Proceedings of Board of Aldermen.

REGULAR SESSION-MAY 10, 1886.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, May 10th, A. D. 1886, at eight o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Isaac King, President pro tem. of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright—9.

ABSENT, 1-viz: President Endly.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session held April 26th, and for the adjourned session held May 3d, 1886, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its regular session held May 3d, 1886.

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The report from the Committee on Contracts, awarding sundry and various contracts (see pages 340, 341 and 342, ante), was read and approved.

The following report from His Honor, the Mayor, (see page 342, ante), was read and approved:

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—In accordance with the instructions contained in your concurrent resolution adopted April 7th and 12th, I executed a quit-claim deed to Ellen Powers for the real estate near the corner of Morris and East streets, described in said resolution; Mrs. Powers and her husband having first executed to the City of Indianapolis for street purposes, a warranty deed for Lot 63, in Vajen's subdivision, and a quit-claim for certain strips north and east of said lot, as set forth in said resolution. I will also state for the information of your honorable bodies, that

Mrs. Powers has already removed her house off of Lot 63, so that the widening and improvement of the street can now be made at any time.

Respectfully,

C. S. DENNY, Mayor.

The report from the City Civil Engineer (accompanied with estimates), (see page 344, ante), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in.

The following estimate resolution (see page 345, ante), 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 John W. Cooper & Co., for grading and graveling the first alley south of McCarty street, from Illinois street to Maple 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution see page (345, ante), 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 first alley north of New York street, from Blake street to Agnes 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritch ard, Rail Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 345), ante, was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of David A. Haywood, for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Park avenue, from Eighth street to Ninth 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 345, ante), 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 North street, from Noble street to Pine 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

Ayes, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 346, ante), 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 and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of Blackford strees, from Michigan street to Vermont 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 concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The report from the Chief Fire Engineer, submitting certain contracts and bonds (see page 347, ante), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The report from the City Clerk, showing the amount of orders drawn upon the City Treasury during the month of April, 1886, (see page 346, ante), was read and received.

The report from the Treasurer for the City, showing the receipts and disbursements during the month of April, 1886, (see page 347, ante), was read and received.

The report from the City Attorney (see pages 347 and 348, ante), was read and received.

The following report from the Chief Fire Engineer (see page 349, ante), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I respectfully ask that I be granted an appropriation of \$300.00 to defray incidental expenses of this department.

J. H. Webster, Chief Fire Engineer.

The report from the Chief Fire Engineer, showing hydrants connected, tested and in service, (see page 349, ante), was read and received.

The report from the Rental Agent for April, 1886, was read and received.

The report from the Superintendent of the City Hospital for April, 1886, was read and received.

The report from the Superintendent of the City Dispensary for April, 1886, was read and received.

The report from the Board of Public Improvements (see page 349, ante), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in.

The following report from the Board of Public Improvements (see pages 348 and 349, ante), was read, and amended by extending the time thirty days, instead of sixty days:

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

Gentlemen:—I would most respectfully petition your honorable bodies for an extension of time, sixty days, in which to complete my contracts for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Grove street, between Virginia avenue and Dillon street; also the east sidewalk of Shelby street, from first alley south of Prospect street to Pleasant Run. It has been impossible for me to complete the work in time given.

JOSEPH BERNAUER, Coontractor.

Subscribed and sworn to this 3d day of May, 1886.

WM. C. PHIPPS, Notary Public.

We recommen the time be extended.

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

The report from the Board of Public Improvements and Street Commissioner, showing the monthly expenditures (see page 350, ante), was ead and received.

The report from the Board of Health, for the last half of April, 1886, was read and received.

The following report from the Special Committee on Fire Department, (see page 355, ante), was read and concurrently adopted:

To His Honor, the Mayor, and Common Council:

Gentlemen:-We, your Special Fire Committee, would recommend the passage of

the following motion:

"That the Chief Fire Engineer be, and is hereby, directed to purchase a four-wheeled Hose Wagon, and place the same at No. 3 Engine House, in lieu of the two-wheeled wagon located there."

Respectfully submitted,

d, F. E. Benjamin,
A. L. Newland,
Fred. J. Mack,
John H. Herig,
M. M. Cummings,
Special Committee on Fire Department.

