

Clerks Office
October 1st 1855

The Council met at 7 O'Clock P.M., all members present except the Mayor, & Messrs Boaz & Beck.

On Motion Mr. Dunlap was called to the chair, and took the seat as President, pro tem.

On Motion the reading of the minutes of the previous Meeting was suspended.

On Motion of Mr. Douglass the Council adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening at 7 O'Clock P.M.

James McCready Mayor

Attest

Alfred Stephens City Clerk.

Council Chamber
October 2nd 1855

The Council met pursuant to adjournment at 7 O'Clock P.M. All members present, except the Mayor and Mr. Boaz.

On Motion Mr. Dunlap was called to the chair and took the seat as President pro tem.

The Treasurers Monthly report was presented and on Motion referred to the Mayor and Clerk for examination.

The Street Commissioners report presented, concurred in and accounts allowed.

To Philip Socks	for 4 days work at \$1.25	\$5.00
" Henry Stumph	" 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " " " "	3.12
" Jacob Stiner	" 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " " " "	1.87
" Michael O'Connell	" 8 " " " "	10.00
" John Ferriter	" 8 " " " "	10.00
" Thomas Keinan	" 8 " " " "	10.00
" Thomas Ferriter	" 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ " with carts	6.87
" Pat Conghlen	" 2 " work at 1.25	2.50
" Tim Allomon	" 4 " " " "	5.00
" James O'Connell	" 8 " " " "	10.00
" Hugh Slaven	" 12 " with team at 2.50	30.00
" John Conely	" 11 " " " "	13.00
" Pat Dunlin	" 4 " " " "	5.00
" Frank Morris	" 2 " hawling	5.00
" " " for diging sinks and kerbing		9.65
" Charles Nutmire	for 8 days work	10.00
" Pat Griffin	" 8 " " "	10.00
" Thomas O'Conner	" 10 " " "	12.50
" Michael Reid	" 10 " " "	12.50

To Anthony Wishmire	for filling 5 Cisterns	25.00
" M.Smock	" repairing Pumps	12.97 $\frac{1}{2}$
" Albert(Augustis) McClain	" lighting street lamps	25.00
		<u>\234.98\frac{1}{2}$</u>

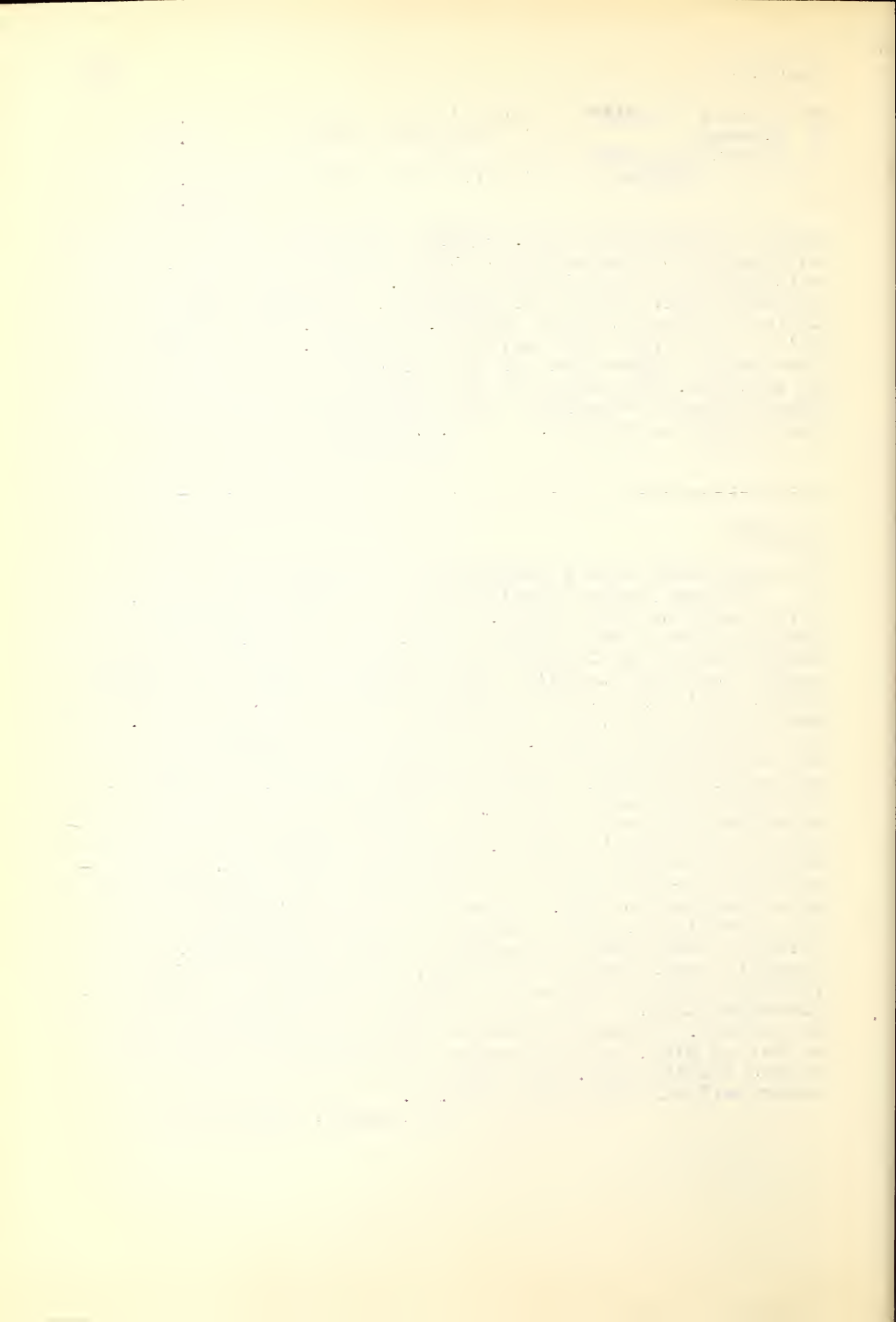
Under a resolution of Mr.Graydons the Street Commissioner was instructed to take charge of the public street lamps, light, extinguish and keep in good repair. I received all the lamps in good repair the 1st of September, & employed Augustis Mc Clain to attend to them at \$500.00 a year. The cisterns are all in good order that have been received. The bridge at the crossing of Pogues Run and New Jersey St is so that it cant be traveled. The bridge at the crossing of the canal on New York St kneeds repairing, the bridge on the South side of the Union Depot is not safe.

