PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR SESSION—FEBRUARY 20, 1882.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, February 20th, A. D. 1882, at seven o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Daniel W. Grubbs, Mayor, and ex officio President of the Common Council, in the Chair, and 22 members, viz: Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Caylor, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

ABSENT—Councilmen Bedford, Egger, and Pearson—3.

The Proceedings of the Common Council for the regular session, held February 6th, 1882, having been printed, and placed on the desks of the Councilmen, said Journals were approved as published.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which, on motion by Councilman Thalman, was referred to the City Attorney, with instructions to bring suit if the orders of the Engineer are not strictly complied with:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Owing to the negligence of the contractors, John Stump & Son, the cistern at corner of Merrill and Eddy streets has not yet been completed.

The work cannot be completed now until spring. The street has been left in an almost impassable condition, and, notwithstanding I have repeatedly notified the contractor to repair the same, he refuses to comply with my orders. The street, owing to its location, is an important one, being in the vicinity of the rolling mill and engine house, and should the engine company on Illinois street have occasion to pass through to Merrill street it would be impossible to get through, owing to the mud, besides being a great inconvenience to property-holders on said street, some of whom are already talking of suing for damages. I sincerely hope your honorable bodies will take such steps as will compel the contractor to comply with my orders.

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Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

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The City Civil Engineer submitted the following report; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, and City Attorney:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of citizens interested in the improvement of Central avenue, held in my office February 10th, 1882, I was requested to examine the records and ascertain the width of the street, and make report of such investigation to your honorable body as a preliminary step toward the introduction of an ordinance.

I wish to inform you that I have made the investigation, and find that, while the street is opened to a regular width from St. Mary street to the "State Ditch," there is no record to show that the street has ever been opened to one regular width between said points.

In some places the records show the width of the street to be 60 feet, at others 65, 48, 54, and 50, and while the abutting property may not include these narrow strips of ground, yet they belong to it just as much as if it were included within their inclosures. I am clearly of the opinion that an ordinance to improve the street in its present condition would be void, and that in order to make it legal the street should be opened to one width throughout.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. SHEARER, City Civil Engineer.

The City Clerk submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:--I herewith submit the following affidavits now on file in my office, for the collection of street assessments, by precepts, to-wit:

Henry	C.	Roney	vs.	Sophia	Kre	glo, for		\$8	40
Henry	С.	Roney	vs.	George	0.	Griffiin,	for	11	70

And recommend that you order the precepts to issue. Respectfully submitted, Jos. T. MAGNER, City Clerk.

On motion, the above report was concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue by the following vote:

AYES, 17-viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Caylor, Cole, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Knodel, Koller, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS, 1-viz. Councilman Thalman.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was received:

Indianapolis, February 20, 1882.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—I have been ordered by your honorable boly to prepare an ordinance compelling city prisoners to do street work, under the direction of the Street Commissioner. I find an ordinance now in force which seems to meet all the requirements of that subject. (See pages 192–194 of the printed edition of the Ordinances.) If there are any desired amendments to that ordinance, I will be glad to prepare them; and ask for further instructions. Respectfully,

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was received:

Indianapolis, February 20, 1882.

To the Mayor and Common Council :-

Gentlemen:—I herewith present to His Honor, the Mayor, for introduction, an ordinance amending section four of an ordinance on the subject of auctioneers' license. which 1 believe covers the point desired by the author of the motion directing me to prepare the same.

Respectfully,

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

His Honor, the Mayor, introduced the following entitled ordinance, as per the foregoing report; which was read the first time:

G. O. 16, 1882—An Ordinance to amend Section four (4) of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance relative to the licensing and regulating of certain extraordinary trades and establishments," ordained May 4, 1859.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was received:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—You ask my opinion as to whether the Council and Board have authority: (1) To pass an ordinance regulating the number of cars in freight trains to be run through the city, and also (2) to regulate the time a train may blockade the crossings of streets.

You certainly have the power to regulate, by ordinance, the blockading of streets or crossings. There is now an ordinance in force making it unlawful for any railroad company, engineer, conductor, switchman, or other employe of a railroad company to leave any locomotive or car standing on any street or sidewalk within the city limits longer than three minutes, except in case of accident. There is no season why this ordinance cannot be enforced, unless the courts should hold-the time named to be unreasonably short. I should say myself that it is not unreasonable to require railroad companies to so make up and manage their traine as to clear the traveled crossings and streets every three minutes. I am not advised as to whether a test case has been made or not.

In thus answering your second question, I have at the same time virtually aaswered the first. Railroad companies have a right to take their cars through the city. It follows, therefore, that they may do so in such numbers at a time as they see fit, so long as the citizens are not unnecessarily prevented from using the streets and crossings. In other words, the companies cannot, in the face of an ordinanceunreasonably obstruct travel; but they may carry as many cars at a time as they desire, doing so, of course, at the risk of violating the ordinance referred to, if their trains are too long to manage with dexterity.

Respectfully,

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was received:

Indianapolis, Feb 20, 1882.

To the Mayor and Common Council :

Gentlemen:—I was directed by your honorable body to examine the statutes of the State and ordinances of the city and report my opinion as to the regularity of the election of the two directors of the Belt Railroad and Stock Yard Company (formerly the Union Railroad Transfer and Stock Yard Company), now serving, and whether the Council and Board of Aldermen should not elect said directors in the month of February of each year for one year. The only statute ever passed concerning said company is that of March 2, 1877 (Acts 1877, p. 116), which does nothing more than legalize the ordinance of the Common Council of October 16, 1876, providing for the issuing of bonds in aid of said company. The first and second sections of said ordinance refer to the bonds to be issued by the city, and then the third section provides as follows:

"Until all the said bonds so issued to the said company by the said city are fully paid, satisfied and cancelled, principal and interest, it shall be the right of the said Common Council of the said city of Indianapolis to elect two members of the Board of Directors of said company, who shall have all and the same rights on the said board as any other member thereof."

The foregoing is all there is in said ordinance concerning the election and term of office of said directors. The practice has been, however, to elect them at the time and for the same term other officers of the city are elected by the Council and Board of Aldermen. In accordance with said custom, Arthur L. Wright and John M. Kitchen were elected such directors by the last joint convention, for two years, and they have qualified and are now acting as such. The question is, were they legally elected? I think they were. Their tenure being nowhere fixed by statute or ordinance, but the offices themselves being clearly provided for, I think the members of the joint convention had the power to elect to fill said offices for any term they saw fit. The fact that the company elects its directors on the first Tuesday in February, for one year from that date, is no argument or reason why the city shall elect her two in like manner, for the company elects its directors under a by-law of its own making, which can have no kind of binding force on the city. The city has the absolute right to furnish two of the directors of said company without instruction or dictation from the company, and without reference to the time or manner in which the company shall elect its directors.

I am, therefore, of the opinion that Dr. Kitchen and Mr. Wright have been legally elected for two years from the first day of January, 1882, and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified, and that they will be entitled to serve during said time, unless sooner removed for cause, or the city shall be sooner released from liability on account of the bonds issued by her for the benefit of said company.

I have the honor, likewise, to report that, in obedience to your instructions, I met with the two directors of said company representing the city's interests, and they, after considering the motion passed by your honorable body, requested me to communicate the following facts for your consideration:

The original cost of the road and stock yards, including right of way, construction and equipment of railway, and stockyard lands and buildings, was \$781,157.18. About \$225,000 have been since expended by the company in making improvements to the property and additions to the rolling stock, according to the last report of the auditor of the company, which have been paid out of the earnings.

Your directors do not understand that the company is under any obligations to complete the road around the northern portion of the city, but are informed that a connection with the Wabash track is now being considered by the company. The original proposition of the company was to build a single track from the I., C. & L., in North Indianapolis, to the T. H. & I.; a double track from there to the P., C. & St. L., and a single track from there to the C., C., C. & I. This has been done and the directors, therefore, do not know by what steps the company can be required to build a track from North Indianapolis to Brightwood.

The city's directors have always favored the establishment of a sinking fund by the company, with which to meet its bonds held by the city, when due, but in this they have been overruled by the other directors, and no such fund has been established.

The company, on the 30th of last April, executed a mortgage on all the property of the company to Conrad Baker, as trustee, to secure bonds to the amount of one million dollars. The declared purpose of said mortgage was to raise funds to pay off the city's bonds, and to further extend the road, to purchase and lay additional steel rails, provide additional yard room, side tracks and switches, to purchase additional rolling stock, etc., so as the better to answer the demands of its increasing business. The company at once negotiated \$500,000 of said bonds.

