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from 1857, viz:

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1857.

Common Council August 10 1857.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

*Fin Monthly Statement* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of March 20 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

*Surveyor's Report* The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

*Chief Engineer's Report* The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

*Lamp Commission* A Communication from the Mayor in relation to the establishment of a Lamp Commission; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

*Shavings* A Bill entitled "An Ordinance to prevent the selling of Shavings in the Streets of Providence," is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

August 10<sup>th</sup> 1857.

Appropriation The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz  
Resolved, that the following sums be and they are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively: viz:

- For Contingencies, three thousand dollars.
- For repairs of Public Buildings, five thousand dollars.
- For Highways, ten thousand dollars.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Surveyor's Report. The Surveyor of Highways presents a Report of money expended and work done, during the past month, in removing mud from the Cove: which Report is read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Watch Tower. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read: viz:

"Resolved, that the Standing Committee on City Property, acting under the advice of the Mayor, be authorized and directed to cause the Watch Tower to be repaired, at an expense not exceeding two thousand dollars; and draw on the Treasury for the same."

Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

and  
Pile Driver. The Standing Committee on City Property, who were on the 24<sup>th</sup> of July last, directed to ascertain the cost of a mud-machine and pile-driver, to be operated by a steam engine; report the following Resolution, which is read: viz:

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"Resolved, that the Standing Committee on City Property be authorized to purchase, for the use of the City, a mud-machine and pile-driver, to be operated by a steam engine." Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution pass: which motion is put and lost.

School House in First Ward. The Standing Committee on Education, to whom, on the 24<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Memorial from the School Committee, requesting that a lot of land may be purchased in the First Ward,

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35. for the erection of a school house thereon: make Report, by Resolution, which is read and amended; and as amended, is read and passed, as follows: viz:

Resolved, that the Standing Committee on Education be and they are hereby authorized to purchase a lot in such locality in the First Ward, as they shall select; and to remove thereon the school building now on Knight Street; also, to alter and enlarge said building in such manner as may be necessary to fit it for a Primary and Intermediate School House: - provided the entire cost of such purchase, removal and alteration shall not exceed the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

High School. The Resolution to authorize the School Committee to increase the salaries of teachers in the High School, which was reported by the Standing Committee on Education, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June last, and was then postponed to the next meeting; is taken up, and read, as follows:

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Resolved, that the School Committee be, and

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They are hereby authorized to pay to the teachers in the High School, annual salaries, in equal quarterly payments; as follows: viz:

To the teachers in the Classical and English Department, each, a salary not exceeding thirteen hundred and fifty Dollars;

To the teachers in the Female Department each, a salary not exceeding the following specifications: viz:

To the teachers of the First Room, seven hundred Dollars;

To the teachers of the Second Room, five hundred and fifty Dollars;

To the teachers of the Third Room, five hundred Dollars;

To the teachers of the Fourth Room, four hundred and fifty Dollars."

It is moved, that said Resolution pass. Upon which motion, the question is taken by aye and noys; and it is added that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

Ayes.

Messrs. Russell,  
Beckwith,  
Dunnett,  
Binnay,  
Carpenter,  
Derrance,  
Edley,  
McAnis,  
Gault,  
Wartsham,  
Mathewson,  
Paine,

Noys.

Messrs. Baker,  
Hopkins,  
Lester,  
Lincoln,  
Petter,  
Lohsbury,  
Spencer,  
Sprague,  
Taylor,  
J. Tucker,  
Winsor.

J. H. Tucker 13.

Said Resolution is therefore, passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

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Engine No 4. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of Mergis Sweet and others, that a new Engine may be procured for Engine Company No 4, together with a communication from the Board of Engineers recommending the same: - now report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be, and he is hereby directed to contract for a fire engine of the same class as Engine No 1, for the station in Wickenden Street, (No 4;) and to make such arrangements for the sale of the present Engine No 4, as the completion of said contract may admit of.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Water Spring near Aborn St. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Memorial of Seth Padelord and others, relative to a supply of water, for the extinguishment of fires, from the spring on the land of George Richmond, on Aborn Street, together with a communication from the Board of Engineers, relative to the subject: - make Report, recommending that said memorialists have leave to withdraw, which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said memorialists have leave to withdraw.

Promenade Street.

A Petition of David Burt and others, for the setting of curb stones, on Promenade Street, from Park to Gasper Street: is presented, read, and received.

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Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be,

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and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved in Promenade Street, from Park Street to Gaspere Street; the same to be done in connection with the work now being done in Park Street; and to be done under the direction of the Standing Committee on Highways.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Exchange of Petition of Bradford Tapp & Co. and others, for Place Sa croix walks in Exchange Place; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Curb walk, Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Bridgeham. The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon the Petition of Jewish Chapin and others, for the laying out of Bridgeham Street, from Cross and to Pond Street: which was laid upon the table on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April last; is taken up, and re-committed.

A.B. Arnold. A Resolution, in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read; viz:

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"Resolved, That Anthony B. Arnold be authorized to enter the Drain in Watkinson Street, opposite his estate, for the purpose of taking off clean water from the West side of his house; upon the payment of ten Dollars into the City Treasury."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Amos Perry

19. A claim of Amos Perry, for compensation for injury sustained by him, by the alteration of the grades of Broad and Summer Streets; is presented, re-

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ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Pro: A Petition of the Providence Arcade Corporation, for the remission of one half of the sum of \$500, being the estimated amount of benefit and advantage to said Corporation, by the extension of

21. Dorrance Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Claims of the Standing Committee on Finance, who were, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June last, directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, the amounts which should be paid from the City Treasury, to the several Banks in the City, for except of taxes paid by them in the years 1855 and 1856, and which the City is held liable to pay, by virtue of the recent decisions of the Supreme Court, in the cases of the Providence Institution for Savings against the City, and of the American Bank against the City; - now report the following Statement; which is read and passed;

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby, directed to pay, under the direction of the Standing Committee on Finance, all such claims and demands against the City, for over taxation, under and according to the decision of the Supreme Court, made at the March Term, 1857, which said Committee may find legal and just, according to said decision.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to

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the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon; viz:

- 21. Petition of James M. Elroy,
- 21. " " James Healey and wife,
- 21. " " Henry C. Weston.

joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention.

Resignation of A Communication on the under allowing, is presented, S. W. Pechham

and received; viz:  
To the Hon City Council  
of the City of Providence,  
Gentlemen.

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At the time that I consented to accept, if elected, Clerk of the Office of Clerk of the Municipal Court, it was with the understanding that the compensation would not be changed. A material change having been made therein, both as to mode and amount, - I hereby, for that, and other reasons, resign said Office, and, at the same time, present to the City Council, my thanks for the mark of their confidence.

I am, very respectfully,  
your obedient servant  
Samuel W. Pechham,

Providence, August 10<sup>th</sup> 1857.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the resignation of Samuel W. Pechham, Clerk of the Municipal Court, be accepted.

Lewis Salisbury is elected Clerk of the Municipal Court, for the remainder of the present municipal

Clerk of Municipal Court,  
L. Salisbury.

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year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the fourteenth day of September next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
" Angell,  
" Baker,  
" Bechwith,  
" Bennett,  
" Binney,  
" Carpenter,  
" Chapman,  
" Dorrance,  
" Edey,  
" Francis,  
" Guild,  
" Hartshorn,

" Hopkins,  
" Lester,  
" Lincoln,  
" Mathewson,  
" Paine,  
" Potter,  
" Salisbury,  
" Spencer,  
" Sprague,  
" Taylor,  
" J. Tucker,  
" Z. H. Tucker,  
" Winsor

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Abner G. Greene,  
Clerk

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October

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20 1854, is presented, read aloud, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer's Report of the City Treasurer, of the Special Report, and Payments of the City, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Sanitary Report of the Sanitary Commissioner of Highways, is presented, read, and received.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer's Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Receipts & Disbursements of the Standing Committee on Finance present a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the City Treasurer, for the year ending September 1857, also of the estimated Receipts and Disbursements for the year ending September, 1858: - which is read.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Wages. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of, and in addition to, an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance for the regulation of Wages, Omnibuses, Drays, Trunks, &c.'" is presented, read, and passed.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Salaries. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom

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as the 1<sup>st</sup> of June last, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers,'" make Report, recommending the passage thereof: (said Bill proposing to abolish the salary of the Overseer of the Public Grounds,) which Report is received, and said Bill is read, and passed.

(Concurred)

Shavings. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to prevent the selling of Shavings in the Streets of Providence;" make Report, that they do not recommend the passage thereof: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and adopted.

Taxes for Streets & Sidewalks. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the collection of the Taxes added to the Tax payable on the fifth Day of October, A.D. 1857, by virtue of the Act in relation to the laying out, widening, straightening, or otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence, and for the expenses of Sidewalks, certified to the Assessors by the Street Commissioners;" is presented, read and passed.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Appropriations. Resolved, that the following sums be, and they are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively: viz:

- For Public Works, one thousand Dollars;
- For Police, one thousand Dollars;
- For Bridges, three thousand Dollars;
- For School Houses and Lots, one thousand Dollars.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

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Report of A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence and is read: viz:

"Upon the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Health; it is resolved, that five hundred copies of said Report be printed in the usual pamphlet form; and, two thousand five hundred copies be printed, for distribution, on cheaper paper and without covers; under the Direction of Dr. Snow." Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. (Approved by the Mayor.)

City Clerk, A Resolution to appropriate \$250, to be paid to the order of the City Clerk, as additional compensation to the Clerk now employed by him, for the present municipal year: is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Mayor's Clerk, A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence and is read: viz:

"Resolved, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to employ a Clerk, to assist in the duties of his Office, for the remainder of the present municipal year, at a salary not exceeding the sum of five hundred dollars annually; and to draw upon the City Treasury, quarterly or otherwise, for the payment of the same; to be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingencies."

Whereupon, it is advised, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

House for Aged Women, A Resolution in the words following, having passed the

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Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz:

Resolved that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to make a Deed of the following described Lot in the North Burying Ground, to "The Home for Aged Women;" viz: Lot situated on the East side of Pine Avenue, bounded 65 feet on Willow Avenue, then running southerly, 103 feet, to an Avenue leading from Ridge to Pine Avenue, in which it measures 46 feet; bounded on the East, by a two foot path dividing the said lot from a row of lots fronting on Ridge Avenue; containing 4665 sq feet.

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Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. (Approved by the Mayor.)

A Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, in relation to the House of Work and Ladder Company No 2, is presented and received.

Hook Ladder House No 2.

Resolved That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be and he hereby is, directed, to cause a suitable brick addition, of 14 by 18 feet, and one story high, to be made to the Work and Ladder House in Richmond Street; provided, the cost of the entire work upon said house, shall not exceed the sum of two hundred dollars.

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(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the mud and sand to be removed from the road circles, in such man-

ner as he may think proper.

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ness and at such times as the Committee in Highways may direct: the expense thereof to be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingencies.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

*Laying out of Streets.*  
Resolved, That Messrs Binney, James Tucker and Spencer, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to confer with the parties interested in the improvement of lots and domains, and for benefits, under, and by virtue of, the Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering, Streets in the City of Providence. And said Committee are hereby authorized to settle with the parties, such cases as still remain open; upon such terms as may be deemed satisfactory to said Committee.

(Concurred, and Alderman Holden added.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Wickenden Street.*  
The Standing Committee on Highways, who read on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of the Providence Foot Company and others; report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to lower the paving in the gangway, leading from Wickenden Street, opposite the estate of Joseph Chedel, and raise the crosswalk, so that the water may pass under the same.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Street from Cove to Gaspee Street.*  
Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out a street near the foot of Sabin Street, from Cove Street

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to the street running around the Promenade, to Gaspee Street; under the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways."

*Broad St. High St. and Highways.*  
A Petition of the Central Baptist Society and others, for alteration of the crosswalks at the junction of Broad and High Streets, is presented read and received.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause such alterations in the present crosswalks, and to plan such new crosswalks at the junction of Broad and High Streets, as may be thought advisable by the Committee on Highways.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom were heretofore referred the following Petitions, &c: make Reports thereon respectively, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayers thereof: viz:

*Street from Howard's Avenue*  
Book 8. 334.

Petition of Joseph Brander and others, for the laying out of a street from Atwell's Avenue to Brown Street; (referred May 11. 1857.)

*Market Square*  
Book 8. 377

Petition of W. R. Whittingale and others, for a crosswalk in Market Square; (referred July 13. 1857.)

*Benefit St.*  
Book 8. 377.

Petition of Daniel Bush and others, for a crosswalk in Benefit Street; (referred July 13. 1857.)

*Exchange Place*  
Book 8. 377.

Petition of Bradford Tappin & Co, and others, for a crosswalk in Exchange Place; (referred August 10<sup>th</sup> 1857.)

*Benefit & Benefit St.*

Memorial of the First Congregational Society, in relation to the side walks at the junction of Benefit and Benefit Streets; (referred by the

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which reports are severally received; and it is thereupon  
ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave  
to withdraw.

South  
Water  
Street.

The Resolution to request the Board of Aldermen to  
suspend further action on the Report relative to the  
straightening and extending South Water Street;  
which paper the Common Council on the 21<sup>st</sup> of  
July last, and was then sent up, for concurrence;  
Book No. 389. is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, with  
their concurrence therein.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Benefit St.  
of the side walks in front of his estate on Benefit  
Street, from Charles Field to Power Street, accom-  
panied by a Request of Nathaniel Bishop and others,  
that the prayer of said Petition may be granted,  
is presented, read, received, and referred to the Stand-  
ing Committee on Highways to examine and re-  
port thereon; which Committee, thereupon, report  
the following Resolution, which is read and  
passed: viz:

Book 8. 390.

Resolved, that the Board of Aldermen be, and  
they are hereby requested to re-lay that part of  
Benefit Street lying between Charles Field  
and Power Street, under an Act entitled  
"An Act for laying out Highways," if, in their  
opinion, it is advisable.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Green  
Street.

A Petition of Anna Mantons and others, for the ex-  
tension of Green Street, to the line of Broad-  
way, under, and according to, the Act entitled  
"An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarg-  
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ing, straightening or otherwise altering Streets in the  
City of Providence; is presented and read, where-  
upon, it is ordered that the same be received, and  
referred to Messrs Guild, Chapman, Dorrance,  
Paine, Carpenter, Lister and Bartholomew, with  
such as the Board of Aldermen may add; to ex-  
amine and report thereon.  
(Concurred, and Aldermen Brewster and  
Mathews added.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

West  
River  
Street.

Petition of G. J. Nightingale and others, for the  
setting of curb stones, &c, in West River Street,  
from Charles Street to the North Providence Line;  
Book No 10. page 5 is presented, received, and referred to the Standing  
Committee on Highways, to examine and report  
thereon.

Anthony  
B. Arnold.

A Resolution in the words following, having passed the  
Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and  
is read: viz:  
"Whereas, a Resolution was passed by the City  
Council, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, authorizing  
Anthony B. Arnold to enter the Watermain  
Street Drain, upon the payment of ten Dol-  
lars: - It is resolved, that the same be,  
and hereby is, rescinded."  
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common  
Council do concur therein.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Sarah P.  
Phillips.

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the  
15<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Petition of Sarah  
P. Phillips; report the following Resolution; which  
is read and passed: viz:  
Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and  
he is hereby directed to pay Sarah P. Phillips,  
Book No 8. p. 356, the sum of three hundred Dollars, in full.

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of damages sustained by her, by falling upon the ice in Chifford Street; in her giving a full and satisfactory receipt for the same; to be paid out of any monies not otherwise appropriated.

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Book 8. 356. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June last was referred the Petition of the Providence and Boston Railroad Corporation, for the payment of a claim of Hallett and Transit, for setting glass broken in the Paperer Station of said Corporation; make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Wm. Field. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of William Field, for damages sustained by the top of a horse or in Gaspee Street; make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

Book 8. 377. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 21<sup>st</sup> of July last, was referred the Memorial of Mary Fillinghant, for aid, in consequence of injury to her estate, by the alteration of the grade of Broad Street; make Report recommending that said memorialist have leave to withdraw; - which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said memorialist have leave to withdraw.

Book 8. 390. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Petition of Cyrus Fisher, Josiah Timmons and Nehemiah S. Drooper, Street Commissioners, for an increase of compensation; make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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Book 8. 356. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the claim of James Perry, for compensation for injury sustained by him, by the alteration of the grade of Broad and Summer Streets; make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw. b. Draw: - which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

9. Penns. A Petition of Jeremiah Penns, for compensation for injury sustained by him by the alteration of the grade of Broad Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Book 8. 380. Daniel Wightman. A claim of Daniel Wightman, for compensation for injuries sustained by him by falling upon the ice in College Street, in February, 1856; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Book 8. 330. National Cadet Co. A Petition of the National Cadet Company, for an appropriation of \$250; is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Book 8. 356. Street Commissioners. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Petition of Cyrus Fisher, Josiah Timmons and Nehemiah S. Drooper, Street Commissioners, for an increase of compensation; make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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Resubmitted The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Petition of Mary Ballou, for remission of tax: report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Mary Ballou, the amount of tax assessed against her for the year 1856; the same having been improperly assessed by the City; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amount so unpaid; and said tax shall be hereby remitted.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resubmitted The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Petition of Jared J. Hoagard, for remission of tax: report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Jared J. Hoagard, the sum of thirty eight dollars and seventy five cents, the said sum being in remission of a tax and properly assessed against him in the year 1856; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the City Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Jared J. Hoagard.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Remission of Taxes The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom were heretofore referred the following Petitions for remission of taxes; make Reports, recommending that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw: viz:

- Book 8. 357. Petition of Henry W. Stovins, (referred June 15<sup>th</sup> 1857.)
  - Book 8. 358. Petition of George Durfee (referred July 13<sup>th</sup> 1857.)
  - 7 Petition of James M. Elroy, (referred August 10<sup>th</sup> 1857.)
  - 7 Petition of James Healey and wife, (referred August 10<sup>th</sup> 1857.)
  - 7 Petition of Henry S. Baxter, (referred August 10<sup>th</sup> 1857.)
- which Reports are severally received: and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Previous Resolved The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of the Providence Arcade Corporation, for the remission of one half of the sum of \$500, being the estimated amount of benefit and advantage to said Corporation, by the extension of Dorrance Street: make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: which Report is received, and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Taxes The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon: viz:

- 29. Petition of J. C. Mather,
- 28. " Rhode Island Historical Society,
- 40. " L. A. Phillips,
- 29. " William Fletcher,

20. A Petition of Samuel G. Arnold, for repayment of taxes, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

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Moving  
Buildings.

Petitions of Comfort Weston,  
Pardon M. Howe  
Increase Sumner,  
and Daniel E. Carpenter, for liberty to  
move certain wooden buildings, are presented, re-  
ceived, and severally referred to the Standing Committee  
on the Fire Department, to examine and report there-  
on; which Committee make Reports in favour of  
granting the prayers thereof respectively; and Reso-  
lutions granting the prayers thereof respectively, are  
read and passed.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Petitions of John W. Chase,  
and W. L. Angell, for liberty to move  
certain wooden buildings, are presented, received,  
and severally referred to the Standing Committee on  
the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Brown  
University.

A communication to the Mayor from the Executive  
Board of Brown University, inviting the City Council  
to attend the delivery of a discourse by Rev. Dr. Way-  
land, in commemoration of the services of the late

Mrs. B. Jew.

Mrs. B. Jew; having been read; and a Reso-  
lution accepting said invitation, having passed  
the Board of Aldermen and been sent down for  
concurrence; said Resolution is read, whereupon  
it is resolved, that the Common Council do con-  
-cur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday  
the twelfth day of October next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President  
Angell

Baker,  
Bartlett.

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Beckwith,

Binney,

Bradley,

Carpenter,

Chapman,

Dorran,

Edgely,

Francis,

Guild,

Hartstorn,

Hopkins.

Leiter,

Lincoln,

Paine,

Talbot,

Spencer,

Straque

Taylor,

J. Tucker,

J. B. Tucker,

Winsor.

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Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council, October 12. 1857.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjourn-  
ment: a quorum present.

For  
Reading  
Hallowed.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, em-  
-bedded in the Resolution of the Common Council, of  
October 20. 1854, is presented, read, received, and  
referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Saney's  
Report.

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is  
presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief  
Engineer's  
Report.

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire  
Department is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Resolving The Annual Account of the City Treasurer, with the Annual Account of the City, is presented and read, and the same being here audited and certified by the City Auditor, it is ordered that the same be received and read.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Report of The Trustees of the Sinking Fund of the City of Providence, Trustees appointed in conformity with the Act of the General Assembly, passed at the May Session, A.D. 1855, present their Report of the condition of said Fund: viz:

25. That they have 38 Bonds of the City, payable in 1885, (with 6 per cent interest warrants attached,) for \$1000 each. \$38,000.00  
That they have on hand, cash 802.14.  
\$38,802.14.

which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Report of The Trustees of the Sinking Fund of the Hartford, Providence and Fish Hill Railroad Company present their Report of the condition of said Fund: viz:

25. That they hold 13 Bonds of the City, for \$1000 each, payable in 1885. (with coupons, payable semi-annually, at 6 per cent.) \$19,000.00  
Premium paid on same 170.00  
Interest paid, 83.55  
Cash on hand. 453.92  
\$19,707.49.

which Report is read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

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Report of Trustees of Sinking Fund of the Hartford, Providence and Fish Hill Railroad Company's Bonds, and the Report of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund of the Bonds of the City, presented to the City Council, this Day, be printed with the City Auditor's Annual Report.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

City Treasurer Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to report to the Common Council, with his Monthly Statements, of Appropriations and Expenditures, the amount of money actually in the Treasury at the time of said Report.

Appro. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:  
Resolved, That the sum of five thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for repairs of Public Bridges.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Appro. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:  
Resolved, That the sum of thirty thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the remission of Taxes illegally assessed.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

City Clerk. The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred a Resolution for the appropriation of \$250. to be paid to the order of the City Clerk, as additional compensation to the 12. Clerk now employed by him, for the present year.

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municipal year: report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand and fifty Dollars be appropriated and paid, out of the appropriation for contingencies, to the order of the City Clerk, as additional compensation to G. A. Williams, son, the Clerk now employed by him, for the present municipal year.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Langley, A Resolution, in the words following, which passed the Board of Aldermen on the 4<sup>th</sup> of August 1856 and was on the 11<sup>th</sup> of said August sent down, for concurrence, and then read and laid upon the table: is taken up and read: viz:

Book 8, 208.

Resolved, That the Survey of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters to be paved, on that part of Langley Street lying between Eddy and Hospital Streets, whenever the adjoining owners furnish suitable curb stones therefor.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following amendment: viz: That the words "whenever the adjoining owners furnish suitable curb stones therefor" be stricken out.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

North Main Street, A Petition of James Arnold, and others, requesting that North Main Street, opposite the First Baptist Meeting House, may be widened, pursuant to the Resolution made to the Board of Aldermen, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of November, 1856, is presented read and received: and a Resolution that the Board of Aldermen be requested to order that part of said Street, under the Act entitled "An Act for laying out High-

Book 4<sup>th</sup> 2, page 250.

Book 10<sup>th</sup> 10, page 92.

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ways," is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Petition and Resolution be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Jeremiah Penno, for compensation for injury sustained by him by the alteration of Broad Street, made by the Report (annexed) that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: which Report is received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Petition of David Whipple; report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the amount made upon David Whipple, for the benefit conferred upon him by the opening of Barrons Street in the City of Providence, be postponed and paid as follows: viz: said Whipple to execute and deliver to said City, five three several promissory notes, dated the fifth day of October A.D. 1857, one for the sum of one thousand Dollars, payable in one year from the date thereof, with interest; and for the sum of one thousand Dollars, payable in two years from the date thereof, with interest, payable annually; and one for the sum of fifteen hundred Dollars, payable in three years from the date thereof, with interest payable annually; provided the said Whipple shall execute and deliver to said City, a mortgage upon real estate, satisfactory and to be approved by the City Solicitor of said City, to secure the payment of said notes

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agrees to the terms thereof.  
(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Whatchee, A Petition of the Whatchee Cooperatives, for the  
Compensation of \$75, being the amount paid by them  
for an agreement upon their estate, for benefit  
to them by the widening of North Main Street;  
is presented, received, and referred to the Stand-  
ing Committee on Claims, to examine and  
report thereon.

May, 37. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the  
14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of the  
Rhode Island Historical Society, for remission of tax;  
report the following Resolution; which is read and

R. I. Hist. Socy. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he  
is hereby directed to pay to the Rhode Island  
Historical Society, the sum of one hundred  
and three Dollars and seven and a half cents;  
said sum being in remission of taxes improperly  
assessed against said Society, in the year 1856;  
provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon  
the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said  
sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If  
it shall appear to the City Treasurer that said  
sum has not been paid into the Treasury,  
then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the  
amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes  
shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from  
the tax of said Society.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Tax, 21. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on 14<sup>th</sup>  
September last, was referred the Petition of Samuel  
S. G. Arnold, for repayment of taxes; report the

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following Resolution; which is read and passed;

Res. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is  
hereby directed to pay to Samuel G. Arnold, the  
sum of two hundred and fifty one Dollars and  
forty six cents, with interest on <sup>the</sup> same to the  
Council Board of October, 1857; amounting in all  
to the sum of two hundred and sixty six Dol-  
lars and ninety five cents: the said sum  
of \$251.46, being in remission of taxes im-  
properly assessed against him in the year 1856,  
and interest on the same, from October 2<sup>d</sup>

1856, to October 12<sup>th</sup> 1857, (being \$15.49;)   
provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon  
the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that  
said sum of two hundred and fifty one Dollars  
and forty six cents has been paid into the Treas-  
ury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer,  
that said sum of \$251.46 has not been paid  
into the Treasury; then he shall credit the  
Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid;  
and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the  
amount of two hundred and fifty one Dollars  
and forty six cents, hereby remitted, from the  
taxes of said Arnold.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Remission of Taxes. 21. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the  
14<sup>th</sup> of September last were referred the Petitions of  
J. C. Mather and William Fletcher, for remiss-  
ion of taxes; and to whom was referred by the  
Board of Aldermen, a Petition of Horace T. Love,  
for remission of tax: make Reports, recommending  
that said petitioners severally have leave to  
withdraw; - which Reports are severally received;  
and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners  
severally have leave to withdraw.

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Remission of Taxes. } The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon;

- 39. Petition of James W. Olney,
- 70. " " Second Universalist Society in Providence,
- 39. " " Francis M. Smith,
- 39. " " John P. Walker?

Remission of Taxes. } A Communication from the <sup>Board of</sup> Assessors of Taxes, recommending the remission of certain taxes; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, <sup>Assessors.</sup> to examine and report thereon.

Meeting of Building. } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, were referred 22. the Petitions of John W. Chace and W. L. Angell, for liberty to mend certain wooden buildings; make Reports, in favor of granting the prayers thereof, respectively; which Reports are severally received; and Resolutions granting the prayers of said Petitions severally, are read and passed.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

Proceedings of the Common Council, from June 1856 to June 1857, be delivered by the Clerk of the Common Council, to each member of the present City Council who was not a member of the last City Council.

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Review of Fire Department. } A Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, requesting the presence of the Common Council, at the Annual Review of the Fire

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Department on Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> instant, is presented and read.

Joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention,

The resignation of James B. Simmons as a member of the School Committee, is presented, read and accepted.

William C. Richards is elected a member of the School Committee.

The City Council having elected certain City Officers for the remainder of the present municipal year, the two Boards separate,

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the ninth day of November next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President, | " Dorrance, | " Potter,     |
| Angell,        | Eddy,       | Tellibron,    |
| Baker,         | Francis,    | Spencer,      |
| Bartlett,      | Guild,      | Spokane,      |
| Beckwith,      | Charlton,   | Taylor,       |
| Bennett,       | Hopkins,    | Tucker,       |
| Bisney,        | Leiter,     | G. R. Tucker, |
| Blodgett,      | Lincoln,    | Wason,        |
| Carpenter,     | Mathewson,  |               |
| Chopman,       | Paine,      |               |

Mont J. Green,  
Clerk

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Clerk pro Tempore, the Clerk being absent from the City, Samuel W. Brown is elected Clerk pro Tempore, and is sworn.

Treasurer's Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20, 1857, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor's Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred)

Chief Engineer's Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Auditor's Annual Report, The Annual Report of the City Auditor, for the year ending on the last Monday in September last, is presented and read.

Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and that the Standing Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby directed to cause said Report, or so much thereof as is required to be published, by the fourth section of the City Charter, with a Schedule of the Property of the City, to be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; and also, to cause not exceeding five hundred copies of said Report to be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

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(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Poor. A communication from the Mayor, in relation to the great number of persons now destitute and in want of employment, in the City, and to the probable wants of the unemployed poor, during the coming winter, accompanied by a communication from the Overseer of the Poor, to the

42. Mayor, upon that subject, and a Memorial from Ladies of the City, is presented and read.

42. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same, together

43 with the accompanying papers, be referred to Messrs Taylor, Binney, Bartlett, Paine, Carpenter, Tucker and Hartshorn, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon, and that said Committee make Report at the next meeting of the City Council.

(Concurred; and the Mayor and Aldermen Holden and Waterman added)

City Charter. A Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee to apply to the General Assembly, at the next January Session, for such alterations of the City Charter

42. as shall provide for the election of Aldermen and members of the Common Council, for two years; and for the annual election of Mayor on the same day as the General State Officers, at the annual election in April; is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to Messrs Binney, Bartlett and Eddy, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

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Mayor's The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the  
 Clerks. } 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Resolution from  
 the Board of Aldermen to authorize the Mayor to em-  
 ploy a Clerk to assist in the duties of his office;  
 72. make Report recommending non-concurrence therein;  
 which Report is read; and it is, thereupon, re-  
 solved that the Common Council do not concur  
 therein.

City Auditor -  
 Salary -  
 Book 8 page 329.  
 The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the  
 11<sup>th</sup> of May last, was referred the communication from  
 the Mayor, recommending an increase of the salary of  
 the City Auditor; make Report that they do not rec-  
 ommend the proposed increase; which Report is read.  
 Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be re-  
 ceived and adapted.  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Plats.  
 Book 8 page 230.  
Ordered, That the Standing Committee on City Safety  
 be and they are hereby requested to report, at the  
 next meeting of the City Council in January next,  
 on the question of lithographing the Plats in the  
 Mayor's Office, referred to said Committee on the  
 22<sup>nd</sup> of September, 1856.

Health. Resolved, That Messrs. Birney, Francis & Carpenter, with  
 such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and  
 74. they are hereby appointed a Committee to exam-  
 ine into the plans now prepared by the City of  
 Providence, for the maintenance and improvement  
 of the public health; and to apply to the General  
 Assembly, at its next session, for the grant of  
 such further authority, (if any be needed) as may  
 be deemed necessary for the attainment of the  
 end.

(Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Police Court Rooms. } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the

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Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and  
 is read; viz:

"Resolved, That the Committee on City Prop-  
 erty be, and they are hereby, directed to hire  
 the Court Rooms recently occupied by the  
 United States Court, at a rent not to  
 exceed one thousand Dollars per annum, for  
 the use of the Police Court."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common  
 Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Finance report the follow-  
 ing Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the sum of eleven thousand  
 and twenty one Dollars be, and the same is  
 hereby appropriated for the payment of the State  
 Debt.

(Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

School House. The Standing Committee on Education, who were, on  
 the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, authorized to purchase a  
 lot in such locality in the First Ward, as they  
 should select; and to remove there to the school  
 building then in Wright Street; and to alter  
 and enlarge said building, for a Primary and  
 Intermediate School House; make Report  
 that they have purchased a lot of land on  
 Walling Street, and have caused said build-  
 ing to be removed there to, and to be enlarg-  
 ed and put in order; which Report is read.  
 Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be re-  
 ceived.

(Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Bridge over East of Park Street. } A communication from the Overseers of Public Bridges,

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in relation to the probable cost of building a bridge at the foot of Park Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Oversee  
11th Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> pr. A Communication from the Overseers of Public Bridges, recommending the erection of a building upon the bridge occupied by the City, opposite the Haymarket, on Canal Street, for the storing of lumber and tools; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Greene  
16. 104. A Petition of Benjamin Dyer and others, for the extension of Greene Street to the line of Broadway, under and according to, the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence;" is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and referred to the Committee to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Amasa Abarton and others, for such extension.

Harbor  
Master. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read, viz:

N. Church. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to the Harbor Master, the sum of four hundred and eighty-seven Dollars and sixty-six cents, for rent, fuel, boat-hire, &c, incurred in the discharge of his Duties for three years ending on the first Monday in June, 1857."

Whereupon, it is moved, that the Common Council do concur therein: upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is ordered that

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the same be entered upon the Journal as follows:

<p>13. Ayes.</p> <p>Messrs Bartlett, Beckwith, Binney Blodget, Carpenter, Chapman Dowance Francis, Giles, Mathewson Oster, Taylor. J. H. Tucker. 13.</p>	<p>Nays.</p> <p>Messrs Angell, Baker, Bennett, Bartshorn, Hopkins, Lester, Lincoln Salisbury, Spencer, Sprague J. Tucker, Winot. 12.</p>
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It is therefore ordered, that the Common Council do concur therein.

What Cheer  
Carpenters. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Petition of the What Cheer Carpenters, for the re-payment of \$875, being the amount paid by them, for an assessment upon their estate, for benefit to them by the widening of North Main Street; make Report recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

National  
Cadets. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of the National Cadet Company, for an Appropriation of \$250; make Report recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Report is received, and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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Thomas Seckell, Petitioner of Thomas Seckell for compensation for injuries sustained by him, by the building of the culvert across Pine Street, and by the raising of the grade of Broad Street; is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Taxes remitted. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October last was referred the Communication from the Board of Assessors of Taxes for the year 1856, recommending the remission of certain taxes, now report the following Resolution, which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the taxes specified in the annexed list, amounting to the sum of two hundred and forty-three Dollars and forty-four cents, reported by the Board of Assessors for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty six, to have been improperly assessed in said year, for the reasons specified in each case; be and the same one hereby annulled; and that the City Treasurer do, and he is hereby directed to credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount of two hundred and forty-three Dollars and forty-four cents

Charles Williams,	3 20
Dexter Peere, (Carpenter)	7 75
William E. Dodge (Milk Purveyor)	23 25
Davis Hayer Jr.	46 50
Sam S. McIlwain,	6 20
William A. Andrews,	3 87 5
John Luther,	7 75
James Gray,	3 87 5
Daniel Falbey,	6 70
Benjamin F. Carpenter,	14 72 5
Patrick Casey,	11 62 5
Nathaniel P. Barnum,	27 12 5
Smith Barnum,	27 12 5
Mary Ingalls,	11 62 5

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A. Lewis Moser,	34 87 5
John Kelley,	2 72
Daniel Murphy (1855 & 1856)	1 45
William Wickes. (1855 & 1856)	3 07
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	\$ 218. 44.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

Taxes remitted. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October last, were referred the Petitions of James W. Olney, Francis M. Smith, and John P. Walker, for remission of taxes; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the persons whose names are annexed, the sums placed against their respective names; the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them in the year 1857; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sums have not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid, and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of the persons whose names are annexed.

30 To John P. Walker,	7 40
30 " Francis M. Smith,	22 20
30 " James W. Olney, Treasurer of New England Butt Co.	575 83
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	\$ 105. 43

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(Approved by the Mayor)

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Tax  
remitted

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of L. A. Phillips for remission of tax; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

L. A. Phillips  
21.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to L. A. Phillips, the sum of nineteen Dollars and thirty seven and a half cents: the said sum being in remission of a tax improperly assessed against him in the year 1856; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury, If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said L. A. Phillips.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Remission of Taxes. The following Petitions for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon;

- 46. Petition of Jesse Phetteplace,
- 46. " " Orland W. Prince,
- 46. " " Henry C. Marshant,
- 46. " " Heirs of Horace Robbins,
- 70. " " William B. Taylor and wife.

Meeting Building

A Petition of Edmund Sherwood, for Liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; and said report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition,

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is read and passed,  
(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention.

Resolved, Edward G. Turner, Mayor General, having nominated James Shaw as one of his Deputies, - said appointment is approved and confirmed by the City Council.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the twenty third day of November instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President. | " Chapman | " Potter,     |
| " Ayell,      | Borona    | Lalibury,     |
| Baker.        | Francis   | Spencer,      |
| Bartlett      | Quid,     | Sprague       |
| Beckwith      | Warkson.  | Taylor.       |
| Bennett,      | Webb,     | J. Tucker     |
| Binney        | Lester,   | J. H. Tucker, |
| Budget        | Lincoln   | Wensor.       |
| Carpenter.    | Matheson, |               |

Samuel W. Brown.  
Clerk pro tempore.

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Common Council, November 23, 1857.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

City Charter. The Order to refer to a joint Committee, the Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee to apply to the General Assembly, at its next January Session, for alterations of the City Charter, which Order passed the Common Council, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November instant, and was then sent up, for concurrence; is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, with their concurrence therein, (Alderman Alenbutter added.) (Approved by the Mayor)

Poor. The joint Committee to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November instant, was referred the communication from the Mayor, in relation to the great number of persons now destitute and in want of employment, in the City, and to the probable wants of the unemployed poor during the coming winter, accompanied by a communication from the Overseer of the Poor, to the Mayor, upon that subject, and a Memorial from Ladies of the City; make Report; which is read, Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing, (Continued)

Overseer of the Poor. A communication from the Overseer of the Poor, requesting authority to employ an Assistant to relieve him from a part of the Duties of his Office, is presented and read.

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Do Ordered, That the communication from the Overseer of the Poor, this Day, made to the City Council, requesting authority to employ an Assistant to relieve him from a part of the duties of his Office, be received, and referred to Messrs Taylor, Binney, Bartlett, Paine, Carpenter, J. Tucker, Paul Warkshorn, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Com. 45 Mayor. Ordered, That the communication from the Overseer of the Poor, to the Mayor; which accompanied the communication from the Mayor to the City Council, on the ninth day of November instant, be referred to said Committee, to examine and report thereon. (Continued, and the Mayor and Aldermen Holden and Waterman added.) (Approved by the Mayor)

Night Police Ordered, That so much of the communication from the Mayor, to the City Council, (presented on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November instant,) as relates to the subject of the Night Police, be referred to Messrs Taylor, Binney, Bartlett, Paine, Carpenter, J. Tucker, and Warkshorn, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. (Continued, and the Mayor and Aldermen Holden and Waterman added.) (Approved by the Mayor)

City Treasurer Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby, directed to open an account with "Works ordered by the Street Commissioners"; and to charge said account, with all sums paid from the Treasury, for work done by order of said Street Commissioners, on side walks or for carting furnished by the City for private purposes.

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Also to credit said Account with all monies received from individuals or corporations, for work so done, and the Treasurer is hereby further directed to transfer to said Account, all sums charged or credited to the Appropriation for "Highways," for said work, since the commencement of the present financial year.

(Continued)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Priny A Bill entitled "An Ordinance, in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the removal of the contents of 'Priny Vaults,' and amended read, and referred to the Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Firewood. Resolved, That Messrs Lester, Bartlett and Eddy, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to report upon the subject of applying to the Legislature, at the next January Session thereof, to obtain the passage of a law regulating the sale of firewood by the basket, in the City of Providence.

(Continued, and Edmund Rathbone added)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Appropriating The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed; viz: Resolved, That the sum of One thousand Dollars be, and the same is, hereby, appropriated for sidewalks and curbing.

(Continued.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The joint Committee who were, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last, appointed to advertise for plans for a City

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Hall, to be built on the City Hall Lot (so called), make Report, that they caused due notice to be given in the newspapers employed to do the City printing, from the 16<sup>th</sup> of July last, to the 14<sup>th</sup> of November instant; and that plans for said building have been presented by the following persons: viz:

- W. S. Balliett, of Norwich, Conn.
  - Lawrence B. Vail, of New York,
  - Clifford A. Hall, of Providence,
  - Russell Warren, of Providence,
  - Charles P. Hartshorn, of Providence,
  - R. Chase, of Providence,
  - and Gage Inslee, of New York.
- which plans are presented with said Report. Thereupon, it is ordered that said Report be received.

Resolved, That the word following is presented and read: viz:

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"Whereas, the City Council of the City of Providence, by their Committee, advertised for plans for a City Hall, to be built on the City Hall Lot (so called);-

And whereas, said Committee have made a Report, submitting several plans: - Therefore, Resolved, That the City Council adopt the plan submitted by [name], in consideration of the sum of five hundred Dollars to him paid by the City Treasurer of the City of Providence, specified in the advertisement of said Committee, releases to said City, all his right, title and interest in said plans, subject to any additions, subtractions or alterations that may be made by said City."

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Whereupon, it is ordered, that the subject be postponed to the next regular meeting of the Common Council, and made the special order for the day.

Washington. Resolutions to direct the City Solicitor to make  
Street. Application to the Supreme Court, for the appoint-

ment of Commissioners of Estimates and Expenses  
for the extension of Washington Street, from  
Seaman to Wright Street, under the Act intro-  
duced "An Act in relation to the laying out,  
53. enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering, Streets,  
in the City of Providence"; - are presented and read.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be refer-  
red to Messrs Dwyer, J. Tucker and Spencer, with  
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to ex-  
amine and report thereon.

(Concurred, and Madam Welden added)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Petitions are presented, received, and sever-  
ally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways,  
to examine and report thereon; viz:

Petition of George B. Horton, <sup>and others,</sup> for crop walks in  
East and Dove Streets;

Petition of Peter Corcoran and others, for a crop  
walk in High Street;

Petition of A. W. Prince and others, for crop walks  
in Point Street.

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup>  
of November instant, were referred the Petitions of

49. Jesse Phelpslee,

40. Orland W. Prince,

40. Henry C. Marchant,

40. and the heirs of Isaac Robbins, for remission of  
taxes; - make Reports, recommending that said petition-

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-ers have leave to withdraw; - which Reports  
are severally received, and it is thereupon, or-  
dered, that said petitioners severally have  
leave to withdraw.

The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes,  
are presented, received, and severally referred to  
the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine  
and report thereon; viz:

71. Petition of Benjamin Dyer,

71. " " Charles Richmond,

71. " " John G. Whelpley, Jr.

71. " " Dr. B. Goodwin, Administrator of  
Estate of Mary Wilkinson,

71. " " William C. Snow and others, for  
Thomas G. Stoddard and wife.

A Petition of Aborn Arnold, for liberty to move  
a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and  
referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire De-  
partment, to examine and report thereon; which  
Committee make Report in favour of granting  
the prayer thereof; and said Report is  
received; and a Resolution granting the prayer  
of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourned to meet on Monday  
the fourteenth day of December next, at 7 o'clock  
P.M.

Members present.

Mr President  
Angell,  
Baker,  
Bartlett,

" Beckwith,  
Bennett,  
Binney,  
Blodgett,

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Carpenter,	MacKenna,	
Chapman,	Paine,	
Derrance,	Patten,	
Eddy,	Solihug,	
Francis,	Spencer,	
Wartsburg,	Sprague,	
Wopkins,	Taylor,	
Leiter,	J. Tucker,	
Lincoln,	Z. R. Tucker,	26.

Abel Spencer, Clerk

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

*Treasurer's Monthly Statement* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Authority of the Common Council, of October 20 1857, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

*Treasurer's Quarterly Report* The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented read, and received. (Commenced.) Approved by the Mayor

*Sanitary Reports* The Monthly Report of the Sanitary of Highways is presented, read, and received. (Commenced.) (Approved by the Mayor)

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*Chief Engineer's Report* The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read, and received. (Commenced.) (Approved by the Mayor)

*Quorum* The semi annual Report of the Officers of the Poor, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received. (Commenced, December 21<sup>st</sup>) (Approved by the Mayor)

*Quorum of the Poor* The joint Committee to whom, on the 23<sup>d</sup> of November last, were referred the communication from the Officers of the Poor, requesting authority to employ an Assistant to relieve them from a part of the duties of his Office; and the communication from the Officers of the Poor, to the Mayor, which accompanied the communication from the Mayor to the City Council, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last; and also so much of the communication from the Mayor (presented on said 9<sup>th</sup> of November) as relates to the subject of the Night Police; - make Report, recommending that no further action be had upon either of these subjects; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received and accepted. (Commenced.) (Approved by the Mayor)

*Salaries* A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the salaries of certain Officers;" is presented, read and referred to the Standing Committee to examine and report thereon; (said Bill relating to the salaries of the Aldermen and members of the Common Council.)

*City Council* Resolved. That the Standing Committee on City Paper.

city be, and they are hereby directed to examine, and report, at the next meeting of the Council, - whether or not the Providence, Hartford and Fitchville Railroad Company have complied with the conditions of the contract entered into between the City and said Company, for filling the land granted to said Corporation, for railroad purposes.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

A communication to the Mayor, from Nathaniel P. Balliett, Inspector of Steam Boilers, inviting the City Council to witness the operation of Ashcroft's Low Water Detector; is presented and read: - and a Resolution, accepting said invitation, through Messrs. the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, 76. and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Resolution for the adoption of a plan for a City Hall, from the plans presented to the City Council on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November last; which was, on said Plans. 23<sup>rd</sup> of November, postponed to this day, and made the special order for the day; is taken up, and read: and a communication from W. T. Balliett, of Norwich Conn, relating to the plan submitted by him, is presented, read and received.

Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution be amended, by adding the following words thereto; viz "And provided also, that said Resolution, for the consideration of said, shall complete and furnish, in a reasonable time, all the drawings and working plans for said structure."

