### REGULAR MEETING.

Council Chamber, City of Indianapolis, February 5, 1894.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, February 5, 1894, at 8 o'clock, in regular meeting.

Present, Hon. Wm. H. Cooper, President of the Common Council, in the chair, and 19 members, viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer, Stein, Stott and Young.

Absent, 2—viz: Messrs. Hennessy and Merritt.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal, whereupon Councilman Puryear moved that the further reading of the Journal be dispensed with.

Which motion prevailed.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., FROM MAYOR.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
January 20, 1894.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I have approved the following ordinances passed by your honorable body, at the regular and special session thereof, held on the 15th and 16th insts., to-wit:

App. O. No. 1, of 1894. An ordinance appropriating \$152,978.16, with which to pay temporary loans falling due April 16 and May 1, 1894.

G. O. No. 77, of 1893. An ordinance to amend Section 2 of G. O. No. 61, of 1893, providing for a license tax on vehicles.

G. O. No. 79, of 1893. An ordinance authorizing the employment of certain clerks, assistants and employes, etc.; known as the "salary ordinance."

G. O. No. 7, of 1894. An ordinance to repeal G. O. No. 30, of 1893, authorizing the refunding of \$621,000 of the city's bonded indebtedness, and providing for the cancellation of the six hundred and twenty-one bonds issued thereunder, now in the possession of Winslow, Lanier & Co.

G. O. No. 8, of 1894. An ordinance providing for the refunding of \$600,000 of the city's bonded indebtedness which fell due on the 1st day of July, 1893.

Respectfully submitted, C. S. Denny, Mayor.

Which was read and received and ordered spread on the minutes.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM CITY OFFICERS.

Communication from City Attorney:

DEPARTMENT OF LAW,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
February 5, 1894.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—In response to the resolution passed by you January 9, 1894, requesting me to take such steps as may be necessary to collect the unexpended balance of the encampment fund, and also the \$5,000 appropriated to Secretary Fortune, I respectfully submit, that I am of the opinion that the city has no title to, and can not successfully maintain an action for, either of said sums of money.

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The money obtained for the expenses of the Encampment was derived from two sources, viz: a general subscription by individuals made to the Commercial Club's

Committee on Assemblages, and an appropriation by the city by ordinance.

It does not appear from either the subscription contracts, or the ordinance, that either fund, so provided, was in any manner or degree made supplemental to the other. They were separate and independent funds, subscribed and appropriated for common purposes. Each was as much applicable to the common purposes as the other.

The subscription fund was made payable to the Secretary of the Commercial Club on the order of the Commercial Club's Committee on Assemblages, and the fund appropriated by the city was payable to the city's "Encampment Committee," created by the ordinance. These committees were independent of each other. Each was charged with a trust with respect to the funds coming into its possession. Neither committee, however, had any control over the fund in the possession of the other.

I find from the report of the Encampment Committee now on file with the Comptroller, and from the books of the Commercial Club, an inspection of which was kindly accorded me, that these two funds have not been mingled in their handling and disbursement. Separate accounts have been kept. Both committees saw fit to concur in a method of disbursement by which expenditures were made from each fund through a common agency, viz: Mr. Albert Gall, Treasurer of the Citizens' Executive Board, a committee distinct from either of the committees, to whom said several funds were entrusted. There was, however, a separate system of accounts, vouchers, warrants, checks, etc., for each fund, whereby the application of each fund is readily and separately traced.

The \$5,000 paid William Fortune was appropriated and paid from the subscription fund. The unexpended balance of the Encampment Fund mentioned by your resolution is the unexpended balance of the same fund, amounting, as I am informed, to about \$12,000. No part of either of these sums constitutes any part of

the money appropriated by the city.

The city appropriated \$75,000. Of this sum \$35,000 was drawn from the treasury, and \$2,646.56 has been returned to the treasury. The unexpended balance, therefore, of the city's appropriation is \$42,646.56.

Under the terms of the subscription contracts and the ordinance, the individual subscribers have as much legal title to the said unexpended balance of the city appropriation as the city has to the unexpended balance of the subscription fund; and

the subscribers to the subscription fund could as well maintain an action for the recovery from the city of its unexpended balance, as the city could to recover the unexpended balance of the subscription fund in the hands of the committee to

whom it has been entrusted by the subscribers.

