

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
Monday, Nov. 11, 1872, 7 o'clock, P. M. }

The Common Council met in regular session.

Present—His Honor the Mayor, Daniel Macauley, in the chair
and the following members :

Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—16.

Absent—Councilmen Craft and Reagan—2.

Mr. Sherwood, from the Committee on Contracts, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Contracts, to whom was referred sundry

proposals for the improvement of sundry streets, have examined the same and find them to be as follows, to-wit:

FIRST.

For grading and graveling Sixth street and sidewalks from Tennessee street to the Michigan road, the following proposals were presented:

Hanway, Hanna & Co., \$1.65 per front foot.

Patterson & Dunning, \$1.55 per front foot.

James Mahoney, \$1.39 per front foot.

John Green, \$1.37½ per front foot.

John Green being the lowest and best bidder, we would recommend that he be awarded the contract.

SECOND.

For grading and graveling Third street and sidewalks from Illinois street to the Central Canal, the following proposals were presented:

Hanway, Hanna & Co., \$2 25 per front foot.

Patterson & Dunning, \$1 93 per front foot.

Patterson & Dunning being the lowest and best bidders, we would recommend that they be awarded the contract.

THIRD.

For grading and graveling the first alley east of East street, running from South street to the first alley north of South street, only one proposal was presented. We therefore would recommend that the same be re-advertised:

FOURTH.

For grading and graveling Second street and sidewalks, from Tennessee street to the Central Canal, the following proposals were presented: .

Hanway, Hanna & Co., \$2 25 per front foot.

James Mahoney, \$2 25 per front foot.

Patterson & Dunning, \$2.20 per front foot on each side of the line improved.

Patterson & Dunning being the lowest and best bidders, we would recommend that they be awarded the contract.

Respectfully submitted.

L. Q. SHERWOOD,
H. S. BIGHAM,
ISAAC THALMAN,
Committee on Contracts.

Which was concurred in.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—I hereby report the following work finished according to contract:

For grading and graveling Greer street, and paving the west sidewalk with brick, from Stevens to McCarty streets.

Length on east side.....	594 ft. 9 in.	
Length on west side.....	594 ft. 9 in.	
Total length.....	1189 ft. 6 in.	
At 48 cents per lineal foot.....		\$570 96
530 feet and 3 inches of pavement at 60 cents per lineal foot.....		318 15
27 yards of bowldering at 72 cents per yard.....		19 44
Total estimate.....		\$908 55

Also, James W. Hudson, second and final estimate for grading, paving, and laying down flag-stone street crossings on the north side of Washington street from Missouri street to "Old White River Bridge."

Length of paving, 830 feet and 6 inches; at \$1.30 per lineal foot...	\$1,079 65
Length of paving west of California street, 817 feet and 9 inches; at 92 centh per lineal foot.....	752 33
446 feet of flaging, at 50 cents per lineal foot.....	223 00
228.5 square yards of bowldering, at 55 cents per yard.	125 67
66 feet of curb re-set, at 15 cents per lineal foot.	9 90
Total estimate.....	\$2,190 55
Deduct former estimate.....	1,268 37
Present payment.....	\$922 18

Also, Henry C. Roney, first and final estimate, for grading and paving the west sidewalk on Davidson street from Washington to North streets.

Length of pavement, 2,518 feet; at 55 cents per lineal foot..... \$1,384 90

Also, Hanway & Hanna, first and final estimate, for grading and graveling College avenue and sidewalks from Home avenue to Tinker street.

On west side, from Home avenue to Lincoln street, 755 feet, at 89 center per lineal foot.....	\$671 95
On west side, from Lincoln to Tinker street, 667 feet and 6 inches, at \$1.09 per lineal foot.....	727 57

On east side, 1,425 feet and 1 inch, at \$1.09 per lineal foot.....	1,553 34
140 feet extra at crossing of Home avenue, at \$1.09 cents per foot..	152 60
Total estimate.....	\$3,105 46

Also, Hanway & Hanna, first and final estimate, for grading and graveling the alley running north and south from Michigan to North street, and between Davidson and Winston streets.

Length on east side.....	452 ft.
Length on west side.....	452 ft.
Total length.....	904 ft.
At 32 cents per lineal foot.....	\$289 28

Also, Hiram Seibert, first and final estimate, for grading and graveling Dillon street and sidewalks from Prospect street to English avenue.

Length on east side.....	2625 ft.
Length on west side.....	2635 ft.
Total length.....	5260 ft.
At \$1.20 per lineal foot.....	\$6,312 00

Also, Hanway & Co., first and final estimate, for grading and graveling New Jersey street, and paving the sidewalks with brick, from St. Mary's to Morrison streets.

Length on east side.....	320 ft.
Length on west side.....	320 ft.
Total length.....	640 ft.
At \$1.65 per lineal foot.....	\$1,056 00

Also, James Mahoney, first and partial estimate, for grading and paving the east sidewalk on Pennsylvania street from Washington street to Madison avenue.

941 feet of pavement between Washington and South streets, at \$1 per lineal foot.....	\$941 00
1273 feet between South street and Madison avenue, at 65 cents per lineal foot.....	827 45
Total estimate.....	\$1,768 45

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, Civil Engineer.