Pending which motion; it is moved, that said Resolution be laid upon the table. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the journal,

and, as follows:

- Ayes.
- Messrs Angell
- Bartlett,
- Beckwith,
- Binney,
- Budget,
- Chapman,
- Donahee,
- Guild,
- Lincoln,
- Potter,
- Saldung,
- Spencer,
- Taylor,
- J. Parker,
- J. H. Parker, 15.

- Nays.
- Messrs Baker,
- Bennett,
- Carpenter,
- Eddy,
- Francis,
- Hartshorn,
- Hopkins,
- Lester,
- Mathewson,
- Paine,
- Sprague,
- Winnor, 12.

Said Resolution is therefore laid upon the table.

Resolutions in relation to the erection of a City Hall, as presented, read, amended; and as amended, are read and passed; as follows:

Resolved, Whereas, on the sixth day of April, 1852, the citizens of this City voted that a City Hall should be erected on the West side of the River;

And, whereas, the City Council did, by Resolution passed on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1854, purchase the square bounded by Fulton, Baker, Washington and Donance Streets, for the location of said City Hall;

Therefore, Resolved, that the electors qualified to vote for members of the City Council, be requested to meet in Ward Meetings in their several wards, on the sixth day of January next, to decide upon the immediate erection of a City Hall, upon the lot bounded by Fulton, Baker, Washington and Donance Streets,

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Resolved, that the City Clerk cause to be prepared a suitable number of ballots, for said election; upon which shall be printed the following words; "Shall a City Hall be erected, immediately, upon the land owned by the City, bounded by Fulton, Baker, Washington and Denman Streets?"; and upon the back of a portion of said ballots, shall be printed the word "Yes"; and upon the remainder, the word "No".

Resolved, that the Board of Aldermen be requested to make the necessary arrangements for said election; and that the said election shall be conducted, in all respects, as usual; and that the ballots be returned to the Board of Aldermen, and counted and sealed by them.

Poor. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to employ laborers, under the supervision of the Standing Committee on Highways, in filling up the wet and marshy lands adjoining the Grand Park, at such prices and to such an amount as to that Committee may seem advisable; and to draw upon the City Treasury, for the cost. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor)

Land for School House. A communication from the Mayor, respecting the purchase of land adjoining the Factory end of the School House Lot on State Street, is presented, and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon. (Book No 8, page 297.) 58.

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Parsons & Co. Tallman Works. A communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, in relation to the planing of a pump in the Works of William Tallman & Co, and the laying of pipe therefor, for the use of the Fire Department; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Governor Street. Resolved, that the Standing Committee on Highways be and they are hereby directed to examine and report the amount expended on Governor Street, already; and also, the probable sum that it will cost to complete the work on said street; - said Report to be made at the next meeting of the Council. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor)

Drain in Fulton & Baker Streets. A Petition of William P. Potter, for a Drain, through Fulton and Baker Streets, to the drain in Washington Street, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon. 78.

Sliding in the Street. A Petition of William A. Hoppin and others, regarding that one sheet on each side of the River, may be excepted from the Ordinance which prohibits the sliding on sleds &c, in the streets, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon. (Book No 8, page 334.) 78.

William E. Richards. A communication from William E. Richards to the Mayor, claiming \$3000, for damage done to his lands in Fountain and Washington Streets. 46. 67.

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Streets, by the flow of water over the sand, and requiring that future injury be prevented, by turning the water in another direction; is presented and read. And an Order referring the same to the joint Committee appointed on the 23<sup>d</sup> Day of November last, on the subject of Washington Street, having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

John Hampden's Claim of John Hampstead, for \$ 5.50. for damage done to his property, by the removal, &c. of

69. his Swelling fence and out buildings on Brook Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

John Seckell's Claim of John Seckell, for \$ 9, 77/100. is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

The following Petitions, for the remission of Taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon; viz:

- 70. Petition of Amos W. Cooke,
- 70. " " Patrick Mc. Barker.

The Common Council adjourns to meet, on Monday the eleventh Day of January next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

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Members present.

- |               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| Mr President, | Wartshorn,    |
| Fugell,       | Hopkins,      |
| Baker,        | Leiter,       |
| Bartlett,     | Lindell,      |
| Beckwith,     | Mathewson,    |
| Bennett,      | Parish,       |
| Binnicy,      | Petter,       |
| Budget        | Solidong,     |
| Carpenter,    | Spencer,      |
| Chapman,      | Spoyne,       |
| Dorrance,     | Taylor,       |
| Eddy,         | Tucker,       |
| Francis,      | J. H. Tucker, |
| Guild,        | Winsor,       |

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk

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Special Meeting.

City of Providence.

To the Members of the Common Council,  
City of Providence  
Greeting.  
Whereas, in my opinion, it is advisable for the Common Council to meet at an earlier Day than that to which said Council stands adjourned; You and each of you are therefore hereby requested and required to meet in

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the Council Chamber, on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> day of December instant, at 7 o'clock P.M., to transact such business as may legally come before you.

Given under my hand and the seal of said City, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1857. L.S. Wm. M. Rodman, Mayor.

"Providence Co." In the City of Providence, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December A.D. 1857. I have duly notified all the members of the Common Council of the within named meeting, James C. Skidmore, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition contained in the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled, at 7 o'clock P.M.

The Warrant of the Mayor, calling the present meeting, is read.

A communication from the Mayor, in the words following, is presented and read: viz:

"Gentlemen of the City Council, My reasons for calling you together, at this time, will be found in the enclosed communications, which I have received since your adjournment.

The one is from the President and Directors of the Corporation of the Hartford, Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad, giving notice to the City, of their inability to pay the interest upon the Bonds of said Corporation, due January 1<sup>st</sup> 1858.

The other is from the Mayor of the City of Hartford, conveying the action of the City Council

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of Hartford, on the receipt of a like communication from the same parties, in reference to said railroad.

By the first, the necessity is made imperative for the protection of the Bonds of this City, that the Treasurer be empowered to pay the interest thereon which falls due January 1<sup>st</sup> 1858.

The integrity of our other Bonds, and the securities of the City, I respectfully submit to your scrutiny and supervision.

Wm. M. Rodman, Mayor. Providence, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> 1857.

The communications to the Mayor, from the Directors of the Hartford, Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company, and from the Mayor of the City of Hartford, named in the foregoing communication from the Mayor, are severally read.

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance present the following Resolution; which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, he, and he is hereby directed, to pay, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the interest upon the Bonds of the City of Providence, payable to the Hartford, Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company or its assigns, at the end of twenty five years from and after the first day of January 1851, which said interest becomes due and payable on the first day of January, 1858, upon receiving the interest warrant annexed to each of said bonds, for the payment of such interest on said first day of January A.D. 1858.

(Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance present the fol-

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Committee on Finance  
 Binney, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, or hereby appointed a Committee to examine into the condition of the affairs of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company; to confer with the President and Directors of said Company, and, if found advisable, with the City authorities of Hartford, to ascertain the rights of this City, under the mortgages of the Company, the value of the property secured thereby, and to report to this Council, at an early day, what measures are necessary and advisable to be adopted to protect the rights and interests of this City.

(Concurred, and Alderman Knight added)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Committee on Finance  
 The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed, viz:  
 Resolved, That the following sums be and the same be hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, viz:

For filling land above the Cove, five thousand Dollars,  
 For sidewalks and curbing, two thousand Dollars.

(Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Land for School House  
 Lot on State Street  
 The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December instant, was referred the communication from the Mayor, respecting the purchase of land adjoining the Easterly end of the School House Lot on State Street, make Report, by Resolution, which Report is read and received, and it is ordered that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Committee on Highways  
 The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the communication

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from the Overseer of Public Bridges, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed;

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand Dollars be and the same be hereby appropriated for the erection of a building on the bridge now occupied by the City, situate opposite the Hay Market on Canal Street; the work to be done under the direction of the Committee on City Property.

(Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

City Hall  
 The Resolutions to request the electors qualified to vote for members of the City Council, to meet, in Ward Meetings, in their respective wards, on the sixth day of January next, to decide upon the immediate erection of a City Hall upon the land owned by the City, bounded by Fuller, Baker, Washington and Dorrance Streets; - which passed the Common Council on the fourteenth day of December instant, and was then sent up for concurrence; are now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following amendment, viz:

That all the words after the second preamble, be stricken out, and the following words inserted in their place; viz:

"And whereas the City Council did, by Resolution passed on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July last, advertise for plans for a City Hall:

Therefore, Resolved, that Aldermen Waterman and Kidden, with such as the Common Council may add, be a Committee to recommend a suitable plan for a City Hall, and report the same to the City Council, as soon as practicable.

Resolved, That the electors qualified to vote

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for members of the City Council, he requested to meet in Ward Meetings in their several wards on the second Wednesday in February next, to decide upon the immediate erection of a City Hall.

Resolved, That the City Clerk cause to be prepared a suitable number of ballots for said election, upon which shall be printed the following words, "Shall a City Hall be erected, to be commenced in the year 1858?" - and upon the back of a portion of said ballots, shall be printed the word "Yes"; and upon the remainder, the word "No".

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be requested to make the necessary arrangements for said election, and that the said election shall be conducted in all respects as usual; and that the ballots be returned to the Board of Aldermen, and counted and declared by them."

Said Amendment of the Board of Aldermen having been read, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following Amendments thereto; viz:

That the words "Resolved, that Aldermen Wolcottman and Childen, with such as the Common Council may select, be a Committee to recommend a suitable plan for a City Hall, and report the same to the City Council, as soon as practicable;" be stricken out.

And that the words "upon the land owned by the City, bounded by Fallon, Baker, Washington and Bowland Streets," be inserted between the word "erected" and the word "to," in the third Resolution contained in said Amendment.

Upon the motion for concurrence in said Amendment of the Board of Aldermen, with the second of the aforesaid Amendments thereto, - the question was taken by ayes and noys, and it was ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal,

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as follows; viz:

Ayes.  
Mr. President  
" Angell,  
Beckwith  
Binney,  
Mudgett,  
Dunaway,  
Guild,  
Lincoln,  
Petter,  
Salisbury,  
Spencer,  
Towler,  
J. Tacker,  
J. N. Tacker, 14.

Noys.  
Hepin Baker,  
Bennett,  
Carpenter  
Eddy,  
Francis,  
Waltham,  
Wiggins,  
Lester,  
Mathewson,  
Paine,  
Sprague  
Winsor. 12.)

The Amendments of the Common Council, to the Amendment of the Board of Aldermen, having been sent up, for concurrence; are returned by the Board of Aldermen, with their non concurrence therein.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the Common Council insist upon their first Amendment to the Amendment of the Board of Aldermen; and that the Common Council recede from their second Amendment to said Amendment of the Board of Aldermen; - which motion is put and lost.

<sup>Pump, for</sup>  
<sup>at</sup>  
<sup>Fallman's</sup>  
<sup>Works.</sup>  
53. The Standing Committee in the Fire Department, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December instant, was referred the Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, in relation to the placing of a pump in the works of William Fallman & Co; make Report, that they recommend that no further action be had thereon; which Report is read. Whereupon,

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It is ordered, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

<sup>Moving</sup> <sup>Building</sup> A Petition of Edward W. Billings, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; and said Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December instant; viz. to meet on Monday the eleventh day of January next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr President,  
Byell  
Baker,  
Beckwith,  
Bennett,  
Bisbee,  
Bloodget.,  
Carpenter,  
Donance,  
Eddy,  
Francis,  
Guild,  
Hunt & Sons.

Uphins,  
Lester,  
Lincoln  
Mathewson  
Paine  
Petter,  
Salisbury,  
Spencer,  
Sprague  
Taylor,  
J. Parker,  
J. R. Parker  
Winser. 26.

Albert G. Greene  
Clerk.

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The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

<sup>Treasurer's</sup> <sup>Statement</sup> The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under authority of the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20, 1857, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance,

<sup>Surveyor's</sup> <sup>Report</sup> The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

<sup>Chief</sup> <sup>Engineer's</sup> <sup>Report</sup> The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

<sup>City</sup> <sup>Marshal's</sup> <sup>Report</sup> The Annual Report of the City Marshal, of the City of the Police Department, for the year 1857, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

<sup>Reform</sup> <sup>School</sup> <sup>Report</sup> The Annual Report of the Trustees of the Prudence Reform School, is presented. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and that

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seven hundred and fifty copies thereof be printed in pamphlet form, under the direction of the Superintendent of said School, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Salaries. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers,'" make Report that they do not recommend the passage thereof: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be 134. received, and laid upon the table.

Appropriations. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolutions, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively: viz:

For filling land above the Cove, five thousand Dollars,  
For Bridges, one thousand Dollars.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

North Providence Boundary Lines

A communication from the Mayor, enclosing a copy of a Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of North Providence, appointing a Committee to confer with the authorities of the City of Providence, with reference to an application to the General Assembly for the appointment of Commissioners to settle the boundary line between that town and the City, at the Woonasquatucket River; is presented and read.

Resolved, That Messrs Eddy, Angell and Methuen, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, do, and

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they are hereby appointed a Committee, to confer with a Committee appointed by the Town Council of the Town of North Providence, on the sixth instant, to confer with the proper authorities of the City of Providence, in relation to the boundary line between the City of Providence and the Town of North Providence, at the Woonasquatucket River, with power to make application, <sup>to the General Assembly,</sup> if they shall deem it advisable, for the appointment of Commissioners to settle the boundary line between this City and the Town of North Providence, at the Woonasquatucket River.

(Concurred, & Aldermen Wetmoren added.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Firewood. The joint Committee appointed on the 23<sup>d</sup> of November last, to report upon the expediency of an application to the General Assembly, for the passage of a law regulating the sale of firewood by the basket, in the City of Providence; reports the following Resolutions, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That Messrs Lester, Bennett and Potter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to apply to the Legislature, at the next January Session thereof, to obtain the passage of a law regulating the sale of short wood, in the City of Providence.

(Concurred, and Aldermen Wetmoren added.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

W.P. & F. R.R. Co.

The Committee appointed on the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of December last, to examine into the condition of the affairs of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, make Report, accompanied by a Statement by the President and Directors of said Company, of the condition of the road;

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which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Report be received; and that the same, together with the accompanying paper, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Resolved, that the Committee appointed December 21<sup>st</sup> 1857, consisting of Messrs Paris, Chapman, and Binney, of the Common Council, and Knight of the

65. Board of Aldermen, be, and they are hereby continued as a Committee, for the purposes of their original appointment; with further power to give any notice in behalf of the City, which the interest of the City, as a bondholder of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company may require.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Lands for  
School Use,  
Let on  
State Street,  
58.

The following Resolution, which was reported by the Standing Committee on City Property, on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of December last, and then received and postponed to this meeting, is taken up, read and passed;

58. Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Committee on City Property, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase of Hon. E. P. Knowles, the lot of land owned by him, adjoining the eastern end of the estate on State Street, now owned by the City; provided that the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars, and that a title to the same can be obtained, satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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City  
Hall. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read, viz:

Plans.

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"Resolved, that Aldermen Waterman and Vidden, with such as the Common Council may add, be a Committee to recommend a plan for a City Hall; to be selected from the various plans presented under a Resolution passed by the City Council, July 13<sup>th</sup> last; and report the same as soon as practicable."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Messrs Chapman, Eddy and Francis added to the Committee.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Washington  
Streets. The joint Committee to whom, on the 23<sup>d</sup> of November last, were referred the Resolutions in relation to the extension of Washington Street,

William  
E. Richmond's

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from Dean to Knight Street, and to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the claim of William E. Richmond, for damage done to his lands on Fountain and Washington Streets, by the flow of water over the same, now report the following Resolutions, which are read and passed; viz:

Resolved, that, in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to extend Washington Street, in this City, from a point opposite the present westerly termination of said Street, on Dean Street, of the width of forty feet, to a point on Knight Street, at the termination of lots designated as lots numbers one and seventeen on a Plat of William E. Richmond's Knight Farm estate recorded in Book of Plats number one, page eleven; - and whereas, certain real estate will be required

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for that purpose):-

That the City Solicitor be, and he is hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State, for the appointment of Commissioners of Finance and Assessment, under and according to the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence." And the City Council hereby direct that application shall be made by said City Solicitor to said Court, in the application for said appointment or appointment, that said Commissioners shall apportion and apportion one half of the cost and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby, in the rates of the benefits conferred.

Resolved That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the directions of, and in the manner required by said Act.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

19. Daniel Wightman The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the claim of Daniel Wightman, for compensation for injuries sustained by him, by falling upon the ice in College Street; make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw: which Report is received, and it is thereupon ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

38. 79. Thomas Seckell The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the petition of Thomas Seckell, for compensation for injuries sustained by him, by the building of the culvert across Pine Street, and by the raising of the grade of Board Street; - make Report, recommending that said petitioner have

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leave to withdraw: which Report is read and received.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Petition be referred to Messrs Binney, Luter and Edgely, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; to examine the same, and to report thereon at the next meeting of the City Council.

(Concurred, and Messrs Holden added.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

John Hampstead The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the claim of John Hampstead, for Damage and loss sustained by him, by the removal, &c. of his Dwelling house and Sit-Buildings on Broad Street; - make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw: which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

27. Seckell The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the claim of Job Seckell, for \$9,700; make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw: which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

Assistance of the Poor. A Communication from Stephen A. Phillip, Overseer of the Poor, requesting that assistance might be furnished him in the discharge of the duties of his office; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

James Smith The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the petition of William H. Taylor and wife, and to whom, on

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the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the petition of Amos W. Cooke, for remission of taxes; upon the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby, directed to pay to the following named persons, the sums set opposite their names respectively; viz:

54. To Amos W. Cooke, three dollars and seventy cents: it being the amount of tax improperly assessed against him, on personal property, by the City, for the year 1857. \$3.70

40. To William C. Taylor and Susan M. Taylor, seven dollars and forty cents: it being the amount of tax improperly assessed against them, on real estate, by the City, for the year 1857. \$7.40

provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the collector of taxes, that said sums have been paid to the City Treasurer. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sums have not been paid into the City Treasury, then he shall credit the collector of taxes with the amounts so unpaid, and said taxes shall be hereby remitted (Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Remission of Tax. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the petition of Patrick M. Caster, for remission of tax, make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw; which Report is received. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be re-committed.

Remission of Tax. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Petition of the Second Universalist Society in Providence, for the remission of tax, and to whom on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November last, were referred the Petitions of

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47 Benjamin Dyer,  
47 Apollos Richmond,  
47 John C. Haling Jr.  
47 Dr. B. Goodwin, Administrator of Estate of Mary Wilkinson,  
47 and William C. Snow and others, for Thomas Haddock and wife; for remission of taxes; make Reports, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Reports are severally received, and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Taxes. The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, were presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon; viz:

80. Petition of Byron Sprague,  
80. " William Sprague.

Remission of Tax. A Petition of James Egerton, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; and said Report is received; and a Resolution, granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the eighth day of February next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President  
" Angell,

" Baker  
Bartlett.

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| Beckwith   | Lincoln       |
| Bennett;   | Masterson,    |
| Binner     | Paine,        |
| Bradget,   | Peller,       |
| Carpenter, | Salisbury,    |
| Donaue,    | Shenck,       |
| Eddy,      | Sprague       |
| Francis,   | Taylor,       |
| Guid,      | Tucker,       |
| Hartshorn, | J. R. Tucker. |
| Hopkins,   | Wenver,       |
| Lester,    |               |

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Albert G. Crane,  
Clerk.

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The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

Treasurer's Monthly Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolutions of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854 is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor's Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. Ordered, that the Report of the Surveyor of Highways, this day made to the City Council, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

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(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Eng. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Report of the Surveyor General of Lumber presents his Annual Surveyor's Report of Lumber sawed during the year ending January 1<sup>st</sup> on the first day of February instant: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received and recorded.  
Ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

R.P. & F. R.R. Co. A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a Communication to him from Benjamin Hopkin and Samuel Ames, resigning their offices as Trustees under the mortgages executed by the Westport, Piquand and Richhill Railroad Company, to them and Alexander Trustees. Duncan, of the railroad of said Company, in B. Hopkin Rhode Island, in security for Bonds of said Company Yield by, or if paid to the City of Providence; S. Ames. is presented and read.  
(100. & 101. pages 121.)  
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North & South Canal Streets. A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a Copy of a Resolution of the General Assembly, approved January 8 1858, for the building of culverts in North and South Canal Streets, provided the City shall build said culverts, grade the Streets, and hereafter keep the same in repair; is presented and read. 105. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same, together with the accompanying paper, be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine

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and report thereon.

Health A Communication from the Superintendent of Health, enclosing a copy of a Bill now pending before the General Assembly, in relation to the improvement and maintenance of the Public Health in the City, is presented and read.

Do. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz.

34. "Resolved, That the Committee of the City Council appointed in November last, to apply to the Legislature for the passage of an Act for the improvement and maintenance of the Public Health in this City, be directed to endeavor to procure the passage of the Act now before the Legislature; with such modification of the First Section, as in their judgment may be necessary."

Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Appropriation. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz.  
Resolved, That the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for filling lands above the Cove.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

City Hall Plans. The joint Committee who were on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January last, appointed "to recommend a plan for a City Hall; to be selected from the various plans presented under a Resolution passed by the City Council, July 13<sup>th</sup> last;" make Report, that they "recommend the plan submitted by Mr. Hartshorn, as being the best in its adaptation to the wants of the Corporation;" which Report is

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read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspaper employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. A Resolution in the words following, is presented and read: viz.

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74. "Whereas, the City Council of the City of Providence, by Resolution passed on the eleventh day of January, A.D. 1858, appointed a Committee to select a plan for a City Hall, from the various plans presented under the Resolution passed July 13<sup>th</sup> 1857;

And whereas, said Committee has made Report, recommending the plan submitted by Mr. Charles P. Hartshorn;

Therefore, Resolved, That the City Treasurer of the City of Providence do, and he is hereby directed to pay to said Hartshorn, the sum of five hundred dollars, from any moneys not otherwise appropriated; provided said Hartshorn shall release and convey to said City of Providence, all his right, title and interest in said plan, subject to any additions, subtractions, or alterations that may be made by said City."  
Whereupon, it is moved that said Resolution pass. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz.

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| Ayes.        |            |
| W. President | " Eddy     |
| Angell,      | Parsons,   |
| Baker,       | Guild,     |
| Beckwith,    | Hartshorn, |
| Bennett,     | Hepkins,   |
| Carpenter,   | Lester,    |

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" Mathewson  
Paine,  
Sprague

" Taylor  
Winsor. 17

Nays,  
Mr Bartlett  
Burdgett  
Chapman,  
Derrance  
Lincoln,

" Peter,  
Spencer,  
J. Tucker,  
J.H. Tucker. 9.

Said Resolution is therefore passed.  
(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, that the thanks of the City Council be, and they are hereby, tendered to Mr. N.P. Bartlett and Messrs Gotham & Co., for their satisfactory exhibition of "Ashcroft's Low Water Detector," January 21<sup>st</sup> 1858. And it is hereby recommended to all persons employing steam power within the City limits, to place said Detector upon their boilers, as the best means known to this Council, for ascertaining the condition of the water in steam boilers.  
(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Light House Petition of Gady and Medick and others, to the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, for the erection of a Light House on the South easterly angle of Block Islands, and for the placing of certain Beacons in Providence River; is presented and read.  
Whereupon, it is Resolved, that the City Council of the City of Providence recognize the necessity of a Light House on the South East angle of Block Island and the importance of a Beacon on Bullock's Point, in Providence River, and the desirability of a Beacon on Ohio Ledge, in said River.

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That, in the opinion of this Council, the establishment of the same will be of great advantage to the navigation of the waters of this and the adjoining States, and especially to the port of Providence; and that the Petition to the Hon. Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, requesting that said Light House and Beacons be established, be, and the same is hereby, approved by this Council.  
(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

School House on Bridgman Street. The Committee to advise and direct respecting the erection of the Grammar School Building on Bridgman Street, in accordance with the Resolution of the City Council, of April 14<sup>th</sup> 1856, &c; make Report that they have discharged the duty assigned them; and that the cost of the Building, furniture, out-buildings and lot, with the filling, grading and fencing the same, is \$32039.<sup>67</sup>/<sub>100</sub>:- which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and that said Committee be discharged.  
(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Pratt Street. The Resolution to report the Board of Aldermen to lay out a Highway from Wolsey Street to Olney Street, in continuation of Pratt Street, which was, together with the Report thereon, laid upon the table, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July 1856, is taken up; and it is moved that the same pass:- which motion is put and lost.

The pending Petitions, which were on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April 1857, laid upon the table, together with the

Thayer St.  
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Reports thereon respectively, are taken up; viz:  
Petition of P. M. Heathorn and others, for  
the setting of curb stones &c, in Thayer Street,  
from Angell to Power Street;

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page 320  
86.

Petition of William P. Ballou and others,  
for the laying out Thayer Street Northward,  
under the Act for laying out "Highways."

Charles  
Field St.  
Book 8.  
page 320.

Petition of Benjamin Cowell and others, for  
the setting of curb stones, &c, in Charles Field  
Street, from Brown to Hope Street.

Whereupon it is ordered, that said petitioners so-  
on have leave to withdraw.

Calvert  
in Sheldon  
Street,

The Petition of George S. Harwood and others, for a  
calvert in Sheldon Street, which was, on the 11<sup>th</sup>

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of May last, laid upon the table, together with  
the Report thereon; is taken up; and it is  
ordered, that said petitioners have leave to  
withdraw.

Wickenden  
Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on  
the 24<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of  
George W. Peck and others, for the paving of Wick-  
enden Street, from Brooks to Hope Street; make

Book No 8,  
page 395.

Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave  
to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is  
thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners have leave  
to withdraw.

Drain in  
Fulton and  
Baker Sts.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on  
the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Petition of  
William G. Patten, for a Drain through Fulton and  
Baker Streets; now return the same to the Com-  
mon Council; and it is thereupon, ordered, that  
said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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and it is thereupon, ordered, that  
said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Sliding in the  
Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on

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the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of December last, was referred the Petition  
of William A. Koppin and others, requesting that one  
street on each side of the River, may be excepted  
from the provision of the Ordinance which prohib-  
its the sliding on sleds &c, in the streets; -make  
Report, recommending that said petitioners have  
leave to withdraw; which Report is received;  
and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petition-  
ers have leave to withdraw.

G. J. Swarts,

A Petition of Gardner J. Swarts, for liberty to build  
a tomb in the North Burial Ground; is presented,

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received, and referred to the standing Committee on  
the North Burial Ground, to examine and report  
thereon.

Thomas  
Sickell,

The joint Committee to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January  
last, was referred the Petition of Thomas Sickell,  
for compensation for injuries sustained by him, by  
the building of the culvert across Pine Street, and  
by the raising of the grade of Broad Street; -make

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Report, recommending that said petitioners have  
leave to withdraw; which Report is received;  
and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners  
have leave to withdraw.

A claim of John J. Stinson, for \$1000, for Damages  
done to his estate at the junction of Hospital  
and Langley Streets, by the grading, &c, of said

J. J. Stinson,

Streets; is presented, received, and referred to

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the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine  
and report thereon.

George W.  
Johnson,

A Petition of George W. Johnson, for compensation  
for injuries sustained by his wife, by falling upon

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the ice at the foot of College Street; is presented,  
received, and referred to the Standing Committee on

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Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Remission of taxes. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January last, was recommended the

70. Petition of Patrick Mc. Carthy, for remission of tax; and to whom on the same day, were referred the Petitions of

71. Byron Shogre

71. and William Sprague,

for remission of taxes; make Reports, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Reports are severally received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw;

Do. The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon; viz:

99. Petition of Mary A. Carpenter, (claim.)

93. " " Sarah Dexter.

Meeting  
Build of 1858  
Petitions of Lacey Keegan,

William Grosvenor,

and John Grant, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports, in favour of granting the prayers thereof respectively; and Resolutions granting the prayers thereof respectively, are read and passed.

(The Petitions of Keegan and Grant: concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

(The Petition of Grosvenor: concurred July 15.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

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In Convention.

Samuel  
Council of  
Lumber  
Robert Manchester is elected Treasurer General of Lumber.

H.P. & F.  
R.B. Co

Benjamin Hooplin and Samuel Ames, who with Alexander Duncan and the City Treasurer for the time being, were on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April, 1852,

Treasurers.

named as Trustees, to whom should be executed by the Hartford Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company, the mortgages of their railroad in

B. Hooplin,  
S. Ames,

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Rockland Island, stipulated for, in an Agreement between the City and said Railroad Company, for the security of the Bonds of said Railroad Company, to be issued in exchange for the Bonds of said City; (said Agreement bearing date February 27<sup>th</sup> 1852.) - Having, this day, tendered their resignation of their said offices; it is voted, that said resignations be accepted.

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Alfred Paine, Chapman and Binney, of the Common Council, and Alderman Knight, are appointed a Committee to nominate two suitable persons as candidates to fill the vacancies occasioned by said resignations.

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The two Boards separate.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the fifteenth day of February instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President

" Angell,

" Baker,

Bartlett,

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Beckwith	Leiter
Bennett	Lincoln
Binnay	Martinsen
Budget	Paie
Cauffman	Peller
Chapman	Spencer
Durand	Speague
Eddy	Taylor
Francis	J. Tucker
Guied	R. H. Tucker
Wheaton	Wisor
Hopkins	

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Abner G. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, February 15<sup>th</sup> 1858.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

Filing of A communication from the Mayor; stating that the work of filling the lands above the Cove, has been temporarily suspended.

Howard Association of Norfolk (Virginia) relative to the yellow fever in that city, in 1853. Have been received; and enclosing the following papers, viz:

A copy of the proceedings of the City Council of Norfolk, in relation to the election of Capt William V. Taylor of the United States Navy with an invitation to the City Council of Providence, to attend his funeral, this day.

W.P.S.F.R.R. Co. Masters. A. Duncan 81, 83.

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and Fitchell Railroad Company to the City, of the railroad of said Company in Rhode Island, in security on the Bonds of said Company issued to or held by the City:

M. Woods

A communication from Marshall Woods, to the Mayor, in relation to the subject of the filling of the lands above the Cove: is presented and read.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

H. G. F. R. Co.

The Committee appointed in Convention, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February instant, report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved

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S. A. H. D. H. D. H. D.

That the resignation of Samuel Ames, Benjamin Hopkin and Alexander Duncan, Esquires, of the offices and estates held by them respectively, as Trustees under certain mortgages or other instruments executed by the Hartford, Providence and Fitchell Railroad Company, to secure the Bonds issued by said Company, and now held by the City of Providence, be and the same are hereby accepted by the City Council of said City.

And that, whereas, in the aforesaid instruments, it is provided, "whenever any vacancy shall occur in said Board of Trustees, by death resignation or otherwise, that the City of Providence, by vote of the City Council, shall have the sole power of appointing any person a person to fill such vacancy"; the City of Providence, by this the vote of the City Council, does hereby appoint Samuel Whitchins, Augustus C. Howland and Stephen D. Olney Esquires, to fill the vacancies occasioned by the resignations of the said

S. Whitchins A. C. Howland S. D. Olney

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Samuel Ames, Benjamin Whipple and Alexander Duncan.

And that the said City Council hereby requests the said Samuel Ames, Benjamin Whipple and Alexander Duncan, to make, execute and deliver, in all such instruments as, in the opinion of the City Solicitor, of the City of Providence, shall be proper to convey and transfer their respective rights, titles and estates in the said trusts, unto their successors so hereby appointed.

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(Approved by the Mayor.)

Filling Lands Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Highways do, and they are hereby authorized to purchase sufficient quantities of earth and sand, for continuing the work of filling the lands above the Cove; if the same can be purchased on such terms as the interest of the City may, in their opinion, require.

82. (Continued.)

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Communication from Francis J. Sheldon, City Auctioneer, is presented and read: and a Resolution, in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read, viz:

91. "Resolved, That the Collector of Taxes be requested to employ Francis J. Sheldon, City Auctioneer, to sell at auction, all property advertised to be sold for the non-payment of taxes."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Charter Certain Resolutions having been, this Day, presented, read, and amended; and, as amended, again read, in the words following, viz:

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"Whereas, certain alterations and amendments of the City Charter of the City of Providence have been prepared, and are still pending, in the General Assembly now in session;

And whereas, it is highly important and proper that the City Council should fully understand and know what alterations and amendments of said Charter, if any, are necessary and practicable to be recommended;

Therefore, Resolved, That Messrs Bartlett, Foyen and Malheuron, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire into, examine and ascertain what, if any, changes, alterations or amendments of said City Charter, together with the Acts of the General Assembly, relating to the same, are necessary and expedient to be made, and report thereon, as soon as practicable.

Resolved, That we respectfully request the General Assembly now in session, to suspend all legislation in relation to the aforesaid matters until after said Report be made by the aforesaid Committee."

Whereupon, it is moved, that the same pass. Upon which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays; and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows, viz:

Yeas.

- Mr. President,
- Agell,
- Bartlett,
- Binney,
- Blodget,
- Chapman,
- Dorronel,
- Eddy,
- Guild,

- Watts,
- Matherson,
- Talbot,
- Taylor,
- J. R. Tucker. 14

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Moys,	Paine
Dr. Bennett,	Spencer,
Carpenter,	Spague,
Francis	J. Tucker,
Wepkins	Winsor.
Lester.	11,
Lincoln	

Said Resolutions are therefore passed  
(Concurred, and Aldermen Mathewson and Matthews  
added)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Petitions are presented, received, and sever-  
ally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to  
examine and report thereon: viz:

Mayor St. 78. Petition of William P. Bulluck and others, for the  
laying out <sup>of</sup> Mayor Street, Milkward, under the Act  
for laying out Highways;

Meeting 79. Petition of William P. Bulluck and others, for the  
grading &c. of Meeting Street, from Prospect to Hope  
Street.

Daniel A. Petition of Daniel Wightman, for compensation  
Wightman for injuries sustained by him, by falling upon the  
88. ice in College Street; is presented, received, and  
98. referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to  
examine and report thereon.

The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, and  
of Taxed. Speculator, received, and severally referred to the  
Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and  
report thereon; viz:

99. Petition of Mallas Richmond,  
93. " " Edwin Howland;  
93. " " Anna D. Smith and others, Spicers  
of Philip Allen and Sons,

February 15<sup>th</sup> 1838.

A Resolution in the words following, having passed  
the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for exam-  
ined; and is read: viz:

John W. Richmond. 93. "Resolved, That the sum of sixty five  
dollars and eighty cents assessed against  
John W. Richmond, for building and  
altering the side walk in front of his  
estate on India Street, be, and the  
same is hereby remitted; provided the  
said Richmond shall give to the City  
Treasurer, a receipt in full for all  
claims and demands he may have  
against the City, for any damages to his  
said estate."

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be  
referred to the Standing Committee on Claims,  
to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday  
the eighth Day of March next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

W. President,	" Wepkins,
Angell	Lester,
Bartlett,	Lincoln,
Bennett,	Mathewson,
Binney,	Paine,
Blodgett,	Talbot,
Carpenter,	Spencer,
Chapman,	Spague
Dorrance,	Taylor,
Edey,	J. Tucker,
Francis,	J. H. Tucker.
Guild,	Winsor.
Hartshorn,	25.

Abner Greene, Clerk,

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March 8<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Common Council, March 8<sup>th</sup> 1858.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Treasurer's Report. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1857, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer's Report. The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented read and received.  
(Concurred. March 9<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Sanitary Report. The Monthly Report of the Surgeon of Highways is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred. March 9<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Quarantine Report. The Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor of the Insane Poor, at the Butler Hospital for the Insane, at the expense of the City, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred. March 9<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Comm. from City Registrar. A Communication from the City Registrar is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received: and that the same be printed in the newspapers

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employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

City Registrar's Report. The City Registrar presents his Annual Report.

50. Upon the Annual Report of the City Registrar; Resolved, that the same be received; and that seven hundred and fifty copies thereof and of the Communications accompanying the same, be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Mayor's Salary. Resolved, that the salary of the Mayor for the year ensuing the first Monday in June next, shall be Fifteen thousand Dollars, payable quarterly.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Appropriations. Resolved, that the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, viz:  
For improvement of the Public Grounds, one thousand Dollars.  
For the support of the Poor, five thousand Dollars.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

City Tax. The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the raising 102. of payment and collection of a sum of not less than Four thousand and Fifty thousand Dollars and not more than Four thousand and Fifty five thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal Estate; which is read, and laid upon the table.

Annual Appropriations. The Standing Committee on Finance report "Reso-

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Minutes making Appropriations for the year ensuing the last Monday in September, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight, which Resolutions are read, and laid upon the table.

Standing Committee to report on reductions &c.

Resolved, that the joint Standing Committee of the Council be directed to examine into the expenses of the different departments which they represent, and report, at the next meeting, what reduction, if any, can be made for the next financial year.

(Continued, March 9<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, that Messrs Paine, Eddy and Binney, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to recommend such plan for the reduction of the expenses of the City, as to them may seem advisable.

(Continued, March 9<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Swan Knight added)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

North Providence Boundary Line.

The joint Committee appointed on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January last, to confer with a Committee appointed by the Town Council of the Town of North Providence, relative to the boundary line between the City of Providence and the Town of North Providence, at the Wampanoag-tucket River; with power to make application to the General Assembly, for the appointment of Commissioners to settle said boundary line at said River; make Report, that such application has been made, and that Stephen Randol, William C. Cooke and Samuel B. Cushing have been appointed by the General Assembly, Commissioners for that purpose. Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Report be received.

(Continued, March 9<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Communications from the Mayor, enclosing two Com.

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communications to the City Council, from the Overseer of the Public Bridges, recommending

Pile Driver and Derrick.

1. The purchase of a pile driving apparatus and a Derrick, for the use of the City;

Weybosset Bridge.

2. The rebuilding of Weybosset Bridge; is presented and read.

Whereupon it is ordered, that the communication from the Overseer of the Public Bridges, in relation to the purchase of a pile driving apparatus and a derrick, be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon;

and that the communication from the Overseer of the Public Bridges, in relation to the rebuilding of Weybosset Bridge, be received, and communicated to the Board of Aldermen.

Weybosset Bridge.

A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read, viz:

"Resolved, that the communication of the Mayor, in relation to Weybosset Bridge, be, and it is hereby referred to Messrs the Mayor and the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report." Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

A. B. Dike.

A Memorial of Abba B. Dike, in relation to the Resolution which passed the City Council, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of February last, requesting the Collector of Taxes to employ the City Auctioneer to sell at auction, all property advertised to be sold for the non-payment of taxes; is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

(Continued March 9<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

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F. J. Sheldon City Assessor. Resolved, that the Resolution passed by the City Council on fifteenth day of February last, requesting the collector of Taxes to employ Francis J. Sheldon,

91. City Assessor, to sell at auction, all property advertised to be sold for the non payment of Taxes, - be, and the same is, herby rescinded.  
(Concurred, March 9<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

M. B. Salis - A Resolution to authorize the City Treasurer to let to Messrs B. Salisbury, a part of the new building now

96. ed by the City on Canal Street; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Home for Aged Women. A Communication from the Mayor, in relation to the Resolution which passed the City Council, on the 14<sup>th</sup> September last, directing the City Treasurer

to make a deed of a certain lot in the North Burying Ground, to "The Home for Aged Women," is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that

18. the same be referred to the Standing Committee on  
27. the North Burying Ground, to examine and report thereon.

J. T. Swarts. The Standing Committee on the North Burying Ground, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of Gardner T. Swarts, for liberty to build a tomb in the North Burying Ground; make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is

79. thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

George W. Johnson. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of George W. Johnson, for compensation for injuries sustained by his wife, by falling upon the ice at the foot of

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College Street; make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Taxes. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of Samuel Dexter, for remission of tax; and to whom, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February last, were referred the Petitions of  
86. Edwin Howland,  
86. and of Anna S. Smith and others, Officers of Philip Allen and Sons, for remission of taxes; make Reports, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Reports are severally received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Tax. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, remitting to John B. Richmond, the sum of sixty-five \$  
John B. Richmond. } 65. Cars and eighty cents, which was assessed against

87. him, for the building and altering of the side walk in front of his estate on India Street; - make Report, recommending concurrence therein; which Report is received; and it is thereupon, resolved, that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Resolution.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Samuel Martor. A Resolution, in the words following, (upon a Memorial of Samuel Martor,) having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read; viz:  
"Resolved, that Samuel Martor have

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leave to pay a tax on five hundred dollars personal property, for the year 1857, at the same rate on each one hundred dollars as that on the total valuation of property in the City of Providence, for said year; and the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to receive the amount of said tax, for the use of said City."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Moving Building

A Petition of Francis Read, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon, which Committee make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof, and said Report is received; and a Resolution, granting the prayer of said petition is read and passed.

(Concurred, March 9<sup>th</sup>.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday, the twenty second day of March instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President, | " Eddy,    |
| " Ayell,      | " Francis  |
| Baker,        | Quill      |
| Ballou,       | Leopold,   |
| Berkwith      | Letor,     |
| Bennett,      | Lindan,    |
| Binney,       | Mathewson, |
| Budget,       | Paine,     |
| Carpenter,    | Peter,     |
| Chapman       | Salisbury, |
| Dorance       | Spencer,   |

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" Sproque  
Tayler,  
J. Tucker.

Z. R. Tucker.  
Wisor.

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Shelby Greene  
Clerk

Common Council, March 22<sup>d</sup> 1858.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

Pursuant to the Resolution passed by the City Council on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March instant, directing the joint Standing Committees to examine into the expenses of the different departments which they represent, and to report, at the meeting, what reduction, if any, can be made for the next financial year; the following Reports are presented, read and received; viz:

Claims Police, 1858.

A Report from the Standing Committee on Claims,  
A Report from the Standing Committee on Police, accompanied by a Bill entitled "An Ordinance repealing the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Police."

Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Report of the Standing Committee on Police, with the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Annals of Appropriations.

The Resolutions making Appropriations for the year

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ensuing the last Monday in September, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight; which were laid upon the table, on the eighth day of March instant; and taken up. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Standing Committee to whom was referred the business of the last meeting of this Council, under the Resolution then passed; be, and they are hereby instructed to make written Reports of the several matters then referred to them, at the next regular meeting of this Council.

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(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mr. D. Salisbury The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March instant, was referred a Resolution to authorize the City Treasurer to let to Messrs B. Salisbury, a part of the new building erected by the City, in Canal Street; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Building on  
Canal Street.

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Resolved That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to lease to Mr Messrs B. Salisbury, the front part of the lower story of the new building lately built by the City of Providence, situated in Canal Street, opposite the Bay Market, for the term of five years, at an annual rent of one hundred and twenty five dollars, payable quarterly; reserving the right of placing a door-way and stairs, to enter the second story, from Canal Street.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:  
Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to lease so much of the second story

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of the building lately erected by the City on Canal Street, as it is not needed for City purposes; the same to be done under the advice of the Standing Committee on City Property.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Home for the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March instant, was referred the communication from the Mayor, in relation to the Resolution which passed the Common Council, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, directing the City Treasurer to make a deed of a certain lot in the North Burial Ground, to the Board for Aged Women; make Report, by Resolution; - which Report is read and received, and it is thereupon ordered, that the same be re-committed, for further examination and report.

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A Petition of Henry F. Davis and others, for the setting of curb-stones, &c. in Carpenter Street, from Bangle to Marshall Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Overseer  
of the Poor.

Assistance.

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the communication from Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, requesting that assistance may be furnished him in the discharge of the duties of his Office; make Report, recommending that no further action be had upon the subject; which Report is read and received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said memorialist have leave to withdraw.

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The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the

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8<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the claim of John J. Stinson, for \$1000, for damage done to his estate at the junction of Capitol and Langley Streets, by the grading of said streets; make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw; which Report is received, and it is thereupon ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

Daniel Wightman. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of Daniel Wightman, for compensation for injuries sustained by him, by falling upon the ice in College Street; make Report, recommending that said petition have leave to withdraw.

106. Upon the Report of the Standing Committee on Claims, upon the Petition of Daniel Wightman, the Report made to the City Council: Ordered, that the same be received, and that the same, together with said Petition, be referred to Messrs Chapman, Hopkins and Francis, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.  
(Concurred, and Alderman Halthorne added)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

J. W. Saunders A Petition of Joseph W. Saunders and Nahum Willard, N. Willard, City Watchmen, praying for remuneration for loss of watch sustained by them by a judgment of Court, rendered against them, for an alleged assault, while in the discharge of their official duty: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

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Remission of Tax. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the claim of Mary A. Carpenter, for remission of tax; make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

Tax remitted. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of Apollon Richmond, for remission of tax; report the following Resolution: which is read and passed.  
Apollon Richmond says:

86. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Apollon Richmond, the sum of one hundred and seventy dollars and twenty cents; the said sum being in remission of a tax improperly assessed against him, in the year 1857; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the City Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid, and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Apollon Richmond.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission of Tax. A Petition of George Sarfer, for remission of tax, is presented received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

100. March 22<sup>d</sup>.

In Convention.

<sup>Surveyor</sup> Robert Manchester, <sup>General of Lumber,</sup> Surveyor General of Lumber, having nominated sundry persons as his deputies; the same are now approved by the City Council.

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The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourns, to meet on Monday the twelfth day of April next, at half past 7 o'clock, P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,

Byell,

Baker,

Bullitt,

Beckwith,

Bennett,

Binney,

Blocket,

Carpenter,

Chapman,

Durrance,

Eddy,

Guild,

Hartshorn,

" Hopkins

Lester,

Lincoln,

Moltesworth,

Paine,

Petter,

Tadslay,

Spencer

Sprague,

Taylor,

J. Tucker,

B. R. Tucker,

Winnit,

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Robert Greene, Clerk

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April 12, 1838.