The following report from the Committee on Water, (see page 355, ante), was read and concurrently adopted:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen: - Your Committee on Water, to whom was referred the following motion:

"That the City Civil Engineer advertise for proposals to erect a Drinking Fountain on Madison avenue,"

Recommend that the Street Commissioner be instructed to take the fountain thrown out of use on Virginia avenue, and place the same on Madison avenue and Downey street, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Respectfully submitted,

D. F Swain,
C. McGroarty,
Joseph H. Howes,
Committee on Water.

The report and resolution from the Committee on Water, (see page 356, ante), was read and referred to the Committee on Water and Public Health.

The following motion (see page 361, ante), was read:

That David Pepper be permitted to erect a steam escape post in front of Room 4, Bates House, west Washington street.

And on motion, it was referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Prier, Pritchard, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS, 2-viz: Aldermen Laut, and Rail.

The petition of the "When Clothing Co." for the privilege of erecting a balcony in front of their building (see page 364, ante), was read, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and City Attorney.

The application of J. H. French for an Auctioneer's License (see page 364, ante), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The following motions (see pages 357, 360, 361, 363 and 364, ante), were read, and concurrently adopted:

That J. E. Kaine & Brother be granted special auctioneer license to auction off real estate of Mass. Mutual Insurance Co. Sale to commence on May 15th, 1886.

That Charles Mayer be, and is hereby permitted to lay stone pavement in front of No. 25 West Washington street, at his own expense, and under the direction of the Civil Engineer.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to fill all chuck-holes with broken stone, at once, on Washington street east of Noble street.

That the proper authority be directed to notify the owners of property along the line of the alley between Illinois and Meridian streets, from Morris to McCarty streets, or the tenants thereof, to clean the same of ashes, cans, etc., at once.

That the Committee on Public Property report to this Council at the next regular meeting, what is necessary to be done at Garfield Park to put the same in a better condition.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to stop the dumping of ashes and other material at the foot of Mayhew street, and have sign put up declaring a penalty for doing the same.

That the Committee consisting of Joe. K. Sharpe, Robt. Martindale, J. B. Mansur, C. W. Baird and Frank West, be authorized to give free concerts in University Park during the summer.

That Dr. John M. Gaston be permitted to lay a stone crossing diagonally across the north half of New York street, in front of his block, corner of New York and Delaware streets, to be done at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

This being the regular appropriation night, the following entitled Appropriation Ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were placed on their final passage without a suspension of the Rules.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 23, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$1,208.88.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. 0. 24, 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, \$1,272.71.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 25, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis. [Amount appropriated \$61,958,59,]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS--None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times' and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 26, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of Station House. [Amount appropriated, \$155.84.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9--viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 27, 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, \$10,653 08.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 28, 1886—An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$124,369.57, to meet certain outstanding temporary loan warrants and interest thereon of the city, falling due May 12th, 1886.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second times, and then read the third time:

Ap. O. 29, 1886—An ordinance appropriating the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00)
Dollars, on account of the Street Repair Department of the City of Indianapolis.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

Alderman Schmidt offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the City Clerk shall, and is hereby, authorized to draw separate warrants for the different amounts of the principal loans, and also separate warrants for the respective amounts of interest, appropriated for H. M. Miller, by Ap. O. 28, 1886.

The following entitled ordinances (passed by the Common Council), were severally read the first time:

- 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.
- G. O. 18, 1886—An ordinance authorizing the C., C., C. & I. R. R. Co. to lay a switch track across New York street, at a point about 150 feet east of Pine street.
- G. O. 24, 1886—An ordinance regulating the manner, and fixing the terms and conditions, on corporations and individuals, for the laying of pipes in the streets and highways of the City of Indianapolis, for the conveyance or supplying of natural gas to consumers.

On motion, G. O. 24, 1886, was referred to the Committee on Public Light.

On motion by Alderman Prier, the Rules were suspended by the following vote, for the purpose of placing G. O's. 13 and 18, 1886, on their final passage:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

G. O. 13, 1886, was then read the second time, read the third time and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

G. O. 18, 1886, was then read the second time, read the third time and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

The Board of Health submitted the following communication; which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary:

Indianapolis, May 10, 1886.

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

Gentlemen:—We would respectfully ask your honorable bodies to take some action in regard to cempelling Geo. F. Newcomb to deliver over to this office his key and book. He has been asked to do so several times, and still he refuses to do it.

