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RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE  
CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
WITH  
REPORTS AND FINISHED BUSINESS  
IN THE  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN AND COMMON COUNCIL,  
1881.

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## IN CONVENTION.

JANUARY 3, 1881.

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The City Council elect, in obedience to the summons of the Mayor, assemble in the Reception Room of the City Hall, on the first Monday of January, 1881, at 11.45 o'clock, A. M., it being the third of said month and the day fixed by law for the annual organization of the municipal government of the City of Providence, and at 12 o'clock, noon, a procession is formed by the city sergeant in the following order, which proceeds to the chamber of the Common Council, where is held the inauguration ceremonies :

City Sergeant.

Acting Chief of Police.

His Honor the Mayor, accompanied by the Mayor elect.

His Excellency the Governor, and His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, of Rhode Island.

The Rev. Chaplain of the day.

Ex-Mayors.

The Aldermen in the order of wards.

The City Clerk.

The Common Councilmen in the order of wards.

The convention is called to order by his honor the Mayor, Thomas A. Doyle, who delivers his retiring address.

The certificate of the election of WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE for the year ensuing the first Monday in January, A. D., 1881, is read by the City

Clerk, and the oath of office is administered to him by Hon. Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor, who appoints Aldermen Peckham and Barker to conduct him to the chair.

William S. Hayward, Mayor, presiding, the roll of the Board of Aldermen is called, and all the members are present except Sturgis P. Carpenter, and present their certificates of election to Aldermen Metcalf and Gorman, Committee on Credentials.

The oath of office is administered to the following Aldermen elect by the Mayor :—

ALFRED METCALF,	-	-	-	FIRST WARD.
SAMUEL W. PECKHAM,	-	-	-	SECOND WARD.
*STURGIS P. CARPENTER,	-	-	-	THIRD WARD.
CHARLES F. SAMPSON,	-	-	-	FOURTH WARD.
JOHN W. BRIGGS,	-	-	-	FIFTH WARD.
GEORGE H. BURNHAM,	-	-	-	SIXTH WARD.
ROBERT E. SMITH,	-	-	-	SEVENTH WARD.
WILLIAM B. GREENE,	-	-	-	EIGHTH WARD.
HENRY R. BARKER,	-	-	-	NINTH WARD.
CHARLES E. GORMAN,	-	-	-	TENTH WARD.

The roll of the Common Council is called, and all the members except James McNally are present, and present their certificates of election to Councilmen Tower, Chase and Phillips, Committee on Credentials.

The oath of office is administered to the following Councilmen elect by the Mayor :—

	FIRST WARD:	
JOSEPH WHELDEN,		GEORGE L. CLAFLIN,
CHARLES F. HULL,		ALLEN P. YOUNG.
	SECOND WARD:	
J. CARTER B. WOODS,		PARDON WILBUR.
GEORGE E. MARTIN,		JOHN M. ROUNDS.
	THIRD WARD:	
THOMAS A. MILLETT,		THOMAS E. STUDLEY,
JAMES C. GOFF,		FITZ HERBERT PEABODY.

\* Absent.

FOURTH WARD:

\*JAMES McNALLY, GEORGE R. PHILLIPS,  
 FREDERICK E. ANTHONY, D. RUSSELL BROWN.

FIFTH WARD:

JAMES H. TOWER, JOHN W. ANGELL,  
 CHARLES ANTHONY, JAMES G. WHITEHOUSE.

SIXTH WARD:

THOMAS M. ROUNDS, ALFRED S. PÖTTER,  
 FRED. I. MARCY, EDWARD R. WHEELER.

SEVENTH WARD:

JOHN W. TILLINGHAST, FERDINAND SMITH,  
 GILBERT F. ROBBINS, ELISHA W. PIERCE.

EIGHTH WARD:

ALFRED A. HARRINGTON, CHARLES E. HARRIS,  
 LYMAN H. EDDY, FRANKLIN A. CHASE.

NINTH WARD:

WILLIAM H SHATTUCK, GEORGE H. SLADE,  
 WILLIAM H. MILLER, PELEG W. LIPPITT.

TENTH WARD:

HUGH HAMILL, FERGUS J. McOSKER,  
 TIMOTHY HEFFERNAN, JAMES B. FOYER.

Henry V. A. Joslin is elected City Clerk, and the oath of office is administered to him by the Mayor.

Prayer is offered by Rev. A. J. F. Behrends, D. D.

William S. Hayward, Mayor, delivers his inaugural address.

The following municipal officers are elected for the municipal year ensuing the first Monday in January, 1881, viz. :—

Chief of Police,	Benjamin H. Child,
Judge of the Municipal Court,	Amasa S. Westcott.
Clerk of the Municipal Court,	George B. Nichols.
Recorder of Deeds,	Gustavus A. Williamson.
City Auditor,	James M. Cross.
City Engineer,	Samuel M. Gray.
Supt. of Public Buildings,	Obadiah Slade.
Superintendent of Lights,	(Passed.)

\* Absent.

## Chief Engineer of the Fire Department :

Oliver E. Greene.

## Assistant Engineers :

- |                    |                           |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Ira Winsor,     | 3. William A. Sabin,      |
| 2. James M. Baker, | 4. Sylvanus C. Shurtleff. |

## Presidents of the Fire Department :

Sturgis P. Carpenter,	Oliver E. Greene,
	Matthew W. Ingraham.

City Sergeant,	Edward S. Rhodes.
City Messenger,	Edward S. Rhodes.
Clerk of the Market,	Benjamin H. Child.

## Commissioners of the North Burial Ground :

Oren Westcott,	Gorham Thurber,
	John W. Briggs.

Pound Keeper at the Asylum,	John M. Knowles.
“ “ in Ninth Ward,	James B. Hathaway.

## Pound Keepers in Tenth Ward :

Daniel K. Angell,	Michael Queenan.
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Sealer of Weights and Measures,	Franklin Olds.
Overseers of the Hospital,	Mayor and Aldermen.
Overseer of the City Pumps,	Oliver E. Greene.
Viewer of Fences,	George H. Paddock.

## Port Wardens :

Philander Crosby,	William Franceville,
	Jeptha Nickerson.

## City Auctioneers :

Francis J. Sheldon,	Charles H. Smith.
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## Coroners :

Lorin M. Cook,	Charles H. Leonard,
William Duffy,	William H. Palmer,
Elias M. Jenckes,	Charles H. Thurber,
William Knowles,	George W. Wightman.

## Public Administrator :

Daniel Burrows.

## Packers of Fish :

John W. Pettis,	Albert F. Fuller,
	William A. Austin.

## Inspectors of Pot and Pearl Ashes :

William B. Blanding,	Samuel F. Hilton.
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## Inspector of Saleratus and Bi-carbonate of Soda :

Samuel F. Hilton.

Inspector of Kerosene,	William D. Child.
Inspector of Chain Cables,	Thomas Wyatt.
Inspector of Beef and Pork,	Henry M. Kimball.
Sealer of Leather,	Hiram B. Aylsworth.
Viewer of Hoops,	Gustavus T. Gray.

## Surveyors and Corders of Wood :

Thomas S. Battey,	Robert Manchester,
Laurence Cooney,	Theodore V. Matteson,
Henry F. Davis,	Darwin R. Mowry,
Charles D. Cobb,	John Medley,
Elam H. Gates,	Jabez C. Olney,
Stephen P. Henry,	Esek H. Pierce,
James S. Hudson,	Franklin A. Steere,
Christopher L. Holden,	George L. Wood.

## Surveyors and Measurers of Stone :

George W. Cady,	Walter J. Paine,
Clifton A. Hall,	Alfred Stone,
	Charles F. Wilcox.

Inspectors and Measurers of Carpenters', Masons' and  
Painters' Work :

Jonathan S. Angell,	Clifton A. Hall,
John Buckley,	Edson S. Jones,
George W. Cady,	Robert Manchester,
Charles F. Griffin,	Charles E. Paine,
Henry A. Grimwood,	Walter J. Paine,
Joseph D. Grinnell,	Alfred Stone,
Isaac N. Hallett,	Niles B. Schubarth,
	Charles F. Wilcox.

## Measurers of Grain, Salt and Sea Coal,

Shubael B. Crowell,	Frank P. Manchester,
	George W. S. Potter.

## Weigher for the Platform Scale at the Haymarket :

Charles D. Cobb.

## Weighers of Cotton :

Charles H. Cowell,	George W. Ray,
Arthur W. Dennis,	Frank L. Sheldon,
Charles Dyer,	Samuel R. Simmons,
James Herbert Foster,	G. Richard Uhlig,
Jacob Morgan, Jr.,	William H. Wing.

## Appraisers of Damage under the Dog Law :

Benjamin F. Thurston,	Edward C. Ames,
	Nathaniel A. Fisher.

Gauger,	Edward G. Farmer.
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## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

JANUARY 3, 1881.

The following officers are elected, viz. :

President :

Robert E. Smith.

City Registrar of Births, Marriages, and Deaths :

Edwin M. Snow.

Health Officer at Quarantine :

Edwin M. Snow.

Inspector of Milk :

Edwin E. Calder.

Inspector of Steam Boilers :

James H. Munroe.

Auctioneers :

George H. Burnham,  
James F. Davison,  
Eugene A. Dean,  
Edwin Draper,  
George W. Elliott,  
Henry F. Ferrin,  
David Frank,  
Isaac L. Goff,

Christopher A. Hall,  
Horace F. Horton,  
Joseph A. D. Joslin,  
Bernard McGuiness,  
William F. Macomber,  
John G. Moore,  
Charles H. Scott,  
Francis J. Sheldon,

Albert S. Wilbur.

Constables. Passed.

Police Constables (without power). Passed.

Weighers of Coal and other merchandize :

Thomas S. Battey,

Ralph E. Elmer.

## Undertakers :

John B. Ames,	Timothy McCarthy,
Thomas F. Barron,	Thomas F. Monaghan,
James Boyce,	Thomas McMurrough,
John L. Clarke,	Everett R. Osgood,
William Conneeley,	James F. Padien,
James H. Cullen,	Walter C. Pierce,
Henry S. Emerson,	Patrick Quinn,
Daniel Gorman,	William Quinn,
George W. Hopkins,	Daniel W. Steere,
Horace B. Knowles,	Benjamin P. Swarts,
John M. Knowles,	James Tully,
John P. Luther,	William Wallace,
Thomas R. Mathews,	Joseph N. Whelden.

## Superintendent of Point street bridge :

George W. Gooch.

The following standing committees are appointed :—

## Auctioneers :

Robert E. Smith,	Samuel W. Peckham.
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## Armories :

Henry R. Barker,	Charles E. Gorman.
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## Bridges :

William B. Greene,	Sturgis P. Carpenter,
	John W. Briggs.

## Constables :

Charles E. Gorman,	Samuel W. Peckham,
	Henry R. Barker.

## Lamps :

Robert E. Smith,	Charles F. Sampson.
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## Police :

Henry R. Barker,

Robert E. Smith.

## Streets :

Charles E. Gorman,

Charles F. Sampson,  
Alfred Metcalf.

The standing rules of order adopted during the year 1880, are adopted as the rules of order of the board for the present year.

The bond of the city treasurer is presented, read and approved.

Joshua M. Addeman, clerk elect of the common council, appears at the bar of the board, and the oath of office is administered to him by the mayor.

Benjamin H. Child, chief of police elect, appears, and the oath of office is administered to him by the city clerk.

The following resolutions are read and passed, and ordered to be communicated to the common council :

RESOLVED, That Daniel E. Day, be and he is hereby elected commissioner of sinking funds for the term of three years ensuing the first Monday in January, 1881.

RESOLVED, That from the justices assigned to keep the peace within the city of Providence, Elias M. Jenckes and Lorin M. Cook be and they are hereby selected to compose the police court during the present municipal year.

RESOLVED, That Aldermen Smith and Burnham, having been elected by ballot members of the joint committee on accounts on the part of the board of aldermen, the same be communicated to the common council.

The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum is read and received.

The following accounts are examined and allowed :

## POLICE BILLS.

Pay roll. ....	\$14,172 00	Hopkins, Pomroy & Co....	\$38 00
John T. Brown.....	44 41	George F. Nye.....	9 00
Billings Brothers.....	28 00	Angell & Barney.....	70 85
John Callahan.....	9 00	John H. Eddy.....	41 66
William H. Reynolds.....	9 50	Louis W. Clarke.....	30 23
William A. Potter.....	14 75	James J. Monally.....	48 00
Thomas Roach .....	16 00	Mason & Moran.....	18 99
Scoville Manufacturing Co.	150 00	Mason, Chapin & Co .....	15 81
David J. Barr.....	6 35	Providence Gas Co.....	1,221 09
T. W. Rounds.....	12 44	Janitors' pay roll.....	286 50
John C. Paine.....	54 30		

## BRIDGE BILLS.

Hopkins, Pomroy & Co....	\$19 83	Stephen P. Henry.....	\$13 29
Pay roll. ....	48 60	Burrows & Kenyon.....	2 50
William H. Fenner & Co..	2 65	Clarence H. Carpenter....	5 12
J. L. Pierce & Co.....	19 20	Robert E. Smith & Co ....	5 75
Belcher Brothers.....	11 33	George E. Boynton.....	3 96
Pay roll, Point street bridge	286 75	R. I. Locomotive Works...	77 96
Rice, Starkweather & Co...	5 25	Fuller Iron Works.....	33 44
Lewis L. Fales.....	4 82	Brown Brothers & Co.....	24 00
Winsor & Mowry.....	5 00	Thomas Wyatt .....	4 50
Francis S. Turner.....	56 65	Arther C. Williams.....	19 15

## MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

A. E. Field, health dep't...	\$550 00	Labor pay roll, lamp dep't..	\$138 90
Pay roll, lamp dep't.....	2,483 23		

Permission is granted to William Grosvenor to operate a steam boiler in the Amasa Mason block, on Eddy street.

The mayor is authorized to pay the rent for armories for the year 1880, amounting to \$1,100, upon the receipt of the same from the State of Rhode Island.

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**IN COMMON COUNCIL.**JANUARY 3, 1881.

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The following officers are elected, viz. :—

J. Carter Brown Woods, President.

Joshua M. Addeman, Clerk.

The standing rules of 1880 are adopted for the year 1881.

The following resolutions are read and passed and ordered to be communicated to the board of aldermen :

RESOLVED, That Daniel E. Day be and he is hereby elected commissioner of sinking funds for the term of three years ensuing the first Monday in January, 1881.

RESOLVED, That from the justices assigned to keep the peace within the city of Providence, Elias M. Jenckes and Lorin M. Cook be and they are hereby selected to compose the police court during the present municipal year.

RESOLVED, That Messrs. Millett, Tower, Eddy, F. E. Anthony and Claffin, having been elected by ballot members of the joint committee on accounts on the part of the common council, the same be communicated to the board of aldermen.

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**IN CITY COUNCIL.**

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**No. 1. Joint Standing Committees.**

[Appointed January 3, 1881.]

IN COMMON COUNCIL, January 3, 1881.

RESOLVED, That the following named gentlemen, having been appointed members of the joint standing committees of

the city council, on the part of the common council, said appointments be communicated to the board of aldermen, that an alderman may be added to each.

J. M. ADDEMAN, Clerk.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, same day.

Read and the following named aldermen added.

HENRY V. A. JOSLIN, Clerk.

City Debt :

Mr. John W. Angell.

City Engineer's Department :

Mr. James McNally.

City Property :

Messrs. James McNally,	Charles F. Hull,
James H. Tower,	Fitz Herbert Peabody,
Alderman George H. Burnham.	

Claims :

Messrs. Frederick E. Anthony.	Charles F. Hull,
Charles Anthony,	Elisha W. Pierce,
Alderman Samuel W. Peckham.	

Education :

Messrs. Fred I. Marcy,	Frederick E. Anthony,
Alfred A. Harrington,	George H. Slade,
Alderman Alfred Metcalf.	

Finance :

Messrs. George E. Martin,	George L. Claffin,
George R. Phillips,	Franklin A. Chase,
Alderman William B. Greene.	

## Fire Department :

Messrs. John W. Tillinghast, William H. Shattuck,  
Thomas M. Rounds, Pardon Wilbur,  
Alderman John W. Briggs.

## Harbor :

Messrs. James C. Goff, Peleg W. Lippitt,  
George R. Phillips, Ald. Robert E. Smith.

## Highways :

Messrs. Gilbert F. Robbins, John M. Rounds,  
Joseph Whelden, James G. Whitehouse,  
Alderman Charles E. Gorman.

## Lamps :

Messrs. Thomas M. Rounds, Fergus J. McOsker,  
Charles E. Harris, Ald. Charles F. Sampson.

## North Burial Ground :

Messrs. Joseph Whelden, James B. Foyer,  
Lyman H. Eddy, Ald. Alfred Metcalf.

## Ordinances :

Messrs. George R. Phillips, George E. Martin,  
Charles Anthony, Alfred S. Potter,  
Alderman Samuel W. Peckham.

## Parks :

Messrs. William H. Shattuck, Lyman H. Eddy,  
Fred I. Marcy, Ferdinand Smith,  
Alderman George H. Burnham.

## Police :

Messrs. Alfred S. Potter, D. Russell Brown,  
Thomas E. Studley, Hugh Hamill,  
Alderman Henry R. Barker.

## Printing :

Messrs. Alfred A. Harrington, Timothy Heffernan,  
 John W. Tillinghast, Allen P. Young,  
 Alderman Sturgis P. Carpenter.

## Railroads :

Messrs. James H. Tower, Thomas E. Studley,  
 Elisha W. Pierce, Ald. Henry R. Barker.

## Sewers :

Messrs. Thomas A. Millett, Charles E. Harris,  
 Hugh Hamill, William H. Miller.  
 Alderman John W. Briggs,

## Water :

Messrs. Charles Anthony, Edward R. Wheeler,  
 Fitz Herbert Peabody, Ald. William B. Greene,  
 George L. Claffin, Ald. Charles F. Sampson.

No. 2. Resolution to contract for Advertising, Printing and Stationery.

[Approved January 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint committee on printing are hereby authorized to contract for the city printing and advertising, and also for the stationery for the use of the various city officers, for the present municipal year.

No. 3. Resolutions for printing the Mayor's Address and the City Manual.

[Approved January 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That Messrs. Harrington, Tillinghast, Heffernan and Young, of the common council, with Alderman Car-

penter, are hereby appointed a committee to wait on his honor 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 shall deem expedient.

RESOLVED, That the above named committee be and they are hereby directed to cause the standing rules of order of the common council, a list of the standing committees of the city council, a list of the city officers, and such portions of the record of the organization of the city government as they may deem expedient, to be printed for the use of the city council, under the general title of the "City Manual."

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No. 4. Resolution to print certain Reports.

[Approved January 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint committee who were appointed to cause the mayor's address to be printed, be and they are hereby authorized to cause the following reports to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the city council, viz. :

The annual report of the gauger.

The annual report of the commissioners of the north burial ground.

The annual report of the superintendent of the north burial ground.

The annual report of the board of engineers of the fire department.

The annual report of the overseer of the poor.

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No. 5. Resolution regulating the number of City Documents to be printed.

[Approved January 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the number of city documents to be printed

for the use of the city during the present municipal year shall not, except when otherwise specially ordered, exceed in each case seven hundred and fifty copies.

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No. 6. Resolution referring the Mayor's Message and the stated reports to the proper committees.

[Approved January 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the several joint standing committees of the city council are hereby instructed to inquire into the subjects relating to their respective departments which are contained in the inaugural address of the mayor, and in the regular stated reports required of any officer or department, and to report thereon to the city council when deemed expedient by the committee.

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No. 7. Resolutions to Index and Bind the Resolutions and City Documents for 1880.

[Approved January 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city clerk, under the direction of the joint committee on printing, is hereby instructed to cause an index to the printed resolutions of the city council, passed in 1880, to be prepared and printed, and also to cause said resolutions to be bound for the use of the city government.

RESOLVED, That the city clerk, acting under the direction of the same committee, is hereby instructed to cause two hundred copies of the documents of 1880, with a proper list of contents, to be bound for the use of the city.

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No. 8. Thirty-fourth Annual Report of the City Auditor.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

City document, No. 2.

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No. 9. Annual Account of the City Treasurer.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

In city document, No. 2.

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No. 10. Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

City document, No. 4.

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No. 11. Annual Report of the Board of Engineers of  
the Fire Department.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

City document, No. 5.

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No. 12. Annual Report of the Inspector of Buildings.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL:

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, as required by section 6 of chapter 688 of the Public Laws, “an act in relation to buildings in the city of Providence, and for other purposes,”

Respectfully reports, having received and placed on file in the office two hundred and eighty-nine intentions to build and repair buildings, of which two hundred and seventy were of wood, and nineteen of brick. And in conformity with said act, have issued ninety-four permits for the removal of buildings, and the erection of stagings for repairs of buildings, all of which has received the required official attention.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER E. GREENE,  
Inspector of Buildings.

No. 13. Annual Report of Lorin M. Cook, Police Justice for 1880.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

In obedience to section 4 chapter 40 of the ordinances of said city, the undersigned, one of the justices of the police court of said city, respectfully presents the following as his report of the amount and kind of business performed by him as such justice for the year ending December 31, A. D. 1880, arranged and classified as follows, viz. :—

Number of warrants issued,	-	-	-	2,114
Number of warrants served,	-	-	-	2,095
Number of warrants for drunkenness,	-	-	-	1,961
Number of warrants for revelling,	-	-	-	109
Number of warrants for throwing stones in the street,				11
Number of warrants for obstructing streets,				2
Number of warrants for bathing in city limits,	-	-	-	2
Number of warrants for animals at large,	-	-	-	1
Number of warrants for driving horse on sidewalk,				1
Number of warrants for violation of hack ordinance,				3
Number of warrants for violation of health ordinance,	-	-	-	6
Number of warrants for keeping shop open after 12 P. M.,				17
Number of warrants for driving over street line,				1
Number of complaints discontinued on payment of costs,				329
Number of complaints discontinued without payment of costs,	-	-	-	947
Number of complaints appealed,	-	-	-	5
Number of defendants committed to Providence Co. jail,				57
Amount of fines collected,	-	-	-	\$1,665 00
Amount of costs collected,	-	-	-	3,146 50
Total,	-	-	-	\$4,811 50

The amount of fines and costs received by me, together with the names of all defendants who paid the same, has been rendered to the city treasurer at the expiration of each month, as by law required. Vouchers for such payments are on file with me.

Respectfully submitted,

LORIN M. COOK,

Justice of the Police Court of the City of Providence.

No. 14. Annual Report of Elias M. Jenckes, Police Justice, for 1880.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

In obedience to section 4 of chapter 40 of the ordinances of said city, the undersigned, one of the justices of the police court of said city, respectfully presents the following as his report of the amount and kind of business performed by him as such justice for the year ending December 31, 1880, arranged and classified as follows, viz. :—

Whole number of warrants issued,	-	-	2,326
Whole number of warrants served,	-	-	2,308
Whole number of warrants for drunkenness,	-	-	2,146
Whole number of warrants for revelling,	-	-	131
Whole number of warrants for keeping shop open after 12 P. M.,	-	-	15
Whole number of warrants for violation of health ordi- nance,	-	-	1
Whole number of warrants for throwing stones on streets,	-	-	22
Whole number of warrants for throwing snow balls on streets,	-	-	2
Whole number of warrants for obstructing the side walk,	-	-	1

Whole number of warrants for collecting swill without permit, - - - - -	1
Whole number of warrants for depositing dirt on streets,	1
Whole number of warrants for bathing not being properly clothed, - - - - -	5
Whole number of warrants for animals at large on street,	1
Whole number of warrants discontinued on payment of costs, - - - - -	383
Whole number of warrants discontinued without costs,	1,044
Whole number of warrants appealed, - - - - -	4
Whole number of defendants committed to Providence County jail, - - - - -	71
Amount of fines received, - - - - -	\$2,056 00
Amount of costs received, - - - - -	3,344 90
Total, - - - - -	<u>\$5,400 90</u>

The amount of fines and costs received by me, together with the name of each person defendant who paid the same, has been rendered to the city treasurer at the expiration of each month, as by ordinance required. Vouchers for such payments are on file with me.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ELIAS M. JENCKES,

Justice of the Police Court of the City of Providence.

Providence, Jan. 1, 1881.

No. 15. Annual Report of the Gauger for 1880.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The gauger, in conformity with the city ordinance herewith makes this his annual report :—

From January 1, 1880, to January 1, 1881, the whole number of casks gauged by myself and my deputies was 42,771, of which number 26,807 contained oils of different kinds; 7,310 contained molasses and syrups; 6,234 contained whiskey, rum, gin and other liquors; 1,420 contained turpentine and alcohol. The amount of fees received, \$4,152.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD G. FARMER, Gauger.

No 16. Annual Report of the Joint Special Committee  
on the Brook Street District.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE:

GENTLEMEN: The joint special committee on the Brook street district herewith submit their sixteenth quarterly report of receipts and expenditures. Also a statement of the entire receipts and expenditures from the commencement of that improvement to the present time.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

THOMAS A. MILLETT, Chairman.

BROOK STREET DISTRICT.

Statement of receipts and expenditures from July 26, 1873,  
to January 1, 1881:—

RECEIPTS.

Rents, - - - - -	\$132,582 31
Sales of houses, filling land, etc., - -	15,934 72
Assessments for betterments, - - -	1,405 25
Sale of land, - - - - -	377 47
Total, - - - - -	<u>\$150,299 75</u>

## EXPENDITURES.

Land and buildings, - - - -	\$884,104 55
Grading land, - - - -	104,540 74
Relocating and refitting buildings, - -	98,438 18
Making streets, - - - -	30,355 93
Sewers, - - - -	28,966 24
Dredging, - - - -	326 69
Repairs to buildings, - - - -	15,071 92
Water for houses, - - - -	5,295 54
Concreting, - - - -	1,874 73
Retaining walls, Front street, - -	830 00
Salaries, - - - -	16,764 93
Office expenses, printing, etc., - -	4,444 59
Repairs to Rip Rap embankment, - -	4 75
Total, - - - -	<u>\$1,191,018 79</u>

## No. 17. Report of the Inspector of Kerosene.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

Pursuant to requirement I have the honor to report, that during the year just closed I have inspected and branded 17,611 barrels of kerosene oil for sale and use in this city, the fees from which are \$1,761.10. Expenses attending the same for an assistant, implements, wagon hire, etc., have been \$484.18, leaving a net income of \$1,276.92.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM D. CHILD, Inspector.

Providence, January 3, 1881.

No. 18. Sixteenth Quarterly Report of the Joint  
Special Committee on the Brook Street District.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

GENTLEMEN :—The joint special committee on the Brook  
street district herewith present this their sixteenth quarterly  
report of receipts and expenditures.

Receipts for the quarter ending December 31, 1880 :

Rents,	-	-	-	-	-	\$3,196 51
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Expenditures for the quarter ending December 31, 1880 :—

Relocating and refitting buildings,	-	-	-	-	\$93 13
Repairs to buildings,	-	-	-	-	183 97
Repairs to Rip Rap embankment,	-	-	-	-	4 75
Water for houses,	-	-	-	-	7 04
Salaries,	-	-	-	-	200 00
Office expenses,	-	-	-	-	15 81
Total,	-	-	-	-	<u>\$504 70</u>

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. MILLETT, Chairman.

Providence, January 3, 1881.

No. 19. Monthly Report of City Auditor for Decem-  
ber, 1880.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

City council file, January 3, 1881.

No. 20. Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the  
Fire Department.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

City council file, January 3, 1881.

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No. 21. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved January 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of January, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month next preceding.

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No. 22. Resolution continuing the Joint Special Committee to print proceedings at the dedication of City Hall.

[Approved January 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint special committee appointed by resolution No. 434, approved October 15, 1879, to print the proceedings at the dedication of the city hall, be hereby continued.

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No. 23. Seventh Annual Report of the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds.

[Presented January 3, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

The board of commissioners of sinking funds make this their seventh annual report of the condition of the several sinking

funds under their control, on the thirty-first day of December, 1880.

Sinking fund to redeem the bonds due in 1885 (general purposes). This fund amounts to \$593,204.20, and is invested as follows:—

City of Providence notes due in 1881,	-	\$17,000	00
City of Providence bonds due in 1885,	- -	215,000	00
City of Providence loan due in 1889,	-	4,938	22
City of Providence bonds due in 1893,	- -	123,000	00
City of Providence bonds due in 1895,	-	14,000	00
City of Providence bond due in 1899,	- -	170,000	00
City of Providence bonds due in 1900,	-	49,000	00
Cash on hand,	- - - - -	265	98
Total,	- - - - -	\$593,204	20

Sinking fund to redeem bonds due in 1893 (war expenses). This fund amounts to \$221,694.10, and is invested as follows:—

City of Providence bonds due in 1885,	- -	\$9,000	00
City of Providence bonds due in 1893,	-	137,000	00
City of Providence bond due in 1899,	- -	59,000	00
City of Providence bonds due in 1900,	-	16,000	00
Cash on hand,	- - - - -	694	10
Total,	- - - - -	\$221,694	10

Sinking fund to redeem bonds due in 1895 (city hall and sewer sterling loan). This fund amounts to \$212,007.09, and is invested as follows:—

City of Providence note due 1881,	- -	\$1,000	00
City of Providence bond due in 1895,	-	36,000	00
City of Providence bond due in 1899,	- -	129,000	00
City of Providence bond due in 1900,	-	46,000	00
Cash on hand,	- - - - -	7	09
Total,	- - - - -	\$212,007	09

Sinking fund to redeem bonds due in 1899 (city hall and sewer loan). This fund amounts to \$35,431.47, and is invested as follows:—

City of Providence bond due in 1899,	-	\$15,000	00
City of Providence bond due in 1900,	-	20,000	00
Cash on hand,	-	431	47
Total,	-	\$35,431	47

Sinking fund to redeem bonds due in 1899 (public improvement loan). This fund amounts to \$13,571.02, and is invested as follows:—

City of Providence bond due in 1899,	-	\$13,000	00
Cash on hand,	-	571	02
Total,	-	\$13,571	02

Sinking fund to redeem the water loan. This fund amounts to \$113,825.72, and is invested as follows:—

City of Providence bonds due in 1895,	-	\$75,000	00
City of Providence bond due in 1899,	-	33,000	00
City of Providence bond due in 1900,	-	5,000	00
Cash on hand,	-	825	72
Total,	-	\$113,825	72

North burial ground sinking fund. This fund amounts to \$604.39, and is in—

Cash on hand,	-	\$604	39
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Brook street District sinking fund, This fund amounts to \$66,651.56, and is invested as follows:—

City of Providence note due in 1881,	-	\$5,000	00
City of Providence bonds due in 1900,	-	3,000	00

City of Providence bond due in 1899,	-	\$44,000	00
City of Providence bonds due in 1900,	-	11,000	00
Cash on hand,	-	3,651	56
Total,	-	\$66,651	56

The increase in the several sinking funds since the thirty-first day of December, 1879, has been as follows:—

In the fund of 1885,	-	\$39,984	30
In the fund of 1893,	-	15,615	32
In the fund of 1895,	-	46,563	44
In the fund of 1899,	-	19,842	47
In the Public Improvement fund of 1899,	-	13,571	02
In the Water Loan fund,	-	5,362	28
In the Brook street District fund,	-	15,125	31
Total,	-	\$156,064.	14

Whole amount of the several sinking funds December 31, 1880, \$1,256,989.55.

December 18, 1880, the board paid to the city treasurer of the city of Providence the sum of \$35,000. from the fund belonging to the North Burial Ground, to pay notes given for cemetery lands which matured that day.

The Commissioners severally made a personal examination of all the securities.

THOMAS A. DOYLE, Mayor.

BENJAMIN TRIPP, City Treasurer.

JAMES M. CROSS, City Auditor.

JOSIAH W. CROOKER,

Chairman of the Committee on Finance.

OLIVER A. WASHBURN, Jr.

JESSE METCALF.

DANIEL E. DAY.

Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds.

Providence, January 1, 1881.

No. 24. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer for  
December, 1880.

[Presented January 17, 1881.]

City council file January 20, 1881.

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No. 25. Monthly Report of the City Messenger for  
December, 1880.

[Presented January 17, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

In accordance with section 11, chapter XXXVI., of the ordinances, the city messenger reports, that during the month of December last, the city hall and the sidewalks around the same have been kept, and are now in good condition.

A carpet has been laid on the floor of the council chamber in accordance with resolution 320, series of 1880, the cost of which was \$593.60, exclusive of the cost of preparing the floor for the same, which was \$66.95.

The desks in the common council chamber, having been removed in order to lay the carpet, it was deemed expedient to have them refinished before they were replaced, in order to preserve the wood, the filling of which appeared to have been poorly done when the desks were made ; the cost thereof being \$133.48.

The bill for the work done in the auditor's office, has been paid, amounting to \$41.78.

Bills have been paid, including pay rolls, to the amount of \$826.21.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

No. 26. Message of the Mayor appointing Caleb A. Burbank to the office of Mayor's Clerk.

[Presented January 17, 1881]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
January 17, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

I have appointed Caleb A. Burbank, of this city, to the office of mayor's clerk.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

No. 27. Appointment of Deputy Gaugers.

[Approved January 17, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

I hereby nominate for deputy gaugers for the year ensuing, Zachariah C. Farmer, Robert Sherman and Patrick H. Dulan, and most respectfully request that they be confirmed.

EDWARD G. FARMER, Gauger.

Providence, January 17, 1881.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the said nominations be confirmed.

No. 28. Report of the Committee on Education upon the completion and occupancy of the Amherst Street School House.

[Presented January 17, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint standing committee of the city council on education,

who, by resolutions Nos. 124 and 221, series of 1880, were directed to build a four-room wooden school house, on the corner of Amherst and LaVaughn streets, to heat and furnish the same, construct suitable outbuildings, and grade and fence the lot, said resolutions appropriating the sums of seven thousand, and three thousand dollars, respectively, hereby report the completion and occupancy of said building, and respectfully submit a detailed statement of the cost thereof.

Architect's fees,	-	-	-	-	\$200 00
Building contract and extras,	-	-	-	-	6,770 92
Furniture,	-	-	-	-	789 40
Heating,	-	-	-	-	600 00
Black boards,	-	-	-	-	54 20
Bell and hangings,	-	-	-	-	40 56
Cleaning,	-	-	-	-	4 00
Vaults and outbuildings,	-	-	-	-	383 25
Fences,	-	-	-	-	362 79
Lot improvements,	-	-	-	-	482 00
					\$9,687 12
Total,	-	-	-	-	\$9,687 12

Balance unexpended, \$312.88.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

FRED. I. MARCY, Chairman.

No. 29. Resolution continuing the Joint Special Committee relative to Building a new Bridge across the Seekonk River.

[Approved January 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint special committee appointed by resolution No. 87, approved March 2, 1880, to examine into and report to the city council, whether it is expedient for the city of Providence, either by itself or in connection with other

parties, to take measures towards building a bridge across the Seekonk river, with the view of the discontinuance of the Washington bridge, be hereby continued.

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No. 30. Resolution appointing a Joint Special Committee to Report upon that portion of the Mayor's Address that relates to the Board of Public Works.

[Approved January 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That Messrs. F. E. Anthony, Robbins, Tower and Millett, of the common council, with aldermen Greene and Barker, be hereby constituted a joint special committee to examine and report upon so much of the mayor's address, delivered January 3, 1881, as relates to the board of public works.

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No. 31. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to employ Counsel in Cause in Equity No. 1795, Bishop, vs. City of Providence, et al.

[Approved January 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the mayor, with the approval of the joint standing committee on ordinances, be and is hereby authorized to employ counsel for and in behalf of the city of Providence, in the cause in equity, No. 1795, Nancy K. Bishop vs. City of Providence and others, now pending in the supreme court.

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No. 32. Resolution authorizing the Committee on the City Engineer's Department, to pay Arthur C. Williams at the rate of \$200.00 per annum, from November, 1, 1880.

[Approved January 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on the city

engineer's department, be and they are hereby authorized to pay Arthur C. Williams, at the rate of two hundred dollars per annum, from November 1, 1880, in addition to the amount paid him by the board of public works, provided, the salary paid him for services rendered both departments named, shall not exceed the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum.

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No. 33. Resolution referring matters relative to a Safe in the Office of the Board of Public Works, and the Collection of Water Rates, and other Moneys, by said Board of Public Works.

[Approved January 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the report of the joint standing committee on city property, in reference to the purchase of a safe to be placed in the office of the board of public works, together with the resolution and papers accompanying, be referred to the joint standing committee on finance, with instructions to examine the method of collection of the water rates and other moneys by that department, to report whether or not it would be for the interest of the city that these collections should be made by the city treasurer, and if, in the opinion of the committee, the board of public works should continue to make these collections, whether or not the officers of that department should be required to give bonds.

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No. 34. Resolution authorizing the City Clerk to employ Assistance in Assorting and Filing Old Papers.

[Approved January 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city clerk be and he is hereby authorized to employ such assistance as may be necessary to complete the work of assorting and filing old papers, the expense thereof not to exceed the sum of twenty-five dollars, to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

JANUARY 20, 1881.

The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum, monthly report of the overseer of the poor, monthly report of the inspector of steam boilers, quarterly report of the superintendent of lights, and quarterly report of the inspector of milk, are severally read and received.

The following accounts are examined and allowed :

George W. Wightman, support of the poor.....\$2,018 17	E. T. Burbank, street signs, \$11 85
George W. Wightman, char- ity building,..... 173 71	Thomas W. Hart, streets, 75 00
Providence Water Works, public urinals, ..... 695 00	George E. Thompson, streets, 81 00
	Pay roll, bridge department, 52 74
	Prov. Gas Co., lamp dep't, 183 42

The appointment of Aurion V. Chevers to be deputy city clerk, is confirmed.

The following officers are appointed, viz. :

Fire Marshal :

Elias M. Jenckes.

Auctioneers :

Clarence E. Burlingame,	William H. Herrick,
Herbert E. Dodge,	Lucius F. Rankin,
Charles L. Ellis,	Charles H. Smith,
Edward A. Turner.	

Constables :

[With power to serve civil process.]

Herbert E. Dodge,	George Lawless,
John H. Cokeley,	William A. Potter,
Michael Craddock,	Walter C. Smith,
Zebedee Howland,	William P. Winslow,
James Vallily.	

## Police Constables :

[Without power to serve civil process.]

George Allen,	Samuel Crossman,
Reuben A. Arnold,	James L. Crowell,
John S. Austin,	Edwin H. Cummings,
James E. Babcock,	Samuel W. Drew,
Augustus T. Baker,	Charles F. Eldridge,
John M. Battey,	John T. Eelles,
William H. Barker,	Nathaniel A. Fisher,
Walter S. Baxter,	Osborn W. Freese,
Charles W. Bemis,	James H. Galvin,
Almon G. Bennett,	Cornelius C. Gardner,
Lorenzo D. Bennett,	George W. Gooch,
George A. Billings,	Benjamin F. Gorham,
John B. Benson,	Stanton A. Gray,
William L. Blake,	Henry C. Gross, Jr.,
James W. Braman,	John Hackett,
Daniel G. Briggs,	Thomas W. Hart,
Alden M. Brown,	James B. Hathaway,
Horace L. Brown,	Stephen P. Henry,
Pardon H. Brown,	Joseph Higgins,
William N. Brown,	Daniel Hill,
William H. Buffum,	Holden O. Hill,
Eben Burlingame,	David E. Howard,
Herbert W. Burlingame,	George R. Howard,
John J. Butler,	Frederick C. Hull,
Charles P. Butts,	Horace Jenckes,
Martin P. Butts,	Joseph F. Johnson,
Rufus B. Carr,	Benjamin A. Johnson,
Charles E. Chaffee,	Daniel Joslin,
William Chapman,	John E. Keenan,
Moses A. Claflin,	John M. Knowles,
Hiram C. Clarke,	George S. Knutton,
Edwin S. Conkling,	Barnabas Lewis,
John O. Creighton,	William B. Love,

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George E. Lovell,	Edmund F. Prentiss,
Harrison G. Macomber,	John H. Pullen,
James Madden,	William Pullen,
Alfred O. Makee,	Lucius F. Rankin,
James Major,	William Robinson,
James W. Martin,	William T. Robinson,
John G. Mathews,	James H. Roland,
William Mathews,	Stephen S. Salisbury,
William G. Mathews,	Sidney A. Sears,
Timothy McCarthy,	Milton H. Shattuck,
Henry McElroy,	William H. Shepard,
John G. McKay,	John Slocum,
John T. Merrill,	Theodore E. Smith,
Samuel Merry,	Henry A. Spicer,
Frank F. Morrow,	Levi R. Stearns,
David C. Moore,	Z. Allen Swan,
Frank M. Munroe,	Jacob Swarts,
John Nickerson,	John T. G. Sweet,
Samuel W. Norton,	Augustus C. Tabor,
Charles B. Oakes,	Charles H. Thurber,
John R. Oakes,	John A. Thurston,
James T. Oatley,	Charles Towne,
John F. Parks,	Nicholas Underwood,
John V. Perkins,	Thomas W. Walcott,
Denis H. Perry,	George W. Walker,
Winfield S. Phillips,	Joseph N. Whelden,
Allen F. Poole,	Abel G. Whidden,
Arnold L. Potter,	Samuel Whitney,
Henry A. L. Potter,	Benjamin A. Winsor,
J. Crawford Potter,	James M. Wiggin,
William C. Potter,	Calvin A. Worden,
Daniel L. Porter,	John L. Worden.

Licenses are granted as follows :

To Oliver S. Aylsworth, to keep two bowling alleys at No.

1 La Fayette street; Edward H. Darcy, to keep one pool table at No. 198 Canal street; Jacob Hoch, to keep one pool table at No. 107 North Main street; Frank O. Nichols, to keep one pool table at No. 85 Weybosset street; Herman Rosenberg, to keep a tavern at No. 18 Snow street; Frank Sullivan, to keep a victualling house at No. 146 Richmond street; Samuel K. Dor, to keep a victualling house at No. 209 Richmond street.

The bonds of the following officers are severally read and approved, viz. :

Henry V. A. Joslin, City Clerk.

James M. Cross, City Auditor.

Gustavus A. Williamson, Recorder of Deeds.

Lorin M. Cook, Justice of Police Court.

Elias M. Jenckes, Justice of Police Court.

Benjamin H. Child, Chief of Police.

Oliver E. Greene, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Obadiah Slade, Superintendent of Public Buildings.

Charles D. Cobb, Weigher at the Haymarket.

The following police appointments are consented to, viz. :

Jeremiah Costine, to be Captain of Police; George H. Dary and William H. Leavitt, to be Lieutenants of Police; Orseumus M. S. Vaughan, to be Sergeant of Police.

The following policemen are appointed, viz. :

John T. Ford, William F. Hayden.

Albert E. Nickerson,

The following resolutions are read and passed, viz. :

Establishing the grade of Branch avenue from Thurber's lane to Smithfield avenue, and from Randall's brook, near Woodward road, to Douglas avenue;

Establishing the grade of Asia street, from America street to Tefft street;

Establishing the grade of Federal street from Tefft street to Albro street ;

Changing the grade of Branch avenue, from North Main street to Thurber's lane, and from Charles street to Randall's brook, near Woodward road.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

### No. 35. Resolution appointing a Committee relative to the Mayor's Portrait for the City.

[Passed in Common Council January 3, 1881. Passed in Board of Aldermen January 31, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Common Council, January 31, 1881]

RESOLVED, That Messrs. Tower and Phillips of the common council, with Alderman Smith, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to wait upon the mayor and to 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 ; to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

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### No. 36. Message of the Mayor relative to Repairs on the Heating Apparatus at the High School.

[Presented January 20, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
January 20, 1881.

#### GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN :

The heating apparatus of the High School building was seriously damaged, yesterday morning, in consequence of the water being allowed to escape from and empty the sectional cast-iron boilers used for that purpose, whereby three of the four were rendered utterly useless, and will have to be replaced immediately, at a probable expenditure of about three thousand dollars.

Owing to the accident the school is necessarily closed, and the usual vacation, commencing February 4th next, will be anticipated by about two weeks, and, providing the damage is repaired at once, no time will be lost to the pupils.