I.B.Fitler
Street Commissioner

City Engineers Report presented and concured in

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis. The three cisterns built by Mr.Obetz one at corner of Noble and Georgia Streets one corner of Meridian and Georgia Streets and one at corner of Mississippi and Maryland Streets have been tested and found to hold. The cistern opposite the Carlisle House, built by Mr.Pefer contains 727 barrels, has been tested and found to hold, the contractor is also to receive \$3.78 for building the gutter. The cistern at the Branch Bank and one at corner of New Jersey Street and Virginia Avenue and one at corner of Market and Pennsylvania Streets, built by Mr. Schofield have been tested and found to be water tight, one at corner of Wood & New Jersey Streets, one at corner of Tennessee and Vermont Streets, and one at corner of Alabama and Merrill Streets have been tested but do not hold. I have advertized for the grading and graveling of Liberty Street but have received no bids. I have put under contract the grading and graveling of Market Street and side walks between New Jersey & East Street according to your instructions, but the property owners object to further proceedings with the work stating they petitioned for paving the side walks instead of graveling them. I wish to be further instructed what to do in the matter. I have purchased a Level for use of the City at a cost of \$135, in city orders and request the orders to be issued for the same. The estimated cost of filling at the stone wall at Brownings is \$58.65.

A.B.Condit, City Engineer



Mr. Delzell Moved,

That the Engineer be instructed to have the side walks on Market Street, between New Jersey and East Street paved Mr. Fuqua moved

That it be refered to the City Attorney to see if the Engineer can have the same done.
Prevailed.

Mr. Keely Moved

That the Clerk be instructed to issue warrents for the cisterns as reported by the Engineer and for the Level.
Prevailed

Sexton's Report presented and concured in		
Whole No of interments	68	Diseases, Feaver 12, Chills 14, In-
From the Country	11	flamation of brane 3, Infflimation
Whole No in the City	57	of bowels 2, Consumption 2, Croup 2,
		Scrofula 1.
Agess Two years and under	32	
Between 2 & 10 & between		
10 & 20	23	
Over 20	13	John Moffitt
		Sexton

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The account of I. S. Dunlap for Rent was refered to the Committee on Acts.

The account of Hasselman & Vintons for repairs on Victory Engine laid on the table.

The following accounts presented and allowed.

