# Proceedings of Board of Aldermen.

## REGULAR SESSION—September 8, 1880.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis met in the Aldermanic Chamber, on Wednesday evening, September 8th, A. D. 1880, at half-past seven o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—His Honor, the President, Henry Coburn, in the Chair, and Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussman, Newman, and Seibert -8.

ABSENT-Aldermen Tucker and Wood-2.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen, for the regular session held on August 18th, 1880, and special sessions of August 19th and 23d, 1880, having been printed, and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

#### MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The following message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I herewith transmit to your honorable body certain papers, which were favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its regular session, held on Monday evening, September 6th, 1880, for your action upon same.

For the Common Council:

Jos. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The following report from the Committee on Contracts was read; and the action of the Common Council, in approving the several recommendations (see page 451, ante), was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:—Your Joint Committee on Contracts, to whom sundry papers were referred, would report thereon as follows:

1st. Is a motion that John Green and John Schier be relieved from the operation of the rule adopted by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen on the 31st day of May, and June 2d, 1880, relative to filing bonds for contracts?

Whereas, it appears plain to your Committee that John Schier made a clerical sig. 118.

error in his bid, and that the work could not be done at the price bid, only at a considerable loss, we recommend the above motion be concurred in, so far as John Schier is concerned.

2d. Is a report of the City Civil Engineer, relative to grading and graveling the first alley north of St. Mary street, from Pennsylvania to Delaware street, in which the contractor, James Mahoney, having failed to do the work.

We recommend that the City Civil Engineer notify said contractor that unless work is commenced within ten days, and pushed to completion, suit will be instituted against him and his bondsmen.

3d. Is a communication from J. F. Watterson and others, protesting against the payment of an estimate for the improving the sidewalks of Michigan street, from Tennessee street to Missouri street.

Recommend that the last and final estimate be not allowed until the contract is done to the satisfaction of the City Civil Engineer.

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Thalman,
James A. Pritchard,
C. H. Kollar,
Council Committee.
J. Newman.
Aldermanic Committee.

The following invitation was read; and the action of the Common Council in accepting the same (see page 451, ante), was concurred in:

Indianapolis, August 30, 1880.

To the Honorable Board of City Council:

Gentlemen:—The German Protestant Orphan Association will celebrate its thirteenth anniversary at the Orphans' Home grounds, southeast of the city, on Sunday, September 12th, next.

I am directed by the Association to extend to you our cordial invitation, and hope you will make it possible to attend.

Respectfully yours,

HERMANN SIEBOLAT, Secretary.

The following report from the City Civil Engineer was read; and the action of the Common Council in receiving the report, and in approving the several estimates and assessments (see page 452, ante), was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:-I herewith report the following estimates:

A first and final estimate in behalf of Fred. Gansberg, for grading and bowldering the alley between Pennsylvania and Meridian streets, from Georgia street to the south line of lot 6, square 97:

594<sub>12</sub> lineal feet, at 89c......\$528.83

A first and final estimate in behalf of R. P. Dunning and James W. Hudson, for grading and bowldering the gutters, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks (except where already curbed or bowldered) of Alabama street, from Wabash street to New York street:

1,133,6 lineal feet bowldering, at 57 cents\$	646	09
145 lineal feet city portion curbing, at 37 cents	53	65

67 lineal feet city	portion bowldering, at 55 centsportion stone crossings, at 30 centsportion re-setting curb, at 5 cents	55 6 20 1 22 8	10
Total estimat	.e	1.067	48

A first and final estimate in behalf of J. L. Spaulding for grading and graveling the first alley east of Union street, from Morris street, to Hanway street.