Mr. Hardesty offered the following motion :

Moved, That so much of the City Civil Engineer's report as relates to the

sidewalk improvement on the east side of Pennsylvania street from South street to Madison avenue, be not concurred in until such time as the work is done in accordance with the ordinance and the contract.

Which was adopted, and said paragraph referred to the committee on Steets and Alleys and the Civil Engineer.

On motion, the remainder of the report was concurred in.

The City Clerk made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—The City Clerk would respectfully report to your honorable body as follows:

FIRST.

First and final estimate in favor of Hiram Seibert for grading and graveling Greer street and paving with brick the west sidewalk thereof, between Stevens and McCarty streets.

SECOND.

Second and final estimate in favor of James W. Hudson for grading and paving with brick, and laying flag-stone street crossings, the north sidewalk of Washington street from Missouri street to the old White River bridge.

THIRD.

First and final estimate in favor of Henry C. Roney for grading and paving with brick the west sidewalk of Davidson street, between Washington and North streets.

FOURTH.

First and final estimate in favor of Hanway & Hanna for grading and graveling College avenue and sidewalks from Home avenue to Tinker street.

FIFTH.

First and final estimate in favor of Hanway & Hanna for grading and graveling the alley running north and south from Michigan to North streets and between Davidson and Winston streets.

SIXTH.

First and final estimate in favor of Hiram Seibert for grading and graveling Dillon street and sidewalks from Prospect street to English avenue.

SEVENTH.

First and final estimate in favor of Hanway & Co. for grading and graveling New Jersey street and paving the sidewalks thereof with brick, between St. Mary's and Morrison streets.

EIGHTH.

Contract and bond of John A. Whitsit for building a cistern at the corner of Pratt and Illinois street.

NINTH.

Contract and bond of John A. Whitsit for paving, with wooden block pavement, (Ballard's patent) the tunnel in Illinois street.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN R. CLINTON, City Clerk.

Which was concurred in and bonds approved.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of Hiram Seibert for grading and graveling Greer street and paving, with brick, the west sidewalk thereof, between Stevens and McCarty streets, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—16.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing second and final estimate of James W. Hudson for grading and paving, with brick, and laying flag-stone foot crossings on the north sidewalk of Washington street from Missouri street to the old White River bridge, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell

Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—16.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of Henry C. Roney for grading and paving, with brick, the west sidewalk of Davidson street, between Washington and North streets, be and the same is hereby adopted as estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—18.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of Hanway & Hanna for grading and graveling College avenue and sidewalks, from Home avenue to Tinker street, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—16.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of Hanway & Hanna for grading and graveling the alley running north and south from Michigan to North streets and between Davidson and Winston streets, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—16.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of Hiram Seibert for grading and graveling Dillon street and sidewalks, from Prospect street to English avenue, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property holders are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—16.

Negative—None.

Also, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate of Hanway & Co. for grading and graveling New Jersey street and paving the sidewalks thereof with brick, between St. Mary's and Morrison streets, be and the same is hereby adopted as the estimate of this Council, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—16.

Negative—None.

By consent, Mr. Bigham moved that the report of the City Attorney, in relation to the manner of payment for constructing

the Illinois street block pavement, made to Council October 28th, 1872, be taken up.

Which was adopted.

On motion by Mr. Kennington, the report was then referred to the Committee on Judiciary and City Solicitor.

The City Clerk made the following report:

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK,
INDIANAPOLIS, NOV. 11, 1872. }

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—The City Clerk would respectfully report that there is on file in my office affidavits for the collection of street assessment by precepts as follows:

Hanway & Company vs. Barbara Bergner, for \$88.40.

Geo. W. Buchanan vs. Celia Morarity, for \$123.60.

And would respectfully recommend that you order the precepts to issue.

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN R. CLINTON, City Clerk.

Which was concurred in and precepts ordered to issue.

The City Clerk made the following report:

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK,
INDIANAPOLIS, November 11, 1872. }

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—I would respectfully report to your honorable body that the White River Gravel Road Company and the Pogue's Creek Gravel Road Company have filed appeal bonds in my office for costs, in which the said companies claim that they are aggrieved by the action of the Council in approving the reports of the City Commissioners in the matter of condemning so much of said roads, for the purposes of streets, as are within the corporate limits of the city, and give notice of appeal from said action to the Superior Court of Marion county.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. CLINTON, City Clerk.

Which was received.

Mr. Cottrell moved that all former action of the Council in regard to the condemnation of said roads be reconsidered, and that

the City Clerk be instructed to notify the City Commissioners to make a new assessment of damages and benefits, etc., in above mentioned cases; and to also notify the property owners, etc., in accordance with the provisions of the city charter, the Commissioners to advise with the City Solicitor in regard to the matter.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Batty, Bigham, Bollman, Cottrell, Gibson, Gimber, Hardesty, Kahn, Kennington, Pressly, Rush, Sherwood, Thalman, Whitsit, Wiles and Woodburn—16.

Negative—None.

The Board of Health made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Health submits the following mortality report for the week ending Nov. 11, 1872:

Under 1 year.....	0
From 1 to 2 years	1
From 2 and 5 years	0
From 5 to 10 years.....	0
From 10 to 15 years.....	0
From 15 to 20 years.....	0
From 20 to 25 years.....	1
From 25 to 30 years.....	0
From 30 to 40 years..	1
From 40 to 50 years..	1
From 50 to 60 years.....	1
From 60 to 70 years.....	2
From 70 to 80 years..	1
From 80 to 90 years.....	0
From 90 to 100 years.....	0
100 and upwards.....	0
Unknown.....	0
Total.....	8

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. COMINGOR, M. D., Pres't.

