PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION.

CHAMBER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,

Monday, August 23d, 1875—7½ o'clock P. M.

The Common Council met in regular session.

Present—His Honor, the Mayor, John Caven, in the chair, and the following members:

Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman and Webster—20.

Absent—Councilmen Buehrig, Curran, Gimber, Hall, Kenzel and Ward—6.

The proceedings of the regular session held August 16th, and the adjourned session held August 19th, 1875, were read and approved.

Sealed proposals for grading, paving with brick and curbing with stone, on Winston street from Market street to the first alley south of St. Clair street.

Also, for grading and paving the east sidewalk of Union street, between Madison avenue and Haaway street.

Also, for the erection of lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures, on Olive street, from Prospect street to Pleasant Run.

Were received, opened, read and referred to the Committee on Contracts.

Mr. Kahn, Chairman of the Committee on Contracts, submitted the following report:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen: —Your Committee on Contracts to whom was referred sundry proposals, report that we have examined the same, and find them to be as follows:

FIRST.

For grading and bouldering the gutters on Alabama street, between Tinker street and the State Ditch, the following proposals were presented, viz:

Strong & Hanna, 79 cents per foot front on each side.

J. J. Palmer, 68 cents per foot front on each side.

R. E. Smith, 65 cents per foot front on each side.

Mann & Buchanan, 63 cents per foot front on each side.

J. H. Smith, 63 cents per foot front on each side.

E. H. Roney, 63 cents per foot front on each side.

H. C. Roney, 58 cents per foot front on each side.

Anderson & Devenish, 55 cents per foot front on each side.

James Mahoney, 55 cents per foot front on each side.

Patterson & Dunning, 55 cents per foot front on each side.

James W. Hudson, 52 cents per foot front on each side.

R. H. Patterson, 50 cents per foot front on each side.

Heveling & Co., 44 cents per foot front on each side.

Heveling & Co., being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend that they be awarded the contract.

SECOND.

For grading and graveling Home avenue between Pennsylvania and Delaware street, the following proposal was presented, viz:

John J. Palmer, 63 cents per lineal foot front on each side of the line improved.

Rejected.

THIRD.

For grading and graveling Lawrence street, exclusive of the sidewalks, from Hill avenue to Fernway, the following proposals were presented, viz:

Patterson & Dunning, 92 cents per foot front on each side.

Heveling & Co., 78 cents per foot front on each side,

Anderson & Devenish, 75 cents per foot front on each side.

J. J. Palmer, 75 cents per foot on each side.

James Mahoney, 70 cents per foot front on each side.

Jamuel J. Smock, 74 cents per foot front, where 60 feet wide.

Samuel J. Smock, 58 cents per foot front, where 50 feet wide.

John Greene, 672 cents per foot front on each side.

Joseph Hanna, 65 cents per front on each side.

Strong & Hanna, 55 cents per front foot on each side.

John L. Hanna, 45 cents per front foot en each side.

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

FOURTH.

For grading and graveling Fernway from Lawrence to Hazel street, the following proposals were presented, viz:

Anderson & Devenish, 90 cents per front foot on each side.

J. J. Palmer, 82 cents per front foot on each side.

Patterson & Dunning, 78 cents per front foot on each side.

Heveling & Co., 713 cents per front foot on each side.

John Greene, 67½ cents per front foot on each side.

John Greene, 65 cents per front foot on each side.

Samuel J. Smock, 62 cents per front foot on each side.

Joseph Hanna, 60 cents per front foot on each side.

Strong & Hanna, 60 cents per front foot on each side.

John L. Hanna, 45 cents per front foot on each side.

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

FIFTH.

For grading and graveling Central avenue, and paving with brick the sidewalks thereof, from St. Mary street to the north side of Eighth street, the following proposals were presented, viz:

- R. E. Smith, \$3.78 per lineal front foot on each side.
- J. H. Robertson & Co., \$3.50 per lineal front foot on each side.
- J. J. Palmer, \$2.03 per front foot on the east side. \$2.18 per front foot on the west side. Bouldering, 68 cents per square yard.

Patterson & Dunning, grading and graveling, \$1.38 per front foot on each side of the street. Paving, 75 cents per front foot on the east side, 62 cents per front foot on the west side. Bouldering, 69 cents per square yard.

Anderson & Devenish, grading and graveling, 70 cents per front foot on each side. Paving, \$1.08 per front foot on the east side, 88 cents per front foot on the west side. Bouldering, 70 cents per square yard.

James Mahoney, grading and graveling, \$1.50 per front foot on each side. Paving, 45 cents per front foot on each side. Bouldering, 70 cents per front foot on each side.

John Greene and E. C. Howland, \$2.27½ per lineal foot front on the east side, \$2.12½ per lineal foot front on the west side. Bouldering, 75 cents per square yard.

R. H. Patterson, grading and graveling, 83 cents per foot front on each side; paving, 71 cents per foot front on east side; paving, 60 cents per foot front on west side.

Samuel J. Smock, grading and graveling, 93 cents per foot front on each side; paving, 64 cents per foot front on east side; paving, 54 cents per foot front on west side.

Samuel J. Smock being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend that he be awarded the contract.

SIXTH.

For grading and graveling the first alley west of West street, from First street to its northern terminus, the following proposals were presented:

John D. Mathes, 38 cents per front foot on each side.

Heveling & Co., 27 cents per front foot on each side.

R. E. Smith, 25 cents per front foot on each side.

R. H. Patterson, 19 cents per front foot on each side.

James Mahoney, 17½ cents per front foot on each side.

Patterson & Dunning, 17 cents per front foot on each side.

Henry Clay, 16 cents per front foot on each side.

Anderson & Devenish, 16 cents per front foot on each side.

Anderson & Devenish being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend that they be awarded the contract.

SEVENTH.

For widening the north sidewalk on Michigan street to a width of 17 feet, and curbing the outside edge with stone, from Meridian to Pennsylvania street, the following proposals were presented, viz:

James W. Hudson, curbing 55 cents per foot front.

- E. H. Roney, curbing 55 cents per foot front.
- J. J. Palmer, curbing 53 cents per foot front.
- H. C. Roney, curbing 52 cents per foot front.
- J. H. Smith, curbing 50 cents per foot front.
- R. E. Smith, curbing 48 cents per foot front.

Bernard Hammill, curbing 47 cents per foot front.