The impression has largely prevailed that the city's appropriation was intended to supplement the subscription fund and was to be used only when the latter was exhausted. The intent can only be determined by the ordinance itself. By it the Council spoke and is bound. No such intent is expressed. By the terms of the ordinance the appropriation is absolute for the purposes therein stated, to be expended as therein provided by the committee thereby created.

The city has no title to any of the money raised for the Encampment expenses, except its own unexpended balance, including, perhaps, such portion, if any, of its

fund, as may have been misappropriated by its own committee.

I have examined the method of the disbursements of your Encampment Committee and its accounts and vouchers filed with the Comptroller. Its method of procedure in the discharge of its trust was carefully considered before there was any expenditure of the city's fund, and was adopted by the committee after consultation with the City Comptroller and City Attorney, and with their approval; and such method seems to have been carefully followed. This committee consisted of seven persons, viz: John W. Murphy, August Kiefer, Hugh H. Hanna, James L. Keach, Albert Sahm, B. C. Shaw and Michael Steinhauer. If any portion of the city's fund entrusted to this committee has not been properly accounted for, this committee is liable therefor, and should be included in any action brought for the recovery of the same.

This committee was necessarily vested with large discretion by the terms of the ordinance. It was empowered to draw upon the fund appropriated as needed and to disburse the same for the payment of legitimate expenses of the Encampment. The proportion of the fund needed, whether all or a less sum, when needed, in what sums needed, and what constituted legitimate expenses, were questions left to the

discretion of the committee.

I am not an expert accountant, but from the report, vouchers, etc., of this committee, so far as I can tell, it has properly accounted for all money coming into its hands and has discharged its duties with fidelity.

For the reasons stated I cannot recommend the bringing of an action for the

recovery of the sums mentioned in your resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
J. E. Scott,

. E. Scott, City Attorney.

Mr. Young moved that the communication be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Which motion was lost by the following vote:

AYES 7-viz: Messrs. Krauss, Magel, Rauh, Schmid, Stein, Stott and Young.

NAYS 12—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Ryan, Shaffer and President Cooper.

Mr. Young moved that the communication be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Which motion prevailed.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Young, on behalf of the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred:

G. O. No. 5, 1894. An ordinance to compel the Big Four R. R. Co. to station a flagman at the crossing of Leota street and their railroad tracks.

Made the following report:

Indianapolis, February 5, 1894.

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred G. O. No. 5, 1894, beg to report that they have considered said ordinance, and herewith submit a substitute for the same, which we would recommend be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. Young, THEODORE STEIN, P. J. RYAN, Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Drew, on behalf of the Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred:

G. O. No. 9, 1894. An ordinance in relation to Ashland avenue, Sheridan street. Grandview avenue, Custer street, Forest avenue and Alger street, and the changing of the names thereof.

Made the following report:

Indianapolis, February 5, 1894.

Mr. President:

Your committee, to which was referred General Ordinance No. 9, 1894, hereby report on same, and recommend that it be amended as follows:

We recommend that Section 1 of said ordinance be amended so as to read as

follows:

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That the name of the first street east of College avenue, extending from the north end of Sheridan street north to Twentieth street and from Twentieth street northeast to the present city limits, the same being Ashland avenue, be, and the same is hereby, changed to Sheridan street.

That the names of the second street east of College avenue from Fifteenth street north to Twentieth street and from Twentieth street northeast to the present city limits, the same being Custer street and Grandview avenue, be, and the same are

hereby, changed to Bellefontaine street.

That the names of the third street east of College avenue, the same being the first street west of the Lake Erie & Western Railroad Company's tracks, from the north end of Cornell avenue north to Twentieth street, and from Twentieth street northeast to the present city limits, the same being Greenwood street or avenue, Alger street and Forest avenue, be, and the same are hereby, changed to Cornell avenue, making the whole of the first street west of said railway tracks, from Massachusetts avenue north to Twentieth street, and from Twentieth street northeast to the present city limits, Cornell avenue.

We also recommend that Section 2 of said General Ordinance No. 9, 1894, be

amended so as to read as follows:

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor of said city.

When amended as above, we recommend that said ordinance be passed.

