# PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

# REGULAR SESSION—SEPTEMBER 13, 1886.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, met in the Aldermanic Chamber, Monday evening, September 13th, A. D. 1886, at half-past seven o'clock, in regular session.

PRESENT—Hon. Isaac King, President pro tem. of the Board of Aldermen, in the Chair, and Aldermen Brown. Crosby, King, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, and Wright—9.

ABSENT, 1-viz: President Endly.

The Proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the regular session held August 23d, 1886, having been printed and placed on the desks of the Aldermen, said Journals were approved as published.

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

The following message was read and received:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith the following papers for your consideration, favorably passed upon by the Common Council, at its regular session held September 6th, 1886.

For the Common Council:

MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City Clerk.

The report from the Committee on Contracts (see pages 750, 751, 752, 753 and 754, *ante*), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, conurred in.

The report from the City Civil Engineer, submitting certain contracts and bonds (see pages 754 and 755, ante), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in.

The report from His Honor, the Mayor, showing fines and fees collected during August, 1886, (see page 755, ante), was read and received.

The report from the City Civil Engineer, accompanied with estimates, (see pages 755 and 756, ante), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in.

The following estimate resolution (see page 756, ante), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Geo. W. Buchanan, for grading and paving with brick, the south sidewalk of Market street, from West sig. 70.

street to Blackford street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 757, ante), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Fulmer & Seibert, for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Coburn street, from East street to Madison avenue, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 757, ante), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Robert Kennington, for curbing with stone the east gutter of Greer street, from Stevens street to the second alley south of Stevens street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AEYS 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 757, ante), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of David A. Haywood, for grading and paving with brick, the sidewalks of Yandes street, from Malott avenue to Lincoln avenue, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS—None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 757, ante), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Richter & Twiname, for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters of Meridian street, from Seventh street to Twelfth street, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote;

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 758, ante), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of Freaney Brothers, for erecting eight lamp-posts, lamps and fixtures (complete to burn gas, except the service pipes), on High street, between McCarty and Coburn streets, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the fallowing vote:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

The following estimate resolution (see page 758, ante), was read:

Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the accompanying first and final estimate in behalf of James W. Hudson, for grading, bowldering and curbing the gutters, where not already curbed, from the west line of Ash street to Bellefontaine avenue, be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the estimate of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of said city; and that the property owners are hereby required to pay the sums set opposite their respective names.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9--viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

The report from the City Clerk, showing orders drawn on the Treasurer during August, 1886, (see page 759, ante), was read and received.

The following report from the City Clerk was read:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

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

Isaac C. Snyder vs. Absalom J. Walker, for	\$20	40
Joseph Bernauer vs Geo. W. Chapman, for	8	70
Richter & Twiname vs. Mary Ward, for	11	52
Hanway & Cooper vs. Frank McWhinney, for	5	28

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Hanway & Cooper vs. William H. Morrison, for.		28
Hanway & Cooper vs. Gerhart Hulseman's estate, for	5	53
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Respectfully submitted, MICHAEL F. SHIELDS, City	C	lerk.

And the favorable action of the Common Council thereon (see page 761, ante), was concurred in, and the precepts ordered to issue, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

The report from the Treasuer for the City, showing receipts and disbursements during the month of August, 1886, (see pages 762 and 763, ante), was read and received.

The report from the County Auditor, showing statement of taxes collected by the Treasurer (see pages 761 and 762, ante), was received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report from the Board of Public Improvements (see page 763, ante), was read, and the action of the Common Council thereon, was concurred in.

The report from the Superintendent of the City Dispensary for the month of August, 1886, was read and received.

The report from the Superintendent of the City Hospital for the month of August, 1886, was read and received.

The Mortality report from the Board of Health for August, 1886, was read and received.

The report from the Board of Public Improvements and Street Commissioner, showing expenses of Street Repair Department for August, 1886, (see page 764, ante), was read and received.

The report from the Building Committee on Market House and Public Buildings (see pages 767 and 768, ante), was read, and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in.