To Eli Gupin for over charge of \$30.00 & on Motion the Clerk was instructed to issue a School warrent for one third of the amount	\$30.00
" Muirson & Hight 1st instalment for stone work at Hospital	500.00
" J. A. Monnell for building Sextons house at Grave Yard	170.00
" George W. Pitts for removeing nuisances	2.00
" David Dearinger for erecting raling & puting new locks on desks	3.00
" I Davis & Co for 24 cistern tubs & lids, & 24 rings & staples	507.40
	<u>\$1212.40</u>

Mr. Delzell presented the following reports

The Committee to whom the petition of the Fire association was refered requesting the City Council to repeal that part of an Ordinance preventing fire companys from running on the side walks, would recommend that said Ordinance be repealed, leaving it optionary to the commanding officer of the

Received of the Treasurer of the
Board of Education the sum of
\$100.00 for the year 1880

Witness my hand and seal
this 1st day of January 1880

John J. [Name]
Superintendent

John J. [Name]
Treasurer

John J. [Name]
Clerk

John J. [Name]
Member

John J. [Name]
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Member

different Companys to run on the side walks when the Streets are not in a condition to run through.

Concured in Samuel Delzell, Chairman

The committee to whom the petition of the Fire Association was refered requesting the City Council to appropriate four hundred dollars, (instead of three hundred and fifty dollars) would report against any additional appropriation at this time.

Concured in. Samuel Delzell
Chairman of Committee on Accounts

Mr. Jones presented the following Report

The undersigned Chairman of Committee on Bridges beg leave to make the following Report.

The bridge across the canal on New York Street, is in a dangerous condition one of the middle strings pieces having fallen out. Also the bridge across Pogues Run on New Jersey Street is impassable. The Bridge on Meridian Street needs some repairs and the bridge South of the Union Depot needs repairs.

Concured in W.H. Jones, Chairman of Conrt.

Mr. Jones presented the following report of the Captain of the Watch

Time served			
W. I. H. Robison	served 8½ days		\$12.75
William Skelton	" 19 "		28.50
Holden Davis	" 28 "		42.00
Thomas Atkinson	" 13 "		19.50
David Dearinger	" 27½ "		41.25
I. J. Colley	" 25 "		<u>37.50</u>
			\$181.50

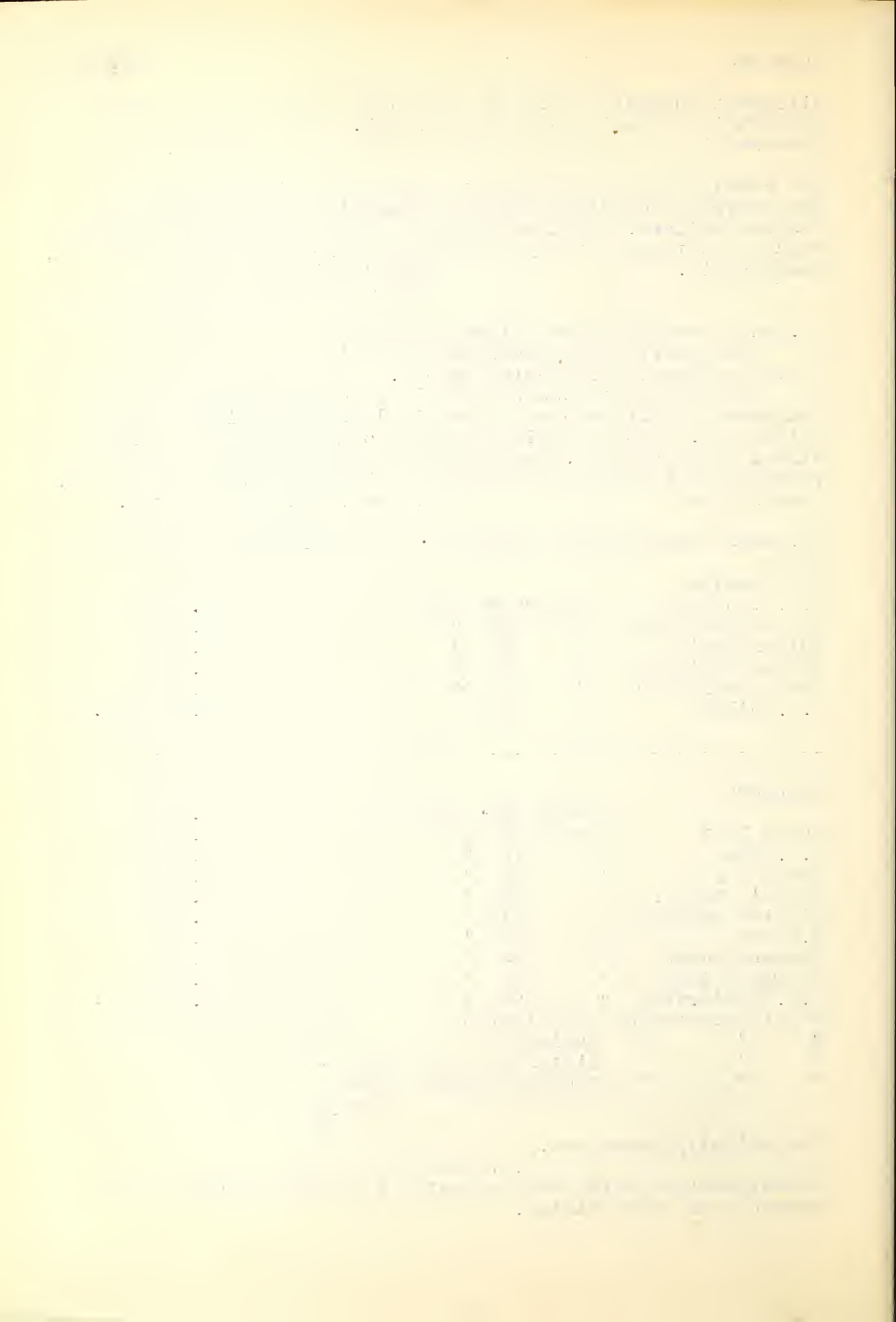
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	Amount brot forward		181.50
Aaron Taft	served 23 days		34.50
A. S. Dale	" 15 "		22.50
David Hay	" 15 "		22.50
Samuel Lafever	" 28 "		42.00
William McClain	" 21½ "		32.25
R. Pratt	" 23 "		34.50
Hubbard Adams	" 25 "		37.50
George Owings	" 28 "		42.00
I. M. Vanblaricum	" 25 "		<u>43.75</u>
No of Arrests for	Intoxication	33	
" " "	Gaming	4	
" " "	Disturbing the Peace	3	
" " "	Pedling without Licen	3	
	se	<u>3</u>	
		43	

