereby, authorized to purchase a small library and case for the same, at an expense of not to exceed \$150.00, the same to be placed in the City Hospital, for the use of the occupants of the same.

Which was adopted, by the following vote :

AYES, 21—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Rooker moved that the Rules be suspended and the time of the session extended.

Which was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 23—viz: Councilmen Benjamin, Burns, Coy, Cummings, Dell, Dunn, Edenharter, Haugh, Herig, Howes, Mack, McClelland, McGroarty, Newland, Pearson, Reinecke, Smither, Stuckmeyer, Swain, Thalman, and Waterman.

NAYS—None.

Councilman Swain offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That D. Hutchings be, and is hereby, granted permission to pave with brick the sidewalk in front of his property, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Swain presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

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

Gentlemen:—Charles Bea and Mary Bea, his wife, would respectfully give your honorable bodies to understand and be informed that on the 6th day of October, 1885, there was, and for many months preceding said date there had been, a dangerous hole in the bridge or culvert at the intersection of McIntyre and West streets, in said city. Your petitioners, or either of them, had no knowledge of the dangerous condition of said bridge before said 6th day of October; that on said day your petitioner, Mary Bea, was driving along West street in a spring wagon, when her horse, without any fault on her part, stepped into the hole in said bridge and fell, and by the sudden stop of the horse and wagon, she was, without fault on her part, thrown out of her wagon to the ground. She was at the time of said fall, pregnant, and she was greatly shocked, bruised, strained and wrenched by said fall, and suffered great pain therefrom, until the 25th day of November, 1885, when, by

reason of said fall, she miscarried of twins, one of which was dead and decomposed at birth, and one partly decomposed and died a few hours after birth. She miscarried at about six and a half months. After her miscarriage, she was confined to her bed in great suffering for six weeks and more, and was constantly under the care and treatment of a physician, and, in fact, is still under treatment of her physician. The physician's bill up to date is \$80.00, and the expenses attending the burying of said children, was some \$65.00, for your petitioner, Charles Bea, is liable, and must pay. Your petitioners are poor, and unable to bear this extraordinary expense, to say nothing of the suffering and anguish of both, but more especially Mary Bea. Your petitioners would, in view of the foregoing, ask your honorable bodies to do justice to them, in allowing to them such sum of money as will, so far as money can, compensate them for their affliction, suffering and expense on account of said injury; and your petitioners will ever pray.

Most respectfully submitted,

CHARLES BEA,
MARY BEA.

Councilman Thalman offered the following motions; which were adopted:

That the City Attorney be directed to report what action is necessary to remove obstructions from that part of Sixth street immediately east of Illinois street, and by what right such street is at present occupied.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to put men to raising and repairing all stone crossings where necessary, and to keep it up until all are in good repair.

That the Chief Fire Engineer and Fire Committee be directed to investigate what poles belonging to the Telephone Company are necessary to be maintained for the fire-alarm, and if needed, they report the amount, and what they will cost.

Councilman Thalman offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Public Property:

That the Commissioner of Circle Park be authorized to plant some shade trees in Circle Park, the expense not to exceed fifty dollars.

Councilman Thalman presented the following application; which was read and granted:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned respectfully makes application for license to sell at auction in the City of Indianapolis; such license to be issued for one year, or one or more quarters of a year. Such license to be issued on payment of legal license fees.

Respectfully submitted,

T. E. DAWSON.

Councilman Pearson moved that the contract to construct the cement stone sidewalks for the new City Building on Market, Delaware and Wash streets, be awarded to Laakman & Sherer, as per contract, and that the contract and bond of said Laakman & Sherer be approved.

Which motion was adopted, and the contract and bond approved.

Councilman Pearson, in behalf of the Building Committee, submitted the following report; which was concurred in, and the contract awarded:

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, Building Committee of the Market Hall building, have received proposals for the gas fixtures for the new city building, as follows, viz:

J. F. Farrell & Co., two bids of different designs.....	\$1,450 00 and \$2,400 00
Aneshaensel & Strong, three bids	\$1,500 00, 2,015 25 and 2,471 20
Clarke & McGaully, three bids.....	1,675 00, 2,076 00 and 2,408 50
Charles W. Meikel, two bids.....	1,500 00 and 2,500 00

After a careful examination of the different designs submitted by the competitors, we find that the selection of Mr. Meikel, for \$1,500.00, is the most appropriate for the purpose, and we therefore recommend that Charles W. Meikel's proposal for \$1,500.00 be accepted.

We submit herewith the schedule and the selected designs for your inspection.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. Denny, Mayor,
Thomas E. Endly,
John R. Pearson,
Joseph H. Howes,
Isaac King,
Building Committee.

I concur with the Building Committee in the above recommendation.

Indianapolis, April 5th, 1886.

D. A. BOHLEN, Architect.

The contract and bond of C. W. Meikel, for the above, was read and approved.

On motion the Common Council then adjourned.

C. S. DENNY, Mayor,

President of the Common Council.

Attest: MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, Clerk.