Bernard Hammill being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend that he be awarded the contract.

EIGHTH.

For grading and bouldering Market street, curbing the sidewalks, and paving the same where not already paved, from Illinois to Tennessee street:

John J. Palmer, bouldering and curbing, \$3.04 per foot on each side; paving78 cents square yard.

Mann & Buchanan, \$2.70 per lineal foot on each side. Curbing, 52 cents per lineal foot on each side. Paving, 63 cents per lineal foot on each side.

J. H. Smith, bouldering, \$2.66 per lineal foot on each side. Curbing, 47 cents per lineal foot on each side. Paving, 71 cents per lineal foot on each side where not already paved, and less in proportion.

James W. Hudson, bouldering, \$2 60 per lineal foot on each side. Curbing, 47 cents per lineal foot on each side. Paving, 40 cents per lineal foot on 6 feet wide, 90 cents per lineal foot on 15 feet wide.

Michael Faust, grading, 25 cents per lineal foot each side. Bouldering, 70 cents per square yard. Curbing, 46 cents per lineal foot on each side. Paving, 63 cents per lineal foot on each side.

O'Conner & Shehan, bouldering, \$2.60 per lineal foot on each side. Curbing, 50 cents per lineal foot on each side. Paving, 65 cents per lineal foot on each side.

Anderson & Devenish, bouldering, \$2.40 per lineal foot on each side. Curbing, 48 cents per lineal foot on each side. Paving, 99 cents per lineal foot on each side.

R. H. Patterson, bouldering, \$2.37 per lineal foot on each side. Curbing, 50 cents per lineal foot on each side. Paving, 97 cents per lineal foot on each side.

Patterson & Dunning, bouldering, \$2.35 per lineal foot on each side. Curbing, 48 cents per lineal foot on each side. Paving, 7 cents per lineal square foot.

R. E. Smith, bouldering, \$2.35 per lineal foot on each side. Curbing, 48 cents per lineal foot on each side. Paving, 87 cents per lineal foot on each side.

James Mahoney, bouldering, \$2.25 per lineal foot on each side. Curbing, 48 cents per lineal foot on each side. Paving, 64 cents per square yard.

John A. Whitsit, bouldering, \$2.20 per lineal foot on each side. Curbing, 48 cents per lineal foot on each side. Paving, 90 cents per lineal foot on each side.

Heveling & Co., bouldering, \$2.10 per front foot on each side. Curbing, 50 cents per front foot on each side. Paving, \$1.24 per front foot on each side.

Bernard Hammill, bouldering and curbing, \$2.57 per lineal foot front on each side; paving 60 cents per square yard, where not already paved.

Bernard Hammil being the lowest and best bidder, we recommend he be awarded the contract.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON KAHN,
ROBT. C. McGILL,
Committee on Contracts.

Which was concurred in and contracts awarded, except the fifth paragraph, in regard to which Mr. Adams offered the following motion:

Moved, That the bids for the improvement of Central avenue, be rejected and the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby directed to readvertise for proposals for the improvement of said street, on the first Monday in March, 1876.

Which motion was adopted.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—I was directed to examine Ohio street, between New Jersey and East street, and report what is necessary to be done to drain said street, would recommend as a temporary rel,ef, to have the gutters properly cleaned, as by stakes set by myself, and that the owner of the building on the corner of Ohio and New Jersey streets, be notified by the Marshal to have the bricks taken away in front of said building, and clean out the rubish from the gutter.

I can see no permanent means for draining said street, except by building a four foot sewer in New Jersey street, from New York street to Pogues Run; or if a sewer should be built in Washington street, to have it connect with that sewer.

SECOND.

I would recommend that the Marshal be instructed to notify the property owners on Sinker street, between Alabama street and New Jersey streets, to have their fences removed back to their proper lines, in order to allow the contractor to proceed with his work of laying the brick pavement on said street.

Respectfully submitted.

EERNHARD H. DIETZ, City Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in, and the City Marshal instructed to carry out the instructions in said report.

Also, the following report:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:-I hereby report the following estimates for work done:

A first and partial estimate allowed Lefever & Keating, for constructing a brick sewer in and along Maryland street, from Illinois street to Kentucky avenue, and connecting with the sewer in Kentucky avenue—

154 lineal feet at \$3.80		\$585	20
Less 15 per cent	•••••	87	20
Present navment		\$408	00

Also, a first and final estimate allowed Bernard Hammill, for grading and graveling Torbit street and sidewalks, from Camp street to Fall Creek—

2485 lineal feet at 59 cents.......\$1,466 15

Also, a first and final estimate allowed R. E. Smith, for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk on Maryland street, from Delaware to Alabama street—

393.75 lineal feet at 86 cents... \$383 63

Also, a third and partial estimate allowed Joseph Hanna, for building a brick sewer in Potomac alley, commencing at a point twenty feet from the east line of Meridian street in said Potomac alley, and to run east and connect with Pennsylvania street sewer—

'433.15 lineal feet at \$3.50	.\$1,516	02
3 man-holes at \$30.00	. 90	00

S	\$1,606	02
Less 5 per cent	80	02

\$1,526 00

Amount brought forward	1,526	00
Less former payments		
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Present payment\$	186	50
Respectfully submitted,		

BERNHARD H. DEITZ,
City Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in.

Also, the following estimate resolution;

Resolved, That the foregoing first and partial estimate allowed Lefever & Keating for constructing a brick sewer in and along Maryland street, from Illinois street to Kentucky avenue, and connecting with the sewer in Kentucky avenue, 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 Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stuckmeyer, Thalman and Webster—18.

Negative-None.

Also, the following estimate resolution;

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed Bernard Hammill for grading and graveling Torbit street and sidewalks, from Camp street to Fall Creek, 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 Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stuckmeyer, Thalman and Webster—18.

Negative-None.

Also, the following estimate resolution:

Resolved, That the foregoing first and final estimate allowed R. E. Smith, for grading and paving with brick the north sidewalk on Maryland street, from Delaware to Alabama 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 Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stuckmeyer, Thalman and Webster—18.

Negative-None.

Also, the following estimate resolution;

Resolved, That the foregoing third and partial estimate allowed Joseph Hanna for building a brick sewer in Potomac alley, commencing at a point twenty feet from the east line of Meridian street in said Potomac alley, and to run east and connect with the Pennsylvania street sewer, 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.