976 lineal feet, at 22 cents......\$214.72

A first and final estimate in behalf of Henry C. Roney, for improving Malott avenue from Alvord street to Columbia avenue, by grading and bowldering the gutters and curbing with stone, and paving with brick the sidewalks, except where already bowldered, curbed or paved:

1,539,8 lineal feet bowldering, at 36 cents\$	554 28
1,519 1 lineal feet curbing, at 38 cents	577 20
$1{,}109\frac{11}{12}$ lineal feet paving, at 36 cents	399 27
$150\frac{1}{12}$ lineal feet city portion curbing, at 38 cents	57 19
$366\frac{2}{13}$ lineal feet city portion bowldering, at 36 cents	131 82
$14\frac{6}{12}$ lineal feet city portion paving, at 36 cents	5 22
Total estimate\$1	724 98

A first and final estimate in behalf of R. P. Dunning and James W. Hudson, for improving College avenue from Seventh street to Twelfth street, by grading and graveling the roadway, bowldering the gutters, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks thereof:

$4,762\frac{11}{12}$ lineal feet, at \$1 12	5,367	98
516 19 lineal feet city portion crossings, at 75 cents	387	
$576\frac{15}{12}$ lineal feet city portion stone curbing, at 33 cents	213	37
817 ½ lineal feet city portion stone crossing, at 30 cents	245	15
4,485 square feet city portion bowldering, at 4½ cents	201	82
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A first and final estimate in behalf of Fredrick Reisner, for grading and graveling Wilkins street and sidewalks, from Church street to West street:

2,018 lineal feet, at 35 cents	30 50
Total	80

R. M. PATTERSON, City Civil Engineer.

The following estimate resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 453, ante) was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Fred. Gansberg, for grading and bowldering the alley between Pennsylvania and Meridian streets, from Georgia street to the south line of lot 6, square 97, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property-owners are hereby required to pay the sums opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 453, ante) was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, that the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of R. P. Dunning and James W. Hudson, for grading and bowldering the gutters, and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks (except where already curbed or bowldered), of Alabama sireet, from Wabash street to New York street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property-owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 7-viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Newman Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 453, ante) was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of J. L. Spaulding, for grading and graveling the first alley east of Union street, from Morris street to Hanway street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 7-viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 454, *ante*) was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Henry C. Roney, for improving Malott avenue, from Alvord street to Columbia avenue, by grading and bowldering the gutters, and curbing with stone and paving with brick the sidewalks (except where already bowldered, curbed or paved), be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 454, ante) was read;

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of R. P. Dunning and James W. Hudson, for improving College avenue from Seventh street to Twelfth street, by grading and graveling the roadway, bowldering the gutters and curbing with stone the outer edges of the sidewalks thereof, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

ATES, 7-viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 454, ante) was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Frederick Reisner, for grading and graveling Wilkens street and sidewalks, from Church street to West street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following report from the City Civil Engineer was read; and the action of the Common Council in receiving the report, concurring in the several contracts and approving the bonds (see page 454, ante) was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:—I herewith report the following contracts and bonds:

Contract and bond of James Mahoney for grading and bowldering the gutters of New Jersey street, from Virginia avenue to South street. Bond, \$1,500.00; surety James Renihan.

Contract and bond of J. L. Spaulding, for grading and bowldering the second alley east of the intersection of Clifford avenue and Pendleton road, from Pendleton road to Brookside avenue. Bond, \$400.00; surety, Francis Bergmann.

Contract and bond of J. L. Spaulding for grading and paving with brick the south sidewalk of North street, from Illinois street to the Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette railroad tracks. Bond, \$500.00; surety, Francis Bergmann.

Contract and bond of Morrison & Beaty, or grading the first alley east of the I., P. and C. Railroad Company tracks from Malott avenue to the C., C., C. and I. Railroad Company tracks., Bond, \$200.00; surety, John Schier.

Contract and bond of Morrison & Beaty, for grading and graveling the first alley north of Arch street, from Broadway to Plum street. Bond, \$600,00; surety, John Schier.

Contract and bond of Morrison & Beaty for grading and graveling the first alley east of Central avenue, from Christian avenue to Butler street, Bond, \$500.00; surety John Schier.

Contract and bond of Fred. Gansberg, for grading and paving with brick (where not already paved), the sidewalks of English avenue, from Harrison street to Dillon street. Bond, \$1,200.00; surety, John Schier.

Respectfully submitted,
R. M. PATTERSON, City Civil Engineer

The following report from the City Civil Engineer was read; and the action of the Common Council thereon (see page 455, ante) was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:—I make the following report for your consideration and action thereon:

The following contracts were awarded to Smith & Sylvester by your honorable body, August 23, 1880, and said said parties have failed to file their bonds:

Contract for grading and bowldering the south gutter and curbing and paving with brick the south sidewalk of Ohio street, from Noble, to 222 feet east of Harvey street.

