

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

COMMON COUNCIL.

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REGULAR SESSION

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CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE }  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }  
MONDAY, APRIL 6TH, 1868, 7½ 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 Brown, Coburn, Davis, Foster, Goddard, Jameson,  
Kappes, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—10.

Absent—Councilmen Burgess, Colley, Cottrell, Geisel, Henschen,  
Loomis, Schmidt and Stanton—8.

The proceedings of the regular session held March 30th, 1868,  
were read and approved.

Business was resumed in the order in which it was left off at last  
regular meeting, viz :

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

Mr. Goddard called up general ordinance No. 123, providing for  
the establishment of the office of City Measurer.

Which was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Goddard called up special ordinance No. 10—1868.

Which was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Brown called up special ordinance No. 12—1868.

Which was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Dr. Jameson called up general ordinance No. 127.

Which was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

#### ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Foster called up special ordinance No. 7—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling Merrill street and sidewalks, between the east side of West street and the west side of Missouri street.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Davis, Foster, Goddard, Jameson, Kappes, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—10.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Dr. Jameson called up general ordinance No. 127, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE in relation to the payment of City Bonds issued by the City of Indianapolis on the 1st day of October, 1866, and payable on the 1st day of April, 1868.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Davis, Foster, Goddard, Jameson, Kappes, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—10.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Seidensticker called up special ordinance No. 5—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to provide for grading and graveling Broadway street and sidewalks, between St. Clair and Cherry streets.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Davis, Foster, Goddard, Jameson, Kappes, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—10.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Goddard called up general ordinance No. 123, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE to establish the office of City Measurer and regulate the business thereof.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Foster, Goddard, Jameson, Kappes, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—9.

Councilman Davis voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Seidensticker called up general ordinance No. 128, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE requiring a flagman to be stationed at the intersection of Alabama and Louisiana streets.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Davis, Foster, Goddard, Jameson, Kappes, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—10.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

Mr. Brown called up special appropriation ordinance No. 19—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the building and repairing of wooden culverts over gutters at crossings or intersections of streets and alleys.

Which was read the third time and placed upon its passage.

The question being, shall the ordinance pass? those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Brown, Coburn, Davis, Foster,

Goddard, Jameson, Kappes, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—10.

No Councilman voting in the negative.

So the ordinance passed.

#### REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Mr. Brown offered the following motion :

That Frederick Klare be allowed to gravel the sidewalk on Morris street on the side of his lot, and that the Civil Engineer be directed to set the stakes for the grade, and that he be allowed a credit hereafter for such improvement on any assessment that may be made for improving such sidewalk.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Coburn offered the following motion :

That the Street Commissioner is ordered to remove the old telegraph poles between Glens' Block and Masonic Hall, on Washington street, as the same is not now in use.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Foster offered the following motion :

That the City Civil Engineer be directed to advertise for proposals for building a foot bridge over Pogue's Run at McCarty street, and that he notify the owners or lessees of the ground known as Moses' Skating Park to remove the fences which cross McCarty street on both sides of Pogue's Run.

Mr. MacArthur moved to lay the motion on the table.

Mr. Foster called for the ayes and noes.

The question being to lay the motion on the table, those who voted in the affirmative were Councilmen Coburn, Davis, Goddard, Jameson, Kappes, MacArthur, Seidensticker and Woodburn—8.

Those who voted in the negative were Councilmen Brown and Foster—2.

So the motion to lay on the table was adopted.

Mr. Goddard offered the following motion :

That the Civil Engineer notify the Indianapolis and Vincennes Railroad Company to raise their track so as to conform to the grade of the street on Kentucky Avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Dr. Jameson offered the following motion :

That the Street Commissioner be directed to place a wooden culvert at the crossing of Massachusetts Avenue and New Jersey street, and do the necessary filling.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Jameson introduced general ordinance No. 131, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the payment of the Bank Loan and interest due April 10, 1868.