W. WANDS, M. D., Secretary.

Which was received.

The City Commissioners submitted the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, No. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—The City Commissioners have acted on the case of Fifth street, referred to them by your honorable body for an assessment of the damages and benefits resulting from the opening of a 40 foot street from Illinois to Meridian street, on the line laid down in the report of a special committee, heretofore submitted to your honorable body; and after full consideration of the case would report as follows:

We estimate the damages—being the value of the real estate, and of the improvements taken or removed—along the line of said street to be \$5,900.

We estimate the benefits to the adjoining property holders to be \$300.

We estimate the benefits to the city of Indianapolis, from the opening of said street, to be \$250.

The damages and benefits are set out in detail in the following schedule:

Damages to Wm. Henderson for a strip of ground 35 feet wide and 409 feet long off the south side of lot 12 in St. Clair's addition to Indianapolis	\$3,150 00
Damages to Wm. Henderson for the removal of part of his brick stable on the line of the foregoing street.....	1,200 00
Total damages to Wm. Henderson for ground and improvements taken.....	\$4,350 00
Benefits to Wm. Henderson for the material of said stable, \$300; total benefits.....	300 00
Balance of damages to Henderson	\$4,050 00
Damages to J. D. Condit for a strip of ground 5 feet wide by about 409 feet long off the north side of a 250 foot lot, in lot 12 in St. Clair's addition to Indianapolis	\$450 00
Benefits to said Condit from the opening of said street.....	000 00
Balance of damages to said Condit.....	\$450 00
Damages to Bennet F. Witt for a strip of ground 18 feet and 10 inches wide of the north side of lot 1 in square 20, in Drake's addition to Indianapolis....	\$950 00
Damages to said Witt for removing and repairing the frame house on said lot.....	150 00
Total damages to said Witt.....	\$1,100 00
Benefits to said Witt from the opening through of said street.....	000 00
Balance of damages to Witt.....	\$1,100 00

Benefits to the city of Indianapolis from opening of said street....	\$250 00
Total damages	\$5,900 00
Total benefits.....	550 00
Balance of damages.....	\$5,350 00

The Commissioners are of opinion that the city is not benefited by opening this street beyond the amount above named, to-wit, \$250. The benefits are almost wholly local, and we therefore cannot recommend the payment of the balance from the city treasury.

It has been proposed by Mr. Henderson to give fifteen feet south of his stable, and we understand that Mr. Condit offers five off the north side of his lot, for a twenty foot alley between the two streets, to be properly improved and used as a line of communication between Illinois and Meridian streets. We have no authority, in this assessment, to report damages on this proposition; but they would be only for Witt's real estate and for moving his house.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. S. HUBBARD,
J. F. RAMSAY,
SAMUEL M. SEIBERT,
IGNATIUS BROWN,
JOSEPH M. SUTTON,
Board of City Commissioners.

Which was referred to the City Solicitor and the Councilmen from the Third Ward.

By consent Dr. Woodburn, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—Your Judiciary Committee would respectfully report that in pursuance of your order we have employed Hon. Byron K. Elliott as City Solicitor for the balance of the fiscal year ending May, 1873, for the sum of \$1,700, and that he will at once enter upon duty as such Solicitor when notified by the City Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. WOODBURN,
J. H. BATTY,
THOMAS COTTRELL.
Com. on Judiciary.

Which was concurred in.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING.

Mr. Gimber introduced general ordinance No. 69, 1872, entitled:

An Ordinance relative to placing a flagman at the crossing of the Indianapolis, Bloomington & Western Railroad, and the Indianapolis & St. Louis Railroad, where the same cross west street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Cottrell introduced special ordinance No. 191, 1872, entitled:

An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley west of New Jersey street, between Merrill and McCarty streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Cottrell introduced special ordinance No. 192, 1872, entitled:

An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the first alley east of New Jersey street, between Merrill and McCarty streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Cottrell introduced special ordinance No. 193, 1872, entitled:

An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick the east sidewalk of New Jersey street, between Merrill and McCarty streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Cottrell introduced special ordinance No. 194, 1872, entitled:

An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Bicking street and paving with brick the sidewalks thereof, between High and East streets.

Which was read the first time.

By unanimous consent, the rules were suspended for the pur-

pose of calling the roll of members for the presentation of new business.

By consent Mr. Batty, from Special Committee, submitted the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—Your Special Committee, to whom was referred a motion to examine into the feasibility of draining the north part of the city into the State Ditch, with powers to employ an Engineer to make surveys and levels, report that in accordance to your instructions we employed an Engineer, and herewith submit his report, with accompanying papers, for your further consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. H. BATTY,
W. H. CRAFT,
H. S. BIGHAM,

Committee.

Which was received.

Mr. Batty also presented the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 28, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—The combined map and profile of the northeastern part of the city, made in accordance with your order, is reported herewith; together with a separate profile, marked B, and the cross sections of the State Ditch. The explanations written thereon will make them sufficiently clear.