The remaining \$500,000 of said bonds set apart for the city have not been negotrated. If the company should do so, the directors representing the city do not deem it advisable for the city to accept the money at this time. Her own bonds could not be taken up with the same amount of money, as they are held at a large premium, and thus the city would be compelled to pay interest on her own bonds for the next fifteen years, amounting in that time to \$450,000, without any corresponding income from the company, as she now has, to meet it with.

On the whole, your directors regard the city as secure, holding, as she does, the first mortgage on all the company's property, valued at not less than \$1,000,000.

Th city directors are fully informed as to the earnings of the company, as well as to the number and amounts of dividends paid to the stockholders; but as they are not clear in their own minds as to the extent such matters should be made public, they will be governed by the action of the Council in regard thereto.

They recommend that the city do all it can to induce the company to fix the rate of transfer of cars at such figures as to make it to the interest of all the railroads to use the Belt road, and to induce the company to establish a sinking fund, thus preparing itself to pay the city's bonds out of the earnings of the road and stock yards.

They further desire it understood that they will always be pleased to communicate any information in their possession to your honorable body or the Board of Aldermen, when called upon officially to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

The City Attorney submitted the following report; which was received, and on motion by Councilman Thalman, the City Attorney and Judiciary Committee were authorized to make a compromise in both cases, as presented in the report:

Indianapolis; Feb. 20, 1882.

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

Gentlemen:—Since the last session of the Council, judgment has been rendered in favor of the city against the plaintiff in the case of Rosina Kistner, Executrix, vs. The City et al., the demurrer of the city to the complaint having been sustained and the plaintiff declining to amend The action was for the killing of John Kistner, some time ago, at the west end of the Union Depot, by an engine on the Union tracks. The plaintiff contends t at the death was caused by the carelessness of the city in not requiring safety-gates maintained at that point. She has prayed an appeal to the General Term.

The Court in Special Term has also overruled the motion of plaintiff for a new trial in the case of Charles Bauer against the City et al, and rendered judgment in her favor for costs. This was an action for personal injuries alleged to have been received on South street, on account of defects in the sidewalk. An appeal will be taken to the General Term.

The case of John Fletcher vs. The City, seeking damages for personal injuries received by a fall on a defective sidewalk on south Noble street, has been tried before Judge Walker and a jury, resulting in a verdict in favor of the city.

The case of Athalena A. Purcell vs. The City, has also been tried before the same Judge and a jury, and resulted in a like verdict. The plaintiff was seriously hurt by falling in the excavation between the curbstones left exposed over night by tailure of the city to place a footbridge over the same. This happened at the corner of Mississippi and Michigan streets, about a year and a half ago.

The case of Pamelia Tercy vs. The City was also tried during the past week before the same Judge and a jury, and resulted in a like verdict for the city. It will be remembered that this was an action for damages to plaintiff's property, situate • in Indianola, on White River. Formerly, and until after the change in the course of Fall Creek, plaintiff's lot was sixty feet from the river bank, there being a sixty foot street in front of her property. That is no * all gone, and likewise fifteen feet of her lot, the front end of her house no * projecting over the river bank. Unless it is removed, the next high water will take it into the river, and may do serious damage to the bridges below. This washout extends for several squares up and down the river at this point. With these facts existing, and the property owners there begging for protection, I feel it my duty as a citizen, as well as your legal adviser, to say that I think the Council and Board of Aldermen ought to at once give the matter of strengthening the banks of the river, immediate and careful consideration. A flood like that of 1875 would almost as certainly take into the river several buildings, and in that event would almost as certainly take with them the bridges at Washington street, and the others south. With all these facts staring us in the face. I am not prepared to say that the city can always escape liability, as she succeeded in doing in the case just tried, for damages done.

Seven out of 'eight of the cases against A. Naltner and the City have been disposed of at the plaintiffs' costs, and the four judgments rendered against the city by default in December last, before Esquire Schmitts, have been entered satisfied.

I was instructed by the Board of Aldermen, at its last session, to report to the Council at this session, my opinion as to the advisability of compron ising the case of The Board of School Commissioners w. The City and the Estate of William M. Wiles, and also the case of the J., M. & I. R. R. Co. vs. The City et al. It would occupy too much space for this communication, to state all my reasons why I-deem it advisable to settle these cases, but will be glad to do so verbally to the Council, or to a committee, if you see fit to appoint one, to act with me in negotiating with the plaintiffs in these cases. I will state that propositions have already been made, which I think ought to be at once considered, as trials of said cases will be insisted on very soon, if not settled out of court. I ask that some action be taken or instructions given me as to these cases.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM OFFICIAL BOARDS.

The Fire Board, through Councilman Thalman, submitted the following report; which was concurred in :

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

Gentlemen:—As required by ordinance, we have inspected the following public buildings, and respectfully report as follows:

The Grand Opera and English Opera Houses—We find that all necessary provisions have been made for exit in case of panic or fire, also for extinguishing fire. Either of these houses could be emptied (with safety) of the largest gathering of people in a very few minutes.

Park Theatre we find dangerous in case of panic or fire. We recommend that the owners thereof be notified to place an inclosed stairway on outside of building, leading from both first and second floors to Tennessee street; also a stairway leading to rear of Washington Hall, from stage and gallery.

Washington Hall has bad exit. Good exits can be made from north side of hall, by cutting down the windows to the floor, making doors of them to swing outwards when opened, and placing steps (or stairways) the full width of hall to first roof below, and from there to the ground. We recommend they be notified to make the change as stated.

Zoo—The exits are not good. We recommend the owner be directed to make the following improvements: Make two exits from gallery, by boarding up gangways on each side of stage to the alley in the rear, and have the door from stage to

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alley made to swing outward when opened. We also recommend that they be directed to at once strengthen the gallery supports, and make the changes as recommended by the Committee on Insecure Buildings.

Capital Theatre—Small concern, all on lower floor. We recommend the gate leading to back yard be made to swing outwards, and kept unlocked during performance.

Mozart Hall-We recommend two stairways be put in, leading from closet gangway, on east side of hall, to the yard or alley below.

The Y. M. C. A. building we found in bad condition. We recommend the owners be notified to clean out the rubbish in upper rooms and put the same in better condition, as a preventative against fire.

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Thalman, Phil. Reichwein, N. Yoke, Fire Board.

J. H. WEBSTER, Chief Fire Engineer.

The Board of Health submitted the following report; which was received:

Report of Deaths in the City of Indianapolis, from the 31st day of January, 1882, to the 15th day of February, 1882, inclusive.

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The Board of Health submitted the following report; which was received;

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 20th, 1882.

Fo the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—In consequence of the wet, warm weather that has prevailed during the present winter, large accumulations of dirt, filth, and offal of various kinds has taken place in the gutters, streets, and alleys of our city. So far this has, in consequence of the low temperature, resulted in no further harm than being an offense to the sight only. However, with the advent of hot weather decomposition and putrefaction of that material will ensue, and the result will be a tendency toward the development of diseases of the Zymotic class. We would respectfully suggest that your honorable body devise some means by which these accumulations can be removed before the occurrence of warm weather. The health of our city is good at present, and we earnestly desire to keep it so. Therefore we have taken the privilege to intrude this matter upon your notice. We further take the

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liberty of suggesting to you that the labor of the prisoners of the Jail and Station House can be utilized for this work, with but little expense to the city.

Respectfully,

J. A. SUTCLIFF, M. D., President. E. S. ELDRE, M. D., Secretary, M. T. RUNNELS,

Board of Health.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Accounts and Claims, through Councilman Brundage, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

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

Gentlemen:-Your committee to whom was referred the accounts of Charles G. Haag, Henry Edward, and Dr. Elder, for the removal and destruction of smallpox clothing, furniture, etc., would report that, after examination, we find the accounts just and reasonable, and recommend their payment.

Yours respectfully.

Edgar Brundage, John Egger, Frederick Hartmann, Committee on Claims.

The Judiciary Committee, through Councilman Pritchard, submitted the following report; which was concurred in:

Indianapolis, Feb. 20th, 1882.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen :- Your Judiciary Committee, together with the City Attorney, to whom was referred the petition of John H. Caffee, report as follows:

The petition shows that petitioner was over-assessed, by mistake, on his real es-tate for the year 1880; that the over charge amounts to \$4.81. He asks that the amount be refunded.