Which was read the first and second times and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Kappes presented the following petition :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I would respectfully ask for permission from your honorable body to pave the sidewalk in front of my property, on Massachusetts Avenue, with brick ; my property is situated between Chatham and St. Clair streets, on Massachusetts Avenue, and is 170 feet front on the Avenue.

Very respectfully, MATHIAS KAUNTMAN.

Which was granted, and the Civil Engineer directed to set the grade stakes.

Mr. MacArthur offered the following motion :

That the Street Commissioner be ordered to repair the bridge across the Canal on West street.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Seidensticker offered the following motion :

That H. Bates be permitted to erect a stone wall on both sides of Pogue's Run where the same crosses out lots sixty-seven and sixty-eight, walls to be 30 feet apart.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Woodburn offered the following motion :

That H. Bates be permitted to place a stone flagging on sidewalks in front and on side of Bates House, and that the Engineer set the necessary stakes at the grade heretofore established.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Woodburn presented the following remonstrance :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

The Citizens' Street Railway Company respectfully represents that the use of the north half of Louisiana street, between Illinois and Tennessee streets,

is indispensable to the successful operation of their roads, and they therefore earnestly remonstrate and protest against permission being granted the Junction Railroad Company, or any other Railroad Company, to lay down a track on that part of said street.

WM. H. ENGLISH,  
Treasurer of said Company.

Which was referred to the special committee on that matter.

Dr. Woodburn presented the following communication :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I will obligate myself, and give approved security, to remove all dead animals from the city in the same manner as it is now done for the sum of twenty five dollars (\$25) per month.

Very respectfully,

NICHOLAS RUSSEL.  
Security—WOOD TOUTSEY.

Which was referred to the Finance Committee.

Dr. Woodburn offered the following motion :

That the Lamp-Lighter be directed to light none but the lamps on the corners of the streets, and that said corner lamps be turned off at midnight.

Which was postponed until next meeting.

On motion by Mr. Seidensticker, the subject of gas was made the special order for next meeting.

Sealed proposals were opened and read by the City Clerk and referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

#### REPORTS FROM BOARDS.

Mr. MacArthur, from the Board of Public Improvements, made the following report ?

OFFICE BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, }  
Indianapolis, April 6, 1868. }

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom the bids were referred, would respectfully report to your honorable body that we find that Thomas Carr is the lowest bidder for grading and graveling Merrill street and sidewalks between the west side of West street and the east side of Kentucky Avenue, his bid being 28 cents per lineal foot.

Also, that we recommend that the Street Commissioner be ordered to put down flagging at the crossing of Delaware street and Massachusetts Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. B. MACARTHUR, }  
SAML GODDARD, } Board.

Which was concurred in.

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. Coburn, from the Committee on Accounts and Claims reported back special appropriation ordinance No. 18—1868.

Which was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Seidensticker, from the Committee on Revision of Ordinances, introduced the following general ordinance No. 132:

**AN ORDINANCE** to prohibit the running at large, in the City of Indianapolis, of any swine, boar, sow or barrow, and to regulate the erection and keeping of pig styes and stables.

**SECTION 1.** *Be it ordained by the Common Council of the city of Indianapolis,* That from and after the passage of this ordinance it shall be unlawful for any person to have any swine, boar, sow or barrow running at large within the limits of the City of Indianapolis, and any person violating the provisions of this section shall, on conviction before the City Judge, be fined in any sum not exceeding ten dollars.

**SEC. 2.** Any swine, boar, sow or barrow, running at large within the limits of the City of Indianapolis, in violation of the above section, may be taken up and impounded by the Marshal or any Police Officer of said city, of which impounding the Marshal or officer shall give immediate notice, in writing, posted at each Market House and the City Judge's office, describing said swine, boar, sow or barrow; and if the owner of said impounded animal is unknown or fails to claim the same within twenty-four hours after such notice has been posted, the Marshal or officer shall sell the same to the highest bidder, and the Marshal or Police Officer shall be entitled to receive a fee of fifty cents for each animal impounded by him, and an additional fee of twenty-five cents for each animal sold by him in accordance to the provisions of this ordinance, and the overplus of such sale over such expenses shall be paid to the City Treasurer, who, upon proof, shall return the same to the owner, but otherwise, shall return it into the City Treasury.