I therefore recommend that the committee on city property be authorized to cause the necessary repairs to be made without advertising for proposals, as directed by ordinance.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

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No. 37. Resolution authorizing the Committee on City Property to cause Repairs to be made on the Heating Apparatus at the High School.

[Approved February 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the committee on city property be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause the necessary repairs to be made in the heating apparatus of the High School building, at a cost not to exceed thirty-five hundred dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for public buildings.

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No. 38. Resolution relative to Plans and Estimates for Desks in the Board of Aldermen Chamber.

[Approved February 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint committee on city property be and are hereby directed to report a plan, specification or estimate of the cost of the same, for placing desks in the board of aldermen chamber, for the use of members.

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No. 39. Resolution directing the Committee on Highways to enquire into the expediency of purchasing Land on Richardson street for Highway purposes.

[Approved February 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint committee on highways be hereby directed to enquire into the expediency of purchasing of Abner H. Peckham, a strip of land ten feet wide on Richardson street, between Prairie avenue and Broad street, for highway purposes.

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No. 40. Resolution directing the Board of Public Works to re-open Drain through Chapin Avenue.

[Approved February 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause the drain in Chapin avenue, west of Messer street, to be re-opened, or cleaned out, in accordance with the recommendation of the city engineer.

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No. 41. Resolution appointing a Joint Special Committee on Pending Suits.

[Approved February 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That Aldermen Peckham, Gorman and Smith, with Messrs. F. E. Anthony, Peabody and Lippitt, of the common council, be and are hereby appointed a committee, acting under the advice and direction of the city solicitor, and subject to his approval, and that of the mayor, to compromise, settle and refer, on behalf of the city, any action, either at law or equity, or any statutory proceedings in which the city is a party, now pending in the courts of the state.

## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

JANUARY 31, 1881.

ORDERED, That the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Edwin C. Budlong, for abatement of sewer tax ; Samuel J. Howard, for remission of sewer tax ; Joseph Fitzpatrick et al., for the reception of Webster street ; Kendrick Walker et al., for the curbing of Webster street.

Upon a resolution to curb a portion of Webster street, it is ordered, that the same be indefinitely postponed.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

FEBRUARY 3, 1881.

The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum, monthly report of the inspector of steam boilers, monthly report of the overseer of the poor, and quarterly report of the chief of police, are severally read and received.

Upon the annual report of the superintendent of lights for the year 1880, it is ordered that the same be received, and the usual number of copies thereof be printed. (City document, No. 7.)

The following accounts are examined and allowed, viz. :

## MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Edwin M. Snow, census...	\$154 92	George W. Wightman, sup-	
Edwin E. Calder, inspector		port of poor.....	\$938 50
of milk.....	50 00	Pay roll, lamp dep't.....	2,515 11
A. E. Field & Son, health		Labor pay roll, lamp dep't..	115 55
dept.....	550 00		

## BRIDGE BILLS.

Robert E. Smith & Co.....	\$6 25	S. D. Andrews.....	\$1 80
Providence water works...	68 00	Belcher Brothers.....	14 15
S. S. Sprague & Co.....	34 60	Arthur C. Williams.....	10 71
Winsor & Mowry.....	12 76	Pay roll, Point st. bridge..	286 75
J. L. Peirce & Co.....	5 55	Labor pay roll.....	33 15
Hopkins, Pomroy & Co....	22 41		

## POLICE BILLS.

J. H. & J. B. Sweet.....	\$52 00	T. W. Rounds.....	\$7 02
Benjamin N. Child.....	49 76	Hopkins, Pomroy & Co....	289 75
James J. Monally.....	58 00	Earl Carpenter & Co.....	54 34
Edwin R. Jones.....	35 20	L. Wright.....	22 50
Isaiah Long.....	9 60	David J. Barr.....	16 34
Union Railroad Co.....	75 00	Louis W. Clarke.....	37 24
Angell & Barney.....	380 06	Pay roll, janitors.....	286 50

The mayor reports that he has received from the State of Rhode Island eleven hundred dollars for rent of armories for the year 1880, and has paid the same as follows :

Companies A, B, C and D, 1st battalion of infantry,	\$400 00
Company E, 2nd " " "	100 00
Companies A and B, 4th " " "	200 00
Companies A, B and D, 5th " " "	300 00
Company B, 1st " cavalry,	100 00
	\$1,100 00

Licenses to keep taverns are severally granted as follows, viz. :

Peter Brucker, at No. 261 Westminster street; George W. Sheldon, at Nos. 235 and 237 Broad street.

Permission to operate steam boilers is granted to the following persons, viz. :

John Grimshaw, at Dorrance wharf; John Nathan, at No. 26 Low street.

The bond of George B. Nichols, clerk of the municipal court is read and approved.

The bonds of the following constables, are severally read and approved, viz :

John H. Cokeley,  
 Michael Craddock,  
 Herbert E. Dodge,  
 George Lawless,

Walter C. Smith,  
 James Vallily,  
 William P. Winslow.

An order is passed directing the city clerk not to issue any show or exhibition license without a direct vote of the board of aldermen.

The following resolutions are read and passed :

RESOLVED, That licenses are hereby granted for one year from and after the first day of January, 1881, to the owners of the Providence Opera House, Low's Opera House, and the Theatre Comique, for the purpose of permitting exhibitions therein ; *provided*, however, that no wrestling, sparring or boxing matches, shall be permitted to be exhibited in either of said houses during said time, and that the fee for each day of a performance, be fixed at fifty cents.

RESOLVED, That licenses be hereby granted for one year from and after the first day of January, 1881, to the owners of Music Hall, Howard Hall and Infantry Armory Hall, for the purpose of permitting exhibitions therein ; *provided*, however, that no wrestling, sparring or boxing matches shall be permitted to be exhibited in either of said halls during said time, and that the fee for each day of a performance, be fixed at fifty cents.

The following are severally read and indefinitely postponed, viz. :

Resolution to continue the joint special committee on the Brook street district.

A bill for an ordinance providing for the appointment of a police matron.

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 IN CITY COUNCIL.
 

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## No. 42. Annual Report of the Chief of Police.

[Presented January 31, 1881.]

City document, No. 6.

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 No. 43. Annual Report of the Commissioners of the  
North Burial Ground.

[Presented January 31, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

The Commissioners of the North Burial Ground make this  
their annual report of receipts and expenditures for the year  
ending December 31, 1880.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand Jan. 1st, 1880.. . . . .	\$3,106 75
From sale of lots containing 13,201½ square feet of land. . . . .	5,706 94
From rent of buildings. . . . .	1,426 00
“ interments . . . . .	1,595 50
“ improvement of lots . . . . .	946 11
“ tomb rent. . . . .	756 50
“ brick graves. . . . .	236 00
“ certificates . . . . .	43 00
“ sale of horse. . . . .	20 00
Rebate as per books of city treasurer. . . . .	1 25
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	\$10,731 30
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	\$13,838 05

## EXPENDITURES.

## LABOR.

For graveling and cleaning avenues...	\$1,663 63	
“ grading lots and avenues.....	3,363 68	
“ interments.....	807 31	
		\$5,834 62

## SUNDRIES.

For salaries .....	\$1,800 00	
“ grain and horse feed.....	342 92	
“ blacksmithing .....	304 69	
“ water (Providence water works).	261 45	
“ water pipe and repairs..	163 48	
“ hardware and tools.....	179 33	
“ bound stones and markers .....	174 05	
“ repairs of buildings.....	151 09	
“ lumber .....	112 02	
“ harnesses and repairs.....	80 47	
“ sewer and drain pipes .....	59 93	
“ turf.....	66 86	
“ hose.....	27 25	
“ paints and oils.....	12 30	
“ stone, brick and cement.....	97 53	
“ rubber boots and repairs.....	5 30	
“ printing.....	9 0	
“ coal. ....	4 75	
“ boxes .....	6 57	
“ stationery .....	3 35	
“ concrete walks.....	6 09	
“ canvas.....	5 40	
“ general repairs .....	62 18	
“ sundries.....	23 70	
		\$3,959 71
Amount paid commissioners of sinking funds October 1, 1880, being five cents per foot of land sold.....		619 54

Balance in city treasury subject to commissioners' order.....	3,424 18
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	\$13,838 05

Inventory of property on hand September 30, 1880,  
\$1,827.00.

Respectfully submitted,  
For the Commissioners,  
OREN WESTCOTT,  
Secretary and Treasurer.

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#### No. 44. Report of Joint Special Committee on Pending Suits.

[Presented January 31, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

The committee on pending suits for the year 1880, appointed by resolution No. 57, approved February 4, 1880, respectfully report, that, during the past municipal year, 1880, they have acted on the following matters, brought before them under said resolution :

1. The suits between the city and George F. Wilson, in reference to the "Central bridge."

These suits the committee authorized the city solicitor to settle at an expense to the city not exceeding the sum of \$125, and upon said Wilson transferring to the city all his right, title and interest, in and to the stock of the Central Bridge Company, and said suits have been settled accordingly.

2. The suit of Potter & Co., against the city, claiming \$341.08, for a desk and cover represented as having been furnished upon order for the mayor's office, December 28, 1875.

After a hearing on this matter, the committee authorized the

city solicitor to settle the claim at an expense to the city not exceeding \$150. These terms have not been accepted by the claimants.

3. The suit of the city of Providence against James Tillinghast, administrator on the estate of Thomas Andrews, for \$65.25, amount of tax assessed in 1876.

After a hearing of this matter, the committee directed the city solicitor to cause said suit to be discontinued, and the same has been settled accordingly.

4. The suits pending in the matter of widening and straightening Broad street, being appeals from assessments.

The cases considered, were as follows :—Hanson Kelly and wife, Daniel S. Bushee, Sarah A. Olney, John W. Potter, Sheldon P. Sprague, and petition of Martin V. B. Wilcox, who neglected to file his appeal, referred to this committee by resolution No. 61, approved February 18, 1880.

After many hearings of the parties and a view of the premises, the committee authorized the city solicitor to settle with the parties on the following terms: The said parties to pay to the city the assessments due upon their several estates, and discontinue their appeals, and upon their so doing the city to deed to them the pieces of land belonging to the city, opposite their estates, between old and new Broad streets.

Hanson Kelly and wife and Daniel S. Bushee, have signified to the committee their acceptance of the above terms, but have not yet acted thereon.

5. The appeal of William W. Rickard from assessment in the matter of widening and straightening Broad street.

After a hearing of this case, the committee authorized the city solicitor to settle with Mr. Rickard for said assessment, upon said Rickard's paying to the city treasurer the sum of six hundred and seventy-five dollars, and the same has been settled accordingly.

6. Suit of Horace Hopkins and wife against the city, for

damages claimed to have been caused by the city's carrying the drainage of a portion of Greenwich street through their estate.

After a hearing on this case, the committee authorized the city solicitor to settle said suit, at an expense to the city not to exceed the sum of one hundred dollars.

The plaintiffs have not accepted these terms.

Respectfully submitted,

For the Committee,

SAMUEL W. PECKHAM, Chairman.

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## CHAPTER CLVII.

No. 45. An Ordinance permitting the Union Railroad Company to lay Rails in North Main, Olney and Camp streets.

[Approved February 4, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SECTION 1. Permission is hereby granted to the Union Railroad Company, to lay rails, with suitable turnouts, in North Main street, from its junction with Mill street, to Olney street; in Olney street, from North Main street, to Camp street; and in Camp street, from Olney street to Evergreen street. Said rails to be laid under the supervision and control of the joint standing committee of the city council on railroads; with all the privileges, and subject to all the conditions of this ordinance and of the several ordinances by which the Union Railroad Company is permitted to lay rails in the streets of the city of Providence.

## CHAPTER CLVIII.

No. 46. An Ordinance permitting the Union Railroad Company to lay Rails in Branch avenue from North Main street to Douglass avenue.

[Approved February 4, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SECTION 1. Permission is hereby given to the Union Railroad Company, to lay rails, with suitable turnouts, in Branch avenue from North Main street to Douglass avenue. Said rails to be laid under the supervision and control of the joint standing committee of the city council on railroads; with all the privileges, and subject to all the conditions of this ordinance, and of the several ordinances by which the Union Railroad Company is permitted to lay rails in the streets of the city of Providence.

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No. 47. Resolution to connect the City Clerk's Office by Telephone with the Telephone Exchange.

[Approved February 4, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city messenger is hereby directed to connect by telephone the office of the city clerk with the central telephone office in Butler Exchange; the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the city hall.

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No. 48. Resolution remitting to Andrew J. Greene and wife, personal property tax of twenty-eight dollars and thirty-five cents.

[Approved February 4, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the tax of twenty-eight dollars and thirty-

five cents, assessed against Andrew J. Greene and wife, on personal property, in 1880, be remitted, said Greene and wife being domiciled in the town of Johnston, R. I., when such assessment was erroneously made.

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No. 49. Resolution accepting gift of Rebecca T. Willing, to the North Burial Ground Fund.

[Approved February 4, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the gift of Rebecca T. Willing, of the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Rebecca T. Willing, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Rebecca T. Willing fund.

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No. 50. Report of Joint Standing Committee on Water, relative to furnishing Water to adjoining Towns.

[Presented January 31, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint standing committee on water, to which was committed the resolution for laying water pipes in Garden street, in the town of Johnston, "with instructions to report information generally in relation to laying water pipes outside the city limits, and also the matter of taxation."

The committee respectfully report, that the matter has been carefully considered, and they are of the opinion that there can be no doubt about the authority to lay pipes, and supply water, in any adjoining town.

Chapter 640, of the public laws, confers upon the city of

Providence, the right "to erect and maintain reservoirs within and without said city, and in general may do any other act necessary or convenient for the purposes of this act, and may distribute the water throughout the city, regulate its use, and the price therefor within and *without* the city."

"Said city shall have the exclusive right of the waters aforesaid, taken by said city for the purposes aforesaid, and may maintain an action against any person for using the same without the consent of said city; and may regulate the distribution and use of said water, within and *without* the city, and from time to time to fix the price for the use thereof, and may establish such public hydrants in such public places as they may see fit, and prescribe for what purposes the same shall be used; all which they may change at their discretion."

A resolution was passed by the city council, approved July 24th, 1876, (No. 441,) "directing the city solicitor to report in writing to the city council, whether the city of Providence are *empowered* to furnish water to any other town or towns in this state."

To this resolution the solicitor made answer, "I have the honor to say that, in my judgment, the city of Providence is empowered to furnish a supply of water to any town in this state."

In reference to the question of taxing of water pipes laid in adjoining towns, the question has several times been before the council. The last time, it was in reference to the pipes laid in the town of Johnston, and appears to have been satisfactorily arranged by the passage of a resolution by the town council of the town of Johnston, a copy of which is appended to this report, marked A.

On the question of the policy of supplying adjoining towns with water, your committee are unanimously of the opinion that it is for the interest of the city, to furnish water to all applicants, whenever the receipts therefor will pay an annual income equal to eight per cent. on the cost of pipes, and expense of laying them.

The resolution is reported back with the recommendation of the committee that it be passed.

For the committee,

CHARLES ANTHONY, Chairman.

[COPY.]

(A.)

At a town council holden within and for the town of Johnston, August 10th, 1878, all the members of the board present, it was

VOTED AND RESOLVED, That the Providence water works shall be exempt from taxation for all pipes, hydrants or implements used for the purpose of laying, or repairing, or keeping in repairs said pipes or hydrants. Provided, said Providence water works shall put in the Pawtuxet water to all persons in said town upon the same conditions and upon the same terms as they do in the city of Providence.

True copy of the record. Attest,

ROBERT WILSON, Town Clerk.

Ezra Gifford was appointed a committee on the part of this town.

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No. 51. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Garden street, (Town of Johnston), and in Pope street.

[Approved February 4, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause four hundred and ninety-one feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Garden street, from Plainfield street to Preston street (town of Johnston); and in Pope street two hundred feet of six-inch pipe, south from Amherst street.

No. 52. Report of the Joint Committee on City Property, relative to Accommodations at Fire Station on Exchange place, and Rooms for the License Commissioners.

[Presented January 31, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint standing committee on city property to whom, on January 17th, 1881, was referred a petition of the board of engineers of the fire department, for more room at the fire station on Exchange place, respectfully report,

That they have given the matter their attention and have conferred with the chief of the fire department in relation thereto.

Your committee are informed that before the increase of the permanent force authorized by your honorable body, the sleeping rooms at said station were filled to their capacity ; the increase referred to above, makes it imperatively necessary that rooms should be provided for four additional men. As there is no spare room in the building, they see no other way than to appropriate the quarters now occupied by the license commissioners.

As the committee on city property have no suitable place at their disposal, and believing that there is a surplus of room in the city hall, they deem it neither wise nor economical to rent quarters for their accommodation.

Your committee, therefore, submit and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

JAMES McNALLY, Chairman.

No. 53. Resolution relative to a Room in City Hall for the License Commissioners.

[Approved February 4, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city messenger be and he is hereby directed to provide for the license commissioners suitable accommodations in the city hall for the transaction of their business.

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No. 54. Resolution appointing a Joint Special Committee on the Brook Street District.

[Approved February 4, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That Messrs. Millett, McNally, F. E. Anthony, Tower and Robbins, of the common council, with Aldermen Briggs, Barnham and Peckham, are hereby appointed a joint special committee to take the care, charge and management of the Brook street district, so called, in the city of Providence, with the same powers and authority as have heretofore been conferred upon a joint special committee on said district by resolution No. 756, series of 1876, and by resolutions of the city council passed subsequent thereto.

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IN COMMON COUNCIL.

FEBRUARY 14, 1881.

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Ordered that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz.:

Thomas F. Hendricken, for remission of sewer tax; and Caroline Lyman, for damages to person.

The committee on finance, is discharged from the further consideration of the matter of telegraph and telephone wires, which was referred to the committee by resolution No. 415 series of 1880.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

FEBRUARY 14, 1881.

The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum are read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed viz. :

## MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Edwin M. Snow, census....	\$293 54	Reavy, Smith & Co., lamp	
Thomas W. Hart, streets...	60 00	department....	\$3 83
Geo. E. Thompson, " ....	78 00	Prov. Gas Co, lamp dep't...	195 35

## BRIDGE BILLS.

New York and New England		F. P. Pearce & Co.....	\$30 00
R. R. Co .....	\$23 60	E. R. Andrews & Co.....	596 71
Francis S. Turner.....	41 60	Pay roll.....	451 00

Edward A. Baker, is appointed an undertaker.

License is granted to Mary A. Kelly to buy and sell junk and second hand articles at No. 199 North Main street.

Israel A. Smith is designated and appointed to remove swill and offal from 15 College street.

Permission to give a masquerade ball, is granted as follows :

To the German Social Turn Verien Society, at No. 29 Exchange place, February 12, 1881; and to the Nemo Club, at the Infantry Armory Hall, February 17, 1881.

The following persons are granted permission to locate and operate steam boilers, viz. :

Callender, McAusland & Troup, at No. 209 Westminster street; John H. Roberts, at No. 42 Garden street.

George W. Hayward is granted permission to rebuild and otherwise alter a barn at No. 350 Broad street.

The bond of Zebedee Howland, constable, is approved.

RESOLVED, That license be hereby granted for one year from and after the first day of January, 1881, to the owners of Amateur Dramatic Hall, for the purpose of permitting exhibi-

tions therein ; *provided*, however, that no wrestling, sparring or boxing matches shall be permitted to be exhibited in said hall during said time, and that the fee for each day of a performance be fixed at fifty cents.

An order is passed authorizing the sub-committee on bridges to allow the keeper of Red Bridge the sum of three dollars per week for additional assistance at said bridge.

Jurors are drawn to serve at the March term of the supreme court and court of common pleas, respectively.

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## IN CONVENTION.

FEBRUARY 14, 1881.

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Nathaniel C. Bushee, is elected surveyor of lumber.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 55. Resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to employ a suitable woman as Matron at the Central Police Station.

[Approved February 15, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the chief of police be hereby authorized to employ a suitable woman as matron at the central police station on Canal street, and to define her duties. Said matron shall be allowed and paid a compensation to be fixed by the chief of police, not exceeding the sum of fifty dollars per month ; the amount so paid to be charged to the appropriation for the police.

No. 56. Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of  
the Fire Department.

[Presented February 15, 1881.]

City Council file, February 14, 1881.

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No. 57. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved February 15, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of February, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month next preceding.

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No. 58. Resolution directing the Joint Committee on  
Finance, to report what amount the Union Railroad  
Co. is required to pay for the privilege of using the  
Streets of the City.

[Approved February 15, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on finance is hereby directed to inquire and report to the city council, what sum or sums the Union Railroad Company, is required to pay to the city of Providence for the privilege of using the streets of said city for the purposes of its railroads, and under what ordinances; what additional streets of said city have been and are now used by said company for such purposes, since the passage of said ordinances; and what additional sum, if any, said company ought, in the opinion of said committee, to pay to said city, for the use of such additional streets.

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No. 59. Annual Report of the Surveyor of Lumber.

[Presented February 14, 1881.]

City council file, February 14, 1881.

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No. 60. Report of the Joint Committee on Finance, relative to dividing the City into ten districts for the purpose of Taxation.

[Presented February 14, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint committee on finance, to whom was referred by the board of aldermen, a resolution directing "the city solicitor to apply to the general assembly for such legislation as may be necessary, to confer upon the city council of the city of Providence power to divide the city into not exceeding ten districts, for the purpose of taxation, and for the appointment of not to exceed ten assistant assessors of taxes," report :

That they have considered the matter referred to the committee, and are of the opinion that the legislation proposed to be asked for, will result in securing to the tax payers of this city, a more equitable apportionment of the burdens of taxation.

The committee believe that by the division of the city into districts and the appointment of assistant assessors a more thorough and careful examination of the value of the property to be assessed will be made, and the board of assessors will be materially aided in ascertaining the amount, and estimating the value of both personal and real estate by these assistants when the annual tax levy is ordered, which will more than compensate for the increased expense attendant upon their appointment.

While the board of assessors, as now constituted, are entitled to much credit for the manner in which the difficult and at times perplexing duties of their office have been performed, it

is evident to the committee that by the appointment of assistants whose residence shall be in the district that they represent, much information would be obtained which it is impossible for the present board to acquire.

The committee believe it will be necessary to employ these assistants only for a portion of the year, say four months just prior to the annual tax levy, and with a board so constituted, we believe much better results would be obtained, and a more uniform and equitable adjustment of taxes would be secured.

With this view of the matter, the committee are unanimous in recommending the passage of the resolution.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

GEORGE E. MARTIN, Chairman.

Providence February 8th, 1881.

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No. 61. Resolution directing the City Solicitor to apply to the General Assembly, for power to divide the City into Districts for Taxation.

[Approved February 15, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city solicitor be and he is hereby directed to apply to the general assembly for such legislation as may be necessary to confer upon the city council of the city of Providence, power to divide the city of Providence into not exceeding ten districts for the purpose of taxation, and for the appointment of not to exceed ten assistant assessors of taxes.

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No. 62. Resolution empowering the Joint Special Committee on the Brook street District, to settle certain cases.

[Approved February 15, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint special committee to take the care,

charge and management of the Brook street district, be and they are hereby authorized to make settlement with parties whose land or estate has been condemned in said district, and who have not been settled with therefor.

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No. 63. Resolution transferring \$8,667.83 from the Reserve Fund to the appropriation for the Brook Street District.

[Approved February 15, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That, in order to pay the expense of maintaining the Brook street district, the sum of eighty-six hundred and sixty-seven dollars and eighty-three cents, is hereby transferred from the reserve fund, to the appropriation for said district.

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No. 64. Monthly Report of the Finance Committee on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented February 14, 1881.]

City council file, February 17, 1881.

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No. 65. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented February 14, 1881.]

City council file, February 17, 1881.

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No. 66. Monthly Report of the Finance Committee on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented February 14, 1881.]

City council file, February 17, 1881.

No. 67. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer on the  
issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented February 14, 1881.]

City council file, February 17, 1881.

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No. 68. Monthly Report of the City Auditor.

[Presented February 14, 1881.]

City council file, February 17, 1881.

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No. 69. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer.

[Presented February 14, 1881.]

City council file, February 17, 1881.

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No. 70. Monthly Report of the City Messenger for  
January, 1881.

[Presented February 14, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

In accordance with section 11 of chapter xxxvi, of the ordinances, the city messenger reports, that during the month of January last, the city hall and the sidewalks around the same have been kept, and are now in good condition.

The bills paid during the past month, have comprised some unusual expenses, as well as the quarterly bills, which make the total sum very large, and much larger than the corresponding month in 1880.

The new carpet for the common council chamber, and the expense of drilling holes in the marble floor to secure it, amounted to \$660.55.

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The furniture of the council chamber was refinished at a cost of \$133.48.

The gas bill for the quarter, was \$647.01; and there is a bill of coal in the account, of \$466.08.

The quarterly bills amount in all, (not including gas bill,) to \$310.88, and the regular monthly expenses amount to no more than usual, being \$616.20.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

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No. 71. Annual Report of the Superintendent of  
Public Buildings.

[Presented February 14, 1881.]

City document, No. 3.

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IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

FEBRUARY 17, 1881.

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The account of George W. Wightman, for the charity building, amounting to \$457.88, is examined and allowed.

Permission is granted to Arnold Post, No. 4, G. A. R., to give a masquerade ball at Freedom hall, Tuesday, February 22, 1881.

Upon the petition of Samuel Whitney to be appointed constable, it is ordered that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

A resolution is read and passed changing the names of the following streets, viz.:

Bower street, from East street to harbor line of Seekonk river;—to Wickenden street:

Shamrock and Front streets, from harbor line of Providence river to harbor line of Seekonk river;—to Tockwotton street :

The first street north of India street, from Traverse street to Ann street ;—to Blanding street :

The first street east of Ives street, from Tockwotton street to Wickenden street ;—to Schofield street :

The first street west from Tockwotton street to Wickenden street ;—to Wade street :

The street now called both Furnace and Grosvenor street, from India street to Wickenden street ;—to Furnace street.

The appointment of Steadman A. Randall to be a policeman, is consented to.

Upon the report of the committee to lay out Earle's lane, it is ordered that the same be rejected.

Lodowick Brayton is elected a member of the board of public works.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 72. Report of the Joint Committee on Finance relative to a Safe in the office of the Board of Public Works, also relative to the collection of Water Rates and other moneys by said board.

[Presented February 14, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

Upon the resolution No. 33, approved January 22, 1881, relative to a safe in the office of the board of public works, and

the collection of water rates and other moneys by said board, which was referred to the joint standing committee on finance, the committee report :

That they are of the opinion that all moneys belonging to the city, should be collected and disbursed by the city treasurer, and by him alone. If that course is pursued, there is no need of a safe in the office of the board of public works.

The committee believe the bills for water, repairs on meters and connecting pipes, and for highway work, should be made out in the office of the board of public works, with a coupon attached, said coupon to be an abbreviated copy of the bill ; these to be sent to the treasurer's office for collection. When they are paid, the treasurer will detach the coupon from the bill, and the coupons so detached, shall be sent to the board of public works, to enable the clerks in that office to credit the various persons with the amounts paid to the city treasurer, and the board of public works shall give to the city treasurer, a receipt for the amount of coupons so returned, so that one office shall be a check upon the other.

The committee would respectfully suggest that the committee on ordinances be directed to frame and submit an ordinance to carry into effect the above suggestion, or some plan that will make the city treasurer the sole custodian of the city's money.

Respectfully submitted,

For the Committee,

GEORGE E. MARTIN, Chairman.

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No. 73. Resolution directing the Joint Committee on Ordinances to report a Bill relative to the Collection of Moneys now collected by the Board of Public Works.

[Approved February 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint committee on ordinances, be hereby directed to report a bill for an ordinance which shall

provide that all moneys now collected for any purpose by the board of public works, shall be collected by the city treasurer, substantially in accordance with the recommendation of the joint committee on finance.

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No. 74. Resolution instructing the Joint Committee on the Fire Department to report plans relative to the erection of Telegraph and Telephone Wires.

[Approved February 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on the fire department are hereby instructed to report a plan to the city council which will carry into effect the powers conferred upon the city council, by chapter 804 of the public laws, passed at the January session, 1880, of the general assembly, relative to telegraph and other wires.

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No. 75. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Capron and Admiral streets.

[Approved February 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause one hundred and sixty-eight feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Capron street, from Julian street, south-easterly, to a point opposite police station No. 6; and in Admiral street, about forty-eight feet of eight-inch pipes, from present end of pipes, easterly.

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No. 76. Resolution directing the Board of Public Works to report relative to an additional Pumping Engine at Pettaconset pumping station.

[Approved February 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be directed to report whether an additional pumping engine is required at

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the Pettaconset pumping station, and if so, what size, or of what capacity, would, in the opinion of the board, be best adapted to the condition of things at that station; also, what would be the probable cost of a suitable engine, and what length of time would be required to construct, and set up ready for service such engine; and to include in their report, such suggestions and recommendations in relation to an additional supply of water, as they deem appropriate.

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## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

FEBRUARY 21, 1881.

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Ordered that the following be indefinitely postponed, viz. :

An ordinance in amendment of chapter cli of the ordinances entitled "An ordinance carrying into effect chapter 815 of the public laws, relative to a board of public works";

Resolution to rescind resolution No. 101, series of 1877, relating to the Brook street district.

A resolution to abolish the office of the superintendent of lights, and transferring the lamp department to the control of the board of public works, is read and rejected.

A resolution directing the city solicitor to apply to the general assembly for an amendment to the city charter providing that members of the city council shall not be eligible to offices in the gift of the city council.

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## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

FEBRUARY 28, 1881.

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The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum are presented, read and received.

The following accounts are examined and allowed :

## MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Edwin M. Snow, census....	\$65 66	Geo. E. Thompson, streets..	\$30 00
A. E. Field & Son, health department.....	550 00	Labor pay roll, lamp dep't...	124 20
		Pay roll, " "	2,214 14

## BRIDGE BILLS.

Winsor and Money.....	\$10 92	J. L. Peirce & Co ...	\$15 45
Robert E. Smith & Co.....	3 38	Hopkins, Pomroy & Co.....	18 75
Stephen P. Henry.....	24 00	Labor pay roll.....	40 50
Cleaveland Bros.....	4 22	Pay roll, Point st. bridge....	259 00
E. Winsor & Co.....	1 46		

## POLICE BILLS.

Prov. county jail.....	\$50 00	Benj. H. Child.....	\$59 37
Louis W. Clarke, ag't.....	110 00	" " ringing bells,	90 00
J. H. Rowley.....	99 00	James J. Monally.....	48 00
Charity building wood yard,	20 50	Billings Bros.....	22 75
W. E. Barrett & Co.....	31 50	Angell & Barney.....	102 34
J. H. Atwater.....	18 45	Janitors' pay roll.....	276 00
Louis W. Clarke.....	29 19	Pay roll.....	12,719 74

Permission is granted to O. E. Coleman to build a barn at No. 16 Keene street.

Canvass meetings are ordered to be held on Wednesday, March 30, and Saturday, April 2, 1881, at 7.30 o'clock p. m.

Samuel B. Swan is elected a member of the board of public works.

The following, having passed the common council, are severally read and the board do not concur therein, viz. :

Resolution instructing the city solicitor not to apply to the general assembly for authority to divide the city into tax districts.

Resolution to lay out and extend Vinton street.

## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

FEBRUARY 28, 1881.

Samuel B. Swan is elected a member of the board of public works.

Ordered, that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

A. M. Billings, for remission of sewer tax; Annie L. Grace et al., for relief from sewer assessment; Patrick McAndrews, for damages to person; C. B. Rickard et al., for damages caused by the extension of the Lippitt street sewer.

A resolution directing the city solicitor to apply to the general assembly for an amendment to chapter 598 of the statutes, relative to the board of public works, is read and rejected.

## IN CITY COUNCIL.

No. 77. Resolution instructing the Joint Committee on Education to report relative to School Accommodations near River and Chalkstone avenues.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on education be and they are hereby instructed to enquire into and report as soon as practicable, what action is necessary to afford sufficient school accommodations in the neighborhood of River avenue and Chalkstone avenue.

No. 78. Resolution directing the Board of Public Works to cause a Concrete Walk to be laid from Cove street to Promenade street.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be and they are hereby directed to cause the sidewalk around the Cove Prom-

enade, from Cove street to Promenade street, to be concreted, the cost of the same to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

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No. 79. Resolution to cause a Sewer to be constructed in Dean street.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Dean street, from Carpenter street to Fountain street.

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No. 80. Resolution to cause a Sewer to be constructed in Federal street.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Federal street, from the present terminus at Dean street to Teft street.

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No. 81. Deputy Surveyors of Lumber.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The undersigned, surveyor of lumber, presents the following names for deputy surveyors of lumber for your approval :

Frank B. Chedell, Charles A. Manchester, John B. Winship, Robert Carlisle, Frank S. Roberts, William G. Burtis. Robert Manchester, for ship timber.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL C. BUSHEE, Surveyor of Lumber.

Providence, February 24, 1881.

No. 82. Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of  
the Fire Department.

[Presented February 28, 1881.]

City Council file, February 28, 1881.

No. 83. Report of the Joint Standing Committee on  
Parks, relative to a Suitable Building to be erected  
at Roger Williams Park, for the use of the Superin-  
tendent.

[Presented February 28, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

The joint standing committee on parks, who, by resolution approved August 11, 1873, were instructed to report as to the present condition of the public parks and what action is necessary for their preservation and proper arrangement, beg leave to present this, their partial report :

The committee deem it a matter of vital necessity that some one in the interest of the city, and one also who has the welfare of the park at heart, should at all times be in charge and thereby available in case of an emergency or of a liability that the city's interest or the park's good be otherwise imperrilled. They therefore respectfully represent that, in their opinion, it is advisable that a suitable building be erected at Roger Williams park for the use of the keeper in charge thereof.

Your committee are forced to this conclusion by the fact that the building at present occupied as a dwelling is wholly unfit during the inclement season of the year to be so used by any, and especially by children ; and that, in fact, in the past two years it has been abandoned at such times by all excepting the

one in charge of the grounds, which, in the comparatively isolated condition of the park at present, renders it especially inconvenient and anything but pleasant, as he is thereby deprived of the comforts of family and home, which are necessary in order to faithfully discharge his duty while in the city's employ.

This committee are of the opinion that the park would receive a much needed improvement, which would greatly add to its efficient management and also serve to make its grounds more attractive.

The present building has been invaluable to our citizens, by its past associations as a relic of the history of our city, by its intimate relations to its founder, and as a memento of one who bequeathed to this city this park, which, though small in area, is still so bountifully supplied with natural beauty. The building would then be available as a place wherein could be stored the reminders of the past and tokens of the present good will of the many kind friends who so frequently express their desires to bestow such souvenirs whenever a suitable place is provided.

Such provisions your committee are especially anxious may be supplied, believing that it will furnish gratification to our own citizens and to those who visit us from abroad, serving to make their stay with us pleasant and their recollections both pleasing and profitable.

The committee believe that by this improvement two very desirable objects will be attained, both of which will receive the approval of the tax payers of the city, as it will to that extent assist in the carrying out of the plan for this park as adopted by them through their representatives.

The committee recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,  
WM. H. SHATTUCK, Chairman.

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No. 84. Resolution authorizing the Joint Standing Committee on Parks to procure plans and specifications for a building at Roger Williams Park.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on parks be and they are hereby authorized and directed to procure plans and estimates for the erection of a suitable building at Roger Williams Park, the estimated cost of which shall not exceed four thousand dollars, for the use of the keeper in charge and for such other purposes as the committee may deem necessary.

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No. 85. Resolution relative to a tract of land known as "Arnold Park."

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

Whereas a certain tract of land was conveyed to the town of North Providence as and for a public park, to be known as "Arnold Park," and said tract is included within the limits of that portion of said town subsequently annexed to the city of Providence:—

RESOLVED, That the committee on parks of said city of Providence be and they are hereby requested to examine into the title of said city to said tract of land, and if it appears that the title to the same is vested in the city and is free and clear of all incumbrance, said committee shall enclose said tract with a suitable fence and make such other improvements upon said land as they deem advisable, having in view the appropriation made for such purposes.

No. 86. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Congress and Grove streets.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about six hundred and ten feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Grove street, from Almy to Tobey street, and about one hundred and eighty-five feet of eight-inch pipes to be laid in Congress street, easterly from Melrose street.

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No. 87. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the call members of the fire department for services rendered during the quarter ending March 31, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the quarter next preceding.

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No. 88. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of March, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month next preceding.

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No. 89. Resolution to relieve Holden street from the overflow of surface water.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works make such re-

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pairs on Holden street as will protect Holden street from being washed by the water coming from Brownell and West Park streets thereon, and charge the same to the appropriation for highways.

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No. 90. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Holden street.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Holden street, from Smith street to Promenade street.

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No. 91. Resolution authorizing the conveyance of certain land in the Brook Street District to Michael Buckley.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint special committee on the Brook street district are hereby authorized to cause to be conveyed to Michael Buckley certain lands in the Brook street district, bounded and described as per description marked A, hereunto annexed, whenever said Michael Buckley shall convey to the city of Providence certain lands in the Brook street district, by deed satisfactory to the city solicitor, bounded and described as per description marked B, hereto annexed; and the city solicitor shall cause the title of said lands to be examined before the transfer thereof.

DESCRIPTION A.

Beginning at a point in the north-easterly corner of Brook street and Blanding street, as laid out in an adopted lay-out of the Brook street district, approved November 13, 1876; thence in a northerly direction, in the easterly line of said Brook street for a distance of forty (40) feet; thence in an easterly

direction, making an interior angle of ninety (90) degrees, one minute and twenty (20) seconds, for a distance of one hundred (100) feet; thence in a southerly direction, making an interior angle of eighty-nine (89) degrees, fifty-eight (58) minutes and forty (40) seconds, for a distance of forty (40) feet, to a point in the northerly line of said Blanding street; thence in a westerly direction in the said northerly line of Blanding street, for a distance of one hundred (100) feet, to the point of beginning, comprising the whole or portions of lots numbered 232, 233, 236, 237, 238, 240 and 241 on assessors' plat, number 18.

## DESCRIPTION B.

Beginning at a point in the south-westerly corner of estate situated in the easterly line of Brook street, as originally laid out, and fifteen and seven-tenths (15.7) feet in a northerly direction from the north-easterly corner of said Brook street and Blanding street; thence in a northerly direction in said easterly line of Brook street for a distance of twenty-two and seven one-hundredths (22.07) feet; thence in an easterly direction, making an interior angle of ninety (90) degrees, for a distance of one hundred and three and twenty-two one-hundredths (103.22) feet; thence in a southerly direction, making an interior angle of sixty-six (66) degrees and twenty-six (26) minutes, for a distance of twenty-four and eight one-hundredths (24.08) feet; thence in a westerly direction, making an interior angle of one hundred and thirteen (113) degrees and thirty-four (34) minutes, for a distance of ninety-three and six tenths (93.6) feet, to the point of beginning, being lot number two hundred and thirty-seven (237) on assessors' plat number eighteen (18).

No. 92. Resolution to Lay Out and Extend Vinton Street.

[Approved March 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That in the opinion of the city council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and extend Vinton street as

follows: Beginning at a point in the easterly line of Vinton street, which is in a range with the southerly line of Gesler street, thence running northerly in the easterly line of Vinton street, one hundred and fifteen and eighty-seven one hundredths feet, thence deflecting easterly eight degrees and fifteen minutes, and running northerly one hundred and thirteen and sixty-five one hundredths feet to Atwell's avenue. The westerly line to be parallel with, and forty feet from the above described line,

And, Whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

RESOLVED, That the city solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the supreme court of this state, for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment, under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the city of Providence"; and the city council hereby direct, that in said application, the city solicitor shall make application, that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three-fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

RESOLVED, That the city clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the city solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

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## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MARCH 17, 1881.

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The monthly report of the inspector of steam boilers, monthly report of the overseer of the poor, quarterly report of the city clerk, and quarterly report of the superintendent of hacks, are severally read and received.

The following accounts are examined and allowed, viz. :

## MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

George W. Wightman, Char-		William H. Palmer, M. D.,	
ity building.....	\$425 07	acting police surgeon....	\$350 00
George W. Wightman, sup-		George H. Slade, census.	20 00
port of poor .....	1,553 56	M. Josephine Peckham, "	25 00
Edwin E. Calder, inspector		George E. Thompson, streets,	60 00
of milk.....	50 00	F. H. Richmond, election re-	
Prov. Gas Co. lamp dep't...	200 53	turn paper .....	1 38

## BRIDGE BILLS.

H. W. Pepper.....	\$12 00	Arthur C. Williams.....	24 42
S. S. Sprague & Co.....	34 60	Labor pay roll.....	26 40

Philip B. Stiness is appointed an auctioneer.

Licenses are granted as follows, viz. :

To Peter Markey, to give a walking match at the old church building on Wickenden street, and to Thomas A. Millett, et al., to give an athletic entertainment, providing that no wrestling or sparring matches will be permitted at said entertainment.

Licenses to buy and sell junk and second hand articles, are severally granted to the following persons, viz. :

John H. Angier, at No. 503 High street; Frank Baughan, at corner of Valley and Orms streets; Sylvester Eastman, at No. 200 Westminster street; J. A. Foster & Co., at No. 53 Dorrance street; Francis Gannon, on Burrington street; Howland Brothers, at No. 306 Westminster street; Nathaniel H. Wales, at No. 94 Eddy street.

The following persons are designated and appointed to remove swill and offal, viz. :

William Ballou, from No. 9 Market square; Jacob F. Barton, from No. 261 Westminster street; George F. Beane, from No. 361 High street; George W. Bowen, from Nos. 297 and 311 High street and from the Hoyle Tavern; Philip H. Creed, from Nos. 207, 237 and 241 Broad street, and from No. 7 Snow street; Edgar A. Hathaway, from Nos. 380 and 447 High street, and from corner of Pine and Dorrance streets; Joseph H. Mason, from the corner of Chestnut and

Broad streets; Benjamin W. Whipple, from Nos. 24 and 26 Orange street, and from the Perrin House and Providence Hotel.

Licenses to keep pool and billiard tables are granted as follows, viz. :

John Conly, one pool table at No. 398 Potter's avenue, upon payment of \$10. ; Patrick Higgins, one pool table at No. 434 Cranston street, upon payment of \$10. ; Thomas Ladd, one pool table at No. 307 High street, and one pool and one billiard table at No. 39 Cranston street, upon payment of \$30. ; and Walter Proctor, one billiard and two pool tables at the Adams House on Union street, upon the payment of \$30.

Permission is granted to the following persons to locate and operate steam boilers, viz. :

Ormrod Higham, in the building on Valley street near Atwell's avenue; Joseph Davol, executor, at No. 27 Point street; David B. Cruickshank, at No. 243 Dyer street.

The following persons are granted permission to build barns, viz. :

John Brophy, at No. 46 Bishop street; Mary Luther, in rear of No. 10 Wheaton avenue; William B. M. Stillman, at No. 40 Wood street.

A resolution is read and passed, directing the superintendent of lights to set up lamps on the following streets, viz. : Bond street, one lamp; East Manning street, one lamp; Flora street, South of Branch avenue, one lamp; Hope street, one lamp; Julian street, one lamp; Newcomb street, corner of Eagle Park street, one lamp; Promenade street, four lamps; Smithfield avenue to the city line, eight lamps; Yale avenue, one lamp; South Main street, by changing one lamp to the corner opposite Custom House street, and one to opposite Ward street.

Upon the petitions of the following named persons for lamps on the streets as follows, viz. :

Patrick Cullen on Oregon street, Patrick Mahon on Lucy street, Francis Nanley on Aldine street and Almira avenue, Patrick Gorman on Greeley street, and Waterman Smith on Jasper street, it is ordered that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Upon the petition of William Cole to buy and sell junk and second-hand articles, it is ordered that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The following policemen are appointed, viz. :

John C. Dumont, Harvey A. Jenne, Elden W. Doe.

A resolution is passed designating the places for holding the ward meetings at the election to be held Wednesday, April 6, 1881.

The report of Edwin M. Snow, upon the school and militia census, is read and received.