M. F. Connett. City Assessor, states on petition that the over-assessment on valuation of lot 431, out-lot 98, amounts to \$4.81.

Your committee recommend that the sum of \$4.81 be refunded to petitioner.

Respectfully submitted,

James 'A. Pritchard, John W. Fultz, N. Yoke, Committee on Judiciary,

C. S. DENNY, City Attorney.

Councilman Mauer, in behalf of the Committee on Markets, made a verbal report, recommending that G. O. 72, 1881, "An ordinance to amend section thirteen, of the market ordinance ordained July 2d, 1878," be so amended so as to insert the words "occupying stalls in the whole-sale butcher department," after the word "men," in line twelve (12,) of section one (1.)

Which report, as presented, was concurred in,

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REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES.

Councilman Pritchard, in behalf of a select committee, submitted the following report; which, on motion by Councilman Morrison, was referred to a special committee to be composed of democrats. Councilmen-Dowling, Fultz and Coy were appointed by the Chair to act as members of such committee :

Indianapolis, Febuary 20, 1882.

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Special Committee, appointed to investigate the condition of the Fire Department, and books at Headquarters, report that we have visited all the houses in the department, and find the houses all in good condition.

Except the towers on Nos. Five, Nine and Ten houses. The Nines and Tens arethe new houses, and the towers leak, resulting from the use of green timber inbuilding them. Also the tower of No. Five leaks, resulting, we suppose, from the tin rusting through.

Except, also, the stable floors at houses Nos. One, Two, Five, Eight, and Headquarters, which will soon need some repairing. The sleeping rooms in all the houses are in excellent condition, the walls nicely paperec, floors carpeted, and all kept neat and clean.

We found the engines in good condition, except the wheels on Nos. 2 and 3. and one hind wheel on No. 4. New wheels have been ordered for No. 2 Engine, and one new wheel should be ordered for No. 4 Engine. The suctions on Engines Nos. 2 and 3 are old, and new ones will soon have to be ordered. One has already been ordered for No. 3. All the reels are in good condition, except No. 1 reel, which is ten years old. It is in very good condition for one of its *ge. With new boxing in hubs, it is good for considerable service for some time to come. No. 3 reel has one wheel that needs some repairing. The No. 4 reel has been in service for ten years, and the No. 6 for fourteen years, and of course are very much worn. With a little repairing they will do good service for some time. Repairs amounting to \$325.00 was put on four years ago.

HOSE.

The Hose in the department is of the following kinds, and put on at the followsing times, to-wit:

No. 1 Reel-full reel of carbolized hose, April 24, 1881.

No. 2 Reel-full reel of carbolized hose, March 23, 1880.

No. 3 Reel-full reel of carbolized hose, November 21, 1881.

No, 4 Reel-full reel of test brand hose, June 19, 1879.

No. 5 Reel-full reel of carbolized hose, October 24, 1881.

No. 6 Reel-full reel of carbolized hose, February 26, 1880.

No. 7 Reel-full reel of carbolized hose September 23, 1881.

No. 8 Reel-full reel of carbolized hose, August 27, 1880.

No. 9 Reel-full reel of carbolized hose. August 25, 1880.

No. 10 Reel-full reel of test brand hose, July 22, 1878.

No. 12 Reel-full reel of carbolized hose, June 2, 1881.

Five companies nave full set of new hose, only one year old. Four companies: have full set of new hose. only two years old. Two companies have full set of hose only that is old, and this is good yet, one being put on July 22, 1878, the other-June 19, 1879.

The city has written guarantees on all carbolized hose that it will do good service: for three years from time it was put on reels.

HARNESS.

The Harness in the department is all in good condition. The Threes and Fours have harness that have been in service for seven and eight years, and before long will have to be mended with new sets of harness.

LADDER WAGON.

The Laddar Wagon at Headquarters is in good condition, except the wheels. New wheels have been ordered.

TRUCK.

The Skinner Truck is not in good condition. The foreman in charge of the same informed your committee that seven or eight hundred dollars would be necessary to put it in as good condition as it was when it came into the department. We were also informed by the same gentleman that the extension ladder has been used about once a year, on an average, since it has been in the department. It has therefore been worn out, and has worn out a number of horses in hauling it to all fires, to carry short ladders loaded on top. It weights five or six thousand pounds, and in the winter season is a regular horse-killer, and sometimes unable to get to fires on account of the heavy load.

Your committee are of the opinion that the extension ladder should be located at some central point, and a new wagon obtained for the company on South street, strong enough to carry short ladders needed, and light enough to enable a team to get them to fires.

The running gear of the Skinner Truck is in good enough condition to carry the extension ladder, and this ladder is never needed except in central part of the city, and in this district, it seems, only once a year.

By this arrangement the extension ladder need not be hauled to all small fires, as it is now necessary to do, in order to have the short ladders on hand in case they should be needed.

HORSES.

The horses are all good, except those at Engine Houses Nos. 3 and 4. The ones at the *Threes* are sound, but are eleven (11) and fourteen (14) years of age, respectlively. It is supposed their age forbids that they should be number one engine horses. One of them is wird broken, and can not run over four squares without breaking completely down. The other one is better for a dray than a fire engine. A new team is needed at this house, if the company are expected on hand at fires.

The department, taken as a whole, will take front rank with the departments of other cities. In quality, the equal of any, and the superior of many.

The fire company hitched their horses in the presence of your committee four times, and once it was accomplished in one and a half seconds, and three times in one and three quarter seconds, in succession. This we believe can not be excelled by any departmant.

We have made a careful examination of the books of John G. Pendergast, the former Chief, and for neatness and accuracy they are not surpossed by any bank in the city. The system of keeping the books, introduced by him in this department, is an excellent one, and should be continued.

To begin with, all bills for a given month are placed upon the file. Once each imonth the Fire Board examine all the bills for the month. If they are approved, the approval is spread at large on the minute book of the Board. The original bill is preserved in a book called the "Bill Book." This is properly indexed. Upon the original bill appears the approval of the Chief and Fire Board, corresponding with the approval on the minute book of the Board.

Thus, in buying coal, a receipt is given to the Chief by the foreman of the company receiving it. for each load received. When the bell from the dealer is presented at the end of the month for all loads delivered in that month, it is made to correspond with the receipts before the bill is approved by the Board. When approved these receipts are preserved in the "Ticket Book," and the page in the bill book, where may be found the original bill, is noted upon each of these coal tickets. Upon the original bill is noted the page in the ticket book, of every coal ticket. Thus every load of coal purchased, and the company that received it, and the time when purchased, may be found in a moment's time. Every load of hay and corn, every fifty pounds of bran purchased, is kept track of in the same way.

A ledger is kept for each company. If a foreman wants anything for the house, he is required to obtain written order from twe Chief, and return to the Chief a bill of the same on day of purchase. On every Monday morning every article purchased for the house during the week passed is placed upon the receipt book, and the foreman signs it. The company is charged with the articles purchased in the day book. It is taken from there to the ledger of the company getting the ε oods.

At the end of the month the bill is brought before the Board for approval. If approved, it takes the course already described. This ledger of the company is properly indexed, and all goods of the same kind for the year are put upon same page. Thus, without any trouble, the amount spent for matches for three years, for any company in the department, can be seen in a minute's time, together with receipts for same. The costs for repairs on apparatus is also noted on these ledgers of the several companies. A full history of expenses of all engines, reels, etc., during the term of Chief Pendergast, is carefully preserved in these several ledgers of companies.

A cash book has been kept. If anything was sold by the Chief, he charged himself with the money received, and credited himself by cash paid out for articles purchased by him for the department. A receipt has been taken of all moneys so so paid out, and receipts preserved in special receipt book for that purpose.

All these records are carefully indexed; and so perfect is the system that upon the purchase of even a box of matches, costing seven cents, may be found without trouble or loss of time, the receipted bill of the merchant, the approval of the Fire Board and Chief, the receipt of the foreman of the company that received them, as readily as the banker can find the account of his customer

Some years ago, the city was constantly loosing by the loss of bed clothing. To guard this, two years ago an invoice was made of all beds, bedding, pillows, and pillow cases, etc., in the department. In a book for that purpose, each fireman was charged with his bed and bedding. When any article is worn out, if he returns it to headquarters, he receives credit for the same. By this system, every pillow case in the department is kept track of, and carefully accounted for.