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stuckmeyer, Thalman and Webster—18.

Negative-None.

Also, the following report:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The City Civil Engineer reports to Council for your approval, the following contracts and bonds, viz:

Contract and bond of Elliott & Morrison for grading and graveling Pratt street, and paving the sidewalks thereof, and bouldering the street and alley crossings from Delaware street to Fort Wayne avenue.

Contract and bond of Heveling & Co., for grading and bouldering the gutters on Alabama street between Tinker street and the State Ditch.

Contract and bond of Heveling & Co., for grading and graveling Peru avenue and east sidewalk from the northern terminus of Charles street to Davidson street

Respectfully submitted,

BERNHARD H. DIETZ,

City Civil Engineer.

Which was concurred in and the bonds approved.

The City Attorney submitted the following report:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis

Gentlemen:—In reply to your communication in regard to the course to be pursued to secure the removal of obstructions in Pogues Run, caused by railroad trestle work, I report as follows:

That I have no doubt of the power of the city to compel railroad companies to so construct their crossings as not to interfere with the natural flow of the water. I suggest that the Council, by resolution, order such companies to remove such obstructions, and that the City Marshal be directed to serve notice on them, and in the event of the failure of such companies to remove the same, that legal proceedings be instituted to compel the removal thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

CAS. BYFIELD,

City Attorney.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also, the following report:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—I herewith return your communication requesting an opinion in reference to the improvement of Sullivan street.

The record shows that there is an alley on the east side of Sullivan street, from Bismarck to Buchanan street, and the law only allows assessments for improvement of streets upon property that abuts upon the street improved. As a matter of course the property abutting on the east side of the alley, could not be assessed for improvement.

ing the street. The only way this property can be reached for the improvement of this street, is to widen the street the length of this alley; thereby making the alley a part of the street.

The record also seems to show a narrow strip of ground between the alley and Sullivan street, that has never been platted as part of the alley or the street. I suggest, that if the Common Council desire to improve said Sullivan street, that they first order the widening of the same between the points indicated, and refer the same to the City Commissioners to assess the benefits and damages, and that they may better understand the situation of the alley and the strip of land lying between it and the street, the City Civil Engineer be directed to furnish said Commissioners a plat of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

CAS. BYFIELD,

City Attorney.

Mr. Adams offered the following motion:

Moved, That the report of the City Attorney in the matter of Sullivan street be concurred in, and the City Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare the necessary papers for the widening of said street, and present the same at an early day.

Which was adopted.

His Honor, the Mayor, submitted the following:

Indianapolis, Ind., August 10, 1875.

To His Honor Mayor Caven:

Deor Sir:—As my time is almost wholly taken up with other matters, it will be impossible for me to serve on the Committee of Investigation. I therefore tender my resignation and ask that another appointment be made.

Yours truly,

W. H. CRAFT.

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

I hereby appoint Hon. Daniel M. Ransdell to fill the vacancy on the within named committee, occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Craft.

J. CAVEN,

Mayor.

Which was received.

His Honor, the Mayor, submitted the following report:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit an itemized statement of the fines collected by me during the month of July, showing a total of \$416.85; and, of which the sum of \$100.90 should be credited to the City Treasury, and \$315.95 to the Home for Friendles Women:

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This amount I have paid to the City Treasurer, as shown by his duplicate receipt herewith filed.

Docket 25, No. 781.....

Docket 25, No. 782.....

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN CAVEN,

Mayor.

Which was approved.

Also, the following communication:

State of Indiana, County of Marion, ss:

Be it remembered, that heretofore, to-wit: at a term of the Marion Civil Circuit Court of the county of Marion, in the State of Indiana, begun, holden and continued at the Court House in the city of Indianapolis, on the 23d day of August, 1875, the same being the first judicial day of the August term, A. D. 1875, of the said Marion Civil Circuit Court, before the Honorable Livingston Howland, Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit Court of the State of Indiana, and sole Judge of the Marion Civil Circuit Court, the following appointment was made by order of said Court:

John R. Clinton is hereby appointed a member of the Board of City Commissioners for the city of Indianapolis, vice Moses R. Barnard declined, to serve from date until the 30th day of March, 1876, and until his successor shall be appointed and qualified.

State of Indiana, County of Marion, ss:-Marion Civil Circuit Court.

I, Austin H. Brown, Clerk of the Marion Civil Circuit Court of the County of Marion, in the State of Indiana, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and

complete copy of the proceedings and judgment of said court in the above entitled cause, on the day and year first aforesaid, as appear of record in my office.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name, and hereto affix the seal of the said Marion Civil Circuit Court, at my office in the city of Indianapolis, this 23d day of August, A. D. 1875.

AUSTIN H. BROWN,

Clerk of Marion Civil Circuit Court.

Which was received, and the City Clerk instructed to issue the certificate, etc.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING.

Mr. Adams presented the following petition:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on alley between Park and Central avenue, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling with river gravel the alley running south from Lincoln street, between Park avenue and Central avenue.

And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

L. H. Guffin, 42½ ft.; F. D. Everts, 40 ft.; C. E. Merri field, 50 ft.; E. S. Folsom, 110 ft.; A. G. Gregory, 28¾ ft.

Which was received.

Mr. Adams introduced special ordinance No. 177, 1875, entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the alley running south from Lincoln avenue, between Park and Central avenue.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Bollman introduced special ordinance No. 178, 1875, entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading the first alley north of McCarty street, running east and west between the first and second alleys east of Alabama street.

Which was read the first time.

Also, special ordinance No. 179, 1875, entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading the first alley east of Alabama street, running north and south from Merrill to McCarty street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Darnell presented the following petition:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on First street, between Tennessee street and Mississippi street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading, paving with brick and curbing with stone the sidewalk on the north side of First street between the points above named, and bouldering the alley crossings.

And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.,

J. P. WEAVER, H. C. JORDAN, W. H. DAVIS.

Which was received.

Mr. Darnell introduced special ordinance No. 180, 1875, entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading, paving and curbing the north sidewalk on First street, between Tennessee and Mississippi streets.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Diffley introduced special ordinance No. 181, 1875 entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Ellis street, paving with brick and curbing with stone the sidewalks thereof, between Maryland and Georgia street.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Geiger introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 41, 1875, entitled:

An ordinance appropriating the sum of ten thousand dollars for the use of the Chief Fire Engineer.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Geiger moved to suspend the rules and place the above entitled ordinance on its passage.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote:

Affimative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Diffley. Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman and Webster—18.