Common Council, April 12<sup>th</sup> 1838.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

<sup>Memorandum</sup> The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the <sup>Resolution</sup> Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

<sup>Surveyor</sup> The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is reported, perused, read and received  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

<sup>Chief Engineer</sup> The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

<sup>Reports on</sup> Pursuant to the Resolution passed by the City Council <sup>reductions</sup> on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March last, directing the Joint Standing <sup>Expenses</sup> Committees to examine into the expenses of the different Departments which they represent and to report what reduction, if any, can be made for the next financial year; (which Committees were, on the 22<sup>d</sup> day of said March, instructed to make reports at this meeting,) the following Reports are presented, read and received.

<sup>viz:</sup>  
Highways, A Report from the Standing Committee on Highways;  
Education, A Report from the Standing Committee on Education;  
Fire Dept., A Report from the Standing Committee on the Fire Department.

(Concurred, April 13<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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April 12<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Reports on Orders, That the several Reports made to the City Council by the Standing Committees on Highways, Ed. & Repairs, Water, the Fire Department, and Police, in relation

101. to a reduction of the expenses of the City, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred, April 13<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Com. on re. The joint Committee who were, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March  
reduction of { Lab. appointed to recommend such plan for the re-  
expenses } duction of the expenses of the City, as to them might

90. seem advisable; make Report recommending a reduction in the salaries paid to City Officers &c. and

108. also recommending the passage of a Resolution to direct the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to report on Ordinances or Ordinances fixing the salaries of City Officers, in conformity with said Report; which Report is read, whereupon it is adored, that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred, April 13<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Police. The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to whom on the 29<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Report of the

Report on Standing Committee on Police, then made, together with the Bill accompanying the same, entitled "An Ordinance repealing the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance

95. and in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Police"; make Report, recommending the passage of said Bill; which Report is read and received.

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City Tax. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the raising, assessment and collection of a sum of not less than

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Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, and not

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more than Four Hundred and Fifty five Thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal Estate;" which was laid upon the table, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March last; - is taken up, read and passed.

(Concurred, April 13<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Appor. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of Taxes. An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the appointment of a permanent Board of Assessors of Taxes;" is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Mayor's The joint Committee who were, on the 29<sup>th</sup> of June last, Parliament. appointed to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to sit for his portrait, for the City; make Report that they have discharged that duty; which Report is read and received.

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(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Texts Resolved, That Messrs Chapman, Spencer and Hart. Accts. - them, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add,

160. be appointed a Committee to confer with the Committee appointed by the General Assembly, at the January Session, 1858, in relation to the State Estate,

(Concurred, and Alderman Rathbone assented.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

A. S. Society Resolved, That in honor the Mayor be requested to for equipment communicate to the Rhode Island Society for the encouragement of Domestic Industry, the deep sympathy felt by the City Council in the great work in which said Society is engaged; and at the same time, to tender to said Society, the use of the land lately filled by the City, at the Head of the Cove,

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for their Industrial Exhibition to be held in September next.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Wall at head of the Cove. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to contract for the building of not more than one hundred and fifty feet of wall in continuation of the wall at the head of the Cove; the same to be done under the advice of the Standing Committee on Highways.

(Concurred. April 13<sup>th</sup>.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Greene Street. The joint Committee to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Amasa Manton and others, for the extension of Greene Street, to the line of Broadway; and to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last 36. was referred the Petition of Benjamin Dyer and others, for such extension; report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to order and decree, whenever the owners of all the land from Broadway to Fountain Street, at the termination of Greene Street, contained in lots numbered 108, 109, 110, 111, and 114, on Map's Plat Number 25, shall, at their own cost and expense, make, execute and deliver deed or deeds of said land to said City, for the special purpose of being used and improved as a public highway forever, and said deed or deeds shall have been duly acknowledged and recorded, and said deed or deeds shall be satisfactory to said Board; - that the same shall be received, and that said land be opened as a highway, and that the same shall thereafter be repaired as a highway at the expense of the City.

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(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

North & South Court Streets. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the City of a Resolution of the General Assembly, appropriating 73. \$550, for the building of culverts in North and South Court Streets; report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Council hereby accept the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars appropriated by the Legislature, at its January Session A.D. 1858, for the purpose of constructing culverts under North and South Court Streets in the City, according to the provisions of the Resolution appropriating the same. And it is further resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to construct culverts under said North and South Court Streets, and to grade and put said streets in good order; the work to be done under the advice of the Standing Committee on Highways.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

J. W. Saunders, N. Willard. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 22<sup>d</sup> of March last, was referred the Petition of Joseph W. Saunders and Abraham Willard, City Watchmen; 98. now retain said Petition to the Common Council, without recommending any action thereon.

Ordered, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Joseph W. Saunders and Abraham Willard, City Watchmen, the sum of sixty seven dollars, being the amount of a judgment rendered against them, at the last December Term of the Court of Common Pleas in the County of Providence.

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(Continued.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Daniel Wightman The joint Committee to whom, on the 27<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Petition of Daniel Wightman, for compensation for injuries sustained by him by falling upon the ice in College Street, make Report by Resolution for the payment of \$450 to said petitioner, in full: which Report is received; and it is moved that said Resolution pass: which motion is put and lost.  
Whereupon, it is ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Clemens Brown A Petition of Clemens Brown, for compensation for injuries sustained by him, by falling into a Basin in Fountain Street; is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Joseph Hull & Petition of Joseph Hull and Thomas B. Hull, in relation to a lot of land on South Main Street, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

J. H. Pearce A Petition of Josiah B. Pearce, for compensation for losses sustained by him, by reason of errors in the sealing of his weights; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

S. A. Phillips A Petition of Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, for an increase of salary; is presented, received, and paid upon the Table.

Remission of Tax, 158. A Petition of James B. Gramont, for remission of taxes; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing

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Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Moving Buildings.

110.

Petitions of William Bann, and Henry T. Grant, for liberty to move cream wooden buildings; are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Passed in Convention of the City Council.

### In Convention

School Committee.

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Twenty persons are elected members of the School Committee.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the twenty sixth day of April inst ant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

### Members present.

Mr. President.

Agell.

Baker.

Bartlett.

Beckwith.

Bennett.

Binney.

Budget.

Carpenter.

Chapman.

Donnan.

Eddy.

Francis.

Guild.

Hartshorn.

Hopkins.

Letter.

Lincoln.

Mathewson.

Paine.

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"Peller,  
Salisbury  
Spencer,  
Sprague

"Taylor,  
J. Tucker,  
G. N. Tucker,  
Weiser.

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Abraham Greene, Clerk

Common Council April 26<sup>th</sup> 1858.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

*President pro tem.* The President being absent, Mr Lester is elected President *pro tempore*.

*Report of Com. on reduction of expenses.* The Report of the joint Committee appointed to recommend such plan for the reduction of the expenses of the City, as to them might seem advisable; which was received on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April instant; is taken up, and it is ordered, that the same be laid upon the table.

*Annual Appropriations.* It is moved, that the "Resolutions making Appropriations for the year ensuing the last Monday in September, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight," which were, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March last, postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council; be taken up: which motion is put and lost.

*Harbor and Harbor Master.* A Resolution to direct the Standing Committee to enquire of Ordinances to report certain Amendments to the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Harbor of the City of Providence, and the Powers and Duties of the Harbor Master thereof;" is presented

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and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to enquire of Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

*Report of the Commissioners of the State* The Annual Report of the Commissioners of the State of Rhode Island, in relation to the Burial Ground, is presented, read and received. (Concerned.)

*Resolved.* That the Standing Committee on City Affairs be, and they are hereby directed, to enquire into, and report, at the next meeting of the City Council, the number of oxen, horses, carts and wagons now owned by the City; the cost of the same, when purchased; and also, the estimated present worth of each. (Concerned.)

*Book No 10, p. 89.* A Petition of Jewish Chapin and others, for the continuation of the work already ordered on Beaverton Street to Myrtle Street; is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; and that said Report be made at the next meeting of the Common Council.

*P.D. B.L. Co. Holey's Rotary Pump.* A communication from the Providence Dyeing, Bleaching and Calendering Company, in relation to one of Holey's Rotary Pumps, now on trial at their Valley Bleachery, in Providence; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

*P.A. Phillips Treasurer of the Poor.* The Petition of Stephen A. Phillips, Treasurer of the Poor,

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for an increase of salary; which was laid upon the table, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April instant; is taken up, and it is thereupon, advised, that the same be laid upon the table.

Standing } The standing committee on the Fire Department, Buildings } to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April instant, were referred the Petitions of William Dunn

107. and Henry T. Grant, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings: make Reports, in favour of granting the prayer thereof respectively: and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayer of said petitions, severally, are read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

Standing } Petitions of Cyrus B. Manchester, Buildings } John N. Francis, and Samuel K. Kelley, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings: are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: which Committee make Reports, in favour of granting the prayer thereof respectively: and said Reports are severally received, and Resolutions, granting the prayer of said petitions, severally, are read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council

In Convention.

School } Josiah Chapin and Joseph C. Hartshorn, who were, Committee }  
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on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April instant, elected members of the School Committee, having declined accepting said appointment:

Fredrick N. Seabury,  
and George T. Jay are elected members of the School Committee.

The two Boards separated.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the tenth day of May next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. Angell,  
Baker,  
Bartlett,  
Beckwith  
Bennett,  
Bridget,  
Carpenter,  
Chapman  
Eddy  
Francis  
Guild  
Hartshorn,

Reppins,  
Leet,  
Lincoln,  
Mathewson,  
Petter,  
Salisbury,  
Shedd,  
Spague,  
Taylor,  
J. Tucker,  
G. R. Tucker.

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Abraham Greene,  
Blake

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Common Council, May 10<sup>th</sup> 1858.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

Treasurer's Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20, 1834, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Township's Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer's Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor)

Harbor and Harbor Master. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom, on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred a Resolution to direct said Committee to report certain Amendments to the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Harbor of the City of Providence, and the Powers and Duties of the Harbor Master thereof;" make Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Harbor of the City of Providence, and the Powers and Duties of the Harbor Master thereof;" which Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed.

Resolved, That Messrs Eddy, Angell and Matthews, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to represent the City of Providence, before a Committee of the General Assembly of this State, in relation to defining and straightening the boundary line between the City of Providence and the Town of North Providence, on the Wanasquatucket River, and in declaring the width of said River.

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dece, before a Committee of the General Assembly of this State, in relation to defining and straightening the boundary line between the City of Providence and the Town of North Providence, on the Wanasquatucket River, and in declaring the width of said River.

(Concurred, and Maman Waterman abs'd.) (Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed; viz: Resolved, That the following sums be, and they are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively; viz: For the Support of the Poor, three thousand dollars; For Police, one thousand dollars; For Improvement of Public Grounds, for hundred Dollars. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Petition of Thomas A. Doyle and other citizens of the Fifth Ward, praying that the Ward Room in said Ward may be taken from the control of the School Committee, and restored to the uses and purposes for which it was originally intended; make Report, by Resolution, in favor of granting the prayer of said petition; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

The Report of the joint Committee appointed to recommend such plans for the reduction of the expenses of the City, as to them might seem advisable; which Report was, on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April last, laid upon the table; is taken up. Whereupon, the following Res-

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Resolution is presented read, and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the Standing Committee be engaged Ordinance be, and they are hereby requested to report an Ordinance or Ordinances making a reduction of ten per cent on the salaries of all the salaried officers of the City.

Liquor Agency, &c. A Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee to apply to the General Assembly, at its next Session, for the repeal of that part of the Liquor Act which requires the City to appoint an Agent for the sale of wine, rum and other spirituous liquors; is presented and read; and it is moved that the same pass: which motion is put, and lost.

Proceedings of Common Council. Resolved, That the Resolution which passed the Common Council on the second Day of June A.D. 1856, directing the Clerk of the Common Council to cause the Proceedings of each meeting of the Common Council, together with the action of the Board of Aldermen and the Mayor thereon, to be printed, in pamphlet form; be, and the same is hereby, repealed; (said repeal to take effect at the termination of the present municipal year.)

Do. Resolved, That the Clerk of the Common Council be, and he is hereby directed to cause a suitable Index to be prepared to the volume of the Proceedings of the Common Council, for the present municipal year; and two hundred and fifty copies of the volume to be bound, in the same manner as the Ordinances of the City; and distributed in the following manner; viz: one copy to each member of the City Council for the present year; one copy to be marked with the number of the Desk of each member of the Common Council.

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all out of the Board of Aldermen, and to be retained as the property of that Desk; such number as the Mayor may require, to him, for distribution to the several cities and public libraries; - the expense of the same to be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingencies.

109. The Standing Committee on City Property, who were directed to enquire into and report, at this meeting, the number of open, ferries, carts and wagons now owned by the City, the cost of the same, when purchased; and also the estimated present worth of each; - make Report; which is read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor)

Hospital Lands. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to give notice to Messrs Barmer and Barger, and to Messrs Wardwell and Foster, that the City of Providence will terminate the lease of the lot of land, being part of the New Hospital Land, lying West of the Hospital Street, - said lot being leased to said parties and belonging to the City; - on the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of May 1859; and notifying said parties to remove their buildings, and deliver up said premises to the City, on the said first Day of May, A.D. 1859.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. (Approved by the Mayor)

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Page 116. Comm. Rep. 21<sup>st</sup> of March last, was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a communication from George W. Balboke, suggesting the purchase by the City, of the bell now in the tower of the Roger Williams Baptist Meeting House; make Report that they do not recommend such purchase; which 323. Report is read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

P.D.B. & Co. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the communication from the Providence Dyeing, Bleaching and Calendering Company, in relation to one of Kelley's Rotary Pumps, now on trial at their Valley Bleaching, in Clayville; make Report that they do not recommend any appro- 109. -priation towards the purchase of the same; which Report is read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Dexter Street. Resolved that the Turners of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to bring Dexter Street, from Brauster Street to Long Point, to the grade recently established by the Street Commissioners; and that said work be done in connection with the work now being done on Brauster Street.

(Concurred, May 11<sup>th</sup>)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

J.G. Keeling Jr. A Petition of John G. Keeling Jr. and Elisha Tripp, mem- Elisha Tripp. bers of Engine Company No 10, for compensation for injuries sustained by them during an alarm of fire on the 4<sup>th</sup> of April last; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Leaving Building. A Petition of Parley M. Mathewson, for liberty to move

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a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; and said Report is received, and a Reso- lution, granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

School Committee. Samuel G. Amell who was on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April last, elected a member of the School Committee, having 110. declined accepting said appointment.

Wilson C. Richards is elected a member of the School Committee.

Walter C. Simmons, and Daniel Bush, are elected Keepers of Cellar.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the twenty first day of May instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,

Angell,

Baker

Beckwith,

Bennett,

Binney,

Blodgett,

Carpenter,

Chapman,

Ferrand,

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Eddy	Peter,
Francis,	Salisbury,
Guild,	Spencer,
Hartshorn,	Sprague
Hopkins,	.. Taylor,
Lester	.. J. Tucker.
Lincoln,	.. Z. B. Tucker.
Matthewson,	.. Winsor,
Paine,	

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Albert J. Greene,  
Clerk.

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The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Proceedings of the Common Council.

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The Resolution directing the Clerk of the Common Council to cause a suitable Index to be prepared, to the volume of the Proceedings of the Common Council, for the present municipal year, and two hundred and fifty copies of the volume to be bound and distributed: - which Resolution passed the Common Council on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May instant, and was then put up, for concurrence; is now sent down by the Board of Aldermen, with their concurrence therein. (Approved by the Mayor.)

Reduction of Expenses.  
Salaries.

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131.

The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, who were, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May instant, requested to report an Ordinance making a reduction of ten per cent in the salaries of all the salaried officers of the City; now make Report by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of the several Ordinances fixing the

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Salaries of certain Officers": which Report is received.

Said Bill having been read; It is moved that the same be amended, in the provision fixing the salary of the Clerk of the Market, by striking out the words "one hundred and eighty Dollars"; and by inserting the words "one hundred and fifty Dollars" in their place. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows; viz.

Ayes.

Mr. Angell,  
Baker,  
Bartlett  
Bennett,  
Binney,  
Mudgett,  
Chapman  
Dorrance,  
Eddy,  
Francis,  
Guild,  
Hartshorn  
Lester,  
Matthewson,  
Paine,  
Peter,  
Salisbury,  
Sprague,  
Taylor,  
Z. B. Tucker. 20.

Nays.

Reps. Beckwith,  
Carpenter,  
Hopkins,  
Lincoln,  
Spencer,  
J. Tucker. 6.

Said Bill is therefore so amended.

It is moved, that said Bill be amended, by striking out all the words relating to the salaries of persons connected with the Fire Department, upon which motion the question is taken by ayes and

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nays; and it is agreed, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows; viz:

Ayes.

- Messrs. Angell,
- Baker,
- Barlett,
- Blodget,
- Chapman,
- Denance,
- Francis,
- Guild,
- Hartshorn,
- Lester,
- Mathewson,
- Peter,
- Salisbury,
- Spague,
- Taylor. 15.

Nays.

- Messrs. Beckwith,
- Bennett,
- Binney,
- Carpenter,
- Eddy,
- Hopkins,
- Lincoln,
- Paine,
- Spencer,
- J. R. Tucker, 11

Said Bill is therefore so amended.

Said Bill having been further amended: It is moved, that the vote be struck out therefrom all the words relating to the salaries of persons connected with the Fire Department, - be reconsidered; - which motion is put and lost.

Said Bill having been further amended: It is moved, that the same be amended, by striking out all the words relating to the salaries of persons connected with the Public Schools. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is agreed that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows:

Ayes.

- |                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| Messrs. Angell | Denance,      |
| Barlett,       | Eddy          |
| Blodget,       | Guild,        |
| Chapman,       | Hartshorn, 8. |

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Nays.

- |                |                   |
|----------------|-------------------|
| Messrs. Baker, | Mathewson,        |
| Beckwith       | Paine,            |
| Bennett,       | Peter,            |
| Binney,        | Salisbury,        |
| Carpenter,     | Spencer,          |
| Francis,       | Spague,           |
| Hopkins,       | Taylor,           |
| Lester,        | J. R. Tucker, 18. |
| Lincoln,       |                   |

Said motion is therefore lost.

It is thereupon moved, that said Bill be amended, by striking out all the words relating to the salaries of persons connected with the Public Schools, excepting the words relating to the salary of the Superintendent of the Public Schools. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows; viz:

Ayes.

- Messrs. Barlett,
- Blodget,
- Chapman
- Eddy,
- Francis,
- Guild,
- Hartshorn,
- Mathewson
- Taylor, 9.

Nays.

- Messrs. Angell,
- Baker,
- Beckwith,
- Bennett,
- Binney,
- Carpenter,
- Denance,
- Hopkins,
- Lester,
- Lincoln,
- Paine,
- Peter,
- Salisbury,
- Spencer,
- Spague,
- J. R. Tucker,
- J. R. Tucker, 17

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Said motion is therefore lost.

Said Bill having been further amended: It is moved, that the same pass as amended. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays, and it is added that the same be entered upon the journal, as follows: viz:

Ayes.

Mr. President,  
" Baker,  
Barbott,  
Bennett,  
Dorrance,  
Lester,  
Lincoln,  
Paine,  
Talisbury,  
Spencer,  
Taylor,  
J. Tucker,  
J. R. Tucker, 13.

Nays.

Wm. M. M. M.,  
Beckwith,  
Binney,  
Blodgett,  
Carpenter,  
Chepman,  
Eddy,  
Fidwell,  
Guild,  
Hartshorn,  
Kephens,  
Mathewson,  
Petter,  
Sprague, 14.

Said motion is therefore lost.

Engine Co. No 6. A Memorial of James Y. Smith and others, requesting that Engine Company No 6 may not be disbanded, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Remission of Taxes. The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, were presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon:

viz: Petition of Isaac W. Holden,  
" " Mrs. Richardson, Guardian of Deborah L. Thayer.

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Moving Building. A Petition of Silas A. Sweet, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Thanks to the Presi- dent. Resolved, that the thanks of the Common Council be and they are hereby tendered to Stephen Waterman, for the able, dignified, and impartial manner in which he has discharged his duties as President of the Common Council, for the year past.

Unfinished Business. Resolved, that all business being unfinished before this Council, be, and the same is hereby referred to the Common Council to meet on the first Monday in June next.

The Common Council adjourn, without day, &c.

Members present.

Mr. President.  
" Angell,  
" Baker,  
" Battell,  
" Beckwith,  
" Bennett,  
" Binney,  
" Blodgett,  
" Carpenter,  
" Chepman,  
" Dorrance,  
" Eddy,  
" Fidwell,  
" Guild,  
" Hartshorn,  
" Kephens,  
" Lester,  
" Lincoln,  
" Mathewson,  
" Paine,  
" Petter,  
" Talisbury,  
" Spencer,  
" Sprague,  
" Taylor,  
" J. Tucker,  
" J. R. Tucker, 27.

Wm. G. Greene,  
Clerk.

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Organization of the City Government  
of the City of Pawnee, for the Municipal  
Year commencing on the first Monday  
in June A.D. 1858.

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Monday June 7<sup>th</sup> 1858.

This being the day designated by the City Charter for the  
organization of the City Government, for the ensuing  
municipal year, the Mayor and Aldermen elect,  
and the members elect of the Common Council,  
assembled in the Council Chamber, at 3 o'clock  
P.M.

The certificate of the election of William M. Rodman  
as Mayor, for said year, is presented and read,  
and the oath prescribed by law - is administered to  
him, by Hon. Francis E. Hoppin, Judge of the Ma-  
nicipal Court.

The certificates of the election of  
William H. Waterman,  
William H. Bowen,  
Billings Brastow,  
Walter Paine Jr.  
Charles Anthony,  
Joseph F. Gilmore,  
and Zelotes W. Holden, as Aldermen for  
said year, are presented and read; and they are  
severally engaged by the Mayor according to law.

Certificates of the election of the members of the Com-  
mon Council, are presented and read; and all of

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said members are present, and are engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, relative to the municipal affairs of the City.

The two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council  
of the  
City of Providence,  
for the Municipal Year commencing  
on the first Monday in June  
A.D. 1858.

First Ward.

John W. Tagler,  
Daniel Angell,  
Asaph Potter,  
Reuben A. Guild.

Second Ward.

William Binney,  
Ezekiel Owen,  
Henry Anthony,  
John J. Stearns.

Third Ward

Stephen S. Salisbury,  
Henry S. Bartlett,  
Zachariah R. Tucker,  
James R. Sprague.

Fourth Ward.

Stephen Waterman,  
Albert G. Sprague,  
Nathan F. Martineau,  
Jacob W. Martin.

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Fifth Ward

William H. Hopkins,  
Charles E. Carpenter,  
Sanctus W. O. Bennett,  
William Spencer.

Sixth Ward.

John W. Lester,  
John W. Francis,  
Thomas Lincoln,  
James Tucker Jr.

Seventh Ward.

Joseph C. Wartsen,  
John Eddy,  
Almon S. Baker,  
John P. Merriam.

The members elect of the Common Council having been engaged by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen; are called to order.

Stephen Waterman is elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

<sup>Standing</sup> <sup>Rules of</sup> <sup>Order</sup> The Standing Rules of Order of the last Common Council are read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Standing Rules of Order of the last Common Council be received and adopted as the Standing Rules of Order of this Council.

<sup>Standing</sup> <sup>Rules of</sup> <sup>City Council</sup> Resolved that the same Standing Rules which were, on the first day of June A.D. 1857, adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council for the municipal year last past, be and the same are hereby adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the present municipal year.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

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Standing Pursuant to the Standing Rules this Day adopted, by the City Council, the following joint Standing Committees are now appointed according to the respective Rules of the two Boards; viz:

On Finance,

Mrs. Francis,  
Taylor,  
J. R. Tucker,  
Stinson. } Alderman Waterman.

On Highways,

Mrs. Anthony,  
Angell,  
Snogas } Alderman Broadlaw.

To enquire into

Mrs. Eddy,  
Barllette,  
Bennett, } Alderman Paine.

On Education,

Mrs. Binney,  
Waltman,  
Eddy,  
Guled } Alderman Waterman.

On the Fire Department,

Mrs. Carpenter,  
Matthewson,  
Puen. } Alderman Adams.

On City Property,

Mrs. Martin,  
Lester,  
Dorrance. } Alderman Anthony.

On Police.

Mrs. Salisbury,  
Merriam,  
Hopkins,  
Potter. } Alderman Bowen.

On the North Burial Ground,

Mrs. Lincoln,  
Potter,  
Baker. } Alderman Gilmore.

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On Claims,

Mrs. Barllette,  
Tucker,  
Spencer. } Alderman Paine.

Mrs. Ades. Resolved, That Mrs. Guild, Francis and Mathewson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to furnish, for publication, a copy of the Address this Day delivered by him to the City Council; and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient. (Concurred, and Alderman Waterman added.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Printing. Resolved, That the joint Committee to whom was referred the subject of printing the Mayor's Address to the City Council, be and they are hereby authorized and directed to secure a list of the Standing Committees, and such portions of the Organization of the City Government as they may deem expedient, to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

City Printing. Resolved, That Mrs. Guild, Francis and Mathewson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year. (Concurred, and Alderman Paine added.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Treasurer. Resolved, That Mrs. Francis, Taylor and J. R. Tucker, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his Office, for the present municipal year; said Bond to be in the sum of thirty thousand dollars. (Concurred, and Alderman Waterman added.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

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Committee on City Salt } Whereas, Messrs Francis Taylor and Simpson, have been, this day, appointed by the Common Council, as the Committee on their part, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the present municipal year, pursuant to the requisition contained in the first section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt": It is Resolved, that the names of said Committee be communicated to the Board of Aldermen; in order that said Board may add an Alderman to said Committee, pursuant to the requisition contained in said section.  
 (Alderman Waterman added)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Police Court } Resolved, that from the Justice assigned to keep the Peace within this City Henry D. Bowen and Samuel W. Peckham be, and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, during the present municipal year.  
 (Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

School Committee Report } The Annual Report of the School Committee is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.  
Ordered, that the Standing Committee on Education cause five hundred copies thereof to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.  
 (Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Engineers' Report } The Annual Report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, is presented and read, whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that seven hundred and fifty copies thereof, with the usual accompanying papers, be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council and Fire Department.  
 (Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

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Overseer's Report } The semi-annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.  
 (Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Mayor's Report } The Annual Report of the Mayor General is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.  
 (Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Report of Superintendent of the North Side of the B. Ground } The Annual Report of the Superintendent of the North Side of the B. Ground is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.  
 (Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Harbor Master's Report } The Annual Report of the Harbor Master is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received; and that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.  
 112.  
 144.  
 161.  
 (Concurred)

Treasurer's Quarterly Report } The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented, read and received.  
 (Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer's Report } The Quarterly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.  
 (Concurred.)

Salaries. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an  
 118.  
 139.

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Clerk of Municipal Court. Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers and the the several Ordinances in amendment thereof"; is presented, read and passed. (said Bill fixing the compensation of the Clerk of the Municipal Court.)

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Resolved, That the Resolution which passed the City Council on the twenty fourth day of July, A.D. 1857, in the words following, viz:

Clerk of Municipal Court.  
-  
Solicitor

"Resolved, That the Clerk of the Municipal Court be, and he is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Mayor, to procure such assistance as may be necessary in his office, and to draw upon the City Treasurer, quarterly or otherwise, for the payment of the same; provided the amount paid for such assistance shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars per annum; the orders for such payments, to be approved and countersigned by the Mayor, and to be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingencies;" - be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Municipal Court be, and he is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Mayor, to procure such assistance as may be necessary in his office, and to draw upon the City Treasurer, quarterly or otherwise, for the payment of the same; provided the amount paid for such assistance shall not exceed the sum of five hundred Dollars per annum; the orders for such payments to be approved and countersigned by the Mayor, and to be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingencies.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment; viz: That the word "five" in the 9<sup>th</sup> line of the said Resolution, be struck out; and the word "eight" inserted in its place.)

The Amendment of the Board of Aldermen having been read,

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it is therefore, resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein.

Do. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers"; is presented, read and passed; (said Bill abolishing the salary of the Keeper of the Public Grounds, and providing that the duties heretofore performed by him, shall be performed by the Surveyor of Highways.)

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(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of the several Ordinances fixing the Salaries of certain Officers"; is presented, read and passed.

City Officers

Engineers.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment; viz, that in the provision fixing the salary of "each Assistant Engineer" of the Fire Department, the words "two hundred and twenty five Dollars" be struck out; and the words "one hundred and twenty five Dollars," be inserted in their place.)

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The Common Council concur in the Amendment.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fire Department.

Board of Engineers.

A Bill in the words following, is presented, read and passed; viz:

An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department."

It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, as follows;

Sec. 1. The Board of Engineers of said Fire Department, shall hereafter consist of three Engineers and no more, to wit, a Chief Engineer and two Assistant Engineers, who shall be elected and qualified in the manner

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and with the same powers as provided in the Ordinance of which this is an amendment.

Sec. 2. The Chief Engineer shall act as Secretary of said Board; and perform, without additional compensation, all the duties required of the Secretary by the Ordinance of which this Ordinance is an amendment; and in other respects shall be chosen by said Board.

Sec 3. The several Wards of the City shall be also Fire Districts, and bear the same number; and said Wards shall hereafter constitute the only Fire Districts in said City.

Sec 4. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

(Concurred, with the following Amendments: viz.:

1. That the word "three" in the third line of the first Section, be struck out; and the word "five" be inserted in its place;
2. That the word "two" in the fourth line of the first Section, be struck out; and the word "four" inserted in its place.)

The Common Council concur in the Amendments.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Police The Bill entitled "An Ordinance repealing the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Police"; which was reported by the Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April last, is taken up, read and passed: (said Bill repealing the provision authorizing the Mayor, by and with the consent of the Board of Aldermen, to appoint two additional Police Constables.)

Additional  
Police  
Constables.

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(Now concurred June 14<sup>th</sup> 1858.)

Salaries of City Council } Resolutions to reduce the salary of each Alderman to \$100 per annum, and of each member of the Common Council to \$80 per annum, are presented

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and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Fourth Resolved, That Messrs Carpenter, Martin and Spencer, July with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to procure the firing of salutes and the ringing of the bells, on the Anniversary of our National Independence, to be celebrated on the fifth proximo; and that they be authorized to draw from the Treasury, from any moneys not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to carry this Resolution into effect.

140.

(Concurred, and Alderman Matheny added.)

Moving  
Reading.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May last, was referred the Petition of Elias A. Sweet, for Liberty to move a certain wood en Building; make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received, and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do.

Petitions of W. L. Aldrich, and Michael Killin, for Liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports in favor of granting the prayers thereof respectively; and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions granting the prayers of said petitions severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention.

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers, for the present municipal year, and com-  
138. plete the same, with the following exceptions; viz.  
Clerk of the Market.  
202. Sealer of Weights and Measures.  
Overseers of the Town House Lot and Buildings

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Resolved That the Standing Committee on City Prop-  
Highways etc be, and they are hereby directed to obtain an  
154. Inventory of all the property belonging to the City, now  
existing in possession of the Surveyor of Highways; and re-  
Publish. port thereon as early as convenient.  
(Concluded June 12<sup>th</sup>)

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City  
Public Property be, and they are hereby directed to obtain  
Bridges. an Inventory from the late Overseer of Public  
Bridges, of all the property in his hands, belonging  
to the City, including tools and fixtures; and re-  
Publish. port at the next meeting of the City Council.  
138. (Concluded June 12<sup>th</sup>)

Resolved. That the Standing Committee on the  
Fire Department be, and they are hereby instructed

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to ascertain if the Presidents of Firewards, this day  
elected, take their commissions; and to report  
thereon, to the City Council.  
(Concluded June 12<sup>th</sup>)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Mon-  
day the fourteenth day of June instant, at 8 o'clock  
P.M.

Members present.

- |               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| Mr. President | Lester,       |
| Angell        | Lindell       |
| Brothman      | Martin,       |
| Baker         | Matthewson    |
| Bartlett      | Abernam,      |
| Bennett,      | Owen,         |
| Bingey,       | Peter,        |
| Carleton,     | Talbot        |
| Donner,       | Spencer,      |
| Eddy,         | Sprague       |
| Francis       | Thomson,      |
| Guilford      | Taylor        |
| Hartshorn     | J. Tucker     |
| Hopkins       | Y. N. Tucker. |

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Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council, June 14<sup>th</sup> 1858.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment;  
a quorum present.

Treasurer  
Monthly  
Statement  
The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer under the Res-  
olution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is  
presented read, received, and referred to the Standing Com-  
mittee on Finance.

Surveyor  
Report  
The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented,  
Report read and received.  
(Continued.)

City  
Printing  
The joint Committee who were, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June in-  
stant, appointed to contract for the City printing for the  
present municipal year; make Report, that they have  
129. contracted with Messrs Knowles, Nathan & Co. for the  
job printing; and with the proprietors of the "Provident  
Daily Journal" the "Manufacturers and Farmer's Journal"  
and the "Weekly Journal"; and with the proprietors of  
the "Provident Daily Post" and the "Weekly Post"; and  
with the proprietors of the "Provident Daily Tribune" and  
the "Weekly Tribune"; for the advertising, &c.; which  
Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the  
same be received.  
(Continued.)

Overseer  
Public  
Bridges  
The Standing Committee on City Property, who were, on the  
7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, directed to obtain from the late  
Overseer of Public Bridges, an Inventory of all the property  
Inventory in his hands belonging to the City; make Report, accom-  
panied by an Inventory; which Report is read and  
135. received.  
(Continued.)

Com. from  
Mayor  
A Communication from the Mayor, stating that certain  
City Officers who were elected on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant,  
136. decline accepting their appointments; is presented and

read.

Salaries  
A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of  
an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Sal-  
aries of certain Officers" and the several Ordinances  
in amendment thereof;" is presented and read;  
133. 142. Municipality said Bill fixing the salary of the Judge of the Municipal  
Court. Court at \$1000 per annum, in lieu of the fees  
allowed by law; Whereupon, it is moved that  
said Bill pass: which motion is put and lost.

Whereupon, A Bill entitled "An Ordinance relating to the Board  
of Assessors of the City," is presented, read and passed.  
(Continued, June 18<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Appropri-  
ations  
Resolved that the following sums be, and the same  
are hereby appropriated for the following purposes res-  
pectively: viz:  
For Highways, five thousand Dollars;  
For Police, two thousand Dollars.  
(Continued.)

R. B. F.  
R. R. Co.  
Interest  
on Bonds  
Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is  
hereby directed to pay, under the direction of the  
Standing Committee on Finance, the interest upon the  
Bonds of the City of Providence, payable to the Hartford  
Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company or its  
assigns, at the end of twenty five years from and  
after the first Day of January, 1857; which said  
interest becomes due and payable on the first  
Day of July, 1858; upon receiving the interest warrant  
annexed to each of said Bonds, for the payment of  
such interest on said first Day of July a<sup>d</sup> 1858.  
(Continued.)

Highway Resolved. That the Standing Committee on Highways be  
 144. and they are hereby requested to report to the City  
 Council, at their next meeting, an account of  
 works on the Highways, ordered and not completed,  
 with an estimate of the expense of the same; and  
 also a statement of all sums due from the City, for  
 work already executed.  
 (Concurred)

A Communication from Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of  
 the Poor, is presented and read. - and a Resolution  
 109. thereon, is sent down therewith, for concurrence; and  
 is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common  
 Council do concur therein.  
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Water Pipe in Wickenden Street. A Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways to cause  
 a pipe to be laid in Wickenden Street, from the well  
 or reservoir in said street, East of Brook Street, to the  
 watering place in said street, West of Brook Street;  
 163. is presented read, and referred to the Standing Commit-  
 tee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Fourth of July. A Memorial of William W. Beppin and others, in relation  
 to a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary  
 of American Independence, is presented, read and re-  
 ceived.

Do. Resolved, That the Committee appointed on the 7<sup>th</sup> in-  
 135. stant, consisting of Messrs Carpenter, Martin, Spencer,  
 145. and Alderman Anthony, to procure the ringing of the  
 bells and the firing of salutes, on the Anniversary  
 of our National Independence, be, and they are  
 hereby authorized to contract with the American

Prof Bonds. for their services during the Day and even-  
 -ing of said Anniversary; said bond to be employed  
 subject to the direction and control of said Com-  
 mittee; and that the Committee be authorized  
 to draw from the Treasury, from any monies  
 not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may  
 be necessary to carry this Resolution into effect.  
 (Concurred)

Mining Building. A Petition of John B. Howell, for liberty to remove a  
 certain wooden Building, is presented, received, and  
 referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire De-  
 18. Howell. partment, to examine and report thereon; which  
 Committee make Report, that they do not re-  
 commend the granting of the prayer thereof; and  
 said Report is received; and it is, thereupon, or-  
 -dered, that said petitioner have leave to with-  
 draw.

Joined in Concurrence of the City Council.

In Convention.

Gauger General. Edward G. Turner, Gauger General having nominated  
 James Burrough, William Burrough, George Greene,  
 and James Shaw as his Deputies; the appoint-  
 -ment of said deputies is approved and confirm-  
 ed by the City Council.

The resignation of James L. Stone as a member of  
 the School Committee is presented, read and received

Mr. Amos W. Gardner is elected a member of the  
 School Committee.

June 14<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Communications from the following named persons, who were on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, elected to certain City offices, declining to accept the same; are severally received: viz;

From Cyrus Fisher, who was elected a Measurer of Carpenters, Masons and Painters Work; and a Surveyor and Director of Streets;

From Cyrus Fisher, who was elected a member of the Committee to superintend the <sup>building of chimneys and</sup> placing of Stoves and Stove Pipes.

From Abner W. Angell who was elected an Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department;

From David A. Cleveland, who was elected an Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department.

Richard Palmer is elected a Measurer of Carpenters, Masons and Painters Work; and a Surveyor and Director of Streets.

Richard Palmer is elected a member of the Committee to superintend the <sup>building of chimneys and</sup> placing of Stoves and Stove Pipes.

A communication in the words following, is presented, read, and received: viz:

Providence, June 8<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Wm. Williams M. Rodman,  
Mayor of the City of Providence.  
Sir.

I hereby decline my appointment as Judge of the Municipal Court; considering the salary, as fixed by the recent Ordinance of the City Council, as an inadequate compensation for the duties of the office.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,  
Francis E. Hoppin.

Do, Albert G. Greene is elected Judge of the Municipal Court, for the present municipal year.

The City Council having elected certain other City

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Officers, for the remainder of the present municipal year; the two Boards separate.

The Common Council,

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Collector of Taxes, prescribing his duties and compensation for his services"; is presented and read.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday the sixteenth day of June instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- The President,
- Angell,
- Anthony,
- Baker,
- Bensett,
- Birney,
- Carpenter,
- Donaud,
- Eddy,
- Fancis,
- Guild,
- Hartshorn,
- Hoppins,

- Lester,
- Lincoln,
- Martin,
- Mathewson,
- Meriam,
- Owen,
- Peter,
- Talbot,
- Spencer,
- Stinson,
- Taylor,
- J. Tucker,

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Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

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Common Council, June 16<sup>th</sup> 1858.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Collector of Taxes. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Collector of Taxes, prescribing his duties and compensation for his services;" which was, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of June instant, presented and read; is taken up and again read; and it is thereupon ordered, that the same be referred to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Fire Department. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in amendment of a Fire Department?'" is presented, read, and passed. 133. (said Bill providing that "the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department shall hereafter consist of three Engineers and no more, to wit, a Chief Engineer and two Assistant Engineers.") (Now concurred, June 18<sup>th</sup>)

Harbor and Harbor Master. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the Harbor of the City of Providence, and the Powers and duties of the Harbor Master thereof.'" is presented and read. 112. 131. 161. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to enquire, Ordinance, to examine the same, and to report thereon, at the next meeting of the Common Council,

Highway Works. The Standing Committee on Highways, who were, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June instant, requested to report at this meeting, "an account of work on the Highways," ordered

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and not completed, with an estimate of the expense of the same; and also, a statement of all sums due from the City for work already executed; make Report: which is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred, June 18<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Sewer from Bridgehead School House. A Resolution, to direct the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department to cause a sewer to be constructed from the Bridgehead School House to the dis- 167. cision of the Builders Iron Foundry's; is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine the same, and to report thereon at the next meeting of the Common Council.

Moving Building. A Petition of Stephen Chace, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, received, 152. and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Committee of Arrangements. Resolutions for the appointment of a Committee of Arrangements for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence, having been, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June instant, 140. 149. presented and read; and sundry motions for filling the blank therein having then been put and lost; are now again read; - and sundry motions for filling the blank therein, are put and lost.

The Common Council adjourns, to meet on Friday, the eighteenth day of June instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

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June 16<sup>th</sup> June 18 1858.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
Angell,  
Anthony,  
Baker,  
Bartlett,  
Bennett,  
Binney,  
Carpenter,  
Dunaway,  
Eddy,  
Francis,  
Guild,  
Hartshorn.

Hopkins,  
Lester,  
Lincoln,  
Martin,  
Mathewson,  
Meriam,  
Owen,  
Potter,  
Stebbins,  
Spencer,  
Thompson,  
Taylor,  
J. Taylor? 26.

Monty Greene, Clerk,

Common Council, June 18 1858.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment:  
a quorum present.

President, The President being absent, Mr. Lester is elected President  
*pro tempore*, *pro tempore*.

Town Meetings (places of holding Town Meetings in relation to the  
Dexter Donation, &c. is presented and read.

147. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be referred to  
the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, to ex-  
amine the same, and to report thereon, by bill, this  
Day.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

117.

June 18<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Do. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, report a  
Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an  
146. Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance appointing Town  
Meetings in relation to the Dexter Donation"; which  
Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed.

(Continued, with an Amendment.)

The Common Council do not concur in the  
Amendment.

(The Board of Aldermen recede from their  
Amendment, and concur in the Bill as  
passed by the Common Council.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

144. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Col-  
lector of Taxes, permitting his Deputies and compensation  
for his services"; which was, on the 16<sup>th</sup> of June in-  
stant, put upon this Day, is taken up and read.  
Whereupon, a new Bill is presented, read, and amend-  
ed; and, as amended, is read and passed, in  
the words following, viz:

"An Ordinance in relation to the Collector  
of Taxes.

It is enacted by the City Council of the  
City of Providence, as follows:

Sec 1. Each and every Collector of Taxes, presi-  
dent to his entering upon the collection of any tax  
or taxes, shall give bond or bonds, with suffic-  
ient securities, to the City Treasurer, for the  
faithful performance of his trust; which Bond  
or Bonds shall be for the amount of the tax or  
taxes such Collector is to collect.

Sec 2. The securities to such Collector's bond or  
bonds shall be approved by the Board of Aldermen,  
before the City Treasurer shall receive such bond  
or bonds.

Sec 3. The Collector shall advertise in the  
newspapers employed to do the City printing, call-  
ing upon all persons who may be affected by

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taxes, to make payment at his office, within seven Days, ending on the Day designated by the City Council, in any Ordinance providing for the raising and assessing of any tax: He shall attend at his office, for the purpose of receiving the same, every Day, (Sundays excepted,) from nine o'clock in the forenoon, until three o'clock in the afternoon, during said seven Days: and shall remit to those who shall pay their taxes respectively by the last of said seven Days, such per cent from the respective sums assessed upon them as may be ordered by the City Council: and all moneys received by the said Collector, during said seven Days, shall be, from Day to Day, paid over to the City Treasurer. He shall also pay over to the City Treasurer, from time to time, the remainder of such tax, (if any,) not received by him during said seven Days, as the same shall be received.

1. Sec 4. Said Collector shall be allowed one
2. eighth of one per cent on all portions of said
3. tax which shall be paid to him on or before the
4. last of said seven Days, together with the
5. three per cent remittance as aforesaid.
6. And said Collector shall be allowed two and one
7. half per cent on all portions of said tax which shall be collected by him after the last of said seven Days.

Sec 5. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed."

(Concurred, with the following Amendments; viz:

1. That the words "one eighth of one per cent," in the 2<sup>d</sup> line of the 4<sup>th</sup> Section, be stricken out, and the words "three sixteenths of one per cent" be inserted in their place;
2. That the words "the three," in the 5<sup>th</sup> line of the 4<sup>th</sup> Section, be stricken out, and the word "such" inserted in their place;

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3. That the words "two and one half per cent," in the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> lines of the 4<sup>th</sup> Section, be stricken out, and the words "three per cent" be inserted in their place.)  
The Amendments of the Board of Aldermen having been read: it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur in the first of said Amendments; and do concur in the second and third of said Amendments.  
(The Board of Aldermen recede from their first Amendment, and concur in the passage of the Bill as amended.)

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Appraisers of Taxes," is presented, read, and amended; and, as amended, is read and passed:  
Said Bill providing the compensation of the Appraisers of Taxes, and providing for the annual election of a Clerk of the Board of Appraisers.)

Salaries. The Resolutions to reduce the salaries of the Aldermen and members of the Common Council; which were, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, presented to the next meeting of the Common Council; are taken up and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be laid upon the table.

Resolutions directing that a part of the salary of each Alderman and member of the Common Council for the present municipal year, be deducted and given, to be expended in the celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence; are presented, read, and laid upon the table.

Do Resolutions for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence, which were read on the 16<sup>th</sup> of June instant; are taken up, and are again read; in the words following: viz:

Resolved, That Messrs such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence.