Some trouble was found in keeping correct time of men when off on leave of absence. Two years ago an "absence book" was prepared. When a fireman desires leave of absence, he applies to the Chief for the same. It is issued, with day and hour noted on card given him, together with length of time for which absence is granted. All these facts are preserved on the stub of "leave book." When he returns, under the regulation, he gives his card to the foreman of his company. Should he stay longer than the leave calls for, it is noted by the foreman, and that fact is noted in the "Fireman's Record."

A record called the "Fireman's Record," has been kept. In this is noted the date of appointment of each fireman; if transferred, the date is given: every leave of absence granted him, together with the length of time he was off on every leave of absence.

A book called the "Hose Record and Apparatus," has been kept. Therein is noted the time when any hose or apparatus was purchased. If any hose bursted, or any apparatus broke or refused to work, the time when is noted; the extent of the injury, together with the cause of the same, if known. In this way has been preserved an accurate history of every hose, and all apparatus in the department.

A record of every fire since June, 1878, has been kept. It shows the time of every fire; location, description of the building burned, owner of same, occupant of same, business therein, origin of fire, if known; loss on building and goods, and insurance on building and stock. In a separate record, a full history of each fire is written up in a book called the "Fire History." The page therein of each record

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is noted on the margin of the "Fire Record," and may be readily referred to, by this system of indexing.

For the business-like manner in which Mr. Pendergast conducted the business of his office, and the neat and accurate system of keeping the books introduced by him, he is entitled to the thanks of every tax payer of the city.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Pritchard, Peter F. Bryce, W. H. Tucker, Special Committee.

Councilman Caylor, in behalf of a select committee, submitted the following minority report:

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

Gentlemen: - Your special committee appointed to investigate the entire matterin regard to Drew & Wasson filling coal contracts of the Watson Coal and Mining Company, would report the following facts:

1st. That Mr. Drew stated to your committee that the Watson Coal and Mining Company, while in business here, made a bid for contract for coal to the City Hospital, and the same was awarded to them; that the firm of Drew & Wasson are filling: said contract for the Watson Coal and Mining Company.

2d. We find, from records of Hospital Board, that said Watson Coal and Mining-Company never made any bid, and no contract was awarded them.

That Drew & Wasson are furnishing coal to the Hospital and Dispensary from their own coal yard and their own coal, and delivered by them in their own carts.

The city has a contract with M. D. Watson for furnishing coal to the City-4th. Hospital only, and we find that M. D. Watson has never furnished any coal on said contract, he not being in the retail coal business in this city.

> A. Caylor, Committee.

Councilman Brundage, in behalf of the same committee, submitted the following majority report:

To the Mayor and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:-Your special committee appointed to investigate the entire matter-Gentlemen: --Your special committee appointed to investigate the entire matter and to report at the next regular meeting if Drew & Wasson are furnishing coal to the city under the name of the Watson Coal and Mining Company, beg leave to report that, after an examination of the facts, we find the Watson Coal and Mining: Company have a license for an office for dealing in coal in this city, taken out Sep-tember 26th, 1881, and further find the Watson Coal and Mining Company have a contract to supply the City Hospital and Branch with coal, and that the firm of Drew & Watson deliver the coal for said Mining Company to the City Hospital and Branch, the Watson Coal and Mining Company sold their yards in f this city; also, that the coal now furnished the city is at a less price and a cheaper-rate, we think, than can be furnished if a new contract is entered into, and would rate, we think, than can be furnished if a new contract is entered into, and would recommend that the contract with the Watson Coal and Mining Company be con-Respectfully submitted, Edgar Brundage, tinued.

Sim. Coy, Special Committee

Councilman Brundage presented the following communication :

Brazil, Ind., February 16, 1882.

Messrs. Drew & Wasson, Indianapolis :

Gentlemen:—As there is some dissatisfaction in the City Council in regard to the contract we have to supply the coal to the City Hospital, and as there has been no margin, we suggest that if you can have the contract rescinded, to do so. We would like to have it ended, if it can be satisfactorily done, as it is the only anexpired contract you have to fill on our account.

Respectfully.

M. D. WATSON, Receiver.

Councilman Thalman moved that the foregoing *majority* report be concurred in.

Which motion to concur, was adopted by the following vote:

A YES, 16-viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Knodel, Mauer, Morrison, Reichwein, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS, 6-viz. Councilmen Caylor, Cole, Hartmann, Koller, Pritchard, and Stout.

MESSAGES AND PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The following message was read :

To the Mayor and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, in regular session, held in the Aldermanic . Chamber, Monday evening, February 13th, 1882, adopted the following amendments to G. 0. 53, 1881: "An ordinance for the protection of travelers, and for the preservation of order, etc., at the Union Depot."

The ordinance, as amended, was then passed.

That all after the words "city of Indianapolis," in Section 2, be stricken out, and the following inserted thereafter:

"And the Union Railway Company shall have the right to permit one agent of the restaurant located in the Union Depot to announce within the said depot to travelers and the general public, the place of business of said restaurant."

That Section 7 be changed to Section 8, and the following be inserted as Section 7;

No director or other officer, stockholder, runner, employe, or servant of any railroad; no ticket scalper, or any one in his employ, shall, within said Union Depot, or within twenty feet thereof, solicit or otherwise endeavor to induce any traveler or person desiring to take passage on any railroad train, to take passage on any particular train or road, or to select any particular route or routes. Nor shall he endeavor to influence the movements of, or to interfere with or annoy, any such traveler or person.

Section 9. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance, are hereby repealed.

Section 10. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage, and shall take effect after its publication once each week for two consecutive weeks in the Indianapolis Daily Journal.

I herewith submit an engrossed copy of the ordinance, as passed, for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

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On motion, the action of the Board of Aldermen in adopting the above amendments, was concurred in, and the ordinance, as amended, was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes, 19-viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Caylor, Cole, Cowie, Dean, Dowling, Harrold, Hartmann, Koller, Mauer, Mørrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS-None.

The following message was read, and the action of the Board of Aldermen, as set forth therein, was concurred in, and the Judiciary Committee instructed to act jointly with the City Attorney:

To the Mayor and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, in regular session, held in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, February 13th, 1882, concurred in your action of July 18th, 1881 (see page 347 ante), recommending that the City Attorney proceed with the work of codifying the ordinances, and appropriating sums of money not to exceed five hundred dollars, and concurred in the further recommendation

"That they are of the opinion that the work contemplated ought to be done by some one, and that the work be done under the direction of the Judiciary Committees of the two bodies. The revision of 1875 is incomplete, inaccurate, and badly arranged and indexed. Without an accurate printed copy of the ordinances, many of them remain practically dead letters.

"The general act or charter under which the city is now operating, with the recent amendments thereto, and the other laws applying to cities generally, and those applying to Indianapolis specially, should, we think, be included with the ordinances, in the same volume. References to the Supreme Court decisions construing a 1 these statutes, should likewise be properly noted on the margin. As the action of the Council is silent as to this matter, we would recommend that definite instructions be given the person selected to do this work as to this matter, before the work is commenced."

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

Councilman Cole was excused for the remainder of this session.

The following message was read, and the action of the Board of Aldermen, as set forth therein, was concurred in, and Councilmen Weaver, Dean and Hartmann, appointed to act as the Council members of such committee :

To the Mayor and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:-The Board of Aldermen in regular session, held in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, February 13th, 1882. adopted the following motion:

That a special committee of three from this body, and three from the Common Council, be appointed to consider and report a plan, defining lines, for reduction of the city boundaries.

Aldermen Hamilton, Drew, and Mussmann were appointed by the Chair to act as the Aldermanic members of such committee.

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

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The following message was read, and on motion, the Council receded from their former action, except as to the 11th clause, which, on motion by Councilman Dean, their former action was adhered to:

To the Mayor and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Aldermen, in regular session, held in the Aldermanic -Chamber, Monday evening, February 13th, 1882, concurred in various recommendations of the Board of Public Improvements, and non-concurred in the following clauses:

20th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the east gutter of Dillon street, between Spann and Fletcher avenues.

54th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters and fill the chuck-holes of Pinestreet, from North street to Peru avenue. Also, clean the gutters of Vine street, from Park avenue to Ash street. Also, clean the gutters on Arch street, from Park avenue to Plum street. Also, clean the gutters and fill chuck-holes on North street, from East street to Noble street.

Recommended by the Board of Public Improvements to be done.

67th. That the Street Commissioner be instructed to place a single stone-crossing on Illinois street, at the crossing of St. Jo. street.