Respectfully Submitted,

I. M. Vanblaricum Capt

On Motion the Clerk was instructed to issue warrents for the services as above stated.



Mr. Graydon presented the following petition

Indianapolis August 27th 1855

We the undersigned owners of two thirds of the whole line of property on Washington Street between Pennsylvania and Meridian Streets petition your Honorable Body to have Washington Street between Pennsylvania and Meridian Streets graveled with course river gravel properly screened, Say 12 to 18 inches deep in centre and properly graded to gutters on each side of the Street at the expense of the property holders.

Samuel Delzell	19 ft	Joseph Wert	17½ ft
T. Sharpe & D Yandes	74 "	W.H. Morrison about	32 or 33 ft
Wm Hannaman	20 "	Moses Johnson	55 ft
Daniel Yandes	20 "	S.A. Fletcher	28 "
Owen McGinnis	19 "	D. Root	18½ "
A. Knodle	12 "	Winslow S. Pierce	17 "
Frederick Wright	67½ "	W.H. Talbott	32 "
Royal Mayhew	29 "	S.D. Tomlinson	18½ "
Isaac Black for S.S. Fletcher			67½ "

On Motion refered to the City Engineer with instruction to advertize for the graveing of the same with good corse River gravel.

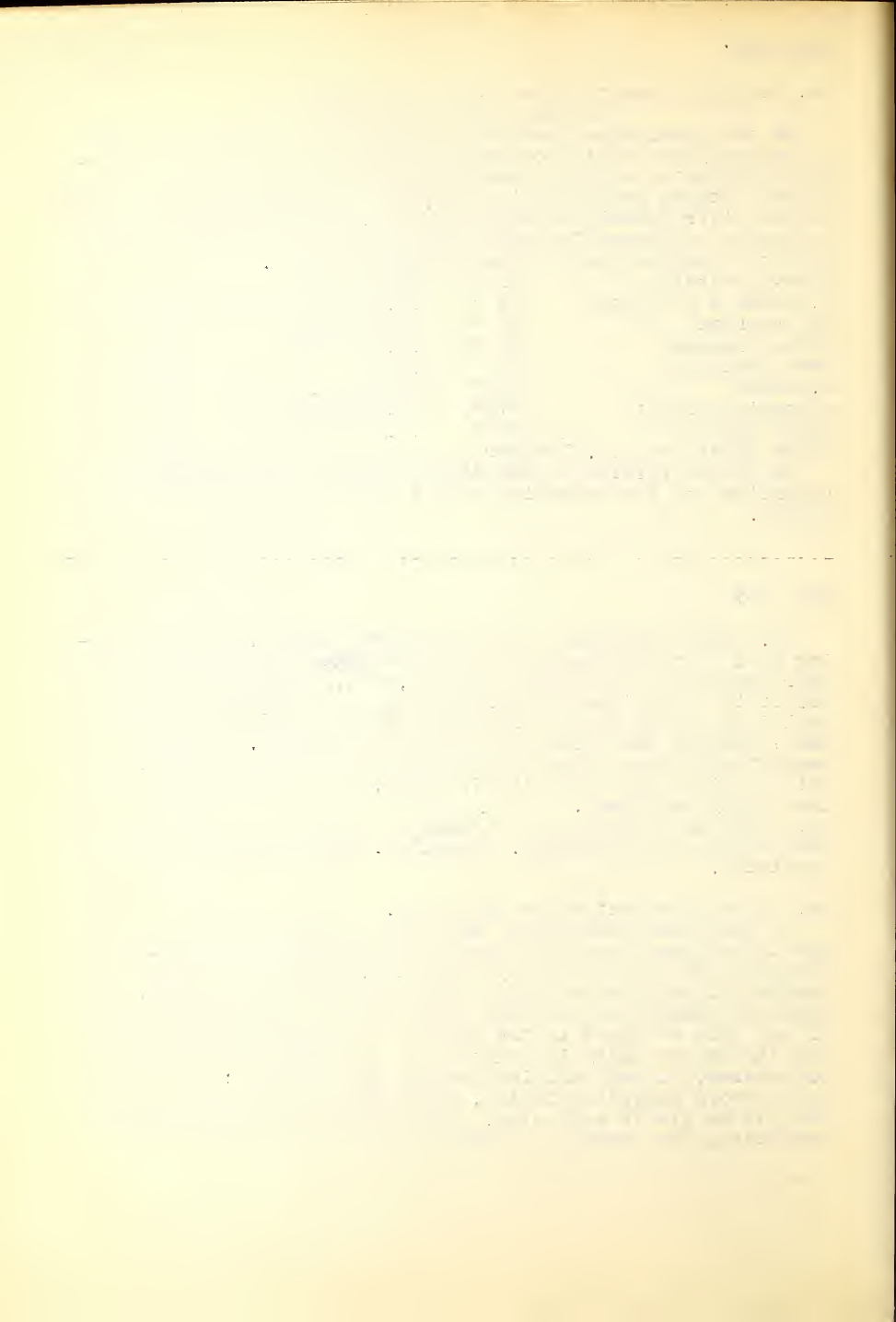
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Mr. Goode presented a petition from James H. Woodburn stating that on the 25inst he was endeavoring to cross the bridge over Pogues Run on Meridian Street, when, in consequence of a defect in the bridge his horse which was attached to a buggy fell into a hole in the grade and broke one of the horses legs, whereby the horse was rendered valueless. He therefor respectfully asked the Council to cause the sum of \$150, to be paid to him out of the City Treasury, as a compensation for the injury sustained.

Mr. Goode moved That the petition be refered to a Committee of two and the City Attorney. Prevailed. Messrs Goode & Graydon Committee.