Contract for grading and bowldering the gutters and curbing the sidewalks of Ohio street, from east to Noble street.

Contract for grading and bowldering the gutters and curbing the sidewalks of the first alley south of Ohio street, from Delaware street to Pennsylvania street.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. PATTERSON, City Civil Engineer.

The following resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 455, *ante*) was read;

WHEREAS, Smith & Sylvester have refused to file bonds on several street contracts that have been awarded them; therefore,

Resolved, That no further contracts be awarded them, and that their bids be not considered hereafter.

And it was adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following report from the City Clerk was read:

To the Mayor, Common Council, and Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:—I hereby report the following affidavit now on file in my office for the collection of a street assessment by precept, to-wit:

Henry C. Roney vs. Arthur G. Fosdyke for \$15.16, and recommend that you order the precept to issue.

Very respectfully,

Jos. T. Magner, City Clerk.

And the action of the Common Council in concurring in the report, and in ordering the precept to issue (see page 458, ante) was concurred in by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The report from the City Attorney recommending the appeal of the suit of Eliza Scott vs. City of Indianapolis, to the Supreme Court, was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 459, ante) was concurred in.

The City Attorney submitted the Contract and Bond of The Gutta Percha Rubber Manufacturing Company for furnishing 3,000 feet of Patent Carbolized Fire Engine Hose to the City of Indianapolis, the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 459, ante) was concurred in.

The quarterly report of the Chief Fire Engineer (see page 459, ante) was read and received.

Report from the Superintendent of the City Dispensary for the month of August, 1880 (see page 462, ante), was read and received.

The report of the Fire Board, in relation to certain bids for the erection of Fire Engine Houses, recommending the contract be awarded to Shover and Christian, and submitting the Contract and Bond of said Shover and Christian was read, and the action of the Common Council in receiving the report, concurring in the contract and approving the bond (see page 462, ante) was concurred in.

Mortality report from the Board of Health for the last half of August, 1880 (see page 469, ante), was read and received.

The following clauses in the report from the Board of Public Improvements were read; and the action of the Common Council, in concurring in the several recommendations (see page 466, ante), was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:—The Board of Public Improvements, to whom sundry papers were referred, would report thereon as follows:

2d. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to repair the foot-ways of the bridge on Tennessee street over Pogue's Run, by re-laying with the best oak plank.

Recommend the work be done.

3d. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters and repair Kentucky avenue, from Illinois street to South street.

Recommend the cleaning of a portion of said street only, as an ordinance has passed to bowlder the gutters.

4th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters and repair Mississippi street, fill the chuck-holes, etc., between Washington and Merrill streets.

Recommend the cleaning of gutters from Washington street to Maryland street, and that the street be repaired.

5th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to repair Maryland street, between Missouri and Helen streets, by filling chuck-holes and hollow places with gravel.

Recommend the work be done.

6th.. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to repair Georgia street, between Missouri and West streets, by filling chuch-holes and hollow places with gravel.

Recommend the work be done.

7th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to repair and clean the gutters of North street, from Noble street to Pine street.

Also, clean the gutters and repair Michigan street, from Noble street to the first alley east of Pine steeet.

Also, clean the gutters and repair Vermont street, from Noble street to Pinestreet.

Also, clean the gutters and repair New York street, from Noble street to first alley east of Pine street.

Recommend the work be done.

10th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to remove the water fountain on the south side of east Washington street, between Oriental and Pinestreets, to the intersection of Michigan road and Washington street; said work to done under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Recommend that the Street Commissioner receive bids for removal of same.

13th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to put in a gutter bridge at the intersection of Beeler street and Hill avenue, and at the intersection of Newman street and Hill avenue.

Recommend the work be done.

14th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters on Yandes street, from Malott avenue to Linden avenue.

Recommend the gutters be cleaned at the intersection of Malott avenue and Yandes street.

15th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters on Home avenue, from the I., P. & C. Railroad to Columbia avenue.

Recommend the work be done.

17th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be directed to fill the chuck-holes with gravel on Sixth street, from the railroad west to the canal.

Recommend the work be done.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. H. Morrison, Edward H. Dean, Hiram Seibert, Board of Public Improvements.