E. J. Brennan, M. D., Pres't. W. Wands, M. D., Sec.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Alderman Crosby, in behalf of a majority of the Committee on Markets and Public Property, submitted the following report:

Gentlemen:—We, your Committee on Public Property, to whom was referred the following motion:

"That the City Hall Committee be instructed to have the City Hall property rodded with lightning rods, and that the Munson proposition be accepted."

Do not concur or recommind any of the proposition.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. Crosby, M. L. Brown.

Majority of Committee on Public Property.

Aldermen King, of the same Committee, submitted the following minority report:

I recommend that the action of the Common Council be concurred in.

ISAAC KING,

Minority of Committee on Public Property.

Alderman Rail moved that the minority report be concurred in.

Alderman Prier moved to lay that motion on the table.

Which was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 5-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Prier, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS, 4-viz: Aldermen King, Laut, Pritchard, and Rail.

Alderman Prier moved that the report of the majority be concurred in.

Which was adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 5-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Prier, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS 4--viz: Aldermen King, Laut, Pritchard, and Rail.

The Committee on Public Light, through Alderman Laut, submitted the following report; which was adopted:

Your Committee on Public Light, to whom was referred Special Ordinance No. 26, 1886, would recommend its passage.

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac King, H. W. Laut, James A. Pritchard, Committee on Public Light.

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The Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, through Alderman Schmidt, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred Special Ordinance No. 53, 1886, recommend that said ordinance be amended by striking out the words "double walk-stones to be put in across Christian avenue, on the east side of Ash street," and the ordinance passed as amended.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorenz Schmidt, John Rail, H. J. Prier, Committee on Streets and Alleys.

PENDING ORDINANCES.

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

S. O. 69, 1885—An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Yandes street, from Malott avenue to Lincoln avenue.

And it was passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

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

S. O. 20, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of Park avenue, from a point 168 feet south of Eleventh street to Tenth street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

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

S. O. 26, 1886—An ordinance to provide for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on High street, between McCarty and Coburn streets.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

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

S. O. 38, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley north of Seventh street, from Meridian street to Illinois street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 39, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the roadway of Wabash street, curbing with stone and paving with brick the sidewalks thereof, from Delaware street to Alabama street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 45, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of Meridian street, from Eighth street to Eleventh street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS—None.

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

S. O. 49, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the north gutter of Second street, from Meridian street to the first alley east of Meridian street.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

S. O. 53, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Christian avenue, from the west line of Ash street to Bellefontaine avenue, where not already curbed.

And the following amendment recommended by the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage, was adopted;

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Amend by striking out the words "double walk-stone to be put in across Christian avenue, on the east side of Ash street."

The ordinance was then read the third time, and it was passed as amended, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS--None.

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

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.

And it was passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

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.

Alderman Prier offered the following amendment to the ordinance:

Amend by striking out the words "curbing and bowldering."

Which amendment was adopted.

The ordinance was then read the third time, and it was passed as amended, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

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

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.

And it was passed by the following vote:

Ares, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt and Wright.

NAYS-None.

On motion, S. O. 54, 1886, was referred to the Committee on Streets & Alleys and Sewers & Drainage.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

President pro tem. King presented the following Invitation; which was accepted:

Indianapolis, Ind., May 10, 1886.

Honorable C. S. DENNY, Mayor of Indianapolis:

Dear Sir:—Three weeks from to-day we shall again undertake the solemn yet pleasant duties of Memorial Day, and "garland the graves of our dead." The General Executive Committee desire to extend to you, and through you to our honorable City Council and Board of Aldermen, an invitation to attend our services in your official capacity. For this purpose we will retain for you a place in our parade column, and appropriate seats at our memorial service.

We desire to make the demonstration as imposing as the occasion will permit, and will be pleased to have you indicate your acceptance of this invitation at an early date, that proper announcements may be made, and arrangements perfected for your accommodation.

I have the honor to be your servant,

G. M. WALRAD, Sec'y. of the General Executive Committee.

Respectfully referred to the Council and Board of Aldermen for action.

C. S. Denny, Mayor.

Alderman Pritchard offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress from the State of Indiana, be, and they are hereby, requested to use their influence in securing the transfer of the U.S. Arsenal in this city to the Quartermaster's Department, and its establishment as a regular Army Post.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright.

NAYS-None.

Alderman Rail offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, requested to clean the gutters on Merrill street, from Illinois street to Tennessee street; also, the gutters on Eddy street, from Merrill street to Norwood street.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

ISAAC KING,

President pro tem.

Attest: Joseph T. Fanning, Clerk.