**SEC. 3.** It shall be unlawful, within the limits of the City of Indianapolis, to erect, build, maintain, or use any pig sty or stable for the keeping of any swine, boar, sow or barrow, at a less distance than thirty feet from any dwelling house on the same or any adjoining lot, or to keep such sty or stable in such a manner as to create or cause offensive or noxious smell or odor; and any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a public nuisance, and shall, upon conviction before the City Judge, be fined in any sum not exceeding twenty dollars.

**SEC. 4.** This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication for two successive weeks, one day each week, in the Indianapolis Daily Journal.

Which was read the first time and ordered to be printed in the proceedings.

Mr. Seidensticker, from the same committee, made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition of James Bogert, asking permission to place a trunk at the corner of Meridian and Washington streets, respectfully report that, in their opinion, such permission would be

in violation of section 18 of the ordinance regulating streets and alleys, (p. 173 Revised Ordinances,) and therefore recommend that the petition be not granted.

Respectfully,

AD. SEIDENSTICKER, }  
P. H. JAMESON, } *Committee.*

Which was concurred in.

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

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the motion relative to building a bridge on Ohio street across Pogue's Run, report against the expediency of building such bridge at the present time.

AUSTIN H. BROWN,  
*Chairman Committee on Streets and Alleys.*

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Brown, from the same committee, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Mary Achey in relation to a certain alley running through that part of Square 66 lying south of Kentucky Avenue, report that the said alley is a public one, and recommend that the City Marshal be directed to cause the same to be opened.

AUSTIN H. BROWN,  
*Chairman Committee on Streets and Alleys.*

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Kappes, from the Committee on Printing and Stationery, introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 20—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Kappes, from the Committee on Benevolence and Hospitals, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—Your committee beg leave to introduce the monthly report of the Superintendent of City Hospital, together with an ordinance appropriating \$425.83 cents on account of City Hospital.

Respectfully,

J. H. KAPPES, *Chairman.*

Also, the following :

RECAPITULATION OF THE MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CONTENTS OF REGISTER OF PATIENTS OF CITY HOSPITAL ENDING MARCH 31, 1868.

Number of patients in Hospital at last report .....	19
Number of patients received in Hospital since last report.....	12
Number of patients born in Hospital since last report.....	0
Number of patients discharged from Hospital since last report.....	5
Number of patients died in Hospital since last report .....	0
Number of patients remaining in Hospital at present report.....	26

Also, the following :

RECAPITULATION OF THE MONTHLY REPORT OF EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY HOSPITAL, ENDING MARCH 31, 1868.

Total expenditures for the month .....	\$444 58
Aggregate number of days for which subsistence, etc., was furnished....	668
Average expense per capita per diem.....	\$0 66

Also, the following :

RECAPITULATION OF THE WEEKLY REPORT OF CONTENTS OF REGISTER OF PATIENTS OF CITY HOSPITAL, ENDING APRIL 4, 1868.

Number of patients in Hospital at last report.....	25
Number of patients received in Hospital since last report.....	4
Number of patients born in Hospital since last report.....	1
Number of patients discharged from Hospital since last report.....	2
Number of patients died in Hospital since last report.....	0
Number of patients remaining in Hospital at present report.....	28

Which were received.

Also, special appropriation ordinance No. 21—1868, entitled :

AN ORDINANCE appropriating moneys for the payment of sundry claims on account of the City Hospital for the month of April, 1868.

Which was read the first time.