Mr. Delzell presented the following.

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis
The undersigned Committee appointed by the Court of Common pleas in and for the County of Marion, State of Indiana at the session of said court held on the 20th day of July 1855, to appraise damages or benefits accruing to the owner or owners of any lots or lands in the City of Indianapolis, through which any Streets or Alley is proposed to be opened or constructed, or altered, or any building thereon appropriated; have after being sworn according to law, proceeded to view the grounds on Out Lot No 174 in said city, with the view of estimating and appraising the damages or benefits which may accrue to the



owners of Out Lot 174, by the opening or continuing of Alabama Street through said Out Lot of the width of fifty feet to correspond with North Alabama Street, and give it as their opinion that there are no damages or benefits accruing to any of the property holders adjoining the opening of said Street. The Street shall be opened at the expense of the City of Indianapolis. Given under our hands this first day of October 1855.

John M. Talbott)
 Concured in N. B. Palmer ()
 E. Browning () Commissioners
 G. E. West ()

Mr. Horn presented a petition from G. W. Mears stating that on the evening of the 5th of September about 8 o'clock while driving down East Street near Washington Street his mare fell upon a heap of earth which was thrown very near or quite into the middle of the street from a cellar being dug by Mr. Wood, and in the attempt to recover fell back and was so injured in the back that it was found necessary in a few days to shoot the animal, he therefor asked the Council to make a payment of \$165 as a compensation for the losses sustained. On Motion referred to the Committee consisting of Messrs Goode Graydon and City Attorney.