The report of the committee on railroads upon the petition of the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Co., et al., relative to the overflow of surface water upon their railroad tracks in the vicinity of Harris and Atwell's avenues; is read and received.

The following are read and passed, viz. :

Resolution establishing the grade of Richardson street, from Broad street to Eddy street;

Resolution directing the board of public works to cause Richardson street, to be brought to the established grade, from Broad street to Eddy street.

The following are approved, received and ordered to be recorded, viz. :

Report of the committee to lay out Manton avenue from Pelham street to Steere avenue;

Report of the committee to lay out Oxford street, from Prairie avenue to Miner street;

Report of the committee to lay out Oxford street from Burnside street to the westerly line of Miner street;

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Report of the committee to lay out Page street, from Broad street to Clifford street.

Upon the bill for an ordinance in amendment of chapter cli of the ordinances, relative to fixing the salaries of the members of the board of public works; it is ordered that said bill be indefinitely postponed.

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MARCH 21, 1881.

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The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum is read and received.

Permission is granted to the following persons to build barns, viz. :

James McKenna, at No. 28 Eagle street; Charles H. Perkins, at the corner of Harrison and Miller streets.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 93. Monthly Report of the Finance Committee on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented March 14, 1881.]

City council file, March 17, 1881.

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No. 94. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented March 14, 1881.]

City council file, March 17, 1881.

No. 95. Monthly Report of the City Auditor.

[Presented March 14, 1881.]

City council file, March 17, 1881.

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No. 96. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer.

[Presented March 14, 1881.]

City council file, March 17, 1881.

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No. 97. Monthly Report of the City Messenger for  
February, 1881.

[Presented March 14, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

In accordance with section 11 of chapter xxxvi, of the ordinances, the city messenger reports, that during the month of February last, the city hall and the sidewalks around the same have been kept, and are now in good condition.

Bills have been paid, including pay rolls, amounting to \$818.60.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

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No. 98. Resolution directing the City Solicitor to apply to the General Assembly for legislation relative to Appeals from the Police Court where Jury Trials are demanded.

[Approved March 19, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city solicitor be hereby directed to apply to the general assembly, at its present session, for such

legislation as will permit appeals from the police court to the municipal court, where a jury trial is demanded, to be tried in the court of common pleas.

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No. 99. Resolution authorizing the Board of Public Works to buy Water Pipes, Gates and Fire Hydrants, and material for laying the same.

[Approved March 19, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be, and are hereby authorized to purchase, with or without advertising, as they shall deem for the best interests of the city, 350 tons cast iron water pipe; 5 tons special castings; 72 water gates; 25 fire hydrants, and such quantities of lead, coke, jute and charcoal as may be required in the laying of water pipes during the current year.

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No. 100. Resolution authorizing the conveyance of certain land in the Brook Street District to John J. and Michael H. Maguire.

[Approved March 19, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That joint resolution of the series of 1879, be, and is hereby rescinded, and the joint special committee on the Brook street district, are hereby authorized to cause to be conveyed to John J. and Michael H. Maguire, a certain lot of land in said district, bounded and described as follows, viz. :

Beginning at the northeasterly corner of lot, at a point in the westerly line of Brook street, sixty-one and fifty-five one-hundredths feet southerly from the southwesterly corner of said Brook street, and Wickenden street; thence in a southerly direction in said westerly line of Brook street, for a distance of thirty-eight and three-tenths feet; thence in a westerly direction, making an interior angle of eighty-three degrees and nine-

teen minutes, for a distance of fifty and twenty-seven one-hundredths feet; thence continuing in a westerly direction, making an interior angle of one hundred ninety-two degrees and eighteen minutes, for a distance of eight and twenty-eight one-hundredths feet, bounding southerly on estate reconveyed to Patrick and Rosanna Grimes; thence in a northerly direction, making an interior angle of eighty-three degrees and twenty-eight minutes, for a distance of thirty-three and fifty-three one-hundredths feet; thence in an easterly direction, bounding on estate reconveyed to William P. and John R. Allen, making an interior angle of ninety degrees and thirty-nine minutes, for a distance of fifty-seven and sixty-three one-hundredths feet, to the point of beginning; being lot number one hundred eighty-five on assessors' plat eighteen, whenever the said Maguires shall have conveyed the same to the city of Providence by deed satisfactory to the city solicitor, and the city solicitor shall cause the title of said lot to be examined before the execution of said papers.

No. 101. Resolution directing the City Solicitor to apply to the General Assembly for an amendment to the City Charter, relative to repealing, altering or amending Ordinances.

[Approved March 19, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the City Solicitor be and is hereby directed to make application to the General Assembly for the passage of an act in amendment of chapter 598, as follows:—

An act in amendment of chapter 598 of the statutes, entitled “An act to revise, consolidate and amend the act entitled ‘an act to incorporate the City of Providence,’ and the several acts in addition thereto and in amendment thereof”;

*It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section ix of said chapter 598 is hereby

amended by adding to said section ix, immediately after clause 15, an additional clause to be known as clause 16, which shall read as follows :—Clause 16. No ordinance of the city council shall be repealed, altered or amended otherwise than by ordinance in due form repealing, altering or amending the same.

SECTION 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

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No. 102. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Cove and West Exchange Streets.

[Approved March 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen are hereby requested to lay out Cove street, from Washington street to the easterly end of West Exchange street, also West Exchange street to Brayton avenue, and from Brayton avenue to Acorn street.

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No. 103. Resolution authorizing the conveyance of certain land in the Brook Street District to Lois A. Bartlett.

[Approved March 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint special committee on the Brook street district, are hereby authorized to cause to be conveyed to Lois A. Bartlett, a certain lot of land in the Brook street district, bounded and described as follows, viz. :

Beginning at a point in the southeasterly corner of estate, and in the northerly line of Pike street, situated seventy-one and eighty-three one-hundredths feet, in a westerly direction, from the northwesterly corner of said Pike street and Brook street ; thence in a westerly direction, in the said northerly line

of Pike street, for a distance of one hundred fifty-one and ninety-eight one-hundredths feet; thence in a northerly direction, making an interior angle of eighty-nine degrees and thirty-eight minutes, for a distance of one hundred and eighty-four one-hundredths feet; thence in an easterly direction, making an interior angle of eighty-eight degrees and fifty-six minutes, for a distance of nine and fifty-seven one-hundredths feet; thence in a northerly direction, making an interior angle of two hundred sixty-seven degrees and thirteen minutes, for a distance of eight and seventeen one-hundredths feet; thence continuing in a northerly direction, making an interior angle of one hundred sixty-five degrees and sixteen minutes for a distance of thirty and ninety-five one-hundredths feet; thence in an easterly direction, making an interior angle of eighty-six degrees and two minutes, for a distance of forty-two and ninety-five one-hundredths feet; thence continuing in an easterly direction, making an interior angle of one hundred seventy-seven degrees and two minutes, for a distance of twenty-three and seventy one one-hundredths feet; thence continuing in an easterly direction, making an interior angle of one hundred seventy-seven degrees and twenty-four minutes, for a distance of thirty-one and eighty-one one-hundredths feet; thence continuing in an easterly direction, making an interior angle of one hundred seventy-seven degrees and forty minutes, for a distance of forty-nine and twenty-one one-hundredths feet; thence in a southerly direction, bounding easterly on the estate reconveyed to Patrick and Rosanna Grimes, making an interior angle of one hundred twenty degrees and forty-nine minutes, for a distance of seventy and fifty-seven one-hundredths feet to the point of beginning, comprising lots numbered one hundred seventy-one, one hundred seventy-two, and one hundred seventy-three, on assessors' plat number eighteen.

No. 104. Resolution authorizing the Committee on City Property to adjust and settle all boundary lines of Estates owned by the City, which are in dispute with adjoining owners. (City Document No. 9.)

[Approved March 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on city property be hereby authorized and empowered to adjust and settle, in such manner as they may deem most expedient for the interests of the city, all boundary lines of estates owned by the city which are now in dispute, except land belonging to the Dexter Donation, and for that purpose are authorized, when necessary, to exchange land with adjoining owners, provided that all deeds and conveyances thereof shall be satisfactory to the city solicitor.

RESOLVED, That when any boundary line shall be adjusted and determined under the preceding resolution, the city engineer shall cause such permanent bounds to be placed as he may deem necessary to mark and preserve said line, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for repairs of public buildings.

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No. 105. Resolution to Lay Out and Extend Vinton Street.

[Approved March 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That in the opinion of the city council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and extend Vinton street as follows: Beginning at a point in the easterly line of Vinton street, which is in a range with the southerly line of Gesler street, thence running northerly in the easterly line of Vinton street one hundred and fifteen and eighty-seven one hundredths feet, thence deflecting easterly eight degrees and fifteen minutes, and running northerly one hundred and thirteen and sixty-five

one-hundredths feet to Atwell's avenue. The westerly line to be parallel with, and forty feet from the above described line,

And, Whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

RESOLVED, That the city solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the supreme court of this state, for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment, under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the city of Providence, and the acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto"; and the city council hereby direct, that in said application, the city solicitor shall make application, that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three-fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

RESOLVED, That the city clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the city solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

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No. 106. Resolution to concrete a portion of the sidewalk on the east side of Hope Street, between Power Street and Young Orchard Avenue.

[Approved March 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be and they are hereby directed to cause to be concreted, that portion of the sidewalk on the east side of Hope street, between Power street and Young Orchard avenue, which is not already concreted.

No. 107. Message of the Mayor relative to the  
State Tax.

[Presented March 21, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
March 21, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

The city of Providence has long paid much more than its share of the state tax, because of the excessive valuation of its property by the state board, as compared with that of other portions of the state.

In the year 1874 the valuation of the city, as made by the assessors, was \$123,682,800, while that returned by the state board at the same time was \$168,547,726. This valuation was made by a board composed entirely of residents of the towns, the city, though paying more than one-half of the state tax, having no representative among its members, and was made, moreover, at a time when property was rated at a highly inflated value, and the depreciation which has been experienced for a few years past had not been felt.

The following year this depreciation began to force itself upon the attention of the assessors of this city and they were compelled to reduce the valuation of the taxable property about two millions of dollars, and it has been continuing to decrease until last year, when the value of ratable property was fixed at \$115,921,000, while the state valuation remains the same, being \$52,626,726 over that of the city assessors, thus forcing the city to pay about \$60,000 more than its share of the state revenue.

This matter has been brought to the attention of former city councils from time to time by my predecessor, but no action has been taken by the general assembly looking to a remedy of this injustice to the city, until the present January session, when a bill for an act was introduced providing for a new state

valuation, and has been referred to the committee on finance of the senate, who have held one public hearing, the city solicitor, alderman Gorman, and the mayor being present and representing the city's interests, and have given notice of another hearing for to-morrow (Tuesday) at the rising of the senate.

A bill for an act has already passed the house of representatives placing the rate of the state tax at eighteen cents instead of twelve cents on each one hundred dollars, thus adding to the amount to be levied upon the city \$101,128.63, if the state valuation remains unchanged; a measure chiefly necessitated by the expenditures involved in the removal of the reform school from its present location, where it could have remained at a nominal rental and the state been relieved of a large outlay, more than half of which must be derived from the city.

This sum will have to be raised in the next tax, and will amount to nearly *ten cents* on each \$100.

The act requires that one-half the tax shall be payable on or before June 15, 1881, and one-half on or before Dec. 15, 1881, and if it becomes a law the city will be obliged to provide for the payment of \$151,687.95 in June by borrowing the money.

I would therefore recommend that a committee be appointed by the city council to appear before the committee on finance of the senate at its hearing to-morrow, and also that the senator and representatives from this city in the general assembly be requested to exert their utmost endeavors to prevent the passage of the act raising the rate of the state tax, unless a more equitable and just valuation of the taxable property of the city can be secured.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

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No. 108. Resolution appointing a Special Committee to appear before the General Assembly in relation to the State tax.

[Approved March 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That Aldermen Greene, Burnham, and Barker,

with Mr. President Woods, and Messrs Martin, F. E. Anthony, and Potter, of the common council, together with his honor the mayor and the city solicitor, are hereby constituted a committee to appear before the general assembly at its present session to protest in behalf of the city of Providence against the present state valuation, and to object to any tax assessed by the state upon that valuation, and to suggest as a basis for taxation the valuation of the respective towns and cities for the year 1880; and also to urge the appointment of commissioners to revalue the property of the state.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MARCH 31, 1881.

The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum is read and received.

Upon the annual report of the city engineer of the condition of the public bridges for the year 1880, it is ordered that the same be received, and that five hundred copies thereof be printed. (City document, No. 10.)

The following accounts are examined and allowed, viz. :

### MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Edwin E. Calder, inspector of milk.....	\$50 00	David McGarvey, finding dead body.....	\$5 00
A. E. Field & Son, health department.....	550 00	Thomas W. Hart, streets..	51 00
		Stephen A. Cooke, Jr., "	288 00
		Samuel M. Gray, "	234 00

### BRIDGE BILLS.

Stephen P. Henry... ..	\$14 57	Potter & Gardiner.....	\$4 08
Kenyon, Grimwood & Co.....	80 06	Hopkins, Pomroy & Co.....	21 90
J. L. Peirce & Co.....	51 20	Point street bridge pay roll ..	286 75
Belcher Bros.....	6 58	Labor pay roll.....	60 69

## LAMP BILLS.

S. D. Gray.. .....	\$22 00	Labor pay roll.....	\$139 90
Pay roll.....	2,516 69		

## POLICE BILLS.

H. E. Chadwick.....	\$10 00	Providence Gas Co.....	\$1,219 92
Union Railroad Co.....	7 50	Janitors' pay roll.....	263 00
Edward Burr.....	44 25	Lewis Ricard.....	12 70
Franklin C. Clark.....	4 00	George W. Sabre.....	56 80
James J. Monally.....	48 00	Louis W. Clarke.....	7 92
Ezra J. Morris.....	13 50	Benjamin H. Child.....	81 11
John C. Payne.....	29 90	Pay roll.....	14,045 65
Mason & Morin.....	18 81		

Horace F. Horton is appointed an auctioneer.

The following persons are appointed police constables without power to serve civil process, viz. :

William W. Arnold, Thomas F. Handy.

Licenses to buy and sell junk and second-hand articles, are severally granted to the following persons, viz. :

Joseph M. Graham, at No. 250 South Main street ; Patrick Hyde, at No. 1 Barre street (without keeping shop) ; Robert Moore, at No. 98 Martin street ; and Joseph Quirk, on Tyler street (without keeping shop).

The following persons are designated and appointed to remove swill and offal, viz. :

John Cornell, from the City hotel ; John Martin, from No. 159 Benefit street, and No. 1 North Main street ; Joseph H. Mason, from the Friends' school ; David Moore, Jr., from No. 50 Union street, No. 44 Washington street, Nos. 9 and 13 Fulton street, No. 26 George street, and No. 195 South Main street.

License is granted to the following persons to keep pool and billiard tables, as follows, viz. :

William N. Baxter, one pool table at No. 14 Market square ; Chapin & Robinson, one pool table and four billiard tables at the Narragansett hotel ; Joseph Fletcher, one pool table on

Oxford street, corner of Miner street; Henry McDonald, two pool tables at No. 11 Orange street; John Mullen, two pool tables at No. 219 Cranston street; Oscar L. Newmann, one pool table at No. 18 Market square; George H. Reynolds, one pool table at No. 83 Dorrance street; John M. Ward, one pool table at No. 75 Weybosset street, and James Wood & Co., one pool table at No. 211 Broad street.

Permission is granted to the following persons to build barns, viz.:

Samuel L. Blaisdell, on Oakland street; Henry A. Lamb, at No. 99 Messer street.

Ordered, that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz.:

William Cole, to buy and sell junk and second-hand articles; Fred. R. Whitney, to collect swill and offal, and Bernard O'Donnell, to be relieved from the liability for the payment of the personal tax of Ellen F. Murray.

Estimates of the amount required for the maintenance of the bridge, health, and poor departments, and Asylum walls and buildings, for the fiscal year, ending September 30, 1882, are approved and adopted, as follows:

For public bridges, including salaries of keepers and attendants, eighteen thousand dollars;

For the health department, twelve thousand dollars;

For the poor department, fifteen thousand dollars;

For the Asylum walls and buildings, one thousand dollars.

The following are read and passed, viz.:

Resolution granting permission to Charles M. Smith, to use, in connection with telegraphic and telephonic experiments, all the electrical apparatus now in Railroad hall, provided that no expense accrue to the city by such use, and that said apparatus be kept and left in as good condition as it is at present; such permission being subject at any time to revocation by the board of aldermen;

Resolution establishing the grade of Elm street, from Eddy street to the harbor line ;

Resolution directing the board of public works to cause Elm street, from Eddy street to the harbor line, to be brought to the established grade.

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IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 109. Resolution granting permission to John Behan to raise a building.

[Approved April 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to John Behan to raise a certain building located at No. 224 Smith street, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 110. Resolution granting permission to Ellen Hughes to raise a building.

[Approved April 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Ellen Hughes to raise a certain building located at No. 16 Appleton street, pursuant to her petition.

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No. 111. Resolution relative to the disposal of the surface water on Greenwich and Public streets.

[Approved April 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be requested, through their engineer, to present to this board for their consideration, plans and propositions for the purpose of effectually disposing of the surface water of Greenwich and Public streets, and other streets, in their immediate vicinity.

No. 112. Resolution granting permission to Charles M. Smith to lay Telegraph and Telephone wires within the Cove Promenade, for experimental purposes.

[Approved April 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be, and is hereby granted to Charles M. Smith to lay suitable pipes and wires within the Cove promenade for the purpose of demonstrating the feasibility of telegraphing and telephoning on wires laid underground, in accordance with his petition, dated March 17th, 1881, provided that the grounds be placed in as good condition as they now are, and provided also that no expense accrue to the city.

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No. 113. Resolution authorizing the placing of Telephones in the stations of the Fire Department.

[Approved April 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the Chief Engineer of the fire department, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on the fire department, be authorized to rent such a number of telephones and transmitters as may be necessary for use upon the telegraph lines now connecting the several fire stations, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

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No. 114. Resolution authorizing the employment of two additional Permanent men for the Fire Department.

[Approved April 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of engineers of the fire department, acting under the direction of the joint committee on the fire department, be authorized to employ two additional permanent men for service in the fire department, and that the city

treasurer be directed to pay the same at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the sum of seven hundred dollars each per annum.

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No. 115. Resolution directing the City Solicitor to apply to the General Assembly for an act authorizing the Board of Aldermen to define a Grade for any platted street or highway.

[Approved April 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city solicitor be directed to apply to the general assembly for the passage of an act, giving authority to the board of aldermen when requested by the city council, to define a grade for any platted street or way, which is not a public way, and providing, that when such street shall be received as a public street or highway, the grade so defined, shall be the established grade.

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No. 116. Resolution relative to supplying water in, and through, the village of Pawtuxet.

[Approved April 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the words "to Pawtuxet," as used in resolution No. 269, approved July 19, 1880, authorizing the water commissioners to contract for a supply of water, with parties south of the city line to Pawtuxet, are hereby construed and shall be held to mean "in and through the village of Pawtuxet, including both sides of the Pawtuxet river."

## CHAPTER CLIX.

No. 117. An ordinance in addition to Chapter xix of the ordinances of the City of Providence, and entitled "Finances," and providing for the payment of money due to the city.

[Approved April 2, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the officer having charge of any department in which any indebtedness to the city shall accrue, to make out and leave at the office of the city treasurer, accounts thereof within one month, and to send to the person so indebted, copies thereof, with notices that said accounts are due and payable as aforesaid.

## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

APRIL 4, 1881.

Ordered, That the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz:

Otis W. Newcomb, for compensation for damage to person; John McCarron, for abatement of sewer tax; Philip B. Stiness, for the payment of claim for services rendered; Joseph Buckley, et al., for curbing Erastus street, and William Walsh, et al., for the lay out of Erastus street.

The resolution to lay out Erastus street is read and not passed.

## IN CITY COUNCIL.

No. 118. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Try Street.

[Approved April 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Try street, from Canal street to North Main street, as a public highway.

No. 119. Resolution to construct a Sewer in Walker street.

[Approved April 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Walker street, by day work or otherwise, from Washington street to Westminster street.

No. 120. Resolution authorizing the Board of Public Works to make exchanges and sales of Material.

[Approved April 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be and are hereby authorized to make such exchanges or sales, for the accommodation of parties and of the city, of material in their charge, as they may consider not detrimental to the interests of the city.

No. 121. Report of the Joint Committee on Water, relative to additional Pumping Machinery at Pettaconset.

[Presented March 31, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint standing committee on water, to whom was referred

the communication of the board of public works, in relation to additional pumping machinery at the Pettaconset pumping station,

Report, that the committee has given to the matter the careful attention which its importance seemed to demand. The several proposals received from some of the most prominent steam engine builders in the country by the board of public works, has been duly considered, and the committee has arrived at the conclusion that a contract can be made at this time, for the required machinery, with full guarantee for the satisfactory performance of the required duty, upon very favorable terms.

The committee fully concur with the board of public works, "that the time has arrived when an additional pumping engine should be provided for," and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

CHARLES ANTHONY, Chairman.

Providence, March 31, 1881.

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No. 122. Resolution authorizing the Board of Public Works to contract for an additional Pumping Engine at Pettaconset.

[Approved April 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be and they are hereby authorized to contract for the building and erection at Pettaconset, of additional pumping machinery, so as to increase the pumping capacity at said station ten or twelve million gallons per day.

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No. 123. Resolution authorizing the employment of an additional Intermediate School Teacher.

[Approved April 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the school committee be and are hereby

authorized to employ one principal intermediate school teacher, in addition to the number prescribed by ordinance, and that the authority granted in this resolution date from February 1, 1881.

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No. 124. Resolution to construct certain Sewers, by day work or otherwise.

[Approved April 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby authorized to construct by day work or otherwise, in their discretion, the two sewers ordered under resolutions numbered 79 and 80, current series.

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No. 125. Resolution to pay Mrs. Gilbert R. Gladding the Salary of the late Frederic A. Gladding.

[Approved April 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be hereby directed to pay Mrs. Gilbert R. Gladding, the sum of two hundred and fifty-four dollars and sixteen cents, due to her late son, Frederic A. Gladding, for services rendered the city engineer's department for the months of February and March, 1881, whenever Mrs. Gladding shall execute an agreement satisfactory to the city solicitor, holding the city harmless against any claims for services rendered by her said son.

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No. 126. Resolution to Concrete the Sidewalks around the Lot at the Junction of Dyer, Ship and Eddy streets.

[Approved April 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause the sidewalks on the triangular lot at the junction of Dyer, Ship and Eddy streets, to be covered with concrete or some other suitable substance.

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No. 127. Monthly Report of the Finance Committee  
on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented April 4, 1881.]

City council file, April 7, 1881.

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No 128. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer on the  
issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented April 4, 1881.]

City council file, April 7, 1881.

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No. 129. Monthly Report of the City Auditor.

[Presented April 4, 1881.]

City council file, April 7, 1881.

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No. 130. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer.

[Presented April 4, 1881.]

City council file, April 7, 1881.

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No. 131. Monthly Report of the City Messenger for  
March, 1881.

[Presented April 4, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

In accordance with section 11 of chapter xxxvi, of the ordinances, the city messenger reports, that during the month of March last, the city hall and the sidewalks around the same have been kept, and are now in good condition.

Bills have been paid, during the month, as follows: For work done in the treasurer's office, under resolution No. 438, series of 1880, \$244.73; for coal, \$326.77; pay roll, \$531.83; incidentals, \$88.21.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

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No. 132. Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

[Presented April 4, 1881.]

City council file, April 7, 1881.

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IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

APRIL 7, 1881.

The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum, monthly report of the overseer of the poor, and quarterly report of the superintendent of lights, are severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz.:

George W. Wightman, support of poor.....	\$1,539 18	Providence Gas Company, lamp department.....	\$122 95
		C. H. Leonard, M. D., coroner.....	33 00

The following persons are appointed special constables under the dog law, viz.:

J. Crawford Potter, Edmund F. Prentiss.

The following persons are designated and appointed to remove swill and offal, viz.:

John McElroy, from Sutton's dining room, on Weybosset street; John S. Olney, from No. 23 Canal street.

William A. Harris is granted permission to operate a steam boiler at the corner of Park and Promenade streets.

Permission is granted to the following persons to build barns, viz. :

Theodore H. Colvin, at No. 10 Messer street; and James Dunn, on Luna street.

Upon the petition of William M. Bailey, for permission to construct a cesspool under the sidewalk on the north side of Valley street, it is ordered that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The ballots given in at the general election held on the first Wednesday in April, 1881, for senator and representatives, and for school committee, are counted in open ward meetings, and the persons receiving the majority of the votes therefor, are declared to be duly elected, and the clerk directed to furnish to each of them a certificate of election.

The following are read and passed, viz. :

Order directing the board of public works to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved, on Bucklin street, adjoining the estate of Amanda M. F. Brayton;

Resolution establishing the grade of Oxford street, from Prairie avenue to Burnside street;

Resolution directing that all bills for killing dogs, must be certified to by the chief of police, or his deputy, or by the captain or lieutenant of some one of the police stations.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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### No. 133. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved April 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of April, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the

board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month next preceding.

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No. 134. Resolution notifying the Union Railroad Company to remove their Depot Building.

[Approved April 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the chairman of the committee on railroads be and is hereby directed to notify the Union Railroad Company to remove their depot building from the premises now occupied for the same, and belonging to the city of Providence, on January first, 1882.

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No. 135. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Erastus street.

[Approved April 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about six hundred feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Erastus street, from Manton avenue to Atwell's avenue.

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No. 136. Resolution to Pay Claim of Horace H. and Charles A. Franklin, amounting to \$40.

[Approved April 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Horace H. and Charles A. Franklin, copartners as Franklin Brothers, the sum of forty dollars, whenever said Franklin Brothers shall execute and deliver to the city of Providence, a discharge and release satisfactory to the city solicitor, of all claims of every kind arising from any damage to their property occurring while driving along North Main street in said city; said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

No. 137. Resolution granting permission to Caroline M. N. Alden to use the two rooms in the Elm street School House for a Kindergarten.

[Approved April 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission is hereby given to Caroline M. N. Alden to occupy two rooms on the lower floor of the Elm street school building, for the purpose of opening a "Kindergarten," provided that no expense shall accrue to the city other than to properly heat and care for the same, which items of expense shall be provided for as in other school buildings.

No. 138. Resolution granting permission to Hopkins, Pomroy & Co. to rebuild their building at the foot of Elm street.

[Approved April 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Messrs. Hopkins, Pomroy & Co. to rebuild of wood, certain buildings for storage of coal, located on the wharf at the foot of Elm street, pursuant to their petition.

No. 139. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Jewett street.

[Approved April 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Jewett street, from Holden street to Senter street, as a public highway.

No. 140. Resolution granting permission to Arthur Burns to raise a building.

[Approved April 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Arthur Burns to

raise a certain building located at No. 24 Norfolk street, pursuant to his petition.

No. 141. Resolution granting permission to Bartholomew Reily to raise a building.

[Approved April 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Bartholomew Reily to raise a certain building located on Cedar street, pursuant to his petition.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

APRIL 11, 1881.

The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum is read and received.

Clarence E. Burlingame is appointed an auctioneer.

Licenses to keep victualling houses, are severally granted as follows, viz. :

A. E. McLean, at Nos. 5 and 7 Mathewson street; John Weeden, at No. 134 Atwell's avenue.

Permission to build barns is severally granted as follows, viz. :

James J. Eaton, at No. 81 Bourbon street; Tucker & Little, on Dorrance street wharf.

W. C. Coup is granted a license to give a circus exhibition on Friday, April 22, 1881.

A resolution is passed directing the city clerk to notify Dr. Lloyd Morton and Henry W. Vaughan, to produce before the board at its next meeting, April 21, 1881, evidence from disinterested persons of the reasonableness of the expenses for post mortem examinations and chemical analyses ordered by the

coroner at the taking of the inquest on the body of Elsy Ann (Chace) Neilson, and to notify Charles M. Salisbury, representing the estate of the deceased, to present such evidence as he may think proper.

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IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 142. Resolution to Concrete Sidewalk on East side of Scott street.

[Approved April 12, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be and they are hereby directed to cause the sidewalk on the east side of Scott street, from Doyle avenue to Bacon street, to be concreted.

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No. 143. Quarterly Report of the Joint Special Committee on the Brook Street District.

[Presented April 7, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

GENTLEMEN :—The joint special committee on the Brook street district, present this their seventeenth quarterly report of receipts and expenditures :

Receipts for quarter ending March 31, 1881, collected by the city treasurer :

Rents . . . . .	\$3,190 61
Sale of tide valve . . . . .	7 50
Received for expense of vent in storm sash, Chase house . . . . .	1 00
Total . . . . .	<u>\$3,199 11</u>

Expenditures for quarter ending March 31, 1881 :

Land damages, N. P. Bartlett estate . . . . .	\$100 00
Relocating and refitting buildings . . . . .	250 82
Repairs to buildings . . . . .	262 65
Repairs to rip rap . . . . .	5 00
Salaries . . . . .	300 00
Office expenses . . . . .	6 50
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Total . . . . .	\$924 97

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. A. MILLETT, Chairman.

Providence, April 7, 1881.

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No. 144. Message of the Mayor relative to a proposed bill for an act to provide for the construction of a Bridge over the Seekonk River.

[Presented April 11, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
April 11, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

The commissioners appointed by his excellency the governor at the January session of the general assembly, 1880, to consider and report upon the obstructions which exist near India Point, and in the Seekonk river, have presented their final report, accompanied by plans and a bill for "An Act to provide for the construction of India Bridge," copies of which report and bill are herewith transmitted.

The matter is of great importance, and involves a very large expenditure on the part of the city of Providence. I have therefore called you together, in order that such action may be taken as you may deem for the best interests of the city.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

No. 145. Resolutions protesting against the passage of an "Act to provide for the construction of India Bridge" over the Seekonk river, and appointing a Joint Special Committee thereon.

[Approved April 12, 1881.]

WHEREAS, A bill for an Act to provide for the "construction of India Bridge," by a commission to be appointed by the governor, and to be built substantially in accordance with the plans recommended by the Seekonk river commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Said bill provides that the cost of said bridge shall be paid for by the issuing of the bonds of the city of Providence for a sum not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, and

WHEREAS, The city council of this city has appointed a committee to consider the expediency of building a bridge to replace the present Washington bridge at India Point, which said committee has not as yet made report thereon, therefore,

RESOLVED, That, in the opinion of this city council, it is not expedient or just, at the present time, for the State to force the city of Providence to enter upon an expenditure involving so large an outlay of money, and an earnest protest against the passage of the said bill is therefore hereby made on the part of the city council, acting in behalf of the city of Providence.

RESOLVED, That a copy of the foregoing, be communicated to the senator and each of the representatives of this city, and that Messrs. C. Anthony, Phillips, Goff and Slade, of the common council, with aldermen Peckham, Greene and Burnham, together with his honor the mayor, the president of the common council, and the city solicitor, be and are hereby constituted a committee to appear before the "joint select committee of the general assembly, to whom was referred the report of the commissioners upon the Seekonk river," on Tuesday, April 12, 1881, and present the views of the city council, in opposition to the passage of said bill.

No. 146. Resolution to rearrange Stable at Fire Station No. 12 (junction of Smith and Orms streets).

[Approved April 12, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, be, and he is hereby directed, to so alter and arrange the stable at fire station No. 12, that the horses will face the apparatus-rooms, provided that the cost of such improvement shall not exceed the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars, which sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for this purpose, is hereby appropriated, to be paid from the appropriation for public buildings.

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No. 147. Resolution to construct a Sewer in Eddy and Worcester streets

[Approved April 12, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Eddy and Worcester streets, from near Aldrich House in Eddy street to Cove street, the work on same to be done by the day or otherwise, as said board of public works deem best.

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No. 148. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Elm street.

[Approved April 12, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause six hundred and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Elm street, from Eddy street to the river.

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No. 149. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Well street.

[Approved April 12, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and forty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Well street, northerly from William street.

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No. 150. Resolution granting permission to Frank P. Barrows to raise a building.

[Approved April 12, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Frank P. Barrows to raise a certain building located at No. 344 Prairie Avenue, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 151. Resolution granting permission to Charles Connor to raise a building.

[Approved April 12, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Charles Connor to raise a certain building located at No. 79 Oak street, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 152. Resolution to construct a Sewer in Eddy street.

[Approved April 12, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Eddy street, from Clifford street to ship street, the work thereon to be done by the day or otherwise, as said board of public works deem best.

No. 153. Resolution granting permission to Tucker & Little to erect Coal Elevator on Dorrance street wharf.

[Approved April 12, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be hereby granted to Tucker & Little to build a coal elevator on Dorrance street wharf, pursuant to their petition.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

APRIL 21, 1881.

The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum, and monthly report of the inspector of steam boilers, are severally read and received.

Upon the annual report of the inspector of milk for the year ending March 31, 1881, it is ordered that the same be received and printed. (City Document No. 12.)

The following accounts are examined and allowed, viz. :

### MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

M. Josephine Peckham, census.....	\$71 50	Chapin & Robinson, Narra- gansett Hotel.....	\$15 50
Graphic Co., lithographing plans .....	25 00	George W. Wightman, char- ity building .....	243 89
		William H. Palmer, coroper,	38 00

### BRIDGE BILLS.

H. L. Parsons .....	\$1 50	Pay roll .....	\$45 75
S. S. Sprague & Co.....	47 00		

The following officers are appointed, viz. :

Auctioneer : Philip B. Stiness.

Weighers of Neat Cattle :

Andrew Comstock,	George W. Sherman,
Alfred W. Fisk,	Henry W. Kimball,
Lawson W. Gale,	Charles W. Moore.

Licenses to buy and sell junk and second-hand articles, are severally granted to the following persons, viz. :

Caroline Cook, at No. 63 Wickenden street; Martin Crowley, David street (without keeping shop); William Holme, at No. 6 Shamrock street; Arthur Johnson, at No. 36 Mitchell street; Lawrence J. Killian, at No. 39 Martin street; Herbert Phillips, at No. 110 Westminster street.

The following persons are severally designated and appointed to remove swill and offal from the following places, viz. :

Henry B. West, from No. 8 Wickenden street and No. 61 Weybosset street; Fred. R. Whitney, from No. 19 Angell street and No. 36 South Main street.

Licenses are granted to the following persons to keep pool and billiard tables, as follows, viz. :

Aiken & Stevens, one pool and one billiard table at No. 85 Dorrance street; E. E. Henrys & Co., two billiard and one pool tables at No. 86 Weybosset street; and Peter McGough, two pool tables at No. 118 North Main street.

Permission is granted to the following persons to locate and operate steam boilers, viz. :

John Austin, in the building No. 78 Clifford street; Billings Bros., in the building corner of Eddy and Worcester streets.

An order is passed leasing the James street ferry to Moses Smith for one year from March 6, 1881.

Upon the report of the sub-committee on bridges, relative to raising the Martin street railroad bridge, it is ordered that the same be received.

Upon the petition of James H. Porter, to place a sign at the corner of Atlantic and Elmwood avenues, it is ordered that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Upon the report of the committee to lay out Broad street, from Public street to the northerly line of the Sackett estate, it is ordered that said report be rejected.

The following are approved, received and ordered to be recorded, viz. :

Report of committee to lay out Peace street, from Broad street to Prairie avenue ;

Report of committee to lay out Aborn street, from Westminster street to Washington street ;

Report of committee to lay out Plain street, from Public street to Potter's avenue.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

### CHAPTER CLX.

No. 154. An ordinance providing that all bills receivable on account of the Board of Public Works, shall be collected by the City Treasurer.

[Passed in Common Council, March 21, 1881. Passed in Board of Aldermen, March 31, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Common Council, April 25, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

SECTION 1. The board of public works shall make out against the parties indebted, all bills for use of water, for water rents, for repairs on meters and connecting pipes, and for other supplies and labor heretofore collected by said board, and for highway work, and shall send said bills to the office of the city treasurer for collection.

SEC. 2. Said board shall cause to be attached to each of said bills, when sent for collection as aforesaid, a coupon, which shall be an abbreviated copy of said bill, and said bill and copy shall have the same number or other similar designation thereupon.

SEC. 3. The said board shall debit the city treasurer upon its books with the amount of said bills so sent, and shall also

keep an account thereof with the several parties against whom they are made out.

SEC. 4. The city treasurer shall collect said bills, and when the same are paid the coupons thereto shall be detached and sent back to said board of public works, and said board shall receipt therefor to the city treasurer, and shall also credit the city treasurer with the amount thereof, and shall also credit the parties paying the same with the amount thereof upon its books of account.

SEC. 5. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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## CHAPTER CLXI.

No. 155. An ordinance defining the form of bills made out by the Board of Public Works.

[Passed in Common Council, March 21, 1881. Passed in Board of Aldermen, March 31, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Common Council, April 25, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SEC. 1. All bills made out by the board of public works shall be made by the terms thereof, payable to the city of Providence.

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No. 156. Resolution appointing a Joint Special Committee upon the Communication of H. D. Cogswell relative to the erection of a Drinking Fountain.

[Approved April 26, 1881.]

WHEREAS, H. D. Cogswell, now a citizen of San Francisco, and formerly a resident of this city, offers to erect at his own expense, in this city, a drinking fountain, upon certain condi-

tions contained in a communication presented to the board of aldermen, April 21, 1881, therefore

RESOLVED, That said proposition be accepted, and that a joint special committee, consisting of Aldermen Smith, Metcalf and Burnham, with Messrs. Chase, Wilbur, Brown and McOsker, of the common council, be hereby directed to confer with the said H. D. Cogswell thereon, with full authority to select a location for the proposed fountain.

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COMMUNICATION.

TO HIS HONOR THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE, R. I.

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, a citizen of San Francisco, and formerly of your city, desires at his own expense to erect a drinking fountain for your people and strangers, as a feeble expression of his remembrance and good will for their friendship, confidence and patronage bestowed on him, thirty-two years since as a dentist and citizen while here. The conditions which he would ask of you are, that he have assigned an acceptable location with a space of ground from six to eight feet square for the base of the fountain; also, that the city by resolution or otherwise assume its perpetual care and preservation, to keep the same supplied with drinking water, in default of which said fountain shall revert to H. D. Cogswell, the donor, or his legal representatives. Should your Honorable Board accept my proposition, please appoint a committee to confer with me, and carry out this object.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

H. D. COGSWELL.

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No. 157. Resolution directing the Board of Public Works to cause the Sewers in the Point Street District to be relieved from Surface Water.

[Approved April 26, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That, for the purpose of relieving the sewers in the Point street district from an excess of surface water, that the board of public works be and are hereby directed to cause the catch basins in the upper part of said district to be throttled, and the paving in the gutters made to conform thereto; also

that surface drains be constructed, one on either side of Point street, commencing at or near the harbor line, and running westerly to or near the lowest point in said street, there providing sufficient inlets to take away the surface water brought to this point, all substantially as recommended in the report of the city engineer.

No. 158. Twenty-Third Quarterly Report of the Commissioners of Sinking Funds.

[Presented April 21, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The board of commissioners of sinking funds make this their twenty-third quarterly report :

The amount of funds in the control of the board, December 31, 1880, was—

Of the fund of 1885.....	\$593,204	20
Of the fund of 1893.....	221,694	10
Of the fund of 1895.....	212,007	09
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899.....	35,431	47
Of the public improvement loan of 1899.....	13,571	02
Of the water loan.....	113,825	72
Of the North Burial Ground loan.....	604	39
Of the Brook street district loans.....	66,651	56
Whole amount.....	\$1,256,989	55

The amount on hand March 31, 1881, was—

Of the fund of 1885.....	\$608,627	07
Of the fund of 1893.....	232,269	04
Of the fund of 1895.....	217,252	48
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899.....	36,309	87

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Of the public improvement loan of 1899.....	13,900 34
Of the water loan.....	116,592 60
Of the North Burial Ground loan.....	637 09
Of the Brook street district loans.....	71,328 15
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Whole amount.....	\$1,296,916 64

The increase in the several funds has been—

In the fund of 1885.....	\$15,422 87
In the fund of 1893.....	10,574 94
In the fund of 1895.....	5,245 39
In the city hall and sewer loan of 1899.....	878 40
In the public improvement loan of 1899.....	329 32
In the water loan.....	2,766 88
In the North Burial Ground loan.....	32 70
In the Brook street district loans.....	4,676 59
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Whole increase.....	\$39,927 09

Respectfully submitted by order of the board of commissioners,

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD,

Mayor and Chairman.

Providence, April 21, 1881.

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## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

APRIL 25, 1881.

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Upon the petition of C. W. Fabyan, for compensation for injury to horse, it is ordered, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

APRIL 28, 1881.

The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum is read and received.

The following accounts are examined and allowed, viz. :

Edwin E. Calder, inspector of milk.....\$50 00	Charles O'Leary, autopsy ... 25 00
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Licenses are granted as follows :

To Ellen F. Baumann, victualling house, No. 407 High street ; Reuben Sherman, at the east side of Point street bridge ; Daniel J. Murphy, to buy and sell junk and second-hand articles, on Hamburg avenue.

License is granted to the following persons to keep pool and billiard tables, as follows, viz. :-

Frank W. Huntoon, six billiard tables at the City Hotel ; Edward F. Riley, one pool table at No. 131 Richmond street ; Anson W. Aldrich, one pool and one billiard table at the Aldrich house.

Benjamin W. Whipple is designated and appointed to remove swill and offal from the Clarendon hotel, No. 118 North Main street.

Permission is granted to Smith and Poland to locate and operate a steam boiler at No. 11 Dorrance street wharf.

Patrick Quinn, is granted permission to build an addition to his barn on Broadway.

Permission is granted Anne Augustus to connect her estate, at No. 438 South Main street, with the old drain in India street.

The following resolutions are read and passed, viz. :

Directing the superintendent of lights to set up lamps as follows : two lamps on Lexington street, two lamps on Lora

lane, one lamp on Oxford street, and one lamp on Sayles street at the corner of Devine street ;

Directing the board of public works to cause Oxford street, from Prairie avenue to Burnside street, to be brought to the established grade ;

Directing the board of public works to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved, on Oxford street adjoining the estate of Luther brothers ;

Directing the board of public works to set curbing and pave gutters in front of the estate of John F. Bourn, on Dover street ;

Directing the board of public works to remove all obstructions in the Central street dock, so called.

Upon the report of the superintendent of health, relative to the petition of Aldrich B. Gardiner, for the abatement of the nuisance in the vicinity of Long pond, it is ordered that the same be received.

Ordered, that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Nelson Brown, to keep a pool table at No. 207 Broad street ; T. P. Cole, for a lamp on Prairie avenue ; Patrick Greene, for a lamp on Oxford street ; Robert C. Hall, et al., for a lamp on Roger Williams avenue ; Charles H. and F. L. Perkins, for curbing on Miller street ; Hannah Belcher, for curbing on Gould's lane ; Owen Kiernan, for compensation for damages to his estate on Transit street.

Upon the report of the joint committee on water, relative to laying six-inch water pipes, from Lloyd street main, to connect with the four-inch water pipes now supplying water to the Dexter Asylum, it is ordered, that said committee be discharged from the further consideration of the matter.

A jury list for the year is made of such persons, inhabiting the city, as the board of aldermen think well qualified to serve as jurors, and who are not exempted by law.

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IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 159. Annual Report of the City Auditor of the estimated Receipts and Expenditures for the financial year ending September 30, 1882.

[Presented April 25, 1881.]

City Document, No. 11.

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No. 160. Report of the Joint Committee on City Property relative to enlarging the Boys' yard at the Thayer street Grammar School.

[Presented April 25, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint standing committee on city property, to whom, on February 14, 1881, was referred a petition of the school committee for the enlargement of the boys' play ground at the Thayer street grammar school, respectfully report,

That they have given this subject their attention and have examined the permises. They find that the space devoted to the use of the boys is very limited, and is, in the judgment of your committee, of insufficient size, for the number of pupils attending this school. The improvement contemplated by said petition would render accidents less liable to occur, and prove beneficial in other ways, at the same time there would be left an ample play ground for the girls. Plans for a suitable out-building have been prepared, the estimated cost of which, together with the cost of necessary fencing, concreting, etc., amounts to six hundred and fifty dollars.