Negative-None.

Special appropriation ordinance No. 41, 1875, was read the second time and engrossed, and read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman and Webster—18.

Negative-None.

Mr. Madden introduced special appropriation ordinance No. 42, 1875, entitled:

An ordinance to appropriate money for the use of the Street Commissioner of the city of Indianapolis.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Reasner introduced general ordinance No. 69, 1875, entitled:

An ordinance granting permission to Wonderly & Co., to lay a side track across Leota street, to connect their lumber yard with the P., C. and St. Louis Railroad Company's track.

Which was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads, to report next Monday night.

Mr. Schmidt introduced special ordinance No. 182, 1875, entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Ohio street and flagging the gutters on said street, and curbing the sidewalks thereof, between Alabama and East streets.

Which was read the first time.

Dr. Stratford introduced special ordinance No. 183, 1875, entitled:

An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Everson street and sidewalks, from Prospect street to Orange street.

Which was read the first time.

ROLL CALL.

Mr. Albershardt offered the following motion:

Moved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby instructed to advertise for proposals to sprinkle Delaware street, Alabama street, Pennsylvania street, Meridian and Tennessee street during the exposition.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following petition:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, citizens and tax payers, would represent to your honorable body that we are the owners of property fronting on Wabash street, and as there has been a large amount spent in the erection of buildings on said

street, and more under contract, we ask your honorable body to increase the fire protection by locating a fire plug at the intersection of Wabash street and the alley running north and south in the rear of the new Opera House and hotel.

And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

ANDREW WALLACE, by W. THOMAS COTTRELL, by J. C. J. H. CAFFEE, JOHN C. WRIGHT.

And 5 others.

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

Mr. Bollman offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Market Master be and is hereby directed to contract with some reliable person to pave the flooring of the new addition to the market house; said work to be done under direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion :

Resolved, That the motion authorizing Moses Rothschild to erect and maintain a covered stand on east market place be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Bollman, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hook, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman and Webster—18.

Negative—Councilmen Kahn and Laughlin—2.

Mr. Craft offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Market Master be and is hereby authorized to make necessary change in the gas fixtures of the east marke house, so as to equally distribute the light.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That James Mason be and he is hereby granted permission to grade and pave with brick, and curb with stone in front of his property on north Liberty street, between Ohio and New York streets; the same to be done at his own expense and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, who is hereby directed to set the proper grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the contractor and citizens owning property on Michigan street between Pennsylvania and Delaware streets, be and are hereby authorized to change the width of the pavement from 15 to 17 feet; to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Which was adopted.

Also the following petition:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned would respectfully request that the Street Commissioner may be directed to change the flow of the water along the north side of the National Road, in Indianapolis, so that it may flow into White river, without dowing upon private property as it now does.

And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

D. C. OLIVER,
WILSON WATERS,
N. McCARTY,
AGEDIUS NALTNER,
J. H. KAPPES,

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that the Street Commissioner be and is hereby directed to do the work under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Which petition and motion were referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Darnell offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby ordered to put in wooden culverts on Tennessee street, at the crossing of Twelfth street, the work to be done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with instructions to report next Monday night.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the City Attorney report to this Council whether the property holders living on Railroad street, the one that the Layfayettee railroad is on, running from First to Tinker, have any rights on the same or not.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following resignation:

Whereas, There has been great complaints made to me about the repairs of the Tomlinson estate, which was done in a shameful manner, and I, as one of the Committee on Public Buildings, never being consulted in reference to the repairs of said houses, therefore, gentlemen; I tender you my resignation as one of the Committee on Public Buildings.

C. F. DARNELL.

Which failed to be accepted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Bollman, Darnell, Geiger, Laughlin, Madden, Reed and Schmidt—7.

Negative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Diffley, Hook, Kahn, McGill, Ransdell, Reasner, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman, and Webster—13.

Mr. Diffley offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to repair the crossing of Pearl street, on west side of Tennessee street.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the City Treasurer be and is hereby instructed to tender Mr. M. Kalb, the amount of damages allowed him by the City Commissioners, on account of proposed opening of alley running from Maryland street, between Illinois street and Kentucky avenue, to Kentucky avenue, (between Washington and Maryland street,) and after such tender is made, the City Marshal is hereby instructed to open said alley by taking down gate on Kentucky avenue.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Geiger offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to have the Water Works Company to repair the alley north of Washington street, between Meridian and Illinois streets.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following remonstrance:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, citizens and tax payers of the Thirteenth Ward of the city, would respectfully remonstrate with your honorable body against the passage of an ordinance to build a sewer in Virginia avenue, from the first alley north of McCarty street to Shelby street. In our opinion, there is no necessity for said sewer, and that the passage of said ordinance will be directly opposed to the best interests of the majority of the property holders along the proposed line.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, &c.,

C. W. BIRKET,
I. VANDERSAAR,
WM. ROSEBRUCK,
AUGUST ALRICH,

And 3 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Sewers, with the ordinance.

Mr. Adams presented the following remonstrrnce:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, citizens of said city, and property owners along and fronting upon Central avenue in said city, respectfully object to and remonstrate against the proposed letting and improvement of said street, under and in pursuance of an ordinance recently passed by your honorable body for the improvement of said avenue from St. Mary street to Eighth street, for the following reasons, to-wit:

- 1. We believe that the ordinance is illegal and void in this, that it provides "that the sidewalks on the east side of the street shall be 15 feet wide while that on the west side shall be 10 feet only." Such provision being in direct violation of an ordinance of the city which provides that "the sidewalks shall possess by measurement, from the true front line of the lots bordering on the street, and from the inner edge of the pavement to the curb thereof, the following widths: the width on each side of said street of one-sixth of the whole width thereof."
- 2. Because the improvement as ordered, terminates at Eighth street in a deep cut, without providing any means of drainage.
- 3. Because said ordinance was introduced and passed without any petition from the property owners along the same, in direct violation of an ordinance or resolution of your honorable body, providing that "no street improvements should be ordered except upon petition, &ct."
- 4. Because said avenue or street has no properly defined width on either side thereof. The property of the undersigned, T. A. Morris, containing a frontage of over 800 feet, never having been sub-divided and platted; that the property owned by Charles H. Bals and Ovid Butler, each having a frontage of several hundred feet have never been sub divided and platted, as we are advised. Thus leaving the width of the street dedicated to the public use no fair width, except that created by the Indianapolis and Fort Wayne State Road, subsequently and until recently the Inpianapolis and Fall Creek Gravel Road, which was 48 feet; thus giving 24 feet only on each side of the centre line, while the property of the heirs of L. D. Johnson, deceased, has an established width of 25 feet only from said center line.
- 5. Because, as we are advised, the Street Steam Road Roller has been suffered to get so out of order that it cannot be made available without a large outlay of money in repairing it, in rolling said street, as provided in the ordinance, and because it is now too late in the season to attempt to make the improvement, considering the state of the water in the river and creeks from which the gravel must be procured.