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Mr. Sulgrove presented the following petition

To the City Council of Indianapolis

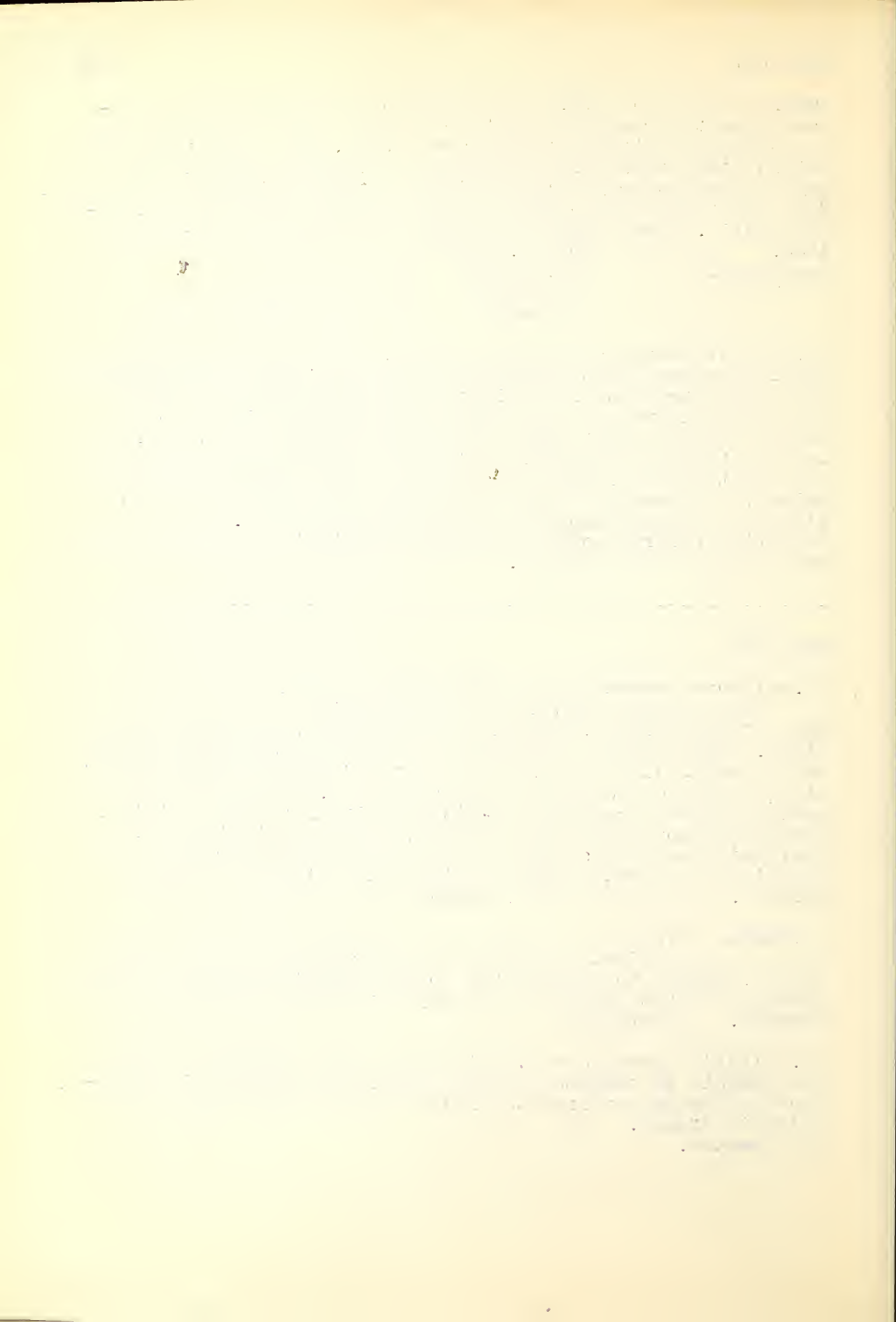
The petition of R. P. Johnson of Mooresville, Morgan County, Indiana, respectfully represent to your honorable body that he is the owner of a Horse, known as the "Rocky Mountain Chief" five years old and twenty one hands high, which he desires to exhibit under a canvas or inclosure within the City limits, during the county and State Fairs, for an admission fee. Your petitioner asks that your honorable body permit him to exhibit said horse without taking out a license for that purpose.

R. P. Johnson

Mr. Mansur moved

That the Clerk be instructed to issue License to R. P. Johnson to exhibit the Rocky Mountain Chief during the County and State Fairs on the payment of five dollars by said Johnson. Prevalled

Mr. Delzell presented a petition from Samuel Barbour asking the Council to suspend an order given last meeting in reference to the gutter from the Palmer House to the gutter on Illinois Street.
 Not granted.