Your committee recommend the petition to your favorable consideration, and also the passage of the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

J. H. TOWER, Chairman pro tem.

No. 161. Resolution to enlarge the Play Ground at Thayer Street Grammar School.

[Approved May 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property be, and he is, hereby directed to remove the fence between the boys' and girls' play ground, at the Thayer street grammar school, from its present location, and to erect the same on a line with the northerly end of the building, to a point on the west side of the school lot. To cause a suitable out-building to be constructed, and to make such other improvements as the committee on city property may deem necessary, in order to put the grounds in a serviceable condition and that the sum of six hundred and fifty dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary for this purpose, is hereby appropriated, to be paid from the appropriation for public buildings.

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No. 162. Resolution to alter and repair Fire Station No. 5, corner of North Main and Doyle avenue.

[Approved May 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, be and he is hereby authorized to cause the floor at fire station, No. 5, corner of North Main street and Doyle avenue, to be repaired and renewed; also to remodel the stable, and so arrange the same that the horses shall face the apparatus-rooms, provided the cost of such alterations and improvements shall not exceed the sum of twelve hundred dollars; which sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for this purpose, is hereby appropriated, to be paid from the appropriation for public buildings.

No. 163. Resolution to pay William Leonard, twenty-five dollars for damage to property.

[Approved May 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to William Leonard, the sum of twenty-five dollars, in full settlement of his claim against the city, whenever the said William Leonard shall execute a release to the city satisfactory to the city solicitor, of all claims for damage to his estate, premises or property on Early street, arising from overflow or otherwise, to the date hereof; said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

No. 164. Resolution to pay Martin and Margaret Murphy, one hundred dollars for damages to property.

[Approved May 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay Martin and Margaret Murphy the sum of one hundred dollars, in settlement of their claim against the city, whenever the said Martin and Margaret Murphy shall execute a release to the city, satisfactory to the city solicitor, of all claims for damages arising from the overflow of water from Eddy street and Thurber's avenue upon the estate occupied by them, situated on the corner of said streets; said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

No. 165. Resolution relative to a plan for the better drainage of the surface water at the junction of Eddy street and Thurber's avenue, and at the corner of Broad and Early streets.

[Approved May 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on highways

are hereby directed to report as soon as possible, a plan for the better drainage of the surface water at the junction of Eddy street and Thurber's avenue, and also at the corner of Broad and Early streets.

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No. 166. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Bowen street (Town of Johnston).

[Approved May 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and forty-six feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Bowen street, (Johnston,) from present terminus of main pipe, about one hundred and forty-six feet northerly.

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No. 167. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Webster avenue and Concord and Johnston streets (Town of Johnston).

[Approved May 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about twenty-four feet of eight-inch, and about one thousand three hundred and forty-four feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Webster avenue, from Lexington avenue to Concord street; in Johnston street, from Webster avenue about four hundred and ninety feet westerly; and in Concord street, from Webster avenue about three hundred and ninety feet westerly.

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No. 168. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in River avenue and Regent street.

[Approved May 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance

of Providence from the office of said corporation on, upon, and through the following streets, viz. : Exchange place, Cove, Sabin, Federal, Carpenter, Dean, High, Cranston streets, and Fenner avenue, to the line of the town of Cranston ; provided, however, and the authority hereby given is upon the condition, and is to be exercised upon the condition, that said company shall and will erect or place its poles and wires and other appurtenances thereto, at such points on said streets as the city engineer shall indicate, and not elsewhere ; that it will adopt such changes of location thereof from time to time, as said city engineer shall direct, and such other precautions for safety from time to time as said city engineer shall require ; that said poles, wires and all said appurtenances or any thereof used, put up or laid by said company in said streets, or any of them, may be removed by said city, its officers, agents or servants at any time and from time to time ; that it will conform to and obey such laws, rules or orders, as may now exist or hereafter be prescribed, whether by act of general assembly or ordinances, orders or resolutions of the city council ; and provided further, that said company will permit said poles to be used for other wires or appurtenances thereof than its own, and without charge therefor ; and provided, also, that no wires, whether put up by said company or otherwise, shall be stretched diagonally across any street, square, lane or alley within the first building district below the tops of the buildings therein ; and provided further, that the authority given hereby may at any time be wholly or in part revoked by said city council without notice ; that said company shall and will hold said city, its officers, agents and servants harmless, saved and indemnified from and against all lawful claims and demands for injuries to person or property sustained by the exercise of the rights given hereinbefore, and also that said city, city council or city engineer or the agents or servants of said city exercising the rights, restrictions, powers and permission respectively given and reserved herein, shall not be held, rendered or considered liable

by said company on account thereof, or by reason of any injury or damages occasioned thereby; and provided further, that said company shall in writing signify its acceptance of the terms, permission, privileges and authority hereby granted, and agree to comply with, adopt and abide by all the provisions, conditions and restrictions upon which the same are given within thirty days after the passage hereof, and shall within that time file the said writing with the city clerk.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 2, 1881.

The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum, and quarterly report of the chief of police, are severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

## MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

A. E. Field & Son, health department.....	\$550 00	Pay roll, lamp department.	\$2,460 68
J. H. Ferguson, finding dead body.....	5 00	Labor pay roll, lamp department.....	84 50

## BRIDGE BILLS.

Fuller Iron Works.....	\$12 00	Hopkins, Pomroy & Co. ....	\$14 24
Stephen P. Henry.....	12 86	Wm. E. Taber & Son.....	3 50
J. L. Peirce & Co.....	8 59	James A. Potter & Co.....	6 19
E. Winsor & Co.....	12 16	Louis W. Clarke.....	10 00
Pay roll.....	277 50	Volney W. Mason & Co.....	87 71
Wm. H. Fenner & Co.....	2 75	Arthur C. Williams.....	26 52
Francis S. Turner.....	8 75	Wm. H. Miller & Co.....	3 92
John Armstrong.....	3 00	Pay roll.....	75 60
Winsor & Money.....	28 28		

## POLICE BILLS.

Louis Pequet.....	\$56 95	Louis W. Clarke.....	\$8 62
Angell & Barney.....	132 39	Lewis L. Fales.....	111 57
S. Shumway.....	16 85	L. Wright.....	26 00
Chambers, Calder & Co.....	12 86	Pay roll of Janitors.....	262 20
Hopkins, Pomroy & Co.....	432 74	Benjamin H. Child.....	76 33
Louis Ricard. ....	17 30	Pay roll.....	13,622 74
J. H. Atwater.....	9 00	Providence Telephone Co...	26 45
James J. Monally.....	60 00		

William H. Bowen is elected license commissioner for the term of three years ensuing the first Monday in June, 1881.

Permission is granted to O. A. Carleton & Co., to locate and operate a steam boiler at Nos. 129 and 131 Eddy street.

The following persons are granted permission to build barns, viz. :

John E. Bowen, on Mallett street; William C. Greene, in rear of No. 364 Broad street.

The following are read and passed, viz. :

Order, granting permission to John O. Regan to connect his estate with the private drain in Benevolent street.

Resolution directing the board of public works to cause curbstones to be set and the gutters paved on Oxford street, from Miner street to Harriet street, and on the south side of said Oxford street, from Harriet street to Prairie avenue, providing the owners of the land adjoining said Oxford street as aforesaid, pay the cost of said curbstones.

Order, receiving the report of the joint committee on highways, relative to the petition of Spicers & Peckham, for a crosswalk across Mathewson street, and discharging the committee from the further consideration of the matter.

Order, directing the board of public works to repair, at the expense of the city, that portion of Richardson street dedicated by deed from Abner W. Peckham and by ordinance for highway purposes.

Upon the account of Lloyd Morton, it is ordered that the

expense of fifty dollars for the post mortem examination ordered by the coroner, after the issue of his warrant for summoning a jury of inquest upon the body of Eley Ann (Chace) Neilson, and during the taking of said inquest, be hereby allowed, and that the further consideration of the bill of Dr. Lloyd Morton for services rendered in making a post mortem examination of the body of said Neilson prior to the issue of a warrant for a jury of inquest upon said body be indefinitely postponed.

Upon the account of Henry W. Vaughan, it is ordered, that said bill be returned with instructions to the said Vaughan to present an itemized account under the dates therein stated.

Nicholas Van Slyck is elected city solicitor for the year ensuing the first Monday in May, 1881.

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## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

MAY 2, 1881.

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Nicholas Van Slyck is elected city solicitor for the year ensuing the first Monday in May, 1881.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

No. 171. Report of the Joint Committee on City Property, relative to furnishing Desks for the Chamber of the Board of Aldermen.

[Presented April 28, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL:

The joint standing committee on city property, as directed by resolution No. 38, current series, herewith presents plans and specifications for placing desks in the chamber of the board

of aldermen for the use of the members, together with the cost thereof, as estimated by your committee, which in their opinion will not exceed the sum of nine hundred dollars; but in order that contingences may be provided for, the committee recommends the passage of the accompanying resolution, which provides for an appropriation of nine hundred and fifty dollars.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

JAMES McNALLY, Chairman.

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No. 172. Resolution to furnish the Chamber of the Board of Aldermen with Desks, for the use of the members of said Board.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city messenger, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, be hereby directed to cause the chamber of the board of aldermen to be furnished in accordance with the plans herewith submitted, providing that the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of nine hundred and fifty dollars, which sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose, is hereby appropriated, to be paid from the appropriation for the city hall.

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No. 173. Resolution for sprinkling the streets in the vicinity of the City Hall.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby authorized to make such an arrangement for sprinkling the streets in the vicinity of the city hall, as they may deem expedient, the cost thereof to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

No. 174. Resolution granting permission to Simeon M. Pike, to raise a building.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Simeon M. Pike, to raise a certain building located at No. 20 Barton street, pursuant to petition.

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No. 175. Resolution granting permission to Thomas Grimes, to raise a building.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Thomas Grimes, to raise a certain building located at No. 95 Dexter street, pursuant to his petition.

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#### CHAPTER CLXIII.

No. 176. An Ordinance dedicating certain land on Richardson street for the purpose of a highway.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

SECTION 1. The city of Providence hereby dedicates for the purposes of a highway the following tract of land, and all its interest therein, viz. :

A certain strip of land situated in said city of Providence, on the southerly side of Richardson street, and bounded as follows : Beginning at the southeasterly corner of Richardson and Broad streets, thence running southeasterly in the easterly line of Broad street, to a point ten feet from the southerly line of Richardson street, measured at right angles to the same, thence easterly in a line parallel with and ten feet from said southerly line of Richardson street, about three hundred and forty feet, to land of

Abner W. Peckham, thence northerly on line formerly bounding land of said Peckham, about ten feet to Richardson street, thence westerly in the aforesaid southerly line of Richardson street, to the point of beginning.

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No. 177. Resolution authorizing the City Registrar to prepare an Index to the Census Reports of the United States for 1880.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city registrar be and is hereby empowered to employ, at a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, some competent person to prepare an index of the United States census reports for 1880; the expense for the same to be charged to contingencies.

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No. 178. Semi-Annual Report of the City Solicitor.

[Presented May 2, 1881.]

City Council file, May 2, 1881.

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No. 179. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Smith street.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be, and they are hereby directed to lay water pipes in Smith street, from the present end of pipe, to a point opposite the Female Academy of the Sacred Heart, providing said academy first guarantees an annual income from the same equal to eight per cent. of the cost thereof.

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No. 180. Resolution granting permission to Wm. M. Bailey et al., to raise a building.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Wm. M. Bailey et al., to raise a certain building located at the corner of Guilder and South Water streets, pursuant to their petition.

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No. 181. Resolution granting permission to Henry Wilkinson to raise a building.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Henry Wilkinson to raise a certain building located at No. 24 Violet street, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 182. Monthly Report of the City Auditor.

[Presented May 2, 1881.]

City council file, May 2, 1881.

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No. 183. Monthly Report of the City Messenger for April, 1881.

[Presented May 2, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

In accordance with section 11 of chapter xxxvi, of the ordinances, the city messenger reports, that during the month of

April last, the city hall and the sidewalks around the same have been kept, and are now in good condition.

During the month the following payments have been made viz.: Gas bill for the quarter ending March 31st, \$616.20; for coal \$205.69; pay rolls \$509.33; quarterly bills and for incidentals \$196.00.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

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No. 184. Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

[Presented May 2, 1881.]

City Council file, May 2, 1881.

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No. 185. Resolution directing the Joint Committee on Ordinances, to report an ordinance relative to the removal or readjustment of all Telegraph, Telephone or other wires stretched diagonally across any street.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint committee on ordinances, be, and the same are hereby directed to prepare and report an ordinance directing the removal or readjustment of all telegraph, telephone or other wires, that are now diagonally stretched across any street, square, lane or alley below the tops of the buildings thereon, within the first building district.

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No. 186. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the

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permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of May, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month next preceding.

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No. 187. Resolution granting permission to the Gardner Luther estate to raise a building.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to the Gardner Luther estate, to raise a certain building located at No. 192 Westminster street, pursuant to their petition.

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No. 188. Resolution granting permission to Daniel W. Lyman, Trustee, to raise a building.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Daniel W. Lyman, trustee, to raise a certain building located at the corner of Vinton and Brighton streets, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 189. Resolution to procure Furniture for the office of the License Commissioners.

[Approved May 3, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city messenger be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to procure suitable and necessary furniture for the office of the license commissioners, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the city hall; provided that the same shall not exceed the sum of two hundred dollars.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 5, 1881.

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The account of George W. Wightman, for support of the poor, amounting to \$612.46, is examined and allowed.

The monthly reports of the overseer of the poor, and the inspector of steam boilers, are severally read and received.

License is granted to the Barnum London Show, to give an exhibition on Friday, May 27, 1881.

Lewis Simms is designated and appointed to remove swill and offal from L. A. Tillinghast's saloon, on Westminster street.

The following persons are granted permission to build barns, viz. :

Abe Ateman, at No. 90 Charles street; and John Conely, on Wheaton avenue, corner of Potter's avenue.

The following order is read and passed, viz. :

Ordered: That the sidewalks be curbed and the gutters paved on Asia street, from America street to Tefft street; and on Federal street, from said Tefft street to the termination of the curbing now set on Federal street.

The resolution to set curbstones and pave the gutters on Asia and Federal streets, which came from the common council, April 7, 1881, is taken from the table, read and the board of aldermen do not concur therein.

Jurors are drawn to serve at the June term of the court of common pleas.

## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

MAY 16, 1881.

Ordered, That the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Amos M. Hawkins, for remission of tax; William A. Mowry, executor, for remission of tax.

A resolution to furnish water for the sprinkling of streets, free of charge, is read and not passed.

## IN CITY COUNCIL.

## CHAPTER CLXIV.

No. 190. An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the Police Officers of the City of Providence.

[Passed in Common Council May 2, 1881. Passed in Board of Aldermen May 2, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Common Council May 16, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter cviii of the ordinances is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

From and after the first day of June, 1881, the police officers of the city of Providence shall be allowed and paid monthly for their services the following sums per annum, viz. : to the deputy chief of police, fifteen hundred dollars; to each captain of police, and to the clerk of police, three dollars and twenty-five cents per day; to each lieutenant of police, three dollars per day; to each sergeant of police, two dollars and eighty-seven and one-half cents per day; to each detective of police, three dollars and fifty cents per day; to the superin-

tendent of hacks, three dollars per day; to each patrolman who has not served six consecutive months, two dollars and twenty-five cents per day; to each patrolman who has served more than six consecutive months, such sum not exceeding two dollars and fifty cents per day, as may be recommended by the chief of police and approved by the board of aldermen; subject to the restrictions imposed hereinafter in section 2 of this ordinance.

SEC. 2. Nothing in the foregoing section shall reduce or be construed to reduce the pay of patrolmen now receiving two dollars and seventy-five cents per day.

SEC. 3. In case of any neglect or dereliction of duty, or other improper conduct on the part of any patrolman, the board of aldermen may at any time, upon the recommendation of the chief of police, reduce the pay of such patrolman from the amount which such patrolman shall then be receiving, to not less than two dollars per day; and upon the recommendation of said chief, said board of aldermen may advance the pay of any patrolman whose pay has been reduced in accordance with the provisions of this section, to any sum not exceeding two dollars and fifty cents per day.

SEC. 4. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

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No. 191. Resolution relating to the Annual Report of the City Registrar. (City Document, No. 13.)

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the twenty-sixth annual report of the city registrar, for the year ending December 31, 1880, be received, and that six hundred copies thereof, and of the communication accompanying the same, be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the city council, under direction of the joint committee on printing.

No. 192. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer.

[Presented May 16, 1881.]

City council file, May 19, 1881.

No. 193. Message of the Mayor transmitting Notification of Arthur D. Payne, Attorney for SS. Peter and Paul Corporation, and Grace Church, relative to Sewer Assessments.

[Presented May 16, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
May 16, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

I have received from their attorneys, and transmit herewith, a notification on the part of SS. Peter and Paul Corporation, and Grace Church, of the pendency of a petition before the general assembly praying that chapter 313 of the public laws of this state entitled "An Act establishing a board of public works in the city of Providence," be so amended as to provide "that all lands in said city held by religious and cemetery corporations for cemetery purposes shall be exempt from any and all assessments for sewers made in pursuance of said act," which notice is given in accordance with a resolution of the house of representatives of the General Assembly, passed at its last January session, directing the petitioners "to give notice to the city of Providence of the pendency thereof, by serving the city council of said city with a copy thereof at least three weeks before the commencement of the said next session of the general assembly."

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

No. 194. Message of the Mayor transmitting a Communication of the City Solicitor, relative to Assessments in certain proceedings for opening streets.

[Presented May 16, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL }  
May 16, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

A communication from the city solicitor is herewith transmitted, stating the disposition thus far made of a bill for an act entitled "An act fixing the mode of assessments in certain proceedings for opening streets in the city of Providence," for the passage of which he was instructed to apply to the general assembly under a resolution of the city council, approved May 24, 1877.

As it has been suggested that the opposition to the passage of this act on the part of the senate may result from a feeling that the present city council may differ from that of 1877 in its judgment as to the expediency and justness of said legislation, I recommend the passage of a resolution instructing the city solicitor to apply to the general assembly for the passage of an act granting the same powers as were contemplated by the former instructions.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

No. 195. Resolution directing the City Solicitor to apply to the General Assembly for an Act authorizing the Assessment for benefits for the Opening of Streets.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city solicitor be and he is hereby instructed to urge the passage of an act by the general assembly

giving authority to assess for benefits in such cases for opening of streets, wherever the assessments have failed by being decided to be void by reason of the passage of the public works act of 1873.

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No. 196. Report of the Joint Committee on Finance relative to payments for the use of streets by the Union Railroad Company.

[Presented May 16, 1881.]

City Document, No. 14.

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No. 197. Report of the Joint Committee on Finance upon the Salaries of the Employees of the Board of Public Works.

[Presented May 16, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint committee on finance, to whom was recommitted, February 14, 1881, their report upon the communication of the board of public works, transmitting for approval the salaries of certain employees whose compensation exceeds one thousand dollars per annum, report :

That, in accordance with the instructions of the common council, your committee have conferred with the board of public works, as to what number the employees could be reduced, and also as to the amount of the compensation to be paid to each employee, and transmit herewith a list of employees with their respective compensations, which the board of public works present for approval, and which your committee recommends.

S. Horace Wheeler, who is now employed at a salary of

twelve hundred dollars, is dropped from the list, the board of public works dispensing with his services.

Arthur C. Williams, who is employed by the city engineer, is also dropped from the list, his salary being provided for by the city engineer's department, and by resolution No. 32, current series.

The board of public works having been relieved from the collection of all moneys by chapter 160 of the ordinances, the same being done by the city treasurer, it has been considered necessary by the committee, on account of the additional work imposed upon the treasury department, to employ another clerk therein, and it is proposed that Thomas C. Gushee, an employee of the board of public works, be transferred to the treasurer's office, at a salary of eleven hundred dollars per year, the same as received while an employee of said board.

Your committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the accompanying resolution approving the compensation of the several employees named in the communication of the board of public works, under date of April 30, 1881, which is transmitted herewith, and a copy of which is appended to this report, and also recommend the adoption of the accompanying ordinance in amendment of chapter 125, providing for the employment of four assistants in the office of the city treasurer.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

GEORGE E. MARTIN, Chairman.

Providence, May, 16, 1881.

COMMUNICATION OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, }  
 OFFICE, CITY HALL, }  
 Providence, R. I., April 30, 1881. }

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

GENTLEMEN:—In compliance with section 1, chapter 815, of the Statutes, and section 4 of "An ordinance carrying into

effect the provisions of chapter 815 of the Public Laws," the undersigned present the following list of employees whose compensation exceeds the sum of one thousand dollars per annum, for approval, viz. :

Clinton D. Sellew, twenty-three hundred dollars	per annum.	
Philip S. Chase, seventeen hundred dollars,		“ “
Frederic A. Arnold, eleven hundred dollars,		“ “
Andrew B. Purdy, fourteen hundred dollars,		“ “
Edward A. Moran, eleven hundred dollars,		“ “
Charles B. Smith, twelve hundred dollars,		“ “
Joseph F. Plant, eleven hundred dollars,		“ “
Simeon Noell, fourteen hundred dollars,		“ “
Allen Aldrich, thirteen hundred dollars,		“ “
Jesse E. Gray, fifteen hundred dollars,		“ “

Very respectfully,

SAMUEL B. SWAN,	} Board of Public Works.
OBADIAH BROWN,	
SAMUEL M. GRAY,	
City Engineer.	

No. 198. Resolution approving the Compensation of certain Employees of the Board of Public Works.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the annual compensation of the following named employees, as recommended by the board of public works, be hereby approved as follows, viz. :

Frederic A. Arnold, eleven hundred dollars.  
 Andrew B. Purdy, fourteen hundred dollars.  
 Edward A. Moran, eleven hundred dollars.  
 Charles B. Smith, twelve hundred dollars.  
 Joseph F. Plant, eleven hundred dollars.  
 Simeon Noell, fourteen hundred dollars.  
 Allen Aldrich, thirteen hundred dollars.  
 Jesse E. Gray, fifteen hundred dollars.

## CHAPTER CLXV.

No. 199. An Ordinance in Amendment to Chapter CXXV of the Ordinances, entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the Officers of the City of Providence, from and after the first Monday in January, 1879," and providing for Assistants in the Office of the City Treasurer.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

SECTION 1. The clause in section 1, of said chapter 125 of the ordinances of the city of Providence, which reads as follows :

"For three assistants in the office of the city treasurer, to be employed under the direction of the joint committee on finance, not exceeding thirty-two hundred dollars," is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

For four assistants in the office of the city treasurer, to be employed under the direction of the joint committee on finance, not exceeding forty-three hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

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No. 200. Report of the Joint Committee on Education upon the completion of the School House on Peace street.

[Presented May 16, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint standing committee on education respectfully report the completion and occupation of the primary and intermediate

school house on Peace street, and herewith submit a detailed statement of the cost thereof:

For building contract and extras .....	\$6,599 09
For architect's fees .....	200 00
For out-buildings.....	406 09
For fencing lot. ....	284 91
For grading lot.....	261 50
For furniture.....	873 69
For heating apparatus.....	572 42
For cess-pools .....	52 00
For bell and hangings.....	40 56
For black-boards.....	30 00
For miscellaneous expenditures.....	23 00
	\$9,343 26
Total .....	

Whole amount appropriated.....	\$9,700 00
Whole amount expended.....	9,343 26
	\$356 74
Unexpended balance.....	

For the committee,

FRED. I. MARCY, Chairman.

No. 201. Report of the Joint Committee on Education upon Furniture, etc., for the School House on Penn street.

[Presented May 16, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint standing committee on education would respectfully represent, that they are desirous of completing the school-house on Penn street, in time for occupation at the commencement of the school term in September. In order that this

object may be accomplished, provision should at once be made for furniture and heating apparatus, for constructing suitable out-buildings, and for grading and fencing the lot. It is estimated that the sum of twenty-eight hundred dollars will be required for these purposes.

Your committee therefore submit and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

For the committee,

FRED. I. MARCY, Chairman.

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No. 202. Resolution making an Appropriation for Furnishing, etc., of the School House on Penn street.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on education are hereby authorized to cause the school-house on Penn street, to be heated and furnished, the lot to be graded and fenced, also suitable out-buildings constructed, provided the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of twenty-eight hundred dollars; and said sum is hereby appropriated, to be paid from the appropriation for school-houses and lots.

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## CHAPTER CLXVI.

No. 203. An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Board of Public Works to pave North Main street from Randall street to Branch avenue, with Granite Blocks.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SECTION 1. The board of public works is hereby author-

ized and directed to cause North Main street, from Randall street to Branch avenue, to be paved with granite blocks, and the side-walks and curbing to be put in proper condition in consequence thereof, at a cost not exceeding eleven thousand four hundred ninety-one dollars and thirty cents; to be paid out of money appropriated for highway purposes.

SEC. 2. Said board of public works is hereby authorized to contract for such material as may be necessary for the paving aforementioned and for the delivery thereof, without advertising for proposals therefor as provided in chapter cli of the ordinances; and all ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

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No. 204. Resolution directing the Board of Public Works to cause Washington Row to be cleaned.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That upon the request of the owners of the way or street called Washington Row, heretofore made to the city council, the board of public works be and is hereby directed and authorized to clean Washington Row as thoroughly and properly as if it were one of the received streets of the city.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

The undersigned hereby request that authority be given to the board of public works to clean Washington row, from Westminster street to Exchange place, hereby consenting that said board, its servants and agents may, for such purposes, go upon and remain upon said way or street, and do thereon all that may be necessary for the proper cleaning of the same.

Weybosset Land Co.

by R. H. I. GODDARD, Treasurer.

Providence, May 14, 1881.

No. 205. Resolution relative to seating capacity of the Mount Pleasant School House.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the committee on city property, is hereby requested to ascertain what alteration is necessary to afford more seating capacity at the Mount Pleasant school, and the cost of the same.

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No. 206. Resolution relative to connecting the Mount Pleasant District with the High Pumping Service.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city engineer be and he is hereby requested to report to the city council the probable cost of connecting the high service with the Mount Pleasant district, Tenth Ward, as was originally intended.

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No. 207. Resolution directing the Joint Committee on Ordinances to report relative to Barb-Wire Fences.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on ordinances are hereby directed to examine and report upon the advisability of prohibiting by ordinance or otherwise, the further erection and use of barb-wire fences, so called, upon or adjoining highways and other property under the control of the city, and also to report upon the power of the city to order the removal of such fences as may already be erected.

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No. 208. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Manning street.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Manning street, from Governor street to Gano street.

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No. 209. Resolution granting permission to Daniel Sullivan, to raise a building.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Daniel Sullivan, to raise a certain building located at No. 7 Asia street, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 210. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Hannah Street.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about seven hundred and thirteen feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Hannah street, from Amherst street to Atwell's avenue.

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No. 211. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in La-Vaughn street.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about six hundred and twenty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in LaVaughn street, from Amherst street, to Atwell's avenue.

No. 212. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Merchant street, and in Ashton street.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and eighty-two feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Merchant street, from Branch avenue to Ashton street, and in Ashton street about sixty feet from pipe in Merchant street.

No. 213. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Railroad Crossing street.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and fifteen feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Railroad Crossing street, from the present end of pipe to a point fifteen feet beyond range of westerly side of Boston and Providence Freight Depot.

No. 214. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Rose street, (Town of Johnston).

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Rose street, Johnston, southerly from Plainfield street.

No. 215. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Steere avenue

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance

with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and twenty-two feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Steere avenue, from Amherst street, to Manton avenue.

No. 216. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Young avenue.

[Approved May 20, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause two hundred feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Young avenue, about two hundred feet southerly from Smith street.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MAY 19, 1881.

The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum are severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

George W. Wightman, charity building.....	\$170 73	Arnold Post No. 4 G. A. R. Freedom Hall,.....	\$25 00
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BRIDGE BILLS.

C. J. Claffin & Co.,.....	\$10 00	W. P. Knickerbocker & Co...	\$13 41
Manchester & Hudson.....	12 00	Belcher Brothers.....	37 58
George E. Boynton.....	30 00	Wm. H. Haskell & Co.....	23 23
A. C. Williams.....	7 02	Pay roll.....	285 69

Edwin B. Grinnell is appointed a police constable without power to serve civil process.

License is granted to B. Rabini, to give an exhibition of trained animals at No. 335 High street.

Eugene C. Sutton is granted a license to keep a victualling house at No. 311 High street.

License is granted to Catharine J. Whipple to keep a tavern at the Hopkins hotel, on High street.

The following persons are granted a license to buy and sell junk and second hand articles, viz. :

James B. Bowen, at No. 144 Richmond street; Joseph Parker, at Nos. 27 and 29 Mill street; Charles E. Reed, at No. 432 Benefit street; Isaac S. Simmons, at No. 43 Wheaton avenue; George H. Smith, at No. 26 Pierce avenue.

Licenses to keep pool tables are severally granted as follows, viz. :

Edward A. Carpenter, one table at No. 262 South Main street; and Patrick Clarke & Co., one table at No. 203 Broad street.

The following persons are granted a license to keep a pawnbroker's shop, viz. :

Herbert Phillips, at No. 110 Westminster street; Nathaniel H. Wales, at No. 94 Eddy street.

Thomas H. Rhodes is designated and appointed to remove swill and offal from the Dorrance hotel.

Permission to operate a steam boiler is granted to the following persons, viz. :

D. L. Barker, one portable boiler; Simeon M. Borden, at No. 56 Arnold street; Joseph H. Fanning, at No. 25 Chapel street.

The following persons are granted permission to build barns, viz. :

John H. Rowley, on Manton avenue; Phebe A. D. Young, at the junction of Smith street and Chalkstone avenue.

The following are read and passed, viz. :

Resolution granting a license to the proprietor of the Sans Souci Garden, to give exhibitions therein, provided that no wrestling, sparring or boxing matches be permitted to be exhibited in said garden;

Resolution to set curbstones and pave the gutters on the south side of Williams street, in front of the estate of John E. Church, from the present terminus of the curbing on said Williams street to Governor street ;

Order directing the city engineer to report to the board of aldermen a grade for Elmwood avenue, from Greenwich street to Adelaide avenue ;

Resolution directing the street committee to examine and report upon the matter of bringing to grade and setting curbstones on Greenwich street, from Earl street to Reservoir avenue, and on Reservoir avenue, from Greenwich street to Adelaide avenue, and to give a hearing to the abutting proprietors prior to making said report ;

Resolution authorizing the superintendent of health, with the consent of the mayor, to employ such additional assistance as may be necessary for the public vaccination.

Upon the petition of William Mulcahey, for damage, it is

Resolved, That in the opinion of the board of aldermen, William Mulcahey does not sustain any damage by reason of the layout of Capwell street.

Upon the resolution for curbing Amherst street, it is Ordered, That the same be indefinitely postponed.

Ordered that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Charles L. Stafford, et al., for curbing on Arlington avenue ; Henry J. Spooner, et al., for curbing on Taber avenue ; Timothy Sullivan, et al., for curbing on Transit street ; L. M. Stayner, et al., to have Sayles street received ; A. C. Barstow, et al., for the extension of Mason street ; Jane Murphy, for appraisal of damages to her estate ; Dennis Costigan, for damages to his estate ; Abner T. Kirby, to have Tell street received.

The following policemen are appointed, viz. :

Samuel W. Thomas, Charles F. Brooks, Prescott M. Le Laud.

Jurors are drawn to serve at the June term of the United States Circuit Court.

The following are read and rejected, viz. :

Report of the committee to lay out John street, from Benefit street to Governor street ;

Report of the committee to lay out West River street from Charles street to Branch avenue.

The invitation of the common council to the mayor and board of aldermen to join in convention on Monday, June 6, 1881, at 8 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing an assessor of taxes and a bird officer, is read and accepted.

The following, having passed the common council, are severally read, and the board of aldermen do not concur therein, viz. :

Resolution making an appropriation for the celebration of the Fourth of July and appointing a committee therefor ;

Resolution instructing the city solicitor to appear before the general assembly at the May session, and oppose the prayer of the petitioners for an amendment to chapter 313 of the public laws, whereby the SS. Peter and Paul Corporation and Grace Church will be relieved from sewer assessments on their cemetery grounds.

A resolution instructing the city solicitor to appear before the general assembly for an act "to confer upon the city council the power to abate any assessment or any portion of any assessment made on land held for cemetery purposes, made under chapter 313 of the public laws, as said city council may deem proper," is presented, read and not passed.

A resolution is read and passed, directing the chairman of the committee on railroads to notify the Union Railroad Company, that it is required to repave North Main street between its rails on said street, and one and one-half feet outside of each of their rails on said street, in accordance with the ordinance passed this day, directing the repairing of said street from Randall street to Branch avenue, and also to notify said

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company that said city of Providence, reserves to itself the right to do said work, and the expense thereof to be paid by said Union Railroad Company.

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### IN CITY COUNCIL.

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- No. 217. Resolution relative to collection of amount due from Union Railroad Co. for paving Westminster street.

[Passed in Board of Aldermen, May 2, 1881. Passed in Common Council, May 2, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Board of Aldermen, May 19, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city solicitor be, and is hereby directed to commence an action against the Union Railroad Company, for the amount due the city for the paving of Westminster street, providing the same is not paid before the 15th instant.

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- No. 218. Resolution directing the Joint Committee on Railroads to report relative to the reduction in the rate of fares of the Union Railroad Company.

[Passed in Board of Aldermen May 2, 1881. Passed in Common Council, May 2, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Board of Aldermen May 19, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint committee on railroads be, and hereby are directed to inquire into, and report whether the present condition of the Union Railroad Company is such as to warrant the city council in exercising, what power it may have, to reduce the fare on all or any of the horse car routes within the city limits to five cents.

## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

JUNE 6, 1881.

Upon the petition of Freeborn Johnson et al., for remission of tax, it is ordered that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

## IN CITY COUNCIL.

No. 219. Message of the Mayor relative to the First Book of Records of the Town of Providence.

[Presented May 19, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
May 19, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

A communication from the library committee of the Rhode Island Historical Society, a copy of which is herewith transmitted, calls attention to the condition of a most valuable relic of the early days of the town of Providence, the loss of which would be greatly deplored by all.

The damaged state of these records, the natural result of age and former usage, is such as to justify the desire of the Historical Society, that more than ordinary pains be taken to restore so far as possible, and preserve them for future generations. I therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

COMMUNICATION.

PROVIDENCE, MAY 2ND, 1881.

TO HIS HONOR THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

SIR:—The library committee of the Rhode Island Historical Society having recently learned of the condition of the earliest book of records of the town of Providence, feel it to be their duty to call your attention

to its character and condition, and to state what in their judgment is necessary to be done in order to preserve it.

This book contains, beside its records of titles and transfers of real estate, the original agreement under which the second comers to the settlement joined the first proprietors, and were by them admitted to become inhabitants. It was the establishment of a government, a pure democracy, wherein men bound themselves to be obedient to the majority of masters of families only in civil things. The entire separation of church from state was made, and perfect religious liberty guaranteed. This document, written by the hand of Roger Williams, the founder of this state, stands at the top of the first page of this book and bears the signature of thirteen of the second comers.

As to its present condition, it is entirely removed from its binding, it now having no covers whatever. Its leaves are misplaced, ragged and torn. Its first and most valuable leaf is torn entirely asunder. The name of one of the signers has been torn apart, and is now illegible, and some words have been torn from the edges in sundry places.

It has seemed to us that unless immediate measures are taken to preserve this unique and precious volume from further ruin, that it will soon be among the things of the past. Hereon Roger Williams, with his own hand, wrote the doctrine of religious liberty, a principle which has since become the corner-stone of every civilized government on earth, but which, when he wrote it, was a thing unknown to men. This, we say, deserves preservation at our hands.

Our remedy is, that each of these precious leaves be inlaid in paper of the strongest and most durable texture by a workman cunning in this art, of whom there are several in this country. Every irregular edge and every letter to be carefully preserved as now, and then that the volume be strongly, even elegantly bound. This can all be done without removing the volume from the city hall, where it now is, to be kept over night, and at a cost which is small as compared to the intrinsic worth of the precious relic.

Thus will be preserved to our remotest posterity this memento of the wisdom and foresight of our ancestors.

SIDNEY S. RIDER,	} Library Committee	
HORATIO ROGERS,		} Rhode Island
THOMAS DURFEE,		} Historical Society.

No. 220. Resolution relative to the First Book of  
Records of the Town of Providence.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the recorder of deeds be hereby authorized

to cause the first volume of the records of the town of Providence to be suitably re-bound, and the leaves to be inlaid in new paper, the expense to be paid from money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

No, 221. Resolution authorizing the conveyance of certain Land in the Brook street District to Patrick Waters.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint special committee on the Brook street district are hereby authorized to cause to be conveyed to Patrick Waters, certain land situate in said district, bounded and described as follows, viz. :

Beginning at a point in the southwesterly corner of Tockwotton street and Ann street, as adopted in a new layout approved November 13, 1876; thence in a southerly direction in the westerly line of said Ann street, for the distance of fifty-three and eighty-three one-hundredths feet, to a point in the northwesterly corner of said Ann street and Blanding street, as per above-mentioned layout; thence in a southwesterly direction in the northerly line of said Blanding street, for a distance of seventy-six and four-tenths feet; thence in a northerly direction, making an interior angle of sixty-six degrees, twenty-three minutes, thirty seconds, for a distance of eighty-four and forty-three one-hundredths feet; to a point in the southerly line of said Tockwotton street; thence in an easterly direction, in said southerly line of Tockwotton street, for a distance of seventy feet, to the point of beginning. Comprising parts of lots numbered two hundred sixty-two, two hundred sixty-three and two hundred sixty-four, on assessors' plat number eighteen, also a portion of Ann street as formerly laid out, whenever the said Waters shall convey to the city of Providence, by deed satisfactory to the city solicitor, certain land in said district bounded and described as follows, viz. :

Beginning at a point in the westerly line of Ann street, as laid out on a plat designated "Plat of lots on Thompson and Ann streets," said point being in the division line between lots numbered twenty-two and twenty-one as per said plat; thence in a westerly direction, for a distance of seventy and twenty-one one-hundredths feet; thence in a northerly direction, for a distance of forty and twelve one-hundredths feet; thence in an easterly direction for a distance of seventy and twenty-one one-hundredths feet, to a point in the westerly line of said Ann street; thence in a southerly direction in the said westerly line of Ann street for a distance of forty and twelve one-hundredths feet, to the point of beginning, being lot designated as number twenty-one on above-mentioned plat; the same being lot designated as number two hundred and sixty-three on assessors' plat number eighteen.

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No. 222. Resolution granting permission to Michael McKenna, to raise a building.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Michael McKenna to raise a certain building located on Douglass avenue, pursuant to his petition.

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#### CHAPTER CLXVII.

No. 223. An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax upon the Real and Personal Estate in the City of Providence.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

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

SECTION 1. The city council hereby orders the assessment and collection of a tax on real and personal estate of one dollar

and forty cents on each one hundred dollars of the value thereof; the said assessment comprising the following: for ordinary expenses, sixty-five cents on each one hundred dollars; for interest and sinking funds, fifty-three cents on each one hundred dollars; for the city's proportion of the State tax for the year 1881, which is hereby assumed, twenty-two cents on each one hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. The board of assessors shall assess and apportion said tax on the inhabitants and ratable property in said city on or before the tenth day of September, A. D. 1881, according to law, and conformably to the rules and regulations of the city council.

SEC. 3. Said tax shall be paid to and collected by the city treasurer on and between the tenth and twenty-eighth days of October, A. D. 1881, inclusive.

SEC. 4. The city treasurer shall, by advertisement in the public newspapers of the city, notify all persons assessed to pay their respective taxes at his office on and between the said tenth and twenty-eighth days of October, 1881, inclusive. Said treasurer shall attend daily, during said period, Sundays excepted, at his office, from nine o'clock, A. M. to three o'clock, P. M., to receive said taxes.

SEC. 5. All persons who shall not pay their respective taxes during the period aforesaid, shall pay respectively in addition thereto, a percentage thereon at the rate of eight per centum per annum, from the said tenth day of October.

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No. 224. Report from Board of Public Works relative to Pumping Engine at Pettaconset.

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned, who were by resolution

No. 122, current series, "authorized to contract for the building and erection at Pattaconset, of additional pumping machinery, so as to increase the pumping capacity at said station ten or twelve million gallons per day," respectfully report, that they have carefully considered the subject and submit herewith correspondence marked A and B.

The board recommend that it be given authority to accept the offer of Mr. Corliss.

SAMUEL B. SWAN, OBADIAH BROWN, SAMUEL M. GRAY, City Engineer.	}	Board of Public Works.
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BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, OFFICE, CITY HALL, }  
 Providence, May 18, 1881.

HON. GEORGE H. CORLISS:

DEAR SIR:—Your proposal, dated February 26, 1881, to furnish a pumping engine to be set up in the present engine house at Pattaconset, has been duly considered. As we understand the plan proposed, it would require the removal of a portion of the west beam wall, we feel some hesitation in removing that portion of the wall, fearing it may result in weakening the stability of the east wall on which the Cornish is now operated. Can you so modify the construction of your proposed engine as to admit of its being set up in that house without material change in the beam wall or other parts of the building? If not, will you please state a price for which you will furnish and set up a complete set of pumping machinery capable of lifting with ease ten million gallons per twenty-four hours into Sockanosset reservoir;—to include foundation, engine, boilers, house, and all necessary apparatus for a complete pumping works. Also, will you give a price for which you will furnish an engine of twelve million capacity on the above stated conditions.

Very respectfully,

SAMUEL B. SWAN, OBADIAH BROWN, SAMUEL M. GRAY, City Engineer.	}	Board of Public Works.
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## B.

CORLISS STEAM ENGINE CO.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., 31st May, 1881.

MESSRS. SAMUEL B. SWAN, OBADIAH BROWN, and SAMUEL M. GRAY,  
City Engineer, *Board of Public Works, Providence.*

GENTLEMEN:—Yours of the 18th instant having been duly received and its contents considered, I have to say in reply, that the placing of the pumping machinery covered by my proposal of the 26th of last February, in the Pettaconset engine house would, as you assume, require “the removal of a portion of the west beam wall,” and I cannot, without detriment to the efficiency of my machinery, so modify its construction as to admit of its being set up in that house, without such removal.

When I first entertained your suggestion of putting machinery into the present engine-house, I assumed that your present Cornish engine was supported by its own beam-wall, independently of the three similar walls which have been constructed to accommodate three additional Cornish engines.

I find, however, that all of these beam-walls are so bound together by immense iron girders that they form a mutual support for each other, and incidentally give support to the present engine. Your letter raises the question whether it is safe to withdraw any of that support. I incline to the opinion that it is not, and I think that the difficulties which have been experienced in operating the machinery of that pumping-station since its erection, the extensive repairs repeatedly required, the frequent interruptions in its working—one of ten weeks’ duration having recently occurred—the fissures in the foundation walls, and the dilapidated appearance of the masonry of the building where it joins the foundations of the machinery, all corroborate this view of the case.

Having thus answered the questions of your letter, I will now respond to your request for an estimate for an entire new pumping-station.

I propose to locate such a station upon the bank of the Pawtuxet river, at an unoccupied point about two hundred feet below the present Cornish engine-house. Taking the ground as nature formed it, I propose to assume the entire risks and expenses of constructing thereon permanent foundations and substantial plain brick buildings, adapted to all the practical requirements of a first-class pumping-station; also, a suitable chimney connected with boiler-house, and an ample pump-well connected by a conduit with the river-bed; also, the foundations for the boilers and pumping-machinery; the whole arranged and adapted to receive a complete system of pumping-machinery, which I propose to furnish, including engines, boilers and pumps, connected by steam and water pipes, and provided with every instrument and appliance ready for continuous use, guaranteed to work safely and with ease while delivering nine million gallons of water in twenty-four hours from the Pawtuxet river into a

thirty inch force-main just outside of the engine-house wall, under sufficient pressure to carry it into Sockanosset reservoir, and, while thus working, to develop in every-day continuous use a "duty" of one hundred million foot-pounds,—equivalent to raising one hundred million pounds of water one foot high with one hundred pounds of coal; and,

I will guarantee not only the proper working of all the machinery, but, I will also guarantee the stability of its foundations, and will ask for no payment from the city for any of the expenditures to be made until the whole work is completed and tested, and a practical demonstration is made of its capacity and efficiency.