The report of the Board of Public Improvements in relation to the erection of a new bridge on Virginia Avenue was read, and the favorable-

action of the Common Council thereon (see page 467, ante) was concurred in.

The report of the Board of Public Improvements recommended the appointment on an Assistant City Civil Engineer, and fixing the compensation of said assistant at seventy-five dollars per month, was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 468, ante) was concurred in, and the appointment confirmed.

The following report from the Council Judiciary Committee was read; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 469, ante) was concurred in:

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Judiciary Committee, together with the City Attorney, to whom was referred certain paper, report as follows:

The first is a petition of Ira Russell, by M. R. Barnard, his agent, asking that certain liens on lots 39 and 40, in Duncan's addition to city, be certified off the record. In view of the fact that the courts have several times, in several cases, decided the assessment was illegal and void, we recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted.

The second is a petiton of Stewart & Berry, in regard to taxes erroneously assessed against them—reported on by this committee several meetings ago—and reported back to us. We report as before, recommending the prayer of the petition be granted, and report further that the School Board recognize our authority to make the reduction asked for, and consent to this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. C. Lamb, James A. Pritchard, Jas. T. Dowling, Committee.

The report of the Council Committee on Streets and Alleys, and Accounts and Claims, in relation to the petition of E. H. Koller, dedicating certain ground, and deducting same from his assessed valuation for the year 1880, was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 471, ante) was concurred in.

The second clause from the report of Council Committee on Streets and Alleys, in relation to the opening of Hanway street was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 472, ante) was concurred in.

The following resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 472, ante) was read:

Resolved, That the petition of Thomas Sanders, Dr. Max Schelley et al., praying for the laying out and opening of Hanway street, to a width of forty (40) feet, running from Chestnut street to Madison avenue, be referred to the Commissioners, with instructions to assess benefits and damages, and to make due report; and that for the purpose of such laying out and opening of said street between the points named, the Common Council and Board of Aldermen do propose to appropriate such real estate and property as may be necessary therefor.

The said Commissioners are instructed to return, as part of their report, all petitions and notices.

The City Clerk is hereby directed to issue, and the City Marshal to serve, the proper notices upon the Commissioners and property-owners.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following motions (adopted by the Common Council—see pages 480, 481 and 482, ante) were read, and concurrently adopted:

That John G. Pendergast, Chief Fire Engineer, be granted two (2) weeks vacation, from Thursday, September 8, 1880, to attend the Chief Fire Engineers' Association to be held at Boston, Mass.

That hereafter all propositions for the performance of work, or for the furnishing of machinery, material, or supplies, where dollars and cents are referred to, they shall be stated in words and figures.

That the City Marshal notify the owner or owners of property situate on South Meridian, Nos. 19, 21 and 23, to improve the sidewalks opposite said property, by relaying the same with good hard brick, and if not done within ten days, that the Street Commissioner be instructed to do the same at the owners' expense.

The following motion (adopted by the Common Council—see page 482, *ante*) was referred to the Joint Committees on Streets and Alleys:

That J. B. Conaty be, and he is hereby, granted permission to construct a driveway over and across the sidewalk on the north side of Maryland street, on the south end of lot 8, in square 66. The same to be constructed pursuant to the ordinances governing the same, at his own expense.

The petition of Hunt and McCurdy for auctioneers' license was read; and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see pages 483, ante) was concurred in.

The following motions (adopted by the Common Council—see pages 483, 484 and 485, *ante*) were read and concurrently adopted:

That the Committee on Water Works have power to have placed in good condition all public drinking fountains in the city.

WHEREAS, The charter of the Citizens' Street Railway Company requires said company to protect streets and keep bridges in repair, and not to obstruct gutters, and in several portions of the city the bridges built by said company are in bad condition and the Street Commissioner has kept them in repair at the expense of the city; therefore, be it

Moved, That the City Marshal be, and is hereby, requested to notify said company to keep all bridges and culverts in repair so as to not obstruct gutters or endanger the lives of animals; and if said work be not done in thirty days, that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby ordered to do said work and collect for the same from said Citizens' Street Railwny Company.

That the Board of Public Improvements be, and are hereby, instructed to receive bids and direct the Street Commissioner to at once proceed to the completion of the bridge over Pogue's Run at Virginia avenue—to buy new stringers and plank the same.