With a descent of 0.12 feet per 100 feet, the State Ditch can be deepened so that at Western avenue its bed may be lowered four and a half ($4\frac{1}{2}$) feet; at the next street eastward, five feet; at College avenue, 4.2 feet; at Bellefontaine street, 3.2 feet; and at the Car Works, two feet.

The estimated amount of work for this purpose is 32,000 cubic yards, at thirty (30) cents, making \$9,600; the total distance being 7,800 feet. The side slopes are taken at one and a half to one, and the bottom width six feet. By examining the cross sections it will be seen that this plan would encroach on private property.

The Ditch could be straightened by running it along Tenth street, using an open ditch (except in the Fair Grounds), walled with stone to economize space in the street. The ground is low along this street, nearly to Western avenue. From the west end of Tenth street the Ditch might pass through or under the Fair Ground to the present outlet into the valley of Fall creek.

The rate of descent (0.12 per 100 feet,) estimated for the enlarged Ditch, is

nearly as great as that of the sewers; but might be somewhat diminished. The present Ditch has, for the most part, a much less fall. In an open ditch of this kind, I consider a fall of 0 10 feet per 100 feet (instead of 0 12,) enough. This would deepen the State Ditch five (5) feet at Western avenue and three and a half feet at the Car Works.

This Ditch might be deepened, in its present location, without encroaching on private property, by excavating and walling with stone until the walls intersect the present earth slopes. The total estimate for this (for the earth and stone work,) taking the descent of the bed at 0.10 feet per 100 feet, so that the Ditch would be deepened five feet at Western avenue, and three and a half feet at the Car works, and walling with stone from the Peru railroad westward, as far as necessary, to west of Delaware, is \$22,370. The bed is estimated at six feet wide, clear water way. East of the Peru railroad there would be no stone walls, but an additional strip of ground eighteen feet wide would be needed (for a six feet bed with slopes of $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 1,) along the side of the present Ditch. If it was thus deepened the street grade lines might be lowered in the valley in which it runs, as shown by the dotted red lines, leaving the grade about a foot above the present surface of the valley.

In any event, to provide against extraordinary high water, the bed of the State Ditch ought to be lowered, as shown by the dotted lines on Profile B, from Delaware street eastward to the next street east of Western avenue, which would cost three hundred and fifty dollars, without encroaching on private property.

In drawing the grade lines, the object has been, as far as practicable, to keep the beds of the street ditches low enough to drain the lots, so that the owners will not be put to useless expense in filling them up, but not to make the cuttings in the streets unnecessarily deep, beyond what would be needed to fill up lots, and no very great depth of cutting or filling at any point is required by the profile.

On Tinker street, where it crosses Western avenue, my grade line is nearly three feet below the present ditch of Tinker street, and 1.7 feet below the present bed of the Western avenue ditch. This allows a more perfect drainage for a considerable portion of the ground east of Western avenue and south of Tinker street.

On Delaware, Alabama and New Jersey streets, and Fort Wayne avenue, the water ought to be carried northward from St. Joseph street, and I have drawn the red grade lines accordingly. This would lower the grade of St. Mary street about a foot and a half, so that there would be very little filling up of lots required on that street. The ditches of St. Mary street would drain into Delaware street, which would be lower at their intersection, and this would be every way proper, because the Delaware street grade there is now above the natural surface of the ground. Another fact showing that the grade of Fort Wayne avenue, at and north of its intersection with St. Mary street, ought to be lowered, is that the ditches of Christian avenue, one square east of Western avenue, are four feet lower than the low ground in

Mr. Braden's lots, and where there is an outlet for drainage so near, it is not equitable to require lots to be filled up.

From St. Joseph street to Christian avenue Fort Wayne avenue is on a ridge, the ground descending every way, and ought to be cut down instead of requiring the filling up of neighboring lots. My grade lines at the intersection of St. Mary street and Fort Wayne avenue, are about two and a half feet below the present grade, the cut running out to nothing, each way, within less than a square.

The basin north of the University grounds, and west of the Peru railroad, needs an underground drain to the State Ditch, along the side of the railroad, to avoid a great deal of filling up of lots.

As much of the drainage as possible ought to be carried northward so as to prevent the flooding of the ditches running southward and westward.

I have examined the ground at Fall creek, two miles north of the Car Works, at a place where the water of that creek overflows at the highest floods and passes into the State Ditch, and find that an embankment can be made there to prevent such an overflow, at a cost of seven hundred dollars. On tracing (C.) the line marked *Mr. Duncan's Line*, shows a grade of uniform ascent from the valley of the State Ditch to Home avenue.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. HENRY MORRISON.

Which was received and ordered spread on the minutes.

Mr. Batty offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby ordered to clean out the State Ditch from the Peru & Indianapolis Railroad to the southwest corner of the State Fair Grounds, the work to be done under the direction of the Civil Engineer.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Batty offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner open the old railroad ditch, clean Railroad street to Ohio, and deepen the gutter on Massachusetts avenue from Ash to Bellefontaine streets, so as to carry off the water from the same; to be done under the direction of the Civil Engineer.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Batty also offered the following motion:

Moved, That the City Solicitor be requested to report to this Council

whether in his opinion the Council has a right to assess benefits to opening streets to property other than the property abutting on the street opened thereby.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Batty also offered the following motion :

Moved, That a committee of five Councilmen be appointed who shall, in connection with the City Solicitor, examine our city charter and ascertain what amendments are needed in it, and present the same to the Council and urge the passage thereof.