The following report from the Committee on Accounts and Claims, favorably passed upon by the Common Council (see page 766, ante), was read, and referred to the Committee on Accounts and Claims:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Accounts and Claims, to whom was referred the claim of M. S. Coffman for \$42.75, have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the same be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert McClelland, D. F. Swain, Committee on Accounts and Claims. The following report and resolution from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, (see pages 766 and 767, ante), were read:

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Hugh Stewart, for the opening and extension of Darnell street, or alley, east to School House No. 17—a bond having been filed to pay the costs—recommend the prayer of the petitioner be granted, and that the accompanying resolution relative thereto, be adopted.

Resolved. That the petition of Hugh Steward, for the extension of Darnell street, or alley, east to School House No. 17, be referred to the City Commissioners, with instructions to assess benefits and damages, and to make due report to the Common Council and Board of Aldermen; the Commissioners to return all petitions and notices The City Clerk is hereby required to issue the proper notices, and the Superintendent of Metropolitan Police is hereby directed to serve the notices upon the City Commissioners and property owners.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Dunn,
Julius F. Reinecke,
John H. Herig,
Committee on Streets and Alleys.

The report was received, and the resolution concurrently adopted, by the following vote:

AYES. 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King,

NAYS-None.

The report from the Committee on Streets and Alleys, regarding the opening of Yandes street (see page 767, ante), was read and the favorable action of the Common Council thereon, concurred in.

The report from the Special Committee on investigation of charges against the Board of Health (see pages 768 and 769, ante), was read and received.

The following motions (see pages 775, 776, 777 and 779, ante), were read and concurrenlly adopted:

That John Bussey be allowed to place a stone crossing across McNabb street in front of his place of business, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the Street Commissioner be, and is hereby, instructed to fill up the chuck-hole on Wright street at once.

That the Superintendent of Police be instructed to enforce the ordinance against the dumping of vault cleanings within the city limits on the South Side.

That Michael Higgins be granted thirty days longer time in grading and graveling the first alley east of Alabama screet, between Merrill and McCarty streets.

That the American Express Company be allowed to pave the sidewalk and curb the gutters in front of their property on Georgia street, at their own expense, and under the direction of the City Civil Engineer.

That the City Clerk notify Fulmer & Seibert to complete their contract for grading and graveling Bloyd street.

That the City Civil Engineer and Street Commissioner be directed to lower the grade in the alley between Virginia avenue and Elm street, between Pine street and the first alley south, so as to have a better grade in the same.

The following resolution (see pages 775 and 776, ante), was read:

WHEREAS, The Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis lately heretofore concurred in and adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the report of the City Commissioners in the matter of widenirg Herman street, by condemning twenty feet off of the west side of Lot fourteen (14) n.M. E. & W. P. Noble's subdivision of Out-lot sixty-one (61), be, and the same is hereby, in all things accepted and approved; that the benefits assessed and damages awarded by said Commissioners, be, and the same is hereby, approved; that the real estate therein and above described for the widening of said street, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated; that the City Clerk be, and he is hereby, directed to certify to the City Treasurer (or other officer required by law to make collections of benefits), so much of said report as assesses benefits and awards damages upon real estate, giving description thereof: Provided, however, That said Treasurer shall not tender or pay any part of the damages or costs occasioned by said opening, as shown by said Commissioner's report, nor shall said street be opened or widened, until the benefits assessed shall have been paid into the city treasury; the collection of which benefits and costs, the said Treasurer, or other proper officer, is hereby directed to make, as soon as said certified copy of the Commissioner's report comes to his hands;

And, Whereas, The County Treasurer has collected all the benefits so assessed, amounting to \$820; now, therefore,

Resolved, that the City Clerk draw his warrant in favor of Mary J. McCullom for the sum of \$820, in full of the damages over benefits, due her on account of said street opening; and that the City Civil Engineer and Street Commissioner of this city forthwith proceed to lay out and open said Herman street in all respects conformably to the foregoing resolution. A certified copy of the above preamble and order shall be issued to said City Civil Engineer and Street Commissioner, and shall be their sufficient authority for laying out and opening said street, and they shall make return of their proceedings thereon, and file the same in the office of the City Clerk.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

Ayes, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem King.