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Dr. Jameson, from the Special Committee appointed to confer with General Burnside in regard to the Vincennes Railroad Company, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

The Special Committee, appointed at the last meeting of the Council to confer with Gen'l Burnside relative to the Indianapolis and Vincennes Railroad, beg leave to state that, in addition to the two gentlemen named by the Council—Messrs. George Merritt and Robert Connelly—your committee requested the following named gentlemen to act with them on behalf of the citizens: John W. Murphy, Valentine Butsch and ex-Mayor Caven.

Your committee had two interviews with Gen'l Burnside, during which he laid before them his plans, with full and satisfactory explanations thereof. That such explanation was to the effect that there is no real ground for the fears entertained that the construction of said road, or its management here-

after, will be to the injury of the business interests of the City of Indianapolis. This conclusion of your committee meets the approval of all of the gentlemen above named, who join the committee in expressing the opinion that the Council is, in honor, bound to keep its faith with the Indianapolis and Vincennes Railroad by issuing its bonds when the conditions required shall have been complied with.

Respectfully,

P. H. JAMESON,  
AUSTIN H. BROWN, } *Committee.*  
A. SEIDENSTICKER, }

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Davis, from Special Committee, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1863.

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

GENTLEMEN:—Your committee, to whom was referred the petition of Mr. Josephus Sonnedecker asking permission to use the city gas posts as a medium of advertising, have had the same under consideration, and would report that, in the opinion of your committee, the prayer of said petition should not be granted, but would recommend that Mr. Josephus Sonnedecker be permitted to use as many posts as he may desire for the period of one year, by paying to the City Treasurer the sum of one dollar for each post so used.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH W. DAVIS, } *Committee.*  
JOHN B. MACARTHUR, }

Which was concurred in.

Dr. Woodburn asked and obtained leave of absence.

Mr. Coburn, from the Committee on Fire Department, made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1863.

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

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Fire Department would report that the No. 3 Engine, the J. W. Davis, has been returned from Seneca Falls where she has been thoroughly rebuilt by H. C. Silsby, the contractor for the Engine lately purchased by the city from him. We are satisfied that the work has been done in a thorough and complete manner. The Engine has been tried and found to work well. There is a bill of extra work of \$328.26 cents, a greater part of it being ordered by the Chief Fire Engineer as necessary. We would recommend its payment. We would also recommend that the Chief Fire Engineer and your committee have the Latta Engine repaired, and that only such repairs be made as is necessary to put it in thorough order.

HENRY COBURN, } *Committee.*  
J. W. DAVIS, }

Which was concurred in.

On motion by Mr. Brown, Mr. Hamrick, President of the State Board of Agriculture, addressed the Council in regard to the appropriation of \$5,000 to fit up Mechanics' Hall.

Mr. Brown also offered the following motion :

That special ordinance No. 12 be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Which was adopted.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Gas Inspector made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—On Thursday, the 2d instant, I assisted, as required by your ordinance, in taking the statements of the four meters attached to the street lamps, and now report to you the amount of gas consumed in lighting the city, as from them estimated :

Meter lamp on South Pennsylvania street, 625 cubic feet. Meter lamp on North Pennsylvania street, 600 cubic feet. Meter lamp on East Washington street, 575 cubic feet. Total for the three lamps, 1,800 cubic feet.

Multiplying the average of these three lamps, 600 cubic feet, by 743 lamps, the number extinguished at twelve o'clock, and we have an aggregate consumption of 445,800 cubic feet of gas. The meter lamp on West Washington street burned 1,050 feet, which, multiplied by 102 lamps, gives an aggregate consumption of 107,100 cubic feet.

The full Time Table for the month of March was 179 hours; the lamps extinguished at midnight burned 93½ hours.

Burners, tested to consume an average of four feet per hour, under a pressure of 15-10ths, were used during the entire month on the 102 lamps burned according to full Time Table.