Resolved, That the sum of            be and the same is, hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of said Celebration; to be paid to the order of said Committee, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolutions be laid upon the table. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays, and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz:

<u>Ayes,</u> Messrs Angell, Binney, Hawthorn, Hopkins, Meriam, Owen, Spencer, Hinson, Taylor, J. Tucker, J. R. Tucker, 11	<u>Nays,</u> Messrs Anthony, Baker, Bartlett, Bennett, Carpenter, Doname, Eddy, Francis, Lester, Martin, Mathewson, Potter, 12.
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Said motion is therefore lost.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the blank in the second Resolution, be filled with the words "twelve hundred

and Dollars, in addition to the amount already authorized to be expended;" which motion is put and lost.

Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolutions be postponed indefinitely. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz:

<u>Ayes,</u> Messrs Angell, Binney, Hawthorn, Hopkins, Meriam, Owen, Spencer, Hinson, Taylor, J. Tucker, J. R. Tucker, 11.	<u>Nays,</u> Messrs Anthony, Baker, Bartlett, Bennett, Carpenter, Doname, Eddy, Francis, Lester, Martin, Mathewson, Potter, 12.
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Said motion is therefore lost.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the blank in the second Resolution be filled with the words "one thousand Dollars, in addition to the amount already authorized to be expended;" - which motion is put and lost.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Resolutions be laid upon the table.

South Street,            A Petition of William B. Bidu and others, for cross-walks in South Street, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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Meeting the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, Building on the 16 of June instant, was referred the Petition of Stephen Chau, for liberty to move a certain wood on building; make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

145.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the twentieth day of July next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. Angell, | Royleins      |
| Guthrie     | Leser         |
| Baker       | Marlin,       |
| Barrett,    | Mathewson,    |
| Bennett     | Marian        |
| Binney,     | Owen,         |
| Carpenter,  | Potter,       |
| Dorman      | Salisbury     |
| Eddy,       | Spencer,      |
| Faucet,     | Timson        |
| Guild       | Taylor        |
| Hartshorn,  | G. Tucker     |
|             | J. R. Tucker. |

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Abel G. Greene,  
Clerk

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Clerk pro tem

The Clerk being absent, Samuel W. Brown is elected Clerk pro tempore.

Treasurer

Monthly

Statement

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of Oct 20 1854, is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

State Surveyor

Reports

The Report of William Katcheller, late Surveyor of Highways, of work done from June 1st 1858, to June 9th 1858, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Surveyor

Report

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engineer

Report

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Appropriations

The Standing Committee on Finance, report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed; viz: Resolved, that the following sums be, and they are hereby appropriated for the following purposes, respectively; viz:

- For Highways, Five Thousand Dollars
- " Lighting Streets, One Thousand Dollars

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- " Bridges, One hundred dollars,
  - " Improvement of Public Grounds, Three hundred dollars.
- (Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Appropriations (Annual) 108 175. The Resolutions making appropriations for the year ending the last Monday in September, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight, which were on the 22<sup>d</sup> of March last, postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council, are taken up, amended, and as amended are read and passed.

Fourth of July. 150. The Committee, who were on the seventh day of June last, appointed to procure the firing of salutes and the ringing of the bells, on the anniversary of our National Independence, make report, that they have expended the sum of \$ 628.95, and recommend that the additional sum of Fifty Dollars be paid for the band of music employed by the "Continental". Whereupon it is ordered that the Report be received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

20. Resolved. That the sum of Fifty Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the celebration of the eighty second anniversary of American Independence, in addition to the sum already appropriated; to be applied to the payment of the Band employed by the Continentals.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Inventory of Property 136 Surveyor of Highways. The Standing Committee on City Property, who were on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June last directed to obtain an Inventory of all the property belonging to the City, now in possession of the Surveyor of Highways, make Report, which is read; Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received; and

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That the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the city printing.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Highway Works. 144. 163. A Communication from the Standing Committee on Highways, in relation to the work on the Highways already ordered and not completed; with an estimate of the expense of the same, is presented and read:—  
Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the city printing.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Washington Street. Extension 168. A Communication from the Commission of Estimate and Assessment, appointed by the Supreme Court, in relation to the extension of Washington Street; saying, that they have completed their estimate and assessment, as will appear from a copy of their Report on file in the City Clerk's Office; is presented and read; and a Resolution receiving the same having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Engine No 12. 20. A Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, in relation to the exchange of Engine No 12, for one of smaller size, is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: which Committee make Report by the following Resolution; and the same is read and passed; viz:  
20. Resolved, that the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, be and he is hereby authorized and directed, to exchange with Messrs Button & Blake, of Waterford, N.Y. Engine No 12, for an Engine of the class of Engines 1, and 3, provided the cost of said exchange shall

not exceed two hundred and fifty dollars.

(Concurred, with the following amendment; viz: that the words "or some other suitable person," be inserted after the words "N. G." in the 5th line.)

The Common Council concur in the amendment.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Albert Sarnie  
City Clerk  
Salary

A communication from Albert Sarnie City Clerk, in relation to the amount of his salary, as fixed by the Ordinance in relation to Salaries, passed June 7th 1858, is presented and read.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in amendment of the several Ordinances fixing the salaries of certain officers,'" is presented, read and passed: said bill fixing the salary of the City Clerk.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Assessors of  
Taxes

149

The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Assessors of Taxes" which passed the Common Council on the 18th of June last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein with certain amendments, which are read: Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Amos Perry

184

A Memorial from Amos Perry, representing that a bill for work done by the Surveyor of Highways, had been presented to the Board of Assessors, to be added to his tax, and requesting that said bill be paid out of the City Treasury: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Climens Brown

106

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the 12th of April last, was referred the petition of Climens

Brown, for remuneration for expenses, damages and injuries sustained by him in consequence of falling into a drain in Fountain Street, make Report that they do not recommend granting the prayer thereof: - which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Joseph Houll

Thomas B. Houll

116

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 12th of April last, was referred the petition of Joseph Houll, and Thomas B. Houll, in relation to a lot of land on South Main Street: make Report, that they do not recommend granting the prayer thereof: - which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Strick R. Pearce

106

180

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the 12th of April last, was referred the petition of Strick R. Pearce, for compensation for losses sustained by him by reason of errors in the sealing of his weights: - make Report, that they do not recommend granting the prayer thereof: which Report is received, and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

James Mumford

Collector of Taxes

Taxes

165

A Memorial from James Mumford, Collector of Taxes, requesting the Council to sink certain Taxes, for reasons therein stated: is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

R. Brownell agt

Remission of Assessment

164

A Memorial from Richmond Brownell, agent for Lucia B. Brownell, in relation to an assessment against him for the opening of Dorrance Street, and praying to be released therefrom: is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Geo Duffee

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Taxes

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the 22d of March last was referred the petition of George Duffee for remission of Tax: Report the following Resolution: which is read

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and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to George Duffee, the sum of six dollars and sixty six cents, the said sum being in remission of tax, improperly assessed against him in the year 1857: provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that his tax bill has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer that his tax bill has not been paid into the Treasury: then he shall credit the collector of taxes with the sum of six dollars and 66 cents: and the collector of taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted from the tax of said George Duffee.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Remission of Taxes.

James G. Grammont  
106. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the 12th of April last, was referred the petition of James G. Grammont; and to whom on the 24th of May last, was referred the petition of Moses Richardson, Guardian, for remission of Taxes: make Reports, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: which Reports are severally received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners severally, have leave to withdraw.

Remission of

The following Petitions for the remission of Taxes, are presented, received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon; viz:

166. Petition of Ninety Weeks  
181. " Benjamin Syer  
166. " James McElroy.

Joined in Convention of the City Council

In Convention.

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Register of Transfers

Joseph Mouslin is elected "Register of Transfers"  
The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday, the ninth day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present:

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|--------------|--------------|
| Mr President | Lincoln      |
| Angell       | Moslin       |
| Anthony      | Mathewson    |
| Baker        | Merriam      |
| Bennett      | Owen         |
| Chapman      | Potter       |
| Dorrance     | Salisbury    |
| Eddy         | Spencer      |
| Franck       | Sprague      |
| Guild        | Stimson      |
| Hartshorn    | Taylor       |
| Hopkins      | J. Tucker    |
| Leslie       | L. R. Tucker |

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Samuel W. Brown  
Clerk pro tempore

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The Common Council met pursuant to Adjournment, a quorum present.

Sanitary Report.

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.

(Concurred, August 11<sup>th</sup>)

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Chief Engineer The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received. (Continued, August 11<sup>th</sup>)

Salaries. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers', and the several Ordinances in amendment thereof;" is presented, read and passed. (Said Bill fixing the salary of the Clerk of the Common Council, at \$400 per annum.) (Continued, August 11<sup>th</sup>)

Salaries The Resolutions to reduce the salaries of the Aldermen and members of the Common Council, for the present municipal year; which were laid upon the table on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June last; are taken up and read. Whereupon, 171. It is ordered, that the same be laid upon the table.

Do. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers'; is presented, read and passed. (Said Bill fixing the salaries of the Aldermen and members of the Common Council, after the first Monday in June, 1859.) (Continued, August 11<sup>th</sup>)

Teste Elton. A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a communication made to him by Samuel A. Parker General Treasurer, accompanied by a copy of the first section of a Resolution passed by the General Assembly at its January Session, A.D. 1858; is presented and read: said copy being in the words following, viz: "Resolved, that the General Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to demand of, and receive from,

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the City of Providence, the real estate which escheated to this State by the Death of Alexis Feste of said Providence, in the year 1818." Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same, together with the Communication from the General Treasurer, accompanying the same, be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Do. A Resolution to direct the City Treasurer, in behalf of the City, to deliver to the General Treasurer of the State, possession of the "Tale Road", is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Harbor and Harbor Master. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the Harbor of the City of Providence, and the Powers and Duties of the Harbor Master, thereof'; which passed the Common Council on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May last, and was then sent up, for concurrence; is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with certain Amendments; which are read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendments of the Board of Aldermen.

Harbor Master. The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Annual Report of Nathaniel Church, Harbor Master; report the following Resolutions: which is read and passed; viz: Resolved, That Messrs Francis, Eddy, and Spencer, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add,

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be and they are hereby appointed a special Committee, with full power to settle all matters of Difference between the City and the New Harbor Master, Nathaniel Church, Esq., in such manner as they think the equity of the case or the best interests of the City demand; with full power to commence an action at law, to recover any monies supposed to be remaining in his hands: Said Committee to confer with, and act under the advice of, the City Solicitor.

(Commenced August 11: Alderman Waterman added)

**Weights & Measures.** Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby authorized to cause the Weights and Measures belonging to the City, in the hands of the Sealer of Weights and Measures, to be put in good and complete order; and to draw on the Treasurer, for the cost, provided it shall not exceed fifty Dollars: - the same to be charged to the Appropriation for "Contingencies".  
(Commenced August 11<sup>th</sup>.)

**High School Salaries.** A Communication from the School Committee, reporting that the salary of the teacher of the Third Division of the Junior Class of girls in the High School, may be raised to the same salary now authorized to be paid to the teacher of the Second Division of the same class: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

**Firemen of Fire Companies.** "Resolved, That the Standing Committee be empowered to enact Ordinances and hereby directed to report at the next meeting of the City Council, an Ordinance establishing the Firemen of each Fire Company (not exceeding six,) as a separate grade; and allowing to each

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of said Firemen, an annual salary of seventy five dollars."

A Resolution in the words aforesaid, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

**Highway Work.** A Communication from the Standing Committee on Highways, in relation to the work on the Highways, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.

(Commenced August 11<sup>th</sup>.)

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171.

**Water Pipe in Wickenden Street.** The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom was referred the Resolution respecting the laying of a water pipe in Wickenden Street; make report recommending the passage thereof, which report is received; and said Resolution is read and passed, as follows: viz;  
140. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a pipe to be laid, to conduct a sufficient supply of water from the public well or reservoir in Wickenden Street, East of Brook Street, to the watering place in Wickenden Street, on the West side of Brook Street; and also, to locate, at said watering place, the stone trough already provided for that purpose.

(Commenced August 11<sup>th</sup>.)

**Salin & Friendship Streets.** A Communication from the Mayor, relative to the condition of the sewers in Salin and Friendship Streets and at the foot of Balsey Street; is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee

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on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Westminster Street. A Petition of George A. Howard, for the widening of Westminster Street, three feet, on the North side thereof, from the Eastern side of the estate of Eliza Dyer and others, to the Eastern side of the Museum Building; is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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216.

The following Petitions are presented received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; viz:

Exchange Place  
179.

Petition of Bradford Tappin & Co. and others, for cross walks in Exchange Place:

Planet St  
v. 352.

Petition of Sacket Mason and others, for cross walks in Planet, Bepkins, James and Wall Streets.

Cypress Street.

A Petition of Edwin M. Snow, for the extension of Cypress Street, from Camp Street to the East end of Abbott's Lane; is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Thomas Seckell,

79.  
169.

A Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee with full powers to settle all claims which Thomas Seckell has against the City of Providence, provided the same do not exceed three hundred Dollars; is presented and read, and it is moved that the same pass; which motion is put and lost.

Lucia E. Brunell.

Remission of Assessment.

157.

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of Richmond Brunell, Agent for Lucia E. Brunell, praying that a certain estate in Westminster Street may be deducted from an assessment of \$150. for the opening of Dorrance Street; - make Report, recommending

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that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Joseph B. Wilson.

198.

A Petition of Joseph B. Wilson, for compensation for losses sustained by the removal and replacing of his house on Brook Street, by the Surveyor of Highways; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Taxes remitted

157.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Memorial of James Burdford, Collector of Taxes, requesting that certain taxes assessed in the year 1857 amounting in the whole, to \$945.<sup>12</sup>/<sub>100</sub>, may be annulled, for the reasons specified in each case; - make Report, by Resolution annulling said taxes, and directing the City Treasurer to credit the Collector of Taxes with said sum, together with the interest on said several taxes; - which Report is received, and said Resolution is read and passed.

(Continued. August 11<sup>th</sup>)

Tax remitted

Isaac W. Holden.

122.

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May last, was referred the Petition of Isaac W. Holden, for remission of tax; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz: Resolved, that the City Treasurer do, and he is hereby directed to pay to Isaac W. Holden, the sum of ninety two Dollars and fifty cents; the said sum being in remission of a personal property tax improperly assessed against him, in the year 1857; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury by said Holden.

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If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury by said 'Holden'; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid, and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Isaac W. Holden, (Continued, August 11<sup>th</sup>.)

Resolved That the Collector of Taxes be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to deduct twenty-two Dollars, from the bill of owing which is included and added into the tax bill for 1857, on the estate of Ann Donahue: there being a mistake made by the Street Commissioners, in sending the bill twenty Dollars too much; which, with the ten per cent added, will make the sum of twenty-two Dollars. (Continued, August 11<sup>th</sup>.)

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, were referred the Petitions of Minty Wake and James Mc Elroy, for remission of taxes; make Reports recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: - which Reports are severally read; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon; viz:  
781. Petition of William F. Marshall;  
781. " " Addison B. Finch.

A Petition of Jonathan G. Draper, for the remission of an apartment of \$100 on an estate leased by him.  
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for the opening of Donnan Street, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon,

Petitions of Joshua Bacon and Harvey Parks, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports in favour of granting the prayers thereof, respectively; and said Reports are severally reviewed; and Resolutions, granting the prayers of said petitions severally, are read and passed. (Continued, August 11<sup>th</sup>.)

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 16<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Resolution in relation to the building of a sewer from the Bridgman School House; make Report, in favour of the passage thereof; which Report is received. Thereupon, said Resolution is amended; and as amended, is read and passed, as follows; viz:

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be, and he is hereby directed to cause a sewer to be built from the Bridgman School House to the cistern now being erected by the Builders Iron Foundry Company; in case the cost of building the same does not exceed one hundred Dollars; and providing that said Company shall agree to the use of the water in said cistern, by the Fire Department, in case of fire, without expense to the City.

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Washington Street. Supplement in the matter of laying out and extending  
Extensions. Washington Street, appointed by the Supreme  
155 Court at the March Term thereof, A.D. 1858, under the  
169. Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out,  
enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering, Streets  
in the City of Providence; which Report has been  
filed in the City Clerk's Office; is taken up;

Whereupon, a Resolution that the City Council do  
elect to make the improvement in said Street, set  
forth in said Report, is presented and read; and  
it is moved that the same pass.

Pending which motion, the Common Council  
adjourn, to meet on Tuesday, the tenth Day of  
August instant, at 4 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President | Martin,       |
| Angell,       | Meriam,       |
| Anthony,      | Swan,         |
| Bennett,      | Peterson,     |
| Binney,       | Solisbury,    |
| Carpenter,    | Spencer,      |
| Eddy,         | Sprague,      |
| Fleming,      | Sturson,      |
| Gardner,      | Taylor,       |
| Hopkins,      | J. Tucker,    |
| Lester,       | J. P. Tucker. |
| Lincoln,      |               |

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Albert Greene,  
Clerk

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The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

Washington Street. The Resolution that the City Council do elect to  
Extension make the improvement in Washington Street, set  
forth in the Report of the Commissioners of Esti-  
168. mate and Appraisal in the matter of laying  
out and extending said Washington Street, ap-  
pointed by the Supreme Court at the March Term  
thereof, A.D. 1858, under the Act entitled "An  
Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging,  
straightening, or otherwise altering, Streets in the  
City of Providence;" - which Resolution was  
pending at the adjournment of the Common Coun-  
cil on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August instant; is read; and  
laid upon the table.

Do. Resolved, That Messrs Carpenter, Lester, Sturson  
and Meriam, with such as the Board of Alder-  
men may add, be, and they are hereby ap-  
17. pointed a Committee to report to the City Coun-  
cil, whether the land situated between Knight  
and Dean Streets is liable to overflow, by  
reason of any action of the City Government, and  
the best measures for relieving that land from  
such overflow, if any has been so caused.

(Continued, August 11<sup>th</sup> and Alderman  
Hollen added)

Thomas Seckell & wife. A claim of Thomas Seckell and wife, against  
the City of Providence for loss, by flowage of water  
by the City, from 1852 to 1857 and for expenses  
164. in raising fences, in consequence of said  
179. flowage, amounting to \$1530, is presented.

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received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Remission of Tax  
8/16 Wednes. 190.  
A Petition of Enos H. Warden, for remission of tax, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourns, to meet on Monday the twenty third day of August instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

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| Mr. President, | Mathewson,   |
| Bozell,        | Keenans      |
| Butcher,       | Owen,        |
| Bennett,       | Peter,       |
| Carpenter,     | Sullivan,    |
| Eddy,          | Spencer      |
| Farver,        | Hinson,      |
| Hopkins,       | Taylor,      |
| Lester,        | J. Tucker,   |
| Lincoln,       | J. H. Tucker |

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Albat Greene, Clerk,

Common Council August 23<sup>d</sup> 1858.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

Atlantic  
Telegraph  
Cable.

A communication from the Mayor, recommending that measures be taken for a celebration of the event

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of the successful laying of the Electric Telegraph Cable from Ireland to the American Continent, is presented and read. and a Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee of Arrangements for such celebration, and for an appropriation to defray the expense of the same, is presented, read and laid upon the table.

Salaries  
The Resolutions to reduce the salaries of the Aldermen and members of the Common Council for the present municipal year, which were laid upon the table on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August instant, are taken up and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be laid upon the table.

Appropriation  
The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed, viz:  
Resolved, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, viz:  
For Highways, four thousand Dollars;  
For Public Works, two thousand Dollars;  
For Lighting the Streets, five hundred Dollars.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Highway  
A communication from the Standing Committee on Highways, in relation to the work on the Highways, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

Washington  
Streets  
The joint Committee who were, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August instant, appointed to report to the City Council, whether the land situated between Bright and Dean Streets is liable to overflow, by reason  
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of any action of the City Government, and the best measures for relieving that land from such overflow, if any has been so caused;" make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Continued.)

Do. Petitions of Jorden Angell and others, and Brayton Gardner and others, praying that Washington Street may be extended Westward to Knipe Street, according to the Report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the matter of laying out and extending said Street: are presented, read and received.

Do. The following Resolution, which was laid upon the table on the 16<sup>th</sup> of August instant: is taken up, read, and passed: viz:

171. Whereas, the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, in the matter of laying out and extending Washington Street in the City of Providence, appointed by the Supreme Court of the State of Rhode Island, under the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, or laying, straightening, or otherwise altering, streets in the City of Providence;" have made their final Report to said Court:-

Now, therefore, within thirty days after the making of said Report: Resolved, that the City Council do hereby elect to make the improvement in said Street, set forth in said Report.

(Continued)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Charles Field Street. A Petition of Benjamin Cuell and others, for the setting of curb stones, &c and the building of culverts in Charles Field Street: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of September next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

The President,

Bennett,

Carpenter,

Francis,

Quinn,

Waresham,

Hepkins,

Lester,

Lincala,

Matthews,

.. Merriam,

Owen,

Potter,

Salisbury,

Spencer,

Spokane,

Payson,

F. Tucker,

J. R. Tucker,

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Albert Green, Clerk

Common Council, September 13<sup>th</sup> 1858.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Resolved, that the Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the authority of the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

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and Payments of the City Debt: is presented, read, and received.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Surveyor The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read, and received.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Harbor Master The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

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231. Resolved. That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to deliver to the General Treasurer of this State, the possession of the Real Estate which escheated to the State by the death of Alexis Feste, and known as the "Feste Estate," situated in the City of Providence.

(Concurred, October 4<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

162. Weights The Standing Committee on City Property who were, on the 9<sup>th</sup> (11<sup>th</sup>) of August last, authorized "to cause the Weights and Measures belonging to the City, in the hands of the keeper of Weights and Measures, to be put in good and complete order;" make Report: which is read and received.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Appropriations The Standing Committee on Finance report the following

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Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:  
Resolved That the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively; to wit:

For Support of the Poor, two thousand Dollars;  
For Contingencies, one thousand Dollars;  
For Police, five hundred Dollars.

(Concurred, October 4<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

154. Annual Appropriations The Resolutions making Appropriations for the year ending the last Monday in September A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight; which passed the Common Council on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, and were then sent up, for concurrence; and were returned by the Board of Aldermen; who concur therein; with the following Amendments; viz:

1. That from the Appropriation for the Fire Department, the words "thirty five thousand Dollars" be stricken out; and the words "forty thousand dollars" inserted in their place;
2. That from the Appropriation for the support of the Public Watch, the words "thirty thousand dollars" be stricken out; and the words "thirty two thousand Dollars" be inserted in their place;
3. That from the Appropriation for the Police Department, the words "ten thousand Dollars" be stricken out; and the words "twelve thousand Dollars" be inserted in their place.

Said Amendments of the Board of Aldermen having been read: It is thereupon resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein.

The Board of Aldermen insisting upon their Amendments, and requesting a Conference upon the disagreements of the two Boards, and having appointed Alderman Waterman as conferee on their part: -

It is thereupon resolved, that the Common Council

do concur to the request of the Board of Alder-  
men, for a Conference; and do appoint Messrs  
Francis, Carpenter and Lester, Conferees on their  
part.

Said Conferees having made Report: -

It is, thereupon, resolved, that the Common  
Council do recede from their non concurrence  
in the second and third Amendments of the  
Board of Aldermen, and do concur in said  
Amendments:

and that the Common Council do recede from  
their non concurrence in the first of said Amend-  
ments, and do concur in said Amendment,  
with the following Amendments to the same; viz.  
that the words "forty thousand" be stricken out  
of the same, and the words "thirty eight thousand"  
be inserted in their place.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amend-  
ment of the Common Council, to their Amend-  
ment.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Coal. A Petition of Messrs Plimpton & Taft and others, praying  
contracts for that in all future contracts for supplies of coal  
for the use of the City, advertisements shall be made  
for sealed proposals, and the contracts made with  
the lowest responsible bidder; is presented, re-  
ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee on  
City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Evening Schools. A Resolution in the words following, being passed the  
Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and  
is read: viz.

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand Dollars  
be and the same is hereby appropriated for the  
support of Public Evening Schools, in addition  
to the fifty thousand Dollars already appropri-  
ated for Public Schools: said sum to be expended

under the direction of the School Committee."  
Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Coun-  
cil do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Engine Co No 11. A Petition of Engine Company No 11, in relation  
to the salaries of the ~~Stewards~~ Stewards of the  
several Fire Companies, is presented, received, and  
referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire De-  
partment, to examine and report thereon.

Highway Works. A Communication from the Standing Committee on  
Highways, in relation to the work on the High-  
ways, is presented and read. Whereupon, it  
is advised that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Sabin St. Friendship St. Halscy St. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom,  
on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Commu-  
nication from the Mayor, relative to the condition  
of the Drains in Sabin and Friendship Streets, and  
at the foot of Halscy Street, make Report;  
which is read. Whereupon it is advised, that  
the same be received, and that the same be  
printed in the newspapers employed to do the City  
Printing.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. The Standing Committee on Highways report the fol-  
lowing Resolution, which is read and passed: viz.  
Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and  
he is hereby directed to build one or two Sand-  
catchers, in connection with the Drain in Friend-  
ship Street.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Washington A Resolution in the words following, is presented and read: viz:

Extension

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Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the City Solicitor be directed to make application to the Supreme Court, in behalf of the City, at the next term of said Court, to have in and for, the County of Providence; for leave to discontinued all further proceedings in relation to the lay-out and extension of Washington Street, in said City, from Dean Street to Knight Street; - and upon such leave being granted, said Solicitor is hereby directed to discontinue the same." Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution be laid upon the table. Upon which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays; and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz:

Ayes.

- Messrs Angell,
- Bennett,
- Carpenter,
- Eddy,
- Francis,
- Hopkins,
- Lincoln,
- Martin,
- Mathewson,
- Meriam,
- Spencer,
- Sprague,
- J. Tucker, 19.

Nays.

- Messrs Anthony,
- Baker,
- Bartlett,
- Binney,
- Quinn,
- Wheatshorn,
- Lester,
- Quinn,
- Potter,
- Salisbury,
- Stimson,
- Taylor, 12.

Said Resolution is, therefore, laid upon the table.

So. A Resolution in the words following, is presented and read: viz:

"Resolved, That Messrs \_\_\_\_\_ with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized

and directed to employ a competent civil engineer to survey so much of this City, as lies above Dean Street and between Broadway and High Street; and report to this Council, at its next meeting, the best method of draining the same." Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be laid upon the table.

So. A Resolution in the words following, is presented and read: viz:

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"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curb stones and pave the gutters, and to grade that portion of Washington Street, lying between Knight and Dean Streets, recently declared a public Highway."

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be laid upon the table.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the Exchange Place, 5<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of Bradford Taft & Co. and others, for cross walks in Exchange Place, report a Resolution in the words following: viz:

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Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to plan a cross walk opposite the Depot Building, on Exchange Place; which Report is received; and it is thereupon moved that said Resolution pass: - which motion is put and lost.

Thomas Seckell and wife.

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The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the claim of Thomas Seckell and wife against the City for loss by flowage of water by the City, from 1852 to 1857, and for expenses in raising dikes, in consequence of said flowage; amounting to \$1550; make Report, recommending that said claimants have leave to withdraw; - which Report is received; and it is there-

upon orders, that said claimants have leave leave to withdraw.

James. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May last, was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Petition of James Hampton, for compensation for injuries sustained by him by the falling in of a part of Shamrock Street: - make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: - which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

J.R. Pearce. A Claim of Josiah R. Pearce, for \$1000, for losses sustained by him by reason of errors in the sealing of his weights by Charles F. Little, scales of weights and measures: - is presented received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

J.G. Draper. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of Jonathan G. Draper, for the remission of an assessment of \$100 on 166, an estate leased by him, - for the opening of Dorrance Street: - make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: which Report is read and received; and it is, thereupon, resolved that the same be not adopted.

Do. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Jonathan G. Draper, the sum of one hundred dollars, the said sum being in remission of tax assessed against him, for the opening of Dorrance Street; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury by said Draper. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury: - then he shall credit the

Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid, and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Jonathan G. Draper.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

<sup>Respective</sup> <sup>of Taxes.</sup> The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of Benjamin Dyer; and to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August last, 166, were referred the Petitions of William Follenhall, 166, and Addison A. Winch; for remission of taxes, make Reports recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: which Reports are severally received, and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Moving Buildings) Petitions of Thomas R. Briggs, Increase Tinsler, Ashworth Maudsley, and Jonathan W. Pratt, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings: are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: - which Committee make Reports, in favour of granting the prayers thereof respectively; and said Reports are severally received, and Resolutions granting the prayers thereof, severally, and read out passed.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the eleventh day of October next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present  
Mr. President .. Angell

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Anthony,	Luter,	
<del>Anthony</del> ,	Lincoln,	
Baker,	Martin,	
Bartlett,	Mathews,	
Bennett,	Meniam,	
Binney,	Owen,	
Carpenter,	Peter,	
Eddy,	Selisbury,	
Francis,	Spencer,	
Guird,	Sprague,	
Hartshorn,	Stinson,	
Hopkins,	Taylor,	
	Trickett,	26.

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council, October 11<sup>th</sup> 1858.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Treasurer The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the  
 Monthly Statement of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is  
 Report presented, read and received.  
 (Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engr. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire De-  
 partment, is presented, read and received,  
 (Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

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Harbor Master's Report The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master, is presented, read and received.  
 (Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Privy Vaults A Communication from the Superintendent of Health, respecting the "Ordinance in relation to the removal of the contents of Privy Vaults," is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police: to examine and report thereon.

City Clerk A Resolution for an appropriation to the order of the City Clerk, as additional compensation to the Clerk employed by him, - for the present municipal year: is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Engine Co. No 11. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Engine Company No 11, in relation to the salaries of the Stewards of the several Fire Companies: make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Fire Department Board of Aldermen The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, who were on the 12 of July last, directed by the Board of Aldermen, to report a Bill establishing the Boresmen of the Fire Companies as a separate grade, and allowing to each fireman, an annual salary of \$75. make report by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'The Ordinance establishing a Fire Department,'" and of the several

Amendments thereof: which Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed.

(Concurred. November 1<sup>st</sup> 1858.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Washington Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Assessors, is read and concurred,

and is read; viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be graded that part of Washington Street lying between Dean and Knight Streets, and the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved therein.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Brook St. Resolved, That Messrs Eddy, Lester and Anthony, with such as the Board of Assessors may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to enquire Thomas Smith and ascertain, what excavations have been

and are being made at the Southern extremity of Gravel Brook Street, and in and about Shamrock and Thomas Streets; - by whose authority the same have

196. been made; and whether with or without the consent of the owners of the land affected by such excavations; and report at the next meeting of this Council, what action (if any,) should be taken in the premises.

(Concurred, and Alderman Brastow added.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Amos Perry The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of Amos Perry, upon the following Resolution; which is read and

156. passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby

directed to pay to Amos Perry, the sum of fourteen  $\frac{30}{100}$  Dollars; said sum being in remission of a tax assessed upon him in the year 1858, for relaying of sidewalks; provided it shall appear to the City Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with said amount; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct said amount from the tax of said Amos Perry.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

J.R. Pearce The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the claim of Jewah R. Pearce, for \$1000, for losses sustained by him, by reason of errors in the scaling of his weights;

180. make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw; - which Report is received; 309. and it is thereupon ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

Petitions of Charles W. Prescott,

190. of Taxes. \$190

Henry Smith,

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Amicus V. Potter,

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William H. Chandler,

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and William Butler, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Moving Petitions of James Cornell,

Buildings. } and Joseph Knowles, for liberty to use certain

wooden buildings, are presented, received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports, in favor of granting the

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Prayers thereof, respectively, and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayers thereof, severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred, November 1, 1858.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the eighth Day of November next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,  
Angell,  
Anthony,  
Baker,  
Bartlett  
Bennett,  
Binney,  
Carphenter,  
Dorrance,  
Eddy,  
Francis,  
Guild,  
Hartshorn  
Wheeler

Tester,  
Lincoln  
Martin,  
Matthews,  
Merrill,  
Owen,  
Petter,  
Salisbury,  
Spencer,  
Sprengle,  
Stinson,  
Taylor,  
J. Tucker. 27.

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

Common Council, November 8<sup>th</sup> 1858.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

A. G. Greene Albert G. Greene is elected Clerk of the Common Council for the present municipal year, and is

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seen by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, according to law.

Treasurer The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engineer The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Treasurer The Annual Account of the City Treasurer with the Annual Accounts of the City, is presented and read, and the same having been audited and certified by the City Auditor, it is ordered, that the same be received and recorded.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Auditors The Annual Report of the City Auditor for the year ending on the last day of September last, is presented and read.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received; and that the Standing Committee on Finance be, and they are, hereby directed to cause said Report, or so much thereof as is required to be published by the joint action of the City

Charter, with a Schedule of the Property of the City, to be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; and also to cause not exceeding five hundred copies of said Report and Schedule to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Continued.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Report of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund of the City of Providence (appointed in conformity with the Act of the General Assembly passed at the May session, A.D. 1855, present their Report of the condition of said Fund;

viz: That they have 52 Bonds of the City, payable in 1885, (with 6 per cent interest warrants attached.) - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Continued.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Report of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund of the Hartford, Providence and Fitchville Railroad Company present their Report of the condition of said Fund;

viz: That they hold 20 Bonds of the City, for \$1000 each, payable in 1885, (with interest warrants attached, payable semi-annually, at 6 per cent.)

Amount paid or same	\$20,000:00
Interest on same	170:00
cash on hand,	83:35
	623:92
	<hr/>
	\$ 20,777:47.

which Report is read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Continued.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Com. from Superintendent of Health. A Communication from the Superintendent of Health, in relation to impurities in the water in various wells in the City, accompanied by a statement made to him by Professor N. P. Will. of Brown University, in relation to the subject; and requesting that an appropriation may be made, for the purpose of procuring an examination of water to be made, in cases where it may seem important; - is presented, and read.

194. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received; and that the same, together with the accompanying Communication, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Continued.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Com. from Board of Engineers. A Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, respecting a proposition of the Builders Iron Foundry to keep a forcing pump in use at fires, in case the City will cause one to be placed upon their premises; - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

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Resolved. A Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways to cause the cut-stones to be set and the gutters paved, in Riggold Street, from Carpenter Street to Broadway; Having passed the Board of Aldermen, and been sent down for concurrence; is read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

North Main Street. A Petition of Rufus Waterman and others, requesting that the sidewalk on the easterly side of North Main Street, south of Waterman Street, may be narrowed; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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Thomas Seckel } A Resolution for the appointment of a joint Com-  
179. } mitter to settle the claims which Thomas Seckel  
339. } has against the City; is presented, read, and laid  
upon the Table.

Builder's } A claim of the Builders' Gun Foundry, for \$21. for  
Gun } water taken from their cistern, on the 19<sup>th</sup> of Octo-  
Foundry } ber last; is presented, received, and laid upon  
claim } the Table.

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Daniel } A Resolution in the words following, having passed  
McCarthy } the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concur-

rence, and is read: viz:  
"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is  
hereby directed to pay to Daniel McCarthy and  
the heirs of Charles McCarthy, two hundred  
and twenty five Dollars, out of the Appropria-  
-tion for Contingencies; on their giving such a  
receipt as the City Solicitor shall direct."  
Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred  
to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine  
and report thereon.

Taxes } The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the  
remitted } 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petitions of Erus  
170. } W. Weedon, for remission of tax; and to whom, on  
the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, were referred the Petitions of  
185 } Charles W. Prescott,  
185 } Henry Smith,  
185 } Amicus V. Potter,  
185 } and William W. Chandler, for remission of taxes, re-  
port the following Resolutions, which is read and passed:  
viz:  
"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is here-  
by directed to pay to the persons whose names are an-  
nounced, the sum placed against their respective names,  
the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly  
assessed against them, in the years 1857 and 1858;

provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the  
certificates of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums  
have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall  
appear to the City Treasurer, that said sums have not  
been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit  
the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid,  
and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts  
hereby remitted, from the taxes of the persons whose  
names are annexed; viz:

- To Henry Smith \$26.73 assessed for the year 1858.
- " William W. Chandler 12.15 " " " "
- " Amicus V. Potter 222.74 " " " 1857
- " Charles W. Prescott 57.24, 10<sup>cts</sup> being added.
- " Erus W. Weedon 22.00, 10<sup>cts</sup> being added.

(Carried.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission } The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the  
of Tax. } 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Petition of William  
W. Butler, for remission of tax: make Report, recon-  
mending that said petitioner have leave to with-  
draw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon  
ordered that said petitioner have leave to with-  
draw.

Remission } The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are  
of Taxes } presented, received, and severally referred to the Stand-  
ing Committee on Claims, to examine and report  
thereon: viz:

- 201. Petition of Randall Bolden, (tax on real estate.)
- 201. " " Randall Bolden, (tax on personal estate.)
- 200. " " Josiah Keene.
- 200. " " Amos Perry.
- 201. " " Joseph R. Badlong.
- 201. " " Amos W. Cook.
- 201. " " James S. Arnold.

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Leaving  
Buildings.

Petitions of John Mc Cartin  
and C. N. Harrington, for liberty to mend  
certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and  
severally referred to the Standing Committee in the Fire  
Department, to examine and report thereon; -  
which Committee make Reports, in favour of granting  
the prayers thereof respectively, and said Reports are  
severally received, and Resolutions, granting the prayers  
thereof severally, are read and passed.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The City Council having elected certain City Officers  
for the remainder of the present municipal year, the  
two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday  
the thirteenth day of December next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Mr. President. | Quild      |
| Angell,        | Whartow    |
| Anthony,       | Hopkins,   |
| Baker,         | Lester,    |
| Bailett,       | Liverdu,   |
| Bennett,       | Martin,    |
| Binney,        | Mactearan, |
| Carpenter,     | Meriam,    |
| Dorrance,      | Owen       |
| Eddy,          | Peter,     |
| Harris,        | Salisbury, |

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" Spencer,  
Spiegel  
Stevenson.

" Taylor,  
P. Tucker,  
J. B. Tucker?

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Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council, December 13, 1858.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment,  
a quorum present.

<sup>Treasurer's</sup>  
<sup>Monthly</sup>  
<sup>Statement</sup> The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under  
the Resolution of the Common Council, of October  
20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred  
to the Standing Committee on Finance.

<sup>Treasurer's</sup>  
<sup>Quarterly</sup>  
<sup>Report</sup> The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the  
Spues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented,  
read, and received.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

<sup>Surveyor's</sup>  
<sup>Report</sup> The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is pre-  
sented, read and received.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

<sup>Chief</sup>  
<sup>Engineer's</sup>  
<sup>Report</sup> The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire  
Department is presented read and received.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

<sup>Harbor</sup>  
<sup>Master's</sup>  
<sup>Report</sup> The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented,

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read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Overseer's Report. The semi-annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor  
204. is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that  
the same be received, and that the same be printed  
in the newspapers employed to do the City printing;  
and that the subject thereof be referred to Messrs  
Guild, Stinson, Galialung, Matheman, Spenser, Lister  
and Baulhorn, with such as the Board of Alder-  
men <sup>may add;</sup> to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred, and Alderman Bowen, Holden and

Anthony added.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Superintendent of Health. Resolutions, in the words following, being passed the  
Board of Aldermen, in secret session, for concurrence,  
and are read; viz:

Water in  
Wells.

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"Resolved, that the Superintendent of Health  
with the advice and direction of the Mayor, be  
authorized to expend a sum, not exceeding one  
hundred dollars, in procuring an examination  
of wells water in the City, where, in their opinion,  
it may be important for the interests of the pub-  
lic Health.

Resolved, that the Superintendent of Health be  
directed to make a full Report to the City Coun-  
cil, of all examinations made in accordance  
with the above Resolution."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council  
do not concur therein.

City Clerk The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on  
the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Resolution for an  
additional appropriation, to the order of the City Clerk, as addit-  
183. ional compensation to the Clerk employed by him,  
214. for the present municipal year: now return the same

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without written Report. Whereupon, it is ordered, that  
the same be re-committed; with instructions to  
said Committee, to examine and report upon  
all matters connected therewith.

Public  
Halls.

204.

Whereas, the recent destruction, by fire, of Howard  
Block in this City, has called the attention of  
the citizens to the importance and necessity of the  
proper and safe construction of Public Halls; for  
the protection and preservation of Human Life  
in case of fire, on occasion of Public Lectures  
and gatherings in said Halls: And whereas, the  
Public Halls in said City, are badly arranged  
and improperly constructed for such purposes; thereby  
exposing the citizens to great danger and loss  
of life, in case of alarm and conflagration, on  
such occasions: Therefore, Resolved, that Messrs  
Eddy, Binney, Donance, Carpenter and James  
Tucker, with such as the Board of Aldermen  
may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a  
Committee, to examine, enquire into and ascertain  
the best and most practicable manner of con-  
structing said Halls, with reference to the safe-  
ty of the citizens; and report, at the next meet-  
ing of this Council, whether it is expedient to  
pass an Ordinance in relation to the construc-  
tion of Public Halls that hereafter may be built  
in said City, with reference to said matter.

(Concurred, Alderman Gilmore added)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Public  
Schools.

Teacher  
Music.

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A Communication from the School Committee  
requesting that an appropriation may be made  
(not exceeding \$300.) for the purpose of employing  
an Assistant Teacher of Music, in the Public  
Schools; is presented, received and referred to the  
Standing Committee on Education, to examine  
and report thereon.

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Firing Pump, Builders Iron Foundry, The Standing Committee in the Fire Department, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, respecting a proposition of the Builders Iron Foundry, to keep a forcing pump in use at fires; in case the City would cause one to be placed upon their premises: - make Report, recommending that the City Council await further action of the Board of Engineers: which Report is read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Steam Fire Engines. A communication from the Mayor, in relation to the procuring of steam fire engines, for the use of the City: is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee in the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Brook St. Shamrock St. Thompson St. The joint Committee who were, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, appointed to ascertain what excavations had been made at the Southern extremity of Brook Street, and in and about Shamrock and Thomas Streets: make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed not to dig or remove any earth or gravel from any portion of the City, without the permission and contract in writing, first had and obtained for that purpose, from the owners of the earth or gravel proposed to be dug or removed.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

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Let on Eddy Street. A Resolution in the under following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and it reads: -

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to fill, under the direction of the Committee on Highways, a lot belonging to the City, lying between the New England Sewer Factory and the Rhode Island Bleachery, on Eddy Street, taking the sand, for filling, from the Hospital Lot."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Westminster Street. A communication from the Mayor, in relation to the North line of Westminster Street, and submitting the propriety of relaying said Street from 114<sup>th</sup> to 206<sup>th</sup> Terrace to Arcade Street is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Highway Works. A communication from the Standing Committee on Highways, in relation to the work on the Highways, containing a "Statement of Expenditures in the Highway Department, for the Financial Year commencing on the last Monday in September 1857, and terminating with the corresponding date in 1858;" is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Conduit Street. A Petition of Rice and Baywood, and others, for the setting of curb stones and paving of gutters, and for

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corp walks, in Conduit Street, from Plum-pool Mead. on to Broad Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine the same, and to report thereon, at the next meeting of the City Council.

Angell Street. } A Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways to cause the setting of the curb stones and paving of the gutters on the North side of Angell Street, from Cooke to Governor Street, to be finished; (which work was ordered May 10<sup>th</sup> 1852;) and also, to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved on the South side of said Angell Street, from said Cooke to Governor Street; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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page 134.

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Geo Bail Petition of George Bail and others, for liberty to lay an iron pipe through the City lot, in the North part of the city, for the conveyance of water; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Mary English The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 21<sup>st</sup> of July, 1857, was referred the Memorial of Mary English, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz.

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page 390.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Claims be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, with full power to compromise and settle with Mrs. Mary English, in relation to her claim against the City, for Damages; and are requested to make Report of their doings in the premises, at the next meeting of the Council.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joseph B. Wilson. 165. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup>

of August last, was referred the Petition of Joseph B. Wilson; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Joseph B. Wilson, the sum of two hundred Dollars, out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated; in full satisfaction of all Damages claimed to have been sustained by him, in consequence of the removal of earth and gravel from his lot at the corner of Brook and Shamrock Streets in said City, and all injuries to his dwelling, in consequence thereof: provided, the said Wilson shall give such a receipt therefor, as the City Solicitor shall direct.

Concurred, January 3<sup>rd</sup> 1859.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Daniel Mc Carthy The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Resolution passed by the Board of Aldermen to direct the City Treasurer to pay to Daniel Mc Carthy and the heirs of Charles Mc Carthy the sum of two hundred and twenty five Dollars; make Report, by Resolution; which Report is received.

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Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur in said Resolution of the Board of Aldermen.

The following Resolution, reported by said Committee, is read and passed: viz.

Whereas, Daniel Mc Carthy has presented his Petition to the City Council; asking relief, in behalf of himself and the heirs of Charles Mc Carthy late deceased; on account of certain Damages alleged to have been sustained, by the acts of the City, in removing earth and gravel from their estate situated on Shamrock Street in said City of Providence; And whereas, it does not appear that an Ad-

minister has been appointed upon the estate of said Charles M. Carthy, or that there is any person legally authorized to represent said estate. Therefore Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to said Daniel M. Carthy and the heirs of said Charles M. Carthy, the sum of two hundred and twenty-five Dollars, out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, in full satisfaction of said damages: provided, the said Daniel M. Carthy, and the heirs of the said Charles, by some person legally authorized so to do, shall give such a receipt therefor, as the City Solicitor shall direct.

(Concurred, January 3<sup>rd</sup> 1859.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Taxes remitted.