And submitted the further recommendations on the following motions :

11th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, directed take up and re-lay the northeast corner gutter of Virginia avenue, from Elk street to Prospect street, and that the City Civil Engineer is hereby directed to set the necessary grade stakes.

Recommended by the Board of Public Improvements to be done under contract by the City Civil Engineer.

We recommend the work be done by the Street Commissioner, as contemplated in said motion.

14th. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner fill the chuck-holes on Indiana avenue with good river gravel, from West street to Fall Creek.

Recommended by the Board of Public Improvements to be done.

We recommend the avenue to be bowldered, under the ordinance.

19th: Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to put a coat of gravel on Linden street, from Prospect street to Fletcher avenue-

Recommended by the Board of Public Improvements to be done.

We recommend the chuck-holes to be filled only.

23d. Is a motion that the Street Commissioner be instructed to clean the gutters on Coburn, Dougherty, and Buchanan streets, between Virginia avenue and East street.

Recommended by the Board of Public Improvements to be done.

We recommend that ordinances be introduced to bowlder said gutters.

I submit the same for your consideration.

For the Board of Aldermen:

GEO. T. BREUNIG, Clerk.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

Councilman Dean, in behalf of the Board of Public Improvements, introduced the following appropriation ordinances, which were read the first time:

Ap. 0. 12, 1882- An Ordinance appropriating the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, on account of the Street Repairs Department of the city of Indianapolis.

Ap. O. 13, 1882—An Ordinance appropriating the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, for the payment of labor in repairing the bridges in the city of Indianapolis.

Councilman Dean moved a suspension of the rules for the purpose of placing the above ordinances, Ap. O. 12, 1882, and Ap. O. 13, 1882, on their final passage.

Which motion was adopted, and the rules suspended by the following vote:

AYES, 21--viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Caylor, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS-None.

Ap. O. 12, 1882, was then read the second time, ordered engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

AYES, 21-viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Caylor, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS-None.

Ap. O. 13, 1882, was then read the second time, ordered engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

Aves, 21-viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Caylor, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS-None.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business, the following entitled ordinances were introduced, and severally read the first time.

By Councilman Brundage:

S. O. 15, 1882-An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling Linden street and sidewalks, from Cypress street to Pleasant Run. February 20, 1882.

By Councilman Bryce:

8. O. 16, 1882—An Ordinance to provide for grading and re-paving with brick, where not already properly paved, the east sidewalk of Illinois street, from Washington street to Louisiana street.

By Councilman Cowie:

- 8. O. 17, 1882--An Ordinance to provide for re-grading and bowldering the roadway of Indiana avenue, from Illinois street to Fall Creek, where not already properly bowldered.
- S. O. 18, 1882-An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Vermont street, between West and Blackford streets.

The above entitled ordinance was accompanied by the following petition:

Indianapolis, Feb. -th, 1882.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Vermont street, between West and Blackford streets, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and paving, with good hard paving brick, of the south sidewalk, on Vermont street, between West and Blackford streets.

> E. M. Breedlove, George Merritt, Wm. Daggett, Sr., per R. P. D.

By Councilman Coy:

G. O. 17, 1882—An Ordinance authorizing Schrader Brothers to construct and maintain a wooden awning in front of their place of business, at the southwest corner of Virginia avenue and McCarty street.

By the Board of Public Improvements, through Councilman Dean:

8. O. 19, 1882--An Ordinance to provide for grading and bowldering the gutters of Pine street, from Washington street to St. Clair street.

By Councilman Mauer:

- 8. O. 20, 1882--An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, and curbing with stone, except where already paved, the east sidewalk of Blake street, from Washington street to Indiana avenue.
- S. O. 21, 1882—An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick and curbing with stone, where not already paved, the west sidewalk of Blake street, from Washington street to Indiana avenue.

By Councilman Pritchard:

- S. O. 22, 1882—An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Mississippi street, from Second street to Seventh street, where not already properly paved.
- G. O. 18, 1882—An Ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled "An ordinance making and providing for the execution of a contract between the city of Indianapolis and the Indianapolis Water Company," approved February 13th, 1882. 816, 104.

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Later in the session, the foregoing ordinance was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Councilman Reichwein:

G. O. 19, 1882—An Ordinance authorizing the Indiana, Bloomington & Western Railway Company to construct certain tracks within and through a certain portion of the city of Indianapolis, Indiana.

On motion, the above ordinance was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Councilman Stout:

S. O. 23, 1882--An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, the west sidewalk of Broadway street, from Seventh street to Twelfth street.

The above entitled ordinance was accompanied by the following petition :

Indianapolis, February 9th, 1882.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Broadway street between Seventh and Twelith streets, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and paving with brick the sidewalks of Broadway street, between Seventh and Twelfth streets.

H. C. Hendrickson, M. K. Alexander.

By Councilman Thalman:

- S. O. 24, 1882---An Ordinance to provide for grading and paving with brick, and curbing with stone, the south sidewalk of North street, from Pennsylvania street to the first alley west.
- G. O. 20, 1882-An Ordinance to prevent the blowing of steam whistles, and the opening of cylinder cocks of locomotives, while crossing any of the streets in the city of Indianapolis.
- G. O. 21, 1882—An Ordinance granting the Mutual Union Telegraph Company, of New York, the privilege of using certain streets and alleys of the city of Indianapolis, in constructing lines of telegraph in said city.

Councilman Thalman moved a suspension of the rules for the purpose of placing the above ordinance, G. O. 21, 1882, on its final passage.

Which motion was adopted, and the rules suspended by the following vote:

AYES, 21-viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Caylor, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS-None.

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G. O. 21, 1882, was then read the second time, ordered engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

AYES, 20-viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Caylor, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke.

NAYS-None.

By Councilman Weaver:

G. O. 22, 1882--An Ordinance requiring the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati & Indianapolis, and the Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific Railway Companies, in the city of Indianapolis, to erect and maintain safety-gates for the protection of the public, at the crossing of Massachusetts avenue and said companies' tracks.

By Councilman Yoke:

S. O. 25, 1882—An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the alley running around Lots 13, 14, 15 and 16, in Out-lot 94, beginning at School street, and terminating at School street.

The above entitled ordinance was accompanied by the following petition and remonstrance; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with the ordinance:

Indianapolis, Dec. 27, 1881.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on the alley running around Lots 13, 14, 15 and 16, Out-lot 94, beginning at School street, and terminating at School street, respectfully petition for the passage of an ordinance providing for grading and graveling the alley running around Lots 13, 14, 15 and 16, Out-lot 94, beginning at School street and terminating at School street.

> H. Alfrey, K. T. Adams, for E. B. Adams; H. H. Lee, Louis Siersdorfer, Francis M. Abbett.

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on the alley between Virginia avenue and School street, from the first alley north of Huron street to the first alley south of South street, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and graveling of the above described alley.

> Geo. T. Sullivan, 148 ft; Chas. H. Raymond, 113 ft; T. S. Frances, per Johnston, agent, 22 ft; Rev. Chas. Tinsley, per D. D. Lonz, agent, 22 ft; Dr. B. Atkinson, 60 ft; Jno. P. Brock, by Robt. F. Catterson, agent 52 ft; Berkshire Life Insurance Co., by C. E. Coffin, agent, 50 ft.—total, 467 feet.

Councilman Yoke presented the following remonstrance; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with the ordinance, S. O. 14, 1882;

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Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 9th, 1882.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, owners of real estate fronting on Elm street, between Pine and Cedar streets, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance providing for the grading and paving of sidewalk (north side,) on Elm street, between Pine street and Cedar street.

> Calh. M. Meyer, 80 feet; Mary E. Burnworth, 40 feet; Josephine Wortman, 40 feet; Louis Meyer, 40 feet; Michael Greely, 40 feet; Henry Hane, 80 feet; Wm. Mensenkamp, 40 feet; Jane Duttice, 40 feet; Mrs. E. A. Means, 40 feet; Mrs. E. Fuerchtenicht, 40 feet.

By Councilman Yoke :

S. O. 26, 1882--An Ordinance to provide for grading and graveling the alley between Huron street and Fletcher avenue, and between Cedar and Grove streets.

By consent, Councilman Weaver, in behalf of the Committee on Streets and Alleys, submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:-Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom sundry papers were referred, would report thereon as follows, viz:

1st. Is a motion that Charles Jones be notified by the City Marshal to cease standing his sprinkling wagon on southwest corner of Illinois and Fifth streets, etc. Recommend said motion be adopted.