Mr. Delzell presented a communication from the Treasurer, stating that there is an error in the Assessment of A Turners property it being assessed at \$1400 this year and was assessed at \$4600 last year

On Motion the Treasurer was instructed to make the correction by assessing it at \$4600.

Mr. Fuqua Moved

That the report of the Commissioners in reference to the opening of the Alley through Out Lots Nos 142, 143 & 144, be taken from the table. Prevailed.

Mr. Asher Cox stated that he would like to have more time, and on Motion of Mr. Delzell the report was again laid on the table.

Mr. Delzell Moved

That the Marshall be instructed to open Alabama Street through Out Lot No 114. Prevailed.

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Mr. Goode offered the following,

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to remove the Elm Tree on Pennsylvania Street at the crossing of St. Clair Street.

Adopted by the following vote;

Ayes Messrs Beck, Delzell, Dunlap, Douglass, Fuqua, Graydon, Goode, Horn, Jones, Keeley, Mansur, Reid and Sulgrove.

Noes, None.

Mr. Delzell offered the following

Resolved, That the City Treasurer pay to A. Bird the amount of School tax said Bird paid on Masonic Hall property by Bird refunding general orders for the same.

Adopted by the following vote

Ayes Messrs Delzell, Dunlap, Graydon, Horn, Keely, Mansur, Reid and Sulgrove.

Noes None

Mr. Reid offered the following

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill up and grade behind the stone wall between Alabama Street and Virginia Avenue.

Adopted by the following vote.

Ayes Messrs Delzell, Dunlap, Graydon, Horn, Keely, Mansur & Reid
Noes Messrs Douglass, Fuqua, Jones and Sulgrove.

Mr. Douglass offered the following

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to have the Bridges on the Canal on New York, Ohio and Market Streets put in a passable condition.

Adopted by the following vote.



Aye, Messrs Delzell, Dunlap, Douglass, Fuqua, Graydon, Horn, Jones, Keely, Mansur, Reid and Sulgrove.
Noes None.

Mr. Delzell offered the following
Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to furnish the Treasurer with the amount of taxes refunded to A. Bird on the Masonic Hall property, and that the Treasurer be authorized to collect the same.

Adopted by the following vote.

Ayes Messrs Delzell, Dunlap, Douglass, Fuqua, Graydon, Horn, Jones, Noes None.

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Mr. Mansur offered the following
Resolved, That the City Engineer be instructed to set grade stakes for James Skellen on the corner of Illinois and Walnut Streets

Adopted by the following vote

Ayes Messrs Delzell, Dunlap, Douglass, Fuqua, Graydon, Horn, Jones, Keely, Mansur, Reid and Sulgrove.
Noes None.

Mr. Reid offered the following
Resolved, That the Civil Engineer be directed to estimate the cost of a Bridge over Pogues Run at the crossing of New Jersey Street with some abutment at each end.

Adopted by the following vote

Ayes Messrs Dunlap, Douglass, Fuqua, Graydon, Horn, Jones, Keely, Mansur & Reid.
Noes Messrs Delzell & Sulgrove.

Mr. Jones moved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill the hole at the Bridge on Meridian Street, and also repair the bridge on South Street south of the Union Depot.
Prevailed.