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November last, were referred the Petitions of Josiah Keene and Amos Perry, for remission of taxes; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the persons whose names are annexed, - the sums placed against their respective names: the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them in the years 1856 and 1858: provided, it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sums have not been paid into the Treasury, - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of the persons whose names are annexed,

viz.  
191. To Josiah Keene (1856, including interest) \$68:31  
191. " Amos Perry, (1858) 12:15  
(Concurred, January 3<sup>rd</sup> 1859.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.) \$80:46

Remission of Taxes. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November last, were referred the Petitions of  
191. Randall Holden, (real estate),  
191. Randall Holden (personal estate),  
191. Joseph R. Budlong,  
191. Amos W. Cooke,  
191. and James P. Arnold, for remission of taxes, make Reports, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: - which Reports are severally received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Taxes. A Communication from James Mumford, Collector of Taxes, requesting the remission of taxes assessed upon certain persons, in the year 1857; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.  
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Remission of Taxes. The following Petitioners, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon: viz.

208. Petition of A. E. Burgess,  
209. " " James O'Donnell,  
209. " " William W. Talbot and David A. Andrews,  
{ Executors of David Andrews, deceased.

Mining Building. A Petition of Amos W. Aldrich, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; and said Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.  
(Concurred, January 3<sup>rd</sup> 1859.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

December 13. 1858.

Joined in Convention of the City Council

In Convention

The resignation of Samuel C. Blodget as Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read, and accepted.

Allen Baker is elected an Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department.

136. George R. Phillips is elected Scaler of Weights and Measures, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the tenth Day of January next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

New President,

Angell

Anthony

Baker,

Bartlett,

Bennett,

Binney,

Carpenter,

Dorrance,

Eddy,

Francis

Guild,

Waiskew,

Wepkins.

Letter,

Lincoln,

Martin,

Mathewson,

Merriam,

Owers,

Potter,

Talisbury,

Spencer,

Sprague

Stimson.

Taylor,

J. Tucker,

J. R. Tucker. 28.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk

January 10<sup>th</sup> 1859.

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Common Council, January 10<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

Treasurer's Monthly Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1858, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor's Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read, and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master, is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

City Marshal's Report. The Annual Report of the City Marshal, of the Business of the Police Department, for the year 1858, is presented and read. Thereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that one thousand copies thereof be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

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Reform School Report. The Annual Report of the Trustees of the Providence Reform School, is presented. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that seven hundred and fifty copies thereof, be printed in pamphlet form, under the direction of the Superintendent of said School, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Overseer of the Poor. The joint Committee, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the semi-annual Report of the

194. Overseer of the Poor; make Report, accompanied by sundry Appendices, - which Report is read.

212. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that one thousand copies thereof with said Appendices, and also of said original Report of the Overseer of the Poor, be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Public Health. The joint Committee who were, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, appointed to report upon the subject of the construction of Public Halls in the City; report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: -

195. 211. Resolved, that Messrs Eddy, Bartlett and Carpenter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee, in behalf of the City of Providence, to procure further legislation by the General Assembly of this State, concerning the erection of buildings in said Providence.

(Concurred, and Alderman Gilman added.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Butler Hospital. A communication from the Trustees of the Butler Hospital for the Insane, requesting to purchase one of the Bonds of the City, for \$1000, at par, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Com-

City Bond.  
215.

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mitter on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Trustees of the City. A communication from the City Clerk, requesting in City (authority to exchange) the iron safe now in his office, for one of larger size; is presented, received, Office, 221, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Steam Fire Engines. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the communication from the Mayor, in relation to the subject of procuring steam fire-engines, for the

196. use of the City; make Report, recommending the

205. introduction of such machines into the Fire Department, - which Report is read. Whereupon,

it is ordered, that the same be received; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. in other cities. Resolved, that the Standing Committee on the Fire Department be instructed to ascertain and report to the City Council, what arrangements

205. 215. have been made, in other cities, in regard to steam fire apparatus, and the cost of such steam engines, and how they are to be operated in said cities.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

High School. The Standing Committee on Education, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the communication from the School Committee, in relation to the salary of the Teacher of the Third

Salaries, 162. Division of the junior Class of girls in the High School; - make Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled

"An Ordinance in amendment of the several Ordinances fixing the Salaries of certain Officers." - which Report is received; and said Bill is, thereupon, read and passed. (said Bill fixing said salary at \$400.)

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Public Schools. The Standing Committee on Education, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Communication from the School Committee, requesting that an appropriation may be made for the purpose of employing an Assistant Teacher of Music in the Public Schools, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the School Committee of the City of Providence be, and they hereby are authorized to employ an Assistant Teacher of Music in the Public Schools of said City, at an annual salary not exceeding the sum of three hundred dollars.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Conduit Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Petition of Rice and Hayward and others, - for the setting of curb stones and paving of gutters, and for cross walks, in Conduit Street, from Mumford Meadow to Broad Street: make Report, that having "determined not to recommend any highway work during the winter months," they "recommend that said Petition be continued in the hands of the Committee for further consideration: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission of Taxes. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Communication from James Mumford, Collector of Taxes, requesting the remission of certain taxes assessed in the year 1857: report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Edward Carrington's Heirs, the sum of one hundred and twenty five Dollars & eighty cents; the said sum being in remission of tax improperly assessed against them, in the year 1857: provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Edward Carrington's Heirs.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Upon the same Communication, said Committee also report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the taxes specified in the annexed List, amounting to the sum of eighty seven Dollars and thirty two cents, assessed by the Collector of Taxes for the year 1857, do have been improperly assessed in said year, for the reasons therein specified in each case; be, and the same are hereby annulled; - and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the Collector of Taxes, the sum of eighty seven Dollars & thirty two cents, with the interest due thereon; provided it shall appear

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to the City Treasurer, that said sum has been paid into the Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into Treasury; - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; - and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the taxes of the persons whose names are annexed: viz:

Thomas Davis 2?	6.66
Walter Wilson	3.70
Cornelius Murphy's Heirs.	2.96
William H. Green (Warden 90.)	3.70
Horatio Hunt.	7.40
Hiram Wickes	1.48
Uraan A. Chamberlain.	3.70
William Lynch.	3.70
Thaddeus Cary (widow)	3.70
Charles Wakshins	1.48
George Tenley	2.22
James H. Shaw, (Steam Mills)	5.18
William H. Clewley.	7.40
Palmer A. Whipple	1.48
Obadiah B. Fessenden.	22.20
Gilbert A. Kenney	2.22
Nathaniel R. Eddy	2.96
Ma C. Brunell.	5.18

\$ 87.32

(Continued)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Petition of A. E. Burgeff, for remission of tax: report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz:  
201. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to A. E. Burgeff, the sum of one hundred and seven Dollars and twenty one cents; the said sum being in remission of

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tax improperly assessed against him in the year 1858. provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said A. E. Burgeff.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, were referred the Petitions  
201. of Thomas O' Donnell  
201. and of William H. Tolbot and David A. Andrews }  
Executors of David Andrews deceased. }  
for remission of taxes; make Reports, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: - which Reports are severally received; and it is, therefore, ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Do. A Petition of Randall Holden, for remission of R. Holden's tax assessed upon him in the year 1858; is presented, read and received; and it is therefore,  
201. ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Moving 217  
Buildings 217  
217  
Petitions of Joseph W. Pratt,  
John S. Phipp,  
and Samuel G. Anthony, for liberty to move certain wares on Buildings, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

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January 10<sup>th</sup> - February 14<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the fourteenth day of February next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Angell,

Anthony,

Baker,

Bartlett,

Bennett,

Binney,

Carpenter,

Dorman,

Eddy,

Francis,

Guid,

Hartshorn

Hopkins,

Lincoln,

Martin,

Mathewson

Silverman

Owen,

Salisbury,

Spencer,

Sprague,

Stinson,

T. Parker,

G. R. Parker,

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Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

Common Council, February 14<sup>th</sup> 1859

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

Treasurer's Monthly Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Saney's Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read, and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Registrar's Report. The City Registrar presents his Annual Report.

Upon the Annual Report of the City Registrar: Resolved, that the same be received, and that seven hundred and fifty copies thereof, and of the Communication accompanying the same, be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Report of Surveyor General. The Surveyor General of Lumber presents his Annual Report, of Lumber surveyed during the year ending on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January instant; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received and recorded.

Ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Public Works. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is read & carried, for concurrence; and is read, viz:

Resolved, that the Committee to enquire on Finance be, and they are hereby, directed to report, at the next meeting of the Council, an Ordinance in relation to the construction of Public Works, in conformity with the Law recently

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(passed by the General Assembly.)

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Presence of the joint Committee, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the semi-annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor; - report the following Resolutions, which  
204. are read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Overseer of the Poor is hereby instructed by this Council, to give temporary out-door relief to the strong and able-bodied, only in return for labour of some kind, even though it be not remunerative; and he is furthermore instructed; in cases of accident, sickness, or unforeseen misfortune, to give relief at his discretion; - he, as far as possible, in such cases, making personal inquiries and investigations.

Resolved, That the Overseer of the Poor is hereby instructed by this Council, to give permanent relief to no one out of the Asylum, unless specially instructed to the contrary by the Board of Aldermen; - to include among the proper candidates for the Asylum, only the neglected children of penury and crime, the helpless or sick, and the aged and infirm; - and to reject, as a general rule, all applicants for admission to said Asylum, not coming within the above named classifications.

Resolved, That Messrs. Guild, Hinman, Salisbury, Mackerson, Hender, Lester and Chartershorn, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to confer with the Overseer of the Poor, in devising methods whereby the numerous applicants for aid at his office, may be assisted from the City Treasury, in return for some kind of labour; in accordance with the preceding instructions of this Council.

(Concurred, January 15<sup>th</sup> 1859)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Resolved, That Messrs. Guild, Hinman and Lester, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, are hereby appointed a Committee, to enquire into the expediency of erecting a House of Correction, either in connection with the Reform School, or separate and by itself; - to ascertain the probable cost of such a building, and the necessary annual expenses annexed therewith; and, in general, to obtain such information as the subject may seem to require; said Committee being authorized to visit, at the City's expense, such Houses of Correction in other Cities, as may seem most convenient and desirable for the attainment of the objects herein proposed.

Resolved, That said Committee are hereby authorized to apply to the Legislature, for such alteration or modification of the existing laws, as may be necessary or desirable, for the establishment and operation of such a House of Correction.

(Concurred, + Alderman Bowen added.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That Messrs. Francis, J. R. Tucker and Hinman, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a special Committee, to make application to the Legislature, for such change in the Act concerning the collection of Taxes, as will enable the City of Providence to fix the compensation of the Collector of Taxes.

(Concurred, and Alderman Waterman added.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That a Communication from the Mayor, in relation to the Act of the General Assembly, passed at its January Session, A.D. 1859, entitled "An Act in relation to Trustees under Mortgages of Railroad Corporations," is presented and read.

Do. Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Providence, that said City accept the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act in relation to Trustees under Mortgages of Railroad Corporations," passed by the General Assembly of Rhode Island, at the January Session thereof, A.D. 1859. And said City hereby assents to the conditions of said Act, and agrees, that so far as said City is interested, all of the railroad property within said State, of Rhode Island, upon which the Bonds of the Hartford, Providence and Fitchfield Railroad Company, belonging to said City, are secured, shall be liable for the acts and proceedings of the Trustees of said property, (except for their wilful mismanagement,) and according to the provisions of said Act.

(Concurred.)  
Approved by the Mayor.

City Clerk. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, was re-committed the draft of a Resolution for an appropriation, to the order of the City Clerk, as additional compensation to the Clerk employed by him; with instructions to report upon all matters connected therewith; - made Report, accompanied by the following Resolution; - which Report is read and received; and said Resolution is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be paid, out of the Appropriation for "Contingencies," to the order of the City Clerk, as additional compensation to G. A. Williamson, the Clerk now employed by him, for the present municipal year.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Clerk. The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill, 214. entitled "An Ordinance fixing the compensation of the City Clerk, and of the Clerks of the Municipal Court."

Court, and for other purposes; - Whereupon, said Bill is read and passed.

(Concurred, March 7, 1859)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Butler Hospital for the Insane. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Butler Hospital for the Insane, requesting to purchase one of the Bonds of the City, for \$1000, at par; - make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; - which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Engine House No 1. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence; and is read: viz:

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on the Fire Department be a Committee, who, together with the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, shall have power to contract, either for the removal of Engine House No 1, or for the erection of a new Engine House, if the same shall, by said Committee and Chief, be deemed necessary; - provided that the cost of said removal or erection shall not exceed the sum of \$1200; and provided also, that, in either case, the building shall be placed upon the Washington Street side of the City Hall Lot, so called.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein,  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Steam Fire Engines. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, who were, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January last, instructed to ascertain, and report, what arrangements have been made, in other cities, in regard to Steam Fire Apparatus, and the cost of such engines, and

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how they are to be operated in said Cities:- make Report; which is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A Resolution, to authorize the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, together with the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, to contract for three Steam Fire Engines, for the use of the City; is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Westminster Street. G.A. Howard. 164. 231. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom; on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of George A. Howard, for the widening of Westminster Street, on the North side, from the Eastern side of the corner of Elisha Dyer and there, to the Eastern side of the Mason Building: - and to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Petition of Rufus Waterman and others, requesting that the sidewalk on the Eastern side of North Main Street, South of Waterman Street, may be narrowed; - and to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Communication from the Mayor, in relation to the North line of Westminster Street: - make report, that they do not recommend any action of the City Council thereon: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Petitions are presented, received, and ser

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orally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways to examine and report thereon; viz:

Hammond Street. Petition of George A. Cole and others, for the laying out of Hammond Street, from its present termination, to High Street:

Dowdner Street. 230. Petition of Thomas J. Head and others, for the paving of Dowdner Street, below Dept Street.

Ebber Simmons. A claim of Ebber Simmons, for \$407. 22; for money paid by him, under protest, to the Collector of Taxes, for expenses in 1856, of sidewalks upon Lawrence Turnpike and Avenue, &c. is presented received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Remission Tax. 232. A Petition of Patrick Flynn, for remission of tax, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Do. A Memorial from the Second Universalist Society in Providence, praying that the City Solicitor may be authorized to submit all questions relating to the liability of said Society to taxation, to the arbitrator and award of some disinterested person or persons, to be agreed upon: - is presented, and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that said memorial be laid to rest.

Moving Buildings. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January last, were referred the Petitions of Joseph W. Pratts, John S. Pepp, and Samuel G. Matheny, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; make Reports, recommending that the prayers thereof be severally granted: and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayers of said Petitions severally, are read and passed. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

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Mining Building. A Petition of Charles W. Steward, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: - which Committee make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof: - and said Report is received, and a Resolution, granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

D.W. Gilbert. A Petition of Daniel W. Gilbert, praying that William H. Pullen H. Pullen one of the City Constables, may be removed from the said office, for misconduct; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council

In Convention.

Sanitary Council Members. Robert Manchester is elected Saneer General of Lawler, Darius S. Skinner is elected a Weigher of Cottons, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourns to meet on Monday the fourteenth day of March next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- W. President.
- " Angell
- " Anthony
- " Baker

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- " Bennett,
- " Binney,
- " Carpenter,
- " Dorrance
- " Eddy,
- " Francis
- " Guild
- " Hartshorn,
- " Hopkins,
- " Lester,
- " Lincoln.

- " Martin,
- " Mathewson
- " Oarn,
- " Potter,
- " Salisbury,
- " Spencer,
- " Sprague
- " Hewson,
- " Taylor,
- " J. Tucker,
- " Z. R. Tucker.

Abel Greene,  
Clerk

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Treasurer's Monthly Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer's Quarterly Report. The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City, is presented, read, and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Surveyor's Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Overseer's Annual Report. The Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor, of the Tuscon Poor at the Butler Hospital for the Tuscon, at the expense of the City, is presented read, and received, and it is ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolving Exp. City Printing. Resolved, That the Chairman of the Committee on Finance be instructed by this Council, to contract with Messrs Danielson & Cooke, of the Providence Evening Express, to do the City printing, for the remainder of the current year, for the sum of fifty dollars.  
(Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz: That "Exp" in the 4<sup>th</sup> line, be stricken out.)  
(The Common Council concurred in the Amendment.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Assessors of Taxes. Circulars. A Resolution to direct the Board of Assessors of Taxes, to issue circulars to persons named in the Tax Lists, before determining the amounts for which assessments shall be made; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Priny Vaults. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the communication from the Superintendent of Health, respecting the Ordinance in

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relation to the removal of the contents of Priny Vaults; make Report, recommending that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances: which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said communication be referred to the Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Iron Safe in City Clerk's Office. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the communication from the City Clerk, requesting authority to exchange the Iron Safe in his office, for one of larger size; - make report that said exchange has been made, at an expense of \$126: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Iron Safe in Assessors' Office. The Standing Committee on City Property report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz: Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to purchase the safe now in the Assessors' Office, for their use; provided, the same can be obtained at a price not exceeding one hundred dollars.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mayor's Salary. Resolved, That the salary of the Mayor, for the year ensuing the first Monday in June next, shall be Fifteen hundred Dollars, payable quarterly.  
(Concurred, March 11, 1859.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Washington Bridge. An altered copy of an Act of the Hon. the General Assembly, passed at New Jersey Session, 1858, entitled "An Act in relation to the Providence Wash-

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Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Overseer's Annual Report. The Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor, of the Susane Poor at the Mutter Hospital for the Susane, at the expense of the City, is presented read, and received, and it is ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Residence Evening Report. City Printing. Resolved, that the Chairman of the Committee on Finance be instructed by this Council, to contract with Messrs Danielson & Cooke, of the Providence Evening Express, to do the City printing, for the remainder of the current year, for the sum of fifty dollars. (Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz: that "Ex" in the 4<sup>th</sup> line, be stricken out.) The Common Council concur in the Amendment. (Approved by the Mayor.)

Assessors of Taxes. Circulars. A Resolution to direct the Board of Assessors of Taxes, to issue Circulars to persons named in the Tax Lists, before determining the amounts for which assessments shall be made; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Priny Vaults. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Communication from the Superintendent of Health, respecting the Ordinance in

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relation to the removal of the contents of Priny Vault's make Report, recommending that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances: which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said Communication be referred to the Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

From Safe in City Clerk's Office. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the Communication from the City Clerk, requesting authority to exchange the Iron Safe in his office, for one of larger size; - make report that said exchange has been made, at an expense of \$126: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

From Safe in Assessors Office. The Standing Committee on City Property report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz: Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to purchase the safe now in the Assessors Office, for their use: provided, the same can be obtained at a price not exceeding one hundred Dollars. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Mayor's Salary. Resolved, that the salary of the Mayor, for the year ensuing the first Monday in June next, shall be Fifteen hundred Dollars, payable quarterly. (Concurred, March 21, 1859.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Washington Bridge. An attested copy of an Act of the Hon. the General Assembly, passed at New Jersey Session, 1857, entitled "An Act in relation to the Providence Wash-

ington Bridge and the draws in the Bridges over Seekonk River;" together with a Resolution that the City assents to the provisions of said Act, so far as the same relates to said Washington Bridge; are presented and read.

Do. Resolved, that the copy of the Act of the General Assembly, entitled "An Act in relation to the Providence Washington Bridge, and the Draws in the Bridges over Seekonk River", - together with the proposed Resolution that the City of Providence assents to the provisions of said Act, so far as the same relates to said Providence Washington Bridge, be referred to Messrs Taylor, Stinson, Bartlett, Martin, Carpenter, Francis and Merriam, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred. & Aldermen Brewster & Paine added)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Rose & Farnam's Communication from Rose & Farnam, requesting a lease from the City, of "the vacant space (south of the Armory,) over the Blackstone Canal, on the line of Canal Street; and adjoining the tracks of the Providence and Worcester Railroad." is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Steam Fire Engines } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, who, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February last, made Report upon the arrangements which have been made, in other Cities, in regard to Steam Fire Apparatus, &c: now make final Report; which is read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing

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(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred a Resolution to authorize the purchase of three Steam Fire Engines, for the use of the City; - report certain Resolutions; which are read and amended; - and, as amended, are read and passed; as follows; viz.

Resolved, That the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, acting under the advice of the Standing Committee of the Fire Department, - be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for two Steam Fire Engines, for the City, of such size and workmanship as they may determine; - and also, to contract for five thousand feet of hose, of such size and material as said two Engines may require; provided that the cost of said Steam Fire Engines and Hose shall not exceed the sum of seventeen thousand Dollars.

Engines No 5 Resolved, That immediately upon the introduction of said Steam apparatus into the Fire Department, Engines Nos 5, 7, 9 and 10 be withdrawn therefrom; and that the remaining Engines be so distributed throughout the City, as to afford the best protection to the property thereof.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Engine House, No 1. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read; viz:

215. "Resolved That the Resolution passed by the City Council, on the 14<sup>th</sup> ultimo, in relation to the removal of Engine House No 1; - be and the same is hereby rescinded."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the

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Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read; viz:

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, be a Committee, who, together with the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, shall have power to contract, either for the removal of Engine House No 1, - or for the erection of a new Engine House, if the same shall, by said Committee and Chief, be deemed necessary; - provided, that the cost of said removal or erection shall not exceed the sum of \$1200."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to purchase five hundred tons of Paving Stones, at such times as the same can be done to the best advantage.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

A Petition of Joseph A. Chedid and others, for a culvert street, to convey the water from Wickenden Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

A claim of the Second Universalist Society in Providence, for \$30.33

and \$448.14, being the taxes paid by said Society, under protest, with interest thereon; is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and that said claimants have leave to withdraw.

Petitions of John McHale, and Charles W. Moore, for liberty to mow certain wood in buildings; are presented, received and severally referred

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to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Reports, in favor of granting the prayers thereof respectively; and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayers thereof severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of Daniel W. Gilbert, praying that William W. Pullen, one of the City Constables, may be removed from his said office, for misconduct; - make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw; - which Report is read and received, and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Joined in Convention of the City Council

In Convention.

Robert Manchester, Surveyor General of Sewer, having nominated sundry persons as his Deputies; the same are now approved by the City Council.

J. G. Swan is elected a Whigges of Cotten, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet, on Monday, the eleventh day of April next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

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Members present.

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| Mr. President, | Lincoln       |
| Angell,        | Martin,       |
| Anthony,       | Mathewson,    |
| Bartlett,      | Owen,         |
| Binney,        | Petter,       |
| Carpenter,     | Talbot,       |
| Dorrance,      | Spencer,      |
| Eddy,          | Spague,       |
| Francis,       | Stinson,      |
| Guild,         | Payson,       |
| Hartshorn,     | J. Tucker,    |
| Hopkins,       | Z. R. Tucker. |
| Lester,        | 25.           |

Albert G. Greene, Clerk

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

Treasurer's Monthly Report. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Sanitary Report. The Monthly Report of the Sanitary Department of Highways is presented, read, and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

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Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Privy Vaults. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred 220. the Communication from the Superintendent of 299. Health, respecting the Ordinance in relation to the removal of the contents of Privy Vaults; make Report by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the removal of the contents of Privy Vaults;" which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Washington Bridge. The joint Committee to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the copy of the Act of the General Assembly entitled "An Act in relation to the Prudence Washington Bridge, and the Draws in the Bridges over Seekonk River," together with 222. a Resolution that the City conform to the provisions of 227. said Act, so far as the same relates to said Washington Bridge; make Report, recommending the passage of said Resolution; which Report is read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing. (Concurred April 12<sup>th</sup>)

Do. Whereupon said Resolution is read and passed, as follows: viz.

227. Resolved, That the City of Providence does hereby 236. assent to the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the Prudence Washington Bridge, and the draws in the Bridges over Seekonk River," passed at the January Session, A.D. 1859, of the General

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Assembly, so far as the same relates to said Residence  
Washington Bridge.

(Concurred. April 12<sup>th</sup>)

(Approved by the Mayor).

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235. The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill  
entitled "An Ordinance providing for the raising, assess-  
ment and collection of a sum of not less than  
Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, and  
not more than Four Hundred and Fifty-five Thou-  
sand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal  
Estate." which is read, received, and re-committed.

House of The joint Committee appointed on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February  
last, to enquire into the expediency of erecting a House  
of Correction; - make Report, recommending that

233. a House of Industry, similar to the Albany County

236. Penitentiary, be established without delay; and that  
the location of the same be the Field Point Farm;  
and that Bonds of the City be issued for that purpose.

And Mr. Stinson, a minority of said Committee, makes  
a Report, dissenting from the conclusions of the ma-  
jority of said Committee. Whereupon, it is or-  
dered, that said Reports be severally received; and  
that the same be printed in the newspapers employed  
to do the City printing.

Public  
Halls.

211. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, who were,  
on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February last, directed to report on Ord-  
nance in relation to the construction of Public Halls,  
in conformity with the law recently passed by the  
General Assembly; - make Report, by Bill entitled  
"An Ordinance in relation to the construction of the  
Doors and Entrances to Public Buildings; - which  
Report is received; and said Bill is read and  
amended; - and, as amended, is read and passed.

(Nex. concurred. April 12<sup>th</sup> 1859)

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Overseer  
of the  
Post.  
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Resolution in the words following, having passed the  
Board of Aldermen; is sent down for concurrence, and  
is read; viz:

"Whereas, the duties of the Overseer of the Post,  
during the past Winter, have been unusually  
arduous and important;

and whereas, these duties have been performed  
in a manner highly acceptable to this body,  
and whereas, the sum of Two Hundred Dol-  
lars seems to small a compensation for  
the faithful and judicious performance of  
said duties;

Therefore, Resolved, that the sum of Two  
Hundred Dollars be allowed to the present  
Overseer of the Post, in addition to his  
present salary; for the year ending in June  
next."

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be refer-  
red to the Standing Committee on Finance, to  
examine and report thereon.

Brooklyn  
Water  
Celebration.

A communication from the Mayor, enclosing a com-  
munication from the Common Council of the City of  
Brooklyn, in the State of New York, to the members  
of the Common Council and other members of the  
City Government of Providence, to attend "the celebra-  
tion on the 27<sup>th</sup> of April next, of the Introduction  
of Water into their City;" is presented and read.

Do.

A Resolution, in the words following, having passed  
the Board of Aldermen; is sent down for concurrence,  
and is read; viz:

"Whereas, the City Government of Brooklyn,  
(New York,) have extended an invitation, through  
the Mayor, to the Common Council and other  
officers of the City Government, to attend the cel-  
ebration of the Introduction of Water into their  
City; - Resolved, that the Invitation

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of said be and it is hereby accepted; and that the Mayor and the President of the Common Council be appointed as a Delegation to represent the City Government, at said Celebration.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Five Engines } The following Petitions are presented received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department to examine and report thereon: viz:

Engine No 5  
223  
258. } Petition of Joseph F. Gilmore and others, that Engine No 5 may be continued at its present Station; and not withdrawn from the Fire Department:-

Engine No 7  
223  
258. } Petition of George B. Helmer and others, that Engine No 7 may be continued at its present Station; and not withdrawn from the Fire Department:-

Engine No 9  
223  
- 258. } Petition of Elisha Dyer and others, that Engine No 9 may be continued at its present Station; and not withdrawn from the Fire Department.

Dorance } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of Thomas J. Stead and others, for the paving of Dorance Street below Dyer Street: report by Resolution: which Report is received, and said Resolution is read and amended, and as amended, is read and passed, as follows:

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause Dorance Street below Dyer Street, a distance of about two hundred feet, to be paved: whenever the stone is procured, and the owners of the several lots shall furnish 7 inch curb stone, the same as those on the other portion of said Street.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Grace Church } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent them for concurrence:

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and is read: viz:  
"Upon the Petition of the Corporation of Grace Church, it is Resolved, that said Corporation be, and they are hereby authorized to enter the Westminster Street Drain with a Drain from their premises, without charge."  
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Petitions are presented, received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon: viz:

Transit Street } Petition of D. W. Rooney and others, for the setting of curb stones and paving of gutters, &c, in Transit Street, from Brooks to Hope Streets:

Fountain Street } Petition of Philip Case and others, that a Sewer or Drain may be built in Fountain Street, extending from the one already built on the lower end of said Street, to Dean Street.

George H. Howard } A Communication from George H. Howard, proposing to place the buildings which he is about to erect on the North side of Westminster Street, upon the Westminster Museum and Howard Block sites, "back upon Westminster Street, upon the line of the old buildings; if the City will agree, within a reasonable time, to set the Street, in front of the Dyer and Danforth Estates, back to the same line"; is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

George H. Rail } The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Petition of George Rail and others, for liberty to lay an iron pipe through the City's lot, in the North part of the City, for the conveyance of Water: - made

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report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Resolved The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on 14<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Memorial of Row & Farnum, requesting a lease from the City, of 222. "the vacant space (South of the Armory) over the Blackstone Canal, on the line of Canal street and adjoining the track of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road;" - make Report, recommending that said memorialists have leave to withdraw: - which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said memorialists have leave to withdraw.

Charles A Petition of Charles Anley and Hannah Anley (his wife, for compensation for injuries sustained by + wife, said Hannah, by falling through an opening in the side walk in Long Wharf Street, on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March last; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Tax remitted. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of (P. Flynn) Patrick Flynn, for remission of tax: - report the following Resolution, which is read and passed, viz. 217. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Patrick Flynn, the sum of four Dollars and five cents; the said sum being in remission of a tax improperly assessed against him in the year 1858; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, - then he shall credit the Col.

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lector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Patrick Flynn.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission of Tax. A Petition of John N. Hill, for remission of tax, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon. 241.

Mining Buildings. Petitions of J. D. Croston, Oliver Spelman, and Peter Seacon, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Reports, in favour of granting the prayers thereof respectively; and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayers of said petitions, severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 1859.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A Petition of Lewis L. Miller, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of May next, at 8 o'clock a.m.

Members present.  
Mr. President  
Anthony  
Baker.  
Bartlett.

Bennett.  
Binney.  
Carpenter.  
Dorrance.

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Edley,  
Finnis  
Gould,  
Hartshorn,  
Hopkins,  
Lincoln,  
Martin,  
Northorn,  
Owen,

Peter,  
Salisbury,  
Spencer,  
Sprague,  
Stinson,  
Taylor,  
J. Tucker,  
Z. K. Tucker. 25.

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment,  
a quorum present.

Mayor's { The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the  
Statement } Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854,  
is presented, read, received, and referred to the Stand-  
ing Committee on Finance

Sanitary { The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is pre-  
Report } sented, read, and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engi- { The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire  
neers' Report } Department, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor { The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented  
Master's Report } read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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City Tax. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on  
the 11<sup>th</sup> of April last, was recommended the Bill report-  
ed by them, entitled "An Ordinance providing for  
228. the raising, assessment and collection of a sum of  
not less than Five Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dol-  
lars, and not more than Five Hundred and Fifty  
five Thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and  
Personal Estate;" now make Report by Bill with  
the same title: which Report is received; and  
said Bill is read and passed.

1. Concurred, with the following Amendments, viz:
1. That the words "in the Providence Journal,  
Providence Daily Post, the Providence Evening  
Post, and the Providence Daily Tribune;" in  
the third section, be stricken out.
  2. That the words "such portion of" be insert-  
ed after the word "collecting;" in the second line  
of the fourth section:  
and that the words "as shall be paid on or  
before the fifth day of October A.D. 1859" be inserted  
after the words "said Tax" in the same line;
- The Common Council concur in the Amendments.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fire { The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances report a  
Department } Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an  
Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of  
an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance establishing  
a Fire Department;" - which Bill is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor { The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances report a Bill  
and Harbor } entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordin-  
Master's } ance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Har-  
Report } bor of the City of Providence, and the Powers and  
Duties of the Harbor Master thereof;" - which Bill  
is read and passed.

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(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

228. House of Correction or Industry. Resolved, That seven hundred and fifty copies of the Report and Account Papers of the Committee appointed in February last, to enquire into the expediency of erecting a House of Correction or Industry be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

229. Overseer of the Poor. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen to allow the sum of two hundred dollars to the Overseer of the Poor, in addition to his salary for the present municipal year; make Report recommending the concurrence of the Common Council in the passage of said Resolution: - which Report is received; and it is thereupon moved, that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Resolution: - which motion is put, and carried.

227. Washington Bridge. Resolved, That Messrs. Lester, Anthony and Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed, a Committee, to cause the draw in the Providence Washington Bridge to be widened, pursuant to the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly, entitled "An Act in relation to the Providence Washington Bridge and the Draws in the Bridges over Seekonk River": - the same to be done under the direction, and to the satisfaction, of the Commissioners who may be appointed by the Governor, by authority of the second Section of said Act.

(Concurred, May 21, 1859)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Work House Lot. } An Order, in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read.

237. "Ordered, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed, to renew the Lease of the Work House Lot, to Carl P. Mason, for another term of five years, at a rent of two hundred and twenty dollars per annum."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

238. Inspectors of Gas Meters. A Memorial of Orlando W. Prince, requesting that the City Council make application to the General Assembly, for the appointment of Inspectors of Gas Meters in the City of Providence, &c. is presented, read, and received; and it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

238. Engine No 10. A Petition of Eli Ayresworth and others, praying that Engine No 10 may be continued at its present Station, and not withdrawn from the Fire Department; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

237. Highway Works. The Standing Committee on Highways make Report as pertaining the present condition of the Highway works of the City; which Report is read and received; and it is ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolutions: which are severally read and passed.  
239. Upon the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen

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Carpenter Street.

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in relation to Carpenter Street, referred May 11, 1857, and upon the Petition of Henry Davis & others, referred March 22<sup>d</sup> 1858,)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curb-stones and pave the gutters in Carpenter Street, between Knight and Marshall Streets.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Charles Field Street.

172.

(Upon the Petition of Benjamin Cavell & others, referred August 23<sup>d</sup> 1858.)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the setting of the curb-stones and the paving of the gutters, on Charles Field Street, between Thayer Street and Hope Street.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Conduit Street.

206.

(Upon the Petition of Rice & Hayward, and others, referred December 18<sup>th</sup> 1858.)

Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the setting of the curb-stones and the paving of the gutters, in Conduit Street, from Mansfield's Meadow to Broad Street.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Angell Street.

198.

(Upon the Resolution, to direct the setting of curb-stones, &c. in Angell Street: - referred December 13<sup>th</sup> 1858.)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the setting of the curb-stones and the paving of the gutters, on the South side of Angell Street, from Cooke to Governor Street, to be finished; (which work was ordered on the last day of May) 1852;) and

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also, to cause the curb-stones to be set and the gutters paved on the South side of said Angell Street, from Cooke to Governor Street.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Pond Street.

(Upon a Resolution to direct the setting of curb-stones, &c. in Pond Street, referred by the Board of Aldermen, October 11<sup>th</sup> 1858.)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curb-stones and pave the gutters in Pond Street, lying between Spring and Pearl Streets.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Hope Street.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to repair that portion of Hope Street South of Oliver Street and opposite the Friends' Yearly Meeting Boarding School, at an expense not exceeding four hundred dollars.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Thayer Street.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curb-stones and pave the gutters in that portion of Thayer Street, between Angell and Waterman Streets.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ringgold Street.

189.

The Standing Committee on Highways to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in relation to Ringgold Street; make Report, recommending that the Common Council concur therein: said Resolution being in the words following: viz: -

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Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curb stones and pave the gutters in Ringgold Street, between Carpenter Street and Broadway.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

- Cross Walks } The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz:
- Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to put down, if found necessary, three cross walks in Carpenter Street, between Bought and Marshall Streets:
- Pond St. three in Pond Street, between Pearl and Spring Streets:
  - Ringgold St. two in Ringgold Street, between Carpenter Street and Broadway.
  - Argell St. two in Argell Street, between Cooke and Governor Streets:
  - Charles Field St. four in Charles Field Street, between Hope and Thayer Streets:
  - Conduit St. two in Conduit Street, between Mansfield's Alley and Broad Street;
  - Thayer St. and one in Thayer Street, between Argell and Waterman Street, -

The same to be done whenever the putting down curb stones and the paving of the gutters on those portions of the above named Streets shall be ordered and the work commenced; and provided also, that the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of five hundred Dollars.

(Concurred: with the following Amendments: viz: That the following words be added: viz "and one in Broken Street, opposite the Brown Street Baptist Church.")

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Charles Anley & wife. } The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the Petition of Charles Anley and Hannah Anley, his wife, for compensation for injuries sustained by said Hannah by falling through and opening for the side walk in Long Wharf Street, on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March last: make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: which Report is received: and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Tax. } The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April last, was referred the Petition of John V. Hill, for remission of tax, make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mary Building } A Petition of Daniel H. Livsett and Jeremiah Knight, for liberty to move a certain wooden building: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; and said Report is received; and a Resolution, granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Thanks to the President. } Resolved, that the thanks of the Common Council be, and they are hereby tendered to Stephen Waterman, for the able, dignified and impartial manner in which he has discharged his duties as President of the Common Council, for the year past.

Unfinished Business. } Resolved, that all business lying unfinished before this Council, be, and the same is hereby referred to the Common Council to meet on the first Monday in

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June next.

The Common Council adjourn, without day, &amp;c.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Angell

Anthony

Baker

Bartlett

Bennett

Binney

Carpenter

Dorand

Eddy

Fernald

Guild

Hepkins

Lester

.. Lincoln

Martin

Matheson

Owen

Pater

Salisbury

Spencer

Spague

Taylor

J. Tucker

J. H. Tucker

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Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

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Organization of the City Government  
of the City of Providence for the Municipal  
Year commencing on the first Monday in  
June. A. D. 1859.

Monday June 6<sup>th</sup> 1859.

This being the day designated by the City Charter  
for the organization of the City Government, of the ensuing  
municipal year; the Mayor and Aldermen elect  
and the members elect of the Common Council assem-  
bled in the Council Chamber, at 3 o'clock P.M.;  
and are called to order by Hon. William M. Rodman,  
Mayor.

The certificate of the election of ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> election of Jobez  
C. Knight as Mayor for said year, is read; and  
the oath prescribed by law is administered to him, by  
Hon. William M. Rodman, Mayor.

Certificates of the election of William H. Waterman,  
William H. Bowen,  
William Earle,  
James B. Ames,  
Charles Anthony,  
John H. Lester,  
and Zelotes W. Bolder, as

Aldermen, for said year, are presented and read; and  
they are severally engaged by the Mayor, according to  
law.

Certificates of the election of the members of the Common  
Council for said year, are presented and read; and

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all of said members are present and are engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, in relation to the municipal affairs of the City.

The two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council  
of the  
City of Providence,  
for the Municipal Year commencing on the  
first Monday in June  
A.D. 1859.

First Ward.

Alfred Potter,  
Caesar A. Updike,  
Peabody A. Guild,  
Nelson Chase.

Second Ward.

William Binney,  
Henry Anthony,  
Ezekiel Owen,  
Samuel B. Wheaton.

Third Ward.

John D. Jones,  
Henry J. Bartlett,  
Zachariah R. Tucker,  
Oliver A. Washburne Jr.

Fourth Ward.

Jacob W. Martin,  
Stephen Cornell,  
Preston M. Farmington,  
Stephen Waterman.

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Fifth Ward.

William H. Hopkins,  
William B. Rider,  
Charles E. Carpenter,  
William Spencer.

Sixth Ward.

John N. Francis,  
James Tucker,  
Thomas Lincoln,  
Archibald B. Rice.

Seventh Ward.

Ebenezer W. Walker,  
Thomas W. Sprague,  
William H. Pratt,  
Daniel Angell Jr.

The Members elect of the Common Council having been engaged by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, are called to order.

Stephen Waterman is elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

Albert G. Greene is elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year, and is sworn by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, according to law.

Standing  
Rules of  
Order.

The Standing Rules of Order, of the last Common Council, are read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Standing Rules of Order of the last Common Council, are revised and adopted as the Standing Rules of Order, of this Council.

Standing  
Rules of  
City Council.

Resolved, that the same Standing Rules which were, on the seventh day of June A.D. 1858, adopted as the

Standing Rules of the City Council, for the municipal year last past, be, and the same are hereby adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the present municipal year.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Pursuant to the Standing Rules, this Day, adopted by the City Council, the following joint Standing Committees are now appointed, according to the respective Rules of the two Boards: viz:

On Finance

Alfred Francis }  
J. B. Tucker } Alderman Waterman.  
Wheaton. }  
Sprague. }

On Highways

Alfred Anthony }  
Cornell } Alderman Lester.  
Lincoln. }

To engross Ordinances

Alfred Aldrich }  
Rice } Alderman Ames.  
Rider. }

On Education

Alfred Binney }  
Guild } Alderman Waterman.  
Pratt. }  
Jones. }

On the Fire Department

Alfred Carpenter }  
Farrington } Alderman Holdson.  
Owen. }

On City Property

Alfred Martin }  
Chase } Alderman Anthony.  
Angell. }

On Police

Alfred Hopkins }  
Petter } Alderman Bowen.  
Washburne }  
Walker. }

On the North Burial Ground

Alfred Petter }  
Rice } Alderman Earle.  
Chase. }

On Claims

Alfred Bartlett }  
J. Tucker } Alderman Ames.  
Spencer. }

Mayor Resolved, That Alfred Guild, Farrington and Rider, Address with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to furnish for publication, a copy of the Address, this Day, delivered by him to the City Council, and to cause the same to be printed in such manner as they may deem expedient.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Printing Resolved, That the joint Committee who were appointed to cause the Mayor's Address to the City Council to be printed; be, and they are hereby directed to cause a list of the Standing Committees and such portions of the Organization of the City

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Government as they may deem expedient, to be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Printing Resolved, That Messrs Martin, Carpenter and Poole with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year.

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(Concurred, and Alderman Waterman added.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Treasurer's Bonds. Resolved, That Messrs Francis J. Tucker and Wheaton, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, for the present municipal year: - said Bond in the sum of Thirty Three, and Dollars.

(Concurred, and Alderman Anthony added.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Committee Whereas Messrs Francis J. Tucker, Wheaton and Sprague City Debt. have been, this Day, appointed by the Common Council, as the Committee on their part, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the present municipal year, pursuant to the requisition contained in the first Section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt;" - It is resolved, that the names of said Committee be communicated to the Board of Aldermen; in order that said Board may add an Alderman to said Committee, pursuant to the requisition contained in said section.

(Alderman Waterman added.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Police Court.

Resolved, That from the Justices assigned to keep the

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Peace within this City, Henry G. Bowen and Samuel W. Pechham be, and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, during the present municipal year.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

School Committee Report.

The Annual Report of the School Committee is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

Ordered, that the standing Committee on Education cause five hundred copies thereof to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Engineer's Report.

The Annual Report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received; and that seven hundred and fifty copies thereof be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Overseer's Report.

The semi-Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

Ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Quarrier General's Report.

The Annual Report of the Quarrier General is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.

Ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Report of the Annual Report of the Conservators of the North  
Conservators Burial Ground is presented and read. Whereupon,  
of North Burial Ground) it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Report of the Annual Report of the Superintendent of the North  
Superintendent of North Burial Ground) is presented and read. Whereupon, it  
is ordered that the same be received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Sanitary Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is pre-  
sented read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented,  
read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Adoption of A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of the  
Ordinances relating to the Assessors of Taxes:" is pre-  
sented, read, and passed. (said Bill abolishing the

Office of Clerk of the Board of Assessors: and providing that  
Register of the duties heretofore performed by said Clerk, shall  
transfers be performed by the Register of Transfers.)

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fourth Recitations for a Municipal Celebration of the approach-  
ing Anniversary of American Independence; and ap-  
propriating dollars thereof, are presented  
and read.

255. Whereupon, it is moved, that the blank therein be  
filled with the words "Twenty five Hundred;" Upon  
which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays.

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and it is ordered that the same be entered upon  
the Journal, as follows: viz:

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|----------------|-----------------|
| <u>Ayes.</u>   | <u>Nays.</u>    |
| Depts. Angell. | Depts. Anthony, |
| Bartlett       | Bianchi         |
| Carpenter,     | Hopkins.        |
| Chase          | Jones.          |
| Cornell        | Lincoln,        |
| Farrington,    | Owen,           |
| Francis,       | Spencer         |
| Guild.         | Sprague         |
| Martin,        | Tucker.         |
| Potter,        | J. B. Tucker    |
| Pratt,         | Washburne.      |
| Rice,          | Wheaton. 12.    |
| Rider,         |                 |
| Ullike,        |                 |
| Walker.        |                 |
| Waterman 16.   |                 |

It is therefore ordered, that said blank be so filled.  
Whereupon, said Recitations are read and passed,  
as follows: viz:

Resolved, that Depts. Potter, Owen, Washburne,  
Farrington, Rider, Francis and Pratt, with such  
as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are  
herely appointed a Committee of Arrangements for a  
Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary  
of American Independence.

Resolved, that the sum of Twenty five Hundred  
Dollars be, and the same is herely appropriated  
for defraying the expenses of said Celebration; to be  
paid by the City Treasurer, to the order of said Com-  
mittee, out of any monies in the Treasury, not al-  
ready appropriated.

(Concurred & Aldermen Earle, Ames & Ester add.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mayor's Portrait. Resolved, that Depts. Binney, Bartlett and Jones

Tucker, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to sit for his portrait, for the City; and that said Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasury, for such sum as may be necessary to carry this Resolution into effect.

(Concerned, & Alderman Cook added)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Affidavit of a communication from the School Committee, requesting that the salary of the Assistant Teacher of Music in the Public Schools, may be increased \$100; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

Job Shaw's Petition of Job Shaw, praying that the trees on the North side of the School House Lot on State Street, may be removed; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

General's Petition of Jare M. Triff, in relation to the East Side of Charles Street, between Steven's Bridge and Charles Randal Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

R. W. Green's claim of Richard W. Green, for \$829.39 with interest thereon, for the amount of tax assessed against him in the year 1857, and paid under protest; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Alvin's Petitions of Alvin Wade and Frederic Fuller, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire De-

partment, to examine and report thereon: - which Committee make Reports, in favour of granting the prayers thereof, respectively; and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayers thereof severally, are read and passed.