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2d. Is a petition of W. Reel, for the vacation of the first alley running from Twelfth street south to first alley south of Twelfth street, being the first alley east of Mississippi street.

We recommend that said vacation be made, and that the accompanying resolution be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

George Weaver, Sim. Coy, B. W. Cole, Committee on Streets and Alleys.

On motion, the above report was concurred in, except the second clause, which was referred back to the committee.

INTRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Councilman Brundage presented the following remonstrance; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements, with the ordinance, S. O. 6, 1882:

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 14th, 1882.

To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:— We, the undersigned, owners of real estate on Fletcher avenue, protest against the passage of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to provide for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Fletcher avenue, from Dillon street to Linden street," and pray that the same be not passed.

J. T. Peake, 24 feet; Lawrence May, 24 ft; Frances Proctor, 24 ft; Mikel Schumacker, 30 ft; J. C. Schmid, 116 ft; Joseph Tobler, 30 ft; Richard Leggo, 30 ft; John Fizher, 60 ft; William H. Singleton, 30 ft; Rachael G. Durham, 30 ft; A. W. Wishard, 30 ft; Laura Griffith, 30 ft; John Martin, 30 ft; George Schofield, per R. C. D., 50 ft; Thomas Gallentire, 35 ft; Nancy W. Jordan, 30 ft; Henry D. Runyon, 30 ft.

Councilman Brundage offered the following motions; which were adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to place cinders for the protection of the abutment of the bridge on Ohio street, over Pleasant Run. This work should be done at once, and no delay made, as the same is in a dangerous condition.

That the City Marshal be, and is hereby, directed to notify the person or persons causing the obstruction of Draper and St. Elmo streets, in Wright and Bowers' subdivision of Hubbard and Martindale's southeast addition, to remove the said obstructions, and, if not done within ten days, that the City Marshal be authorized to remove the said obstructions, at the expense of the person or persons causing the same. The said obstruction is a nuisance, preventing the free flow of travel along said streets.

That C. H. Shellhouse & Co. be, and are hereby, granted permission to put down a bowlder crossing over sidewalk at Nos. 269 and 271 east Washington street, at their own expense, under the provisions of existing ordinance on that subject, and to the satisfaction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Bryce offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the property-owners be instructed by the City Marshal to raise the grade of the first alley south of South street, running east from Illinois street, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

Councilman Bryce offered the following motion; which was referred to the Police Board:

That the Police Board instruct the Chief to see that all ordinances regulating the running of trains through our city, be strictly enforced.

Councilman Bryce offered the following motions; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements;

That the three walk stone crossing be put down across Louisiana street, at the east side of Illinois street.

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to fill the chuck-holes on Maryland street, between Meridian and Pennsylvania streets.

That a double stone crossing be put down across McNabb street, at the east side of Illinois street.

Councilman Bryce offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this body hereby express its sympathy for Mr. Egger, in his recent calamity, with the hope that he may soon be restored to his usual health.

Which was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 21—viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Caylor, Cowie, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller. Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward, Weaver, and Yoke. NAYS—None.

Councilman Morrison, for Councilman Cole, offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the City Marshal shall be instructed to notify property-owners on Massachusetts avenue, between New Jersey and Pennsylvania streets, to repair the sidewalks where needed.

Councilman Dowling offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Board of Public Improvements be requested to immediately cause something to be done that will improve the deplorable condition of Merrill street, between Mississippi and Missouri streets.

Councilman Dowling offered the following motion; which was referred to the Fire Board:

That the "Woodburn Sarven Wheel Co." be allowed to erect and maintain a bridge across Eddy street, to connect different portions of their factory; said bridge to be not less in height than 13½ feet in the center, from Eddy street. Also, a bridge across Garden street, between Eddy street and Illinois street, connecting their factory; said bridge to be not less than 15 feet in height from Garden street.

Councilman Dowling offered the following motions; which were adopted :

That the City Civil Engineer be directed to report at the next meeting of this Council, an estimate cost per foot for grading and graveling Meridian street; paying with pine blocks; paving with squared red cedar blocks; paving with white cedar blocks; and also the cost per foot of a good asphalt road-way.

That the rule now in force compelling all bids for public improvements to be handed to the City Clerk by four (4) o'clock, P. M., of the day of the meetings of this Common Council, is hereby rescinded; and it shall, after the passage of this motion, be lawful and proper for any or all bids to be received up to the hour of meeting of the Common Council, when the said bids shall be opened under the supervision of the Committee on Contracts.

Councilman Fultz offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to place Merrill street. in a passable condition, and properly drain the same, between Tennessee and Missouri streets, and that he have power to act.

Councilman Harrold offered the following motion ; which was referred to the Judiciary Committee and City Attorney :

That J. S. Neal be allowed the power to transfer the pedler's license issued to Fletcher Ingram, on January 30th, 1882, for one year, to some other person who wishes to succeed him. Councilman Hartmann offered the following motion; which was referred to the Chief Fire Engineer:

That the Chief Fire Engineer, together with the Fire Board, be, and is hereby, directed to immediately examine the building located on Bates street, between Dillon and Oriental streets, and formerly occupied by the Oil Tank Line Company; and that they condemn the same, if found unsafe.

Councilman Hartmann offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, ordered to make repairs and make connection with water-pipe, so that water will escape at the first alley east of Oriental street, at the north side of the Panhandle tracks.

Councilman Knodel presented the following communication; which was referred to the Committee on Markets, to report at the next regular meeting:

To the Honorable Mayor, Board of Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned marketers and committee appointed by the German Gardeners' Association of Indianapolis, would respectfully represent and show that the abuses which exist in the matter of the sealing of weights and measures in the city of Indianapolis should be regulated, and that some rule should be established for the uniform enforcement and carrying out of sec. 35 (title, "Licensed Public Works") of the Penal Ordinances of the city of Indianapolis, ordained June 25, 1878, and which reads as follows, to-wit:

"It shall be the duty of every marl eter, whether leasing or otherwise, to cause the scales, weights or measures by him used and employed to be inspected and sealed by the city Market Master as frequently as every three months, and to pay the city Market Master the following fees therefore," etc

"The sealing hereby required shall be done by means of stencil plates, into which shall be cut the word "sealed," the name of the city Market Master, and the date of such inspection and sealing."

It is further provided in said section:

"Any balance scale, weight or measure which may be inspected and sealed by either of the city Market Masters, may be used and employed in any other city market, or at any other licensed market, without re-inspection or re sealing, until the term covered by the seal has expired," etc.

Your petitioners respectfully represent that by virtue of the provisions of said ordinance the scaling and inspection of measures is carried on and enforced in a very oppressive manner; that they are ever ready to comply strictly with the law recited above, and desire that violators thereof should be rigorously punished as therein provided.

Your petitioners respectfully represent that persons other than the Market Master, who is charged by law with the duty of sealing weights and measures, call upon your petitioners, after the measures used by them have been sealed in accordance with and within the period prescribed in said ordinance, and at any and all times demand inspection thereof, without exhibiting any authority, condemn and confiscate such measures as they may deem as not complying with the law, without any fault of your petitioners in the premises, and by such course compel them to provide themselves with new measures to be sealed, and the fees provided for such sealing to be paid.

That your petitioners are of the opinion that such course is not pursued to enforce the provisions of said ordinance, and by such enforcement to protect the purchasers in the markets of the city of Indianapolis, but to extort the fees provided for such services; that such action is not in the interest of the public, or of any one, except the persons demanding and collecting fees therefor.

Your petitioners therefore pray that this oppressive and unjust enforcement of the law, as declared in the section above recited, may be investigated; that the manner of sealing as in said law may be changed from marking with stencil-plates the word "sealed," etc., may be changed to branding on the inside, which will effectually prevent fraud by placing false bottoms in measures; that persons keep-ing for sale such measures to be used in the markets may procure the sealing the most be the Market Market with the markets may procure the sealing thereof by the Market Master; that all measures sealed within three months, and which, upon lawful examination, shall prove not to have been tampered with in any manner by the owners thereof, shall be protected, and no illegal fees extorted for such examination; and that the Market Master shall be required in person to seal and brand all weights and measures used in and upon said market, and to make in person all examinations of weights and measures, and they respectfully ask that such regulations may be enacted as will protect the interest of all concerned in the premises.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

THE INDIANAPOLIS GERMAN GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION,

By Christian F. Lentz, Fr. Niemeier, Christ. Hoerger, Committee.