Respectfully submitted,
L. W. Drew, GEO. W. SHAFFER, Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, Mr. John Nelson, on behalf of the unemployed of the city, was granted the privilege of addressing the Council, by unanimous consent.

#### REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES.

Mr. Koehring, on behalf of the Special Committee on Public Property, made the following report:

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your committee appointed to investigate whether or not the City Charter is being violated in regard to the "alienation and conveyance of property, real or personal, belonging to the city," would respectfully submit the following report:

We find that since the new charter went into effect there has been sold or disposed of in the Department of Public Safety each year personal property to the value of \$800 and upwards. In one instance we find that two fire engines valued at \$2,200,

were disposed of.

We find that the Common Council has not authorized the conveyance of any of this property. In an opinion obtained from the City Attorney his decision is that it is illegal to dispose of this property without the consent of the Council, and that the charter has been violated in this particular.

CHAS. KOEHRING, JOHN H. SCHMID, Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business the following entitled ordinances were introduced:

By Mr. Magel:

G. O. No. 10, 1894. An ordinance providing for the annexation of contiguous territory to the City of Indianapolis.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis. That the boundary lines of the City of Indianapolis be and the same are hereby extended so as to include the following described contiguous territory constituting and forming the City of Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana, to-wit: Commencing in the middle of Rural street at its point of meeting with the north line of the right of way of the Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad Company's railroad, and thence eastwardly on the north line of said railway company's right of way to its point of intersection with the west line of the right of way of the Indianapolis Union Railway Company's railroad, commonly known as the Belt Railroad; thence northwardly on said west line of the said Indianapolis Union Railway Company's right of way to its intersection with the middle of East New York street; thence west in the middle of East New York street to the point of its bisection with the middle of Watts street; thence north in the middle of Watts street and Lebanon avenue to the point of bisection of the middle of Brookside avenue to the point of its bisection with the middle of Brookside avenue; thence westwardly in the middle of Brookside avenue to the point of its bisection with the middle of Rural street, and then south in the middle of Rural street, and on the line of the present eastern boundary of the City of Indianapolis, to the place of beginning.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and its publication for two consecutive weeks in *The Sun*, a daily paper of general circulation printed and published in the English language in the City of Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana.

Which was read first time and referred to Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys.

### By Mr. Drew:

G. O. No. 11, 1894. An ordinance authorizing the sale and alienation of personal property belonging to the City of Indianapolis, and matters connected therewith, and fixing the time for the taking effect thereof.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, that whenever any personal property belonging to said City of Indianapolis shall no longer be needed, or no longer fit, for the purpose for which it was intended to be used and it shall be deemed advisable by the head or heads of any department of said city, having the care and custody of such property, to sell the same, such head or heads of any such department shall make or cause to be made an inventory of such property, specifically describing it, and shall cause such property so inventoried to be appraised by three disinterested freeholders of such City of Indianapolis, to be appointed for that purpose by the Judge of the Circuit Court in and for the County of Marion and State of Indiana, neither of such appraisers to be officers or employes of said city, which appraisers so appointed shall make their appraisement and sworn valuation in writing, which appraisement and sworn valuation in writing, together with such inventory, shall be returned to the Mayor of said city, who shall, if he approves said proceeding and contemplated sale, endorse his approval of the same in writing thereon, and return said inventory, appraisement and approval, to the department from which it came. When approved by said Mayor, the head or heads of any such department shall thereupon offer said property for sale at public or private sale, and shall sell the same for the best price that can be obtained for such But no sale shall be made for a less sum than the appraisement thereon, and no sale shall be made except for cash. Whenever a purchaser for any such property is found, such head or heads of such department shall give such purchaser a brief statement or memorandum of the transaction, and such purchaser shall pay to the Treasurer of the City of Indianapolis the price agreed upon for such property, and upon the presentation of such Treasurer's receipt therefor, the head or heads of such department shall deliver to such purchaser a bill of sale of such property, and such purchaser shall thereupon be entitled to the property so sold.

SEC. 2. Each of the three appraisers appointed for any such appraisement as provided for in the preceding section shall be entitled to receive for his services the sum of two dollars, upon presentation to the City Comptroller of a certificate from the head or heads of such departments that such person has been appointed as such

appraiser, and has made such appraisement.

SEC. 3. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby

repealed.