(Concerned.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers, for the present municipal year; and having completed the same, the two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the eleventh day of July next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President | .. Martin     |
| .. Angell,   | Owen,         |
| Anthony,     | Patten,       |
| Bartlett,    | Pratt         |
| Binney,      | Rice,         |
| Carpenter    | Rider,        |
| Chase,       | Senex,        |
| Cornell,     | Spagno        |
| Farrington,  | J. Fisher,    |
| Francis,     | J. R. Tucker, |
| Guile,       | Upton,        |
| Hopkins,     | Walker,       |
| Jones,       | Washburne,    |
| Lincoln      | Wheeler.      |

Robert J. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, July 11<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

Treasurer The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Quarterly Payments of the City, \$20, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Sanitary The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read, and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ch. Engineer The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Printing The joint Committee who were on the 6<sup>th</sup> of June last, appointed to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year; make Report, that they have discharged that duty; and present the contracts made therefor; which Report is read.

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Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Appropriations. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz. Resolved, That the following sums be, and the same are, hereby appropriated for the following purposes: viz.

For Improvement of Public Grounds, five hundred Dollars.  
" Contingencies, one thousand Dollars.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fourth of July. Resolved, That the thanks of this Body be presented to Prof. J. B. Angell, for his Oration at the recent 250. cent Anniversary of our National Independence.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Resolved, That the Committee appointed to make arrangements for the Municipal Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, be, and they are hereby authorized to request of Prof. J. B. Angell, a copy of the Oration delivered by him, on the fourth of July instant; and to 280. cause five hundred copies of the same to be published for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Washington Bridge. The joint Committee who were, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May last, appointed to cause the draw in the Providence Washington Bridge to be widened, pursuant to the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly at its January Session, A.D. 1859; make Report, that they 236. have contracted with Mr. Menzies Sweet, to procure 250. the materials and to oversee the work; - which

Report is read, whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Resolved, that the sum of sixteen hundred dollars (\$1600) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expense of widening the Draw of Washington Bridge, at India Point; the same to be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not therewin appropriated.

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(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Channel of the River. } Resolved, that a Committee, viz. Messrs Francis, J. R. Tucker and Rider, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be appointed; - whose duty it shall be to contract with some party, for the digging out of the Channel of the River, in such places as said Committee, in connexion with the Harbor Master, may direct. And they are hereby authorized to expend such an amount as shall have been received into the City Treasury, from the fees collected from vessels arriving at this port, since the election of the present incumbent; after paying the salary of that officer, for the time taken into the account.

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(Concurred, Aldermen Earle & Anthony added)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ferry Docks } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read: viz.

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"On the Petition of George B. Earl and others, in relation to the Ferry Docks, at the foot of James Street;

Resolved, that said Petition, be received, and referred to Aldermen Baren and Earle, and

such as the Common Council may add; to examine and report thereon."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein; and that Messrs Carpenter, Washburne and Farrington be added to the Committee.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Docks near Ship Street.

A Petition of A. D. & J. G. Smith and others, for the removal of the sand and mud, from the Docks near Ship Street, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to Messrs Carpenter, Washburne and Farrington, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred, and Alderman Anthony added)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Waybopet & Washington Bridges.

A Communication from the Mayor, recommending the appointment of a Committee to examine and report upon the subject of covering the open space between Waybopet and Washington Bridges; - is presented, and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to Messrs Binney, Hopkins, and Pratt, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred, and Alderman Baren added)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Lands near Reform School.

A Communication from the Mayor, recommending the appointment of a Committee to enquire and report respecting the purchase for the City of the lands between Mason and Hill Streets, belonging to

Widow of Ch. Patten.

the Estate of the late Charles Patten, in front of the Reform School Estate; is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to Messrs Bartlett, Wheaton and Martin, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; to examine and

report thereon.

(Concurred, and Alderman Earle added.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April last, were referred the several Petitions of Joseph F. Gilmore and others, George B. Holmes and others, & Elisha Dyer and others, and to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May last, was referred the Petitions of Eli Aylerworth and others, - praying that Engines Nos 5, 7, 9, and 10 may be continued at their present stations, and not be withdrawn from the Fire Department. - make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ponds & Street. A Petition of N. C. Briggs and others, for the setting of curb stones, &c. in Pond Street, from Pearl to Bridghead Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee, thereupon, report the following Resolution: - which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curbing and pave the gutters, in Pond Street, from Pearl to Bridghead Street.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Drains in Meeting St. A Petition of Sarah Halsey, for aid in the building of drains in Meeting Street and other streets; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Effren Simmons.

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The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the claim of Effren Simmons, for money paid by him to the Collector of Taxes, for expenses, in the year 1856, of sidewalks on Pawtucket Turnpike & Avenue; - make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw; - which Report is received; - and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

R. W. Green.  
Repayment of Tax.

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The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 6<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the claim of Richard W. Green, for money paid by him, under protest, for tax assessed against him in the year 1857; - make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw; - which Report is received; - and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

Charlotte C. Curtis.

Remission of Tax.

Remission of Taxes.

A Petition of Charlotte C. Curtis, for remission of tax; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Petitions of Horatio Bassett, and Henry S. Frize, for remission of taxes; are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Moving Buildings.

The following Petitions, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: viz:  
Petition of Phoenix Iron Foundry;  
" " Cleveland & Brothers.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

July 11<sup>th</sup> August 8<sup>th</sup> 1859.

In Convention.

The City Council having elected certain City Officers for the remainder of the present municipal year: - the two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday, the eighth day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|---------------|---------------|
| Mr. President | Martin,       |
| Angell,       | Owen,         |
| Bathing,      | Peter,        |
| Barkett,      | Portt,        |
| Binney,       | Rice,         |
| Capluter,     | Rider,        |
| Chese,        | Hencer,       |
| Cornell,      | Sprague,      |
| Farrington,   | J. Tucker,    |
| Francis,      | J. R. Tucker, |
| Guild,        | Nepdike,      |
| Hopkins,      | Walker,       |
| Janes,        | Washburne,    |
| Lincoln,      | Wheaton, 28.  |

Albert Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council August 8<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

August 8<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Clerk being absent, Samuel W. Brown is elected Clerk pro tempore.

*Treasurer's Monthly Statement* } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

*Surveyor's Report* } The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred, September 5<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

*Chief Engineer's Report* } The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred, September 5<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

*Harbor Master's Report* } The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Appropriations* } The Standing Committee on Finance report Resolutions making Appropriations for the year ending the last Monday in September A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty nine; which Resolutions are read and passed.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Appropriations* } The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolutions: which is read and passed:  
Resolved, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively: viz: Three hundred Dollars, For Gas Fixtures.

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For Public Schools, One thousand dollars,  
For Contingencies, Two thousand Dollars.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Town House A Resolution directing the Standing Committee  
to report upon the expediency of  
selling the Town House Lot, and other unproductive  
city property, is presented, read and passed.

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(Concurred.)

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(Approved by the Mayor.)

Washington A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a  
Memorandum from the Washington National Steam  
Navigation Society, requesting aid from the City, towards  
the erection of said Monument; is presented, read  
and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance,  
to examine and report thereon.

Rone Estate A Memorial from Messrs. Brown & Rice, requesting  
a loan from the City, of the Rone Estate (so called),  
is presented, received, and referred to the Standing  
Committee on City Property, to examine and report  
thereon.

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Lease of Land of Oliver Earl. A Resolution, That the City Treasurer be, and he is  
hereby authorized and directed to lease of the  
Trails of Oliver Earl, a lot of land upon Well  
Street, for the use of the City; and that said  
lease be made for a term of ten years, at an  
annual rent of not more than fifty Dollars.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Engine No 5 A Memorial from Benjamin B. Wood, and others,  
protesting against the withdrawal from the Fire De-  
partment of Engines Nos 5, 7, 9 and 10, which  
Engine No 9 were ordered to be withdrawn by Resolution of the

Engine No 10.

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City Council paper on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March last;  
is presented, read and received.

Resolutions in the words following, are present-  
ed and read:

1. Resolved, That the Board of Engineers of the  
Fire Department are hereby authorized and  
directed to locate the two Steam Fire Engines  
ordered by the City Council, at such Engine  
Houses as they may deem best for the secur-  
ity of combustible property, in the City.

2. Resolved, That the Board of Engineers afo-  
said are hereby authorized and directed to  
employ a 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>d</sup> Engineer, for each Engine,  
whose services shall be given entirely to the  
City; at such compensation as, in the judg-  
ment of said Board, may be necessary to se-  
cure competent and faithful men; and  
that said Board shall consider themselves  
hereby duly authorized and directed to keep  
in constant requisition for each Engine afo-  
said, an hostler and a number of horses suit-  
able for the efficient transportation of the said  
Engines and their hose.

3. Resolved, That said Board of Engineers are  
hereby authorized and directed to hire stables  
for the shelter of the horses aforesaid; or, if  
necessary, to erect stables upon land be-  
longing to, or leased by the City, and not  
therein appropriated.

4. Resolved, That upon the successful intro-  
duction of the aforesaid Steam Fire Engines  
into the Fire Department, the Board of Engi-  
neers shall withdraw from active service in  
said Department, Engines 5, 7, 9 and 10;  
and shall then distribute and locate the re-  
maining seven hand engines at such Engine  
Houses as, in the opinion of said Board,

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shall best promote the safety of the property of the City exposed to destruction by fire.

Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolutions be amended, by striking out the Fourth Resolution; and by inserting the following words in its place:

"4. Resolved, that so much of the Resolution relating to the Fire Department as provides for the withdrawal of Engines Nos 5, 7, 9 and 10, upon the introduction of Steam Fire Engines, that passed the City Council on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March last; be, and the same is hereby repealed."

Upon which motion the question is taken by yeas and nays; and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows:

<u>Yeas.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Mr. Angell	Mr. President,
Carnell,	Anthony,
Francis,	Carpenter,
Hopkins,	Chase
Lincoln,	Farrington
Pratt,	Jones.
Ryder,	Owen
Spencer,	Petter,
Sprague,	J. R. Tucker,
J. Tucker,	Uphike
Walker 11.	Washburne 11.

Said motion is therefore lost.

Whereupon, it is ordered that said Resolutions be amended, by striking out said Fourth Resolution:

And, thereupon, said First, second and Third Resolutions are again read, and are passed (Concurred, with the following Amendment, viz. that the words "acting with the advice of the Committee on the Fire Department," be

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added, after the word "Department" in the First Resolution.

The Amendment of the Board of Aldermen having been read; it is thereupon, resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein;

and that they request a conference upon the disagreement of the two Boards; and do appoint Messrs. Uphike, Sprague and Owen conferees on their part.

(The Board of Aldermen accede to the request for a Conference, and appoint Aldermen Anthony and Lister, conferees on their part.)

(The Board of Aldermen recede from their Amendment, and concur in the passage of said Resolutions.)

Approved by the Mayor.

Do. Resolved That so much of the Resolution relating to the Fire Department, as provides for the withdrawal of Engines Nos 9 and 10, upon the introduction of Steam Fire Engines, that passed the City Council on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March last; be and the same is hereby repealed. (Non concurred.)

Engines No 9

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Engines No 10.

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Do. Resolved, that so much of the Resolution relating to the Fire Department, as provides for the withdrawal of Engine No 7, upon the introduction of Steam Fire Engines, that passed the City Council on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March last; be, and the same is, hereby repealed.

Engines No 7.

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Engines No 7

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Engines No 9

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Engines No 10

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(Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz. that the words "Nos 5, 9 and 10" be added after the words "No 7.")

The Amendment of the Board of Aldermen having been read: it is thereupon resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Read } A Resolution in the words following, having passed  
 Read } the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for con-  
 Etas. } sideration and is read; viz:  
 Vacant } "Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be  
 Lands. } and he is hereby authorized, under the advice  
 and direction of the Standing Committee on  
 Highways, and with the consent of the parties  
 interested in the lands affected; to proceed  
 and fill up the bar piece, in the Pease  
 Field Etas, complained of as a nuisance;  
 provided the same can be done at an ex-  
 pense not exceeding one hundred dollars;  
 and that the cost of the same be paid out  
 of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise  
 appropriated."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common  
 Council do concur therein.  
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Prairie } A Petition of Robert W. Jones and others, for the  
 Avenue. } setting of curb-stones, on Prairie Avenue, from  
 DeWitt Street to Windmill Street; is presented,  
 received and referred to the Standing Committee on  
 Highways; to examine and report thereon; - which  
 Committee, thereupon, report the following Reso-  
 lution; which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be  
 and he is hereby, directed to pave the gutter  
 and set the curb-stones in Prairie Avenue,  
 from Lockwood Street to the Brauster Lane;  
 whenever the same shall have been received  
 as a Street of this City.

(Concurred.)  
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Transit } A Resolution in the words following, having passed  
 Street. } the Board of Aldermen; is sent down, for con-  
 sideration and is read; viz:

"Resolved, That Alderman Earle, with such as  
 the Common Council may add, be a Committee  
 to examine and report upon the expediency  
 of widening Transit Street, opposite the  
 estate of John W. Gonsbee; and also, to  
 report upon what terms said Street can  
 be widened."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common  
 Council do concur therein; and that Messrs  
 Spencer, Jones and Rice be added to the  
 Committee.  
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission } A Memorial from James Neunpford, collector  
 of Taxes on the year 1858, recommending that  
 the taxes assessed on certain persons, in that  
 year, be annulled; for the reasons therein  
 stated; is presented, received, and referred to  
 the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine  
 and report thereon.

Do } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on  
 the 11<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of  
 C. E. Carter; Charlotte E. Carter, for remission of tax; make  
 Report, recommending that said petitioner have  
 leave to withdraw; - which Report is received;  
 and it is thereupon, ordered, that said peti-  
 tioner have leave to withdraw.

Do } The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes,  
 are presented, received, and severally referred  
 to the Standing Committee on Claims, to ex-  
 amine and report thereon; viz:

277. Petition of William H. Grant, Justice of Benjamin  
 J. Grant;

277. " " William R. Babcock;

276. " " Hazard D. Reynolds.

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Moving Buildings. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom in the 11<sup>th</sup> of July last, were referred the Petitions the Phoenix Iron Foundry, and Cleveland & Brothers, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings: make Reports, in favor of granting the prayers thereof, respectively: and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions granting the prayers of said petitions, severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Proceedings of the Common Council. Resolved, that the Clerk of the Common Council be, and he is hereby directed to cause three hundred copies of the Proceedings of each meeting of the Common Council, together with the actions of the Board of Aldermen and their Board the Mayor therein, to be printed in pamphlet form; one hundred copies thereof to be for the use of the City Council; and the remainder thereof to be retained in the office of the City Clerk, for future use.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Quorum Edward G. Farmer, George General, having nominated James Burrough, William Burrough, and George Green as his deputies; the appointment of said deputies is approved and confirmed by the City Council,

J. P. Case. John P. Case is elected a City Constable, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

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August 8<sup>th</sup> September 12<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Common Council adjourned, to meet on Monday the twelfth day of September next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
Angell,  
Anthony,  
Carpenter,  
Chase,  
Cornell,  
Farmington,  
Francis,  
Hopkins,  
Jones,  
Lincoln

Owen,  
Petter,  
Pott,  
Rider,  
Stewart,  
Sprague,  
Tucker,  
J. R. Tucker,  
Uppide,  
Walker,  
Warburton 22.

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Common Council, September 12<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

Treasurer's Monthly Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer's Quarterly Report. The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented, read, and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Surveyor's Report } The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Eng. Report } The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report } The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Appropriation } The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, that the following sum be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the following purposes: viz.  
For Lighting Streets, Two Hundred Dollars.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

School Board } A Memorial of Hubert Butcher and Carl P. Mason, requesting that measures be taken to have the bounds between their lot and the School House lot on Meeting Street, adjusted and fixed, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

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Stone Erector } The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Memorial of Brown & Rice, requesting a lease of the Stone Erector (so called,) make Report by Resolution, which Report is read and received: And said Resolution having been amended, is again read as amended, and is passed, as follows: viz.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer acting under the advice

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of the Standing Committee on Finance, he and he is hereby directed to lease the Stone Erector on Broad Street, upon such terms and conditions as said Committee shall direct.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz. that the words "after the same has been surveyed and platted", be added, after the word "Street" in the fourth line.)

The Common Council concurred in the Amendment.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ferry Dock } The joint Committee to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred, by Resolution, the Petition of George B. Cole and others, in relation to the Ferry Dock at the foot of James Street, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed.

Resolved, That Messrs Carpenter, Workman, and Farrington, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to carry into effect the recommendations of the Committee upon the Memorial of George B. Cole and others, for the improvement of James Street Dock; and that the sum of Six Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expense thereof; to be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred; and Motion Carried.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Collector of Taxes } A Memorial from Nathaniel S. Deoper, Collector of Taxes, requesting that a place may be provided by the City Council, where he may be able to perform the duties of his office: is presented, read, and received. And it is, thereupon, moved, that the Collector of Taxes, under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Finance, be authorized to lease a suitable room, for the col-

lection of the City Tax: - which motion is put and lost. Whereupon it is ordered, that said Memorial be laid upon the Table.

City Watch? A Petition of Gorham & Brown <sup>others</sup> for an increase of the number of the City Watchmen, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Engine No 11. A Petition of James G. Smith & others, praying that Engine No 11 may be located at some point East of Thayer Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department.

James M. Phipps Charles Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 6<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Petition of James M. Phipps, in relation to the East line of Charles Street, between Stevens' Bridge and Randal Street, make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: - which Report is received, and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Street and Baker Street. A Petition of George A. Howard and others, praying that a highway may be laid out across the land known as Baker Street, on the Mathewson Plat, and as far towards Westminster Street, as the Board of Aldermen may think necessary and desirable: - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Friendship Street. A Petition of Jacob Manchester and others, for a cross-walk in Friendship Street, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Taxes resitted. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Memorial from

James Mumford, Collector of Taxes, for the year 1858, recommending that certain taxes specified in said year, be annulled; report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the taxes specified in the annexed List, amounting to Eight-hundred, ninety six Dollars and eighteen cents, reported by the Board of Assessors of Taxes for the year 1858, to have been improperly assessed in said year, for the reasons specified in each case, - be and the same are hereby annulled; and that the City Treasurer do, and he is hereby directed to credit the Collector of Taxes, with said sum of eight hundred, ninety-six Dollars, and eighteen cents, - together with the interest on said several taxes.

John Aldrich (Arcade)	9. 72
Harley Stwood	4. 05
Markis Baker,	8. 10
Zenas Brown	8. 10
Wm. H. Brown	8. 10
Horace Branch	1. 62.
Conrad Becherer	12. 15
Frank Proastor, Guardian for J. Sprague	
{ B. Mantou, of Mobile	12. 15
Benjamin J. Blived	2. 43.
Isaac A. Brooks,	40. 50
Ephraim Brown	4. 86
William H. Burdoy	3. 24
George W. Craig (Arcade)	9. 72
William G. Chesby	4. 86
Henry Davost,	8. 10
John Dean,	4. 05
Franklin J. Dickman	16. 20
Thomas B. Sanson,	2. 43.
Lewis Devlin, Administrator of Eliza	
{ J. Barnes,	4. 05
Alexander Eddy	5. 67
Francis L. Fenton,	16. 20.

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William G. Foster,	8 10
Obadiah B. Tenner,	24 30
Charles E. Fuller	1 62
J. W. Gillespie	5 67
William S. Jeff.	4 86
Thomas Gibbs	1 62
George H. Kenley	2 43
Robert B. Hubbard	1 62
Noah Stone,	2 43
William O. Ingraham	3 24
John F. Jolls.	8 10
Morgan Kimball	3 24
Benajah Keith wife	4 05
Abemiah Knight	4 05
Stephen Kettner,	1 62
J. Walter Littlefield	4 05
Mr. Vernon Lodge	17 01
Lewis Lereck.	4 86
James H. Mumford	9 72
Edward Mellen Jr.	1 62
Francis A. Moser	4 05
John Mason (Swaney) Administrator of Estate of Sarah Cole,	12 15
Daniel Martin,	2 43
Rev. Royal Arch Chapter.	24 30.
Thomas N. Pearce,	4 05
Henry Potter 4 <sup>th</sup> Ward.	2 43.
Rebecca Russell widow of Am.	48 60
Perez W. Read,	4 05
Moses Richardson (stand.)	8 10
Thomas Simpson	2 43
Frank J. Slater,	8 10
James H. Stewart	2 43
James M. Shaw, (Steam mill)	5 67.
Thomas A. Tefft (1857)	14 80
A. V. G. Taylor	1 62.
Francis Titcomb	2 43
Thomas P. Vaughan	12 15

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Harriet E. Wards	8 91
Charles Wigand	12 15
John G. Warren	16 20
Henry B. White (Lepine)	1 62
Patience A. Whipple.	1 62
Albert Young	1 62
Rescue G. Davis.	6 48.
Henry Marsh	8 10
Joseph A. Kent, (1 <sup>st</sup> Ward)	2 43
Joseph Little	1 62
George C. Bowen	2 43
Barnet A. Field	4 05
Charles H. Mumford	4 86
W. Lynch,	4 05
Arnold C. Hawes.	8 10
Wm. A. Arnold I.C.	2 43
C. A. Alder.	8 10
James L. King,	24 30
Lewis S. Wheelock	8 10
W. K. Robinson.	8 10
Dan. W. Vaughan	89 10
Thomas P. Little	8 10
Edward Potter, (Police)	2 43
Jonathan A. Eddy,	3 24
Thomas A. Carpenter.	4 05
Moses Brenard (Acade)	8 10
Samuel T. Monroe.	2 43
Timmons Cole	4 05
John Dudley	4 05
Wm. J. Potter	4 05
John Hawkes.	1 62
George Hawkes.	2 43.
Thomas Carr.	2 43
Calvin Pearce	1 62
Samuel C. Southfork.	2 43
Dennis Barker, 1857, 1858.	1 55
James Brown (the Dealer)	5 67
Yes. A. Tallman.	3 24

Pow. Franklin Society		8. 10	
Oliver Angell 1857. 1858.		7. 75	
Benj <sup>n</sup> Greene (carrier)		8. 10	
George A. Harvard	38. 52		
	Int. 4. 68	43. 20	
Walter C. Burke		26 "	
Patrick Flynn		4. 05	
Elizabeth Amory		100. 00	
		948. 24	
Exp W. P. Allen Jr	2. 48		
Meres Richardson	8. 10		
F. G. Dickman	16. 20		
Thos J. Tefft	14. 80		
Pow. Franklin Society	8. 10		
John B. Fuller	2. 43	52. 06	
		<u>896. 18.</u>	

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Transmit The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of Hazard D. Reynolds, for remission of tax; report the following

267. Resolution: which is read and passed: viz.  
Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Hazard D. Reynolds, the sum of one dollar and seventy cents: the said sum being in remission of tax (improperly) assessed against him in the year 1858: provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum had been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Hazard D. Reynolds.  
(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Transmit The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of William H. Grant, for remission of tax; report the following

267. Resolution: which is read and passed: viz.  
Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to William H. Grant, the sum of sixty five dollars and eighty cents: the said sum being in remission of a tax (improperly) assessed against him in the year 1858: - provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said William H. Grant: and provided further that said Grant shall relinquish all other claims against said City of Providence, for taxes herebefore assessed against him prior to the year 1859.  
(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission of Tax. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of Coratio Bas. 268. Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw, which Report is received: and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Do. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the petition of William R. Babcock, for repayment of tax: make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: which Report is received: and it is,

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Rev. Franklin Society		8. 10
Oliver Angell 1857. 1858.		7. 75
Benj <sup>n</sup> Greene (carrier)		8. 10
George A. Howard	38. 52	
Int.	4. 68	43. 20
Walter C. Bushee		26 "
Patrick Flynn		4. 05
Elizabeth Amory		100. 00
		948. 24
Exp		
W. P. Allen Jr	2. 48	
Meres Richardson	8. 10	
F. G. Dickman	16. 20	
Wm. T. Jeff	14. 80	
Rev. Franklin Society	8. 10	
John B. Fuller	2. 43	52. 06
		896. 18.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of Hazard D. Reynolds, for remission of tax; report the following

267. Resolution: which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Hazard D. Reynolds, the sum of one dollar and seventy cents: the said sum being in remission of tax (improperly) assessed against him in the year 1858: provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum had been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Hazard D. Reynolds.

(Concurred)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

September 12<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of William H. Grant, for remission of tax; report the following

267. Resolution: which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to William H. Grant, the sum of sixty five dollars and eighty cents: the said sum being in remission of a tax (improperly) assessed against him in the year 1858: - provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said William H. Grant: and provided further that said Grant shall relinquish all other claims against said City of Providence, for taxes (improperly) assessed against him prior to the year 1859.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of Horatio Bas. R. Babcock, for remission of tax; make Report, recommending

259. that said petitioner have leave to withdraw, which Report is received: and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Do. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of William R. Babcock, for repayment of tax: make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: which Report is received: and it is,



Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department is presented, read, and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Treasurer's Annual Account. The Annual Account of the City Treasurer with the City, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Auditors' Annual Report. The Annual Report of the City Auditors, for the year ending on the last day of September last, is presented, and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received, and that the Standing Committee on Finance be and they are hereby directed to cause said Report, or so much thereof as is required to be published by the fourth section of the City Charter, with a Schedule of the Property of the City, - to be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; and also, to cause not exceeding five thousand copies of said Report and Schedule to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Fourth of July. The joint Committee appointed to make arrangements for the recent celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence; who were on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July last, authorized to request of Prof. James B. Angell, a copy of the Oration delivered by him, on that occasion, for publication. make Report, that they have been unable to obtain a copy of the same for that purpose: - which Report is read. Where-

upon, it is ordered, that the same be received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Tests & Estate. A communication from the Mayor, in the words following, is presented and read: viz: "Mayor's Office, Providence October 10<sup>th</sup> 1859 174. To the Town City Council.

Yesterday, the General Assembly having taken possession of the Tests Estate, and directed the Attorney General to commence legal proceedings against the City, for a settlement of accounts, - I recommended the appointment of a committee by your body, to examine into the subject and to make a settlement, if found practicable, without recourse to the State courts. Jobey C. Knight Mayor."

Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to Messrs Updike, Wheaton and James Tucker, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon. (Concurred.) (The Mayor & Alderman Bowen added.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Market House & Stalls. A Petition of Alfred Pink and others, praying that the stalls in the old Market House may be altered and re-arranged, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, with instructions to report the estimated expense of the proposed alterations, and the increase of rents which may accrue therefrom. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Lighting Streets. The Committee appointed by the Board of Aldermen, on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September last, to make enquiry into the expenses of lighting the streets; making Rep<sup>ts</sup>. Report: which is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

389.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Watchmen. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Graham & Brown and others, for an increase of the number of the City Watchmen: make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

272.

291.

Engine No 11. The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of James G. Smith & others, praying that Engine No 11 may be located at some point East of Thayer Street; make Report, that, as said Board do not intend, at present, to remove Engine No 11 from its present location; they do not deem it for the interest of the City that the prayer of said petition be granted: which Report is read; whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

272.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Steam Fire Engines. Resolved, that the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, be and they are hereby authorized to provide such hose carriages, Water Tanks, and other apparatus, as, in the opinion of said Board, may be necessary for the successful working of the

Horse Carriages &c.

223.

Steam Fire Engines. Resolved, also, that the said Board of Engineers be, and they are hereby authorized to make such reduction in the number of men and of hand engines as, in the judgment of the Board, can be made, without impairing the proper efficiency of the Fire Department.

Board of Engineers.

291.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Highway Works. A Communication from the Standing Committee on Highways, in relation to the work on the Highways, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

237.

336.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Transit Street. The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolutions; which are read and passed:

(Upon the Petition of D. W. Barney & others, referred April 11<sup>th</sup> 1859.)

231.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to bring out the sidewalks in Transit Street, between Hope and Brooke Streets, to their proper width, and re-lay the gutter-paving and re-set the curbing; whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish the seven-inch curbing necessary to complete the same.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Friendship Street.

272.

(Upon the Petition of Jacob Manchester & others, referred September 12<sup>th</sup> 1859.)

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be,

& the Surveyor is, directed to cause a curb walk to be laid in Friendship Street, in front of St. Andrew's Church.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Street  
across  
Baker  
Street

(Upon the Petition of George A. Edwards & others referred September 12<sup>th</sup> 1859.)

Resolved, That the Mayor and Board of Aldermen be, and they are, hereby requested to lay out a public highway under the provisions of Chapter 43, Title 9, of the Revised Statutes of Rhode Island, from Washington Street, in a South East-  
-ly direction, as far as a line described on the accompanying map, on that portion of lands known and described as Baker Street.

272.  
319.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Culvert  
across  
Hospital  
Street

A Petition of James E. Batts and others, for a culvert across Hospital Street and adjacent lands, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report there-  
-on: - which Committee thereupon, report the fol-  
-lowing Resolution, which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is, hereby directed to cause a Culvert to be built across Hospital Street, and to the old cul-  
-vert in Manchester Street, near the foot of Ches-  
-nut Street; whenever the consent of the owners of the adjacent lands can be obtained and per-  
-mission forever secured to open and take up any  
-portion of same, for clearing or repairs, and provi-  
-ded said culvert be covered, a suitable depth with  
-dirt, by the owners of the land through which it  
-shall be made.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Sutton  
Street

A Resolution for the setting of curb-stones, &c. in Sutton Street, from Broadway to Asia Street, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Com-  
-mittee on Highways, to examine and report there-  
-on.

Nathan  
Truman

A Petition of Nathan Truman, for permission to enter a private drain into the public drain in  
-Drain Westminster Street, without payment of the usual  
-358. charge; is presented, received, and referred to the  
-Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and  
-report thereon

Washington  
Street

A Communication from the Mayor, recommending the  
-appointment of a Committee for the adjustment of  
-several claims for damages suffered, and complaints  
-of over-appointments for benefits received, by the  
-extension of Washington Street; is presented and read.  
-184. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred  
-339. to Messrs. Updike, Wheeler and James Tucker, with  
-such as the Board of Aldermen may add; to ex-  
-amine and report thereon.

(Concurred.) (The Mayor & Alderman Holden added)

Tax  
remitted

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of  
-September last, was referred the Petition of Hope Parmenter,  
-for remission of tax; report the following Resolution, which  
-is read and passed: viz:

Hope  
Parmenter

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is here-  
-by directed to pay, to Hope Parmenter, the sum of  
-278. sixteen Dollars and twenty cents; - the said sum  
-being in remission of tax improperly assessed against her,  
-in the year 1858; provided it shall appear to the  
-Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes,  
-that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury.  
-If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said  
-tax has not been paid into the Treasury, then  
-he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amount

so unpaid: - and the Collectors of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Keefe Permenter.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission of Tax. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Heczkich V.C. Palmer, B. Palmer, for remission of tax: make Report, recommending (278. ing) that said petitioner have leave to withdraw, which Report is received, and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Taxes. The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

- 295. Petition of Robert H. Tves.
- 294. " Charlotte N. Goddardo,
- 295. " William C. Townsend, executor of Solomon Townsend, deceased;
- 294. " John A. Rowland, executor of Joshua W. Longley, deceased.

Moving Buildings. Petitions of Benjamin G. Pabodie and Thomas W. Sprague, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports, recommending the granting the prayers thereof respectively; and said Reports are severally received, and Resolutions granting the prayers thereof respectively, are read and passed.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Town House. A communication from the Standing Committee on Police, in relation to the present condition of the Town House,

representing that the same is unfit for the uses to which it is now devoted; and recommending that a committee be appointed to procure and report plans and estimates for a new building, for the use of the City; is presented, received, and laid upon the Table.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the fourteenth Day of November next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|-------------|--------------|
| Mr. Angell. | • Owen       |
| Atterbury   | Potter       |
| Barstoll    | Pratt        |
| Binsley     | Rice         |
| Carpenter   | Rida         |
| Chase       | Shenard?     |
| Cornell     | Sprague      |
| Framington  | J. Tucker    |
| Guild       | J. R. Tucker |
| Hopkins     | Upham        |
| Jones       | Walker       |
| Lincoln     | Wickburne    |
| Martin      | Wheaton.     |

Common Council November 14<sup>th</sup> 1859.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Treasurer's Monthly Statement.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under

The Resolutions of the Common Council, of October 20 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Sanitary Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engi. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Harbor Masters Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read, and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Treasurer. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Account of October last, was referred the Annual Account of the City Treasurer with the City, make Report, which is received: and said Account having been audited and certified by the City Auditor, it is ordered that the same be recorded.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Report of the Trustees of the Sinking Funds of the City of Providence, appointed in conformity with the Act of the General Assembly, passed at the May Session A.D. 1855, present their Report of the Condition of said Fund: viz:  
That they have 63 Bonds of the City of Providence, payable in 1885, (with 6 per cent coupons attached) for \$1000 each 63000:00  
That they have on hand, cash 2022:14  
\$65022:14

which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Report of Trustees of Sinking Funds of C. R. R. The Trustees of the Sinking Fund of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company in Providence, present their Report of the condition of said Fund viz:

That they hold 27 Bonds of the City of Providence, for \$1000 each, payable in 1885, (with interest warrants attached, payable semi-annually, at 6 per cent) \$27000.00  
Premium paid on same \$170.00  
Interest at the time of purchase \$3.55  
\$28173.55

That they now owe, in settlement of Bonds. \$86.08.  
which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

School No. 16. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Memorial of Messrs. Carl Butchers and Carl P. Pearson, requesting that measures be taken to have the bounds between their lot and the School House lot in Meeting Street, adjusted and fixed: make Report, that the City Solicitor has examined the title to the parcel in question, and directed a survey of the premises: (an abstract of which title is given with a Plat of said survey is presented with said Report.) and that he finds upon such examination, that the City does not trespass upon the estate of said memorialists; and that they therefore recommend that said memorialists have leave to withdraw: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received; and that said memorialists have leave to withdraw.





Engine No 6,  
122,  
300.

of the new party composing the disbanded companies, and that the Engine party in charge of Company No 1 has taken the place of Engine No 6; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Do. A Communication from William H. Ferrer, one of the Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department, containing reasons for his dissent from the action of the majority of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, in the disbanding of Engine Company No 1; is presented read, and received.

Do. A Resolution in the words following, is presented and read: viz:  
"Resolved, that the Resolution passed at the last meeting of the City Council, (October 10<sup>th</sup>) empowering the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department to make such reductions in the number of men and hand engines as in their judgment, could be made without impairing the efficiency of the Fire Department; - is hereby rescinded."  
Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution pass. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz

Ayes.  
Messrs Binney,  
Sturges,  
Peach,  
Martin. 4

Nays.  
Mr. President,  
" Angell,  
Anthony,  
Bartlett,  
Carpenter,  
Chase,  
Corvell,

" Guild  
Hopkins  
Jones,  
Lincoln  
Pottet,  
Pratt,  
Rice,  
Ryder,

" Spencer,  
Spurgeon,  
J. Tucker,  
Z. B. Tucker,  
Widake,  
Walker,  
Wheaton. 221.

Said motion is cheerfully lost.

Do. A Petition of Alexander Duncan and others, praying that the City Council may direct the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department to immediately re-instate Engine No 1 and its late Company, to its recent locality, as a part of the Fire Department; is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Joseph  
Thomson  
300. A Petition of Joseph Thomson, for liberty to locate a small iron windmill on the roof of his stable in the rear of "Franklin Square," to be used for raising water; is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways; to examine and report thereon.

Exchange  
Place.  
Cr. walks  
301. A Petition of Bradford Poffers and others, for a cross walk in Exchange Place; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Walter  
Craddock  
310. A Petition of Walter Craddock, for compensation for damage to his planes, shrubberies, &c. on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October last, during a fire in the vicinity; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Alexander A. Peckham of Nevada Keef, for the remission and  
 Keef } re payment of a fine and costs paid by him for  
 301. his son John O. Keef, on a complaint for a vio-  
 lation of the Ordinance in relation to Sails: is pre-  
 sented, received, and referred to the Standing Com-  
 mittee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Taxes (remitted) The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom on the 10<sup>th</sup>  
 of October last, were referred the Petitions of Charlotte  
 R. Goddard, and of John A. Howland Executor of  
 Joshua W. Langley, deceased, for remission of taxes,  
 and to whom was by the Board of Aldermen  
 referred the Petition of Shubael Cady, for re-  
 mission of tax: - now report the following Resolu-  
 tion; which is read and passed: viz

Resolved that the City Treasurer be, and he is  
 hereby directed to pay to the persons whose names  
 are annexed, the sums placed against their respec-  
 tive names: - the said sums being in remission  
 of taxes improperly assessed against them, in the  
 years 1858 and 1859; provided it shall ap-  
 pear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the  
 Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been  
 paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear  
 to the City Treasurer, that said sums have not  
 been paid into the Treasury, - then he shall  
 credit the Collector of Taxes with the amounts  
 so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall de-  
 duct the amounts hereby remitted, from the  
 taxes of the persons whose names are annexed:

286	To John A. Howland, Executor of Joshua W. Langley.	25. 61
	To Shubael Cady.	344. 00
286	To Charlotte R. Goddard, for the year 1858	\$202. 50
	& for the year 1859	200. 00
	Total	\$772. 11

(Continued)

Do The Standing Committee on Claims report the follow-  
 ing Resolutions; which is read and passed: viz:

294. Whereas, by a clerical error of the former Clerk  
 of the Board of Assessors, Shubael Cady, of Prui-  
 dence was improperly assessed, for the year 1859,  
 on the sum of fifty three thousand Dollars, on  
 personal property, which said amount should  
 have been assessed against Shubael W. Cady of  
 said Providence; (said tax amounting to the  
 sum of three hundred and forty four Dollars.)

And whereas, the said Shubael W. Cady express-  
 es a willingness to pay said tax, so as aforesaid,  
 erroneously assessed against the said Shubael  
 Cady;

Therefore, Resolved, that the City Treasurer be  
 and he is hereby authorized to receive the aforesaid  
 tax of three hundred and forty four Dollars, of  
 the said Shubael W. Cady, less three per cent  
 and interest therein, and for the tax on  
 personal property, of the said Shubael W. Cady,  
 for the year 1859, and to give him a receipt  
 therefor, to that effect.

(Continued.)

Remission Taxes. 285. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of  
 July last, was referred the Petition of Henry S. Frazer,  
 and to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October last, were refer-  
 286. red the Petitions of Robert W. Gues  
 286. and of William C. Townsend, Executor of  
 Solomon Townsend, deceased,

for remission of taxes: and to whom was, by the  
 Board of Aldermen, referred a Petition of Franklin  
 J. Dickman, for remission of tax; make Reports  
 thereon, recommending that said petitioners severally  
 have leave to withdraw: - which Reports and  
 severally received; and it is, therefore, ordered, that  
 said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw

Petitions of Taxes. } The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are severally presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon, viz:

- 302. Petition of Shabe Brown, for himself & as Guardian of her son Elisha Brown;
- 321. Petition of W. Leonardson;
- 303. " James A. Gunder;
- 310. " Isaac Thurber, Administrator of Oliver Helman, deceased.

Main Building. } Petitions of Daniel M. Morse and Jacob F. Morris, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: - which Committee make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof respectively; and said Reports are severally received, and Resolutions granting the prayer of said petitions, severally, are read and passed.

(Concluded.)

Do A Petition of R. R. Rickard, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read and received, and the Standing Committee on the Fire Department having recommended that the prayer thereof be granted, a Resolution granting the prayer thereof, is read and passed.

(Concluded.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

May Saff is appointed a Trustee of the Sinking Fund

to redeem the City Bonds issued to the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, in the place of Augustus C. Mauran, deceased.

George Church is elected a Member of Council, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday, the twelfth day of December next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|---------------|---------------|
| Mr. President | .. Martin,    |
| " Angell,     | Over,         |
| " Atherly,    | Patten,       |
| Bartlett,     | Pratt,        |
| Birney,       | Rice,         |
| Carpenter,    | Rider,        |
| Chase,        | Spencer,      |
| Cornell,      | Sproule,      |
| Farrington,   | J. Tucker,    |
| Frankis,      | J. R. Tucker, |
| Guild,        | Upside,       |
| Hopkins,      | Walker,       |
| Jones,        | Wheaton,      |
| Lincoln,      |               |

Wm. H. Greene.  
Clerk.

Common Council, December 12 1859.

The Common Council met, pursuant to Adjournment: a quorum present.

Treasurer's Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer's Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Spices and Payments of the City Debt, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Surveyor's Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engineer's Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Commissioner's Semi Annual Report of the Commissioner of the Poor is presented and read, whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ordinance. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the removal of the contents of Privy Vaults," which was laid upon the Table, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April last, is taken up and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to Messrs Fawcett, Spencer and Upton, to examine and report thereon.

Town House. The Report of the Standing Committee on City Property, recommending a sale of certain Real Estate belonging to the City, accompanied by three Resolutions; which was on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November last received, and put upon this day, with an order that the same should be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; having been printed pursuant to said order, is taken up and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same, together with said Resolutions, be laid upon the Table.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property, in connection with the City Solicitor, be and they are hereby requested to examine the titles of the various Lots belonging to the City, recommended to be sold in their Report to the City Council, of November 14<sup>th</sup> 1859; and to make such Report thereon as they may deem necessary, to the Council.

Case for Records. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby directed to procure a suitable case for holding the records, books and papers of the Common Council; and to procure a suitable table and chairs for the Municipal Court Room; and to make such disposition of the furniture formerly used by the Common Council, in said Room, as

they may deem expedient  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fire Engines. The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department make Report, that under the authority given them by the Resolution of the City Council, passed on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October last, Engine Companies Nos 6 and 11 have been disbanded, and a new Company for Engine No 6 formed from a selection of the disbanded men, which has taken the number and notation of the late No 6; that Engine No 11 is held as a reserve engine, and that the late No 6 is located at the Dexter Asylum; - which Report is read.

Engine No. 6  
122.  
292.  
327.  
Engine No. 11.

291. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be read.  
319. and referred to the Standing Committee on  
327. the Fire Department, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fire Alarm. Resolved, that the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department be, and they are hereby directed to report to the City Council, some efficient and economical plan for alarming the Firemen, in case of fire; and for informing them of the locality in which their services are required.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joseph Howards. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Petition of Joseph Howards, for liberty to locate a small iron windmill on the roof of his stable, make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw; which Report is received, and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Exchange Place. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Petition of Bradford, Post & Co, and others, report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:  
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid, opposite the Depot Buildings on Exchange Place, and as near the middle of the same as can conveniently be done.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

James Mumford late Collector of Taxes. A Communication from the City Treasurer, enclosing an Account of James Mumford, Collector of Taxes for the year 1858, as presented by said Mumford to the City Treasurer for settlement; is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that said Account and Communication be received; and that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; with power to settle with the late Collector of Taxes, within the amount proposed by him; and with instruction to report their action thereon, to the City Council.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Alexander Keef. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Petition of Alexander Keef, for the remission and repayment of a fine, paid by him for his son John B. Keef; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:  
Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay Alexander Keef, the sum of five Dollars and fifty seven cents, in full of costs incurred and paid by him on account of his son John B. Keef, who was improperly complained of, as having violated the City Ordinance in regard to

December 12<sup>th</sup> 1859.

collecting toll: said sum to be paid out of any monies not otherwise appropriated; on the said Petition an order being given a full and satisfactory receipt therefor.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Peter Sullivan A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz;

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways, be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to make the following repairs and improvements on Peter Sullivan's lot of land and buildings: viz:

Level his lot of land and move his two houses from their present location thereon, and stone up cellars under each of them, seven feet deep; also, to build a story with wood, under the house that now stands upon the brow of the Hill: to clapboard the new story, and paint the house on the outside; to plaster the new part on the inside, mend the broken plastering, and paint the house on the inside: Also, to shingle the roof, and put the building in good repair; to sink a brick cistern on his lot of land, where he may direct, to hold twenty hogsheads, and to conduct the water from the buildings, into it: also to build a privy on his lot: to give him all the ballast stone on the lot; and pay to him one hundred and fifty Dollars, for loss of rents. To be completed for or before May first, 1860; and the expense paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resigned The Standing Committee on claims, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup>

December 12<sup>th</sup> 1859.

of November last, was referred the Petition of Phoebe Brown, for herself, and as Guardian of her son Eli- she Brown, for remission of tax; make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Tax remitted J.A. Gowdey The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Petition of James A. Gowdey, for remission of tax; and report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz;

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to James A. Gowdey, the sum of twenty-eight Dollars: the said sum being in remission of tax improperly assessed against him in the year 1859: provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of the said James A. Gowdey.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ref payment of tax. 311. A Petition of Lodwick Brayton, for repayment of tax: is presented received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Moving Buildings Petitioners of Williams & Brown, J. S. Remington, J. S. Remington, for liberty to move

December 12<sup>th</sup> 1859.

remain wooden buildings; having been by the Board of Aldermen  
severally referred to the Standing Committee on the  
Fire Department, to examine and report thereon;

said Committee make Reports in favor of grant-  
ing the prayers thereof respectively; and said Reports  
are severally received, and Resolutions granting  
the prayers thereof respectively, are read and passed.

(concluded)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday  
the ninth Day of January next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|--------------|--------------|
| Mr President | Marlin,      |
| Angell,      | Queen        |
| Askeny,      | Peter        |
| Bartlett,    | Roll         |
| Binney,      | Rice,        |
| Carpenter    | Rider        |
| Chow         | Spencer,     |
| Cornell      | Sprague,     |
| Farrington   | J. Tucker    |
| Francis,     | J. B. Tucker |
| Guild        | Vepdike      |
| Hopkins,     | Walker       |
| Jones,       | Washburne,   |
| Lincoln      | Wheeler      |

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Albert G. Greene, Clerk

January 5<sup>th</sup> 1860.