That the charter of the Indianapolis Water Works Company requires said company to restore streets in as good or like condition as before work was commenced, and in some portions of this city the streets have been left in imperfect repair; therefore, be it

Ordered by the Common Council, That the Indianapolis Water Works Company be, and are hereby, notified to repair all streets in said city of Indianapolis where the same have been left in bad condition by said company, and if the work be not done in the next thirty days, that the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, ordered to do said work and collect from said company as required by the charter of said company.

Moved, That a copy of the motion instructing the Indianapolis Water Works Company to repair streets be served on said company by the City Marshal within the next five days.

The following petition for the opening of Dorman street (see Council pages 483, *ante*) was read and received:

To the Honorable City Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned petitioners, do hereby pray your honorable bodies to have opened Dorman street, from first alley North of John street to Clifford avenue, said street being opened, paved and graded to said first alley south, while it is fenced across at the terminus of the improvement, blocking all passage and travel, to the great inconvenience of a large number of citizens. This we pray at your hands at the earliest convenience.

Jesse H. Hubbard, L. B. Case, E. W. Hathaway, E. R. Nowland, Wm. Beard, G. W. Vansickle, W. F. White, M. S. Huey, D. N. Huey, Andrew Phillips, C. W. Rhoads, J. F. Williams, Dan. Schafer, Andrew Arch, Samuel Adair, William Bowman, Malon Baggs, Fredr. Ruskmp, Charles Strate, Dock Wilson, No. 105 Dorman street; George L. Vincent, Phi. Grismann, John Krabbe, Wm. Robinson, Charles Augstien, William Haker, Alfred Thompson, William Pendergist, C. O. Darnell, Josephus Rigger, Washington Philip, George Zaff, Jas. Hamahan, Alonzo Oglesby.

The following motion (adopted by the Common Council—see page 483, ante) was read, and was concurrently adopted:

That the prayers of the petitioners be granted, and that the Street Commissioner, together with the City Civil Engineer and City Marshal, are hereby instructed to have Porman street, as described in the petition, opened according to law provided for in such cases.

The following resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 486, ante) was read:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Improvements be, and is hereby, directed to

advertise for proposals to sprinkle the following named streets on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the State Fair week, viz.:

Alabama, Delaware, Pennsylvania and Illinois streets, from Washington street to Twelfth street; Mississippi street, from Ohio street to Seventh street; Fort Wayne avenue, from Pennsylvania street to Central avenue; Central avenue, from St. Mary's street to Twelfth street, and Seventh street from College avenue to Missippi street.

And was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8-viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following resolution (adopted by the Common Council—see page 489, ante) was read:

WHEREAS, Certain lots and parcels of land adjoining the city of Indianapolis, and described in the following resolution, have been laid off and platted, and a record of the same made in the Recorder's office of Marion county, Indiana; and,

WHEREAS, The Common Council and Board of Aldermen, pursuant to the eighty-fourth section of the city charter, are desirous of extending the corporate limits so as to include said lots as platted and recorded; therefore,

Resolved, That the boundary line of the city of Indianapolis be, and the same is hereby, extended so as to include the following contiguous territory, to-wit: One acre, more or less, situated in the southwest quarter of section 18, township 15, range 4 east, containing seven lots, and numbered from one to seven inclusive, the same being known as George W. Hoffman's subdivision, as recorded in Plat Book No. 7, page 50, in the Recorder's office of Marion county Indiana, to which reference is made for a more particular description of metes and bounds, which said lots and parcels of land shall hereafter form a part of said city, and be within the jurisdiction of the same.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby, directed to file a copy of the above and foregoing preamble and resolution, defining the metes and bounds of the territory so annexed in the office of the Recorder of said county, who is authorized to make and record the same.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

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

- G. O. 39, 1880—An Ordinance granting the owner, lessee, or manager of English's Opera House, a special license on account of said Opera House.
- G. O. 38, 1880—An Ordinance fixing the compensation which may be charged, by the owners, or drivers of public vehicles, for the transportation of passengers or baggage from one point to another, within the limits of the City of Indianapolis, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

- Ap. 0. 55, 1889—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Fire Department.
- Ap. O 56, 1880... An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of City Hospital and Branch.
- Ap. O. 57, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Station Houses.
- Ap. 0. 58, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis.
- Ap. 0. 59, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis on account of Printing, Stationery and Advertising.