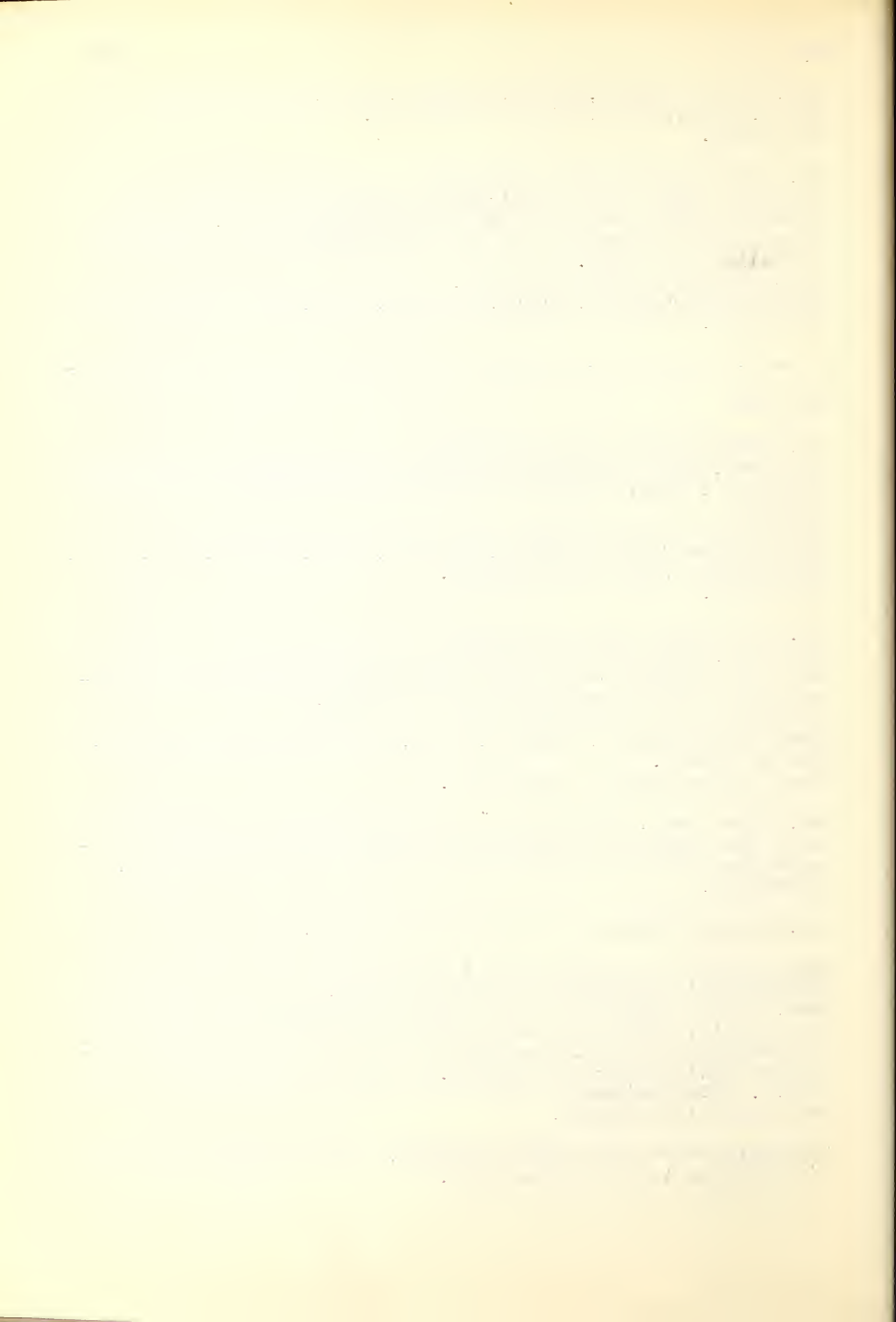
Mr. Mansur offered the following Ordinance.

An Ordinance suspending Sec 3 of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to public Markets.

Sec.1 Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, That Sec 3 of an ordinance entitled an Ordinance in relation to public markets be and the same is hereby suspended until otherwise ordered.

Sec.2. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

On Motion the rules were suspended, read the third time, and ordained by the following vote.



Ayes Messrs Delzell, Dunlap, Douglass, Fuqua, Graydon, Horn,
Jones, Keely, Mansur, Reid & Sulgrove

Noes None

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Mr. Sulgrove offered the following
Resolved

That the City Clerk notify the Trustees of the City
Schools that it is the wish of the Council that they report
to the Council their proceedings in relation to said schools
according to the ordinance fixing the duties of the Trustees.
Adopted by the following vote
Ayes Messrs Delzell, Dunlap, Douglass, Fuqua, Graydon, Horn, Jones,
Keely, Mansur, Reid and Sulgrove
Noes None

Mr. Keely moved

That the Marshall be instructed to open the alley
North of Mr. Strang's property on Noble Street. Prevailed.

The following was presented.

To the Common Council of Indianapolis.

Gentlemen I beg to report to your Honorable Body that
the order made at your last meeting have all been enforced,
1st By notifying the President of the Evansville, Cleveland and
Indianapolis R R Co. in reference to certain improvement to
be made on Meridian Street, upon which the President informs
me that the Company had left said Street to suit the City
Engineer. And that he had been informed that James Russell
had taken dirt and gravel since the Co. had left said Street.
Mr. Wright the owner of the lot next Delzells Stable has had
the same felled so as to abate the nuisance. Mr. Strang has
also been notified to open the alley ordered by your Body.
Oct 2nd 1855.

George W. Pitts Marshall

Concured in

Mr. Graydon moved

That a Committee of three be appointed to get
gas fixtures for the Council Chamber.
Prevailed.

Messrs Graydon, Goode, and Horn.

On Motion the Council Adjourned.

Attest

Alfred Stephens
City Clerk

James McCready Mayor