We respectfully submit to your honorable body that when a proper and just improvement of said street can be made, we will not be found opposing the same,

but on the contrary, will be found ready and willing to join in asking for and making the same; but for the reasons above suggested, we cannot consent to the proposed improvement, and as above stated, respectfully remonstrate against the same.

Very respectfully,

R. B. Duncan, 346 feet, T. A. Morris, 800 feet, Mary A, Holman, per G. G. H., 1,397 feet.

Which was received.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the City Attorney be requested to render his opinion to this Council on the legality of the ordinance providing for the improvement of Central avenue from St. Mary to Eighth street. The ordinance provides for sidewalks of different widths.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the City Clerk be and is hereby directed to advertise for proposals for the erection of a drinking fountain on College avenue, at the intersection of Seventh or Tinker street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Water Works.

Also, the following petition:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioners pray your honorable body to cause to be laid out opened and extended Rohampton street, of a width of fifty (50) feet, and running from Seventh street in a southerly direction to Lincoln avenue.

A plat of such proposed street is herewith filed and made part of this petition.

Respectfully,

JAMES E. TWINAME, DAVID GEYER, LEWIS TICE, THOS. E. PHILLIPS,

And 33 others.

Which was referred to the Committee on Opening and Laying Out Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby directed to immediately repair the sidewalks on Pennsylvania and Alabama streets and College avenne.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Bollman, Craft, Darnell, Hook, Kahn, Madden, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Thalman and Webster—14.

Negative—Councilmen Albershardt, Diffley, Geiger, Laughlin, McGill and Stuckmeyer—6.

Also, the following communication:

Indianapolis, July 20, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The Indianapolis Journal Company would hereby respectfully represent to your honorable body that there is still due this company \$————, for advertising, printing and binding done during the past year between October, 1874, and March, 1875, under the late contract with the city. The items composing this amount were temporarily disallowed by the Printing Committee, for further consideration.

The work has long since been delivered to and received by the city officials, and the city has not paid for said work and materials.

We would respectfully request that the matter be referred to the Committee on Claims, with instructions to report to your honorable body as to the justness of the account.

Yours very respectfully,

INDIANAPOLIS JOURNAL CO.

Which was referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby directed to fill up the holes on Alabama street, between Tinker street and the Exposition grounds.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Craft moved to reconsider the vote by which special ordinance No. 96, 1875, entitled "An ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick and curbing with stone the sidewalks of Liberty street, from Washington to Lockerbie streets," was passed August 16, 1875.

Which motion to reconsider was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Thalman and Webster—15.

Negative—Councilmen Albershardt, Laughlin, Stratford and Stuckmeyer—4.

Mr. Schmidt presented the following petition:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on Liberty street between Washington street and Lockerbie street, respectfully ask that special ordinance No. 96, 1875, passed August 16, 1875, to grade, pave with brick and curb with stone the sidewalks between said points be reconsidered, and the ordinance so changed or amended as to leave out "curbing with stone."

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

Wm. Harvey Cowen, 145 ft.; H. W. Socwell, 127 ft; Mrs. Mary Will, 110 ft.; Mrs. Martha Miller, 20 4ft; A. W. McQoat, 119 ft. 10 inches. James Musser, 87 ft.; Rachael Hitchcock, 195 ft.; Christ Heckman, 125 ft.; Mrs. Sarah E. Thomas, 32 ft.; Mr. Frank DeWald, 47 ft.; W. L. Wingate, 195 ft.; Oliver S Kelly, 205 ft.; Samuel M. Seibert, 195 ft.; Elizabeth Steen, 35 ft.;

Which petition and ordinance were referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, with instructions to report next Monday night.

Dr. Hook offered the following motion:

Moved, That the City Marshal be directed to notify the proper authorities of the C., C., C, & I. Railroad, to fill along the north side of their railroad track, from Alvord street to the first street east, so that water will not stand there.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That R. M. Riner have permission to grade and pave with brick the sidewalk in front of his property on Columbta avenue, and sidewalk on Lincoln avenue, at his own expense, and the City Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the Market Master at the east market, be directed to have all wagons loaded with hay, that appear on Market to stand inside the market space, and not on the streets.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to raise Lincoln street and gutters, between Yandes street and Columbia avenue. The City Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the stakes for the grade.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following remonstrance:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on the first alley east of Rohampton, between Seventh and Eighth streets, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of said alley.

And your remnnstrants will ever pray, etc.,

David Geyer, 233½ ft.; John E. Dunn, 61 ft.; Thomas E. Phillips. 42 ft., Mrs. Pinkerton, 40 ft.; D. H. Horner, 40 ft.; G. D. Horner, 85 ft.; S. J. Johnson, 132 ft.; Peter Conway, 27 ft.; E. G. Cornelius, 40 ft.; M. M. B. Goodwin, 61 ft.; A. F. & F. W. Miller, 90 ft.; A. H. Gibson, 82 ft.

Whole number of feet fronting on both sides of the alley between Seventh and

Eighth streets is 1274. Number of feet represented by this remonstrance is 953. There is no petition, and there is but one man owning 20 feet on said alley who favors the improvement.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Also the following petition:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on College avenue, between Reagan and Bruce streets, would respectfully ask permission to improve said avenue from the present northern terminus of the block pavement to the north side of Bruce street, by grading said avenue and sidewalks, and graveling forty (40) feet in the center with good river, creek or pit gravel, bouldering the gutters, and street and alley crossings, curbing the outside edge of the sidewalks with stone, paving with brick, stone, artificial stone or asphaltum, put in the center thereof.