NAYS—None.

The following resolution (see pages 776 and 777, ante), was read:

Resolved, That J. B. Mazaline, the owner of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot 67, Yeizer's Addition of the City of Indianapolis, be, and he is hereby, required to fill or drain the same, as, in the opinion of this Council, there is a hole or excavation thereon, in which water has or may become so stagnant or noxious as to be a nuisance and injurious to the health and comfort of said city and of the inhabitants thereof, and that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby, required to notify the owner thereof, as provided by an ordinance passed April 28, 1886, entitled: "An ordinance providing for the drainage and filling up of ponds, excavations and holes, and prescribing penalties for the failure to fill up or drain the same," and that, in case of the failure of the owner thereof to fill or drain the same, the Street Commissioner proceed to fill or drain the said hole or excavation as provided in said ordinance: Provided, that the cost thereof shall not exceed ten per cent. of the value of the aforesaid real estate, as assessed upon the tax duplicate for city purposes.

And it was concurrently adopted by the following vote:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

The following resolution (see page 778, ante), was read:

Resolved, That the Finance Committees of the two bodies be, and they are hereby, instructed to lease not more than four lots of ground in convenient portions of the city, for the purposes of public pounds, and that they immediately cause the necessary sheds and fences for the purpose of impounding stock running at large in said city, to be erected thereon; said committees to have full power to act in the premises.

President pro tem. King called Alderman Prier to the Chair, and then moved to non-concur in the action of the Common Council.

Alderman Pritchard moved as a substitute, that the action of the Common Council be concurred in.

Alderman King moved to lay the substitute on the table.

Which motion was adopted, and the substitute tabled, by the following vote:

AYES, 5—viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Prier, Rail, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS, 4—viz: Aldermen Brown, Pritchard, Schmidt, and Wright.

Alderman King's motion to *non*-concur in the action of the Common Council, was then adopted, by the following vote:

AYES, 5-viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Prier, Rail, and Preident pro tem. King.

NAYS, 4-viz: Aldermen Brown, Pritchard, Schmidt, and Wright.

Alderman King moved to reconsider the above vote.

Alderman Laut moved to lay that motion on the table.

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

AYES, 6-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Rail, and President pro tem-King.

NAYS, 3-viz: Alderman Pritchard, Schmidt, and Wright.

Alderman Brown gave notice that he would, at the next regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen, move to reconsider the vote by the above motion was passed.

The Chair, (Alderman Prier), ruled that the notice given by Alderman Brown was out of order.

Alderman Brown appealed from the decision of the Chair.

The question being, "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the decision of the Board?"

The decision of the Chair was sustained, by the following vote:

Ayes, 5-viz: Aldermen Crosby, King, Laut, Rail, and Schmidt.

NAYS, 3-viz: Aldermen Brown, Pritchard, and Wright.

Alderman Prier not voting.

## APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE.

This being the regular appropriation night, the following entitled Appropriation Ordinances (passed by the Common Council) were placed on their final passage without a suspension of the Rules.

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

Ap. O. 47, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis on account of the Fire Department. [Amount appropriated, \$685.33.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

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

Ap. 0. 48, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the City Hospital and Branch. [Amount appropriated, \$1,281.18.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

The following entitled ordinance was read the first and second time:

Ap. O. 49, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis. [Amount appropriated, \$16,659.92.]

Alderman King moved to have the item of \$18.00, for rent of Cow Pound, stricken out, and referred to the Finance Committee.

Which motion was adopted.

The ordinance was then read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

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

Ap. 0. 50, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of sundry claims against the City of Indianapolis, on account of the Station House. [Amount appropriated, \$160.60.]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

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

Ap. O. 51, 1886—An ordinance appropriating money for the payment of the salaries and compensation of the Members of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen, of the City Officers, and officers and members of the Fire and Police Departments, the Committee Clerk and City Janitor. [Amount appropriated \$16,319.58]

And it was passed by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

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

G. O. 49, 1886—An ordinance making a general tax levy, for the year 1886, upon the taxable property within the limits of the City of Indianapolis.