Councilman Knodel presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys :

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen:-The undersigned freeholders respectfully ask your honorable body to vacate James Frank and William H. Seiders' subdivision of lot No. 3, in Herman Heinrich's (Schroer's) subdivision of 27.90 acres, in the east half of the southwest quarter of Section 13, Township 15 North, R. 3 East, which is all of the said half quarter-section that lies on the west side of the center of the Madison and Indianapolis Railroad and east of the Madison State Road, and to vacate the lots, streets, avenues, and alleys therein, and especially to vacate Madison avenue and Webb street, and the alleys running parallel with Webb street east and west of the same. The said subdivision is a piece of ground containing three acres, and is used as garden land; the lots, streets, avenues, and alleys merely exist on paper, and are of no use there whatever. None of the other lots of the said Schroer's subdivision of 27.90 acres is subdivided, and the streets, alleys, and avenues do not extend beyond the said Frank & Slider's subdivision. The same belongs in common to the undersigned Bernhard Backman and William H. Seiders, and the undersigned do not know of any person who is particularly or at all interested in said subdivision or in the vacation thereof.

Plats of Frank & Seiders' subdivision and Schroer's subdivision are filed herewith and made part hereof.

Respectfully submitted.

Bernard Backman, W. H. Seiders, Josiah Barker.

Councilman Koller offered the following motion; which was referred to the Fire Board:

That the Fire Board be directed to locate a fire-alarm box corner of Arsenal avenue and Ohio street.

Councilman Koller offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements :

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That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, directed to fill the chuck holes on Davidson street, between Market and North streets.

Councilman Koller presented the following petition; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your petitioners pray your honorable bodies to cause Ohio street to be opened and extended from the first alley west of Hanna street to Hanna street, by widening the fifteen-foot alley on said line to a uniform width of Ohio street west. A plat of the proposed opening and extension is herewith filed and made a part of this petition.

Wm. Reger, Henry Vehling, John Heitkam, Ch. Zabel, Gustav G. Stark, John Michelfelder, C. R. Phipps, C. R. Phipps, Administrator.

Councilman Morrison offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the City Marshal be, and he is hereby, instructed to at once notify the tenants of the Sellers Farm that, from and after March 1, 1882, they will be required to pay rent to the city instead of the Indiana Fertilizer Company, the lease to said Fertilizer Company expiring at that time.

Councilman Morrison offerred the following motions; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby ordered to at once place west Market street, west of the state house, for one (1) square, in a passable condition.

That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby ordered to clean the bouldered gutters of north Mississippi street, from Ohio to Seventh. Said street was bouldered with the express understanding that the gutters were to be kept in a good sanitary condition, and in order to protect the property on the corner of Indiana avenue and Mississippi streets, said gutters should be cleaned without delay.

Councilman Pritchard offered the following motions; which were adopted:

That Frank Hall be given permission to lay brick sidewalk in front of his property on east side of north Mississippi street, between Fourth and Fifth streets; the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the City Clerk be authorized to procure from the County Auditor a transcript of the record of the County Commissioners, in the matter of the annexation to the city of Indianapolis of a strip of ground bounded on the west by Michigan Road, on the south by Fourth street, and on the east by Central Canal, and that he have such transcript recorded in the Recorder's office of Marion County, Indiana.

Councilman Reichwein offered the following motions; which were referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be directed to extend the culverts crossing Market and New Jersey streets to the foot bridges.

That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill chuck holes on New York street between New Jersey and Noble streets.

Councilman Reichwein offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Public Light:

That the Gas Committee be instructed to report on removing lamp post from a first alley south of Market street, on Noble street, to the corner of Court and Noble streets.

Councilman Thalman presented the following communication :

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 18th, 1882.

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

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the board of directors of this company on the 8th inst. the draft of contract proposed by the city for the supplying of water by this company was carefully considered, especially that portion of it requiring this company absolutely to furnish water of a degree of purity not lower than the minimum standard required by the National Board of Health, and giving to the city and the local board of health the sole choice of chemists to whom the question as to the quality of water shall be referred, and making their decision final.

It is the purpose of this compuny to furnish the best water that can be obtained in this locality, but it would be unwise for us to contract for anything more. We confidently hope to furnish better water than your draft of prepared contract calls for ; but if, after costly experiments, it should turn out that such water is unattainable in this locality, we can not supply the defects of nature.

We also seriously object to that portion of the proposed contract leaving the question as to the quality of water exclusively to the city and to the board of health. We certainly, in justice, should have some voice in the selection of the chemists who are to pass upon the quality of the water.

I respectfully request that you will appoint a committee or committees to conferwith us. The financial success of this company depends largely upon the successof its efforts to obtain acceptable water, and we are willing to make any stipulations with the city as to quality that may not require impossibilities.

Very respectfully yours,

THOMAS A. MORRIS,

President Indianapolis Water Company.

P. S.—Since the foregoing letter was written this company has received the following telegram from the chemist of the National Board of Health, viz.:

> UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, CHARLOTTSVILLE, VA., Feb. 9, 1882.

"F. A. W. Davis, Treasurer Water Company:

"No standard established by National Board of Health. J. W. MALLETT."

It therefore, of course, becomes necessary to modify the draft of contract, even if it were acceptable to both parties. T. A. MORRIS, President.

Councilman Reichwein, in relation to the above communication, offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the matter be referred to the Committee on Judiciary, and that the Board of Aldermen be requested to add their Committee on Judiciary, so that a joint report can be made with as little delay as possible.

Councilman Thalman offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Public Light:

That the Committee on Gas be directed to report in regard to locating a gas post at the crossing of the alleys in the rear of the Denison House. Councilman Thalman offered the following motion; which was referred to the Special Committee on Insecure Buildings:

That the Committee on Insecure Buildings be directed to examine Masonic-Hall and report, if in their opinion, it is safe and substantial.

Councilman Thalman offered the following motion.

That the city clerk be directed to advertise in the Daily Journal, twice each week, for four successive weeks for proposals for removal of slops and offal, in accordance with the ordinance.

And it was adopted by the following vote :

AYES, 13--viz. Councilmen Brundage, Bryce, Cowie, Coy, Dowling, Harrold, Knodel, Koller, Reichwein, Stout, Thalman, Ward and Weaver.

NAYS 8-viz. Councilmen Caylor, Dean, Fultz, Hartmann, Mauer, Morrison, Pritchard and Yoke.

Councilman Thalman presented the following petitions; which were referred to the Judiciary Committee:

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

Your petitioner shows that at a sale for city taxes, on the 14th of February, 1877, one C. Sydney Converse purchased property described as the north half of lot nine (9), in outlot twenty-seven: that he paid to the treasurer at such sale the sum of \$5.61; that the certificate of said sale, No. 13,706, was subsequently duly assigned to the undersigned, who further shows that said sale was illegal and void for the reason that said property belonged to the city of Indianapolis, then, there-tofore and now, as more fully appears at Book 42, p. 260, in the office of the recorder-of Marion county, Indiana.

Wherefore, he prays for a refunding to him of said amount with interest, as provided by law. And he will ever pray, etc. CHARLES E. COFFIN, Assignce.

By H. D. Pierce, of counsel.

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned respectfully shows: That at the sale for taxes on the 14th of February, 1876, he purchased property described as: Lot 33, in McKernan & Pierce's subdivision of outlot 27, etc., sold for city taxes of 1873, 1874 and 1875; that he paid at such sale the sum of \$2041; that the duplicate and sale number of such sale was 14,174; that said sale was illegal and void for the reason that the taxes on all of said pr perty except nine feet had been paid, as will be seen upon the duplicate for 1873 at No. 11,928, and the duplicate for 1874 at 11,928, and also receipts Nos. 7,667 and 7,887, October 28 and 26, 1875.

Wherefore, he prays a refunding with six per cent., as the same is guaranteed by law And he will ever pray, etc. WILLIAM H. KILVERT.

By H. D. Pierce, of counsel.

Copy of tax receipts atttached.

I. N. PATTISON, City Treasurer.

The Hop. Boards of Councilmen and Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis:

Paid sale tax thereon 4th January, 1881	6 42
Interests due to this date	

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He asks a refunding of same, for the reason that the same was taxed double, and improperly sold in the name of W. P. Brown, the tax having been paid in name of A. Parker and John Hanna. Please refund with interest, and oblige

F. MCWHINNEY.

Councilman Ward offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Public Light:

That the first lamp-post north of Fort Wayne avenue, on the west side of Alabama street, be dismantled, and that the lamp post at the alley between Delaware and Alabama, on the south side of Walnut street, be dismantled.