The same to be done at our own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer. The city to pay her portion for the street and alley crossings.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

JACOB T. WRIGHT, BENJ. C. WRIGHT, THOS. W. WRIGHT, GEORGE. BRUCE.

And 5 others.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that the city pay her portion for the street and alley crossings, and that the City Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the grade stakes.

Which petition and motion were referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, with instructions to report next Monday night.

Dr. Hook moved to reconsider the vote by which so much of the report of the Committee on Bridges, made to the Council August 19,

1875, page 633, as requires the City Civil Engineer to advertise for building bridge over State ditch, at the crossing of Sheldon and Tinker streets was concurred in.

Which was adopted.

Dr. Hook offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to place a wooden culvert ever the rayine on Tinker street near the eastern terminus of said Tinker street.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Kahn offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Market Master be and is hereby instructed, that when he has the shanty of M. Rothschild's on the east market place removed, that he allows Rothschild to locate the same on some other locality where the Market Master may designate.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets with power to act.

Also, the following remonstrance:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate on Delaware street between Massachusetts avenue and Washington street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of of ordinance No. 157, 1875, entitled, "An ordinance to repair the block pavement on Delaware street between Massachusetts avenue and Washington street."

The ordinance provides that the work be done at the expense of the property holders. We ask that these repairs be done at the expense of the city. The present block pavement was put down over the remonstrance of the majority of the citizens on this part of the street, where the pavement of good river gravel was in fine condition. And we hold it to be unjust to burden us with the repairs of this decaying pavement. The time is but short since it was put down, at heavy expense to us, and it should, in our judgment, be repaired at public expense. We respectfully

refer to the remonstrance against macadamizing this street as containing our views on this subject.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

Mrs. Catharine Hall, 32½ ft.; Andrew Wallace, 97½ ft.; Andrew Wallace & Brown, 195 ft.; Andrew Wallace, Trustee I. O. O. F., 65 ft; John Coburn, 50 ft.; Mary Coburn, per J. C. 50 ft.; Wm. Smith, 130 ft.; Henry Coburn, 95 ft.; Douglas Maguire, 84 ft.; Wm. J. Gillespie, 200 ft.; John Norris, 39½ ft.; Isaac Kahn, 3902 ft.; Wm. P. Rhodes, et al. 98½ ft.; M. S. Coffman, J. S. C. 87½ ft.; J. H. Baldwin, by his Attorney, Geo. W. Johnston, 100 ft.; Caroline and Robt. F. Bence, 84 ft.; Geo W. Parker, 56 ft.; John Niklaus, 33½ ft.; F. E. Russell and J. M. Bugbee, 44 ft.

Mr. Kahn moved to receive the remonstrance, and that the ordinance, the title whereof is recited in the above remonstrance, be stricken from the files.

Which was adopted and the ordinance so stricken.

Mr. Laughlin offered the following motion:

Moved, That the City Marshal be and is hereby instructed to notify the property owners on Minnesota street to move their fences on their proper lines, and the City Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the stakes.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following remonstrance:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on the first alley east of East street, running from McCarty street north to the second alley running east, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of said alley.

The alley is not one in general use, is not in such a condition as requires the improvement at present, and will subject us to an unnecessary expense to gratify one

or two individuals, where the alley has been dug down without permission of the Couucil.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

Samuel P. Daniels, 111 ft.; Mary Daniels, 42 ft. Catharine M. Hugo, 64 ft.; John M. Maurer, 34 ft.; Catharine Maurer, 34 ft.; Ann Johnston, 34 ft.; Christian Wands, 34 ft.; John Hugo, 64 ft.; Sarah Mathews, 34 ft.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Mr. Madden offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Committee on Sewers be requested to inquire into the system of sewers and catch basins in other cities, and ascertain and report to this Council at the earliest convenience whether there is any means of preventing the noxious vapors arising from catch basins.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following remoustrance:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of the property fronting on Highland street, between Washington and Market streets, respectfully ask that the ordinance now pending before your body for the improvement of Highland street, as to that part lying between Washington and Market streets, may be stricken from the files. Your petitioners being the owners of the entire square on both sides of said Highland street.

Respectfully,

FRED. KNEFLER, HENRY LATHAM, CHAS. LATHAM.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Also, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be required to make report of the condition of the city treasury at the first meeting of the City Council in each month, as required by the provisions of the city charter; and also to report the reason why he has failed to make such report.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Schmidt offered the following motion:

Moved, That the following parties have the privilege to grade and gravel the first alley south of Ohio, running east and west between Winston and the first alley east running north and south, at their own expense, and the stakes to be set by the City Civil Engineer: Elmer Aldag & Co., W. T. Nesbit, T. A. Sanders, C. F. Rafert, Mr. Emery.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby directed to fill up with gravel the chuck holes on Noble street, between Washinington street and Massachusetts avenue, as soon as possible.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby directed to set curb stakes on Winston street between Market and St. Clair street, in such manner so as not to interfere with shade trees on said street.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby directed to have a map drawn showing the location of every sewer in the city, and the diameters of the same, and also to indicate where the catch basins and man-holes are located in said sewers.

Which was laid on the table by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Albershardt, Bollman. Darnell, Geiger, Laughlin, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Stuckmeyer and Webster—10.

Negative—Councilmen Adams, Craft, Diffley, Hook, Kahn, Madden, Schmidt, Stratford and Thalman—9.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby instructed to remove the lamp post on the east side of Noble street opposite Vermont street, a few feet north, so that its light will strike the alley at that point, said lamp to be located on the north side of said alley.

Which was referred to the Committee on Gas Light and City Civil Engineer, with power to act.

Also, the tollowing motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner repair the pavement on the east side of Delaware street, between Market and Wabash street, and to attend to this at once.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That permission be and is hereby granted James Johnson to relay with brick the sidewalk in front of his property on Washington street, between Delaware and Alabama street, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer, and at his own expence.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That permission be and is hereby granted J. A. Hansen and Jacob S. Wikley to grade the alley in the rear of their property, the alley situated east of Arsenal avenue, between Ohio and Market street. Work to be done under direction of the City Civil Engineer, at their own expense.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner, under the direction of City Civil Engineer is hereby directed to change the drainage on the corner of east Market street and Arsenal avenue in the following manner: 1 two foot pipe in Ohio street from State avenue to Arsenal avenue, 3 two foot pipe in Arsenal avenue from Ohio to Market street, 3 two foot pipe from Arsenal avenue to first alley west of Arsenel avenue and 1 two foot pipe from said alley to Pogues Run.