SEC. 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the 'Mayor of said City of Indianapolis.

Which was read first time and referred to Special Committee on Public Property.

# By Mr. Allen:

G. O. No. 12, 1894. An ordinance providing for the change of names of Sutherland street and Brinkman street to Seventeenth street, and matters connected therewith.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, that the names of Sutherland street and Brinkman avenue, the same being

the eastern continuation of Seventeenth street, and running east from the east end of Seventeenth street to the present city limits, be and the same are hereby changed to Seventeenth street.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage

and approval by the Mayor of said city.

Which was read first time and referred to Committee on Sewers, Streets and Alleys.

## By Mr. Young:

G. O. No. 13, 1894. An ordinance to amend Section 9 of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for a license upon vehicles drawn upon the streets of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana; regulating the construction and dimensions of tires to be used on such vehicles, and providing penalties for the enforcement of the same; also, for the publication thereof, and the date when the same shall take effect," being General Ordinance No. 61, 1893, passed by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, November 20, 1893, providing for the publication thereof, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That Section 9 of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for license upon vehicles drawn upon the streets of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana; regulating the construction and dimensions of tires to be used on such vehicles, and providing penalties for the enforcement of the same; also, for the publication thereof, and the date when the same shall take effect," being General Ordinance No. 61, 1893, passed by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, November 20, 1893, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 9. It shall be the duty of all livery and boarding stable keepers to report to the City Comptroller the number and kind of vehicles (subject to license) in their stables on the 1st day of January of each year, together with the names of the owners thereof, said report to be made between the 1st and 15th of January of each year; and on and after the 30th day of January of each year, except the year 1894, and on and after the first day of May, 1894, there shall be added to all unpaid license fees and collected together with such license fees, a penalty of one hundred per cent. in addition to the amount provided for by this ordinance; and any person or persons, partnership or corporation, that shall after the 28th day of February of each year (except the year 1894, and on and after the 1st day of May in the year 1894), drive or cause to be driven on any of the streets of the City of Indianapolis, any unlicensed vehicle or vehicles which, under this ordinance, requires a license, or who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall in addition to all other penalties and requirements, be fined in the sum not less than twice the amount of said license fee and not more than fifty dollars.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication once each week for two consecutive weeks in The Sun, a daily newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the City of Indianapolis,

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Young moved that the constitutional rules be suspended for the purpose of placing G. O. No. 13, 1894, on its final passage.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes 19—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer, Stein, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS-None.

Mr. Young moved that G. O. No. 13, 1894, be read second time. Which motion prevailed.

Mr. O'Brien offered the following amendment to the amendment offered by Mr. Young:

To amend G. O. No. 61, 1893, by inserting the following to section one: "Except all vehicles owned and operated by all charitable and benevolent institutions be exempt from complying with the requirement of said ordinance; and said vehicles shall have painted thereon the name and character of said vehicles."

Which was adopted.

Mr. Young moved that G. O. No. 13, be engrossed as amended. Which motion prevailed.

Thereupon G. O. No. 13, 1894, was read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

AYES 19—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer, Stein, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

Nays—None.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

# Mr. Stott offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Attorney be and is hereby directed to investigate and report to the Common Council whether it is the duty of the city or Union Railway Company to improve and repair Louisiana and McCrea streets, also Jackson place, from Meridian street west to McCrea, north on McCrea to Jackson place, then west to Illinois street inclusive.

Which was passed by the following vote:

AYES 19—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer, Stein, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS—None.

#### ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Young, the following entitled ordinance, as a substitute to G. O. No. 5, 1894, was taken up and read the second time:

G. O. 5, 1894. An ordinance requiring the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company to station and maintain a flagman at Leota street, at said company's tracks, in the City of Indianapolis; providing for publication thereof, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

On motion of Mr. Rauh, G. O. No. 5, 1894, was ordered engrossed, read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

AYES 19—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer, Stein, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS-None.

On motion of Mr. Drew, the following entitled ordinance was taken up and read the second time:

G. O. No. 9, 1894. An ordinance in relation to Ashland avenue, Sheridan street, Grandview avenue, Custer street, Forest avenue and Alger street, and the changing of the names thereof.

Mr. Drew offered the following amendment to G. O. No. 9, 1894:

Indianapolis, February 5, 1894.