Which was adopted.

His Honor, the Mayor, appointed as such committee Councilmen Batty, Cottrell, Woodburn, Gibson and Whitsit, his Honor the Mayor, City Attorney and City Solicitor.

Mr. Batty offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Committee on Gas enter into contract immediately, with some suitable person, to light with gas the Illinois street tunnel and side-walks—the same to be under their direction and supervision.

Which was adopted.

By consent, Mr. Gibson offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Committee on Gas Light be instructed to have the inside walls of Illinois street tunnel whitewashed, for the purpose of giving a better light.

Which was adopted.

By consent, Mr. Batty submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—At your last meeting, your City Attorney made a report, that he had examined the plat records in the Recorder's office, of Marion county, and found that by a plat of Hanna's heirs' addition to the city of Indianapolis, dated, acknowledged and recorded, January 6, 1868, in plat book No. 3, page 79, said alley is plotted and laid out fifteen feet wide, and duly

dedicated to the public, and therefore said Oliver Hanna can have no ownership therein.

This report was reported back to the City Attorney, and your Committee on the revision of ordinances.

We have examined the same and find that the said alley is embraced in land heretofore, by the proper Court assigned to Mrs. Robert Hanna, by commissioners duly appointed for her natural life. She did not, nor did her lessees agree to the platting of said premises by the commissioners, and therefore the same cannot be enforced nor have effect during her life.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. HARVEY, City Attorney.

J. H. BATTY,

E. J. HARDESTY,

ROBERT KENNINGTON,

Com. on Rev. Ordinances.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Bigham offered the following motion:

Moved, That J. W. Langsdale have permission to place a vault underneath the sidewalk in front of his property, on North Delaware street, between Washington and Market streets. Also, that he may have permission to repave the same sidewalk with hard burned brick.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bigham presented the following petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned would respectfully show to your Honorable Body that they are the owners of what is known in the city as the "Starch Factory," situate at the eastern terminus of New York street. That they have been, on several occasions in the past, when they were in full blast carrying on their business of manufacturing starch, ordered by your Honorable Body to cease work, when to have so ceased would have been ruinous to them, by causing heavy loss of stock and material on hand; that during all last summer and until very recently, they have made every effort in their power to dispose of their said property, located as aforesaid, but have been unable so to do. And they further show that without disposing of said property, they have not the means to buy and build elsewhere, as all their means are invested in said factory and machinery. And they now ask from your

Honorable Body permission to carry on their said business of manufacturing starch at their present location, until the 1st day of May next, at which time they will voluntarily close out their said business at said locality—and having next spring and summer to work in, will purchase ground and erect buildings at some other point, and carry on their said business at the place where now located no more. Hoping to find some other locality where persons will not be annoyed, and will not annoy them, while attempting to carry on a manufacturing business mutually advantageous to themselves and the public.

But grant this, our humble request, and your petitioners will ever pray.

W. F. PIEL & CO.

Which was received.

Also, the following agreement:

This Agreement, made and entered into this 2d day of November, 1872, between W. F. Piel & Co., owners and proprietors of the Union Starch Factory, in the city of Indianapolis, party of the first part, and the other signers hereto—citizens of the city of Indianapolis—party of the second part, witnesseth: That said party of the first part in consideration of the agreement, of the party of the second part hereinafter contained, agree and obligate themselves to carry on the business of manufacturing starch at their present location, to wit: at the terminus of East New York street, in the city of Indianapolis, until the first day of May next; and at that time they will cease to make or manufacture starch at their said present location; and that they will never after that date carry on said business at said place or neighborhood, but that they will remove their said business and machinery to some other place, where they hope to annoy no one, and where none of the party of the second part hereto shall ever be annoyed by them (the party of the first part) or by their said business. And the party of the second part hereto in consideration of the agreements and undertakings made and set forth by the party of the first part hereto, promises and agrees that for said period of time from now until the first day of May next, they will and do consent that said party of the first part may carry on their said business of manufacturing starch, at their present location; and that they, the said party of the second part, will not prosecute them, the said party of the first part, nor attempt to prevent them from carrying on their said business of making starch during said period, nor up to said first day of May, 1873.

All of which is mutually agreed between the parties hereto, as witness their names the day and year above written.

WM. F. PIEL & CO.,

Owners and Proprietors of Union Starch Factory.

S. C. Nance, George F. Miller, George A. Albrecht,

and 38 others.

Which was received.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That W. F. Piel & Co. have permission, (so far as the city has the legal right to authorize, or allow them,) to run their starch factory in the city of Indianapolis, Ind., at its present location, until the first day of May, 1873. Provided, The said Piel & Co. remove, or cause to be removed, the said factory outside of the city limits, within three (3) months after the first day of May, 1873.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to have the sidewalk crossing north of the Peru depot, on the east side of south New Jersey street properly bouldered.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to have the side-walks on the west side of South New Jersey street properly filled up and graveled between the north track of the "Bee" Railroad and the present paved sidewalk.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That Edward King be permitted to boulder the side-walk in front of his "Elevator," on the east side of New Jersey street, between Washington street and the Bellefontain railroad tracks.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to place a flag crossing on the west side of Virginia avenue, across South street.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner, under the direction of Sewer Engineer, be directed to have such alterations made in the Catch Basins of the South street sewer, as will prevent the escape of gas from the same.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Superintendent of the Pan-Handle Railroad be notified by the City Marshal, to have "Bumping Posts" erected on the west end of all their side-tracks running through square 78, in such a manner as to prevent their cars from encroaching on the east side-walk of Delaware street ; also the firm of Butsch, Dickson & Dell.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cottrell presented the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 9, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN :—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on High, between McCarty street and first alley south of Becking street, respectfully remonstrate against the acceptance of the work on said High street, as the contractor, who done the work, has not done the same according to the ordinance as the ordinance for the improvement of ssid street requires, that the gravel on the street shall be screened river gravil.