1860.

Common Council, January 5<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Special Meeting.

City of Providence  
To the Members of the Common Council,  
City of Providence Greeting.

Mayor's  
Warrant.

Whereas, in my opinion, it is advisable for the Com-  
mon Council to meet, at an earlier Day than  
that to which said Council stands adjourned;  
you and each of you are therefore hereby re-  
quested and required, to meet in the Council  
Chamber, on Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of January  
at 7 o'clock, for the election of a City Clerk  
in place of Albert Pabodie, deceased.

L.S.  
1860

Given under my hand, and seal  
of said City, this 4<sup>th</sup> Day of January  
1860  
J. C. Knight, Mayor.

"Providence January 5<sup>th</sup> 1860.  
I certify, that I have notified the members  
of the Common Council, that a meeting of that  
body will be held, this, Thursday evening, at  
7 o'clock, at their Rooms, as commanded.  
James C. Sheridan,  
City Sergeant."

January 5<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Pursuant to the adjournment contained in the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled at 7 o'clock P.M.; a quorum present.

The Mayor of the Board, calling the present meeting, is read.

Death of Albert Pabodie, City Clerk.

It having been announced to the City Council, that Albert Pabodie Esq; who during the last sixteen years, has ably and acceptably filled the office of City Clerk of Providence; departed this life, on the second day of January instant: -

It is then Resolved, that while thus called upon to mourn the loss of an estimable fellow citizen and a meritorious public officer, - we desire to record our high appreciation of the ability, industry and conscientious fidelity with which the various duties of his important office have been discharged during his long term of service; whereby he has left a character which will by the community, be held in grateful remembrance.

Resolved, that the City Council respectfully tender to the family and relatives of the deceased, a assurance of sympathy in their bereavement; - and that the Mayor be requested to transmit to them, a copy of these Resolutions.

Resolved, that these Resolutions be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Passed in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

J.W. Brown City Clerk.

Samuel W. Brown is, by ballot, elected City

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clock, for the remainder of the present municipal year, in the place of Albert Pabodie, deceased.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the twelfth day of December last; to wit, to meet on Monday the ninth day of January instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,

" Angell,

" Suther,

Barrett

Binney,

Carpenter,

Chase,

Cornell,

Farrington,

Francis,

Quild

Hopkins,

Jones,

Lincoln

Marten,

Owen,

Patterson,

Pratt,

Rice,

Rider,

Spencer,

Spokane,

J. Tucker,

Z. H. Tucker

Wheeler

Walker

Wheaton,

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Albert G. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, January 9<sup>th</sup> 1860.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Treasurer. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Monthly Statement. Resolutions of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor's Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read, and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

City Marshal's Report. The Annual Report of the City Marshal, of the business of the Police Department, for the year 1859, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Reform School Report. The Annual Report of the Trustees of the Providence Reform School is presented. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received, and that seven hundred and fifty copies thereof be printed, in pamphlet form, under the direction of the Superintendent of the Reform School, for the use of the City Council. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Market House City Office. A communication from the Mayor, in relation to the City Office in the second story of the Market House, is presented and read.

To Do. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz:

308. "Resolved, that the Mayor, the City Clerk and the Judge of the Municipal Court be authorized to cause such changes to be made in the second story of the Market Building, as they consider advisable, for the accommodation of the various Departments of the City Government; and that the expense of the same be paid, upon the order of the Mayor, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated." Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. (Approved by the Mayor.)

To Do. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz:

Stalls in the Market. 281. 317. "Resolved that the Mayor and the Clerk of the Market be authorized to cause the first story of the Market Building to be repaired and improved, according to the accompanying plan; and to make such repairs in the basement story, as they consider advisable for the City's interest, and that the expense of the same be paid, upon the order of the Mayor, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated." Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon; with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Common Council.

Josiah R. Pearce. The Standing Committee on Claims to which was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a claim of 185.

Jaish R. Pearce, for \$1000, for indemnity for losses sustained by him in consequence of the neglect of Charles T. Little formerly Scale of Weights and Measures, in not properly adjusting the weights used by said claimant; make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

Waller Broadbuck. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Petition of Waller Broadbuck for compensation for damage to his plants, shrubberies, &c, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October last, during a fire in the vicinity; make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Tax remitted. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Petition of Isaac Thurber, Administrator of Oliver Spelman dec'd, for remission of tax: now report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:  
296. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Isaac Thurber, Administrator on the estate of Oliver Spelman late of Providence, dec'd, the sum of seventy two Dollars; the said sum being in remission of tax improperly assessed against him as Administrator, as aforesaid, in the year 1859; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount here-

by remitted, from the tax of the said Isaac Thurber, Administrator as aforesaid.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission of Taxes.

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Petition of Lo-dowick Drayton, for remission of tax; and to whom was by the Board of Aldermen, referred a Petition of Henry H. Wood, for remission of tax; make Reports, recommending that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw; which Reports are severally received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Do The following Petitions for remission and abatement of taxes, are severally presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon: viz:

- 321. Petition of Wisam Pearsons;
- 322. " " Ann C. Pearsons, wife of Wisam Pearsons;
- 330. " " Alfred J. Buffington.

Moving Buildings.

Petitions of James C. Bucklin & Cyrus B. Manchester, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Reports, in favor of granting the prayer thereof respectively, and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayer of said petitions severally, are read and passed.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourns to meet on Monday the thirteenth day of February next, at half

January 9<sup>th</sup> January 26<sup>th</sup> 1860.

past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.  
 Angell.  
 Atterbury.  
 Bartlett.  
 Binney.  
 Carpenter.  
 Chase.  
 Cancell.  
 Farrington.  
 Francis.  
 Guild.  
 Hopkins.  
 Jones.  
 Lincoln.

Martin.  
 Owen.  
 Peller.  
 Pratt.  
 Rice.  
 Rider.  
 Spencer.  
 Sprague.  
 J. Tucker.  
 J. R. Tucker.  
 Utside.  
 Walker.  
 Washburne.  
 Wheeler.

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Albert J. Greene,  
 Clerk

Common Council, January 26<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Special Meeting.

"City of Providence  
 To the Members of the Common Council,  
 City of Providence Greeting.

Whereas, in my opinion, it is advisable for the  
 Common Council to meet at an earlier day  
 than that to which said Council stands ad-  
 journed; you, and each of you are therefore  
 hereby requested and required to meet, in the

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Council Chamber, on Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of Jan-  
 uary, at 7 o'clock P.M. to transact such business  
 as may legally come before you.

L.S.

Given under my hand, and seal  
 of said City, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January  
 1860.

James C. Knight, Mayor.

Prvidence, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> 1860.

I hereby certify, that I have notified  
 the members of the Common Council; by  
 reading this Warrant, in their presence and  
 hearing.

James C. Thedson,  
 City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition contained in the  
 foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now  
 assembled, at 7 o'clock P.M.; a quorum present.

The Warrant of the Mayor, calling the present  
 meeting, - is read.

Mayor's Office, Providence  
 January 26<sup>th</sup> 1860

Fields  
 Point  
 Farm.

To the Hon City Council  
 Gentlemen.

House  
 of  
 Correction.

317.

I have convened this meet-  
 ing, to consider an Application from a Com-  
 mittee of the General Assembly, who are instructed  
 to report a location for a House of Correction,  
 to know upon what terms the Fields Point  
 Farm, belonging to the City, can be had, for  
 that purpose. The accompanying Letter explains  
 the subject; and I respectfully request your attention  
 to the same.

James C. Knight, Mayor.

A Communication from the Mayor, in the words foregoing, accompanied by the Letter therein mentioned, directed to him by William L. Baker, Chairman of a Committee of the Board, General Assembly, is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred to the President, Messrs Guidé, Wheaton, Bartlett, Cornell, Carpenter, James Tucker and Sprague, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred, and the Mayor and Alderman Holman added.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

G. A. Williamson & the Board of Aldermen, in the words following, having passed a Resolution, is sent down for concurrence and is read: viz:

"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to G. A. Williamson, the sum of five hundred and fifty Dollars, as compensation for extra services since the 5<sup>th</sup> of November last, in the Office of the City Clerk, during the illness of the late Albert Parodie, Esq."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Police Constables. A Petition of Jacob J. Pitler and others, Police Constables of the City, for an increase of compensation; is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Backs Street. A Petition of John Oldfield & others, for the grading of Backs Street, from Charles Street, to Orms Street, and the setting of curb-stones, &c. therein; is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways.

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to examine and report thereon.

Having a Petition of John Edwards, for liberty to remove a Building certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet, pursuant to the vote of adjournment, passed on the ninth day of January instant; to wit, to meet on Monday the thirteenth day of February next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr President
- Angell
- Baldwin
- Bartlett
- Carpenter
- Chase
- Cornell
- Farrington
- Guidé
- Hopkins
- James
- Lincoln

- Absent in
- Chase
- Price
- Rider
- Spencer
- Sprague
- J. Tucker
- J. H. Tucker
- Walker
- Wardburn
- Wheeler

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

Common Council February 13<sup>th</sup> 1860

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

ment, a quorum present.

Treasurer's Monthly Report. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor's Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, for December 1859, is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Do The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, for January 1860, is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

City Registrar's Annual Report. The City Registrar presents his Annual Report. Upon the Annual Report of the City Registrar, Resolved, that the same be received; and that seven hundred and fifty copies thereof, and of the communications accompanying the same, be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council; (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Surveyor's Report. The Surveyor General of Lumber presents his Annual Report of Lumber surveyed during the year ending on the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of February instant: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received and recorded.

Ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Stalls in the Market. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom the Resolution of the Board of Aldermen, to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk of the Market to cause the first story of the Market Building to be repaired and improved; was referred the Resolution, from the Board of Aldermen, to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk of the Market to cause the first story of the Market Building to be repaired and improved; make Report, recommending a concurrence in said Resolution; - which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon resolved, that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Resolution. (Approved by the Mayor.)

Privy Vaults. The Committee to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Bill entitled, "An Ordinance in relation to the removal of the contents of Privy Vaults;" make Report by Bill, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the removal of the contents of Privy Vaults;" which Report is received; and said Bill is read, and amended; and, as amended, is read and passed. (Concurred, March 5<sup>th</sup> 1860) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Fields Point Farm. The Joint Committee to whom, on the 26<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the communication from the Mayor, accompanied by a Letter from a Committee of the Hon. General Assembly, in relation to the Fields Point Farm; - make Report, that "they are unani-

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majority of opinion, that however much the best interests of the City may require a House of Correction, it would be feasible and inexpedient to make any proposition to the State, to locate such an Institution on the Field's Point Farm." and that "they therefore recommend, that no further action on this subject, be taken;" - which Report is read: Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to alter all Bonds of the City of Providence, now in the possession of the Providence Institution for Savings, as that the same may be payable to said Institution or order; and also to insert into the body of all Bonds issued by said City, in aid of the Providence Hartford, and Fiskville Railroad Company, and which may be in the possession of said Providence Institution for Savings, the name of said Institution, as Assignee of said Bonds, to make the same payable to said Institution, or order.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

A Communication from the School Committee, requesting an appropriation, not exceeding \$3500, for the erection of an Intermediate and Primary School House, on the School House Lots on Sabina Street;

and also requesting that a Lot of land be purchased for a new Grammar School House, in the Seventh Ward; - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

The joint Committee who were, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July last, appointed to confer with some party, for the digging

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out of the Channel of the River, in such places as they, in connexion with the Harbor Master, should desire, make Report of said work, to December 9<sup>th</sup> 1859: - which Report is read: Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.

(Concurred. March 5 1860)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

A Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, recommending, that the City Council authorize the purchase of one or two more Steam Fire Engines, to take the places of Hand Engines, &c. is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Whereas, Applications have been made to the Legislature of the State, for charters conferring power to establish Railroads in the Streets of the City of Providence; and whereas, in the opinion of the City Council of said City, the granting of such charters would be an encroachment upon the rights, and highly injurious to the interests, of said City;

It is therefore, Resolved, that the City Council of the City of Providence, respectfully request the Legislature not to grant any charter for the aforesaid purposes.

Resolved, That Messrs Bartlett, Cornell and Lincoln with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to present their Resolutions to the Legislature.

(Concurred, and Messrs Anthony added.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

A Petition of Henry J. Smith and others, praying that

Baker Street may be laid out and opened, together, from Fuller to Westminster Street, under the Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering Highways in the City of Providence; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

James Mansford late Collector of Taxes. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Account of James Mansford late Collector of Taxes, as presented to the City Treasurer, for settlement; together with the communication from the City Treasurer, accompanying the same; - make Report, in relation to the subject, stating, that they "have only endeavored to elicit the facts, and deduce such conclusions from the same, as seem to them to preponderate in favour of the City; without recommending any course of action;" which Report is read; whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to commence legal proceedings against James Mansford, late Collector of Taxes, and the sureties on his bonds, - to recover all sums of money now in his possession, belonging to the City of Providence.

(Concurred, March 12<sup>th</sup> 1860.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Annals of Babcock. A claim of Anna B. Babcock, (by her father and next friend Simon Babcock,) for \$10,000, for compensation for injuries sustained by her, in September 1859, by falling into a hole in the sidewalk of the Street South of the Market House; is presented and

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reads. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Taxes remitted. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Petition of W. Lenardson; and to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the Petition of Anna C. Peasons, wife of Hiram Peasons; for remission of taxes, now upon the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay of the persons whose names are annexed, the sums placed against their respective names: the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them, in the years 1858 and 1859; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sums have not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of the persons whose names are annexed; viz:

296.	To W. Lenardson (assessed in 1858)	18.58
311.	" Anna C. Peasons, ( " 1859 )	52.00
	Total	70.58

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the Petition of Hiram Peasons, for remission of tax; make Report, recommending that said petitioner be allowed to withdraw; - which Report is received, and it is thereupon ordered,

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that said petitioners have been to withdraw.

Remission of taxes; The following Petitions, for the remission and repayment of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon; viz:

- 331. Petition of Joseph W. Ladd,
- 330. " " Robert Alsich & Stephen Waterman }  
Trusters of A. W. Mason;
- 387. " " Oliver W. Austin,
- 330. " " Heirs of Thomas Burgess, deceased.

Meeting of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom Buildings. (on the 26<sup>th</sup> of January) last, was referred the Petition of John Edmonds, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received; and a Resolution, granting the prayer of said petition is read and passed.

(Concurred, March 5 1860)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. A Petition of Nicholas Sheridan, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; and said Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred, March 5 1860)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do A Petition of Charles W. Randall, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; and a Remonstrance of C. W. Randall, William B. Ticehall and others, against the granting of the prayer of said Petition; are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing

Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Do A Petition of Richard Palmer, for liberty to move certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon

Bell & Sons. A Communication from A. M. Wheeler, Agent of George W. Holbrook, in relation to the Bell hired of him by the City, now in the tower of the Roger Williams Meeting House; is presented, read, 116. received, and laid upon the Table.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Surveyor General Robert Manchester is elected Surveyor General of Lumber, Edward W. Brown & Henry A. Humphrey are elected Weighers of Cotton, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the twelfth day of March next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President | " Binney, |
| " Angell     | Carpenter |
| " Anthony    | Chase     |
| " Bartlett   | Corvell   |

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Farrington,  
Francis,  
Giles,  
Hopkins,  
Lass,  
Lincoln,  
Martin,  
Owen,  
Pratt,  
Rice,

Rider,  
Spencer,  
Squire,  
Tucker,  
Z. R. Tucker,  
Wesley,  
Walker,  
Washburne,  
Wheeler,

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Albert C. Greene,  
J. S. Clark

Common Council, March 12<sup>th</sup> 1860.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournments, a quorum present.

Reading the Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under  
Monthly Statement of the Resolution of the Common Council, of October  
20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented, read, received, and referred  
to the Standing Committee on Finance,

Reading the Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the  
Quarterly Report of the Receipts and Payments of the City Debt, is presented,  
read and received,  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Reading the Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is  
Report. presented, read, and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the  
Fire Department, is presented, read and received,  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is pre-  
sented, read and received,  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Overseer of the Poor Report. The Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor,  
of the Insane Poor, at the Butler Hospital for  
the Insane, in Providence, and at the Prattleboro's  
Hospital in Vermont; at the expense of the City,  
is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered,  
that the same be received,  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mayor's Salary. Resolved, That the Salary of the Mayor, for the year  
ending the first Monday in June next, shall be  
Fifteen Hundred Dollars, payable quarterly.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Commissioner of Street Lights. The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to  
Street Lights, when, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred  
the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen to  
290. direct said Committee to report a Bill estab-  
lishing the Office of "Commissioner of Street Lights"  
and presenting his Powers and Duties; now make  
Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance pro-  
viding for a Street Commissioner of Lights, and pre-  
sents his Duties"; which Report is read. Where-  
upon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and  
put over to the next meeting of the Common Coun-  
cil.

A communication from the Mayor is presented and read: - the same relating to the following subjects, viz.

Heirs of Charles Rowe Esq.

1. A Letter to the Mayor from James H. Coggeshall, (accompanying said communication,) complaining of an alleged encroachment by the City upon land belonging to the Heirs of the late Charles Rowe, adjoining the Rowe Estate;

Wall of Westburying Ground.

2. The condition of the wall of the Westburying Ground, on Stone and Friendship Streets, recommending enquiry respecting the liability of the City to contribute towards repairing the same;

Lot on Charles Street

3. Respecting the ownership of a certain lot of land on Charles Street, claimed by the Heirs of James B. Downer, deceased.

Whereupon it is ordered that said communication, with the letter accompanying the same, be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

(Concluded.)

David F. Cutting } A communication from David F. Cutting, requesting to hire a privilege to erect a blacksmith shop

351. over the Canal, between Shingle Bridge and the bridge next south of the same: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property; to examine and report thereon.

School Board on Salin Street } The Standing Committee on Education; to whom, on the 19<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the communication of the Select Committee, requesting an ap-

318. - propriation for the erection of an Intermediate and Primary School House on the School House lots in

School Board in 7<sup>th</sup> Ward

318. Salin Street: - and, also, requesting that a lot of land be purchased for a new Grammar School House, in the Seventh Ward: - make Report that they do not feel authorized to recommend the proposed purchase: -

which Report is read and received.

(Concluded.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

School House on Salin Street, 326.

Said Committee, (upon the same communication) report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Education, be and he is hereby authorized to contract for the erection of a building for the purpose of a Primary and Intermediate School House, upon the School House Lots now owned by the City, on Salin Street: - said contract to be made by the City Treasurer, at a cost not exceeding the sum of thirty-five thousand Dollars. And the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay for the same, out of the Appropriation for Public Schools.

(Concluded.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fire Engines No 1, No 3.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, respecting certain reductions in the number of new and of hand engines voted by said Board: - make Report, recommending that said Report of the Board of Engineers be placed on file: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concluded.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fire Engines No 6, No 11.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December last, was (by joint Resolution) referred the Report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, respecting certain reductions

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tion in the number of men and of hand engines, made by said Board, and of changes in the arrangement of portions of the Fire Department; (which Report was so referred, with an order that the same should be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.) - now make Report, recommending the said Report of the Board of Engineers be placed on file, - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Steam Fire Engine No 3.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department report the following Resolutions: which are read and passed.

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Resolved, that the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, acting under the advice of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, be, and they are hereby authorized and directed, to purchase for the City, another Steam Fire Engine, of such capacity, and workmanship as said Board, their advisers, shall determine.

Resolved, that whenever the said new Engine shall be received, - the said Board of Engineers may make such arrangements for the locating and repairing of the same, as they were authorized to do

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by the several Resolutions of the City Council, pertaining to Steam Engines 1 and 2.

Fire Engines.

336.

Resolved, also, that said Board of Engineers be, and they are hereby authorized, upon the successful introduction of said new Steam Engine, - to make such reduction in the number of men and of hand engines in the Fire Department, as the judgment of said Board may dictate.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fire Dept. Ordinance.

534.

Whereas, by the successful introduction of Portable

Steam Fire Engines into the Fire Department of this City, - certain Amendments, in the Ordinances for establishing and maintaining a Fire Department, have become desirable.

Therefore, Resolved, that the Standing Committee to enjoin Ordinances be, and they are hereby requested to present to the City Council, at its next meeting, such Amendments to the Ordinances having reference to the Fire Department, as shall recognize the following propositions; viz:

To have but a single officer for each Company, viz the Foreman, who shall also act as Clerk. -

To enable the Foremen, in each Company, according to their rank, as established by vote of the Company, to take command, in the Foreman's absence. -

To define the duties of the Engineer, Assistant Engineer and Driver of the Steam Engines. -

To regulate and fix the annual Salaries of all connected with the Fire Department, according to the following Schedule:

Chief Engineer \$1000. Assistant Engineers, \$200 each; Foremen, \$100 each; Foremen, Ladder Men and Stewards, \$75 each; Barren, \$60 each; Steam Engine Engineers \$600 each; Steam Engine Assistant Engineers, \$530 each. -

To cause the Amendments proposed to take effect on and after the first Day of June, 1860.

(Concurred, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1860)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Transit Street.

266.

Book No. 10. page 257.

The joint Committee who were, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August last, appointed "to examine and report upon the expediency of widening Transit Street, opposite the estate of John H. Sturges; and also, to report upon what terms said Street can be widened; make Report," that they have caused a plat to be made, laying out a Street, forty feet in width,

which plot is submitted with their Report; and by which it will be seen that it will require 2095.70 feet of land from the estate of Capt J. M. Ormsbee, to make the street of the width proposed; - that they do not recommend any other line for the street, than the one submitted with said plot; and that, "in view of the expense having to be borne entirely by the City, they do not recommend any further action upon the Resolution referred to them" which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and adopted.

(Continued.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

<sup>Booklet</sup> <sup>Transit</sup> <sup>Street</sup> <sup>Cr. walks</sup> <sup>Book No 10</sup> <sup>page 66</sup>  
A Petition of D. W. Barney and others, for criss walks at the junction of Brook and Transit Streets; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Walter Renewed, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Walter Craddock, from his receipt thereof, the sum of seventy five Dollars, to indemnify him for damage to his garden, during the fire on Lloyd Street, 15<sup>th</sup> of October last; said damage having been done by the firemen, in the discharge of their duties.

(Continued.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Taxes The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the Petition of Alfred Buffington,  
311. and to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of Robert Aldrich and Stephen Waterman, Trustees of A. W. Mason;  
322. and to whom on said 13<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of the Heirs of Thomas Burgess, deceased;  
322. and to whom was, by the Board of Aldermen, referred

the Petition of George W. Collett, Administrator of the estate of Robert L. Lippitt, deceased; - for the remission of Taxes; upon the following Resolution; which is read and passed, viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the persons herein named, the sums of money set opposite the names of each; the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them, in the year 1854; provided, it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sums have not been paid into the Treasury, - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of said persons respectively; viz:

To G. W. Collett, Administrator of the estate of Robert L. Lippitt, deceased,	320	"
" F. Burgess, for the Heirs of Thomas Burgess,	12	"
" Alfred S. Buffington,	40	"
" Robert Aldrich and Stephen Waterman, Trustees of A. W. Mason.	18	"
Total amount	\$390	"

(Continued.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the Petition of Joseph W. Hadd, for remission of tax; - make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Tax. A Petition of Henry B. Metcalf, for remission of tax, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Moving The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom Building on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of Charles W. Randall, for liberty to move a certain wooden building: together with a Remonstrance of William B. Seppell and others, against the granting of the prayer of said petition; make Report, that said building has been demolished: which Report is read: Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of Richard Palmer, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof: - which Report is received, and a Resolution, granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Moving Building } Petitions of Patrick M. Coffey, Thomas Seckell, A.D. & G. Y. Smith, and Miller & Andrews, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings: are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports, in favor of granting the prayers thereof, respectively, and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayers of said petitions, severally, are read and passed. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council. In Convention,

Surveyor Robert Manchester, Surveyor General of Lumber, having nominated sundry persons, as his Deputies, the same are now approved by the City Council. The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the ninth Day of April next at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

- Members present, Mr President, Angell, Anthony, Bartlett, Binney, Carpenter, Chase, Cornell, Farrington, Francis, Guild, Hopkins, Jones, Lincoln, Martin, Owen, Potter, Pratt, Rice, Rider, Spencer, Spague, T. Tucker, J. R. Tucker, Updike, Walker, Washburne.

Attest, Mary G. Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, April 9<sup>th</sup> 1860.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

Treasurer's Report. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor's Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Eng'rs Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Fire Department Ordinance. The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, who were, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of March last, directed to present to the City Council, at this meeting, certain amendments to the Ordinances relating to the Fire Department; report by Bill entitled "An Ordinance organizing a Fire Department;" which Report is read and received, and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said Bill be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that the same be made the special order for the day.

City Tax. The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill

entitled "An Ordinance providing for the raising, apportionment and collection of a sum of not less than Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, and not more than Four Hundred and Fifty five Thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal Estate; - which is read, received, and postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

James Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Finance acting under the advice of the City Solicitor, be, and they are hereby authorized to settle the Account in dispute between the City and the late Collector of Taxes; if, in their opinion, the interest of the City will be enhanced by a settlement of the matter without litigation. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Bill in Fire Dept. Meeting House. Resolved, That the Board of Engineers acting under the advice of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department; be, and they are hereby authorized, at their option, to dispose of, or to remove, the City Bell, now hanging in the tower of Gardner's, Swarts, corner of Pine and Barrance Streets; and to make such arrangements for alarming the Fire Department of the City, as they may deem most efficient; provided the cost thereof shall not exceed one thousand dollars.

Fire Alarm. 300. Book No. 10 page 29. A Resolution in the words aforesaid is presented and read; and it is moved, that the same pass. Upon which motion, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays; and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows:

Ayes. W. P. Woodruff, Anthony, Bartlett,

Nays. Binney, Carpenter, Chase,

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Burnell	Rider
Hopkins	J. Tucker
Jones	G. N. Tucker
Arwen	Walker
Potter	Washburne 16.

Noyes	Pratt
Mr. Myell	Rice
Panington	Spencer
Travis	Sprague
Quill	Upside 11.
Lincoln	
Martin	

Said Resolution is, therefore, passed.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Engine Com. The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department make Re-  
ports. No 5- pat, that since the 13<sup>th</sup> of February last, Engine Companies  
No 5 and 12 have been disbanded; & 35 men  
No 12 discharged from Companies No: 2, 7, 9, & 10; and that  
328, 368. the new Steam Fire Engine No 3, with its horses and  
328. Engine No 3. 10 men has been substituted as an equivalent for  
the forces thus removed. Which Report is read,  
whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received,  
and that the same be printed in the newspapers  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Engine No 9. A Communication from the Board of Engineers of the  
Fire Department, requesting authority to purchase a  
352. new Fire Engine, to take the place of Engine No 9;  
is presented, received, and referred to the Stand-  
ing Committee on the Fire Department; to examine  
and report thereon.

Highway Work. A Communication from the Standing Committee on High-  
way Work.  
283.

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ways, in relation to certain Petitions now in their  
C. Street. hands, for the opening of C. Street, from Penn. to  
338. Central Street; - for the opening of Hammond  
Hammond St. Street; - for the extension of Baker Street, from Fel-  
Baker St. low to Westminster Street; - and for the extension of  
319. 337. Mayor St. Thayer Street, from Transit to Sheldon Street; - is  
presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that  
the same be received, and that the same be printed, in  
the newspapers employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Baker Street. Resolved, That, in the opinion of the City Council, it is  
desirable and necessary to lay out a highway or street,  
319. in this City, from the present Southern termination of  
337. Baker Street, and in continuation of said Baker Street,  
344. of a width of forty feet, to Westminster Street; - and  
whereas, certain lands, tenements, hereditaments, or  
premises will be required for that purpose; -  
that the City Solicitor be and he is hereby di-  
rected to make application to the Supreme Court of  
this State, for the appointment of Commissioners of Es-  
timate and Assessment, under and according to the  
Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying  
out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering,  
Streets in the City of Providence;" - and the City Coun-  
cil hereby direct that application shall be made  
by said City Solicitor, to said Court, in the applica-  
tion for said appointment, as aforesaid; - that said  
Commissioners shall apportion and assess one half of  
the cost and damage thereof, or occasioned thereby, upon  
the persons and estates benefitted thereby; - in the  
ratio of the benefits conferred.  
Resolved. That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby  
directed to give notice of such application, as soon as  
he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor; ac-  
cording to the directions of, and in the manner required  
by, said Act.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

C. Street. A Resolution to direct the Board of Aldermen to lay out C Street, from its present termination, to Centre Street; is presented, read, and laid upon the table.

Calvert in Fountain Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April, 1859, was referred the Petition of Philip Case and others, for the extension of the Calvert in Fountain Street, report the following Resolution; which is read and passed:

231. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he hereby is directed to cause the Calvert in Fountain Street to be extended, Westward, from its present termination, to Dean Street, a distance of about fourteen hundred and fifty feet.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Wilson Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom was, by the Board of Aldermen, referred a Petition of Thomas W. Arms and others, for the setting of curb-stones, &c. in portions of Wilson and Harrison Streets; - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he hereby is, directed to cause the curb-stones to be set, and the gutters paved, on Wilson Street, between Greenwich and Harrison Streets.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Petitions are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon: viz:

Abby St. 385. Petition of James Arnoble & others, that Abby Street may be received and declared a public Highway; & for repairs thereon: -

Petition of William S. Haines & others, for the laying out and opening of Francis Street, from Gaspee Street, to Woods Avenue, as a public

Benefit St. 384. Highway: - Petition of William Foster & others, for a cross walk across Benefit Street, from the North side of Charles-Field Street.

Washington Street. 285. Resolved, That Messrs. Upside, Webster, & James Tucker, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, or, and they are hereby appointed a committee to confer with the parties interested in the extension of Washington Street, from Dean Street to Knight Street, as to the loss and damage, benefit and advantage, apportionment and expense to each. And said committee are hereby authorized to agree with and settle with, said parties, for the lands and improvements required for said extension, or for benefits expected, - upon such terms as may be deemed satisfactory to said Committee.

And the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay, to the order of said Committee, a sum not exceeding thirty four hundred dollars, - for the purposes aforesaid.  
(Concurred. The Mayor & Simon Willson added.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Thomas Seckell. 190. 354. A communication from Thomas Seckell, proposing to sell to the City, a certain lot of land, thirty feet in width, for the purpose of extending Conduit Street, from its present termination, to Summer Street, on certain conditions therein named: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

German Lutheran Evangelical Society. Petition of the German Lutheran Evangelical Society, for the remission of a part of the rent for the hall occupied by them, in Page Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

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Anna R. Bobcock. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February, last, was referred the Claim of Anna R. Bobcock, (by her father and next friend, Simon Bobcock,) for compensation for injuries sustained by her, in September, 1859, by falling into a hole in the sidewalk of the street South of the Market House: - make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: - which Report is received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

320.

A Petition of John V. Hill, for remission of tax, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

241, 355.

Petitions of Daniel B. Hawes, and Rollin Matthews; for Liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| Mr President, | " Jones,      |
| Bayce,        | Lincoln,      |
| Barbey,       | Master,       |
| Barber,       | Owen,         |
| Binney,       | Peter,        |
| Capelee,      | Pratt,        |
| Chase,        | Rice,         |
| Carell,       | Ricker,       |
| Farrington,   | Spencer,      |
| Francis,      | Sprague,      |
| Guild,        | J. Tucker,    |
| Hepkins,      | Z. W. Tucker. |

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" upick, Walker,

Washburne, Wheeler,

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Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

Common Council, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1860.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

The Bill entitled "An Ordinance organizing a Fire Department: which was, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April instant, postponed to this day, and made the special order for the day: is taken up and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that the same be made the special order for the day).

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Ordered, that said Bill be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

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The Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the raising, apportionment and collection of a sum not less than Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, and not more than Four Hundred and Fifty five Thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal Estate: which was, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April instant, postponed to this day: - is taken up, and read.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Bill be amended, by striking out the words "Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand" in the 3<sup>rd</sup> line of the first section; and inserting the words "Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand" in their place; - and by striking out the words "Four Hundred and Fifty five Thousand," in the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> lines of

said Section; and inserting the words "Three Hundred and Fifty-five Thousand," in their place.

Whereupon it is moved, That said Amendment be amended by striking out therefrom, the words "Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand," and inserting the words "Three Hundred and Twenty-five Thousand," in their place; and by striking out the words "Three Hundred and Fifty-five Thousand," and inserting the words "Three Hundred and Thirty Thousand" in their place. Upon which last motion, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays: and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows:

Ayes.  
Mr. Angell,  
Anthony,  
Binney,  
Conzenter,  
Chase,  
Cornell  
Petter,  
Upside,  
Walker  
Wachburne 10.

Nays.  
Mr. President,  
Bartlett,  
Farrington  
Hopkins,  
Jones,  
Lincoln,  
Martin,  
Pratt,  
Rice,  
Rider,  
Spencer,  
Spoyes,  
J. Tucker,  
Z. R. Tucker 14.

Said motion is, therefore, lost. Whereupon, the question recurring upon said first motion: - said question is taken by ayes and nays: and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz.

Ayes.  
Mr. President,  
Angell  
Anthony.

Bartlett,  
Binney,  
Conzenter,

"Chase,  
Cornell  
Farrington,  
Hopkins,  
Jones,  
Lincoln,  
Martin  
Petter,  
Pratt,  
Rice,  
Rider,  
Spencer  
Spoyes,  
J. Tucker,  
Z. R. Tucker  
Upside,  
Walker 23.

Nays.  
Mr. Wachburne. 1

Said motion is therefore carried. Whereupon said Bill is further amended, by striking out the word "Four" in the second line of the Title thereof; and by inserting the word "Three" in its place; and by striking out the word "Four" in the fourth line of the Title, and by inserting the word "Three" in its place; and the said Bill having been further amended: - the same, as amended, and entitled "An Ordinance, providing for the raising, appointment and collection of a sum of not less than Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, and not more than Three Hundred and Fifty-five Thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal Estate;" is read and passed.

Resolved, That all the money in the hands of the City Treasurer, which was, or may be received

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as Harbor Master's fees, from Nathaniel Church  
Esq. is hereby appropriated to the fund for the im-  
provement and deepening the main channel of the  
River, under the direction of the Harbor Master  
and the Committee already appointed for that  
purpose.

Book 10,  
page 3.  
D. 143

(Concurred, April 30<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Whereas a Petition of James G. Smith and others, for the  
appointment of an Overseer of the Public Grounds,  
is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Com-  
mittee on City Property, to examine and report there-  
on.

133.  
Book 10,  
page 6.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is  
hereby directed to pay to Samuel B. Dufres, Sur-  
veyor of Highways, the sum of Two Hundred Dollars,  
for full compensation for past use and support of  
horse and carriage, in the service of the City, and for  
the future use of same, until the end of the present  
municipal year.

Case &  
Carriage

(Concurred April 30<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the  
13<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of Henry  
J. Smith & others, for the extension of Baker Street, from  
Fuller Street to Westminster Street; - now return  
said Petition, without recommendation; (a Resolution  
for opening said Street, having passed the City Council  
on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April instant.)

337  
Book 10,  
page 15.

A Petition of Seth Barnes Jr. & others, for a cross walk  
in Gouge Street, from the East side of the South end  
of Prospect Street; is presented, received, and referred  
to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine  
and report thereon.

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The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to  
whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April instant, were referred the Petitions of  
Daniel B. Hawes,  
and Pollio Moatkinson, for liberty to move certain wood-  
en buildings; make Reports, in favor of granting  
the prayers thereof respectively; and said Reports are  
severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayers  
of said Petitions, severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred, April 30<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

Petitions of Joseph Fletcher,  
William Grosvenor,  
and Edward Sutton, for liberty to move cer-  
tain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and se-  
parately referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire De-  
partment, to examine and report thereon; which Com-  
mittee make Reports, in favor of granting the prayers  
thereof, respectively; and said Reports are severally  
received; and Resolutions, granting the prayers of  
said petitions severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred, April 30<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Common Council adjourns, to meet, on Monday  
the thirtieth day of April instant, at half past 7  
o'clock P.M.

Members present,

- Mr. President,
- Agell,
- Anthony,
- Bartlett,
- Binner,
- Carleton,
- Chase,
- Cornell,
- Farrington,

- Hopkins,
- Jones,
- Lincoln,
- Martin,
- Potter,
- Pratt,
- Rice,
- Rider,
- Spencer,

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" Spague,	" Updike,	
J. Tucker	Walker,	
J. B. Tucker,	Washburne,	24.

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council April 30<sup>th</sup> 1860.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

Fire Department } The Bill entitled An Ordinance organizing a Fire Department; which was on the 23<sup>d</sup> of April introduced, put upon the Day, and made the special order for the Day; with an order that said Bill should be Ordinance printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; is taken up and read; (the same has 341. of them printed pursuant to said order.) And 350. said Bill having been amended; the same as amended, is read and passed.

City Tax } The Bill entitled An Ordinance providing for the raising, assessment and collection of a sum of not less than Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, and not more than Three Hundred and Fifty five Thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal Estate; - which passed the Common Council, on the 23<sup>d</sup> Day of April instant, and was then sent up for concurrence; is now sent down by the Board of Aldermen; who concur therein, with the following Amendments; viz: "That the words 'Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand' be struck out; and the words 'Three Hundred

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and Twenty five Thousand' be inserted in their place; and that the words, 'Three Hundred and Fifty five Thousand,' be struck out; and the words 'Three Hundred and Thirty Thousand' be inserted in their place; - wherever they occur. Which Amendment having been read; it is moved, that the Common Council do concur therein. Upon which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays, and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows; viz:

<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Mr. Angell	Mr. Farrington,
Anthony,	Hopkins,
Biney,	Leanda,
Carpenter,	Martin,
Chase,	Pratt,
Canell,	Rice,
Guild,	Sproule,
Hider,	J. Tucker 8.
Spencer,	
J. B. Tucker,	
Updike	
Walker,	
Washburne, 13.	

The Common Council, therefore, concurs in said Amendments.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Open. A communication from the Mayor, in the words following, is presented and read; viz:

"Mayor's Office,  
Princeton April 30<sup>th</sup> 1860

To the Hon. City Council,

Gentlemen. Since your last meeting,

Baron  
in  
City's name

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The Surveyor of Highways has been deprived of a considerable portion of his working force, five yoke of oxen, together with other property belonging to

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April 23<sup>d</sup> April 30<sup>th</sup> 1860.

" Spague,  
J. Tucker  
J. P. Tucker,

" Updike,  
Walker  
Washburne. 24.

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council April 30<sup>th</sup> 1860.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment,  
a quorum present.

Fire  
Department

The Bill entitled An Ordinance  
Department: which was on the 23<sup>d</sup>  
purposed to this day, and made  
the day, with an order that said

Ordinance, printed in the newspapers employing  
printing; is taken up, and read: (the same was

341. ifg them printed pursuant to said order.) And  
350. said Bill having been amended; the same as amend-  
ed, is read and passed.

Mr. Sheridan will please distribute  
these reports among the members of  
the City Council by placing a copy  
in each members desk

Ayes.  
Mr. Russell  
Anthony,  
Binney,  
Washburne.

Nays.  
Mr. Farrington,  
Hopkins,  
Leland,  
Martin,  
Patt,  
Rice,  
Spague,  
J. Tucker 8.

City  
Tax.

The Bill entitled An Ordinance providing for the rais-  
ing, assessment and collection of a sum of not less  
than Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, and

341. not more than Three Hundred and Fifty five Thousand  
Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal Estates; -  
which passed the Common Council, on the 23<sup>d</sup> day of  
April instant, and was then sent up, for concurrence;  
is now sent down by the Board of Aldermen; who con-  
cur therein, with the following Amendments: viz:

That the words "Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand"  
be struck out; and the words "Three Hundred

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and Twenty five Thousand" be inserted in their  
place; and that the words, "Three Hundred and  
Fifty five Thousand," be struck out; and the words  
"Three Hundred and Thirty Thousand" be inserted  
in their place; - wherever they occur.  
Which Amendment having been read; it is moved,  
that the Common Council do concur therein. Upon  
which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays,  
and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon  
the Journal: as follows: viz:

Ayes.  
Mr. Russell  
Anthony,  
Binney,  
Washburne.

Nays.  
Mr. Farrington,  
Hopkins,  
Leland,  
Martin,  
Patt,  
Rice,  
Spague,  
J. Tucker 8.

"Updike  
Walker,  
Washburne, 13.

The Common Council, therefore, concur in said Amend-  
ments.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Open. A communication from the Mayor, in the words fol-  
lowing, is presented and read: viz:

"Mayor's Office,  
Philadelphia April 30<sup>th</sup> 1860

To the Hon. City Council.

Baron  
in  
City of  
Phila

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Gentlemen. Since your last meeting,  
the Surveyor of Highways has been deprived of a  
considerable portion of his working force, Five yoke  
of oxen, together with other property belonging to

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the City, having been destroyed by fire: and it will be necessary to replace them soon, in order to go on with the work in the Highway Department.

I would suggest, that a Committee be appointed, with powers to purchase other open, and such materials as may be needed; also, to consider the expediency of creating a brick or stone Park, on land belonging to the City.

Jobez C. Knight, Mayor.

Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways to examine and report thereon.

Do.

The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized, to replace, by purchase, the open destroyed by the late fire; and that the sum of One Thousand Dollars be and is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to pay for the same.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Joseph A. Blake is elected a Member of Council, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

William S. Whitman is elected a City Councilman, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separated.

April 30<sup>th</sup> May 14<sup>th</sup> 1860.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the fourteenth day of May next, at eight o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| Mr. President, | .. Owen,     |
| Agell,         | Pratt,       |
| Anthony,       | Rice         |
| Aslett,        | Ryan,        |
| Birney,        | Spencer      |
| Campbell,      | Shrop,       |
| Chase,         | J. Tucker,   |
| Carroll,       | J. H. Tucker |
| Fannington,    | Widdie,      |
| Guild,         | Walker,      |
| Hopkins,       | Washburne,   |
| Lincoln        | Wheeler,     |
| Martin,        |              |

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Albert J. Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council May 14<sup>th</sup> 1860.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

Treasurer's Report

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor's Report

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master to April 30<sup>th</sup> last, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fire Department. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance organizing a Fire Department," which passed the Common Council on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April last, and was then sent up, for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen;

346. who concur therein, with the following Amendments, viz:

1. That the words "shall be elected by each company as aforesaid, out of their own number, on the second Monday in June annually, and as often during the term for which said officer is elected, as a vacancy may occur; and said" be inserted after the word "Foreman", in the fifth line of the 10<sup>th</sup> section.
2. That the words "or by the Mayor" be inserted after the words "an Engineer", in the 12<sup>th</sup> section.
3. That the 15<sup>th</sup> section be stricken out, which Amendments are read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Municipal Court. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance appointing the times and places for holding the Municipal Court," is presented, read and passed.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Rooms in Market House. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the

use of certain Rooms in the Market House," is presented, read and passed.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Animals at large. A Communication from the Mayor, recommending an amendment of the "Ordinance to prevent the going at large of certain Animals," in order to prevent damage done by cows in certain parts of the City, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances.

Hospital. Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby authorized to make such alterations and improvements in the Hospital Building, belonging to the City, as they may seem expedient and necessary for the comfort and care of the patients therein; provided, that the expense thereof shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars.

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen may make such Rules and Regulations, for the government of said Hospital, and employ such persons to superintend the same, as they shall deem necessary and advisable.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Appropriation. Resolved, That the sum of fifteen thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for the expenses of the Fire Department, in addition to the former Appropriation.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

David F. Cutting. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Communication

tion from David F. Cutting, requesting to hire a privilege to erect a blacksmith's shop near the Canal between Shingle Bridge and the bridge next South of the same; make Report, recommending that said Application have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said Application have leave to withdraw.

Collector of Taxes, requesting that an Iron Safe may be provided for his office; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.  
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Engine No 9. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, requesting authority to purchase a new Fire Engine, to take the place of Engine No 9; - make Report that they do not recommend the granting of such authority; - which Report is read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and adopted.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Engine Co No 6. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of May A.D. 1858, was referred the Memorial of James G. Smith father, requesting that Engine Company No 6, might not be disbanded; now returned said Memorial to the Common Council, recommending that the same be placed on file; - whereupon, it is ordered, that said Memorial be placed on file.

Benefit Street Corp. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August A.D. 1858, was referred the Petition of Sewer  
164.

that Neave and others; report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed, upon the general repair of Benefit Street, to place cross walks across the heads of Hopkins Street, Planet Street, and James Street, in such manner as to turn the water from the middle to the gutters on each side of said Streets.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Myrtle Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Petition of William W. Dyer father, for the setting of curb-stones, &c. in Myrtle Street; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curbing to be set, and the gutters paved, on Myrtle Street, from Broad to Friendship Street, a distance of about four hundred feet.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Angell Street. A Petition of John Kingsbury and others, for a cross-walk in Angell Street, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.  
(Book 1110 p. 92)

Nathan Freeman. The Standing Committee on Highways to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Petition of Nathan Freeman; report the following Resolution; - which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That Nathan Freeman, the owner of an estate on the North side of Westminster Street, known as the Samuel Young estate, be, and he is hereby is, permitted and authorized to enter the  
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Walter Foster Sael Grain, for the purpose of Drain-  
ing the water from the cellar of said estate; pro-  
vided, he pay therefor, one half the usual charge  
made and retained for such privilege.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Thomas Seckell. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the  
9<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the communication  
from Thomas Seckell; report the following Resolutions,  
which is read and passed: viz;

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Resolved, That the Standing Committee on  
Highways be, and they are hereby authorized to  
purchase and receive for the City, from Thomas  
Seckell and Thomas Seckell and wife, a strip or  
parcel of land, from Summer Street, as delin-  
eated in the City plat, eastward to the land of  
the Providence Aqueduct Company, and in the  
same direction with Conduit Street, for the pur-  
pose of a highway; also, the right to carry the  
water from Conduit Street, through or over their  
land, until the City build a permanent culvert,  
also, to obtain from them, a release of all claims  
for damages for flowing or turning water upon  
their land, - at an expense not exceeding five  
hundred dollars and the cost of removing any  
buildings thereon; - said deeds or other instru-  
ments to be received by said Committee, under  
the advice of the City Solicitor; and the City  
Treasurer is hereby directed to pay said expenses,  
out of any money not otherwise appropriated, upon  
the order of said Committee.