Alderman Pritchard moved that the Rules be suspended and the ordinance placed upon its passage.

Which motion was adopted, by the following vote:

Ayes, 9-viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Ral, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

The above entitled ordinance was then read a second time, read the third time and passed, by the following vote:

AYES, 9—viz: Aldermen Brown, Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

- G. O. 50, 1886—An ordinance to amend General Ordinance No. 34, 1886, entitled "An ordinance to vacate a portion of Illinois street for Union Railway purposes."
- G. O. 51, 1886—An ordinance to amend Section 2 of G. O. 36, of 1886, entitled "An ordinance to vacate a portion of Meridian street for Union Railway purposes," etc., ordained June 15, 1886.

Alderman Schmidt presented the following remonstrance; which was ordered filed with the ordinances:

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

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, citizens of Indianapolis, respectfully remonstrate against the passage of an ordinance, which has passed the Council, providing for narrowing the viaduct over the Union tracks in the square east of Meridian street, from fifty to thirty feet, and against the passage of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to amend General Ordinance No. 34, 1886, entitled "An ordinance to vacate a portion of Illinois street for Union Railway purposes," passed June 15th, 1886. We prefer a fifty foot viaduct, and the ordinance which now provides that the Union Railway Company pay, if necessary, thirty thousand dollars to repair and improve the tunnel, and for an exit gate from the south side of the Union Depot on Illinois street.

Dean Brothers, Wm. H. English, Deloss Root, John Coburn, Adolph Seidensticker, Austin H. Brown, and about 500 others.

Alderman Pritchard moved that the ordinances (G. O.'s 50 and 51, 1886), together with the remonstrance, be referred to a Special Commit-

Which motion was adopted.

tee of five.

The Chair appointed Aldermen Pritchard, Schmidt, Brown, Laut and Rail, as the committee.

The Committee on Railroads, through Alderman Laut, submitted the following report; which was adopted:

To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the following motion: "That the Railroad Companies crossing Mississippi street at or near Louisiana street, be directed to place a culbert under their tracks on the west side of Mississippi street," have examined the same, and recommend its passage.

Respectfully submitted, H. W. Laut,

Lorenz Schmidt,
M. L. Brown,
Committee on Railroads.

The Committee on Railroads and Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Alderman Laut, submitted the following report; which was adopted:

To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—An ordinance authorizing William A. Rhodes to lay a switch track across the south sidewalk of Georgia street, was referred to your Committees on Railroads and Streets and Alleys. We have examined the above, and recommend not to concur in the action of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,
H. W. Laut,
Lorenz Schmidt,
M. L. Brown,
Committee on Railroads.

Respectfully submitted,
H. J. Prier,
John Rail,
Comm.ttee on Streets and Alleys.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys, through Alderman Schmidt, submitted the following report; which was adopted:

To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee to whom was referred the following motion: "That the Street Commissioner be instructed to place a double stone crossing on the south side of Ohio street, across Noble street," have examined into the matter, and we recommend to concur in the action of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorenz Schmidt, H. J. Prier, John Rail, Committee on Streets and Alleys.

The Committee on Water, through Alderman Rail, submitted the following report:

Indianapolis, Sept. 13th, 1886.

To the President and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—We report that your Committee can not agree with the Water Company upon the terms and provisions of a new water contract. We therefore recommend that the question be referred to a board of arbitration, as provided by Section three of the ordinance of January 3d, 1870.

We submit herewith a resolution, which we recommend be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

John Rail, John S. Crosby, Jas. A. Pritchard, Committee on Water.