It will be seen that this plan avoids all possible interference with the present means of water-supply during the erection of the machinery, and removes all questions of divided responsibility for defects arising from imperfect foundations.

Although the machinery is designed to pump nine million gallons in twenty-four hours, as above stated, I anticipate that it will deliver at the rate of twelve million gallons in the same time, without detriment to any of its parts.

I will agree to furnish the buildings and machinery and their appurtenances, as above specified, for the sum of one hundred thousand dollars; and

I will agree to complete the work in six (6) months from this date, provided the city promptly authorizes an acceptance of the above proposal.

Respectfully yours,

GEO. H. CORLISS.

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No. 225. Resolution to accept the proposition of George H. Corliss, to build a new Pumping Engine and works at Pettaconset.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works is hereby directed to accept the offer of George H. Corliss, dated May 31, 1881, for building a new pumping works at Pettaconset.

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No. 226. Resolution making an Appropriation for the State Tax.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That, in order to pay the city's proportion of

the state tax assessed by the general assembly at the January session, and payable June 15, 1881, the sum of one hundred twenty-six thousand four hundred and ten dollars and seventy-nine cents, is hereby added to the appropriation for the state tax, and the city treasurer, acting under the advice of the committee on finance, is hereby authorized to hire the same.

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No. 227. Resolutions relative to the erection of a Drinking Fountain in Roger Williams Park.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

WHEREAS, a citizen of this city wishes to furnish and erect a drinking fountain in Roger Williams park, and when finished present it to the city of Providence, provided that the said city will furnish water, and drain the same, and keep the same in good order, it is

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on parks be, and they are hereby directed to locate said drinking fountain in some suitable place in Roger Williams park, and the board of public works be, and they are hereby directed to lay the supply and waste pipes, and furnish water to the same.

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No. 228. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Belknap street.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Belknap street, about two hundred feet from Carpenter street.

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No. 229. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Lilac street.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance

with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about fourteen hundred feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Lilac street, from Cranston street to Salem street.

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No. 230. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Miller street.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and eighteen feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Miller street, from Harrison street, about two hundred feet easterly and southerly.

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No. 231. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Penn street.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be, and they are hereby directed to lay water pipes in Penn street, from America street to Tefft street.

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No. 232. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Richardson street.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about six hundred and three feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Richardson street, from Prairie avenue to Broad street.

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No. 233. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Richardson street.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance

with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and eighty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Richardson street, easterly from Prairie avenue.

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No. 234. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Veazie street.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause three hundred and fifty-two feet of eight-inch water pipes to be laid in Veazie street, from present end of pipe, northerly.

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No. 235. Resolution granting permission to Nicholson File Company to raise a building.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Nicholson File Company to raise a certain building located at No. 8 Acorn street, pursuant to their petition.

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No. 236. Resolution granting permission to James Tully to raise a building.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to James Tully to raise a certain building located on Barney street, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 237. Resolution to cause the Bath Houses to be put in order for the season of 1881.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of public buildings be

hereby authorized and directed, under the advice of the joint committee on city property, to cause the bath houses belonging to the city of Providence, to be put in complete order for use during the coming season, and to deliver the same, when put in order, to the joint committee on harbor, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for public buildings.

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No. 238. Resolution directing the Joint Committee on Harbor to locate and maintain the Bath Houses for the season of 1881.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint committee on harbor be hereby directed to locate and maintain during the coming season, one of the city's bath houses on the west side of the Seekonk river immediately above Washington bridge, and the other in the Providence harbor, between Washington bridge at India Point and Fox Point wharf, near the foot of South Main street; the expense of such location and maintenance to be paid from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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No. 239. Resolution directing the Joint Committee on Ordinances to report an Ordinance providing for the collection of one and one-half per cent. on the gross receipts of the Union Railroad Company, for the use of streets.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint committee on ordinances be, and they are hereby directed to report an ordinance in amendment of the ordinances in relation to the Union Railroad Company, whereby said company shall be required to pay to the city of Providence one and one-half per cent. on its gross receipts,

and in accordance with the report of the joint committee on finance relative to the use of the streets of the city by the Union Railroad Company.

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## IN CONVENTION.

JUNE 6, 1881.

The following officers are elected, viz. :

Assessor of taxes, Charles Dudley.

Bird officer, J. Crawford Potter.

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## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

JUNE 6, 1881.

The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum, monthly report of the inspector of steam boilers, monthly report of the overseer of the poor, and quarterly report of the city clerk, are severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

### MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Edwin E. Calder, inspector of milk.....	\$50 00	Charitable Baptist Society, ringing bell.....	\$125 00
A. E. Field & Son, health department.....	550 00	E. P. Burbank, street signs..	12 60
George W. Wightman, support of poor.....	453 65	Joseph Burgen, finding dead body.....	5 00

## BRIDGE BILLS.

D. Horton & Co.....	\$78 38	L. L. Fales.....	\$5 13
Belcher Brothers.....	3 56	Francis S. Turner.....	43 20
C. H. Carpenter.....	33 15	B. F. Greene.....	31 25
John Armstrong.....	4 28	Fuller Iron Works.....	85 40
W. P. Knickerbocker & Co..	3 00	W. H. Miller & Co.....	11 96
W. H. Fenner & Co.....	3 69	J. L. Peirce & Co.....	4 76
Winsor & Money.....	4 65	J. A. Potter & Co.....	845 74
Stephen P. Henry.....	13 29	J. H. Eddy & Co.....	2 00
Hopkins, Pomroy & Co.....	17 34	A. C. Williams.....	25 06
C. G. Sandford.....	3 50	Pay roll.....	237 64
J. Whelden.....	8 00	" "	286 75

## LAMP BILLS.

Providence Gas Co.....	\$343 80	Pay roll.....	\$2,493 18
Labor pay roll.....	102 15		

## POLICE BILLS.

Benjamin H. Child.....	\$98 72	Mason, Chapin & Co.....	\$10 25
Bugbee & Kelly.....	96 65	George H. Sabre.....	299 34
Lewis L. Fales.....	30 80	Hopkins, Pomroy & Co.....	154 00
Louis W. Clarke, agent.....	10 00	Samuel O. Aborn.....	21 07
Louis W. Clarke.....	8 41	Edwin R. Jones.....	43 52
J. H. Rowley.....	88 00	James J. Monally.....	48 00
J. E. Sturdy.....	15 07	Angell & Barney.....	85 82
George H. Chubbuck.....	30 00	Janitors' pay roll.....	272 00
William H. Palmer, acting police surgeon.....	333 00	Pay roll.....	14,153 13

S. S. Barber is granted a license to give an exhibition of implements used by detectives, prison officials, etc., at No. 15 Westminster street.

License to keep a victualling is granted to Aaron B. Bottomley, at No. 599 High street.

Licenses to keep taverns are severally granted to the following persons, viz.:

Victor Gelb, at No. 156 Broad street; Albert S. Olney, at Nos. 421 and 423 High street; Charles F. Young, at No. 38 South Main street.

Licenses to buy and sell junk and second hand articles, are granted to the following persons, viz. :

Donald Henderson, at No. 161 High street ; John Holt, at No. 143 High street ; Richard Welch, at No. 17 Arnold street ; Woodmansee & Pearce, at Nos. 94 and 96 Dorrance street.

The following named persons are designated and appointed to remove swill and offal as follows, viz. :

George W. Bowen, from No. 28 Union street and No. 106 Fountain street ;

Philip H. Creed, from Nos. 267 and 281 Broad street ;

John C. Fitzgerald, from Nos. 6 and 10 Meeting street ;

William Mulhern, from No. 154 South Main street ;

Julian F. Reynolds, from No. 11 Thomas street.

An order is read and passed granting permission to the Red Bridge Land Company to connect the estate at the corner of South Main street and Jenkins' avenue, with the old drain in Jenkins' avenue.

Permission is granted to the following persons to build barns, viz. :

Joseph Hagan, on Hawes street ; Stephen C. Harris, at No. 21 Willow street ; Charles McCoid, at No. 93 Benevolent street ; William Miller, on Governor avenue, and L. A. Stelley, at 85 Camp street.

An order is read and passed directing Jonathan T. Thornton to abate forthwith the nuisance on his premises at No. 22 Bridge street.

The report of the superintendent of health relative to the nuisance claimed to be caused by the refinery of William T. Smith, on Blackstone street, is read and received.

A resolution is read and passed directing the superintendent of lights to set up lamps on the following streets, viz. :

Hall street, two lamps ; Marietta street, one lamp ; Merchant street, one lamp ; Richardson street, one lamp, and Spencer street, one lamp.

The bill of Raymond G. Place, for rent of hall for ward-room for the Sixth ward, amounting to \$75.00, is examined and not allowed.

Ordered, that the following petitioners, to be appointed auctioneers, severally have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Edward K. Fuller,                      E. P. Shaw.  
Edward F. Fuller,

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JUNE 16, 1881.

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The quarterly report of the superintendent of hacks is read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

Pay roll, bridge dep't. ....	\$183 05	Stephen S. Keene, autopsy, \$25 00
W. D. Budlong, bridge dep't..	10 30	

The following resolution is read and passed :

RESOLVED, That license be hereby granted to the proprietors of the Park Garden, for one year from and after the first day of January, 1881, to give exhibitions therein, provided that no wrestling, sparring or boxing matches be permitted to be exhibited in said garden, and that the fee for each day of a performance be fixed at fifty cents; and provided further, that said garden shall be open to the inspection of the mayor and board of aldermen, whenever exhibitions are held therein.

Licenses are granted as follows, viz. :

To Charles Baker, to buy and sell junk and second-hand articles, at No. 15 Cross street; and to Walter R. Proctor, to keep a tavern, at No. 46 Union street.

Thomas Fitzgerald is designated and appointed to remove swill and offal from the corner of South Main and India streets.

The following persons are granted permission to connect their estates with old drains, viz. :

William M. Bailey, at the corner of Guilder and South Main streets; Edward P. Kearins at No. 14 Doyle avenue.

Permission to build barns is granted to the following persons, viz. :

George H. Corliss, on Prospect alley; William V. Daboll, on Daboll street; Johan F. Gseller, on Putnum street; Peabody & Wilbur, at the corner of Hope and Charles Field streets; Daniel Winsor, at No. 90 Harrison street; Allen P. Young, at No. 116 Camp street.

A communication from William T. Smith, relative to the report of the superintendent of health upon the petition of Martha McElroy, for the abatement of the nuisance caused by the refinery works of said Smith, is read and received.

An order is read and passed directing the board of public works to return to Henry C. Clark, the granite posts taken from Waterloo street, so called.

Ordered, that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

William H. Sinnott, to build a cesspool under the sidewalk on Bird street; John Boyle, relative to the grading of Royal street; Brown & Sharpe Manufacturing Company, to have Holden street received; John E. Church, for curbing portion of William street; F. M. Sacket, et al., for curbing Broad street; Thomas Golrick, for damages to his horse and wagon caused by collision with a hook and ladder truck.

A resolution is read and passed authorizing the overseer of the poor to contract for homœopathic medicines and medical attendance required by the out-door poor of the city, for the year ensuing the first day of June, 1881.

Upon the account of Henry W. Vaughan, it is ordered that the expense of one hundred and twenty-five dollars for the chemical analyses ordered by the coroner after the issue of his warrant for summoning a jury of inquest upon the body of Eley Ann (Chace) Neilson, and during the taking of said in-

quest, be hereby allowed, and that the further consideration of the bill of Henry W. Vaughan for services rendered in making a chemical analysis of the stomach from the body of said Neilson prior to the issue of a warrant for a jury of inquest upon said body, be indefinitely postponed.

The following orders are read and passed, viz. :

Directing the sidewalks to be curbed and the gutters paved on Branch avenue, from North Main street northerly, fourteen hundred and sixty-six lineal feet ;

Directing the sidewalks to be curbed and the gutters paved on North Main street, from Randall street to Branch avenue.

A resolution making an appropriation for the fourth of July is read and not passed.

The following, having passed the common council, are severally read, and the board of aldermen do not concur therein, viz. :

Resolution authorizing the erection of a keeper's lodge at Roger Williams park.

Resolution to lay water pipes in Waterman, Laban and Mill streets, in the town of Johnston.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 240. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Lloyd street.

[Approved June 16, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out Lloyd street, from Prospect street to Thayer street, as a public highway.

No. 241. Resolution authorizing the Joint Special Committee on the Brook Street District, to expend the appropriation for maintenance, in the settlement with parties whose Estates have been condemned in said District.

[Approved June 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the Joint special committee on the Brook street district are hereby authorized to expend so much of the appropriation "to pay the expense of maintaining the Brook street district," authorized by joint resolution No. 63, approved February 15, 1881, and in such manner as they may deem expedient to carry into effect the terms of joint resolution No. 62, approved February 15, 1881, authorizing them "to make settlement with parties whose land or estate has been condemned in said district, and who have not been settled with therefor."

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No. 242. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer on the issue of Registered Bonds. (April.)

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

City council file, June 16, 1881.

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No. 243. Monthly Report of the Finance Committee on the issue of Registered Bonds. (April.)

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

City council file, June 16, 1881.

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No. 244. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer on the issue of Registered Bonds. (May.)

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

City council file, June 16, 1881.

No. 245. Monthly Report of the Finance Committee  
on the issue of Registered Bonds. (May.)

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

City council file, June 16, 1881.

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No. 246. Monthly report of the City Messenger for  
May, 1881.

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

In accordance with section 11 of chapter xxxvi, of the ordinances, the city messenger reports, that, during the month of May last, the city hall, and the sidewalks around the same, have been kept, and are now, in good condition.

Bills have been paid, including pay rolls, amounting to \$952.75.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

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No. 247. Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of  
the Fire Department.

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

City Council file, June 16, 1881.

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No. 248. Annual Report of the School Committee.

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

City document, No. 15.

No. 249. Annual Report of the Commissioners of the North Burial Ground upon the Receipts and Expenditures of the Trust Funds.

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

City council file, June 16, 1881.

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No. 250. Annual Report of the Commissioners of the North Burial Ground upon the Trust Fund.

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

City council file, June 16, 1881.

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No. 251. Report of the Joint Committee on Ordinances on appointment of Assistant City Solicitor.

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint committee on ordinances are in receipt of a communication from the city solicitor of said city, apprising them of the appointment of Stephen A. Cooke, Jr., as assistant city solicitor, under the provisions of section 13 of chapter xxxvi of the ordinances, and requesting the approval of your committee.

Your committee hereby approve of the appointment of the said Stephen A. Cooke, Jr., to said office.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

GEORGE R. PHILLIPS, Chairman.

Providence, June 6, 1881.

Dean, High, Cranston streets and Fenner avenue, to the line of the town of Cranston ; provided, however, and the authority hereby given, is upon the condition, and is to be exercised upon the condition, that said company shall and will erect or place its poles and wires and other appurtenances thereto, at such points on said streets as the city engineer shall indicate, and not elsewhere ; that it will adopt such changes of location thereof, from time to time, as said city engineer shall direct, and such other precautions for safety, from time to time, as said city engineer shall require ; that said poles, wires and all said appurtenances or any thereof used, put up or laid by said company in said streets, or any of them, may be removed by said city, its officers, agents or servants at any time and from time to time ; that it will conform to and obey such laws, rules or orders as may now exist or hereafter be prescribed, whether by act of general assembly or ordinances, orders or resolutions of the city council ; and provided further, that said company will permit said poles to be used for other wires or appurtenances thereof than its own, with the permission of the city council, upon such terms as said city council may impose, notice of application for such use being given to said Crompton company before granting such permission ; and provided also that no wires, whether put up by said company or otherwise, shall be stretched diagonally across any street, square, lane or alley within the first building district below the tops of the buildings therein ; and provided further, that the authority given hereby may at any time be wholly or in part revoked by said city council, without notice ; that said company shall and will hold said city, its officers, agents and servants harmless, saved and indemnified from and against all lawful claims and demands for injuries to person or property sustained by the exercise of the rights given hereinbefore, and also that said city, city council or city engineer, or the agents or servants of said city exercising the rights, restrictions, powers and permission respectively given and reserved herein, shall not be held, rendered or con-

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sidered liable by said company on account thereof, or by reason of any injury or damages occasioned thereby; and provided further, that said company shall in writing signify its acceptance of the terms, permission, privileges and authority hereby granted, and agree to comply with, adopt and abide by all the provisions, conditions and restrictions upon which the same are given, within thirty days after the passage hereof, and shall within that time file the said writing with the city clerk.

SEC. 2. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

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No. 254. Resolution authorizing the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department to erect lines of Wire for Fire Alarm purposes.

[Approved June 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of engineers of the fire department be hereby authorized to erect lines of wire for fire alarm and telephone purposes, in any of the streets of the city of Providence, where the said board may deem it necessary for the proper maintenance of the fire alarm system in said city.

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No. 255. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved June 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the call men of the fire department, for services rendered during the quarter ending June 30th, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the quarter next preceding.

## No. 256. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved June 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of June, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month next preceding.

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## No. 257. Report of the Joint Committee on City Property relative to increasing the seating capacity of the Mount Pleasant School.

[Presented June 6, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

Resolution No. 205, current series, directs the superintendent of public buildings, under the advice and direction of the committee on city property, to ascertain "what alteration is necessary to afford more seating capacity at the Mount Pleasant school-house, with the cost of the same," and the committee on city property, believing it was the intention of the mover of the resolution that the information thus obtained would be imparted to the city council (although said resolution does not so direct), respectfully presents the accompanying plan and estimate, prepared by the superintendent of public buildings, of the cost of alterations at said school-house whereby the capacity for seating might be somewhat increased.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

JAMES McNALLY, Chairman.

## CHAPTER CLXX.

No. 258. An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Board of Public Works to cause Branch avenue, from North Main street, northerly 1466 lineal feet, to be paved with Cobble Stones.

[Approved June 17, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

SECTION 1. The board of public works is hereby authorized and directed to cause Branch avenue, from North Main street northerly one thousand four hundred and sixty-six lineal feet, to be paved with cobble stones, and the side-walks and curbing to be put in a proper condition in consequence thereof, at a cost not exceeding twenty-seven hundred fifty-eight dollars and thirteen cents, to to be paid out of money appropriated for highway purposes.

SEC. 2. Said board of public works is hereby authorized to contract for such material as may be necessary for the paving aforementioned, and for the delivery thereof, without advertising for proposals therefor as provided in chapter cli of the ordinances ; and all ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

JUNE 20, 1881.

A resolution to lay out and widen South Main street, from College street to Transit street, is read and rejected.

The committee on claims report adversely upon the petition of G. L. & L. J. Sherburne, for compensation for value of a horse used by the fire department, whereupon it is ordered that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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 IN CITY COUNCIL.
 

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No. 259. Resolution authorizing the Joint Special Committee on the Brook Street District, with the approval of His Honor the Mayor, to sell the Lands and Buildings in the said District.

[Approved June 28, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint special committee on the Brook street district are hereby authorized, with the approval of His Honor the Mayor, to sell at public or private sale, whenever, in their judgment, they shall deem it to be for the interest of the city, any or all of the lands and buildings in the said district. And they are hereby empowered to cause the property thus sold to be conveyed to the purchaser or purchasers by deed satisfactory to the city solicitor.

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## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

JUNE 30, 1881.

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The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum are severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

## MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Edwin E. Calder, inspector of milk. ....	\$50 00	George W. Wightman, char- ity building. ....	\$303 42
A. E. Field & Son, health department.....	550 00	John Makin, finding dead body.....	5 00
		George D. Hersey, autopsy,	25 00

## LAMP BILLS.

Pay roll .....	\$2,441 82	Labor pay roll.....	\$101 50
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The following resolutions are read and passed, viz. :

Requesting the mayor to request the governor to ask the supreme court of this state, for its opinion upon such questions of law regarding the proper construction of chapter 889 of the public laws, entitled "An act to regulate and restrain the sale of intoxicating liquors"; and

Directing the city solicitor to "legally advise" the board of aldermen, in writing, relative to holding quarterly dinners at the Dexter Asylum.

The committee on claims reports adversely upon the petition of Fanny G. Crittenden, administratrix, for re-payment of personal property tax, whereupon it is ordered that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Warren A. Howard is appointed a policeman.

The following resolutions are read and passed, viz. :

Establishing the grade of Capwell street, from West River street to Powdermill street.

Establishing the grade of Powdermill street, from Capwell street to West River street.

The committee appointed September 2, 1880, to lay out Chalkstone avenue, are discharged.

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JULY 8, 1881.

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The following named persons are elected license commissioners under chapter 889 of the public laws, viz. :

William H. Bowen,                      William H. Teel,  
    Samuel H. Wales.

The quarterly report of the chief of police is presented, read and received.

Permission is granted to the following persons to build barns, viz. :

Isaac E. Hill, on Hawkins street ;  
Daniel B. Waite, on Prairie avenue.

An order is read and passed, granting permission to James Randall, to connect his estate near the corner of North Main and Bowen streets, with the old drain.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 260. Report of the City Engineer relative to the High Pumping Service at Mount Pleasant District.

[Presented June 20, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

GENTLEMEN :—In obedience to the resolution directing the city engineer to report to the city council the probable cost of connecting the high service with the Mount Pleasant district, Tenth Ward, the undersigned begs leave to report that the cost is estimated to be about \$40,000.

Very respectfully,

SAMUEL M. GRAY, City Engineer.

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No. 261. Report of the Joint Special Committee on Decoration Day.

[Presented June 20, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

GENTLEMEN :—Your committee, appointed by joint resolution No. 169, current series, approved May 2, 1881, to carry into effect said resolution, would respectfully report that they have attended to the duties thereof, and have allowed bills issued

by the Grand Army of the Republic for the observance of Decoration Day amounting to the sum of four hundred and ninety-nine dollars and twenty cents.

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. CHASE, Chairman.

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No. 262. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to appoint a Commission to collect and arrange the Statutes and Ordinances relating to streets and highways in the city.

[Approved July 8, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That his honor the Mayor be, and he is, hereby authorized to appoint with the approval of the board of aldermen, a commission, to consist of two persons who, in connection with the city solicitor, shall collect and arrange all statutes and ordinances relating to streets and highways in the city of Providence and the use thereof, now in force; and to report the same, together with all changes they may deem advisable to be made in the same, in print, to the city council.

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No. 263. Resolution authorizing the Joint Committee on City Property to cause repairs to be made at the Bridgham, Candace, Messer, Oxford and Point streets, Doyle avenue and High School Buildings.

[Approved July 8, 1881]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on city property be, and they are, hereby authorized to cause such repairs to be made at the Bridgham, Candace street, Doyle avenue, Messer street, Oxford street, Point street and High school buildings, during the coming vacation as they shall deem necessary; the expense attending the same to be paid from the appropriation for public buildings.

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No. 264. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Oxford Street.

[Approved July 8, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and twenty-nine feet of eight-inch water pipes to be laid in Oxford street, from Burnside street to Harriet street.

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No. 265. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Oxford Street.

[Approved July 8, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Oxford street, from Quince street, easterly.

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IN COMMON COUNCIL.

JULY 11, 1881.

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Upon the petition of Henry Vandorn *et al.*, for laying cross-walks on West Clifford street, it is ordered, that the further consideration of the matter be indefinitely postponed.

Upon the petition of A. J. Cushing, for concreting sidewalk corner Brown and Olney streets, it is ordered that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

## IN CITY COUNCIL.

## CHAPTER CLXXI.

## No. 266. An Ordinance relative to Telegraph, Telephone and other Wires, etc.

Passed in Common Council, June 6, 1881. Passed in Board of Aldermen, June 16, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Common Council, July 11, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

SECTION 1. All telegraph, telephone and other wires that are now stretched across any street, square, lane or ally of this city within the first building district, below the tops of the buildings therein, shall be forthwith removed from such position, and be so readjusted and relaid, that the same shall be henceforth stretched and maintained above the tops of said buildings.

## No. 267. Communication of the City Clerk relative to acceptance of grant to the Crompton Company to erect a line of Telephone Wires.

[Presented June 30, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The Crompton Company have agreed to the terms of the ordinance permitting said company to erect a line of wires for telephone use in the streets of the city, by filing an acceptance thereof in the office of the city clerk, June 30, 1881, a copy of which is transmitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY V. A. JOSLIN, City Clerk.

Providence, June 30, 1881.

[COPY.]

OFFICE OF THE CROMPTON COMPANY, }  
 PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 28, 1881. }

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

The undersigned herewith accept the terms, permission, privileges and authority granted by your ordinance, No. 253, chapter clxix, entitled "An Ordinance permitting the Crompton Company to erect a line of wires for Telephone use," and agree to comply with, adopt and abide by all the provisions and restrictions upon which the same is granted.

CROMPTON COMPANY,  
 HOWARD RICHMOND, Treasurer.

No. 268. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Aldrich street.

[Approved July 14, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and eighty-two feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Aldrich street, from Broad street, easterly.

No. 269. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Colfax street.

[Approved July 14, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and eighty-two feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Colfax street, westerly from Prairie avenue.

No. 270. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay Sewer through private land from Pitman street to the harbor line.

[Approved July 14, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be hereby requested

to lay, make and maintain a main drain or common sewer through a strip of land belonging to Mary E. H. Cushman, William A. Cushman and William J. Harris, ten feet wide, adjoining land of William Knowles, and running from Pitman street to the harbor line, under chapter 993 of the laws of Rhode Island, passed January session, 1872.

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No. 271. Resolution appropriating twenty-five thousand dollars for water construction account.

[Approved July 14, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars be hereby added to the appropriation for the construction account of the water works, and that the city treasurer, acting under the advice of the joint committee on finance, be hereby authorized to hire the same.

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No. 272. Resolution directing the City Treasurer to pay the claim of S. A. Hammond for dredging the Central Street Dock, amounting to \$854.41.

[Approved July 14, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to S. A. Hammond, the sum of eight hundred and fifty-four dollars and forty-one cents, the amount of his bill for dredging the Central street dock, and to charge the same to the appropriation for contingencies.

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No. 273. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved July 14, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the

permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of July, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month next preceding.

No. 274. Resolution granting permission to George W. Cady to raise a building.

[Approved July 14, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to George W. Cady to raise a certain building located at No. 352 Westminster street, pursuant to his petition.

No. 275. Resolution granting permission to William Lindsay to raise a building.

[Approved July 14, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to William Lindsay to raise a certain building located at Barclay court, pursuant to his petition.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

JULY 18, 1881.

The monthly report of the overseer of the poor is read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed viz. :

George W. Wightman, support of poor.....	\$1,296 56	Pay roll, bridge department..	\$83 35
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A resolution is read and passed directing the superintendent of lights to set up lamps on the following streets viz. :

Babcock street, four lamps; Francis street one lamp, and Whitmarsh street one lamp.

AUGUST 4, 1881.

The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum, monthly report of the inspector of steam boilers, monthly report of the overseer of the poor, quarterly report of the inspector of milk, and quarterly report of the superintendent of lights, are severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

## MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Edwin E Calder, inspector of milk.....	\$50 00	George W. Wightman, charity building.....	\$4 37
Stephen A. Cooke, Jr., streets	119 00	William Duffy, coroner.....	21 00
Jonathan G. Parkhurst, “	95 00	Pay-roll, lamp department..	2,532 16
Samuel M. Gray, “	98 00	Labor pay-roll, lamp department ..	103 15
George W. Wightman, support of poor.....	186 27		

## BRIDGE BILLS.

Stephen P. Henry.....	\$13 29	Pay-roll, Point street bridge.	\$286 75
Pay roll, labor.....	40 70		

## HEALTH BILLS.

A. E. Field & Son .....	\$550 00	John Slaney.....	\$5 00
Steamer Reliance.....	50 00	Elmer B. Eddy.....	10 00

## POLICE BILLS.

Benj. H. Child, ringing bells.	\$100 00	Callender, McAusland & Troup.....	\$24 05
Angell & Barney.....	547 08	Edward Burr.....	37 63
William A. Potter.....	17 50	Chambers, Calder & Co.....	27 71
Lewis L. Fales.....	11 14	James J. Monally.....	72 00
Louis W. Clarke.....	9 62	Benj. H. Child.....	122 02
Louis W. Clarke, Agent.....	20 00	Janitor's pay-roll.....	272 00
Albert Richard.....	30 10	Pay-roll.....	14,040 14

George C. Thomas is appointed a police constable, without power to serve civil process.

Licenses to buy and sell junk and second hand articles, are severally granted to the following persons, viz. :

Allen Fire Department Supply Co., at corner of Eddy and Friendship streets; John Curley, on Unit street; Frank Danserean, rear of No. 55 Smith street; Archidi Di Robie, at No. 32 Acorn street; William Green, at No. 3 West Hoyle street; John D. Lindsey, at No. 189 High street; McCusker & Titcomb, at No. 135 Wickenden street; Erastus C. Pease, at No. 256 Broad street; Patrick Shanley, at No. 17 Tyler street; William H. Ward, at No. 3 Livermore street; Alexander Willis, at No. 6 Meadow street, and Charles L. Williams, at No. 6 Meadow street.

Licenses to keep taverns are severally granted to the following persons, viz.:

Thomas S. Foster, at No. 665 Broad street; Paul Hartzog, at No. 30 South Main street.

License is granted to Max Heidman to keep two pool tables at No. 16 North Main street, upon payment of ten dollars.

Fred. R. Whitney is designated and appointed to remove swill and offal from No. 132 Friendship street.

The following orders are severally read and passed, viz.:

Granting permission to the Union Railroad Co. to locate and operate a steam boiler in their repair shop on Thurber avenue, near Broad street;

Granting permission to the estate of George B. Earle to connect the estate No. 257 South Main street, with the old drain in Guilder street;

Advancing the pay of Joseph A. Arnold, Chester H. Blood, Leroy T. Bennett, Frederick A. Daniels, David Fitzgerald, William H. Horton, William A. Kent, John S. Rogers, William H. Rowe, and Abel G. Whidden, patrolmen, to two dollars and fifty cents each per day;

Reducing the pay of Joseph W. Pratt, Benjamin A. Newhall, William J. Booth, Isaac A. Austin, Augustus R. Tallman and Theodore Rutherford, patrolmen, to two dollars each per day;

Directing that the sidewalks be curbed and the gutters be

paved on Capwell street, from West River street to Providence street, and on Powdermill street, from Capwell street to West River street.

The following resolutions are read and passed, viz. :

Directing the board of public works to curb and cause gutters to be built on La Vaughan street, in front of the school-house on said street.

Directing the city engineer to report plans and estimates for the proper drainage of the district in the ninth ward, lying between Greenwich and Broad streets.

Jurors are drawn to serve at the September term of the court of common pleas.

The following rule relative to unwholesome provisions is read and adopted :

Chapter xii of the rules and regulations of the board of aldermen, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

1. It shall be the duty of the superintendent of health, to visit from time to time and at frequent intervals, all places within this city where fruit, vegetables, meat, fish or other provisions liable to become decayed, diseased or unwholesome, shall be kept, offered, or exposed for sale, and if he shall find, or be informed, that any of said articles so kept, offered or exposed for sale, are decayed, diseased, or unwholesome, he shall forthwith carefully inspect the same, and if in his opinion the same are decayed, diseased, or unwholesome, he shall prepare a certificate in writing, which shall contain a true statement of the nature, condition and quantity of the same, of the place where the same were found, and the name of the owner thereof, or of the person in whose possession the same were found, and after signing said certificate in his official capacity of superintendent of health, he shall file the same in his office, and send a copy thereof to the mayor.

2. After filing said certificate in the office of the superintendent of health, said officer shall issue an order in writing

directing the immediate seizure and destruction of said articles named in said certificate, which order may be executed by any of the police constables of said city, to be detailed by the chief of police for said purpose, under the immediate supervision of said superintendent of health.

3. The officer executing said order as aforesaid, shall make immediate return, signed by him on the back thereof, of all his doings thereunder to the chief of police, who shall transmit the same to the mayor within twenty-four hours after the execution thereof.

The following opinion of the city solicitor is read, received, and ordered to be recorded in the asylum records :

CITY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE,  
CITY OF PROVIDENCE, August 4, 1881. }

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN :

GENTLEMEN :—In reply to your question contained in resolution passed June 30th, A. D. 1881, which is herewith returned, I have the honor to say that the board of aldermen has no such power under the terms of the will. I do not think that any fair construction authorizes the application of the moneys derived from the devise or bequests to the paying for the mere entertainments of the board of aldermen. Such funds are to be used for "the support and maintenance of the poor of said town (town of Providence), in such way and manner as said town, from time to time, at any meeting, shall, in their discretion, direct, and for no other use or purpose whatever."

It cannot be claimed that a mere entertainment by the board of aldermen to city officials and invited guests, aids in or contributes "to the support and maintenance of the poor of said town."

In the form in which your question is put, it is understood as descriptive of an entertainment given or to be given by the board of aldermen.

I do not pass upon the power of the town meeting to author-

ize a compensation to the members of the board of aldermen for such services as are required of them, or to provide for the board of aldermen such food as may be proper while at the asylum performing official duty, because such questions are not asked, nor do they seem involved in the one put.

Respectfully,

N. VAN SLYCK, City Solicitor.

The following message of the mayor is presented and read :

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
August 4, 1881. }

GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN :

In accordance with the request contained in your resolution of June 30 last, I have addressed to His Excellency Governor Littlefield, a communication under date of the 7th ultimo, asking that he obtain the opinion of the supreme court as to the proper construction of the following points contained in chapter 889 of the public laws of this state.

*First*—Whether the restriction contained in section 2 of said chapter, to wit : "Nor shall any license be granted for the sale of such liquors in any building or place within four hundred feet of any public school," covers all ground or space within a circle of four hundred (400) feet from a public school, or is its operation confined to a point within four hundred (400) feet of such school as measured on a street or highway?

*Second*—In making measurements under said section, should the point to be measured from, be the school building or the school lot?

In reply to which communication I have received from the governor the opinion of the court upon the above points, and transmit a copy of the same herewith.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

[COPY.]

TO HIS EXCELLENCY ALFRED H. LITTLEFIELD, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE  
OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS :

We have received your excellency's communication, dated July 14, 1881, and in reply to it have to say, that we are of opinion that the restriction contained in section 2d, of chapter 889, of the public laws, to wit :

“Nor shall any license be granted for the sale of such liquors in any building or place within four hundred feet of any public school,” covers the entire space around any public school for four hundred feet, so that a “building or place” is within four hundred feet of a school, whenever, measuring in a straight line, any part of it is within four hundred feet of any part of the school.

We are also of opinion that the word “school” in the chapter, means simply the school house, and does not include the school lot or yard, and consequently that the measurements should be made from the school building.

Judge Matteson is absent from the city, and Judge Tillinghast is too ill to confer with us.

(Signed),

THOMAS DURFEE.  
E. R. POTTER.  
JOHN H. STINESS.

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## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

AUGUST 8, 1881.

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The following are indefinitely postponed, viz. :

Resolution restricting the sale of fire-arms to persons under fifteen years of age ;

Resolution ordering the construction of a sewer in Lockwood and other streets.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 276. Monthly Report of the City Auditor for  
May, 1881.

City council file, August 4, 1881.

No. 277. Monthly Report of the City Auditor for  
June, 1881.

City council file, August 4, 1881.

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No. 278. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer.

[Presented July 11, 1881.]

City council file, August 4, 1881.

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No. 279. Monthly report of the City Messenger for  
June, 1881.

[Presented July 11, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

In accordance with section 11 of chapter xxxvi, of the ordinances, the city messenger reports, that during the month of June last, the city hall and the sidewalks around the same have been kept, and are now in good condition. Repairs have been made upon the roof at an expense of \$170.20. The elevator cable that has been in use since the elevator was first put in operation, has been replaced by a new one at a cost of \$135.12.

In accordance with resolution 438, series of 1880, an iron case, a book rack, and boxes for the preservation of papers have been put into the vault of the city treasury, and additional furniture has been placed in the treasurer's private office. Amount appropriated, \$350; amount expended, \$335.35.

Bills have been paid, including pay rolls, amounting to \$1,062.52, a portion of which was for furniture for the license commissioners' and treasurer's offices.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

No. 280. Twenty-Fourth Quarterly Report of the Commissioners of Sinking Funds.

[Presented July 11, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The board of commissioners of sinking funds make this their twenty-fourth quarterly report :

The amount of funds in the control of the board, March 31, 1881, was—

Of the fund of 1885.....	\$608,627 07
Of the fund of 1893.....	232,269 04
Of the fund of 1895.....	217,252 48
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899.....	36,309 87
Of the public improvement loan of 1899.....	13,900 34
Of the water loan.....	116,592 60
Of the North Burial Ground loan.....	637 09
Of the Brook street district loans.....	71,328 15
Whole amount.....	\$1,296,916 64

The amount on hand June 30, 1881, was—

Of the fund of 1885.....	\$608,760 62
Of the fund of 1893.....	232,279 72
Of the fund of 1895.....	217,257 53
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899.....	55,311 06
Of the public improvement loan of 1899.....	13,901 80
Of the water loan.....	116,596 41
Of the North Burial Ground loan.....	641 23
Of the Brook street district loans.....	74,548 46
Whole amount.....	\$1,319,296 83

The increase in the several funds has been—

In the fund of 1885.....	\$133 55
In the fund of 1893.....	10 68
In the fund of 1895.....	5 05

In the city hall and sewer loan of 1899.....	\$19,001 19
In the public improvement loan of 1899.....	1 46
In the water loan.....	3 81
In the North Burial Ground loan.....	4 14
In the Brook street district loans.....	3,220 31
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Whole increase.....	\$22,380 19

Respectfully submitted by order of the board of commissioners,

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD,

Mayor and Chairman.

Providence, July 11, 1881.

No. 281. Eighteenth Quarterly Report of the Joint  
Special Committee on the Brook Street District.

[Presented July 11, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

GENTLEMEN:—The joint special committee on the Brook street district, present this their eighteenth quarterly report of the receipts and expenditures.

Receipts for quarter ending June 30, 1881 :—

Rents.....	\$3,202 63
Sales of old material.....	12 00
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Total amount paid into the sinking fund of the Brook street district.....	\$3,214 63

Expenditures for quarter ending June 30, 1881 :—

Land damages.....	\$2,100 00
Relocating and refitting buildings.....	41 50
Repairs to buildings.....	290 15

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Salaries .....	\$400 00
Office expenses.....	5 50
Total amount paid out of the appropriation for the Brook street district .....	\$2,837 15

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. MILLETT, Chairman.

Providence, July, 1881.

No. 282. Report of the Joint Standing Committee on Sewers relative to Drainage of the Pearl Street District.

[Presented April 4, 1881.]

City document, No. 16.

No. 283. Resolution authorizing the transfer of contract to the Pawtuxet Water Pipe Company.

[Approved August 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works is hereby authorized and directed to execute to the Pawtuxet Water Pipe Company, a corporation created by the General Assembly at its May Session, A. D. 1881, an assignment and transfer of all rights, powers, and privileges granted to Henry G. Tucker and others, by virtue of resolution No. 269, approved July 19, 1880, and resolution No. 116, approved April 2, 1881, and by virtue of the agreement with said Henry G. Tucker and others, executed July 27, 1880, the city council hereby assenting to such assignment and transfer.

Provided said company shall accept such transfer, and agree in writing to become subject to all the duties and liabilities named in said agreement.

No. 284. Resolution to extend the surface water drain  
in McAvoy street.

[Approved August 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be, and they are hereby directed to extend the drain now laid for surface water in McAvoy street, between Spruce street and Laurel street, for a distance of about seventy feet in Laurel street, after they shall have obtained from Patrick Goulding and Bartholomew Keily, abutters on said Laurel street, written consent to build said drain, and a release from any damages that may be occasioned thereby.

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No. 285. Resolution to pay the bill of Jesse E. Gray,  
amounting to \$169.37.

[Approved August 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be hereby authorized and directed to pay Jesse E. Gray one hundred sixty-nine dollars and thirty-seven cents, for services rendered in the highway department of the board of public works, from January 1, 1881, to April 30, 1881, the same to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

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No. 286. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Lexington street.

[Approved August 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out Lexington street, from Elmwood avenue to Melrose street, as a public highway.

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No. 287. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Baker  
avenue.

[Approved August 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance

with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about five hundred and sixteen feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Baker avenue, from present end of pipe, northerly to Broadway.

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No. 288. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Newark Street.

[Approved August 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and ten feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Newark street, from main in Valley street, westerly.

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No. 289. Resolution granting permission to Charles W. Bowen to raise a building.

[Approved August 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Charles W. Bowen to raise a certain building located at No. 186 Clifford street, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 290. Resolution granting permission to Jeremiah O'Meara to raise a building.

[Approved August 6, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Jeremiah O'Meara to raise a certain building located at No. 270 Atwell's avenue, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 291. Resolution authorizing the Board of Public Works to purchase Gravel Land.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works is hereby author-

ized to purchase gravel land for highway purposes to an amount not exceeding the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

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No. 292. Resolution directing the City Clerk to give notice to the Union Railroad Co., of the intention of the City Council to alter the terms and conditions of the permission to lay rails in the streets of the city.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city clerk, on behalf of the city council, give notice to the Union Railroad Company, that the city council intends to alter and amend the terms and conditions of the permission granted or continued to said company, to lay rails in the streets of Providence, either by requiring said company to pay into the city treasury of the city of Providence, in equal quarterly payments, in the months of April, July, October and January, the sum of eight thousand dollars per annum, instead of the sum of twenty-seven hundred dollars now paid as a condition to said right; or by requiring said company to pay quarterly as above, one and one-half per centum per annum upon the gross receipts of said company.

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No. 293. Resolution to construct a Sewer in Broad street.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Broad street, from Bourbon street to Friendship street, the same to be done by day work or otherwise.

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No. 294. Resolution to construct a Sewer in North Main street.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in North Main street, from Doyle avenue to Jenkins street, also to cause the connections therewith to be laid to the line of the curbing; the same to be done by day work, or otherwise.

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No. 295. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Africa street.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Africa street from America street to Tefft street.

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No. 296. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Moore street.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out Moore street from Greenwich street to Updike street.

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No. 297. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Tefft street.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Tefft street, from Africa street to Federal street.

No. 298. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Congress street.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out Congress street, from Greenwich street to Melrose street, as a public highway.

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No. 299. Resolution to concrete the sidewalk on the west side of Camp street, from Olney street to Evergreen street.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, And it is hereby ordered and directed, that the sidewalk on the west side of Camp street, from Olney street to Evergreen street, in the city of Providence, shall be altered and improved by concreting the same from said Olney street to said Evergreen street, so that said sidewalk for its whole length as aforesaid, shall be ten feet wide, three-eighths rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz. :

All material above said grades shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling whenever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will be not less than an inch in depth.

The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating, or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalk shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, directed and ordered, that the notices of the foregoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given and the publication of the foregoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

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No. 300. Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of  
the Fire Department.

[Presented August 4, 1881.]

City council file, August 8, 1881.

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No. 301. Monthly Report of the City Messenger for  
July, 1881.

[Presented August 4, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

In accordance with section 11 of chapter xxxvi, of the ordinances, the city messenger reports, that during the month of July last, the city hall and the sidewalks around the same have been kept, and are now in good condition.

Bills have been paid as follows : Gas bill, \$292.11 ; quarterly bills for incidentals, \$225.26 ; pay-roll, \$461.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

No. 302. Message of the Mayor relative to the gift by Col. J. Albert Monroe, of the Chart of the "Harbour of Rhode Island and Narragansett Bay," published in 1776.

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
August 4, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

I have received from Col. J. Albert Monroe a communication presenting to the city a chart bearing the following title :

"A Chart of

The Harbour of Rhode Island and Narragansett Bay, Surveyed in pursuance of directions from the Lords of Trade to His Majesty's Surveyors General for the Northern district of North America. Published at the request of the Right Honorable Viscount Howe, by J. F. W. Des Barres, Esqr.