Councilman Ward offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be directed to clean the gutters on north New Jersey street, from Massachusetts avenue to Gregg street.

Councilman Weaver presented the following petition; which was referred to the Board of Health:

Indianapolis, Feb. 17th, 1882.

To His Honor, Daniel W. Grubbs, Mayor of the City of Indianapolis, and the Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:---We, the undersigned, citizens of Indianapolis, do most respectfully call your attention to the fact that one H. B. Sherman, proprietor of the New Dennison Hotel, is now building extensive pens, and otherwise making arrangements to feed and maintain from sixty to one hundred hogs from the offal, slops, etc., from Said pens are situate on and between Brookside and Orchard avenues, his hotel. west and adjoining Crown street, within from one hundred to two hundred feet of premises familiarly known as Brookside Resort, said premises being now occupied as a residence; said pens being along and including Pogue's Run for a distance of several hundred feet, to which the hogs will at all times have free access, and without protection, natural or artificial, to prevent the accumulation of filth to drain Being located on clayey soil, through which no filth will absorb into Pogue's Run. deeper than from 6 to 10 inches from the surface, said pens will soon become a most dangerous typhcid and diptheria breeder, fatal to the health of those who live in the vicinity of said pens; and Pogue's Run, receiving the drainage from the premises, will distribute its infections throughout its length, which you well know is through a thickly inhabited district, including the eastern and central portion of the city.

Such places for feeding are always dangerous to health, wherever located; but this being located east of the city, will become especially so; and experience has taught us that the best time to prevent such places from becoming a nuisance, is to prevent their establishment—proprietors of such always maintaining them until forced to desist by expensive suits at law.

We have therefore obtained from the Health Board of the city an order dated February 10th, 1882, warning said H. B. Sherman to desist from building said pens, a copy of which accompanies this petition, the original of which was duly, served upon said H. B. Sherman by health officer Wm. D. Griffin. Said H. B. Sherman having, despite the order, continued to build and further complete said stock pens, we your petitioners, do hereby ask you to protect us as citizens of Indianapolis, from this most dangerous disease-breeding establishment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Fulton, residence Brookside ave., east of Crown st.; John Furnas, 42 Ramsey ave.; B. Austin Richardson, M. V. B. McGilliard, Jas. W. Elder, Theo. G. Light, John Mescall, Melichi Mescall, Martin Ryan, Mercantile Trust Co., by C. E. Coffin, agent, and 73 others.

ORDER OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

Indianapolis, Feb. 10th, 1882.

Dear Sir .- It is reported to the Board of Health of this city that parties are, under your direction, constructing pens for feeding hogs between Brookside and Orchard avenues, along on each side of Pogue's Run, embracing several hundred feet of the bed of Pogue's Run.

The maintenance of such pens at that locality will certainly be detrimental to the health of the inhabitants of our city, as the drainage from the pens will necessarily pass along the course of the run throughout nearly the ertire length of the city.

You are therefore respectfully notified that the Board of Health order that the maintenance of pens for the purpose of feeding hogs in the locality above referred to will not be permitted.

Very respectfully,

E. S. ELDER, Secretary Board of Health.

H. B. SHERMAN, New-Denison Hotel.

Councilman Weaver presented the following petition, which was referred to the Special Committee on Boundaries:

To the Common Council of Indianapolis, Indiana:

To the Common Council of Indianapolis, Indiana: Gentlemen:—Your petitioners, Ingram Fletcher, Albert E. Fletcher, John E. Walters, J. H. Baldwin, The First National Bank of Danville, Ill.; John W. Ray, receiver; J. W. Smith, John H. Vajen, Francis M. Lackey, John B. Ruger, and the Commercial Life Insurance Company, who are the owners of nearly all the real estate included in that part of Indianapolis bounded on the north by Brink-man street, on the east by Line street, on the south by Bloyd, Greenbrier, Hill avenue and Bolton streets, and on the west by Harrison avenue, 'show to your honorable body that upon a part of said real estate valuable improvements have been made, and that, although the said property is within the corporate limits of Indianapolis, and is taxed by the city, and made to contribute to the city fund like other city property yet your petitioners show that the said property has never been benefited or improved thereby; that there are no gas or water mains in said district, and that, therefore, the streets are not lighted, and there is no fire protection; that the streets are ungraded and often impassable; that there are no side-/walks; that there is no drainage, nor is said district patrolled by the police; but the said district remains in the same condition it was before it became a part of the city in 1872.

Wherefore your petitioners pray that the streets in said district be improved, and that said district be properly policed, protected from fire, and lighted; or that the property in said district be no longer compelled to contribute to the city fund for such purposes, but be relieved from further city taxes.

Respectfully submitted, Albert E. Fletcher, Ingram Fletcher, First National Bank Danville, J. H. Vajen, J. H. Baldwin, by E. W. Johnston, his attorney; John E. Walters, John W. Ray, receiver; J. W. Smith, Conn. Mutual Life Insurance Company, Francis M. Buckey.

Councilman Weaver offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, City Attorney and City' Civil Engineer :

To condemn the land used as an alley, running north from Lincoln avenue to the first alley running east and west and between Peru track and Yandes street, as it is not platted, and the residents desire to improve it.

Councilman Weaver offered the following motion, which was adopted; and Councilmen Ward, Stout and Coy appointed as members of such committee:

That a committee of three be appointed to act with the Board of Public Improvements, the Street Commissioner and City Civil Engineer, who shall visit that part of the city lying adjacent to the "State ditch," and report back what, in their judgment, is advisable to be done to prevent damage to the property of citizens along the same, and to drain the surrounding streets from overflow.

Councilman Weaver offered the following motion; which was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys, City Attorney and City Civil Engineer:

To open out Peru street from Eighth to Ninth streets, by condemning the roadway, which at present is a part of said street, although it has never been platted, and the residents along the line desire to have it graded and graveled, but find it can not be done while in its present unplatted state.

Councilman Weaver offered the following motion; which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements:

That the Street Commissioner be instructed to repair Lawrence street with good gravel, from Hillside avenue to Rural street.

Councilman Yoke offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the City Attorney be and is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary ordinances licensing telegraph and telephone companies occupying or in any way using the streets and alleys of this city.

By consent, Councilman Morrison offered the following motion; which was adopted :

That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby, instructed to advertise for bids for the lease of the Sellers Farm for a term of two or five years from the date of contract, said bids to be received up to March 10th, 1882, by the Committee on Public Property.

PENDING ORDINANCES.

The following entitled ordinance, on motion by Councilman Dowling, was taken up and read the second time :

G. O. 11, 1882—An Ordinance requiring every person selling spiritous, vinous or malt liquors, in the city of Indianapolis, under a license from the Board of Commissioners of Marion county, Indiana, to also first procure a license so to do from said city; providing penalties for violations of this ordinance, and containing other provisions properly connected with the issuing of such licenses. February 20, 1882.]

On motion by Councilman Dowling, the above entitled ordinance was stricken from the files by the following vote :

- Aves, 12-viz. Councilmen Brundage, Coy, Dean, Dowling, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Reichwein and Weaver.
- NAYS, 9-viz. Councilmen Bryce, Caylor, Cowie, Morrison, Pritchard, Stout, Thalman, Ward and Yoke.

The following entitled ordinance was read the second time; and, on motion by Countilman Dowling, was stricken from the files:

G. O. 45, 1881—An Ordinance to require a license to be paid by persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors in the city of Indianapolis, under the provisions of any law of the State of Indiana, and prescribing peralties for the violation thereof.

Councilmen Ward and Cowie were excused for the remainder of this session.

It being now nearly eleven o'clock, Councilman Stout moved that the time be extended.

Which motion to extend the time failed of adoption by the following vote :

Axes, 5-viz. Councilmen Bryce, Caylor, Pritchard, Stout and Weaver.

NAYS, 11-viz. Councilmen Brundage, Dean, Fultz, Harrold, Hartmann, Knodel, Koller, Mauer, Morrison, Reichwein and Thalman.

Councilman Pritchard moved that the Common Council do now adjourn, to meet again next Monday evening, February 27th, 1882, at half-past seven o'clock.

Which motion was adopted, and the Council declared adjourned.

DANIEL W. GRUBBS, Mayor,

President of Common Council.

Attest: Jos. T. MAGNER, City Clerk,