WHEREAS, The Common Council and Bord of Aldermen and Water Company of Indianapolis have failed to agree upon a schedule of prices to be paid by the city for water; therefore

Be it Resolved by the Common Council and Board of Aldermen of the City of Indianapolis, That the price per fire plug and drinking fountain per year, to be paid by the city to said company, shall be submitted to a board of arbitration, as provided by Section 3 of the ordinance of January 3d, 1870, being an ordinance entitled "An ordinance authorizing the Water Works Company of Indianapolis to construct, maintain and operate Water Works, and supply water to the city and citizens of Indianapolis; defining its powers and privileges, and prescribing its duties."

Be it further Resolved, That Mayor Denny shall at once select two non-resident arbitrators upon the part of the city, and the Water Company two non-resident arbitrators on the part of the company; the said Water Company shall select its arbitrators within ten days from the time they receive a certified copy of these resolutions.

Be it further Resolved, That the City Clerk shall serve a certified copy of these resolutions upon said Water Company, by leaving said certified copy at the office of said company with some officer of the company.

Be it further Resolved, That the four arbitrators so selected, shall meet in this city within thirty days after their selection and agreement to serve as such arbitrators, and select a fifth man to serve with them; and when so organized, to proceed at once to fix a schedule of prices to be paid by the City of Indianapolis to said Water Company for water.

Be it further Resolved, That the City shall pay one half the expenses of the arbitrators, and said Water Company shall pay the remaining half.

Alderman Brown, on behalf of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report as a substitute for the above report from the Committee on Water:

To the President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:-Your Committee on Water and Committee on Finance, to whom was referred G. O. 47, 1886, have examined the same, and recommend that the ordinance be passed with the following amendment, to-wit:

"That the price of each fire plug be reduced to \$45,00 per year, instead of \$50.00

Respectfully, per year."

Lorenz Schmidt, M. L Brown, H. W. Laut, Committee on Finance

Which was received, and the amendment adopted by the following vote:

Ayes, 6-viz: Aldermen Brown, Laut, Prier, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS, 3-Aldermen Crosby, Pritchard, and Rail.

The following entitled ordinance was then read the second time, as amended, and then read the third time:

G. O. 47, 1886—An ordinance making and providing for the execution of a contract between the City of Indianapolis and the Indianapolis Water Company.

And it was passed, as amended, by the following vote:

AYES, 7-viz: Aldermen Brown, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS, 2-viz: Aldermen Crosby, and Rail.

Alderman Laut offered the following motion; which was adopted:

That the Superintendent of the Metropolitan Police force be instructed to enforce ordinance No. 38, Section two (2), prohibiting Railroad companies from running faster in the corporate limits of the city than specefied in said ordinance.

Pritchard presented the following petition; which was granted:

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 11th, 1886.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:-We, of Indianapolis members of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, namely, Lovely Lane Church, on Virginia avenue, petition your honorable body for the use of Garfield Park for the purpose of holding a Camp Meeting during the present month, beginning not later than the 22d instant, and lasting eight or ten days.

We can assure you good order will be observed, and no damage allowed to the operty. We solicit an answer at the earliest.

G. B. WALKER, V. D. M., of Lovely Lane A. M. E. Zion Church. Most respectfully,

Alderman Schmidt offered the following mation, which was adopted:

That the City Attorney shall examine the law, and report as to the following question, viz: "Can the City Council and Board of Aldermen legally grant to private parties, and for private purposes, certain rights of ways as to the laying of Railroad switches across the streets and alleys in this city?"

### PENDING ORDINANCES.

On motion by Alderman Rail the following entitled ordinance was referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys:

 O. 99, 1886—An ordinance to provide for grading and graveling East street and sidewalks, from Minnesota street to the Belt Railway tracks.

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

S. O. 150, 1886—An ordinance to provide for the repealing of S. O. 95, 1886, an ordinance entitled "An ordinance providing for grading and graveling Reid street and sidewalks, between the C., I., St. L. & C. R. R. tracks and Woodlawn avenue."

And it was passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 8-viz: Aldermen Crosby, Laut, Prier, Pritchard, Rail, Schmidt, Wright, and President pro tem. King.

NAYS-None.

On motion, the Board of Aldermen then adjournd.

ISAAC KING,

President pro tem.

Attest: Joseph T. Fanning, Clerk.