John Caven, C. F. Schmidt, Cou. Schneider, and eight others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Gibson offered the following motion :

Moved, That John A. Whitsit is hereby granted permission to assign to J. J. Palmer the contract for paving the Illinois street tunnel.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hardesty presented the following from the City Gas Inspector :

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 1, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

The following is a report of the number of the public lamps lighted during the

month of September, and the quality of the gas expressed in candle power. The standard candle is made of spermaceti, six to the pound, of which one hundred and twenty grains are consumed in burning one hour :

Average caudle power of gas burned in a standard argand burner, at the rate of five cubic feet per hour, under a pressure of 7.10 inches.....	17 1.2
Day pressure on the street mains.....	10.10
Night pressure from dusk until midnight.....	25.10
Pressure from midnight until daylight.....	15.10
Number of public lamps lighted.....	1,671
Number of extra hours burned.....	5

By way of explanation I may state that the lamps are required, as a general rule, to be lighted during certain hours of the night when the moon does not give sufficient light, and extinguished during the hours when the light of the moon may be made available.

This mode of partial lighting is resorted to on the score of economy, and for the most part fully answers the wants of the community. But if strictly adhered to, would, during cloudy weather, especially at the first and last quarter of the moon, leave the city for some hours in utter darkness. Consequently some descretion has to be used to obviate the inconvenience that arises from a strict reliance on the light of the moon, and the lamps are ordered to be lighted at an earlier hour and kept burning to a later hour when such contingencies arise. This explanation will make clear the item of lamps burnt five extra hours during the month of September.

Complaint has been made to me regarding the amount of light given by some of the street lamps. The contract with the gas company, I believe, is for so many cubic feet of gas per burner, per hour. I have given you the illuminating power of the gas, and if required, can make a test of the burners on the street lamps for the rate of consumption of gas per hour under a given pressure.

Respectfully submitted,

E. T. COX, C. G. I.

Which was received.

Mr. Hardesty, from the Committee on Gas, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 4, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Gas would represent that we have had erected, under the direction of the Civil Engineer, six lamps and posts on the Delaware street bridge, by D. Root & Co., and that we have accepted them, the work having been done well in every respect; and that the same have been lighted since the 16th day of October last, and that the employees of the Hose Reel Company, No. 3, be employed to light, extinguish and keep

in repair the said lamps at the same price paid to the Gas Company, the person to perform the work to be selected by the Chief Fire Engineer.

We would also recommend that the Gas Company be directed to take up and use in repairing all condemned lamp posts, and use no new posts whilst any of such condemned posts remain on hand.

We would also recommend that some action be taken at once to light with gas the Illinois street tunnel and sidewalks.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. HARDESTY,
ISAAC THALMAN,

Com. on Gas.

Which was concurred in, with the exception of the paragraph in relation to lighting the lamps on the Delaware street bridge,

In regard to which Mr. Kennington offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Gas Company be and is hereby directed to light the gas lamps on the Iron Bridge, on Delaware street, in the same way and on the same terms as other street lamps are lighted.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hardesty offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to remove the old culvert on Pennsylvania and Georgia streets; and change the grade so as to conform to the new grade of Georgia street; and put down stone crossings across Georgia street, on the east and west sides of Pennsylvania street.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the trustees and members of Olivet Presbyterian Church be, and is hereby granted permission to use (for a space of 14 feet,) five inches of the side-walk, on the north side of McCarty street and east of Union street, for main wall to church tower, and sixteen inches more, (of said side-walk,) for two twenty inch square pilasters, and four inches of said side-walk, for a space of fifty-three feet, for five pilasters twenty inches square.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That Sohl, Gibson & Co., have permission to widen their head race eight feet, where it crosses the first alley north of National road. The bridge to be extended over the same at the expense of said Sohl, Gibson & Co., under the direction and to the satisfaction of the City Civil Engineer.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to put down a stone crossing across South street, on the east side of Meridian street.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Kahn offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to put wooden culverts on the crossing of Davidson and Vermont streets.

Which was adopted.

By consent Mr. Kahn, from the Committee on Accounts and Claims, submitted the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 4, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Accounts and Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Chris. G. Hohl and others, in reference to shade trees, beg leave to report that the number of trees on Walnut street, between Chatham and Penn. streets, are dead, amount to upwards of forty-eight, (48) and according to the contract of James W. White, he is to replace the same with live trees. We therefore recommend that the said White be required to so replace said trees, and on failure to do the same, that his sureties be held responsible.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON KAHN,

W. H. CRAFT,

EDWARD REAGAN,

Com. on Acc'ts and Claims.