Which was referred to the Committee on Sewers and the City Civil Engineer.

Dr. Stratford presented the following petition:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner would most respectfully represent and show your honorable body that he is the owner of the following described real estate in said city, county of Marion and State of Indiana, to-wit: lots Nos. 389 and 390 in Fletcher, Stone, Witt, Taylor & Hoyt's sub-division of out-lots 95, 96, 97, 98, and the south half of out-lot 91 in the city of Indianapolis. That there is now an alley running from Hosbrook street to the rear end of said lots, a distance of 169 feet west from said Hosbrook street, at a uniform width of 14 feet.

Your petitioner would therefore ask your honorable body to pass an order vacating said alley as it now exists, and reopen the same at a uniform width for said distance of 169 feet of twenty (20) feet, more fully shown and described by the accompanying plat, hereto attached and made a part of this petition.

Your petitioner says that he is the sole owner of both the above described lots of real estate, and is the only person interested or affected by said change.

Your petitioner therefore prays your honorable body to pass an order vacating said described alley, and reopen the same as asked for in this petition.

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES McCLAIN.

Which was received.

Also, the following resolution:

Whereas, Moses McLlain being the sole owner and the only person interested in the lands abutting on the alley running west from Hosbrook street for a distance of one hundred and sixty-nine (169) feet to an alley running north and south, and hav-

ing petitioned for the vacation of said alley, and that the same be reopened for said distance of 169 feet, at a uniform width of twenty feet, as shown by the plat and survey filed with his petition, and having filed his written agreement consenting to such vacation and change, and this Council being satisfied that it would be for the benefit of the 'public as well as of individuals to vacate and change said alley, therefore,"

Resolved, That said alley be vacated and reopened as prayed for in the petition of Moses McClain.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman and Webster—19.

Negative-None.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the Boare of Police be and is hereby directed to appoint from tento twenty extra policemen for thirty days or during the exposition. Said appointees commence duty about the 9th of September, 1875.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Albershardt, as a question of privilege, offered the following motion:

Moved, That the vote be reconsidered by which the City Civil Engineer was directed at the special session of Council, August 19, 1875, to advertise for bids for building an iron bridge with stone abutments, over the I. C. & L. R. R. Co.'s track on Benton street.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt, Thalman and Webster—16.

Negative—Councilmen Reasner, Stratford and Stuckmeyer—3.

Mr. Stuckmeyer presented the following remonstrance:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, property holders and citizen in living on Prospect street in said city, would respectfully represent that they are opposed to the passage of the ordinance now pending, to improve said street, until next spring, and until the water mains are first put in, so as prevent its being torn up thereafter. That in their opinion, raked gravel would be cheaper, and equally as good as screened gravel, where it is covered with stone curbing and bouldered gutters. That before any legal letting of the work could be made it would be too late to insure the work being finished this fall, and therefore leave the street in a worse condition through the winter than at present. They therefore respectfully request your honorable body not to take any action in the matter this fall nor pass any ordinance on the subject of improvement of said street until next spring.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

D. B. Hosbrook, 166 ft.; M. Mount, $31\frac{1}{2}$ ft.; Andrew Patterson, 31½ ft.; H. Alberstringer, 126 ft.; John Robinson, 701 ft.; Samuel H. Vanderman, 63 ft.; Isaac Lemmon, 80 ft.; Wm. Yeager, 31½ ft.; Emil Drotz, 189 ft.; Wm. Patterson, 63 ft.; John Robinson, jr. per Dr G. N. Bryan, 40 ft.; Elizabeth T. Pease, 40 ft.; Albert Duckett, 40 f.; Christil Blank, 40 ft.; John G. Webb, 45 ft.; Wm. Mankedick 120 ft.; John H. Rathert, 121 ft.; Alex. Wands, 126 ft; Albert Gall, 80 ft.; J. L. Wheter, 33 ft.; A. W. Parish, 40 ft.; G. S. Bradley, 40 ft.; Sarah Carr, 40 ft.; D. L. Thomas, 40 ft.; J. L. Thomas, 40 ft.; Dreher & Bollinger, 63 ft.; Wilhelmina Tapking, 126 ft.; E. W. Byrkirt, 63 ft.; B. R. Willetts, 63 ft.; E. T. Johnson, 80 ft.; J. Madyke, 36 ft.; Peter Schneide, -

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the City Clerk advertise for bids for guttering and spouting the east Market House.

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

Mr. Thalman offered the following motion:

Moved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to repair the sidewalks on west Michigan street between California and Blackford streets, recently damaged by the flood.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That A. S. Kingsley be allowed to pave with brick in front of his property on West street, between Drake and Mayhew streets, and that the City Civil Engineer be directed to set the grade stakes; said work to be done at his own expense.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That the City Civil Engineer be directed to advertise for proposals for repairing Michigan street between Mill Race and White river.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following motion:

Moved, That S. W. Patterson have permission to boulder across the north sidewalk of North street near Blake, and that the City Civil Engineer be directed to set the grade stakes.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following remonstrance:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—We the undersigned, residents and property owners on North California street, in the city of Indianapolis, hearing that a petition is being prepared for presentation to your honorable body praying for the opening up of California street two (2) squares further north, from First street to Mayhew street, do respect-

fully beg to offer our remonstrance to said extension, believing that the opening up of two squares only would not add any value to our property, and would entail on us a large and needless expense that would come hard under present depression in finances.