The following summary presents a portion of the items of the bill the Gas Light and Coke Company will expect me to certify to, and I ask your honorable body to consider the same, giving orders to me, your officer, as shall seem to you just :

Av. cub. ft. gas.	No. of lamps.	No. of hours.	Av. cub. ft. per post per hour.
107,100	102	179	5.87
445,800	743	93½	6.43
<hr/> 552,900	<hr/> 845		

I would call your attention to the fact that, at considerable expense, you procured and had tested, burners for 102 lamps, with the hope and positive intention of restricting the consumption of gas by said lamps to four cubic feet per hour, and yet the experience of the past month demonstrates that they can be made to burn 50 per cent. more gas than you had decided upon, or fully 1.87 cubic feet per hour more than is necessary to well and satisfactorily light our streets.

The explanation of this excess of 1.87 cubic feet must resolve itself down to these propositions :

1. A greater average pressure over the city than 15.10ths.
2. An undue local pressure at the meter-lamp, caused by elevation, reduction of main, or other causes.
3. Inaccuracy of meter attached to post.
4. Tampering with lamp, by allowing gas to flow through when not lighted.

The Charter of the Gas Light and Coke Company requires them to measure their gas to the city. If the statements of some of the Company's employes can be relied upon, it proposes to adhere to measurement by meter. The inaccuracy and injustice of that method of measurement, or rather of estimating the gas consumed, is clearly and simply shown by the bill of the

102, full time, four feet burner lamps for the past month. In my judgment, even if meter lamps were largely increased, (which the Company would, no doubt, willingly do, and as willingly claim from the city, *under its charter*, "the actual expense of setting each meter" used for this purpose,) there would continue to be dissatisfaction on the part of your honorable body, and an unpleasant monthly contest for your Gas Inspector.

I do not believe that the gas can be so justly measured to the city by this system of meter lamps as by burners tested under a pressure more nearly the average, and consequently greater than 15-10ths. The Washington street lamps this month indicate a pressure of fully 22-10ths. If that, or less, is the proposed extreme, let burners be so adjusted, and placed on the street lamps, and let the Gas Company thus measure gas to the city by the post, and not be allowed to do so by meters attached to one lamp in two hundred, or one in twenty-five even. This burner method is just, and works no wrong to the Gas Company; the meter plan is cause for suspicion and dispute.

I now close this communication, with the request that you, this evening, decide as to the propriety of my certifying such an account as the facts above set forth indicate.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. FLEMING, *City Gas Inspector.*

On motion by Mr. Seidensticker, the report was ordered to be published, and that portion of the report referring to the measurement of gas referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims.

The City Gas Inspector made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit a lease for the office of your Gas Inspector, and respectfully request your approval of the same.

A portion of my apparatus is now in the city, and I am desirous of setting it up to-morrow.

The room is larger than is needed for your purposes, and the privilege has been granted me, as your agent, to sub-let to an acceptable co-tenant. Within a few days I feel assured I can supply this want, and thus reduce the actual rental to the city not more than one hundred and fifty dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. FLEMING, *City Gas Inspector.*

Which was referred to the Finance Committee with discretionary powers.

The Street Commissioner made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868

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

GENTLEMEN:—I would respectfully report the following work done from — up to April 4, 1868.

1. Repaired a culvert on Illinois and Georgia street.
2. Repaired a culvert on Illinois and Maryland street.
3. Built a culvert on Market street first alley north-west of Illinois street.
4. Built a culvert on Cady and Washington streets.
5. Repaired a culvert on Ray street and Madison Avenue.
6. Filled up around the cistern on Noble and Pine streets with gravel.
7. Filled up on the end of the bridge across the Central Canal on Ray st.
8. Laid 6 foot bridges on Ray and Illinois streets.