Which was concurred in, and the City Clerk instructed to no-

tify the contractor that he will be required to fulfill the terms of his contract.

Also, the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 4, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GGNTLEMAN :—The Committee on Accounts and Claims, to whom was referred a petition of one John Roberts, claiming damages for a horse injured on a defective bridge on New York street, beg leave to report, that after a careful investigation, and certificate from Messrs. Gates & Pray in regard to the same, find that the claim is just; add recommend that the amount claimed (\$25), be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON KAHN.

W. H. CRAFT,

EDWARD REAGAN,

Com. on Acc'ts and Claims.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN :—A communication from Mr. Michael Shea, claiming payment for monies paid on some property erroneously sold and deeded to him, beg leave to report that it is a question of law whether the city is liable or not. We therefore recommend that the matter be referred to the City Attorney and City Assessor to report at the next regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON KAHN,

Committee.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Kennington offered the following motion :

Moved, That the City Marshal be directed to enforce the ordinance in regard to the throwing of slops, garbage and filth in the gutters on South Illinois street.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That William J. Bibs be allowed the privilege of painting a lamp post for the purpose of making a barber pole out of the same.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Clerk be directed to advertise for proposal to build an iron bridge over Pough's run, on Pennsylvania street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Bridges.

Mr. Pressly offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to notify the Indianapolis & Cincinnati Junction Railroad Co, to put the necessary culverts under their railroad tracks on East street within ten days, and if not done in that time, that the Street Commissioner shall build the same and collect the costs from said Railroad Company.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That August Stuckmeyer be permitted to pave, with brick, the side-walk in front of his property on the corner of Virginia avenue and Buchanan street, and that the Civil Engineer be instructed to set the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Pressly presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 28, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN :—Your petitioner asks your Honorable Body to grant him the privilege of erecting a pair of hay scales on rear of lot 458, in Dillen or Donation street, and will erect the same so as not to interfere with the travel on said street. And ever pray,

WM. WORLAND.

GENTLEMEN :—Mr. Worland is moving his business out to the donation line

and I hope the Council will grant his petition, as it extends an improvement and as there is nothing of the kind only in the center of our city, it will be an advantage to those near him.

Your obedient servant,

ANDREW WALLACE.

Which was granted.

Mr. Pressly presented the following remonstrance:

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 4, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

We, the undersigned, owning property on Fletcher avenue between Cedar and Dillon streets, respectfully remonstrate agasnt the letting of any contract for grading and paving the sidewalk on Fletcher avenue between Cedar and Dillon streets, before the first day of August, 1873, for the following reasons:

We think it would be highly injudicious to grade and pave the sidewalk in front of the lots on said portion of said avenue, before the majority of said lots are properly fenced, and have dwellings erected thereon. The majority of the owners of said lots have not yet been able to make such improvements, and have reason to believe that, if said walks were graded and paved this season, they would be ruined by cattle walking upon them and teams being drawn over them before another summer, and the expense incurred for said work be throw away.

Moreover, the owners of these lots have just been obliged to pay for grading and graveling the avenue in front of them, and will have to pay the taxes for 1872, before the coming March, and would respectfully suggest that they would like a short rest before being burdened by any further expense.

Wm. H. Tucker, A. B. L. Tutin, A. H. Baker, aud seven others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, and the further consideration of the ordinance providing for said improvement was postponed until August 1st, 1873.

Mr. Pressly presented the following remonstrance:

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 30, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on Grove street, between Virginia avenue and Dillon street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the graveling of said street. And your remonstrants will ever pray, &c.

S. E. Mettee, and 4 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Kennington offered the following motion :

Moved, That Henry Frommeyer be allowed the privilege of erecting a stairway, two and a half feet wide, on the corner of Meridian and Pearl streets.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Rush offered the following motion :

Moved, To have 1 or 1½ inch stringers put on the South Delaware street bridge to prevent horses from slipping.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby directed to bridge the south side gutter leaving the alley between Market and New Jersey street as soon as possible.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the City Fire Engineer be hereby directed to pump the water from the north-west corner and south-east corner of Washington and Illinois streets.

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Thalman, from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom were referred sundry papers, report as follows :

1. Is a remonstrance from property owners on Willard street, between Garden and Merrill, against the passage of an improvement ordinance. We do not think the improvement necessary, therefore recommend that the ordinance be stricken from the file.

2. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner build a bridge across Pogue's Run, on Willard street. We would recommend against the motion, as in our opinion no bridge is needed there at this time.

3. Is a motion directing the City Marshal to notify Isaac N. Phipps to open Market street, as per recorded plat of said street. We recommend that the motion be concurred in and the Marshal be so instructed.

4. Is a motion to grant C. F. Neiman permission to grade and gravel in front of his property on Lockerbie street. We would recommend against the motion, as patching up streets in that way would, in our opinion, be more of a nuisance than an improvement.

5. Is a petition from property owners on Winston street, praying for the extension of said street north, from the present terminus to St. Clair street. This is an improvement very much needed. We recommend that the matter be referred to the City Commissioners for their immediate action.

6. Is a petition for the vacation of an alley on Sullivan street, between Buchanan and Bradshaw streets.

7. Is a remonstrance against the same. Also, praying that an ordinance be introduced to grade and gravel Sullivan street. We recommend against the vacation of said alley, and in favor of the passage of an ordinance to grade and gravel the full width of street and alley.