This being the regular appropriation night, the foregoing entitled appropriation ordinances were placed upon their final passage without suspension of the rules.

The following entitled appropriation ordinance was read the second and third times:

Ap. O. 55, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis on account of the Fire Department (amount appropriated \$3,498.07.)

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

Ap. O. 56, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis on account of the City Hospital and Branch (amount appropriated \$721.97.)

And it was passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

Ap. O. 57, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis on account of the Station Houses (amount appropriated \$172.45.)

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

Ap. 0. 58, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis (amount appropriated \$25,274.19.)

And it was passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmanu, Newman, Scibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

Ap. O. 59, 1880—An Ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis on account of Stationery, Printing and Advertising (amount appropriated \$460.43.)

And it was passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

On motion by Alderman Layman, the order of business was suspended, for the purpose of taking up and considering the following report of the Joint Committees on Streets and Alleys:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your joint committees Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petitions of E. H. Furgason, R. P. Duncan, I. Mansur et al., for the improvement of North Meridian street, respectfully submit the following statement:

Majority for gravel297 feet.For gravel—residents off street1,617 feet.For block—residents off street315 feet.

We beg leave to submit the above for your further consideration and action.
Yours respectfully,

Jno. T. Downey, Council Streets and Alleys.

H. E. Drew, John Newman, Aldermanic Streets and Alleys. After much discussion pro and con, on motion, by Alderman Seibert, the whole matter in regard to the Meridian street improvement was referred back to the Joint Committees on Streets and Alleys, to report an ordinance, that in their best judgment, will fill the requirements, and that will be satisfactory in all respects, to the resident property holders on said street.

The following message was read, which was received, and the following named members, Aldermen Grubbs, Hamilton and Mussman, appointed as the Aldermanic members of said Conference Committee:

To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The Common Council, at its regular session, held September 6th, 1880, refused to concur in your action in refusing to concurrently adopt certain drainage resolutions passed by the Common Council.

On motion by Councilman Bernhamer, a conference committee was appointed consisting of Councilmen Bernhamer, Dean and Yoke.

Lot No. 66, in Dougherty's subdivision of a part of out-lot No. 99.

Lot No. 160, in Dougherty's subdivision of a part of out-lot No. 99.

Lot No. 34, in Hendricks' subdivision of a part of out-lot No. 99.

Lots No. 13 and 14, in Bradshaw & Holmes' subdivision of a part of out-lot No. 100.

For the Common Council:

Jos. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

The following message was read:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—The Common Council, at its regular session, held on September 6th, 1880, received your report recommending the adoption of the frosted glass sign, in placing the names of the streets on the corners, and adopted the following minority report, presented by Councilman Morrison, as member of the Joint Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the motion to inquire into the best and cheapest method of placing the names of streets at the crossings, I beg leave to make the following minority report:

The glass sign has many difficulties.

- 1st. Where two pieces are placed together, with heat on one side and cold on the other, the strip of glass is sure to break, and thereby necessitating a new one.
- 2d. I have been informed by a practical painter that if the glass sign is put up the city had better employ a painter for the winter months.
- 3d. It will, in my opinion, interfere with the cleaning of the lamps, and cause the city additional expense for cleaning said lamps.

I further recommend that the City Civil Engineer be instructed to receive proposals on something more subtantial than glass, and that the various propositions be submitted to the Council, and that we then select the best method of lettering street lamps and street corners.

For the Common Council:

Jos. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

On motion by Alderman Drew, this body determined to adhere to its former action, and the action of the Common Council, in adopting the minority report of the Committee on Streets and Alleys (see page 475, ante) was not approved.

### REPORTS, ETC., FROM COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Alderman Layman, submitted the following majority report, which was received:

#### To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Joint Committees on Sewers, Drainage and Finance, to whom was referred S. O. 93, 1880—an ordinance providing for the construction of a brick sewer in and along Washington street, from the east line of New Jersey street to and connecting with the Washington street sewer at the intersection of Pennsylvania street, would report: After careful consideration recommend that said ordinance be passed.

Respectfully submitted,
D. Mussman,
Aldermanic Committee.