- Laid 2 foot bridges on Kentucky Avenue and West street.  
Laid 4 foot bridges on Stevens and East streets.  
Laid 4 foot bridges on Blume and Cherry streets.  
Laid 2 foot bridges on Oak and Cherry streets.  
Laid 2 foot bridges on Broadway and Cherry streets.  
Laid 2 foot bridges on Jackson and Cherry streets.  
Laid 2 foot bridges on Liberty and North streets.  
Laid 2 foot bridges on Illinois and Pratt streets.  
Laid 2 foot bridges on Illinois and Ohio streets.  
Laid 1 foot bridge on South and East streets.  
Repaired a culvert on Mississippi and New York streets.  
Repaired a culvert on Mississippi and Market streets.  
Cleaned a culvert on Mississippi and Ohio streets  
Cleaned Cumberland street between Delaware and Alabama streets.  
Repaired the pavement on Pennsylvania street between Georgia street and Pogue's Run, on the west side of Pennsylvania street.  
Built a culvert on Cherry and Pratt streets the full width of said st.  
Built two culverts on Kentucky Avenue and Maryland street. One is 144 feet long, and the other 58 feet long. At the same place I took up 225 yards of bowldering and replaced the same.  
Cleaned Virginia Avenue between Pogue's Run and Washington st.  
Cleaned Delaware street between Washington street and Pogue's Run.  
Cleaned Illinois street between Market and Louisiana streets.  
Cleaned Tennessee street between Market and Washineton streets.  
Cleaned Pearl street between Illinois and Pennsylvania streets.  
Cleaned Pennsylvania street between Washington and Michigan sts.  
Cleaned Massachusetts Avenue between New Jersey and Pennsylvania streets.  
Cleaned Meridian street between Market and Louisiana streets.  
Cleaned Market street between Pennsylvania and Illinois streets.  
Cleaned Court House street between Pennsylvania and Delaware sts.  
Cleaned Louisiana street between Pennsylvania and Meridian streets.  
Cleaned Circle street.  
Cleaned Washington street between Liberty street and the National Road west.  
Cleaned the alley running east and west between Pennsylvania and Tennessee streets.  
Cleaned the alley running north and south in Square No. 54.  
I completed the grading of the Governor's Circle.  
Built a stone culvert on Meridian and South streets the full width of said streets.  
Laid 1 foot bridge on Illinois and Washington streets.  
Laid 2 foot bridges on New York and Railroad streets.  
Bowldered the gutter on West Washington street and two crossings at the alleys, in all 710 yards.  
Put in on East Washington street with the intersection of Noble street 260 yards of bowldering.  
Bowldered the gutters on Kentucky Avenue, between Maryland and Illinois streets, 122 yards.  
Filled the crossings on Virginia Avenue and Buchanan street.  
Filled the mud holes on McCarty street between East street and Virginia Avenue.  
Filled the crossings on East and Stevens streets.  
Filled the sidewalk on Huron street between Cedar and Noble streets.  
Filled the crossings on Meek and Cady streets with gravel  
Filled the sidewalk in front of the 8th Ward School House with gravel.  
Filled the crossings on Virginia Avenue and Bradshaw st. with gravel.  
Filled the crossings on Virginia Avenue and Cedar street with gravel.  
Filled the crossings on Virginia Avenue and Stevens street with gravel.  
Filled the crossings on Huron street and Virginia Avenue with gravel.  
Filled the crossings on South street and Virginia Avenue with gravel.