Jacob Rhinehold, 6 lots; Patrick Stundin, 2 lots; Henry Falk, 1 lot; Jim Murphy, 2 lots; Walter W. Davy, 1 lot; Michael Brown, 1 lot; John McGee, 2 lots; Wm A. Bramwell, 1 lot; W. A. Earley, 1 lot; Susan Litten, 1 lot; James Smith, 1 lot; Geo. King, 2 lots; Nellie Wheatley, 1 lot; G. W. Shaffer, 1 lot; John C. Smith, 1 lot; J. W. Smith, 1 lot; Geo. S. Webster, 1 lot; Mary Cantlen, 1 lot, Arthur Benner, 1 lot; Patrick O'Malia, 1 lot; John W. Matz, 2 lots; Philip Burns, 2 lots; Lloyd Etsler, 1 lot; Thomas Mulry, 1 lot; Eliza Steffens, 3 lots; John Patterson, 5 lots; Albert B Summers, 2 lots. Lorenz Beyer, 1 lot; Samuel Skillerman, 1 lot; Chas. H. Abbett, (have signed the petition which I now decline to support) 1 lot; Lewis Shively, owner of Kern's property; E. Boringone, 1 lot; Mrs. Collins, 1 lot; George W. Blam, 1 lot; Henry Habeny heirs, 1 lot; Ann M. Williams, 1 lot; Missouri E. Gates, 3 lots; F. Taylor, 3 lots; John R. Pearson, 2 lots; Furman Stout, 2 lots; I. H. Herrington, 1 lot: George W. Stout, jr., 1 lot; Mrs. Craft, 1 lot; George E. Miller, 1 lot-70 lots on California street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Opening Streets and Alleys.

Mr. Webster offered the following motion:

Moved, That the City Marshal he directed to notify the proper officers of the I. P. & C. R. R. Co., to plank between their tracks where the same crosses Massachusetts avenue the full width of said avenue.

Which was adopted.

Also, the following remonstrance:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on the first alley east of Dorman street, between St. Clair street and John street respectfully remon-

strate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of the above described alley.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

Thomas D. Amos, 168½ ft.; Pat Carr, 168½ ft.; Monroe Vornheder, 168½ ft.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Also, the following remonstrance:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

To the Honorable City Council and Commissioners appointed by order of the Common Council to [[determine the benefits and damages to be derived from an extension of Broadway to Massachusetts avenue:

Gentlemen:—Your remonstrants, the undersigned property owners on and through Chatham street, whose property the proposed extension will pass, call your attention to the following facts:

That this is the second or third time that Commissioners have been appointed by the Council to determine benefits and damages arising from the proposed extension of Broadway from St. Clair street to Massachusetts avenue.

That it failed simply because your remonstrants refused to assess themselves for the said extension and for the following joint reasons:

1. The Broadway property owners derive all the benefits from such extension, and if Chatham street property derives any good at all, it is so remote that it is not worth considering.

We, the property owners on said street protest against being assessed to help pay for the said extension of Broadway to Massachusetts avenue for the following causes, viz:

It would be an unnecessary and perpetual expense to pay taxes to maintain two streets.

For the lots are two small to utilize for building purposes at both ends. Either end of the lot would have to be abandoned.

We do not seek the proposed extension, as we don't see the necessity of it, our property is fronting on Chatham street.

We are just as much entitled to demand pay for an alley and other ground that we are expected to give, as the petitioners have to ask us to pay for extending their street (Broadway).

And futhermore, the said extension of Broadway would necessitate filling in all the lots so as to correspond with the new grade.

We are of the opinion that under the above circumstances, it would be both illegal and unjust to impose any such burden on us or ask us to pay anything whatever towards the extension, as the extra expense of taxes, grading, paving, removing outhouses, etc., would be an equivalent for any benefit the properties might derive from the extension for years to come.

Respectfully submittted,

B. J. O'Brien, 21 ft. 9 in.; David Springer, 48 ft. 9 in.;
John Heath, 24 ft 9 in.; Valentine Mongenveck,
73 ft.; John Bergner, 24 ft. 9 in.; Robert Haupt,
24 ft. 9 in.; Lizette Birtelzmaan, —— Julius
Mannfeld, 24 ft. 9 in.; Matilda Caskey, 48 ft. 9 in.;
Edgar H. Williams, B. Reinken, Leonard Bodenmiller, 50 ft. Mrs. I. Davis.

Which was referred to the City Commissioners.

Also, the following remonstrance:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of the real estate fronting on St. Clair street, between the first alley east of the C., C., C. & I. railroad track and Archer street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and graveling St. Clair street, between the points above named, for the reason that the improvement is not necessary and that the street is not opened across the C., C., C. & I. railroad tracks.

And your remonstrants will ever pray, etc.

H. Higgmeyer, 167 ft., northwest corner Archer and St. Clair streets; S. ————, 216 ft.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys with the ordinance.

Dr. Hook moved to take up general ordinance No. 41, 1875, and refer it to the City Attorney.

Mr. Madden moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of taking up and placing on its passage appropriation ordinance No. 42, 1875, also to include Dr. Hook's motion.

Which was adopted and the rules suspended by unanimous consent.

Dr. Hook's motion was then adopted.

Special appropriation ordinance No. 42, 1875, entitled:

An ordinance to appropriate money for the use of the Street Commissioner of the city of Indianapolis.

Was read the second time and engrossed, and read the third time and passed by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Craft, Darnell, Diffley, Geiger, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Ransdell, Reasner, Reed, Schmidt, Stratford, Stuckmeyer, Thalman and Webster—19.

Negative-None.

By Consent, Mr. Geiger submitted the following report:

Indianapolis, August 23, 1875.

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

Gentlemen: —We, your Committee on Fire Department, to whom was referred the motions and petitions hereto attached, report as follows:

On the motion of Dr. Hook in regard to placing a reel and hose at the Wheeler and Wilson Sewing Machine Factory, your Committee recommend that the motion be not passed.

Also, on the motion of Dr. Stratford, that an Engineer's Gong be placed in the Central Police Station, your Committee recommend that the motion be passed, and that Chief Fire Engineer be and is hereby instructed to purchase and place in position such a gong immediately.

Also, on the petition of C. T. Gilmore and others, asking that a fire cistern be located at the corner of Patterson and Michigan streets. Your Committee recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that the City Civil Engineer be and is hereby instructed to advertise for proposals for building a one thousand barrel cistern at the obove named point.

Also, we recommend that the petition of Frank E. Mase with regard to a lein

held by him on the fire cistern on Rockwood street near West street, be referred to the City Attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. GEIGER,
W. H. CRAFT,
Committee on Fire Department.

The first, third and fourth paragraphs were concurred in. The second paragraph was not concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Craft, Darnell, Geiger, Ransdell, Reed, Schmidt and Stratford—7.

Negative—Councilmen Adams, Albershardt, Diffley, Hook, Kahn, Laughlin, Madden, McGill, Reasner, Thalman and Webster—11.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

JOHN CAVEN, Mayor.

Attest:

BENJ. C. WRIGHT, City Clerk.