Leon Kahn,
M. H. McKay,
John R. Pearson,
E. H. Koller,
Jas. T. Dowling,
Jno. T. Downey,
Council Committee.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Alderman Layman, submitted the following minority report, which was received:

#### To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit two reports, a majority and a minority report, on S. O. 93, 1880, an ordinance providing for the construction of a brick sewer in and along Washington street, from the east line of New Jersey street to, and connecting with, the Washington street sewer at the intersection of Pennsylvania street—distance three squares; estimated cost, \$14,000 to \$15,000. I respectfully report that I deem this large expenditure at this time, for this special purpose, unwise and inexpedient, as the finances of this city will not warrant us in making such additional general improvements during the year ending April 30, 1881.

Respectfully submitted,

James T. Layman, of Finance Committees.

#### REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Alderman Drew, submitted the following report, which was received:

#### To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Joint Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred S. O. 126, 1880 (with remonstrance), for improving Massachusetts Avenue, from

New Jersey street to Clifford Avenue, by removing the bowlders and graveling instead, would recommend that the Council action in the passage of said ordinance be not concurred in.

John T. Downey, H. E. Drew,
Council Committee Streets and Alleys. John Newman,
Aldermanic Committee Streets and Alleys.

On motion by Alderman Newman, the vote for the passage of S. O. 64, 1880, was reconsidered by the following vote:

AYES, 8-viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

On motion by Alderman Newman, the above entitled ordinance (S. O. 64, 1880,) was referred to the Joint Committees on Streets and Alleys.

#### PENDING ORDINANCES.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

S. O. 117, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for the construction of a sewer in and along the first alley east of Meridian street, from Maryland street to Washington street, and connecting with the Washington street sewer; and providing for the assessment and collection of the cost thereof.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 7-viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS, 1-viz. Alderman Mussman.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time:

S. O. 93, 1880—An ordinance providing for the construction of a brick sewer, in and along Washington street, from the east line of New Jersey street, to and connecting with the Washington street sewer at the intersection of Pennsylvania street, and providing for the assessment and collection of the cost thereof.

On motion by Aldermen Hamilton, the above entitled ordinance was amended so as to read seven and one-half  $(7\frac{1}{2})$  feet internal diameter, instead of seven (7) feet internal diameter.

On motion by Alderman Grubbs, the words "lowest and" were inserted before the word "best" in section 2 of above ordinance.

As amended, the above entitled ordinance was read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

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AYES, .7—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS, 1-viz. Alderman Layman.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second and third times:

S. O. 68, 1880—An Ordinance to provide for the construction of a brick sewer, in and along Indiana Avenue, from Tennessee street, to and connecting with the Illinois street sewer, and providing for the assessment and collection of the cost thereof.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 8-viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

On motion by Alderman Hamilton, the rules were suspended for the purpose of placing G. O. 38, and G. O. 39, 1880, on their final passage, by the following vote:

AYES, 8—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Layman, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

G. O. 38, 1880, was then read the second time.

On motion by Alderman Grubbs, the clause allowing Expressmen to charge the sum of ten cents for carrying passengers to and from the State Fair Grounds, was stricken out by the following vote:

Ayes, 5-viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Mussmann, Newman, and Seibert.

NAYS, 3-viz. Aldermen Hamilton, Layman, and President Coburn.

The motion of Alderman Layman to amend by inserting the words "not to exceed twenty-five cents," failed of passage.

Alderman Hamilton moved to amend by inserting the words "fifteen cents," which failed of being adopted.

G. O. 38, 1880—An Ordinance fixing the compensation which may be charged by the owners or drivers of public vehicles for the transportation of passengers or baggage from one point to another within the limits of the City of Indianapolis, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

As amended, he above entitled ordinance was then read the third time, and was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 5-viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Mussmann, Newman, and Seibert.

NAYS, 3-viz. Aldermen Hamilton, Layman, and President Coburn.

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

G. O. 39, 1880—An Ordinance granting the owner, lessee, or manager of English's Opera House a special license on account of said Opera House.

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 7—viz. Aldermen Drew, Grubbs, Hamilton, Mussmann, Newman, Seibert, and President Coburn.

NAYS-None.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjourned.

. President.

Attest :