20th July 1776,"

published according to act, Mar. 3d, 1776, by J. F. W. Des Barres, Esq., which he has recently obtained from the British government, having been prompted to make application for the same through the proper representatives of the United States government, by his appreciation of the value of such a map, both historically and as a source of information in locating disputed points on the shores of the bay and rivers emptying into it.

The British officials having the matter in charge with great courtesy caused the original plate to be prepared and six copies printed therefrom, which Col. Monroe has generously distributed in a manner to make them most easy of access to the citizens of this city and state.

In accordance with the suggestion contained in his letter, and in order that the chart may be best preserved from injury, I recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution, directing that it be properly mounted and framed, and would also

suggest the passage of a resolution extending the thanks of the city council to Col. Monroe for the gift of this rare and valuable addition to the records in the possession of the city.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

No. 303. Resolution of thanks to J. Albert Monroe, for Chart of "Harbour of Rhode Island and Narragansett Bay."

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the city council are hereby extended to Col. J. Albert Monroe for the gift to the city of Providence, of a chart of "The Harbour of Rhode Island and Narragansett Bay," surveyed in 1774, by J. F. W. Des Barres.

No. 304. Resolution to frame the Chart of the "Harbour of Rhode Island and Narragansett Bay."

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the mayor be, and he is hereby authorized to cause the chart of the "Harbour of Rhode Island and Narragansett Bay," surveyed in the year 1774 by J. F. W. Des Barres, and presented to the city by Col. J. Albert Monroe, to be properly mounted and framed, the expense thereof to be paid from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

No. 305. Message of the Mayor relative to the throwing of Skins of Bananas, and other fruits, on the sidewalks.

[Presented August 4, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
August 4, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

The increasing frequency of accidents, resulting in the break-

ing of limbs or other serious injuries caused by throwing the skins and refuse of bananas and other fruits upon the sidewalks, demands that action be taken by the city council to suppress this growing nuisance, and I would therefore recommend that the course adopted by the city of New York be followed, and the committee on ordinances directed to prepare a bill for an ordinance prohibiting the same, and imposing a suitable penalty for any violation thereof.

A copy of the law recently passed by the mayor, board of aldermen and commonalty of the city above mentioned, is transmitted herewith for reference.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

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No. 306. Resolution referring Message of the Mayor, relative to throwing dangerous substances on the sidewalks in the city, to the Committee on Ordinances.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the message of the mayor, dated August 4, 1881, relative to accidents caused by throwing the skins and refuse of bananas and other fruits upon the sidewalks, be hereby referred to the joint committee on ordinances, with instructions to prepare a bill prohibiting the throwing or placing dangerous substances upon the sidewalks or crosswalks in the city.

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No. 307. Resolution to erect a Shed in the City Yard.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of public buildings is hereby directed to erect a shed at the city yard, cove lands, suitable to protect the property of the highway department, and practically in accordance with a plan furnished said superintendent by the city engineer, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for public buildings.

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No. 308. Resolution to construct additional Catch Basins in Manton avenue.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be hereby authorized to cause two or three additional catch basins to be constructed in Manton avenue, and the storm sewer extended to connect with said catch basin.

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No. 309. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of August, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month next preceding.

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No. 310. Resolution granting permission to Frank H. Maynard to raise a building.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Frank H. Maynard to raise a certain building located at No. 15 Pallas street, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 311. Resolution ordering the construction of a Sewer in Africa street.

[Approved August 9, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain, or common sewer, to be constructed in Africa street, from America street to Tefft street,

and in Tefft street, from Africa street to Federal street; the same to be constructed by days' work, or otherwise, whenever said Africa street and Tefft street shall have been accepted and legally declared public highways.

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## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

AUGUST 23, 1881.

Upon the petition of the American Bell Telephone Company to erect a line of wires for telephone use, it is ordered that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

AUGUST 23, 1881.

The following accounts against sundry persons for curbstones furnished to them by the highway commissioners and board of public works, are severally approved, viz. :

John T. Briggs.....	\$64 78	Mary A. Corrigan, wife of	
Corliss Steam Engine Co....	48 36	Thomas.....	\$59 85
Josephine C. Gorman, wife of		John Dwyer.....	18 00
Charles E.....	79 29	Cornelia E. Greene.....	314 83
Sarah J. Gorman.....	25 25	Sarah Sullivan, wife of	
Edward Hayden.....	25 99	Daniel.....	18 00
James Heary.....	13 50	Minnie C. Spencer, wife of	
Anna E. Weeks, wife of Rob-		Matthew W.....	18 00
ert.....	9 50	Thomas R. Oldham.....	60 94

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AUGUST 25, 1881.

Message of the mayor calling a special meeting of the board, concerning the construction of a sewer in Broad street, from Bourbon street to Friendship street.

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
 EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
 August 25, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN :

At the request of a majority of the members of the city council, I called both branches of that body together on Tuesday last, August 23d, to give an opportunity to consider the subject matter of the message then presented. A quorum of the board of aldermen, exclusive of the member who had petitioned for the sewer, not being present, no action in the premises could be taken by the board. I have therefore again convened you with the hope that you may take such action as will relieve the board of public works of any doubt as to the wishes of the city council concerning the construction of the sewer in question.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

The account of George W. Wightman for the charity building, amounting to \$2.41, is examined and allowed.

Upon the petition of the Unexcelled Fireworks Co., to give an exhibition of fireworks on Friday, August 26, 1881, at the Messer street base ball grounds, it is ordered that license be granted, subject to the conditions governing licenses for exhibitions.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

No. 312. Resolution ordering the construction of a Sewer in Somerset and other streets, to relieve the Pearl street district.

[Passed in Common Council, July 11, 1881. Passed in Board of Aldermen, August 4, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Common Council, August 23, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be, and they

hereby are directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed for the relief of the Pearl street district, as follows:—

Beginning at the present sewer in Central street at Major street, thence through Major, Linden, Pine, Somerset, Somerset street extended to Dudley street at or near Gay street, Dudley and Dudley street extended, or Eddy and Bleachery streets to tide water east of Allen's avenue, and providing for overflows and connections as follows:

At Trinity square, taking an overflow from the Greenwich street sewer; at the intersection of Pine and Somerset streets, taking in the Somerset street sewer; at Friendship street, taking an overflow from the Friendship and Dudley streets sewer; at Dudley street, taking in the Dudley street sewer; at Plain street, taking in the Pearl street sewer, and leaving an overflow into the Plain street sewer; at Eddy street, taking an overflow from the sewer in Hospital street at Eddy street.

Provided the work on the same shall not be done until the streets through which said sewer is to be constructed shall have been accepted and legally declared public highways.

No. 313. Resolution to construct a Sewer in Lockwood and other streets, to relieve the Pearl street district.

[Passed in Board of Aldermen, August 4, 1881. Passed in Common Council, August 8, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Board of Aldermen, August 23, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be, and they hereby are directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed, beginning at the sewer in Broad street at Lockwood street, thence running through Lockwood street and Plain street to the sewer in Dudley street, with overflows and connections as follows:

At Meadow street, taking an overflow from the Pearl street sewer at Vine street, also intercepting all the sewers now cross-

ing Lockwood street, and taking in the sewer in Plain street, north of Lockwood street.

Provided the work on the same shall not be done until the streets through which said sewer is to be constructed shall have been accepted and legally declared public highways.

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## CHAPTER CLXXII.

No. 314. An Ordinance permitting the Holmes Burglar Alarm Telegraph Company to erect a line of wires for its use.

[Approved August 27, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SECTION 1. The corporation under the name of the Holmes Burglar Alarm Telegraph Company, incorporated and organized under the laws of the state of New York, is hereby authorized to erect poles, use and maintain thereon a line of wires and appurtenances thereto for its use in the city of Providence, on, upon and through the following streets, viz.: Pine street from Hay street to Richmond street; on Peck street from Pine street to Dyer street, provided, however, and the authority hereby given, is upon the condition and is to be exercised upon the condition, that said corporation shall and will erect or place its poles and wires and other appurtenances thereto, at such points on said streets as the city engineer shall indicate, and not elsewhere; that it will adopt such changes of location thereof, from time to time, as said city engineer shall direct, and such other precautions for safety, from time to time, as said city engineer shall require; that said poles, wires and all said appurtenances or any thereof used, put up or laid by said corporation in said streets, or any of them, may be removed by said city, its officers, agents or servants at any time and from

time to time; that it will conform to and obey such laws, rules or orders as may now exist or hereafter be prescribed, whether by act of general assembly or ordinances, orders or resolutions of the city council; and provided further, that said corporation will permit said poles to be used for other wires or appurtenances thereof than its own, with the permission of the city council, upon such terms as said city council may impose, notice of application for such use being given to said corporation before granting such permission; and provided, also, that no wires, whether put up by said corporation or otherwise, shall be stretched across any street, square, lane or alley within the first building district below the tops of the buildings therein; and provided further, that the authority given hereby may at any time be wholly or in part revoked by said city council, without notice; that said corporation shall and will hold said city, its officers, agents and servants harmless, saved and indemnified from and against all lawful claims and demands for injuries to person or property sustained by the exercise of the rights given hereinbefore, and also that said city, city council or city engineer, or the agents or servants of said city exercising the rights, restrictions, powers and permission respectively given and reserved herein, shall not be held, rendered or considered liable by said corporation on account thereof, or by reason of any injury or damages occasioned thereby; and provided further, that said corporation shall in writing signify its acceptance of the terms, permission, privileges and authority hereby granted, and agree to comply with, adopt and abide by all the provisions, conditions and restrictions upon which the same are given, within thirty days after the passage hereof, and shall within that time file the said writing with the city clerk.

No. 315. Message of the Mayor relative to the Sewer  
in Broad street.

[Presented August 23, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
August 23, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

I have convened you at this time in order that you may have an opportunity to consider the action heretofore taken in ordering the sewer in Broad street from Bourbon street to Friendship street.

Parties liable to assessment have desired an opportunity to present their views against the propriety of building this sewer, and I have deemed it my duty to formally make known their wishes to you, that you may indicate any change in your opinions respecting such sewer to the board of public works if you wish to reconsider the matter, or take such other action as in your judgment the interests of the city may demand.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

No. 316. Monthly Report of the City Auditor for  
July.

[Presented August 8, 1881.]

City council file, September 1, 1881.

No. 317. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer for  
July.

[Presented August 8, 1881.]

City council file, September 1, 1881.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

SEPTEMBER 1, 1881.

The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum were severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

## MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Edwin E. Calder, inspector of milk.....	\$50 00	Samuel Bowden, finding dead body.....	\$5 00
W. E. Field & Son, Health Department.....	555 00	Elbert L. Seaman, finding dead body.....	5 00
William Hickey, finding dead body.....	5 00	Labor pay roll, Lamp Department.....	105 15
Lamp Department pay roll..	2,542 02		

## BRIDGE BILLS.

Hopkins, Pomroy & Co.....	\$37 41	M. H. Sullivan.....	\$10 25
Belcher Brothers.....	23 83	W. H. Miller & Co.....	32 38
George W. Harris.....	10 00	Congdon, Carpenter & Co...	5 38
Manchester & Hudson.....	15 00	E. Winsor & Co.....	12 98
S. S. Sprague & Co.....	35 60	J. L. Peirce & Co.....	58 69
Lewis L. Fales.....	9 20	Stephen P. Henry.....	13 29
Fuller Iron Works.....	81 75	Miscellaneous bills.....	25 95
Ira Winsor & Co.....	16 30	Pay roll, Point Street Bridge	286 75
Clarence H. Carpenter.....	53 89	Labor pay roll.....	163 03
James A. Potter & Co.....	29 88		

## POLICE BILLS.

Scovill Manufacturing Co...\$	180 00	Albert Richards.....	\$18 50
Angell & Barney.....	110 34	William A. Potter.....	16 89
Kendall Manufacturing Co...	30 00	Hopkins, Pomroy & Co.....	708 90
Edward Burr.....	73 05	Billings Brothers.....	30 00
Bugbee & Kelly.....	56 98	Benjamin H. Child.....	52 20
Louis W. Clarke.....	121 63	Janitors' pay rolls.....	272 00
James J. Monally.....	48 00	Pay roll.....	14,020 32

License to buy and sell junk and second hand articles is granted to the following persons, viz. :

C. J. Claffin & Co., at No. 147 Gaspee street.

Charles E. Frankland, at No. 160 South Water street.

The following persons are granted a license to keep a victualling house at the following places, viz. :

F. W. Bowen, at No. 9 Fulton street ; Patrick Cavanaugh, at No. 26 Point street ; George Reamnert, at No. 23 Canal street ; Laura Robbins, at No. 2 Crawford street ; S. J. Rochester, at No. 200 Westminster street ; William E. Smith, at No. 54 Charles street.

The following persons are designated and appointed to remove swill and offal, as follows, viz. :

Philip Demby, from Nos. 42 and 44 Peck street ; Charles W. Fairbrother, from No. 5 Franklin street ; George W. Hull, from No. 157 Westminster street ; and Charles H. Swan, from No. 200 Westminster street.

Permission is granted to the following persons to build barns, viz. :

Henry M. Angell, at No. 51 Burrington street, and Thomas French, rear of No. 443 Cranston street.

The following persons are granted permission to operate steam boilers, viz. :

J. M. Hopkins & Son, in the building No. 53 West Friendship street ; and Peter McGovern, in the building No. 21 Pine street.

The following are read and passed, viz. :

Resolution changing the grade of North Main street, from the old city line to Pawtucket avenue ;

Resolution changing the grade of Pawtucket avenue, from North Main street to the city line ;

Resolution changing the grade of Richardson street, from Broad street to Prairie avenue ;

Order curbing sidewalks and paving gutters on Richardson street, from Broad street to Prairie avenue ;

Order for curbing sidewalks and paving gutters on Filmore street, from Douglass avenue to Oregon street ;

Order for curbing sidewalks and paving gutters on Butler avenue, from South Angell street to Hawthorne avenue ;

Order for curbing sidewalks and paving gutters on Baker avenue, from High street to Broadway.

The following is read and passed, viz. :

RESOLVED, That in the opinion of the board of aldermen the old curbing shall be reset on North Main street, from Randall street to Branch avenue, unless the abutting owners thereon will signify in writing to the board of public works their willingness to pay for new curbing.

Upon the petition of F. L. Snow to buy and sell junk and second hand articles at No. 102 South Water street, it is ordered that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The board approves of the appointment by the Mayor of Hon. Thomas A. Doyle and Arnold Green, Esq., to be in connection with the city solicitor a commission to collect and arrange all statutes and ordinances relating to streets and high-ways in the city of Providence.

The following policemen are appointed, viz. :

William E. Bowen.

A. Sidney Tucker.

Jurors are drawn to serve at the October term of the Supreme Court.

The following having passed the common council are severally read, and the board of aldermen do not concur therein, viz. :

Resolution to lay water pipes in Barrows street (town of Johnston) ;

Resolution authorizing the superintendent of public schools to contract for carriage hire.

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IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 318. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Anthony and Homestead avenues.

[Approved September 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and eighty-seven feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Anthony and Homestead avenues, from Noyes avenue to Hamilton avenue.

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No. 319. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Cass street.

[Approved September 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about seventy feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Cass street, from present end of pipe, easterly.

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No. 320. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Douglass avenue.

[Approved September 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and sixty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Douglass avenue, from main at junction of Douglass avenue and Veazie street, northerly.

## No. 321. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Penn street.

[Approved September 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about forty-eight feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Penn street, from Almy street, to a point about twenty-one feet west of west curb line of Almy street.

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## No. 322. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Polk street.

[Approved September 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and seventy-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Polk street, from Pettis street, to Hedley street.

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## No. 323. Resolution of thanks to Clark Dalrymple, Esq., for the bestowal of the "Dalrymple Fountain" to Roger Williams Park.

[Approved September 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the city council and citizens of Providence are due to, and are hereby tendered to Clark Dalrymple, Esq., for his kindly interest in their welfare, as manifested by his generous benefaction in the bestowal of the beautiful fountain in Roger Williams Park, bearing his name, and known as the "Dalrymple Fountain."

RESOLVED, That the city clerk be requested to transmit a copy of the foregoing to Clark Dalrymple, Esq.

No. 324. Resolution instructing the City Solicitor to apply to the General Assembly for legislation relative to Fire Arms.

[Approved September 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city solicitor be, and hereby is instructed to apply to the general assembly, during the next session, for such legislation as may be necessary to prohibit the sale of fire arms to persons under fifteen years of age; also to provide against the sale, or exposing for sale, of toy pistols, and fire arms of like nature, within the limits of the city of Providence; and providing a penalty for violation thereof, and also making it a penal offence for any person under fifteen years of age, to have in their possession any real or toy fire arms of any name or nature.

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### CHAPTER CLXXIII.

No. 325. An Ordinance forbidding the throwing of portions of Fruit, Vegetables, or other substances upon the sidewalks.

[Approved September 2, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SECTION 1. Any person who shall cast, throw, place or deposit on any sidewalk or cross-walk in any street, avenue or public place within the corporate limits of said city of Providence any part or portion of any fruit or vegetable or other substances which, when stepped upon by any person is liable to cause or does cause such person to slip or fall, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars.

SEC. 2. The proprietor of every store or other place where fruit, vegetable or other substances mentioned in the preceding section of this ordinance are sold or kept for sale, shall keep

suspended therein or posted thereon in some conspicuous place constantly, a copy of this ordinance, printed in large type, so that persons purchasing any such fruit, vegetable or other substances, may become aware of its provisions, and every proprietor refusing or neglecting to comply with the provisions of this section shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars.

SEC. 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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No. 326. Resolution authorizing the Superintendent of Public Buildings to erect a Wagon Shed at Fire Station No. 12. (Corner of Smith and Orms streets).

[Approved September 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, be and he is hereby authorized to erect a wagon shed at fire station No. 12, provided the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, which sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for this purpose, is hereby appropriated, to be paid from the appropriation for public buildings.

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No. 327. Resolution accepting gift of Samuel N. Bissel, Executor, to the North Burial Ground Fund.

[Approved September 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the gift of Samuel N. Bissel, executor, of the sum of one hundred dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of Sarah C. Bissel in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Sarah C. Bissel fund.

No. 328. Report of the City Clerk transmitting copy of Notice given to the Union Railroad Co., relative to the intention of the City Council, to amend the terms and conditions for the use of Streets.

[Presented September 1, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The city clerk, who was directed by resolution No. 292, approved August 9, 1881, on behalf of the city council, to give notice to the Union Railroad company of the intention of the city council to alter the terms and conditions of the permission granted or continued to said company to lay rails in the streets of the city of Providence, reports that he has notified said company in accordance with the instructions contained in said resolution, as will appear from the copy of said notice transmitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY V. A. JOSLIN, City Clerk..

Providence September 13, 1881.

[COPY.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE, CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, }  
CITY HALL, August 9, 1881. }

TO THE UNION RAILROAD COMPANY, PROVIDENCE, R. I. :

The following resolution, passed by the city council, has been approved by the mayor this day :

“ No. 292. RESOLVED, That the city clerk, on behalf of the city council, give notice to the Union Railroad Company, that the city council intends to alter and amend the terms and conditions of the permission granted or continued to said company, to lay rails in the streets of Providence, either by requiring said company to pay into the city treasury of the city of Providence, in equal quarterly payments, in the months of April, July, October and January, the sum of eight thousand dollars per annum, instead of the sum of twenty-seven hundred dollars now paid as a condition to said right; or by requiring said company to pay quarterly as above, one and one-half per centum per annum upon the gross receipts of said company.”

Now, in accordance with the direction therein given in behalf of the city council of the city of Providence, I hereby notify you of the passage thereof, and that the city council intends to alter and amend the terms and conditions of the permission granted or continued to said company, to lay rails in the streets of Providence, either by requiring said company to pay into the city treasury of the city of Providence, in equal quarterly payments, in the months of April, July, October and January, the sum of eight thousand dollars per annum, instead of the sum of twenty-seven hundred dollars now paid as a condition to said right; or by requiring said company to pay quarterly as above, one and one-half per centum per annum upon the gross receipts of said company.

HENRY V. A. JOSLIN, City Clerk.

CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

I hereby certify that I have served the notice, of which the foregoing is a true copy, by delivering the same to D. F. Longstreet, Treasurer of the Union Railroad Company, this eleventh day of August, A. D. 1881, at two o'clock, P. M.

Witness:

HENRY V. A. JOSLIN, City Clerk.

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## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

SEPTEMBER 12, 1881.

The following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz.:

Abby W. Harvey, for damages from overflow of sewer;  
Edward Burke, for compensation for damages to his estate on Malvern street.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

No. -329. Resolution to Concrete the Sidewalks on Keene street.

[Approved September 14, 1881.]

RESOLVED, And it is hereby ordered and directed, that the sidewalks on Keene street, from Prospect street to Hope street, in the city of Providence, shall be altered and improved by

concreting the same from said Prospect street to said Hope street, so that said sidewalks for their whole length as aforesaid, shall be ten feet wide, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz. :

All material above said grades shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling whenever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalks shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further *resolved, ordered and directed*, that the notices of the foregoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given and the publication of the foregoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

## CHAPTER CLXXIV.

No. 330. An Ordinance forbidding the Excessive use of Water upon the Streets, Highways or Public Grounds.

[Approved September 14, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SECTION 1. No person shall pour, sprinkle, throw or put, or cause to be poured, sprinkled, thrown or put, any water upon any of the streets, highways or public grounds within the limits of the city, after five days notice in writing from the board of public works, not to use water as aforesaid.

SEC. 2. Every person violating any of the provisions of the preceding section, shall pay a fine of not less than two dollars nor more than twenty dollars for each offence.

No. 331. Message of the Mayor relative to the death of General Ambrose E. Burnside, United States Senator.

[Presented September 14, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
September 14, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

The sudden affliction which has befallen this city, in common with the state and our country at large, in the unexpected death of Hon. Ambrose E. Burnside, who died at his residence in Bristol, at 11 o'clock, A. M., on Tuesday, the 13th instant, calls for some action on the part of the city council to express the deep sense of loss which pervades the entire community, and to pay some fitting tribute to the memory of a man who has served his country with marked distinction in the field and

the legislative hall, and whose generous and noble qualities of mind and heart have endeared him to all. I have therefore convened you at this time that such action may be taken as you may deem appropriate.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

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No. 332. Resolutions upon the death of General Ambrose E. Burnside, United States Senator.

[Approved September 14, 1881.]

WHEREAS, General Ambrose E. Burnside, United States Senator for the State of Rhode Island, died September 13, 1881; and

WHEREAS, His remains are to lie in state at the city hall, in the city of Providence, until the day of his funeral, on Friday, September 16, 1881, at 12 o'clock, noon, therefore

RESOLVED, That we, the city council of said city of Providence, representing the feelings of sorrow which our citizens share alike in the death of a brave and distinguished soldier, a high-minded legislator and citizen, do hereby recognize the great loss sustained by the nation, the state, the city.

RESOLVED, That as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased soldier and statesman, the city hall be closed to the transaction of public business from 11 o'clock, A. M., on Thursday, September 15, 1881, to the Saturday following at 9 o'clock, A. M., and that the city council attend his funeral in a body.

RESOLVED, That the city clerk be hereby directed to transmit copies of the foregoing to the family of General Burnside, and to the United States Senate.

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No. 333. Resolution to discontinue work on Sewers.

[Passed in Board of Aldermen, August 25, 1881. Passed in Common Council, August 26, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Board of Aldermen, September 14, 1881.]

Resolved, That the board of public works be, and they are

hereby directed to discontinue building sewers, until further orders from the city council, and if any streets are torn up for such purposes to have them repaired.

No. 334. Message of the Mayor relative to the death of President James Abram Garfield.

[Presented September 22, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
September 22, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

The death of President Garfield after prolonged suffering, during which the hope of the nation has alternately ebbed and flowed, has awakened the voice of mourning in every section of the civilized world, and appropriate emblems of grief have been almost universally assumed, both publicly and privately.

In order that a fitting tribute may be paid to his memory, and to give expression to the tender grief pervading the entire community at the loss of one who so nobly represented this great Republic, and whose private and public virtues have gained for him an imperishable renown and enthroned him in the affections of the people of every nation, it is highly proper that some action should be taken on the part of the city council.

I would, therefore, recommend that a committee be appointed to arrange for the appropriate observance of the funeral day of our late President.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

No. 335. Resolutions upon the death of James Abram Garfield, President of the United States.

[Approved September 22, 1881.]

WHEREAS, The nation is called to mourn the death of its

President, James Abram Garfield, the victim of a cruel assassination, and

WHEREAS, This affliction has transfixed the hearts of our people with the most profound grief and sorrow, in that the Nation's head has been thus ruthlessly stricken down at a time when the country is but just recovered from the depression which, within a generation, culminated in the terrible blow to the hearts of a loyal people by an act similar in character to the one which now causes our united people to mourn, therefore :

RESOLVED, That we, the city council of the city of Providence, representatives of a loyal people, bow in humiliation to the chastening hand of an over ruling Providence, but with the firm belief that a glorious future is in store for our common country, that out of darkness there cometh light, and the strength and stability of the nation are assured through reliance in the wisdom of the Almighty.

RESOLVED, That the universal expression of deep sorrow, not only of this country but of the world, gives the highest testimony to the character of one who, by his pre-eminent qualities of mind and heart, attained to the most exalted position in the gift of the republic, and anticipated the highest aspirations and hopes of this people.

RESOLVED, That to the afflicted widow and family of our late President we tender our most earnest and heartfelt sympathy.

RESOLVED, That a copy of the foregoing be transmitted to the President of the United States, with the request that he communicate the same to the family of the deceased.

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No. 336. Resolution appointing a Joint Special Committee of Arrangements for the proper observance of the day of the funeral of the late President of the United States.

[Approved September 22, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That Messrs. Smith, Burnham and Peckham,

of the Board of Aldermen, and Messrs. Marcy, Martin, McNally, Chase and Tower, of the Common Council, be, and they are hereby appointed a committee to arrange for an appropriate observance of Monday, the 26th inst., the day of the funeral of James A. Garfield, late President of the United States, the expense of the same to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

SEPTEMBER 27, 1881.

The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum, monthly report of the inspector of steam boilers, monthly report of the overseer of the poor, quarterly report of the city clerk, and quarterly report of the superintendent of hacks, are severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

### MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

George W. Wightman, support of poor.....	\$382 35	John Towney, finding dead body.....	\$5 00
George W. Wightman, charity building.....	437 35		

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT BILLS.

A. R. Darling.....	\$22 00	Edwin M. Snow.....	\$39 93
Charles H. Leonard.....	146 00		

### BRIDGE BILLS.

Pay roll.....	\$81 95	F. S. Turner.....	\$10 00
E. R. Crowell.....	634 40		

Dennis Carney is appointed a police constable without power to serve civil process.

Permission is granted to S. Eastman & Co. to transfer their pawn broker's license from No. 200, to No. 194 Westminster street.

License is granted to Thomas H. Creighton to keep one pool, and one billiard table, at No. 23 Fulton street, upon payment of ten dollars.

The following order is read and passed :

Ordered, that license be granted to W. W. Cole's circus and menagerie to exhibit at the Messer street base ball grounds, October 15, 1881, subject to the usual restrictions governing exhibitions, upon the payment of a license fee of five dollars, and forty-five dollars for police attendance.

Licenses to buy and sell junk and second hand articles, are granted to the following persons, viz. :

John Louth, at the corner of Jackson avenue and Balch street ; Daniel Murphy, at No. 37 Florence street, and Thomas G. Andrews, at No. 109 Gaspee street.

Permission to operate steam boilers is granted to the following persons, viz. :

Martin V. B. Briggs, at No. 150 Thurber's avenue ; George Livesay, at No. 44 Pavilion avenue ; C. K. Richmond, at No. 8 Bowen street ; E. Salisbury, at No. 38 Pavilion avenue, and John Francis Smith, at No. 235 Westminster street.

An order is read and passed, advancing the pay of Hiram Allen, 3d, Henry Chaffee, George Crane, Jr., George J. Gammell, Frank M. Miller, Andrew P. Martin, George F. Nye, Z. Allen Swan, John W. Poiner, and George A. Reeves, patrolmen, to two dollars and fifty cents each per day.

An order is read and passed, directing Aaron B. Curry to abate the nuisance on his premises at Nos. 207 and 209 Pine street.

The report of the superintendent of health upon the petition of Charles O'Reilly, relative to nuisance on Hewes street, caused by the American Screw Co., is read and received.

Ordered, that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Charles Williams, to buy and sell junk and second-hand

articles ; John Bamford, to keep tavern at No. 301 Broadway ; Charles D. W. and Henrietta M. K. Brownell, for compensation for land taken in widening of Peck street, the committee on claims having reported adversely upon their petition ; George W. Payton et al., remonstrating against the building of the sewer in Somerset and other streets, the committee on sewers having reported adversely upon their remonstrance ;

The report of the committee to lay out Try street, is read and rejected.

A resolution establishing the grade of Holden street, from Smith street to Promenade street, is read and passed.

The following are approved, received, and ordered to be recorded, viz. :

Report of committee to lay out Fountain street, from Aborn street to Dean street ;

Report of committee to lay out Gallup street, from Plain street to Ocean street ;

Report of committee to lay out Holden street, from Smith street to Promenade street ;

Report of committee to lay out Mathewson street, from Broad street to Washington street.

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## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

SEPTEMBER 27, 1881.

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Upon the petition of James H. Palmer and James L. Bullock, for a sewer in Lawrence street, it is ordered that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

## IN CITY COUNCIL.

## CHAPTER CLXXV.

No. 337. An Ordinance making Appropriations for the Support of the Government of the City of Providence, for the financial year ending September 30, A. D. 1882.

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

[Approved September 28, 1881.]

SECTION 1. That to defray the expenditures of the city of Providence for the financial year commencing with the first day of October, 1881, and ending with the last day of September, 1882, the following sums of money, or so much thereof as are authorized by law, be and they are hereby appropriated for the objects and purposes as explained in the estimates of the city auditor, and in the applications of the various committees and heads of departments.

For the repairs of the asylum walls and buildings, one thousand dollars.

For the city engineer's department, including the salary of the city engineer, thirty-seven thousand dollars.

For contingent expenses as follows :—Thirty-nine thousand dollars for appropriations made by the city council, including the fourth of July celebration, and for such other objects and claims as are not specified in this ordinance, and five hundred dollars for the executive department, the bills for which the auditor is authorized to audit and allow for payment upon their being approved by the mayor.

For care of the city hall, including the pay of employees and for supplies, thirteen thousand dollars.

For dredging and improving the harbor, fifteen thousand dollars ; *provided* the city engineer shall report monthly to the city council the amount expended, and the place where the dredging has been done in the preceding month.

For expenses attendant upon elections, including the pay of wardens and ward clerks, three thousand dollars.

For the fire department, including the salaries of the chief and the assistant engineers, ninety-five thousand dollars.

For the salary of the superintendent of health, collecting and recording births, marriages, and deaths, all hospital and quarantine expenses, medicines, vaccinations, coroners' inquests, burial of bodies, removal of offal from the city, and all other expenses pertaining to the health of the city, twelve thousand dollars.

For highways, one hundred thousand dollars.

For the payment of notes due May 1 and August 1, 1882, for the high school building, thirteen thousand five hundred dollars.

For interest on the city debt as follows:—On the high school loans, fifty-two hundred and twelve dollars and twenty-one cents; on the war loan payable in 1893, fifteen thousand dollars; on the Brook street district loans of 1877 and 1879, thirty-three thousand six hundred dollars; on the public improvement loans, sixty-five thousand eight hundred dollars; on the city hall and sewer loans payable in 1895 and 1899, ninety-seven thousand five hundred dollars; on the water works loans payable in 1900 and 1906, two hundred and eighty-three thousand two hundred dollars; on the floating debt, twelve thousand dollars.

For the lamp department, including the salary of the superintendent of lights, one hundred and ten thousand dollars.

For the police department, including the salary of the chief of police, one hundred and ninety-five thousand dollars, to be expended as follows: the current expenses and compensation of the police force to be approved by the board of aldermen, and all other expenses shall have the approval of the board of aldermen and the joint committee of the city council on police.

For the support of public schools, one hundred and seventy-two thousand dollars, and in addition thereto, all money re-

ceived for registry taxes, dog licenses, and from the state for public education.

For repairs of public buildings, including the salary of the superintendent, forty-five thousand dollars.

For maintenance of public bridges, sixteen thousand dollars.

For the maintenance and improvement of public parks, fifteen hundred dollars.

For printing, advertising, and stationery for public offices, ten thousand dollars.

For rent of land and buildings, seven hundred and fifty dollars.

For the maintenance and improvement of Roger Williams park, seven thousand five hundred dollars.

For salaries, such as are not herein otherwise specified, fifty-nine thousand two hundred dollars.

For the city's proportion of the state tax, two hundred and fifty-two thousand eight hundred and twenty-one dollars and fifty-eight cents.

For care and maintenance of sewers, seventeen thousand dollars.

For sidewalks and curbing, ten thousand dollars, to be expended as follows: The city auditor is authorized to allow the orders of the board of public works for curbstones or materials for sidewalks from time to time, from any money standing to the credit of said account, *provided*, that the amount of said orders shall not exceed in the whole the sum of ten thousand dollars, and all sums received into the treasury for curbstones set or sidewalks constructed by said board of public works shall be credited to the account of sidewalks and curbing.

For sinking funds, as follows:—To redeem city hall and sewer loans due in 1895 and 1899, fifty-seven thousand two hundred dollars; to redeem the public improvement loans, twenty-eight thousand and fifty dollars; to redeem bonds issued for war expenses payable in 1893, five thousand dollars.

For school houses and lots, twenty thousand dollars, and in

addition thereto the unexpended balance of the appropriation for this account for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1881.

For the support of the poor, removal of paupers, and the salary of the overseer of the poor, fifteen thousand dollars.

For water for the use of the various departments and public buildings, including public hydrants and fountains, fifty-five thousand dollars.

For care and maintenance of the water works, seventy-two thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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No. 338. Communication of the City Clerk relative to the acceptance of the terms of the Ordinance permitting the Holmes' Burglar Alarm Telegraph Company to erect a line of Wires.

[Presented September 27, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The Holmes' Burglar Alarm and Telegraph Company, who were granted permission by chapter 172 of the ordinances, to erect a line of telegraph wires in certain streets of the city, have in writing signified their acceptance of the terms, permission, privileges and authority granted by said ordinance, and agreed to comply with, adopt and abide by all the provisions, conditions and restrictions upon which the same were given, by filing the said writing in the office of the city clerk, September 14, 1881.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY V. A. JOSLIN, City Clerk.

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No. 339. Resolution authorizing the Superintendent of Public Schools to contract for Carriage hire.

[Approved September 28, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of public schools, under direction of the school committee, is hereby authorized to contract for such carriage hire as may be necessary for his own use, and for the use of the principal teacher of music; providing the amount therefor shall not exceed the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars per annum, the same to be charged to the appropriation for public schools.

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No. 340. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved September 28, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the call members of the fire department, for services rendered during the quarter ending September 30, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the quarter next preceding.

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No. 341. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved September 28, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of September, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month next preceding.

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No. 342. Resolution granting permission to Charles Atwood Estate, to raise a building.

[Approved September 28, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to the estate of Charles Atwood, to raise a certain building located at No. 17 Paine street, pursuant to their petition.

No. 343. Resolution transferring amounts to balance Appropriations.

[Approved September 28, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That in order to balance any of the general appropriations, made by the city council, and approved October 5, 1880, for the current fiscal year, that may be exhausted, the city auditor is hereby authorized to transfer from one appropriation, having a surplus, to any other that may be exhausted, such sum or sums as may be necessary to meet the same.

CHAPTER CLXXVI.

No. 344. An ordinance permitting the Providence Telephone Company to erect a line of wires for telephone use.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

SECTION 1. The Providence Telephone Company, duly created and organized under the laws of the State of Rhode Island, is hereby authorized to erect poles, use and maintain thereon a line of wires and appurtenances thereto for telephone use in the city of Providence, on, upon and through the following streets, viz. : Oak and Messer streets ; Point street, from Beacon street to Summer street ; Summer street, from Point street to Broad street ; Market square at the corner of said square and Dyer street, and South Water street at the corner of Crawford street ; provided, however, and the authority hereby given, is upon the condition and is to be exercised upon the condition, that said company shall and will erect or place its poles and wires and other appurtenances thereto, at such points on said streets as the city engineer shall indicate, and not elsewhere ; that it will adopt such changes of location thereof, from time to time, as said city engineer shall direct, and such other

precautions for safety, from time to time, as said city engineer shall require; that said poles, wires and all said appurtenances or any thereof used, put up or laid by said company in said streets, or any of them, may be removed by said city, its officers, agents or servants at any time and from time to time; that it will conform to and obey such laws, rules or orders as may now exist or hereafter be prescribed, whether by act of general assembly or ordinances, orders or resolutions of the city council; and provided further, that said company will permit said poles to be used for other wires or appurtenances thereof than its own, with the permission of the city council, upon such terms as said city council may impose, notice of application for such use being given to said company before granting such permission; and provided, also, that no wires, whether put up by said company or otherwise, shall be stretched across any street, square, lane or alley within the first building district below the tops of the buildings therein; and provided, further, that the authority given hereby may at any time be wholly or in part revoked by said city council, without notice; that said company shall and will hold said city, its officers, agents and servants harmless, saved and indemnified from and against all lawful claims and demands for injuries to person or property sustained by the exercise of the rights given hereinbefore, and also that said city, city council or city engineer, or the agents or servants of said city exercising the rights, restrictions, powers and permission respectively given and reserved herein, shall not be held, rendered or considered liable by said company on account thereof, or by reason of any injury or damages occasioned thereby; and provided further, that said company shall, in writing, signify its acceptance of the terms, permission, privileges and authority hereby granted, and agree to comply with, adopt and abide by all the provisions, conditions and restrictions upon which the same are given, within thirty days after the passage hereof, and shall within that time file the said writing with the city clerk.

No. 345. Monthly Report of the Finance Committee  
on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented September 12, 1881.]

City council file, September 27, 1881.

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No. 346. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer on  
the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented September 12, 1881.]

City council file, September 27, 1881.

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No. 347. Monthly Report of the City Auditor for  
August, 1881.

[Presented September 12, 1881.]

City council file, September 27, 1881.

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No. 348. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer for  
August, 1881.

[Presented September 12, 1881.]

City council file, September 27, 1881.

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No. 349. Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of  
the Fire Department.

[Presented September 12, 1881.]

City council file, September 27, 1881.

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No. 350. Monthly report of the City Messenger for  
August, 1881.

[Presented September 12, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

In accordance with section 11 of chapter xxxvi, of the ordi-

nances, the city messenger reports, that during the month of August last, the city hall and the sidewalks around the same have been kept, and are now in good condition.

Bills have been paid, including pay rolls, amounting to \$556.79.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

No. 351. Report of the Committee on Education upon the completion of the School-House on Penn street.

[Presented September 12, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint standing committee of the city council on education respectfully report that the new primary and intermediate school building on Penn street has been completed and occupied since the commencement of the fall term.

A detailed statement of the cost is herewith submitted :

Building contract and extras . . . . .	\$6,466 38
Architect's fees . . . . .	100 00
Fences, out-buildings, vaults and cess-pools . . . . .	842 90
Grading . . . . .	393 80
Concreting . . . . .	67 50
Bell and hangings . . . . .	68 72
Heating apparatus . . . . .	395 00
Furniture . . . . .	846 55
Venetian blinds . . . . .	142 00
Black-boards . . . . .	54 90
Clocks . . . . .	51 00
Curtains for entries and recitation-rooms . . . . .	36 00
Transom lifters and hardware . . . . .	34 92
Screens for cellar windows . . . . .	25 00
Cleaning, freight, and expressage . . . . .	15 98
Total . . . . .	<u>\$9,540 65</u>

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Amount of appropriation.....	\$9,800 00
Amount expended.....	9,540 65
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Unexpended balance.....	\$259 35

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

FRED. I. MARCY, Chairman.

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No. 352. Message of the Mayor transmitting copy of Deed from the Randall Heirs of portion of land enclosed in North Burial Ground, together with copy of agreement dedicating said land for a park to be known as "Randall Park."

[Presented September 12, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
September 12, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

By a resolution of the city council, approved December 11, 1876, the Mayor was authorised "to make and execute a writing on the part of the city with the Randall heirs, so called, to carry into effect the agreement made by the committee on north burial ground," and stated in the report of said committee, presented December 7, 1876, viz. : "The Randall heirs to quit claim to the city of Providence all their right, title and interest to the land in controversy, now in the north burial ground enclosure. That burials shall be forever prohibited in that portion of the north burial ground bounded on North Main street, within one hundred and fifteen feet of said street, as now located, and that the said portion of the said grounds, within the one hundred and fifteen feet aforesaid, shall be known as 'Randall park,' and be planted with trees and otherwise beautified as soon as convenient to the city of Providence. And it is

understood that such part of 'Randall park' as may hereafter be required to widen North Main street shall be used for that purpose without expense to the city of Providence."

For some cause, the signatures of certain of the heirs have been withheld until the 8th instant, when the deed required was placed in the possession of the city. I have therefore executed the agreement above mentioned, and the city is thereby relieved of the chief obstacle to the widening and greatly needed repairs and improvement of this portion of North Main street. Copies of the deed and the agreement on the part of the city are transmitted herewith.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

[COPY.]

DEED.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS :

That we, Lucius Miner and wife, Julia A. Miner, of Lincoln, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, Elisha C. Mowry, of Providence, in said county, guardian of the person and estate of Vashti W. Angell, of North Providence, in said county, Edward P. Knowles, of said Providence, and the said Edward P. Knowles, guardian of the person and estate of his son Edward R. Knowles, in pursuance of authority granted by the Court of Probate of said North Providence to said guardians respectively, and in consideration of the sum of one dollar to us paid by the city of Providence, a municipal corporation created under the laws of said state, and of other good and valuable considerations, (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,) do hereby remise, release and forever quit claim unto the city of Providence aforesaid, its successors and assigns forever, all the right, title, interest, property, claim or demand, which we, or either of us, or the said Vashti W. Angell or Edward R. Knowles, now have, or of right ought to have, in and to all that tract of land now wholly or in part included in the North Burying Ground in said Providence, as enclosed by said city and bounded and described as follows, namely :

Northerly on the William Randall farm, so called, now owned by said city, north-easterly and easterly on the Power road and North Main street, southerly on the Gannon estate recently purchased by said city, and west-erly on said burying ground, as formerly enclosed and maintained :

To have and to hold the same with all the privileges and appurtenances

thereof or thereto belonging, to the city of Providence, aforesaid, its successors and assigns, to its and their sole use forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We hereto set our hands and seals the first day of March in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and seventy-seven.

(Signed)

LUCIUS MINER, [L. S.]

JULIA A. MINER, [L. S.]

ELISHA C. MOWRY, [L. S.]

as guardian of VASHTI W. ANGELL,

E. P. KNOWLES, [L. S.]

E. P. KNOWLES, [L. S.]

Guardian.

Signed, sealed and delivered  
in presence of

WILLIAM C. CHASE, to signatures of L. M. & J. A. M.

RICHARD B. COMSTOCK, witness to signature of ELISHA  
C. MOWRY, Guardian.

E. METCALF, to signatures of E. P. KNOWLES, and E. P.  
KNOWLES, Guardian.

PROVIDENCE, SC.

In Providence, the eighth day of September, A. D. 1881, before me personally appeared Edward P. Knowles and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed, in his own right and in his capacity of guardian of the person and estate of Edward R. Knowles.

EDWIN METCALF, Notary Public.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND.

In Lincoln, this nineteenth day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy-seven. (1877,) then the above named Lucius Miner, personally appeared before me and acknowledged the within instrument by him signed to be his free and voluntary act and deed.

WILLIAM C. CHASE, Notary Public.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, PROVIDENCE COUNTY, SC.

In Lincoln, this nineteenth day of March, A. D. 1877, then the aforementioned Julia A. Miner personally appeared before me, separate and apart from her husband, Lucius Miner, and after having the foregoing deed shown and explained to her by me, declared it to be her free and voluntary act and deed, and that she did not wish to retrace the same.