Mr. President:

Your committee, to which was referred General Ordinance No. 9, 1894, hereby report on same, and recommend that it be amended as follows:

We recommend that Section 1 of said ordinance be amended so as to read as

follows:

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That the name of the first street east of College avenue, extending from the north end of Sheridan street north to Twentieth street and from Twentieth street northeast to the present city limits, the same being Ashland avenue, be, and the same is hereby, changed to Sheridan street.

That the names of the second street east of College avenue from Fifteenth street north to Twentieth street and from Twentieth street northeast to the present city limits, the same being Custer street and Grandview avenue, be, and the same are

hereby, changed to Bellefontaine street.

That the names of the third street east of College avenue, the same being the first street west of the Lake Erie & Western Railroad Company's tracks, from the north end of Cornell avenue north to Twentieth street, and from Twentieth street northeast to the present city limits, the same being Greenwood street or avenue, Alger street and Forest avenue, be, and the same are hereby, changed to Cornell avenue, making the whole of the first street west of said railway tracks, from Massachusetts avenue north to Twentieth street, and from Twentieth street northeast to the present city limits, Cornell avenue.

We also recommend that Section 2 of said General Ordinance No. 9, 1894, be

amended so as to read as follows:

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor of said city.

When amended as above, we recommend that said ordinance be passed.

Respectfully submitted, L. W. Drew,

L. W. DREW, GEO. W. SHAFFER, Committee.

Mr. Allen offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend by striking out all in section one after "College avenue," to and including "Sheridan street," and naming the street from Fifteenth to Twentieth streets, Ash street.

Which was adopted.

Mr Young moved original amendment be adopted as amended. Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Young moved that G. O. No. 9, 1894, be engrossed as amended. Which motion prevailed.

G. O. No. 9, 1894, was then read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

AYES 19—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer, Stein, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS-None.

Mr. Drew called up G. O. No. 70, 1893, from the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Rauh, chairman of the Committee on Finance, asked for further time.

Which was granted by consent.

On motion of Mr. Krauss, the following entitled ordinance was taken up and read the second time:

G. O. No. 3, 1894. An ordinance to amend Section 2 of an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance providing for a license upon vehicles drawn upon the streets of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana; regulating the construction and dimensions of tires to be used on such vehicles, and providing penalties for the enforcement of the same; also for the publication thereof, and the date when the same shall take effect," being General Ordinance No. 61, 1893, passed by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis November 20, 1893; providing for the publication thereof, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect. the time when the same shall take effect.

Mr. Rauh moved that G. O. No. 3, 1894, be stricken from the files.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes 19 - viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Murphy, O'Brien, Purvear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer, Stein, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS-None.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Mr. Ryan (by request) offered the following resolution:

Whereas, We believe that with extremely few exceptions, if any, every subscriber to the encampment fund desires to see the surplus of said fund expended in

public improvements, thereby affording work to the unemployed; therefore, be it Resolved, That we call upon the public-spirited citizens, who subscribed to the encampment fund, to assign their pro-rata share of the surplus of said fund to the City of Indianapolis, with direction that the same be used for public improvements; and, be it further

Resolved, That we, the Common Council of Indianapolis, pledge ourselves to appropriate the funds that may be turned into the city treasury from such sources to public improvements, without unnecessary delay.

Which was passed by the following vote:

AYES 19—viz: Messrs. Allen, Colter, Costello, Drew, Kaiser, Koehring, Krauss, Magel, Murphy, O'Brien, Puryear, Rauh, Ryan, Schmid, Shaffer, Stein, Stott, Young and President Cooper.

NAYS-None.

Mr. Ryan (by request) offered the following communication:

Indianapolis, Febuary 5, 1894.

To the Hon. President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen—The unemployed of the city will hold a mass meeting at Criminal Court Room, next Thursday evening, to, if possible, provide some means whereby those now idle may procure employment. The question of cutting down the court house yard and many other important questions will be considered, and the members of the City Council are therefore invited to be present.

Respectfully,

COMMITTEE OF UNEMPLOYED.

On motion of Mr. Ryan, the communication was read and received and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ryan, the Common Council, at 9:15 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

ATTEST:

Mr. K. Coopser

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City Clerk.