8. Is a remonstrance against the improvement of High street, as the ordinance has passed, and the contract been awarded, no action is necessary.

9. Is a petition, remonstrance and ordinance for the improvement of North Illinois street. We would recommend in favor of the remonstrants, and that the ordinance be stricken from the file.

10. We would recommend that Bismark street be extended from its present terminus west to Greer street, and that the City Clerk notify the City Commissioners to take immediate action in the matter.

11. Is a remonstrance, ordinance and petition, in regard to the improvement of West street side-walks with Leffler stone, between Washington and North streets, we would recommend that James Hill, Jacob Bisbing, S. Barbour, Jacob Dickert, between Vermont and Michigan streets; also John Lintner, G. L. D. Rooker, John Segar, David Hester, Charles Kuhn, — Miner, Jane Smith, Samuel Trendle and Martin Burke be permitted to pave with brick, to a width of nine feet, in front of their property on said street. The work to be done under the direction of the Civil Engineer within thirty days, and that no further permits be granted. We also recommend that the ordinance be amended as follows:

That the square between Washington and Market streets be paved with brick to a width of nine feet, and curbed with stone curbing, the curbing to be set out so as to widen the side-walks, same, as heretofore been done, on the several squares north, on same street, and that from Market to North it be paved with Leffler stone, as petitioned for and provided for in the ordinance; and that the street and alley crossings be bouldered and flag-stone crossings put down.

12. Is a motion, that the contract for paving and curbing the east sidewalk of Alabama street, between Louisiana and South streets, be canceled, and that the City Clerk re-advertise for proposals for a sidewalk nine feet wide. We recommend that the motion be concurred in.

13. Is a communication from the Street Commissioner in regard to running the steam roller. We would report that we have employed an engineer and a steersman, and recommend that, for the present, that their names be placed on the Street Commissioner's pay-roll to receive their wages, at the following rates: Engineer, ninety dollars per month; Steersman, two dollars and fifty cents per day. We would not recommend buying a sprinkler until the roller is fully tested.

ISAAC THALMAN,
JOHN T. PRESSLY,
C. E. WHITSIT,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Thalman offered the following motion;

Moved, That Alexander Jemison have permission to pave with brick the sidewalk in front of his property on West street, and the Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the grade stakes.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Thalman presented the following petition:

INDIANAPOLIS, NOV. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

We, the undersigned, property owners petition your honorable body to extend the fire alarm signal over the river into West Indianapolis, and also to extend a water main, and place a fire plug opposite or near the Bloomington shops, for the better protection of our property.

Thomas Moore, Fred Schurich, James Snider, and sixteen others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Fire Department and Committee on Water Works and Chief Fire Engineer.

Mr. Thalman offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner gravel the sidewalk in front of the city hospital.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That A. Reed & Co. be permitted to move their building from their present location on West street, north on West street, to Indiana avenue, thence west on said avenue to near the Crawfordsville bridge.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That A. Waymonth have permission to move a frame building from its present location in West Indianapolis, to about four squares further west on national road.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the assignment of the contract by Bemard Humill to Sam'l W. Patterson for grading and graveling Harris street and sidewalks from Elizabeth to North street, be concurred in by this council.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Thalman presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—Your petitioners would most respectfully ask your Honorable Body to open or continue Lock street, from Rhode Island street south to Elizabeth street, the usual width of said street, and through blocks five (5) and six (6) in Isaac Harris' subdivision of outlot No. 157, city of Indianapolis. And your petitioners ever pray, &c.

R. H. Patterson, C. A. Wright, and 3 others.

Which was received, and City Clerk instructed to notify City Commissioners and property owners as provided by law.

Mr. Thalman, from the Committee on Parks, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Parks to whom was referred a motion, that the Street Commissioner be directed to build a fence around the "so called" City

Park. Would recommend that the motion be concurred in, and the Street Commissioner directed to put up a plain board fence.

ISAAC THALMAN,
J. H. WOODBURN,
FRED. C. BOLLMAN,

Com. on Parks.

Which was concurred in.

By consent, Mr. Bigham offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner improve Tennessee street, in front of the market space ; and also gravel or otherwise improve the space about the West Market scales in such manner as he may deem best, after consulting the Committee on Markets.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Whitsit offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to place a flag-stone crossing across Virginia avenue, at Dougherty street.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to place a flag-stone crossing across Virginia avenue, at South and Noble streets.

Which was adopted.

On motion by Mr. Wiles, the City Clerk was instructed to notify the City Commissioners to make an assetsment of damages and benefits in the matter of extending Winston street from its present northern terminus to St. Clair street, and that the property owners be also notified as provided by law.

On motion by Dr. Woodburn the Committee on Judiciary were instructed to have the room, now occupied by the Chief of Police, properly furnished and set apart for the use of the City Solicitor.

His Honor, the Mayor, offered the following motion :

Moved, That the Committee on Gas and Gas Inspector report whether Illinois street, north of Tinker street, is supplied with gas in accordance with the plan adopted by the Common Council for lighting streets.

Which was adopted.

On motion the Council adjourned.

DANIEL MACAULEY, Mayor.

ATTEST :

JOHN R. CLINTON, City Clerk.