59. Filled up the largest mud holes on Virginia Avenue, between South and Bradshaw streets, with gravel.
60. Filled up the mouth of the alley on Pennsylvania street, between Saint Clair and Pratt streets, with gravel.
61. Repaired the sidewalk on St. Clair street, between East and New Jersey streets, with gravel.
62. Repaired the sidewalk on St. Clair street, between New Jersey and Alabama streets, with gravel.
63. Repaired the sidewalk on North street, between Illinois and Tennessee streets, with gravel.
64. Repaired the sidewalk on Vermont street, between Illinois and Tennessee streets, with gravel.
65. Filled the crossing on Market street, first alley north-west of Illinois street.
66. Filled the mouth of the alley between Vermont and New York streets, on east side, with gravel.
67. Hauled 51 yards of gravel on East New York street, between Pogue's Run and Winston street.
68. Repaired the sidewalks on South East street, between Stevens and McCarty streets, with gravel.
69. Filled the crossings on Illinois and Ray streets with gravel.
70. Filled the crossings on Cherry and Broadway streets with gravel.
71. Repaired the sidewalk on Michigan street between Tennessee and Illinois streets.
72. Filled the crossings on North and West streets with spalts and gravel.
73. Filled the crossings on West and Walnut streets with gravel.
74. Filled the crossings on New York and Railroad streets with gravel.
75. Filled the crossings on Mississippi and Louisiana streets with gravel.
76. Filled the crossings on Illinois and Michigan streets with gravel.
77. Filled the edge of the gutters on Ohio street, between Meridian and Illinois streets, with gravel.
78. Filled the crossings on Illinois and Pratt streets with gravel.
79. Repaired the sidewalk on St. Clair street between Illinois and Meridian streets.
80. Repaired the sidewalk on Illinois street between Pratt and First sts.
81. Filled the mouth of the alley on Illinois street, between Pratt and First streets, on the west side of said Illinois street, with gravel.

The statement below shows the expenses from last report up to April 4th, 1868, of each Ward, and the balance of credit to each Ward this 6th day of April, 1868, on \$1,750 allowed by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis for expenses up to May 1st, 1868.

	Expenses.	Bal. Credit.
First Ward .....	\$120 00	\$781 00
Second Ward .....	186 00	811 36
Third Ward .....	349 00	670 30
Fourth Ward .....	188 00	760 39
Fifth Ward .....	335 00	516 02
Sixth Ward .....	218 00	355 63
Seventh Ward .....	61 50	662 41
Eighth Ward .....	268 00	806 29
Ninth Ward .....	229 20	749 60

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUST RICHTER, *Street Commissioner.*

Also, the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1867.

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

Report of August Richter, Street Commissioner, for work done for the

Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, and for the Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette Railroad Company :

Work done for the Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company—

1. Planked seven crossings with the intersection of East street, cost	\$214 36
2. Planked one crossing with the intersection of Ohio street, cost	30 28
3. Planked one crossing with the intersection of New York st., cost	41 64
4. Planked one crossing with the intersection of Vermont st., cost	34 48
5. Planked one crossing with the intersection of Michigan st., cost	20 28
6. Planked one crossing with the intersection of North street, cost	14 88

Total, - - - - - \$355 92

Work done for the Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette Railroad Company:

Planked one crossing with the intersection of Georgia street	} cost \$106 01
Planked one crossing with the intersection of Maryland st.,	

Respectfully submitted,  
AUGUST RICHTER, *Street Commissioner.*

Which were concurred in.

The Street Commissioner also made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

I respectfully inform you that I have been sued by the Central Canal Company for \$5,000 damages for having last fall attempted to build another arch under said Canal for Pogue's Run. The work done by me was done in pursuance of the following resolution :

"That the Street Commissioner be directed to throw a dam across the Central Canal preparatory to building another arch under said Canal adjoining the arch already there, and to do said work immediately."

The Canal Company has brought its suit against me individually, but as I did said work as an agent of the city, I respectfully ask that the Common Council take the necessary steps to defend said suit.

AUGUST RICHTER, *Street Commissioner.*

Which was referred to the City Attorney, with instructions to make vigorous defense and, if necessary, procure aid.

The City Clerk made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, April 6, 1868.

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

The City Clerk respectfully reports to your honorable body the contract and bond of Hiram Seibert for grading and graveling Tennessee street and sidewalks, between McCarty and Ray streets.

D. M. RANSELL, *City Clerk*

Which was concurred in and the contract and bond approved.

On motion the Council adjourned.

DANIEL MACAULEY, *Mayor.*

TEST :

D. M. RANSELL, *City Clerk.*