WILLIAM C. CHASE, Notary Public.

PROVIDENCE, SC.

In the city of Providence, this fourth day of May, A. D. 1877, personally came before me Elisha C. Mowry, as guardian of Vashti W. Angell,

and acknowledged the foregoing instrument by him signed as such guardian, to be his free and voluntary act and deed in his said capacity.

RICHARD B. COMSTOCK, Justice of the Peace.

[COPY.]

AGREEMENT.

In pursuance of resolution No. 689 of city council (1876) the city of Providence hereby promises and agrees that burials shall be forever prohibited in that portion of the north burial ground in said city, bounded on North Main street, within one hundred and fifteen feet of said street as located December 7, 1876, and also that the said portion of the said grounds within the one hundred and fifteen feet aforesaid, shall be known as "Randall Park," and be planted with trees and otherwise beautified as soon as convenient to said city of Providence.

It being, however, understood, and this writing is given with such understanding between the parties, the said city and the parties receiving this writing, that such part of "Randall Park," aforementioned and described, as may hereafter be required to widen North Main street, shall and may be used for that purpose and taken therefor without expense to said city of Providence.

This agreement being made between said city of Providence and the Randall heirs, so called, in said resolution, and their heirs and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said city of Providence hath hereunto set its corporate hand by William S. Hayward, Mayor of said city of Providence, hereunto duly authorized, on the eighth day of September, A. D. 1881.

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE,

By WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

In presence of N. VAN SLYCK.

Correct in form:

N. VAN SLYCK, City Solicitor.

No. 353. Resolution authorizing the purchase of new Fire Alarm Repeaters.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of engineers of the fire department, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on the fire department, are hereby authorized to exchange the old repeating machinery of the fire alarm for a new

and improved method of repeating fire alarms, provided that the cost of said exchange shall not exceed the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

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No. 354. Resolution authorizing the purchase of a new Hook and Ladder Truck for the use of the Fire Department.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of engineers, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on the fire department, are hereby authorized to procure a suitable hook and ladder truck for use in this department; provided, that the cost of said truck shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

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No. 355. Resolution setting apart a lot in the North Burial Ground for a Memorial to the French Allies of the Revolution.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the commissioners of the north burial ground be and they are hereby directed to set apart a portion of ground not exceeding twenty-five feet square, on which a memorial may be erected in commemoration of the services of our French allies who lost their lives during the war of the Revolution, and who are buried in said ground.

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No. 356. Resolution to Concrete the Sidewalks on the North Side of Arnold Street.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, And it is hereby ordered and directed, that the sidewalks on the north side of Arnold street, from Brook street

to Hope street, in the city of Providence, shall be altered and improved by concreting the same from said Brook street to said Hope street, so that said sidewalks for their whole length as aforesaid, shall be of the width as now occupied, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz. :

All material above said grades shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling whenever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will be not less than an inch in depth.

The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating, or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalk shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further *resolved, ordered and directed*, that the notices of the foregoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given and the publication of the foregoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

No. 357. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Clinton street.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about six hundred and thirty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Clinton street, from Broad street, easterly.

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No. 358. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Gallup street.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about sixty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Gallup street, easterly from present end of pipe, east of Prairie avenue.

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No. 359. Resolution to extend the Water Pipe in Harris avenue.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be and they are hereby directed to extend the water pipe in Harris avenue, from its present terminus to a point opposite or beyond the school building on said avenue.

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No. 360. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Potter's avenue.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about seven hundred and eighty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Potter's avenue, from Melrose street to connect with pipes already laid in Potter's avenue.

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No. 361. Resolution transferring three thousand dollars from the appropriation for the Lamp Department to the appropriation for the Fire Department.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the sum of three thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for the fire department, said sum to be transferred from the appropriation for the lamp department.

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No. 362. Resolution transferring four hundred dollars from the appropriation for parks to the appropriation for Roger Williams Park.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the sum of four hundred dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for parks to the appropriation for Roger Williams Park.

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No. 363. Resolution transferring twelve thousand dollars from water maintenance to the appropriation for Highways.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the sum of twelve thousand dollars be and is hereby transferred from the appropriation for water maintenance to the appropriation for highways.

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No. 364. Resolution authorizing the Joint Committee on City Property to purchase a lot of land for a Grammar School in the Ninth Ward, Western District, Vineyard street.

[Approved October 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on city pro-

perty be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to purchase a lot of land on the west side of Vineyard street, near Potter's avenue, measuring about one hundred and sixty by one hundred and eighty feet, said lot being the grammar school location reported to the city council; provided, that the title to the same shall be satisfactory to the city solicitor; and the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of nine thousand dollars, and that the balance of the appropriation for school houses and lots remaining in the treasury at the close of the financial year 1881, with such an amount from the appropriation for contingencies as may be required to make up the deficiency, is hereby appropriated.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

OCTOBER 6, 1881.

The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum, monthly report of the overseer of the poor, quarterly report of the chief of police, and quarterly report of the inspector of milk, are severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz.:

### MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Edwin E. Calder, inspector of milk.....	\$50 00	Aurion V. Chevers, Pitman street sewer.....	\$3 00
A. E. Field & Son, health de- partment.....	550 00	Edward S. Rhodes, Pitman street sewer.....	3 00
Benj. H. Child, ringing bells.	123 00	J. Harry Welch, draping city hall.....	125 00
A. R. Darling, carriages....	77 00	John Tooney, recovering dead body.....	5 00
George W. Wightman, sup- port of poor.....	1,278 00		
George W. Wightman, char- ity building.....	363 01		

## BRIDGE DEPARTMENT BILLS.

C. H. Carpenter.....	\$464 33	Allen Fire Department Sup-	
G. W. Harris.....	33 12	ply Co.....	\$1 00
J. L. Peirce & Co.....	7 21	Charles F. Pope.....	45
A. B. Yetter.....	5 00	Wm. H. Miller & Co.....	4 11
Fuller Iron Works.....	6 15	Wm. H. Fenner & Co.....	75
C. J. Clafin & Co.....	10 00	T. A. Randall, assignee.....	40
Stephen P. Henry.....	12 86	Rice, Starkweather & Co....	2 66
Dexter, Gorton & Co.....	16 50	Charles H. George & Co....	3 14
Hopkins, Pomroy & Co....	14 79	American Ship Windlass Co.	1 00
Providence Steam Engine Co.	11 78	George E. Boynton .....	1 85
Ira Winsor & Co.....	22 47	H. W. Pepper, agent.....	25
J. A. Potter & Co.....	5 54	C. H. Peabody.....	2 00
Nichols & Langworthy.....	2 00	John Armstong.....	1 60
S. S. Sprague & Co.....	41 60	E. R. Crowell.....	200 00
Pay roll. Point street bridge.	277 50	D. L. Barker.....	124 50
Pay roll, labor.....	101 65	Dugal Stewart.....	15 90
L. W. Clarke.....	50	Providence Gas Co.....	3 00
W. D. Bullock.....	2 10	G. R. Wardwell.....	1 50
G. W. Freeborn & Co.....	36	W. D. Bullock.....	1 50
Warren & Wood.....	1 06	W. B. Blanding.....	75
Belcher Bros.....	55		

## LAMP DEPARTMENT BILLS.

Providence Gas Co.....	\$180 84	Labor pay roll.....	\$101 50
Pay roll.....	2,434 45		

## POLICE DEPARTMENT BILLS.

Edward T. Caswell.....	\$10 00	Albert Richard.....	\$20 00
Franklin M. Clark.....	12 04	Callender, McAuslan & Troup	10 05
Wm. H. Palmer.....	248 00	Earl Carpenter & Sons.....	97 02
Pay roll.....	13,550 16	Providence Gas Co.....	682 89
Louis W. Clarke.....	18 54	Billings Bros.....	12 25
Hopkins, Pomroy & Co....	10 50	L. Wright.....	9 00
P. Parker.....	35 00	Angell & Barney.....	56 70
John H. Eddy.....	19 50	Edwin R. Jones.....	50 88
James J. Monally.....	36 00	Benj. H. Child.....	114 78
Mason & Moran.....	20 91	Hopkins & Sears.....	26 40
William Sweeney.....	121 58	C. H. Peabody.....	15 00
Benj. H. Child.....	25 00	Pay roll, janitors.....	272 00

The following accounts against sundry persons for curbstones furnished to them by the board of public works, are severally approved, viz. :

Owen Connelly.....	\$30 09	John Cassidy....	\$141 09
William Mulcahey.....	61 93	Ann O'Reilly.....	32 70
John Duxbury.....	68 17	Michael Mulvey and wife....	59 10
John B. Hennessey.....	30 09	George H. Corliss.....	61 43
Church of the Immaculate Conception.....	90 55	Michael McHale.....	40 74

License is granted to Peter McGough to keep a tavern at No. 118 North Main street.

Hoxsie Wilcox is designated and appointed to remove swill and offal from No. 12 Weybosset street, No. 23 Canal street, end No. 39 Dyer street.

Permission is granted to the following persons to build barns, viz. :

Michael Farrell, on Fenner avenue; George W. Jenckes, on Fallon avenue; E. M. Lincoln, at No. 100 Chalkstone avenue; H. E. Maynard, on Atwell's avenue; Alonzo P. Mowry, on Chalkstone avenue; John Wilson Smith, on Forest street; William Taylor, on Admiral street, and Jane Troup, at No. 233 Broadway.

The superintendent of lights is directed to cause lamps to be set upon the following streets, viz. :

On Linwood avenue, one lamp;

On Durfee street, two lamps;

On Moore street, one lamp, and at the corner of Broadway and Barton street, one lamp.

The following resolution is read and passed :

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of health is hereby directed to inquire and report to this board, what is the nature of the service which Russell Fenner renders to the city of Providence, in taking care of the quarantine station and buildings at Field's Point, under resolution of the board of May 7, 1874, authorizing him to occupy said station, and also what portion of the Field's Point farm said Fenner occupies under said resolution, and for what purposes, and what portion of said farm he underlets to other parties, and what rent, if any, he has received therefor.

Ordered, that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Joseph W. Pratt, for increase of pay as patrolman ; Charles M. Smith, treasurer, for the use of the Electric Lighting Apparatus in railroad hall, the committee on lamps having reported adversely upon his petition ; Stephen McMaugh, et al., for relief from assessments for the extension of Vinton street, the committee on highways having reported adversely upon their petition.

A resolution ordering the construction of certain sewers, having passed the common council, is read, and the board of aldermen do not concur therein.

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## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

OCTOBER 10, 1881.

Ordered, that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Mary Pinkerton, to be allowed to settle judgment, the committee on claims having reported adversely upon her petition ;  
James Campbell, for estate of Henry C. Mathewson, for rent of estate occupied by the city on Eddy and Manchester streets, the committee on claims having reported adversely upon his petition.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

No. 365. Resolution to establish nine ordinary Evening Schools.

[Approved October 10, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the school committee be, and they are

hereby authorized to establish for a term of seventeen weeks, during the ensuing fall and winter, not to exceed nine ordinary evening schools, to be located in such buildings as said committee may select.

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## CHAPTER CLXXVII.

No. 366. An Ordinance fixing the salaries of the Evening School Teachers of the City of Providence for the Fall and Winter of 1881 and 1882.

[Approved October 10, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SECTION 1. The salaries of the evening school teachers during the fall and winter of 1881 and 1882, shall be fixed by the school committee, not to exceed in the whole the sum of ten thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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## CHAPTER CLXXVIII.

No. 367. An Ordinance in amendment of Chapter CXLVIII., fixing salaries of Teachers in Public Schools.

[Approved October 10, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SECTION 1. The school committee are hereby authorized to employ one assistant grammar school teacher in addition to the number prescribed by said chapter cxlvi., of the ordinances, and by resolutions passed subsequent thereto and that said authority date from September 1, 1881.

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No. 368. Resolution authorizing a Fire Alarm Signal Box to be placed near the corner of Waterman and East River streets.

[Approved October 10, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of engineers, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on the fire department, are hereby authorized to procure and place in position for fire alarm purposes, one fire alarm signal box, near the junction of Waterman and East River streets, provided the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars; the same to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

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No. 369. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Wheaton avenue.

[Approved October 10, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and thirty-six feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Wheaton avenue, from Potter's avenue to Anthony avenue.

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No. 370. Resolution permitting Henry C. Clark to build a Coal Elevator on Dorrance Street Wharf.

[Approved October 10, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be hereby granted to Henry C. Clark to build a coal elevator on the Dorrance street wharf, pursuant to his petition.

No. 371. Resolution granting permission to John Fitzgerald to raise a building.

[Approved October 10, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to John Fitzgerald, to raise a certain building located at No. 84 Blackstone street, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 372. Resolution granting permission to Greenwich Street Free Baptist Church to raise a building.

[Approved October 10, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Greenwich street Free Baptist Church to raise a certain building located at the corner of West Friendship and Greenwich streets, pursuant to its petition.

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No. 373. Resolution granting permission to Richard Hayward to raise a building.

[Approved October 10, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Richard Hayward to raise a certain building located at No. 11 Linden street, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 374. Report of the Joint Special Committee of Arrangements upon the Memorial Services to the late President of the United States, James A. Garfield.

[Presented October 6, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

Your committee, appointed by joint resolution No. 336, cur-

rent series, approved September 22, 1881, "to arrange for an appropriate observance of Monday, the 26th of said September, the day of the funeral of James A. Garfield, late President of the United States, respectfully report, that they have attended to the duties thereof, and have allowed bills for said object amounting to the sum of three hundred thirty-nine dollars and nineteen cents. To all who aided in the services the committee hereby express their thanks, and also recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

ROBERT E. SMITH, Chairman.

No. 375. Resolution expressing thanks to the Clergymen officiating at the "Garfield Memorial Services," and appointing a Committee to obtain a copy of the address of Rev. A. J. F. Behrends, D. D.

[Approved October 11, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the city council are hereby tendered to the several clergymen who participated in the services held at Infantry Hall, on Monday, September 26, 1881, in memory of James Abram Garfield, late President of the United States, and to Rev. A. J. F. Behrends, D. D., for his able and eloquent address.

RESOLVED, That alderman Smith, and Messrs. Marcy and Martin, of the common council, are hereby appointed a committee to wait upon Dr. Behrends, and request a copy of the address delivered by him, and to cause the same, together with the order of exercises on that day, to be printed for the use of the city council.

No. 376. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out North Main street.

[Approved October 11, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out North Main street, from Sexton street, to the old city line, of an uniform width of ninety-nine feet.

No. 377. Message of the Mayor relative to changing the time for holding the Annual Dexter Donation Town Meeting.

[Presented October 6, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
October 6, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

At the annual Dexter Donation town meeting held in June last, the following resolution was passed by the freemen assembled :

“RESOLVED, That His Honor William S. Hayward, mayor, in behalf of the freemen in town meeting this day assembled, request the city council of the city of Providence to change by ordinance the time of holding the annual town meeting in relation to the Dexter Donation, from the last Saturday in June, so that said annual town meeting shall hereafter be holden on the third Saturday in December in each year.”

There are several reasons which make the change contemplated in the resolution very desirable.

The care and management of the Dexter Asylum is placed in the hands of the mayor and board of aldermen, and as these officers are now elected annually to serve from January to January, and not, as at the time it was thus put in their charge,

from June to June ; if there is any change in the incumbents of either office, the institution comes under the direction of two sets of managers in a single year, one having charge thereof from January to June, and the other from June to January. If the proposed change is made, and the time for holding the town meeting placed on the third Saturday of December in each year, the responsibility in the management of the asylum will not be divided.

Another important reason exists in the fact, that at present the superintendent in making his annual report of the crops raised upon the farm, is compelled to include a portion of two crops, whereas if his report is made in December, the entire income from the sale of products of the farm can be stated, and an account of each year stand by itself.

I am informed by the city solicitor that there are no legal objections to an alteration in the ordinance to accomplish the desired change, and therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying bill for an ordinance.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

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## CHAPTER CLXXIX.

No. 378. An Ordinance in amendment of Chapter XIV. of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled "Dexter Donation."

[Approved October 11, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

SECTION 1. Section 1, of chapter xiv. of the ordinances, entitled "Dexter Donation," is hereby amended by substituting for the words "the last Saturday of June," the words, "the third Saturday of December."

No. 379. Resolution to extend the sewer in Pitman street, to tide water.

[Approved October 11, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be, and they are hereby directed to cause the main drain or common sewer in Pitman street, to be extended from its present terminus in said street to tide water, in accordance with the plans of the city engineer; the expense thereof, to be charged to the appropriation for sewers.

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No. 380. Resolution granting permission to Mary Inglesbee to raise a building.

[Approved October 11, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Mary Inglesbee to raise a certain building located at No. 60 Willow street, pursuant to her petition.

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No. 381. Resolution granting permission to Wm. W. Rickard to raise a building.

[Approved October 11, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Wm. W. Rickard, to raise a certain building located at Nos. 83 and 85 Dablia street, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 382. Resolution granting permission to Joseph D. Waterman, to raise a building.

[Approved October 11, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Joseph D. Waterman, to raise a certain building located at No. 257 Manton avenue, pursuant to his petition.

No. 383. Resolution ordering a Sewer to be constructed in North Main street.

[Approved October 11, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain, or common sewer, to be constructed in North Main street, from Evergreen street to Livingston street, also to cause the connections therewith to be laid to the line of the curbing on the east side thereof, the same to be done by day work, or otherwise.

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IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

OCTOBER 18, 1881.

Charles A. Randall is appointed an auctioneer.

Permission is granted to the Providence Dyeing, Bleaching and Calendering Company, to connect their estate with the old drain in Sabin street.

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IN COMMON COUNCIL.

OCTOBER 18, 1881.

A resolution to set curbing on North Main street, from Doyle avenue to Branch avenue, is read and not passed.

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IN CITY COUNCIL.

No. 384. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Courtland street.

[Approved October 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Courtland street, from Penn street to Gesler street, as a public highway.

No. 385. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Providence street.

[Approved October 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Providence street, from Dudley street to Pearl street, as a public highway.

No. 386. Message of the Mayor relative to Curbing on North Main street, and the construction of a Sewer therein.

[Presented October 18, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
October 18, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

By chapter clxvi of the ordinances, approved May 20, 1881, the board of public works is "authorized and directed to cause North Main street, from Randall street to Branch avenue, to be paved with granite blocks, and the sidewalks and curbing to be put in proper condition," and in a resolution passed September 1st, last, the board of aldermen express the opinion "that the old curbing shall be reset on North Main street, from Randall street to Branch avenue, unless the abutting owners thereon will signify in writing to the board of public works their willingness to pay for new curbing."

Upon commencing work the board of public works discovered that much of the old curbing is utterly unfit for use, while but few of the abutting owners have been willing to pay for new. They have therefore addressed to me a communication embodying the above statement, a copy of which is herewith transmitted, and asking for further advice in the matter.

In view of the permanent character of the work contemplated on this street, a true economy would dictate that all

improvements necessitating the reopening of the street should be done previous to the work of paving said street. I therefore call your attention to the petition of certain abutters requesting the building of a sewer in North Main street, from Doyle avenue to Jenkins street.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

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No. 387. Resolution to build a Sewer in North Main street.

[Approved October 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be, and they are, hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be built in North Main street, from Doyle avenue to Jenkins street, and that connections be laid from said sewer to the curb lines of said street, the same to be done by day work or otherwise.

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No. 388. Resolution granting additional accommodations to the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company.

[Passed in Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1881. Passed in Common Council, September 27, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Board of Aldermen, October 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the consent of the city of Providence is hereby given to the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company, to occupy the land shown on the accompanying plat and described in the description attached thereto, upon condition that said railroad company pay to the city of Providence for the use of the same, from and after May 1st, 1881, at the rate of fifty dollars per year, payable quarterly; the city reserving the right to take possession of said lands, at a thirty days' notice from the city council.

No. 389. Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of  
the Fire Department.

[Presented October 10, 1881.]

City council file, October 20, 1881.

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No. 390. Monthly Report of the City Messenger for  
September, 1881.

[Presented October 10, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

In accordance with section 11 of chapter xxxvi, of the ordinances, the city messenger reports, that during the month of September last, the city hall and the sidewalks around the same have been kept and are now in good condition.

Bills have been paid, including pay rolls, amounting to \$627.65.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

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No. 391. Twenty-Fifth Quarterly Report of the Commissioners of Sinking Funds.

[Presented October 10, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

The board of commissioners of sinking funds make this their twenty-fifth quarterly report :

The amount of funds in the control of the board, June 30, 1881, was—

Of the fund of 1885.....	\$608,760	62
Of the fund of 1893.....	232,279	72
Of the fund of 1895.....	217,257	53
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899.....	55,311	06
Of the public improvement loan of 1899.....	13,901	80
Of the water loan.....	116,596	41
Of the North Burial Ground loan.....	641	23
Of the Brook street district loans.....	74,548	46
Whole amount.....	\$1,319,296	83

The amount on hand September 30, 1881, was—

Of the fund of 1885.....	\$635,104	76
Of the fund of 1893.....	238,126	53
Of the fund of 1895.....	260,876	94
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899.....	56,262	43
Of the public improvement loan of 1899.....	27,797	61
Of the public improvement loan of 1900.....	4,500	00
Of the water loan.....	119,457	60
Of the North Burial Ground loan.....	645	62
Of the Brook street district loans.....	12,951	76
Whole amount.....	\$1,355,723	25

The increase in the several funds has been—

In the fund of 1885.....	\$26,344	14
In the fund of 1893.....	5,846	81
In the fund of 1895.....	43,619	41
In the city hall and sewer loan of 1899.....	951	37
In the public improvement loan of 1899.....	13,895	81
In the public improvement loan of 1900.....	4,500	00
In the water loan.....	2,861	19
In the North Burial Ground loan.....	4	39
In the Brook street district loans.....	5,169	90
Whole increase.....	\$103,193	02

September 1st, last, the board paid to the city treasurer of the city of Providence the sum of \$66,766.60, from the Brook street district fund, towards the payment of Brook street district bonds, maturing on that date, making the net increase in the amount of the several sinking funds over that of the preceding quarter, \$36,426.42.

Respectfully submitted by order of the board of commissioners,

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD,

Mayor and Chairman.

Providence, October 10, 1881.

No. 392. Nineteenth Quarterly Report of the Joint Special Committee on the Brook Street District.

[Presented October 10, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

GENTLEMEN :—The joint special committee on the Brook street district, present this their nineteenth quarterly report of receipts and expenditures.

Receipts for quarter ending September 30, 1881 :—

Rents .....	\$3,358 13
Sales of old stone.....	5 00
Total.....	<u>\$3,363 13</u>

Expenditures for quarter ending September 30, 1881 :—

Land and buildings.....	\$2,591 40
Water for houses.....	1,033 38
Salaries.....	300 00
Repairs to buildings.....	383 16
Land damages.....	100 00
Setting stone bounds.....	48 90

Relocating and refitting buildings . . . . .	19 85
Expenses, Lyon's estate, (cleaning vaults) . . . . .	4 14
Total . . . . .	<u>\$4,480 83</u>

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. MILLETT, Chairman.

Providence, October 1, 1881.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

OCTOBER 20, 1881.

The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum and monthly report of the inspector of steam boilers are severally read and received.

The account of Henry C. Wickes, health department, amounting to \$8.00, is examined and allowed.

H. E. Sproul is granted a license to exhibit the Human Bear Boy at No. 27 Westminster street.

Licenses to keep victualling houses are granted to the following persons, viz. :

Bidet & Sumner, at No. 50 Peck street; Childs & Lee, at No. 23 Canal street; George F. Munroe, at Nos. 22 and 24 Wickenden street.

M. H. Nugent is granted a license to keep one pool table at No. 44 Orange street upon payment of five dollars.

License is granted to James King to buy and sell junk and second hand articles at No. 73 Point street.

S. Eastman is granted a license to keep a pawnbroker's shop at No. 194 Westminster street.

Permission is granted to the following persons to build barns, viz. :

Thomas Fidler, between Douglass avenue and Veazie street;

Charles M. Nichols, at No. 222 Cranston street; E. L. & M. J. Pierce, on Daboll street; R. E. Richardson, at No. 5 Young avenue; Henry and Bridget O'Neil, at No. 78 Putnam street.

Canvass meetings are ordered to be held on Wednesday, November 16, 1881, and Saturday, November 19, 1881, at 7.30 o'clock P. M.

The city clerk is directed to print eight thousand ballots "for" and the same number "against" the granting of license for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

The following resolutions are read and passed :

RESOLVED, That the permission granted to Charles M. Smith to use, in connection with telegraphic and telephonic experiments, all the electrical lighting apparatus in Railroad Hall, under resolution of this board of March 31st, 1881, be and the same is hereby revoked.

RESOLVED, That the American Gas Lighting Company be and they are hereby authorized to use the electric lighting apparatus belonging to the city of Providence, and now set up in the building of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics Fair, in the city of Boston, for the purpose of exhibiting the apparatus at said fair, and said American Gas Lighting Company is to pay such compensation for the use of said apparatus as the mayor shall deem sufficient, and upon the condition that said company shall furnish to the mayor a bond with satisfactory sureties for the safe return of said apparatus, without expense to the city of Providence; provided, that this resolution is not intended to excuse or condone the conduct of Charles M. Smith in taking and carrying said apparatus to the city of Boston without legal authority, or to waive any right to proceed against him therefor.

A communication from the chief of police requesting the consent of the board to the removal of patrolman John Casey in that, in his opinion the interests of the city require such removal, is presented, read and received, whereupon it is

RESOLVED, That the board of aldermen consent to said removal.

An order is read and passed reducing the pay of James O. Atwood and James O'Sullivan, patrolmen, to two dollars and fifty cents each per day.

Ordered that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Sanford G. Paine, to keep a victualling house at No. 380½ Broad street; S. J. Rochester, to keep a tavern at No. 200 Westminster street.

The report of the committee appointed to lay out Lloyd street, from Prospect street to Thayer street, is received, approved, and ordered to be recorded.

A resolution to construct a sewer in Wilson street, having passed the common council, is read and the board of aldermen do not concur therein.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 393. Resolution to construct a Sewer in Lester street.

[Approved October 21, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Lester street, from Pearl street for a distance of about two hundred and twenty feet westerly, the work on same to be done by day work or otherwise.

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No. 394. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved October 21, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of October, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by

the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month of September, 1881, excepting the pay of two of said permanent members, who are entitled to the rate of six hundred dollars per annum.

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No. 395. Resolution authorizing the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department to employ additional permanent men.

[Approved October 21, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of engineers, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on the fire department, are hereby authorized to employ an additional number of permanent men not exceeding six for service in said department, and that the city treasurer be authorized to pay the same at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate of seven hundred dollars each per annum.

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No. 396. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Joy street.

[Approved October 21, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and twenty-eight feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Joy street, from Prairie avenue easterly.

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No. 397. Resolution directing the City Treasurer to pay Johanna Noonan \$135 for burial expenses of her husband.

[Approved October 21, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be directed to pay to Johanna Noonan the sum of one hundred and thirty-five dollars for defraying the burial expenses of her husband; the same to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

OCTOBER 31, 1881.

An ordinance permitting the New York and New England Railroad Co. to lay rails in certain streets, is taken from table, and indefinitely postponed.

The eighth and ninth rules of the "rules of order of the common council," are amended.

## IN CITY COUNCIL.

No. 398. Resolution to pay R. G. Place the sum of \$75.00 for rent of hall on Pearl street.

[Approved October 21, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay R. G. Place the sum of seventy-five dollars, whenever he shall give a receipt in full for all claims for rent of hall on Pearl street to date; said payment to be charged to the appropriation for the expenses of elections.

No. 399. Resolution authorizing the Joint Committee on Education to hire Elmwood Hall for school purposes.

[Approved November 4, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on education be and they are hereby authorized to hire of G. W. Carr and W. F. Gladding, Elmwood Hall, so-called, for one year from July 1, 1881, at a rental not to exceed six hundred dollars; said hall to be used for school purposes.

No. 400. Monthly Report of the Finance Committee  
on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented October 31, 1881.]

City council file, November 3, 1881.

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No. 401. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer on  
the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented October 31, 1881.]

City council file, November 3, 1881.

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No. 402. Monthly Report of the City Auditor for  
September, 1881.

[Presented October 31, 1881.]

City council file, November 3, 1881.

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No. 403. Communication of the City Clerk relative to the  
acceptance of the terms of Chapter 176 of the ordi-  
nances, by the Providence Telephone Company.

[Presented October 31, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

The Providence Telephone Co., who were granted permission by chapter 176 of the ordinances, to erect a line of wires for telephone use in certain streets of the city of Providence, have signified in writing their acceptance of the terms, permission, privileges and authority granted by said ordinance, and have agreed to comply with, adopt and abide by all the provisions,

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conditions and restrictions upon which the same were given, by filing the said writing in the office of the city clerk on the 26th day of October, A. D. 1881.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY V. A. JOSLIN, City Clerk.

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No. 404. Resolution to construct a Sewer in Lloyd street.

[Approved November 5, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Lloyd street, from Prospect street to Thayer street, the work on the same to be done by day work or otherwise.

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No. 405. Resolution relative to a new Bridge at Pawtuxet.

[Approved November 5, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the petition asking consent of the city of Providence to build a new bridge over Pawtuxet river, ten feet wider than the present old bridge, be referred to the board of public works, with authority to act in behalf of the city.

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No. 406. Resolution granting permission to Richmond Manufacturing Co. to raise certain buildings.

[Approved November 5, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Richmond Manufacturing Co. to raise certain buildings located at Nos. 319, 323, 327, 331 and 335 Valley street, pursuant to its petition.

No. 407. Resolution ordering the Board of Public Works to concrete the sidewalks on Keene street.

[Approved November 5, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works as surveyors of highways of the city of Providence, be hereby ordered to proceed at the expense of said city, and execute the directions, given by the city council, to the owners of adjoining lots in and pursuant to resolution No. 329, approved September 14, 1881, relative to concreting the sidewalks on Keene street, from Prospect street to Hope street.

No. 408. Resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Tefft street.

[Approved November 5, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Tefft street, from Atwell's avenue to Federal street, as a public highway.

No. 409. Resolution to lay out and extend Vinton street.

[Approved November 5, 1881.]

WHEREAS, The commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the supreme court at the March term, 1881, to lay out Vinton street, from a point in the easterly line of Vinton street, which is in a range with the southerly line of Gesler street, to Atwell's avenue, under and pursuant to an act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering streets in the city of Providence, and the acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto," made their first report to said court on the fifteenth day of September, A. D. 1881; now therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court:—

RESOLVED, That the city council do hereby elect to make said improvement.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

NOVEMBER 3, 1881.

The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum, and quarterly report of the superintendent of hacks, are severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Edwin E. Calder, inspector of milk.....	\$50 00	A. R. Darling, carriages....	\$9 00
A. E. Field & Son, health de- partment.....	550 00	Charles H. Garde, recovering dead body.....	5 00

BRIDGE DEPARTMENT BILLS.

Pay roll.....	\$606 78	Belcher Bros.....	\$10 63
Ira Winsor & Co.....	28 07	J. L. Peirce & Co.....	7 14
S. P. Henry.....	13 29	H. W. Pepper, agent.....	6 00
C. H. Carpenter.....	28 93	City of Providence.....	5 97
J. A. Potter & Co.....	15 08	E. R. Crowell.....	215 00
Hopkins, Pomroy & Co.....	15 87		

LAMP DEPARTMENT BILLS.

Pay roll.....	\$2,489 32	Labor pay roll.....	\$103 15
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POLICE DEPARTMENT BILLS.

Pay roll.....	\$13,979 82	Chambers, Calder and Co.....	\$7 17
William Rowley, Jr.....	95 00	Angell & Barney.....	122 92
Patrick Parker.....	40 00	Benj. H. Child.....	32 76
James J. Monally.....	72 00	Janitors' pay roll.....	272 00

Henry F. Nowell is appointed a police constable without power to serve civil process.

Licenses are granted as follows, viz. :

To Charles F. Handy, to keep one bowling alley at No. 236 Westminster street, upon payment of five dollars; to R. A.

Jillson, to keep a victualling house at Nos. 89 and 91 North Main street; to Robert E. Jones, to keep a victualling house at Nos. 3 and 4 Post Office court; and to George P. Parsons, to keep a victualling house at No. 83 Dorrance street.

The following persons are severally designated and appointed to remove swill and offal, viz. :

David Moore, Jr., from No. 154 South Main street; Stephen A. Whitaker, from No. 142 South Main street.

William W. Brown, Jr., is granted permission to operate a steam boiler at No. 43 Westfield street.

The following persons are granted permission to build barns, viz. :

Jonathan Bailey, at No. 41 Evergreen street; Benjamin C. Bowen, on Cass street, near Plain street; Charles Erler, on River avenue, corner of Sunnyside street; William Goddard, at No. 41 Benevolent street; Alva Goff, at No. 59 Davis street; Harrison V. Slocum, at No. 220 Charles street; George H. Smith, at No. 12 Anthony avenue.

Cyrus Harris, collector of customs, is granted permission to connect the estate at the corner of South Main street and Custom avenue, with the old drain in South Main street.

The following resolution is read and passed :

RESOLVED, That permission be hereby granted to William A. Johnson and others, the petitioners therefor, to erect a foot bridge across the Woonasquatucket river, in the vicinity of Holden street, pursuant to their petition, provided that said bridge be located at such point as the city engineer, with the advice of the sub-committee on bridges, shall indicate, and that the same be built in accordance with such plans as shall be approved by the city engineer; and said permission is hereby given upon the condition that said Johnson and others, the said petitioners therefor, shall keep and maintain, at their own cost and expense, said bridge, in a safe and proper condition for the free use of the public, and shall remove said bridge within ten

days from the date of an order for the removal thereof by the board of aldermen; and, provided further, that said Johnson and others, the said petitioners, shall and will hold the city of Providence, its officers, agents and servants, harmless, saved and indemnified from and against all lawful claims and demands for injuries to person or property sustained by the exercise of the rights hereinbefore given, by said bridge, or by the want of repair thereof, or negligence in or carelessness in repair thereof, or in any way or manner otherwise directly or indirectly howsoever. And provided further, that said Johnson and others, the said petitioners, shall signify in writing their acceptance of the terms, permission, privileges and authority hereby granted, and agree to comply with, adopt and abide by all the provisions, conditions and restrictions upon which the same are given within thirty days after the passage hereof, and shall within that time file the said writing with the city clerk.

A resolution is read and passed designating the places for holding the ward meetings at the election to be held Tuesday, November, 22, 1881.

A communication from the inspector of milk, reporting William W. Lawrence, of Cranston, for selling milk containing added water, is presented, read and received.

The following policemen are appointed, viz.:

Thomas W. Jacobs,                      William J. Barker.

Ordered, that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz.:

George L. Wood, to build a barn on Smith street; Weston A. Fisher, to be appointed an inspector of meats.

Jurors are drawn to serve at the November term of the United States Circuit Court.

A resolution passed by the board September 1, 1881, expressing the opinion that "old curbing shall be reset on North Main street, from Randall street to Branch avenue, unless the abutting owners thereon will signify in writing to the board of

public works their willingness to pay for new curbing," is rescinded.

A resolution directing the board of public works to cause new curbing to be set on North Main street, from Randall street to Branch avenue, is indefinitely postponed.

The resolution directing the sale of certain furniture in the "mayor and aldermen's dining room at the Dexter asylum," is read and not passed.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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### CHAPTER CLXXX.

No. 410. An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance permitting the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company to lay rails in certain streets in the city of Providence."

[Approved November 7, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

SECTION 1. Permission is hereby granted to the New York and New England Railroad Company to have and exercise all the rights and privileges conferred upon the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, by an ordinance passed January 11, 1864, entitled "an ordinance permitting the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company to lay rails in certain streets in the city of Providence," and the several ordinances in amendment thereto, subject to all the obligations imposed by said ordinance and the amendments thereto, and the act of incorporation of said Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company and of said New York and New England Railroad Company.

SEC. 2. Section third of said ordinance is hereby amended, so as to read :

"Said company shall keep and maintain in good order and condition by paving, repaving and repairing, wherever and whenever necessary, of which necessity the board of public works shall be the judge, at their own cost and expense, that portion of the streets that may be occupied by their railroad and one and one-half feet outside each rail, so that said streets may be safe and convenient for travelers with their teams, carts and carriages at all times, and to the satisfaction of the board of public works ; and if, by reason of laying said rails, it shall become necessary to alter the water courses, gutters, culverts, or entrances to the culverts, such change or alteration shall be made by said company, at its own cost and expense."

"Said company shall not run any train (including the motive power) more than three hundred feet long, over the track hereby authorized to be laid."

SEC. 3. Said railroad company shall in writing accept the permission and privileges hereby granted, and agree to comply with all the provisions and conditions upon which the same are granted, and pay into the city treasury such sums of money as may be estimated by the city engineer to have been expended by the city of Providence, since January 1, 1878, in paving, repaving and repairing, that portion of Dorrance and Cove streets occupied by their railroad and one and one-half feet outside each rail, within thirty days after the passage of this ordinance ; otherwise this ordinance shall be null and void.

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No. 411. Resolution authorizing the Board of Public Works to concrete sidewalks on Camp street.

[Approved November 4, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works as surveyors of highways of the city of Providence be hereby ordered to pro-

ceed at the expense of said city, and execute the directions given by the city council to the owners of adjoining lots in and pursuant to resolution No. 299, approved August 9, 1881, relative to concreting the sidewalks on the west side of Camp street, from Olney street to Evergreen street.

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IN COMMON COUNCIL.

NOVEMBER 14, 1881.

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The report of the city engineer relative to the relief from overflow of surface water upon Ceylon, Canton, and other streets, in their immediate vicinity, is read and received.

Ordered, that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, the committee on claims having reported adversely upon said petitions, viz. :

Elizabeth A. Bowman; Maria L. Smith and George H. Page, for damages; Catharine Hornby and Catharine Hornby, minor, for injuries sustained on Printery street; Amey Ann Hutchins, administratrix, and Mary Frances Barbour, executrix, for remission, and James Randall, administrator, for repayment in part, of personal property taxes; Ann McCann, for damages to estate on Audry street.

The committee on highways having reported adversely upon the petition of James H. Mulvey et al., for lay out of Vandewater street, it is ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 412. Semi-Annual Report of the City Solicitor.

[Presented November 3, 1881.]

City document No. 18.

No. 413. Resolution relative to the death of Hon. Edward P. Knowles, ex-Mayor of the city of Providence.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That in the death of Hon. Edward P. Knowles the city of Providence has lost an exemplary citizen and a devoted public officer, whose long service as councilman, alderman, mayor and Dexter Donation commissioner, extending over a period of forty-five years, has been characterized by great sagacity, unswerving fidelity and zealous devotion to the high trusts imposed upon him by his fellow citizens; and that the integrity and high moral purpose which have adorned both his private and his public life, and the deep interest maintained by him in the furtherance of all worthy and beneficial objects will be held in grateful remembrance by us as citizens of this city with whose interests he has been so long identified.

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the family of the deceased.

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No. 414. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Bridgham street.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and ninety-two feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Bridgham street, from High street northerly.

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No. 415. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Carter street.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about

three hundred and thirty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Carter street, from Greenwich street to Bucklin street.

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No. 416. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Harvest street.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and twelve feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Harvest street, about 280 feet west from west line of River avenue.

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No. 417. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Marvin street.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about five hundred and sixty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Marvin street, from Messer street westerly.

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No. 418. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Noyes avenue.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and sixty-five feet of six-inch pipes to be laid in Noyes avenue, from Anthony avenue to Hamilton avenue.

No. 419. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Transit street.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and ninety-three feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Transit street, about two hundred and eighty feet easterly from Ives street.

No. 420. Resolution to Concrete the Sidewalks on Benevolent street.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, And it is hereby *ordered* and *directed*, that the sidewalks on Benevolent street, from Brown street to Cooke street, in the city of Providence, shall be altered and improved by concreting the same from said Brown street to said Cooke street, so that said sidewalks for their whole length as aforesaid, shall be the width as now occupied, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz. :

All material above said grades shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling whenever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalks shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further *resolved, ordered and directed*, that the notices of the foregoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given and the publication of the foregoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

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No. 421. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer for  
September, 1881.

[Presented November 14, 1881.]

City council file, November 17, 1881.

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No. 422. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer for  
October, 1881.

[Presented November 14, 1881.]

City council file, November 17, 1881.

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No. 423. Monthly Report of the City Auditor for  
October, 1881.

[Presented November 14, 1881.]

City council file, November 17, 1881.

No. 424. Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of  
the Fire Department.

[Presented November 14, 1881.]

City council file, November 17, 1881.

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No. 425. Monthly Report of the City Messenger for  
October, 1881.

[Presented November 14, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

In accordance with section 11 of chapter xxxvi, of the ordinances, the city messenger reports, that during the month of October last, the city hall and the sidewalks around the same have been kept and are now in good condition.

By resolution No. 172, current series, new desks were ordered for the mayor and aldermen, to replace the large table in the chamber of the board of aldermen. The contract for building the desks was awarded to Messrs. Morlock & Bayer, of this city, for the sum of \$935. In the construction of the desks, the plans originally designed therefor by the committee on furniture for the city hall, have been followed with slight modifications, and the work has been satisfactorily done by the contractors.

All bills outstanding at the close of the fiscal year ending September 30th, 1881, including the above contract, have been paid, amounting to \$2,276.24.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

No. 426. Resolution instructing the Joint Committee on Education to procure a plan for a Grammar School House for the Western District of the Ninth Ward.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on education be, and they are hereby instructed to procure a plan for a grammar school building for the western district of the ninth ward, and to present the same to the city council, accompanied with an estimate of the cost thereof.

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No. 427. Resolution authorizing the School Committee to expend \$250 for Mechanical Drawing in the High School.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the school committee is hereby authorized to expend two hundred and fifty dollars, for temporary teaching of mechanical drawing in the high school, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for the support of public schools.

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No. 428. Resolution to pave the private gangway at the foot of Congdon street with cobble stones. (Jenckes' Gangway.)

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be, and are hereby instructed to pave the private gangway at the foot of Congdon street with cobble stones, provided the owners of land adjoining said gangway, and the owners of said gangway, shall consent thereto.

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No. 429. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of November, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month next preceding, except in the case of two men who are entitled to pay at the rate of six hundred dollars per annum.

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No. 430. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Capron street.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and eighty-four feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Capron street, from present end of pipe, to Chaffee street.

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No. 431. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Homestead avenue.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and twenty-seven feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Homestead avenue, from Anthony avenue, to Potter's avenue.

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No. 432. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Newark street.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance

with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Newark street, from present end of pipe westerly.

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No. 433. Resolution to construct a Sewer in Holden street.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Holden street, from Beach street to Promenade street.

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No. 434. Resolution to Concrete Sidewalks on Howell street.

[Approved November 18, 1881.]

RESOLVED, And it is hereby *ordered* and *directed*, that the sidewalks on Howell street, from Camp street to East avenue, in the city of Providence, shall be altered and improved by concreting the same from said Camp street to said East avenue, so that said sidewalks for their whole length as aforesaid, shall be the width as now occupied, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz. :

All material above said grades shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling whenever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalks shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further *resolved, ordered and directed*, that the notices of the foregoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given and the publication of the foregoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

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## CHAPTER CLXXXI.

No. 435. An Ordinance permitting Providence Telephone Company to erect a line of Wires for Telephone use.