And said Committee are also authorized to  
receive for the City, a strip of land, for a highway,  
from said Aqueduct Company, between the said  
Seckell's land and Newfel Street; whenever  
said Company shall convey the same to the City  
for said purpose.

(Concurred.)

May 14<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Do. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was,  
by the Board of Aldermen, referred a Petition of  
Ephraim Brown, for remission of tax; report the  
following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz;  
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be,  
and he is hereby directed to pay to Ephraim  
Brown, the sum of four dollars and eighty  
cents; - the said sum being in remission of tax  
unproperly assessed against him, in the year  
1859; provided it shall appear to the Treasur-  
er, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes,  
that said sum has been paid into the City  
Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treas-  
urer, that said sum has not been paid into  
the Treasury, - then he shall credit the Collector  
of Taxes with the amount so unpaid, - and the  
Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount  
hereby remitted, from the tax of said Brown.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was,  
by the Board of Aldermen, referred a Petition of  
William F. Baker, for remission of tax; make Report,  
recommending that said petitioner have leave to  
withdraw; - which Report is received, and it is  
thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have  
leave to withdraw.

Do. The Petition of John V. Hill, for remission of tax;  
which was, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April last, laid upon the  
table; is taken up and read; and it is moved,  
that the prayer thereof be granted; - which motion  
is put and lost.

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Whereupon, it is ordered, that said petitioner have  
leave to withdraw.

May 14<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Meeting  
Board of

Petitions of Cyrus B. Manchester  
Albert H. Manchester,  
The Providence Gas Company,  
and Ferdinand Potter, for liberty

to move certain wooden buildings, are presented  
received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee  
on the Fire Department, to examine and report  
thereon; - which Committee make Reports, in fa-  
vor of granting the prayers thereof respectively, and  
said Reports are severally received, and Resolutions,  
granting the prayers of said petitions severally, are read  
and adopted.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Trustees of the Renunciation of Samuel G. Arnold as a Trustee  
Reform School of the Providence Reform School, is presented and  
read, whereupon it is resolved, that said renunciation  
S. G. Arnold be accepted.

William M. Rodman is elected a Trustee of the  
Providence Reform School.

The Two Boards separate,

In Common Council.

Resolved, that the thanks of the Common Council  
be and they are hereby tendered to Stephen Water-  
man, for the able, dignified and impartial man-  
ner in which he has discharged his duties as Presi-  
dent of the Common Council, for the year past.

May 14<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Unfinished  
Business.

Resolved, that all business lying unfinished  
before this Council, be, and the same is hereby  
referred to the Common Council to meet on the  
first Monday in June next.

The Common Council adjourn, without day, to

Members present,

Mr. President.

Angell,

Anthony,

Bartlett,

Carpenter,

Chau,

Cornell,

Farrington,

Francis,

Guild

Hepkins,

Jones,

Martin,

Coan

Potter,

Pratt,

Rice,

Rison

Spencer,

J. Tucker,

Z. B. Tucker

Uphike,

Walker,

Washburne,

Wheaton.

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Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

May 14<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Meeting of  
Board of A.S.

Petitions of Cyrus B. Manchester  
Albert H. Manchester,  
The Providence Gas Company,  
and Ferdinand Potter, for liberty

to move certain wooden buildings, are presented  
received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee  
on the Fire Department, to examine and report  
thereon; - which Committee make Reports, in fa-  
vor of granting the prayers thereof respectively, and  
said Reports are severally received, and Resolutions,  
granting the prayers of said petitions severally, are read  
and adopted.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Resignation of Samuel G. Arnold as a Trustee  
of the Providence Reform School, is presented and  
read, whereupon it is resolved, that said resignation  
S. G. Arnold be accepted.

William M. Rodman is elected a Trustee of the  
Providence Reform School.

The Two Boards separate,

In Common Council.

Resolved, that the thanks of the Common Council  
be and they are hereby tendered to Stephen Water-  
man, for the able, dignified and impartial man-  
ner in which he has discharged his duties as Presi-  
dent of the Common Council, for the year past.

May 14<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Unfinished  
Business.

Resolved, that all business lying unfinished  
before this Council, be, and the same is hereby  
referred to the Common Council to meet on the  
first Monday in June next.

The Common Council adjourn, without day, &c.

Members present,

Mr. President.

Angell,

Anthony,

Bartlett,

Carpenter,

Chau,

Cornell,

Framington,

Francis,

Guild

Hopkins,

Jones,

Martin,

Coen

Potter,

Pratt,

Rice,

Rider

Spencer,

Tucker,

Z. B. Tucker

Upham,

Walker,

Washburne,

Wheaton.

25.

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

June 4<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Organization of the City Government  
of the City of Providence, for the Muni-  
cipal Year commencing on the first  
Monday in June A.D. 1860.

Monday June 4<sup>th</sup> 1860.

This being the day designated by the City Charter for  
the organization of the City Government for the ensue-  
ing municipal year, the Mayor and Aldermen  
elect and the members elect of the Common Coun-  
cil assembled in the Council Chamber, at 3 o'  
clock P.M.; and were called to order by Hon.  
Jabez C. Knight, Mayor.

The certificate of the election of Jabez C. Knight  
as Mayor for said year, is read; and the oath  
prescribed by law, is administered to him, by James  
M. Clarke, a Public Notary for the County of Pro-  
vidence.

Certificates of the election of  
William H. Waterman,  
William H. Bowen,  
William Case,  
James B. Ames,  
Henry A. Bidder,  
John H. Carter,

and Palmer Lewis, as Aldermen for  
said year, are presented and read; and they are  
severally engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

June 4 1860.

Certificates of the election of the members of the Common Council for said year, are presented and read; and all of said members are present, and are engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

The certificate of the election of Samuel W. Brown as City Clerk for said year, is presented and read, and he is present and is engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, relative to the municipal affairs of the City.

The two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council  
of the  
City of Providence,  
for the Municipal Year commencing  
on the first Monday in June  
A.D. 1860.

First Ward.

Caesar A. Updike.  
Nelson Chase  
Henry J. Angell  
Israel C. Lippin.

Second Ward.

William Birney  
Henry Anthony  
Samuel B. Wheaton  
James W. Coggeshall

Third Ward

John D. Jones  
Henry S. Bartlett  
Zachariah R. Tucker.

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Oliver A. Washburn, Jr.

Fourth Ward.

Jacob W. Martin,  
Preston M. Farnington  
Philip Case  
John Pentecost.

Fifth Ward.

William B. Hopkins  
William B. Rider,  
James S. Bann,  
William Spencer.

Sixth Ward.

John N. Francis  
James Tucker  
Thomas Lincoln  
Archibald B. Rice

Seventh Ward

Jacob F. Monroe,  
William H. Pratt,  
Daniel Angell Jr.  
Thomas M. Sprague

The Members elect of the Common Council, having been engaged by the Mayor, in presence of the Board of Aldermen, are called to order.

John N. Francis is elected President of the Common Council for the present municipal year.

Albert G. Greene is elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year; and is sworn by the Mayor, in presence of the Board of Aldermen, according to law.

The Standing Rules of Order of the last Common Council are read; and it is thereupon resolved.

that the Standing Rules of Order of the last Com-  
mon Council be received and adopted as the Stand-  
ing Rules of Order of this Council.

Do A draft of a Standing Rule of Order, providing for the  
taking of the "previous question," is presented and  
read, and it is moved, that the same be adop-  
ted as a Standing Rule of Order of this Council.  
Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be post-  
poned to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Standing Rules of the City Council. Resolved, that the same Standing Rules which were  
on the sixth day of June A.D. 1859 adopted as the  
Standing Rules of the City Council, for the municipi-  
pal year last past, be and the same are here-  
by adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Coun-  
cil, for the present municipal year.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Standing Pursuant to the Standing Rules (the Day), adopted by  
Common Council, the following joint Standing Com-  
mittees are now appointed, according to the respective  
Rules of the two Boards: viz:

On Finance.

Messrs. Ham,  
Z. R. Tucker, } Alderman Waterson.  
Wheaton }  
Sprague } Dailey Nov 12

By the #10  
May 29

On Highways.

Messrs. Anthony,  
Lincoln } Alderman Lester.  
Hopkins. }

To engross Ordinances.

Messrs. Bartlett. }

Messrs. Binney,  
Pentice. } Alderman Ames.

On Education.

Messrs. Binney,  
Martin, } Alderman Waterson.  
Rider,  
Jones. }

On the Fire Department.

375. Messrs. Farrington,  
Proth, } Alderman Lewis.  
Coggshall. }

On City Property.

Messrs. H. J. Angell,  
Case, } Alderman Kidden.  
Washburne }

On Police.

Messrs. D. Angell Jr.,  
Rice, } Alderman Bowen.  
Pentice,  
Sipson. }

On the North Burial Ground.

Messrs. Chase,  
Morroe } Alderman Earle.  
Sipson. }

On Claims.

Messrs. M. Dike,  
Hensel, } Alderman Ames.  
J. Tucker. }

Mayor Resolved, that Messrs. Martin, Ham and Rider,  
Address, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and  
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they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to furnish, for publication, a copy of the Address, this Day, delivered by him to the City Council; and to cause the same to be printed, in such manner as they may deem expedient.

(Concurred. Alderman Lewis added.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Printing Lists. Resolved, That the joint Committee who were appointed to cause the Mayor's Address to be printed, be and they are hereby directed to cause a List of the Standing Committees and such portions of the records of the Organization of the City Government as they may deem expedient, - to be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Printing. Resolved, That Messrs. Martin, Hawn and Rider, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year.

377. (Concurred. Alderman Bidden added.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Treasurer's Book. Resolved, That Messrs. Hawn, Wheaton, J. R. Tucker, and Spague, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, for the present municipal year; - said Bond to be in the sum of thirty thousand Dollars.

(Concurred. Alderman Waterman added.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Com on City Debt. Whereas, Messrs. Hawn, Wheaton, J. R. Tucker & Spague, have been, this Day, appointed by the Common Council,

as the Committee, on their part, for the reduction of the City Debt; for the present municipal year, pursuant to the Requisition contained in the first Section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt": - It is resolved, that the names of said Committee be communicated to the Board of Aldermen, in order that said Board may add an Alderman to said Committee, pursuant to the requisition contained in said section.

(Alderman Waterman added.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Police Court. Resolved, That, from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace within the City, Messrs. J. Bowen and Samuel W. Peckham be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, during the present municipal year.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

School Committee's Report. The Annual Report of the School Committee is presented. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

Ordered, that the Standing Committee on Education cause five hundred copies thereof to be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Engineer's Report. The Annual Report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and that seven hundred and fifty copies thereof be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Overseer's Report. The Semi-Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

General's Report. The Annual Report of the General is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

Ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing. (Concurred. June 11.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Treasurer's Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer's Report. The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented, read, and received.

379. Ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon. (Concurred. June 11<sup>th</sup>.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Surveyor's Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received. (Concurred. June 11.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Harbor Master's Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Collector of Taxes. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of May last, was referred a communication from the Collector of Taxes, - report the following Resolutions, which is read and passed: viz:

352. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to purchase an Iron Safe for the City, to be used by the Collector of Taxes; provided, the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of One hundred and twenty five Dollars. (Concurred. June 11.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Fourth of July. Resolutions for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence, and appropriating Dollars therefor, are presented and read.

378. Whereupon, it is moved, that the blanks therein be filled with the words "Twenty five Thousand Dollars" which motion the question is taken by yeas and nays, and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz:

- | <u>Yeas</u>   | <u>Nays</u>        |
|---------------|--------------------|
| Mr. President | Mrs. H. J. Angell, |
| D. Angell Jr. | Watkins,           |
| Bartlett,     | Binney,            |
| Care,         | Coggshall,         |
| Chase,        | Cham,              |
| Farrington,   | Hopkins,           |
| Martin        | Jones,             |
| Abcaroe,      | Lincoln,           |
| Pratt,        | Spencer,           |
| Reville,      | J. Tucker,         |
| Rice,         | Z. R. Tucker,      |
| Rider,        | Wardburro,         |
| Sippen        | Wheeler            |
| Sprague,      |                    |
| Uphide        |                    |

13. It is therefore ordered, that said blank be so filled.

Whereupon, said Resolutions are read and passed, as follows: viz:

Resolved, That Messrs. Coggeshall, Pentecost and Abner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements, for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence.

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty five Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for defraying the expenses of said Celebration, to be paid by the City Treasurer, to the order of said Committee, out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred, & Aldermen Widdow & Lewis added,)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Reminis A Petition of William W. Hooplin and others, praying  
Chapel that a Reservoir <sup>may be built</sup> in Chapel Street, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.  
394.

Engine A Petition of <sup>and others, praying</sup>  
No 10. that Engine No 10 may be returned to the place in which it was formerly located, and from which it has recently been removed, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.  
336.

Reminis A Petition of George Lead, for remission of tax, is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.  
387.

Building A Petition of John Byrne, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayer

thereof: and said Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition is read and passed.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers, for the present municipal year; and con-  
present place the same with the following exceptions; viz:

- 371. Chief Engineer of the Fire Department;
- 373. Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department;
- 374. Overseer of the City Pumps and Wells.
- Sealer, & Sealer of Weights and Measures.

A Petition for the election of George F. H. Greene, as a City Constable, is presented, received, and postponed to the next meeting of the City Council in Convention.  
(Book No 10 page 42)

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the ninth Day of July next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| Mr. President, | .. Bartlett. |
| D. Angell      | Binney,      |
| W. J. Angell,  | Case,        |
| Anthony        | Chase,       |

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June 4<sup>th</sup> June 11<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Coggshall  
Framington,  
Hahn,  
Hopkins,  
Jones,  
Lincoln,  
Martin  
Monroe.  
Pratt,  
Pentice.

Rice,  
Rider,  
Tison,  
Henes,  
Sprague,  
J. Tucker,  
G. R. Tucker,  
Uphike,  
Washburne,  
Wheaton. 28.

Albert G. Greene,  
J. Clark

Common Council, June 11<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Special Meeting.

"City of Providence,

To the Members of the Common Council,  
of the City of Providence. Greeting.

Whereas, it is, in my opinion, advisable for the  
Common Council to meet at an earlier day than  
that to which said Council stands adjourned; -  
you and each of you are therefore hereby  
requested and required to meet, in the Council  
Chamber, on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, at 8  
o'clock P.M.; to transact such business as may be-  
gally come before you.

371.

June 11<sup>th</sup> 1860.

L.S.  
C+

Given under my hand and seal  
this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1860.

John C. Knight  
Mayor.

"Providence, Pa. June 9<sup>th</sup> 1860.  
I certify, that I have notified the members of  
the Common Council, that a meeting of said  
Council will be held on Monday evening, June  
11<sup>th</sup>, at 8 o'clock, in their room, as common-  
-ly.

James C. Sheridan,  
City Sergeant."

Pursuant to the requisition contained in the afore-  
going Warrant, the Common Council are now as-  
sembled, at 8 o'clock P.M.; - a quorum present.

The Warrant of the Mayor, calling the present  
meeting, - is read.

"Mayor's Office,  
Providence, June 11<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Gentlemen, This meeting has been convened,  
at the request of many members of your Honora-  
ble Body, to take some action in regard to  
the Engineers of the Fire Department; and to  
transact such other business as may come  
before you.  
369.  
372.  
John C. Knight  
Mayor."

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A communication from the Mayor, in the words  
above, is presented and read.

June 11<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention.

Engineers of the Fire Dept. of Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, for the present year.

371. It is moved, that the City Council proceed to the election of Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, for the present year.  
381. Whereupon it is moved, that said motion be amended, by the passage of a Resolution, in the words following:

"Whereas, certain charges have been alleged against the present <sup>Chief</sup> Engineer of the Fire Department, who is also a candidate for re-election to that office;

And, whereas, it is deemed by this Council, improper to proceed to the election of any person, for so responsible a post, against whose character there exist unrefuted charges brought by respectable parties; -

And, whereas, it is due to any candidate for said office, that an investigation into the truth of all such charges, be had before a Committee of this Council; - provided such candidate be willing to have such investigation; -

Resolved, That Messrs. \_\_\_\_\_ be a Committee, to examine into all charges which may be brought before them, against Mr. Thomas Aldrich, touching his veracity, or integrity, in any matter relating to his conduct of the affairs of his office; and that said Committee be authorized to hear all evidence which may be offered; and instructed to make Report to this Council, at its meeting on the second Monday of July next, - if possible."

And the same having been read, - it is therefore moved, that the same be laid upon the Table,

June 11<sup>th</sup> 1860.

Upon which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays; and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz:

- |                |                   |
|----------------|-------------------|
| <u>Yeas.</u>   | <u>Nays.</u>      |
| Depts. Anthony | Alfred D. Angell, |
| Chase          | H. J. Angell,     |
| Ham,           | Bartlett,         |
| Jones,         | Binnay,           |
| Lincoln        | Caser,            |
| Rider          | Coppshell,        |
| Tipton         | Farrington,       |
| Spencer,       | Francis           |
| Sprague,       | Hopkins,          |
| J. Tucker,     | Martin,           |
| R. R. Tucker   | Morris,           |
| W. Dike,       | Scott,            |
| Washburne,     | Prentice,         |
| Wheaton,       | Rice,             |
| Aldermen Earle | Aldermen Ames,    |
| Lewis,         | Bauer             |
| Lester,        | Biddan,           |
| Waterman, 18.  |                   |

Said Amendment is therefore laid upon the Table. Whereupon, said motion that the City Council proceed to the election of a Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, for the present municipal year, is put & carried.

Thomas Aldrich is elected Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

David B. Cleveland is elected First Assistant Engineer; & Abner H. Angell is elected Second Assistant Engineer, of the Fire Department.

369 Thomas Aldrich is elected Overseer of the City Paving & Wells.

Seeing other City officers having been elected,

and the election of City Officers, for the present  
municipal year, (with the exception of Pealer)  
369 of Wights & Treasures, - the two Boards separate,

In Common Council.

Report of the Annual Report of the Superintendent of the State  
Superintendent of  
of North  
1300  
Grounds. Memorial Grounds, is presented and read. and  
is Resolved, that the same be received - hav-  
ing passed the Board of Aldermen, and having  
been sent down for concurrence. - It is there-  
upon resolved, that the Common Council do  
concur therein.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Japanese Resolutions, in the words following, having passed  
Embassy, the Board of Aldermen, are sent down for concu-  
rence; and are read: viz:

"Whereas, the recent treaty between this Govern-  
ment, and Japan, has rendered it important  
that every opportunity for an interchange  
of feelings and attentions between the in-  
habitants of the two countries, should be  
improved: -

And, whereas, our City and its surroundings  
offer to the Japanese in its factories and  
workshops, what to them is of especial in-  
terest: -

And, whereas, these strangers are now  
in an immediate vicinity;

Therefore, Resolved, that the Japanese  
be invited to visit this City; and that a  
sum, not exceeding one thousand Dollars, be  
appropriated, for the purpose of receiving and  
entertaining them.

Resolved, that a Committee, consisting

of the Mayor and Alderman Bowen, with  
such as the Common Council may add, be ap-  
pointed to extend such hospitalities and at-  
tentions to the Japanese, while in this City,  
as may be to the Committee, seem proper.  
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Coun-  
cil do concur therein.

Rep. Pealer, Pider and Jones added to  
the Committee.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Comp. A Petition of Edward Pearce and others, pray-  
Street, ing, that Camp Street may be gravelled, from  
Olney Street to North Street; and that the  
same may be straightened, if the City Council  
see fit, is presented and read. Whereupon,  
it is ordered, that the same be received and refer-  
red to the Standing Committee on Highways,  
to examine and report thereon.

Mainly Petitions of John Mulroy,  
Briefings William Sheldon,  
and Edward M. Elroy, for liberty to  
erect certain wooden buildings, are presented,  
received, and severally referred to the Standing  
Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and  
report thereon; - which Committee make Reports,  
in favor of granting the prayers thereof res-  
pectively: - And said Reports are severally  
read; and Resolutions, granting the prayers  
of said petitions severally, are read and  
passed.

(Continued.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mr Panington Upon Request of Mr Panington, he is excused from  
further service as a member of the joint Stand-  
ing Committee on the Fire Department.  
376.

Mr. Moore  
Com. on  
Fire Dept.  
375.

Mr. Moore is appointed a member of the joint Standing Committee on the Fire Department.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the fourth day of June instant; viz: to meet on Monday the ninth day of July next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| Mr. President, | Mr. Martin,   |
| D. Angell,     | Moore,        |
| W. F. Angell,  | Pratt,        |
| Anthony,       | Reed,         |
| Bartlett,      | Rice,         |
| Binney,        | Rider,        |
| Case,          | Tipton,       |
| Chase,         | Spencer,      |
| Coggshall,     | Sprague,      |
| Farrington,    | J. Fisher,    |
| Haw,           | J. N. Tucker, |
| Hopkins,       | Wepster,      |
| Jones,         | Washburne,    |
| Lincoln        | Wheaton, 28.  |

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council, July 9<sup>th</sup> 1860

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, and also the Resolution of the Common Council, of Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to

The Standing Committee on Finance.

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read, and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read, and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master, is presented, read, and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The joint Committee who were on the 4<sup>th</sup> of June appointed to cause the Address then delivered by the Mayor to the City Council, to be printed: and who were then directed to cause a list of the Standing Committees, and

such portions of the Record of the Organization of the City Government as they might deem expedient, to be printed: - make Report, that they have discharged these duties: which Report is read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The joint Committee who were, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of June appointed to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year: make Report, that they have discharged that duty: which Report is read and received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Treasurer* The joint Committee who were, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of June last appointed to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, make Report that they have taken such Bond in the sum of \$30,000, with Huba B. Dike, Allen C. Mathewson and Cyrus B. Manchester, as sureties; - which Report is read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received; and that said Bond be deposited with the City Clerk; and that the Committee be discharged.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Frank of July.* Resolved, that the Committee appointed to make arrangements for the Municipal Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, be, and they are hereby authorized to request of *Bishop Clark's Ordinal.* Rev. Thomas M. Clark, a copy of the Proclamation by him delivered on the 4<sup>th</sup> instant; and to cause seven hundred and fifty copies of the same to be published, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Appropriations.* The Standing Committee on Finance, report the following Resolution; which is read and passed.

Resolved, that the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated, out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the following named purposes; - in addition to the sums heretofore appropriated; -

For Public Schools, Fifteen Thousand Dollars;  
For Repairs of Public Buildings, Four Thousand Dollars;  
For Bridges, Two Thousand Dollars.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Over.* The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 30<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the Command of the Mayor, respecting the loss of all the *Barrel* *City's Over.* over belonging to the City, by fire; and who were, by a Resolution then passed, authorized to purchase other over, to supply the loss so occasioned; - make Report, that they have purchased five yokes of oxen, for the City; - which Report is read and reviewed.

And said Committee report the following Resolution; which is read and passed.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice of the Standing Committee on Highways, be, and he hereby is directed to cause to be built, a brick Barn, on a piece of land belonging to the City, situated on Richmond Street; and that the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars be, and the same hereby is appropriated to pay the expense of the same, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Treasurer* The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the *Quarterly Report.* Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and *City Debt.* Payments of the City Debt; make Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance, in amendment of an *365.* Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt;" - which Report is received; - and said Bill is read and passed; - (the same repealing so much of the former Ordinance as requires the City Treasurer to make Quarterly Reports of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt.)

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Weights, Measures, Scales and Balances, and the Duty of the Sealer thereof; - which is referred to; - and it is thereupon ordered that said Bill be prepared to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing.

Unnecessary Regulation to direct the Standing Committee to prepare Ordinance, to prohibit the unnecessary congregating of persons in the public streets of the City, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be laid upon the Table.

286. 394. Town House Communication from the Mayor, in relation to the present condition of the Town House (so called); and the Watch and Police Stations therein; is presented and read.

D. A Resolution in the words following, is presented and read: viz:

Resolved, that Messrs Coggeshall, Rice and Updike, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed for Committee, with full power to remove and disperse any of the buildings on the Town House Lot; and to erect, or cause to be erected thereon, as soon as practicable, a Watch House and Police Station, - with suitable accommodations for the City Marshal, Superintendent of Health, Overseer of the Poor, and Police Court.

Said Committee are hereby authorized to draw on the City Treasurer, for the expenses of the

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Watch & Police Stations.

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same: Provided the cost of such building shall not exceed the sum of nine thousand Dollars. And the City Treasurer is directed to pay the expenses of the same, out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated." Whereupon, it is moved that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon. Upon which motion, the question is taken, by ayes and nays; and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows:

Ayes.		Nays.	
Messrs. Framington		Messrs. D. Angell Jr.	
Harsh.		W. J. Angell,	
Lincoln.		Anthony,	
Martin.		Bartlett,	
Moore		Cox,	
Patt		Chase,	
Spencer,		Coggeshall,	
Sproule,		Hopkins,	
J. Tucker,		Jones,	
Z. R. Tucker,		Prentiss,	
Wheeler.	11.	Rice,	
		Rider,	
		Tyler,	
		Updike,	
		Washburne.	15.

Said motion is therefore, lost. Whereupon said Resolution is again read: and is passed.

(Concurred: and Messrs Bowen and Viddens, and the Superintendent of Health and the City Marshal added.) [Approved by the Mayor.]

Thomas Smith Chief Engineer  
A Resolution for the appointment of a Committee to investigate charges against the Chief Engineer

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of the Fire Department, in relation to the discharge of his duties during the past municipal year. is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be laid upon the Table.

Shepard's Petition of Shepard's Cornet Bands, praying that a Platform may be erected by the City, on the Cove Promenade, for their Summer evening concerts, - is presented, read, received, and laid upon the Table.

Seabrook River. Petition of Golen Peirce and others, in relation to the filling into Seabrook River, near the foot of Front Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Orland Petitions of Patrick M. Soley and C. T. Matthews, praying that investigation may be made, relative to the official conduct of Orland W. Prince, a City Constable, are presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Police, - to examine and report thereon.

New Fire Engines. A communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, requesting authority to contract for two new Hand Engines, to take the places of Engines Nos 9 and 10. - And also for authority to cause two Reservoirs to be built, in the Sixth and Seventh Wards, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Drain in George Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, was referred a Petition of Allen O. Peck and others, for a Drain in George

Street, make report, recommending, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concluded.)  
(Approved by the Mayor?)

Do. Upon the Petition of Allen O. Peck and others, for a Drain in George Street: - Ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolutions, which are severally read and passed: viz:-

Drains from Brighton Street to Brook Street.

Sarah Holsey et al.

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(Upon the Petition of Sarah Holsey) & others, referred July 11<sup>th</sup> 1859: -)

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to construct and build, under the instructions of the Standing Committee on Highways, a Drain, from Brighton Street to Holsey Street, - to connect with the Drain in Brook Street: -

Provided, that before the commencement thereof, all the owners of lands through which the same shall pass, shall agree, in writing, to the building of said Drain, and that it shall be, at all times, used by the City, for a public drain, - and made accessible, in all its parts for alteration and repair by the City: - and shall also pay into the City Treasury, one dollar and seventy-five cents, per foot, towards the expense of said Drain, (not including the distance across the public streets,) and shall furnish, for the Surveyor of Highways, all the stones necessary to complete the sides of said Drain, and in as convenient location as

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has been heretofore pointed out to him.

Resolved, also, that the paying into the Public Treasury, the sum of money <sup>above</sup> provided for, be made and completed on or before the first day of May, 1861.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Back Street.  
314.

(Upon the Petition of John Oldfield & others, referred January 28<sup>th</sup> 1860:)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb-stones to be set, and the gutters paved, on Back Street, from Charles Street, Notherly, to Orms Street.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Benefit Street.  
339.

(Upon the Petition of William Fisher & others, referred April 9<sup>th</sup> 1860:-)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is, hereby, directed to cause a cross-walk to be laid, across Benefit Street, from the North side of Charles Field Street.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

George Street.  
344.

(Upon the Petition of Seth A. Davis Jr. & others, referred April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1860:-)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a cross-walk to be laid across George Street, to the East side of Prospect Street.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harrison Street.

(Upon the Petition of Thomas W. Arnold and others, referred by the Board of Aldermen May 14, 1860:-)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be,

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and he is hereby directed to set the curb-stones on the East side of Harrison Street, from Willow to Cranston Street.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Riggold Street.

(Upon a Resolution offered by the Board of Aldermen July 9<sup>th</sup> 1860:-)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curbing to be set and the gutters paved, on Riggold Street, from Broadway to Ken-yon Street, a distance of about three hundred feet.

(Concurred August 6<sup>th</sup>)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April last were referred the following Petitions:

Abby Street.  
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Petition of James Annoble & others, that Abby Street, may be received and declared a public highway; - & for repairs thereon: -

Francis Street.  
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Petition of William S. Baines & others, for the laying out and opening of Francis Street, as a public highway; from Gaspee Street to Woods Street; -

make Reports thereon respectively; recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; (the power to act in such cases, being in the Board of Aldermen); - which Reports are received: and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Ferry Dock.

A Resolution, in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, - is sent down, for concurrence, and is read: -

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred dol.

- have be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated; - for the purpose of digging the mud from Ferry Docks."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Petitions are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; viz:

Ship Street  
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page 66.

Petition of Henry A. Howland & others, for a Culvert in Ship Street from Elbow, or Richmond, Street, to the foot of Ship Street: -

Union Street  
Book No 10  
page 92.

Petition of William Pops & others, for a cross-walk in Union Street: -

Stowell's Avenue  
Book No 10,  
page 68.

Petition of Aldrich Payne & others, for cross walks, in Stowell's Avenue, &c. -

The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the Board of Aldermen, referred a Petition of Edward Slocum, for remission of tax: - report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz: -

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, he, and he is hereby directed, to pay to Edward Slocum, the sum of Eight Dollars: said sum being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against him, in the year 1859: - provided it shall appear to the City Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to said Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with said amount, and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the taxes of said Edward Slocum.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of Mary 322 F. Austin; and to whom, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of June last, 368 was referred the Petition of George Throds: - for remission of taxes: - make Reports, recommending that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw: - which Reports are severally received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Do. The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are severally presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, - to examine and report thereon: viz:

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Petition of William Butler;

" " Daniel W. Yenny;

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" " Alpha C. Peggham.

Leaving Petitions of Neil Campbell, and Patrick McCarty, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; are presented, received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: - which Committee make Reports in favor of granting the prayers thereof, respectively; and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayers of said petitions severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet, on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of August next, at 8 o'clock, P.M.

Members present,  
W. Resident. W. D. Angell, Jr.

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H. J. Angell,  
Anthony,  
Barclay,  
Binney,  
Coul,  
Chase,  
Coppeshell,  
Framington,  
Ham,  
Hopkins,  
Jones,  
Lincoln  
Martin.

McCarroll  
Patt,  
Pentice,  
Rice,  
Rider,  
Tison,  
Spencer,  
Sprague,  
Tucker,  
G. R. Tucker,  
White,  
Washburn,  
Wheeler.

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*W. Greene, Clerk.*

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The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment, a quorum present.

*Treasurer's Monthly Statement.* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 25<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

*Surveyor's Report.* The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Chief Engineer's Report.* The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

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(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Harbor Master's Report.* The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read, and received.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Standing Rules.* A Resolution for the adoption of a joint Standing Rule, providing for the appointment of a Standing Committee on "Lighting Streets, Public Offices and Buildings," is presented, read and referred to the Standing Committee to enquire into same, to examine and report thereon.  
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*Dogs.* A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Dogs,'" is presented, read and passed.  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

*Annual Appropriations.* The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance making appropriations for the support of the City Government of the City, for the Financial Year ending on the last Monday in September A.D. 1860." which Bill is read and passed.  
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- (Concurred, with the following Amendments, viz:
1. That the words "An Ordinance" in the title, be stricken out, and the words "A Resolution" be inserted in their place; -
  2. That the enacting clause, following the title, be stricken out; -
  3. That the words "Section 1," be stricken out, and the word "Resolved" be inserted in their place; -
  4. That the word "Ordinance," in the last line of the first section, be stricken out, and the word "Resolution" be inserted in its

place:-

5. That the second section be struck out.)  
which Amendments having been read; it is re-  
solved, that the Common Council do not concur therein.  
(The Board of Aldermen recede from their Amend-  
ments; and concur with the Common Council,  
in the passage of the Bill.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Barn for City  
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Page 2.  
379. A Remonstrance of Benjamin White & others, against the  
Resolution of the City Council, passed on the 9<sup>th</sup> of July  
last, for the erection of a Barn on the piece of land be-  
longing to the City, on Richmond Street, is presented, re-  
ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee on High  
ways, to examine and report thereon.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways, who was, on  
the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of July last, directed, (under the advice of  
the Standing Committee on Highways,) to cause a  
brick Barn to be built on land belonging to the  
City, on Richmond Street; - he and he is hereby  
directed to suspend operations in the erection of said  
Barn, until the further order of the City Council.  
Resolved, That the Standing Committee on High-  
ways be, and they are hereby directed, to report  
to the City Council, at its next meeting, the  
best location for the erection of said Barn,  
(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Buildings The joint Committee who were, on the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of July last,  
appointed "to remove and dispose of, any of the build-  
ings on the Town House Lot; and to erect, or cause  
to be erected, thereon, a Watch House and Police  
Watch & Station, with suitable accommodations for the City  
Police Station.  
Marshal, Superintendent of Health, Overseer of the  
Poor, and Police Comr; - having made Report; and  
380. a Resolution accepting said Report, having passed

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the Board of Aldermen, and having been sent down, for  
concurrence: - it is resolved, that the Common Coun-  
cil do concur in the passage of said Resolution.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A Resolution in the words following, (reported by said  
Committee,) having passed the Board of Aldermen, - is  
sent down, for concurrence; and is read, viz: -  
"Resolved, That the sum of six thousand Dollars,  
in addition to the nine thousand Dollars already  
appropriated, be, and the same is, hereby appro-  
-priated, for the construction of the proposed Watch  
-Station; and that the City Treasurer be directed  
to pay the same to the order of the Committee; -  
and that said Committee be, and they are here-  
-by, directed to place said Watch Station on the  
Gail Lot, on Canal and Haymarket Streets."

Whereupon, it is moved, that the same be referred  
to the next meeting of the Common Council: - which  
motion is put, and lost.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the Common Council  
do concur therein; with the following Amendment, viz: that the words  
"Six thousand" be stricken out; and the words "Four  
thousand" inserted in their place: - which  
motion is put, and lost.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the words Six Thou-  
-sand be stricken out; and the words "Three Thou-  
-sand" inserted in their place: - which motion  
is put, and lost.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the words "Gail  
Lot on Canal and Haymarket Streets" be struck  
-en out; and the words "Town House Lot" be  
inserted in their place. Upon which motion,  
the question is taken by ayes and nays: and it  
is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, -  
as follows: viz:

Ayes  
Messrs. W. J. Angell.  
Chase,

Nibbons

Nays.

Depts. D. Angell Jr.  
Anthony,  
Binney,  
Cash,  
Coggshall,  
Famington,  
Hann,  
Hopkins,  
Jenes,  
Lincoln  
Martin,

Monroe,  
Pratt,  
Prentice,  
Rice,  
Rider,  
Henderson,  
Spague,  
J. Tucker,  
B. R. Tucker,  
Upside,  
Washburne, 22.

Said motion is therefore, lost.  
Whereupon, it is moved, that the Common Council do concur with the Board of Aldermen, in the passage of said Resolution; - upon which motion, the question is taken by aye and nays: and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz:

Ayes.

Depts. D. Angell Jr.  
Anthony,  
Binney,  
Cash,  
Coggshall,  
Hopkins,  
Jenes,  
Rice,  
Rider,  
Lipson,  
J. R. Tucker,  
Upside,  
Washburne, 13

Nays.

Depts. W. J. Angell,  
Cash,  
Famington,  
Hann,  
Lincoln  
Martin,  
Monroe,  
Pratt,  
Prentice,  
Henderson,  
Spague,  
J. Tucker 12.

The Common Council do, therefore, concur with the Board of Aldermen, in the passage of said Resolution.  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Orlando - The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petitions of Patrick

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W. Foley and C. F. Mathewson, praying that investigation might be made, respecting the official conduct of Orlando W. Prince, a City Constable: - report the following Resolution: viz:

"Resolved: That Mr Orlando W. Prince be, and he is hereby removed from the office of Constable of the City of Providence, for misconduct; and that the City Clerk notify said Prince of his removal!"

Which Report is read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Whereupon said Resolution (so reported,) is read and passed: (all the members present voting in the affirmative.)

(Concurred: (all the members voting in the affirmative.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Clerk - A Communication from the Mayor, recommending an additional appropriation for a fixture in Apartment No. 10 of the City Clerk's Office; is presented and read.

Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred (Book No 10, page 11) to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

New Fire Engine - The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom the 9<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Communication

382. from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, requesting authority to contract for two new Hand Engines, to take the places of Engines Nos 9 and 10: - and

Reservoirs for authority to cause two Reservoirs to be built, in the Sixth and Seventh Wards; - make Report.

Ward. by a Resolution to authorize the purchase of such Engines, - and by a Resolution to authorize to construction of such Reservoirs: - which Report is read and received: - and said Resolutions are

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read, and are severally laid upon the Table.

Reservoir The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to Chapel Street, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Petition of William W. Whipple and others, praying that a Reservoir may be built in Chapel Street; - report the following Resolution, which is read and passed, viz:

Book 10, page 4.

Resolved, that the Board of Engineers be, and they are hereby requested to report to the City Council, at its next meeting, upon the expediency of constructing a Fountain or Fire Well, in Chapel Street, - and the relative expense of the same, in comparison with a suitable Reservoir in that location.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Stench & Props. A communication from the Mayor, recommending that the Superintendent of Health may be authorized to cause stench traps to be placed in such openings to the sewers in the public streets, as in his judgment, is advisable; - is presented, and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Book 10, page 104.

Highway Works Appropriation for Highway, in relation to the Highway works; - and stating that the Annual Appropriation of \$25,000, for Highway, is exhausted; and recommending an additional Appropriation of \$5,000; - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. The following Resolution (reported by said Committee),

is read and passed, viz: -

Resolved, that the sum of Five Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for the use of the Highway Department; to be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Petitions are presented, read, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highway, to examine and report thereon; viz:

Smith St.

Book 10, page 90.

Petition of John Bown Francis, and others, that Smith Street may be put in order, and paved, from the top of Smith's Hill, to the North Providence Line; -

Howell St.

Book 10, page 57.

Petition of Henry Morris and others, for the setting of curb-stones, &c, on Howell Street; -

Sutton St.

Book 10, page 52.

Petition of Daniel Horton, and others, for the setting of curb-stones, &c, on Sutton Street, from Broadway to Asia Street; -

Pallas St.

Book 10, page 5.

Petition of Benjamin Nichols and others, for the setting of curb-stones, &c, on Pallas Street, from Broadway to Kingor Street.

Thomas Seckell

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred a communication from Thomas Seckell, proposing to sell to the City a certain lot of land, for the purpose of the extension of Conduit Street; and who were, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of May last, authorized to purchase, for the City, from said said Thomas Seckell and said Seckell and his wife, said lot or strip of land, for a Highway; make Report, that they have discharged that duty; - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

John E. Mauson, } A Petition of John E. Mauson, for compensation  
for injuries to his fence, &c, during a recent fire  
on Abwell's Avenue: is presented, received, and  
referred to the Standing Committee on Claims; to  
examine and report thereon.

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Remission } A Communication from Nchemiah S. Dopes, Col.  
of Taxes, } Collector of Taxes, requesting that certain taxes assessed  
in the year 1839, may be cancelled and remitted;  
is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Com-  
mittee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Book 10,  
page 6.

Pat. remitted } The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the  
12<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Petition of Henry B.  
Metcalf, for remission of tax; - report the following  
Resolution: which is read and passed: viz: -

332. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is  
hereby directed to pay of Henry B. Metcalf, the  
sum of seventy-two Dollars; - the said sum being  
in remission of tax improperly assessed against him,  
in the year 1859: provided it shall appear to the  
Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes,  
that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury.  
If it shall appear to said Treasurer, that said sum  
has not been paid into the Treasury, - then he shall  
credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so un-  
paid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the  
amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said  
Henry B. Metcalf.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission } The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the  
of Pat. } 9<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of Alpha C.  
A. E. Peckham } Peckham, for remission of tax: make Report, recom-  
mending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw:  
which Report is read and received; and it is, thereupon,  
ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

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Remission } The following Petitions, for the remission and respo-  
of Taxes, } nent of taxes, - are presented, received, and severally re-  
ferred to the Standing Committee on Claims, - to ex-  
amine and report thereon: viz:

- Book 10, 28 Petition of William W. Burr;
- Book 10, 67 " " Caleb Redman.

Moving } Petitions of Thos. N. Angell  
Buildings } and John M. Cusker, for liberty to move  
certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and  
severally referred to the Standing Committee on the  
Fire Department, to examine and report thereon;  
which Committee make Reports, in favor of granting  
the prayers thereof, respectively; - and said Reports  
are severally received; - and Resolutions, grant-  
ing the prayers of said petitions severally, are read  
and passed.

(Concurred.)  
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. } A Petition of Joseph Belcher, for liberty to move a  
certain wooden building, from College Street to Pearl  
J. Belcher, Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Stand-  
ing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine  
and report thereon; - which Committee make Report,  
recommending that said petitioner have leave to with-  
draw; - and said Report is received; and it is,  
thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have leave  
to withdraw.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Gauged } Edward G. Farmer, Gauger General, having nominated  
General } William Burrough and George Greene, as his Deputies;  
Deputies.

August 13<sup>th</sup> 1860.

The appointment of said deputies is approved and confirmed by the City Council.

Certain City officers are elected for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourns, to meet on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

D. Angell Jr.

W. J. Angell

Anthony,

Binney,

Coak,

Chase

Coggshall,

Harrington.

Ham.

Hopkins,

Jones,

Lincoln

" Martin,

McCarroll,

Peatt,

Pentice,

Rice,

Rider?

Tipton,

Spencer,

Sprague

J. Tucker,

Z. R. Tucker,

Uphike,

Warburton 26.

Wm. G. Greene,  
Clerk.

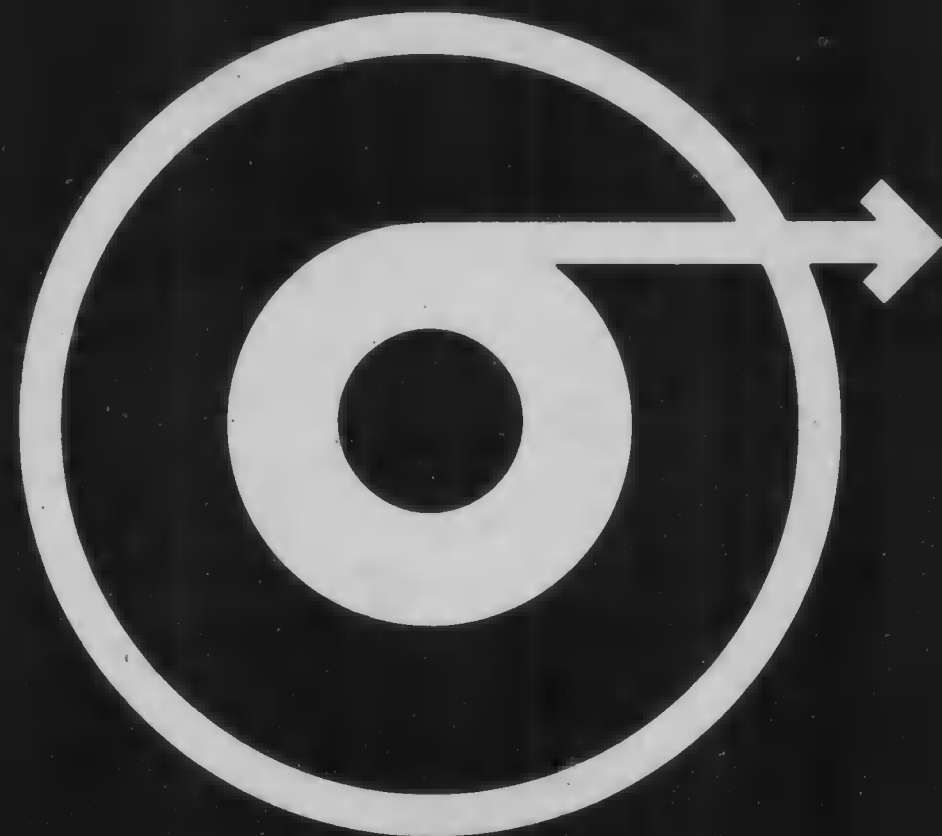
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