[Approved November 19, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SECTION 1. The Providence Telephone Company, duly created and organized under the laws of the State of Rhode Island, is hereby authorized to erect poles, use and maintain thereon a line of wires and appurtenances thereto, for telephone use in the city of Providence, on, upon and through the fol-

lowing streets, viz. : Fountain street, from Cove street to Dean street ; Dean street, from Fountain street to Washington street ; Washington street, from Dean street to Knight street ; Knight street, from Washington street to Carpenter street, and on Carpenter street, from Knight street to Marshall street ; provided, however, and the authority hereby given, is upon the condition and is to be exercised upon the condition, that said company shall and will erect or place its poles and wires and other appurtenances thereto, at such points on said streets as the city engineer shall indicate, and not elsewhere ; that it will adopt such changes of location thereof, from time to time, as said city engineer shall direct, and such other precautions for safety, from time to time, as said city engineer shall require ; that said poles, wires and all said appurtenances or any thereof used, put up or laid by said company in said streets, or any of them, may be removed by said city, its officers, agents, or servants, at any time and from time to time ; that it will conform to and obey such laws, rules or orders as may now exist or hereafter be prescribed, whether by act of general assembly or ordinances, orders or resolutions of the city council ; and provided further, that said company will permit said poles to be used for other wires or appurtenances thereof than its own, with the permission of the city council upon such terms as said city council may impose, notice of application for such use being given to said company before granting such permission ; and provided, also, that no wires, whether put up by said company or otherwise, shall be stretched across any street, square, lane or alley within the first building district below the tops of the buildings therein ; and provided further, that the authority given hereby may be at any time be wholly or in part revoked by said city council, without notice ; that said company shall and will hold said city, its officers, agents and servants harmless, saved and indemnified from and against all lawful claims and demands for injuries to person or property sustained by the exercise of the rights given hereinbefore, and also that

said city, city council, or city engineer, or the agents or servants of said city exercising the rights, restrictions, powers and permission respectively given and reserved herein, shall not be held, rendered or considered liable by said company on account thereof, or by reason of any injury or damages occasioned thereby; and provided further, that said company shall in writing signify its acceptance of the terms, permission, privileges and authority hereby granted, and agree to comply with, adopt, and abide by all the provisions, conditions and restrictions upon which the same are given, within thirty days after the passage hereof, and shall within that time file the said writing with the city clerk.

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## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

NOVEMBER 17, 1881.

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The weekly reports of the Dexter Asylum, monthly report of the inspector of steam boilers, and monthly report of the overseer of the poor, are severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

### MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

George W. Wightman, support of poor..... \$195 15 George W. Wightman, charity building..... 34 88 F. H. Richmond, election wrappers..... 2 31	Charles H. Thurber, coroner..... \$21 00 C. H. Leonard, coroner ... 39 00 Charles O'Leary, autopsy... 10 00 Wm. H. Palmer, coroner... 126 11
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### BRIDGE BILLS.

Irving S. Wood ..... \$19 23 Walter P. Andrews..... 83 23 Samuel L. Watson..... 3 25 Providence Pile Driving and Bridge Building Co. .... 108 00	Ira Windsor & Co..... 6 00 Charles A. Harper..... 41 67 Wm. D. Bullock..... 126 11
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Permission is granted to the following persons to build barns, viz. : John F. Bourn, at the corner of Carleton and Dover streets ; Samuel M. Gray, at No. 16 Larch street ; Samüel Hedley & Son, rear of No. 19 Martin street ; Patrick Kelley, at No. 137 Prairie avenue ; William C. Kock, at No. 14 Bowdoin street ; John Natter, at the corner of Smithfield and Batcheller avenues ; Presbrey & Myrick, at No. 97 Summer street ; Michael C. Shine, at No. 90 Gano street.

The following persons are granted permission to operate steam boilers, viz. : Henry A. Hidden, at No. 28 Middle street ; John Natter, at corner of Smithfield and Batcheller avenues ; Nicholson File Co., at No. 118 Acorn street ; Perrin & Jones, at No. 27 Manton avenue.

The superintendent of lights is directed to cause lamps to be set upon the following streets, viz. : On Langdon, Mawney, Rankin, Rice and Roanoke streets, one each ; Leah and Sherwood streets, two each ; and on Pavilion and Thurber avenues, one each.

The following resolution is read and passed :

RESOLVED, That the permission granted by resolution of October 20, 1881, to the American Gas Lighting Company, to use in the building of the Massachusetts Charitable Association, the electrical lighting apparatus belonging to the city, be hereby extended upon the terms contained in said resolution, subject however to revocation at any time by the mayor.

Upon the petition of the following persons for lamps on certain streets, it is ordered that they have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Elisha O. Angell, on Fruit Hill avenue ; A. C. Barstow *et al.*, on Olney street ; Arnold W. Brown *et al.*, on Admiral street ; Hugh Campbell *et al.*, on Hendrick street ; Neil Cannon, on Eutaw street ; Albina Rondina, on Fairview street ; Thomas Wyatt *et al.*, on Briggs and Wyatt streets.

ORDERED, That the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Robert B. Little for the construction of a sewer in Wilson and Greenwich streets; B. W. Ham *et al.*, to have the sale of intoxicating liquors prohibited on election day.

Jurors are drawn to serve at the December term, 1881, of the court of common pleas.

An order is read and passed requesting the city solicitor to give an opinion as to the right of the board of aldermen to lay out Benevolent street under chapter 59 of the general statutes.

A resolution transferring the immediate care and management of the property belonging to the city in the Brook street district, from the joint special committee on said district, to the joint standing committee on city property, having passed the common council, is read, and the board of aldermen do not concur therein.

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NOVEMBER 23, 1881.

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The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum is read and received.

The pay roll of the bridge department, amounting to \$116.50 is examined and allowed.

The following persons are granted permission to build a barn, viz. : Hugh Carroll, at No. 792 Eddy street; A. B. Corey, at No. 9 Sprague street; Arnold S. Hood, at No. 25 Penn street; George McCaffrey, on Barton court; Patrick McKenna, at No. 39 Burrington street.

Permission is granted to Simon M. Rose to operate a steam boiler at No. 17 West Friendship street.

Peter McCready, is appointed police constable without power to serve civil process.

The following are read and received, viz. :

Opinion of city solicitor relative to the right of the board of aldermen to lay out Benevolent street under chapter 59 of the general statutes;

Communication of the city engineer relative to the lines of Benevolent street.

The following are read and passed, viz. :

Order to curb the sidewalks and pave the gutters on Holden street, from Beach street to Promenade street ;

Resolution establishing the grade of Audrey street, from Bowdoin street to Delaine street ;

Resolution directing the city clerk, to publish the result of the vote upon the license question, in the newspapers employed to do the city printing.

The votes cast at the city election held on the fourth Tuesday in November, 1881, are counted in open board meeting and the clerk is directed to furnish to each of the persons declared to be duly elected, a certificate of their election.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 436. Resolution directing the Sub-Committee on Bridges to repair the Branch avenue Bridge.

[Approved November 29, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the sub-committee on bridges be hereby authorized and directed to cause the Branch avenue bridge, over the Moshassuck river, to be repaired at an expense not to exceed seven hundred dollars, to be charged to the appropriation for bridges.

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No. 437. Resolution to pay Samuel S. Sprague \$18.50 for Curbing furnished the city.

[Approved November 29, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be, and is hereby author-

ized and directed to pay Samuel S. Sprague the sum of eighteen dollars and fifty cents, the same being the amount due him for curbing furnished the city ; said payment to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

No. 438. Resolution to Concrete the Sidewalks on  
Randall street.

[Approved November 29, 1881.]

RESOLVED, And it is hereby *ordered* and *directed*, that the sidewalks on Randall street, from Charles street to North Main street, in the city of Providence, shall be altered and improved by concreting the same from said Charles street to said North Main street, so that said sidewalks for their whole length as aforesaid, shall be the width as now occupied, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz. :

All material above said grades shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling whenever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar shall be equal in all respects to that made

by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalks shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further *resolved, ordered and directed*, that the notices of the foregoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given and the publication of the foregoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

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No. 439. Resolution to lay water pipes in Brook street.

[Approved November 29, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and eighty feet of eight inch water pipes to be laid in Brook street, between Waterman and George streets, from present end of pipe southerly.

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No. 440. Monthly Report of the Finance Committee on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented November 28, 1881.]

City council file, December 1, 1881.

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No. 441. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented November 28, 1881.]

City council file, December 1, 1881.

No. 442. Report of the Joint Standing Committee on City Property, upon the Petition of the Boston & Providence and Providence & Worcester Railroad Companies, for the purchase of portions of the Cove Lands.

[Presented November 28, 1881.]

TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

The joint standing committee on city property to which, August 8, 1881, was referred the petition of the Boston and Providence and Providence and Worcester railroad companies, that the city would sell to said companies certain lands, has the honor to report that representatives of said railroad companies appeared before your committee and explained their wishes as to the land desired and the purposes for which it is proposed to use the same.

They represent that the business of said companies is suffering by reason of their limited facilities for accommodating passengers and the handling of freight, whereby great annoyance and detention is caused to shippers and receivers of goods carried over said railroads, and that their business must so suffer until relief is had by an extension of their freight yards. One of these companies, in order to increase its area, has been compelled to arrange for the removal of its shops from the city to a place inconvenient for itself and its employees, and this move will furnish but small and only temporary relief.

The committee having heard these railroads, judged it best to make no recommendation as to granting or refusing the prayer of their petition until other roads equally interested, as well as parties representing other interests in the city, should have opportunity to be heard. Accordingly the committee from time to time held meetings at which were present parties representing various important business interests, and all the railroads leading into Providence. These meetings have been largely attended by our best citizens and business men, and

the matter has been freely discussed. These discussions show a startling state of things regarding the difficulties with which many great interests are contending.

Complaints are frequently made of the higher prices which the people of Providence are compelled to pay for various commodities than are elsewhere paid. This, the committee believe, is in a great degree caused by the difficulties and delays in receiving goods. Be that as it may, these vexatious delays have now become such a burden that, unless measures are immediately taken to provide a remedy, Providence will be left far behind in the race for trade. The city is in possession of the tract of land known as the "Cove lands," purchased of the state at a cost of \$200,000. Portions of these lands are occupied by "tenants at will," and the city receives \$1,850 per annum from the parties hiring them. The "charity wood yard" and the city yard are also located on these lands, which contain about thirty-one acres. The city is also in possession of the property known as the "Cove," which with its promenade contains about  $36\frac{6.1}{100}$  acres. This land (and water) was laid out as a public park and improved at great cost; but its present situation and surroundings are such that the conclusion is forced upon the committee that its days of usefulness for that purpose have long been past, and that the present necessities of business, as well as the future growth and prosperity of the city, now cry out that "the Cove must go," unless territory as convenient and ample can be elsewhere obtained; as it is beyond a doubt that the demands of business will soon, if they do not already, require an area of land equal to that of both the "Cove" and the "Cove lands." This committee has no plan, is committed to no project, except the grand project of affording relief to all the interests which are now suffering by reason of the contracted quarters to which the freight and passenger business is confined. This relief should not be extended to one road alone, or to one road at a time. All should share in the benefits and in the expense, and should be met by a liberal policy

on the part of the city ; and it is the opinion of your committee that measures should at once be taken to open negotiations with the railroads, all of which have signified a desire to purchase portions of these lands.

The lands should be put into one grand plan or scheme, and all the city's proceedings relative to their sale should be had with the view of so arranging yards, tracks, stations and street crossings that the safety and convenience of the public, as well as the business and the roads, should be best served.

This would render necessary the removal of the city yard from its present location, which is a matter of no great difficulty, as the city is now and for many years has been in possession of a tract of land on Henderson street, extending to the harbor line, being a part of the "Hospital lands," a part of which was filled with material from the Brook street district. This land could and ought to be filled and put to use as a wharf and city yard. By so doing, the city would bring into profitable use a piece of its own property which now lies idle, and thereby save a considerable sum yearly, which it now pays as rental for wharf accommodations in the same vicinity. The committee, believing these "Cove lands" should not be disposed of by piecemeal, or pass out of the control of the city, except in pursuance of some well-defined plan for their improvement, furthering the interests of the city, recommends that immediate action be taken by the city council looking to the speedy arrangement of such a plan, either by committee of the city council or otherwise, as to it shall seem best.

The committee recommends the passage of the accompanying resolution.

For the committee,

JAMES McNALLY, Chairman.

No. 443. Resolution requesting the Mayor to appoint a Commission to appraise the lands known as the Cove and Cove Lands, with the view to a sale or exchange thereof, for Railroad purposes.

[Approved December 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That his honor the mayor is hereby requested to appoint a commission to consist of five disinterested persons, which commission, or a majority thereof, shall have power to appraise the lands belonging to the city known as the "Cove" and "Cove lands," to fix the price thereof, and to negotiate the sale or exchange of the whole or any part of said lands with the several railroad companies desiring to purchase the same: and any contract made by virtue of this resolution shall be subject to the approval of the city council.

No. 444. Report of the Joint Standing Committee on Railroads, relative to Railroad Crossings and Changes in the location of the Railroads.

[Presented November 28, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The joint standing committee on railroads, to whom was referred, May 2d, 1881, a resolution for the appointment of a "commission for abolishing railroad grade crossings and for making such changes in the location of railroads as they may deem advisable," respectfully report that at the time said resolution was referred to them they were acting under a joint resolution approved May 22d, 1880, which is as follows :

"RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on railroads be and they are hereby instructed to confer with the several railroad corporations relative to better and increased accommo-

dations for passengers and freight at their several depots in this city; and further, to examine and report upon all matters relating to the terminal facilities of the several railroads leading into this city."

That pursuant to the last named resolution, the committee had conferred with the officers of the several railroad corporations interested in obtaining better and increased accommodations for passengers and freight, and at the time of the passage of the first-named resolution by the board of aldermen, the condition of affairs was about as follows: The Providence and Worcester railroad were about to commence a plan which they thought would soon be completed; the Boston and Providence railroad were waiting for the plans to be made by the Providence and Worcester railroad (these two roads owning the present passenger station); the New York and New England railroad was not prepared to state what they wanted or to make any proposition in regard to the matter until suits which were then pending were decided. The New York, Boston and Providence railroad (or Stonington railroad) had prepared no plans, but were desirous and willing to do anything that was fair to obtain additional facilities, the last two roads being tenants of the Boston and Providence railroad, in the passenger station. Under these circumstances, the committee did not deem it expedient to recommend an immediate concurrence with the resolution of the board of aldermen, being of the opinion that the public would be better served by allowing the railroad companies to prepare their plans and present them to the city council, with some definite proposal of what they desired. The committee also felt that with such a plan before it the city council would be better prepared to act upon the whole question included in both resolutions.

The committee, after a full consideration of the resolution from the board of aldermen, decided that if the plan of the board was to be adopted, a new resolution should be prepared containing fewer conditions and instructions than the one now

pending. As no plan has thus far been presented by either of the railroad companies which would meet the approval of all, and no proposition for better passenger and freight accommodations to which all would agree, the committee feel that the time has arrived when some definite action should be taken by the city council in regard to the matter, for the reason that the citizens of Providence, the railroad companies and the people generally are awake to the great and important necessity of increased railroad facilities, and also to the immediate necessity of giving the parties occupying the valley of the Woonasquacket and the northern portion of the city proper means of access to the centre of the city.

The committee therefore report herewith a resolution as a substitute for the one from the board of aldermen, which they recommend be adopted, and the non-concurrence of the common council with the resolution passed by the board of aldermen.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

For the committee,

JAMES H. TOWER, Chairman.

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No. 445. Resolution to appoint a Commission of five, to report Plans for the Increase of Railroad Accommodations.

[Approved December 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That his honor the mayor appoint a commission, consisting of five persons, who shall report to the city council, on or before the 1st day of April, A. D. 1882, a plan or plans for the increase of railroad terminal facilities for both freight and passengers, and such new streets as may be necessary in consequence of the adoption of their proposed plan or plans. Said commissioners shall have authority to employ a secretary and such assistance of engineers or otherwise as may be deemed necessary to the proper performance of their duty.

No. 446. Report of the Joint Special Committee to procure portrait of Hon. William S. Hayward, Mayor.

[Presented November 28, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

Your committee, appointed January 31, 1881, to wait upon His Honor Mayor Hayward and request him to sit for his portrait for the city, respectfully report :

That they have attended to the duty assigned them, and have caused the portrait to be properly framed, and placed in the chamber of the common council.

Your committee take this opportunity to express their high appreciation of the work of the artist, Mrs. Etta Belcher, who has not only been successful in producing a life-like portrait of His Honor the Mayor, but has also given to the city a picture which does, in the estimation of the committee, take high rank as a work of art.

For the committee,

J. H. TOWER, Chairman.

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CHAPTER CLXXXII.

No. 447. An Ordinance in Amendment of and in addition to Chapter 125 of the Ordinances entitled, "An Ordinance fixing the salaries of the officers of the city of Providence, from and after the first Monday in January, 1879," fixing the salary of the City Clerk.

[Approved December 2, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

SECTION 1. The salary to be paid to the city officer herein-

after named from and after the first Monday in January, 1882, shall be at the following rate per annum, payable monthly :

To the city clerk, twenty-five hundred dollars.

The city clerk is hereby authorized to employ one assistant, to be nominated by said officer and confirmed by the mayor at a cost of not over nine hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. So much of chapter cxxv. as is inconsistent herewith, is hereby repealed.

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No. 448. Resolution authorizing the Joint Special Committee on the Brook Street District to set apart land for a yard to be used by the Board of Public Works.

[Approved December 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the joint standing committee on the Brook Street District be and hereby are authorized to assign and set apart any land in said district for a yard to be used by the board of public works for storing material, and other purposes ; or if in the opinion of the committee, a more suitable location can be procured on favorable terms, said committee are authorized to exchange any land in said district, for other land better adapted to the wants of the city.

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No. 449. Resolution accepting gift of Freeborn Johnson, to the North Burial Ground Fund.

[Approved December 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the gift of Freeborn Johnson, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of

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said Johnson in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Freeborn Johnson fund.

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No. 450. Resolution accepting gift of John N. Shay, to the North Burial Ground Fund.

[Approved December 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the gift of John N. Shay, of the sum of one hundred dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Shay in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the John N. Shay fund.

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No. 451. Resolution to pay Patrick Farley for injuries received, while in the employ of the city.

[Approved December 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be hereby authorized in its discretion to pay Patrick Farley, who has been injured by having a leg broken while in the employ of the city, regular daily compensation, during the time he shall be unable to labor in consequence of said injury.

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No. 452. Resolution granting permission to Owen Gattlin to raise a building.

[Approved December 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Owen Gattlin to raise a certain building located at No. 24 Hannah street, pursuant to his petition.

No. 453. Resolution granting permission to Edson S. Jones to raise a building.

[Approved December 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Edson S. Jones, to raise a certain building located at No. 54 Randall street, pursuant to his petition.

No. 454. Resolution granting permission to Celia A. Taylor, to raise a building.

[Approved December 2, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Celia A. Taylor, to raise a certain building located on Salem street, near Dahlia street, pursuant to her petition.

## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

NOVEMBER 28, 1881.

The committee on claims, having reported adversely upon the following petitions, it is ordered that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Benjamin Greene, for damages to water pipes connected with his estate ; L. M. Walling, administrator, for remission of personal property tax.

The committee on highways, having reported adversely upon the following petitions, it is ordered that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

John Butler for the lay-out of Barstow street ; Henry W. Dean for concreting sidewalks on Lippitt street ; H. W. Hopkins for the lay-out of Evergreen street ; John Kane for the

receiving of Miner street ; R. S. Rouse for the lay-out of Filmore street ; T. J. Sullivan for the lay-out of George street.

The committee on water, having reported adversely upon the following petitions, it is ordered that the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Stephen B. Briggs, *et al.*, for additional water pipes in certain streets ; Robert Pettis, *et al.*, for a watering trough at the junction of Smith, Hardenburgh and Bath streets.

The following are indefinitely postponed :

Resolution to lay out Asia street, from Knight street to Vinton street.

Resolution to lay water pipes on Manton avenue.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

DECEMBER 1, 1881.

The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum is read and received.

The following accounts are examined and allowed, viz. :

### BRIDGE DEPARTMENT BILLS.

W. P. Knickerbocker & Co.	\$7 32	Allen Fire Department Sup-	
S. S. Sprague & Co.....	47 30	ply Co.....	\$9 03
Peleg C. Sandford.....	30 00	Belcher Brothers.....	14 17
Hopkins, Pomroy & Co.....	19 80	Dexter Gorton & Co.....	33 00
Stephen P. Henry.....	12 86	Pay roll, Point st. bridge..	277 50
James A. Potter & Co.....	108 54	Labor pay roll.....	231 83
J. L. Pierce & Co.....	61 83		

### POLICE DEPARTMENT BILLS.

James J. Monally .....	\$48 00	Angell & Barney.....	\$124 64
Samuel O. Aborn.....	33 08	Edward Burr & Co .....	45 70
William Rowley .....	125 00	Benj. H. Child.....	94 85
Frank Richards .....	35 50	Janitors' pay roll.....	272 00
Billings Brothers.....	30 50	Pay roll.....	13,557 41

## MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Edwin E. Calder, inspector of milk.....	\$50 00	F. C. Clark, post mortem..	\$25 00
A. E. Field & Son, health department.....	550 00	Dennis Conham, recovering dead body.....	5 00
Pay roll of lamp department.....	2,517 55	George S. Knutton, rent of 6th ward room.....	75 00
Labor pay roll, lamp dept..	101 50	Marshall Woods, rent of 2d ward room.....	60 00
L. H. Humphreys, dinners.	28 50	Horace G. Peck, firing national salute.....	38 00
Wm. H. Palmer, acting surgeon.....	81 00		

George H. Simms is appointed a police constable, without power to serve civil process.

Licenses are granted as follows, viz. :

To Raymond W. Talbot, to buy and sell junk, and second-hand articles, on Babcock street; to John S. Kingston, to keep an oyster house at No. 122 South Water street; to Frank Gorman, to keep a victualling house at No. 235 South Main street; to Anson A. Snow, to keep a victualling house at No. 507 Mathewson street; and to Henry T. McDonald to keep one pool table at No. 11 Orange street.

Permission is granted to the following persons to build barns, viz. :

Henry P. Clough, at the corner of Myrtle and Clough streets; Joseph G. Gough, at the corner of Branch avenue and Chatham street; R. I. Wood, at No. 69 Laura street.

A new election is ordered to be held in the ninth ward, on Wednesday, December 14, 1881, for the purpose of electing one common councilman to represent said ward in the common council, in place of C. Henry Barney, who refuses to accept said office.

The report of the city clerk, relative to the acceptance of the terms of the permission granted to William A. Johnson *et al.*, to construct a foot bridge over the Woonasquatucket river, is read and received.

ORDERED, That the following petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

John L. James, for the receiving of Alma and Pekin streets ; Chloe B. Rickard *et al.*, relative to the sewer constructed through their land on North Main street.

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IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 455. Resolution authorizing the Board of Public Works to build a shed in the City Yard.

[Passed in Board of Aldermen, November 3, 1881. Passed in Common Council, November 14, 1881. Became a law upon the adjournment of the Board of Aldermen, December 1, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That authority be and is hereby given to the board of public works, to erect a building at the city yard, "Cove Lands," in which to store the road roller.

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No. 456. Communication of the City Clerk, relative to the acceptance of the terms of Chapter 181 of the Ordinances, by the Providence Telephone Company.

[Presented December 1, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The Providence Telephone Co., who were granted permission by chapter 181 of the ordinances, to erect a line of wires for telephone use, in certain streets of the city of Providence, have signified in writing their acceptance of the terms, permission, privileges and authority granted by said ordinance, and have agreed to comply with, adopt and abide by all the permis-

sions, conditions and restrictions upon which the same were given, by filing the said writing in the office of the city clerk on the 29th day of November, A. D., 1881.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY V. A. JOSLIN, City Clerk.

Providence, Dec. 1, 1881.

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## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

DECEMBER 12, 1881.

The committee on claims having reported adversely upon the following petitions, it is ordered that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. : John L. Barber, for compensation for damages to estate in Brownell street ; William Mulholland, for fulfilment of agreement.

The committee on highways having reported adversely upon the following petition, it is ordered that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, viz. : Patrick Eagan *et al.*, for the lay-out of Tefft street.

A resolution to lay out Amy street as a public highway, is indefinitely postponed, the committee on highways having reported adversely thereon.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

### CHAPTER CLXXXIII.

No. 457. An Ordinance in amendment of Chapter XLVI of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled Railroads, and fixing the amount to be paid by the Union Railroad Co. for use of streets.

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:*

SECTION 1. Chapter xlvi of the ordinances of the city of

Providence, is hereby altered and amended by adding thereto the following :

Instead of the sum of twenty-seven hundred dollars per annum now paid by the Union Railroad Company, for the privilege of laying rails in the streets of said city, etc., said company shall hereafter pay into the city treasury of the city of Providence the sum of eight thousand dollars per annum, in equal quarterly payments on the first days of April, July, October and January.

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No. 458. Resolution to construct storm doors at the Federal street Grammar School.

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, be and he is hereby authorized to construct storm doors at the Federal street grammar school, the cost thereof not to exceed the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, and to be paid for from the appropriation for public buildings.

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No. 459. Monthly Report of the City Auditor for November.

[Presented December 12, 1881.]

City Council file, December 15, 1881.

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No. 460. Monthly report of the City Treasurer for November.

[Presented December 12, 1881.]

City council file, December 15, 1881.

No. 461. Monthly report of the City Messenger for  
November, 1881.

[Presented December 12, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
PROVIDENCE :

In accordance with section 11 of chapter xxxvi of the ordinances, the city messenger reports, that during the month of November last, the city hall and the sidewalks around the same have been kept and are now in good condition. For the proper preservation of the iron work on the roof of the city hall, it has been necessary to have the same painted, the cost thereof being \$327.05.

Bills have been paid during the month, including the above, amounting to \$1,223.70.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. RHODES, City Messenger.

No. 462. Monthly report of the Chief Engineer of  
the Fire Department.

[Presented December 12, 1881.]

City council file, December 15, 1881.

No. 463. Message of the Mayor announcing appointment of a Commission upon the improvement of Railroad Terminal Facilities under Resolutions 443 and 445 current series.

[Presented December 12, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, }  
December 12, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

In accordance with resolutions Nos. 443 and 445 of the city

council, approved on the 2d inst., authorizing the mayor to appoint commissions, consisting of five persons each, "to appraise the lands known as the 'cove' and 'cove lands,' with the view of a sale or exchange thereof for railroad purposes," and "to report plans for the increase of railroad accommodations," I have appointed Col. William Goddard, Robert Knight, Esq., Samuel S. Sprague, Esq., Harvey E. Wellman, Esq., and Col. Charles Warren Lippitt, to serve as such commissioners, under each of said resolutions, and have received from these gentlemen their acceptance of the same.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, Mayor.

No. 464. Report of the Joint Special Committee, "to examine and report upon the expediency of building a Bridge across the Seekonk river."

[Presented December 12, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

Your committee appointed under resolution No. 87, series of 1880, which provides "that Messrs. C. Anthony, Morris and Phillips, of the common council, with aldermen Greene, Carpenter and Briggs, are hereby constituted a joint special committee to examine into and report to the city council, whether it is expedient for the city of Providence, either by itself, or in connection with other parties, to take measures towards building a bridge across the Seekonk river, from Front street, in the city of Providence, to the foot of Warren avenue, in East Providence, with the view of the discontinuance of the Washington bridge," report, that immediately after their organization, they held several meetings, at which parties interested were invited to be present and make such suggestions as they deemed proper in relation to the matter of a bridge across Seekonk river. While the committee were engaged in their investigations, the

following resolution was passed by the general assembly, March 17th, 1880, viz. :

"RESOLVED, The house of representatives concurring therein, that a commission consisting of three persons, shall be appointed by His Excellency the Governor, to make a thorough examination of the obstructions to the tidal flow and navigation which exist near India bridge, in Providence, and in the Seekonk river, between Providence and Pawtucket, and report the result of their investigation to the general assembly at the next May session thereof, together with such suggestions and recommendations concerning the removal of said obstructions, and the improvement of navigation in said river as to them shall seem fit and proper."

The commissioners, appointed by the governor, made their final report to the January session, 1881, which report was referred to a joint select committee of the general assembly.

The joint committee after due consideration reported at the May session, 1881, in which report they say: "Your committee do not recommend the plan submitted by the commission," but recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution, viz. :

RESOLVED, That the joint select committee on the report of the Seekonk River Commission be, and they hereby are continued with instructions to prepare and report a plan for a bridge across the Seekonk river, starting from a point at or near the foot of Front street, in the city of Providence, and terminating at, or near the foot of Warren avenue in East Providence. And for this purpose said committee may employ such engineering skill, and such other assistance as they may deem necessary, at the expense of the state. Said committee shall also report a plan for the equitable assessment of the cost of said bridge. They shall make their report at the next January session.

The joint select committee of the general assembly having been continued, in accordance with their recommendation, still

have the matter under consideration, and will probably report at the next session of the assembly.

Your committee have considered the matter sufficient to warrant the conclusion that it is "expedient for the city of Providence, either by itself, or in connection with other parties, to take measures towards building a bridge across the Seekonk river, from Front street, in the city of Providence, to the foot of Warren avenue in East Providence, with the view of the discontinuance of the Washington bridge," but did not deem it necessary to proceed any further with their inquiries, at present, but to await the final action of the committee of the general assembly.

For the committee,

CHARLES ANTHONY, Chairman.

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No. 465. Report of the Joint Committee on Railroads, upon Resolution relative to reduction of fares upon the Union Railroad Company's lines.

[Presented December 12, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL :

The joint standing committee on railroads, to whom was referred a resolution relative to the reduction of fares on the lines of the Union Railroad Company, respectfully report :

That they find upon examination of the different charters, that the city council has no power to regulate the rates of fare over the different roads, but that the ordinance relative to the Providence, Pawtucket and Central Falls road, and also the Providence and Cranston line, contains a provision making it within the province of the council to act relative to the reduction of fares.

Inasmuch as action has been taken by the city council increasing the tax of the Union Railroad Company from twenty-seven hundred dollars to eight thousand dollars, and as it would

not be policy to reduce the fares upon the Providence, Pawtucket and Central Falls road, or upon the Providence and Cranston road, without the same reduction upon the other lines, your committee herewith return said resolution, recommending that no action be taken thereon.

For the committee,

J. H. TOWER, Chairman.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

DECEMBER 15, 1881.

The monthly report of the inspector of steam boilers, monthly report of the overseer of poor, quarterly report of the city clerk, and quarterly report of the superintendent of hacks, are severally read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

George W. Wightman, support of the poor.....	\$405 65	E. T. Burbank, street signs.	\$15 30
Geo. W. Wightman, charity building.....	291 03	Pay roll, bridge dep't.....	122 15
		L. W. Palmer, M. D., coroner.....	25 00

John McWilliams, having received the largest number of ballots cast for common councilman from the ninth ward, in place of C. Henry Barney, elected on the fourth Tuesday of November 1881, and who refused to accept said office, is declared to be duly elected, and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a certificate of his election.

Permission is granted to Ives Post No 13, G. A. R., to give a masquerade ball, at Infantry Armory hall, on Dorrance street, January 26, 1881.

Licenses are severally granted to the following persons to keep victualling houses, viz. :

John A. Dow, at No. 306 South Main street; William R. Drake, at No. 21½ Washington street; John Guguen, at No. 102 South Water street.

Daniel Sullivan is granted permission to operate a steam boiler at No. 223 Eddy street.

Permission is granted to the following persons to build barns, viz. :

Albert Briggs, at No. 36 Doyle avenue; Nicholas Molter, on Potter street; Ambrose Nichols, at No 813 Eddy street.

The following resolutions are read and passed :

RESOLVED, That the superintendent of the Dexter Asylum is hereby authorized to appropriate the room in the Dexter Asylum building, formerly occupied for quarterly dinners to the mayor and board of aldermen and other city officers and invited guests, to some legitimate use, connected with and contributing to the accommodation, benefit, comfort and support of the poor of the city, agreeably to the provisions of the will of Ebenezer K. Dexter.

RESOLVED, That the committee on police of this board be hereby directed to examine and approve all bills certified to by the chief of police for current expenses and for compensation of the police force, before the same are presented to the board of aldermen for allowance.

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to the American Gas Lighting Company to use the electrical lighting apparatus, belonging to the city of Providence, at No. 21 Exchange place, Boston, Mass., upon the terms contained in resolutions of this board passed respectively on October 20, and November 17, 1881.

RESOLVED, That the mayor be authorized to pay the rent of armories for the year 1881, amounting to \$1,100, when he shall receive the money therefor from the State of Rhode Island.

The superintendent of lights is directed to cause lamps to be set upon the following streets, viz. : On Catham, Erin, and

Walker streets, one lamp each ; Crescent street two lamps, and Pontiac street three lamps.

The following orders are read and passed :

ORDERED, That Dr. Edwin M. Snow be hereby appointed to take the school census and militia census, and that the matter of compensation therefor be referred to aldermen Sampson, Greene and Metcalf.

ORDERED, That the sidewalks be curbed and the gutters paved on Audrey street, from Bowdoin street to Delaine street.

ORDERED, That the sidewalks be curbed and the gutters paved on the west side of East River street, about two hundred ten feet from Waterman street, and on the north side of Waterman street about one hundred and twenty feet from East River street.

ORDERED, That the sidewalks be curbed, and the gutters paved on Hospital street, from Borden street to Lockwood street.

The report of the committee to lay out Benevolent street, from Benefit street to Governor street, is approved, received, and ordered to be recorded. The board appraise the damage to the First Congregational Society at the sum of two thousand dollars.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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### CHAPTER CLXXXIV.

No. 466. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor or City Treasurer to subscribe the name of the City in certain proceedings at law or in equity.

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

*It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows :*

SECTION 1. Whenever the name of the city of Providence is

to be or shall be required to be subscribed to or used in any proceeding or process at law or in equity or to any account or statement to be given by said city, the mayor or treasurer of said city may so subscribe or use the name of said city, and in any such case where an oath may be required, said mayor or treasurer, may make oath for and in behalf of said city to such proceeding, process, account or statement.

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No. 467. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Beacon and Pearl streets.

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and forty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Beacon street, from Lockwood to Pearl street; and in Pearl street, about one hundred and fifty feet southeasterly.

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No. 468. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Calder street.

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and fifty-three feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Calder street, from Potter's avenue southerly.

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No. 469. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Charles street.

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance

with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and forty feet of eight-inch water pipes to be laid in Charles street, from present end of pipe northerly.

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No. 470. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Clinton street.

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and forty-four feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Clinton street, from present end of pipe to Gay street.

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No. 471. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Kepler street.

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and fifty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Kepler street, from Academy avenue easterly.

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No. 472. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in West street.

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about eighty-six feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in West street, from Belknap street easterly.

## No. 473. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the permanent members of the fire department for services rendered during the month of December, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the month next preceding, except in the case of three of said members who are entitled to advanced rates.

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## No. 474. Resolution to pay the Firemen.

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be authorized to pay the call members of the fire department, for services rendered during the quarter ending December 31st, 1881, at a rate to be fixed by the board of engineers, not exceeding the rate paid for the quarter next preceding.

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No. 475. Communication of City Clerk relative to the Acceptance of the terms of Chapter 180 of the Ordinances, by the New York and New England Railroad Company.

[Presented December 15, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE :

The New York and New England Railroad Company, who were granted permission by chapter 180 of the ordinances to have and exercise the rights and privileges conferred upon the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company to lay rails in certain streets in the city of Providence, upon certain conditions therein expressed, have signified in writing their

acceptance of the terms, permission, privilege and authority granted by said ordinance and have agreed to comply with all the provisions and conditions upon which the same are granted, and have paid into the city treasury the amount estimated to have been expended by the city upon Dorrance and Cove streets, as required by said chapter 180. Said acceptance was received on file in the office of the city clerk, November 29, 1881.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY V. A. JOSLIN, City Clerk.

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No. 476. Resolution authorizing the City Treasurer to purchase lots Nos. 12 and 88 on Pine avenue, in North Burial Ground.

[Approved December 23, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to purchase of the owners, lot No. 12, group No. 7, Pine avenue in North Burial Ground, for a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, and lot No. 88 Pine avenue in said ground, for a sum not exceeding thirty dollars and eighty-five cents, and charge the same to reserve fund.

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## IN COMMON COUNCIL.

DECEMBER 19, 1881.

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The report of the joint committee on finance, relative to the salary of the city auditor, is received, and the committee is discharged from the further consideration of the matter.

The joint committee on claims having reported adversely upon the petition of John Wilson Smith, for compensation for land

taken, etc., it is ordered that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The following resolutions are read and passed :

RESOLVED, unanimously, That the common council hereby tender their sincere thanks to John Carter Brown Woods, Esq., for the fair and dignified manner in which he has at all times presided over the meetings of this body during the municipal year 1881.

RESOLVED, unanimously, That the thanks of the common council are hereby tendered to the Hon. Joshua M. Addeman, their clerk, for the able and satisfactory manner in which he has performed his duties during the past year.

RESOLVED, That all business now pending before the common council, and unfinished, be continued to the common council which is to meet on the first Monday in January, next.

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## IN CITY COUNCIL.

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No. 477. Monthly Report of the Finance Committee on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented December 19, 1881.]

City council file, December 22, 1881.

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No. 478. Monthly Report of the City Treasurer on the issue of Registered Bonds.

[Presented December 19, 1881.]

City council file, December 22, 1881.

No. 479. Report of the Joint Committee on City Property upon purchase of land for a Grammar School location in the western district of the Ninth Ward. (Vineyard street.)

[Presented December 19, 1881.]

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL:—

The joint standing committee on city property, who, by resolution approved October 1, 1881, were directed to purchase a lot for a grammar school location, on Vineyard street, near Potter's avenue, would respectfully report :

That, in accordance with the terms of said resolution, they have purchased of the Union Savings Bank a lot of land containing 15,195 square feet, for the sum of five thousand dollars ; of Stephen Colins, 9,924 square feet, for twenty-two hundred dollars ; and of Mrs. Harriet N. Guile 2,488 square feet, for twelve hundred and forty-four dollars ; making a total of 27,607 square feet of land and costing eighty-four hundred and forty-four dollars.

Your committee would further report that the titles to these estates are satisfactory to the city solicitor, his certificate to this effect accompanying the deeds.

For the committee,

JAMES McNALLY, Chairman.

No. 480. Resolution to pay judgment of Paul Holliday and wife, against John P. Howes, police constable.

[Approved December 23, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay the amount of the judgment obtained against John P. Howes, police constable, by Paul Holliday and wife, at the October term, A. D. 1881, of the supreme court, said judgment amounting to forty dollars ; the same to be charged to the appropriation for police.

No. 481 Resolution appointing a Joint Special Committee to examine and report as to the safety of Public Buildings, etc.

[Approved December 23, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the mayor, president of the common council, and Messrs. Brown, Marcy and Claffin, of the common council, with Aldermen Carpenter and Briggs, be and are hereby appointed a special committee to examine and report whether in their opinion all buildings, theatres and halls in the city of Providence used for public gatherings are of sufficient strength and are so constructed as to ensure safety at all times, and whether such buildings and halls are properly supplied with means of preventing and extinguishing fires, ample means of egress and ventilation; and also to examine and report what legislation is necessary to ensure against fire or other accident in hoistways and elevators now in use or to be used in the city of Providence.

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No. 482. Resolution granting permission to John Benningham to raise a building.

[Approved December 23, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to John Benningham, to raise a certain building located at No. 6 Julian street, pursuant to his petition.

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No. 483. Resolution granting permission to William H. Shepard, to raise a building.

[Approved December 23, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That permission be granted to William H. Shepard, to raise a certain building located at No. 69 Somerset street, pursuant to his petition.

No. 484. Resolution to lay Water Pipes in Waterman, Mill and Laban streets, (Johnston).

[Approved December 17, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three thousand three hundred and forty-four feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Waterman street, from a point 100 feet east of Oliver street to Mill street, and in Mill street to Plainfield street, also in Laban street, from Oliver street to Mill street, and in Mill street to Waterman street, Johnston.

## IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

DECEMBER 22, 1881.

The weekly report of the Dexter Asylum is read and received.

The following accounts are severally examined and allowed, viz. :

Samuel M. Gray, streets,	\$185 00	Henry C. Bradford, streets.	\$72 00
Jonathan G. Parkhurst, "	134 00	S. A. Cooke, streets.....	228 00

Edward I. Drowne is elected an auctioneer.

Licenses are granted as follows :

To George A. Macomber, to keep a tavern at No. 50 Union street; to Theodore Williams, to buy and sell junk and second hand articles at the corner of Babcock and Fisk streets.

Permission is granted to John Hebden to raise and otherwise alter a barn on Pemberton street.

W. J. Peirce is granted permission to build a barn on Seymour street.

The street committee having reported adversely upon the petition of George Bridge for the lay-out of Durfee street, it is ordered that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The committee on highways having reported adversely upon the petitions of the following persons, it is ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Wm. M. Bailey, *et al.*, for the relay of a portion of Eaton street; Charles S. Bradley to have Elmhurst street received; Michael Kelly to have Capron street received; Michael Madden in relation to damages to his estate on Danforth street; Thomas McGuire for prevention of overflow of surface water on his estate on Smithfield avenue.

The committee on claims having reported adversely upon the petitions of the following persons, it is ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw, viz. :

Sally P. Kent, for damages to her estate on Burnett street; Henry C. Clark, relative to sewer assessments on his property on Dorrance street dock.

The committee on finance having reported adversely upon the petition of W. John Tilly and 160 others relative to the removal of swill and all kinds of house offal, it is ordered that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Upon the petition of Michael Doherty for a hack license, it is ordered that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The following matters are indefinitely postponed, viz. :

Resolution directing the sale of a lot of land at the corner of Brook and Pike streets in the Brook street district.

Report of the city engineer upon a plan for a refuge in Exchange place.

An ordinance regulating the keeping of hens or other fowl within the limits of the city of Providence.

Report of the committee on ordinances upon the matter of a change in the laws relative to licenses.

Resolution directing the joint committee on the fire department to report an ordinance fixing the salaries of firemen.

Report of the street committee upon a proposed amendment to the law for laying out streets.

Resolution appointing a joint special committee to consider a certain communication of the New York and New England Railroad Company.

Petition of E. G. Taylor, *et al.*, relative to the hawking of papers on the streets on the Sabbath.

An ordinance fixing the amount to be paid by the Union Railroad Co., for use of streets, at one and one-half per cent. on their gross receipts.

Resolution to increase the number of patrolmen in the police department.

Petition of Robert Jencks, to build a barn at No. 283 Friendship street.

The following resolutions are read and passed :

RESOLVED, That the rule relating to invitations to the quarterly meetings at the Dexter Asylum, passed May 12, 1870, be hereby amended so as to provide that hereafter, "each member of the board and His Honor the Mayor may invite not exceeding five persons, male or female, to attend such meeting."

RESOLVED, That the overseer of the poor be hereby authorized and directed to bind to the Providence Children's Friend Society, Hattie, Joseph and Fannie Green, and Charles Moran, they having no legal settlement, and being liable to become chargeable to the city.

RESOLVED, That the grade of Holden street, from Brownell street to Smith street, be hereby established as the grade of said street, as delineated upon a plan and profile, this day presented to the board of aldermen and recommended by the city engineer.

RESOLVED, That the board of public works be, and they are hereby directed to cause gutters to be built and sidewalks curbed on Holden street, from Brownell street to West Park street; the curbing to be paid for by William T. Nicholson.

RESOLVED, unanimously, That the thanks of the board of aldermen are due and are hereby tendered to Hon. William S. Hayward, mayor of the city of Providence, for the dignified, able and courteous manner in which he has presided at the sessions of this board during the past year.

RESOLVED, unanimously, That the thanks of the board of aldermen are due and are hereby tendered to Robert E. Smith, Esq., president of this board, for the dignified, courteous and impartial manner in which he has presided during the past year when called to the chair by the absence of the mayor.

RESOLVED, further, That in severing his connection and retiring from the board of which he has been a valued and efficient member since 1878, the present members recognize his merit and assure him of their best wishes for his future welfare and success.

RESOLVED, unanimously, That the thanks of the board of aldermen are hereby tendered to Henry V. A. Joslin, Esq., city clerk, for the faithful and efficient manner in which he has performed the duties as clerk of this board during the past year.

WHEREAS, Edward S. Rhodes during a service of twenty years as city sergeant and city messenger, has shown an unvarying courtesy and the strictest fidelity, in the discharge of the various duties of his office,

RESOLVED, unanimously, That this board recognizes the faithful attention which has ever been exhibited by him, and that the thanks of the board of aldermen are hereby tendered to him for the prompt and courteous manner in which he has performed his duties during the past year.

RESOLVED, That all unfinished business now pending before this board, be referred to the next board of aldermen.